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Regaining its Independence



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- ❖ Highlight Polish-American achievements

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The Polish Society of California/PNA Lodge 7

<http://www.polishclubsf.org/PolishSocietyOfCalifornia.htm>



Founded by Polish California pioneers in 1863, the Society celebrated its 150th Anniversary in 2013. In 1880 the Polish Society became known as the Polish National Alliance, Lodge 7. PNA is the largest of all ethnically-based fraternal insurance benefit societies in this country. Early Polish Society founder, Feliks Paweł Wierzbicki, MD, is the most famous California Polander, renowned for his book *California As It Is and As It May Be* (San Francisco 1849).



The Polish Club Inc., San Francisco

<http://www.PolishClubSF.org>

The Polish Club (Dom Polski), in San Francisco's Mission District (3040 22nd Street), boasts three member societies. The first joint meeting was held in 1925. The Polish Club is a center for the propagation of Polish culture, art, language and community. The current Club building was purchased in 1926 and is used today for Polish and other community events. The Polish Club is available for rentals for all occasions. Please see our website for details.

The Polonian Cultural and Pastoral Center, Sacramento

<http://www.poloniasacramento.com/>



The Polonian Cultural and Pastoral Center (PCPC) in Sacramento was formally established in October 1985. The Center building opened in 1991, and PCPC's Chapel of **Our Lady of Czestochowa** was consecrated that same year by the Bishop of the Diocese of Sacramento. The Center serves Polish Catholics in the Sacramento area. The original members were Polish immigrants who participated in Poland's Solidarity movement. The Center organizes year-round events such as picnics, entertainment, dances, dinners and other social gatherings. PCPC supports local chapters of Polish Scouts and offers Polish language classes for children.

1918~2018

Historic Highlights

Regaining of Independence



1918

Battle of Warsaw



1920

Port of Gdynia



1923

April Constitution



1935

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John Paul II election



1978

Life under communism



1944-1989

Polish resistance



1939-1945

German and Soviet aggression



1939

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Solidarity



1980

Election



1989

Poland in NATO



1999

Poland in the EU



2004

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<http://culture.pl/en/article/2018-celebrating-the-anniversaries-of-sendler-herbert-poland-itself>

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2018

1918: Poland Is Reborn!

Highlights of the Last 100 Years

- **1918: VICTORY!** 2018 marks the centenary of reborn Poland. For 123 years, prior to 1918, Poland is missing from the map of Europe. After 123 years of foreign occupation, Poland regains its independence. On November 11, 1918 Germany signs an armistice that ends WWI and Poland, once again, is an independent country.

People of Polish Birth to Celebrate

San Francisco Polish people will celebrate the lifting of their yokes through the downfall of the German and Austrian autocracies Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at a meeting in Knights of Columbus Hall. The meeting will be opened by singing "The Star-Spangled Banner." Dr. John K. Pincz, president of the Polish Society, will preside. An address in Polish will be given by Professor Ludwig Ehrlich, and one in English will be delivered by Professor Arthur

- The Regency Government

in Warsaw appoints **Józef Piłsudski** Commander-in-Chief of Poland's forces. Poland is declared an independent state! **Józef Piłsudski's** armed forces prevail over Tukhachevsky's Red Army that seeks to destroy Poland at the Battle of



Warsaw. Military historians recognize the **1920 Battle of Warsaw** as one of the world's 20 most significant military victories.

Budyonny's cavalry forces are destroyed near Zamość (in one of the largest cavalry battles in history). Piłsudski becomes Chief of State, the "First Marshal of Poland," and *de facto* leader of the **Second Polish Republic**.

