

Syracuse Polish Community Home

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My sincere apologies for not sending out a December newsletter. Things got a little hectic before the holidays. Many events have taken place since November that I must mention. Thanks to all who attended the November Polka Dance, which was a great success. Jasiu and the Salt City Brass entertained a crowd of over 100 people and Bill & Maryann Stankewicz prepared and served the food. Thanks also to Steve Synakowski and Virginia Grosso for assisting. Thanks to the IJP Choir, Polish Scholarship Fund, the Polish Home Soccer Team and many individuals for cooking for our Saturday suppers. Thanks to all cooks who have contributed: Steve Synakowski, Matt Olszewski, Allen Czelusniak Virginia Grosso, Magda Liwora, Karen Galloway, Maria Bakowska, Ania Bas-Masio, and many others. In March we will be treated to food prepared by the Lasowiacy Dancers and also the Butler-Sheehan Irish Dancers. The White Eagle Club will once again serve a traditional Polish Easter meal in April.

Several members have expressed interest in starting a new Mug Club. Our original Mug Club dates from 1961 and we proudly display about thirty of those mugs. There is also a good chance that we will soon be serving Okocim on tap joining the Labbatts and Syracuse Pale Ale that we already serve.

Our bingo kitchen has a new head chef. We welcome Kim DeCarr, who has graciously stepped in to run the bingo kitchen while Christine Witkowski will now be responsible for other Club events throughout the year. More volunteers are always welcome.

Our **Super Bowl Party** will take place this Sunday. If you plan to attend, please bring a dish to pass. We already have chili, salad, dips, and desserts.

Robert Synakowski, President

700 "Club" is within reach!

It is time to pay your 2007 membership dues.

Over the past year the Polish Home has gained many new members, and we could easily reach 700 members if everyone renews their membership quickly.

When we reach 700 we will have a great extravaganza for both newer members and older members to meet each other. Look for more information in future newsletters.

Please pay your 2007 dues promptly.

ANNUAL MEETING

On Thursday, January 25th the Polish Home Board of directors held its annual meeting for 2007. The following people were elected to hold office for this year:

President: Robert Synakowski
1st Vice-President: Zygmunt Bakowski
2nd Vice-President: Stephen Synakowski
3rd Vice-President: Christine Witkowski
Treasurer: Theresa Kociencki
Financial Secretary: Maria Bakowska
Recording Secretary: Constance Wierz
Sergeant-at-Arms: Rafał Kulczyński

2007 Directors:

Thomas Marzynski – *Polish Heritage Club of Syracuse, Inc.*
John Bielak – *Polish Scholarship Fund, Inc.*
Theresa Kociencki – *Lodge 271 Queen Jadwiga Soc. PNA*
Rob Synakowski – *St. Cecilia Society 631 PRCUA*
Josephine Napierkowski – *Council 44 Gmina Związkowa, PNA*
Stella Kushin – *St. Louis Society PNA*
Fred Rogusz – *E. Jabłonowski Post 14, Pol. Legion of Am. Vets.*
Lillian Sadlocha – *I. J. Paderewski Choir*
Henry Sienkiewicz – *Pol. American Veterans of WWII, Post 1*
Richard Szymanski – *Sacred Heart-St. Stephen Seniors*
Connie Wierz – *Ladies' Auxiliary of Syracuse Polish Community*
Mary Jo Tartaglia – *"Lasowiacy" Dancers, Pol. Nat'l Alliance*
Marian Poczobutt – *Klub Białego Orła White Eagle Club*

2007 Directors at Large

Maria & Zygmunt Bakowski, Dorothy Bielak, Lisa Cebulski, Allen Czelusniak, Karen Galloway, Pauline Kotas, Rafał Kulczynski, Carol & William Leonard, Anna Met, Pam Newton, Matthew Olszewski, Bill Stankewicz, Małgorzata Świętoń, Stephen Synakowski and Christine Witkowski.

Thanks for your confidence in me and also for all of your service and dedication to the Polish Home.

Robert Synakowski, President

+IN MEMORIAM+

Dick Togni
Anne Sadowski
Peter Fabian
Frank Piątkowski
Al Baluta

FROM HOUR HISTORY 1954 Sleigh Ride

Polish American Veterans Post 1



*Polish Auxiliary
Plan Sleigh Ride*

A sleigh ride is on the agenda for Post members and the Auxiliary to Polish-American Veterans of World War II, Post 1, tomorrow evening. A pizza party will follow the affairs in the Polish Community Home. Mrs. Helen Sienkiewicz is taking reservations for the affair. Miss Irene Siechen is chairman.



SOCCER TEAM WINS AGAIN

The Polish Home Soccer team finished 6th overall in their league, just managing to make it to the playoffs, BUT superb soccer skills carried them through three wins to finish in 1st place as the 2006 CNY Family Sports Centre Champions. See www.cnyfamilysportscentre.com for Sunday game times.

