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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Szczesliwego Nowego Roku 2016!

With announcements by the scientific community that the global warming is real, we have to look outside to confirm, that instead of making snowman with friends and family, we are to pull out our umbrellas to be ready for Christmas.

2015 has been filled with activities which greatly contributed to a successful year. The Club's regular events: the Spring Festival and Christmas Bazar, and this year's 35th Anniversary Celebration, plus Lisabeth Laciak-Huber's *Polish Kids Club* and the 25th *Polish Film Festival* all served the Madison area. The Club for the first time had a booth at the Willy St. Fair, which always draws many participants from different cultures of the world. Reserve time on your 2016 calendar for the club's activities. Your involvement will certainly enrich the experience for all participants.

Club members will vote for new members on the Board of Directors at the PHCWI Annual Meeting and Elections on January 24, and vote for adoption of the revised Club Bylaws. Thank you all for the hard work from members and the Bylaws Committee to update the rules by which the club operates. Please come to the annual meeting.

The Club will be as visible as the involvement of all members; therefore, bring your ideas so that the Club activities will grow along with the joy and enrichment for everyone. Your input will help the direction of the club for this coming year. The club will celebrate many events, so stay tuned about concerts, lectures, presentation and other events.

Thank you for allowing me to lead the lead the Club and to share with you and with others an understanding of Polish customs and culture.

I am looking forward to serving you in this upcoming year.

Your president, Ryszard Zolnik you are invited to:

Jan 1. First Friday Polish Club Breakfast 9 am Monona Garden Restaurant is open. Ques? Need ride? Barb (608) 238-9189. Celebrate!

Jan 9. Overture Center Local Goes Global!
see the Polish Heritage Club at:
INTERNATIONAL CAFÉ' and CRAFT BAZAAR
INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL



10:30 AM - 5 PM Enjoy over 30 FREE performances.....weaving a rich

tapestry of performances, crafts and foods with sounds, smells and flavors as colorful as the vibrant costumes that adorn the performers.

We hope to see you at the Annual Meeting! Come visit and stay for refreshments.

Hear club reports, discuss ideas, vote for new Directors and major Bylaws revisions. By mail you will receive:

- the current + proposed revised Bylaws
- list/summary of the changes
- statements from the nominees to the Board

Sunday January 24, 2016 at 1:30 pm

ANNUAL MEETING and ELECTIONS

Lakeview Lutheran Church 4001 Mandrake Rd Madison, 53704 (near Warner Park & jct. Hwy 113/School Rd)

Your membership must be paid for 2016 to vote at the Annual Meeting AND to be included in the every-other odd year Members Directory. (unless you do not want to be included). Memberships are from Jan 1 to Dec 31. If you joined since Sept. 2015 - it's counted for 2016.

- A Membership Form is included if your label doesn't say 2016. Dziękuję! We appreciate your prompt renewal! Family \$25, Individual \$15.
- Do you know someone who would like to receive a newsletter? We'll send a sample issue. Give a gift membership, and share your enjoyment of Polish culture!

If any membership questions contact:
Jane Dunn (608) 831-8827 gwtwfidldd1@tds.net

Madison area:

1st Fri Breakfast. 9 am Ques/ride? Barb (608) 238-9189.
 Monona Garden Family Restaurant, 6501 Bridge Rd. Monona

1st Sun of month. Eucharist in Polish: St Cecelia's., WI Dells www.dellscatholic.com/ (608) 254-8381

Mondays 7 - 8 pm. UW-Madison Polish Student Association Memorial Union: TITU Board. psa.madison.wi@gmail.com

<u>Saturdays</u> 10 am. Polish Kids Club, Waunakee https://www.facebook.com/PolishKidsClubMadison

9 Jan 10:30 - 5 pm Polish Club at International Festival. Food & crafts. Overture Center, 201 State St.

<u>18 Jan</u> 7 pm Tyrone Greive (violin) Michael Keller (piano) Oakwood Retirement Village West, 6205 Mineral Point

<u>19 Jan -May 6</u> UW Madison class: *The Culture of Dissent in Czechoslovakia and Poland* (1960s-1980s)

24 Jan 1:30 pm Polish Club Annual Meeting and Elections. Lakeview Lutheran Church, 4001 Mandrake Rd

<u>24 Jan</u> 3 pm Concert/Lecture by Trevor Stephenson: 1855 Bösendorfer Concert Grand Piano - Music of Chopin...

