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**Happy New Year!**



**Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku!**  
*shchen-shlee-VEH-goh noh-VEH-goh ROH-koo*

**The Polish Heritage Club sponsored  
FORBIDDEN ART - chosen one of UW-  
Madison's Highlights of the Fall Semester**

Dec 7 - "Artwork's power lies in its ability to remember the past. Sometimes, its history is one of romance and virtuosity. Other times, the story is far heavier, with the souls of the departed imbued in its lines and shapes. During its short stay in Madison, "Forbidden Art" told a story of millions' hope and despair, of their death and survival. Framed to look like a death camp's barracks, "Forbidden Art" showcased works made from the strife and pain of Auschwitz-Birkenau reclaimed at the end of World War II. While the works were represented through photos (the originals were too fragile for travel), they carried the weight of people living through tragedy; shreds of hope amidst lines of defeat. The memory of the survivors lives on through the works recovered from Auschwitz's walls, creating a powerful, yet humble exhibition."

—Michael Frett

**Coming events:**

**Jan. 2 Polish Club Breakfast 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 9 am**  
Monona Gardens, 6501 Bridge Road.  
Please call Barb if you need a ride 238-9189.

**Jan 8. Thur. 7 pm Dane County Genealogical  
Society Meeting: Polish Genealogy**

Speaker: Joanna Pasowicz, President of the  
Polish Heritage Club - Madison  
4505 Regent St. (at Regent St. and Segoe Rd.)

**We hope to see you at the Annual Meeting!**

Come hear club reports, vote for Directors,  
discuss ideas and stay for refreshments.

**Your membership must be current**

to vote at the Annual Meeting AND to be included in the every-other year Members Directory (unless you tell us not to include your info.).

**If any membership questions contact**

Jane Dunn (608) 831-8827 gwtwfiddd1@tds.net  
• Memberships from January 1 to December 31.  
• Do you know someone who would like to receive a newsletter? We'll send a sample issue.  
• If you have not received our occasional emails about events, we do not have your email.

**ANNUAL MEETING and ELECTIONS**

January 25, 2015 Sunday 1 PM

Lakeview Lutheran Church

4001 Mandrake Rd Madison, 53704

(near Warner Park & jct. Hwy 113/School Rd.)

**Inserted in this newsletter:**

- a Membership Form if your label does not say 2015. (Or maybe your check is in the mail?) We appreciate your prompt renewal!
- a Proxy Form for your use if you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting and Elections, and wish to choose someone to vote in your place. You may choose one of the 3 listed members as your proxy, OR another PHCWI member. Please postmark by January 21 AND mark on the outside of a separate envelope the name of the person you choose to vote for you.

**Thank you to the 2015 nominees as of now:**

Additional nominees accepted before voting.  
VP-PRES. ELECT-1 year '16 Ryszard Zolnik  
TREASURER-odd year-2 yrs. '17 Linda Cagle  
DIRECTOR- odd year-2 yrs. '17 Patricia Brinkman  
DIRECTOR- odd year-2 yrs. '17 Marcia Flannery  
DIRECTOR- even -finish term '16 Jane Dunn

**PHCWI Scholarship May 15 is the deadline**

for applicants to submit their essay for the club's Scholarship. Our scholarship is for post High School education applicants of Polish ancestry OR those studying Polish language, history, society, or culture, OR significantly engaged with Polish culture. The required 750-1000 words essay is to be about a major event in Polish history, and why the topic interests you, or how it relates to you personally.

