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MONTHLY NETWORKING- DINNER MEETING & BUSINESS EXPO

WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 21, 2016
6:00 p.m.
White Eagle Banquets
Niles, Illinois

RESERVATIONS
by September 19 to
meeting@chicagosocietypna.org
847-635-0883

NEXT BOARD MEETING AND FORUM DEADLINE

Monday, October 3, 2016
7:00 p.m.
PNA Home Office

COMING EVENTS

Monday, Sept. 19, 2016—
CS Texas Hold 'em Casino Night
White Eagle Banquets
1:30 p.m. - 12:00 midnight

Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2016—
Dinner Meeting
White Eagle Banquets
Cocktails 6:00 p.m.
Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 27, 2016—
CS Annual Corned Beef &
Cabbage Dinner
AAC Eagles Club
5844 Milwaukee, Chicago

CHICAGO SOCIETY BUSINESS EXPO & SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

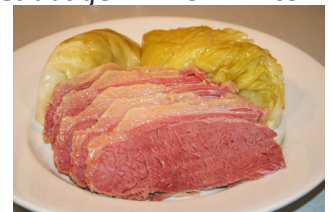
At our September meeting, the Chicago Society will showcase our brother members with its Annual Business Expo. The Expo will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 at the White Eagle in Niles. The purpose of the Expo is to give our brother members an opportunity to promote their businesses, and to encourage our own brother members to support them! Attorneys, roofers, plumbers, real estate agents, insurance agents, doctors, musicians, electricians, and all other professions are welcome. Let your brother members know what your business is and get new referrals. If you would like to promote your business at this Expo, please contact Brother **John Cieslik** at 312-859-5404. The cost is FREE and tables will be available for marketing your materials and for your business cards. Please bring a guest to that meeting. This is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to showcase our organization and the talents of our members. This is also a wonderful opportunity for new members to find out what their brother members have to offer, and for them to showcase their business.



The September General Meeting not only offers great camaraderie, a Business Expo, but a delicious dinner menu! The dinner menu includes saad, bread basket, bistec filet, roast loin of pork, mashed potatoes, green beans & carrots, and Chef's dessert selection, coffee or tea. Please call Brother Ro Matuszczak for reservations at 847-635-0883 or email meeting@chicagosocietypna.org.

2016 CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

The Chicago Society Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner will tentatively be held on Thursday, October 27, 2016, at the AAC Eagles Club located at 5844 N. Milwaukee in Chicago. As usual, all members and their guests are welcome to join us and network, break bread and have a great evening! The very low priced ticket of \$35.00 includes open bar with premium liquor starting at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner featuring Harrington's famous corned beef with horseradish, cabbage



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Dear Brothers,

As we say good-bye to the lazy days of summer and those fond memories of one of our largest golf outings in recent history, thank you Brother **Komosa**, and our well attended family picnic with Brother **Terry Przybyski** entertaining the gathering with his accordion playing and where we ran out of food twice because only two people RSVPd, thank you Brother **Groszek** and your committee for doing such an outstanding job. Everyone had a good time. As we start our fall activities, I would like to remind our members that for the month of September, the attire is still business casual. In October, we will resume with wearing a coat and tie to the meetings.

I would encourage all our members to attend the Chicago Society's Business Expo to be held at the September General Membership meeting. Brother **Cieslik** is the chair and has been working very hard in putting together this program. This is a good opportunity for our members to network and to actually see what our fellow members do. If you would like to have a table set up for your business at the meeting, please immediately contact Brother Cieslik at johncieslik@sbcglobal.net to see if arrangements can be made. And finally, it's hard to believe that it's been over a year (August 17, 2015) since our Brother **T. Ron Jasinski-Herbert** had passed away. T. Ron had left a large footprint which we are still trying to fill. May he rest in peace! God bless.

Fraternally,

Brother Ted Makarewicz,
President

Dear Brothers,

Autumn is here and Labor Day has passed which means that summer is officially over but a new round of festivities begin with the upcoming Chicago Society Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner on Thursday, October 27, 2016 at the AAC Eagles Club located at 5844 N. Milwaukee in Chicago. As usual, all are invited members non-members. Family, colleagues, friends, and their guests are welcome to join us and network, break bread, and have a great evening! The very low priced ticket of \$35.00 includes open bar with premium liquor starting at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner featuring Harrington's famous corned beef with horseradish, cabbage, boiled potatoes, pumpernickel bread, and apple pie and coffee for dessert. After dinner we will have the ever popular Executive Raffle and continue to network! Please try to attend and bring a few people with you especially if they are running for elective office. We will introduce them and let them say a few words. Have a great September! .

FROM THE EDITOR'S PEN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Fraternally,
Brother Charles Komosa,
Editor

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CORNEB AND CABBAGE DINNER

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call co-chairmen Brother **Charles Komosa** at 773-286-7123, Brother **John Cieslik** at 312-859-5404 or Brother **Mark Orwat** at 773-502-6969, if you would like to attend or for information. Tables of ten are available. Please make your reservations early because tickets will not be sold at the door. Please reserve your tickets early because we sold out last year and expect many candidates seeking elective office to attend. You can pay online using PayPal on our website at www.chicagosocietypna.org/payments.html.

