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30th Annual Debutante Ball

Remembering 30 Moments Like This

Saturday, November 1st, 2008

**Best Western Genetti Hotel,
Wilkes-Barre, PA**

Chairperson, Emily Huber

Presenter of Debutantes is Angela Paganucci

Presentation of Debutantes at 5:30pm

Dinner to follow

Dancing and Refreshments from 7 to 11pm

Entertainment provided by **Velvet Soul**



\$30 for Adults and \$15 for Children

Menu Selection Includes:

Salad • Chicken Kiev • Baked Haddock •

Sliced Roast Beef with Gravy

Anyone interested in joining the debutantes, their family and friends

Along with the members of the Polish Union of USA are welcome to attend.

For more information contact the Polish Union of USA at 570-823-1611 or

visit our website at www.polishunionusa.com



Former debutante and "Miss Polish Union 1998," Angela Paganucci, will have the honor of being the presenter of debutantes at the Debutante Ball 2008. Miss Paganucci is a resident of Glen Lyon, Pennsylvania. She graduated Summa Cum Laude from Wilkes University, where she received a bachelors degree in both

Elementary Education and Psychology. Currently, Miss Paganucci is employed by the Greater Nanticoke Area School District as a second grade teacher. She is pursuing her Reading Specialist Certificate and masters degree in Reading Education at King's College.

Help For Your Life's Events

Time is very valuable, as we all know. There are different functions that we attend, are involved in, and care about. Yet, everyone's life is full of many events that Polish Union can be very helpful with. It could be a new baby in the family, a first Holy Communion, a graduation, a wedding, or a funeral. Imagine Polish Union products being the answer to the participant of these events.

With this issue the Polish Union reminds everyone of its 3-year-plan available to all our members. It covers the ages of 0 to 80. Many of our members do not have enough insurance for funeral expenses, much less to help ease the financial burden of the family at a time of loss. This new plan offers a wonderful opportunity to increase your insurance coverage. Please contact your Group Secretary or the Home Office for more information about this plan or any of those in our portfolio.



Polish Union is a Fraternal Society which means that unlike commercial insurance companies, Polish Union members stand to benefit much more from membership. We offer fraternal insurance which besides providing life insurance, also offers benefits such as our scholarship program; debutante ball; holiday parties and community projects. However, to receive these benefits a person must be a member of our Polish Union of U.S.A.

Remember, our plans of insurance are competitive and are backed by our 118-year-histo-

Check Presentation by Board Members to Feed the Needy



Polish Union members donate to CEO Thanksgiving Feed the Needy Project. The check presentation was made by the Board Members of the Polish Union. Seated from left to right are, Chester P. Tracewski Jr.; Dr. Leon Skweir; President Rose Wartko; Charlotte L. Androckitis; and Bernard Kolodziej. Standing from left to right are Eugene Brady, Executive Director of CEO; Maura Modrovsky, Volunteer Coordinator of CEO; John P. Bednarski; Alice Czyzyk; William Giebus; Terri Rumensky; Nancy Bachurek; Reverend Patrick L. Albert; Joseph P. Pudlosky, Jr.; and Attorney Jeffrey J. Malak. This donation is to help fund their annual Thanksgiving Feed the Needy Project. Some of our members, including one from as far away as California, have made cash donations for this project.

Luzerne County Commission on Economic Opportunity has hundreds of volunteers working with them throughout the year and, during the Thanksgiving season; our Polish Union members join them in working at the food distribution center. We hope to have a larger group than we did last year and you can call Polish Union at 570-823-1161 if you wish to help on November 22nd and/or November 23rd with the actual food distribution. Those unable to attend may elect to send in a donation, which will be added to the funds already given to CEO.

Eugene Brady while attending Polish Union's August Board meeting gave some remarks about CEO's work in the Community, and expressed thanks to our members for their support.

Polish Union of U.S.A.

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Polka Night & Miss Polish Union Crowning

Polish Union will be hosting a Polka Night on Sunday, September 21, 2008 from 1-5pm. The two events will take place at Church of the Good Shepherd, Dunmore. There will be food (B.Y.O.B.) and entertainment provided by John Stevens & Double shots. If interested in participating, contact the Polish Union Home Office at 570-823-1611.

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Contribute To The Educational Fund

Created by the Polish Union of U.S.A., the Henry J. Dende Educational Fund provides the monies to issue scholarships to our young member each year.



We appeal to our members to contribute to the fund on a regular basis. We also encourage you to consider naming the Educational Fund as the beneficiary on your insurance certificate.

