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VILLA NELA

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POLISH ASSISTANCE SUMMER HOMES IN OCEAN GROVE, NEW JERSEY.

OUR NEW SUCCESS - "VILLA NELA"

After last year's success of our first home for elderly Poles in Ocean Grove, New Jersey, the "Villa Maria", we are happy to report yet another success with our second home. This property, purchased by Polish Assistance, Inc. early this year is located only a few blocks away from Villa Maria, but closer to the ocean. The house itself is even more spacious and is better equipped than the former.

It was named "Villa Nela" in honor of Mrs. Nela Rubinstein, wife of the beloved pianist. Mrs. Rubinstein is a great friend of Polish Assistance and her continued interest in our activities as well as her generosity, of long standing, have made many of our ventures possible.

The inaugural party at "Villa Nela" took place on June 15, 1974 and was attended by many guests. Despite the relatively late opening, many guests were able to enjoy "Villa Nela's" comfortable rooms, its shady porches with a splendid view of the ocean, and above all, the quiet and restful atmosphere of Ocean Grove. The comforts of this home include the use of a spacious, well-equipped, kitchen and dining room, with china and silverware.

We were able to arrange a second stay for some of our guests later in the season, and we are already developing a list of reservations at "Villa Nela" for next summer.

"Villa Maria" is now operating on a year-round basis and is fully occupied. Plans are well under way to properly winterize "Villa Nela" so that it also can be in operation throughout the year.

A CHARITABLE, NON-PROFIT, NON-SECTARIAN ORGANIZATION, CHARTERED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. DONATIONS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE.

IT IS NEVER TOO OFTEN TO REPEAT WHAT POLISH ASSISTANCE, INC. MEANS:

to a *DEPRIVED INDIVIDUAL,* it is food, clothing and shelter,
to the *SICK,* it is being cared for and prompt medical treatment.
to the *UNEMPLOYED,* it is a means of temporary support and hope of a job.
to the *ARTIST,* it is assistance and encouragement in creative pursuits.
to the *ELDERLY,* it is a "home", financial aid, and the end of despair.

The acquisition of these two homes by Polish Assistance, Inc. has fulfilled, at least in part, one of its major goals - which is to provide elderly Poles with a comfortable and attractive home where they can live in a congenial atmosphere, or where they can spend a pleasant vacation at a cost that is set according to their limited means.

Careful management, generous volunteer help and the fact that we have had a number of guests paying the full rent, have contributed much to our initial successes. We do not expect these two establishments to be self-sustaining, because a large number of guests and permanent residents are accommodated at reduced rates or at no charge at all. Therefore, in expressing thanks to all our friends who have made this successful double venture possible, we emphasize the need for your continued moral and financial support for our work in Ocean Grove. Please, encourage your friends to share in this much needed, and very rewarding, undertaking. Please direct your contributions, inquiries and suggestions to our New York office at 36 West 65th Street, NYC 10019 (Telephone (212) 245-2087).

INAUGURAL PARTY AT "VILLA NELA"
FROM LEFT: S. SMIALOWSKI, B. LASZEWSKI, REV. HERMANOWSKI, P. A., INC. PRESIDENT MARIA DEMBINSKI, EVA RUBINSTEIN, S. JORDANOWSKI, P. RADOMYSKI

CASE HISTORIES

Every request for help we receive is carefully revued and evaluated. In some instances careful listening to the story of the applicant and guidance, may be sufficient to help a person in assessing and using his own resources for resolving the problem. In other situations help may include referral to a proper agency, intervention or interpretation in behalf of the client, assistance in finding employment or suitable housing, arranging for medical examination or care, arranging for a grant from Polish Assistance's own fund, which is maintained by our members and friends.

The following case histories illustrate the kind of help you have made possible:

- A man, after a long period of unemployment, found a job in Denver. While traveling to Colorado he was attacked and robbed of his savings. Homeless and penniless in a strange city, he contacted us and received the help he needed to begin his employment.

