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Polonus and PANA honor Pulaski at Polpex



Members of Polonus and the Polish American Numismatic Association visited the Polish Museum of America in Chicago to view the famous Batowski painting of General Pulaski. Left to right (top row): E. Piegzik; J. Mazepa; Polonus president, A. Szebel; C. Schafer; T. Maczynski. (Bottom row): Jo Piegzik; P.A.N.A. president A. Marquart; unknown guest; M. Ciurus; J. Zilke; A. Bunge; S. Styczynski; G. Kokocinski; F. Zaylik; J. Kupiec; Museum custodian Rev. D. Bilinski.

INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION AT POLPEX 79

POLPEX 79 has drawn exhibitors from eight countries and a Judges Panel from four countries. The exhibition, truly international in scope, will be held March 16-18, 1979, at the Palmer House in Chicago, and will honor the 200th anniversary of the death of General Pulaski at the Battle of Savannah and the Fortieth anniversary of the Polonus Philatelic Society. There will be 500 frames in open competition in addition to a Court of Honor. Preliminary entries have already been received from Canada, England, Australia, Poland, France, Germany and Greece as well as the United States.

The Panel of Judges will be chaired by Bernard Hennig. Mr. Hennig is very experienced in national and international exhibitions both as an exhibitor and judge. He is presently the Chairman of the American Philatelic Society for the Accreditation of Judges. The Honorary Chairman of the Jury will be Miroslaw Bojanowicz, R.D.P. of London. Mr. Bojanowicz has been the recipient of several Grand Prix awards for his collection of Poland No. 1 and Russia used in the Kingdom of Poland. His book on this subject has just been put into print by the Royal Philatelic Society of London.

Dr. James J. Matejka of Chicago has been a familiar personality on the philatelic scene. He has participated in many international shows as judge, exhibitor, and commissioner. Most recently he served as U.S. Commissioner to PRAHA 78 and as Judge at POLPEX 78. Jan Witkowski of Poznan, Poland, has been a pioneer in Polish Philately since the 1920's as both a

collector and dealer. He was the chairman for the International Exhibition POLSKA 73 held in Poznan. Dr. Miet Kamiński of Scarborough, Canada, is a long time student of pre-war Poland and served as apprentice judge at CAPEX 78. The Judges Panel will be assisted by four apprentice judges, E. Kies of Warsaw, and Tom Fuerst, Harold Peters, and Werner Gruenbaum.

For the first time in a Polpex Exhibition, medals will be awarded in five categories: Gold, Vermeil, Silver, Silver - Bronze, and Bronze. Medals have been specially struck for this occasion and will be awarded at the discretion of the Judges. Several special Awards will also be presented, which include the Grand Award (Object d'art), the Kozakiewicz Research Award, the President's Award, the Society of Philatelic Americans Medal, a special object d'art given by the Union of Polish Philatelists (PZF), Warsaw, and special awards given by Jan Witkowski of Poznan and Richard Estka of Chicago.

Chester Mikucki, the founder of the Polonus Philatelic Society, has been named Honorary Chairman of Polpex 79 as the Society celebrates its 40th Anniversary.

Original articles on any phase of Polish Philately are being solicited for the Program Book. Anyone may request assistance or may send their article to James Mazepa, Box 1217, Oak Park, IL 60304. In addition to an informative program guide, a membership listing which will include the members' special interests will be available (to members only) before the Show.

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The POLPEX 79 Committee has commissioned Leon S. Kawecki, artist and sculptor, to prepare a Commemorative Medallion for this event. A specially engraved and numbered medal will be available for those who contribute \$50.00 or more to help cover the expenses of the exhibition. Checks may be sent to: Roman Strzelecki, 1620 North Latrobe, Chicago, IL 60639. A 50 (fifty) dealer bourse is expected, and interested dealers should immediately contact Mr. Strzelecki at the above address.

Preliminary plans are being made to hold a convention of all the Polish Philatelic Organizations in the United States and Canada with the hope of establishing areas of mutual interest and cooperation. Among these are the possibility of establishing local chapters, having a common publication, and coordinating philatelic exhibitions and other activities. Presidents or representatives are requested to contact the Polpex Chairman, Alfred Szebel, 9041 Emerson St.,

Des Plaines, IL 60016 for details.

The U.S.P.O. and U.W.P.O. will participate and special cancellations as well as the usual special Polpex Souvenir cards and sheets will be available.

The Beeba Awards Banquet will be March 17th at 8:00 p.m. The hours of the exhibition will be: Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Saturday 10:00 to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday from 10:00 to 4:00 p.m.

