



## ***History of the Let's Polka U.S.A. Club***

This web site is dedicated to **Mike Sonsiadek** who with his love for Polka Music started a Polka club, along with Eddie Bartczak, named "Let's Polka U.S.A." After the final UPA Christmas Party and Dance, some of the former UPA members got together to reflect on the good times they had at the dances. They talked about what they could do now that the club has disbanded.

**Mike Sonsiadek** and **Eddie Bartczak** were part of the group. Mike, who's dream it was to promote polka music, said to Eddie said let's start a club of our own. Eddie agreed and said, we can do it.

Donations were requested from those former UPA members and others that were interested in joining the club. In deciding, as to the name of the club, one of the members suggested

**"Let's Polka U.S.A."** The name was agreed upon and on February of 2004, Mike used \$500 of his own money, applied for and obtained a patent for the "Let's Polka U.S.A." symbol. Mike and Ed were the first office holders of the club. Dorothy Bartczak was responsible for keeping the books and the minutes of the meetings. In September 2006, Berne Locke and Theresa Bolf became the clubs treasurer and secretary.

**Officers:** *Updated 11-3-2019*

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>
<b>Norbert E. Ciesla</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Chet Kowalkowski</b>	<b>Vice President</b>
<b>Edward Bartczak</b>	<b>Vice President Emeritus</b>
<b>Mary H Leja</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Dolores Gorcowski</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Lorraine Ciesla</b>	<b>Director</b>