

To cultivate, enhance, and promote the understanding of the Polish language, culture, and arts;
To project the accurate and true image of the Polish American;
To promote cordial and cooperative relations among the members and the community-at-large;
To be a non-sectarian and non-partisan organization in south-central Pennsylvania

luty/February 2018

www.polamhar.org



Valentine's Day Party

HOST; Polish American Association of Harrisburg

WHEN: Saturday, February 10, 7:00 PM

WHERE: The Susquehanna Yacht Club 1730 Long Level Rd, Wrightsville, PA 17368

REFRESHMENTS: Members and guests are asked to bring a dish to share and B.Y.O.B

COST: Pay on entering, members \$5.00 per person; non-members \$15.00 per person.

MORE INFO: Contact our Association President, Marta Rawicz at 717-318-1539.

2018 Marks the Centenary of Poland's Independence



<http://www.waszyngton.msz.gov.pl/en/?jsessionid=8ADCC93F1973108A3AAC5C71B1B39B3F.cmsap2p>



Photo: pexels.com

Numerous events and celebrations will be organized across the country and abroad. Polish diplomatic posts, institutions and organizations all over the world have prepared numerous special events to celebrate the occasion. Poland's Consul General in New York, Maciej Golubiewski stated, "As a consulate, we focus on public diplomacy towards the American audience and we want to underline Poland's contribution to Western civilization and intellectual dialogue in the West and relate that to the present topic."

http://www.thenews.pl/1/6/Artykul/347169_Gearing-up-for-100th-anniversary-of-Polish-independence

100th Anniversary of the Announcement of The Fourteen Points by President Woodrow Wilson

On January 8th, 1918, the President of the United States, Thomas Woodrow Wilson, outlined his Fourteen Points, a statement of principles that was to be used for peace negotiations in order to end World War I. The speech in front of the United States Congress included the Thirteenth Point which anticipated the creation of a free and independent Poland.

Poland Takes a Seat at the UN Security Council



I am glad that after twenty years Poland is again taking a seat at the UN Security Council. Strengthening of international law and prevention will be our priorities and linking security and development will be our trademark," Minister Witold Waszczykowski said when Poland took a seat at the UN Security Council.

http://www.waszyngton.msz.gov.pl/en/news/poland_takes_a_seat_at_the_un_security_council__

Houston talks on Poland-US energy cooperation

"Access to American gas is an important factor in ensuring Poland's energy security," underscored Minister Witold Waszczykowski speaking with Cheniere Energy Board of Directors. During his Houston visit, the Polish foreign policy chief discussed the prospects for further cooperation in supplying American Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) to the Swinoujscie LNG terminal. "US LNG supplies enhance energy security of our region, make us less dependent on the dominant supplier and bring benefits to Polish and American economies," said Minister Waszczykowski.

The first LNG shipment to Poland took place last June, originating from Cheniere's Sabine Pass terminal in Louisiana. This was the first LNG shipment to Central and Eastern Europe. Minister Waszczykowski talked about the development of economic cooperation between Poland and Texas with Texan business leaders who belong to the Greater Houston Partnership.

Minister Witold Waszczykowski also met with the management board of ExxonMobil. He stated, "We would like to expand our economic cooperation, go[ing] far beyond the security area which has so far dominated Poland-US relations." Among all the states, Texas is Poland's main commercial partner with a trade volume of USD 857 million. Recent years have seen the value of Polish exports to Texas more than double. The key Polish export is electronic devices.

http://www.waszyngton.msz.gov.pl/en/news/houston_talks_on_poland_us_energy_cooperation

Polish Heritage Night 2018



For the fifth year running, Poland's Embassy together with Marcin Gortat and the Washington Wizards promoted Poland during Polish Heritage Night which this year was held on January 13. Special guests to this year's celebration included Minister Anna Maria Anders, the Prime Minister's Plenipotentiary for International Dialogue, as well as World War II veterans and Polish veterans of deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan.

Polish Olympic Squad Named

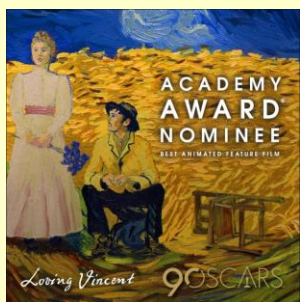
Fifty-eight athletes will represent Poland at the 2018 Olympic Games in PyeongChang, Korea. Two-time Olympic medalist Zbigniew Bródka will carry the Polish national flag during the Games' opening ceremonies.

Team Poland will field competitors in the following disciplines: Alpine skiing, biathlon, bobsleigh, cross-country skiing, figure skating, freestyle skiing, luge, Nordic combined, short track speed skating, ski jumping, snowboarding and speed skating.

Poland won six medals: four gold, one silver and one bronze, during the previous winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia, in 2014, the best ever Olympic Winter Games tally for Poland.



Polish co-production *Loving Vincent* nominated for an Oscar



Polish-British animation and the world's first fully painted film *Loving Vincent* has been nominated for Best Animated Feature Film at the 2018 Academy Awards!

Loving Vincent, the world's first fully-painted animated feature film, brings the paintings of Vincent van Gogh to life to tell his remarkable story. Every one of the 65,000 frames of the film is an oil-painting hand-painted by 125 professional oil-painters. The film was directed by Poland's Dorota Kobiela and Britain's Hugh Welchman.

Polish-American Association Of Harrisburg

polamhar@gmail.com

Officers:

President: Marta Kossecka-Rawicz
Vice President: *Waiting for a volunteer*
Treasurer/Membership: Anna Rossi
Secretary: *Waiting for a volunteer*

Board Members:

Marzena Wolnikowski
Yolanta (Jola) Gorski
Phil Wysocki

Newsletter Editor: Carolyn Blaszczyk

Membership

If you would like to join or renew your membership in our Association please send an e-mail indicating your interest to: polamhar@gmail.com or download the membership form at:

<http://www.polamhar.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/MembershipForm.pdf>

and send with your payment to:

Anna Rossi, 850 Waltonville Rd., Hummelstown, PA17036

Yearly Membership:

\$15 Individual
\$10 Senior (over 65)
\$35 Family
\$100 Sobieski or Jagiellonka Patron
\$150 Business/Corporate Patron

THANK YOU!

Zainteresowanych przystąpieniem do Stowarzyszenia prosimy o wysłanie e-maila na adres: polamhar@gmail.com lub wydrukowanie:

<http://www.polamhar.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/MembershipForm.pdf>

i wysłanie wypełnionego formularza wraz z opłatą na adres:
Anna Rossi, 850 Waltonville Rd., Hummelstown, PA17036

Roczny koszt:

\$15 Osoba
\$10 Osoba powyżej 65
\$35 Rodzina

\$100 Sobieski albo Jagiellonka
\$150 Biznes/Corporate

DZIĘKUJEMY!