SAN FRANCISCAN TELLS STORY OF POLISH FREEDOM

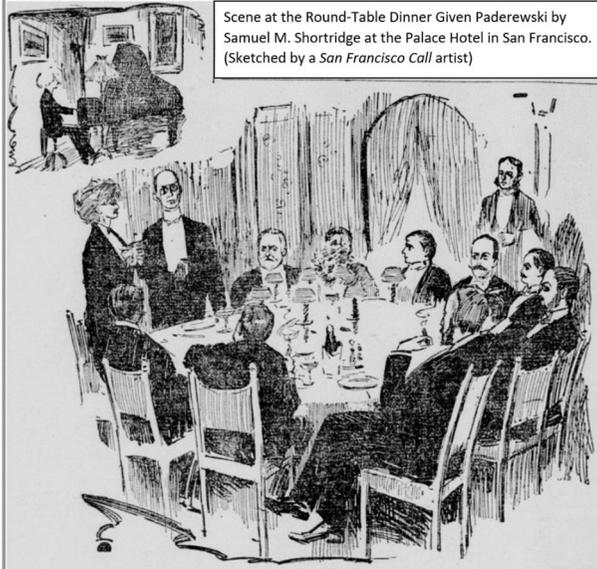
John Zachert Describes Restoration Ceremonies at Baltic Seaport

WHITE EAGLE IS HOISTED

General Haller and Military Forces Participate in Celebration

San Francisco residents of Polish nationality have been celebrating the revival of their nation and the news that has just reached them of the ceremonies that attended the return of Poland, as a nation, to her ancient sea at Dantzig on the shores of the Baltic.

- Pianist, composer and statesman **Ignacy Jan Paderewski** plays a crucial role in the independence process. He is Prime Minister of Poland and Poland's foreign minister in 1919. He signs the Treaty of Versailles with US President **Woodrow Wilson**. He represents Poland at the Paris Peace Conference that same year. Paderewski celebrates reborn Poland with music. **Women in Poland get the right to vote, sooner than their counterparts in the US, Britain and France.** Raise a glass and celebrate!



Scene at the Round-Table Dinner Given Paderewski by Samuel M. Shortridge at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco. (Sketched by a San Francisco Call artist)

We recommend prosecco: *z ziemi włoskiej do Polski.*

- Józef Haller's Blue Army** is a 1919 fighting force of over 23,000 men recruited from North America, trained by Canadians, and outfitted by the French in blue military uniforms. The Blue Army serves alongside the French Army in World War I and later fights for the return of Poland's full



independence. The Blue Army's military offensive is **decisive in stopping the advances of the Bolshevik forces** during the Polish-Soviet war of 1919-1920 and effectively establishes Poland's eastern border. **Poles in San Francisco welcome General Haller!**

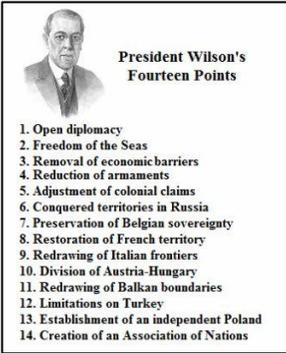
Polish Army Head To Be Guest Here

General Haller Accepts Legion Invitation

General Josef Haller, commander-in-chief of the Polish armies, has accepted the invitation of the American Legion to attend the fifth annual national convention of the organization, to be held here October 15 to 19, it was made known yesterday.

General Haller will sail from Havre next Saturday on the steamship France, according to a cablegram received by General Hunter Liggett, general chairman of the convention committee, yesterday. Accompanying the general will be a retinue of two colonels, two members of the Polish Society and three secretaries.

Local Polish societies contemplate a number of affairs in his honor while in this city. Following his engagement here he will be the guest of Polish war veterans in various parts of the United States.

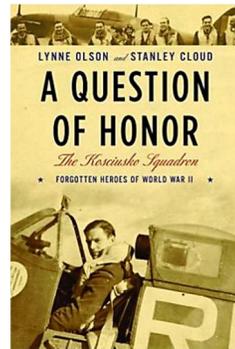


- In January 1918, **President Woodrow Wilson**, in his famous **Fourteen Points**, proclaims his support for free Poland, with guaranteed access to the sea.

- That same year **Herbert Hoover** (American businessman, politician and later US president) is Chairman of the **American Relief Administration**. He provides massive humanitarian aid to Central and Eastern Europe as they recover from the devastation of WWI. Hoover takes a particular interest in Poland, after learning of Poland's serious food shortages and

its effect on children. Visit the **Hoover Archives at Stanford!**
<https://www.hoover.org/library-archives>

- American aviator, **Merian C. Cooper**, is a US and Polish Airforce officer, adventurer, screenwriter, film director, and producer. He founds, with a group of American volunteers, the **Kościuszko Squadron**. The heroes of the squadron make a prominent contribution to the **Polish-Soviet War**. Cooper is famous for the film "King Kong" in 1933. He has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Don't miss *Honor to You*, a film about M.C. Cooper, <https://youtu.be/bFs0Nf07MKU>



- In 1926, on the 150th Anniversary of the United States, **5.5 million Poles send their thanks to the USA** for supporting Poland's independence movement. In addition to signatures, the Declarations include artwork, poems, and photographs. Participants ranged from schoolchildren to members of the military.



