The Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin – Madison



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Witam serdecznie!

The Board of Directors has been very busy with events in the past few months. Our Spring Festival was a wonderful success. It was great to see so many people in attendance. We even had a few people sign up as new members! Thanks again to the Spring Festival Committee and all of the volunteers that made this event possible.

Another success was the Portage County Cultural Festival in Stevens Point. Our club had great representation. A big thanks to everyone who participated!

Jane Dunn and her committee are working hard on the 35th anniversary celebration of our club. As of right now, the celebration will take place on October 24 at Olbrich Gardens. Mark your calendars, as I'm sure it is going to be an event you won't want to miss.

As always, please feel free to email the Board of Directors with any questions you might have.

Your President, John Hagen

June 5 Club Bkf. 9 am Monona Gardens

• June 6 WYD 2016 in Krakow Info. Meeting 7 pm St. Peter's 7129 Cty. Rd K., Middleton. World Youth Day is for all youth ages 16 - 24. Fr. Brian Dulli is organizing a Madison group

7/15-8/3/2016 <u>RSVP</u>: bddulli@gmail.com Includes activities in and around Krakow, and a week in Diocese of Gdansk along the Baltic led by Eva Verhoven, experienced tour guide.

• Summer Parades Volunteers welcome! Have fun riding in the red truck & telling about Poland! The Club is so far registered for 7/4 Evansville, 8/9 Black Earth, 8/30 Middleton. CONTACT: Barb 238-9189 or Butch 219-9842.

• October 24 SAVE THE DATE for the club's 35th Anniversary Luncheon & Entertainment. (This year instead of the annual summer picnic

Did you renew? Is this your last newsletter? Member's Directories were given out at the Spring Festival, or mailed to members paid for 2015. Directories are printed every 2 years. (Some members choose not to list their info.). If ques. contact Jane Dunn (608) 831-8827.

FESTIVALS



IN POLAND

• Warsaw Sztuka Ulicy street performers June

- Opole Festival of Polish Song June 12-14
- National Holiday *Corpus Christi* June 4 Children in white scatter flower petals.

• Kraków Lajkonik Festival June 11



A bearded "Tartar" wearing robes and a pointed hat, rides a hobbyhorse to Market Square. He touches spectators with his golden mace to collect ransom money. - John Hagen, 'Lajkonik' 2015 PHCWI President, Middleton, WI Good Neighbor Festival 2013.

• Kraków Wianki Festival June 20-21



Wreaths on rafts in Vistula River,fireworks, and music. FROM: www.krakowinfo.com/folk.htm

• St. John's Eve Sobótka, Kupałnocka June 23 Midsummer solstice - bonfires, floating wianki

- Poznań Day of Remembrance June 28
 On appiversary of the 1956 protests
- On anniversary of the 1956 protests.

2015 POLISH EVENTS

Madison area:

1st Friday Polish Club Breakfast 9 am Please call Barb if you need a ride 238-9189 Monona Gardens, 6501 Bridge Rd, Monona June 6 Sat. 7 pm *WYD 2016 Info. Meeting* St. Peter's School, 7129 Cty. Rd K., Middleton. RSVP: Fr. Brian Dulli bddulli@gmail.com June 16 (10 pm), June 17 (4 am) Burt Wolf: *The Shrine at Czestochowa*, WI Public TV on create Channel 21-3, cable 197

July 11-18 Madison Early Music Festival: Slavic Discoveries

- Lectures 6:30 precede the 7:30 ticketed
 Concerts Mills Hall
- Dance: July 15, 7 pm, \$10 Great Hall UW-Memorial Union
- Workshops: see registration fees on website



Aug 18 PHCWI BOOK CLUB 7 pm Kasia Krzyzostaniak (608) 836-8632 krzmw@chorus.net <u>Middleton, WI</u> PHCWI at Summer Parades: 7/4 Evansville, 8/9 Black Earth, 8/30 Middleton. CONTACT: Barb 238-9189 or Butch 219-9842. Oct 24 Celebration of 35th Anniversary Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin, Inc. - Madison. Luncheon/entertainment, Olbrich Gardens Nov 7 Polish Heritage Club Bazaar, K of C Hall, 5256 Verona Road, Fitchburg, WI Dec 5 Polish Heritage Club Wigilia RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

