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**Dziękuję TO THE MANY HELPERS
AT OUR CLUB'S MARCH 20
SPRING FESTIVAL!
Some pictures in this newsletter,
more on our website.**

some coming dates:

Apr 13 due Kosciuszko Foundation
Wisconsin Study in Poland Scholarship
www.thekf.org/kf/programs/study/wsips/

April 17 AUGUSCIK & BESTER DUO 5 pm
E. European Accordion Music at The Brink

May 15 due Polish Heritage Club - Madison
Scholarship for WI residents post High School
Application: www.phcwi-madison.org

May 21 Wisconsin Historical Society's
Polish American Genealogy Workshop

1,050 Anniversary of Christianity



mural in Gniezno

wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Baptism_of_Poland.

The Birth of the Polish Nation

Holy Saturday 14 April 966 Mieszko I baptized

In the 9th century, the Polanie West Slavic tribes in the Gniezno area united. Piast Duke Mieszko I, (b. ~930, d. May 25, 992) married Dabrowka of Bohemia, and converted to Christianity. This is formally recognized as the birth of the Polish nation. Kingdom of Poland expanded - Galicia to the Baltic Sea.

March 5 London, Royal Festival Hall: *Stabat Mater* by Karol Szymanowski

April 14 Gniezno: Mass in Cathedral, then to Ostrów Lednicki, the island in Lednica Lake, thought to be the home of the first Kings. The Jubilee bell sounds for the first time. Polish cathedrals will receive black oak crucifixes from early defensive fortifications.

April 15-16 Poznań: Parliament session. Cathedral: Mass, Baptism vows renewed. Stadium INEA: *Tyś jest mój syn / Thou Art My Son*. Lyricist - Iwona Waksmundzka. Composer - Robert Janson.

Lux ex Oriente exhibit of 150 items:

Poznań (20 Jan - 3 May)
Wrocław (18 May - 31 August)
Warsaw (16 Sept - 18 Dec)

- St Adalbert's chalice (Poland's patron saint)
- *Dagome iudex* (10th century document)
- original document confirming the election of Karol Wojtyła to the papacy in 1978
- Poland's coronation sword *Szczerbiec*
- *Book of Henryków* (1st sentence written entirely in the Old Polish language.

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**AUGUSCIK
AND BESTER DUO
CONCERT OF EASTERN-EUROPEAN
ACCORDION WORLD MUSIC**



WHEN Sunday 5 pm April 17, 2016

WHERE The Brink Lounge
701 E. Washington Ave. Madison

FOR MORE INFORMATION: 608-661-8589



Madison area:

1st Fri Breakfast 9 am. Barb (608) 238-9189
Monona Garden Family Restaurant, 6501 Bridge Rd, Monona

1st Sun 5 pm. *Eucharist in Polish* St Cecelia's, WI Dells
www.dellscatholic.com/ (608) 254-8381

Sat 10 am Polish Kids Club, Waunakee
<https://www.facebook.com/PolishKidsClubMadison>

UW-Madison Polish Students win.wisc.edu/organization/PSA

31 Mar 4 pm Youth, *Transnational Imagination, 1968 Poland*
UW-Madison CREECA, 1155 Observatory Dr.

15 & 19 April Cosmos WISCONSIN FILM FESTIVAL

17 April 5 pm *Auguscik and Bester Duo* The Brink lounge

18 April 11 am *Polish-themed Senior Lunch and Euchre Tournament*. Lakeview Lutheran CALL: 244-6181

22-24 April *WI Dells Polka Fest* 2501 River Road

3 May 7 pm POLISH CLUB BOOK CLUB *Kasia* (608) 836-8632
Middleton, WI. *Polish Constitution Day Trzeciego Maja*

13 May Trevor Stephenson: *Music of Chopin and others*
1855 Bösendorfer Concert Grand Piano, 900 University Bay Dr

11 June start registration for:

25 June co-sponsored with Pinney Library during Wianki
Festival time. Gloria Welniak's *Fabric and Flowers Workshop*

Summer - Polish Heritage Club Picnic & Parades

October - Polish American Heritage Month

November - Polish Heritage Club Bazaar

Nov/Dec - Madison Polish Film Festival

December - Polish Heritage Club Wigilia

Genealogy:

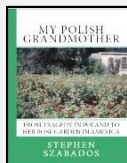
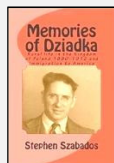
Madison: Dane Co. Genealogical Soc. meetings usually 1st Thur.
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 4505 Regent, 7 pm.

