

our roots

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a history of the
boroszewski
family



PROLOGUE-ORIGIN OF THE BOROSZEWSKI NAME

AT THE END OF THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY, JERZY EPINGER TOOK THE NAME OF THE FAMILY ESTATE "BOROSZEWO" TO BE HIS SURNAME. THE TOWN OF BOROSZEWO IS IN NORTHERN POLAND, ONE AND ONE HALF MILES FROM STAROGARD.

1466-LUDWIK EPINGER SIGNED A 100 YEAR PEACE TREATY WITH PRUSSIA. TWO OTHER EPINGERS WERE GOVERNERS IN TCZEW COUNTY. THEY LIVED IN THE ANCIENT PALATIAL FAMILY HOME IN BOROSZEWO.

1482-JERZY EPINGER (LUDWIK'S BROTHER) WAS IN THE KINGS PALACE. HE WAS THE MARSHAL OFFICER (JUDGE) OF THE ROYAL COURT.

1502-JERZY'S SON TOOK OVER HIS FATHERS DUTIES.

1623-GEORGE (JERZY LLL) COUNT EPINGER BOROSZEWSKI DIED. HE IS BURIED IN THE BISHOP'S CATHEDRAL IN PELPLIN.

THE COUNT WAS MARRIED TO BARBARA REMBOWSKA. IT WAS RECORDED AT THE TIME OF THEIR WEDDING THAT "PEOPLE WILL TALK FOR GENERATIONS TO COME ABOUT THESE TWO DISTINGUISHED WEST PRUSSIAN FAMILIES FOR NOW THEIR CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE SAME BLOOD".

THE COUNT WAS DESCRIBED AS A MOST PIOUS AND GENEROUS MAN. HE MADE LARGE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CATHEDRAL IN PELPLIN.

HIS COAT OF ARMS IS ON HIS GRAVE IN THE BISHOP'S CATHEDRAL IN FRONT OF ST. URSULA'S ALTAR. THE COAT OF ARMS IS DIVIDED INTO FOUR FIELDS. ON THE TOP LEFT IS THE CROSS. THE TOP RIGHT HAS SEVEN PRECIOUS STONES WITHIN A DOUBLE CIRCLE. A KNIGHT WITH A HALBERD (SHARP EDGE FACES LEFT) IS IN THE LOWER LEFT. THE LOWER RIGHT CORNER HAS SEVEN PEACOCK FEATHERS. THERE IS ANOTHER CROSS AT THE EXTREME TOP.

1629-ANDREW BOROSZEWSKI (SON OF COUNT JERZY) WAS KILLED IN THE WAR WITH THE SWEDES. HE IS ALSO BURIED IN THE BISHOPS CATHEDRAL (PELPLIN). HIS GRAVESTONE IS NO LONGER READABLE. HISTORICAL NOTE: FOR GENERATIONS IT WAS ASSUMED THAT THE LAST BOROSZEWSKI WOULD LEAVE "A HUNDRED THOUSAND ZLOTY AND AN ENORMOUS ESTATE". HOWEVER, WHEN ANDREW'S WIFE (CZARLINSKA) LEFT HIM AND WENT TO LIVE WITH MARTIN WIESIATOWSKI, THE PROUD NAME OF BOROSZEWSKI WAS TARNISHED.

1644-ANDREW'S DAUGHTER MARRIED WILHELM KWIDZYNSKI (1644) AND AFTER HIS DEATH, A MR. PRABECKI. THEIR SONS, BOTH KNIGHTS OF THE FOREIGN WARS, DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES IN THE BATTLE OF BRADENBURG WHERE THEY RECEIVED MEDALS FOR VALOR.

PRABECKI WAS A KIND, WELL EDUCATED MAN. HE SPOKE SEVERAL LANGUAGES AND DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF IN GOVERNMENT MATTERS.

