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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings Everyone, A happy Polish-American Heritage month to all!

The leaves are turning color and I now have a pumpkin on my front porch which means it is autumn. But before the snow flies, I hope you'll join us for a trek out to Old World Wisconsin for a tour of the gardens and the Kruza House. Marcia Carmichael will be leading the tour of the flora. She is the author of *Putting Down Roots: Gardening Insights from Wisconsin's Early Settlers*.

Later this month is the Wisconsin Book Festival. It runs from the 19<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup>. On Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> author Doug Jacobson will give a presentation about his book *The Katyn Order*, a novel concerning an America named Adam Nowak who is dropped into Poland during the Warsaw Rising. He joins with an operative named Natalia and they seek out the Soviet order from 1940 which authorized the Katyn massacre. The presentation will be at the Veteran's Museum on the Square and the PHCWI will be hosting a reception.

Next month brings our annual Christmas Bazaar again out at the West Side Club. In addition, the Madison Polish Film Festival is set to return for its 21<sup>st</sup> year.

I hope to see you all at one or all of these events.

John Benninghouse

# Oct 7 reservations are due for the club's Sat Oct 15 tour of Old World Wisconsin.

See the insert for details. Please call Barb Lomperski or Marie Revolinski if you have any questions. We hope you can join us!

# For suggestions about celebrating see: **PolishAmericanHeritageMonth.com**

Chairman's Message Heritage Month 2011 Update Things to Do During Polish American Month 2011 Coloring Contest Information How to Sponsor a Coloring Contest 2011 Press Release How to Sponsor An Essay Contest in Your Local Community Maps (Poland and Europe) Tracing Your Heritage Worksheet Heritage Month Posters Pride in Our Heritage Article



Do you need a ride? Oct 7 PHCWI Breakfast Friends At 9am 1<sup>st</sup> Fri of the month please join us at Monona Garden Restaurant 6501 Bridge Rd. Barb/Mike Lomperski (608) 238-9189.

#### Oct 22 WI BOOK FESTIVAL *The Katyn Order* Sat 12:30-2 pm reading and discussion by author Doug Jacobson from Elm Grove, WI and a PHCWI Display and Reception.

**Nov 5 Polish Bazaar** If you would like to help & have not yet been contacted, please call Barb Lomperski 238-9189. New this year, for the raffle, artist &PHCWI member **Gloria Welniak** donated an octagonal table topper, 35" x 45" - original design using a traditional rail fence pattern, machine pieced & quilted, holiday-themed fabrics in teal, navy, cream and burgundy. *Come enjoy this annual event!* 

### Polish Related Events Madison & Area: OCTOBER IS POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

alt. Wed or Thur 7-9pm Polish Table -"Polski Stół" UW Rathskeller Elliot Bartz polishbuckybadger@gmail.com 9 am PHCWI Breakfast Friends Monona Garden Restaurant 6501 Bridge Rd. Barb/Mike 238-9189 Oct 7 Fri Oct 15 Sat 10:30 Tour of Gardens at Old World WI with author Marcia Carmichael S. of Eagle on Hwy 67 Oct 21 Fri 8 pm UW-Madison Martha Fischer & Tyrone Greive recital -Szymanowski & others Mills 455 N.Park Oct 21-2 F-Sat WI Chapter of Assoc. of Teachers of Slavic & E. Europe Languages UW-Madison Oct 22 Sat 1-2 pm WI BOOK FESTIVAL Katyn Order Doug Jacobson + PHCWI Reception 30 W. Mifflin St Oct 27 Thur 4 pm "Party Politics in Hell: Jewish Armed Resistance during the Holocaust" 206 Ingraham Hall Nov 5 Sat 9-3 pm PHCWI Christmas Bazaar at West Side Club 437 South Junction Road Nov 9 Wed 7 pm PHCWI Book Group discusses 1944 Warsaw Rising at Kasia's 836-8632 3209 Highland Ct. 7 pm Skolimowski's ESSENTIAL KILLING UW-Madison Cinemateque Vilas Hall 821 Univ. Ave. Nov 12 Sat 4pm ".... Polish Writers' Diaries from Occupied Warsaw 1939-45" 206 Ingraham Hall 1155 Observatory Dr. Dec 1 Thur Dec 10 Sat PHCWI Wigilia at Zor Shrine Temple RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