Wausau: 8 - 9 April *Thinking Outside the Box!*

WI State Genealogical Society's *Gene-A-Rama 2016*
Judy Russell, The Legal Genealogist. REGISTER and see WEBINARS LIST:
<http://wsgs.org/> April: *A Path to Your Next Research Steps: Using Timelines to Organize, Analyze and Evaluate Evidence*

Madison: 21 May 9 am - 3 pm *Polish American Genealogy*

WI Historical Society <http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/>
Place: Room 126, Memorial Library, 728 State Street
Cost: \$30 (10% off for WHS or WSGS), includes a box lunch.
Main speaker: Steve Szabados, Genealogy Columnist for the
POLISH AMERICAN JOURNAL and author. His books include:



Memories of Dziadka; Polish Genealogy: Four Steps to Success; Basic Genealogy: Saving Your Family History; Write Your Family History: Easy Steps to Organize, Save, Share; Finding Grandma's European Ancestors; My Polish Grandmother: from Tragedy in Poland to her Rose Garden in America.

Milwaukee:

State Fair Park: **June 17-19** 2016 is 35th Year Polish Fest

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

Spring Bazaar

SUNDAY, April 3, 2016

10 am until 3 pm

An afternoon of art, crafts and music

NOON: performance of *The Drowning of Marzanna*.

OPENING RECEPTION of new art exhibit of Polish scenes.

23 April 7 pm Kamil Tokarski and Elżbieta Tokarska:

Polish Music for Piano and Violin - Chopin and Henryk Wieniawski

8 May at 10, noon, and 2 pm. *Mother's Day Champagne Brunch*

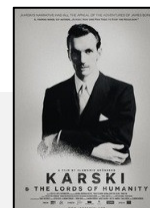
All You Can Eat Buffet!!! RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Chicago:

Copernicus Center 5216 W. Lawrence Ave.

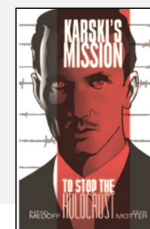
4 April 7:30 – 9:30 pm

- *Karski & The Lords of Humanity* (2015)
A partially animated film about Jan Karski.
Nominated for Polish Best Documentary.



recent publications:

- The Jan Karski Educational Foundation's 28 page comic book *Karski's Mission*.
- The Jan Karski Institute for Tolerance *Jan Karski Graphic Novel* is viewable on-line:
<http://jankarskiinstituteus.org/index.htm>



10 April Andrzej Cierniewski Concert

24 April Lajkonik 25th Anniversary Song and Dance Ensemble

Polish Constitution Day Parade 7 May starts at 11:30

ROUTE: along State Street, from Lake Street to Van Buren St.

NE WI Polish Heritage Society: <http://www.phsofnew.org/>

20 April 7 pm *Gods /Bogowie* Neville Museum, Green Bay.

Based on the life and career of Polish cardiac surgeon Zbigniew Religa, who performed the first successful heart transplant in communist Poland in the 1980s. Directed by Łukasz Palkowski.

Polkas:

Dane County Polkas! CONTACT: Kate Hull 729-1780.

<http://wisconsin dance council.org/wp-uploads/2016/02/largeflyer.pdf>

4/6 Fitchburg Library 6:30: *Polka Heartland* author Rick March

4/14 Fitchburg Library (ages 2-6) **4/26** (all ages) Verona Library

4/21 Oregon Senior Center 6:30 pm: *Polka Lessons*

4/28 Verona Library 6:30 pm: *Spotlight Polka Band*

Wisconsin Dells Polka Fest & Expo 2501 River Road

4/22 - 24 Hosted by Patrick Henry "Cukierka"

CLUB AND MEMBER NEWS



SUNSHINE CORNER! *Słoneczny Kącik*

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

3/30 Szymon Wozniczka	4/22 Don Wesolowski
4/7 Ted Mianowski	4/25 Mary Fayyaz & Maxine Cuta
4/7 Diane Dillet	4/28 Patricia Brinkman
4/19 Michelle Michalak	4/28 Mary Pearlman

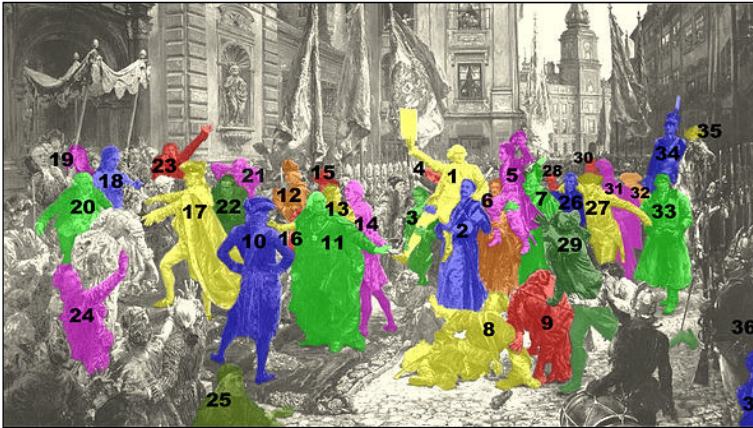
The **WI STATE JOURNAL** printed Monica Scislowska's AP stories: Feb 28 Ksiaz Castle, Walbrzych "connects history, treasures. The site has drawn attention after report of Nazi trains full of gold." Jan 17 Warsaw story "...almost every month brings something new..." included photos of Warsaw's Palace of Culture and Science, and the POLIN Museum of Polish Jews.

from member *Laura Jasiczek*:

April 18 Monday 11 am Polish-themed Senior Lunch and Euchre Tournament at Lakeview Lutheran, 4001 Mandrake Rd. Madison. If you are interested in joining in the fun, please call the church, 244-6181. It is open to anyone. The church puts out a jar for a free-will donation. We plan to make bigos (hunter's stew), served with rye bread and probably pierogi.