<u>22 Jan - Feb 22</u> Five-part course by Trevor Stephenson: *Beethoven & Chopin.* (608) 238-6092

9 Feb DATE CHANGE 7 pm POLISH CLUB BOOK CLUB
Pianist Arthur Rubinstein. Kasia (608) 836-8632 Middleton

<u>20 Mar</u> Polish Club Palm Sunday *Spring Festival*: bakery, crafts, food, jewelry, music, pottery.

<u>26 Mar</u> Holy Saturday Blessing of Baskets *Święconka:* Queen of Peace, St. Maria Goretti, St. Albert's

31 Mar 4 pm UW-Madison CREECA: Youth, Transnational Imagination, 1968 Poland 1155 Observatory Dr

3 May Polish Constitution Day Trzeciego Maja 1999 WI SJR 11

Summer Polish Heritage Club Picnic October Polish American Heritage Month Nov Polish Heritage Club Bazaar Dec Polish Heritage Club Wigilia

Genealogy:

http://steveszabados.com/calendar-of-events/
 Steve Szabados, genealogy speaker, author and columnist:
 9 Jan
 2 pm Steps to Successful Research Appleton, WI
 21 May Polish Genealogy (3 programs) – details TBA.
 Wisconsin Historical Society.

Milwaukee:

Mitchell Park Domes

23 Jan 9 - 4 pm Poland Under Glass



Marcus Center for the Performing Arts, 929 North Water St. Jan 30 - 31 Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra's concert includes Witold Lutosławski's Musique funèbre / Muzyka żałobna

Polish Center of Wisconsin, 6941 S 68th St. Franklin, WI 21 Feb 5 pm A Common Heritage: Music from Poland and Latin America Elena Abend (piano), O. Pimentel (clarinet) 10 Apr. Polanki's Pierogi Festival

State Fair Park: <u>June17-19</u> 35th Polish Fest "The largest celebration of Polish culture in the US."

Chicago: http://polishbuzz.com/

Polish Museum of America 984 N Milwaukee Ave thru Jan 17 Watercolor Art: Lemko folk/ naïve painter N. Krynicki

Spertus Institute 610 S. Michigan Ave.

<u>Feb 7</u> Film/discussion/ reception: *Raise the Roof* "reconstruction of the magnificent, mural - covered, 18th-century Gwozdziec synagogue as the center-piece of the Warsaw's POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews."

Green Bay: http://www.phsofnew.org/

Jan 16: Christmas Party Feb./Mar: Arti Gras, Paczki Party April/May: Easter Party July: Pulaski Polka Days Aug: Art St. Oct: Movie at Neville Museum

Racine: RAM 441 Main St, New Polish Fiber Art Exhibit thru

thru Feb 7 "Poland has a long history of textile production and design. Centered in the city of Lodz for most of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, textile manufacturing has been a large part of Poland's history, and extends back to traditional modes of weaving. Made of woven wool, hemp, and flax—and sometimes including cotton embroildery—traditional Polish textiles are made in a variety of designs associated with different cultural localities within the country. They include both functional works (like the striped aprons of the cen. Polish Pasiaki style) & decorative objects." http://museum.msu.edu/s-program/mtap/Collections/polish.html

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 Wierzba
1/17 Carol Hassemer
1/22 Chris Pasinski

Welcome to new members:

Scarlet D. Feller, Stephanie Karwacki & Robert Bouril, Alyce A. Kowalski, Linda Rose, Sharon Stern



27 Sept, 2015 Art & Raina Zwadzich Haralampopoulos, dziadek /grandpa John Zwadzich and wujek / uncle Zach announce the birth of George and Eugenia Haralampopoulos. George 9:17, 6 pounds, 6 oz. and 19 3/4"

Eugenia 9:18 weighing 5 pounds, 6 oz. and 18" from WIGILIA 2009: This year John Zwadzach demonstrated the sharing of the oplatek, the Christmas wafer, and congratulated his newly engaged daughter Raina in Polish and Greek.

Continued good recovery wishes to: Jerry Dunn and Walter Chmielewski after their heart surgeries.