**Madison area:**

2015 is the 35th Anniversary of the Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin Inc. - Madison

January 5th Mon 10-12 noon Szymon Wozniczka: Polish music on Global Revolutions' 89.9 WORT.FM

**Jan 8 Thur 7 pm Joanna Pasowicz: Polish Genealogy, Dane County Genealogical Society Meeting, 4505 Regent St.**

**Jan 25 Sun 1 pm PHCWI Annual Meeting /Elections Lakeview Lutheran Church, 4001 Mandrake Rd.**

**Feb 11 Wed 7 pm PHCWI Book Club: Józef Piłsudski, Kasia's (608) 836-8632**

Feb 13-15 Pianist Ingrid Fliter and Madison Symphony Orchestra: *Chopin's Concerto No. 2 for Piano*, Overture Center

Feb 17 *Paczki Day*: Scott's Bakery in Middleton + other bakeries

**Feb 21 Sat 12 noon PHCWI at International Festival, Overture Center**

Mar 13 Fri Pianist Marco Grieco: *Chopin and others*, Farley's House of Pianos 6522 Seybold Rd

Mar 14 Sat 10-1 pm Gloria Welniak instructor: *Polish Easter Eggs Workshop* Pinney Library, 204 Cottage Grove Rd.

**Mar 29 Sun PHCWI Palm Sun Spring Festival, Immaculate Heart of Mary School, Monona**

Apr 4 Holy Saturday Blessing of Baskets: *Święconka* Queen of Peace, St.Maria Goretti, St.Albert's

May 3rd Polish Constitution Day *Trzeciego Maja* 1999 WI SJR 11

July 11-18 Madison Early Music Festival: *Slavic Discoveries - Early Music from Eastern Europe*, UW-Madison

**UW-Madison Spring Semester:**

**Martin Scorsese's Masters of Polish Cinema** UW Cinematheque, 821 University Ave.

All at 7 pm Fridays unless noted otherwise. [cinema.wisc.edu/series/2015/spring/masterpieces-polish-cinema](http://cinema.wisc.edu/series/2015/spring/masterpieces-polish-cinema)

Mar 6 *ASHES AND DIAMONDS* (POPIOL Y DIAMENT) 8:45 pm *INNOCENT SORCERERS* (NIEWINNI CZARODZIEJE)

Mar 13 *EROICA* Dir. Andrzej Munk 8:45 pm *WALKOVER* (WALKOWER) Dir: Jerzy Skolkimowski

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May 1 *THE SARAGOSSA MANUSCRIPT* (REKOPIS ZNALEZIONY W SARAGOSSIE) Dir. Wojciech Has



**POLI SCI 659: Politics and Society: Contemporary Eastern Europe** Tue/Thur 2:30-3:45 INSTRUCTOR: Boriana Nikolova

Why are some countries more successful than others in dealing with the legacies of communism?

**HISTORY 500: Migrants, Refugees, Border-Crossers in Modern Europe** Thur. 1:20-3:15 INSTRUCTOR: Kathryn Ciancia

"... case studies about Italians, Germans, Russians, Poles, Jews, British, French, Armenians..."

To be a guest auditor: 60 years old, instructor's permission, application due 3 weeks before class.

[continuingstudies.wisc.edu/advising/audit60.htm](http://continuingstudies.wisc.edu/advising/audit60.htm) [continuingstudies.wisc.edu/advising/guests.htm](http://continuingstudies.wisc.edu/advising/guests.htm)

**CREECA - 4 pm Thursdays 206 Ingraham Hall, 1155 Observatory Drive**

Feb 12 Keely Stauter-Halsted: *Sex in the Bourgeois Family: Prostitution and the Middle Class Home in Partitioned Poland*

Mar 12 Gina and Eric Lewandowski: *Madison Encounters in Bożków, Lower Silesia*

**Milwaukee:**

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

Jan 11 Three Kings Day *Trzech Krolki*: Syrenka Polish Children's Folk Dance Ensemble *Jaselka* (Polish nativity play) and *kolędy* 2 pm  
Polanki's Book Talk *DUKLA* by Andrzej Stasiuk 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Feb 1 *Czerwone Gitary* (Red Guitars) rock band concert 2:30-6 pm