- Poland meets the challenge of unifying three different partitions (Prussian, Austrian and Russian), each with different laws, railway lines, educational systems, etc., despite tough economic conditions!

- Poles build a modern shipping port at Gdynia and modern ships, including the magnificent **Stefan Batory** (refitted in Gdańsk) as well as several submarines. Having finally secured an outlet to the Baltic, Poles sail the high seas. Three young Poles sail across the Atlantic in their 8.5 meter boat, then up the Hudson to Lake Erie in Canada and thence, via the Great Lakes, to Chicago for the **1932 World's Fair**.



- New Polish schools are constructed country-wide, after decades when Polish schools were either forbidden or severely restricted. **Marie Skłodowska-Curie**, the only person to be twice awarded a Nobel prize (chemistry and physics), is the first woman to receive a Nobel. She establishes a Radium Institute in Warsaw in 1936. She is the only Nobel winner whose daughter is also awarded a Nobel (physics) - an achievement not likely to be matched any time soon!
- Poles produce great mathematicians (including the best hackers, e.g., **Enigma**). Today, Poland has great high-tech experts, including those who produced the best computer game ever: **The Witcher!**



- **September 1, 1939:** Germany attacks Poland, soon to be joined by an invasion from the Soviet Union. WW II begins, marked by indiscriminate bombings of civilians and mass executions of Polish officials and civilians. **The Polish state is wiped off the map** but the populace perseveres and is resistant to occupiers.
- Poland is split between two invaders, and a reign of savage terror begins. Any help offered to Jews is punished by death to individuals, families and villages. **Poland is the only German-occupied country to routinely endure this punishment.** Yet there are those who risk their lives and their family's lives. Who among us would do this? Was every Pole obligated to risk his/her life? Honor to these heroes!
- Poles resist occupation from the outset, having the largest underground army in

Denmark | Poland (WWII)

1940: 7,800 Danish Jews | 3.3 million Polish Jews

Denmark surrendered within 6 hours of the "gentle" German invasion.

There were at least 2 Danish SS divisions. There were no Polish SS divisions.

Number of Righteous: Danes: 22 | Poles: 6,532

occupied Europe (about 300,000 strong). **This is the ONLY resistance force in occupied Europe that is awarded the full status of an allied army.** For

every German killed one-hundred Poles are at risk of execution. The largest act of resistance is the **Warsaw Uprising** (1944), the heroic and tragic 63-day struggle to liberate World War II Warsaw from German occupation. Warsaw's insurgents, numbering about 40,000, including 4,000 women, are inadequately armed. They face over 25,000 German soldiers wielding tanks, planes and artillery. The approaching Soviet army, an "ally," stops its advance on the east side of the Vistula, while Germans bring in massive reinforcements and kill 20,000 resistance fighters and 200,000 civilians. The Germans level Warsaw while the Red Army watches. The Red Army enters the city three months later to "liberate" the ruins. **During this time, Polish forces, with their western allies, land in Normandy, fight the decisive battle at the Falaise Gap, and liberate parts of Belgium and the Netherlands,** yet they are unable to help their own country.

- Poland creates a small but excellent air force in Europe. Poles are the largest among the various non-British national groups that serve in the RAF, and the **303 squadron** has the highest kill-to-loss ratio in the Battle of Britain. **Władysław Chciuk**, long-time resident of San Francisco, flies a Spitfire II with the **308 squadron** in the Battle of Britain (he is awarded the Virtuti Militari for his bravery). Many airmen are aeronautical engineers, among them the great test pilot, **Janusz Żurkowski**.