Do you want your newsletter emailed? (it's in color)

- Check *Please email my 10x/Year Newsletter* when you renew, or contact Jane Dunn, membership (608) 831-8827.
- If you have not received our occasional emails about events, we do not have your email.

Would you like to write stories for this newsletter, and/or

in local newspapers about Poland's geography and history? Do you have stories to tell about your trips, family history, customs, or your family's place of origin? Would you like to write reports about events, or club members' histories? Your contributions are welcome! - Rose Meinholz, Editor. (608) 233-3828 meinhoch@hotmail.com

P.S. A sincere thank you to all who have written stories and/or told about events or ideas for stories!

LOST/FOUND at Nov. Christmas Bazaar: Olive green pullover (Polartec) size XL. CONTACT: Linda Cagle (608) 244-2788

Polish Stamp Bonanza

A big thanks to Rich Kubinski who replied to Gloria Welniak's request for Polish stamps so she could continue the crafting of bookmarks as fundraisers for the club. Rich sent a packet of over 300 stamps, circa 1960 – 1990 from his father's (Dr. Henry Kubinski) collection. Rich wrote: "As a small child, I watched my father meticulously separate stamps and work on his stamp collection... As a founder of the Polish Heritage Club, he would approve that your book marks are an appropriate final destination for his collection."

Stamp Encyclopaedia Poland "...is an online catalogue for the stamps of Poland and related stamp collecting areas. For ~ 150 years, stamps have exposed the society of Poland. Every stamp is a little piece of art that tells us something about historical moments, important people, places, things, events or everyday subjects. ...With the Encyclopaedia you can get to know more about the rich history, culture and language of the country behind these stamps. http://www.stampspoland.nl/

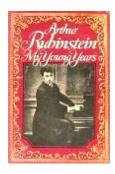
7 July, 2014 ASIAGO, Italy - Polish Stamp Win

"...the Grand Prix for the most beautiful stamp in the world. The winning design was released by national postal services company Poczta Polska to mark the 455th anniversary of the foundation of the then Royal Post in Poland.



The stamp shows a section of an oak trunk with growth rings marking the centuries of existence of the Polish postal service. Artist Agnieszka Sancevicz created the design. The Royal Post was founded by King

Sigismund Augustus (Zygmunt August) in 1558, and was initially chiefly used by the monarch to maintain corresponddence with relatives in Italy." http://www.,Polish-stamp-named-



Feb 9. DATE CHANGED 7 pm BOOK CLUB Arthur Rubinstein

b. 1887, Łódź d. 1982, Geneva "The greatest Chopin interpreter of his time." We'll start with a focus on his early years. The Central Library System has copies of his biography, and other books and recordings.

Please contact Kasia (608) 836-8632 krzmw@chorus.net about your coming.

Arthur Rubinstein Quotes:

"I was born very, very lazy and I don't always practice very long. But I must say, in my defense, that it is not so good, in a musical way, to over practice. When you do, the music seems to come out of your pocket. If you play with a feeling of 'Oh, I know this,' you play without that little drop of fresh blood that is necessary – and the audience feels it."

"At every concert I leave a lot to the moment. I must have the unexpected, the unforeseen. I want to risk, to dare. I want to be surprised by what comes out. I want to enjoy it more than the audience. That way the music can bloom anew. It's like making love. The act is always the same, but each time it's different."

37th ANNUAL PHCWI WIGILIA Dec. 5, 2015

Photos by Irena Fraczek unless noted otherwise.

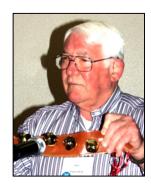
Dziękuję to the Wigilia Committee - Joanna, Pam and Sharon Pasowicz, and Marie Revolinski - and all who shared their talents to create our Wigilia! 84 guests registered.



Thank you to Sharon Pasowicz for the pretty beaded ornaments with each place setting!

~Don W photo

Adam and Weronika Zolnik demonstrated sharing of the opłatek MC Phil Flannery rang sleigh bells as needed to keep us on schedule! Ron Dombroski of SmokeHaus Catering provided another good meal: Pickled Herring, Barszcz, Deviled Eggs, Red Cabbage, Creamed Cucumber Salad, Baked Cod, Pierogi, Gołąbki and delicious Kolachki and Cheesecake.



Richard and Mary Ann Reale table

~Don Wesolowski photo





Farah, Pita and Sue Fatupaito

~Don W. photo



Madam Curie display
Barbara Hunter-Sandor



Uninvited Guest place setting - Bolesławiec pottery from Jane Dunn.



