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KEITH S. GODOR

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FSWFE and PBU merged with NSS in 1997
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<p>REGION 2</p> <p>October 16</p>	<p>Assemblies L075, 0617</p> <p>Assembly L075, Meeting, Grande's Restaurant, Moosic, PA at 1 pm</p>
<p>REGION 5</p> <p>October 16 October 25 November 21 December 3 December 4 December 4</p>	<p>Assemblies P38A, 0039, 0100, L105, 0108, 0123, L161, 0377, 0434, 0441, 0588, 0700, 0737, 0774</p> <p>Region 5, Meeting, Home Office, McMurray, PA at 1:00 pm Assembly 0123, Volunteer Work, World Vision Warehouse, Sewickley, PA Assembly 0588, Meeting, Time and Place to be announced Assembly 0737, Meeting/Christmas Luncheon, Paul Godor's, N Huntingdon, PA at 2:30 pm Assembly 0039, Christmas Party, Knights of Columbus Hall at 2:00 pm Assembly 0377, Christmas Party, Ichiban's Restaurant, Washington, PA at 3:00 pm</p>
<p>REGION 8</p> <p>October 1 October 18 December 20 February 25, 2017</p>	<p>Assemblies 0004, 0070, 0160, 0432, 0595</p> <p>Region 8, 2nd Annual Hayride, Richardson Farms, Medina, OH at 12 Noon Assembly 432, Meeting Assembly 432, Meeting, Time and place to be announced Assembly 432, Annual Reverse Raffle</p>
<p>REGION 14</p>	<p>Assemblies R059, L102</p> <p>No activities at this time</p>
<p>REGION 15</p>	<p>Assemblies L002, 0028</p> <p>No activities at this time</p>
<p>AT LARGE</p> <p>October 2 October 16 October 22 October 23 November 6 November 13 November 27 December 17 December 24</p>	<p>Assemblies R019, L040, 0110, 0236, 0381, 0554, 0568, 0586, 0705, 0731, 0800, 0813</p> <p>Assembly 0554, Meeting, Stricek residence, DuBois, PA at 2:00 pm Assembly 0586, Meeting, Ciao in Palos Hills Assembly 0731, Halloween Hayride, Countryside Farms, Lowellville, OH at 5:00 pm Assembly 0705, Meeting, Buck residence, Seelyville, IN at 1:00 pm Assembly 0731, Meeting, Poland Christian Church, Lowellville, OH at 2:00 pm Assembly 0554, Meeting, Stricek residence, DuBois, PA at 2:00 pm Assembly 0586, Christmas Party, Klas Restaurant, Cicero, IL at 2:00 pm Assembly 0731, Christmas Party, Lowellville Rod & Gun Club, Lowellville, OH at 2:00 pm Assembly 0705, Annual Christmas Eve Celebration, Buck residence, Seelyville, IN at 6:00 pm</p>

From The President's Desk...



David G. Blazek, FIC
President, CEO

Good morning from the Desk of the President as we enter the Fall months of the year. I have always liked the Fall which brings cooler weather and the beauty of the leaves changing. Living in the Northeast, we are privileged to have four seasons to enjoy. The one I like the least is winter. Here's hoping for a mild winter but in the meantime, enjoy the Fall weather.

This month we celebrate Columbus Day on the 10th as well as Thanksgiving Day if you live in Canada, National Bosses Day on the 16th, United Nations Day on the 24th and Halloween on the 31st. I didn't know what United Nations Day was so I did a little research and found out the following.

The United Nations, as an organization, is well known to just about everyone around the world. They participate in activities ranging from assistance in times of disaster, both from natural disasters and those caused by the wages of war. They offer medical assistance to those in need in these places, as well as providing clean water, food and places to rest and recover. The UN has been represented as both hero and villain depending on which movie or show you wind up watching. United Nations Day celebrates the foundation of this great organization, and is a great opportunity for you to learn the truth about its past, present and plans for the future.

In 1945 the foundational treaty of the United Nations came into effect. The United Nations is an intergovernmental organization intent on creating coopera-

Director Keith Godor

I am saddened to share with you the passing of Director Keith Godor who departed this world on Monday, September 5th. Keith was diagnosed with cancer back in February and I have never known someone afflicted by this disease to have such a positive attitude and courage to beat his illness. My wife Fran and I visited Keith last week and Keith still had such a positive attitude and was hopeful about being released from the hospital soon. Keith served on the Board of the National Slovak Society for the past six years. He followed his father Paul Godor Sr. who served the NSS as a Director, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer for many years, and his brother Paul Godor Jr. who also served as a Director prior to his passing in 1995. The Godor family has always been involved in NSS activities and always has had the good of the society in mind, and Keith was no exception. He was always volunteering to do whatever it took to make sure the society was on the right track. Our thoughts and prayers are with Keith's parents, Paul and Carol, his children, Christine, Jessica and Julia, his 6 grandchildren, his brothers Kenneth and Mark, and sister-in-law Lisa Godor.

The NSS Family will miss you Keith; rest in peace my friend.



tion between all governments of the world. Its original intent was to replace the League of Nations, and prevent another war like World War II from occurring. All the member states of the United Nations contribute finances to its operation to help further its goals. Aside from world peace, its role has grown to include protecting human rights, promoting social and economic development, and providing aid around the world. The UN also represents a series of specialized agencies that enable it to do its job in each of the areas it focuses on. United Nations Day celebrates the original enactment of the foundational charter for the UN.

Celebrating United Nations Day can be done by getting to know about this great organization and the differences it makes in your life. Some of the basic rights and privileges enjoyed by people around the world are a result of the work done by the United Nations. Recently, access to the internet was declared a basic human right by a declaration which ensures that everyone has access to the worldwide information and communication network. While this doesn't guarantee that everyone will have the ability to access the internet, it does guarantee that everyone has the right to. Additionally, celebrations are held around the world, some of them are as simple as lighting up bridges and buildings with the trademark blue of the United Nations. Now you know a little about United Nations Day.