Feb 14 Third Annual Ball of Polish Society of WI (414) 939-3970 5 pm - 1 am

Mar 22 Polanki's Pierogi Festival

**Jan 17 Mitchel Park Domes 9 am-4 pm** POLANKI's *Poland Under Glass*:

Experience various sights, sounds and flavors of Poland, including Polish folk art demonstrations, children's crafts folk dancing, cooking demonstrations, samples and more. Imported Polish pottery and gift items will be available for purchase. - Polanki, the Polish Women's Cultural Club of Milwaukee Polanki's [www.polanki.org](http://www.polanki.org)



**Jan 24 South Milwaukee PAC** Milwaukee Ballet II: *Chopiniana*, music by Chopin

**Feb 10 Wisconsin Lutheran College** Frank Almond violin: *Happy 300th Lipinski Strad* 7 pm

**June 12-14 Summerfest Grounds** Polish Fest: America's largest Polish festival

**Illinois:**

**Holocaust Museum and Education Center**, 9603 Woods Dr, Skokie Ends Jan 24 *The World Knew: Jan Karski Exhibit*

**Polish Museum of America** 984 N. Milwaukee Ave. To Jan 11: *Forbidden Art Exhibit* Jan 18: *Wieczor Koled* 4 pm sing, 6 pm buffet

**Lyric Opera** February 24 - March 15 Weinberg's *The Passenger*... "Guilt and denial, lies and truth, fear and courage, and love — "

**Polish Constitution Day Parade** May 2 Buckingham Fountain. "Biggest Polish parade outside Poland."

**Taste of Polonia** Sept 4-7 Jefferson Park "37 bands, 50 vendors, 12 food booths"

## CLUB AND MEMBER NEWS



### SUNSHINE CORNER! *Słoneczny Kącik*

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

1/4 Mary Ann Preston 1/10 Rose Meinholz  
1/11 Phil Flannery 1/12 Beata Kalies 1/17 Carol Hassemmer

#### Welcome to new members:

Jennifer Lewandowski Ann Nelson Judy Nelson  
Nancy Smiegowski & Chris Pasinski Mary Stuibber

### Dec 8 Waclaw Szybalski *The Essence of Life/Esencja życia*



Director Anna Ferens's 2014 documentary about the life of Professor Waclaw Szybalski premiered in Madison at the Marquee Theater. During the 58 minute film, many captivating and often humorous stories were told about his formative years in Lwów, Poland, his greatest achievements, the people he met throughout his long scientific career and his life now as Professor Emeritus of Oncology

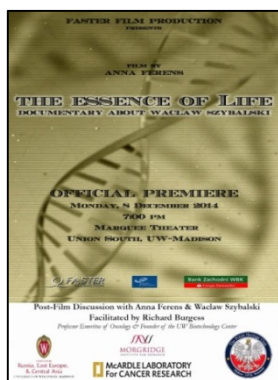
at the UW's McArdle Laboratory. After the screening, Richard Burgess, Professor Emeritus of Oncology, moderated a discussion, and visiting continued over refreshments.



Past Club President Butch Luick and Club member Kasia Krzyzostaniak presented flowers to Anna and the Professor from the club and Madison's Polish-American community. Premiere sponsors were: the Morgridge Institute for Research, the McArdle Laboratory for Cancer Research, CREECA, and the Polish Heritage Club - Madison, which is listed on the film's credits as a donor. *Irena Fraczek photos*

Irena Fraczek's video of the discussion and a link to the photo album are available:  
<http://youtu.be/VT3rXMcOZLY>  
<http://www.creeca.wisc.edu/>  
To purchase a DVD of the documentary, please contact Irena: [ifraczek7@gmail.com](mailto:ifraczek7@gmail.com)

12/14 NEWSLETTER CORRECTION: Professor Szybalski was born in Lwów, Poland.