May 3 Tue 7 pm POLISH CLUB BOOK CLUB: *Trzeciego Maja* 225th Anniversary of the 1791 Polish Constitution Day

Please contact Kasia (608) 836-8632 krzmmw@chorus.net about your coming, so she has enough chairs.



Jan Matejko's 9x15' painting hangs in the Na. Museum in Warsaw

"The painting, set in the late afternoon of May 3, 1791, shows the the procession of deputies from the Royal Castle (background), where the Constitution has just been adopted by the Great Sejm, to St. John's Collegiate Church (left) where a Te Deum will be sung. The procession down St. John's St. (ulica Świętojańska), is surrounded by enthusiastic Warsaw residents and visitors. While the procession was an actual historic event, Matejko took many artistic liberties, such as including persons who were not in fact present or had died earlier. He did so because he intended the painting to be a synthesis of the [...Commonwealth's final years.] He also felt that there was no real historic moment or location that fully captured the spirit of the Constitution, and so he, the artist, needed to create such a moment." - WIKIPEDIA May 3 PAINTING

1. Stanisław Małachowski (1736-1809), Crown Marshal of the Grand Sejm, holding the Constitution in his hand.
4. Tadeusz Kościuszko under his R hand, holding a flag.
17. Stanisław August Poniatowski King of Poland 1764-1795.

Our sympathies to the Zolnik family:

Jan 21, 2016 - Teresa J. Zolnik passed away at age 79 after battling a short illness. She was born 8/21/1936 in Żurowa, Poland, where at the age of three she lost her mother. She was sent to her uncle in neighboring Tuchów, where she attended grammar school under German occupation. In 1956 she arrived in the Western part of Poland, where workers in the textile industry were in great demand. She studied in Prudnik and was assigned to work in Dzierżoniów. She has honored by her managers and was presented awards for outstanding work performance. Throughout her life, she loved gardening, mushroom hunting, fishing and mountain climbing. She found her future husband Jan Zolnik through friends and was married in 1959. She had two children who migrated to the USA in 1980s. Starting in mid-2005 she visited the US regularly promoting a sustainable way of life and self-reliance. She will be dearly missed, but her embroidery and wisdom will be carried further through her children and acquaintances.



making butter, age 12

Teresa at Parfrey's Glen, Wisconsin



March 8 - UW-Madison Professor Emeritus Alfred Erich Senn passed away at age 83. He was born in Madison, his Swiss father, Lithuanian mother and his sisters, had recently emigrated from Lithuania. A member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, he also taught at Vytautas Magnus University. He especially studied east European political history, World War II espionage in Switzerland, and the influence of politics on sports, and his publications are still in use by universities around the world. A celebration of his life will be on April 12, 2016 (his birthday). Contributions may be made to support the work of UW physical therapy students in Uganda: UWDPT Global Health MEMO: Uganda. MAIL TO: Kaiya Sygulla 1300 University Ave., Madison, WI 53706. **In 2006, Professor Senn gave a lecture to the Polish Heritage Club about the complex history of the Polish-Lithuanian relationship. Mary Ann Reale, Club President, wrote, "What an outstanding speaker he was! My head was spinning with all the details he provided and NO NOTES!...What a rich history Poland has...."*

May 15. Polish Heritage Club - Madison Scholarship DUE.

For WI residents post High School.

750-1000 word essay on a major event in arts, culture, or history.

Application on club's website: www.phcwi-madison.org

CONTACT: Patricia Brinkman brinkpa@att.net

ADVANCE NOTICE..... *during the summer solstice, when flowers are woven into head wreaths (wianki) to welcome the growing season....*

June 25 FABRIC AND RIBBON FLOWERS WORKSHOP 1 – 3:30 pm

June 11 is first sign-up date at Pinney Library.

Music

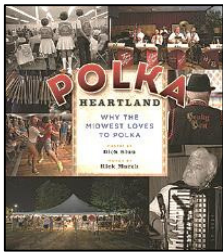
Nowowiejski Year in Polish Music

2016 is the 70th anniversary of the death of the composer Feliks Nowowiejski. (b. Barczewo 1877, d. Poznań 1946) He composed "Hymn Warmiński", the opera "Legend of the Baltic", and the melody to the words of "Rota" by Maria Konopnicka. His oratorio "Quo vadis" will be performed in Poznań, Kraków, Germany, Rome and New York's Carnegie Hall, where it was performed in 1912.