News of Narodniars

Happy Birthday to Honorary Officers Dean Burns and Henri Albert, and to Honorary Director Anthony Beno. Also to George Batyko, Irene Tomaskovic, Bob Kapp, JoAnna Lloyd, Carson Bernardo, Cathy Fox, Home Office staff members Joe Elliott and Rick Toth and to daughter Nicole Kearney. Happy Anniversary to Barb and Tod Wilcock, Susan and Paul Payerchin, Carole and Ed Koches, and to Melinda and Keith Chojnicki, and to all others celebrating a special occasion this month.

A speedy recovery to Else Resosky who recently had a fall and is recovering nicely.

Punography Of The Month:

They told me I had type A blood, but it was a Type O.

A Page From My Notebook.....

Linda M. Strom, Secretary/Treasurer

Email: lstrom@nsslife.org



A Final Note To My Friend

We have dedicated this issue to **Director Keith S. Godor** who passed away last month on Labor Day with his family by his side. I have to believe that God has a greater need for him in heaven.

I miss you my dear friend. Know that your presence lives on in the hearts and minds of all of us who had the honor and privilege of knowing you. You made a difference.....

2016 Spring Board Meeting Minutes

The 2016 Spring Board Meeting was opened and called to order on June 3, 2016 by Chairman of the Board Joseph Stefka, Jr. at Treasure Lake Resort in DuBois, PA. After several opening remarks he turned the meeting over to President/CEO David G. Blazek for the remainder of the meeting. All Board members were present. Also present were: Legal Counsel P. Ronald Cooper, Sales Director Greg Felton, AQS Asset Manager Larry White and Fraternal Activities Coordinator Pam Blum.

All Bond Sales, Exchanges and Purchases through March 31, 2016 were ratified and all Mortgages reviewed. Minutes of the 2016 Winter Board Meeting (March 2016) were approved.

The Fraternal Activities Coordinator Report, presented by Fraternal Activities Coordinator Pam Blum, recapped fraternal events held to date and those upcoming for 2016. She also announced that the 2016 NSS Fraternalist of the Year is John Bebo, Assembly 0588 and the 2016 Youth Achievement Award Winner is Blaze Farrell, Assembly 0813.

Sales Director Greg Felton presented the Sales Directors Report highlighting: Sales, Membership, Agent Growth and New Business to date. As of 5/5/2016 NSS Membership has surpassed 30,000.

Legal Counsel Cooper presented an update on ongoing litigation regarding a power of attorney (POA) and the authority given to the 'agent' of the POA. Also the need to have POA's forwarded on to legal counsel for interpretation in light of current changes in the law regarding POA's.

CPA Donald Reddinger, Reddinger, Will, Gallagher & Dickert, LLC recapped the 2016 1st Quarter results reviewing AVR, IMR, RBC and the audit reports produced at the conclusion of their annual audit.

The society's Appointed Actuary Edward Cowman, Miller/Newberg, presented his report focusing on cash flow testing and reserves.

NSS Asset Manager Larry White, AQS, presented his report, providing information on the state of our Portfolio, Projections on Cash Flow, Crediting Rates vs our Portfolio, Portfolio Yield and future Asset, Net Income, Surplus and RBC projections for 2016.

Old Business presented discussion of our recent Strategic Planning Session, the review of the NSS Investment Policy, the review of plans for the Assembly Officers Seminar, an update on the status of our Cyber Security Policy, and the introduction of a Board Education and Training Matrix.

New Business presented an overview of Immediate Annuities and their Guarantee Rate by Actuary Ed Cowman and a discussion of current Annuity Interest Rates.

Committee work began with the Assembly Growth committee approving the 2015 Fraternal Tracking report, the Fraternal Allowances and Diamond, Platinum and Silver "extra effort" awards. The Fraternal Growth Committee recommended the approval of Petitions received and the Membership Growth Committee moved to adjust the SPIA Over 10 Years rate to 2.75% from 3.50% and adjust the SPIA Under 10 year rate to 2.00% from 2.50%. All other remaining Annuity rates remain the same.

The remaining committees: Audit, Museum, PVR and Governance all presented their reports.

Good of the Order presented a new National Project called "Blessings in a Backpack" which was approved by the Board.

Visions for 2017 (excerpt from a LinkedIn post)

OPTIMISM – The right attitude helps us start each day with a bright outlook

GOALS – Our level of success is a reflection of how high we set our goals

PERSEVERANCE – Peak achievement requires the determination to step up to every challenge

FOCUS – Attention to detail sharpens the quality of our work

MENTORING – Showing others the way helps us all grow to our full potential

INNOVATION – The options are unlimited when we allow ideas to flow freely

PRIDE – Taking pride in all we do inspires us to go above and beyond

RESPONSIBILITY – Balancing our obligations makes for a fuller life

CHARACTER – The path of integrity always takes us in the right direction

CHANGE – Changing times give us the opportunity to see things in a new way

POSSIBILITIES – Impressive results arise when everyone's creative input is welcomed

TEAMWORK – Individually we are special; together we are spectacular

Access your account values 24/7 by going to the website:
www.nsslife.org and log in/register as a member.



Advantages of an NSS Annuity/IRA

- Competitive interest rates
- Guaranteed minimum interest rate
- Tax-deferred earnings
- Avoids Probate
- Liquidity/Withdrawal features
- Flexible retirement income options
- No sales charges or fees

Current Interest Rates

Effective January 1, 2013

Preferred Choice	1.00%
Optimum 3	2.00%
Preferred 5	3.00%
Preferred 8	3.50%

*Preferred 7 and Flex earning 4%, these plans are no longer available.

Please contact your NSS Life financial service representative or
Joe Elliott in the Home Office at 1-800-488-1890.

Did you know....

You can add money to almost any Annuity with NSS-just send us a check.

Any additional funds will not increase the time period on early withdrawal penalties.

At NSS Life we have a plan that fits your needs!

From the Sales Department...

By Greg Felton, CLU, ChFC
Sales Director



- To minimize the expenses to your estate.
- In case you become incompetent and are unable to manage your own affairs.
- Through a will, you can appoint a guardian for any minor children.
- In case you have family with special needs.
- For blended families – do you want your children disinherited because you died first?
- To make special bequests or gifts to certain people.
- So that you can support your favorite charity.
- Do you own a business?