CHURCH PICNICS IN POLISH PORTAGO CO. AND OTHERS

FROM: Stevens Pt Area Convention & Visitors Bureau: www.stevenspointarea.com/ + Ruth Lietz's polkaruth@hotmail.com Polish food and polka bands..... July 25-26 St Florian Parish Picnic, Hatley June 5-7, St. Joseph, Stevens Point July 26, St. Stan's, Stevens Point June 13-14, St. Peter's, Stevens Point June 20, St. Anne's, Wausau Aug 2, St. Adalbert's, Rosholt Aug 9, St. Bartholomew's - Mill Creek Stevens Point June 21, St. Stephen's, Stevens Point June 27-28, St. Ladislaus, Event in Bevent Aug 9-10, St. Therese August Fest, Rothschild June 27-28, St. Ladislaus, Event in Bevent Aug 16, Sacred Heart - Polonia Custer July 5, St. Mary - Fancher, Amherst Aug 23, St. Mary's, Arnott July 12, St. Bronislava Festival, Plover Sept 4-7 Portage County Fair, Rosholt July 16-19 Portage Co. Fair of Amherst Sept 11-13 Pacelli High School Panacea, Stevens Pt July 18-19, St. Mary's-Torun, Stevens Point Sept 19-20 Dozynki Harvest Fest, Stevens Point Drive the Polish Heritage Trail: pchswi.org/archives/townships/heritagetrail.html

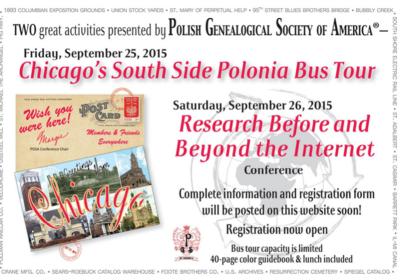
Milwaukee: June 12-14 Polish Fest: America's largest Polish festival 200 N Harbor Dr, www.polishfest.org Polish Center of Wisconsin 6941 S 68th St. Franklin, WI (414) 529-2140 Jul y 24 Beer Tasting 7-10 pm

Chicago: http://polishbuzz.com/

Polish Museum of America: 984 N. Milwaukee Ave. *Between the Lines, Poland 1974-1990* May 16 - June 30 *Everyday life in Poland between 1974-1989*, by photojournalist Stanisław Kulawiak (b. 1954) **Copernicus Center:** Sept 4-7 *Taste of Polonia*



Genealogy and Poland Trips:



PGSA www.pgsa.org/index.php Sept 25 - Bus Tour: *Chicago's Polish South Side* Sept 26 - Conference: *Research Internet*

Matre Dei Trips www.materdeitours.com/ P.O. Box 323 Waunakee, WI 53597 (608) 849-4359 OCT 04 -13: POLAND, LAND OF MERCY AND SAINTS Visit Krakow, Wadowice, Czestochowa/Jasna Gora, Zakopane Mts, Divine Mercy Sanctuary, Auschwitz...

Golden Frontier http://goldenfrontier.org/home.cfm 4100 N. Illinois St Swansea, IL 62226 (618) 234-1445 <u>Oct 13 - 22</u> Black Madonna of Czestochova,Tatras, Warsaw, Mass at St. Stanislaus tomb.

Proximo Travel https://www.proximotravel.com/ Worcester, MA 01613 (855) 842-8001 <u>12 day trips</u>, airfare included - \$3,999.00 Pilgrimages to sacred locations.

CLUB AND MEMBER NEWS

SUNSHINE CORNER! Stoneczny Kącik

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

6/1 Nate Luick, 6/14 Gerald Dunn, 6/20 Angela Jakacki

Happy Anniversary to: 6/5 Dennis/Elaine Schenborn, 6/11John/Darlene Gaska, 6/17 Corina Rios Jackson

Welcome new members: Theodore Ceplina, Stephen & Aimee Gauger, Eric & Gina Lewandowski, Kathy Lange-Novak & Frank Novak, Robert Witczak

Our sympathies to...

The Szybalski Family - Dr. Elizabeth Szybalski, scientist & wife of Professor Wacław Szybalski, passed away April 23 at age 87 after a long illness. A native of Philadelphia, PA, they met at the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, and married in 1955. For over 25 years they worked together, carrying out ground-breaking research in genetics and molecular biology at the UW-Madison McArdle Laboratory for Cancer Research.
The Benninghouse Family - in April, the brother of John "Skip" Benninghouse passed away in Chicago. Skip was a several terms past PHCWI Director and club President in 2011.

Best wishes to Fred and Carol Janecek on their move from Madison. Fr. Fred is the new pastor at Protection of the Holy Virgin Mary Orthodox Church. Here's their update for your Members Directory: 112 N. Fairdale Ave. P.O. Box 307 Royalton, IL 62983 (608) 628-6910. Their many contributions to the club include serving on the Board of Directors, organizing a Members Remembrance Service, helping at many, many club events. Fred & Carol - we are not saying goodbye!