- An artist who could not support himself by the sale of paintings, was able to maintain himself by driving a cab. He suffered two heart attacks in short succession - the second, while driving his cab. A prolonged and expensive stay in the hospital completely exhausted his resources. Polish Assistance was called upon to help and did help.

- A brilliant student, whose family is in severe financial difficulties, was accepted to a Medical School solely on the basis of her outstanding scholastic record. We are helping her by covering the costs of transportation and sundry school expenses.

EVENTS 1974

The 1974 Polonaise Ball was held at the Pierre Hotel on February 16th. Princess Shirazee was Chairman, and the colorful entertainment was provided by the Polish-American Folk Dance Company.

In June, the "Cork and Bottle" restaurant at 130 East 52nd Street was the scene of our Polonaise Spring Cocktail Dance. The evening will be especially remembered for the lovely singing of Marta Eggerth Kiepura and her son Jan Kiepura, Jr.

Our last event was the Fall Cocktail Dance to be held in the Persain Room of the Hotel Plaza on Sunday November 17-th, 1974. Mrs. Louis Rosenstiel was the Honorary Chairman and she was assisted by Mrs. Nina Ulodzinska de Rovira, Mrs. George Kulick and Mrs. Edmund Szamborski.

Tribute to the famous Polish film star, Pola Negri, will be the theme of the next Polonaise Ball which will take place on February 1st, 1975. Princess Shirazee will again preside over the Committee.

4. POLONAISE BALL - 1974: MRS. LUNIA NESTER JACHIMOWICZ AND JAN KIEPURA, JR. AND THE COMPANY OF THE POLISH-AMERICAN FOLK DANCERS.

TO THE POLISH ASSISTANCE, INC. IN NEW YORK

I hereby declare to contribute once a year the sum as encircled below:

Donation	$10.00	Donation	$75.00
Donation	$25.00	Donation	$100.00
Donation	$50.00		

*as Donor Member of the Polish Assistance, Inc., with the understanding that I will be furnished with a copy of your annual report.**

Date_____ Name_____

Address_____

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*If you prefer to make a single contribution only, please indicate the amount here_____

FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 1974

	Receipts	Expenses	Net	
Total Cash Balance Beginning				$125,902.23
Receipts				
Dues	$ 260.00	$ 0	$ 260.00	
Donations:				
Donor Members	580.00	0	580.00	
Others	12,508.58	0	12,508.58	
Dance	8,648.80	4,834.76	3,814.04	
Bal Polonaise	14,041.50	9,611.07	4,430.43	
Souvenir Albums, Journal and Bulletin -				
Concert	3,095.00	2,304.80	790.20	
Interest	15,042.00	14,252.07	789.93	
Totals	6,804.08	0	6,804.08	
	$60,979.96	$31,002.70		$ 29,977.26
Add: Concert expenses paid in fiscal year ended March 31, 1973 included in expenses fiscal year ended March 31, 1974	0	(1,031.83)		1,031.83
Total Receipts	$60,979.96	$29,970.87		$ 31,009.09
Total Cash Available				$156,911.32
Disbursements - Expenses				
Ocean Grove and Pitman Ave.			$ 4,882.83	
Stationery and Office Expenses			1,276.17	
Rent and Electricity - Gross Expense		$ 2,469.36		
Less: Income from sub-leasing		480.00	1,989.36	
Telephone and Answering Service			358.34	
Legal and Accounting			925.00	
Postage			103.64	
Salary and Payroll Taxes			2,943.84	
Total Expense Disbursements				$ 12,479.18
Other Disbursements				
Leasehold - Ocean Grove				553.50
Escrow and Deposit - Pitman Ave.				4,200.00
Prepaid Concert Expenses				50.00
Monies Donated for Charitable Purposes in Accordance with the Corporation Charter and By-Laws				
Total Disbursements				11,400.71
Total Cash Balance Ending				$ 28,683.39
Less: Building Acquisitions Reserve Fund -				$128,227.93
				127,580.34
Cash Available for Corporate Purposes				$ 647.59