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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Now that the warm and wet days of spring have gone, we can look forward to the hot and dry days of summer.

The PHCWI is working with CREECA to bring in the display of Polish Solidarity to the UW Memorial Library. I hope that everybody will be able to take the time to come and walk through the display sometime between July 3 & July 24. On Monday, July 16, there will be a lecture by Neale Pease, Professor of History, at UW-Milw., with a reception following. The PHCWI will be furnishing refreshments for the reception and will need volunteers to help with some Polish baked goods. If you could help us out, please let me know at 608-219-9842.

On Sunday, July 22, we will be having our picnic at Elver Park. Bring the children, grandchildren, friends & neighbors. I hope to see you there!

The Prez.
Butch Luick



9 am July 6
Polish Heritage Club Breakfast Friends
1st Friday at Monona Garden Restaurant
6501 Bridge Road, off the South Beltline.
Please call Barb if you need a ride 238-9189

In mid-July Grodziskie Beer will be on tap at Vintage Brewing Company 674 South Whitney Way. European Beer Guide quote: "Grodziskie was the only truly indigenous Polish beer style to survive in the second half of the 20th century." - PHCWI's FACEBOOK POSTING

Elver Park 1250 McKenna Blvd.

July 22 ANNUAL PICNIC FOR MEMBERS, FAMILY, & FRIENDS

It's picnic time, be sure to invite family, friends and potential new members! Elver Park has a playground, bring your children+grandchildren. Promote Polish traditions!

Time: 11 AM – 3 PM at Elver Park

From Madison's WEST BELTLINE: EXIT 255 to S. GAMMON RD. which becomes MCKENNA ~ 1 mile. Elver Park is on the R at the big curve.

Schedule:

10 am Setup starts – volunteers welcome!

11 am Start activities: music, cont. setup, grill

12 pm Potluck lunch - please bring a dish to pass according to your last name:

A-F Desserts

G-L Casseroles, hot dishes

M-R Potato salads, baked beans, cooked veg

S-Z Cold salads, raw veg, fruits, dips

After lunch Music, raffle drawings, games.

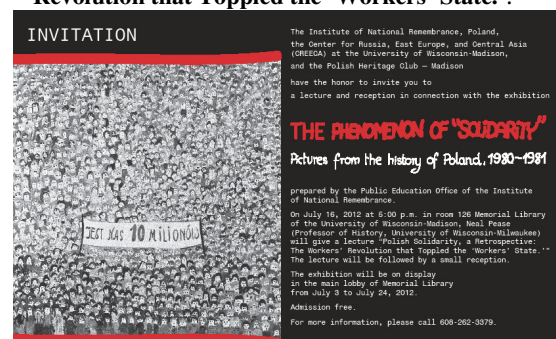
3 pm End of picnic and clean up

Your club provides: NEW THIS YEAR kielbasa & sauerkraut, + dishes, utensils, beer, soda, water.

*We appreciate help with the setup, serving and cleanup. Let us know how you can help, show up early or stay to help clean up. Dziękuję!

For more info. about the picnic, please contact:
Tomasz Borowiecki (734) 730-1155
Irene Swiggum (608) 249-6436

UW-Memorial Library 728 State St
July 3- 24 SOLIDARITY EXHIBIT
July 16 Lecture and Reception
"Polish Solidarity, a Retrospective: The Workers' Revolution that Topped the 'Workers' State.'"



Mark your calendars for this traveling exhibit. After Madison it returns to Warsaw. See inside

2012 Polish Related Events Madison & Area:

1st Friday 9 am PHCWI Breakfast Friends Monona Garden Restaurant 6501 Bridge Rd.
1st Sunday WI Dells 5 pm Mass in Polish ST. CECILIA's 603 Oak St (Polish Translator Iwona Pakos (608) 254-8381
 alt. W/Th UW-Madison Polish Student Assoc. "*Polski Stół*" Sebastian Jankowski (650) 714-9890 <https://win.wisc.edu/organization/psa>
July 3- 24 **The Institute of National Remembrance Solidarity Exhibit UW Memorial Library 728 State St**
July 5 Thur 7 pm Zulawski's *Possession* UW-Cinematheque, 4070 Vilas Hall 821 University Ave
July 11 Wed 2pm Book discussion of *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*, McFarland Library - 5920 Milwaukee St
July 16 Mon 5pm Solidarity Exhibit lecture and PHCWI reception Rm 126 UW-Memorial Library 728 State St
July 22 Sun 11-3 PHCWI Annual Picnic Elver Park 1250 McKenna Blvd.
July 24 Tue 7 pm PHCWI Book Group *Listen to the Music: The Life of Hilary Koprowski* at Kasia's 836-8632

Old World Wisconsin W372 S9727 Hwy 67 Eagle, WI (262) 594-6301 oldworldwisconsin.wisconsinhistory.org/
 Jul 22 Sun 10 -12:30 Kruza & Schottler Gardens Stroll with historical gardener Marcia Carmichael
 Aug 18 Sat 10am - 5 pm Polish Heritage Celebration 1-4pm book signing with Susan Gibson Mikos



October – Polish American Heritage Month – various events

Oct 15 Mon 7pm Lauren Redniss, "*Radioactive: Marie and Pierre Curie, A Tale of Love and Fallout*" UW-Madison Union South
Nov 3 Sat **PHCWI Christmas Bazaar West Side Club 437 S. Junction Road**
 Nov 7-11 WI Book Festival Date TBA for reading & reception for *Poles in Wisconsin* by Susan Gibson Mikos
 Nov/Dec Polish Film Festival UW-Madison
Dec 1 Sat PHCWI Wigilia – reservations needed

Portage County 2012 Polish Heritage Events from the Stevens Point Area Convention & Visitors Bureau

July 1 St Mary of Mt Carmel Fancher, <u>Amherst</u>	August 19 Sacred Heart Church Picnic, <u>Custer</u>
July 8 St Bronislava Parish Festival, <u>Plover</u>	August 26 St Mary's Parish Picnic, <u>Arnott</u>
July 14-15 St Mary's -Torun Picnic, <u>Stevens Point</u>	August 31-Sept 3 Portage County Fair, <u>Rosholt</u>
July 22 St Stans Church Picnic, <u>Stevens Point</u>	September 7-9 Pacelli High School Panacea, <u>Stevens Point</u>
August 5 St Adalbert's Church Picnic, <u>Rosholt</u>	September 14-15 <i>Dozynki</i> Harvest Fest, <u>Stevens Point</u>
August 12 St Bartholomew's Church Picnic, <u>Stevens Point</u>	

Other Polish related events from Ruth Lietz's Polka Calendar polkaruth@hotmail.com and others....

July 8 - Our Saviors Church Polishfest, <u>Mosinee</u>	Aug 19 St. John's Annual Polish Picnic, <u>Princeton</u>
July 14 Polish Heritage Days, <u>Armstrong Creek</u>	Aug 11-12 St. Therese Picnic, <u>Schofield</u>
July 19-22 Pulaski Polka Days, <u>Pulaski</u>	Aug 19 St Stanislaus Church Fest, <u>Rockford IL</u>
July 27-29 St Florian Parish Picnic, <u>Hatley</u>	Oct 13 St Therese Church Polish Fest, <u>Schofield</u>
July 29-Aug 9, 2012 Travel to Poland with the Blazonczyk Family & Stephanie Pietrzak belaire7208@aol.com	
Aug 10-21, 2012 Baltic Capitals Cruise with John Gora www.johngora.com	

Chicago:

Aug 31-Sept 3 *Taste of Polonia* Labor Day Weekend - music on 5 stages, Mass, arts & crafts Copernicus Center 5216 W. Lawrence
Polish Museum of America 984 N. Milwaukee Ave tel. (773) 384-3352 closed on Thursdays www.polishmuseumofamerica.org
 June 15-Aug 31 Exhibit for the Museum's 75th Anniversary
 Aug 12 Sun 2 pm Polish Genealogical Soc. Meeting. - Richard Kujawa discusses Paderewski + a tour of his room. Free parking.

Milwaukee:

October Sun POLANKI'S Soup Festival Norway House (414) 321-2637 7507 West Oklahoma Avenue
 Oct 26-8/Nov 2-4 "*Irena's Vow*" Renaissance Theater at Cardinal Stritch Univ. 6801 N. Yates Rd
 Nov 16-18 Holiday Folk Fair WI State Fair Park 1.800.884.FAIR 640 South 84th Street, West Allis
Polish Center of WI 6941 S 68th St Franklin, WI (414) 529-2140 <http://www.polishcenterofwisconsin.org/>
 July 13 Fri 7 – 10pm *Polish Beer Tasting* For more information call (414)-529-2140
 Sept 9 Sun 10 -4pm *Mushroom Madness* with the WI Mycological Soc. - demonstrations, speakers, & mushroom items.

Minnesota:

Aug 11-12 Sa-Su Twin Cities 10-10 & 11-6 *Polish Festival on the Mississippi Riverbank*
Winona Polish Cultural Institute 102 Liberty St. (507) 454-3431 <http://polishmuseumwinona.org/>
 Aug 15 Blessing of Flowers (Feast of Assumption) Oct 7 Apple Festival *Smaczne Jablka* Dec 2 *Oplatki Day*

CLUB & MEMBER NEWS



SUNSHINE CORNER! *Słoneczny Kącik*

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

7/4 Veronica Guski	7/18 Basia Pulz
7/4 Pearl Urbanowicz	7/25 James Mikolajczak
7/5 Walter Wartolec	7/26 Linda Ganski
7/8 Marcia & Phil Flannery Anniversary	
7/9 Emma Czarapata	7/27 John Benninghouse

March 29 **More Spring Festival publicity**.....

