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*From the Desk of National President,*  
**James P. Jozwiak**

On August 28th and 29th the Polish Union of America held its 37th Quadrennial Grand Convention at St. John Gualbert's Roman Catholic Church and Potts Banquet facility. During the business session, I acknowledged the hard-working dedicated team consisting of all the National Board, office staff, independent auditor, Robert Sendziak, the independent actuary Sam Urda, and our investment manager, Dana Kubiak. Also we can't forget our newsletter editors who do a great job. They are Marie Urbanski, National Director and First Lady Christine Jozwiak.

I then went on to describe the Strategic Plan and its four objectives. They are: a.) Protect the policyholders in their insurance and investment in the Polish Union of America; 2.) Continue to promote our Polish culture and traditions and to be around for our children, our grandchildren and future generations to enjoy the many benefits of our beloved Society; 3.) To build up our investment portfolio in compliance with the changes and restrictions required by the New York State Insurance Department; and 4.) To cut expenses and maintain operational efficiency. I further went on to describe the challenges, visibility/activities/benefits, operational expenses, product line costs, premiums receivable/claims payable, marketing opportunities, management and Board succession and communication with the State Insurance Departments.

I went on to introduce a report from our independent auditor, Robert Sendziak, where he stated that "the Board of Directors and Officers have worked for the past decade to comply with these ever changing regulations while protecting your individual financial interests. And the overall integrity of the Polish Union of America earned the respect of the New York State Insurance Department in making a valiant and principled effort to preserve your fraternal and financial independence. In addition, to strengthening your internal operations, your Officers and Board have performed due diligence procedures on several potential merger partners. They have reviewed the operations, culture and financial condition of these potential partners, working diligently to obtain the best financial results for you, the members. I leave you with this thought... 'the challenge you face is the way you decide to change, so you can ensure your future growth'".

Then I presented another team member's report, Dana Kubiak, our financial advisor from BNY/Mellon. The report on the portfolio produced solid returns for the first seven months of 2010 returning 8.91%. The portfolio's total return for the past 12 months as of July 31, 2010 was 17.03%. The portfolio maintains an above average

credit quality. BNY/Mellon along with the National Board monitors the credit quality of the holdings on an ongoing basis.

I then introduced the final member of our team, Mr. Sam Urda, our independent actuary from CPS Actuaries. He commended me on my informative report to the delegates of the Polish Union of America. In 2005 the Polish Union of America showed a \$10,000 gain. This may seem small but there was a \$158,000 loss in 2004. In effect, there was a \$168,000 swing. This is major. And this positive pattern has continued. Secondly, he noted the team concept recommended by Mr. Jozwiak and adopted by the Board. "Having worked with other fraternal across the United States, this is not easy to establish", he stated. Mr. Urda then went into answering many questions from the delegates. Delegate Alice Molenda of Lodge #393 stated that she has learned more from Mr. Urda's report at this convention than she learned at previous conventions. Mr. Urda's presentation was clear and understandable and he gave credit to his mother for helping him to communicate clearly. I then thanked Mr. Urda for his detailed presentation and his response to questions.

After going through various reports, Convention Chairman, National Attorney, Wallace C. Piotrowski called for the election of Officers and Directors. I am proud to report that the delegates unanimously re-elected the current Officers and Directors to a four year term. I thanked the delegates for their confidence in the Board and said that we have a great team that has been working together. And we look forward to serving the next four years for the benefit of our fraternal.

We all have to realize that our fraternal today are becoming a more sophisticated business. We have to accept this fact if we want our fraternal not only to survive but to grow. In order to continue to do this, we have to continually monitor our investments, expenses and our goals. If in the future the New York State Insurance Department changes our insurance status, we will notify the members in a timely fashion if this were to occur. We will have to accept the challenge to do what is necessary so we can continue our beloved fraternal. This is not just a challenge to our National Board and staff but to every member of the Polish Union of America

At the close of the Convention, many delegates remarked how they enjoyed this Convention. There was no bickering, information was presented to the delegates, questions were answered and proper respect was shown by all. I thank all the delegates for being a part of our team and making this a great Convention.

Fraternally yours,

*James Paul Jozwiak*

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The Polish Union of America would like to announce and congratulate the 81 scholarship recipients for the 2010 ~ 2011 academic year.

