

Dr. Mark Pienkos

Candidate for PAC Vice-President of Public Relations

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The opening of the Jan Karski Exhibit at the Minnesota State Capitol in St. Paul, June 14, 2014.



Dear National Directors,

The Polish American Congress has a proud history of achievements over its 70 years of existence. The public should be reminded of these successes.

Communication is very important to PAC's functioning. Therefore, members and POLONIA must be kept informed of our accomplishments. That's Why I seek **YOUR** vote.

If elected I will:

- introduce an electronic newsletter to provide timely information to National Directors and State Division Presidents. This information can then be forwarded to members, supporters and friends.
- encourage feedback from members to engage them in exchanging ideas, promoting and supporting PAC's projects.

Knowledge is power.

Effective communication makes possible successful programs and projects.

EDUCATION:

1993 **University of Southern California**, Los Angeles, Doctor of Education (Ed.D.)
1989 **University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee**, Specialist Certificate in Administrative Leadership
1974 **Northern Illinois University**, DeKalb, Illinois M.S.Ed. Guidance and Counseling
1972 **Northern Illinois University**, DeKalb, Illinois B.S.Ed. History; and Political Science

WORK EXPERIENCE: Life-long educator (41 years working in public schools)

ACTIVITIES: Polish American Congress (current President, PAC-WI), Polish National Alliance (lifetime member), American Association of School Administrators, Wisconsin Association of School District Administrators; Adjunct Professor: Aurora University (graduate courses), Lake-Sumter Community College, Florida (teacher certification courses); Knights of Columbus (4th Degree), Lake Geneva Police & Fire Commission (current President).

FAMILY: Married 42 years to Ann (Lesniewski) who was born in Poland. Ann is fluent in Polish and has visited Poland 20 times. We have 3 children: Michelle, Karen, and Stephen . . . and one grandchild! **Proud 100% P.N.A. Family!**