#### Chicago:

OCT 14 – 20 BATTLE OF WARSAW by Jerzy Hoffman in 3D American Premiere Muvico 18 Rosemont, IL



Oct 47<sup>th</sup> Chicago International Film Festival 10/14 & 15 George the Hedgehog *Jez Jerzy*, 10/ 14, 16 & 18 The Mole *Kret* Nov 4-20 Polish Film Festival in America www.pffamerica.com/index\_en.htm

#### Milwaukee:

- Oct 9
   Sun
   Norway House
   POLANKI'S Soup Festival http://www.polanki.org/
   Space is Limited & By Reservation Only!

   Nov 13 Sun
   Award to Maj. Jędrzejczak 10:30 am Mass St Maximilian Kolbe
   12/1:30 luncheon at Polish Center

   Nov 18 20
   WI State Fein Park
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- Nov18-20 <u>WI State Fair Park</u> Holiday Folk Fair www.folkfair.org/

Polish Center of WI 6941 S 68th St Franklin, WI Tel: (414)529-2140 http://www.polishcenterofwisconsin.org/

Oct 3 Mon 7:30 pm *Philomusica String Quartet* \$12-22 "the newly established Philomusica Quartet continues to bloom"

Oct 23 Sun 12-4 pm Family Day - arts and crafts, storytelling, games, food, Syrenka Children's Polish Folk Dance

- Nov 4 Fr 7 pm *Polish Vodka Tasting* + buffet of Polish and American foods. \$23/\$25, designated drivers \$15
- Nov 13 Sun 7 pm Mostly Polish Music \$10/12

#### Minnesota:

Winona Polish Cultural Institute Polish Cultural Institute102 Liberty St. (507) 454-3431 http://polishmuseumwinona.org/Oct 9 Sun12-4 pm Apple FestivalSmaczne Jablkafood, music, raffle, wycinanki, Polish movie, crafts

From the Polish-American Journal and *www.polishsite* - A website about Polish Culture **October - Polish American Heritage Month OCTOBER** październik - from *paździerz* - tow, wooden dry part remained from flax or hemp

- 1 1608 First Poles arrive to work as skilled craftsmen at settlement in Jamestown, VA
- 3 1923 Birth of Minnesota Orchestra conductor Stanislaw Skrowaczewski in Lwów
- 4 1911 Birth of bandleader Frank Wojnarowski, composer of "Matka"
- 1882 Birth of Karol Szymanowski, Polish composer, in Timoshovka, Ukraine
- 7 1944 Founding of the Marie Curie-Sklodowska Institute in Lublin
- 11 1779 Pulaski Day in honor of death of Casimer Pulaski, 34, Polish-born American patriot
- 12 1840 Birth of Helena Modrzejewska, Polish American stage actress, in Krakow http://www.helenamodjeska.net/
- 15 1817 Death of **Thaddeus Kosciuszko**, 71, (b.1746) Polish and American patriot, in Solothurn, Switzerland 1945 Poland signs UN Charter, and is considered one of the five founding member states
- 16 1886 Birth of David Ben-Gurion, 1st Prime Minister of the state is Israel, in Plonsk, Poland
- 17 1777 Americans win Battle of Saratoga. Victory is credited in large to engineering feats of Tadeusz Kosciuszko
   1849 Death of Polish composer and pianist Fryderyk Chopin, 39, in Paris
- 18 1776 Thaddeus Kosciuszko, 30, Polish & American patriot, commissioned in the American Revolutionary Army
- 22 1978 Cardinal Karol Wojtyla of Krakow, Poland is installed as Pope John Paul II, the 264th Pope

### BOOKS

### Oct 19 – 23 10th WISCONSIN BOOK FESTIVAL



The Wisconsin Book Festival is a free, five-day program of public events that takes place every October in downtown Madison. A special project of the Wisconsin Humanities Council, is the state's largest literary festival, drawing thousands of attendees annually. This year's theme is.....



