Syracuse Polish Community Home

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Our 94th Year!

471-9348 ~ 471-9351

founded 1919

Summer 2012

Congratulations Charlie and Lillian!

Charlie Hollis and Lillian Sadlocha were recently awarded the coveted Lifetime Membership in the Polish Home for their continued generosity above and beyond the call of duty.



Mr. Charles Hollis

Charlie has given greatly of his time and talents at the grill serving up his famous Charlie Cheeseburgers and also kielbasa at the Polish Fest last month. In addition to all the time he dedicates, he has been extremely generous financially over the years, donating our beer tap system and supporting many other projects.



Lillian and her family

Lillian has been a mainstay of the Polish Home for many years and is Past President. She has been coordinating our monthly birthday parties and is always tending to the plants outside our building and the adjacent property. Recently she was responsible for raising the funds for the new carpet that was installed in the vestibule leading into the main hall. We are all sincerely grateful for all they do!!!

The Polish Home has only awarded a few people for their promotion and dedication to our Club. To our knowledge the only earlier recipients were: Msgr. Adolph Kantor, Jane Szul and Wiesia Dardzinski.

Rob Svnakowski

UPCOMING EVENTS



Friday, July 20, 2012 • 7pm Pulaski Park

Park Avenue and West Genesee Street

Music by the City of Syracuse Parks and Recreation õAll Star Bandö Admission is Free Open to the Public Bring your own Lawn Chair Refreshments will be available Sponsored by Sacred Heart Basilica Call Barb for more info 422-2343

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sunday, August 19th at the Polish Home



1 pm to 5pm Half Chicken, Corn on the Cob, Salt Potatoes, and Green Salad.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We thank you for joining the Polish Home! Only with your support can we continue to build on the foundation that was begun almost one hundred years ago. The Polish Home belongs to the greater Polish Community of Syracuse and it is our mission to continue to expand our programming and promotion of Polish culture in Central New York.

We regularly serve Polish Dinners on Saturday evenings (resuming after Labor Day), Pancake Breakfasts on the first Sunday of each month (resuming in October), and Member Birthday Parties on the last Sunday of each month, as well as many other events. Please check our website:

www.syracusepolishhome.com or our Facebook page: Syracuse Polish Home.

An affiliate member of the American Council for Polish Culture

POLISH HOME DUES 2012

Are being accepted now! See the bartender or Karen Galloway at any Polish Home Event. Dues are \$20/year - less than \$1.67 per month! -.

DONATIONS RECEIVED

- \$1,355 in memory of Jadzia Kaminska from: The Kaminski Family, Cornelia Kalinowski, Louis and Diane Synakowski, Barbara Maczonis, Zofia Sloma, Leon Zabinski, Zdzislaw and Hannah Rutkowski, Theodore and Josephine Kochman, Emilia Zychowicz, Janina Kiedyk, John and Janice Czebiniak, The Bunco Girls, Al Husak, Pauline Kotas and Family, Gerald Mager and Thomas Brisk, Edward Gdula, Rob Synakowski, Peggy Dunn, Nancy OgNeill, Anne Benjamin, Teri Shutts, Krystyna and Dimitrio Sterio, Mike and Gloria Piatkowski, Jane Szul, Barbara and John Quijano, Jadzia Dzierzawska, Ludwika Mazur, Sandra Bukowski, Edward and Jane Bognaski, Lillian Sadlocha, Bob and Virginia Pietrucha, Kazia and Joseph Trzonkowski, Anna Met.
- Mary and Bernice Medyn in memory of Maryann Stankewicz

+IN MEMORIAM+

John Lukowski Charles Artin Mary Ptak Walter Piotrowski Dc. Joseph Daniszewski Barbara Czerwinski Jadzia Kaminska Genevieve Kolceski

MANY THANKS!

As mentioned above Lillian Sadlocha conducted a fundraising effort to raise money for the new carpet in the vestibule. Thanks to the following people for donating; Charlie Hollis, Lillian Sadlocha, Bill & Carol Steves, Al & Carol Dubaniewicz, Jadzia Kaminska, Connie Maute, Jadzia Dzierzawska, Ludwika Mazur, Emilia Zychowicz, Giminski-Wysocki Funeral Home, and Marie Whelan.

Thanks also to Sandy Bukowski for donating steak knives for our Prime Rib dinner which was held in June. Thank you to the Pi&t family who donated the flags in Pulaski Park for Polish Constitution Day Thank you to John Sienczak (Spike) for donating and planting the gardens in the front of our building in memory of his father Adam Sienczak, who had the barber shop on Sackett Street for many years.



