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SAVE THE DATE

The Kosciuszko Foundation
BALL
Saturday, April 26, 2014



PROGRESS AT THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION

by Alex Storozynski, *President of the Kosciuszko Foundation*

Dear Members,

Change is always difficult, especially with an organization that is 88 years old. I've worked hard to modernize the Kosciuszko Foundation, while being true to the vision of our founder, Harvard-educated economist Stephen Mizwa, whose focus was on improving relations between Poland and the United States, and educating as many Poles as possible.

But we have to walk a fine line to balance between the past, present, and future.

Take our application process for grants and scholarships. Not everyone was happy when I said that we'd be moving to an electronic application process, away from the voluminous paper applications that arrived here in large envelopes. By the time we made copies to distribute to our scholarship committee, they looked like stacks of phone books. Something had to change.



Stephen Mizwa

This will speed up the application process, allow more students to apply, thus making our scholarships more competitive. It will also save money. We want to assure you, our members, that we are doing our best to be efficient in the way the Kosciuszko Foundation operates.

From Gutenberg's printing press in 1450 and the world's first pencil in 1560, to the first personal computers in the 1960s and 70s, and the smart phones of today, technology has changed the way humans communicate and do business. These days, laptops and smart phones are the preferred medium of communication, and that's why we must use these tools to reach the generations of today and tomorrow to keep their interest in Polish language and culture.

For decades, the Kosciuszko Foundation was known for its English-Polish dictionary. But with book publishing going the way of the dinosaurs, we're trying to raise funds to create an app for smart phones that will reach younger generations and keep the Polish language alive in their pockets. It will cost us about \$100,000 to do this, but we are applying for grants to government agencies, foundations and businesses that might be willing to help fund this new medium for our dictionary.



We also have a dynamic new Membership Manager Kasia Prorok who is streamlining out database. The program that the Kosciuszko Foundation had been using dates back to the 1980s. Over the next few months, we will be installing

a new program that will allow us to better track your donations and follow your interests in Polish culture. There will be mistakes as we enter new information into our system, so please be patient, and help us update your information by sending us your address updates, birthday, email, and donations so that we can better serve your interests.

It's been two decades since students first began applying for college online, and since 2001, nine out of 10 colleges have accepted electronic applications, rather than hard copies. So over the summer, our new Officer for Grants from Poland, Krzysztof Haranczyk, and his brother Grzegorz spent several weeks moving our scholarship application process online.





The bricks and mortar of the Kosciuszko Foundation headquarters are also undergoing a facelift. Over the summer, our new Maintenance Manager Robert Karauda, was busy putting a fresh coat of paint on the rotunda, basement, stairways, reception room, and the black metal railings outside. He also pulled up the old carpet in the reception room and polished and stained the wooden floors that were underneath.

And in an effort to continue being Polonia's most effective organization, we held an Economic Conference on Sept. 27th with the President of the National Bank of Poland, Marek Belka. Thanks to the hard work of our Project Manager Ewa Zadworna, we were able to secure a grant from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland to fund this event which received a great deal of attention from Standard & Poor's and Wall Street investment banks. It generated reports in the financial media about the phenomenon of Poland's growing economy, mentioning that this event was held at the Kosciuszko Foundation.

I often ask myself, what would our founder Mizwa do? Being that he set up the initial KF board with the help of bankers and business people who could help raise money to educate Poles, something tells me Mizwa would approve. 🌹

POLAND'S ECONOMY HAILED AS A "PHENOMENON" BY STANDARD & POOR'S, CITIBANK, AND ANALYSTS AT KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

President of the National Bank of Poland Marek Belka says that Poland's balanced and less risky approach is the secret to the resilience of his country's economy. This has helped Poland to attract foreign capital, Belka said, adding, "When we compare ourselves to other European powerhouses, our exports have risen the fastest."



Marek Belka, President of the National Bank of Poland

Peterson added, "S&P has an office of 40 people in Poland which includes PhDs in mathematics, economics, data analytics and physics."

Pawel Graniewski, VP of the Warsaw Stock Exchange's management board, said the Warsaw stock exchange was first established in 1817 and active until 1939, when Poland was invaded by Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union. In 1991, when it was reestablished, the stock market was ironically located in the former Communist Party headquarters. Since then, there has been strong growth in sectors such as banking, food processing, high-tech, biotech and the energy sector.

Head of Global Emerging Markets Multinationals at Citigroup Robert Snell said, "Poland is more of an emerged market, than an emerging market."

One reason for Poland's superior growth was explained by Paul Fogo, Treasurer of the American Chamber of Commerce in Poland, who said it is easier for foreign companies to set up business in Poland and benefit from being a EU entity than for foreign companies to set up business in the United States.

"Poland is an excellent gateway to the European Union," Fogo said. "That's why more than 700 U.S. companies are doing business in Poland."

Beata Stelmach, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland, said that Poland has a "safe and transparent banking sector" and that the government has been cutting bureaucratic red tape to make it easier to do business in Poland.