All of these and more can be answered by a qualified professional. NSS does not give tax or legal advice so we encourage you to contact your local attorney for good, solid guidance in these matters. It is not expensive – in fact it is quite reasonable and probably the best money you will spend. We have heard all the excuses why not to take action: I'm too young. I don't have time. I'm healthy and nothing is going to happen to me. I've got plenty of time. I don't know who to appoint. And oh, I don't care what they do when I'm gone.

Be proactive, take that first step right now and get things done. Once you have accomplished this task, you will have the peace of mind of knowing your family will be better off because of you.

Estate Planning and You

You may find this hard to believe but taxes have been around for a long time. In fact, according to the IRS, since the 18th century when a temporary stamp tax was enacted in 1797. A lot has changed since then but taxes are still around. The federal estate tax is somewhat newer and has only been around for the last one hundred years or so. In 2013, the current federal estate tax law was made permanent. For 2016 the exclusion amount is \$5.45 million and the top tax rate is 40%.

Here is how this works. Say you are single and die and you are worth \$8 million. You can leave your children the \$5.45 million but the difference of \$2.55 million is taxed at 40% or \$1.02 million. This amount is due 9 months after the date of death. You may be thinking that this affects only the wealthy but when you add in the value of a home, a business, retirement plans and other assets this could be you too. For most of us this may not be a problem but does that mean you should ignore estate planning opportunities – the answer is NO.

Everyone should have a few basic documents. A will, a power of attorney, a health care directive and possibly a trust. Here are some of the reasons you should have a plan regardless of the amount of assets you own. A good plan will help you with these points:

- Tax-advantages are available with proper planning
- To protect your family's privacy and to avoid probate.

Thought for the Month

Perfection is not attainable; but if we chase perfection then we can catch excellence.

Vince Lombardi (1913-1970), Head coach: Green Bay Packers

The Grow Up Plan

The other day one of my associates was talking with her neighbor. The neighbor mentioned that she was looking at one of those offers for life insurance that comes in the mail. She was excited because the plan was for \$25,000 of insurance for her granddaughter, age 1, and only cost \$16.30 per month. This grow up plan would double the insurance amount at age 18 to \$50,000 but the premium remains the same. The payments are for life. Gee – that sounds like a great plan, doesn't it?

Until my associate decided to compare this plan to an NSS product. She used a \$50,000 twenty pay life and our premiums are \$16.65 per month. So we are a couple of pennies more than the other plan. But here are the NSS pluses:

- Premiums are only payable for twenty years and not life.
- Our plan has a \$50,000 life insurance amount from the start – the other plan is \$25,000 until age 18 and then it doubles.
- The NSS plan pays dividends which over time will enhance the policy's values.
- The NSS plan has \$4,300+ guaranteed cash amount available at age 20 – far more than the other plan.
- NSS members are eligible for the scholarship program which can be worth up to \$2,000.
- NSS members can also participate in other fraternal benefits.

So which plan do you want? You want "Family Matters" at NSS Life. Please call your local representative or Joe Elliott in the Home office for more information on how we can help you.

Fraternal Matters...

By: Pam Blum
Fraternal Activities Coordinator
Email: pblum@nsslife.org



Trick or Treat

NSS has a supply of Halloween Trick or Treat bags available. If your Assembly or organization is having a Halloween party and need bags for the ghosts and goblins to collect their goodies give me a call or email me at pblum@nsslife.org.

Photo Contest Extended

The deadline for the Photo Contest has been extended until October 15th. So get out those pictures you took over the summer and send them in.

Christmas Oplatky

Oplatky, the traditional Slovak Christmas wafers, will be available this holiday season from Jankola Library. Orders will be accepted from October 24 until December 16, 2016.

The Oplatky, five in one package are thermal-sealed and can be purchased for \$5.00 per pack. In addition, the minimum cost of shipping and handling is \$6.00 and upward depending upon the number of packets ordered and the cost of priority mailing. Customized requests can be filled to meet your needs. Payment to Jankola Library is expected before receiving an order.

For more information or to place an order contact Sister Catherine Labouré Bresnock, SS.C.M. at 570-275-5606 or write to Jankola Library and Slovak Museum, 580 Railroad Street, Villa Sacred Heart, Danville, PA 17821-1698

Poetry Contest Winners!

Congratulations to the 2016 Poetry Contest winners listed below. What a great job each and everyone did on their poems. The first place winner's poems can be found on the Youth Circle page in this edition. I want to thank everyone for their continued participation in our fraternal contests and encourage you to submit an entry in the Photo Contest (deadline October 15th) and Ornament Contest (deadline December 1st).

2016 Poetry Contest Winners

Keats - Ages 5-7

First Place:	Anthony Cherevka	Assembly C108
Second Place:	Brooke Janosek	Assembly C432

Angelou - Ages 8-10

First Place:	Maya McDonnell	Assembly C617
Second Place:	Chloe Woods	Assembly C434
Third Place:	Ella Yurik	Assembly C737

Frost - Ages 11-13

First Place:	Alexander Noble	Assembly C123
Second Place:	Benjamin Ostrowski	Assembly C617
Third Place:	Jerzey Coble	Assembly C554

Shakespeare - Ages 14-16

First Place:	Elizabeth Ostrowski	Assembly C617
Second Place:	Charles Boone	Assembly L161

Blessings in a Backpack - NSS National Project

The National Slovak Society (NSS Life) is the oldest Slovak fraternal in the United States. Today, NSS life provides both life insurance and annuity coverage to over 30,000 members. As a fraternal benefit society, in addition to our financial products, we offer members aid and assistance in times of need as well as exciting fraternal activities.

Each year the NSS Board of Directors select an organization or worthy cause to support. This year, as our National Project, the Board has chosen to support the Blessings in a Backpack program. Blessings in a Backpack mobilizes communities, individuals and resources to provide food on the weekends for school children across America who might otherwise go hungry.

In today's world with our busy day to day lives, it is hard to believe there are many children that are going through their lives without basic necessities. These children are not statistics, they are our children's friends and classmates and members of our community.

The Blessings program allows volunteers to gather and pack food items such as macaroni and cheese, pudding cups, applesauce, granola bars and crackers to be sent home with children who may not always have enough food at home. In addition, some programs also provide basic needs such as deodorant, underwear, and other necessary hygiene items. Some Blessings programs also have the capability to provide holiday or emergency food pantries to aid families in need. Please check with your local assembly to see how they are providing for the Blessings program in your area.