Culture Fairs The Central Wisconsin Center (CWC)'s large gym filled for their annual Culture Fair. Food was served. Kasia Krzyzostaniak's again did a Poland display, and used 2 of the club's trifold display boards and other items form our Display Box. She added books, a Wieliczka salt candle, wooden eggs, Boleslawiec plates with Kabanosy I Kolaczki. One of her friends decorated eggs and showed people how to do it. She says "It was fun, but a lot of work." Thank you, Kasia!

If you would like to borrow the club's displays, contact Rose Meinholz (608) 233-3828 or meinhoch@hotmail.com.

Milwaukee/Chicago Food Trip? DATE TBD If you're interested in a one day food trip via Milwaukee to N. Chicago with stops including Kalinowski European Style Bakery in Mt Prospect, dining at Red Apple Buffet, others. CONTACT: Michael Lomperski (608) 238-9189. No bus trip is planned, this is a modest gathering of those exploring food options.

August 18 PHCWI BOOK CLUB 7 pm Mikolaj Kopernik -

Copernicus - is the subject. Many library books are available. Kasia Krzyzostaniak is hostess. Please contact her so she can set up chairs: krzmw@chorus.net (608) 836-8632 You are welcome to read any book, and come discuss Copernicus. **April 29 Genealogy Get-together** Thank you to genealogist Barb Glassel who volunteered to meet with those interested in their Polish genealogy. The five people who attended had plenty to go over. Others emailed they would like to get together in the future. Barb hopes to schedule another meeting. bglassel@gmail.com or call (608) 819-0087.

May 9 Portage Co. Cultural Festival, Stevens Point



Thanks to: Jane Dunn, her sisters Joan Spindler & Jean Wroblewski, Linda Cagle, Marge (in photo) & Paul Morgan - who represented our club selling jewelry, crafts, some grocery items, and a \$1 sample plate of poppyseed rolls, pączki and kolacki. This year's theme was: WE ALL STARTED AS IMMIGRANTS *More pictures: Y106.5 Plover, WI website*

May 16 Congratulations to Kasia Tomczak! and thank you for all your work on the club's facebook pages many photos and stories! She graduated from UW Madison with BSN in Nursing, and plans to continue with future studies.

May 24 WI STATE JOURNAL story: *Store offers compact, practical European styles* describes Zuzana Repka's Black Red White Room 2 Be In store on Watts Road (across from Woodman's West). The Polish-designed furniture "is modern looking, extremely practical..." Zuzana's design services are available for businesses and individuals, and she will be staging several homes in this June's Parade of Homes. See the PHCWI April/May newsletter for a story and pictures.

PHCWI-MADISON RECENT PUBLICITY:

• March 29 Spring Festival Thank you to Kevin Passon for his <u>3/26</u> story in MONONA'S HERALD INDEPENDENT. There were large pictures in color of Gloria Welniak (Polish palms, eggs and cards) and of John and Heather Hagen (on Gubalowka in Zakopane). John was quoted: "I believe that keeping our ancestors' alive is such an important task. It teaches us about where we came from and helps to build our own identities." Glora detailed the making of pisanki and Polish palms. <u>3/19</u> a story with close-up of Gloria's eggs, and on <u>4/2</u> pictures of Marie Revolinski and musicians Patricia Stone and Tom Wosikowski. Great publicity! [FYI: Gloria's next Pinney Library event is <u>7/25</u>, a non-Polish origami workshop.]

Our club donated, so our name is on the credits of: • April 2015 WI Film Festival, 150 films, many showings. COMMUNITY & CULTURAL PARTNERS: Madison Public library, Overture Center, Hilldale, French Embassy, Goethe-Institut Chicago, Institut Française, Japanese Outreach Initiative, The Polish Heritage Club, Scram! Couriers

• **Director Anna Ferens'** *The Essence of Life /Esencja życia* documentary premiered in Madison on Dec. 8, 2014. It has been shown at three locations in Poland, in New Orleans, Atlanta, Clearwater, FL, and in Michigan and Chicago.

SPRING FESTIVAL March 29, 2015

Every year, the Spring Festival is a way to showcase our great Polish history, pottery, amber jewelry, arts and crafts, as well as our delicious food and enjoyable music. It is a great opportunity to share our customs and history with a larger community. This event would not be successful without the dedicated volunteers who help make this event a truly fun filled day. There is a great deal of work that goes into making this day a success. It is amazing to have a group of individuals who are ready and willing to contribute their personal time and talents to help make the Spring Festival a success. - *The Spring Festival Committee:*

Linda Cagle, Jane Dunn, Marge Morgan, Gloria Welniak



Names in Bold = in picture. *THANK YOU* to the following for their much appreciated help:

Bakery: Joan Rubens, Mary Ann Reale, Bev Priefer, Angela Jakacki, Ronni Guski, *Thank you* to all who brought homemade bakery.