Kosciuszko Foundation President Alex Storozynski said, "More than 100 people from Wall Street and business, including investment bankers, financial analysts, and business journalists, gathered to discuss Poland's economy, which shows the incredible interest in this island of stability in the center Europe which is facing economic turmoil." 🌹

Mr. Belka spoke at an economic conference at the Kosciuszko Foundation in New York. The conference featured panel discussions, one led by President of Standard & Poor's Rating Agency Douglas Peterson, who said, "There is a Polish phenomenon of a growing dynamic country that did not go through any recession like the rest of the European zone countries over the last five or six years. Poland is a very dynamic country," Peterson said.



Douglas Peterson, President, Standard & Poor's

BRIDGES TO POLAND



*The Kosciuszko Foundation
Receives a \$30,000 Grant
From The Ministry of Foreign
Affairs of Poland to Expand its
Scholarship Program*

We are pleased to announce that thanks to a grant received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland, the Kosciuszko Foundation awarded 20 special scholarships to gifted Polish-American students to study Polish language and culture this summer in Krakow and Lublin, Poland.

Bridges to Poland – a new KF scholarship program was established to distribute the grant. Each scholarship covered program fees of a three-week intensive summer program at the School of Polish Language and Culture at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow and John Paul II Catholic University in Lublin. Program fees included language classes, course materials, additional lectures, accommodations, three meals per day, various cultural events and scheduled sightseeing trips on weekends.

“Studying Polish in Krakow changed my life,” said the KF President Alex Storozyński. “When I took part in the program as a graduate student, I fell in love with the homeland of my parents. Thanks to the Kosciuszko Foundation, I learned to speak Polish and became proud of my roots.”

This year, twenty American students had the same opportunity to find out more about their Polish roots through the Bridges to Poland scholarship. They are:

Peter Axer – a graduate student of Slavic Studies at Brown University, Providence, RI

Alexandra Chinchilla – student of International Politics and Security at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Katarzyna Czerniak – a graduate student of Liberal Arts at the University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX

Katrina Gabryluk – Industrial Engineering student at University of Pittsburgh, PA

Troy A. Gawlak – student of History at Kent State University, Kent, OH

Natalie Grochowski – Biology student, University of Pittsburgh, PA

Grzegorz Haranczyk – student of Information Science, University at Albany, NY

Julian Klosowiak – Ph.D. program student of Medicine/Biophysics at Northwestern University, Chicago, IL

Violetta Koss – a graduate student of Music at the Manhattan School of Music, New York

Nicholas Mendenhall – cadet of the US Military Academy, West Point, NY

Suzanne Mitchell – student of Photography at El Camino College, Torrance, CA

Monica Mills – Psychology student at Loyola University, Chicago, IL

Ian Ostaszewski – student of Economics, Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, MI

Natasha Pedzik – a graduate student of Social Work at Adelphi University, Garden City, NY

Stephanie Siwec – a graduate student in History at SUNY, Buffalo, NY

Thomas A. Snape – Accounting/ Finance student at Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Cynthia Sularz – Diplomacy and International Relations student at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ

Céline St. Pierre – Communications Design student at the University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

Elliot D. Zak – Electrical Engineering student at Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Olivia Zralka – student of Business at Fordham University, New York

The additional funding from the Polish government was made possible due

“I had an amazing time, learned a lot about Poland and the Polish Language, and studied with wonderful people from around the world. It was great to see how so many different people from different backgrounds were brought together to learn Polish.”

– NICHOLAS MENDENHALL,
US MILITARY ACADEMY,
WEST POINT, NY

to the fact that the Kosciuszko Foundation Poland (a Warsaw based branch of the KF) was opened in December 2010. Kosciuszko Foundation Poland received the Ministry’s grant in the competition for the public task

“Cooperation with Polish Diaspora and Poles Abroad in 2013.”

– Ewa Zadworna
Project Manager



 **CLICK HERE TO APPLY**

THE KF ENHANCES ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

In a major first effort consistent with expanding the Foundation’s mission, the KF has launched a fully online application process for its exchange program to the United States. Polish applicants can now apply for KF grants at their fingertips: candidates will simply fill out an electronic form and digitally upload necessary documents!

Ongoing work is being completed with an objective in creating similar systems for the KF’s exchange programs to Poland and tuition scholarship programs for Americans. Plans to *fully* integrate the KF’s application process as a hassle-free, paper-free online solution will be implemented starting in fall 2013.

Dr. Stephen Mizwa founded the Kosciuszko Foundation in 1925 with the explicit goal of developing cultural ties between Poland and the United States. Nearly a century after Dr. Mizwa’s initial strides, the Kosciuszko Foundation is marching forward with plans for continued growth in the cultivation of these bi-national ties – utilizing the internet as a key tool in spreading his life’s work.

The new online system allows the Foundation to streamline and efficiently process applications for candidates, helping to spread Dr. Mizwa’s message even further.

Of course, this is just the beginning, visit our website at www.thekf.org to follow our progress!

