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**June 4, Freedom Day, President Obama  
Royal Castle Square, Warsaw:**

"Distinguished guests, people of Poland, thank you for your extraordinary welcome and for the privilege of joining you here today. I bring with me the greetings and friendship of the American people - and of my hometown of Chicago, home to so many proud Polish Americans. In Chicago we think of ourselves as a little piece of Poland. In some neighborhoods, you only hear Polish. The faithful come together at churches like St. Stanislaus Kostka. We have a parade for Polish Constitution Day. And every summer, we celebrate the *Taste of Polonia*, with our kielbasa and pierogies, and we're all a little bit Polish for that day. So being here with you, it feels like home.

"Poland understands as few other nations do that every nation must be free to chart its own course...The blessings of liberty must be earned and renewed by every generation, including our own." "There is no freedom without solidarity"...  
"Thank you Poland for your courage, thank you for reminding the world that no matter how long the night, the desire for freedom and dignity never fades...."

**Madison Dates:**

June 27 talk: *Poland The Heart of Europe*

June 30 Polish music from Szymon Wozniczka  
*Global Revolutions* WORT 89.9 fm 10:15 am-12  
Presenting the newest from folk, ethno, world  
music, traditional village, klezmer and pop-folk.

July 4 First Fri Polish Club Breakfast 9 am

July 4 Polish Club in Evansville Parade

Aug 12 Book Club at Kasia's (608) 836-8632

Aug 24 Polish Picnic 11 - 3 pm, Middleton

AT POLISH FEST: Irene Swiggum, Linda Cagle,  
Rose Meinholz, Jane Dunn, Walter Chmielewski,  
Joan Rubens, FRONT: Antonio Flores ( grandson  
of member Jean Wroblewski), Roberta Schloss.



**Sunday, July 13, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.  
Polish Center of WI  
6941 South 68th St. Franklin, WI**

**2014 Proclaimed by the Republic of Poland  
as  
"The Year of Jan Karski"**

You are invited to a special afternoon lecture  
followed by a beautiful musical performance to  
commemorate and celebrate the many  
special Polish anniversaries and events of 2014

*Igor Lipinski, Concert Pianist Northwestern Univ.  
Professor Neal Pease, UW- Milwaukee*

*Refreshments Served - Donations Accepted*

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For further information, please call the  
Polish Center of Wisconsin at 414-529-2140  
[markpienkos2012@gmail.com](mailto:markpienkos2012@gmail.com) or 262-325-8039

**Aug. 12 - Sept. 10 The Jan Karski Exhibit  
is in Wisconsin. Watch for dates/places.**

- 1st Friday 9 am** PHCWI 1st Friday Breakfast, (608) 238-9189, Monona Garden Restaurant, 6501 Bridge Rd
- 1st Sunday 5 pm** Mass in Polish - Fr. Bruno Slodowski, St. Cecilia's, (608) 254-8381, 603 Oak St, [WI Dells](#)
- June 1- Aug 1** *Mini Show Traditional Papercrafts includes Polish wycinanki and nalepianki* Pinney, Library, 204 Cottage Grove Rd,
- June 27 Fri 12:40** Eva Verhoven: *Heritage Discovery - Poland The Heart of Europe*, Lussier Ed. Center, 55 S. Gammon Rd.
- June 30 Mon 10:15-noon** *Szymon Wozniczka's Polish Music on Global Revolutions* WORT 89.9 fm
- July 4 Fri ~10 am** PHCWI in 4th of July Parade, [Evansville](#)
- Aug 12 Tue 7 pm** PHCWI Book Club at Kasia's (608) 836-8632, *The Auschwitz Volunteer*
- Aug 24 Sun** PHCWI Annual Picnic Lakeview Park, 6300 Mendota Ave, [Middleton](#)
- October Polish American Heritage Month Events**
- Oct 13 RES.DUE for Oct. 18 Sat. 1-4 pm, Workshop: Harvest Celebration Dozynki**
- Nov/Dec** UW-Madison Polish Film Festival
- Nov 8 PHCWI Christmas Bazaar and**
- Dec 6 Sat PHCWI Wigilia**



**July 17-20, 2014 Thurs-Sun Pulaski Polka Days, Pulaski WI**  
[www.polkadays.com](http://www.polkadays.com) ~2½ hours NE of Madison Polka Bands, Arts & Craft Fair, Polka Days Parade, Polka Trot 5K, Design a Polka T-shirt Contest, Cash Raffle.

**CHURCH PICNICS IN PORTAGE CO. AND OTHERS**

FROM: [www.stevenspointarea.com/](http://www.stevenspointarea.com/) and Ruth Lietz's polkaruth@hotmail.com [www.polishconnection.com](http://www.polishconnection.com) Click on "Dance News"

July 6, St Mary of Mount Carmel- <a href="#">Fancher, Amherst</a>	Aug 3, St Adalbert's, <a href="#">Rosholt</a>
July 13, St Bronislava Festival, <a href="#">Plover</a>	Aug 9-10, St Therese Parish Picnic, <a href="#">Rothschild</a>
July 19-20, St Mary's-Torun, <a href="#">Stevens Point</a>	Aug 10, St Bartholomew's, Mill Creek <a href="#">Stevens Point</a>
July 25-26-27, St Florian Parish Picnic, <a href="#">Hatley</a>	Aug 17, Sacred Heart, Polonia <a href="#">Custer</a>
July 27, St Stan's, <a href="#">Stevens Point</a>	Aug 24, St Mary's, <a href="#">Arnott</a>

Sept 5-7, Pacelli High School Panacea, [Stevens Point](#)

**Drive the Polish Heritage Trail: <http://www.pchswi.org/archives/townships/heritagetrail.html>**

**Milwaukee:** [www.polishcenterofwisconsin.org/index.php/events/](http://www.polishcenterofwisconsin.org/index.php/events/)

- Oct 12, POLANKI's *Soup Festival*, Norway House
- Nov 21-23, *Holiday Folk Fair*, WI State Fair Park
- Polish Center of Wisconsin** 6941 S 68th St. Franklin, WI (414) 529-2140
- July 11, Polish Beer Tasting + Syrena Polish Folk Dance Ensemble
- July 13, *The Year of Jan Karski*, music, lecture, refreshments
- Sept 14, *Mushroom Madness*, co-sponsored with the WI Mycological Soc.
- Nov 8, *Polish Medieval Banquet*

**Chicago:** <http://polishbuzz.com/>

- Aug 29 - Sept 1, *Taste of Polonia*, Copernicus Center, 5216 W Lawrence Ave
- Sept 17 - Jan 24, *Karski Exhibition*, Illinois Holocaust Museum, Skokie, IL
- Polish Museum of America** 984 N. Milwaukee Ave. (773) 384-3352
- Aug 10, Marek Suszko : *The 1944 Warsaw Uprising: its legacy for Poland*

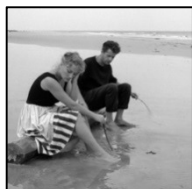


Jan Karski Bench in Survivors' Park, Łódź  
 Ławeczka Karskiego Park Ocalałych Łódź  
 Wikimedia Commons Photo

**Martin Scorsese Presents: Masterpieces of Polish Cinema, Gene Siskel Film Center, 3164 N. State St. Chicago**

**Jun 29 & Jun 30** **MAN OF IRON** 1981, Andrzej Wajda "A stand-alone follow-up to Wajda's MAN OF MARBLE (1977), MAN OF IRON was filmed in the wake of the epochal 1980 Gdansk shipyard strike and in the midst of the birth of Polish democracy. Agnieszka, the investigative filmmaker of MAN OF MARBLE, is now married to Tomczyk, the son of the fallen Communist hero of the earlier film. The focus, however, shifts to the morally ambiguous perspective of Winkiel, a corrupt journalist who is hired by the secret police to launch a smear campaign against Tomczyk, a leader of the Solidarity movement. Boldly mixing fact and fiction, with appearances by Lech Walesa and other political leaders, MAN OF IRON is a remarkably vivid and coherent impression of history in the making."

**June 29 & July 2** **THE LAST DAY OF SUMMER (OSTATNI DZIEŃ LATA)** 1958, Tadeusz Konwicki "A surprise Golden Lion winner at the Venice Film Festival, filmmaker/novelist Konwicki's simple yet mysterious film limits itself to these ingredients: a woman, a man, a deserted beach. On the last day of her vacation, a maturely beautiful woman is approached by an ardent young man who declares his devotion to her. Still bearing the scars of an unhappy wartime romance, she is both drawn to and wary of his impetuous advances, as they spend a waning afternoon suspended in a timeless realm of sand, sea, and sky, broken only by the vapor trails of jet fighters overhead. The film's stunning use of evocative long shots is best appreciated on a big screen."





## CLUB and MEMBER NEWS



### SUNSHINE CORNER! *Słoneczny Kącik*

You are welcome to share your news, stories, celebrations, birthdays, anniversaries. *Sto lat!*

Anniversaries: 7/4 Marge & Paul Morgan

7/8 Marcia & Phil Flannery, 7/21 Fred & Carol Janecek

7/4 Veronica Guski and Pearl Urbanowicz

7/9 Emma Czarapata 7/21 Richard Kusch

7/6 Ralph Tyksinski 7/22 Kurt Grajkowski

7/8 Michelle Grajkowski 7/23 Heather Hagen

7/12 Gloria Welniak 7/26 Norine Vedeges

7/18 Basia Pulz 7/26 Linda Ganski

7/20 John T Gaska 7/27 John Benninghouse

7/29 Diane M Pillsbury

Welcome to new members:

Joan Rubens, Roberta Schloss, Amy Sylve

### MAY 28 the Board of Directors:

- Discussed the Scholarship, insurance Wigilia,
- Received reports about: the Portage Co. Cultural Festival, and Oct. Forbidden Art Exhibit,
- Voted to co-sponsor the 7/13 Jan Karski event.

### Dziękuję (d-zhehn-koo-yeh) Thank you Gloria Welniak

JUNE 14 Gloria's *Paper Cutting Wycinanki Workshop*

at the Pinney Library was filled, and it had a waiting list! The library advertised that the class "is offered in partnership with the Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin, Madison....Learn about the history and modern applications of this craft and view samples of *wycinanki* by Polish artists. Make your own greeting card and bookmark." And as advertised:

JUNE 21 was her Workshop: *Midsummer Wianki Festival*.

JUNE 1 - AUG 1 *Mini Show Traditional Papercrafts including wycinanki, nalepianki*, Pinney Library, Cottage Grove Rd.

OCT 18 *Workshop: Polish Harvest Celebration (Dozynki)*

Reservations required by October 13.

(608) 217-5652 or gwelniak@charter.net

### JUNE 27 *Heritage Discovery - Poland The Heart of Europe* 12:40 Lussier Community Ed. Center, 55 S. Gammon Rd.

"This presentation by **Eva Verhoven**, a native of Poland, captures the essence of Polish history along with its current development that is helping to shape modern Europe. We will hear about Krakow, the cultural capital of Poland, Warsaw and Gdansk on the Baltic Sea where the first shots of WWII were fired. The presentation includes documentary pictures and short films."

A noon lunch is available: \$7.50 for anyone under 60, and for a donation (suggested \$4.00) for those 60+.

For meal reservations call 238-7368 before noon 6/26. MENU: Country ribs, herbed potatoes, corn, bread, tropical fruit.

12:40 is Eva's presentation. This is the same talk she did at the Madison Senior Center (downtown) last spring.



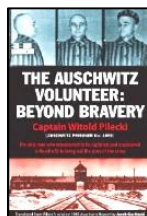
**JUNE- AUG. at 1 W.Wilson St. Pat Hall's decorated eggs** are on display in the 1st Floor Display Case - from the front reception desk, turn left. Pat has demonstrated egg decorating and other crafts at our club's Spring Festival & Nov. Bazaar. "I created these eggs using the Ukrainian wax-resist method. Alternating layers of wax and dyes are applied to the egg. Then, after the wax is removed, the multi-colored design is revealed. The large eggs on display are ostrich eggs, and the smaller ones are goose eggs. Some of the motifs in the designs are very traditional, dating back to pre-Christian times. Decorated eggs were used as talismans for protection and good fortune. I have been doing eggs such as this for about 30 yrs." The Artwork 1 West Wilson website has pictures of 5 of the eggs.

Since 2009 when a group of Department of Health Services (DHS) employees started the program, five display areas are available in the art deco historic State Office Building. The exhibits are displayed for 3 or more months. Artists are welcome to sell their pieces after the display period. Artwork in all kinds of media: paintings, photographs, collages, drawings, beadwork, woodworking, sculptures, pottery, etc. is welcome by artists connected to DHS such as:

- DHS employees;
- Clients of DHS programs;
- Residents or patients of DHS-operated facilities; or
- Family and friends of DHS employees.

Contact the Art Display Committee: art1ww@wi.gov

\*Do you have ideas for a future Polish themed display?



**AUG. 12 PHCWI BOOK CLUB 7 pm *The Auschwitz Volunteer: Beyond Bravery* by Witold Pilecki**  
**Kasia Krzyzostaniak** is hostess 3209 Highland Ct, Middleton (608) 836-8632 zmw@chorus.net Please call ahead so she can set up chairs. Our S. Central Library System has 3 copies.

"Sept. 1940. Polish Army officer Witold Pilecki deliberately walked into a Nazi German street round-up in Warsaw and became Auschwitz Prisoner No. 4859. He had volunteered for a secret undercover mission: smuggle out intelligence about the new German concentration camp, and build a resistance organization among prisoners. Pilecki's clandestine intelligence, received by the Allies in 1941, was among the earliest. Dramatic eyewitness report, written in 1945 for Pilecki's Polish Army superiors, - amazon.com

Pilecki (b.1901 Olonets, Russia d.1948 Warsaw) was a member of the 211th Uhlan Regiment when he fought in the 1920 Battle of Warsaw. During WWII he was a cavalry-platoon commander. Fall 2014: release of a docudrama starring actor Marcin Kwasny as Witold Pilecki. Director Miroslaw Krzyszkowski uses interviews with Pilecki's descendants so that viewers can learn about the family "that shaped him as a man, a citizen and a soldier." **RESOURCES:**

• YouTube: Hx Channel *Heroes of the War: Poland Witold Pilecki*

• COSMOPOLITAN REVIEW APRIL 2012 VOL. 4 NO. 1 - SPRING *Pilecki, Poland and Hollywood: A Conversation with Marek Probosz and The Death of Captain Pilecki* *Dealing with the Communist Past* by Irene Tomaszewski.

• Brilliance Audio edition of *The Auschwitz Volunteer* - narrated by actor Marek Probosz, on CD and MP3. - See more at: <http://www.polandww2.com/#sthash.KO37e19b.dpuf>

• *The Auschwitz Volunteer* questions Aquila Polonia Publishing

## Marie Curie Died 80 years ago on July 4, 1934

by Caroline Hayney

*One of the two Polish Heritage Club's 2013 Scholarship recipients, Carolyn Hayney is attending UW Madison, majoring in French and Spanish while on the premed track. She met some members at last summer's club picnic. Best wishes, Carolyn, for a good summer, and the year ahead! Carolyn's essay is below, the other to be pub. later.*

Marie Curie (née Maria Salomea Skłodowska) was born in Warsaw, Poland on November 7, 1867. Both of her parents were teachers, and they fed a desire for knowledge in each of their five children. She received some basic science-based training from her father. Marie was a bright girl, finishing at the top of her class; she faced many educational obstacles as a girl. She was not allowed to attend the all-male University of Warsaw. In order to continue her education, she attended underground classes, all held in secret. Marie and her sister longed to pursue higher education, and eventually, Curie moved to Paris, France in 1891 to continue her studies at the Sorbonne. At the university, she earned her degree in physics in 1893 and a degree in mathematics in 1894.

Eager to begin her scientific research, she sought out a laboratory in which to work. A colleague introduced her to physicist, Pierre Curie. The two worked side by side and eventually developed a romance. They were married in 1895. The couple had two daughters, Irene in 1897 and Eve in 1904. They continued to work together in the lab, discovery both polonium, named after Marie's homeland: Poland, and radium. Marie began to study "radioactivity", an idea first presented by the French physicist, Henri Becquerel, who discovered that uranium gave off rays. Marie studied these rays and theorized that they must come from the structure of the atom of the element. She called this phenomena radioactivity, coining this common scientific word.

Her work with radioactivity earned her a Nobel Peace Prize in physics in 1903, along with her husband, Pierre, and Henri Becquerel. She was the first woman to be awarded a Nobel Prize and Curie used the money to continue her research. In 1906, Marie became a widow when Pierre passed away after being hit by a horse-drawn wagon. She took over his teaching job at the Sorbonne, becoming the university's first female professor. In 1911, Curie received the honor of a second Nobel Peace Prize, this time in chemistry for the discovery of polonium and radium. She became the first scientist to win the Nobel Prize twice.

In 1914, when World War I broke out, Curie began to turn her work more towards aid for the war effort. She created portable x-rays that could be used in the battle field. These machines received the nickname "Little Curies". With all the fame her work received, Curie took time to travel after the war. She continued to raise money for her research. Eventually, her work began to take a toll on her health. Marie Curie died on July 4, 1934 of aplastic anemia caused by constant exposure to radiation. Her legacy lives on, inspiring scientists, especially women, all over the world.

Marie Curie and radioactivity are two subjects I find fascinating. Marie Curie and I have a lot in common other than our Polish ancestry. She worked in the science field, and I plan to be on the premed track in college. Curie lived, studied, and worked in France. I hope to do the same someday. I have studied French for several years, and I plan to continue with the language throughout my post-secondary education. My dream is to live and study abroad, perhaps in France, just like Marie Curie.

It is not just our similarities that draw me to such an influential Pole like Marie Curie. I also greatly admire her passion and determination as a woman. She lived and worked in a world where males were seen as far superior beings. She did not let her gender get in the way of her dreams and eventual successes. I am an advocate for gender equality, and I firmly believe we are all created equal. Marie Curie broke through gender barriers becoming the first woman to win a Nobel Prize, and she became the first female professor at the prestigious Sorbonne University. The respect and honors she gained from the scientific community were astounding. The response she received demonstrates the impact of her work on the scientific world. Marie Curie is very accomplished, and even though she was a woman, she received the respect she deserved.

I admire Marie Curie for her hard work and desire to learn. She left her home in order to pursue an education, and I plan on doing the exact same thing next year. Marie Curie is truly an amazing woman. She is one of the most inspirational women in history and she calls Poland home.

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**4 June, 2014 - Warsaw** - President Komorowski and France's Francois Hollande unveiled a new Maria Curie-Skłodowska statue ~200m from where she was born in 1867. Flowers were laid by Polish & French youth at the foot of the new monument.

2013 BBC FILM (52 min.).....available for purchase in the U.S.



### **The Genius of Marie Curie: The Woman Who Lit Up the World**

The Marie Curie's story is as remarkable in the modern day as it was last century. She became a celebrity scientist, attracting the attention of the news cameras and tabloid gossip fascinated by her ground breaking discoveries at a time when a woman's place was in the home, not the laboratory.

*From the film:.....It is unlikely she died of radiation poisoning....  
A radiology expert says she died of X-Ray poisoning sustained during her service in mobile X-Ray units in the Great War...*



### **The European Commission funded**

**Marie Curie Actions** gives awards to

European researchers at all stages of their careers. Recent Marie Curie fellows have

studied: the enigmas in climate science and the origin of mass of subatomic particles', treated stroke patients with video games, and developed a vaccine to combat avian disease and an electronic nose to detect cancer.

## 2013 ANNUAL REPORT: POLISH HERITAGE CLUB OF WISCONSIN, INC. - MADISON GROUP

The Annual Report is prepared for the general membership to provide an overview of the organizational, educational, and financial activities during 2013. The Board of Directors appreciates the support generously given by the officers and membership to accomplish these goals.

The *mission* of the Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin, Inc. - Madison is: to encourage Americans of Polish ancestry and any other interested persons to learn more about Polish culture and customs, to contribute to charitable causes and scholarship awards, to enjoy social opportunities, to provide community and humanitarian services, give organized welcome in Wisconsin to artists, scholars, statesmen, writers, musicians and other proponents of Polish-American culture, and to promote understanding and unity among Americans of all ethnic backgrounds. They are exemplified in the program of work and activities accomplished and supported through the dedication and hard work of the Directors and members.

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:**

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, ELECTION** on Jan 20, 2013 at the WI Community Bank. Those elected to the 2013 Board were: VP Tomasz Borowiecki, Treasurer Linda Cagle, Directors Odd Years: John Hagen and Linda Ganski, Director Even Year Tom Peczerski to fill Tomasz's position. Continuing on the Board: Stan Graiewski, Butch Luick, Patricia Brinkman, and Irene Swiggum. 2012 Treasurer Barbara Lomperski and the Audit Committee gave their 2012 reports. The Murphy Insurance Group continues as insurer of the Club's crafts inventory. Monetary & in-kind donations are much appreciated.

