



# Polanki, Inc.

## The Polish Women's Cultural Club of Milwaukee Newsletter Summer Update (*lato* 2023)

### *From the President's Desk*



*(Photo courtesy of Laurie Ufnowski)*

Dear Polanki Members: I hope everyone is taking advantage of this beautiful Wisconsin summer, but it's going way too fast. It has been so nice to enjoy evenings outside with a refreshing beverage with family and friends.

I want to begin by thanking everyone who helped at Polish Fest. It was very successful for Polanki and it was wonderful to see the camaraderie among our members. Many people put in countless hours and the effort showed. I don't want to miss anyone but I do want to say a couple of "Thank Yous." I could not have done the Cultural Village without my dear friends and colleagues Ewa Barczyk and Camille Shaw. They both spent countless hours on this monumental task. Tamara Johnston worked many hours on our stellar exhibit along with Ewa. Sue Brown, Sue Konecny and Kathy Wiczorek made the Cultural Tent spectacular with beautiful hand-made items. Diane Holytz recruited numerous volunteers and Jean Wroblewski organized a fabulous Sales Booth. Also I want to thank Joanne Barndt and Susan Mikoś for the Book Sales display. All the displays/booths were extremely successful and beautifully illustrated Polanki's commitment to Polish culture to a very high degree.

In the September newsletter I will list ALL those who volunteered but I want ALL of you to know how much I appreciated the hard work you did for Polanki. It did not go unnoticed. You are a terrific group of women and you should be so proud of what we accomplished. We received wonderful compliments from Polish Fest.

The invites have gone out for the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, which is shaping up to be a beautiful event that I hope all will attend. Camille Shaw and the committee have been working many hours so things will run just perfectly. Susan Cieslak has been working very hard on publicity so Marjorie Piechowski can put together a beautiful program book. Again, there are so many hands behind the scenes that help make this milestone event happen. Finally, I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting and at the September 24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration as we move forward in 2023. It really has been a good year for Polanki and after a difficult few years we are ready to show the strength and capabilities of our marvelous organization. I am so honored to be your president. Thank you all for everything you do.

*Laurie Ufnowski*  
*2023 Polanki President*

## August Birthdays

8/02 Joanna Frączek  
8/04 Susan Cieslak  
8/05 Barbara Rutkowski  
8/08 Kathy Camacho  
8/08 Janine Adamczyk  
8/09 Gloria Skwierawski  
8/10 Christine Ostrowski  
8/19 Louise Cieslak  
8/21 Jeanne Ziebka  
8/25 Bernie Jendrzeczek  
8/27 Paula Meisner  
8/31 Susan Mikoś

## September Birthdays

9/02 Nancy Rydell  
Joanna Frączek  
9/04 Mirosław Rogalski  
9/05 Jenny Skwierawski  
9/07 Judy Chattin  
9/12 Diane Ullstrup  
9/13 Barbara Mueller  
9/16 Joanne Barndt  
9/21 Teresa Frankowski  
9/27 Juliane Gaseor  
9/29 Heddy Moskaluk  
9/30 Dana Michaels

## Upcoming Fall Events

At Polonia Sport Club

August 6: Summer Festival

September 10: Dozynki Fall Harvest Festival

At Polish Center of Wisconsin

September 24: Polanki 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party

October 15: Fungi Fair

At State Fair Park

November 17-10: Holiday Folk Fair

## Final Chance to Contribute for the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

We've had an excellent response to date but there is still time to contribute in honor of our 70 years of promoting and supporting Polish culture. It would be wonderful to reach \$7,000 for the 70<sup>th</sup> year! Circles of giving are named for accomplished Polish women of the past:

Irena Sendler Circle: \$25.00-\$50.00

Helena Modjeska Circle: \$51.00-\$75.00

Marie Curie Skłodowska Circle: \$76.00-\$100.00

Queen Jadwiga Circle: \$101.00-\$500.00

Polanki Patron: Other amount

All donations will be recognized in the Anniversary Program Booklet by listing in the selected Circle. **Members and non-members are welcome to send their contribution by August 15 to be included in the program book.** Please send your check to Jean Wroblewski: 3217 S. 68<sup>th</sup> St., Milwaukee 53219-4005



Polanki sends best wishes to Sue Konecny, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery and to Jenny Konecny, who continues to receive treatment for her cancer diagnosis. Please remember them with a visit, call, card, letter, email and thoughts and prayers. Let's hope the beautiful summer weather will help with the healing process.