



Consecration of the First Stone.

POLISH HOUSE SYRENA - the beginning

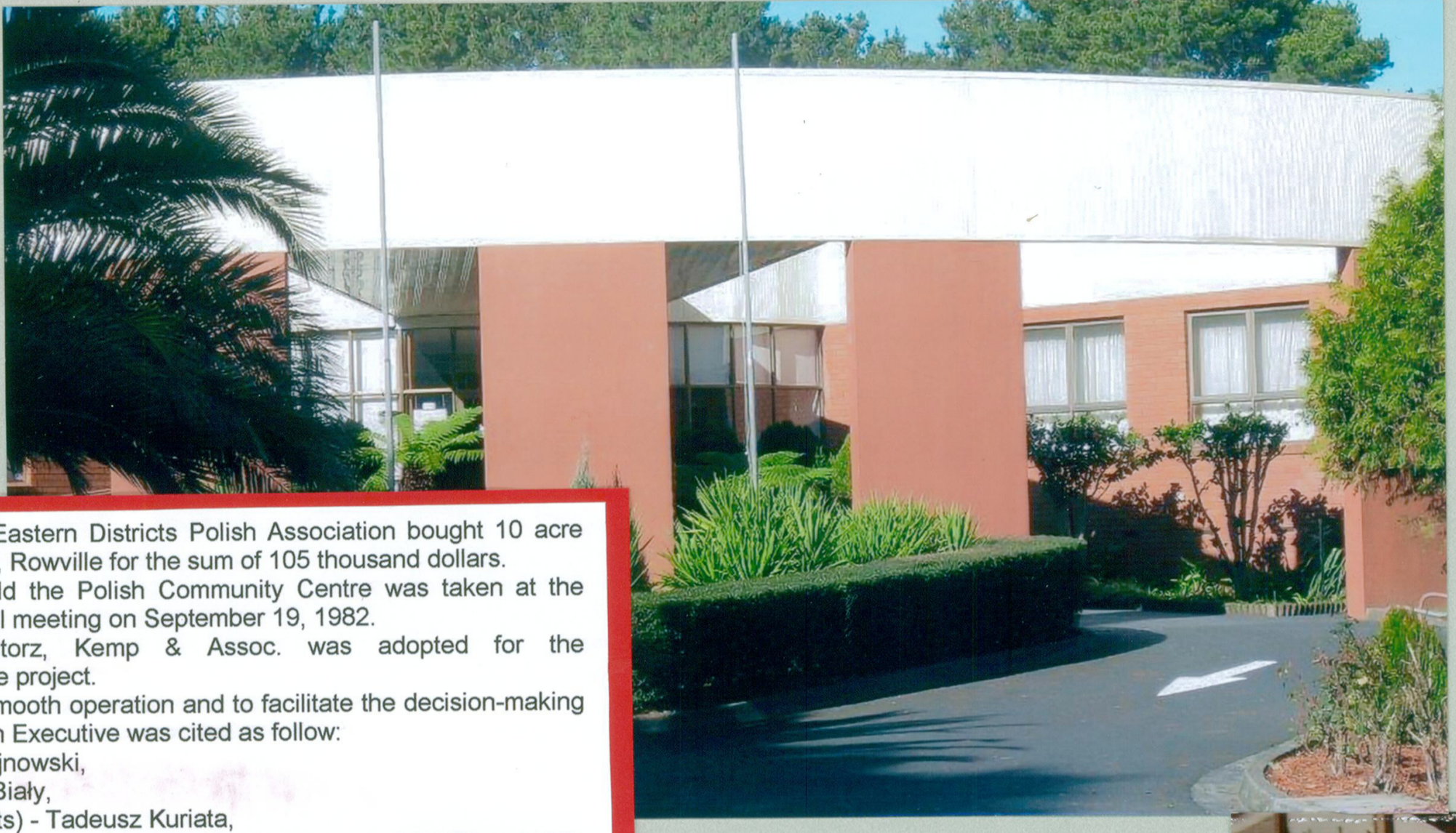


George Pell AC, Australian cardinal of Roman Catholic Church visiting the Polish Centre.



Laying of the Erection Act.

In 1977 the Eastern Districts Polish Association bought 10 acre allotment at Stud Rd, Rowville for the sum of 105 thousand dollars. The decision to build the Polish Community Centre was taken at the extraordinary general meeting on September 19, 1982. The Company Witorz, Kemp & Assoc. was adopted for the implementation of the project. With a view to the smooth operation and to facilitate the decision-making process Construction Executive was cited as follows:
 Chairman - Peter Bujnowski,
 Secretary - Edward Biały,
 Liaison Officer (grants) - Tadeusz Kuriata,
 Members: Marian Juszczyk, Czesław Dziedzicki and Adam Szczęśniak, present President of the Association.
 The starting capital amounted to 42 thousand dollars
 5th December 1982 was held the ceremony of consecration of the first stone by the Coordinator of the Polish clergy in Melbourne Leonard Kiescha in the presence of the Mayor of Knox Cr Peter Maley JP.
 22nd May 1983 the Erection Act of the Community Centre was signed and laid in the construction of the building.
 Four months later, on September 25, 1983 Polish Centre was blessed by His Most Rev. Szczepan Wesoły Bishop of Polish Emigrants.
 The official opening was on March 3, 1984 by the Victorian Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs The Hon. Peter Spyster MP.



A break for a meal during the land clearing of trees and underbush. From left: Anna Miklas, Piotr Bujnowski, Józef Wrzeszcz, Wiesław Przygoda, Stanisława Rzeszutek-Biały, Stanisław Pleban.



In front of the library: Adam Szczęśniak, Elżbieta Taratuta, Wiktor Holda, Lucyna Artymiuk, Jan Bejda



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