

May 23rd, 2016

Dear Potential Debutante,

On behalf of the Polish Union of USA, I am inviting you to participate in our Fraternals ***Thirty-eight Annual Debutante Ball*** to be held at the Best Western Genetti Hotel, Wilkes-Barre, PA on **Saturday, October 15th**. This special tradition dating back to 1748, is held in your honor, to present you into society. Any female between the ages of 15-19 years old qualifies to become a Debutante. Polish Union applicants must be a current member. New applicants must have a policy by August 1st of the current year, and paid by September 1st to participate. Please remember that non-members are welcome to participate as well, with a \$75 fee. However, non-members will NOT be eligible for the Marion Vrabel Scholarship.

The only commitment expected of all Debutantes is to attend a **dance rehearsal**, at which time you will learn the traditional Polonaise Waltz. There will be no cost to you for the dance rehearsal. The time and location are listed below:



Location: Vince Brust Dance Studio, 600 Dunmore St, Throop, PA 18512
Date: Tuesday, October 11th, 7pm

Please understand that the tickets for yourself and your escort to attend the Ball will be complimentary. However, escorts will be responsible for a \$25 tuxedo rental for the evening's attire. Debutantes are responsible for locating their own Escort for the evening. In the event you cannot locate an Escort yourself, please let us know and we can provide one for you.

As a debutante, and member of the Polish Union, you will also have the opportunity to receive a \$1000 Scholarship Grant, compliments of the daughters of the late Marion Vrabel. In order to be eligible for the scholarship you are required to write a 500 word essay. You can submit your essay to Elaine Larronde at ELarronde@aol.com. The essay winner will be announced live at the Debutante Ball! Essays must be submitted on or before **September 1st, 2016**. This year's essay question is as follows:

*In your opinion, what is the greatest challenge that your generation will face?
What ideas do you have for dealing with this issue?*



If you are interested in being part of this tradition, please complete the enclosed application and forward it along with two recent photos of yourself to: **Polish Union of USA, 53-59 N. Main Street, PO Box 660, Wilkes-Barre, PA, 18703** by **August 1st, 2016**.

If you have any other questions regarding this beautiful social event, or you would like to see a video of a previous Ball, please feel free to contact the home office at (570) 823-1611 or email myself at Casper3819@aol.com.

Thank you in advance for your interest. I know it will be an evening you will always remember.



Sincerely,

Mrs. Emily A. Stefanac

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2016 Chair of the Debutante Ball,
Chair of the Young Adult Committee,
1997 Debutante & 1998 Miss Polish Union

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38th ANNUAL DEBUTANTE APPLICATION

(Polish Union member applicants must have YOUR OWN life insurance certificate with Polish Union and be between the ages of 15 and 19 years old. New members MUST HAVE A CERTIFICATE BY August 1, 2016 and the first payment in by September 1, 2016 to participate. Non-members must submit a \$75 check made payable to the *Polish Union of USA*.)

Name _____ Phone _____

Social Security # _____ E-Mail _____

Age _____ Date of Birth _____ Certificate(s) # _____ Group # _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Father's Name _____ Mother's Name _____

Father's Address _____

Mother's Address _____

Number of Brother's _____ Number of Sister's _____

Applicants Education:

Present Grade Level: _____ Current School Attending: _____

School Attended (if in college or transferred schools): _____

Main Course of Study: _____

Educational Honors: (honor-roll, honor society, etc.) _____

List any other honors or prizes awarded to you, if any: _____

List any extra curricular activities you are involved with in school and/or outside of school.
(example: school clubs, social events, sports, church, etc)

List any hobbies or interests you have:

Brief summary of your Ethnic Heritage:

Your goal(s) in life or the vocation you expect to pursue:

List any other items not covered by above questions you wish noted:

Name, address & phone # of your escort:

Return application by August 1st, 2016 to:

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Signature

Date

**VERY IMPORTANT: PLEASE SUBMIT
TWO (2) PHOTOGRAPHS IN COLOR (Preferably one 4 x 6 and one 8 x 10)
OF YOURSELF FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES**