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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Witam serdecznie! I am very excited to be the new president of such a tremendously proactive organization. 2015 is going to be an action packed year! First, I would like to welcome our new directors to the board. With this new mix of leadership, fresh ideas and years of experience will meld together to become a wonderfully productive team. Also, a huge thank you goes to those members that are leaving the board this year. Your hard work is greatly appreciated.

We are busy getting ready for our annual Spring Festival. We are optimistic that this will, once again, be a great success for our club. 2015 is also the 35th anniversary of our club and we have some great plans in the works to celebrate its rich traditions and history. In addition, please keep an eye out in future newsletters about a special meeting of the organization concerning the passage of new bylaws. This will be one of the first topics covered in our next Board of Directors meeting. As always, feel free to email me with any questions, or if you would like to help out with any of our upcoming events!

Your President,
John Hagen

Pick up Members Directory at Spring Fest
QUEST? Jane Dunn 831-8827 gwtwfiddd1@tds.net
Your dues are due if label does not say 2015.

35th Anniversary of the PHCWI-Madison

The club's first Wigilia was in 1979. Michael Lomperski had placed an advertisement in the WI State Journal for individuals interested in forming a Polish Club in Madison. On February 29, 1980 the Articles of Incorporation were signed by Edmund Zawacki, Michael Lomperski and Walter Chojnowski. Attorney Stephen M. Sobota drafted and notarized the document. The initial Board of Directors were: Edmund Zawacki (the Registered Agent), Helen Zawacki, Michael Lomperski, Stephen M Sobota, Walter Chojnowski, Alberta Chojnowski, Eva Hann, Lillian Vallee, and Lydia Wojtowicz. On March 3, 1980 The Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin, Inc. - Madison Group was registered with the State of Wisconsin under the provisions of Chapter 181 of the Wisconsin Statutes as a without stock and not for profit corporation. Vel Phillips was Secretary of State at the time. Dane County Register of Deeds Carol R. Manke signed a duplicate document on March 4, 1980.

- compiled by Barbara A. Lomperski

Feb 28 reg. for Mar 14 Easter Eggs Workshop

Mar 6 Polish Club Breakfast 1st Friday 9 am

NEW Mar 7 Komeda's music at Dobhan 9 pm



March 22 is the deadline to pre-order:

ORDER FORM ENCLOSED. Limited quantities Kiszka, Kielbasa, Pierogi available without pre-order.

Mar 29 Spring Festival 10 am – 3 pm

A Palm Sunday tradition, the event features:
A children's activity table. Demo of egg painting.

SALE OF: traditional Polish baked goods, amber jewelry, arts, crafts, toys, books and pottery
DISPLAYS OF: eggs, history, wyanki/head wreaths
ENJOY A LUNCH OF: Pierogi, Kielbasa and more while visiting and listening to music.

**Open to the Public. Free admission,
Ample parking, Wheelchair accessible.**

NEW a Family Photo Booth with free digital copies available by email, and a return of the Ham and *Swieconka* Basket Raffle.

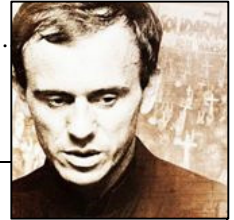
We need volunteers to work at the event and to help set-up the day before. Volunteers are esp. needed for Sat. Mar. 28 after 4 pm. If you can help or have bakery or books to donate, please contact Linda Cagle at (608)244-2788.

**Immaculate Heart School 4913 Schofield St.
FROM S. BELTLINE: N. on Monona Dr. 1.5 mi.
ACROSS FROM GOLF COURSE: L St. Theresa
Please tell your family and friends!**

NEW GENEALOGY At past Bazaars, genealogist Barb Glassel and her computer helped research questions. She is a member of the WI and Dane Co. Area Genealogical Societies, and likes to help others research their family trees, using local and online sources. If you would like to be notified of an informal get-together focusing on Polish genealogy this Spring, contact Barb: ..bglassel@gmail.com... (608) 819-0087..... Let her know your contact information including address, phone numbers & (preferred) email address. We may meet at a library or church - other suggestions are welcome.

Madison area:

Feb 28 REGISTRATION OPENS FOR: Mar 14 Sat 10-1 pm *Polish Easter Eggs Workshop*, Pinney Library, 204 Cottage Grove Rd
 March 6 Polish Club 1st Fri. Breakfast 9 am Monona Gardens, 6501 Bridge Rd. Please call Barb if you need a ride 238-9189
 Mar 7 Sat 9 pm ~11:30 Nothing But Swing Trio: *Music of Krzysztof Komeda*, Dobhan, 2110 Atwood Ave.
 Mar 12 Thur 8 pm WI Public TV Channel 21: *Jerzy Popieluszko: Messenger of the Truth*.....
 Mar 13 Fri 7:30 pm Pianist Marco Grieco: *Chopin and others*, Farley's House of Pianos, 6522 Seybold Rd
 Mar 29 PHCWI *Palm Sun Spring Festival*, Immaculate Heart of Mary School, 4913 Schofield St.
 Apr 4 Holy Saturday Blessing of Baskets: *Święconka*, Queen of Peace, St. Maria Goretti, St. Albert's



April 24-26, *Wisconsin Dells Polka Fest*, Chula Vista Resort, 2501 River Rd, WI Dells www.dellspolkafest.com/
 Polka Country Musicians from Connecticut (Fri & Sat) Tony Blazonczyk's New Phaze from Illinois (Fri)
 Mollie "B" from the Mollie "B" Polka Party (Fri, 9pm) The Knewz from New York (Sat & Sun)
 Craig Ebel & DyVersaCo from Minnesota (Sat) T-N-T: The Natural Talent from Pulaski, Wisconsin (Sat)
 BenJamin Gaboda & Polka Pak, Stevens Point (Sat) Chad Przybylski & The Polka Rhythms from Pulaski, WI (Sun)
 Polka legend Larry Trojak Jam Sessions!
 Musicians Workshops for players of all levels on Accordion, Concertina, Trumpet and Clarinet

May 3rd Polish Constitution Day *Trzeciego Maja* 1999 WI SJR 11
 May 12 PHCWI BOOK CLUB 7 pm *Adam Mickiewicz, Kasia Krzyzostaniak* (608) 836-8632 krzwmw@chorus.net
 July 11-18 Madison Early Music Festival: *Slavic Discoveries - Early Music from Eastern Europe*, UW-Madison
 35th Anniversary Celebration Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin – Madison Celebration
 Nov 7 Polish Heritage Club Bazaar, K of C Hall, 5256 Verona Road, Fitchburg, WI
 Dec 5 Polish Heritage Club Wigilia RESERVATIONS REQUIRED



UW-Madison Spring Semester:

Martin Scorsese's Masters of Polish Cinema 821 University Ave. **cinematheque**
 All at 7 pm Fridays unless noted otherwise. cinema.wisc.edu/series/2015/spring/masterpieces-polish-cinema
 Mar 6 ASHES AND DIAMONDS8:45 pm INNOCENT SORCERERS (NIEWINNI CZARODZIEJE)
 Mar 13 EROICA Dir. Andrzej Munk...8:45 pm WALKOVER (WALKOWER) Dir: Jerzy Skolkimowski
 Mar 27 PHARAOH (FARAON) Dir: Jerzy Kawalerowicz Apr 3 BLIND CHANGE (PRZYPADEK) Dir: K. Kieslowski
 Apr 17 PROVINCIAL ACTORS (AKTORZY PROWINCJONALNI) Apr 24 MAN OF IRON (CZLOWIEK Z ZELAZA) Dir. A. Wajda
 May 1 THE SARAGOSSA MANUSCRIPT (REKOPIS ZNALEZIONY W SARAGOSSIE)



CREECA - 4 pm Thursday 206 Ingraham Hall, 1155 Observatory Drive
 Mar 12 Gina and Eric Lewandowski: *Madison Encounters in Bożków, Lower Silesia*

Milwaukee:

Polish Center of Wisconsin 6941 S 68th St. Franklin, WI (414) 529-2140

Mar 7 RESERVATION DEADLINE FOR March 22 Polanki's Pierogi Festival 11 - 3 pm PRINT FORM: <http://www.polanki.org/>
 Pierogi: Meat, Mushroom, Sauerkraut & Mushroom, Potato & cheese, Sweet Cheese, and Cherry
 TWO SEATINGS BY RESERVATION ONLY. \$15/\$12 - 8 Pierogi, 2 Polish-style salads, 1 dessert & 1 beverage. Also Polish Beer available.
 Boleslawiec pottery, carved wood items, crafts, books and more. WALK-INS - a limited number may be available.
 Any questions, please call: Geraldine Reszel (414) 541-2433 greszel@wi.rr.com



Mar 15 Spring Bazaar *Celebrate spring at the Polish Center!*
 Mar 22 Ardiente Quartet: *Bacewicz's First Piano Quintet with music by Panufnik, Muczynski, and others.* 6:30 - 9 pm
 Lenten Friday Fish Fries 4:30 - 8 pm: Feb 27, Mar 6, Mar 13, Mar 20, Mar 27

Illinois: thru Mar 11 Polish Museum of America: *Truth and Remembrance - the Katyn Massacre Exhibit*
 Feb 24-Mar 25 Chicago Civic Opera House: *Mieczyslaw Weinberg's The Passenger*
 March 4-5 Skokie N.Shore Center of Performing Arts: *Wlad Marhulets's The Property* Maxwell Street Klezmer Band
 Mar 20-22 The Newberry Consort: *Music from the World of Copernicus – Polish Cultural Treasures*
 Mar 15-19 The Polish Consulate: *The Death of Captain Pilecki / Smierc rotmistrza Pileckiego* screening + Q&A
 Apr 10 Copernicus Center: *Composers Alive - Krzysztof Penderecki and Agnieszka Stulgińska*
 May 2 Chicago Buckingham Fountain: *Polish Constitution Day Parade* "Biggest Polish parade outside Poland"
 Sept 4-7 Chicago Jefferson Park: *Taste of Polonia* "37 bands, 50 vendors, 12 food booths"

June 12-14

Genealogy:

PGSA: Sept 25 *Bus Tour of Chicago's Polish South Side*, Sept 26 Conference: *Research Before and Beyond the Internet*

PolishOrigins.com PO Genealogy Tours Zenon Znamirovski The ultimate experience in your genealogical adventure.
 Galicia Tour *Experience the world your ancestors had to leave.* Kingdom of Poland Tour *Move back in time to the heart of Poland.*
 Family & Friends Tours *Tailor-made trips to Poland and western Ukraine.*

CLUB AND MEMBER NEWS



SUNSHINE CORNER! *Słoneczny Kącik*

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

3/3 John Hagen	3/14 Deb Ankowicz
3/4 Douglass Allen	3/17 Mary B Good
3/5 Joan Spindler	3/21 Robert Kriz
3/7 Fred Janecek	3/22 Kasia Krzyzostaniak
3/9 Monique Lomperski	3/22 Nancy Smiegowski
3/10 Sonja Hann	3/26 Thomas Stolarczyk
3/12 Steven Klafka	3/12 Laura Jasiczek
3/31 Mary Ellen Wiegand	3/31 Izabela Szlufarska Morgan

Welcome to new members:

Diane Dillett Teresa Musial Moeller Natalie Dresen

Jan 25 Directors Elected at the Club's Annual Meeting:

1 YR: Ryszard Zolnik VP/Pres. Elect, & Jane Dunn to finish Ralph's term. FOR 2 YEARS: Treasurer Linda Cagle, Directors - at- Large: Patricia Brinkman and Marcia Flannery. CONT.