From the baby's first cry to the priest's last rites, from the

town crier to the traveling troubadour, the author, the poet, the scribe, the translator, the singer, the songwriter and the radio DJ, it is our voices, both literal and literary, that bring us together to share and connect, articulate and express, celebrate and defend, object and encourage. Join us in celebrating the tenth anniversary of the Wisconsin Book Festival. Our theme this year is "Voices".

2011 Featured Programming Streams - Voices from War

Stories of war are some of the oldest stories told. From a beautifully illustrated journal of wartime Scandinavia during World War II, to a gay soldier's memoir of his time in Iraq, the authors featured in this powerful programming thread add their voices to an age-old conversation. We invite you to join them. Authors include:

- \*Albert Jaern, Richard Quinney, Solveig Schavland, Kathleen Stokker: And Then Came the Liberators
- \*Jeremi Suri: Liberty's Surest Guardian: Nation Building from the Founders to Obama
- \*Bronson Lemer: The Last Deployment: How a Gay, Hammer-Swinging Twentysomething Survived a Year in Iraq
- \*Douglas W. Jacobson: The Katyn Order
- \*Col. Matthew Moten, John Hall, Edward Coffman, Joseph Glatthaar: *Between WarPeace: How America Ends Its Wars*

#### The Katyn Order: Jacobson <u>Saturday, October 22</u> | 12:30PM - 2:00PM Wisconsin Veterans Museum 30 W. Mifflin St.

Sponsor: McBooks Press **Presenter(s):** <u>Douglas W. Jacobson</u> American Adam Nowak is dropped into Poland by British intelligence during the Warsaw Rising where he meets Natalia, a covert operative. Amid the Allied power struggle left by Germany's defeat, they join in a desperate hunt for the 1940 Soviet order authorizing the murders of 20,000 Polish army officers and civilians. Meet the author of this new historical thriller and share your interest in Polish history. **The event will be accompanied by a display and reception by the Polish Heritage Club of WI.** Bookseller: Wisconsin Veterans Museum

Category(s): Fiction, History, International, Wisconsin Ties

Our Polish Club nominated Doug Jacobson for the Festival. He provided trivia questions for their annual Trivia Contest/Book Give Away. Enter the contest and win the book, or better yet, join us for Doug's reading, buy a book, and enjoy our club sponsored reception!

Doug was also a presenter at the 2009 WI Book Festival about his book NIGHT OF FLAMES, which begins with the Sept. 1939 invasion of Poland. Both of his books are on the POLISH AMERICAN JOURNAL'S list of ......

100 Polish-Related Books "In keeping with the 100th anniversary theme [of the PA Journal], here are 100 books about Poland, Poles, Polish Americans, by Poles and Polish Americans, and more. Keep this as a handy guide when deciding titles for the PolAm book collector in your family."
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"Jacobson follows his debut, NIGHT OF FLAMES, with another solid WWII thriller. The author makes the bloody fight for Warsaw both exciting and suspenseful... the saga of the brave men and women of the Armia Krajowa who must first battle the Germans and then the Russians [is] the heart of the story." —Publishers Weekly (March 16, 2011)



THE KATYN ORDER, and others, will be discussed at the **Nov 9 PHCWI Book Group discussion about the 1944 Warsaw Rising.** Kasia Krzyzostaniak is hostess (608) 836-8632 at her home - 3209 Highland Ct.