Dane County Polkas! from the City of Fitchburg Library:

"..learn, move, and listen to this cultural treasure - the polka! This series was made possible by *Beyond the Page*....

- *Pint Size Polkas* Mike Schneider's educational polkas about manners and the alphabet. He will be playing more traditional polkas & sharing his passion for the "happiest form of music!"
4/14 Fitchburg Library (ages 2-6), 4/26 at Verona Library
- *Polka Heartland - Why the Midwest Loves to Polka* author
4/6 Fitchburg Library 6:30 author Rick March with demos



Polka Heartland: Why the Midwest Loves to Polka
By Dick Blau (photographer) and Rick March (author)
Hardcover: \$29.95 208 pages, 140 color and b&w photos, 8 x 9;
E-Book Edition Available
Wisconsin Historical Society Press

"From the crowded dance tent at Pulaski Polka Days to an off-the-grid Mexican polka dance in small-town Wisconsin, *Polka Heartland* explores the people, places, and historyEuropean fad to an exploration of the modern-day polka scene, author Rick March and photographer Dick Blau take readers on a joyful romp through this beloved, unique, and richly storied genre. *Polka Heartland* describes the artists, venues, instruments, and music-makers who have been pivotal to polka's popularity across the Midwest & offers six full-color photo galleries to immerse readers in today's vibrant polka scene."

4/21 Oregon Senior Center 6:30 pm *Polka Lesson*

4/28 Verona Library 6:30 *Spotlight Polka Band performs*

Contact the Fitchburg Library Reference Desk (608) 729-1763 with any questions regarding this program series!"

- The Index - Spuscizna Group's Music in MIDI Format spuscizna.org/music/ A collection of melodies, in the MIDI format friendly to the internet. Just click a song title and listen.
- To receive notices of Polish Polka Bands POLKA RUTH polkaruth@hotmail.com
- Dance News - Polish Connection (Mostly Polish) Polkas www.polishconnection.com/dance-news.html

WIKIPEDIA: **Polish-style polka** "One of the types found in the United States is the North American "Polish-style polka," which has roots in Chicago; two sub-styles are "The Chicago Honky" (using clarinet and one trumpet) and "Chicago Push" featuring the accordion, Chemnitzer and Star concertinas, upright bass or bass guitar, drums, and (almost always) two trumpets."

April 22 - 24. Wisconsin Dells Polka Fest & Expo!

Chula Vista Resort, 2501 River Road, Wisconsin Dells

Great Weekend of FUN, is coming!!!

Don't miss the PARTY!

The Knewz from New York
Mollie B! with Ted Lange & Squeezebox
from the Mollie B Polka Party on RFD-TV
Freeze Dried from Illinois
The Polish Connection Band from Wisconsin
TV Stars: The Chardon Polka Band from Ohio
Benjamin Gaboda & Polka Pak from Wisconsin
The I.P.A. Tribute Band from Illinois
Special Appearance by: **Eddie Blazonczyk Jr.!!!**
The Diddle Styx! from Michigan
TV Stars: Emily Bizon, Debra Bizon, and Dawn Rosinski

<http://www.dellspolkafest.com/>

Hosted by: Patrick Henry "Cukierka" You deserve a weekend of fun!

CONTACT: Patrick Henry, (773) 889-6811 olkadj@sbcglobal.net

Patrick Henry Cukierka - Polka Jammer Network

polkajammernetwork.org/.../patrick-henry-cukier...

born and raised on the northwest side of Chicago.

The Patrick Henry Show Tuesday nights (6 - 7 pm CT)

Sponsored by UW-Madison's CREECA:

Zolotoj Plyos free concert. April 3 Sun 7 pm.

The Sett in Union South, 1308 Dayton St. "The dynamic folk ensemble "traditional Russian folk music in costume, both a cappella and with instrumental accompaniment. all graduates of the renowned Saratov State Conservatory. The group's reper-toire includes folk songs and instrumental pieces from various parts of Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, and Georgia and also features Gypsy music, Russian popular music, and Jewish music. ..members of the ensemble play more than twenty Russian folk instruments, including the bayan, dutki, chromatic and diatonic accordions, the balalaika, domra, guitar, zhaleika, clarinet, spoons, saxophone, various percussion instruments, and Russian bells.

