



Midwest Polka Association Newsletter
1785 Arcadia St Shakopee MN 55379

**March
April
2022**



President's Message *by Danny Fabeck*

Happy Middle-Of-The-Winter to you!

It's starting to get to that time of year where, at least in MN, we are sick of the cold grey days & cold temperatures. Hope you all had a happy holiday season. Now it is on to looking forward to summer & polka fests! We are in the process of finalizing our dances for 2022. We will continue to have a dance most every month except for January & then in July we will have our annual picnic. I think the bands are set for most of the year. Dates should be in this newsletter or you can always go to our website - midwestpolkaassociation.com - & find the schedule in the calendar tab.

Some of the mask & vaccine mandates have been lifted here in MN. Luckily, we have not had to require either for our dances so far. We do have complimentary masks available at the dances. People have been very good about social distancing to help stop the spread of the virus.

We just had our February dance with DyVersaCo & it was a good crowd & a good time. We did have a little snow with slippery roads, but that deterred very few. We all appreciate everyone who made the effort to come & hear the live music! In December we had our annual holiday dance with Doctor Kielbasa playing. We had a very hearty crowd there to welcome them. Murzyn Hall has worked out well for us to host dances. The dance floor is large & they have been very accommodating to us.

Don't forget Polka Family is coming to Murzyn Hall Friday March 4 - then we welcome LIVEwire to Murzyn Hall Sunday April 24. Mark your calendars! We continue to look for new bands & a chance to display their talents. Any suggestions would be very welcome.

Only a little longer to tough it out til spring. Then summer with a promise of polka fests that is a little more "normal" than what we had gotten used to.

We are always looking for new people to join the MPA Board. If you are interested in helping, please let a board member know.

Until next time.....

Thanks for all your support - with your help, we WILL keep polka music alive.

Hope to talk to you soon - Danny Fabeck

Introduce someone new to the music - keep the heritage alive!

POLKA FAMILY

**IS COMING TO
THE BEAUTIFUL
MURZYN HALL
530 Mill St NE
Columbia Heights MN
55421**

**FRIDAY MARCH 4
7-11pm**

**So Be Sure To Come &
Enjoy This Wonderful Evening!**

**ADMISSION - \$15
Open To The Public**

Casimir Pulaski Days Pulaski WI

FRIDAY • MARCH 11, 2022

POLKA JAM SESSION • 2 - 6 PM
WICKA'S BAR • 137 S. ST. AUGUSTINE ST.
ADMISSION FREE

FRIDAY • MARCH 11, 2022

LIVEWIRE • 7 - 11 PM
MOUNTAIN BAY BAR & GRILL
104 S. WISCONSIN ST.
\$5 ADMISSION

SAT. • MARCH 12, 2022

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SCOLLY'S HOMETOWN
Formerly Zielinski's Ballroom
149 W. PULASKI ST

CONCERTINA SWAP MEET • 3 - 5 PM
SHOWCASE, BARTER, SELL OR TRADE

IPA TRIBUTE BAND • 7 - 11 PM
\$15 ADMISSION

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY ZANDER'S MUSIC REMAKERS

Come Listen & Dance To LIVEwire 1st Time Playing For The



Sunday April 24 1-5 pm
Murzyn Hall
530 Mill St
Columbia Hts MN 55421

**Just \$12 For A Wonderful
Afternoon of Great Music
See You All There!!**

Membership Report by Pat Eckman

As you can see, we have scheduled a whole year of dances for 2022! Welcome to our new members - Sharon & Cal Wilson, Mary Probst, Rachel Depuydt, & Patricia Zalaznik.

MARCH-APRIL RENEWALS

Members who need to renew for the months of MARCH-APRIL will find their renewal sheets & envelopes in their newsletters. Those of you who are over-due, those sheets are also in your newsletter envelopes.