<u>The South Central library System has these books....</u>
Bialoszewski, Miron -A memoir of the Warsaw Uprising
Ciechanowski, Jan - The Warsaw Rising of 1944
Davies, Norman - Rising '44 : the battle for Warsaw
Jacobson, Douglas - The Katyn Order : a novel (2011)
Zawodny, J. K. - Nothing but honour : the story of the
Warsaw Uprising, 1944 (1978)

#### see WARSAW RISING http://www.warsawuprising.com/.

"The Warsaw Uprising of 1944 — a heroic and tragic 63-day struggle to liberate World War 2 Warsaw from Nazi/German occupation. Undertaken by the Home Army (Armia Krajowa, AK), the Polish resistance movement, at the time Allied troops were breaking through the Normandy defenses and the Red Army was standing at the line of the Vistula River. Warsaw could have been one of the first European capitals liberated; however, various military and political miscalculations, as well as global politics — played among Stalin, Churchill and Franklin D. Roosevelt— turned the dice against it."

RESOURCES: Articles, Maps, Photos, Photo Albums, 60th Anniversary Books, Documents, Videos, Games



# **CLUB EVENTS & MEMBER NEWS**

SUNSHINE CORNER! Stoneczny Kącik

You are welcome/encouraged to share your news, celebrations, birthdays, & anniversaries by notifying: <u>Basia Pulz (608) 767-2921 or Jane Dunn 831-8827</u> 10/5 Steve Falconer, 10/7 Zygmunt Kosowscy 10/29 Ewa Verhoven **Sto lat!** 

*Sept 10* A group of about 50 gathered to wish Professor **Waclaw Szybalski** a happy 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

with son-in-law Larry, dtr. Barbara, sister-in-law Nancy



Jan Miernowski and Jacek Gan told about the 1920 Battle of Zadwórze ("the Polish Thermopylae") near his hometown of Lwów, and about Dr. Szybalski's scientific accomplishments and assistance given to fellow Poles. Tyrone and Janet Greive played pieces arranged for the violin and cello:

Sarabanda and Couranto by Heinrich Döbel (c.1651-93), Nocturne in E-Flat Major, op. 9, no. 2 by Frederic Chopin (1810-49) - Pablo de Sarasate (1844-1908), Grande Valse Brilliante, op. 18 by Frederic Chopin and Caprice in C Minor, op. 10, no. 1 by Henryk Wieniawski (1835-1880). Thank you to all who brought food and helped with this event! See also...9/20/11 UW-Madison News Releases

MADISON GENETICIST LOOKS BACK ON CROWDED, STELLAR CAREER www.news.wisc.edu/releases/16886



Thank you to Tom Peczerski for these photos.

### Oct/Nov visit Goose Pond/Lapinski Prairie?

Our July/Aug Newsletter told about the Lapinski Family, and the Lapinski-Kitze Prairie at Madison Audubon's Goose Pond Sanctuary. During October and November migration time, swans, shorebirds and several thousand geese and ducks can be seen. **Mike Lomperski** (608) 238-9189 and Elsie Lapinski invite interested club members to join them if you'd like to visit. A public Scope Day is Sun Oct 23 in the afternoon, weather permitting. Goose Pond is ~ an hour N. of Madison, south of Arlington at Hwy 51, 60 and 22.

#### From Madison's weekly ISTHMUS Critics Choice:

Sun 9.18 MIKROKOLEKTYW "Made up of a trumpeter & a drummer with a penchant for electronic rhythm loops, this Polish avant-jazz duo..creating a stir across Europe." Wed 9.21 DIKANDA "Armed with accordians, fiddles and guitars, this Polish five-piece plays traditional Eastern European songs, gypsy melodies and orginal tunes inspired by the folklore of their homeland." Fri 9.23 Frank Glazer played Chopin Farley's House of PianosBorn in Chester, Wis., in 1915 raised in Milwaukee The WI STATE JOURNAL's Gayle Worland interviewed DIKANDA'S Ania Witczak (pronounced veechia), vocalist and accordion player, who gave this "Tip for Madison audiences: Accept our gratitude and joy, that we can meet you in your city, and send us smiles when we will be on the stage." Were you able to attend any of these music events?