Russian Folk Orchestra www.russorch.wisc.edu/concerts.html

[Patricia "Blue Accordion" Stone back row, third from the right]

4/9 7 pm. Mineral Point Opera House, Mineral Point

4/10 3:30 pm. East Side Club, Madison. Concert/ Dinner

4/17 7:30 pm. Lawrence University, Appleton

12/10 12 pm. Grace Episcopal Church, Madison

Apr 16 Sat 11 am WI FILM FESTIVAL: Barrymore Theatre

Russian Folk 2015 | 4 min | *WI's Own: Mad about Madison*

"This simple but entrancing documentary observes a practice session of UW-Madison's Russian Folk Orchestra."

from Szymon Wozniczka for MadPolKA Productions:

The Auguscik and Bester Duo, in their only Wisconsin appearance during their first US mini-tour, will perform Polish folk songs and Chopin's tunes. They are based on traditional Polish music from the collection of 19th century Polish ethnomusicologist Oskar Kolberg. He was a "Polish Alan Lomax" and his 200 year anniversary of birth was widely celebrated in Poland in 2014. In his numerous volumes, he recorded hundreds of songs, dances, melodies and customs of Polish villagers. Kolberg's works inspired them to create their latest musical collaboration, but this time outside of their respective jazz and klezmer musical idioms. Grazyna wrote new lyrics to traditional melodies, Jarek arranged the melodies for Slavic accordion called Bayan. Their arrangements evoke the soul of Polish music while paying tribute to the classical music sensitivities of both musicians

Grazyna Auguscik is a Chicago-based Polish jazz singer who also performs classical, folk, Brazilian, pop (Beatles). She has recorded about 19 CDs with her own jazz band and with various other musicians. Her CDs include Christmas music, collection of The Beatles songs bossa-nova style, electronic experimental music and fusion of folk and classical music inspired by W. Lutoslawski. In 2014 she performed in Madison with Brazilian guitarist Paulinho Garcia.

Jarek Bester is a one of the best contemporary Polish accordion players. He is a founder and a leader of The Cracow Klezmer Band. He later transformed it into the Bester Quartet to reflect artistic move away from strictly klezmer music towards fusion of musical styles. They have been performing and recording since the late 1990s and released 10 CDs for NYC-based Tzadik Records.

I am thrilled to be able to bring them to Madison as they represent the highest level of musicianship, artistic chemistry, & creativity in the Poland's contemporary music scene that transcends folk, classical music and traditions of Poland's multiethnic identity. If you are a fan of Polish folk music or world music and accordion music in general, this show is definitely a must-see.

1. Warsaw Village Band <i>Mateusz</i> Matthew (trad.) 2007 3:26	6. Čači Vorba <i>Sune Cafe</i> (trad.) 2012 3:39	12. Trzy Dni Później <i>Oj lulaj, lulaj</i> Sleep, oh Sleep (trad.) 2014 3:01
2. Kwadrofonik <i>Byłem tu, Fryderyk</i> Fryderyk Was Here (trad.: Kwadrofonik, F. Chopin) 2009 5:41	7. Karolina Cicha, Bart Palyga & Spółka <i>Białystok mój hej</i> (mus. E. Hirszin, lyrics I. Perlow) 2013 4:22	13. The Cracow Klezmer Band <i>Milosna orchidea</i> The Amorous Dance of the Orchid (mus. J. Bester) 2000 5:29
3. Sutari <i>Kupalnocka</i> Kupala Night (trad.) 2012 3:20	8. Banda Nella <i>Nebbia</i> Screaming Rondo (mus. F. Szpilman) 2015 6:24	14. Chłopcy Kontra Basia <i>Mam męża</i> I Have a Husband (mus. group, lyrics B. Deriak) 2010 3:27
4. Kapela Maliszów <i>Wiazanka mazurków</i> Kacpra Malisz A Medley of Mazurkas by Kacper Malisz (mus. K. Malisz) 2014 6:01	9. Maciej Filipczuk & the Wedding Guests <i>Mazurki z repertuaru Kazimierza Mety</i> Mazurkas from the Repertoire of Kazimierz Meto (trad.) 2014 4:16	15. Wołosi <i>Walc Stanisławów</i> The Stanisławów Waltz (mus. S. Lasoń) 2015 2:01
5. Agata Siemaszko and Kuba "Bobas" Wilk <i>Ko kodoj, ko kodoj</i> Who's there? (trad.) 2011 5:04	10. Muzykanci <i>Kare Konie</i> Black Horses (trad.) 1998 3:10	16. Adam Strug <i>Ziła śwanta Dorota</i> There Once Lived St. Dorothea (trad.) 2012 4:16
	11. Się Gra <i>Oberek</i>	

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Jarek is a founder and a leader of The Cracow Klezmer Band, later transformed into the Bester Quartet.

Polish contemporary folk music is enjoying some special international exposure this Spring thanks to *Songlines*. The UK-based magazine is the most popular English language magazine dedicated to the world music. Almost every month, it presents a variety of stories regarding various folk and traditional music from all corners of the world, plus numerous CD reviews, & includes various music samplers (~1-2/issue) The March 2016 issue includes a whole CD dedicated to Poland's folk scene, particularly live recordings of the winners of the "New Tradition Festival" competition. It takes place in Warsaw every May and combines a competition of the young, most promising up-and-coming-artists with festival presentations of well-known Polish and foreign stars. The CD features 16 artists and winners of the festival - recorded live from 1998-2015; almost 70 minutes of music, by the artists who eventually became the leaders of Poland's folk music scene. In addition, Poland's esteemed Roma & Balkan music band Caci Vorba's latest CD review is featured.