Books/Children's Table: Irene Swiggum, Kasia Krzyzostaniak Floaters/Helpers: Maxine Cuta, Barbara Lomperski, John Hagen, Marge Morgan

History Display: Rose Meinholz Jewelry: Marie Revolinski, Sue Fatupaito, Marcia Flannery, Laurie Ross, Joanna & Pamela Pasowicz Lunch Ticket Sales: Ted Mianowski, Linda Ganski Lunch Chefs/ Servers: Butch Luick, Phil Flannery, Laura Jasiczek, Ken Martin, Pita Fatupaito, Paul Morgan Ralph Tyksinski Musicians: Tom Wosikowski, Patricia Stone Photographer: Kasia Tomczak Pisanki Demonstration: Andrea Rolich



Posters Design/Printing: Marcia Flannery

Poster Hanging: Linda Cagle, Bob Doornek, Jane Dunn, Barb Lomperski, Rose Meinholz, Basia Pulz, Donna Smith, Ralph Tyksinski, Gloria Welniak, John Zwadzich and more!

Pierogi /Kielbasa Sales: John & Zach Zwadzich, Art & Raina Haralampopoulos Pottery: Patricia Brinkman, Jane Dunn Publicity: Linda Cagle PunchTable/Bus Tables: Diane Pillsbury Raffle R:Gloria Welniak (organizer) L:Sharon Pasowicz, Linda Rose Wyanki Display: Gloria Welniak



Set Up/Takedown/Transporters: Jane Dunn, Anne Evans, Butch/Dorie Luick, Rose Meinholz, Marge & Paul Morgan, Joanna & Sharon Pasowicz, Marie Revolinski, Laurie Ross, Joan Rubens, Irene Swiggum, Gloria Welniak Wrapping/ Cashiers: Anne Evans, Michelle Michalak, Anne Schachtner, Norine Vedeges, Sandra Witte

Special thanks to Armella Sonn at Immaculate Heart who made and serves the coffee & oversees our event each year.



If your name was inadvertently left out, please contact Linda Cagle (608) 244-2788 for listing in the next newsletter.





Milwaukee Polish Fest

June 12 -14, 2015 200 N.Harbor Dr. INFO BELOW FROM: www.polishfest.org/

Witamy! Come experience America's largest Polish festival ...From pierogis to polka and so much more, for one weekend you can feel like you are in Poland as we embrace our Polish spirit together. Whether your family tree is deeply rooted in Polish heritage or you are interested in experiencing the Polish culture for the first time, Polish Fest 2015 will bring you as close to Poland as possible without crossing the Atlantic. Polish Fest 2015 has everything from classic Polish cuisine, a *Cultural Village where you can learn about typical Polish* lifestyle ... learn the secrets behind cooking your favorite Polish foods and traditional folk art. Walk through Poland's lively history and embrace your inner animal lover with traditional Polish sheepdogs, chickens and rabbits. ... or the Sukiennice Marketplace where you can find a piece of Polish tradition and take it home with you....over forty different vendors. ... or visit Online Store.

Hours: Fri. & Sat. Noon to Midnight, Sun. Noon to 8 PM
*Free Sun 10 Prelude, 10:15 Mass Celebrant: Dennis Saran
Tickets (are subject to change) \$12 at Gate: \$10 advance.
DISCOUNT FRI: \$.50 Noon to 5PM, \$5 after 5PM
*ALL WEEKEND: In honor of our military: free with military ID.
Parking Lot and street parking \$5.00-\$10.00 per vehicle.
Shuttle Service \$1.50 - \$3

Check website for additions/updates

Children's Stage: Ardan James - The Animated Illusionist, David Seebach, Jim Krzewski- The "Spoon" Man, Julie Sobanski Magicienne & Escape Artist, Kohls Wild Theater, Maciek the Magician, Orlikowski Zareczny Heritage Club Polish Legends & Dance, Starlite the Clown-Balloon Artist, Syrenka Presents Polish Play, Wayne & Wingnut, Whispers Artistic Expression