Thanks to Mark Schumacher for donating the petunias flanking the entrance.

Thanks to all who helped with Polish Constitution Day on May 3rd, Barbara & Monika Majkowycz and so many others.

Thanks to all who helped at the Polish Festival - Charlie, Tom, Matt, Laurel, Otis, Uncle Bill, Frank Volcko, Tom and Anne Kozlowski, Karen Galloway, Barb Kowal, Rosalyn Synakowski, Amy Zurawski, Steve Synakowski, Bill Martin and many others.

Thanks to Tom for installing a new wall over the booths and Laurel for giving the bar room a thorough cleaning, assisted by Scott Barnaskey and Dave Scharoun.

Thanks to Leo Najdul for donating books as well as some historic photos from the Polish Falcons and other organizations.

Thanks to Chef Tom for the successful fish dinners during Lent.

Thanks to Ron and Jason Lachut for organizing the Dyngus Day party again this year. Soon we may rival Buffaloí

If I have missed anyone, please let me know.

POLISH HERITAGE LIBRARY



The Polish Heritage Library has been acquiring some great new books. Topics cover a wide range of interests. These are now available to borrow. We hope to have access to our library collection on our website soon.

- The Clash of Moral Nations: Cultural Politics in Pilsudski's Poland, 1926-1935.
- Facing Freedom: the Children of Eastern Europe
- For Liberty and Justice: A Biography of Brigadier General Wlodzimierz B. Krzyzanowski, 1824-1887
- The Law of the Looking Glass: Cinema in Poland, 1896-1939
- Holy Week: A Novel of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising
- The Polish Singers Alliance of America 1888-1998 : Choral Patriotism
- Rome's Most Faithful Daughter: The Catholic Church and Independent Poland, 1914-1939

One title of interest to sports fans is: <u>Chasing the American Dream: Polish Americans in Sports.</u> The title includes the major sports as well as sports such as bowling, boxing, wrestling, horseshoes, etc. There is even a chapter on female Polish American athletes. The Appendix list the National Polish American Sports Hall of Fame Honor Roll.

Sacred Heart Cemetery in Syracuse has a few great Polish American athletes buried there: Major league baseball player 1929-1930, pitcher for the St. Louis Cardinals, **Alfons (Al) Grabowski.** A former left-handed pitcher for the Syracuse Stars of the International League, he was with the Cardinals in 1929 and 1930. He had a younger brother, Reggie, who also made the major baseball league ranks. A right hander, Reggie pitched for Philadelphia from 1932 to 1934 with a 4-8 record. He later pitched for the Syracuse Chiefs.

Many thanks to Anna Foley for cataloging the books and entering them into the computer.

Thank you also to Mrs. Czes €wa Sienczak for donating many Polish books, including many Polish classics.

Our Website: www.syracusepolishhome.com

Trips with the Sacred Heart Seniors Ślask

Open to the Public óPolish Song and Dance ensemble from Poland are coming to Proctors Theatre in Schenectady, NY on Sunday, March 24, 2013 at 4pm. More than 80 performers and 1,000 stunning costumes in one performance. A-1 seats reserved. \$25 deposit required. Call Fred at 488-2553. ONE BUS ONLY!

3 Tenors from Texas

Open to the public. Trip to Turning Stone Casino to see the show live in concert on Friday, September 21, 2012. Package includes show, bus, \$10 Buffet (ALL YOU CAN EAT), \$15 Free Play, gratuities. Cost \$54. Call Fred at 488-2553 or Barbara at 487-8648.

Keep the POLISH HOME in mind when planning your special events

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Our Ballroom can be rented for: Banquets, Weddings, Christmas Parties, Birthdays, Baptism, Shower, Graduation, Retirement, Reunion, Business Meetings, 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!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY PARTY



Standing: Bill Steves, James LaSpino, Tom Steves, Eugeniusz Rombel, Al Dubaniewicz, Zygmunt Bakowski. Seated: John Trendowski, Pat Popps, Bernice Medyn and Ted Plis. Not pictured: Henry Bagenski

The February Birthday Party was held Sunday, February 26th with 80 people attending, 11 of whom celebrated their birthdays.

MARCH BIRTHDAY PARTY



Leon Zabinski, Zofia Polkowski, Charles Lukasiewicz, Joe Arlukiewicz. Seated: Jane Babinski, Eleanor Tuttle, Jeanette Szymanski, and Katie Cahill.

The March Birthday Party was held Sunday, March 25th with 70 people attending, 10 of whom celebrated their birthdays.

