

Evelyn Goralzick celebrates her 100th birthday in Pittsburgh

One of our most devoted Wreath 22 Sisters, Evelyn Goralzick, who is still very active, is about to become our second centenarian in 2013. Evelyn turned 100 on October 2nd. A Pittsburgh native, Evelyn was born on October 2, 1913 daughter of the late George and Della Donato. She was the first of five children. She attended St. Lawrence School in the East Liberty section of Pittsburgh. Evelyn married Walter Goralzick in 1938 and was married 38 years when George passed away. The marriage was blessed with three children, Walter Clifford, Robert and Richard. Evelyn is also blessed with eight grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren and three, great-great-grandchildren.

Evelyn joined the Slovak Catholic Sokol family in 1967. She enjoyed bowling and became active in the Pittsburgh Playmor Sokol Bowling League which bowled at Playmor Bowl. She participated in many Group 14 and international Slovak Catholic

Sokol bowling tournaments.

Evelyn was employed by Direct Mail Services from 1976 until her retirement in 1997. Currently, Evelyn resides with her son, Clifford where she enjoys crocheting, watching TV game shows, reading and loves chocolate. She also enjoys bingo, where she is a regular and avid bingo player every Sunday afternoon.

Family, friends and fellow fraternalists gathered to honor Evelyn who was feted at a special birthday party held at Prince of Peace Hall on Pittsburgh's South Side. They came to celebrate with Evelyn as she concludes her first century and begins her second with those who love her.

Evelyn, may God continue to bless you with good health and happiness as you enter a new phase of your life. Your fellow Wreath 22 sisters express a very sincere Happy Birthday to you. I thank Evelyn's grandchildren, William and Theresa Goralzick for providing information on Evelyn's long and fruitful life. Again, Happy Birthday and Zdar Boh!

Joan Yanosick
Recording Secretary

Give Me Your Tired....

Each October 28, America commemorates the original dedication of her most powerful symbol: the Statue of Liberty. In her honor, both the United States and France have issued stamps to recall this event.

As for the statue herself, the sculptor Bartholdi used his mother as the model for the face. The seven rays in the crown represent the seven continents and the seven seas. The torch she carries to welcome new arrivals. In her hand is a tablet engraved with the date when the Declaration of Independence was signed. At her feet is a broken chain symbolizing freedom.

And at her base, in bronze, are the last lines of Emma Lazarus' sonnet:

*Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to
breathe free,*



*The wretched refuse of your
teeming shore.*

*Send these, the homeless,
tempest-tossed to me.*

*I lift my lamp beside the golden
door.*

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have not been participating to participate thereby providing additional Group allotments.

Acknowledged.

Supreme Chaplain, Rev. Andrew S. Hvozdozic reported on the 58th National Convention of the **Slovak Catholic Federation** held September 15-17, 2013 in Wilkes-Barre, PA which our Supreme President, Larry Glugosh was also present at. Father Andrew was again elected as the First National Vice President for another term.

Additionally, Father Andrew brought to the attention of the Board members that on September 5, 2015, the Slovak Catholic Federation will be conducting a **pilgrimage** to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the dedication of The Mother of Sorrows Chapel in the Upper Church.

Acknowledged.

President Glugosh offered comments on the successful **Group Presidents meeting** which was held on August 17, 2013. The minutes of the meeting appeared in the September 4th, 2013 issue of the Slovak Catholic Falcon. A tremendous amount of information was presented and discussed and included presentations from our Director of Sales and Marketing and our Supreme Director of Sports and Athletics.

Acknowledged.

Sisters of SS. Cyril and Methodius Jubilee Celebration



The Sisters of SS. Cyril and Methodius observed the anniversaries of their members with a special day of celebration. A Jubilee Liturgy was celebrated in the Basilica of SS. Cyril and Methodius on the spacious grounds of their Motherhouse, Villa Sacred Heart in Danville, Pa. Sisters, friends and family traveled from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Illinois, Indiana, South Carolina, Texas, Connecticut and New York for the event. The Rev. David Kalert, O.M.I. from the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, Tex. was principal celebrant of the festive liturgy. The Rev. Rocky Grimard, O.M.I. from Immaculata Retreat Center in Willimantic, Conn. was the homilist. The liturgy was followed by a meal for the celebrants and their friends and families at Villa Sacred Heart, and at the Meadows Community Center at Maria Joseph Manor. The Sisters of SS. Cyril and Methodius were founded by the Rev. Matthew Jankola and received official papal approbation in 1909. Father Jankola served as our organization's second supreme chaplain. Jubilarians shown on the above photo include, seated, l-r, Sister Mary Gilbert Dluhy, 65 years; Sister M. Cabrini Steber, 65 years. Second row, l-r, Sister Michael Ann Orlik, General Superior of the Sisters of SS. Cyril and Methodius; Sister M. Brigid Fasiang, 60 years; Sister Julia Knazik, 60 years; Sister M. Catherine Laboure Bresnock, 60 years; Sister M. Cyrilline Biel, 60 years; Sister M. Lydia Benyish, 55 years; Sister Mary Anne Nemeec, 55 years; Sister Bernadette Marie Ondus, 55 years. Third row, l-r, Sister Jeanne Ambre, 45 years; Sister Susan Marie Hazenski, 25 years; Sister Margaret Dubas, 50 years; Sister M. Michaelette Lennartz, 50 years; Sister Susan Pontz, 25 years; Sister Martina Hanrahan, 20 years. Jubilarians absent from photo include Sister Teresita Iskra, 55 years and Sister M. Zoe Zollar, 50 years.