- **Polish soldiers liberate Oberlangen, the only camp in occupied Europe established just for women.** The women prisoners are among the 5,000 female insurgents of the 1944 Warsaw Uprising.

http://www.sppw1944.org/index.html?http://www.sppw1944.org/powstanie/kobiety_jency_eng.html



Decorative pin made from food tins designed by women prisoners of Oberlangen

Krystyna Pisarska Chciuk, a long-time resident of San Francisco, survives the 1944 Warsaw Uprising and imprisonment in Oberlangen.

- 1945: Liberation without freedom: Reshaped Poland, under the yoke of the Soviets, has no independence, yet Poles persevere. **Poland is the most devastated country following WWII**, having the largest population loss. 60% of Poland's industry is destroyed as is its infrastructure and transport. But, Poland's spirit is not broken.

- **RECOVERY!** Poland rebuilds historic Warsaw, stone by stone, hand to hand — without help or reparations, and **without a Marshall Plan**. And, of course, other cities are likewise rebuilt. Quite an achievement!



- Poles rebuild hospitals, schools, universities, museums, libraries. **Did you know that Poles retranslated the classics because the books had been destroyed by war?** They did, and fast! And professors who survived WWII taught from memory. And yes, they did all this during the communist era!
- The Łódź Film School flourishes despite communism (a school that gave the world **Wajda, Zanussi, Kieslowski**). It becomes the inspiration for many NYU film school students including Scorsese and Coppola.
- On October 16, 1978 **Karol Wojtyła**, Archbishop of Kraków, is elected pope, adopting the name **John Paul II**. The papal visit to Poland, a year later, **empowers resistance to Poland's Soviet overseers**.

- **1980 – Solidarity is born.** This non-violent revolution is known the world over. **Lech Wałęsa** is the most recognized representative of the movement. He is awarded a Nobel Peace Prize for his prominent role. **Czesław Miłosz** receives the 1980 Nobel prize for Literature. **In 1989** Poland shakes off Soviet rule and the **Third Polish Republic** is born. Long may it live!

