

(Continued from page 5) Also, about 60 dancers were practicing their repertoire for the International Children Polish Folklore Festival, which will be held this summer in Poland. After observing the practices and talking to the students, instructors, choreographers and parents, I met with PRCUA District #8 National Directors Krystyna Lech and James Rustik.



Dance rehearsal at Southwest Center of Polish Dancing

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER - The 75th Annual PRCUA National Basketball Tournament hosted by Queen Mary of Poland Society #413 will be held on March 20-22, 2009 in East Chicago, Indiana

The 72nd Annual PRCUA National Bowling Tournament hosted by PRCUA District #5 will take place on April 17-19, 2009 in Toledo, Ohio.

For more information, please call our office at 773-782-2600 ext. 2601 or go to: www.prcua.org

BEST WISHES - Happy Birthday to all the readers who are celebrating their birthdays in March. Our special birthday wishes to PRCUA Secretary-Treasurer Joyce Szarowicz, PRCUA Gen. Office IT assistant Madia Robles, District #6 National Director Sharon Haberski; Past District #7 National Director Joseph Boruta; Past District #8 National Director Barbara Sergeant-Rustik; Polonia Dance Ensemble School Director Ania Krysinski; Polskie Maki Dance Ensemble School Director Maria Jalkiewicz; Gwiazda Dancers School Director Cynthia Cervenak; Ron Toboy, husband of District #10 National Director Barbara Toboy; my mother-in-law Rena Sokolowski, PNA Vice President Paul Odrobina; and Lucjan Rozwadowski. We wish all of you happiness and good health always - STO LAT!

Happy Wedding Anniversary to my brother-in-law and his wife Maria and Bohdan Sokolowski. May your honeymoon never end!

Nest wishes to Elizabeth Rosypal and Jeffrey Miller who were married on January 17th in Hammond, IN. Ella is the former Cinderella of 1991 and daughter of *Narod Polski* Exec. Editor Kathryn Rosypal and Eugene Rosypal and step-daughter of Jolanta Rosypal. May your love be timeless.



Wedding bells for Ella Rosypal and Jeff Miller

CONGRATULATIONS - Our sincere and warm congratulations to the recipients of 2009 Advocate' Society's Award of Merit - Maria and Richard Ciesla - presented at their Installation and Awards Dinner held on February 19th. This award recognizes individuals who made extraordinary and long-lasting contributions and service to the community and to Polonia. Maria and Richard Ciesla are PRCUA members and Maria Ciesla is President of the Polish Museum of America.

Congratulations to PRCUA National Director of District #5, Mitchell Bienia, who on March 21st will be awarded the "Good Joe" Polish Heritage Award by the Cleveland Society of Poles. Mr. Bienia will be honored for his outstanding service and dedication to his Polish heritage and the Cleveland community. We extend our best wishes to the recipients and their families for continuous success.

IN SYMPATHY - Our deepest sympathy is extended to Vickie Kroplewski and her family at the death of her beloved Mamusia - Genowefa Bajdas.

"Dear Vickie, your Mom will always be with you - in the lessons she gave, the life she shared, and the love she showed. May all beautiful memories of her comfort you and bring you peace. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May your Mom rest in eternal peace."

Take care and keep in touch. Send your comments, ideas, news to fraternal.department@prcu.org or call 1-800-772-8632 ext.2643. Hope to hear from you soon!