—James Mazepa

IN MEMORIAM

CHESTER MAKOWSKI
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POLISH PHILATELIC SOCIETIES CONVENTION AT POLPEX 79

Polonus is celebrating its 40th anniversary, and to highlight this occasion the Society will be the sponsor and host to the convention of Polish Philatelic Clubs at Polpex 79, which will be held March 16-18, 1979 at the prestigious Palmer House in Chicago.

The purpose of this convention will be to initiate the UNION of Polish Philatelic Societies throughout the U.S.A. and Canada, to combine efforts in closer cooperation between individual clubs with creative proposals, to exchange effective ideas, to provide means of mutual communications and to aid and coordinate planned exhibits, local events, etc.

Polonus proposes to utilize its Bulletin—in existence since 1939 — to serve as the communication forum to all Member Clubs.

Polonus will present to each head delegate of a Polish Philatelic Club a massive "Freedom Founders" Bicentennial Medal, designed by member L. S. Kawecki.

The largest and finest ever, POLPEX 79 Stamp and Coin Exhibition with participants and exhibitors from Canada, Australia, England, France, Poland, Germany and Greece, will mark our 40th Anniversary, combined with commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of General Casimir Pulaski's death at the Battle of Savannah, Ga.

Remember, that only **United we will stand**, and to achieve our goals, we must remind ourselves that **Our Cultural Legacy** calls now for joint efforts!

Plan now to meet with us, to help in achieving our common objectives and to meet new and old friends.

—Alfred Szebel

POLISH PHILATELIC LITERATURE AT THE COLLECTORS CLUB

Since Polonus does not have a permanent location for its small library, the Board of Directors decided to transfer whatever was kept in boxes in basements, to a permanent location of the Collectors Club of Chicago, 1029 N. Dearborn Street in Chicago.

The Collectors Club is maintaining the largest philatelic library on all subjects and languages. Starting in January, 1979 the Collectors Club Philatelic Library will be open to visitors on Saturdays.

Polonus is grateful to Mr. J. Bieniecki for bringing up to date all issues of *FILATELISTA* magazine, and for his promise to donate additional literature. Polonus members who would like to donate any Polish Philatelic Literature may contact: John Bartczak 10428 So. Avenue "0", Chicago, IL 60617

POLPEX 79 HOTEL RATES

Space arrangements have been made for those persons desiring overnight accommodations at the Palmer House Hotel, State & Madison St., downtown Chicago, during POLPEX 79 Stamp and Coin Exhibition, also hosting the Convention of Polish Philatelic Clubs of U.S.A. and Canada, on March 16-18, 1979.

The rates for accommodations at the Palmer House are:

Single	\$32.00	\$34.00	\$36.00
Twin	\$40.00	\$42.00	\$44.00

Reservations for the above may be made through: MATCO Travel, Inc., c/o Mrs. Wanda Szebel, 9041 Emerson Street, Des Plaines, Ill. 60016, Telephone: (312) 299-2580.

If reservations are required, kindly forward one night's deposit with your request.

COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL

The special commemorative medallion being struck for POLPEX 79 is to be minted by the Medallic Art Co. of Danbury, Conn. and is to be finished by the end of February. It will be modeled by Ralph Beck, the sculptor who modeled the presidential medals.

A joint venture of Polonus and the Polish American Numismatic Association, the Polonus side of the medal was designed by Leon Kawecki and will show a Polish eagle and the ancient Slav god "Światowid". The PANA side is designed by Wincenty Gawron and will show a portrait of Gen. Pulaski.

This beautiful and meaningful medallion will be struck in a limited quantity. It is available in gilded form to those who contribute the sum of \$50.00 or more to help defray the costly expenses of the Polpex. To assure receiving one, make check payable to the Polonus Philatelic Society and mail it to R. H. Strzelecki, 1620 North Latrobe, Chicago, IL 60639.

TID BIT

Member Henry J. Kapica of Hobart, Ind. sent us a clipping on Pulaski Day that appeared in a Florida newspaper by Milt Salamon, a stamp collector, of Cocoa Beach, Fla. The article showed the U.S. Pulaski stamp and aroused much interest among citizens in Florida towns.

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CONGRATULATIONS

At the Washington International Lions Stamp Show held late October in Lanham, Maryland, a gold award went to Lawrence W. Draeger for his exhibit of "The Polish Uncrowned Eagle, A Study of the Issue of 1944". A silver award was given to George W. Malloy for "Poland POW's".

More and more Polish material is popping up in exhibitions over the country.