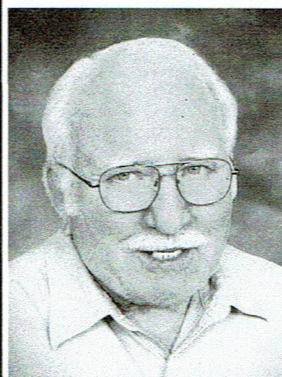
Please consider renewing for 2 years by paying \$12 every other year, which is ONLY \$.50 a month. I will be at all the dances & they have started up so find me with your dues or send your check in the envelope provided.

A huge thank you to all who have paid for 2 years and in a timely fashion! Thanks also to the MPA members who when they renew, they also enroll their significant others in the MPA! Thank you also to those who send a little more than their dues. We are so very grateful to all of you!

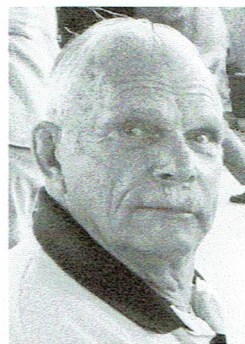
So many of you have written a note to me in your renewals - I just love it!!! Thank you so much! Seeing your names on renewals makes me miss all of you even more!

WE ARE DANCING & WE ARE HAVING FUN!!

Pat Eckman



We send sympathy to friends & family of long time MPA member Dory Kazmierczak, who passed away in December. Dory & his wife, Darlene, have supported the MPA & the Polish-American Club for many, many years. They were at all the dances & PAC fish fries.



We send sympathy to friends & family of Louie Tomczak, father of Jeff Tomczak & brother to Ted Tomczak. Louie was from Weyerhaeuser WI & attended many dances & polka fests, mostly in Wisconsin. He was also an avid gardener.

We send sympathy to friends & family of long time MPA member Jerry Hendrickx who passed away last December.

We send sympathy to friends & family of MPA member Lisa Peaslee who passed away in January in Bend OR.

MPA 2022 Tentative Schedule

More info?

www.midwestpolkaassociation.com

****Friday March 4 - A Special Dance****

POLKA FAMILY - Murzyn Hall 7-11

****Sunday April 24 - A Spring Dance****

LIVEwire - Murzyn Hall 1-5

****Sunday May 22 - Another Spring Dance****

JOLLY ZUKS - Murzyn Hall 1-5

****Sunday July 10 - Noon - ?****

MPA ANNUAL PICNIC - Jam Session

****Sunday August 7 - A Summer Dance****

DYNABRASS - Murzyn Hall 1-5

****Sunday September 18 - A Fall Dance****

TBA - Murzyn Hall

****Friday October 28 - Halloween Dance 7-11****

POLKA COUNTRY MUSICIANS - Murzyn Hall

****Sunday November 20 - Before Thanksgiving****

MAIN SQUEEZE - Murzyn Hall 1-5

****Sunday December 4 - Birthday Dance****

DOCTOR KIELBASA - Murzyn Hall 1-5

MAJOWKA CELEBRATION DINNER/DANCE

Saturday May 7 - 2022

Featuring the Music of Doctor Kielbasa

Holy Family Catholic Church - 2430 W 3rd St - Duluth

Social Hour 5:30 Dinner 6:30 Dance 7-11

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY - \$30

Contact Mark Dobosenski 218-727-2697

**We are sorry to announce the
Sauerkraut Supper at Holy Cross
Church has been cancelled.**



Doctor Kielbasa

www.doctorkielbasa.com

APRIL

TBA - Please check Website

30 Saturday WI Dells Polka Fest

**The Main Squeeze
See Us On Facebook**

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**Chmielewski's Fun Time Band
www.funtimeband.com**

MARCH

2 Wednesday VFW Cloquet MN 1-4

16 Wednesday VFW Cloquet MN 1-4

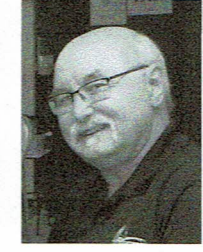
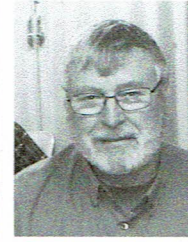
18 Friday Legion Forest Lake MN 1-4

APRIL

6 Wednesday VFW Cloquet MN 1-4

20 Wednesday VFW Cloquet MN 1-4

Here we all are at the MPA board newsletter stuffing holiday pot luck - lots of help, nummy food & laughter!