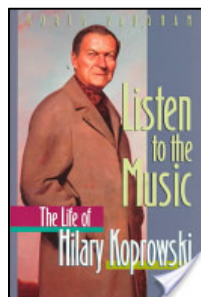
A.V. CLUB * Madison* showed a photo of feet on a scale titled "*BELLY UP Fill up on pierogi and Polish pride*" by Adam Powell: "The long-suffering Polish people were dealt some especially terrible cards during the last century, but one thing intense persecution fosters is really good comfort food. Sometimes tasty potato and dumpling preparations keep families from going completely mad in the face of insane conditions like having their country invaded, followed by Soviet annexation of parts of the motherland, and ultimately dire internal strife culminating in the declaration of martial law in 1981. The Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin in Madison is dedicated to preserving the social and cultural traditions..."

Your Club **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

May 16 – discussed the club's successful booth at Portage Co. Cultural Festival May 12 in Stevens Point, Buying Committee needs, and cancellation of the club's Sept. Poland trip.

June 20 – Welcomed **Linda Cagle** who was appointed to fill **Adam Grabski's** position, and planned for the July Solidarity Exhibit and Reception, July 22 Picnic and future events.

July 24 Tue **Book Group 7 pm** *Listen to the Music: The Life of Hilary Koprowski* b.1916 Warsaw. He "is the pioneer



of live polio vaccine, the first researcher to advance the diagnostic and therapeutic use of monoclonal antibodies, and the developer of the "gold standard" rabies vaccine. A world-renowned maverick in biomedical research, Koprowski's research methods were often considered controversial and even radical. Nonetheless, he acquired key positions in many research organizations

...One of his crowning achievements, the successful crusade for monoclonal antibodies, resulted in his founding of Centocor, a forerunner in the corporate world of biomedicine. This account of Koprowski's life history is a mixture of personal interviews, anecdotes, and legends of the art and science behind the man." - from amazon.com

Kasia Krzyzostaniak is hostess at her home 3209 Highland Ct, Middleton (608) 836-8632. *Please call if coming so she can set out chairs. The book is not in our Library system, but it is available from Amazon.com and others. Please call if you need a copy, we ordered several.

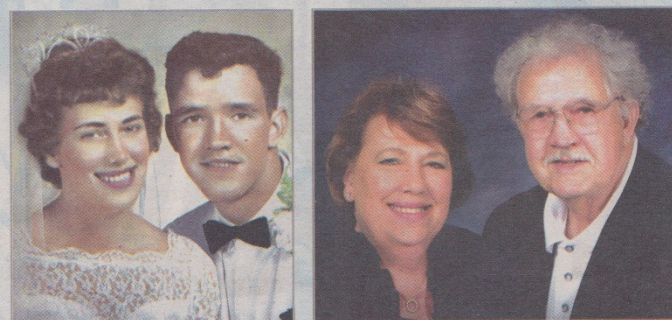
Nov 7 – 11 **WI BOOK FESTIVAL** *Poles in Wisconsin* Polish Heritage Club and WI Historical Soc. nominated author Susan Gibson Mikos is a presenter. We will sponsor a reception and display. **2012 FESTIVAL THEME: LOST & FOUND** Available July 2012 from the WI Historical Soc. Press and at Old World WI's Aug 18 Polish Heritage Celebration 1-4pm book signing.

Best wishes to all!



Very belated congratulations to Curtis and Rachel Wroblewski Hooten. Their Sept 10, 2011 wedding included a variety of Polish wedding customs. L to R: Joseph Pachura (uncle of bride), Cristie Pachura (aunt of bride), Ronald Wroblewski (father of bride), **Jean Wroblewski** (mother of bride/PHCWI member), Antonio Flores (ring bearer/nephew of bride), Curtis Hooten (groom), Rachel Wroblewski Hooten (bride) & PHCWI members: **Jane Dunn** (aunt of bride/), **Gerald Dunn** (uncle of bride), **Joan Spindler** (aunt of bride/), & Fred Spindler (uncle of bride), Jennifer Flores (sister of bride), and Art Flores (brother-in-law of bride).

Andy & Carol Stolarzyk Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary!



Andy and Carol (Lundquist) Stolarzyk are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They were married at Saron Lutheran Church in Ashland on May 19, 1962. They have 2 children, Michele (Wally) and Michael (Lynette) and 6 grandchildren, Cecelia, Keeley, Ella, Ava, Andro, and Mia. They will be celebrating their special day with family and friends.

Congratulations **Andy and Carol Stolarzyk** on their 50th !