Cultural Stage: Happy Singers, Lajkonik Song & Dance, Maggie D Grupa, Mali Koscieliscany, PFDAA Gala, Polanie Band, Polonez Polish Song & Dance Ensemble, Profusion Band, Syrena Polish Folk Dance Ensemble, Syrena/Syrenka, Wawel Folk Ensemble, Wesoly Lud Polish Dance Company of PRCUA, Whispers of Artistic Expression, WICI Song & Dance Company, Zespol Goralski "Tatry" Polish Highlander Ensemble, <u>Sun. 3 PM Chopin Competition</u>

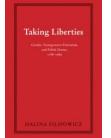
Folk Stage: Accompany of Kids, Bobby Way & The Wayouts, D/Vision, FlipSyde w/ Red Deacon, Happy Schnapps Combo, Norm Dombrowski's Happy Notes, Polanie Dance Group, Polish Falcons Nest 725, Polka Lessons w/ Randy & Ashley Thull, Silver Orkiestra, Syrena Fashion Show, Syrena Polish Folk Dance Ensemble, The Larry Lynne Band, Wesoly Ludek, Whiskey Belles

Miller Stage: 76 Juliet, D/Vision, Eric Diamond & The Ultimate Legenda, Jimmy Sturr & His Orchestra, John Gora & Gorale, Squeezebox with Ted Lange and Mollie B from RFD-TV, Syrena Polish Folk Dance Ensemble, The Greatest Hits

Non-Stop Polka Stage: Buffalo Touch, IPA Tribute Band, Jimmy K & Ethnic Jazz, Polka Country Musicians, Polka Family Band

Halina Filipowicz's New Book

from Ohio University Press: Halina Filipowicz is a professor of Polish literature at the University of Wisconsin–Madison and holds an affiliate appointment in the Department of Gender and Women's Studies. She is the author of A Laboratory of Impure Forms: The Plays of Tadeusz Różewicz and coeditor of The Great Tradition and Its Legacy: The Evolution of Dramatic and Musical Theater in Austria and Central Europe.



Taking Liberties Gender, Transgressive Patriotism, and Polish Drama, 1786–1989 By Halina Filipowicz Ohio University Press 376 pages Paperback Edition Hardcover Edition Electronic Edition

"Dr. Filipowicz has turned her attention to gender dynamics in Polish theatre, literature, and culture, skillfully weaving themes of transgression (variously conceived) and patriotism throughout the narrative."

-Catherine A. Schuler, Editor, Theatre Journal

"As narrow, nationalist views of patriotic allegiance have become widespread and are routinely invoked to justify everything from flag-waving triumphalism to xenophobic bigotry, the concept of a nonnationalist patriotism has vanished from public conversation. *Taking Liberties* is a study of what may be called patriotism without borders: a nonnational form of loyalty compatible with the universal principles and practices of democracy and human rights, respectful of ethnic and cultural diversity, and, overall, openminded inclusive.

Moving beyond a traditional study of Polish dramatic literature, Halina Filipowicz turns to the plays themselves and to archival materials, ranging from parliamentary speeches to polemical pamphlets and verse broadsides, to explore the cultural phenomenon of transgressive patriotism and its implications for society in the twenty-first century. Three major themes unite this exploration: controversies over "true" and "false" patriotism; disputes over class and gender boundaries; and imaginative attempts to expand the meaning of "us" to take in "not-us," and perhaps even to undo the whole opposition between "us" and "them."

In addition to recovering lost or forgotten materials, the author builds an innovative conceptual and methodological framework to make sense of those materials. *Taking Liberties* constitutes a significant contribution to the debate over the meaning and practice of patriotism."

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- 3. Is There Transgression in This Text? Wanda, Queen Poland
- 4. No More Separate Spheres? Emilia Plater
- 5. Apocalypse Now? Tadeusz Kościuszko
- 6. Controversies over "True" and "False" Patriotism, 1941-89



The Polish Heritage Club - Madison received a request about finding a host for a High School student from Poland for two semesters this next school year. He arrives mid-August. Please help spread the word!

Would you or someone you know like to host a student?

Maciej is a boy from Poland who turns 17 by this summer. He loves participating in a variety of school activities, practicing Krav-Maga (a martial art), volunteering, doing sports and robotics, as well as spending time with his family and friends. He was responsible for the audio equipment during all student events at his previous school, helped with the planning, set-up, and clean-up for these events, and also played a key role in helping raise funds for a teacher who was diagnosed with cancer. In the U.S., he would be happy to cook some Polish meals for his host family and have the chance to try out swimming. He practices Krav-Maga three hours a week and enjoys kayaking, sailing, and skiing. He likes playing board games and has volunteered for board and fantasy game conventions. To earn some pocket money, he works at a fast food restaurant. His interests include going on bike tours, reading newspapers and books, watching movies, listening to music (especially musicals), scouting, collecting postcards, playing chess, and photography. He is a talkative, lively, outgoing, and helpful young man who is wellliked by his teachers and peers and has a positive attitude. He is cheerful, straightforward, ambitious, and eager to learn.

