

# The Forum

# of the Chicago Society, Lodge 1450 PNA

Our Second Century of Brotherhood and Service

VOLUME 71 March 2020 NUMBER 3

#### **COMING EVENTS**

Wednesday, March 18, 2020
General Meeting
The Great Escape Restaurant
9540 W. Irving Park Road
Schiller Park, IL 60176
Cocktails @ 6:00 pm
Dinner @ 7:00pm
RSVP
by March 16 to
meeting@chicagosocietypna.org
or (847) 635-0883 or

Monday, March 30, 2020
Board Meeting
D'Agostino's Pizza and Pub
Park Ridge - 6:00 pm
FORUM Deadline
Send all articles to
editor@chicagosocietypna.org

www.chicagosocietypna.org

Saturday, May 2, 2020 Constitution Day Parade

Saturday, May 9, 2020 Labor of Love Fundraiser



### Fun Times at the 2020 Sledz Event

Chicago Society PNA Sledz dinner; thank you to all who came. From the pictures we took, looks like everyone had a great time. Thank you to chairman **Brother Tony Kawalkowski** putting on a great dinner and Thank you to Andrew Noyszewski of Kidz Magic to the awesome decorations! And also to our Live Dixie Band for the entertainment. All went home happy. If you missed it, Hope to see you there next year.





# **Update Regarding May's Polish Constitution Parade**

**Brother Ro Matuszczak**, Financial Secretary of the Polish Constitution Day Parade, informs us that the Grand Marshal for this year's Parade is Mrs. Rita Cosby, a New York journalist and former White House Correspondent. Vice Marshals are Conrad Lowell, President of Lowell International Foods, and Peggy Kusinski, noted sports announcer. Congratulations to the honorees!





# CHICAGO SOCIETY FORUM

A monthly news bulletin for the Chicago Society PNA membership

Director of Publications editor@chicagosocietypna.org

Visit Our Website At www.chicagosocietypna.org

# CHICAGO SOCIETY P.N.A. 2020 Board of Directors

President:

Peter A. Dykas

**1st Vice-President:** Adam Konopka

**2nd Vice-President:** Romuald Matuszczak

Secretary:

Jan S. Plachta

Financial Secretary: Richard Ciesla

Treasurer:
Richard Wiermanski

Advocate:

Walter Piecewicz

**Senior Director** Mario Mikoda

**Social Activities Director:** Anthony P. Kawalkowski

**Directors of Outreach:** Zenon Kurdziel

**Director of Personnel:** Charles Cwiakala

> Forum Editor: Ted Kozelka



Dear Brother Members,

Happy Spring! It's finally here and the weather is getting warmer and nicer. Let's hope the snow and cold air won't return until next December.

First, I would like to thank **Brother Anthony Kawalkowski** who was chairman of this year's Sledz. It was really tough on him as he did it all by himself. The event was really well done and all had a great time. The food was delicious and the entertainment was a blast. As always, members and some guests took part in our Mardi Gras pageant which everyone enjoyed. Thank you to all our members and guests who came out to support us. The low point of the event was that we had only 59 guests come out compared to last year's 100. We need more of our members to attend such fun events and I know that Polonia has a lot of them and not everyone can make it but let's support this fine organization and bring friends.

Next up will be our annual Chicago Society's May 3rd Polish Constitution Day Pre-Parade Brunch on May 2nd and our Golf Outing on July 10th. Hope everyone can support both or at least one of them and bring your friends. More details to come from our Chairman shortly.

As with every organization, there is always a Spring Appeal, mine is that we all try to bring a friend into Chicago Society as a member. We only can get stronger with help from you! Dues are due March 1st and if you have not paid your dues, please do so soon. Per our Constitution, if dues are not paid by then, we publish the name in our forum and the member is then suspended. We will install a grace period for a few more weeks. Please get them to **Brother Rich Ciesla** as soon as you can. We really don't want to lose you as a member. We like all our members!

One final note and that is our General Meeting location is at the Great Escape Restaurant on Irving Park Road west of River Road on the north side of the street. It is next to the RR bridge and look for the large wind turbine.

Hope to see YOU ALL there.

Yours truly,

Peter Dykas.

