

Syracuse Polish Community Home

915 Park Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13204

www.syracusepolishhome.com

Our 93rd Year!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, another summer has passed and we are gearing up for a busy fall season at the Polish Home.

Many people are working very hard to keep up the momentum here at the Polish Home.

Our Saturday Polish Dinners have resumed with Matt Olszewski, Viki Siok, Heather West and Zack Ptak keeping things running smoothly. We still would like some guest chefs once in a while to help our crew out.

Pancake breakfasts are once again under way on the first Sunday of each month.

We are organizing an event to honor our Veterans this November.

There will be an "Andrzejki" party in late November welcoming the new Rector of Sacred Heart, Fr. Andrew Baranski. Other Andrzejks will be in attendance, I'm sure.

The traditional Polish "Wigilia" will be held this year at the Polish Home on a Sunday afternoon in December.

Enjoy a Christmas meal in the Polish Tradition!!

~~Much~~ ALL of what happens at the Polish Home is because of the efforts of individual members. A new member Mirka Banach joined and then asked what she could do to support the Polish Home. The result was that our downstairs kitchen is now painted and decorated thanks to her efforts. Thank you Mirka!

We are in need of some help with minor painting and minor electrical repairs. I was able to tackle some of the jobs, but need help to complete them before the snow flies. If you can help, please stop down or call. Thanks.

Laurel has been doing the lion's share of the work here and we are extremely grateful for her.

This past July I attended the annual meeting of the American Council for Polish Culture in Cleveland, OH. It was a very enjoyable time where I met many people engaged in the same activities we are. I was able to make many contacts and have great connections for many programs and funding sources for promoting Polish culture throughout the year.

Those that I met send greetings to Lou Patalita and Connie Wierz and recalled the many events they had enjoyed all together.

Please attend our events, just stop down, and otherwise support your Polish Home. It exists for you! Thank you,
Rob Synakowski

BAR HOURS

The Polish Home opens at **4 pm** on Thursday & Friday, at **noon** on Saturday and Sunday. Stop down for one of the best "slow roasted" Roast Beef Sandwiches in the world. Monday through Wednesday, we open at **6 pm**.

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS

Our monthly pancake breakfasts take place on the first Sunday of the month from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Pancakes, Eggs to order, ham, sausage, homemade home fries, toast, juice, coffee and tea.

Adults \$7, Seniors \$6, Children \$5

Keep the POLISH HOME in mind
when planning your special events

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*Christmas, Birthday, Shower, Retirement,
Reunion etc.*

*Let our in-house caterer, Chef Tom
handle your next party*

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Call Tom Steves for booking/price information 315-
558-1446

Support your POLISH HOME!

Polish Heritage Month at the Hazard Library

Continuing in the tradition of the Polish Heritage Club, there will be an exhibit featuring Poland, and culminating with a lecture on the national Parks of Poland by Marian Poczobutt and reception on Saturday, October 29th at 2 pm.

POLISH HERITAGE CLUB LIBRARY

...is now housed at the Polish Home. There are many books in both English and Polish. Once they are cataloged, a complete list of the books will be made available.

+IN MEMORIAM+

Walter Solak

Artur Dzierzawski

Mary Palkowski

2012 DUES

Will be accepted as soon as the membership cards arrive.

Dues are less than \$1.67 per month!

Thank you to all who have paid their dues for 2011. The dues are purposely kept at a nominal cost to encourage new members. While new members are joining all the time, there are still a few people who have not yet paid their dues this year.

It has been brought to my attention that we have lost almost \$10,000 in unpaid dues. We could have paid for the repairs to our building with that money. So, there will be a **new policy starting in January**, where there will be a reinstatement charge for anyone who wants to continue to be a Polish Home member in good standing. This is only fair to the many paid up members. **It is only \$20!**

POLISH HOME MERCHANDISE

We have a supply of Polish Home T-shirts, Żywiec & Okocim beer mugs and glasses; Polish Home 90th Anniversary glasses, and Żywiec baseball caps for sale. They make perfect gifts. Stop down to see Laurel.

What is the "Polish Home Birthday Party?"

It has come to our attention that our new members (and apparently many of our long standing members) need a better explanation of the monthly Birthday party dinners.

We apologize for being remiss in getting the word out to everyone clearly and will try to remedy that here.

The last Sunday of each month, we have a birthday dinner in the upstairs hall. It seems that many people are under the impression that you can only attend if your birthday falls in that month. You can come enjoy any or all of the dinners – if it is your birthday month – **your dinner is free**. If not, it's a great meal for **only \$8.00**.

We now have Tom Steves as our in-house caterer so the meals are delicious and the best deal in town for only \$8.00! Reservations are needed, but it **does not** have to be your birthday month to attend.

Each month on average 100 Polish Home members gather for food and fun, starting with cocktails around 1:30pm and a nice dinner after which we honor our members who are celebrating their birthday.

Make your reservations now for an enjoyable afternoon free from cooking. Sports fans fear not. Our televisions are usually tuned to the game.

Call Lillian at 468-0140 to ensure your reservation.

Thanks.

Rome Polish Home serves dinners Tuesdays and Fridays 4 – 7:30pm! Prime Rib and Polish food and also Seafood on Fridays. 415 South George Street, Rome, NY.

GENE FISCH HONORED

On Monday, October 17th, Sacred Heart sports legend Gene Fisch will be inducted into the Syracuse Sports Hall of Fame. Many Polish Home members will be in attendance. <http://www.syracusehalloffame.com>

BOOK SIGNING at the POLISH HOME

On Thursday, October 20th at 7pm, Polish-Canadian author Eddie Zawadzki will present his book "Poles in the New World" at the Polish Home. His book highlights many people of Polish descent who have made names in the US and Canada. His website is: <http://www.polesworld.com>.