–Krzysztof Haranczyk, *Program Officer, Exchange Program to the US*
 –Addy Tymczyszyn, *Program Officer, Scholarships & Grants for Americans*

The Kosciuszko Foundation
 Application For Fellowship / Grant For Research / Study In The U.S.

Category
 I am applying for (Select 1 award category):*

Fellowship Grant Teaching Fellowship

Personal Info

First Name* Middle Name Family Name* Maiden Name

Gender* Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)* Place of Birth (City, Country)*

Male Female

Citizenship (Please indicate if dual)* Email Address* Telephone*

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION WASHINGTON DC FUNDRAISING

GALA

The Kosciuszko Foundation's fourth Fundraising Gala in Washington DC will take place this year in the beautiful and prestigious Army & Navy Club on Farragut Square, in the heart of our nation's capital.

We will gather in the finest room of the Club - the elegant Main Dining Room - on Saturday, October 26th at 7pm in order to honor one of the greatest and longest serving Polish-American generals: 96-year-old Lieutenant General Edward Rowny.



“Człowiek-Historia”
-GENERAL EDWARD ROWNY

The Army & Navy Club has a long tradition of honoring achievements. Its members are not only active and retired military officers but also US Presidents, Vice Presidents, Members of Congress, Cabinet Officials, as well as astronauts and explorers.

It is difficult to imagine a better place to pay homage to the life accomplishments of General Rowny – a US Ambassador, a Troop Commander in World War II, Korea and Vietnam, a Special Adviser for Arms Control to Presidents Reagan and Bush, a successful consultant on international negotiations and an author. His newest book, *An American Soldier's Saga of the Korean War*, was published this summer and will be promoted during the event.

It was 77 years ago, in 1936, that the Kosciuszko Foundation first made its mark on the life of General Rowny when, as a young engineering student at Johns Hopkins University, he was awarded a scholarship to study in Poland. Upon returning to the U.S., he entered West Point Academy, designed nearly 200 years before by the Polish-American hero and patron of our Foundation himself - Thaddeus Kosciuszko.

Throughout his life, General Rowny has been actively engaged in Polish-American affairs. Among his most remarkable achievements was the initiative to escort the remains of the Polish composer Ignacy Jan Paderewski from the US National Cemetery in Arlington to Poland and to establish the Paderewski Scholarship Fund for Polish students.

General Edward Rowny is now the President of the American Polish Advisory Council (APAC).

The Washington DC Office of the Kosciuszko Foundation is truly honored to pay tribute to this extraordinary man. His long list of accomplishments and successes is complemented by his great personality and wonderful sense of humor. He can tell endless anecdotes and superbly play his harmonica!

During our Gala, we will hear more about the General's life from the President of our Foundation – Alex Storzynski.

We will also see a documentary film trailer about the patron of the Foundation and a life-long passion of President Storzynski - “a hero of two continents”: Thaddeus Kosciuszko.

The entertainment part of the evening will include a Polish Character Dance – a stylized form of a traditional folk or national dance that in the 19th century became a popular social dance in ballrooms throughout Europe - performed for us by Kathleen Weitz and her ensemble of classical ballet dancers.

An artistic highlight of this year's Gala will be a mini Chopin concert presented by an internationally acclaimed musician and one of the leading pianists of his generation - Mr Brian Ganz. Mr Ganz is currently engaged in a ten-year project in partnership with the National Philharmonic in which he will perform the complete works of Fryderyk Chopin at the Music Center at Strathmore. As *The Washington Post* stated in a recent review: “There isn't much about Chopin that Brian Ganz doesn't know.”

In his reply to my invitation, Brian wrote: “I would be delighted to participate in this event. The Kosciuszko Foundation is dear to my heart because as a young, aspiring pianist I entered the piano competition the Kosciuszko Foundation holds in New York City. I think it was 1976 or 77. I was fortunate to receive 3rd prize and it boosted my confidence greatly!”

Our Gala will also include a *Polonaise* led by one of our local artists as well as a silent auction and a raffle. The evening will be complimented by a superb dining experience, and...when the mood strikes, there will also be a dancing floor.

As a new Representative of the Washington DC Office of the Kosciuszko Foundation I am really looking forward to this important event at the Army & Navy Club and hope to see many of you there! 🍷

– Barbara Bernhardt


Debutantes Invited!

The Kosciuszko Foundation is looking for debutantes to present to society at the Annual Dinner and Ball. Many of you know Miss Polonias and young ladies of distinction who would make perfect candidates for the debutante class of 2014. *Please help us spread the word!*

The Kosciuszko Foundation Annual Dinner and Ball is a dazzling evening of dining, dancing, and networking, attended by debutantes, dignitaries and celebrities in the Grand Ballroom of New York's Waldorf Astoria. For 78 years the Kosciuszko Foundation Annual Dinner and Ball has been the premier social event in the Polish American community. This year's Ball will be on Saturday, April 26, 2014.