20 *Scholarship* Winners 10



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All applications received were reviewed by the scholarship committee, which is chaired by National Vice President/Treasurer, Eugenia Halady and includes: National President, James P. Jozwiak; National Vice President/Secretary, James A. Serafin; and National Director, Marie M. Urbanski. Photographs of the recipients are shown here and on the following pages. A total of \$8,800. in scholarship funds was distributed for the 2010-2011 academic year.



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## “Thank You For Caring”

The day started out cloudy and cool on a September day in Krakow. It ended sunny and warm, not because of the change in weather, but because twelve young residents of a nursing home in Brzozow and five Sisters who are their round-the-clock caregivers, met with six representatives of WNY Polonia who traveled to Poland and delivered the results of their fund-raiser. The Polish Heritage Festival Executive Director, James P. Jozwiak, and Christine Jozwiak, fund-raising chairman, presented checks totaling \$30,500 (USD) to Sr. Agata, the supervising Sister in charge of the nursing home.

The Sisters told the children that they would now have “new painted walls” in their rooms. Immediately the children began to tell us their favorite colors, and one young lady said, “Nie biały, nie biały Sister!” (They have had white walls ever since the home was built.) There were “high 5’s” going around the room, and smiles and chatter that indicated happy children. One young lady exclaimed, “We will have a rainbow in our house!”

Sister Agata gave Christine Jozwiak a book of photos of the children in the nursing home. She also gave information about each one - their health problems, the reasons why they were living in the home, and the type of therapy they need and receive. Sister promised to be very careful with the money they received, and would let us know how it would be spent.

Then the children presented Christine with hand crafted flowers that they made themselves. More hugs and smiles were



exchanged and everyone enjoyed the conversation. John and Jane Klubek, and Richard and Anna Cieczka all helped with translation. But despite the language barrier, the message was loud and clear, “Thank you very much to everyone in the USA who cares about us, and remember us!”

The Sisters were most grateful, but the smiles on the children’s faces and all their hugs, took the gloom out of the sky on that September day, and put the warmth in the hearts of all who were there.

Soon you may view the video presentation of funds to Sister Agata, with some of the children from the nursing home in Brzozow. It will be online at: [www.polfunfest.com](http://www.polfunfest.com).



Our Tour Group



Boardwalk Pier on the Baltic Coast



Solidarity Remembrance



Triple Crosses at Shipyard in Gdansk

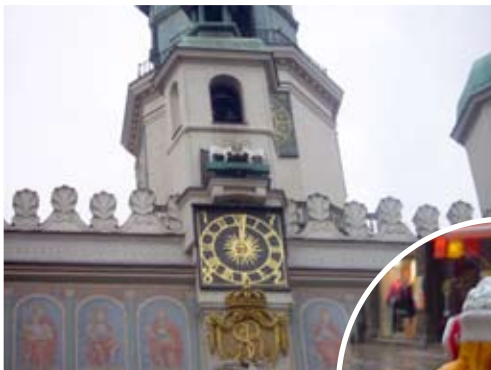
# What a Beautiful

From the northern city of Gdansk, to the southern tip at Zakopane, 29 people traveled for two weeks to see beautiful scenery, historical places and meet special people in Poland. The youngest of our group was 25, and the oldest was 91. (Yes I said 91 years old!)

Other major cities we toured were Torun, Poznan, Wroclaw, Krakow, Wadowice and Warsaw. We also went to Biscupin, Czestochowa, the Salt Mines, and Auschwitz. We went to many "old town" centers, shopped at the many unique shoppes (including Amber jewelry!), drank Polish Piwo (oczywiscie!) and enjoyed evenings of folk dance and music while we feasted on delicious Polish meals. Indescribable!

We went to many cathedrals, and attended two weddings, even though we were not invited - Mass is open to the public, and weddings took place during ordinary Saturday Mass schedules. (There were many newlyweds during the week also - later we found out that the couples often wait for a nice day and have their pictures taken then in their wedding attire.)

