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**Poland's Prime Minister Ewa Kopacz's 2015**

**New Year message** wished for Poles "to be together" despite their differences. "Let those things which unite us be more important than those issues which divide us... Let us find for each other kindness and sincerity... Let this be a year of realizing plans for all of us, let it bring a feeling of stability and pride of our homeland." In 2014 Poland celebrated the anniversaries of: 25 years since the first partially free elections, 10 years of EU membership and 15 years in the NATO alliance. She said that Poland will undertake an active foreign policy "so that our country will continue to strengthen its position in the EU and confirm itself as a leader in the Central and Eastern European region". www.premier.gov.pl

**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.)**

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

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

Nominee information inside this newsletter.

**Your membership must be paid for 2015**

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:**

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• Memberships from January 1 to December 31.

**coming events:**

**Feb 5 Dane County Genealogical Society**

**Meeting: Polish Genealogy 7 pm** Speaker: Joanna Pasowicz, President of the Polish Heritage Club at 4505 Regent St./Segoe Rd. (postponed from January due to weather)

**Feb. 6 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.

**Feb 11 PHCWI Book Club: Piłsudski 7 pm**

**Feb 13-15 Pianist Ingrid Fliter plays Chopin**

**Feb 17 Paczki Day**

**Mar 14 Easter Eggs Workshop 10-1 pm**

**Mar 29 PHCWI Palm Sun Spring Festival**

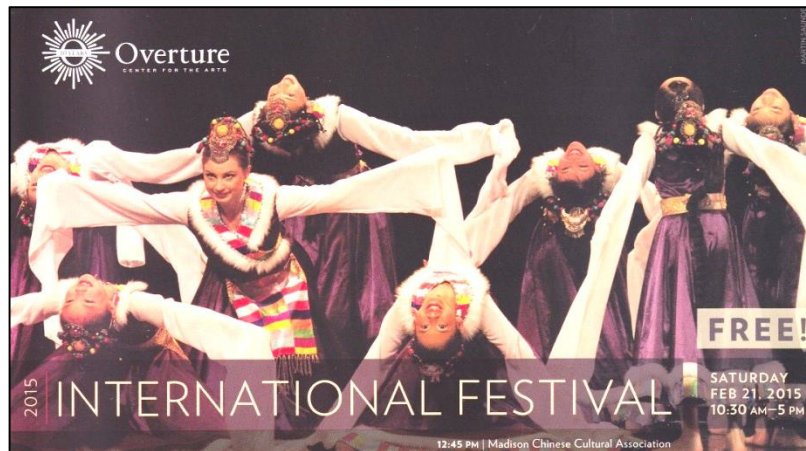
**May 15 is the Scholarship deadline**

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."

**Feb 21 Overture Center, 201 State St.  
International Festival 10:30-5 pm**

**YOUR PASSPORT TO THE ARTS**

Travel around the world in one day at Overture's annual International Festival. Enjoy performances, cuisine, vibrant costumes, & crafts from cultures and people from around the world; all the performers currently call Dane Co. their home.



**At Polish Club areas:**

**Arts Books Crafts**

**Bigos Kielbasa**

**Kraut Paczki**

**Madison area:**

Feb 5 Thur 7 pm Dane Co. Genealogical Society Mtg.: *Polish Genealogy* Speaker: Joanna Pasowicz, 4505 Regent St.(at SegoeRd)

**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, 201 State St.

Feb 17 *Paczki Day*: Scott's Bakery in Middleton and others

**Feb 21 Sat 10:30-5:30 PHCWI at International Festival, Overture Center, 201 State St.**

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

**Feb 28 REGISTRATION OPENS FOR: Mar 14 Sat 10-1 pm Polish Easter Eggs Workshop, Pinney Library, 204 Cottage Grove Rd.**

**Mar 29 PHCWI Palm Sun Spring Festival, Immaculate Heart of Mary School, 4913 Schofield Street, Monona**

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

April 24-26, Fri-Sun *Wisconsin Dells Polka Fest*, Chula Vista Resort, 2501 River Rd, Wisconsin Dells