The April 2016 issue will include music from SW Poland on the CD *Silesian Roots*, featuring 15 very diverse Polish folk musicians. *Songlines* is on the shelves at Barnes & Noble Bookstores. Please feel free to contact me with questions. Sincerely, Szymon Wozniczka for MadPolKA Productions on FB or szymon2005@sbcglobal.net (608) 577-3897



Dziękuję to the many helpers who make it all happen!

Another well-attended Spring Festival was enjoyed by many guests. The luncheons continue to be popular, more food was ordered than last year, and some menu items ran out again. Pisanki demonstrators Andrea and Ted were "mobbed" with many viewers asking questions. Dziękuję to the many helpers who make it all happen, especially to the Committee: Linda Cagle, Gloria Welniak, Jane Dunn, Andrea Rolich, Diane Michalski Turner, Michelle Michalak, and Linda Rose. The HERALD-INDEPENDENT, Monona/Cottage Grove had pictures 3/17 & 3/24/16 issues of Gloria Welniak (front pg.) & Ted Ceplina.
See Irena Fraczek's pictures on our club's website

If your name was inadvertently left out, please contact Linda 244-2788 for listing in next newsletter. Those pictured in **BOLD**.

WIANKI: Basia Pulz (Irena Fraczek photo)
MUSICIANS: Patricia Stone & Tom Wosikowski
PISANKI (eggs) demonstrators: Andrea Rolich & **Ted Ceplina** (photo from his website)
BAKERY: Mary Ann Reale, Maxine Cuta, Alice Kvalheim, Barbara Lomperski, Bev Priefer, Joan Rubens, Karleen Tyksinski, Janice Zmrazek
BOOKS & CHILDREN'S TABLE: Irene Swiggum



CHECKOUT/WRAPPING:



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Allan Patek
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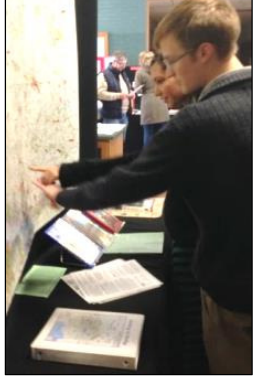
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POTTERY: Jane Dunn

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SETUP/CLEAN UP : Skip Benninghouse, Linda Cagle, Jane Dunn, Ania Felcyn, Alice Kvalheim, Butch & Dorey Luick, Ken Martin, Rose Meinholz, Marge & Paul Morgan, Diane Pillsbury, Mary Ann & Richard Reale, Marie Revolinski, Andrea Rolich, Laurie Ross, Irene Swiggum, Gloria Welniak, Janice Zmrazek, Julita & Ryszard Zolnik



FLOATERS: Linda Cagle, Linda Rose
KITCHEN: (I.Fraczek photo) Butch Luick, **L-Skip Benninghouse**, Phil Flannery, Ken Martin, **R-Paul Morgan**, Judy Nelson, Ralph Tyksinski

PUBLICITY: Diane Michalski Turner, Michelle Michalak, Gloria Welniak, Linda Cagle.

SILENT AUCTION: Gloria Welniak. **WINNERS:**
Brian Burquist: Handblown Glass Vase and Gourmet Gift Basket
Michelle Dayton: Polish Palm Centerpiece in wood box
Norine Vedeges: Polish Kilim Tapestry

TRANSPORTERS: Butch Luick, Jane Dunn, Linda Cagle, Dorey Luick, Gloria Welniak, Julita and Ryszard Zolnik.

VOLUNTEER CALLING: Linda Rose

MEAT/ PIEROGI: Marge & Paul Morgan
PLATE LUNCH SALES: Tedd Mianowski
PUNCH TABLE, BUS TABLES, etc. Diane Pillsbury

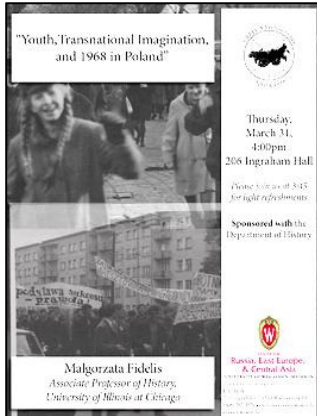


UW-Madison CREECA

206 Ingraham Hall, 1155 Observatory Dr.

31 March. 4 pm Malgorzata Fidelis:

Youth, Transnational Imagination, and 1968 in Poland



"What were the Sixties like behind the Iron Curtain? Were state socialist societies isolated from pivotal political and cultural upheavals of the era or did they develop ways to connect to the increasingly globalized world? This lecture explores student and youth demonstrations in Poland in March 1968 as a manifestation of the global youth culture of the 1960s. Such interpretation

should not surprise anyone familiar with scholarly and popular accounts of 1968 in the West. The Polish-language scholarship and collective memory, however, have increasingly depicted the Sixties student and youth unrest in strictly nationalist terms.