~Don W.photo

Thank you to Don Wesolowski, Club Historian, for maintaining the Club's photo collection, and bringing it to every Wigilia.



Marge Morgan, Mary Ann Reale, Linda Cagle, Irene Swiggum



Dziękuję to the Brania Family for again sharing their **beautiful Szopka.**

Pamela Jasiczek told stories to her granddaughter Pamella Agnieszka Jasiczek



Joanna Pasowicz congratulated and gave flowers to two of the three 2016 Scholarship Winners: Jimmy Dodge and Weronika Zolnik, who told their stories.

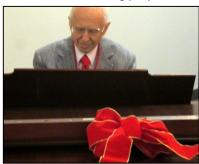




Tom Wosikowski played piano before, during and after our Wigilia, led the Polish Choir (those shown and those singing from their seats) and sent all home with a closing prayer.







~Don Wesolowski photo

Laura (Mom), Pamela Agnieszka Jasiczek, Santa Zack and his new red sack from Joanna Pasowicz.

Irene Swiggum read the story of *The Golden Christmas Tree* by Jan Wahl, paintings by Caldecott Medalist Leonard Weisgard. "All the animals, from giraffes to cardinals, gather at Christmas to decorate a fir tree and dance throughout the night......" about the legend of animals speaking on Christmas Eve. "In Poland, by eating opłatki, they speak in human voices at midnight, but only those who are pure of spirit will be able to hear them."







The 2015 Polish Choir L-R:
Irene Swiggum __(in back)
Dennis Jasiczek
Butch Luick
Weronika & Adam Zolnik
Michael Lomperski (in back)
Mary Ann Reale
Joan Rubens.

~ Don Wesolowski photo

Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku!

UW-Madison Classes, Lectures

from CREECA website: http://www.creeca.wisc.edu/

19 Jan - May 6. Spring Eastern & Central Europe Course

"....exciting interdisciplinary course for undergraduates is cross-listed as Geography/History/Political Science/Slavic 254. [The] course will look at the dissident period in Czechoslovakia and Poland from an interdisciplinary perspective, including the lens of literature and film. One focus will be the "faces of dissent" - the stories of individuals involved in these movements. We will learn to view the pre-1989 culture of dissent not so much as an object of historical investigation, but as something relevant to our own lives that teaches us about ourselves. Lead instructor for the course is David Danaher, Professor of Slavic Languages and Literature." Features several guest speakers from UW-Madison and other universities. Meets 2:30-3:45 Tues./Thur. Discussion Wed. INFO: Professor David Danaher dsdanaher@wisc.edu



19 March. 4 pm Youth, Transnational Imagination, and 1968 in Poland Malgorzata Fidelis, University of Illinois at Chicago

past events:

26 Oct. TOBIAS LECTURE: The Voice of Your Brother's Blood: The Murder of a Town in Eastern Galicia by Omer Bartov

"... the destruction of the town of Buczacz in Polish Eastern Galicia, now in W. Ukraine, during World War II. Buczacz.... had existed for centuries as a multiethnic town made up of Poles, Jews, and Ukrainians. During the German occupation of 1941-44, the vast majority of the Jewish inhabitants were murdered by the Germans, with ample assistance from Ukrainian policemen, and the Polish population was ethnically cleansed by Ukrainian nationalists. How was a community of coexistence transformed into a community of genocide? This lecture... investigates the daily life of genocide as reflected through the documents, eyewitness reports, postwar trials, testimonies, and memoirs of its inhabitants and the men and women who occupied the town and spent several comfortable years in the midst of the horror they facilitated."

3 Dec. workshop: *Rethinking Borderlands.* "...new insights into the negotiation over power and authority in national and imperial borderlands." From UW-Madison: Kathryn Ciancia, Judd Kinzley and Robert Kaiser. From University of Cincinnati: Willard Sunderland, Professor of History.