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 8:45 pm INNOCENT SORCERERS (NIEWINNI CZARODZIEJE)

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

Mar 27 PHARAOH (FARAON) Dir: Jerzy Kawalerowicz

Apr 3 BLIND CHANCE (PRZYPADEK) Dir: K. Kieslowski

Apr 17 PROVINCIAL ACTORS (AKTORZY PROWINCJONALNI)

Apr 24 MAN OF IRON (CZŁOWIEK Z ŻELAZA) Dir. A. Wajda

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

**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

**Feb 1 Czerwone Gitary (Red Guitars) rock band concert 2:30-4:30**

is a popular Polish rock band and one of the most popular rock bands in the history of Polish popular music. Often considered the Polish equivalent of the Beatles, it toured extensively in Europe and the USA.

The band was founded in 1965 and reorganized in the 1990s. Czerwone Gitary has received many awards, including a Billboard magazine award. They will perform their greatest hits plus Polish Christmas carols.



Feb 8 dazzling young pianist Carmen Knoll: *Chopin and Champagne* 2 - 4 pm

Feb 14 Third Annual Ball of the Polish Society of WI 5 pm - 1 am

Feb 17 *Paczki Day* .....Soon to follow - Lenten Fish Fries at the Polish Center

Mar 22 Polanki's Pierogi Festival

Mar 22 Ardiente Quartet: Bacewicz's First Piano Quintet with music by Panufnik, Muczynski, and others. 6:30 - 9 pm

**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:**

**Lyric Opera Feb 24 - Mar 15 Weinberg's The Passenger...**

"Guilt and denial, lies and truth, fear and courage, and love — it's all here in an artistic and emotional experience you'll never forget." In the 1960s Liese, a middle-aged German woman, is aboard an ocean liner bound for Brazil, where her husband is beginning his diplomatic post. She is shocked to see a mysterious passenger who she thinks was a Polish Catholic inmate at Auschwitz, where Liese worked during the war as an SS overseer. Her new husband knows nothing of this past.

**Zofia Posmysz's** experiences became the 1958 radio play *Pasażerka z kabiny 45/Passenger from Cabin Number 45*, director Andrzej Munk's film 1963 *Pasażerka*, and in 1948 Mieczysław Weinberg's opera *The Passenger*.

Zofia Posmysz, now 90, received a prolonged ovation at the opera's New York City performance in July 2014.

**Mieczysław Weinberg / 'Mietek' Mieczysław Wajnberg** was the son of a Yiddish theater conductor, composer and violinist, and an actress in Yiddish theater companies. At 12 he entered the Warsaw Conservatory for piano studies, and graduated in 1939. During the war, he was evacuated to Central Asia, where he became friends with Dmitri Shostakovich. In Russia, his works were not banned, but he was ignored, and did much of his composing for the theater and circuses.



## CLUB AND MEMBER NEWS



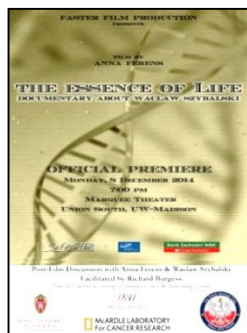
### SUNSHINE CORNER! *Słoneczny Kącik*

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

2/4 Amy Sylve	2/12 Richard Gaska
2/5 Joan Rubens	2/14 Karleen Tyksinski
2/6 Joanna Pasowicz	2/15 Charley Rathack
2/8 Butch Luick	2/18 Larry Hochman

<b>Welcome to new members:</b>	Dennis Jasiczek
Emily (Studinski) & Chris Conner	Laura Jasiczek
Melissa (Studinski) & Nick Dybas	Kaaren Paras
Yolanta & Kevin Graniero	Kenneth Studinski

**The Essence of Life/Esencja życia**, director Anna Ferens's documentary about the life of McArdle Lab Professor Wacław Szybalski, is available for purchase. CONTACT: Irena Fraczek: ifraczek7@gmail.com The 58 minute film premiered in Madison Dec. 8. See Irena's photos of the Q&A on CREECA's website: <http://www.creeca.wisc.edu>



To see the Q&A:  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=VT3rXMcOZLY&feature=youtu.be](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VT3rXMcOZLY&feature=youtu.be)

### Jan. 1 Condolences to Linda Ganski, past PHCWI Director

Her mother Dolores Marie (Studinski) Ganski Wierzb, 84, passed away in Stevens Point. Born in Custer, WI, she attended Sacred Heart School in Polonia, married John Ganski and lived in Chicago for 40 years. "She found love again, and married Michael Wierzb in 1999. She loved to travel, dance and listen to polka music, entertain and visit with friends and family - and her Christmas cookies will never be forgotten." Memorials to the Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Research Foundation or the American Lung Assoc.

**Feb 28 IS FIRST REGISTRATION DATE. SPACE IS LIMITED (12)**  
[host.evanced.info/madison/evanced/events/signup.asp?ID=43999](http://host.evanced.info/madison/evanced/events/signup.asp?ID=43999)

### Mar 14 Polish Easter Egg Decorating Workshop 10 - 1pm

Pinney Library, 204 Cottage Grove Rd. This event is co-sponsored by the Friends of Pinney Library and Polish Heritage Club-Madison. INSTRUCTOR: Gloria Welniak All materials will be provided to make several colorful eggs and greeting cards. Learn easy traditional Polish egg decorating techniques and patterns:



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

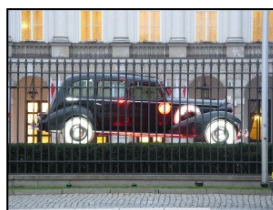
**Feb 11 PHCWI BOOK CLUB 7 pm Piłsudski stories.** Kasia Krzyzostaniak is hostess. Please contact her so she can set up chairs: (608) 836-8632. [krzwmw@chorus.net](mailto:krzwmw@chorus.net) The South Central Library System lists several books with Piłsudski stories. *Unvanquished: Joseph Piłsudski, Resurrected Poland, and the Struggle for Eastern Europe* by Peter Hetherington, is available along with other Piłsudski books on Amazon.com.

"A 'can't put it down book' if there ever was one... Hetherington has composed a synthesis of the political history of Poland with a focus on Piłsudski that is comprehensive and fair-minded." - Donald E. Pienkos, Professor Emeritus University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee



*Piłsudski with his favorite horse, Chestnut (Kasztanka) c. 1914*  
Unknown author. Public domain.

*Kasztanka* [kaʃˈtaŋka] "chestnut" was born in 1909 or 1910. She was 14.3 hands tall, had a blaze and four white stockings. Piłsudski first rode her into Kielce in 1914, kept her as his riding mount, and last rode her on Nov. 11, 1927 at the Independence Day parade on Warsaw's Saxon Square (now Piłsudski Square). She died November 23, 1927.  
Zorro2212 From Wikimedia Commons



Piłsudski's specially commissioned Cadillac Fleetwood Special 355D - with bulletproof windows - only arrived in Poland just months before his death. It was restored in Poznań, and took part in Warsaw's 2014 Independence Day procession.

from: <http://www.linns.com/news/international-stamps/575/Stamps-of-three-countries-trace-Russo-Polish-War-1919-20>

### 1919 Poland 5-marka Cavalryman stamp



1995 Poland 45-grosz 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Warsaw stamp

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PL 120,726 sq. miles vs. WI 65,503 sq. miles.

