



President's Message by Danny Fabeck

Welcome to summer - it has come in with a huge bang - make that a hot sticky mess! As of today - 9 days over 90. I thank my lucky stars for "air." In our neck of the woods, in about 2 months, all restrictions will be lifted for everything COVID related. That means large indoor gatherings will be allowed with no masks. So we are starting to plan dances again.

Several weeks ago I attended Patrick Henry's WI Dells polka fest at Chula Vista Resort. Man, it was so wonderful to be able to hear super live music again with a large group of people. It was a fantastic time - the music & venue was top-notch & I got to see a whole lot of people not seen for a long time

I see 7 Springs is having a 2-day fest this year - GREAT news! IPA is still planning their Labor Day event - can't wait for that. New venue - new state - very exciting! And USPA is planning a November event. I appreciate all the work the boards put into running these events & sure hope they are successful. The IPA & USPA announced their award winners for this year. Congratulations to all!

Since all the changes happening around here, we have planned a few events for this fall. We will have our Annual Pot Luck Picnic Bash! at Aquatore Park in Blaine Sunday July 11 at noon. Bring a dish to share - bring your instruments to jam. WE GOT THE MEATS! Craig Ebel & Bud Budzinski will provide the music, but everyone is invited to sit in. Then Sunday September 26 we have a dance at Murzyn Hall with DyVersaCo. On Friday October 22 we will have a dance again at Murzyn Hall & are hoping Polka Country will be playing for us. We are planning a dance Sunday November 21 & another Sunday December 5 with Doctor Kielbasa. Slowly but surely things are getting back to what we previously had. Hope it continues & we keep moving forward.

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!

THE ONLY TROUBLE WITH
DAWN IS THAT IT COMES SO
EARLY!

A DIAMOND IS MERELY A
CHUNK OF COAL THAT MADE
GOOD UNDER PRESSURE!

HAPPINESS DOES NOT COME
FROM WHAT YOU HAVE BUT
FROM
WHAT YOU ARE!



Here's a hard one for you.



None other than our MPA
Pres Danny Fabeck

The MPA Presents The Pot Luck Picnic Bash!

Free To MPA Members & Guests

Sunday July 11 2021

Noon - ???

**Musicians - Bring Your
Instruments & Jam! Jam! Jam!**



Aquatore Park in Blaine is located off Central Ave at Clover Leaf Parkway, then left at Lincoln Ave.

Come join us for a free fun-filled afternoon for families, children & grandchildren. Bring a dish to share - every one loves home cooking, so show off your skills in the kitchen! The MPA will provide the polish sausage, hot dogs & of course, the traditional root beer floats!

FALL DINNER/DANCE

(October Majowka?)

Saturday October 2

Featuring the Music of

Doctor Kielbasa

Holy Family

Catholic Church

2430 W 3rd St - Duluth

Social Hour 5-6 Dinner 6

Dance 7-11

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY

\$30 In Advance

Contact Mark Dobosenski

620 N 22nd Ave W

Duluth MN 55806

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Membership Report by Pat Eckman

What happy news - we are planning some dances for the fall as well as having The MPA Pot-Luck Picnic Bash!

JULY AUGUST RENEWALS

Members who need to renew for the months of JULY & AUGUST will find their renewal sheets & envelopes in their newsletters. Those of you who are overdue, those sheets are also in your 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 will start up soon,) 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 WILL DANCE SOON & WE WILL HAVE FUN SOON!!!

Pat Eckman



MPA member
Donna
Warzecha
passed away in
March of this
year. She was
the wife of
MPA
member Allan
and mother of
MPA member
Kathy. She

was a life-long polka enthusiast, enjoying all styles of polka music.

Donna enjoyed attending the MPA dances - she was always looking forward to the next dance. She will be missed by her family and at all the dances.



Don Kirm
of Willard
WI was a
long time
member
of the
MPA.
He
passed
away in

December of 2020. Don was instrumental in organizing the Willard Polka Fest. He & his wife Donna ran it successfully for many, many years.