Send Donations To:

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Home Office of the Polish Union of U.S.A., Downtown, Wilkes-Barre, PA
The beautifully designed edifice was dedicated in 1938. The lower floor contains a two-room auditorium. Business offices and board room are located on the second floor. There are many designs on the exterior and interior of the building which refers to the fraternal's ethnic heritage.

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In Memoriam

Our sympathy to the families of recently deceased members of Polish Union of U.S.A.

Group	Member	State
230	Marian Horacek	IL
395	David Yurkovic	PA
395	Verna Sadauckas	PA
163	Leona Ferret	163
395	Sylvia McGinty	PA
227	Jan Krushinsky	NJ
401	Mary E. Galinac	PA
293	Karol Wentland	PA
227	Joseph Shook	NJ
378	Leona E. Taylor	WI
227	Sophie Vitalec	PA
275	Richard J. Lubejko	IL
131	Teresa Michaels	AZ
131	Julianna Znaniacka	PA
270	Antonina Bytnar	IL
270	Franciszek Kulig	CA
74	Stanislaw Burawski	PA
265	Vivian M. Cardell	NV
258	Rose Rabiaga	IL

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May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

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A Mass for deceased members is celebrated monthly by Chaplain Rev. Patrick L. Albert

Life Insurance Is Very Important

Life insurance with Polish Union U.S.A. means income for you and your family in time when needed most, it is a guaranteed way to provide for your family with peace of mind. Most important, it can be done by setting aside just a few dollars regularly every month.

Life insurance is not for the person who buys it, it's for the person you love, who counts on you to provide financial security. Life insurance is a means of making your money work for you. Proceeds from life insurance go directly to the beneficiary (tax free) and not subject to the claims of creditors. Wives, sometimes, object to life insurance, but widows never do.

Polish Union members must rid themselves of the idea that the \$1000 or \$2000 policies are sufficient today. These small policies are a thing of the past. Our members must now think of increasing their insurance to \$5000—\$10,000—\$15,000 and higher. Now is the time for everyone in need of protection, and we all need it especially the young people, to take this matter seriously. Buy as much life insurance as possible while still young, when insurability is not likely to be questioned and because lower rates can always be obtained at that time of life.

If you or someone in your family aren't members of Polish Union, I am asking you to join our fraternal organization. You know that when you buy any life insurance with Polish Union U.S.A., the older you are the



President's
Desk



ROSE A. WARTKO

more expensive the rates become, then it makes lots of sense to buy life insurance sooner than later, it makes no sense to wait regardless of age. Waiting means you become a year older and life insurance will cost you more or your health may change and you may not be insurable.

Polish Union is constantly looking for new members and we can only attain this with your cooperation in enrolling your family and friends. In fact our membership drives are perpetual. Whenever you're invited to any social function, look around for potential members, it may be a new bride, groom, or a new baby in the family. Give them the opportunity to belong to our organization and enjoy all of the benefits that Polish Union offers to our members. If you need more insurance, call your group secretary or the Polish Union office at (570) 823-1611 and Chris or Linda will be glad to help you. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Effective Estate Planning Relies On Good Information

Hello. My name is Attorney Jeffrey J. Malak and I am General Counsel of the Polish Union and a partner in the law firm of Chariton & Schwager, Wilkes-Barre, PA. I will be providing you with information which you may find useful with regard to various legal topics. Please look for the Lawfully Yours column in future Fraternal Journal issues.

Lawfully
Yours



JEFFREY J. MALAK, ESQ



In order to effectively carry out estate planning, various data and documents are required to be provided to your estate planner. Providing this information is necessary so that estate planning documents can be created which meet your needs and desires.

The following documents should be brought with you to the initial meeting: existing Wills, Trusts, Powers of Attorney and Living Wills; recent federal and state tax returns and any federal gift tax returns; prenuptial or postnuptial agreements; and a list of life insurance policies, pensions profit sharing plans and/or stock option sharing programs.

It is also important to gather family information. For example, a client should provide the names, ages, dates of birth and social security numbers of all of their immediate family members; the relationship between family members and identification of any special needs for individuals should also be provided. For example, is there an elderly parent? Do you have a child with special needs? In addition, you should be prepared to identify any charitable interests that you may have.

A change in the family structure, such as a pending marriage, birth or death, is always important to bring to your estate planner's attention.

Financial information also is important in effectively preparing estate planning documents. Financial information such as balance sheets identifying assets and liabilities and setting forth the location of tangible personal property and real estate is critical in the estate planning process.

If your assets and liabilities are fully disclosed, your estate planner can effectively discuss with you the various methods of disposition of your property.

LEGAL DISCLAIMER: I am not giving you legal advice. Information provided in this column is of a general educational nature and may not reflect the law in your state. If you have a particular situation which you wish to review, you should consult with an attorney of your choice who is qualified to provide help in the area of law with which you are concerned.