Best wishes to **Szymon Wozniczka and Suzanne Mendoza** on their May 12th wedding at Monona's Immaculate Heart of Mary. Ania Field's photos are at www.aniafieldsphotoart.com.

SOME POLISH WEDDING TRADITIONS:

Greeting with bread & salt
Oczepiny - the unveiling and capping ceremony
Poprawiny – the party on the second day
Czepek dance - Money dance

Polish Wedding Traditions CD available from:
Polish American Cultural Center Museum
308 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106
Tel. (215) 922-1700



Together with the Polish Heritage Club - Madison, CREECA is pleased to announce that a unique exhibition of historical images documenting the Solidarity movement in Poland will be on display in the main lobby of Memorial Library on the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus from July 3-July 24, 2012. Admission is free, and visitors to the University of Wisconsin-Madison may acquire a library day pass on site.

"The Phenomenon of 'Solidarity': Pictures from the History of Poland 1980-1981," organized by the Institute of National Remembrance in Warsaw, Poland, commemorates the 30th anniversary of the founding of the movement and highlights formative moments in its history, such as the strikes of August 1980 and the enforcement of Martial Law in December of 1981.

In connection with the exhibition, on Monday, July 16, at 5:00 p.m. in room 126 of Memorial Library, Neal Pease, Professor of History at UW-Milwaukee, will give a public lecture: "Polish Solidarity, a Retrospective: The Workers' Revolution that Topped the 'Workers' State.'" At this event, members of the Polish Heritage Club (PHC) who were eyewitnesses to the Solidarity movement will also share their recollections of that tumultuous era. A light reception, sponsored by the PHC, will follow the lecture and discussion.

Since summer 2011, the traveling exhibition has been shown at universities, government institutions, and foundations throughout the US and Canada. Madison, Wisconsin will be its final North American stop before it returns to Poland in August 2012. The Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Polish Heritage Club - Madison are sponsoring the Madison showing.

The photographs offer a new perspective on the path leading to the creation of the Solidarity Trade Union, and provide an insight into the Union's relations with the communist regime, as well as the prevailing social sentiment towards the movement amidst pivotal political, social, and economic developments in Poland.

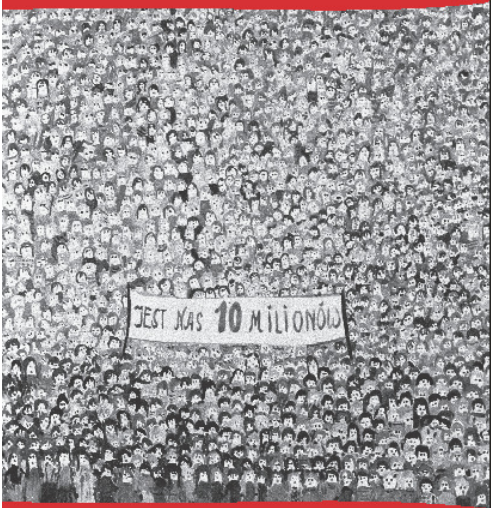
"The exhibition in Madison on the Solidarity movement is very timely," notes CREECA director Yoshiko M. Herrera. "The recent mass protests and government turnovers in the Middle East have been compared to 1989 in Eastern Europe, and one of the leading political movements taking a stand against authoritarianism and the erosion of civil liberties in Russia today calls itself "Solidarnost," taking its name directly from the Solidarity movement in Poland. The Phenomenon of 'Solidarity' will undoubtedly enrich our understanding not only of Poland's extraordinary history and society but also of other important unfolding events around the world."

We invite all to join us at the exhibition (July 3-24) and at the special lecture and reception on July 16!

For more information on this and other CREECA events, please call 608-262-3379 or send an email to info@creeca.wisc.edu.

For info. on accessing the exhibition at Memorial Library, please visit library's website: memorial.library.wisc.edu or call 608-262-3193.

INVITATION



The Institute of National Remembrance, Poland,
the Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia
(CREECA) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison,
and the Polish Heritage Club - Madison
have the honor to invite you to
a lecture and reception in connection with the exhibition

THE PHENOMENON OF "SOLIDARITY"
Pictures from the history of Poland, 1980-1981

prepared by the Public Education Office of the Institute
of National Remembrance.

On July 16, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in room 126 Memorial Library
of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Neal Pease
(Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)
will give a lecture "Polish Solidarity, a Retrospective:
The Workers' Revolution that Topped the 'Workers' State.'"
The lecture will be followed by a small reception.

The exhibition will be on display
in the main lobby of Memorial Library
from July 3 to July 24, 2012.

Admission free.

For more information, please call 608-262-3379.