1795-POLAND CONQUERED; PARTITIONED BY RUSSIA, PRUSSIA AND AUSTRIA. THE BOROSZEWSKI ESTATE AND FORTUNE DISAPPEARED.

1863-IN ROSENTHAL (A SUBURB OF PELPLIN) FRANK MARRIED POPIELSKA. A SON XAVIER WAS BORN IN 1865. FRANK'S WIFE DIED A SHORT TIME LATER. HE MARRIED ANNE BAKOWSKA IN 1868. A SON, FRANK X. WAS BORN NOV. 17. 1870 WHILE HIS FATHER WAS FIGHTING IN THE FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR.

THE REMAINDER OF THE BOROSZEWSKI FAMILY:

FRANCES B. 1873	MARRIED	JOHN HOINSKI
ANNA B. 1876	'	PAUL KUSOWSKI
PAULINE B. 1878	'	IGNACY MELANT
MARYANN B. 1880	'	FRANK BELOWSKI
MARTHA B. 1888	'	BOLESLAUS KUCHENNY

THE SZULC FAMILY:

PETER SZULC(1836-1923) MARRIED JOSEPHINE POTULSKA(1843-1881).THEY RAN A GROCERY AND DAIRY STORE IN PELPLIN.THE BOROSZEWSKI'S LIVED IN ROSENTHAL A SUBURB OF PELPLIN.THE FAMILIES WERE GOOD FRIENDS.XAVIER B. WORKED IN THE STORE BEFORE COMING TO THE USA.HE LATER MARRIED THEIR OLDEST DAUGHTER MARYANN. FRANK X. MARRIED MARTHA,THE YOUNGEST.ANNA, THE MOTHER OF FRANK X.WAS MARTHA'S GODMOTHER. PETER S. WAS A QUIET, RELIGIOUS MAN.HE WENT TO SIX O'CLOCK MASS EVERY MORNING. HE ALSO ENJOYED FISHING.JOSEPHINE WAS THE AMBITIOUS BUSINESS WOMAN WHO RAN THE STORE.SHE HAD TWELVE CHILDREN OF WHICH EIGHT SURVIVED.SHE DIED AT AGE 38. AFTER HER DEATH PETER SOLD THE PROPERTY AND CAME TO BUFFALO,NY(1884). AROUND 1890 PETER REMARRIED(ANNA POKORSKA) IN BAY CITY,MICHIGAN. NOTE:UPON ARRIVAL IN THE USA THE SZULC NAME BECAME SCHULTZ.

THE SZULC CHILDREN:

LEONARD	B.1863	ORGANIST	M.VERONICA BELOWSKA*
PETER	B.1865	PRIEST	
MARYANN	B.1867		M.XAVIER BOROSZEWSKI
VERONICA	B.1870		
BARBARA	B.1873		M.FRANK OKONCZAK
JOHN	B.1875	ENGINEER	M.MARY MELOCH
MARTHA	B.1877		M.FRANK X.BOROSZEWSKI
ZYGMUNT**	B.1879	JEWELER	M.MARTHA SZRAMKOWSKA
SECOND MARRIAGE:			
FELIX		BUTCHER	M.MARTHA SLAWIAK
ANTHONY		BUTCHER	M.VIOLA GORNY

*SISTER OF FRANK BELOWSKI

**ALSO KNOWN AS FRANK

PETER'S TWO OLDEST SONS STAYED IN POLAND TO FINISH THEIR EDUCATION. LEONARD RECEIVED A DEGREE IN MUSIC.HE TAUGHT MUSIC AND WAS AN ORGANIST BEFORE COMING TO BUFFALO,NY IN APPROX.1889.

PETER JR. STUDIED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LILLE(FRANCE).BEFORE BECOMING A PRIEST HE WAS A PROFESSOR OF LANGUAGES;PROFICIENT IN EIGHT. IN 1901 HE CAME TO BUFFALO.HE ORGANIZED ST.HEDWIGS PARISH IN DUNKIRK AND ST.BARBARA'S IN LACKAWANNA NY.HE WAS PASTOR OF ST.BARBARA'S UNTIL HE DIED IN 1906 AT THE AGE OF 41.