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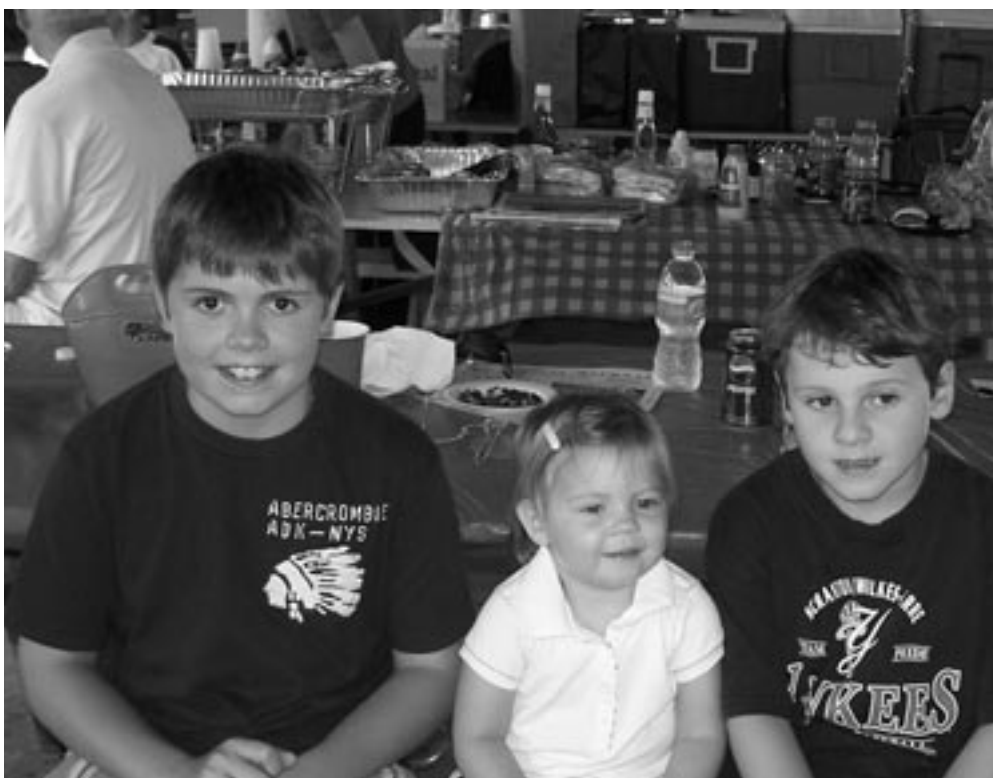
Limited Time Bonus Program

Sign Up Any New Member
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Program Excludes Term Plans

Family Fun At Knoebel's

Polish Union families enjoyed a day at Knoebel's Amusement Park on June 29th. The event featured food, drink and friendship along with all the attractions the park offers as testified to by the photos below.



Fraternal Host Children's Association Graduation

The Fraternal Societies of Northeastern PA recently sponsored Wyoming Valley Children's Association's preschool graduation and class night celebration. A graduation ceremony for 26 preschool students and a class night celebration for more than 50 youngsters were held at King's College's Burke Auditorium and were followed by a reception held at the Kirby Health Center. The Fraternal Societies of N.E. PA funded the celebration and many members of the local Fraternal served as volunteers.

Wyoming Valley Children's Association (WVCA) is a local United Way agency which offers physical, occupational and speech therapy to children who have disabilities and preschool education to all children.

The Fraternal Societies of Northeastern PA include: First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association, Greek Catholic Union, Ladies PA Slovak Catholic Union, National Slovak Society of USA, Polish National Union, Polish Union of USA, Slovak Catholic Sokol and Ukrainian Fraternal Association.



Photo: Volunteers from the Fraternal Societies of N.E. PA present a sponsorship check to Wyoming Valley Children's Association.

First row (l-r): Marquis Anderson, Tyler Harden, R.J. Thomas, Jillian Taleroski, Logan Atcavage, Lily Harden, Ryan Kislan and Tom Kislan.

Row 2: Amy Viti, Amy Savidge, Sheila Balas, Dr. Chris Alexander, president, Wyoming Valley Children's Association, Mary Jo Savidge, vice president, Fraternal Societies of NE PA, Anna Hudock and Bill Geibus, board member, Polish Union of USA.

Row 3: Martha Iskra, Irene Kalinowski, Magdalen Iskra, president, Magdalen I Iskra District of the First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association, Bernard Kolodziej, vice president, Polish Union of USA, Theresa Kluchinski, Regina Molitoris, first vice president, Fraternal Societies of NE PA and Bernadette Yench, secretary, Fraternal Societies of NE PA.