ON THE BOARD: John Hagen became President and Joanna Pasowicz Past President, Secretary Pamela Pasowicz and Director Marge Morgan. THANK YOU for their service to the club: Past President Butch Luick, Director Irene Swiggum, and to those who resigned during their terms: Past President Stan Graiewski and Director Ralph Tyksinski. THANK YOU to all who spent a sunny Sunday with fellow club members!

Feb 12 As of today PHCWI Facebook page has 322 likes.

Our post about February 17 Paczki Day reached 1,248 people and it was shared 19 times! - *Kasia Tomczak, Facebook Mgr.*

You can view our facebook without joining or friending

Feb 17 Scott's Bakery in Middleton on Pączki Day

expected to sell 1,200 pączki! In the WISCONSIN JOURNAL Feb. 18 photo Patricia "Blue Accordion" Stone is playing tunes for a young family as some club members visit in the background. *Dziękuję* Patricia for providing a pleasant pączki eating time!

Feb 21 International Festival, Overture Center - a busy day!

Besides books, crafts, jewelry, and pottery - the crowds purchased 14 dozen pączki, Bigos, Kielbasa, kraut and rye bread.



L-R: Laura Jasiczek, Tedd Mianowski, Butch Luick, Gloria Welniak, and Sharon Pasowicz at Overture's State & Fairchild St. entrance. *Dziękuję* to those helpers pictured, and to: Deb & Tony Ankowicz, Linda Cagle, Jane Dunn, John Hagen, Barbara & Mike Lomperski, Marie Revolinski, Joan Rubens, Ann Schachtner, Irene Swiggum, and Julita Zolnik. *photo by Linda Cagle*

HELP NEEDED:

Loading and unloading before and after our major events.

Website helper for updating on a regular basis.

Please contact John Hagen johnhagen25@gmail.com

Feb 28 FIRST REGISTRATION DATE FOR Mar 14 Polish Easter Egg Decorating Workshop 10 - 1pm SPACE LIMITED (12) Pinney Library, 204 Cottage Grove Rd. 224-7100 to register.

For ages 12 to adult. This event is co-sponsored by the Friends of Pinney Library and Polish Heritage Club-Madison.

INSTRUCTOR: Gloria Welniak. All materials will be provided to make several colorful eggs and greeting cards. Learn easy traditional Polish egg decorating techniques and patterns:

- NALEPIANKI (paper cutting, lace, and ribbon)
- DJBANKI Z JAJEK (miniature pitchers)
- OKLEJANKI (coiled yarn)

Please bring small sharp manicure scissors if possible.



Gloria shared a website that's "a goldmine for my research into Polish crafts. It has gorgeous eye-dazzling photos that can be enlarged and printed for closer study."

Krakow's National Museum of Ethnography's free online pattern book of over 800 Polish designs is grouped according to color, fabric, material used and motif. Download for free as many photos as you want, but contact the Chief Cataloguer for copyright permission. www.etnodizajn.pl/patternbook/
The Małopolska Thing. Ethnographic Pattern Book

May 12 PHCWI BOOK CLUB 7 pm Adam Mickiewicz

Kasia Krzyzostaniak is hostess. Please contact her so she can set up chairs: krzmmw@chorus.net (608) 836-8632 The South Central Library System has copies of *Pan Tadeusz* (book and DVD) and *Dziady*, and several books with stories about him. *Adam Mickiewicz: The Life of a Romantic* by Roman Robert Koropeczyk (2008) is available from Amazon.com ALSO; websites, books of poems, *Pan Tadeusz* www.gutenberg.org

May 15 is the Club's Scholarship deadline for applicants to submit their essay and application. Our scholarship is for Wisconsin residents seeking an associate or bachelor's degree in any field of study. Applicant must be of verifiable Polish ancestry OR studying the Polish language, history, society or culture OR be significantly engaged with Polish culture. The 750-1000 words essay is to be "about a major event in Polish arts, culture, or history, and why the topic interests you, or how it relates to you personally." CONTACT: Patricia Brinkman brinkpa@att.net (608) 212-2413 or PHCWI-Madison Scholarship Committee P.O. Box 45438 Madison WI 53744.

Condolences to the families of: John Shesky who passed away Jan. 31 in Madison. He and his wife Twilia attended and assisted with club events, including Wigilia registration and nametags. Marie Revolinski wrote: "John Shesky was a wonderful active member for many years until health issues came along. He had a terrific sense of humor. He and Twila were happy to help in any club event when asked." A Navy veteran and reservist, he was a 30 years Police Department Supervisor, volunteered with RSVP and went on many medical mission trips with Twila. Desired memorials may be directed to Lost Lake-Randolph Historical Society, Blessed Sacrament School Endowment, or a charity of your choice.

Maria Agres-Segal who died at age 86 on Feb.16. She was born in Zarudeczko, Poland, and attended medical school in Poznan. She and her husband Paul Segal moved to Madison in 1972. Maria worked at the Reading Center in UW-Ophthalmology Dept. She and Paul attended many Wigilias and other club events. She is survived by two sisters in Poland.