### **NEW INITIATIVES AND 2013 ACTIVITIES**

- Jini Jasti, UW Law School, presented 501(c)(3) information to the Board of Directors. She emphasized educational activities.
  - Stan Graiewski's *Polish Constitution Day* story was printed in WAKEFIELD /BESSMER PICK & AXE and SUN PRAIRIE STAR.
  - Fred and Carol Janecek organized a May 30 *Tour of Slavic Milwaukee* that 16 members and friends enjoyed.
  - Barb Lomperski (arranger), Butch Luick (his red truck), and club members, brought enjoyment to parades in Evansville, Black Earth and at Middleton's Good Neighborhood Festival.
  - Butch and crew served food at Sun Prairie's *Taste of Arts Fair*, and again sold food and crafts in Stevens Point at the *Portage Co. Cultural Festival* and *Dozynki Harvest Festival*.
  - Gloria Welniak and Marie Revolinski organized workshops: *Polish Palms*, *Pająki* (canceled) and *Crafts For the Holidays*.
  - John Hagen's planned bus trip to the June 23 Brewers' *Polish Heritage Game* was canceled due to low signups.
  - June 1 PHCWI worked at WI Public TV's Auction.
  - Aug 26 the club donated a Tarnowicz Blown Glass Vase for the silent auction to benefit member Maxine Cuta's great-granddaughter's *Links for Lauren Golf Outing Benefit*.
  - Sept 4 Jane and Gerald Dunn represented the club when they donated their time helping at WPTV's *Quilt Expo*.
  - The Board of Directors sponsored a New Member Contest, and discussed bringing the *Forbidden Art Exhibit* to Madison.
- \* also see new Polish American Heritage Month events.

**SCHOLARSHIPS** 2 students were awarded \$1000 each: Caroline Hayney, from Waunakee, essay about Marie Curie, Shelby Maruszcza, from Armstrong Creek, John Paul II essay.

**FESTIVALS** All are open for the enjoyment of members and the general public. Without our dedicated volunteers, they would not happen.

- Nov 2 Christmas Bazaar at Zor Shrine.
- Jan 27: International Festival at the Overture Center. Our club was again located by the prominent first floor entrance.
- Mar 24: Spring Festival, Palm Sunday at Immaculate Heart.

**BOOK CLUB** Quarterly meetings, coordinated by Kasia Kryzostaniak, have been ongoing since 2002. Books/authors:

- Feb *Story of Secret State* by Jan Karski.
- May *Starring Madame Modjeska* by Beth Holmgren.
- July *The Winter Palace* by Eva Stachniak (Catherine Great).
- Nov *For Liberty and Justice General Wlodzimierz B. Krzyzanowski* by James S. Pula (author presentation).

### **CLUB SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

- Breakfast Club: every first Friday at the Monona Garden Restaurant. Thanks to Barbara Lomperski.
  - Summer Picnic: was Sept 15 at Lakeview Park, Middleton.
  - 35th Annual Wigilia Dec.7: at the Zor Shrine, catered by HyVee. Guests listened to a Christmas Spider story with puppets provided by Irene Swiggum and read with Natalie Tack and Flannery Raabe. Irena Fraczek told stories about Christmas in Poland, and Polish Choir led by Tom Wosikowski.
- Volunteers of the Year Awards* to: Fred and Carol Janecek, Linda Cagle, Butch Luick, Irene Swiggum, and Gloria Welniak.

### **CULTURAL EVENTS**

#### PHCWI organized events:

*During Polish American Heritage Month:*

- Polish- American Heritage Month in the City of Madison was proclaimed by the Madison City Council Res--13-00646.
- Oct. 5 Irene Swiggum again organized Polish Activities at the Children's Museum. Using puppets, she told the story of *The Dragon of Krakow* and *The Gingerbread Bee of Toruń*. Twenty children listened to the stories, and made *wycinanki*.
- Oct. 6 Fred and Carol Janecek organized a *Polish Heritage Memorial Service* at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church. 2013 is the 1150th Anniv. St. Cyril and Methodius mission to Slavs.
- Oct. 19 Stan Graiewski's organized a reading/discussion/slide show with author *James S. Pula: General Wlodzimierz B Krzyzanowski & contributions of Poles during Civil War*. This coincided with many 150th Civil War Anniversary events.

Poland at Cultural Fairs were presented on April 18 at the Central Wisconsin Center by Kasia Kryzostaniak and on May 22 at Midvale Elementary by Basia Pulz and Jane Dunn.

#### PHCWI co-sponsored events:

- June 4 at the WI Historical Society: *Taste Traditions of WI: Poles in Wisconsin* reading by author Susan Mikoś and Polish cuisine was provided by HyVee. The PHCWI provided a display and a Tarnowicz Blown Glass Vase for the drawing.
- Aug 13 Brink Lounge Fantini Akord Quintet from Poland. Organized by Szymon Wozniczka Mad-PolKA and the PHCWI Board of Directors. Over 50 attended. The event made the "Critic's Choice" section of *ISTHMUS*, picture included.
- Senate Joint Resolution 52 on October 8 proclaimed *Polish-American Heritage Month in the State of Wisconsin*.
- Nov/Dec 23rd Annual Madison *Polish Film Festival*.