A Gift for "You" and "I"

Dear Johnny,

"Sometimes I stay up nights, thinking about you and your little brother. I wonder how you are going to get by, long after I'm gone. I realize that you are too young to understand or even care, about the Christmas Gifts, I am giving you and your brother, this year.

I understand that in order to have a decent life, you will need a first class education. Neither your Grandpa nor I were so lucky as to be able to go to school, past high school. Grandpa quit school after his 10th grade; that is when his Dad was killed in the mines. He had to go to work, to support his younger brothers and sisters. He began working in the mines, "those were the only jobs around". When War broke out he joined the Army. When he came home, he never went back to work in the mines, because he hated working there, and he never went back to school, because he couldn't afford to. We were, however, very lucky, because, in those days, if you worked hard, the company you worked for, took good care of you and your family. The Railroad, Grandpa worked for, after he came home from the Service, took good care of us.

I Love you and your little brother very much, and I believe, Your world, will not be the same as ours was, that is why I've decided to give you this envelope instead of a Big Yellow Tonka Dump Truck and plush animal for little Mikey. This is a small start for your College Education Fund. You and Mikey are going to have policies with the Polish Union. I want you to use The Scholarship of \$400 for books, for each of your for four years. I think your Grandpa would be proud to know, we were able to do this for you.

I must also tell you that this is a gift for me, too. I know you and Mike will be protected if anything happens to you. That will help me sleep better at night. I hope I'm around when you can read this letter, but if I'm not, remember, Grandpa and I want you to go to College just like your Dad and Mom and think of us when you open a book."

Love, Grandma T

"PS, I must confess, I also gave your Dad, Grandpa's favorite 2 fishing poles, for his favorite 2 Grandson's."

If You Want To Sleep Better !!!

Call Your Polish Union Secretary !!!

Meet Our 2008-2009 Scholarship Recipients



ANTENE, C.



ANTENE, E.



CORNELIUS, A.



DEFICCIO, A.



DEFICCIO, R.



DENDE, C.



DENDE, J.



DIETZ, A.



DOBLIX, J.



FILIPKOWSKI, M.



FLANNERY, I.



GAETANO, K.



GILROY, K.



GLODEK, C.



GOWAT, R.



HOGAN, A.



JEGERSKI, M.



JEROUSEK, S.



KASHUBSKI, S.



LEJA, J.



LEOFFLAD, M.



MANFREDI, L.



MEREDICK, M.



METZGER, R.



MILLER, M.



NAMOWICZ, M.



PELCZAR, J.



POLK, C.



ROBERTS, A.



ROBINSON, III



ROJEK, J.



ROJEK, T.



ROYNER, J.



RUMENSKY, P.



STANSKI, S.



SUCHOSKI, J.



VOLK, K.



WILSON, K.



ZIELINSKI, A.

Young people, all members of the Polish Union of U.S.A., are recipients of 2008-2009 Henry J. Dende Scholarship Stipends from the Polish Union of U.S.A. This educational assistance is only one part of the fraternal's continuing efforts to assist its members and serve the community. A complete listing of this year's recipients is found below.

Claire Marie Antene, Gr. 275, Brookfield, IL, is the daughter of John and Cynthia Antene. She is a junior History & International Studies major at the Univ. of Dallas, Irving, TX.

Emily Kate Antene, Gr. 275, Brookfield, IL, is the daughter of John and Cynthia Antene. She is a first year Nursing major at St. Louis Univ., St. Louis, MO.

Adam E. Cornelius, Gr. 270, Wheaton, IL, is the son of Charles and Janet Wilk-Cornelius. He is a sophomore Business major at DePaul Univ., Chicago, IL.

Amanda Rose DeFiccio, Grs. 180 & 25, Lawrenceville, NJ, is the daughter of Robert, Jr. and Mary Jo DeFiccio. She is a freshman Accounting major at Mercer County Com. College, W. Windsor, NJ.

Robert W. DeFiccio, Grs. 180 & 25, Lawrenceville, NJ, is the son of Robert and Mary Jo DeFiccio. He is a junior Building Automation Technology major at the Pennsylvania College of Technology, Williamsport, PA.

Christopher Anthony Dende, Grs 24 & 102, Clarks Summit, PA, is the son of Christopher and Veronica Ann Dende. He is a freshman Pre-Med major at the Univ. of Rochester, Rochester, NY.

Jonathan Dende, Gr. 293, Clarks Summit, PA, is the son of John Dende and Christine Raider. He is a Politics major in his third year at The Catholic Univ. of America, Clarks Summit, PA.

Arielle Dietz, Gr. 207, Dunmore, PA, is the daughter of Thomas and Alaina Dietz. She is a sophomore Art Education major at Marywood Univ., Scranton, PA.