Kazimierz Pułaski 270th Birthday



Kazimierz Pułaski
by Jan Styka
(1858 Lwów - 1925 Rome)

**Wisconsin Public School
Observance Days:
Mar 4 is Casimir Pulaski Day
in Wisconsin**

"Casimir Pulaski was born in Poland [Mar. 6?] 1747. He came to America in 1777, after fighting for Poland's independence, and joined forces with General Washington. After saving Washington's life, Pulaski was made brigadier general of the American Cavalry. Wounded in battle, Pulaski died October 11, 1779. **Enacted April 30, 1987, Laws of WI, Act 11.**"

Pulaski, WI celebrates Casimir Pulaski Day, this year March 2, by asking all to wear red. Participating businesses receive a balloon. The Pulaski Historical Museum is open for tours.

Savannah, GA March 7, 2015 (RSVP WAS DUE JAN. 31) Pulaski Committee Commemorative 270th Birthday Ceremony

"The Commemoration will be held in Savannah at Monterey Square (corner of Bull and West Taylor Streets). This is the site of General Pulaski's burial and monument erected in his name acknowledging the great contribution and ultimate sacrifice he made for this country....Following the ceremony, we would like to invite everyone to join us at the Plantation Club at The Landings on beautiful Skidaway Island for a hot luncheon buffet which will be held from noon to 4 p.m.

.... Fort Pulaski (a Historical National Park), and the beautiful beaches of Tybee Island are only about 30 minutes away. ..."

".. Pulaski, founding commander of the U. S. Cavalry, died at the age of 34 during the Revolutionary War's Siege of Savannah. The young member of Polish nobility had sympathized with the new nation's struggle against oppression. He had been a freedom fighter in Poland and joined the American Revolutionary War at the behest of Benjamin Franklin. In the battle that took his life, Pulaski commanded the entire cavalry, both French and American. Grapeshot from a British cannon mortally wounded him when he attempted to cross enemy lines, about a half-mile north of Monterey Square. The shot is on display at Georgia Historical Society. Subsequently, Pulaski was made an honorary United States citizen."

Edward Pulaski saved 45 men when he ordered them to stay in a mine shaft during a huge 1910 forest fire in Idaho. That tunnel is on the National Register of Historic Places, and the tool he invented is still in use as basic firefighting equipment. He may have been a great-grandnephew of Kazimierz Pułaski. <http://culture.polishsite.us/articles/art451.html>

Pulaski Axe
www.hanessupply.com-



UW-Madison CREECA Events

The Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia

FROM THE WEBSITE: <http://www.creeca.wisc.edu/>

Mar 12 Thur.4 pm 206 Ingraham Hall, 1155 Observatory Dr. Madison Encounters in Bożków, Lower Silesia – English Language Teaching and Learning Experiences in Lower Silesia 2014: Some Personal Perspectives on Polish Education Policy, Public/Private Partnering and Popular Aspirations

Gina and Eric Lewandowski, a husband and wife team, have a long-standing personal and professional interest in the dynamics of intercultural affairs. Gina, a Ph.D. candidate in Curriculum & Instruction at the University of Wisconsin- Madison and a career world languages teacher, uses comparative vertical case study analysis to examine world language education in the United States and Poland since the Cold War. Eric, a former Fulbright fellow, trained as a social historian and is active in the Madison sister-city movement. In summer 2014, both taught English to Polish students in Bożków, an economically-challenged hamlet in Lower Silesia as part of WIESCO - the Wisconsin Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization. They are keen on sharing their varied experiences obtained during a time of economic growth and political ferment in Poland – exactly one quarter century after the fall of Communism and coincident with the unfolding crisis in Ukraine.

About the Lecture: In the twenty-five years since the collapse of Communism & the long-deferred re-introduction of democracy to Poland, Poles have been working to build a new society free from a half century of totalitarian limits on personal achievement and eager to benefit fully from their fledgling membership in the European Union and NATO. In this, they have embraced English language learning, conducted via a well-established people-to-people language camp program from Wisconsin, as a tool for democratization, economic growth and strategic integration with the West. This talk will put the practice of non-formal language learning into a socio-historical context centered on Poland, present the views and personal experiences of teachers, students, government educators, and other political and economic stakeholders on the value of strategic language learning, and reflect on the contemporary role(s) of everyday Americans from the heartland who are working with aspiring, forward looking Poles in dealing with existing challenges & emerging opportunities thru cross-cultural world language learning.

PAST LECTURE NOT DESCRIBED IN NEWSLETTER: Feb. 12 *Sex in the Bourgeois Family: Prostitution and the Middle Class Home in Partitioned Poland* Keely Stauter-Halsted, Univ. of IL-Chicago, author of *The Devil's Chain* prostitution and social control in partitioned Poland. "The Polish lands at the end of the 19th century saw intense social turmoil as thousands of villagers moved to the burgeoning cities in search of jobs. Among these was a cohort of young women hired as housekeepers, nannies, and wet nurses in bourgeois households. Here they were expected to act as paragons of middle class propriety and yet, low wages and lack of support networks prompted many to turn to part-time prostitution. At the same time, "respectable" male professionals, members of the Polish intelligentsia & even male university students.."

2014 ANNUAL REPORT: POLISH HERITAGE CLUB OF WISCONSIN, INC. - MADISON GROUP

THE ANNUAL REPORT to members provides an overview of the organizational, educational, and financial activities during the past year. The support generously given by the officers and membership is much appreciated. **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 & humanitarian services, to 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. The club's activities and accomplishments are supported through the dedication and hard work of the Directors and members.