#### Events advertised by the club:

- Jan 18-20 Polish Spirituality Retreat in Oconomowoc.
- Jan 24 Willy St. Co-op E - Aliza Rand. *Polish Pierogi Class*.
- Feb-April UW-HSLC Ebling Library - *Fallout: The Mixed Blessing of Radiation & the Public Health* (Marie Curie & UW).
- Feb 4 UW History Dept. *Staging Socialism: Theater and Politics in Post-Stalinist Krakow and Leipzig* by.....
- Feb 12 Pączki Day at Scott's Bakery, Middleton.
- Feb 24 *The Gardens of Marie [Curie]* by Susan Fowler at the Arboretum (part of the UW's Curie *Go Big Read* events).
- March 7-24 Sunset Playhouse, Elm Grove, WI - *Over the Tavern* by Tom Dudzick.
- Mar 26 Portage: Susan Mikos *Polish migration and...WI*.
- Mar 30 Queen of Peace, St. Maria Goretti and St. Albert's Holy Saturday Blessing of Baskets *Święconka*.
- Sept 4-Oct 20 Peninsula Players, Fish Creek, WI - *Miracle on South Division Street* by Tom Dudzick.
- Mar. 20 UW-Madison's Badger Polish Cinema - *Rewers*.
- WI Veteran's Museum - *Arthur Szyk: An Artist at War*.
- Aug 13 WI Historical Museum - Kazimierz J. Zaniewski: *Wisconsin's Ethnic Diversity*,
- Sept. 24 WI State Capitol: ceremony/speeches for the unveiling of Sept 23-26 Exhibit *Jan Karski The World Knew*.
- Oct 18-19 Pyle Center, AATSEEL, WI Conference - *Keynote: Study of the Object: Between Kazimir Malevich and Zbigniew Herbert* by Michał Paweł Markowski (UIC).

#### Music Events:

- Szymon Wozniczka, club member, regularly provided the latest Polish music to WORT Radio 89.9FM listeners.
- Trevor Stephenson's Jan 20 and May 12 concert/talks included Chopin - Mazurkas and Nocturnes.
- Jaroslaw Kapuscinski, Stanford Univ. guest artist at the School of Music's Disklavier Fest Mar. 9, *Where is Chopin?*
- Basia Bulat Apr 12 and Nov 6 Stoughton Opera House - sang in Polish *W Zielonym Zoo / In the Green Zoo*.
- Tyrone Greive's May 5 Retirement Reception at the University Club was attended by many members, friends and former students. President Stan Graiewski spoke at the event. May 3 Mills Hall and May 4 in Prairie du Sac Professor Greive played Karol Szymanowski's *Violin Concerto No. 2*.
- Chicago's Polkaholics Feb 9 Essen House SLOGAN: "Hot as a grilled kielbasa. Crunchy as a potato pancake."
- The New WI Dells Polka Fest Apr 26-28 Chula Vista Resort.
- The UW-Memorial Union's World Music Festival and Willy Street Fair featured a Polish band for the first time: the *Janusz Prusinowski Trio* (in Madison the 2nd time). (*Volosi* cancelled.)
- Lake Geneva Polka Fest was Nov 29-Dec 1.
- The Lira Ensemble Dec. 1 Dominican Univ, River Forest, IL.

#### **Local Poland trips advertised:**

- June 13 - 22 Thrivent Builds in Poland with Habitat.
- June 15 - 30 Prague, Poland and Berlin Trip UW-Madison.

#### **Old World Wisconsin Polish experiences:**

- June 1&2 *Wisconsin Folklife: Polish*.
- Oct 27 author William Tishler: *Old World Wisconsin: A Journey Through Time* at the Pyle Center.
- Nov 16 *Polish Paper Cutting Wycinaki, and Christmas Cards* by Kasia Drake-Hames (cancelled).

#### **UW-Madison's CREECA Polish related events:**

- April 25 Joanna B. Michlic *Memory of the Holocaust*.
- Dec 12 Cătălina Munteanu *Carpathians Land Use History*.

#### **Milwaukee area events attended by some members:**

- Feb 16 *Poland under Glass* at the Domes.
- POLANKI's Pierogi and Soup Festivals and other events.
- June 14-16 Polish Fest.
- Music at St Josaphat's included April 20 The Rose Ensemble: *Slavic Wonders: Feasts & Saints in Early Russia, Poland, & Bohemia* and May 17 Milwaukee Symphony U.S. premiere of Mieczyslaw Weinberg's *Symphony No. 2*.
- Feb 12 Kosciuszko's 267th Birthday at Kosciuszko Park.
- Feb 18 Polish American Congress – WI Division sponsored authors James Conroyd Martin and Dr. James Pula.
- Nov 11 Kosciuszko Monument Rededication.
- Nov 15-6 Chopin: Ingrid Fliter and the Milwaukee Symphony.
- The Polish Independence Day and Veteran's Day Luncheon, sponsored by the WI Division Polish American Congress.
- Nov 22-24 Holiday Folk Fair WI State Fair Park.
- Events at the Polish Center included: *The Art of Polish Folk Costumes* from Ada Dziewanowska, with paintings by Lois Pinkowski, and *Mickiewicz in Music: words of Polish Poet Adam Mickiewicz set to music* on Nov 30.