Jonathan Michael Doblax, Gr. 131, Hanover Twp., PA, is the son of Edward and Judith Doblax. He is in his first year pursuing a Secondary Education, History & English major at Univ. of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg, VA.

Michael John Filipkowski, Gr. 293, Moosic, PA, is the son of Michael Edward and Maryjean Filipkowski. He is a senior Pharmacy major at the Univ. of Sciences, Philadelphia, PA.

Iain Scott Flannery, Grs. 392 & 265, Wilkes-Barre, PA, is the son of Charles III and Janice Flannery. He is a second year English major at Stonehill College, Easton, MA.

Kristina Gaetano, Gr. 392, Mountain Top, PA, is the daughter of Robert and Martina Gaetano. She is a Secondary Education major in her sophomore year at Pennsylvania State Univ., Altoona, PA.

Kelsey Bernice Gilroy, Gr. 400, Scranton, PA, is the daughter of Joseph and Lisa Gilroy. She is a Psychology major in her second year at the Univ. of Rochester, Rochester, NY.

Celina Victoria Glodek, Gr 155, Waterford, MI, is the daughter of Casimir and Zofia Glodek. She is a sophomore Business Administration major at Wayne State Univ., Detroit, MI.

Randall C. Gowat, Gr. 265, Peckville, PA, is the son of Gregory and Mary Frances Cardell Gowat. He is a junior Civil Engineering student at Bucknell Univ., Lewisburg, PA.

Lynn M. Hoch, Gr. 73, Bath, PA, is the daughter of Wayne and Patricia Hoch. She is a junior Marketing major at Northampton Com. College, Bethlehem, PA.

Allison C. Hogan, Gr. 100, New Milford, CT, is the daughter of Thomas and Lynne Marie Hogan. She is a freshman Politics major at New York Univ., New York, NY.

Mary Elizabeth Jegerski, Gr. 380, Hickory Hills, IL, is the daughter of Kenneth Jegerski and Carol Ann Russell. She is a first year Pre-Pharmacy major at Purdue Univ., W. Lafayette, IN.

Jeffrey William Jerousek, Gr. 390, Alsip, IL, is the son of Jack and Carol Jarousek. He is a sophomore Computer Networking major at Moraine Valley Com. College, Palos Hills, IL.

Sarah Anne Jerousek, Gr. 380, Chicago, IL, is the daughter of Jack and Carol Jerousek. She is a sophomore Elementary Education major enrolled in Elmhurst College, Elmhurst, IL.

Sarah Marie Kashubski, Gr. 51, Drums, PA., is the daughter of Robert and Karen Kashubski. She is a junior Political Science major at the Pennsylvania State Univ.,

University Park, PA.

Joanna Maria Leja, Gr. 221, Chicago, IL, is the daughter of Karol and Helen Leja. She is a second year Health Care Services major at Western Illinois Univ., Macomb, IL.

Monika Inez Loefflad, Jermyn, PA, is a freshman enrolled at Marywood University, Scranton, PA.

Lauren Antonia Manfredi, Gr. 51, Hazleton, PA, is the daughter of Carl and Diane Manfredi. She is a sophomore Business major at Peen State Univ., Hazleton, PA.

Michelle Mayerski, Gr. 392, Swoyersville, PA, is the daughter of John and Andrea Mayerski. She is a junior at Cleveland State Univ., Cleveland, OH.

Matthew J. Meredick, Gr. 400, Scranton, PA, is the son of Michael and Carolyn Meredick. He is a freshman Environmental Studies/Pre-Med major at the Univ. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.

Rachel J. Metzger, Gr. 406, Hudson, PA, is the daughter of Barry and Janice Metzger. She is a freshman Biology Pre-Dentistry major at the Univ. of Scranton, Scranton, PA.

Matthew Christopher Miller, Gr. 25, Lawrenceville, NJ, is the son of Christopher and Susan Miller. He is a 2nd year Mechanics major at Camden Co. College, Blackwood, NJ.

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Scholarship Recipients

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Matthew S. Montville, Gr. 51, Wilkes-Barre, PA, is the son of Robert and Linda Montville. He is a freshman Pharmacy major at Wilkes Univ., Wilkes-Barre, PA.

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Maria Simone Namowicz, Gr. 51, Nanticoke, PA, is the daughter of Peter and Denise Namowicz. She is a senior Psychology major at Temple Univ., Philadelphia, PA.

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Jacob Thomas Pelczar, Gr. 189, Billings, MT, is the son of Brain and Tracie Pelczar. He is a freshman Business major at the Univ. of Montana, Missoula, MT.