CONTACT: Marge Ryan, Regional Manager NWSE email marge@nwsemail.org Phone: (262) 749-0564 Fax: 800 613-5105 Skype: Marge.Ryan www.nwse.com NWSE Video http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IV0RxoiH07c NWSE is a Department of State-designated nonprofit organization listed with CSIET www.facebook.com/go.nwse

NorthWest Student Exchange (NWSE), established in 1987, "offers a variety of international student exchange programs for both inter-national and American high school students: academic-year, semester, reciprocal, and summer student exchange programs. It is a U.S. Department of Statedesignated student exchange program and is listed with the Council on Standards for International Exchange and Travel (CSIET). If you are able to refer a host family, NWSE offers you \$150 for each family you refer that hosts one of our students - or, if you so choose, NWSE can instead donate that amount to...www.nwse.com/index.html

NWSE Video

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IV0RxoiH07c

The Essence of Life Screenings

by Irena Frączek

Director Anna Ferens' "The Essence of Life" documentary presents an artistic view of the life history and scientific achievements of Wacław Szybalski, the UW-Madison Professor Emeritus of Oncology and PHCWI member. Since the world premiere in Madison on Dec. 8, 2014, the film has now been shown and heartily applauded in Poland. The first screening took place in Gdańsk (Shakespearian Theater on March 11) garnering an audience of mostly students and faculty of schools from which Prof. Szybalski received three (out of his five) doctorates of honoris causa. The director and her film were also warmly received at the Foundation for the Advancement of Polish Science in Warsaw (March 31) with some guests arriving for this occasion from Kraków, Wrocław, Łódź and Poznań. Moreover, scientists from all over the world could see the film during RECOMB 2015, the International Conference on Research in Computational Molecular Biology (April 13). On the invitation of conference organizers, Prof. Szybalski preceded the screening with keynote lecture honoring Stanisław Ulam, a renowned member of the worldfamous Lwów School of Mathematics.

In April and May, director Anna Ferens presented her documentary at several US locations: the University of New Orleans, Loyola University in New Orleans, Auburn University in Alabama, the Polish Center of John Paul II in Clearwater, Florida and the church of Our Lady of Częstochowa in Sterling Heights, Michigan. The latter show was a part of a series of events organized by the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago in coordination with Polish-American partners. In Chicago, the series included a press conference with film-maker Anna Ferens and Consul General Paulina Kapuścińska as well as two enthusiastically received screenings of the movie at the elegant Gallery Theatre of the Society of Arts in Chicago (1112 N. Milwaukee Ave.).

<u>Links to Youtube videos</u> from the post-screening Q&A sessions are posted on the Polish Club Madison facebook. <u>To purchase a DVD</u> of the 57 min. film *The Essence of Life* for \$18 for viewing on your computer CONTACT: Irena Fraczek. ifraczek7@gmail.com or Rose Meinholz.



left to right: Anna Maria Gliszczyńska (Polish Television USA), director Anna Ferens, Professor Wacław Szybalski and the world-famous Polish surgeon Maria Siemionow after the screening of "The Essence of Life" in Chicago on May 17, 2015 (photo Irena Frączek)

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

"The Madison Early Music Festival Slavic Discoveries will take you on an adventure, as we explore the little known early music from Eastern Europe and Eurasia. Experience the cultural traditions and musical history of the Eastern courts, early Russian Orthodox, the Bohemian Crown Lands, Polish Medieval, Renaissance and early Baroque eras, to the ancient lands of the Balkans. All listeners, singers, players, and dancers are welcome!" <u>http://artsinstitute.wisc.edu/memf/</u>

Presenting and Promotional Partners are the UW-Madison Arts Institute, UW-Madison School of Music, and the Center for Russian, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA). **Academic Credit** & Continuing Education Units are available.

Festival ticket sales began May 1. Purchase weeklong concert passes and single tickets: • online • call 608-265- 2787
Box Offices at Vilas Hall or Union Theater • at the door check or cash only. The preconcert lectures are free.
Donate to keep the Festival thriving in Wisconsin.
Questions Sarah Marty smarty@dcs.wisc.edu (608) 263-2790.
Complete schedule: http://artsinstitute.wisc.edu/memf/index.htm

Concerts: 6:30 pm lecture free, 7:30 concert ticketed.