Meanwhile, documents and personal accounts from the time reveal that the events of March 1968, no doubt conditioned by the local context, also represented a transnational moment. Student cultural and political activity prior to & during the March rebellion encompassed many elements of Sixties youth culture across the globe including linking their actions to historical revolutionary movements, contemporary protests in other places, and anti-colonial revolutions in the Third World. Students also employed global youth strategies such as rallies, sit-ins, satire, & performance. They evoked concepts of solidarity and authenticity. But the power of global imagination could work both ways. Ironically, the party-state also used transnationalism as a powerful weapon to counter student protests and link them to foreign inspiration and national "enemies" within and outside Poland."

Malgorzata Fidelis is Associate Professor Department of History at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Her research focuses on social and cultural history, particularly everyday life and the relationship between individuals and state power, in post-1945 Eastern Europe. Her first book, *Women, Communism, and Industrialization in Postwar Poland* (2010), explores how communist leaders and society reconciled pre-communist traditions with radically new norms imposed by the communist ideology. [She] has been working on a college textbook *E. Europe: Peoples, Cultures, and Politics from the Middle Ages to the Twenty-First Cen."*

14 April 4 pm. The Theater of Public Life in the New Europe: Muffled Voices, Cries for Help, and Other Challenges

Play Circle, Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St.

26 April 7 pm. Compensation: A Liturgy of Fact—staged reading
30th Anniversary of Chernobyl nuclear power station disaster.
A play based on accounts of survivors and cleanup workers.

*past showing at UW-Madison: Nov. 8 Series *Tales from Planet Earth: The Babushtas of Chernobyl* (2015) ~ 200 people have moved back into the exclusion zone. Story of 3 unlikely heroines in the most toxic place "... who somehow manage to thrive amidst radioactive contamination that would prove terrifying to anyone else, the film proves a haunting sociological study."

Polish Films

Cosmos WISCONSIN FILM FESTIVAL

<http://wifilmfest.org/2016/index.htm>

Fri Apr 15 - 11:15 AM Cinematheque

Tue Apr 19 - 8:30 PM Sundance

France, Portugal | 2015 | 103 min

In French with English subtitles

Director: Andrzej Żuławski



"The highly anticipated first film in fifteen years, sadly became the last when the Polish maverick died in February at 75. Fortunately, *Cosmos* is as crazed and audacious a final salvo as one could hope for, proving the iconoclast auteur retained his edge to the last. No one else made movies as charged and uncompromised as this, and one can easily perceive the fifteen years' worth of ideas, energy, and sheer filmmaking brio Żuławski poured into this cinematic maelstrom. An adaptation of the famously "unadaptable" modernist novel by Witold Gombrowicz, *Cosmos* follows a vampirish intellectual named Witold and his hedonistic friend Fuchs to a wooded guesthouse in Portugal, where Witold aspires to write a great novel. But after discovering a dead sparrow hanging from a string in the garden, Witold becomes consumed by an ever-expanding array of bad omens, while simultaneously harboring a growing sexual obsession with the owners' comely daughter. The already feral film soon careens into a frantic web of paranoia & jealousy, delivered with incredible style. *Best Director, Locarno Film Fest.*"

17 Feb WARSAW Death of film director and writer Andrzej Żuławski (ahn-DRAY zhu-WOFF-skee) from cancer. He was born November 22, 1940, in Lwów, then part of Poland. After studies in Paris, he returned to Poland, and was an assistant to A. Wajda. Żuławski's *Possession* (1981), starring Isabelle Adjani and Sam Neill, was his only film released commercially in the US. NY Times critic J. Hoberman wrote, "His movies are seldom more than a step from some flaming abyss, with his actors (and audience) trembling on the edge. Typically shot with a frenzied, often subjective moving camera in saturated colors that have the over-bright feel of a chemically induced hallucination, these can be hard to watch and harder to forget." (*Possession* was shown in 2012 UW-Madison.)

Film News & Awards

15 - 16 Dec WARSAW and KRAKÓW - 21st century premiere of 1921

• *People with no Tomorrow / Ludzie bez jutra* (love affair between a Polish actress and a Russian cavalry officer).

3 Feb PARK CITY, Utah 2016 Sundance Film Festival Polish winners:

• *The Lure! / Córki dancingu* (mermaids) unique vision & design
• *All These Sleepless Nights / Wszystkie Nieprzespane Noce* (Warsaw art school classmates) director documentary

11 - 25 Feb BERLIN International Film Festival:

Dir/Screenwriter Tomasz Wasilewski Silver Bear for Best Script.

