

## It All Began In Poland — A World War II Commemoration

### Tuesday, September 1, 2009

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Sunset Wypominki & Candle Service Mass in the Shrine Chapel followed by the Sunset Wypominki and Candle Service at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes.

### September 5 - 6, 2009

We are honored to have Mrs. Barbara Klich-Kluczewska PhD Jagiellonian University- Institute of History (Krakow, Poland) and Mr. Zygmunt Matynia, Consul General of the Republic of Poland (Chicago) join us for the events on Saturday and Sunday. Throughout the weekend there will be ongoing activities including: Batilion Burza a living history re-enactment group of Polish & American military men and women; Assembling a Time Capsule - Collection of WWII and commemoration materials to be opened in 2039 (the Time Capsule will be registered with the Smithsonian Institute); Personalization of Pewabic Memorial Tiles with signatures of Polish Veterans and Displaced Persons, and Księga Pamiątkowa - Guest Book Signing



### Saturday, September 5, 2009

- 10:00 - 11:30 Reunion Breakfast with Sybiracy - Polish Refugees (Ticket 10.00)  
Antoni Walawender MA, speaks of his personal experience as a "Chłopcy z Polski"  
Photo history of the Sybiracy experience.  
Helena Zmurkiewicz shares her war time experiences.  
Launch of the oral history website.  
Selected Interviews with Survivors of German work camps  
Poet John Guzowski PhD, reads his poetry.
- 11:30 - 12:15 Lunch
- 12:15 - 2:15 Opening of the Art Exhibition  
Peggy Grant, BFA presents the History and Symbolism of Artist Adam Grochowski  
Cecile Wendt Jensen, MA presents the History and Symbolism of Artist Jan Komski  
Polish Photographer Marcin Chumiecki speaks about his Assignment Auschwitz
- 2:15 - 2:30 Break
- 2:30 - 3:30 Guy Stern PhD, Director of the Holocaust Museum, speaks about Irena Sendler and Sue Krolkowski PhD pays tribute to the Polish Catholic nuns who sheltered Jewish children.
- 3:30 - 3:45 Break
- 3:45 - 4:45 Poet John Guzowski PhD discusses his work  
Lightening and Ashes and Third Winter of War: Buchenwald
- 7:00 Polish Evening Concert in the Shrine Chapel with Curtis Posuniak, organist, with guest soloist from The Detroit Opera Theater.

### Sunday, September 6, 2009

- 1:00 - 2:00 Mass at the Shrine Chapel to honor the Polish Army Veterans and Camp Survivors, Poet John Guzowski addresses veterans, Polish Scouts Color Guards, and tribute by the Polanie Dance Ensemble
- 2:00 - 3:00 The Filarets Choir, led by David Troiano, presents a repertory of patriotic and military songs for the Veterans
- 3:00 - 3:30 Group Photo of Veterans
- 3:30 - 4:30 Break. Food vendor available on campus
- 4:30 - 5:30 William Krul, President, Polish Genealogical Society of Michigan, outlines the required governmental steps he took to obtain the proper military recognition for his father William Krul, Sr. who died in combat during WWII.
- 5:30 - 6:15 Concert with international known pianist Kazimierz Brzozowski with an all Chopin program: Ballade in G Minor, Op. 23, Mazurka in C-sharp Minor, Op. 50 and Scherzo in C-sharp Minor, Op. 39. Also featured are the Steinway Artists The Mack Duo playing Brahms Hungarian Dances No. 11 in a minor, Hungarian Dance No. 17 in F # minor, Chopin Rondo in C Major for 2 pianos, and Lutoslawski Paganini Variations for 2 pianos. Trumpeter Glenn Bengry plays the Hindemith Sonata.
- 6:30 - 7:30 Hands on training to retrieve U.S. military, refugee, and naturalization documents via the ancestry.com database. Adam Cardinal Maida Library.

\*\*\*\*\*TEACHER WORKSHOP - Saturday and Sunday (75.00 including Saturday Reunion Breakfast; SB-CEU extra) Workshop requires attendance at general public events until 5:00 pm.

### Saturday, September 5, 2009

- 7:30 - 7:45 Announcements/Purpose of the Day
- 7:45 - 9:45 History of the Polish Refuges sent to Siberia by the Soviets  
Catholic Survivors of the Nazi Concentration Camps  
Distribution of Lesson Plans – Set I  
Transcripts of Oral Histories  
Cecile Wendt Jensen - Instructor

### Sunday, September 6, 2009

- 10:45 - 11:00 Announcements/Purpose of the Day
- 11:00 - 12:00 Overview of the World War II Museums on Campus  
Distribution of Lesson Plans – Set II  
Objectives and Symbolism of the Pewabic Tile Project and the Time Capsule  
Cecile Wendt Jensen - Instructor

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