THE ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS was on Jan. 26 at Lakeview Lutheran Church. Thank you to nominees recommended by the Nominating Committee, and to those nominated at the meeting. After discussing election issues, new Directors were selected, and members shared food and conversation. Elected to the 2014 Board of Directors: VP-PRES. ELECT John Hagen, SECRETARY Pam Pasowicz, DIRECTORS 2 years: Marge Morgan and Ralph Tyksinski. CONTINUING: Joanna Pasowicz became PRESIDENT, Stan Graiewski became PAST PRESIDENT, and TREASURER Linda Cagle. ELECTED TO FINISH ODD YEAR DIRECTOR'S TERMS: Irene Swiggum and Marcia Flannery. Dziękuję to out-going Board members: Butch Luick, Patricia Brinkman and Linda Ganski. Honorary Memberships were awarded to Jerzy Brania, who shares his family Szopka at events and hosted many Annual Meetings, and to Rose Meinholz, Newsletter Editor.

NEW INITIATIVES: • Sept. 17- Oct. 5 Bringing the *Forbidden Art Exhibit* to Madison was a major accomplishment. Thank you to all who worked to make it happen in a short time, and to those who made financial contributions. At the Sept. 17 UW Memorial Union Porter Butts Gallery opening reception, over 100 attendees listened to talks by UW-Madison Professor Rachel Brenner of the Center for Jewish Studies, and JJ Przewozniak, Polish Mission of the Orchard Lake Schools. The traveling exhibit is presented in North America by The Polish Mission in exclusive partnership with the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum. Press coverage of the exhibit included interviews with Club President Joanna Pasowicz, and Diane Michalski Turner, co-chair with Marge Morgan of the Forbidden Art Committee. Press covering the exhibit: UW-Madison student newspapers *The Daily Cardinal* and *Badger Herald*, 77 *Square Arts Picks*, *Wisconsin State Journal*, *Madison Area Neighbors*, *Isthmus*, *Channel 27- WKOW*, *Arts Extract*, *MODA Madison*, and *WORT-Radio*. Professor Brenner was interviewed on WORT and spoke at a University League event. *The Daily Cardinal* chose the exhibit as a Fall semester highlight: "Artwork's power lies in its ability to remember the past."
• Polish catered food was provided at the Nov. Bazaar and at the Wigilia, thanks to Ron Dombroski, SmokeHaus Catering.
• A variety of events were organized by Eva Verhoven, Gloria Welniak and Szymon Wozniczka (see list in EVENTS)
• A Chicago Churches Tour was organized by Joan Rubens.

BOOK CLUB Quarterly meetings, coordinated by Kasia Kryzostaniak, have been ongoing since 2002. Books/authors:
• Jan *The Spy who Loved* by Clare Mulley
• Apr *The Slave* by Isaac Bashevis Singer
• August *The Auschwitz Volunteer* by Witold Pilecki
• Nov *Polish Independence Day* with author Piotr Puchalski

FESTIVALS organized by the club are for the enjoyment of members and the general public, and we participate in other festivals - thanks to our dedicated volunteers:
• Feb 22 at Overture Center's International Festival our club's crafts display was again located by the prominent first floor entrance. Thanks to the organizing of Butch Luick, kielbasa and kraut were available for attendees for the first time!
• Our Palm Sunday Spring Festival was again well attended. The WI STATE JOURNAL'S story *Steamin' kielbasa, cool polkas* pictured club musicians Patricia Stone and Tom Wosikowski.
• May 10 our club again sold Polish arts and food at the *Portage County Cultural Festival* in Stevens Point.
• Nov 8 the *Christmas Bazaar* at the Knights of Columbus Hall was well attended, and the Polish lunches soon sold out! On display: Gloria Welniak's wall quilt *Warsaw Uprising 1944* which was juried and displayed at WPTV's Quilt Expo.

CLUB SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

- 1st Friday Breakfasts at the Monona Garden Restaurant
- August 24 Picnic at Lakeview Park, Middleton. Music & Folk Song singing thanks to Tom Wosikowski and Patricia Stone
- Parades in Evansville and Black Earth for the 2nd year, thanks to organizers Butch Luick & Barbara Lomperski & The Red Truck, many see colorful costumes & learn about Poland
- Sept. Jane Dunn represented the club at WPTV's Quilt Expo
- 36th Annual Wigilia Dec.6 at Turner Hall. Over 100 guests enjoyed the meal prepared by Ron Dombroski. President Joanna Pasowicz presented Certificates of Appreciation to Marge Morgan and Diane Michalski Turner, co-chairs of the FArt Exhibit. Janusz Dopart told stories about Christmas in Poland, and MC Ralph Tyksinski about Chicago. Irene Swiggum & Raina Haralampopoulos read the story of *Marta and the Manger Straw*.

CO-SPONSORED EVENTS: • With UW Union: *Forbidden Art*
• With CREECA: screenings + Q&A of Polish Director Anna Ferens's documentaries Mar. 25 *A PLACE TO STAND* and Dec. 8 the premiere of her documentary about club member and UW Professor Waclaw Szybalski *THE ESSENCE OF LIFE/ Esencja zycia*. Our club contributed financially to the film.
• With many other Polish groups: July 13 at the Polish Center in Franklin, WI: *Year of Jan Karski* lecture by Neal Pease, music by Igor Lipinski to commemorate 2014 Anniversaries.
• With Pinney Library: Gloria Welniak presented a variety of workshops and displays: *Easter Customs and Crafts*, a *Mini Show of Traditional Papercrafts*, *Wianki Festival*, *Harvest Celebration Dozynki*, *Paper Cutting (Wycinanki)*, and a workshop and display of *Holiday Ornaments*.
• Organized by the Polish Students Association, our club makes a financial contribution and advertises the *Annual Madison Polish Film Festival*. 2014 films were: *The STONES FOR THE RAMPART /Kamienie na szaniec*, *WALESA: MAN OF HOPE JACK STRONG* and *LIFE FEELS GOOD/ Chce sie zyc*.