### 2015 is the 35th Anniversary of the Polish Heritage Club

Do you have for celebrating our cultural heritage? Displays of photos or crafts at libraries, schools, coffee shops or others? Lectures or concerts? Stories in this newsletter, on our Facebook, and in local papers? *Enjoy Polish culture!*

**Feb 11 PHCWI BOOK CLUB 7 pm Piłsudski stories.** Kasia Krzyzostaniak is hostess at 3209 Highland Ct, Middleton. Please contact her so she can set up chairs: (608) 836-8632. [krzmw@chorus.net](mailto:krzmw@chorus.net) The South Central Library System lists several books with Piłsudski stories, and some in the Book Club are reading *Unvanquished: Joseph Piłsudski, Resurrected Poland, and the Struggle for Eastern Europe* by Peter Hetherington, it's available along with others on Amazon.com.



*Anna Peczerski photo: Nov. 11 Book Club learning about and celebrating Polish Independence Day with author Piotr Puchalski R.*

**Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin, Inc-Madison-Facebook**  
*View posts without being a friend....become a friend and be notified of posts by others, and make your own posts.*

*from Kasia Tomczak, Facebook: 26 Nov - Our FB page is getting regularly over 100 -200 hits per post, some more interesting posts like the story about Polish Hussars and St Martin's Day got over 400 hits (views) and our ultimate record was the post about Polish Independence Day on November 11. This post generated 4,336 hits (views)!!!! Its a record high!!! :) And what's impressive, it was shared 62 times by other people and community that included : Polonia in Jacksonville, Polish American Heritage Club of Mahopac, NY, Syrena Polish Folk Dance Ensemble of Milwaukee, Polish Texan and Polanki :)!*

*Recent posts include:*

- NPR's Nov. 16 Weekend Edition *Three Minutes In Poland* about Glenn Kurtz's grandfather who filmed the townspeople of Nasielsk, a Jewish community in Poland, before WW II.
- Links to stories about the three Polish mathematicians left out of the current movie *The Imitation Game* about computer scientist Alan Turing's work to break the Nazi Enigma code.
- President Obama's Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> talk at NW Chicago's Copernicus Center about immigration reform and the Ferguson, MO police shooting. He said the American experience is formed by "stitching together folks from different back-grounds." On our facebook page, Leonard Cizewski told about his Polish paternal grandfather "...who was given a path to legalization. Poles continue to be among the undocumented immigrants and as did my grandfather still need of a path to legalization. As the grandson of an undocumented Polish immigrant, I deeply appreciate that President Obama chose a Polish-American venue in Chicago, the city with the largest Polish-American population, to remind us that this is a multi-ethnic issue."
- Christmas traditions, including the carp in the bathtub!

**36th ANNUAL PHCWI WIGILIA Dec. 6, 2014**



by Linda Cagle and Rose Meinholz - Linda Cagle photo  
Photos by Irena Fraczek unless noted otherwise.

Thank you to all who shared their talents to create our Wigilia. This year 103 people registered for our 36th Annual Wigilia.



Ted Mianowski and Linda Cagle registered guests. Hosts Andy and Carol Stolarzyk (and Zosia the Doll) welcomed guests. MC Ralph Tyksinski led an opening prayer + took care of the sound system.



- Linda Cagle photo



Thank you to Turner Hall Event Mgr. Debbie Lovelace and Caterer SmokeHaus Catering **Ron Dombroski** on R and all their helpers!

Guests enjoyed a meal of Herring, Barszcz, Deviled Eggs, Red Cabbage, Creamed Cucumbers, Baked Cod w/haricots verts, Pierogi, Gołabki and delicious Kolachki + Babka.



Thank you to **Mary Ann and Richard Reale** for sharing their Oplatek stories and their demonstration.

- Linda Cagle photo



**President Joanna Pasowicz** introduced 3 of the 2014 Scholarship winners: **Jessica Bowden, Claire Wisniewski, and James Dodge.** Lauren Paul was unable to attend due to school schedule.