Music

19 Dec. A Prairie Home Companion

A Keillor Family Christmas WE SANG AND IT WAS CHRISTMAS AGAIN WI STATE JOURNAL: "The carols are glorious, a chance to sing in Latin, German, Norwegian, even, if we are brave, Polish (Gdy sie Chrystus rodzi, i na swiat przychodzi)." PUBLIC RADIO:

http://prairiehome.publicradio.org/listen/?date=2015/12/19&identifier=apm_audio:/phc/segments/2015/12/19/phc_segment_15_20151219_128.mp3

18 Jan. 7 pm Tyrone Greive (violin) Michael Keller (piano) at Oakwood Retirement Village West, 6205 Mineral Point Rd. Included will be pieces played for the PHCWI's 35th Anniversary Celebration in October: *Kuiawiak* - Henryk Wieniawski; *Nocturne, op. 62, no.1* - Frédéric Chopin-Paul Kochański; *Slavic Dance* - Grażyna Bacewicz (1909-1969). "We will also play the beautiful, elegant Nardini *Sonata in D Major* and the romantic, folk-oriented Grieg *Sonata in G minor, op. 13*. The program represents a wide variety of

beautiful and fun-to-hear music from the 1820th centuries."

from TREVOR STEPHENSON:

24 Jan. 3 pm Concert-Lecture 1855 Bösendorfer Concert Grand Piano Music of Chopin, Beethoven, Brahms, Debussy &

"Over the past two years I have been rebuilding a magnificent 1855 Viennese concert grand piano made by Bösendorfer. This is one of the last instruments whose manufacture was overseen by the company's founder, Ignaz Bösendorfer (1796-1859), who established the firm in 1828. It has a classic prellmechanik Viennese action--which flicks the hammers toward the strings (as opposed to the modern action which drives the hammers)--which gives the tone great immediacy and presence. Though massive and heavily strung, with tensions approaching those of the modern piano, this instru-ment has no metal plate to alleviate the tension of the strings, but relies upon an ingenious wooden frame design. The resonance of the sound is thus entirely carried by the wood and the result is a dark, intense and very clear-pitched tone that I find absolutely fascinating for the music of the composer's we'll hear on this program. I'll also talk about the process of rebuilding this instrument: re-stringing with 19th-c. replica wire, re-felting the hammers, replacing the hitchpin rail in the bass, having iron-wound bass strings."

If you would like to attend, please email as soon as possible, reservations are required. trevor@trevorstephenson.com
Seating is limited to 45 people. Admission is \$40 per person. Refreshments will be served. 5729 Forsythia Place, Madison.

Jan 25-Feb 22. Beethoven & Chopin: Five-part course.

Reading knowledge of music is suggested. Enrollment \$135. Class size limited to 20 students. (608) 238-6092 Jan 25 Beethoven; Chopin, Mazurkas

<u>Feb 1</u> Nocturnes in Db major op. 27 #2 & C minor op.48 #2 <u>Feb 8</u> Beethoven: Sonata in C major op. 53 (Waldstein) Chopin: Etude in C major op. 10 #1, Waltz in A minor op. 34 #2

Feb 15 Beethoven; Chopin Ballade, Ab major, op. 47 Feb 22 Beethoven; Chopin, Scherzo in C# minor, op. 39.

2016 Scholarships and Studies

May 15 due. Polish Heritage Club - Madison Scholarship is for Wisconsin residents post High School education.

The application includes:

- 1. What is your Polish ancestry? Describe your exposure to/familiarity with the Polish language and culture.
- 2. 150-200 words: Describe educational plans/career goals.
- 3. 750-1000 word informative essay on a major event in Polish arts, culture, or history. Explain why the topic interests you or how it relates to you personally.

CONTACT: Patrica Brinkman brinkpa@att.net (608) 212-2413

NEW SCHOLARSHIP Friends of the Kosciuszko Foundation's Wisconsin Study in Poland Scholarship for Wisconsin residents summer study at Krakow's Jagiellonian University. "The Kosciuszko Foundation has awarded scholarships for college study in Poland for over 40 years. Last year they sent over 100 Americans on scholar-ship to study in Poland, but only one of them was from Wisconsin. This scholarship will allow more students ... to learn of Poland's history and culture, and to experience Poland for themselves." "There is enough seed money to cover a mini-um of two students each year for 2016 and 2017. Beyond that, future scholarships will depend on donations from the Wisconsin Polish community, in what I hope will be an 'If you build it, they will come' effort. The scholarship covers either a 4 or 6 week program for undergraduates. It pays for all tuition, room and board, all text books, and on weekends it covers trips off campus exploring Poland. It does not cover transportation to Krakow, health care/insurance or other incidentals." See the Kosciuszko Foundation's website in January for details of the "Wisconsin Study in Poland Scholarship" For questions contact: David Rydzewski (414) 964-2447 or The Kosciuszko Found. Ms. Addy Tymczyszyn 15 East 65th St. New York, N.Y. 10065