Pop. 2012: 38,544,513 vs. WI 5.726 million

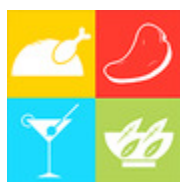


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**July 10, 2015 to July 19, 2015**

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**July 2-20 The Medieval Bioarchaeology**

is a unique opportunity to excavate and analyze human remains from a medieval cemetery at Bezlawki, NE Poland. This site was the territory of Old Prussians, a pagan peoples who resisted conversion into Christianity for many centuries ...

The Bezlawki mortuary dates to around the 13th century AD.....



## Board of Directors Nominees Jan 25, 2015

### **VICE PRESIDENT - PRES. ELECT '15 Ryszard Zolnik**

Ryszard Zolnik was born in Dzierżonów, and studied in Kraków. When martial law was lifted, he left Poland and arrived in the USA in 1985. As a Peace Corps Volunteer, he returned to Poland in 1992 and worked with the NGO community creating Environmental Educational programs which later became models for cooperation between National Parks and local schools. At a Warsaw NGO's, he met Julita, who was born in Wąbrzeźno. They married in Warsaw, and arrived in Madison in 1995. Ryszard completed graduate school at the Nelson Institute. For the last 12 years he has worked at the Madison Metropolitan Sewer District, and for the last three years served as a board member for Wisconsin Wastewater Operators Association. Julita's background is in library and information sciences; she works for Michigan Millers Mutual. Their daughter is a LaFollette H.S. senior and their son is an 8th grader in McFarland. Last year they hosted a Foreign H.S. Exchange student from South Korea. The family enjoys camping, hiking, biking, canoeing and exploring the cultural riches of the American life in all of its diversity.

For the Madison community, the PHCWI - and the proximity to Chicago's rich Polish culture - provides a platform to experience Polish history and culture.

*Ryszard and Julita have assisted at club events, and Ryszard spoke several times about Poland for the Friendship Force.*

### **TREASURER - odd year - 2 yrs.'15-16 Linda Cagle**

My ancestry is Polish and French. My grandfather came from Warzyce, a little village in SE Poland, and my grandmother from Wadowice. They emigrated in 1900 with 2 small children. My father was the 10th of the 12 more they had. Unfortunately, they died before I was born. My maiden name is Pojda (not shortened or changed). Genealogy is one of my many hobbies, and thanks to Facebook I contact Polish relatives frequently. In 1968 I moved from West Warwick, RI to Madison. My daughter Kristin, her husband and my grandchildren Alia and Evan live in Madison. I have worked as Administrative Assistant at CUNA, Office Mgr. /Assistant Warehouse Mgr. at Central Storage, and Executive Secretary for the Racine School District and at Ray-O-Vac. I am retired and loving it.

In 2012 I was appointed to finish a term on the Polish Club's Board, and then elected in Treasurer 2013. I have assisted with and chaired/co-chaired many events, and helped with the inventory after events. There has been some interest from members to find a way to bring Polish culture, language, customs, etc. to their children, which would be an interesting area to pursue. *Linda was awarded a PHCWI Outstanding Volunteer certificate in 2013.*

### **DIRECTOR - odd year - 2 yrs.'15-16 Patricia Brinkman**

I may not be 100% Polish, but I identify/feel very Polish. My maiden name is Leszkiewicz. I was raised in S. Milwaukee's Polish neighborhood. My grandparents came to WI via Chester PA. Grandpa came from Vilnius. Grandma, from the Warsaw area, was a well-educated woman, wrote and spoke seven languages, was a young widow who raised seven children, but lived in poverty during that time. In Madison, I served on the YMCA Board, helped settle numerous Hmong, and worked extensively with the International Peace Council and Kiwanis International at both the local and district level. The following projects are dear to my heart: building a dental clinic in Poland, helping with the southside Madison Academic Learning Center, assuring that all ambulances in WI have size appropriate equipment for children, and recently the International Kiwanis project to eliminate tetanus deaths, and developing a memorial

series of community talks. I am a proud resident of the Northside and was an active member of the Northside Planning Council for years.