Certificates of Appreciation were gratefully presented to the organizers of the September 2014 Forbidden Art Exhibition: **Marge Morgan and Diane Michalski Turner.**

**Irene Swiggum and Raina Haralampopoulos** read the story of *Marta and the Manger Straw: A Christmas Tradition from Poland* by Virginia Kroll, and Irene watched over the Children's Table.





**MC Ralph Tyksinski.....** explained how he and his brother "made" a Christmas tree when money was scarce during Christmas time in Chicago.

**...Janusz Dopart** told about his family's Wigilia in Poland.



**Butch Luick** greeted our Special Guest - Director **Anna Ferens.**

**Tom Wosikowski** (see earlier photo) played piano before, during and after our Wigilia, led the Polish Choir (those shown and those singing from their seats, and sent all home with a closing prayer.



DISPLAYS: Rose Meinholz  
 PHOTO DISPLAY: Don Wesolowski  
 PLACE SETTING FOR UNINVITED GUEST: Jane Dunn  
 SZOPKA: Brania Family  
 SET UP/TAKE DOWN: Mike & Barbara Lomperski, Ralph & Karleen Tyksinski, Ted Mianowski, Irene Swiggum, Andy & Carol Stolarzyk, Tom Stolarczyk, Butch & Dorey Luick , Rose Meinholz

**Santa Zach Zwadzich** and the Children's Parade led by the **Turon and Star.**



- Linda Cagle photo



**Dziękuję from the Wigilia Committee:**  
 Linda Cagle,  
 Barb Lomperski,  
 Rose Meinholz,  
 Ralph Tyksinski,  
 Butch Luick



**Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku!**



## Music



**Jan 5 Global Revolutions' 89.9 WORT.FM, Madison 10am-12**  
*Szymon is the featured guest:* "...presenting the latest in Polish folk music and sort of a summary of the best in music from Poland in 2014 within the realm of world, folk, acoustic music. I will also most likely feature some Polish Christmas music as well. Featured artists will most likely include: Sutari, Hanka Wojcik, Sango, RUTA, Warszawskie Combo Taneczne, Chlopcy Kontra Basia, Michal Czachowski, Transkapela, Kroke, Tolhaje, Czeslaw Spiewa, Karolina Cicha, Maciej Filipczuk, Trzy Dni Pozniej, Magda Piskorczyk, Grazyna Auguscik, Lautari, VooVoo, Bubliczki, TaraFuki, Ania Broda and music from the 2014's 2 CD *Songlines* compilations featuring Polish folk as well as "Tyndyryndy" - dance house recordings. Please join me live at 89.9 WORT.FM (locally) or at [www.wortfm.com](http://www.wortfm.com) (worldwide) OR as long as the show archive is available [www.wortfm.org/archives/](http://www.wortfm.org/archives/) - Szymon Wozniczka for Mad-PolKA 608-577-3897 [szymon2005@sbcglobal.net](mailto:szymon2005@sbcglobal.net)

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**2014 Nov 10-14 Bill McLaughlin's *Exploring Music: Poland***  
 on WI Public Radio's Classical Programming: "the history of Poland through the eyes of her best composers"

**Program 1** "Bill opens this show with music of Chopin, who most people consider the preeminent composer of the country. We hear some early hymnal music of the 13th cen. before moving in the 16th and 17th centuries, which brought the migration of the Jewish people following the Spanish Inquisition. We close with another piece from Chopin.

**Program 2** We pick up in the 17th century during a period of conflict. We hear a sonata performed by the Capella Gedanensis & a performance by the Lira Singers, based in Chicago. We hear music from Franciszek Lessel, Chopin's teacher Józef Elsner and female composer Maria Szymanowska.

**Program 3** We continue with the music of Frédéric Chopin and Stanisław Moniuszko. While Chopin's music is renowned, the work of Moniuszko remains mostly in Poland. We hear Moniuszko's *Halka*, considered Poland's national opera, as well as a polonaise and mazurka from Chopin.