If you would like to donate directly to the Blessings program, please send checks made payable to: NSS Life c/o Pam Blum, 351 Valley Brook Road, McMurray, PA 15317.

NSS is a non-profit organization therefore your donation is tax deductible. Together, we can keep our children from going hungry.

A Tribute to Keith S. Godor, Director



The following Tribute aired Sunday, September 11, 2016 during the Western PA. Slovak Radio Hour, hosted by Rudy & Sue Ondrejco, in memory of Director Keith S. Godor.

“This past week we lost a friend of ours, Keith Godor. We have known his parents Carol and Paul for many years. It was only after Keith was elected to serve as a Director of the National Slovak Society that we got to know him well. Keith also served as the President of the NSS Heritage Museum Board of Directors. He enjoyed life --he was a happy-go-lucky kind of guy, always willing to lend a helping hand. His 62 years were full of the people and things he enjoyed. His family, his NSS family, riding his Harley, he even had a pilot license. We had many discussions and shared many laughs over the last few years. Unfortunately, he lost his battle to cancer. We must remember that those we laughed with, learned from, leaned on and loved the most leave us the best memories.

On behalf of David Blazek, CEO and Linda Strom, CFO as well as my fellow board members, we extend our sympathy to Keith's parents, Paul & Carol, his brothers, daughters and grandchildren.”



PVR Scholarship Fund Donations August, 2016

In Memory of Arthur J Mahall: From Tony Beno Family	50.00
In Memory of Roland Delaney: From Assembly 0123	20.00
In Memory of Eugene Giuliani: From Assembly 0123	20.00
In Memory of Alvidio Marsilio: From Assembly 0123	20.00
Donations:	
Rosalie Troyanovich	25.00
Region 5 picnic	300.00
Matching Funds Region 5	300.00



Acorn Donations August, 2016

Assembly P09A \$1,000.00



DONATE TO THE PVR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

YES, I want to help our young members attain their academic goals. Here is my donation of \$ _____.

Name: _____
 Assembly: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____
 Zip: _____

Please issue your check to:
NSS PVR Scholarship Fund
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 McMurray, PA 15317

OUR DEPARTED MEMBERS August, 2016

Name	City and State	Date of Death	Assembly
Berry, Lois	Elgin, IL	05/23/2016	0586
Bihary, Olga	Manassas, VA	09/03/2013	0381
Bober, Helen	Parma Heights, OH	05/12/2016	0038
Bondy, Irene	Moreland Hills, OH	03/21/2016	0267
Boor, Irene	Chicago, IL	07/14/2016	0586
Boudrie, Suzanne	Toledo, OH	07/28/2016	0381
Bowker, James	Donora, PA	07/15/2016	0377
Carter, Emory	Washington, PA	06/06/2016	0588
Chengeri, Mike	Linden, NJ	04/22/2016	0110
Custer, Bonnie	Dawson, PA	08/02/2016	0039
Downing, Millicent M	Columbia City, IN	06/06/2016	0705
Ealy, Helen	Sewickley, PA	08/18/2016	0700
Eve, Allen	Springdale, PA	08/14/2016	L105
Gavaliar, Margaret	Ormond Beach, FL	08/04/2016	L105
Grant, Regelia	Coral Springs, FL	05/07/2016	L161
Hicks, Sylvia	Lancaster, OH	07/16/2016	0595
Hlavach Jr., Stephen	Bourbonnais, IL	08/03/2016	0586
Hovanec, Andrew	Pittsburgh, PA	07/11/2016	0100
Husek, Steven J	Warren, MI	04/06/2009	0381
Jancuski, Danny	Finleyville, PA	08/16/2016	0434
Kovac, James	Monaca, PA	08/04/2016	L161
Lomakin, Gregory	Pittsburgh, PA	08/04/2016	0700
Mahall, Arthur	Rocky River, OH	08/01/2016	0432
McClenathan, Fred	Washington, PA	07/07/2016	0588
McCormick, Mae	Charleston, WV	07/27/2016	0774
Michaels, Anna	Monessen, PA	08/02/2016	0377
Mount, Rita	Philadelphia, PA	07/29/2016	0774
Murawski, Alice	Cincinnati, OH	04/27/2016	0108
Niewolny, Bonnie	Wausau, WI	07/07/2016	0774
Pastron, George A	Lorain, OH	07/02/2016	0160
Pees, Dwight	Washington, PA	06/26/2016	0588
Penny, Elsie	Clearfield, PA	07/25/2016	0774
Pfleghaar, Deborah	Toledo, OH	04/25/2016	0160
Phillips, Lorne	Charleston, WV	08/12/2016	0774
Phillips, Melvin	Washington, PA	06/28/2016	0588
Pockat, Ray	Caroline, WI	07/25/2016	0774
Prebosky, Walter	Bellefonte, PA	07/13/2016	0774
Rimlinger, Agnes	Pittsburgh, PA	02/23/2016	0100
Robinson, Marie	Clairton, PA	07/07/2016	0108
Selis, Margaret	South Bend, IN	07/18/2016	0108
Shank, Timothy	Plumville, PA	07/06/2016	0774
Spangler, Pauline	Palm Harbor, FL	05/02/2016	0813
Stuck, Ronald	Wampum, PA	08/15/2016	0737
Suski, Irene	Monongahela, PA	07/31/2016	0377
Towe, Bertha	Pittsburgh, PA	07/31/2016	L105
Unrue, Henry	Charleston, WV	06/10/2016	P38A
Veach, Paul	Sheffield Lake, OH	08/09/2016	0774
Vidinsky, Alfred	Portage, PA	08/20/2016	0737
Wabeke, Kenneth	Hudsonville, MI	06/15/2016	0381
Walentik Sr., Emil	Brunswick, OH	08/09/2016	0070
Wickert, Sarah	South Charleston, WV	04/08/2016	0774
Wilson, Katherine	Point Pleasant, WV	05/16/2016	0774
Wojton, Mark	Pitcairn, PA	07/04/2016	L105
Yashur, Erma	Nazareth, PA	06/18/2016	L102
Yurkew, Olga	Studio City, CA	03/08/2016	0568

Assembly News



Region 5 members enjoying themselves at the Annual Picnic.