HOLY TOLEDO POLKA DAYS

April 7-10

Renaissance Toledo Downtown Hotel

The DynaBrass, Lenny Gomulka, Michael
Costa & The Beat, PolkaCountry
Musicians, Energy, Polish Connection,
John Gora,

Holy Toledo Jam Band & DJ Kenny Olowin
Live Broadcasts on the
Polka Jammer Network

more info? www.holytoledopolkadays.com

Joe Zalewski 419-351-5031

Wisconsin Dells Polka Fest!

Fri-Sun April 29-May 1

Chula Vista Resort

Package 877-624-0685 I 22188

**POLKA COUNTRY MUSICIANS, POLKA FAMILY,
COPPER BOX, ENERGY, DOCTOR KIELBASA,
NEW POLISH SOUNDS, MAIN SQUEEZE
THE MUSIC CONNECTION, THE MAROSZEK
BROTHERS**

MORE INFO? WWW.POLKADJ.COM

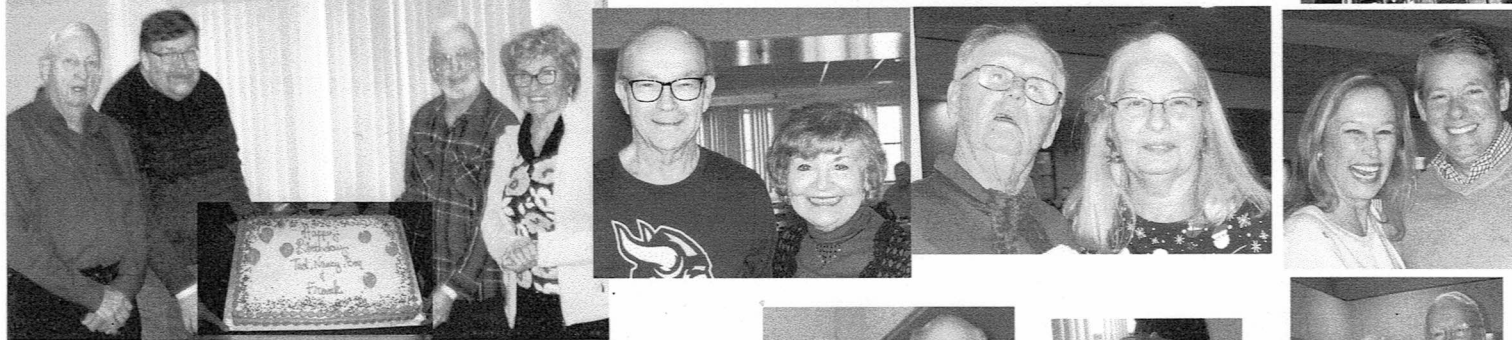
Come on a tour to central Europe
& Southern Poland with
John Gora & Eddie Biegaj
August 17-28 2022
419-480-7050

Eddie Biegaj's Bad Boy Show
is now Thursdays 4-6 EST &
Sundays at noon after Jimmy
Sturt. Soon he will start another
new Bad Boy Show on regular
radio in Pittsburg OH.
More info to come. It will
also be available on the internet.

DON WAYERSKI - Y 106.5
Saturday Morning Polka Party
7am - 10am
E-mail polka@y1065.com

JIMMY K POLKAS
POLKA COS / FREE CATALOG
PO BOX 10
UNION LAKE MI 48387
1-866-454-6695

We had our annual holiday dance on December 4 with Doctor Kielbasa. It was also a December birthday dance celebrating with Ted Eckman, Nancy Arbeiter, Ben Schatz & Frank Stackowitz. Plenty of cake for the great crowd!



And then we were entertained by Craig Ebel's DyVersaCo on Sunday February 6. Again we had a great crowd in spite of a little snow & slippery roads. Both dances were held at Murzyn Hall in Columbia Heights.