As the highlight of the evening, debutantes are presented under the guidance of the Debutante Patroness, who is selected each year for her service and commitment to the Kosciuszko Foundation. At the conclusion of the debutante presentation, honored guests and dignitaries lead the entire assemblage in the historic and stately Polonaise.

This will be a night these young ladies will remember for the rest of their lives. In fact, many Polish-Americans have met their wives and husbands attending this prestigious event.

To request an application or for more information about the Debutante Presentation please call Kaya Sawczuk at the Kosciuszko Foundation at (212) 734-2130. 



Debutantes of 2013

CULTURAL EVENTS AT THE KF

Thank you for supporting the Kosciuszko Foundation by attending our cultural events. Proceeds from ticket sales support the Cultural Fund at the KF! We've had some very inspiring events this past season. Here are just a few:

🎻 An Evening of Polish Cabaret Songs: The program, “The Song Won’t Let You Forget” was a rendezvous with music that turned back time and recreated the atmosphere of the Polish interwar cabaret of artists like Hemar, Ordonka, Tuwim, Ziminska, and Wars. Our audience had a blast identifying themselves with the sentimental and humorous lyrics. Due to popular demand, the KF’s Washington D.C. Chapter presented the same program in May.

🎻 In March, the always-charming Magdalena Baczewska presented a piano concert and the program included music by legends Chopin, Szymanowski and Kapustin.

🎻 In April we had a screening of “Out of Many, One... In the Spirit of John Paul II,” a concert documentary celebrating



Maestro Sir Gilbert Levine

the peace-loving legacy of Pope John Paul II. The musical portion of the program featured the Chicago Symphony Chorus and Lyric Opera Orchestra under Pope John Paul II’s personal Maestro, Sir Gilbert Levine – Maestro Levine was present during the screening! After the film, guests enjoyed Prosecco and delicious napoleon pastries provided graciously by Syrena Bakery. Thank you Syrena!

🎻 Also in April, the KF opened an Artur Szyk Art Exhibit accompanied by Irvin Ungar’s lecture: “Building Bridges: The Legacy of Polish-Jewish Artist Arthur Szyk, Fighter for Justice and Freedom”. The exhibit focused mostly on Szyk’s illumination of the *Statute of Kalisz*, a thirteenth-century “Bill of Rights” for the Jews of Poland. Also present were samples of the artist’s political artwork during WWII, and a KF commissioned portrait of Copernicus – a valuable part of the KF’s permanent art collection.



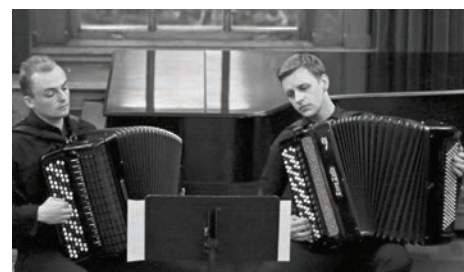
Statute of Kalisz

🎻 A day after the opening night, on April 10, 2013 we presented a lecture by Prof. Antony Polonsky “Writing the History of the Jews in Poland and Russia.”



Lecture by
Professor Antony Polonsky

🎻 Tomasz Ostaszewski and Patryk Sztabinski, laureates of the 2012 IBLA Grand Prize World Music Competition presented an accordion concert on May 3, Polish Constitution Day. Both musicians had their Carnegie Hall debut a day before their KF concert.



Tomasz Ostaszewski and Patryk Sztabinski

🎻 A Screening of Polish Independent Movies titled, *The Best of Filmowe Podlasie Atakuje* (FPA) took place in June. Sixteen of the festival’s best films were showcased to coincide with the 10th anniversary of the project – three of them made by one, Jacek *Kosciuszko!* Stay tuned, the movies will be shown in some of the KF Chapters.



Viktor Antipenko

🎻 In July we presented a Vocal Recital with Viktor Antipenko, the winner of the 2012 KF Marcella Sembrich Voice Competition, accompanied by pianist Alexandre Tchaplinsky. The theme honored two great composers, aptly titled, *Verdi and Wagner. The Unity of Opposites*. This was a special benefit concert, supporting the Kosciuszko Foundation’s Cultural Fund.

🎻 In August, Professor Krystyna Kujawinska-Courtney, one of the KF’s very own grant scholars, presented a lecture about Ira Aldridge, the first African American Shakespeare tragedian, who died in Lodz, Poland (1867).

Once again, a big thank you to all of our members who found time to attend the KF events!

HOW TO MAKE A SMART GIFT TO THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION

The majority of potential donors do not realize that making a charitable donation to the KF from a retirement account (traditional IRA, 401(k), 403(b) and pension plans) might be an advantageous giving option.

When you are over 70½, withdrawals from retirement accounts become mandatory, regardless of your need for funds.

The moment you start taking funds out of your traditional IRA, 401(k) or 403(b) you need to report such withdrawals as ordinary income and pay taxes on them. Income tax is never forgiven – it is merely delayed. The advantage of making a charitable donation to the KF from your retirement account during your life is that you will receive an offsetting charitable income tax deduction. No tax will be due on your gift to the KF, since you can deduct the full amount of your contribution.