SCHOLARSHIPS were awarded to four students pursuing post High School education: Jessica Bowden, James Dodge, Lauren Paul and Claire Wisniewski. Three of the students were able to attend the 2014 Wigilia with their families.

CANCELLED IN 2014: • The USA tour of Mazowsze the State Song and Dance Ensemble of Poland, due to hosting issues.
• Quo Vadis, the Polish Youth Conference that focuses on skill building for future Polonia leaders, was planned by the UW Polish Students Association. Planned speakers: Waldemar Biniński, Prof. Lt. Col. Walter Perchal, Thaddeus Radzilowski, Joanna Heidtman and Maciek Fibrich. The conference was canceled due to low funding contributions, as well as time constraints among the Executive Committee members.

EVENTS PUBLICIZED:

- Apr 19 Holy Saturday Blessing of Baskets *Święconka*
- Eva Verhoven, club member, presented *Poland the Heart of Europe* at the Lussier Center, Madison Senior Center & Middleton Library, and a 3 session class: *Survey of Polish Film*
- May – June Icon replica of Our Lady of Czestochowa mid-west tours for *Ocean to Ocean Campaign in Defense of Life*.
- Vintage Brewing Co.'s Grodziskie Smoked Wheat Beer
- Requests for a Polish speaker visitor and for hosting a Polish student from NorthWest Student Exchange
- Jan Karski Exhibit and events at Skokie, IL Holocaust Museum & Education Center and Chicago's Loyola University

POLISH RELATED FILMS:

Madison Film Festival: *IDA* and *THE CONGRESS*
May 8 *GLASS LIPS* by Lech Majewski (The Marquee Union S.)
May 23 *IN THE NAME OF* (Ashman Library)
Aug 17 *Jerzy Popieluszko: Messenger of Truth* (WI Public TV)
THE MONUMENT'S MEN (Polish art and Madison connections)
THE IMMIGRANT (Sundance) 1921 Polish sisters come to NY
May-July Chicago Scorsese's *MASTERS OF POLISH CINEMA*
Nov. Chicago *POLISH FILM FESTIVAL IN AMERICA*

MUSIC EVENTS:

- Szymon Wozniczka, club member, regularly presented the latest Polish music to WORT Radio 89.9FM listeners. He also provides Polish CDs to the Madison Public Library, and videos on Pinterest. On Nov. 1 Szymon organized a well-attended Brink Lounge concert by Grazyna Auguscik & Paulinho Garcia.
- Trevor Stephenson's provided lecture/concerts about Chopin: *Music for Fortepiano* & a 4-part course *Schubert and Chopin*
- Young Ju Yim *Poldowski's Violin-Piano Compositions*
- Tyrone & Janet Greive *Polish and other Composers*
- WI Dells Polka Fest: Lenny Gomulka, Eddie Biegaj, Jeff Mlecko & DynaBrass, Maroszek Brothers, Polish Connection
- Chopin's *Polonaise in A-Flat* played by Jeffrey Siegel at his last of 26 years of Keyboard Conversations in Madison
- Judith Gordon Chopin *Preludes* at Token Creek
- Madison's Con Vivo! concert included Henryk Wieniawski's *Polonaise No. 1 in D Major for violin and piano*
- The Passenger Pigeon Symposium at UW Mills Hall included Witold Lutosławski's *Concerto for Orchestra*

POLAND TRIPS with local connections: • Friendship Force's *Berlin and Poland* Trip: Ryszard and Julita Zolnik gave a talk about Poland, and Lydia Critchley's Polish Cooking Class was open to members and reported on by Kay Cipperly.
• Burkhalter's: *Jewels of Poland & Autumn Adventure in NE WI*

UW MADISON EVENTS:

- HISTORY 425 *History of Poland* Professor Kathryn Ciancia
- CREECA programs: Nina Bandelj: *Democracy, Inequality ... Does EU Matter?* and Halina Filipowicz: *Puzzle of the First Play on the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising: Easter (1943)*. October
- American Assoc. of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages AATSEEL Conference at the Pyle Center

OLD WORLD WISCONSIN, EAGLE, WI May-June *Celebrate WI Folklife* included music, dance, food, storytelling, and crafts. "Enjoy Ron Rutkowski and Polish favorites on the accordion."

GENEALOGY EVENTS:

- April WI Genealogical Society: "Gene-A-Rama, Manitowoc
- Oct WI Genealogy Society Fall Seminar, Wisconsin Rapids
- Meetings of the Dane County Genealogy Society
- WI Historical Society Genealogy Workshops, Webinars
- Polish Genealogical Society James S. Pula, *Kosciuszko Squadron WWII Talk/Webinar* Arlington Heights, IL
- StoryCorps November National Day of Listening

MILWAUKEE EVENTS attended by some members:

- *THE FOLLOW UP* by Dr. Jill Florence Lackey, about the 1960s freeway construction razing of ethnic neighborhoods
- POLANKI's Pierogi and Soup Festivals and other events
- Polish Fest: picture of some members attending in newsletter
- Polish Center events included: Syrena Folk Dance *Bal Maskowy, Lenten Fish Fries, Pierogi Festival, Mushroom Madness, Medieval Banquet, Vodka Tasting, Independence Day and Veteran's Day Luncheon*, and musical events
- The Polish American Congress sponsored Aug. 22 *Polish American Heritage Night at Miller Park*
- Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra: *Overture for Symphony Orchestra* by Grażyna Bacewicz and Christopher Taylor, piano: Witold Lutosławski *Concerto for Piano and Orchestra*
- November Holiday Folk Fair WI State Fair Park
- Basilica of St. Josaphat: Bel Canto Chorus's *Christmas in the Basilica* and Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra's *Messiah*
- Stackner Caberet play: *Wladziu Valentino Liberace!*

FACEBOOK Kasia Tomczak, facebook manager:

"Our FB page is getting regularly over 100 - 200 hits per post, some more interesting posts like the story about Polish Hussars and St Martin's Day got over 400 hits and our ultimate record was the post about Polish Independence Day on November 11. This post generated 4,336 hits a record high! - and more impressive, it was shared 62 times."