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Christopher M. Polk, Gr. 240, Dickson City, PA, is the son of Gregory and JoAnne Polk. He is a sophomore Horticulture major at Luzerne County Com College, Nanticoke, PA.

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Alexandra Ida Roberts, Gr. 204, Glen Rock, NJ, is the daughter of Timothy and Deborah Roberts. She is a Business Major in her first year at the Univ. of Delaware, Newark, DE.

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Richard Robinson III, Gr. 400, Scranton, PA, is the son of Robert and Elaine Novak. He is a first year Engineering major at Penn State Univ., University Park, PA.

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Jillian Rojek, Grs. 207 & 163, Jermyn, PA, is the daughter of Edward and Lynda Rojek. She is a Sophomore Music & Chemistry major at Marywood Univ., Scranton, PA.

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Taylor Rojek, Gr. 163, Jermyn, PA, is the daughter of Edward and Lynda Rojek. She is in her first year as an English & Pre-Med major at DeSale Univ., Center Valley, PA.

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Jonathan David Royner, Larksville, PA, is the son of David Jr., and Carol Ann Royner. He is a second year Automotive Technology major at Luzerne County Com. College, Nanticoke, PA.

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Paul Rumensky, Gr. 240, Dickson City, PA, is the son of Peter and Karen Rumensky. He is a sophomore Pharmacy major enrolled at Wilkes Univ., Wilkes-Barre, PA.

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Shannon Renee Stanski, Gr. 407, Pittston, PA, is the daughter of Thomas and Karen Ann Stanski. She is a freshman Secondary Education major at the Pennsylvania St. Univ., University Park, PA.

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Julie Suchoski, Gr. 406, Wilkes-Barre, PA, is the daughter of Robert and Carol Suchoski. She is a first year Business-Finance major at Bloomsburg Univ., Bloomsburg, PA.

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Kimberly Maria Volk, Gr. 270, Lee's Summit, MO, is the daughter of Duane and Sandra Marie Solkowski Volk. She is a second year Dentistry major at Creighton Univ., Omaha, NE.

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Kreshel Ann Wilson, Gr. 51, Rome, PA, is the daughter of Edward and Dennie Wilson. She is in her first year at Mansfield Univ., Mansfield, PA, pursuing an Elementary Education degree.

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Amy Marie Zielinski, Gr. 320, Scranton, PA, is the daughter of John, Sr., and Debra Ann Zielinski. She is a Communications/ Journalism major in her second year at the Univ. of Scranton, Scranton, PA.

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John P. Zielinski, Gr 320, Scranton, PA, is the son of John Sr. an Debra Ann Zielinski. He is a senior Mathematics major at Penn State Univ., University Park, PA.

HALLOWEEN PARTY FOR KIDS IN N.E. PENNSYLVANIA

The Halloween Party for ages 0 - 12 years, who are members of the Polish Union, will be held at the Polish Union headquarters Community Room, Wilkes-Barre. The party will be



Friday, October 24th, 2008 at 6pm
in the Community Room,
53 North Main St.

There will be food, costume prizes awarded and spooky but fun Halloween & Safety Magic Show by Mr. Fun The Magician
 For reservations contact the Polish Union Home Office before 4:30pm at (570) 823-1611.
 Please RSVP by Tuesday, October 21st.

About Our Members



50th Wedding Anniversary

Rosemary and Ed Fabian of Rockville Centre, Long Island NY celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 17th, 2008. They renewed their vows at St Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre, officiated by Msgr. James P Kelly. A reception followed at Mac Arthur Park Restaurant. Their six children and their families attended along with family and friends from PA, NJ, MD, CA, VA, FL and as far away as Poland and

England.

Rosemary was the former Rosemary Shenko. Rosemary and Ed are both formally from Nanticoke, PA and were married on May 17, 1958 at St Francis Church in Nanticoke, PA. The Fabian's are blessed with ten grandchildren. They are shown in the photo with the family.

Edward L Jr., David, Barbara Jones Fabian, Rosemary & Edward, Kenneth, Thomas, and Daniel Fabian.