**Program 4** Bill continues with composers who came after...We hear music from Henryk Wieniawski, Maurycy Moszkowski and Juliusz Zarebski, all from the mid-19th century. We then move to Ignacy Jan Paderewski with his *Concerto for Piano in A Minor and Minuet*. We end with music from Leopold Godowsky played by Jascha Heiftz.

**Program 5** We open with Szymanowski's *Stabat Mater* continue with music from Lutosławski. Bill returns to Paderewski before closing with a traditional Polish song and polka."

## FUTURE MUSIC EVENTS:

**FEBRUARY**  
 FRIDAY, FEB. 13 at 7:30  
 SATURDAY, FEB. 14 at 8:00  
 SUNDAY, FEB. 15 at 2:30  
 JOHN DEMAIN, Conductor

**FLITER PLAYS CHOPIN**  
*A great pianist's odyssey among the great orchestras of the world brings her, at last, to Madison.*

BENJAMIN BRITTEN  
 Variations on a Theme of Frank Bridge  
 FREDERIC CHOPIN  
 Concerto No. 2 for Piano  
 ROBERT SCHUMANN  
 Symphony No. 4

INGRID FLITER, *Piano*  
*"Fliter demonstrated great facility, dispatching elaborate and extended runs with flair and fluidity. Perhaps more crucial was her clear affinity for Chopin's music, its mercantile qualities and ethereal grace."*  
*Houston Chronicle*

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**Feb 13-15**  
**Overture Center:**  
 Ingrid Fliter and  
 Madison Symphony  
 Orchestra:  
 Chopin's *Concerto*  
*No. 2 for Piano*

**Mar 13 Farley's**  
**House of Pianos**  
 Marco Grieco:  
*Chopin and others*

**July 11-18**  
**UW-Madison**  
 Early Music Festival  
*Slavic Discoveries*

from <http://www.uwgb.edu/music/thursdays/>

**GREEN BAY March 5 Jazz and Film Music of Krzysztof Komeda**  
 featuring the Nothing but Swing Trio from Slovakia



Krzysztof Komeda (nee Trzcinski) was an important member of the modern jazz scene in his native Poland and throughout Europe until his death in 1969. His scores for films by Roman Polanski and

Hennig Carlsen created a uniquely European sound in modern jazz and film scores. Prof. Adam Gaines will illuminate some of Komeda's most important contributions through the use of film clips and lecture. His music will be performed by UWGB professors Adam Gaines and John Salerno with the Nothing But Swing Trio, who are experts on Komeda's music.

**GREEN BAY April 9 Stories without Words**



From the "hoof beats of Polish cavalry" to the "wind over the graves," Chopin's music has always inspired fantastical imagery and even stories in the imaginations of his listeners. Though the composer always insisted his work was pure and abstract, clues to hidden narratives abound. Chopin alludes to opera, dance, sacred music and many other contemporary styles. In this lecture-recital, UWGB faculty member and pianist Michael Rector explores these allusions and how Chopin combines them to guide his listener on a musical journey.

**from Szymon Wozniczka [szymon2005@sbcglobal.net](mailto:szymon2005@sbcglobal.net)**  
 • South Central Library System: *Music from Poland*  
[www.scls.info](http://www.scls.info) in LINKCAT SEARCH FOR POLAND MUSIC  
 Donated by the musicians and Mad-Pol K.A.  
 • Pinterest: *Folk music videos from Poland*.....  
[www.pinterest.com/ratatapapa/folk-music-videos-from-poland/](http://www.pinterest.com/ratatapapa/folk-music-videos-from-poland/)

MARTIN SCORSESE PRESENTS:

## MASTERPIECES OF POLISH CINEMA

**cinematheque**

Fridays March 6 - May 1  
4070 Vilas Hall 821 University Ave.