Mr. John Bebo is presented with the NSS Fraternalist of the Year plaque from our Chairman of the Board, Joseph Stefka, Jr.



Region 5 President, Joseph Stefka, Jr. addresses and welcomes members attending the Annual Picnic.



Birthday greetings and cake were presented to Marge Leasure on her 82nd birthday.



NSS Board of Directors and Executive Officers with their spouses attend a dinner at the 2016 Annual AFA Conference.



NSS visits with Ashley Dougherty at WTAE-TV Channel 4 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

New Member

Kolt Duane Vlasak
Born on May 31, 2016



The proud parents of Kolt are Kurt and Melanie Vlasak, sister, Gemma Lynn, grandparents Roger and Cheryl Vlasak, and great-grandparent Esther Vlasak.

ASSEMBLY 039 Uniontown, PA

The NSS Board of Directors has awarded our assembly the "Diamond Award" for our outstanding fraternal work in 2015. Thanks to the efforts of our officers and you, our members, we have achieved this highest fraternal assembly award. Great job! Well done!

The NSS now offers discount hearing aid benefits through American Hearing Benefits. To learn more or to schedule a free consultation visit: www.AmericanHearingBenefits.com/partners/NSS or call 1-888-705-6920.

Remember that the Annual Christmas Ornament Contest deadline is December 1st. For those of you with creative juices flowing through your body, this is your opportunity to make a distinctive holiday ornament. All ornaments are donated to a local nursing home after the contest. Rules and regulations are on the NSS website at: nsslife.org.

Congratulations to our youth board member, Mackenzie Payerchin for her acceptance into the nursing program at the Fayette Campus of Penn State University.

The NSS is now offering "Pre-Need Insurance" for those who wish to relieve their loved ones of the painstaking process of making final arrangement decisions for a loved one. The program works through your local funeral director. For more information contact Greg Felton, in the home office at: 724-731-0094.

For those who like to plan ahead: our annual Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 4th starting at 2:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus fellowship hall. Once again, we will be raffling off a large screen HD TV along with a Chinese Auction for the PVR Scholarship Fund and numerous door prizes. Mark your calendar for an afternoon of fun and fraternalism.

Watch out for all of those little ones that will be out trick or treating for Halloween.

Finally, our deepest sympathies go out to the Keith S. Godor family. Keith was a current NSS Director. May the hope of Christ's resurrection bring comfort and joy to their lives.

John Payerchin
President

ASSEMBLY 123 Coraopolis, PA

This is a rather short notice but the date for our going to see the **Phantom of the Opera** at Lincoln Park in Midland, PA has been changed to Sunday, October 9th. There were some scheduling problems. This is a 2:00 p.m. performance and it should be first rate. The venue, if you have not been there is as good as or better than any in Pittsburgh. Call Mary Maniecki 412-264-3546 if you would like to attend. No cost to members of our assembly.

Tuesday, October 25th we are scheduled to do volunteer work at the World Vision warehouse in Sewickley. We can sure use some help. It involves two hours of sorting and packing clothes for shipment overseas. Afterwards, we will have lunch and a short meeting. Please call Mary if you are available. We would love to see some new faces. Speaking of new faces, we just got a new member, Amanda Felton to our assembly. She promises to bring excitement and new ideas to the group. New ideas are always welcome from any of our members.



Congratulations to Brianna Grover, now Scanlan, one of our most active members on her recent marriage. Best wishes and the best to you and Josh as you start your life together in Colorado. We'll miss you.

We'll miss Brianna, but we always put her mother Jill Grover to work. She has arranged for our assembly to volunteer at the VA hospital in Aspinwall on Wednesday, November 9th at 7:00 p.m. We sponsor a bingo and pizza night for the veterans.

As I finished this article, I received notice that one of our Directors for NSS has passed away, Rest in Peace Keith Godor.

Bill Knoll
President

ASSEMBLY 377 Bentleyville, PA

Our Holiday party will be held on Sunday, December 4th at Ichiban's, 371 Washington Road, Washington PA 15301 at 3:00 p.m. Please bring a dozen cookies to share. A meeting will be held before dinner. I hope you can join us! RSVP to me at 412-439-2795.

Suzanne Skrypak
President

ASSEMBLY 432 Fairview Park, OH

Meetings will be held on October 18th, and December 20th, 2016. Our Annual Reverse Raffle will be held on February 25th, 2017.

Shawn Pytel
Publicist

ASSEMBLY 554 Curwensville, PA

Meetings will be held on October 2nd and November 13th, 2016 at Jim Stricek's, 135 McCullough Street, DuBois, PA at 2:00 p.m.

For information and directions, call Jim at (814) 590-7021 or email at assembly554@gmail.com.

Jim Stricek
Secretary

ASSEMBLY 586 Chicago, IL

Congratulations to Assembly 586 member and past PVR Scholarship recipient Sam Tidaback, now with the Chicago Cubs baseball team! Sam's folks wrote the nicest, proudest story of their experience with the MLB draft which is included in this issue. It's a great story of a remarkable achievement by one of our own and a good read, too. We're all so very happy for Sam and his bright future. He looks great in a Cubs uniform, too!

Happy Anniversary wishes to my mom and dad, Irene and Joe Tomaskovic, who celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary on September 17th.

Our assembly was very saddened to hear of Keith Godor's passing. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family and are so sorry for their loss.

Our next meeting will take place on October 16, 3:00 p.m. at Ciao Ristorante in Palos Hills. We're planning to have our annual Christmas party at the historic Klas Restaurant in Cicero, Illinois, a little early on November 27 at 2:00 p.m.

Janet Tomaskovic
Secretary

ASSEMBLY 731

Lowellville, OH

Our annual **Halloween Hayride** will be held on Saturday, October 22nd, at Countryside Farms, 4684 Center Rd., Lowellville, OH. We will gather at the pavilion between 5:00 & 5:30 p.m. with plans to board the hay wagon at 5:30 for a trip to the pumpkin patch to pick our own pumpkins. When we return to the pavilion, we will enjoy refreshments, games and a bonfire. Please RSVP to Laurie Fox at 330-536-8850 by October 15th.