At Zakopane, we saw items that you won't see anywhere else! (And purchased many of them too!) There were coats and cups, tablecloths and



Poznan City Hall at Noon



Folk Dancers



Biscupin



Polish Pope's Church & Apartment (r.) During Childhood



Polish Parliament



Shrine Built into Hillside



Entryway to the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa



Saint Jadwiga (Saint Hedwig), King of Poland



NP Jozwiak with Sister and Children from Nursing Home

# 1 Trip to Poland!

toys, shoes and slippers, wood carvings and "Tatra" puppies, food and flowers, cheeses and of course Polish mushrooms. Zaczopane is a true shoppers paradise with reasonable prices. In this unique town, we saw horse drawn carriages, a McDonald's and Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant, bakeries with paczki, and a house built upside down!

And importantly, while in Krakow, some of us met with 5 of the Sisters in Service to Mary and 12 of the handicapped children who live in the nursing home in Brzozow. We all had a delightful time getting to know each other, with a lot of smiles and hugs too. Of course, the main reason we met was to present the Sisters with a check of \$30,500 - the result of our recent fund-raiser. (I was presented a book of photos of the children who live in the nursing home, and was given handcrafted flowers made by some of the children who reside there.)

As we traveled across the country, we saw everything from haystacks and horse drawn wagons and plows, to the massive construction of new buildings, bridges and roads of a progressive "new found freedom" country and its people.

Will we return someday? OCZYWISCIE!



Old Cemetery in Zakopane



Zakopane Shopping



Sleeping Knight



Zakopane Village



Marlbork Castle - Home of the Teutonic Knights



Original Painting of Our Lady of Czestochowa



Shopping Mall in Warsaw, Poland

# Happy Birthday to the following adult Polish Union of America members who were born in October & November!



Polish Union of America will be listing the birthday greetings to our members in every issue of our newspaper, instead of mailing individual birthday cards. This gives friends and relatives an opportunity to wish you a "Happy Birthday." (Birthdays are listed for members over the age of 18.)

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Marlene S Alvarez  
Regina C Kurcz  
Lauren Elise Rogel  
Nicholas Edward Rogel  
Marcel Skonezny  
Vivian B Slivinski  
Elizabeth B Warn  
Nicholas Paul Warn  
Raymond Paul Warn

## CALIFORNIA

Nancy Czosek  
Virginia C Czosek  
Samantha J Flattery  
John D Kaufman  
Edmund Pokrzywnicki  
Nicole M Safis

## COLORADO

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David M Granica  
Corina Marie Hartzog  
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Peter A Marczyk  
Helen G Podlewski  
Jill M Polancyia  
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Edward Wojcik

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Diane Galuski  
Stephane Marie Hargrave  
Gary Helinski  
Elizabeth Ann Hornbuckle  
Susan K Jamieson  
Ryta Kasprzyk  
Richard Kosikowski  
Margaret Kubiak  
Gary Martin Murawski  
Christina M Nowacki  
Julie E Nowacki  
Jill R Piotrowski  
Helen A Rielley  
Alice M Rossi  
Thomas D Schichtel  
Sandra Szymanski  
John M Wanat  
Zofia A Wanat  
John M Young

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## HAWAII

Helen M Smith

## IOWA

Scott Douglas Prane

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Bruno Chmiel  
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Virginia Dominiak  
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Frances Golab  
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## Polish Union of America Summer Events:

### PULASKI DAY PARADE

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### FAMILY PICNIC





**Grand Convention Business:** Above are some of the delegates to the 37th Quadrennial Grand Convention of the Polish Union of America at the beginning of the business session this summer held at Potts Banquet facility.

## Officers And Board Selected At 37th Quadrennial Convention

During the Business session at the 37th Quadrennial Grand Convention of the Polish Union of America, the delegates elected the Officers and Directors for the next four years. Starting on October 1, 2010, the following Officers and Directors were unanimously re-elected: National President James P. Jozwiak, National Vice President/Treasurer Eugenia A. Halady, and National Vice-President/Secretary James A. Serafin. National Directors re-elected were: Ronald E. Brodowski, James A. Clarke, Brandon M. Machajewski, Norbert A. Ratajczyk, Richard J. Streck, and Marie M. Urbanski. National President Jozwiak thanked the delegates for their confidence in re-electing the Board.

## Polish Harvest Festival Planned

The Church of St. Adalbert in Schenectady, New York will hold its 25th Annual Polish Harvest Festival "Dozynki" on Sunday, October 17, 2010 from 12 noon to 8 pm at Polish Community Center, 225 Washington Ave., Extension, Albany, New York. Admission is free.