My grade-school sweetheart's death last January, after 55 years of marriage, has left me with both time and a desire to once again serve my Polish Club. The members are precious to me. *Patricia has served in the Board as a Director & Secretary, helped at many club events, including MCing the Wigilia.*

### **DIRECTOR - odd year - 2 yrs.'15-16 Marcia Flannery**

Although Flannery is an Irish name, Phil's Mom's name was Olga Jadwiga Lenkiewicz Lepkowski Flannery, 100% Polish! Phil and I married while he was a Navy Seal based in Little Creek, VA. Our family moved to Wisconsin in 1989 from Chatham, NJ. Our son & family now live in Santa Fe, NM & our daughter & family live in Waunakee. Prior to marriage, Phil's Babcia (grandmother) in Massachusetts taught me how to make his favorite Polish foods. When my granddaughter's 2nd grade class was studying foreign customs and traditions, I made about 90 pierogis for the class to sample and told them about other Polish family traditions. My interests include: boating, motorcycling w/my husband, cooking, reading & most artistic endeavors esp. painting with watercolors. For the past 23 years I've been an active Realtor with Restaino & Assoc.

Over the years I've been responsible for the club's Spring Festival & Christmas Bazaar posters while also serving on planning committees for both events as well as being a member of PHC's Buying Committee. I've also served several terms as a club Director.

### **DIRECTOR - even year finish term '15 Jane Dunn**

Born in Chicago Heights, IL, I grew up in Mosinee, WI. I am 100% Polish: maternal (Grabski/Tomkel) and paternal (Pachura/Kendryck). My grandparents immigrated from Poznan, Senjy, and the Krakow regions of Poland. Gerald and I were married in 1986 in California; our daughters and great grandson Dylan live in Vancouver, WA. I have a BS in Food and Nutrition, MS in Human Nutrition, and I am Registered Dietitian credentialed from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. We moved to Madison in 1991 where I worked as Clinical Nutrition Services and Food Service Director at UW Hospital until retirement after 25 years of service. Gerald is a retired electronics engineer. Our favorite hobby is travel – including three tours of Poland.

During my over 20 years as a PHCWI member, I have served as President and Treasurer, and on the Newsletter, Scholarship, Spring Festival, Bazaar and Anniversary Committees. I am currently on the Membership and the Buying Committees and participate in community parades. I especially enjoy attending cultural events and Book Club. I joined the club to learn about my heritage, make new friends, and share Polish customs with my mother. It has definitely surpassed my expectations. Thank you for these opportunities.

### **Continuing on the BOD:**

**VICE PRESIDENT-PRES. ELECT:** John Hagan '14 **PRES '15**  
**PRESIDENT:** Joanna Pasowicz '14 **PAST PRESIDENT '15**  
**SECRETARY even year, 2 years -** Pam Pasowicz '14-15  
**DIRECTOR-AT-LG-even year - 2 years -** Marge Morgan '14-15

### **Resigned:**

**DIRECTOR-AT-LG-even -2 years** Ralph Tyksinski '14-15  
**PAST PRESIDENT** Stan Graiewski '14  
(term finished by Past President Butch Luick



## Movies

**Jan 15 - BEVERLY HILLS, CA - 5 Oscar nominations for Poland:**

- **Ida** - FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM AND BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY
- **Joanna** and **Our Curse** - DOCUMENTARY SHORT SUBJECT (both about dilemmas families face with terminal illnesses)
- **Anna Biedrzycka-Sheppard** - COSTUME DESIGN: *Maleficent*.  
Winners announced Feb. 22.

**The Imitation Game: 8 nominations...re.Polish contributions:**

During World War II, mathematician Alan Turing tries to crack the enigma code with help from fellow mathematicians....