JOHN,THE ENGINEER,ATTENDED CANISIUS COLLEGE. IN 1904,HE OPENED ONE OF THE FIRST AUTO REPAIR SHOPS IN BUFFALO.HE LATER MOVED TO CLEVELAND WHERE HE WORKED AS A REFRIGERATION ENGINEER.HE RETURNED TO BUFFALO AFTER RETIREMENT.

ZYGMUNT RAN A JEWELRY STORE AT 1040 BROADWAY IN BUFFALO.

FELIX AND ANTHONY WERE EMPLOYED BY FRANK X. BOROSZEWSKI AT 19 BROADWAY MARKET.

FRANK X. BOROSZEWSKI CAME TO THE USA IN 1884 AT THE AGE OF 14.HE WORKED VERY HARD AS AN APPRENTICE BEFORE STARTING HIS OWN MEAT BUSINESS IN 1896,AT 19 BROADWAY MARKET (BUFFALO,NY).HE HAD ANOTHER STORE AT 1372 BROADWAY AND A SAUSAGE SHOP ON PERSON ST.

FRANK AND MARTHA WERE MARRIED AT CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH IN 1895. IN 1904 THEY BUILT THEIR FIRST HOME AT 19 MILLS ST.LATER THEY MOVED TO 960 FILLMORE AVE. AND ALSO PURCHASED THE PROPERTY NEXT DOOR(954 FILLMORE AVE.).FRANK DIED IN 1955 AND MARTHA IN 1962.

THE BOROSZEWSKI CHILDREN:

PAULINE	1896-1980	M. BOLESLAUS DRUMSTA	1916
CONSTANCE	1897-1983	M. BRUNO DRUMSTA	1920 (BROTHER OF BOLESLAUS)
FRANCES	1899-1985	M. CHESTER BOROWIEC	1923
		M. BERNARD PIEKAREK	1956
JOHN	1901-1945	M. HELEN WIECZOREK	1932
MARTHA	1902-1981	M. CHESTER MICHALSKI	1930
FRANK	1904-1930	SINGLE	
BRUNON	1914-1974	M. ANGELINE RUDNICKI	1935

THE SEVEN CHILDREN ATTENDED CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL. THE FOUR DAUGHTERS WERE MARRIED IN THE CHURCH. THE PARENTS WERE LIFELONG PARISHIONERS.

JOHN AND FRANK WERE MEDICAL DOCTORS. EARLIER, FRANK WAS A MATH PROFESSOR AT ST. FRANCIS COLLEGIATE (ATHOL SPRINGS, NY). BRUNON WAS AN ATTORNEY. SINCE, THE SONS HAD NO CHILDREN, THE BOROSZEWSKI NAME DISAPPEARED AFTER THEIR DEATH.

PAULINE AND BILL RAN EAST BUFFALO ICE CREAM FROM 1916 TO 1920. THEY HAD TWO DAUGHTERS, PAULINE (BOGACKI) AND THERESA (PANTERA).

CONSTANCE AND BRUNO RAN A MEAT MARKET AT 1327 SYCAMORE ST. THEY HAD NO CHILDREN

FRANCES AND CHESTER HAD FOUR CHILDREN: FRANK, MITCHEL, RICHARD AND DELPHINE (PAWLICKI). CHESTER WAS ASSOCIATED WITH SPOLKA CLOTHING STORES ALL HIS LIFE. HE WAS A MANAGER OF THE 416 AMHERST STORE.

MARTHA AND CHESTER RAN A MEAT MARKET ON SOUTH PARK AVE BEFORE TAKING OVER THE FAMILY BUSINESS AT 19 BROADWAY MKT. THEY HAD THREE CHILDREN: CHESTER X., MARY ANN (ROMANOWSKI), AND MARTHA (OKONIEWSKI).