#### Were you able to attend any of these music events? Reports are welcome!

**Oct. 11 is the launch party** for PHCWI member **Joan Peterson's** EAT SMART IN NORWAY. At the Cardinal Bar 418 E. Wilson St. 5-7pm is a Norwegian smørbrød, and beer on tap, then live jazz at 8:30. Joan's EAT SMART IN POLAND (2000) is still available. "Poland is quickly becoming one of the great travel destinations of Europe. I hope everyone who decides to visit Poland will take a copy of Eat Smart in Poland. It picks up where almost every other guidebook about Poland seems to stop. There's history, a regional food guide, recipes and a guide that would help visitors to Poland make just the right selections from a menu. A keeper."—Sophie Hodorowicz Knab, author of Polish Customs, Traditions and Folklore

#### Nov 5 is the club's the Polish Christmas Bazaar

9 am – 3 pm at the West Side Club 437 S. Junction Rd, just west of the Beltline at Mineral Point Rd. The Bazaar is open to the public with free admission, free parking and it is handicap accessible. Come enjoy the beautiful Polish arts and crafts, including Wycinanki (Polish paper-cutting art), holiday ornaments and decorations, amber jewelry, Opłatek (Christmas Wafer), imported toys, Polish Boleslawiec (bowl-eh-suave-ee-ets) Pottery, and much more. There will be demonstrations for making Wianki (floral head wreaths) and guest participation at the Wycinanki table. See displays of Polish nativity sets (Szopka), and choinkas (Christmas trees). Come and enjoy a Polish atmosphere to start your holiday shopping. Listen to Polish and English carols, learn to create personal Christmas cards, head wreaths and other Polish Christmas customs and traditions. Polish lunches, beverages and baked holiday goods will be for sale at the event. Santa Claus will be there for visits with the children from 11am – 1 pm. Bring your cameras! If you would like to help and have not yet been contacted, please call Barb Lomperski (608) 238-9189.

Sept 2012 Poland Trip Butch Luick and committee are working on a club trip to Poland. Tomasz Borowiecki – Warsaw, Patricia Brinkman – Gdańsk, Julie Brania – Kraków.

### A new Polish experience - an unexpected visit to the University Hospital in Krakow!



By Judith Rapacz

Our annual trip to Europe took us to Switzerland and then by car through Austria and Slovakia into Poland. As we entered Poland we witnessed several church processions, people singing, accompanied by a band in celebration of Corpus Christi, a Catholic holiday in Poland. We arrived in Lubień, Jan's hometown – which is half way between Krakow and Zakopane. We met our family arriving from Krakow for the weekend. The next day, Friday June 24<sup>th</sup>, we celebrated Jan's Name day as well as his 84<sup>th</sup> birthday with friends and family.

The following day early morning I managed to dislocate my hip prosthesis. I sent a SMS to Jan Jr. next door – HELP! I dislocated my hip joint. He thought first that it was a joke, however appeared quickly at our door. Due to my previous experiences, I always travel with my pair of crutches, and so I managed to get to the car and Jan Jr. and son Michal drove me to the Emergency at the University Hospital in Krakow (50 km – 30 mi). A doctor, speaking perfect English, interviewed me and then sent me for X-rays, which confirmed the dislocation. It was a busy morning in the emergency room and finally at 1pm I was taken to the operating room where under a light anesthesia the doctors manually relocated my hip joint.

Unlike here in Madison, they were not familiar with leg braces and so I was admitted to the Hospital, unable to get out of bed for 4 days. It takes about 6 weeks to walk without crutches. Since I still had my leg brace from my previous dislocation a year ago at our home in Florida, my neighbors in Fort Myers shipped the leg brace to Krakow. The brace keeps the leg in proper position and enables me to walk. An ambulance transported me to Jan Jr's. home, up 4 flights of stairs. I was homebound until the brace arrived the following Monday.