- *Poland's overlooked Enigma codebreakers* by Gordon Corera, BBC News, Warsaw: "The first break-through in the battle to crack Nazi Germany's Enigma code was made not in Bletchley Park but in Warsaw. The debt owed by British wartime codebreakers to their Polish colleagues was acknowledged this week at a quiet gathering of spy chiefs." [www.bbc.com/news/magazine-28167071](http://www.bbc.com/news/magazine-28167071)
- *Virtual Bletchley Park* by Tony Sale [www.codesandciphers.org.uk/virtualbp/poles/poles.htm](http://www.codesandciphers.org.uk/virtualbp/poles/poles.htm)

**Jan 22 - Feb 1 PARK CITY, UTAH - Sundance Film Festival**  
DOCUMENTARY SHORT FILMS COMPETITION:

- **Object / Obiekt** Poland (Director: Paulina Skibińska) — A creative image of an underwater search in the dimensions of two worlds — ice desert and under water — told from the point of view of the rescue team, of the diver, and of the ordinary people waiting on the shore.
- **Starting Point / Punkt wyjścia** Poland (Director: Michał Szcześniak) — Aneta rebelled at age 19 and wound up in prison for murder. Nine years later, her daily routine takes her from behind prison walls to a nursing home.

## UW-Madison

**CREECA The Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia**  
**Feb 12 Thur. 4 pm 206 Ingraham Hall, 1155 Observatory Dr.**  
*"Sex in the Bourgeois Family: Prostitution and the Middle Class Home in Partitioned Poland"*

**About the Speaker:** "Keely Stauter-Halsted is Professor of History and Hejna Family Chair in the History of Poland at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Her teaching and research examine issues of identity, ethnicity, gender and class in modern Poland. Professor Stauter-Halsted has published dozens of journal articles and book chapters in Polish and English on topics ranging from peasant nationalism to Polish-Jewish relations and gender history. Her first book, *The Nation in the Village: The Genesis of Rural National Identity in Austrian Poland* (2001) was awarded the Orbis Prize for the best book in any aspect of Polish affairs. Her second monograph, *The Devil's Chain: Prostitution and Social Control in Partitioned Poland* is forthcoming with Cornell University Press in 2015. She also co-edited *Sexual Deviance and Social Control in Late Imperial Eastern Europe* with Nancy Wingfield in 2011. Stauter-Halsted is currently researching Polish return migration in the partitioned period."



## Music



**MILWAUKEE Feb 10 Schwan Hall, WI Lutheran College 7 pm**

**Frank Almond violin: *Happy 300th Lipinski Strad***

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"celebrate the birthday of one of the world's greatest violins"  
Giuseppe Tartini: *Trio Sonata in D*

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Robert Schumann: *Piano Quartet, Op. 47*

THEFT OF THE \$6 MIL. VIOLIN and WHAT MAKES A GREAT VIOLIN:

see Jacob Stockinger's *The Well-Tempered Ear* Dec 13, 2014

<https://welltempered.wordpress.com/tag/antonio-stradivari/>

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

Chopin wrote this concerto when he was about 20, before finishing his formal education. He was the soloist when it was first performed in Warsaw in 1830. "Chopin's second piano concerto is of a perfection almost ideal, its expression, now radiant with light, now full of tender pathos." — *Franz Liszt*



Ingrid Fliter (b.1973, Buenos Aires) first performed in a recital at age 11. She moved to Europe, and studied in Freiburg and Rome. In Warsaw, she won a silver medal at the 2000 International Frederick Chopin Piano Competition. Her U.S. debut was as the featured soloist on a tour with the Warsaw Philharmonic and Kazimierz Kord in 2002. In 2006 Fliter was the first woman to win the \$300,000 Gilmore Artist Award.

