









POLES in AMERICA

Polish-American Research Conference to commemorate the 50th anniversary of The Casimir Pulaski Museum in Warka Warka, June 27-28, 2017

Agenda

9.30 am Welcome Speeches by The Casimir Pulaski Museum Director Iwona Stefaniak

and W.A.R.K.A. Association CEO Andrzej Zareba

Speech by Polish Senate representative

Speeches by Conference Partners

Official opening

Opening speech

10.00 am Dorota Praszalowicz, prof. dr hab. (Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland), *Polish immigrants in the USA: old and new models of building an immigration community*

June 27 - The Conference and Concert Hall at the Museum and Education Center

Poles in America in the 1700s and 1800s, part 1

10.30 am Zbigniew Mazur, dr hab. (Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland), Heroism and cultural memory: the images of Casimir Pulaski and Tadeusz Kosciuszko in the 18th and 19th-century American press

10.50 am Rafal Kowalczyk, dr hab., prof. UŁ, (University of Lodz, Poland), *Tadeusz Kosciuszko, his mission to Paris and its consequences. The Danube Legion as the forgotten success of the Hero of Two Nations – Poles and Americans*

11.10 am Ewa Kleczaj-Siara, dr (Kazimierz Pulaski University of Technology and Humanities in Radom, Poland), Who is a "better" hero? Kosciuszko and Pulaski in American children stories

11.30 am Daniel Kiper (The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland), *Casimir Pulaski* in the Polish-American press in the 1800s

11.50 am Joan and Mel Gordon, (Savannah General Pulaski Society), *Casimir Pulaski in America*

Coffee break (12.10–12.25 pm)

People of art, part 1

12.25 pm Rafal Wroblewski (Romanticism Museum in Opinogora), *Wojciech Kossak's travels to the United States*

12.45 pm Maria Sladowska (The Royal Castle in Warsaw – Museum), Among Polish Americans – the last months of Ignacy Jan Paderewski's life in light of documents preserved at The Royal Castle in Warsaw Museum Archives

1.05 pm Mateusz Strzelecki (Grazyna and Kiejstut Bacewicz Academy of Music in Lodz, Poland), Karol Rathaus – Polish emigration composer

Discussion (1.25-1.55 pm)

Break (2.00–3.00 pm)

People of science

3.00 pm Piotr Drag, dr (Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland), The American Dream of Polish intellectuals in the early 1900s on the examples of Bronislaw Malinowski and Florian Znaniecki

3.20 pm Jakub Osinski (Nicolaus Copernicus University in Torun, Poland), *Bychowski and his time abroad*

3.40 pm Danuta Ciesielska, dr (Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw, Poland), *Stanislawa* and Otton Nikodyms in Poland and the United States

4.00 pm Tiffany Loomis (Polish Heritage Society of Philadelphia, American Council for Polish Culture), *Dr. Walter Golaski – Bio Engineering Pioneer*

Discussion (4.20-4.40 pm)

4.50 pm Screening of "Ambassador of peace Gen. Rowny – American, and an eternal Pole at heart," directed by Wieslaw Dabrowski

June 27 - Pulaski Manor Library

On migration

10.30 am Katarzyna Drag, dr (The Pontifical University of John Paul II in Krakow, Poland), Between disapproval and fascination... Polish migration into America in light of travel (pre)reports of Roger Lubienski

10.50 am Krzysztof Wasilewski, dr (Zbigniew Herbert Regional and Town Public Library in Gorzow Wielkopolski), "The Ski Family." The image of Polish immigrants in the American press in the late 1800s and early 1900s

11:10 am Marzena Sylwia Kruk, dr (Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland), *Polish student migration into the United States. Educational mobility*

11:30 am Joanna Lukasiak-Holysz, Polish mob in the United States

Coffee break (11.50 am–12.05 pm)

The fate of Poles in America

12.05 pm Ewa Modzelewska (Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland), *Marcin Rosienkiewicz – a one-man-institution in America*

12.25 pm Izabella Rusinowa, prof. dr hab. (Warsaw University, Poland), Fr. Waclaw Kruszka – Expert on the history of Polish Americans

12.45 pm Michal Galas, dr hab. (Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland), Rabbi Markus Jastrow (1829–1903), Polish patriot and American Judaism reformer

1.05 pm Teresa G. Wojcik, PhD (Villanova University), *Dr. Stefan Mizwa, Founder of the Kosciuszko Foundation*

Discussion (1.25–1.55 pm)

Break (2.00–3.00 pm)

On war and the military

3.00 pm Peter Obst (Poles in America Foundation), Frank Piasecki – pioneer of vertical flight

3.20 pm Wojciech Miklaszewski (Kazimierz Wielki University in Bydgoszcz), From Spitfires and Mustangs through moon landing – Polish Air Force veterans in the American space program [statement]

3.30 pm Michal Mydlowski (Warsaw University), Battle trail of Wlodzimierz Krzyzanowski's brigade 1861–1865

3.50 pm Teofil Lachowicz, PhD (Polish Army Veterans Association of America), *Polish immigrant fighters in America* 1914-1920