Following a business meeting at the Poland Christian Church, 6248 Struthers Rd in Lowellville, Ohio on Sunday, November 6th, at 2:00 p.m., we will provide craft items to make ornaments for the **NSS Ornament contest**. We're planning to show a Christmas movie that we're sure the entire family will enjoy to get them into the Christmas Spirit while working on ornaments. Refreshments will be served.

Our **Christmas Party** is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 17, 2016, 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Lowellville Rod & Gun Club, 6225 Quarry Rd., Lowellville, OH. Details will be announced at a later date. We will feature our youth on stage as they perform singing, dancing, and/or a Christmas Skit. We are in the process of encouraging our youth to share their special talents. In addition to the stage entertainment, Santa will pay a visit with a gift for each child. Each family is asked to bring blankets, sheets, towels, hats, gloves, or coats that will benefit the Mahoning Valley Rescue Mission in their efforts to help the homeless this winter.

Laurie Fox
President

ASSEMBLY 737

Westmoreland County, PA

A meeting will be held on December 3, 2016 at the home of Paul J Godor, 9280 Clubview Drive, North Huntingdon, PA at 2:30 p.m.

All assembly business will be discussed at this time including election of officers.

Following the meeting we will have a Christmas luncheon. If you plan on attending, please call 724-863-9662 by November 18, 2016 so we can plan accordingly.

Carol Godor
Treasurer

REGION 5

Pittsburgh, PA

The fall meeting of Region 5 will be held on Sunday, October 16, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. at the NSS Home Office in McMurray, PA. Plans for Region 5 activities for the remainder of 2016 will be discussed. All assemblies in Region 5 are requested to send representatives to the meeting. A luncheon will be served following the meeting.

Joseph Stefka, Jr.
President

Region 14

Summer Picnic



Region 2

It was a nice attendance at the luncheon/meeting for Region 2 that was held at the Pierce Street Deli, Kingston, PA on August 20, 2016 at 12:30 p.m. We had eleven members from Assembly 617 and 8 members from L075 attending. Happenings in each of our assemblies were discussed.

A letter was read from Dwight Kanyuck about the status of Assembly 146. Discussion followed.

Madison Petro was there and presented us with her college schedule to study in England for the fall semester. A donation was given to help her with the cost of this exciting opportunity. We decided to send an E-mail to the Home Office about the seminar that was postponed until March 17, 2017.

Our next meeting will be February 11, 2017 at Perkins.



Pictured are 1st row: Lucy Piccoletti, Rose Mary Strish, John Kurilla, Marlin Petro Wesnak, Margaret Lukas, and Al Gomb (kneeling), 2nd row: Samantha Wesnak, Lehrae Edwards, Gary Edwards, Dorothy Collins, Joanne Kovalski, and Stephanie Kurilla, 3rd row: Gary Collins, Madison Petro, George Strish, Gloria Gomb, Mary Ann Ostrowski, Robert Gushka, and John Ostrowski.

Rose Mary Strish
Secretary



Assembly 617/C617, ASHLEY, PA

A luncheon/meeting was held at the Pierce St. Deli, Kingston, PA on August 20, 2016. Bills were paid and a final report was given on the Knoebels Amusement Park Picnic held on August 4, 2016. We always enjoy the park & the fraternalism. The winners of the Basket Raffle and 50/50 Raffle were announced. We thank all those who donated baskets, took chances and supported the Matching Fund Event.

The Tracking Points for our assembly who received Diamond Status, were explained and congratulations were expressed for all the participation from our members and of course for all our winners in the NSS Contests. We are proud of all our members who submitted entries in the contests.

We would like to see more members getting involved at our meeting and events. Members are always welcomed to come and join us.

Rose Mary Strish
President

Assembly 617/C617 Matching Fund

Our assembly held a Matching Fund Basket Raffle Event from the month of July and the first half of August for the Missions in El Salvador. Our member, Rev. John Ostrowski, has been serving there from the Cleveland Latin American Mission Team at San Pedro Parish in Teotepeque, El Salvador.

Father John has witnessed the extensive poverty in that area of the world. Hopefully our Matching Fund will help them through their life struggles. Father has expressed to us the deep faith of the people there, and though they have little, they are rich in faith. The announcement of the winners of the baskets was held at our meeting on August 20, 2016. The winners include: "Charlotte Warke", Chocolate Basket donated by Maria Kita; "John Ostrowski", Money Bouquet donated by the Strishes. John donated the money from the bouquet back to the El Salvador Mission; "Margaret Lukas" Canning Basket, donated by the Ostrowski's; "Rose Mary Strish", Reversible Throw & Pillow donated by the Gushkas; "Lisa Hill", Gift Certificates & Lottery Tickets donated by the Kurillas, Lukas & Kovalski Families; and "Sam Strish", Kid's Fun Basket. Donated by Gail Mangan.

The 50/50 winner was John Lynch, who donated his winnings back to the Matching Fund for El Salvador. Congratulations to all of you. Thank you for your support. We want to thank everyone who donated the baskets, bought tickets and gave cash donations for this worthy cause.

Rose Mary Strish
President



Assembly 617/C617 Knoebels Fraternal Day

Our assembly had a wonderful fraternal day at Knoebels Amusement Park. We welcomed 47 members of our assembly and 8 potential future members. A short meeting was held followed by remarks from Abigail Gross, our new Director and her family who joined us again this year. She explained how well our society is doing.

Hoagies, which were compliments of the assembly, and desserts and snacks brought by our members made a quick lunch. Members were given free park ride tickets, also compliments of the assembly.

We displayed our raffle baskets and a 50/50 raffle which will be a Matching Fund for Father John Ostrowski who is a pastor in El Salvadore. Baskets were donated by the Ostrowski Family, Gushka Family, Kurilla/Lukas/Kovalski Group, Gail Mangan, Strish Family, and Maria Ostrowski.

For the youth circle, Margaret Lukas donated 3 jars with change in it. Winners who guessed the right amount of change were: Ben Ostrowski, Elizabeth Ostrowski and Donato Strish.

Everyone had a great time. Some of our members even stayed till the park closed. We look forward to seeing even more assembly members joining us next year.