OUR NEWSLETTER is mailed/emailed to other Polish groups who often send us their information: *MADISON*: UW Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia CREECA, UW-Madison Polish Students Assoc. and Madison-Vilnius Sister City. *GREEN BAY*: Polish Heritage Society of NE Wisconsin. *MILWAUKEE*: Polish American Congress Wisconsin Division, Polish Heritage Alliance, Inc./Polish Center, POLANKI, Inc, *STEVENS POINT*: Polish Heritage Awareness Society. *WI DELLS*: Polish Club of Wisconsin Dells-Lake Delton, Inc. *WINONA, MN*: Polish Cultural Institute Inc. & Museum *CHICAGO*: the Polish Vice Consul Konrad Zielinski.

As of December 31, 2014 Club members included:

57 Family memberships, 72 Individual and 12 Honorary.
Best wishes to members who have moved from Madison.
Farewell to members who are no longer with us.

MARTIN SCORSESE PRESENTS:

MASTERPIECES OF POLISH CINEMA

**Fridays Mar. 6 - May 1 UW Cinematheque 4070 Vilas Hall
821 University Ave. PARKING: Lake St. at State St. and at
Johnson St, Fluno Center, and Grainger Hall.**

<http://cinema.wisc.edu/series/2015/spring/masterpieces-polish-cinema>

All Cinematheque screenings are free and open to the public.
Donations are accepted at the door or through website.

The series is co-presented with the UW's Department of Slavic
Languages & Literature and CREECA. Polish/ English subtitles

**Mar. 6 Director: Andrzej Wajda 7 PM ASHES AND DIAMONDS
(POPIOL I DIAMENT) | 1958 | 96 min. |**



In the movie that cleared the way for a new wave of Polish cinema, a soldier during the final days of WWII is ordered to assassinate an official but his mission is stalled when he falls in love with a barmaid. Using powerful and memorable black and white imagery, Wajda's classic a potent reminder of how life and love are not compatible with war.



**8:45 INNOCENT SORCERERS (NIEWINNI
CZARODZIEJE) | 1960 | 87 min. |** A cocky and freewheeling young doctor who spends his evenings playing jazz in nightclubs meets the girl of his dreams, but she's not so easily

attainable. Polanski appears as one of the hero's layabout pals. The score is by Polanski's regular composer in the 1960s, Krzysztof Komeda, who also appears as himself.

Mar. 13 7 PM EROICA DIR: Andrzej Munk 1958 | 85 min. |



A brilliant and brave black comedy set during the Nazi occupation of Poland, Munk's feature tells two stories. In the first, a war-avoiding coward proves to be a

hero in spite of himself. Next, a soldier fed up with military pretenses, attempts a hopeless escape from a prison camp. "Munk [was] an unusually caustic observer of his countrymen's collective emotional hangups" (J.R. Jones)



8:45 PM WALKOVER (WALKOWER)

Dir: Skolimowski | 1965 | 77 min. | In the second of four autobiographical features, writer/director/actor Skolimowski plays a fictional version

of himself: a working class outsider who becomes a boxer at the factory where he is employed. Moody & gritty, Skolimowski takes a hard look at competition in business and sports.

Mar. 27 PHARAOH (FARAON) 1966 | 180 min. | In 12th



cen.B.C., Rameses, son & heir to the Pharaoh, experiences a power struggle with Egypt's high priests in his efforts to wage war on the Phoenicians. ...restored to its original length, Kawalerowicz' Oscar-nominated CinemaScope epic

is one of the most fascinating & unique in all of Polish cinema.

WINNERS: • Jan. 28 Sundance Film Festival DOCUMENTARY
SHORT FILM *Object / Obiekt* (an underwater search)

• Feb. 22 Academy Award BEST FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM
Pawel Pawlikowski's *Ida* (B&W film of orphaned young nun)

MUSIC OF KRZYSZTOF KOMEDA



**Mar 7 Sat. 9 pm until ~11:30 Nothing But Swing Trio
Dobhan Restaurant, 2110 Atwood Ave. (608)242-4448**

"Mad-Pol KA" in cooperation with UW-GB jazz professor and trumpeter Adam Gaines present an exciting multi-cultural jazz concert presenting musicians from Slovakia, Poland and the USA as they perform classic European jazz in the birth-place country of jazz music - USA. *Nothing But Swing Trio* from Slovakia, and featuring Adam Gaines (UW-GB jazz professor and trumpeter) present music of 1960's Polish jazz composer and pianist: Krzysztof Komeda. He changed the face of Polish & European jazz with his seminal 1966's album *Astigmatic*, and scored over 35 films including Polanski's *Knife in the Water* & *Rosemary's Baby* and Wajda's films like *Innocent Sorcerers*. Tickets \$15; bar open during the show; there will be some light appetizers. Otherwise you can come for a dinner prior the show, stay for the concert. Share good times with friends over a glass of wine or other fine spirits.

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CHOPIN IN MADISON

Frédéric François Chopin, born Fryderyk Franciszek Chopin, was born 205 years ago March 1, 1810, Żelazowa Wola, PL.