Example:

Paul is a 74 year-old retiree and his daughter, Agnieszka, lives in Poland. Ten years ago Agnieszka was a recipient of a KF scholarship in one of the major art museums in New York and since then her artistic career has taken turns for the better thanks to the professional contacts she established while in the US. Paul was very grateful for the growth opportunity the Foundation provided to his daughter and donated \$150,000 from his IRA account to the KF in 2011. The KF, as a public charity received the entire \$150,000 contribution completely tax-free. Paul was required to report the contribution to the KF as income on his tax return, but he received a charitable income tax deduction for the full amount of his gift. Assuming that in 2011 Paul was in the 33% federal income tax bracket, the deduction spared him \$49,500 in taxes (\$150,000 x 33%).

But there is even better news! In 2013 Congress renewed a special incentive to make charitable gifts through retirement accounts. It permits individuals to roll over limited funds from IRA accounts directly to a qualifying charity, like the KF, without recognizing the assets transferred as income. Donor does not need to report the amount of the gift distributed from the IRA on his/her tax return.

You can make a completely tax-free charitable gift to the KF in 2013 if:

- 1 You are at least 70½ years old at the time of the gift.
- 2 You transfer up to \$100,000 directly from your IRA. This opportunity applies only to IRAs (traditional or Roth) and not other types of retirement plans.
- 3 You transfer the funds directly to the KF. Legislation does not permit direct transfers to charitable trusts, donor advised funds, charitable gift annuities or supporting organizations.
- 4 You make your gift by December 31, 2013.

Since traditional IRA, 401(k) or 403(b) grow on a tax-deferred basis, they have significant tax burdens when left upon your death to children, grandchildren, or other beneficiaries, except your spouse. They are often called “tax traps” for the following reasons: (1) heirs receiving retirement account money must include such money as income on their own tax return and pay federal and state income taxes on it at their own income tax rate. Depending on heirs’ income tax brackets, mere federal income tax can consume up to 39.6% of the retirement account balance; and (2) if the taxable estate is large enough, estate taxes on the account may also be triggered. Considering that as of 2013, the maximum federal estate tax is 40%, this

will reduce the retirement account balance left over after taxes for the heirs even more. When both estate and income taxes are due, up to 63% of the retirement account could potentially be lost to taxes! On the other hand, the KF can accept retirement plan gifts at their full value, without any tax liability.

Smart giving!

EXCHANGING GIFTS OF LANGUAGE, CULTURE, AND FRIENDSHIP: THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION CELEBRATES **23** YEARS OF THE **TEACHING ENGLISH IN POLAND PROGRAM.**

The summer of 2013 marked the twenty-third anniversary of the *Teaching English in Poland Program* (TEIP), an innovative and highly effective cultural and educational exchange between the United States and Poland. This summer program is cosponsored annually by the Kosciuszko Foundation and independent, educational, nonprofit organizations and is under the honorary patronage of the Polish National Commission for UNESCO.



To accommodate different schedules and interests and to satisfy the demand for such educational opportunities, the Kosciuszko Foundation and our Polish partners offered four choices to students: two English Language/American Culture Camp Programs and two Arts Enriched English Language Camp Programs. Both programs included students ages nine to eighteen. As a result of this expansion, a larger number of Polish students and American teachers and assistants had the opportunity to share in cross-cultural experiences.

This year, there were two English Language/American Culture Camp Program opportunities. The first was held at ZHP “Nadwarcianski Grod,” Zalecze Wielkie, and the second was held in The District Center for Culture, Education, Tourism, and Sport in Pinczow. Both camps were in session from July 19 to August 2. Both sites conducted a two-week English language emersion experience for Polish students. The Polish hosts at each site also offered a cultural tour of Poland for American teachers and assistants who volunteered their time to the program.

The purpose of the English Language/American Culture Camp Program is to provide Polish students, who demonstrate intermediate to advanced levels of proficiency, with opportunities to improve their conversational skills. The method of language emersion is employed during four daily class periods, in extracurricular activities, on field trips, and during meals and periods of free time. At the same time, participating teachers and students are exposed to the culture,

history, language, traditions, and people of Poland. Dr. Teresa Wojcik, Philadelphia Chapter President served as the American Staff Leader in Pincow. Mrs. Dawn Woyak from Albuquerque, New Mexico served as the American Staff leader at Zalecze Wielkie.

The Arts Enriched English Language Camp Program celebrated its fifth year since its inception in 2009 in Zalecze Wielkie and a new camp was added this summer in Otwock. The camp in Zalecze Wielkie was in session from June 29 to July 20, and the camp in Otwock was in session from July 1 to July 12. Both programs held four classes per day and emphasized the importance of art, music, theatre, drama, and other creative forms of expression.