Rose Mary Strish
President

News from Assembly 813

Our assembly recently participated with Kids Needs of Englewood for a Back-to-School Bash on August 6th as their National Project. This event, held at the Sky Academy, helps needy kids get the items they need to start the school year off right. The kids got backpacks full of school supplies and tote backs with toiletries including shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, body soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, floss and hairbrush and comb.



Sonia Hartmann, Mary Jo Holker and Susan Laurin take a break while putting out approximately 500 pairs of sneakers for the Back to School Bash in Englewood, FL.

Money donated and raised through community events, \$3,260.00, was used to buy new underwear, socks, and t-shirts so the kids could pick out what they liked. New, and gently used, tennis shoes were purchased or donated from Englewood churches and businesses. More than 500 pairs of tennis shoes will be proudly worn by kids in need in Englewood. Kids Needs also participates in the elementary school weekend backpack food program.

At the Back-to-School Bash kids could get a free haircut, eye and dental exams, and school physicals as well. Everyone came away a winner, especially all the volunteers.

Mary Jo Holker
Secretary



Junior Pittsburgh Slovaks

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- * No experience necessary, we'll show you!
 - * Meet new friends
- * Learn about your Slovak Heritage!
- * Perform at the Pittsburgh Folk Festival, Slovak Day, Slovak Heritage Festival at Pitt as well as other events!

We are now accepting new members and would like to invite you to come and find out what we are all about! For more information, call **Sue Ondrejco** at 412-421-1204 or e-mail: sue.ondrejco@gmail.com

A Slovak Story

The White Lady of Levoca

This is an exciting nonfiction story of intrigue and suspense occurring in the now famous city of Levoca. In the early 1700's, Levoca was loyal to rebels led by Ferenc Rakoczi II. The Habsburg forces were unsuccessful in their many attempts to take over the city. Help arrives in the form of Julianna Korponay Geczy (1680-1714). She was encouraged by a huge sum of money offered by the Habsburg forces to help them. She obtained the keys to the front gates and helped the Habsburgs enter Levoca. Julianna's father was loyal to Rakoczi so the rebels had no reason to distrust Julianna. The rebels asked her to deliver some letters containing strategically important information. She instead informed a Habsburg captain of their existence with the hope of receiving more funds. Upon reading these letters, it became apparent to Julianna that delivering these letters put her father in great harm. Rather than delivering these letters, they were burned. When the Habsburg captain inquired about the letters he was told she burned them. Not trusting her story she was arrested and tried as a spy for the rebels. She was subsequently tortured for information then placed in the cage of shame in a white dress. This cage can still be seen today by the Town Hall. She then was finally beheaded. Numerous people have claimed to have seen her walking about town in her white dress after the execution to this day. I personally was in Levoca in 2014, and saw the tile cage, but unfortunately did not view this lady in her white dress. A novel written by Mor Jokai, and many films have been made on this mysterious lady Julianna in her white dress.

Donald J. Kolecy, Sr.

Scott Reed Receives Paul Harris Fellow Award

Mr. Reed along with eight other area residents were honored for community service and recognized as Paul Harris Fellows by Rotary International District 7410 at the Spring Conference.

Scott was presented the award while living and working aboard the Africa Mercy ship then docked in Tamatave, Madagascar.



This Month in National Slovak Society History

Joseph Stefka, Jr. Chairman of the Board

October, 1936

A program of memorial services was held at the Bohemian National Cemetery located in Chicago, Illinois to honor Peter V. Rovnianek founder of both the National Slovak Society and the Zivena.

October, 1998

The Pennsylvania Fraternal Congress selected National Secretary-Treasurer Paul M. Payerchin, Jr. as recipient of the John Jordan Upchurch Award at its annual meeting held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The award is the highest fraternal honor that can be awarded by the Pennsylvania Fraternal Congress.

October, 2001

The National Assembly of the Society approved a "Matching Funds" appeal in support of those whose lives were tragically affected by the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

October, 2005

Margaret Pilosi, Honorary President of the First Slovak Wreath of the Free Eagle died. Margaret had served the First Slovak Wreath of the Free Eagle as Youth Director from 1970 to 1980 and as National President from 1980 to 1988.

October, 2008

Honorary Director Vincent V. Jacko died. Vince had served the Society as a Director from 1967 to 1982.

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Sam Tidaback Selected in the 21st Round by the Chicago Cubs



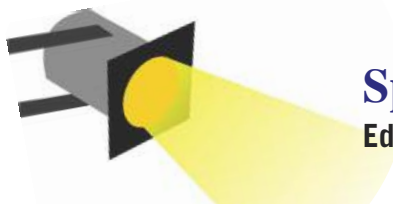
National Slovak Society scholarship recipient and University of North Georgia standout Sam Tidaback was selected as the 644th overall pick in the 2016 Major League Baseball Draft, going to the Chicago Cubs in the 21st round. Tidaback was one of just two catchers that the Cubs selected in their 38 picks.

"We couldn't be happier for Sam to be drafted by the Chicago Cubs organization," UNG head coach Tom Cantrell said. "Sam made a tremendous impact in his two years in Dahlonega and we loved having him as part of our program."

Tidaback, a life-long Cub fan is a native of Plainfield, Illinois and attended Providence Catholic High

School where he was named All-Illinois Second Team in 2012. At UNG, Tidaback was a two-time Peach Belt All-Conference honoree and was earned NCBWA All-Region honors in his junior season.

The Illinois native capped off his collegiate career with his best season as a Nighthawk, hitting a .341 clip with 15 doubles, 11 home runs and 53 runs batted in. Tidaback sported an impressive .417 on-base percentage and .990 fielding percentage. In the classroom Sam excelled as a Marketing Major with a 3.25 GPA. Sam wanted to express his sincere thanks to the National Slovak Society for their tremendous support. He is presently living in Eugene, Oregon playing for the Chicago Cubs affiliate Eugene Emeralds.



Spotlight On Lori Crowley Editor

My involvement with the National Slovak Society of the USA began over 43 years ago when John H Pankuch was the President of the NSS. I was hired as Secretary to the Director of Agencies and then promoted to Secretary to the NSS Treasurer at the home office which was then located at 516 Court Place in Pittsburgh, PA behind the Carlton House. When the home office moved to 2325 East Carson Street on the Southside of Pittsburgh, I moved with it and became the Secretary to then President Joseph Stefka.