**Mar. 13 Farley's House of Pianos, 6522 Seybold Rd, 7:30 pm
Pianist Marco Grieco will play Chopin's *Scherzo No. 2*. \$35**

PAST EVENTS:

Feb 22 at the beautiful 1850 English parlor grand piano, Dr. Trevor Stephenson performed/discussed solo works by Debussy, Grieg, and Chopin (2 Nocturnes and a Mazurka).

Feb 13-15 Pianist Ingrid Fliter at Overture Hall played *Concerto No. 2 for Piano and Orchestra in F Minor, Op.21*. Jacob Stockinger in *The Well-Tempered Ear* asked her: *What makes Chopin so unique and so popular?* "Chopin is a composer who speaks directly to the heart of people. Like a dear friend who shares with us his deepest secrets of life, his music is intimate and personal. He doesn't describe landscapes or tell stories. He speaks about human feelings and people feel represented & touched by the beauty he creates. He enhances harmony and enriches people's life."

<https://welltempered.wordpress.com/2015/02/09/>

Jan 13 Pianist Frank Glazer passed away after a brief illness. He played many concerts in Madison at Farley's House of Pianos, was due to play at UW-Milwaukee on Feb.19 on his 100th birthday, and a concert was planned in Janesville. Mr. Glazer was born in Chester, WI and studied in Berlin, Germany. His repertoire included many Chopin concerts.

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IF YOU LIKE, PLEASE SHARE YOUR:

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Where your family lived in Poland _____

MEMBERSHIPS ARE FROM JAN 1 TO DEC 31 Dziękuję!

1.00 USD = 3.69 PLN **IN THE NEWS** various sources

8 Jan SZCZECIN - Poland's oldest woman died at aged 113.

19 Jan OAXACA, Mexico - R.Olbinski posters + films: *Warsaw Mexico & Santa Rosa - An Odyssey The Rhythm of Mariachi.*

22 Jan WARSAW - 2,500 - 3,000 homeless people, 80% male.

23 Jan Na. Library of Poland study - 19 mil. Poles did not read a book in 2014. Over 10 mil. Poles did not own a single book.

25 Jan WARSAW, 42 floor Marriott Everest Run - Participants run up stairs 65 times to reach 8,850m ~ the height of Mt. Everest.
-CENTRAL WARSAW - ul. Noakowskiego & Koszykowa closed after a gas explosion caused major damage to a building.

26 Jan Poland's Office for Foreigners - Despite ~2,000 applications, no Ukrainian citizens were granted refugee status.

Feb 2015 PA JOURNAL - Green Bay native Dominie Olejniczak "kept the Packers Alive." He was Pres./Chair of Packers Board.

1 Feb QUATAR, Men's World Handball - Poland won bronze.

2 Feb KRAKOW's School of Art and Fashion Design - Models wore clothes from recycled materials at the Junk Fashion Show.

4 Feb SW of WARSAW, Głogów Głęboki deposit - KGHM Mining invests much of its PL spending on the copper/silver deposit.

-POREBA SPYTKOWSKA, SE of Krakow - 19 year H.S. student Jan Kurek elected the softys – head of the village council.

5 Feb CENTRAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (CBŚ) - Arrest of a gang for fictitious companies, cheated Treasury of PLN 50 mil.

6 Feb - 10 May BEIJING, China ~ 350 artworks from the 15-20th centuries on display in *Treasures From Chopin's Country.*

EUROLOT - State-controlled regional airline will liquidate.

Poland's GDP 2014 was 3.3% vs. 2013 was 1.7%.

Unemployment 11.5% Dec.2014 vs. 13.4% Dec 2013

7 Feb Farmer's blocked roads in nationwide campaigning for milk/meat production subsidies & compensation for damages to crops by animals. 300,000 wild boars are to be killed.

9 Feb KNYSZYN FOREST, NE Poland - 'The Black Widow' a female snowy owl, killed her "poorly endowed mate."

10 Feb Jastrzębska Spółka Węglowa coal mine HQ, S. PL - 12 injured by police using water cannons/ rubber bullets on protestors.

12 Feb PEAK OF ACONCAGUA, highest in the Andes - 52 year old Polish man dies after the group of Poles reached the summit.

-NA. GEOGRAPHER ADVENTURER OF THE YEAR - 68 yr. old Aleksander Doba who kayaked 7,716 mi. Portugal to Florida.

13 Feb BAY OF WHALES, Antarctica - Polish *Selma* 1st yacht in history to reach the end of the bay solely under wind power.

14 Feb WARSAW Łazienkowski bridge - Wooden boards caught fire. Closure of the 6 lane major E-W route caused problems.

15 Feb Biały Dunajec, 10 km NE of Zakopane - XXI Highlander Parade traditional sleigh race *Kumoterska Gońba* - competitor on skis is pulled on long reins by a galloping horse.

16 Feb JSW STRIKING COAL MINERS back to work after agreements reached. ~\$8 mil./day since the strike began Jan. 28.

20 Feb EUROMONITOR - Poland 2013 produced: 26%, of apples (the largest), 3rd in volume of cereal, tied with UK in poultry.

- HEALTH MINISTRY - Suicides 7th highest death reason in PL. ~ 16 people/day. A new prevention program is planned.

21 Feb WARSAW - Grand opening of Broadway hit *Mamma Mia!*

22 Feb WIELKA ŚWISTÓWKA, W. Tatra Mts. 1 killed in avalanche.

25 Feb KRAKOW - Roman Polański's extradition trial to begin.

26 March - Presidential candidates must collect 100,000 signatures to run for the 10 May Presidential election.