July 11 The Rose Ensemble - Slavic Wonders: Feast and Saints in Early Russia, Bohemia and Poland ...includes stunning 12-part Baroque motets from the Russian Orthodox tradition, Medieval Latin chants for Slavic saints and powerful double-choir works from the Polish Renaissance. The Rose Ensemble has presented this program to capacity crowds across the U.S. and Europe.

July 12 East of the River - Levantera... fascinating and beautiful repertory.....little known to today's audiences. July 14 Piffaro - The Slavic Connection: West meets East and East meets West ...tells a fascinating tale of cross-cultural influence and engagement in the musical interaction.

July 17 Ensemble Peregrina - Filia Praeclara: Music from Polish Clarissen Cloisters (13th & 14th c.) ...There were a number of Polish convents of the Order of St. Clare in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries. This rare program offers a glimpse into the musical (and hence spiritual life) of those communities based on some surviving copies of the "Magnus liber" that belonged to Kinga of Hungary (1224-1292) and is now located at the Stary Sacz monastery in southern Poland.

July 18 Orchestra Performance All Festival Concert ... instrumental and choral works by composers of the 16th - 18th cen. from the courts of Warsaw & Cracow, including a triple choir *Magnificat* by Mikołaj Zieleński , and movements from *Missa La Lombardesca* by Bartołomiej Pękiel for double choir & instruments, and excerpts from *Harmonia Caelestis* (1711) by Hungarian composer Pál Eszterházy. Plus a stunning a cappella Choral Concerto by Ukrainian composer Dmitri Bortniansky from the Imperial Court in St. Petersburg. **Dance:** July 15, 7:00 pm \$10 Great Hall UW-Memorial Union. Instruction by MIchael Kuharski, music provided by the Veseliyka Balkan Music Ensemble. Open to the public. **Michael Kuharski** started folk dancing in Madison in 1969 ... He speaks Serbo-Croatian, Bulgarian, some Macedonian, a little Romanian and less Albanian. He has made 12 trips to the Balkans and regular journeys to Milwaukee to study the folklore, language and culture of the people (particularly Kosovo Albanians, Macedonians, to collect dances, music, instruments, costumes, friends, red scarves, & anecdotes. Michael is Artistic Director of Ensemble Narodno, the main man behind the Folk Ball at UW-Madison. ... plays accordion, lugs a tupan around, and transcribes folk songs by the score.

Workshops: see times and registration fees on website.

Polish Chant: 13th-15th centuries (KELLY LANDERKIN & AGNIESZKA BUDZIŃSKA-BENNETT) A workshop dedicated to the chant from Polish sources of the medieval era. We'll study hymns and sequences for St. Claire of Assisi, the patroness of Poor Clares' convents in Lesser Poland (Stary Sącz and Cracow) and the two most important bishop saints of the country: St. Adalbert (Wojciech) and St. Stanislaus. Some of the pieces are still resounding in Polish churches.

Great Polish Instrumental Sonatas & Canzoni (GREG INGLES)

Intermediate and advanced recorders, strings, sackbuts, dulcians, and keyboard instruments. Have you always wanted to try the instrumental chamber music of Mielczewski, Jarzebski, and Zielenski but been too afraid to try? Fear not, and join our merry band in discovering the richness of these Polish gems. Their Italianate style is easily likable, containing both highly expressive melodic lines and episodes of virtuosic fantasy. This class is available to players of all string instruments, recorders, sackbuts, dulcians & keyboard instruments.

Distinctly Polish: Instrumental Idioms (EMILY JANE

KATAYAMA) *Open to all instruments.* Polish art music was highly influenced by Italian guests at the royal courts in the early 17th century, and yet a distinct Polish idiom emerged. Explore the crossroads of folk music and art music, especially in the development of the polonaise and mazurka.

Polish Motets (TOM ZAJAC) *Advanced singers and instrumentalists.* Beautiful 15th and 16th-century Polish motets in Latin by Petrus Wilhelmi de Grudencz, Nicholas of Radom, Wacław z Szamotuł, Mikołaj z Krakowa and others.

Vernacular Spiritual songs and Latin chant from Bohemia and Poland (JORDAN SRAMEK) Open to singers of all levels. A wonderful opportunity to explore a wide range of hagiographic monophonic repertoire, manuscript sources from Prague, Krakow and Hradec Kralove serve as the narrators. Features liturgical and para-liturgical chants, songs and legends concerning Wenceslaus I (Duke of Bohemia), Adalbert (Patron of Poland and Hungary), and others.