A Polish Dinner with Babci's (Grandma's) favorite Old-World and homemade foods will be available from noon to 5 pm. One can also enjoy a la carte items from the Polish Kitchen, bakery and Polish Pizza. Music for dancing and listening pleasure will be by the Polka Country Musicians. Tickets, in advance for the dance are \$10 - \$12 at the door. Polish items for purchase and history exhibits will also be available.

For further information please contact Bob Chelkowski, secretary of Holy Trinity Lodge #193 of the Polish Union of America at (518) 355 2226.

## Calendar of Events

### Chopin Singing Society 111TH ANNUAL CONCERT

SUN., OCT. 24, 2010 AT 3 PM

VILLA MARIA COLLEGE  
AUDITORIUM

for tickets call  
Ann T. Mikoll (716) 685-9466



## Happy Halloween!

### Queen of Angels Holy Name Social Dance

CORNER OF ELECTRIC &  
WARSAW, LACKAWANNA

SAT., NOV. 13, 2010

MUSIC 8PM-12AM

for tickets call  
Dan Pulinski (716) 823-2794

## Fall Dance

Daniel Pulinski, secretary of St. Anthony's Lodge #106 of the Polish Union of America and Queen of Angels Holy Name Society will hold a Fall Dance on Saturday, November 13, 2010.

Dancing and continuous music will be provided by The Polka Family from 8pm to midnight at the Queen of Angels Social Center located at the corner of Electric and Warsaw Streets, Lackawanna, New York.

Tickets are \$11 - \$13 at the door. Refreshments and desserts will be available. For tickets and table reservations please contact Dan Pulinski at (716) 823 2794

## 50th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations are being extended to Wallace S. and Valentina Piotrowski of West Seneca, New York who recently celebrated their 50th Wedding anniversary.

The Most Rev. Edward M. Grosz, D.D. Auxiliary Bishop of Buffalo celebrated a Mass in honor of the couple at Blessed John XXIII. It was followed by a dinner at the home of their son.

Wallace S. Piotrowski married the former Valentina Lozowski on September 3, 1960 at St. Adalbert's Basilica in Buffalo, New York. Wallace is retired from M & T Bank. He also served as National President of the Polish Union of America from 1992 to 2002. Val serves as secretary of Lodge #397. They have five children and nine grandchildren.



## Happy Thanksgiving!

### Chopin Singing Society WIGILIA

SAT., DEC. 4, 2010

MILLENNIUM HOTEL

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## In Memoriam

*We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of recently deceased members.*

| <u>Lodge</u> | <u>Member</u>         | <u>Location</u>   |
|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 300          | Henry F. Arent        | Buffalo, NY       |
| 268          | Richard Anthony Arias | San Antonio, TX   |
| 393          | Stanislaw Cichowski   | Bradenton, FL     |
| 339          | Edward S. Dobosz      | Merrillville, IN  |
| 369          | Jozefa Dudka          | Amsterdam, NY     |
| 102          | Lawrence W. Dzialo    | Stratford, CT     |
| 362          | John J. Fudalik       | Cheektowaga, NY   |
| 338          | Cecilia A. Gmyrek     | Buffalo, NY       |
| 209          | Jane J. Gryzbek       | Dyer, IN          |
| 386          | Clara Gurowicz        | Williamsville, NY |
| 102          | Pauline J. Janik      | Sheldon, CT       |
| 189          | Claudia J. Jasinski   | Cheektowaga, NY   |
| 329          | Czeslaw Jawor         | Garden Grove, CA  |
| 251          | Walter Juszkiewicz    | Buffalo, NY       |
| 190          | Eugene J. Karmelek    | Tonawanda, NY     |
| 388          | Eugenia M. Krolewicz  | Cheektowaga, NY   |
| 369          | William J. Krzys      | Amsterdam, NY     |
| 219          | Helen M. May          | Buffalo, NY       |
| 219          | Edward W. Ogorzaly    | Lincolnshire, IL  |
| 306          | Joseph Paszkiewicz    | Hamburg, NY       |
| 027          | Arthur Sachenik       | West Seneca, NY   |
| 397          | Emily Sieman          | Williamsville, NY |
| 134          | Eleanor Tomaszewski   | Cheektowaga, NY   |
| 193          | Sophie Wajda          | Portland, OR      |
| 398          | Dolores T. Zak        | Blasdell, NY      |