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Installation & Awards Dinner: Celebrating 82 Years!

The Advocates Society hosted its' 82th Installation and Awards Dinner on Wednesday, February 6, 2013 at the Drake Hotel in Chicago. **Joan Smuda** was the Mistress of Ceremonies. **Hon. Aurelia Pucinski**, ISBA Vice President **Umberto Davi**, and incoming CBA President **J. Timothy Eaton** gave remarks on the evening. Cook County **Chief Judge Timothy Evans** administered the oath of office. Our new president, **Michele Hendrickson** called on us to recognize the value of our Polish heritage and to recognize our significant the roles as advocates. Michele introduced **Gary Kenzer**, Executive Director of the Polish American Association; which serves the diverse needs of the Polish community in the Chicago metro area by providing resources for changing lives with emphasis on assisting immigrants Michele discussed plans to partner with the PAA for the upcoming year. The Award of Merit was presented to **Harlan J. Berk**.

Michele thanks everyone who helped to make the Installation Dinner memorable. We also thank the Immediate Past President **Regina Rathnau Lairson** for her leadership over the past year.

The following members were installed as Advocates Society's 2013-2014 Officers:

Michele Hendrickson	President		
L. Steven Rakowski	1 st Vice President	Kathy Wantuch	Secretary
Michael Zink	2 nd Vice President	Kristen Kozlowski	Treasurer
Matthew Sidor	3 rd Vice President	Marta Zaborska	Historian



General Membership Meeting Friday, March 22, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

The general membership meeting of the Advocates Society will be on Friday, March 22, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Copernicus Foundation. The Foundation is located at 5216 West Lawrence Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, one block west of the Kennedy Expressway, one block east of Milwaukee Avenue, and one block southeast of the Jefferson Park CTA station. Remember that there is free parking at the Copernicus lot. After the meeting there will be a delicious buffet supper from Kasia's Polish Deli. We will have a speaker and apply for CLE credit. If you plan to attend, please contact First Vice President **Steve Rakowski** at steve@lsrfamilylaw.com and leave a message so that we know how much food to order.

Polish Constitution Day Parade

Please mark your calendars for Saturday May 4, 2013 and join us for the Polish Constitution Day Parade! In keeping with our annual tradition, the Advocates Society will be represented in the parade by our members, friends and families. To participate with our group, please meet at our designated parade location number. We will be provided a location number closer to the date of the parade. We will post this number on our website and also send it out via email. Please meet there at the location number by 10:30 a.m.

As always, we invite the Polish American Law Students Association (PALSA) of John Marshall and all future Advocates Society Leaders to join us. Please show your support for the Advocates by bringing your friends, family and colleagues to join the Advocates Society celebration of the Polish Constitutional Day!

Also, we also have a limited number of Advocates Society long-sleeved t-shirts for sale for \$20. Please support the Advocates and purchase a t-shirt either at the next meeting or at the parade!

Please contact **Matthew A. Sidor**, Third Vice President at msidor@sidorlaw.com with any questions and to confirm your attendance.

Congratulations

Congrats to Advocates Society Historian **Marta Zaborska** on her new position at O'Connor & Nakos, Ltd. in Chicago. Marta concentrates her practice in the area of personal injury, medical malpractice and worker's compensation. To reach Marta please call 312-546-8100 or visit www.oconnornakos.com.

Dues Reminder

Dues are Due. You may mail your dues check to Advocates Society, attention: Treasurer Kristen Kozlowski, Copernicus Center Annex, 5214 West Lawrence Suite 4, Chicago, Illinois 60630. Also, you may visit the website to pay your dues, www.advocatesociety.com. Dues are \$150 for attorneys who have been admitted to the Bar for 5 years or more, \$75 for members who have been admitted to the Bar less than 5 years, and \$30 for law students.

ISBA Elections 2013

The Illinois State Bar Association elections are underway. **Pam Menaker** and **Anna Krolikowska** are running for the Board of Governors of the ISBA in Cook County. Anna is running for the Under 37 in Cook County seat of the ISBA Board of Governors (one seat set aside for candidates under 37- ALL ISBA members can vote for Anna, not just those under 37) and Pam is running for the Cook County Board of Governors seat (no age restrictions). Pam is also running for the Assembly. Let's show them our support and get out the vote!

National Advocates Society

Join the National Advocates Society this summer for the 2013 Annual Convention in Egg Harbor, Wisconsin from July 31 through August 4, 2013! For more information please contact National Advocates Society president **Jane Simers** at president@polishnas.com.



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2013-14 Calendar of Advocates Society Events

If you have a potential newsletter item, please forward it to Kathy Wantuch, Hiltz & Wantuch LLC, 53 West Jackson Blvd., Suite 205, Chicago, Illinois 60604, or contact her at kwantuch@hiltzlaw.com.

2013 Advocates Society Calendar		
March 8, 2013	Friday	Board of Governors' Meeting- Pam M. Hosting
March 22, 2013	Friday	General Meeting at the Copernicus Center 5216 W. Lawrence Ave.
April 11, 2013	Thursday	Board of Governors' Meeting- Kristen K. Hosting
April 24, 2013	Wed.	General Meeting at Polish Highlanders' 4808 S. Archer Ave., Chicago*
May 4, 2013	Saturday	Polish Constitution Day Parade
May 17, 2013	Friday	Board of Governors' Meeting- Steve R. Hosting
June- TBD		General Meeting at Polish Consulate*
June 28, 2013	Friday	Board of Governors' Meeting- Joan S. Hosting
July 20, 2013	Saturday	Summer Family BBQ* Mark and Michele
July 31 - Aug. 4		National Advocates, Egg Harbor, Wisconsin

*Subject to change

Amicus Poloniae Legal Clinic

5711 N. Milwaukee, Chicago, IL
 Saturday, March 16, 2013
 Saturday, April 20, 2013
 Saturday, May 18, 2013