• *United States of Love / Zjednoczone stany miłości* (Poland, 1990. The first euphoric year of freedom, uncertainty.)

28 Feb LOS ANGELES, 2016 Academy Awards:

• *Son of Saul* (Hungarian, Yiddish, German) Best Foreign Film. October 1944, Auschwitz-Birkenau: Saul is member of the Sonderkommando, Jewish prisoners forced to assist the Nazis.
• *11 Minutes* (DIR: Jerzy Skolimowski) was Poland's nominee.
• *Bridge Of Spies* Mark Rylance (KGB agent Rudolf Abel) Best Supporting Actor. Dir. Steven Spielberg used Wrocław's Nadodrze's District to recreate the look of cold-war era Berlin.

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MEMBERSHIPS ARE FROM JAN 1 TO DEC 31 *Dziękuję!*

1.00 USD = 3.82 Zloty **IN THE NEWS** various sources

POLAND 2014: Average of 272 kg of municipal waste in 2014,
2nd lowest in the EU. Denmark highest with 759 kg/person.
2015: 10% drop in fruit exports, 19% in vegetables.
MEDICAL UNIV. GRADS >half leave Poland due to poor working
conditions & lack of specialization programs/limited internships.
83% of UK Polish students plan to return to Poland, up 7% from 2015.
UNEMPLOYMENT 10.3% in Feb vs. 10.3% Jan. vs. 11.9% on Feb. 2015.

Jan- Aug St. MAXIMILLIAN KOLBE relics travel Maryland - Canada.
8 Feb DÜSSELDORF, Germany - A Carnival Monday float showing
Poland's ruling party leader as a dictator caused shock in Warsaw.
10 Feb SZCZECIN, on Youtube - Tadeusz Lubiarz named his pet
squirrel Pitek, after the pipette used to feed him goat's milk.
11Feb WARSAW ~ 5,000 shopkeepers protested proposed retail tax.
PARLIAMENT approved by giving all families with two or more
children a handout of PLN 500 to encourage more children.

12 Feb CENTRAL BANK - New PLN 200 banknote in circulation.
15 Feb 2016 is year of tribute to 75th anniversary of the "Silent
Unseen, the Cichociemni" first parachuted into Poland.
Institute of National Remembrance (IPN) accepted Lech Wałęsa's
debate proposal over claims he was 1970s secret police informer.

19 Feb WARSAW - 7 writers declined 'Gloria Artis' medals due to
the "politicization of culture"+ "breaking democratic principles."
25 Feb KRAKÓW, Museum of Polish Aviation - Hopes to buy one
of 9 preserved Messerschmitt 109 G-6 WWII-era airplanes.

28 Feb - 8 May WARSAW, National Museum - "Anything Goes"
exhibition of ~300 works entirely curated by 69 children.
4 Mar A4 MOTORWAY - President Duda's limousine burst rear tire.
6 Mar BODO, a 13-part serial of best-loved film star/café owner.

10 Mar TYCHY, SW Poland - Polish Armed Forces used helicopters
to search for a missing drone MQ1 Predator.
11-13 Mar GNIEZO ~ 500 church leaders at convention *EUROPE OF
NEW BEGINNINGS The Liberating Power of Christianity*
12 Mar BIAŁOWIEŻA FOREST PLAN - Environmentalist in 11 cities
demonstrated against plan that would fell 300,000 cubic meters..
12-25 Mar WARSAW 20th Beethoven Easter Festival - "one of the
most prestigious fixtures in Poland's classical music calendar"
13 Mar NATIONWIDE Annual food drive had 25,000 volunteers.
14 Mar POZNAŃ, Adam Mickiewicz University A Professor was
attacked with a meat cleaver by a third year chemistry student.
15 Mar ZAKOPANE, Wielka Krokiew Ski Jump ~ PLN 6 million
[USD 1.5 million] allocated for updates in time for next year.
LONDON, Jozef Pilsudski Institute - The *Enigma Relay Exhibit*
includes workshops for local schools, lectures, a conference.
PRAGUE - President Andrzej Duda: "...every country should settle
its own sovereign affairs, "without having to listen to instruction
from European institutions or even other countries".
19 Mar Clare Hollingworth, 104, was 1939 UK correspondent who
reported the invasion, saw thousands of Wehrmacht tanks.
22 Mar BRUSSELS - 3 Poles injured in the explosions. LOT
diverted a flight bound for the Belgian capital to Dusseldorf.
23 Mar Prime Minister Szydło: "I do not see how Poland could
take on any immigrants in the present circumstances."
Previous plan was to take 7,000 refugees.
24 Mar RUSSIA - Destroyed 700 tons of smuggled Polish apples.
WARSAW, Cathedral of St John - Cardinal Kazimierz Nycz to wash
and kiss the feet of twelve elderly men.
28 Mar WARSAW Modlin Airport 4 flights diverted to Chopin Airport.
Police tracked the hoax call to a drunken house party.