

March, 2008



# Sister Cities Commission



• Büdingen, Germany



• Mallow, Ireland

Tinley Park, Illinois U.S.A.

## Tinley Park Hosts Delegation from Nowy Sacz, Poland



Did you read about us in the newspapers? Tinley Park enjoyed a wonderful visit in February by an official delegation from Nowy Sacz, Poland. Mr. Ryszard Nowak, Mayor of Nowy Sacz, Mr. Artur Czernecki, Chairman of the Nowy Sacz Council, Mr. Janusz Adamek, Nowy Sacz Waterworks President and Mr. Krzysztof Gluc, Vice-Rector of Wyzsza Szkola Biznesu (National Louis University College of Business) spent six days here. The Tinley Park Sister Cities Commission prepared a busy program for the group.

Tinley Park Mayor, Edward J. Zabrocki, visited Nowy Sacz (it is pronounced "novy sonch") during a family vacation trip in 2007. While there he met Mayor Nowak, toured the town. On his return Mayor Zabrocki invited a delegation to visit Tinley Park.

The Polish community in the Southland, and throughout the metro area, is a dynamic and successful part of our multicultural tapestry. Did you know we have a very successful "Polish school" meeting each week in Tinley Park? A Polish language Mass is celebrated each Sunday at St. Stephen Church on 84<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 175<sup>th</sup> Street. Restaurants and delis with specialty foods are found around Tinley Park as well.



We have discussed expanding our sister city program for some time. This first visit from Nowy Sacz may well lead to such an expansion. Stay tuned for more details!

## Where Are You?

The Tinley Park Sister Cities Commission wants to contact anyone who hosted or traveled with us since 1989. The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the sister city program is October 2009. If you hosted a visitor from Büdingen, Germany or Mallow, Ireland or if you traveled with the Tinley Park program we want to hear from you. Many of our friends have moved, gotten married and changed their names or are just not on the mailing list. Please contact us so we can invite you to the celebration. Mail the Tinley Park Sister Cities Commission at 16250 S. Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, Illinois 60477 or email us at [sistercity@tinleypark.org](mailto:sistercity@tinleypark.org). Do it today, we want you to celebrate this big milestone anniversary with us.

## IRISH PARADE



The annual Tinley Park Irish Parade is scheduled for Sunday, March 2, 2008.

The parade will begin at Central Middle School and travel north on Oak Park Avenue to 171 Street. This year's Reviewing Stand will be at Bogart's Charhouse, 17344 Oak Park Avenue. Step-off is at 2:00 p.m.. This event is organized by the Oak Park Avenue Mainstreet Association.



Discover Tinley has become the "premier event" of the year. Tinley Park residents who want to find out what the community has to offer are welcome to visit, ask questions and learn what's happening.

Discover Tinley - Saturday, April 5, 2008, 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. "Learn more about our businesses and service organizations at our annual expo" Tinley Park Convention Center, 18501 Harlem Ave, Tinley Park, Illinois.

The full Village Calendar can be seen here: <http://www.tinleypark.org/votp.asp?ctp=tourism/events/events.asp>

## **Ever wonder what the schedule for an official visit contains?**

### **SCHEDULE FOR THE OFFICIAL DELEGATION**

#### **Visit to Tinley Park, IL, USA by a Delegation from Nowy Sącz, Poland**



#### **The Village of Tinley Park**

**Edward Zabrocki, Mayor**  
**Frank German, Village Clerk**

#### *Trustees*

**Patrick Rea**  
**David Seaman**  
**Gregory Hannon**  
**Michael Bettenhausen**  
**Brian Maher**  
**Thomas Staunton, Jr.**



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#### **Friday, February 8th**

- 17:00 Arrive at Hotel, Tinley Park
- 19:00 Reception/Orientation, Tinley Park Village Hall  
Hosted by Mayor and Village Trustees
- 20:00 Return to Hotel

#### **Saturday, February 9th**

- 9:00 Breakfast
- 9:45 Tour of Convention Center
- 10:00 Tour of Tinley Park
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Resume Tour of Tinley Park
- 15:30 Return to Holiday Inn
- 19:30 Dinner

#### **Sunday, February 10th**

- 10:30 Hosted Breakfast
- 13:00 Church Service. Coffee with Parishioners
- Visits to friends and acquaintances in Chicago.

#### **Monday, February 11th**

- 9:00 Depart Tinley Park to Tour Chicago
- 10:30 Tour of Water Filtration Plant
- Lunch in Chicago
- Afternoon in Chicago

#### **Tuesday, February 12th**

- Morning Free
- 12:00 Visit Andrew High School
- 13:00 Lunch at Andrew High School
- 14:00 Visit Fire Department and 911 Center
- 18:00 Reception Hosted by Tinley Park Sister Cities

#### **Wednesday, February 13th**

- 9:00 Central Middle School Visit
- 11:30 Village Hall – Presentations by Village Staff
- 14:30 Lunch
- 18:00 Press Conference and Social Meeting. Consulate General of Poland, Chicago Office.

#### **Thursday, February 14th**

- Breakfast
- 9:00 Meeting at Village Hall
- 14:00 Return to Hotel
- 14:30 Depart for O'Hare Airport
- 15:30 Arrive Home



**Do you have any questions about the sister city program?** We can be reached by email: [sistercity@tinleypark.org](mailto:sistercity@tinleypark.org) or call the Tinley Park Village Hall and leave a message for the Sister Cities Commission, or even easier, see us at Discover Tinley, April 5, 2008.