# **Reminder: 2020 Chicago Society Golf Outing**

The Chicago Society Golf Outing will take place at Gleneagles Country Club in Lemont, IL (https://www.golfgleneagles.com/) on July 10, 2020. The forecast as of printing of this forum is a perfect 75 degrees and sunny. Cost per golfer (including a lunch at registration, golf, beverages from registration through dinner and the dinner reception) is \$150 per golfer. Tee signs are available for \$100 with other sponsorships available. Please spread the word and plan on joining us as we work to support the youth of Polonia. If you are a non-golfer but are available to help with the event on the day of, your contribution would be greatly appreciated. If you have anything you can contribute to the event or contacts that might be able to help, please contact me immediately akonopka@dowdanddowd.com. Lets make this a success for our organization and Polonia!

# **Obituary**

With regret, we must announce the passing of **Brother Zenon Olejniczak**, age 89. Beloved husband of Jadwiga (nee Wiliam). Loving father of Barbara and Richard (Agnes) Olejniczak. Devoted Dziadzia of Kassandra and Lucas. Predeceased by his siblings and in-laws Jozef (Helena) Olejniczak, Tadeus (Janina) Olejniczak, and Regina Trzcinska. Loving uncle of Urszula (Tadeusz) Wasilewscy and family, the Zbigniew Trzcinski family, and Barbara. Cousin of Teresa Galczak, Ewa Sobieraj, Dominika Sobieraj, Zbigniew Galczak and family, and Jola Galczak.



Visitation Thursday, March 12, 2020 from 4:00-9:00 p.m. with a Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m. at Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home, 8025 W. Golf Road in Niles. Funeral Friday, March 13 at 10:15 a.m. from the funeral home to St. John Brebeuf Church. Mass 11:00 a.m. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. Info 847-581-0536 or www.colonialfuneral.com

# **March Birthdays**

The Chicago Society extends a warm Sto Lat to the brother members, who are celebrating their birthdays this month!

- 02 Les Sraga
- 09 Joseph N Bauerle
- 10 Edmund A Nowak Jr.
- 12 William G Marutzky
- 16 David H Marutzky
- 18 Jerry Sufranski
- 22 Alfred C Kotlarz
- 23 Daniel G Pikarski
- 23 Christopher T Grzadziel
- 24 William Sufranski
- 24 Mitchell Pasiewicz



#### **Winter Dress Code**

Winter dress code is in effect from October to April for the General Meetings. Winter dress code is Business Casual — suit or slacks, sports coat and business shirt; tie optional.

### **March Anniversaries**

The Chicago Society would like to congratulate the following Brothers on their anniversary of being inducted into the Chicago Society.

**Edward Wasilewski (5 years)** 

John Wasilewski (5 years)

**Benjamin Sipiora (5 years)** 

Frank Czaja (20 years)

Andrzej Czyszczon (35 years)

Thank you for your loyal membership & STO LAT!

## **2020 Dues Notice**

Dues reminder: Per the by-laws of the Chicago Society, dues are to be paid by March 1. Members in arrears will be printed in the March Forum. If dues are not paid promptly, the member will be suspended. Members can pay their dues by Paypal or mailing a check to the Financial Secretary, Richard Ciesla at 1808 Weeg Way, Park Ridge, IL 60068. Better yet bring your check to the March General meeting.

Marek Kowalczyk	Matt Rodriguez
, David Marutzky	Greg Sarwa
Mario Mikoda	John Skaja, Jr.
Andrew Noyszewski	Jack Skaja, Sr.
Ronald Osiol	Edward Wasilewski
Tomasz Pawelko	John Wojciechowski
Andrew Przybylo	Andrew Zapalski
Wojciech Putz	Anthony Zaskowski
James Robaczewski	Dan Zolkowski
	David Marutzky Mario Mikoda Andrew Noyszewski Ronald Osiol Tomasz Pawelko Andrew Przybylo Wojciech Putz



# THE SKAJA FAMILY

Family owned and operated Serving out community for 84 years

Jack Skaja and John Skaja Members

# SKAJA TERRACE FUNERAL HOME

7812 N Milwaukee Avenue Niles, Illinois 60714

#### **CHCAGO SOCIETY FORUM**

6348 N. Milwaukee Avenue, #360 Chicago, IL 60646-3728

#### ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

