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LIFE IS NO POLKA FOR POLISH-AMERICAN FARMERS

OREGON, WI, November 10 -- Vivid depiction of harsh farm life in the early 20th Century is the backdrop for a new novel that focuses on the struggles of Polish immigrants farming in central Wisconsin.

Remember Me Dancing by Ken Parejko, published in May by Waubesa Press, the quality fiction imprint of Badger Books Inc., is a 382-page novel steeped in religious tradition and ethnic heritage. Set in Wisconsin and Chicago, it is a romantic tale of Mary, a young woman who must choose between following her heart or marrying the man her mother chooses.

Muriel Halvorsen, author of *With Trees on Either Hand*, calls Parejko's novel "as moving as a waltz, as life-affirming as a polka. The spirit of the Polish people comes through in this absorbing edition to Midwest immigrant lore."

John Hildebrand, author of *Mapping the Farm* and *Reading the River*, says: "Here is a love story, an immigrant saga and a complex re-creation of a vanished rural society. In this beautifully written novel, Parejko shows us how much we've changed and all that we've lost."

Ken Parejko was born in Chicago and grew up in northern Wisconsin. He teaches at the University of Wisconsin-Stout in Menomonie.

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Remember Me Dancing by Ken Parejko, 382 pages, \$14.95, 5.5x8.5 trade paperback, ISBN 1-878569-36-8. For ordering information, call toll-free at (800) 928-2372..



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Fact Sheet for Remember Me Dancing

Author: Ken Parejko

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Summary: A romantic story highlighting the lives of Polish-American farmers during the early 20th Century.
Set in central Wisconsin and Chicago.

Distribution: Bookstores; can be ordered directly from Badger Books Inc., P.O. 192,
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Ken Parejko is the grandson of Polish immigrants who was born in Chicago and raised in northern Wisconsin.

His book, *Remember Me Dancing*, is a historical novel set in central Wisconsin during the early 20th Century. It is a romantic story, based on actual family history, that chronicles the harsh lives of rural Polish American immigrants.

Parejko lives with his wife and family in Menomonie, where he teaches biology at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.