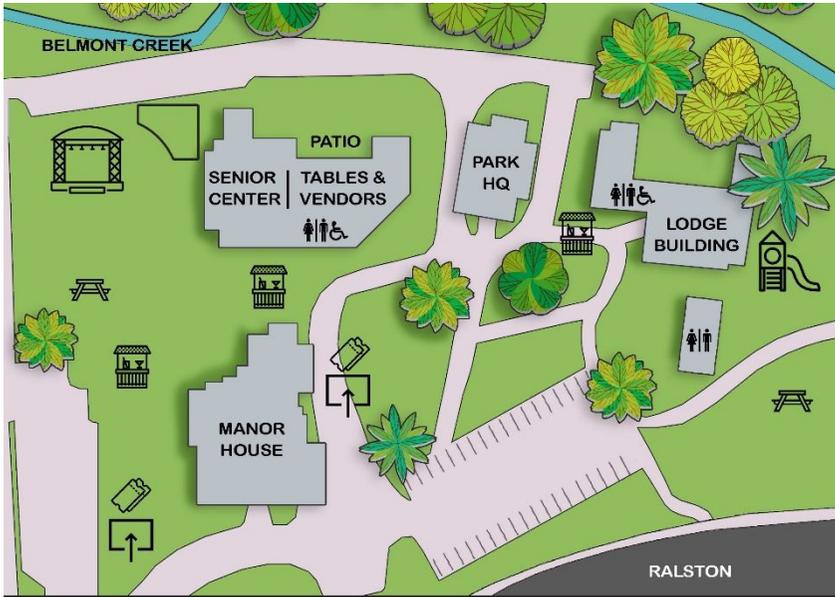


FUN FACTS ABOUT POLAND

- The official name of Poland is the Republic of Poland (Rzeczpospolita Polska).
- Poland is the 9th largest country in Europe by land area.
- Seven countries share a border with Poland including Russia, Lithuania, Belarus, Slovakia, Ukraine, the Czech Republic, and Germany.
- Poland is home to over 38 million people as of July 2013.
- Warsaw (Warszawa) is the largest city and capital of Poland.
- Poland's national symbol is the White Eagle.
- The peak of Rysy in the Tatra Mountains is the highest point in Poland at 2499 m (8199 ft). Apart from this mountain range most of Poland is a vast plain.
- A Polish state and the name Poland existed as far back as the year 966 during the reign of Mieszko I. The Kingdom of Poland was founded shortly after in 1025.
- Nicolaus Copernicus (Mikołaj Kopernik), the 16th century astronomer who first suggested the sun was the center of our universe, was born in Toruń, Royal Prussia, part of the Kingdom of Poland.
- Polish scientist, Maria Skłodowska Curie, was the first woman to win the Nobel Prize and is the only two-time winner, in two different sciences, physics and chemistry. She had a daughter who won a Nobel prize in physics — a singular achievement indeed! During WWI she created mobile radiation units for field hospitals thus enabling doctors to treat the wounded without delay. She established the first two Radium Institutes in Paris and in Warsaw.
- There are FIFTEEN Polish born Nobel prize laureates.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Polish_Nobel_laureates
- As of 2013 Poland has 14 heritage sites on the UNESCO World Heritage list.
- Forests cover over 30% of Poland's land area and the country is the fourth most forested in Europe. Białowieża Forest, a UNESCO heritage site, includes the last remaining primeval forest in Europe.
- Of all migratory birds that travel to Europe for the summer, one quarter of them breed in Poland making it the most important bird breeding ground in Europe.
- The most popular sport in Poland is football (soccer). The Polish National Team came in third place in the 1974 and 1982 World Cup Finals and won Olympic Gold in 1972. Currently Robert Lewandowski, Poland's National Team captain is one of the top 10 best footballers in the world.
- Other popular sports in Poland include track and field, basketball, handball, volleyball, boxing, weightlifting, ice hockey, tennis, fencing, cross-country skiing, swimming and ski jumping.
- Did you know that Bonnie Prince Charlie's mother was Polish? Prior to the partitions Poland received almost 50,000 immigrants from Scotland. The mayor of Warsaw in the mid-1600s was Scottish. Check out "Scotland and Poland" in *Cosmopolitan Review*: <http://cosmopolitanreview.com/scotland-and-poland/>

Read a **short history of Poland** here: <http://www.PolishClubSF.org/ShortHxPL.pdf>

Read about **Poles in California** ("From Pioneers to Silicon Valley") here: <http://cosmopolitanreview.com/polish-california/>



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GUEST & LOCAL TALENT



American jazz singer **DIANE DAVIDSON** will sing the American National anthem.

DAWID DOBRZYŃSKI is a 14-year-old blues/rock guitarist, a prodigy... He was awarded third prize in the 2017 Wilson Center International Guitar Competition. Congratulations, Dawid!



<https://youtu.be/7JKcsMyXbd4>
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-tP2Ss_JjmA

KUZYNI POLISH STREET FOLK BAND Kuzyni (cousins) is a group of musical enthusiasts established in 2013 who perform at various Polish events in the San Francisco Bay Area. Combining a broad range of instrumental and vocal talent, the musical style of this joyful, collaborative band could be loosely described as



“street folk.” The group’s musical material includes pieces that span 80 years of Polish hits and popular songs. [Wojciech Czarniecki, Wojciech Debies, Małgorzata Broda, Paweł Karolak, Bogdan Komorniczak, Piotr Filipowski, Marek Jaworski, Maciej Danek, Agnieszka Mrozek]

ORLIKI is a delightful children’s folkdance ensemble, directed by Magda Leszowska, from the John Paul II Polish Language School in Walnut Creek. Orliki performs in the San Francisco Bay Area at Polish festivals, celebrations and cultural events. Performances include traditional folk dances and contemporary pieces choreographed by music and dance teachers at our school. Visit us at www.polishschool.org!



REVEREND VITALIY OSMOLOVSKYY, S.J. is a talented Roman Catholic Jesuit priest who officiates at the Polish Pastoral Center in Martinez. He sings national songs from the eastern region of Poland (now Ukraine). Rev. Osmolovskyy, a native of Zhytomyr, studied law and political science (international relations) before entering the seminary. He currently takes classes at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley (and he has a black belt in judo!).