POLANKI, the Polish Women's Cultural Club of Milwaukee,

presents <u>College Achievement Awards</u> to students "who have demonstrated high achievement and who are committed to understanding, preserving, or disseminating Polish culture and or language." Several UW-Madison students are often recognized. The 46th Annual College Achievement Awards Tea is April 24 at the Polish Center. Free and open to the public.

UW-Stevens Point: for summer 2016 and the 2016-17 year. For students studying on the UWSP Semester in Poland:

<u>Fabiano Family Scholarship</u> - majors in Art, Music, Sociology <u>Wolensky Family International Scholarship</u> - Sociology Major studying in Poland, Britain or Australia.

Bowen Family - any major in Britain or Poland program.

July 4 - Aug 6. UW-Milwaukee sponsors an annual SUMMER STUDY-TOUR - CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY LUBIN

This five-credit program provides up to 100 hours of Polish language at beginning, intermediate or advanced levels, as well as additional lectures and excursions. Cost estimate: \$2,975 including tuition, room, & board, and 5 UWM credits, plus round air trip transportation Chicago-Warsaw-Chicago. Open to students and the general public. Polish language instruction at beginning, intermediate or advanced levels, plus lectures of Polish culture and sightseeing. 2-8 weeks.

CONTACT: Professor Michael J. Mikoś
Department of Foreign Languages & Literature
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee 53201
(414) 229-4151 or 4949 <u>mikos@uwm.edu</u>
https://uwm.edu/cie/summer-2016-faculty-led-programs/

UW-Madison's Polish Scholarships and prizes include:

<u>The Edward I. Zawacki Award</u> for Polish Study, & <u>The Michael and Emily Lapinski Scholarship</u>, provides tuition money for studying Polish language, literature, and culture.

UW-Madison CIEE Central European Studies in Warsaw

Open to UW-Madison degree-seeking students only. Subjects: economics, history, Polish, Polish studies, political Term Application Deadline: Fall 2016-17: 2/12/2016. CIEE President & CEO James Pellow in The Huffington Post: "Next Generation Peacemakers Are Here," about the importance of study abroad in the wake of events like the Paris terror attacks: http://ow.ly/VZkYe

Clee Council on International Educational Exchange is a non-profit organization promoting international education and exchange. It was founded in 1947 and is based in USA.

UW-Oshkosh 20th Century Eastern Europe & the Holocaust

May 17-June 6. Travel to Poland/ Lithuania Dr. Karl Loewenstein & Dr. Shay Pilnik. 6 History and 1 Study-abroad Credits. Warsaw Visit the Warsaw Ghetto, where the most significant uprising of Jews against the Nazis took place in 1944. Visit the Museum of the Warsaw Uprising, and many other sites. Krakow Experience the Jewish Quarter in Krakow, a center of Jewish life since the 13th Century and the medieval old town on UNESCO's World Heritage List. Visit the factory where Oskar Schindler saved 1200 Jews

<u>Lublin</u> Visit Auschwitz and Majdanek

<u>Vilnius & Kaunas</u> Travel to Lithuania to visit Ponary and Ninth Fort, sites where over 100,000 people were shot. Stop at the museum of Communist Repression to learn about how the Lithuanians survived after the war ended.

http://www.uwosh.edu/oie-abroad/abroad/guide/LHOLOguide.php Price TBA. Generous scholarships will be available.

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2016 PHCWI MEMBERSHIP -for yourself and/or as a gift membership Name Address City/State Zip Phone Please email my 10x/Year Newsletter ____ FAMILY \$25__INDIVIDUAL \$15__ SCHOLARSHIP DONATION_ NEW___RENEWAL___SELF__GIFT___QUESTIONS (608) 831-8827 CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Polish Heritage Club - Madison Which activities interest you: Book Group Crafts Displays Events Genealogy__Newsletter__Publicity__ Displays__ Other_ __My name/address/phone # may be in Membership Directory ___Do not include me in the Directory. If you want, please share: Your Birthday(s)/Anniversary___ Where your family lived in Poland _____ Your Occupation/Business is/was MEMBERSHIPS ARE FROM JAN 1 TO DEC 31 Dziękuje!