July 16th Memorial Library Room 126 **"Polish Solidarity, a Retrospective: The Workers' Revolution that Topped the 'Workers' State.' Neal Pease, Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee** Admission: Free
Neal Pease is a Professor of History at UW-Milwaukee, where he has taught since 1983. His primary area of teaching and research interests are the history of Poland and East Central Europe, particularly the role of the Catholic Church in 20th century Poland. He is current president of the Polish American Historical Association. His most recent book, *Rome's Most Faithful Daughter: The Catholic Church and Independent Poland, 1914-1939* (Ohio, 2009) was named co-winner of the 2010 ASEES Kulczycki Prize for the best book in the field of Polish studies, and winner of the 2010 John Gilmary Shea Prize given by the American Catholic Historical Association for the best book in the field of Catholic history. A reception follows.

M-F 8am-9:45, Sa-Su 10-9:45. Lake Street Ramp is closest parking. Library's entrance is across from Univ Bookstore.

POLAND by Charlie Czaplewski



Poland is on the continent of Europe. It is the 7th largest country in Europe. Poland has mountains on the southern side. The Baltic Sea makes up Poland's northern border. Russia, Lithuania, Belarus and the Ukraine border on the east. Slovakia and the Czech Republic border on the south. Germany is on the western border. Poland has 9,000 lakes. There are more lakes in Poland than rivers.

There are 16 states in Poland. There are 379 counties or powiat (pronounced *povyat*) in Poland. I found a website that tracks genealogy of people from Poland by their last name. I did my interview with Marie Wrona and was able to find the exact counties that the Wrona family came from in Poland.

The capital of Poland is Warsaw, (pronounced Vashava). Warsaw is the largest city in Poland. It is located in the center of the country. Its population is 1.7 million making it the 10th most populous city in Europe. Poland has a population of 38 million.

Polish is the official language of Poland. There are 14 other languages spoken in Poland. Polish is a Slavic language and is similar to Russian and Ukrainian. There are 32 letters in the Polish alphabet: 9 vowels and 23 consonants. My last name, "Czaplewski" is pronounced (Cha-plev-skee).

Poland is a democratic republic with a Prime Minister as the head of government and two Houses (the Sijm and the Senate). The voting age is 18.

In May 2009, Poland's mandatory-military changed to a volunteer-military. Both men and women serve. There are 65,000 active troops in the Polish Army. The Navy has 14,300 and the Air Force has 26,126.

Poland played a key role in World War II. The Invasion of Poland began on September 1st and ended a month later on October 6th, 1939 with Germany and the Soviet Union divided the all of Poland. The German Nazis controlled Poland until 1945. There were 430 different kinds of camps spread across the entire country, including extermination camps, concentration camps, labor, and POW camps. A well-known death camp is Auschwitz (pronounced (OWSH-vits)). Approximately 5.7 million Poles died in WWII.

Soccer is Poland's favorite sport. It is as popular as American football. February 3rd, 2012 Poland completed construction of the new Warsaw National Stadium which cost 1.5 billion US dollars. Ice hockey and fishing are also popular.

Polish foods are different than American foods. Some traditional Polish foods are bigos (meat stew), galumpki (cabbage leaves stuffed with meat and rice), golonka (fresh ham and horse-radish), pierogi (dumplings), borscht (beet soup), sausages and babka (pound cake). My grandmother still prepares a traditional Polish meal every Sunday after church.

Poland has six seasons. They have an early cool spring and later spring which is warmer. Summer in Poland is the same as Wisconsin's - lots of rain and sunshine. They have two autumn seasons too - one is more sunny and warm, and the other is more foggy and humid. Poland's winter is the same as ours, cold and lots of snow.

<http://www.about-poland.com>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Poland>

Cuisine PL published by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland (2011)

Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago, Konrad Zielinski, Vice-consul (2012)

Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin-Madison (2012)

<http://www.moikrewni.pl/mapa/>

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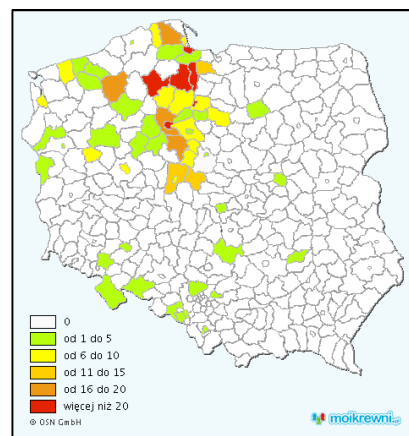
*Marie Wrona "currently lives in Littleton, Colorado with her daughter, Christine. She just celebrated her 90th birthday on January 24, 2012. She grew up in Chicago." Charlie used "Heritage Interview Questions" to learn about her home, family, growing up, ecreation/entertainment, food, school, occupations, transportation, and miscellaneous topics.

*To find family names in Poland he used:

<http://www.moikrewni.pl/mapa/> "Our cross-sectional map includes over 300 000 names and shows the distribution of your name in all the districts. Enter your name in the "Search" or click on the first letter of the name in the navigation bar."