During this time my family began to grow and my husband Kevin and I were blessed with three 'very active' boys; Kevin and John (twins) and Shaun. In order to take care of my family I began working at the NSS on a part time basis as office staff and then Editor of the Narodne Noviny. Juggling family life and the NSS has been my pride and joy. I have met so many wonderful people over the years. I have always looked forward to attending our National Conventions to see old friends and make new ones.

I am very proud to see how the Narodne Noviny has grown over the years and take pride in knowing that I have played an important part in its growth for the members of the NSS.



Ked Pride Október...

Ked' zaklope mesiac október na dvere a otvoríme stránku života zbadáme, že prišla "jeseň". Jeseň roka v ktorom žijeme, a pre niektorých z nás "jeseň" života. Aj my raz sme nový- malý- neskôr dozrievame v živote.

Október nám pripomína je čas na kontrolu aj nášho života "jeseň."

Či máme dostatok obyvia v komore na prichádzajúcu zimu.

Či máme dostatok financií na prichádzajúce roky nášho života ktoré čím ďalej budú menej produktívne.

Či máme dostatočne uložené dobre skutky, pokoru, lásku veci ktoré budeme potrebovať ku spaseniu našej duši.

39. Slovenský festival v New Jersey bude v Mercer County Park 2. októbra

39. Festival slovenského dedičstva sa po 38 rokoch bude konať na novom mieste, a to v Mercer County Park vo West Windsor, NJ. Ako po iné roky, program bude bohatý a pestrý. Okrem iných vystúpi aj tanečný súbor Limbora z New Yorku, ktorý tohto roku oslavuje 50-ročné jubileum. Na programe je aj futbalový turnaj a v parku budú aj zariadenia na pobavenie detí. Na predaj budú tradičné slovenské jedlá a budú otvorené stánky s výrobkami dovezenými zo Slovenska. Park bude otvorený o 10.00 hodine. Katolícka svätá omša bude o 11.00 hod. a o 2.00 hodine začne kultúrny program a prehliadka krojov. Usporiadatelia očakávajú aj významných návštevníkov zo Slovenska. Vstupné je \$10.00 za osobu. —Slovenský Katolícky Sokol

Slovensko rodná zem



Veľký Rozsutec z Chlebu

Slovensky Festival pri Univerzite Pittsburgh

Pozývame, slovákov a slovenky na slovenský festival pri pittsburgh univerzite čo bude na 6 toho novembra čo pripravuje Slavik Department a študenti Slovenského štúdia.

Vieme, že PGH univerzita je jediná v Amerike čo dostáva grant na vyučovanie štúdia slovenského jazyka kde študenti môžu získať credity k maturite.

Pri tejto univerzite je založená i slovenská základina ktorú financuje 5 slovenských organizácii vrátane našej NSS.

Vstupné na festival je zdarma, prebieha od obeda do 5-tej po obede. Môžete užívať z výstavy slovenských vecí, pochutnať jedla na slovenský spôsob a prípadne si i zaspievať počas vystúpenia slovenských súborov.

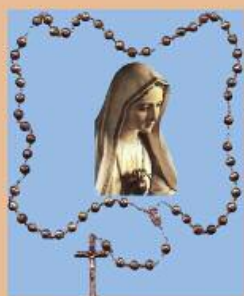
Život je príliš Krátky.

Nemali by sme neustále na niečo čakať, trápiť sa, alebo sa nechať inými ľuďmi zrážať k zemi.



Mali by sme robiť všetko to, čo nás robí šťastnými a tráviť čas s ľuďmi, ktorí vedia darovať úsmev.

—Diamond Fashion.sk



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Zabíjačková večera v Slovenskej záhrade vo Winter Park, FL

SLOVAKFEST 2016 bude v sobotu 15. októbra o 2.00 hodine v malej spoločenskej hale v Slovenskej záhrade, 3110 Howell Branch Road, vo Winter Park, FL. Podávané budú zbojnícka pečienka so zemiakmi, kyslá kapusta, klobásy a slovenské koláče. Vstupné je

\$15.00. Počas popoludnia bude hrať slovenská ľudová hudba. Bližšie informácie a rezervácie na tel. č. 407-677-6894, alebo slovakgarden@centurylink.net



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The NSS Ambassadors will be placing donation bins in their schools, libraries, community centers, etc. to collect new backpacks that are neutral in color. In addition, they will also be raising funds through donations.

For more information or to join our efforts in helping nearly 16 million children, email us at ambassadors@nsslife.org or visit <http://nsslife.org/fraternal-programs/nss-ambassadors/>.

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Youth Circle Page

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First Place Winners of Poetry Contest

1st Place – Keats My Favorite Things

By Anthony Cherevka - C108 - Age 6

My Favorite things,
Make me want to sing.
They are construction,
police and fire,
I hope I'm the one they
want to hire.
These toys keep me
busy for hours,
Some of them give me
special powers.
I can't wait to be grown
up someday,
But, for now, I'll just play!



1st Place – Angelou Coral Reef

By Maya McDonnell - C617 - Age 9

Swish, swish and splash, splash
As I jump off the rocking boat
Into the cold, blue ocean
A gray shark glides
through the water
Parrot fish crunch on coral
Barracudas shimmer in
the clear ocean.
And Sergeant Majors move
as one
As I hop back on to the boat
I think of all the colorful sea
life below me.

1st Place – Frost The Lonely Flower

By Alexander Noble - C123 - Age 13

You may feel lonely but you are not
Because of family and friends.
They are always here there and around you.
That's why they are there
Sometimes you are sad or mad
Talk to your family and friends.
Sometimes you may be mad at them
But remember in the end
Your family and friends will be there.

1st Place – Shakespeare Of A Sister

By Elizabeth Ostrowski - C617 - Age 15

I know of a wisp who lives upstairs;
Some don't realize she's there.
You know that all is right
When with her whole being she sings
And takes walks in the twilight.
Her voice makes the trees ring
As she dances within and around
Her hair streaming with clover
And her elfin feet not making a sound.
But times come when she disappears.
Life becomes more gray,
For maybe a month, perhaps a year.
Time moves slower with each passing day.
But the moon is a reminder that though
Sadness and joy will ebb and flow
My beloved sister Josie
Will always return
To me.

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