1.00 USD = 3.86 PLN **IN THE NEWS** various sources

POLAND: Nov. unemployment rate 9.7% 8,000 new jobs expected from 45 foreign projects. Asylum seekers: 11,000 in 2015, up from 8,000 in 2014.

- <u>9 Nov</u> ROME President Duda had 20 minute meeting with Pope Francis, and laid a wreath at Marshal J. Piłsudski monument. <u>10 Nov</u> KRAKÓW edition of Monopoly on sale.
- 13 Nov KATOWICE, women's prison Silesian Chamber Orchestra "to take music to those [unable] to come to our concerts,"

 17 Nov ANNAPURNA IV, Nepal Polish climbers discontinued their expedition to climb the southern face.
- 18 Nov 28 Feb MADRID, Museo Reina Sofía Retrospective exhibition of Andrzej Wróblewski (double-sided paintings).

 19 Nov WARSAW, Presidential Palace, villas in Klarysew & Promnik President Duda aides say furniture, appliances, art missing.
- <u>20 Nov POZNAŃ</u>, Heliodor Święcicki Medical University Pelvis amputation avoided by using a 3D reconstruction.
- <u>24 Nov</u> To E. UKRAINE EVACUEES: "Welcome home!" said PM Beata Szydło to ethnic Poles.
- <u>26 Nov 10 Dec</u> NEW DELHI, India *Eye on Poland* exhibition of Polish graphic arts. Then to MUMBAI and KOLKATA.
- <u>3 Dec</u> SAN DIEGO S. California Edison fined \$16.7M for mtg. at Warsaw's Bristol Hotel about failed CA nuclear plant.
- <u>4 Dec</u> SLOVAKIA, High Tatra Mts. Mountaineer and rescuer Józef Michalec was swept away by an avalanche.
- <u>5 Dec</u> KRAKÓW, Main Market Square Largest gathering of people dressed as St. Nicholas as many as 4, 281.
- <u>6 Dec</u> WARSAW, Grybowski Square Chief Rabbi M.Schudrich launched Hanukkah, the eight-day Festival of Lights.

- 8 <u>Dec</u> OLECKO, NE Poland 16 of 19 city officials present voted against housing asylum-seekers at a private-owned hotel.

 9 <u>Dec</u> NIGERIA 5 Polish seamen kidnapped by pirates released.

 ŁÓDŻ Police looking for an immaculately dressed man who surreptitiously cuts women's hair on trams.
- 10 Dec N. IRELAND 30,830 from Poland live in N. Ireland, outnumbering the 29,620 people from the Irish Republic.

 13 Dec POZNAŇ, Market Square International Ice Sculpture (mermaids, Yoda, unicorns) won again by 2 Canadian bros.

 14 Dec BYKIVNIA, Ukraine -President Duda laid a wreath at 1940 believed-to-be burial site of >3400 murdered Polish citizens.
- 16 Dec CARNEGIE HALL, NY City Performance of Poznań's 'Skowronki' (Skylarks) Girls' Choir, 50 girls age 12-20.

 Office of Competition and Consumer Protection accused watch distributors of price fixing, fines of over PLN 2 million.

 17 Dec WARSAW, National Museum and Affidea International "world's largest study" of Egyptian mummies+their diseases.

 18 Dec RADOM, E. central PL Trial of 3 accused of 1981 attempt to poison Solidarity icon Anna Walentynowicz.

 WARSAW, Counter Intelligence Centre of Excellence 1:30 am raid on NATO-linked training center by new Defense Minister.
- 19 Dec-17 April KRAKOW FASHIONable in Communist Poland
 21 Dec WARSAW \$27million US worth cocaine found in load of
 bananas driven from Belgium by a 40 yr. old Pole.
 22 Dec WEJHEROWO, N. Poland New Museum about WWII
 genocide in Pomerania (Poles, Pomeranians and Kashubians)
 23 Dec BRUSSELS EU requested halt to changes to quorum
 and majority requirements to the Constitutional Tribunal.
 POLAND Street protests in over 20 cities by thousands of
 "Citizens for Democracy" chanting "Constitution!"