CZAPLEWSKI Family



Amy Czaplewski thanked **Barb Lomperski** and other club members who loaned or gave materials for her son Charlie's 4th grade Poland project. She wrote: "Charlie's Poland presentation was a huge success!"

OLD WORLD WISCONSIN

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July 22 Sun 10 am–12:30 pm

Morning Heirloom Garden Stroll

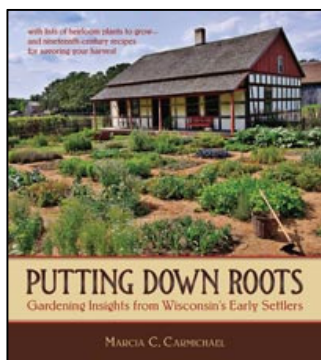
“Enjoy a special garden visit with historical gardener, Marcia Carmichael, author of "Putting Down Roots: Gardening Insights from Wisconsin's Early Settlers." Learn about immigrants from Poland and southern Germany, their gardening styles and traditions, and meet some of their favorite plants as we stroll through [the] Kruza and Schottler gardens. The tour will conclude at Caldwell Farmers' Club Hall with refreshments featuring flavors from the homelands of the gardens visited. Each Garden Stroll ticket includes one half-price museum admission ticket valid during the 2012 season.

Contact Info: Call 262-594-6301

Registration Deadline: 7/20/2012 at noon.

Tickets: \$15 (includes the garden tour, private reception, museum admission and an all-day tram transportation pass).

Download registration form for this event - or register online.
<http://oldworldwisconsin.wisconsinhistory.org/pdfs/Heirloom-Garden-Stroll-Registration-2012.pdf>



Copies of *Putting Down Roots* will be available for purchase and signing after the tour. The website has a registration form, plus links to interviews with Marcia Carmichael in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* and on WI Public Radio's Kathleen Dunn program.

The book was one of only five books selected for the American Horticultural Society's annual Book Award. “The judges' comments about "Putting Down Roots" included these: "an outstanding template for what other regionally oriented, historical gardening books should aspire to"; "[a] fascinating window into the courage, resourcefulness and adaptability of our immigrant past"; and "it is both fun to read and authoritative, with interesting illustrations, terrific recipes and informative notes. In "Putting Down Roots," Marcia C. Carmichael offers a window into the lives of our ancestors as she details numerous heritage plant varieties, authentic ethnic recipes, cultivation techniques and tools, and folklore tidbits employed in the kitchens and gardens of early Yankee, German, Norwegian, Irish, Danish, Polish and Finnish immigrants of Wisconsin.”

Old World Wisconsin documents the settlement of 19th- and early 20th-century Wisconsin. It comprises a 1870s crossroads village and 10 ethnic farmsteads located on 576 acres of wooded hills in the Southern Unit of Kettle Moraine State Forest. From Madison: Take I-94 east to WI-67 (Oconomowoc exit). Head south on WI-67 approximately 15 miles to Old World Wisconsin, following signs to the site.

August 18 Saturday 10 am–5 pm

Polish Heritage Celebration

“After Germans, Poles are the largest ethnic group in Wisconsin. Celebrate the heritage and customs of this storied immigrant group, beginning with the site's Kruza farmstead.

Then, stop in at the museum store from 1–4 pm for a book signing with Susan Gibson Mikos, author of the new Wisconsin Historical Society Press book, *'Poles in Wisconsin.'*

Tickets: Adults \$16; children (5-17) \$9 (children under 5 free) students and senior citizens (65 and over) \$14; family (two adults and two or more dependent children 5-17) \$43.

Fees include an all-day tram transportation pass.

Old World's Curator of Interpretation, Jennifer Van Haaften, reports that details are still being worked out at this time.

Contact Info: E-mail: oww@wisconsinhistory.org

Phone: for recorded information call 262-594-6300; during operating hours call 262-594-6301.

From the Society's information.....



POLISH AREA “Wisconsin's significant Polish population began arriving in the late nineteenth century. Many found employment in the cities. However, farm communities around Pulaski and Stevens Point soon became solidly Polish.

Kruza House Garden (1900) In the kitchen garden flavorful beds of produce include cabbages, caraway, celeriac and kohlrabi, while petunias weave their way through potatoes. Rosemary and myrtle, long associated with Polish wedding traditions, join flowers in a small garden along the path to the home's front door.”

Kruza House 1900 Hofa Park (Shawano County) – 1884.