Kari Gunson



POLISH HOME Soccer Team Fall 2006

Back row L to R: Margaret Chajka, Dale Wolfe, Allen Czelusniak, Mark Austin, Meredith Oliver;

Front row: Kari Gunson, Zoe Kinney and J. Alamir.

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*Best wishes in the New Year to all of you and your families
From, Iwona Żurawski
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Starting with the **first Friday in February, FISH DINNERS** ... through Good Friday.

If you haven't paid your 2007 dues, please do so soon.

The 2007 dues are \$40.00.

Thank you!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY PARTY



The November Birthday party was held Sunday, November 26, 2006, with 80 people attending, 4 of whom celebrated their birthdays: Celine Pelc, Maria Swieton, Barbara Maczonis and Steve Synakowski. The main chef was the lady in charge of our bingo kitchen, Christine Witkowski, assisted by Bernice and Mary Medyn, Helen Baginski and Jane Szul. Servers once again were Virginia Getek and Marion Osinski and Josephine Wisniewski. The 50/50 raffle was again collected by regulars John Bielak and Ray Stogsdill. The menu consisted of gołąbki, pork loin, horseradish sauce, kapusta with Polish mushrooms, mashed potatoes, apple sauce, brownies ala mode, apple/pineapple crisp, bread & butter, coffee or tea.

High Definition Aspirations

As our membership continues to grow, now approaching 700, the club has continued to make improvements to our Member's Lounge. Whether adding more beverage choices behind the bar, festive holiday decorations or installing a new sound system, maintaining an affordable and attractive environment in the lounge are essential to keep our membership strong.

To this end, our directors are starting a fund-raising campaign to acquire a large, high definition television for our bar. With Syracuse University basketball season, football playoffs and a variety of other broadcasts, a high definition TV will provide our members yet another reason to get together, share in our community and beat the winter blues in the Member's Lounge.

All member organizations and individual members are encouraged to contribute, as well. A nice TV is something we can all share. Interested parties should submit donations (payable to Syracuse Polish Community, Inc.) to Treasurer Theresa Kociencki and note "TV Fund" on their check.

Thanks to PH members Adria Ripka and Eddie Levandowski for their donations to the High Definition TV Fund. Proceeds from our Saturday Kitchen also will go toward the TV.

Allen Czelusniak

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY PARTY



The December Birthday party was held Sunday, December 17th, 2006, with 90 people attending, 9 of whom celebrated their birthdays: Mary Medyn, Helen Zabinski, Connie Wierz, Felicia Gmyr, Dick Milewski, Felix Mazur, Jadwiga Dzierzawski, Ed Romocki and Jane DeSocio. The main chefs were the husband and wife team of Jim and Pam Newton, who volunteered to cook for the first time and have agreed to cook again this year. (I sincerely wish other members would come forth and volunteer to cook as it would make my job less frustrating and I wouldn't need to go looking and asking for cooks every month.) Assisting the Newtons were Lorraine Moore, Helen Baginski, Virginia Getek, Marion Osinski and yours truly. Christine Witkowski served as bartender and the 50/50 raffle was collected by Ray Stogsdill and Katy Cahill.

The menu consisted of baked ham, scalloped potatoes, pineapple sauce, buttered green beans with red peppers, bread & butter, birthday cake and coffee or tea.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS: Please don't forget to bring non-perishable food items, which are delivered to the food pantry at Sacred Heart Basilica.

THE NEXT BIRTHDAY PARTY WILL BE HELD SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25th AT 2:00 P.M. PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY CALLING 471-9348. THANK YOU.

Lillian Sadlocha, Birthday Party Coordinator

Gdy styczeń jasny i biały, w lecie bywają upały

If January is bright and white, there will be a hot summer

Luty - miesiąc bardzo zmienny: pół zimowy, pół wiosenny

February – a fickle month: part winter, part spring

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If your name on the address label is followed by "07", we thank you for joining or renewing your membership in the Polish Home.

Your membership ensures that the Polish Home will continue to fulfill the mission for which it was founded – to be a center for Polish culture in Syracuse. Please fill in this form and send it in or drop off at the Polish Home. Thank you.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Syracuse Polish Community, Inc.

Annual dues are only \$15 per person

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Phone _____

Ethnic Heritage: Polish Other _____

Signature _____

Sponsored by (regular member) _____

E-mail address: _____

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Saturday Night Dinners – from 6pm
- ◆ Super Bowl Party - Sunday, February 4th at 6pm
- ◆ Birthday Party – Sunday, February 25th at 2 pm
- ◆ "700 Club" Party – TBA

BINGO!

Play for big money! – \$3,000
 No game under \$175! Plus 2 - 60/40 Share the
 wealth & our weekly bonanza
Play every game for as little as \$8.00
Last coverall pays \$1,000
MONDAYS 7 PM at the Polish Home.
 Kitchen opens at 5 PM

2007 DUES ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED
only \$15 per year

That's only \$1.25 per month to belong to Syracuse's
Premier Polish Club!!!