APRIL BIRTHDAY PARTY



Standing: Alfreda Kaczor, Julie Kapusniak, Henry Dudzinski, Laurel Lange, Sharon Casper. Seated: Maria Mazur, Lucia Mazur, Mary Ann Zalewski. Not pictured: Czesława Sienczak and Jim Newton.

The **April Birthday Party** was held Sunday, April 29th with 80 people attending, 10 of whom celebrated their birthdays.

MAY BIRTHDAY PARTY



May Birthdays: John Bielak, Phil Felice, Marion Osinski, Rob Synakowski, Chris Sadlocha, Lucille Jones.

The May and June, 2012 birthday party was held Sunday, June 24th with 65 people attending, including 7 May birthday celebrants

JUNE BIRTHDAY PARTY



June Birthdays: Anna Rombel, Pam Newton, Marge Marposon, Ted Michalski, Lillian Sadlocha, Cindy Richmond, Bill Martin.

The next party <u>WILL</u> be held July 29th at 2:00pm. <u>PLEASE TAKE NOTE</u>: Please call Lillian at 468-0140 for reservations before July 25th.

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.

Lillian Sadlocha

PLEASE HONOR BIRTHDAY RESERVATIONS

If you have made reservations, but cannot attend the birthday dinner, please be so kind as to cancel the reservation.

POLISH HOME MERCHANDISE

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

Pull tabs are for sale at the bar!



Polish Fest 2012

SUMMER BAR HOURS

The Polish Home opens at **4 pm** on Thursday & Friday, at **2pm** on Saturday and **noon** on Sunday. Stop down for one of the best "slow roasted" Roast Beef Sandwiches in the world. Monday through Wednesday, we open at **6 pm**.

If you're not here, you are missing SO MUCH!

BELATED THANK YOU – Christmas in July?



We apologize for this very late, but no less deserved, THANK YOU to our Christmas Elves. This missed the last newsletter, so now it & oChristmas in Julyö. Our absolutely perfect tree this past holiday season was donated by Mark and Joanne Balduzzi, and Dave Sojda and Patty Moroney and decorated by the great crew above including Diane Mikulak and Diane Kobuszewski, with a tree topper donated by Greg and Corinne Duck. Thank you so much! It was enjoyed and appreciated by everyone!!!

ATTENTION MEMBERS!

We respectfully request that members use their cards to open the door to the bar. If your card is not current, then please see the bartender for your renewal. The Polish Home is a private club and therefore has to conform to certain rules set by the New York State Liquor Authority and the ABC Board. Guests are allowed, so the buzzer is only there to notify the bartender that someone is at the door who does not have a card. A quick press on the buzzer is all that is needed. Generally, the bartender is busy waiting on members and cannot immediately buzz someone in. Please do not press the buzzer for an extended period of time. It is very loud in the bar and is disruptive to the members already inside. The bartender will open the door as soon as possible. Thank you for your courtesy, cooperation and patience.



Polish Fest 2012- Viki Siok & Rob Synakowski



Polish Fest 2012 – Jim Bushneck, Rich Sloma, Rob Synakowski, John Sienczak, Ivan Drazek

CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS!

We have a lot of members who have not yet renewed their memberships for 2012. We realize that life is busy and such a small thing is easy to forget or õfalls through the cracks.ö Please check your membership card ó if the first four numbers are not õ2012ö, then your membership is not current. There is a renewal application in this newsletter if it is not convenient for you to get to the bar to renew.

Sending the newsletter is very costly and is a privilege reserved for current members. If your card does not say õ2012ö this will be the last newsletter you will receive. Also, if you would prefer not to receive a newsletter in the mail, please drop us a note at

syracusepolishhome@yahoo.com or let the bartenders know. The newsletter is always posted to our website, syracusepolishhome.com, and we are looking ahead to being able to deliver it by email to those who would prefer to receive it online. Thank you for supporting your Polish Home.



Polish Constitution Day 2012





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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED lato 2012 Summer

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 <u>only \$20</u> per person! Name
Address
CityZip
Date of BirthPhone
Ethnic Heritage: Polish Other
Signature
Sponsored by (regular member)
E-mail address:

2012 DUES ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED
Still only \$20 per year
That's only \$1.67 per month to belong to Syracuse's
Premier Polish Club!!!

Upcoming Events

- Chicken BBQ Sunday, August 19th
- Polish Dinners ó will resume after Labor Dav
- Pancake Breakfasts Resume First Sunday in October
- Membership Party Date To Be Announced