“Built of pieces of stovewood laid in a bed of mortar, the structure sheltered an elderly immigrant couple. An attached room held their chickens. The Kaczorowski Outhouse was originally located on the neighboring Hofa Park farmstead. Built by a Polish farmer for his aging in-laws, the Kruza House stood within shouting distance of the larger farm-house Barbara and August Kruza had shared with their daughter's family. The house provided the elderly couple with privacy and a sense of independence, but with the security of having family nearby. Built circa 1884 in Shawano Co. the house is restored to its 1900 appearance. It embodies two distinctive European stylistic influences: its walls are built of stove-wood-length logs embedded in mortar; animals & the family were sheltered in separate rooms.”



MOVIES, TV



July 5 Thur 7 pm Cinematheque, 4070 Vilas 821 Univ. Ave
POSSESSION dir: **Andrzej Zulawski / Fr / 1981 / 127min.**
 is a 1981 French cult horror film starring Isabelle Adjani and Sam Neill. Former assistant of Wajda, Zulawski's films have received 16 international film festivals awards. He was born 1940 Lwów. *"Wildly perverse, rattlingly unpredictable, and criminally underseen in the US, Zulawski's baroque knockout is like nothing you've ever seen. An unhinged nightmare of sexual jealousy shot through with surrealist flourishes, this Eurohorror freakout makes Antichrist seem downright sane. Neill and Adjani (who won Best Actress at Cannes for her performance) star as a couple whose failing marriage devolves into a melee of psychosis and violence. "A head-spinning masterpiece!"* - Time Out New York

June 24 was the Chicago premier
TORN dir. **Ronit Kertsner / Israel / 2011 / Doc. / 52 min.**
 Romuald Waszkinel spent his childhood in Paslek, SE of Elblag and Gdansk. He went to the seminary in Olstyn, was ordained in 1966 in Frombork's Cathedral Basilica, studied at the Catholic University of Lublin, and continued work there in the Department of Philosophy. 12 years after he was ordained, his mother told him about his Jewish parents in Old Swieciany near Wilno, and that his name was Jacob Weksler. At age 67, he moved to Israel. "Currently, Fr. Weksler-Waszkinel is working at a Holocaust memorial in Jerusalem. He still has three years to come to a decision regarding Israeli citizenship. According to Ronit he has not yet officially left the priesthood." "The film follows his amazing journey: from conducting mass in a church in Poland to life as an observant Jew in a religious kibbutz in Israel. Romuald is torn between two identities, ...he is unable to renounce either, and therefore is rejected by both religions and the state of Israel. He is required to choose." Nominated for Best Feature Length Documentary Film, Israeli Documentary Forum Awards 2011.

July 19 WI Public Television, Channel 21 (11) Madison (repeat)
The Artful Gardener: The Legacy of Jan Vos From host Shelly Ryan: "May 7, 2012 marked the one-year anniversary of the death of Jan Vos, owner of Mayflower Greenhouse in Hobart (near Green Bay). Jan was a frequent guest on *The Wisconsin Gardener*, and my friend. Every year about this time, my step-mother Peggy and I would make the trek up to the Green Bay area to load up on plants for our containers. Jan made it more than a shopping trip - it was an event! We would wander the greenhouse with him, learning eagerly about the newest, the best and his favorites in the plant world. We'd share his great Polish cooking with his staff and friends, all of whom became practically family over the years. Jan was a very large part of my life and I miss him more with each passing day. ... We will share some of Jan's recipes on our website, including my favorite, White Borscht. We will also have a list of all the episodes of *The Wisconsin Gardener* that Jan appeared on, on our website. You can find those by going to wpt.org then click on *The Wisconsin Gardener*.

Do nastepnego spotkania - Until we meet again, Jan."

at Sundance for one week in May, now DVD
IN DARKNESS dir. **Agnieszka Holland / Poland / 2011 / 145'**
W CIEMNOŚCI Nominee - Best Foreign Language Film

IN THE NEWS from various sources

Milwaukee - The Basilica of St. Josaphat will get an A/C system this summer. The church, S. of downtown Milwaukee at 620 W. Lincoln Ave, was built in the late 1800s. Summer heat is difficult for older parishioners, and for maintenance of the gold leafing & murals. -4/8 MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL

May 20-21 Chicago NATO Summit Dr. Mark Pienkos-President of the Polish American Congress-WI, his brother Dr. Donald Pienkos -UW-Milwaukee Professor Emeritus & Ewa Barczyk-Pease - director of UW-Milwaukee Libraries & POLANKI President, met with Polish President Bronislaw Komorowski. This fall the Pienkos family plans to visit family in Rzeszow, Poland.
 - 6/14 LAKE GENEVA REGIONAL NEWS