The purpose of the Arts Enriched English Language Camp Program is to strengthen students’ appreciation for creativity and the innovation that art provides. The program in both Zalecze Wielkie and Otwock invited students to gain a deeper appreciation for the arts, to learn about American culture, and to foster creative growth through a strong personal and global sense of identity. Toward the end of the experience, Polish students demonstrated their artistic abilities through an Art Expo. The exposition was open to students’ family members, friends and showcased their creative works and talents. Mr. Thomas Rusnak Sr. from Brookfield, Illinois was the American Staff Leader for the second consecutive year at Zalecze. Dr. Mary Kay Pieski, from Tallmadge, Ohio initiated the new camp and served as the American Staff Leader

The Kosciuszko Foundation and the Polish National Commission for UNESCO cooperate to prepare and implement specific components of the TEIP Program. The Foundation recruits and selects American teachers and assistants; organizes the staffing of each camp; provides training sessions for American participants; facilitates the educational aspects of the program as outlined in the curriculum guide. In addition to preparing lessons and activities, the participants are encouraged to raise funds, solicit donations of equipment, educational materials, and books to be shipped to Poland. The TEIP Program has been awarded grants in excess of \$14,000 from Delta Kappa Educational Foundation to help purchase equipment for the Arts Enriched English Language Camp Program. Mr. Al Koproski, Trustee of the Kosciuszko Foundation and member of the board of the Polish National Youth Baseball Foundation facilitated the donation of baseball equipment to both the Otwock and Pincow camps.

Mary Kay Pieski Ph.D, [director] of the TEIP Program, together with Teresa G. Woycik Ph.D, [assistant director], facilitated the American aspects of the program; supervised the implementation of the program at each Polish campus site. Mrs. Christine B. Kuskowski has recently been appointed the Director Emeritus for the TEIP Program. Mrs. Kuskowski has served as the program director for twenty-one years. Mr. Krzysztof Haranczyk is the newly appointed TEIP Program Coordinator at its headquarters in New York City. Mr. Joseph Herter is the representative in the Warsaw office.

This summer a total of 300 Polish students attended the camps located in Zalecze Wielkie, Otwock, and Pinczow. The Foundation has selected four group leaders, twenty-two American teachers and twenty-three teaching assistants to participate in the TEIP Program. Participants were selected from the following states: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, and Vermont. Since the TEIP Program began in 1991, the Kosciuszko Foundation has organized a total of 112 educational camps throughout Poland.

The American teachers and assistants are instrumental in effecting the Kosciuszko Foundation's mission of promoting closer ties between Poland and the United States. The reciprocal nature of the TEIP Program enables large numbers of Polish students and American participants to share in educational, scientific and cross-cultural exchanges.

For more information, please visit the Foundation's website at: www.thekf.org

For more information about specific campsites, please visit the following websites:

The English Language/American Culture Camp Program

Przemysl/ Pinczow: <http://slowak.edu.pl>

Zalecze Wielkie: www.zalecze.pl

The Arts Enriched English Language Camp Program

Zalecze Wielkie: www.zalecze.pl

Otwock: www.pmdk-otwock.pl

—Mary Kay Pieski, Ph.D.
 Director of the Kosciuszko Foundation
Teaching English In Poland Program



THE
**THADDEUS F.
 BRYZINSKI**
 &
**GENEVIEVE M.
 PONIATOWSKI-
 BRYZINSKI**
 FUND

As stipulated in Thaddeus F. Bryzinski's will, the Kosciuszko Foundation will establish "The Thaddeus F. Bryzinski & Genevieve M. Poniatowski-Bryzinski Fund" for Polish nationals to study physics, engineering or sciences in the USA.

Thaddeus was a WWII Navy veteran, an expert woodworker and machinist who enjoyed listening to music and reading about Polish history. His nephew, Gerald Kostusiak, of West Seneca, New York said that Ted was very proud of his Polish heritage and had a large collection of Polish history books that are now part of his nephew's library. He was a very optimistic person and that whenever his nephew would see him, or greet him, he would always say "I feel like a tiger."

Thaddeus was born in Thurston, New York to Alexander and Pearl (Graczyk) Bryzinski, the youngest of nine children. He lived in North Tonawanda, New York with his wife Genevieve Poniatowski of Syracuse, New York. He was a licensed professional engineer in New York State and before graduating from the School of Engineering from the State University in Buffalo, New York he worked for Wurlitzer. As an engineer he worked for Stromberg-Carlson at Rochester, New York where he was responsible for seven patents in telecommunications. He later worked for General Dynamics and CCI of Rochester, New York from which he retired.

ESTABLISHING A LEGACY OF LOVE FOR POLAND

by Teresa G. Wojcik

In 2013, the Philadelphia Chapter celebrates the tenth anniversary of the Frances E. Wyszynski Memorial Scholarship. For the past decade, philanthropist and Polonia activist Mr. Raymond Wyszynski has sponsored a young woman from the Philadelphia Chapter area to participate in the Summer School of Polish Language and Culture at Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland. In recognition of his generosity, the Chapter wishes to express sincere gratitude and share Mr. Wyszynski's story.