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

"The rich & varied national cinema of Poland will be explored in this exciting survey of great Polish features spanning the late 1950s to the late 1980s. Released by Milestone Films, the newly restored selections have been personally curated by American filmmaker and cinephile Martin Scorsese. The series includes three movies by the Oscar-winning ground-breaker of contemporary Polish cinema, Andrzej Wajda, plus exciting work directed by other giant talents like Krzysztof Kieslowski, Agnieszka Holland and Jerzy Skolimowski. *The series is co-presented with the UW's Department of Slavic Languages and Literature and the Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia.*"



All at 7 pm unless noted:

**Mar. 6** - Director: Andrzej Wajda:  
- 7 PM ASHES AND DIAMONDS (POPIOL Y DIAMENT)  
- 8:45 PM INNOCENT SORCERERS (NIEWINNI CZARODZIEJE)

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If you've missed past showings.....

### WI PUBLIC TELEVISION: RICK STEVES' EUROPE

#### Poland Rediscovered: Krakow, Auschwitz and Warsaw

Visit Krakow, Auschwitz and Warsaw and see why the old "east" is becoming the new heart of Europe.

**Fri, Jan. 16** 3 pm and 9:30 pm Create (21-3 or 197)

**Sat, Jan. 17** 12:30 am and 3:30 am Create (21-3 or 197)

**Sun, Jan. 25** 9:30 am Wisconsin Channel (21-2 or 196)

## UW- Madison Awards

*Congratulations on these well-deserved awards!*

### May 2014 - Ewa Miernowska won the UW-Madison Letters & Science Academic Staff Mid-Career Achievement Award.

The award "recognizes individuals who demonstrate outstanding performance in their position, show substantial promise of future contributions, and demonstrate a high degree of professionalism." Professor Miernowska received her Ph.D. in 1996 at UW-Madison, where she is a Senior Lecturer of Slavic Languages and Literature. She teaches Polish for Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced. Her areas of interest include: language teaching methodology, teaching



Polish through literature and media, and Polish Film.

In 2012 UW's Department of Slavic Languages & Literature received the *Polonicum Distinction* from the University of Warsaw. "UW-Madison's Polish program stood out above the rest because of its commitment to education and variety of outreach activities aimed at bringing Polish culture to a wider audience.

*Ewa Miernowska receiving the Polonicum Distinction on behalf of UW-Madison in Poland with Andrzej Zieniewicz, Univ. of Warsaw*  
The Department of Polish Program was established in 1935 by an act of the State Legislature thanks to lobbying efforts of Polish American legislators and politicians in Wisconsin. It was the first full-fledged Polish department in the U.S. In 1942, the name was changed to the Department of Slavic Languages [and] now includes Czech, Russian, and Serbian/Croatian in addition to Polish." ~ Jan 30, 2012 L&S News Team

**October 2014 - The Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA)** was one of seven UW-Madison international centers receiving federal Title VI grants from the U.S. Department of Education. They will share \$3.4 million for the 2014-15 academic year, nearly \$13.7 million through 2018. Title VI of the Higher Education Act 1965 provides funding for international studies. CREECA will use the grant "to support the teaching of advanced Polish, advanced Turkish/Azeri, and elementary through advanced-level Kazakh. Funding will also go to support: interdisciplinary courses in Russia, Eastern, Central Europe, Central Eurasia, workshops for K-12 teachers around the state of Wisconsin, and public outreach events in and around Madison... lectures, films, and symposia. Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships will be awarded to graduate and undergraduate students for instruction in Slavic, Eastern European, and Central Eurasian languages."



CREECA was established in 1993 to unite the efforts of two longstanding

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MEMBERSHIPS ARE FROM JAN 1 TO DEC 31 Dziękuję!

1 US\$ = 3.5388 zł **IN THE NEWS** various sources

15 Nov Volleyball Association Pres. & VP were charged with accepting bribes up to 1 million zloty (250,000 euros) weeks after Poland won the Men's World Volleyball Championship.