POLISH COLLECTIONS AROUND THE WORLD

One of the largest Polish air-mail collections belongs to Dr. R. De Graeve of Brugge. The collection exhibited at LUPOSTA 77 in the German Federal Republic was awarded a gold medal and a special grand prize of the Burgo-meister of Berlin. The collection contains many very rare items, such as issues prior to 1918, the first rare flights of 1921-34, an almost complete set of labels of LOPP, and many other items.

Reprinted from the Bulletin of the Polish Philatelic Society of Australia.

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Inflation has caught up with the Polonus Philatelic Society. We are losing money on the Bulletin. Printing and mailing costs have gone up considerably.

The board of directors carefully examined the situation, and in order to break even — the dues have to be increased to \$7.50 a year effective January 1, 1979.

Your dues are now payable. Foreign and Canadian members must make all payments in U.S. funds. It costs too much to process a check in foreign currency.

Membership cards will be sent to members who pay dues of two years. Those who send one year's payment, please enclose stamped self-addressed envelope. Mail your dues' payments to Treasurer:

Roman H. Strzelecki
1620 N. Latrobe Ave.
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TO DELINQUENT MEMBERS:

Because of mounting Society expenses the board of directors has to take some drastic measures. In spite of our appeals in the Bulletin and mailed out notices, some of the members have not responded at all.

We therefore are listing here the delinquent members. Those on this list who will not send in payment will be dropped as of January 1st, 1979. The mailing of the Bulletin to them will be discontinued. So please, **PAY YOUR DUES AT ONCE AND YOU WILL BE RE-INSTATED.**

There may be discrepancies in this listing for which we apologize. Let us know at once so that we can make necessary adjustments.

—R. H Strzelecki, Treasurer
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NEW ISSUES

Poster Biennale

Issued in June, 1978 on the occasion of the 7th International Poster Biennale. The 1.50 zł. depicts the Biennale emblem designed by artist Wojciech Zamecznik. The event is held every second year in Warsaw and features poster art of the world. Offset printed on chalky paper in sheets of 30 stamps by PWPW Warsaw. Designed by Witold Jankowski. Total amount printed: 8,000,000

50th Anniversary Poznan Fair

A 1.50 zł. commemorative was issued in June, 1978 on the 50th International Poznan Fair with the emblem of the fair. Offset printed on chalky paper in sheets of 60 by PWPW Warsaw. Designed by Wojciech Freudenreich. Total amount printed 10,000,000 copies.

Havana Youth & Student Festival

On the occasion of the 11th World Youth and Student Festival in Havana, Cuba, a 1.50 zł. was issued in July, 1978. Offset printed on chalky paper in sheets of 20 by

PWPW Warsaw. Designed by Stefan Malecki. Quantity: 8,000,000.

30th Anniversary of Polish Youth Union Movement

A souvenir sheet with a 1.50 zł. stamp was issued in July, 1978 showing a symbolic bunch of flowers against a contour map of Poland. Rotogravure on chalky paper by PWPW Warsaw. Designed by Stefan Malecki. Total amount printed: 1,200,000 sheets.

Parasitologists Congress

Two values, a 1.50 and 6.00 zł., were issued in August, 1978 for the 4th International Congress of Parasitologists held in Warsaw and Cracow.

1.50 zł.—anophele against the microscopic image of blood
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Offset printed on chalky paper in sheets of 30 by PWPW Warsaw. Designed by Tomasz Konarski.

New Issue info courtesy R. Burkiewicz.

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR CHICAGOLAND MEMBERS

Last year the Christmas Party was such a huge success that the members decided at the October meeting to hold one this year. It will be combined with the Past Presidents Nite. Tasty Polish delicacies will be served at a Beeba Party on Friday, December 29th at our meeting place, the S.W.A.P. Polish Veterans Hall, 6005 West Irving Park Rd. in Chicago. This will be the regular Polonus meeting in December. Cocktails at 7 p.m., buffet dinner at 8 p.m. A toast of champagne will be served for the coming New Year.

In order to cover some of the expenses there will be a small charge of \$5.00 per person. Reservations are required. Please make your reservations by December 20, 1978. Contact Roman H. Strzelecki, 1620 N. Latrobe Ave. Chicago, IL 60639. Phone 237-7366.

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The prestigious American Advertising Federation of Orange County, in its Annual Awards Competition of Exhibit, held in Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim, CA, presented the 1978 Award of Excellence to the designer and illustrator Leon S. Kaweckki, for his entry "POLPEX 77 Exhibit of Souvenir Sheets, Catalog Cover and Postmark". Client: Polonus Philatelic Society, Chicago, IL.



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AND BOARD
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