The Wyszynski name was well known in the Philadelphia area for half a century as a symbol of quality in the kielbasa and meat products business. In 1908, Walter Wyszynski immigrated to the United States from Poland. Mr. Wyszynski was originally employed in the coal mines like so many other Polish immigrants who arrived in America at the turn of the twentieth century. However, he longed for a taste of the "Old Country" and decided to begin his own small business producing kielbasa in Philadelphia. The business later moved to a larger location in the Fishtown section of Philadelphia and expanded to include a large factory, where it employed many people of Polish descent. Three generations later, that small enterprise grew into a sizable business, having expanded its production of meat and other food products.

In 1969, Raymond Wyszynski, grandson of Walter Wyszynski, assumed leadership of the company. Since the age of twelve, he had learned the trade of making kielbasa and running the business from his grandfather and father. During his time as president, the company boasted offerings of 1,000 different items. Fishtown area residents waited in long lines at Christmas and Easter to buy Wyszynski kielbasa and other Polish meats. In addition to operating a retail outlet at the factory, the company shipped its products all over the United States and held contracts with numerous entities, including the U.S. military and the city of Philadelphia. The Wyszynski name could also be found in supermarkets and chain stores.

After forty-five years, the Wyszynski business closed its doors in 1996. During his retirement, Raymond Wyszynski continues to serve Polonia in Philadelphia. He draws inspiration from a portrait of his grandfather which occupies a place of pride in his office. In the late 1990s, he initiated a college scholarship fund for the children of Thomas Walenty, a deceased police officer and member of the Polish Police



Every year, Mr. Wyszynski features the winner of the Frances E. Wyszynski Scholarship in a convertible car during the Philadelphia Pulaski Day Parade. Pictured here, Mr. Wyszynski congratulates the 2011 winner, Ms. Karolina Wolnicki.

Association. In 2003, he established the Frances E. Wyszynski Scholarship to provide a young female from the Philadelphia Chapter the opportunity to experience a summer abroad in Krakow. When asked why he wished to offer the scholarship for summer study in Poland, Mr. Wyszynski responded that a love of Poland had been passed down through the generations to him from his grandparents and he wanted to provide others with an opportunity to learn more about Poland and nurture that same love for their heritage. In addition, he sought a way to memorialize his mother, Frances Wyszynski, who had been a constant source of support for him and his brothers. Mrs. Wyszynski worked in the office of the company and her self-sacrificing love helped the Wyszynski company succeed. In searching for a way to contribute and "give back" to the Polish American community which had contributed to his success, Mr. Raymond Wyszynski could think of no better way than to institute the scholarships that bear his family name. The Philadelphia Chapter is honored to have him as a member and grateful that he selected the Kosciuszko Foundation as a partner in maintaining his legacy. Sto Lat, Mr. Wyszynski! 🇵🇱

THE KF OFFERS \$9,000 IN PRIZE MONEY FOR CHOPIN COMPETITION

The Kosciuszko Foundation's Chopin Piano Competition was established in 1949, in honor of the hundredth anniversary of the death of Frederic Chopin. Over the years, many outstanding musicians have been associated with the competition including Van Cliburn, Ian Hobson, and Murray Perahia.

The Kosciuszko Foundation's 64th Annual Chopin Competition offers monetary awards of \$5,000 for first, \$2,500 for second, and \$1,500 for third place. In addition, the winners are commissioned for concerts at the Foundation's Chapters: New England, Texas, Chicago, Ohio, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Washington DC, Western New York, which guarantees great exposure throughout the U.S.

Young pianists will follow in the path of the magnificent American pianist Van Cliburn, the first place winner in 1952 – who six years later became the first person to win the

A black and white poster for the Chopin Piano Competition. The word "CHOPIN" is written in large, bold, white letters at the top. Below it, "PIANO" is written in a curved, stylized font. The word "MONIUSZKO" is written vertically in a similar curved font on the right side. The poster features a silhouette of a piano keyboard at the bottom. Text on the poster includes: "PRELIMINARIES: Friday, October 11th, 2013 10:00 AM at the KF House" and "FINALS: Saturday, October 12th, 2013 10:00 AM at the KF House". A small circular portrait of Frederic Chopin is in the top right corner.

International Tchaikovsky Piano Competition in Moscow at the height of the Cold War.

A brand-new Jury for the KF Chopin Piano Competition:

Chairman of the Jury **Prof. Roy Eaton**, winner of the first Kosciuszko Foundation Chopin Competition in June 1950. Professor at Manhattan School of Music.

Prof. Anna Kijanowska, earned a Doctorate and a Master of Music in Piano Performance from the Manhattan School of Music in New York, where she studied with the legendary pianist Byron Janis. Professor at The College of William and Mary in Virginia.

Prof. Jerome Rose has served on the Faculties at the Ecole Normale de Musique in Paris, the Tel-Hai Festival in Israel, the Duszynski Chopin Festival and the Salzburg Mozarteum. Professor at Mannes College The New School for Music.