2017 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The Nominating Committee for the Chicago Society of the PNA's election of 2017 officers and directors invites anyone who is interested in running for a position on the board, either as an officer or director-at-large, please contact the Chairman or another member of the nominating committee to find out the procedure and qualifications. You must contact them as soon as possible because the slate will be announced at the October meeting. The chairman and committee are as follows:

Stanley Jendzejec, *Chairman*
Stanley Sawa
Matt Rodriquez
Ronald Topczewski
Frank Gondela
John Skaja, Tomasz Pawelko,
Alternates

CASINO DAYS FOR 2016 SCHEDULED!


Casino Days to benefit the Chicago Society have been scheduled for Monday, Sept. 19, Monday, Oct. 17, and Monday, Nov. 21, 2016.



They will be held at the House of the White Eagle. Volunteers are needed for these events. Shifts are 1:30—6:30 and 6:30—midnight. If you can give a few hours of your time on any of those dates, please contact co chairmen Brothers **Chuck Cwiakala** or **Ro Matuszczak** at 847-635-0883.

RULES FOR RUNNING FOR OFFICE IF NOT SLATED

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**Do You Know A
Prospective Member?**

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

The Chicago Society would like to extend to the following brother members celebrating their birthday in September, a warm wish of *Sto Lat!*



- 3 Chester Klos
- Conrad Nowak
- 10 John Teschky
- 11 Ronald Osioł
- 13 Paul Posch
- 15 Marian Skawski
- 17 Thomas Sieja
- 18 Warren Dulski
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- 19 Andrew Batorski
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- 23 David Uting
- 25 Kenneth Walczak
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SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

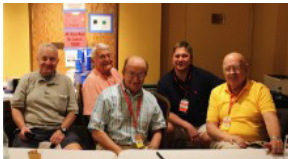
The Chicago Society would like to congratulate Brother **Romuald Matusz-zak**, who is celebrating the 60th Anniversary of his induction into the Chicago Society in September of 1956, and Brother **Edward Gronkiewicz**, who is celebrating the 45th Anniversary of his induction into the Chicago Society in September of 1971.

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Hot Vegas action on Labor Day weekend! Brothers **Charles Komosa** and **Mario Mikoda**, both directors of the Copernicus Foundation, served as co-chairmen of Big Nick's Casino at the Taste of Polonia from Saturday afternoon through Monday evening. Brother members volunteering for the weekend included **Don Gutowski**, **Stan Jendzejec**, **Tom Pawelko**, **Ted Wiecek**, **John Wojciechowski**, **Mark Orwat**, **Chris Grzadzziel**, **Mike Dropka**, **Jan Plachta**. They worked as cashiers, Black Jack and Poker dealers, wheel spinners, roulette attendants and bartenders.



Chicago Society members at Big Nick's Casino: Jon T. Osada, Stanley Jendzejec, Jan Plachta, Charles Komosa, Donald Gutowski, (photo courtesy of dr. Geraldine Balut-Coleman)

The chief visited Taste of Polonia! Brother **John Wojciechowski**, director of the Copernicus Foundation, was invited to a private meet and greet, with several other members of Polonia including Chicago Society members **Tom Startec**, and **Paul Rydak**, with Governor Bruce Rauner and his wife Diana.

Also spotted at the Taste of Polonia were Brothers **Ted Makarewicz**, **Jon T. Osada**, **Walter Zarnecki**, **Chester Kolak**, and **Mark Kupiec**.

Holy Cow! The PNA sponsored Polish American Night at Wrigley Field was a great time watching the Chicago Cubs beat the Pittsburgh Pirates. Chicago Society members included Brothers **Rick & Cynthia Wiermanski**, **Mark Orwat** & **Janina Burdzy**, **Steve Rakowski** and daughter, **Charles & Agata Komosa** and their sons **Charley** and **Alex**, Brother **Peter Dykas**, and friends.

Brothers **Frank Spula**, President of the Polish National Alliance and Polish American Congress, **Robert Radowski**, VP/Head of the Midwest District of the Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union, and **Ted Wiecek** attended the Chicago Poland Observance of the 1050th Anniversary of the Christianity of Poland, held on August 28, 2016 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Merrillville, Indiana. Brother Ted recalls attending the observance of the Millennium of Poland's Christianity in 1966 at Soldier Field as a *zuch* (Polish cub scout), attended by 100,000 people, as a few other brother members certainly do as well.

FAMILY & FRIENDS PICNIC AUGUST 21, 2016



The following persons are thanked by "Rafflers" **Ro** and **Chris Matuszczak** for their contributions of prizes for the Chicago Society Picnic held on Sunday, August 21, 2016. A large array of prizes from Picnic Chairman **Robert Groszek** and his wife **Jennifer**; Mr. and Mrs. **S. Maleta**; Mr. and Mrs. **Casey Baczynski**; **Jan Plachta** and **Ro** and **Chris Matuszczak**. Once again, thank you all!

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you!

The board of directors and the members of the Chicago Society would like to thank the law firm **Dowd & Dowd** for their generous contribution to support our annual picnic.

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