#### **President Stan Graiewski's recommendations:**

- Present educational sessions: Parliamentary Procedure etc.
- Strive for 501(c) (3) educational status.
- Obtain a grant for organizational support or specific programs.
- Sponsor a Chicago trip, similar to the 2013 Milwaukee trip.
- Begin cultural sessions on Polish language and history.
- Develop short and long term goals.
- Explore use of Sherman Ave Feed Kitchen for Polish food preparation and lessons.

#### **2013 Board of Directors of the Polish Heritage Club**

##### **Elected in 2013:**

VICE PRESIDENT-PRES. ELECT - Tomasz Borowiecki

Tomasz moved away, John Hagen appointed.

TREASURER-odd year-2 years - Linda Cagle

DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE-odd year-2 years - John Hagen (then VP)

DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE-odd year- 2 years - Linda Ganski,

Linda G. resigned, Joanna Pasowicz appointed.

DIRECTOR-AT-LG-even, finish Tomasz B's - Tom Peczerski

Tom resigned, Linda Ganski was appointed.

##### **Continued on the BOD in 2013:**

VP to PRESIDENT - Stan Graiewski

Pres to PAST PRESIDENT - Butch Luick

SECRETARY even year, 2 years - Patricia Brinkman

DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE-even year-2 years - Irene Swiggum

#### **Facebook-Stan Graiewski**

**Newsletter Editor - Rose Meinholz**

**Webmasters - Tomasz Borowiecki/John Hagen**

**Thank you to our many volunteers.**

**Best wishes to members who have moved from Madison.**

**Farewell to members who are no longer with us.**



## cancelled QUO VADIS MADISON 2014 Polish Youth Leadership Conference

We are sad to report the cancellation of QUO VADIS MADISON. Thank you to Marta Studnicka, the QuoVadis Executive Committee, and all who worked to bring it to Madison. Below is Marta's letter, and a listing of the planned speakers.

Mon, 23 Jun 2014 Subject: QV Madison  
Hello,

I deeply regret to inform you that, after much deliberation by the Executive Committee, the Quo Vadis Madison 2014 conference scheduled for August 1st through 3rd, 2014 has been cancelled. In the name of the entire board we would like to sincerely apologize for this result. Registration payment and donations will be returned shortly.

The main causes behind the cancellation were low funding contributions, as well as time constraints among the Executive Committee members. Again, we deeply regret to inform you of this result. Cancellation of this conference does not reflect on the impressive mobilization of young Polonia around the world. Sometimes present failure may lead to future success. Any questions can be directed to: [qvmadison@gmail.com](mailto:qvmadison@gmail.com)

Respectfully,  
Marta Studnicka  
Conference Chairman



### 3rd Polish American Youth Conference in USA to Be Held in Madison, WI Focusing on Skills for Future Polonia Leaders

Aug. 1-3 Annual three day Conference draws college students and young professionals of Polish descent with the goal of building a new generation of Polish-Americans. **Moto: "Back to the Future"**

**Madison, Wisconsin:** The Quo Vadis Conferences bring together young professionals and students of Polish descent for a week-end long session (August 1st-3rd, 2014) of intensive leadership building and networking. With a renewed focus on problem-solving skills applied to contemporary Polonia issues, Quo Vadis Madison continues the United States chapter of the Quo Vadis International vision for unity amongst the Polish diaspora.

Along with focusing on leadership and networking skills as a basis for the future success of Polonia, the conference will also focus on specific topics including conflict resolution, contemporary Polish-American identity, and promoting Polonia both in the US and around the world. "Quo Vadis is part of an ongoing effort to mobilize and better organize Polonia youth around the world," stated Marta Studicka, Chairwoman for the 2014 Madison Quo Vadis Conference. We believe that an organized Polonia youth will result in increased excellence and success for the individual as well as the greater Polonia community."

The conference will host approximately 100 pre-selected participants from the US, Canada, Europe, Australia, and Latin America. During the three day conference, a dozen notable guests will speak on the various topics. The conference also contains hands-on workshops where participants engage current day Polonia issues and workout practical solutions.

The first Quo Vadis Conference was organized and held in Canada over five years ago by Polish-Canadian youth in an effort

to address a leadership and networking void in their respective age group. Since then, the Conference has expanded to the US and Australia. The conference, non-partisan in nature, is supported by the Polish Consulate in Chicago and various other public institutions and companies related to Polonia communities.

**Listed Speakers:** more speaker details on [www.qvmadison.org/](http://www.qvmadison.org/)  
**Waldemar Biniński** was born in Bydgoszcz, Poland. He served as President of the PAC WI Division...a Polonia activist, owner of Biniński Consulting, and an instructor at Kansas State University. His work focuses on Community Outreach, Cross-Cultural Issues, International Education, Program Development, Leadership Development, and Social Media...

**Professor Lt. Col. Walter Perchal**...has taught a broad range of courses at York University, in Toronto. He has been the recipient of [many teaching awards] His areas of specialization include: International Change, National/International Security & Continuity, and, Terrorism and Counter Terrorism. He is ... a "Mentor" to "Taking it Global" and "YPCPA" ...

**Thaddeus Radziłowski** is the President and co-founder of the Piast Institute, ... President Emeritus of Saint Mary's College in Orchard Lake, MI. A historian... he is currently a Lecturer in History at the University of Michigan-Dearborn... served for a decade as a member of the editorial Board of the Polish Review... also served as an advisor and consultant to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and the U.S. Bureau of the Census...advisory transition team on U.S. policy in East and Central Europe (1991). Recipient of numerous awards...