4.10 pm Krystyna Zamorska, PhD (Queens College, CUNY), *Jan Karski in American translations*

Discussion (4.10-4.40 pm)

Break (7.30 pm)

June 28 - The Conference and Concert Hall at the Museum and Education Center

People of art, part 2

09.00 am Stefan Wladysiuk (The Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences In Canada), Artur Szyk as a great proponent of Polish-American friendship

09.20 am Malgorzata Sliz-Marciniec, dr (Pomeranian University in Slupsk, Poland), *Ignacy Teliga (1810-1894) – one of the greatest pioneers of American photography portrait outline*

O9.40 am Andrzej K. Olszewski, prof. dr hab., Irena Grzesiuk-Olszewska, dr, (Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski University in Warsaw, Poland, Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw, Poland – researchers emeritus), *Jerzy Szeptycki and his churches in America*

10.00 am Jan Wiktor Sienkiewicz, prof. dr hab. (Nicolaus Copernicus University in Torun, Poland), Krakart Group. Polish Artists in California

10.20 am Anna Rudek-Smiechowska, dr (Polish Institute of World Art Studies, Warsaw, Poland), The illustrator shall pay for the ordered meal. On the position of artists publishing art in the American press in the early 1900s. Case study

Coffee break (10.40–10.55 am)

10.55 am Iwona Stefaniak (The Casimir Pulaski Museum in Warka, Poland), "Between America and Poland" – a series of exhibitions by Poles living and working in the US at The Casimir Pulaski Museum in Warka

11.15 am Katarzyna Podniesinska (National Museum in Krakow, Poland), *Tadeusz Lapinski's creations and his returns to Poland*

11.35 am Mary Beth Sowa, The Unintended Legacy of Anton Piotrowski

11.55 am Karolina Zychowicz, dr (Zacheta National Gallery of Art), *Polish artists at the "Wall hangings" exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City (1969)*

Discussion (12.15–12.45 pm)

Break (1.00-2.00 pm)

Poland's Renaissance

2.00 pm Regina Gorzkowski-Rossi, PhD (Pro Arte Associates in Philadelphia, USA), *Polish Americans in Philadelphia during WWI*

2.20 pm Jolanta Janina Zaleczny, dr (Independence Museum in Warsaw, Poland), The attitude of Polish emigrants in America to their homeland at the times of independence fights in the 1900s (on the example of the life of Leonard Gruchacz)

From the lives of Polish Americans, part 1

2.40 pm Jack Pinkowski, PhD (Poles in America Foundation, USA), *The Contributions of Edward Pinkowski over 100 Years*

3.00 pm Judith Kelly (Bloomsburg University, USA), *Travels of Jerzy Popieluszko in the United States and Canada*

Discussion (3.20-3.50 pm)

June 28 – Pulaski Manor Library

Poles in America in the 1700s and 1800s, part 2

09.00 am Jolanta Daszynska, dr hab., prof. UŁ (University of Lodz, Poland), Kosciuszko in the American Revolutionary War. Facts and myths

09.20 am Hanna Krajewska, dr hab., Izabela Gass (Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw, Poland), Julian Ursyn Niemcewicz American peregrinations

09.40 am Kamil Michaluk (Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland), America and its people in light of "Historical and Political Memoirs" by Jesuit Piotr Switkowski

10.00 am Karol Kucharski (The Casimir Pulaski Museum in Warka, Poland), *The first great Polish emigrant? On Casimir Pulaski in light of accounts by travelers to the United States published 1895-1937, based on materials collected by The Casimir Pulaski Museum in Warka*

10.20 am Marta Jaszczynska (State Archive in Warsaw, Poland), The American Dream in light of emigrant letters from the Kingdom of Poland from the late 1800s

Coffee break (10.40–10.55 am)

The pursuit of the American Dream

10.55 am Joanna Kulpinska, dr (Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland), *The American Dream and Polish immigration – different faces of American success*

11.15 am Mateusz Kucab (University of Rzeszow, Poland), "But in America things are different..." America in Polish storytelling in the 1800s and early 1900s

11.35 am Anna Kiezun, dr hab., prof. UwB (University of Bialystok, Poland), American experiences of the Szczepanski family

11.55 am Anna Gissel (University of Gdansk), Marek Hlasko as an emigrant in the US. His literary and other creations at the time

Discussion (12.15–12.45 pm)

Break (1.00–2.00 pm)

From the lives of Polish Americans, part 2

2.00 pm Dominik Mainski, dr (The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland), The milieu of Polish numismatists in the USA

2.20 pm Lukasz Kazmierkiewicz (Cracow University of Economics, Poland), *Polish rock stars in the United States*

2.40 pm Bartosz Borkowski (Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw, Poland), From Stella Walsh through Henry Chemel. Icons of pre-war sports who emigrated into the United States

3.00 pm Mary Kay Pieski, PhD (Kent State University), The tragic story of Stella Walsh, the greatest female athlete in the world, her murder, and the gender controversy that followed [a 15-minute documentary]

Discussion (15.20-15.50)

Conference closing remarks

Our Academic Council:

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