May 21 Palos Heights, IL - death of Eddie Blazonczyk (bluh-ZON-check), age 70, "Polka King" leader of the Versatones: "Angeline Be Mine Polka" "Polka Hero." Eddie's parents, from the Tatras Mts. region, ran Chicago's Pulaski Ballroom at 18th and Ashland. Eddie played accordion and sang at picnics and ballrooms. His father ran a bar in Forest Co, WI and during High School in Crandon, WI Eddie started his first band, "Eddie Bell & His Hillboppers." He was known for the "Chicago sound" the bellow shake: a slower and more deliberate beat than most polkas. He performed on American Bandstand, won a 1987 Grammy for "Another Polka Celebration" and a 1998 National Endowment for the Arts Heritage Fellowship. His Versatones recorded over 60 albums and made over 6,000 appearances, including trips to Austria, Canada, France, Mexico & Poland. He often played at Pulaski Polka Days, Polish Fest and many other Wisconsin venues. Eddie Jr. led the band since 2002, until retiring in 2011. The Blazonczyk Family wrote: "The notes and letters that all of you are including in your cards are simply amazing. A true testament to the thousands of lives that Eddie touched."

June 1 President Obama sent a letter of regret over using the phrase "Polish death camps" during the May 29 ceremony awarding the Presidential Medal of Freedom to the late World War II freedom fighter Jan Karski. Polish President Bronislaw Komorowski said the letter is "a very important moment in the battle for historical truth."
June 12 Milwaukee's Common Council supported passage of the Federal Visa Waiver legislation H.R.3855 and S. 2046.

Euro 2012 June 14 Warsaw Thousands of Russian fans marched towards the National Stadium to mark Russia Day. 184 fans, including 156 Poles, 25 Russians, and three other foreign supporters, were detained...riot police used water cannon and fired tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse them.
June 18 Poland's national team manager Franciszek Smuda said he will resign at the end of his 3 year contract. Poland's loss to the Czech Republic was a huge disappointment. "This is the end of my adventure," he said. June 18 Construction workers blocked a road to the new Gdańsk soccer stadium, and shouted "thieves!" & "Hydrobudowa, give money for work."
Summer Olympics July 27-Aug 12 London "Some of Poland's top athletes are expected to be Tomasz Majewski (gold at men's shot put in Beijing), Piotr Malachowski discus thrower, Marcin Dolega weight lifter. The men's quadruple skulls rowing team is expected to do well also." - 6/2012 PAJournal

July 11 McFarland, WI Library (5920 Milwaukee St) 2pm

Book discussion of THE BOY IN STRIPED PAJAMAS by John Boyne pub. 2006 (240 pages), movie 2008

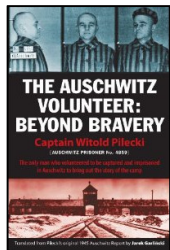


from amazon.com: "Berlin, 1942 - When Bruno returns home from school one day, he discovers that his belongings are being packed in crates. His father has received a promotion & the family must move from their home to a new house far far away, where there is no one to play with and nothing to do. A tall fence running alongside stretches as far as the eye can see and cuts him off from the strange people he can see in the distance. But Bruno longs to be an explorer and decides that there must be more to this desolate new place than meets the eye. While exploring his new environment, he meets another boy..."

trans. by Jarek Garlinski, foreword by Rabbi M. Schudrich

THE AUSCHWITZ VOLUNTEER Beyond Bravery

by Witold Pilecki pub. April 2012 from amazon.com:



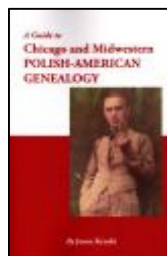
"September 1940. Polish Army officer Witold Pilecki deliberately walked into a Nazi German street round-up in Warsaw and became Auschwitz Prisoner No. 4859. He had volunteered for a secret undercover mission: smuggle out intelligence about the new German concentration camp, and build a resistance organization among prisoners...."

Genealogy Corner by Joanna Pasowicz

Hello once again. I am planning a trip to St. Adalbert's Cemetery in Chicago to take photos of headstones. I may also get the opportunity to do rubbings, as my niece's son-in-law can get the proper paper to use. While driving through the cemetery a few months ago, I was reading the Monuments as we passed and found many names of family on them. I never noticed that before, as I didn't have all the family names at that time. It will make for an interesting trip, as the area is where my Grandparents and sister and daughter are interred. So I can imagine that some of them can be relatives. It will give me a whole new way to trace the family. Good hunting for your families.
- Joanna

A Guide to Chicago & Midwestern Polish-American Genealogy by Jason Kruski

from the PGSA:



"Although small in size (5-1/2" x 8-1/2" 110 pages), this book contains a vast amount of information about researching your Polish-American ancestors in Chicago & Midwestern states. The 15 chapters include the topics of U.S. census records, birth, marriage, & death records in Cook Co. immigration & naturalization records, military records, cemetery and other death records, research in Poland, and DNA and genetic genealogy. The

book lists many websites that are useful for Polish-American genealogical research. This is an up-to-date, all-inclusive manual that will help the Polish-American researcher stay abreast of the current state of research in genealogy."

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