24 Nov TUSZYN - No Winnie the Pooh/*Kubus Puchatek* playground: he's a "hermaphrodite" & dressed from the waist up.

26 Nov DRAWSKO CEMETARY, NW Poland - 17th/18th century 'vampires' were locals who probably died of cholera.

LUND, Sweden - Poland a founding member of the multi-disciplinary European Spallation Source (ESS) - 17 countries building the world's most powerful neutron source.

27 Nov WARSAW - Death of Stanisław Mikulski (b.1929, Łódź) actor: theatre, TV (WWII agent Hans Kloss), film (KANAL).

28 Nov Gross Domestic Product rose by 3.3% in 3<sup>rd</sup> of 2014.

LONDON - PM David Cameron's speech on curbing migration to UK... "We will never forget the Polish and Czech pilots who helped save this country in its hour of need and the Poles who went on to settle here, help build post war Britain and indeed contribute so much to our country today,"

29 Nov ROME, Torpignattara District - Polish street artists Blejzyk and Gapski of *Etam Cru*, painted an 8 story apartment mural.

3 Dec WROCLAW - Many quitting their Amazon logistics warehouse jobs due to stress. "We cannot rush about like this..."

KAPUSCIŃSKI WINNERS: Jakub Szymczuk's 'Black Thursday' series of Feb. 2014 protesters on Kiev's Independence Square, and Michał Matys article 'Lodz. A Cursed City'

HOT-AIR BALLOON JUMP- 3 daredevils wearing breathing equipment jumped successfully at 10,600 m = 34,777 feet.

5 Dec WARSAW, Institute of Electronic Materials Technology and Seco-Wawreick - New machine produces a 50x50 cm sheet of graphene within four hours. 120 zloty (30 euro) per sq. cm.

7 Dec MONTE CASSINO, Italy - Gen. Anders' 2nd Polish Corps veterans at dedication of spent artillery shells monument.

9 Dec Martina Navratilova will coach Agnieszka Radwanska. Climate Change Performance Index - Poland is 4<sup>th</sup> from last of EU polluters, ahead only of Estonia, the Netherlands and Bulgaria. CULIACAN, Mexico - Poland 4<sup>th</sup> in the World Amputee Football Cup. Poland has a pool of 35 potential players.

11 Dec BELARUS border - Russian police chased a lorry over 200 km to confiscate its 18.8 tons of banned Polish apples. WALBRZYCH, Lower Silesia - Książ Castle Severe fire damage. YouTube HIT - Sylwester Wardęga's MUTANT GIANT SPIDER DOG: passers-by terrorized by a dog dressed as a giant spider. GDANSK - Lech Wałęsa & his broken leg in same clinic with C.KiszczaK, secret services during the 1981 martial law.

12 Dec NEA PAPHOS, Cyprus - Krakow's Jagiellonian Univ. archaeologists made important discoveries at the UNESCO Site, near where the goddess of love Aphrodite was born. BLACK SITES IN POLAND - Former President Aleksander Kwasniewski tells of 30 mil. US\$ received from the CIA. WARSAW - Roman Opalka painting sold for over 2 mil. zloty.

13 Dec WARSAW - 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniv. of martial law, thousands of Jarosław Kaczyński's Law & Justice Party supporters march. Names of those who died recited at home of C. KiszczaK.

14 Dec WARSAW - Express Intercity Premium services started with 20 non-tilting Pendolino trains that can go 250 km/h.

15 Dec POZNAŃ's Old Market Square - Two brothers from Canada won the 8th International Ice Sculpture Festival.

16 Dec SEOUL, S.Korea - 120 self-propelled K-9 Thunder 155mm howitzers worth ~US \$320 mil. will be exported to Poland.

27 Dec ZAKOPANE's Hotel Belvedere - 401 guests evacuated from the 4 star recently renovated hotel due to 4 am roof fire.