PODHALE FOLK DANCE COMPANY Founded in 1992 by Roman Sobański, former Polish national champion skier, and his son John "Jasiu" Sobański. Podhale Folk Dance Company uniquely presents Polish folklore through traditional song and dance. The company is based in Los Angeles where John is



currently the company's Artistic Director and Choreographer. Podhale has a varied repertoire and has amassed a collection of costumes from nearly 30 unique regions of Poland. Over the past 25 years, Podhale has performed throughout the US and Europe. In April of 2017, after a 6-year hiatus, three generations of dancers have reunited to honor and continue traditional Polish folk dance and music, as well as to celebrate Podhale's 25th anniversary.

JANA ROMISZEWSKA is an accomplished musician (trumpet and violin), who has performed with the Palo Alto Pops Orchestra. Together with her husband, **JACEK ROMISZEWSKI** (long-time Stanford employee), who plays accordion, the duo perform at Polish festivals and private parties. The Romiszewskis received their musical training in Poland.



SOKOŁY – A Łowiczanie children's dance ensemble - Sokoly (Polish Falcons) is a team of young performers who present traditional dances and songs of Poland, who work on various art projects, and learn about Polish language, history and custom, in a light-hearted and child-friendly atmosphere.



Classes are held on Saturdays, 2-4 pm in Capel Hall at Messiah Lutheran Church, 1835 Valota Road in Redwood City. Group Director: Gosia Wojciechowska; Artistic Director: Piotr Irby; Music Director: Ted Savarese; Tel: 408.838.1178

Email: info@sokolydancegroup.org; Facebook: SokolyDanceGroup

SKRZYPECZKI – (established March 2016) is a string ensemble of young musicians with Polish background ranging in age from 5 to 11. The children meet at the JPII School of Polish Language. With the help of teachers and family members, the ensemble applies the Suzuki violin method to



traditional Polish music. Skrzypeczki performs at local Polish cultural events and elsewhere. Facebook: SkrzypeczkiSF



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Dr. Adam always has animals in his family; his current main buddies are his hiking companion Ricky, a senior black Chihuahua mix, and J.J., a sweet and intense Border Collie adopted from Muttvillage. When Dr. Adam isn’t at Healthy Pets or lecturing, he enjoys spending time with his partner, Eric and their sweet daughter, Sofia. Dr. Adam is **fluent in Polish**.