*"A great pianist's odyssey among the great orchestras of the world brings her, at last, to Madison."* - MSO website

<http://madisonsymphony.org/fliter>

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**PRELUDE DISCUSSION [John DeMain, MSO Music Director](#)**

discusses the music & composers 1 hour before the concert

**March 13 Farley's House of Pianos 7:30pm**

**Marco Grieco *Chopin Scherzo No. 2* and other composers**

**July 2015 Madison's Early Music Festival's theme: Central and E. Europe, including Czechoslovakia, Bohemia, Poland.**

**Music from Poland in our South Central Library System**

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1 US\$ = 3.73 zloty

## IN THE NEWS

various sources

21 Dec WARSAW, Sejm - Over 100 demonstrated against state financing of the Temple of Divine Providence. "Subsidizing religious organizations with state funds is against Polish law."

22 Dec DZIERZONIÓW, SW Poland - Death of a 54 yr. old who fell out of the stands while applauding at a volleyball match.

24 Dec FT. LAUDERDALE, Fla - Death of Anna Cienciała - author, historian, specialist on Poland's foreign policy.

WIELKOPOLSKA regional legislature - Soap-opera star Katarzyna Bujakiewicz resigned her seat rather than publish her earnings.

25 Dec ANTARCTICA, King George Island - 4 people rescued from a Polish long-distance cruising yacht.

26 Dec BOSTON, MA - Death of Stanislaw Baranczak, "New Wave" poet, Communist era dissident, Shakespeare translator.

30 Dec WARSAW, Stegny track - Skater Jan Szymanski 4th gold.

31 Dec Since November at least 38 people died of low temps.

2 Jan KATOWICE - 19 year old suddenly woke up during brain surgery, talked about cats and how the surgery was going.

WROCŁAW - Death of Józef Hałas, founder of art's Group X.

3 Jan WARSAW, Japanese Embassy - Polish Scouts began their 12,000 km cycling relay to Scout Jamboree in Yamaguchi.

6 Jan VILNIUS, Ponary-Paneriai Massacre Site - Modernization begun, the educational center will be expanded.

7 Jan FROMBORK, Vistula Bay - 2015 fishing quota: 3,127 tons of herring, over 1,000 tons more than 2014.

WROCŁAW UNIVERSITY - As many as 262 doctorates that were stripped prior to WWII will be posthumously restored.

8 Jan WIELICZKA Salt Mine - 1.29 mil. visited the 20 chambered mine in 2014 - that's 80,00 more than in 2013.

8 Jan WARSAW - Death of Tadeusz Konwicki, 88 writer and film director *Forefathers' Eve*, *Salto*, *Mother Joan*, *Pharoah*.

10 Jan Hurricane force gusts damaged trees, over 45,000 people without electricity.

11 Jan PERTH, Australia - Agnieszka Radwanska/ Jerzy Janowicz beat Serena Williams/ John Isner 2:1 in tennis finals.

14 Jan Dir. Roman Polanski says he will cooperate with authorities over the U.S.'s extradition request. He is working in Krakow on *An Officer and A Spy* (the Dreyfus affair.)

15 Jan AIRBUS will build drones and light aircraft in Poland.

"...the skills of the country's engineering workforce are something which we want to take advantage of."

BROOKLYN BECKHAM, teenage son of former footballer David, hired as the face for Polish fashion brand Reserved.

16 Jan POLAND'S FINANCE MINISTER will meet with bankers to assess the impacts of the Swiss Bank abandoning the Euro cap. Over ½ million Poles own mortgages in francs.

18 Jan KRYNICA, S. Poland - The Polish-Ukrainian-Slovakian Friendship Foundation is looking for families willing to accept vacationing children from Ukraine.

THE POLISH GOVT. & TRADE UNIONISTS signed a deal to save 4 coal mines from liquidation. 4 of the 14 state-controlled mines account for 80% of losses. 3,000+ miners had been protesting. GRANSK-Zabianka train station - 100-200 masked people threw stones, smashed windows, and stopped a train with Mixed Martial Arts fans onboard. At least 12 hospitalized.

27 Jan OŚWIĘCIM, Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Museum - On the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its liberation, 250-300 former prisoners are expected to visit. A record number of 1,534,000 people visited the grounds of the former camp in 2014.