DONATIONS RECEIVED

We were honored recently to have received \$1000 in donations in memory of long time Polish Home member *Artur Dzierzawski*. Thank you to his family and all those who donated: Genevieve Ballas, Christopher Janik, Cornelia Kalinowski, Ludwika Mazur, Marta Nowakowski, Jadwiga and Stanley Nowakowski, Karen Pitoniak, Jadwiga Poczobutt, Barbara and John Quijano, Lillian Sadlocha, Sloma Family, William and Carol Steves, Lou and Diane Synakowski, Robert Synakowski, Vittles, Inc. & others.

For those who have asked where the Polish Home Birdhouse in the bar came from, it was built by Leonard Vogt and donated by Martin Zubrzycki.

Belated Thanks to you both, it is a nice addition to our bar and an interesting conversation piece.

Monday Night Football & Charlie's Café



The 'famous' Charlie Hollis has volunteered to come back to his grill for all the NFL Monday Night games.

Hofmann Hot dogs and coney's for \$2.00 each!

We will also be running drink specials for all NFL and SU games throughout the seasons. Come join Brian, our resident "Cougar Bait" and see what the buzz is about!!!

Trivia Tuesdays with Sara

Starting November 1st

Wednesday Open Mic Night

We are also contemplating an open mic night on Wednesdays to start soon. If you would be interested in coming to share your talents, please let us know at the bar so we can firm up the plan!

Thank you Lillian (and Dave Sojda) for planting the mums flanking our entrance!

JULY BIRTHDAYS



Sitting, L.to R.: Bill Hliwa, Mary Bartkowski, Virginia Getek, Bernadine Dubiel, Steve Kapusniak Standing, L. to R.: Eli Marposon, Cecelia Tyminski, Gary Grudynski, Gene Zalewski, Fred Rogusz, Jadzia Kaminski. (Absent from picture: Mary Palkowski, who celebrated her 90th birthday this month.)

The July birthday party was held Sunday, July 31st with 70 people attending, including 11 birthday celebrants.

Tom Steves catered the dinner, assisted by Elaine Grudzinski, Bernice and Mary Medyn, Elaine Gasiorowski, Emilia Zychowicz, Dave Bagenski and Bill Martin.

The menu consisted of turkey breast, dressing, and gravy, cranberry sauce, mixed vegetables, potato salad, cake & coffee. Cakes were furnished by Marge Marposon, Mary Bartkowski, Gene Zalewski, Eleanor Tuttle and Anna Rombel.

The 50/50 raffle was collected by Barbara Maczonis and Stan Bielak.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



The August birthday party was held Sunday, August 28th with 64 people attending, (there were 88 reservations), including 3 birthday celebrants: *Dulcy Grabowski, Ed Dubiel and Leslie Felice.*

Tom Steves again catered the dinner, assisted by Elaine Grudzinski, Jim and Elaine Gasiorowski, Pam Newton, Jane Szul and Henry and Dave Bagenski.

The menu consisted of pork tenderloin, mashed red skinned potatoes, gravy, zucchini medley, cake and coffee.

Cakes were furnished by Helen Rubel, Dulcy Grabowski, Jane Plis, Maria Bakowski, Zofia Polkowski, Diane Synakowski, Dottie Bielak and Lillian Sadlocha.

The 50/50 raffle was collected by Barbara Maczonis and Fred Rogusz.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



The September birthday party was held Sunday, September 25, 2011 with 84 people attending, including 10 birthday celebrants: *Standing:* Lorraine Moore, Ron Dudzinski, Lois Sacco, and Boleslaw Cwikla. *Seated:* Dottie Bielak, Mary Ptak, Mary Gasky, Zofia Sloma. *Not pictured:* Roz Synakowski and Ted Zamojski.

Tom Steves again catered the dinner, assisted by Elaine Grudzinski, Jim and Elaine Gasiorowski, Pam Newton, Jane Szul, Henry Bagenski, Steve Synakowski and Bill Martin. The menu consisted of Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and mushroom gravy and French cut green beans, cake and coffee.

Cakes were furnished by Jadzia Kaminski, Wiktorja Nyrek, Cecelia Tyminski, Barbara Maczonis, Josephine Wisniewski and Lottie Starowicz.

The 50/50 raffle was collected by Barbara Maczonis and Fred Rogusz.

The next party will be held Sunday, October 30th at 2:00 P.M. PLEASE TAKE NOTE: Please make your reservations by calling **Lillian at 468-0140** by Wednesday October 26th. If the machine turns on, please leave your name and telephone number. Cancellations must be made by Friday, October 28th.

Anyone making a reservation and not showing up, will be charged for the dinner, since we now have a caterer, and are charged for all reservations.

PLEASE HONOR BIRTHDAY RESERVATIONS

If you have made reservations, but cannot attend the birthday dinner, please be so kind as to cancel the reservation. This past August, we lost over \$100 on the birthday dinner due to "no-shows".

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If your name on the address label is followed by "11", we thank you for 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 \$20 per person!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Phone _____

Ethnic Heritage: Polish Other _____

Signature _____

Sponsored by (regular member) _____

E-mail address: _____

• Upcoming Events

- Polish Dinners – Saturdays from 5:30pm
- Pancake Breakfast – First Sundays 10am – 1pm
- Book Signing with Eddie Zawadzki – Oct. 20th at 7pm
- Poland's National Parks – Sat. October 29th at 2pm
- October Birthday Party - Sunday, October 30th at 2pm
- Honoring our Veterans – On or around Veterans' Day
- Andrzejki Party in Late November – More to follow

2012 DUES WILL SOON BE ACCEPTED

Still \$20 per year

That's only \$1.67 per month to belong to Syracuse's Premier Polish Club!!!