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to date. He appealed for the continued support of this year's appeal which continues until December 2013. Even with the current difficult economic times, the 2012 appeal raised \$36,000. To date this year's appeal amounted to just over \$18,000. Each day the delegates of the convention donated to this appeal during the morning liturgies.

The convention delegates approved a special pilgrimage for 2015. On September 5, 2015, the Slovak Catholic Federation in cooperation with the First Catholic Slovak Union will sponsor a pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. to participate in the festivities commemorating the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the Chapel of Our Mother of Sorrows, patroness of Slovakia at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The Slovak chapel was dedicated on

September 5, 1965.

Officers elected at the 58th convention who will serve for the coming four years include: Most Rev. Joseph V. Adamec, episcopal moderator; Rev. Philip A. Altavilla, national president; Rev. Msgr. Peter M. Polando, past national president; Rev. Andrew S. Hvozdozic, first national vice president; Maria Gollas, second national vice president; Dolores M. Evanko, national secretary-treasurer; Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Derzack, national spiritual advisor; and Sister Bernadette Marie Ondus, SS.C.M., editor of The Good Shepherd.

Also, the presidents, secretaries and chaplains of the Slovak Catholic Fraternal Benefit Societies: Andrew M. Rajec, Kenneth A. Arendt, and Rev. Thomas A. Nasta, First Catholic Slovak Union; Cynthia M. Maleski, Sue Ann M. Seich and Rev. Msgr. Peter M. Polando, First

Catholic Slovak Ladies Association; Theresa M. Kluchinski, Mary Jo Savidge and Rev. Philip A. Altavilla, Ladies Pennsylvania Slovak Catholic Union; and Larry M. Glugosh, Steven M. Pogorelec, F.I.C. and Rev. Andrew S. Hvozdozic, Slovak Catholic Sokol.

Also, Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Siffrin, V.G. and the Rev. Paul A. Lisik, chairman and representative, respectively, of the Conference of Slovak Clergy and Sister Aurelia Cerny, O.S.F., Sister Maria Glodava, O.S.F. and Brother Gabriel Balazovic, O.S.B., president, secretary-treasurer and representative, respectively of the Conference of Slovak Religious.

Also, Executive Board Members-At-Large: Rev. Msgr. Francis J. Beeda, S.T.L., Rev. Francis P. Straka, Sister Michael Ann Orlik, SS.C.M., Sister M. Catherine Laboure Bresnock, SS.C.M., Jayne Klenner, Ph.D., Martha I. Iskra, Martha A. Iskra, Justine Wesnak, Robert Tapak-Magrunder, and Daniel F. Tanzone, K.C.H.S.

President Glugosh and the Board members discussed the dates and site for the next **Supreme Board of Directors meeting**. After a lively discussion, Supreme Chaplain, Rev. Andrew S. Hvozdozic moved that if feasible, the next quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors be held on December 6-7, 2013 with travel dates being December 5 and December 8, 2013 in Las Vegas, NV, seconded by Supreme Treasurer, Dennis J. Zifcak. Approved.

Having completed all the business items on the agenda, the Supreme President inquired if there is any other business to be presented at this time, there being none, Brother Glugosh entertained a motion to **adjourn the meeting**, so moved by Supreme Physical Director, Kathleen S. Watkins, seconded by General Counsel, John D. Pogorelec, Esq.

Approved.

Supreme Chaplain, Rev. Andrew S. Hvozdozic offered the Closing Prayer for all those in need as well as for all the deceased members of our organization. Acknowledged. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. Zdar Boh!

Respectfully submitted,

Steven M. Pogorelec, F.I.C.
Supreme Secretary