Happy Birthday - Sto Lat To Our Senior Members September-October, 2008

Reaching Age 96

Marjanna Rettberg, Salamanca, NY

Reaching Age 90

Alan D. Belnski, Louisville, CO
 Bronislawa Boron, Palatine, IL
 Marcin Grzyb, Easton, PA
 Aleksan Kalinowski, Mocanaqua, PA
 Jozef Kwolek, New Castle, PA
 Antonina Rakfal, Chicago, IL
 Helen Snopkosky, Scranton, PA
 Sophia Tarnowski, Glen Lyon, PA
 Estelle Bonk, Avoca, PA
 Alfred Cetkowski, Riverhead, NY
 Alice Gabriel, Wyandotte, MI
 Jean Kozak, Casselberry, FL
 Pauline Pisinski, South River, NJ
 Czesla Zdrodowski, South River, NJ

Reaching Age 85

Marya Jagers, Bridgeton, NJ
 Regina Olenik, Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Henryk Organek, Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Mary Szalkowska, Green Brook, NJ

Helen Vigh, Maple Hts., OH
 Fran E. Dietrich, Trenton, NJ
 Theresa Hageman, Cicero, IL
 Wanda Ostopowicz, Nanticoke, PA
 Clara A. Sharon, Springfield, OH

Reaching Age 80

Dorota Fabian, Northumberland, PA
 Emily Gorski, Laflin, PA
 Romona D. Parker, Green Bay, WI
 Regina Zygmunt, Moosic, PA
 Genevieve Buchanan, St. Clair, PA
 Eleanor Burgermeister, Marion, IL
 Marcella Petruzzi, Brockway, PA
 Anna Robinson, Lansing, MI
 Irene Seegar, Taylor, PA

And to all our Members and Readers who celebrate Birthdays in these months, Happy Birthday—Sto lat

NOTE: If a member does not wish to have their birthday announced, please notify the Home Office.

"The creative mind is the playful mind. Philosophy is the play and dance of ideas."

—Eric Hoffer



Happy Fall to all. Hope everyone enjoyed a great summer.

Upcoming Planned Events for Chicago Groups are:

Saturday, October 18, 2008 **Fall Meeting and Pot Luck Luncheon** and Raffle at 1:00 pm to be held at Alliance of Polish Clubs 5835 West Diversey Avenue Chicago IL. All group secretaries and members are invited to attend. Bring a Polish dish to share and a Raffle prize. Rsvp to Toni Storts at 708 216-9624 or Joan Wisinski at 708 361-4180 or 708 448-6936 days.

Saturday, December 6, 2008 **Annual Chicagoland Childrens Christmas Party** for Members Age Twelve and under, at Mayfair Banquets 10835 Wakefield Avenue Westchester Il from 2:00pm-5:00pm Lunch will be served and Mrs Santa Claus will make a guest appearance. Santa Claus will arrive to give each child a gift. A childrens raffle will also be held. A reservation is required for attendance. Call Toni Storts at 708 216-9624 or Joan Wisinski at 708 361-4180 or 708 448-6936 and give childs name-age-group no.

Happy 14TH Anniversary to Debra and William Grgantov on August 13th.

Celebrating September Birthdays from Group 275 are-Sarah-Susan and Marin Antene-Angeline Badger-Robert Deptula-Philip Dzialowy-Margaret Flowers-Shannon Majka-Jacob Platt-Randall Potempa-Estelle Radek-Stella Schuirman-James Strojny-Michael Szymusiak-Thomas Zolna and

Thomas Steven Wisinski turns 11 on Sept.15th.

From Group 230 celebrating are Lorraine Kalfas on Sept. 21st and Michele Young on Sept. 27th.

Celebrating October Birthdays from Group 275 are-Emily Antene-Ann Breier-Kristin Bustillo-Rhonda Cardona-Leonard Deptula-Lisa Dzialowy-Edwin Fudala-Carol Kotlarczyk-Jean Kozak-Chester Luszczyk-Deborah Norbut-Andrew Patoska, Judith Rzonca, Theodore Strenski, Edward Strzempa, Joyce Weber, Genevieve Wisniowski, Patricia Zolna, Alice Zurek-Veronica Zurowski and Mark Wisinski on October 12th.

From Group 230 celebrating are Larry Young on Oct 10th-Noah Young turns one on October 14th.

From Group 230 celebrating an anniversary on Oct. 11th are Bridget and Larry Young.

Happy Anniversary to Joan and Tom Wisinski on October 13th-celebrating 52 years.from Group 275.

Call Joan Wisinski for insurance for new members or to increase insurance amounts on current members at 708 361-4180 or 1 888 789-5182-Days.

Join our group cruise on March 28-April 4, 2009 with Baseball Greats on MSC Cruises-round trip Ft. Lauderdale. Call Joan at 1 888 789-5182-days-Bright Side Travel and Cruises for more information.

Pulaski Day Parade Bus Trip



Planning for the event is Chris Pagoda. Co-chair of the event and Council 21 President Bill Giebus.

Council 21 of Polish Union of USA is planning a bus trip to Philadelphia on Sunday, October 5, 2008 to participate in the Annual Pulaski Day Parade festivities. The observances are held to honor General Casimer Pulaski, born in Warsaw Poland on March 6, 1745. He was known as the "Father of the American Cavalry". Pulaski, mortally wounded by the blast of a cannon on October 9, 1779, during the Battle of Savannah died several days later on October 15, 1779, at the age of 34.