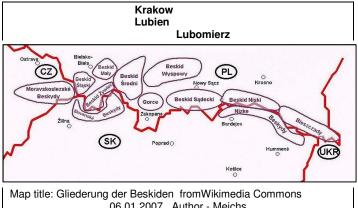
The Hospital stay was a new experience (Canada, USA, Switzerland) and now Poland. The iron beds & cabinets are ancient, however, the care was excellent. I was in a room with 4 other ladies and could observe the nurses and staff at their work. Going from patient to patient they used good hygiene, worked quickly, were competent and extremely hard working on 12 hour shifts.

The day began at 5am. The lights go on and a nurse brings a bowl of warm water to each bed so you could wash yourself. You are required to bring your own

towels and soap and of course toothbrush and paste. Then the nurses return and stretch the sheets, covers, and shake the pillows, so you appear well for the doctor's visit. The first visit is about 7:30 am – there are at least 6-8 doctors, head nurse and therapist. It still is a hierarchy with the professor being the head of the team. At 8:30 is breakfast, which consists of either a hot cup of cream of wheat or oat soup, 3 slices of bread, butter and either white or yellow cheese and tea, milk, café or hot chocolate. Mid-morning is another doctor's visit with your doctor, head nurse and therapist where they discuss the procedures of the day for each patient. Lunch is served about 12:30, which is fairly simple with a good cup of soup, potatoes, meat and fruit compote. The evening meal is again 3 slices of bread, butter and either white or yellow cheese, a ham or luncheon meat and tea. No desserts – once we got a couple of tea cookies. Around 8pm the nurses come, and if necessary change sheets, give you a back rub, medications and a sleeping pill if requested.

The Traumatology unit had 6 rooms with a total of 30 beds. There were mainly emergency cases, such as broken arms, legs etc. There were only 2 wheelchairs for the 30 patients, so those that could manage to go to the bathroom always had to wait until a nurse could retrieve one of the chairs. Therefore my mission is to collect funds to purchase 2-3 wheel chairs at the cost of Zł 800, equal to about ~ US \$ 300. The chairs are produced in Belgium, but assembled in Poland so this will also support the Polish economy. If you care to contribute you may send a check to me at 5701 Tolman Terrace, Madison, WI 53711 – every dollar counts. I just received the bill for my 4-day stay at the hospital - Zł 969 = \$ 350.

After receiving the leg brace I was able to walk, and we moved to a rehabilitation facility in Lubomierz, about 20 km south-east of Lubień, in the Beskid mountains.



06.01.2007 Author - Meichs The Beskids are ~ 600 km X 50–70 km. mainly along the S. border of Poland, far E. Czech Republic, N. Slovakia, and in W.Ukraine. They are part of the Carpathian Mountain Range which forms an arc south toward Romania. - *WIKIPEDIA* 

The rehabilitation facility, which is equivalent to a nursing home/rehabilitation facility in the US, accommodates folks staying short and long term, depending on their need. The facility is called "Dom Seniora" = home for seniors and is privately run. It is a 20 room facility with single and double rooms. The building was converted from a school and has been in business for 3 years. Clearly it serves people with higher incomes -people were mostly from the Krakow area. It is owned by 2 doctors and is run by a director. There is a registered nurse, 2 nursing assistants and two cooks, working 12 hour shifts. It is very hard work as they have to feed several individuals, change beds and provide medication. Yet in the afternoon some of the staff members played music, and Jan was always active singing and dancing, and enjoyed the environment and the familiarity of his native culture.