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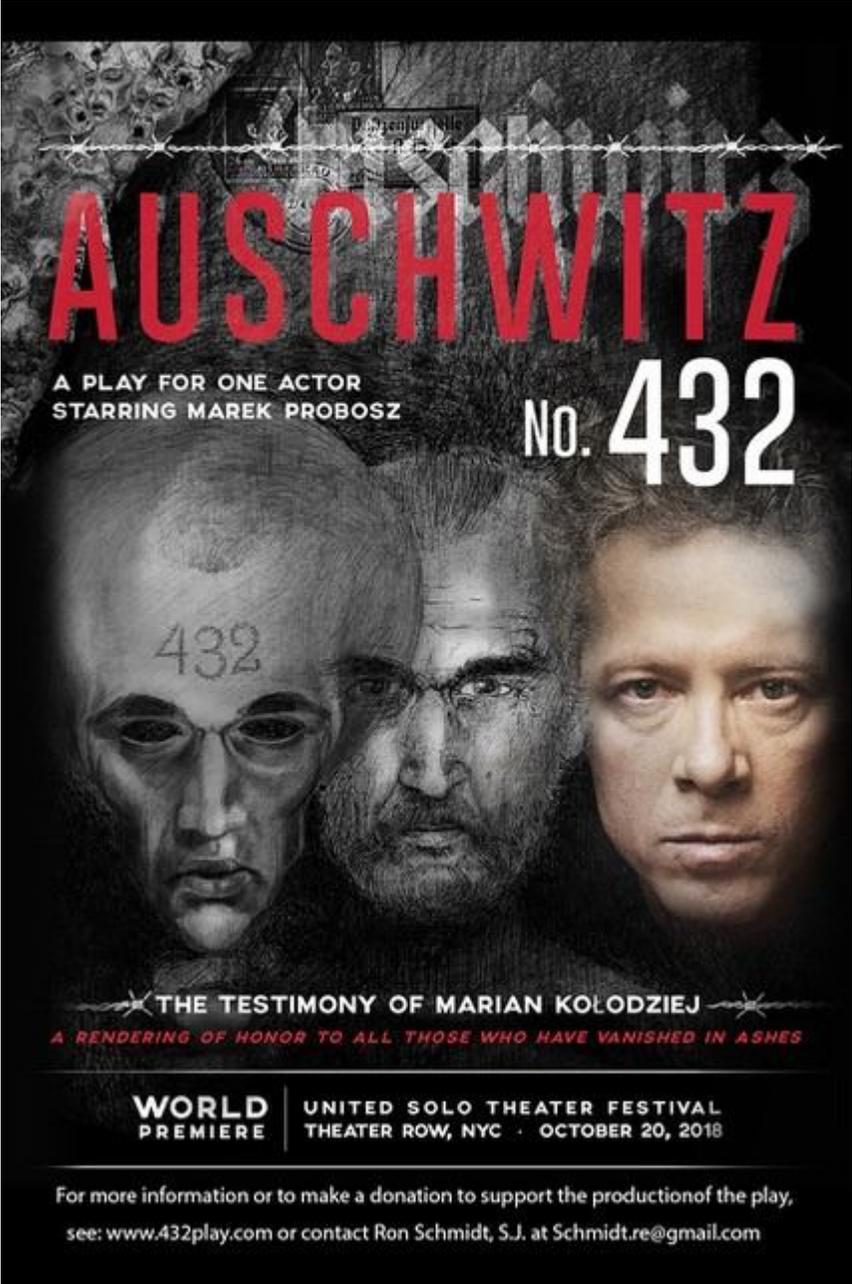
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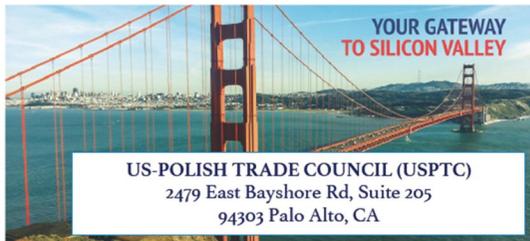
A nonprofit grassroots organization, USPTC facilitates the exchange of ideas and programs between U.S. and Polish scientific institutions. These include the pioneering and prestigious Top 500 Innovators program funded by the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education, which has provided training to R&D professionals from Poland's most respected academic and research institutions at the world's top universities specializing in technology transfer. The Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education selected Stanford University for seven of the thirteen editions of the Top 500 Innovators program.

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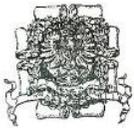
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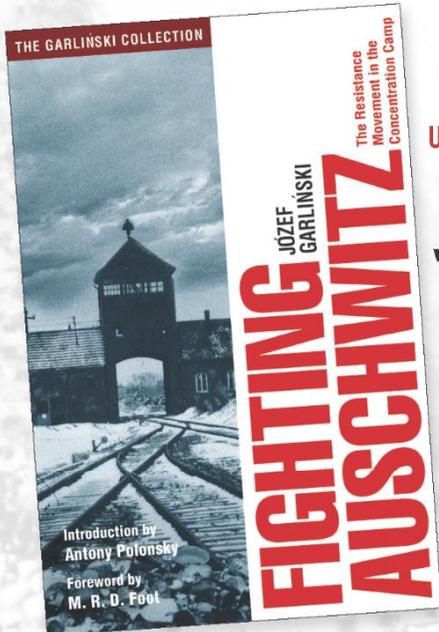
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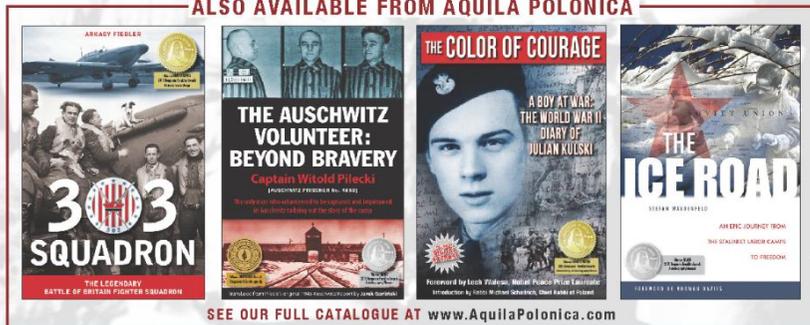
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