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Polanki Meeting March 9

On Friday, March 9, Polanki's regular meeting will be held at Villa St. Francis at 7:30pm in the dining room.

SPEAKERS: Professor Donald Pienkos, Ph.D, will speak about the 100th anniversary of Poland's independence

HOSTESSES:

Marjorie Piechowski
Barbara Rutkowski
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Sue Holcomb
Anne Wal
Veronica Artus
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From the President's Desk

I am honored and thrilled to have been elected President of Polanki, Inc. last month! I look forward to building on the history and resources that Polanki members have amassed over the years through dedication and hard work.

We have two main events scheduled in April at the Polish Center: the College Achievement Awards Tea on April 8 and the Pierogi Dinner on April 29. Joanne Barndt and her committee vetted the achievement award applications that were received and a talented group of students will be receiving awards. Nadine Flemming and Denna Flemming are once again chairing the Awards Tea. And a shout-out to Jessica Ullstrup—she is chairing her first Polanki event, the Pierogi Dinner! Volunteers will be needed for the tea and the dinner; sign-up sheets will be circulated at the March 9 membership meeting.

The 2018-2019 budget was reviewed by the Board at its last meeting. I would like to thank Jean Wroblewski for her extraordinary efforts in keeping Polanki's financial records and for preparing the budget that will be presented to members on March 9.

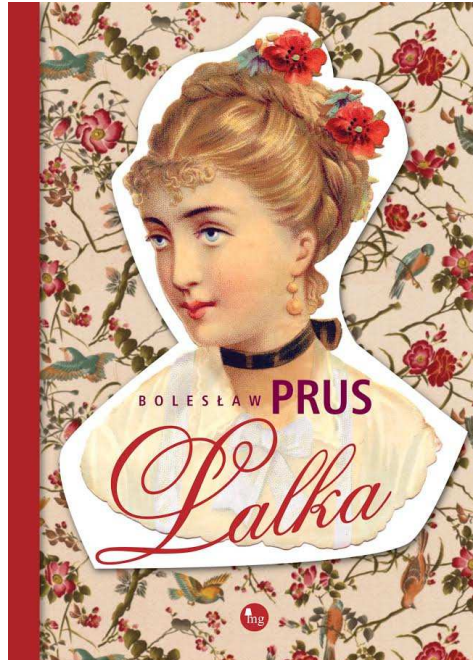
From the President's Desk (continued)

Finally, an affirmation that I read every morning that seems appropriate for my new Polanki position:

Be a woman other women can trust. Have the courage to tell another woman directly when she has offended, hurt or disappointed you. Successful women have a loyal tribe of loyal and honest women behind them. Not haters. Not backstabbers or women who whisper behind their back. Be a woman who lifts other women. – Anonymous –

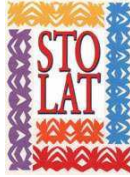
-Anne Wal

Polanki Book Club meets to Discuss *The Doll*



The Polanki Book Club met on Sunday, February 18 to discuss *The Doll (Lalka)*, Bolesław Prus's epic novel of nineteenth century Warsaw. Kudos to everyone who made it through more than 600 pages of dense prose; they were rewarded by gaining unique insight into the situation of Poland's various social classes under the Partitions, when the Polish nation did not exist. The nobility, merchant class, intelligentsia, Jews, workers, and peasants are all portrayed with unflinching realism and wry humor in this classic work of Polish fiction.

-Susan Mikoś



December

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| 3/09 | Kristine Chmielewski |
| 3/19 | Joanna Nowakowski |
| 3/28 | Marjorie Piechowski |
| 3/31 | Edith Malson |

Upcoming Events

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| April 8 | Awards Tea, Polish Center |
| April 29 | Pierogi Dinner, Polish Center |
| June 15-17 | Polish Fest, Summerfest Grounds |

Community Corner

Friday Fish Fry during Lent

Friday, March 2, 4:30-8:00pm., at the Polish Center of Wisconsin, Adults \$14/PHA Members receive \$1 off, Children 6-12 \$8

Easter Eggs, Polish Style!

Saturday, March 10 10:00am-12:00pm

Skrobanki- Learn to create intricate designs by “scratching” the surface of colored eggs.

Taught by Kasia Drake-Hames

Saturday, March 10, 1:00-3:00pm

Nalepianki- use the wycinaki (paper cut-out) technique to decorate blown-out eggs and create ornaments that can be used for Easter, or next December on the Christmas tree.

Taught by Kasia Drake-Hames

Saturday, March 17, 10:00am-12:00pm

Pisanki- learn to decorate eggs using the popular wax-resist technique.

Taught by Bernie Jendrzczak

Pre-Registration required, \$10 Non -members, \$8 PHA members

Swiecone 2018

Sunday, March 25, 2:00-5:00pm

Syrena’s “Swiecone” Easter buffet will be held on Palm Sunday at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church , Tickets \$20

Easter Brunch

Sunday, April 1, 10:00am-12:30pm

All You Can Eat Buffet, Adults \$30, Children 12 and under \$12, reservations required

CORRECTION

In the February newsletter, it was inadvertently reported that Barbara Rutkowski was experiencing flu-like conditions. Barbara R. was not ill—she is working a part-time job and is perfectly healthy! Many apologies for this oversight.

Barbara Januchowski was experiencing flu-like symptoms and we hope she is feeling better.

Visit to Milwaukee by the General Consulate

Thank you for your kind contribution to the warm welcome we gave our Polish visitors last Thursday. They were impressed with what Milwaukee has to offer and vowed to come back! I believe we made an excellent connection and I am certain that we will continue our friendship with the General Consulate in Chicago, the Province of Lublin, the City of Lublin, the Catholic University of John Paul II, as well as the Polish-American Chamber of Commerce in Chicago. May this visit become the beginning to a long-lasting partnership in many joint projects that will build strong cultural and business ties between our cities and countries.

The visit: We started with a tour of Basilica of St. Josaphat (thank you Kathleen Szuslik and Ron Szymanski) and Kosciuszko Monument (thank you Claude Krawczyk). Later we visited the City Hall where the City Clerk Jim Owczarski gave us a tour (thank you Jim, ald. Mark Borkowski and Oscar Tovar). Next, we visited UWM Library (thank you prof. Ewa Barczyk, prof. Don Pienkos and Jovanka Ristic). At the end of the visit we had a fantastic dinner at the Art Museum (thank you Erin, Laura, Amanda, Michelle and Polanki).

Best Regards, Joanna Frączek



Lost & Found

This petticoat was left at Polanki's cultural exhibit at Holiday Folk Fair last November. Contact Anne Wal to claim 414-287-1530.



Polanki Board Members

This is your newly elected board members and advisors. Thank you so much for your time and dedication in keeping Polanki a successful organization.



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