The Polish Union of USA is sponsoring this trip as part of its festivities to celebrate Polish American Heritage Month and to mark the 400th Anniversary of the First

Polish Settlers arriving in America at Jamestown, VA in 1608.

The cost of \$ 23.00 includes transportation, Mass at Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral Basilica, Luncheon, a memorial tribute and a seat for the parade. The mass will be held at 9:30 A.M. and the parade will begin at 12:30 P.M. The Parade will be televised live on WPVI TV from 1 -3 P.M. The bus will depart from the Polish Union Headquarters in Wilkes-Barre. Anyone interested in making reservations can contact the Polish Union of USA 53-59 N Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, phone (570) 823-1611. Seats will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.

We Are Looking For Miss Polish Union 2009

Are you a young woman between the ages of 15 and 19? Do you know someone who is? Are you or the young lady a member of the Polish Union? Would you like to become a member? Would you like a chance to represent our organization by participating at our many activities that include dinners, children's parties, picnics, parades and much more?

If you are interested in attending this event or being a contestant in the search for Ms. Polish Union 2009 please contact the home office at 570.823.1611.

5th Annual Bowl for St. Joseph's Center



Meet Celia Slezak, Angelina Powells, and Paige Huber

Paige, a 2 year-old Polish Union member of Group 400, is patiently waiting her next turn to bowl with her two friends Celia and Angelina. The girls attended the 5th Annual Bowl for St. Joseph's Center event held on Saturday, May 31st, 2008 at South Side Bowl, Scranton. The young ladies loved bowling that night, and remarkably never had one gutter ball, with the help of bumper lanes of course! When asked, Paige said her favorite part of the evening was wearing bowling shoes!

Emily Huber, chair of event, reported that participants and donations were able to raise \$600 for St. Joseph's Center, Scranton. Emily was so very pleased to see everyone who came out on that rainy night to participate. She wishes to extend an invite to all of the community to attend next year. The Polish Union will be hosting the 6th Annual Bowl for St. Joseph's Center with South Side Bowl, Scranton around the same time in 2009.

Pulaski Day Parade Bus Trip

Luzerne County Council #21 of the Polish Union is planning a trip to Philadelphia, PA to see the Pulaski Day Parade. Council President, Bill Giebus & Chris Pagoda are co-chairing the event.



The tentative schedule

6:30 a.m. - Leave Polish Union Bldg, W-B
9:00. - Arrive in Philadelphia
9:30. - Mass at S.S. Peter & Paul Catholic Church.
10:30 - Pulaski Tribute Program
11:00. - Complimentary Light Lunch
12:30 p.m. - Parade (reserved seats)
3:00. - Depart Philadelphia

The trip will cost

\$23.00 per person

The bus will be making a stop at a restaurant on the way home. Anything purchased will be at your own expense.

Estimated time of arrival at Polish Union Bldg., W-B, will be 7:00 p.m.

Bus seat assignments will

be given when paid reservation is received.

Reservations can be made by calling Polish Union at 823-1611, Bill at 822-3005 or Chris at 779-3805.

Join Our Family Activities

Clip and Save

Members are encouraged to participate in all educational, cultural, civic and social activities sponsored by Polish union of USA. the following activities are yours for the taking. They are designed for all ages. We urge you and your family to participate in them.

2008

September

September 7 Council #17 Annual Card/Bingo Party Noon to 4 p.m. at St. Mary's Center, 320 Mifflin Ave. Scranton.

September 21, **Crowning of Miss Polish Union and Polka Night** 1- 5 PM Church of Good Shepherd, Dunmore. Music by John Stevens and the Double Shots.

October

October 5, **Pulaski Day Parade Bus Trip** Sponsored by Council #21. Plans in next issue.

October 18 **Chicago's Fall Meeting & Potluck Luncheon** at 1 pm. Location to be announced

October 24 **Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Halloween Party** Community Room of Polish Union, 6 p.m.

November

November 1st, **30th Annual Debutante Ball** Genetti's in Wilkes-Barre.
November 22-23, **Luzerne County Feed The Needy Project.** Volunteers needed. Contact the Home Office 570-823-1611.

December

December 6, **Chicago Children's Christmas Party** 2 - 5 p.m. at Mayfair Banquets in Westchester.

December 6, **Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Children's Christmas Party** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Coopers Seafood, 304 Kennedy Blvd., Pittston, PA

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All dates and times are subject to change. For the latest revisions or additions, or to register on-line, go to www.PolishUnionUSA.com or phone (570) 823-1611.