The building sits at the bottom of a hill surrounded by mountains covered with fir, spruce, beech, pines, larch, birch and hazelnut trees. Along the road are lots of flowers visited by busy bees and butterflies, a very tranguil surrounding with the sound of birds and the babble of a crick that winds back and forth along the road and brings water from the mountains – the water is very clean. Occasionally we heard the sound of a dog, cow, sheep or chicken on a nearby farm. We took daily walks, and always enjoyed a second breakfast with wild strawberries and blueberries. At the rehabilitation facility we had 3 meals a day and snacks mid-morning and mid-afternoon. My focus was mainly on exercising and daily walks to strengthen the leg muscles again. Both the hospital and the rehabilitation stay were good experiences. Comparing it to other countries, clearly the USA offers the most luxury, and we wonder why our healthcare is so expensive.

Since I was not able to drive the distance from Poland to Switzerland by myself after a 4 week holiday in Poland, Jan Jr. drove us to Vienna, and my brother arrived by train in Vienna and drove us to Zürich. On the way we visited one of the largest Flower and Orchid Nursery in Bavaria, and after a short stay in Switzerland, we returned to Madison for the remainder of the summer.

Thank you, Judith for this informative story about your travels and health care experiences in Poland. It is good to read about your recovery, and we wish you good health back in Madison!

Your travel and other Polish remembrances are welcome! Please call Rose Meinholz, EDITOR 233-3828 or send email to meinhoch@hotmail.com.

# **BLESSED JOHN PAUL**

**October 22** is Blessed John Paul's feast day in Rome and the dioceses of Poland. Until he is canonized a saint, other bishops have to file a formal request with the Vatican to receive permission to mark the feast day. It is the anniversary of his installation as the 264th Pope in 1978.

**Oct.4, 1979** Living History Farm Des Moines, Iowa -Over 300,000 people came to hear and see Pope John Paul. He told them "To all of you who are farmers and all who are associated with agricultural production, I want to say this: the Church highly esteems your work."

*In 1989 George Pollard* (b.1920 Waldo, WI d.2008 Kenosha) was commissioned to do the Pope's portrait. For this he received the Pontiff's Medal, an honor usually reserved for heads of state. His portrait painting career (over 5,000 portraits) began as a US Marine in the South Pacific (Tarawa and Truk). The WI Historical Society has four of his paintings, and a *Topics in Wisconsin History* story about him and his wife

*Sept. 30, 1998 PHCWI members Maxine Cuta* and her late husband Robert met the Pope and received a souvenir holy card that he blessed. After a greeting from a representative of each language in attendance in the huge plaza, the Pope replied in that language.



Then he spoke with the dignitaries on his left, and began greeting those to his right - people with wheelchairs and their helpers. Maxine knew their time was coming, and felt so overwhelmed about what to say. Finally it was their turn, and she said "Bóg zapłać" (May the lord repay you). The Pope replied in perfect English "May He do the same for you, my dear".

Sept 4, 2011 Calista Gingrich (born in Whitehall, WI) wrote: "Newt and I participated in the 32nd Annual Taste of Polonia Festival in Chicago, Illinois....As a Polish-American, it was a real thrill to celebrate with the Polish community in Chicago. We were also honored to share our docu-mentary, *Nine Days that Changed the World*, about Pope John Paul II at the festival in the beautiful Copernicus Theater. Pope John Paul II was the first Polish Pope elected to the papacy, and his pilgrimage to Poland in 1979 ultimately led to the end of Communism in Poland and Eastern Europe."

# **POLISH EVENTS**

# Sunday OCT 9, 2011

#### Winona, MN Apple Festival Smaczne Jablka



12 – 4 pm 102 Liberty & 363 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St

Food, music, raffle, wycinanki, Polish movie, crafts

Sponsored by the Winona Polish Cultural Institute. (507) 454-3431

#### POLANKI the Polish Women's Cultural Club presents..... Milwaukee 12<sup>th</sup> POLISH SOUP FESTIVAL

Norway House – 7507 West Oklahoma Avenue



~ TWO SEATINGS ~ (11 - 12:30) & (1 - 2:30) ~ BAKERY & POLISH BAZAAR ~ (11 - 3) \$11.00 Adults [4 soups] \$5.50 Children (10 & Under) [2 soups]