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1.00 USD = 3.74 PLN **IN THE NEWS** various sources

<u>19 Mar</u> Assoc. of Medical Tourism - 2014: 390,000 foreigners used Polish facilities (dentistry & plastic surgery) 10% > than 2013. <u>20 Mar</u> WARSAW - PM Ewa Kopacz staying at a hotel instead of the PM residence, Willa Parkowa near royal Łazienki Park.

<u>21 Mar</u> SOCHACZEW BASE, w.of Warsaw - Arrival of Raytheon mfg. Patriot ground-to-air missile defense sys. and 100 troops.
<u>23 Mar</u> 41% of Poles ages 18 - 34 plan to emigrate.
STAWIGUDA, N. Poland - Arrival of ~200 East Ukrainian refugees, each carrying one suitcase. They can stay for 6 mo.
SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA, Chile, Polonia Observatory - 4 Polish amateur astronomers found a new comet via CCD images.
LEGIONOW,cen.PL -Peaceful protest after teen drug bust death.
<u>25 Mar</u> ŠIAULIAI AIRPORT, Lithuania - Polish Air Force deployed 3 falcons & 1 hawk to chase birds posing a threat to airplanes.

<u>26 Mar</u> LUBELSKI, Ukraine/Belarus border - The elk pop. doubled to 5,000 since 2013. They cause accidents, "gobble up crops."
MN VIKINGS signed 6'9" 351# Babatunde Aiyegbusi (bah-BUH-tune-day ah-YEG-boo-see) from Olesnica, Poland, 5th Polish-born player in NFL. [<u>8 April</u> death of 1st NFL Pole]
EU RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME - Over 2,000 farmers under age 40 to receive EU funds to help set up own farms.
52% of Poles think the Eurozone a bad idea, 15% support it.

LABOR MINISTRY- Unemployment: 11.3% April, '15 vs. 13% Apr. '14. <u>2 Apr</u> WASHINGTON WIZARDS - The sole Pole in the NBA, 7' Marcin Gortat, ave. 11.9 points and 8.5 rebounds/ game. <u>3 Apr</u> WARSAW -Space Research/ Copernicus Ctrs. may close. <u>6 Apr</u> INDIANAPOLIS - Krzyzewski's Duke Blue Devils defeated UW Badgers. "Coach K" Polish-Amer Sports Hall Fame 1991. <u>8 Apr</u> WARSAW - Free bikes to students if ride 120 km/month. - <u>18 Apr</u> SILESIA, Wujek-Ruch Śląsk Coal Mine - 2 miners trapped 850 m underground after an earthquake (also felt in Katowice) - MEDITERRANEAN - Polish ship "Żerań" rescued 93 Africans. - Parents who don't get their children vaccinated may be fined. <u>25 April</u> APOLOGISES TO POLAND from Mattel for using 'Nazi Poland' in its Apples to Apples game. And earlier in the week from FBI director James Comey for his statements. <u>29 Apr</u> - WARSAW - Polish Bishops Conference commemorated Dachau's liberation. The priests camp, > half (~1800) Polish.

<u>4 May</u> CHĘCINY ROYAL CASTLE, s. central PL - 13th century castle reopened after repairs of PLN 8 million, 80% from EU. <u>7 May</u> WARSAW, Okęcie Military Airport - 69 firemen of HUSAR heavy search & rescue team & their dogs returned from Nepal. <u>8 May</u> London, Kensington Palace - Whisbear Co. sent humming teddy bear to Princess Charlotte (recreates sounds in womb).

<u>9 May</u> KRAKOW, Aviation Museum - Displays last CR.714 Cyclone plane used by Poles in the defense of France. <u>12 May</u> POLISH SENATE - Honored 'father of Polish independence' Marshal Piłsudski on the 80th anniversary of his death. <u>15 May</u> ADAMA, Ethiopia, Metec Tractor y - Ursus Tractor opened a dedicated line to produce their contracted 3,000 tractors.

<u>16 May</u> NADARZYCE, NW Poland - Polish Army lost 2nd drone. - Poland pays \$250,000 to 2 suspects in the 2000 USS Cole attack who were held in a CIA prison on Polish soil. <u>18 May</u> AUKLAND AIRPORT, NZ - Sniffer dogs stopped Polish man's smuggling of seeds, a bulb, & ivy from a Polish castle. <u>21 May</u> TATRA MTS, SE Bieszczady - 5 yr. old brown bear Iwo returned from his 3 wk. ~400 km Slovakia and Hungary trek.

<u>24 May</u> Bronisław Komorowski 62, Civic Platform Party, congratulated new President Andrzej Duda 43, Law Justice Party.