MPA 2021 Tentative Schedule More info?

www.midwestpolkaassociation.com

****Sunday July 11 - MPA Pot-Luck Picnic Bash!****
Aquatore Park Blaine

****Sunday September - Fall Dance****
CRAIG EBEL'S DYVERSACO - Murzyn Hall

**** Friday October 22 - Early Halloween Dance****
POLKA COUNTRY - Murzyn Hall

****Sunday November - Pre-Thanksgiving Dance****
Murzyn Hall

****Sunday December - Birthday Dance With Cake****
DOCTOR KIELBASA - Murzyn Hall



Doctor Kielbasa's Appointment Book

AUGUST

7 Saturday Pine Co Fair Event Center Pine City MN Noon-4pm

SEPTEMBER

5 Sunday Booster Day Weyerhaeuser WI 2-5:30

Craig Ebel & DyVersaCo



JULY

16 Pulaski Polka Days Pulaski WI 5-6, 7-8, 9-10

SEPTEMBER

5 Sunday Booster Day Weyerhaeuser WI 6:30-10:30

The Jolly Zuks Band

JULY

9 Friday Art in the Park Pine City MN 6:30-8

15 Thursday Music in the Park Mora MN 6:30-8

AUGUST

8 Sunday Pine Co Fair in the Beer Garden Pine City MN 2-6

Florian Chmielewski's Fun Time Band

JULY

8 Thursday Coon Rapids MN Regional Dam Performance Pavillion 7-8:30
9750 Egret Blvd

12 Monday Maple Grove MN Town Center 7991 Main St 7-8:30

22 Thursday Sweet Summer Sounds Hinkley MN 6:30-8:30

29 Thursday Summer Shell Series Rush City MN 6-9

31 Saturday 320 Music Fest Pine City MN 1-4

AUGUST

6 Friday Pie Days Braham MN 10-10:45

DANCE! DANCE! DANCE!

Sunday September 26
1-5pm

Craig Ebel's DyVersaCo

At The Beautiful Murzyn Hall
530 Mill St NE
Columbia Hts 55421

Just \$10 Per Person

**POLKA COUNTRY MUSICIANS
FROM CONNECTICUT
ARE RETURNING
TO MINNESOTA!**

Friday October 22
7-11 pm

At Murzyn Hall Again!
530 Mill St NE
Columbia Hts MN 55421

**Admission Just
\$15 Per Person**

More Info? 651-433-2173 or 612-788-4272 For Both Dances

Pulaski WI Polka Days

Thur-Sun July 15-18

Picnic Grounds - 2 Tents

New Generations CHAD

Aaron Socha's Livewire

Polka Dynamics The Beat

The Boys Polka Family

Polish Connection Nutymes

TNT Maroszek's Main Squeeze

Polka Country Musicians

DynaBrass Cynor Classics

KC Building on the Grounds

Music Connection Steve Meisner

Good Time Dutchmen

Mark Jirikovac Ryan Kautzer Band

DyVersaCo

www.pulaskipolka.days.com

53rd IPA Festival & Convention

Double Tree Hotel

910 Sheraton Dr

Pittsburgh - Cranberry PA

Fri-Sun September 3-5

Polka Family

Steve Meisner

Klanchik & Friends

Energy

Kosmix

IPA Tribute Band

Polka Country Musicians

The Boys

The Beat

Ray J & The Carousels

Mon Valley Push

John Gora & Gorale

Lenny Gomulka & Chicago Push

www.ipapolkas.com

St Therese August Fest

113 W Kort St Schofield WI

Saturday Aug 14

Maroszek Bros 6-8

Hyde 8-11:30

Sunday 15

Old Time Brass 11-4:30

Chicken/Smoked Ham/Sausage

& Kraut Dinner 11-1:30

Events Both Days - Bucket

Raffles-Cherry Tree-Beer Tent-

Food Stand-Flea Market-Pierogi,

Ice Cream & Frozen Polish

Sausage Stand-Children's

Games- Bakery Spin

Frankenmuth MI Music Fest

Thursday-Saturday August 10-14

Polka Family New Brass Express

Box On Stephanie The Boys

Polka Country Musicians

Lenny Gomulka E-Z Tones

Check website for more info

www.frankenmuthfestivals.com

Polkamotion by the Ocean Rehoboth Beach DE

Dear Polkamotion By the Ocean fans-

As of this writing, the Rehoboth Beach DE municipality complex including the convention center, is still closed due to COVID. Management has no plans to reopen & all planned events have been canceled through early September. So we think it best to postpone Polkamotion until next year.

Hopefully, the 2022 festival dates will be September 14-17.

Best regards to you all,

Mike Matousek

Yup - here are some more pictures of more of all of you! And I have more!