**Joanna Heidtman** Psychologist and sociologist, trainer, and coach. ...[researches] conflicts and group dynamics in the Department for the Research of Group Processes at Institute of Sociology, Jagiellonian University. She is a certified trainer at Harvard Business Review Polska (ICAN INSTITUTE). ... As a coach, she works with top management.... Her book, entitled "W zgodzie z sobą, w zgodzie z innymi", relates to personal change and individual effectiveness. Her handbook "Group Processes: Sociological Perspectives" was published in Poland.

**Maciek Fibrich** is the Director of RTO Management Group Pty Ltd which provides amongst other services, consultancy, professional development, coaching and support to Registered Training Organizations (RTOs) nationally. Maciek has been working as a consultant for over 13 years focusing on the development of training within the Australian VET (Vocational Education and Training) sector. ...Maciek has been involved with community groups since shortly after migrating to Australia in 1981. From the age of 5, Maciek was part of Polish Scouting Assoc.(Australia)

From PHCWI club member Patrick Peczerski

"Those willing to donate toward the conference fund, please visit <http://www.qvmadison.org/sponsorship>. Each participant pays 220 USD to cover meals and lodging, however this fee does not fully cover speaker and venue expenses. We rely on community donations to make Quo Vadis possible. Every donation is important. Please send any questions/comments.  
Best regards, Patrick"

**Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin, Inc.-Madison**  
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If you like, please share your:

Birthday(s)/Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

Where your family lived in Poland \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIPS ARE FROM JAN 1 TO DEC 31

**IN THE NEWS** from various sources

31 May - Cologne, GERMANY - Poland's Young Musician of the Year, player Bartosz Kotsut represented Poland in the finals of the Eurovision Young Musicians Competition.

26 May - Warsaw - 10 charged for possession, ~ 3,000 marched for decriminalization and legalization of marijuana  
- Krakow - 70% voted no, so 2020 Olympics bid withdrawn.

27 May - - Pilawa Gorna, Lower Silesia - A Krakow University scientist discovered a new mineral *Pilawit*/ Pilavite in a mine.

28 May - Donetsk, E. UKRAINE - Pro-Russian separatists kidnapped a priest due to say a 'Mass for peace' in Constitution Square.

29 May - Polish-Belarusian border - A 3rd wild boar (dead in a river) tested positive for African Swine Fever.  
- Krakow - Supporters want funds to renovate the Kossakowka Manor, home of celebrated painter Juliusz Kossak and family.

30 May - Glucholazy, S. Poland - After floods, PM Tusk promised 6000 zloty/household. A fire engine fell into a collapsed rd. hole.

4 June - Freedom Day Celebrations in Warsaw:  
- Royal Castle Square - Pres. Obama spoke to a crowd of 6,000.  
- Kordegarda Gallery - "Solidarite France Pologne" exhibition.  
- Royal Castle banquet - Mustafa Dzhemilev, leader of Crimean Tatars, was presented with the inaugural *Solidarity Award*.  
- Park Fontann - 12,000 watched *Dance of Freedom /Taniec Wolnosci*: dancers, acrobats, and multimedia projection of Polish post WWII history, ended with fireworks.

6 June - Lower house of Parliament, Warsaw - 7 hunger strikers were expelled for protesting wind farms. They want to forbid their construction within 3km of residences.

9 June - Pomeranian Lake District, NW Poland - 3 drowned in separate incidents during a spell of warm weather.

10 June - Gulf of Gdansk ~ 230 sailors from 25 countries began competition in World Masters Championship Sailing Race.  
- Bolkow, NW Poland - An 8 x 5.3cm meteorite, found in 2013 in a Neolithic hut, may have been used for shamanic purposes.

11 June - Helsinki, SWEDEN - Polish computer programmers team crowned the World Computer Coding Champions.  
- Jagiellonian University, Krakow - Historian Norman Davies gave the keynote speech of the 7th Polish-British Roundtable.  
- Israel's Yad Vashem institute - Israeli Ambassador to Poland, Zri Rav-Ner, posthumously honored 3 Polish priests and 2 nuns.

12 June - Donetsk, E. UKRAINE - Poland "temporarily" closed its Consulate & told Polish citizens to leave the region immediately.

13 June - Poland's defense spending will increase from 1.95 to 2% of GDP. That equals ~ 800 million zloty/200 million Euro.  
- Congress Hall, Warsaw - Singer-songwriter Tori Amos played piano& organ, gave her support to the Warsaw Equality Parade and said, "Every time I am in Poland I feel at home."

16 June - Warsaw ~ 8,000 marched in the 14th Equality Parade's slogan 'Equal rights – a common cause' for civil partnerships.  
- In 2013 farmers' incomes rose 7% vs. 0.4% for rest of society.

17 June - Tempel Synagogue, Kazimierz, Krakow - For the first time since WWII, the new Rabbi of Krakow, Eliezer Gurary, was nominated by the head of the local Jewish community.

22 June - Warsaw - PM Tusk threatened early elections after *Wprost* magazine's secret recordings of plotting by the central bank's chief and a government minister. *Wprost* also quoted Foreign Minister Sikorski who said 'the Polish-American alliance is worthless.'