#### FEATURING A CHOICE OF SEVEN DELICIOUS AUTHENTIC POLISH SOUPS

NEW SOUPS FEATURED THIS YEAR INCLUDE: BIGOS - (Hunter's Stew) ZUPA KARTOFLANA - (Potato Soup) ZUPA OGÓRKOWA - (Dill Pickle Soup) ZUPA JARZYNOWA - (Vegetable Soup) ZUPA Z ZIELONEGO GROSZKU - (Fresh Green Pea) AND OUR ANNUAL FAVORITES CZARNINA - (Duck Blood) GRZYBOWA - (Mushroom) Each dinner includes rye bread, coffee/milk, dessert. Cash bar - a variety of Polish beers will be available

#### <u>Space is Limited & By Reservation Only!</u> No Reservations Needed To Shop the ~ AUTHENTIC POLISH BAKERY ~ ~ BAZAAR ~RAFFLE ~

For additional information about **TICKET ORDERS** email your Name, Address, City, State, Zip, Phone # to: POLANKI at: <u>polanki@polanki.org</u> Any questions, please call: (414) 541-2433 ALL SOUP TICKETS WILL BE HELD AT THE DOOR - TICKETS WILL NOT BE SENT VIA MAIL http://www.polanki.org/soupfestival.html



UW – Madison campus events

### Friday Oct 21 8 pm Tyrone Greive, violin and Martha Fischer, piano – Faculty Concert Series Mills Hall



Mosse Humanities Building 455 N. Park St. Free and unticketed. Szymanowski and others.

21-22 October 2011 AATSEEL-Wisconsin Conference American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages University of Wisconsin-Madison

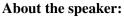
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# Thur Oct 27 at 4 pm CREECA LECTURE

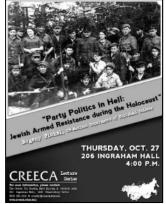
Party Politics in Hell: Jewish Armed Resistance during the Holocaust'' Evgeny Finkel, *PhD candidate*,

Department of Political Science, UW-Madison

Location: 206 Ingraham Hall - 1155 Observatory Dr. Sponsors: Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia, the Mosse/Weinstein Center for Jewish Studies



"Evgeny Finkel is a PhD Candidate in the Department



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# IN THE NEWS

Sept 9 Nowy Swiat Street in Warsaw is Poland's most expensive shopping street - annual rent of 1,020 euros per square meter of shopping space (41st position in the ranking of 63 cities in the world). NY's Fifth Ave is the most expensive -16,704 euros per sqm. Based on Cushman & Wakefield's "Main Streets Across the World"

Sept 29 NY TIMES "36 Hours in Krakow, Poland" Oct 2011 NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC TRAVELER In preparation for the Euro 2012 soccer tourney "...its distinctive cities shine with stylish hotels" - Krakow "joins Prague and Budapest as Central European must-sees", Lodz "once a mighty textile producer [now] on the rebound" and Wroclaw "one of Poland's best kept secrets."

Sept 29 POLISH DAILY NEWS from a story by Alex Storozynski, Kosciuszko Foundation "On Sunday [Oct. 2] Polish-Americans will march up Fifth Avenue in honor of Gen. Casimir Pulaski, a hero who saved George Washington's life at the Battle of Brandywine. Yet ironically, if he were alive today, Pulaski would not be allowed to march in the parade without paying \$140 and applying for a visa. However, Lafayette & Von Steuben would be able to visit the United States for free because France and Germany are included in the Visa Waiver Program...It's est-imated that 7,000 Poles will be denied visas to the US this yr. The Visa Waiver bills: Rep. Quigley <u>H.R. 959</u>, Sen. Mikulski <u>S. 497</u>. http://www.thekf.org/events/poland\_visas\_what\_you\_can\_do/

*Oct 2 Sokolka, eastern Poland* Catholics gathered for a special Mass celebrating the 2008 communion wafer miracle.

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