8TH INTERNATIONAL MONIUSZKO COMPETITION

The Kosciuszko Foundation presented two special prizes at the 8th International Moniuszko Competition in Warsaw, POLAND. Both prizes were funded by The Kosciuszko Foundation's long time friend and supporter, Ann Coxe Zagoreos.

Jan Kiepura prize for the best performance of a Polish tune went to Mr. Lukasz Golinski, baritone, and the Jan and Edward Reszke prize for the best male voice went to Anatoli Sivko, bass.

2013/14 EXCHANGE FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS: POLISH CITIZENS CONDUCTING ADVANCED STUDY, RESEARCH, AND/OR TEACHING IN THE U.S.

The 2013 U.S. Academic Advisory Committee consisted of the following members:

1. Prof. M.B. Biskupski, Department of History, Central Connecticut State University, New Britain, Connecticut.
2. Prof. Janina Brutt-Griffler, Professor and Associate Dean for Curriculum and Global Initiatives, Director of Polish Studies, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.
3. Ewa Radwanska, M.D., Ph.D., Rush University Medical Center in Chicago.
4. Teresa G. Wojcik, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Education, Villanova University, Pennsylvania.

The members of the 2013 Polish Academic Commission (including a number of former Kosciuszko Foundation Fellows):

1. Lukasz Gasinski, Attorney, Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP. **Former Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation.**
2. Emma Harris, Professor of English and Director of English Department, University of Warsaw.
3. Malgorzata Komorowska, Retired Professor of Music, Chopin University of Music in Warsaw. **Former Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation.**
4. Zbigniew Lasocik, Attorney, Professor of Criminal Law, Warsaw University. **Former Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation.**
5. Ellina Lunarska, Professor, Institute of Physical Chemistry, Polish Academy of Sciences. **Former Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation.**
6. Ewa Miklaszewska, Professor of Economics, University of Economics

(Krakow) & Jagiellonian University.

Former Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation.

7. Milada Slizinska, Retired Curator, Museum of Contemporary Art, Warsaw.

Former Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation.

8. Izabela Wagner, Professor of Sociology, University of Warsaw. **Former Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation.**

9. Mariusz Ziolkowski, Professor of Archeology, University of Warsaw, Center for Pre-Columbian Research.

Prof. M.B. Biskupski, this year's Committee Chair and Mr. Krzysztof Haranczyk, Program Officer, Exchange Program to the U.S. supervised the personal interviews, which were conducted in the English language in order to evaluate the English proficiency of the candidates. Careful consideration was also given to the candidates' choice of U.S. educational institution for conducting their research projects. The Committee had an opportunity to review the files of all candidates beforehand in order to evaluate the merit of the candidates' research proposals, their clarity and seriousness of purpose, and the persuasiveness of their arguments for conducting research in the United States. Out of 55 applicants interviewed, 31 were matched with funds and recommended for consideration.

Krzysztof Haranczyk
Program Officer
Exchange Program to the U.S.

HUMANITIES



BAJDA, PIOTR ARTUR, Assistant Professor, Political Science Institute, The Cardinal Stefan

Wyszynski University, Warsaw: Three month fellowship to conduct research on the place and role of Central Europe in the foreign policy of the United States, also to examine the role of small states in international affairs at Georgetown University, The George Washington University, and The Institute of World Politics with Prof. Andrzej Kaminski, Prof. James Collins, Prof. Angela E. Stent, Prof. Joanna Spear, Prof. Sharon I. Wolchik and Prof. Marek Jan Chodakiewicz.



BARDZINSKA, JOANNA, Researcher at the Department of Cultural Heritage, International Cultural

Centre of Krakow: Three month fellowship to conduct research on the life and artistic career of Janina Katelbach (Nina Polan), Polish actress and director of the Polish Theater Institute in NY.



CURANOVIC, ALICJA CECYLIA, Assistant Professor, Institute of International Relations, Faculty of Journalism and

Political Science, University of Warsaw: Three month fellowship to conduct research on "How does the idea of mission influence actions of states and their decision-makers? How can this influence be characterized, assessed or even qualified? What role can the idea of

mission play when practical considerations suggest actions contrary to the postulates of state ideology? Is the role of mission greater in democratic societies or in (semi-) authoritarian states?” at Stanford University with Prof. David Holloway.



FORNALCZYK, ANNA, Assistant Professor, Institute of Applied Linguistics, University of Warsaw:

Three month fellowship to conduct research on the “20th and 21st century cultural models of Central and Eastern Europeans constructed in literature. The project focuses on frames used to portray the cultural ‘other’ in its literary representations and on valuation behind the stereotypes, in both original and translated works” at the University of Arizona with Prof. Kathy G. Short.



GORA, MAGDALENA MARIA, Assistant Professor, Institute of European Studies, Jagiellonian University:

Four month fellowship to conduct research on “Search of external legitimization: The European Union’s enlargement and the European neighborhood policy from an American perspective” at New York University with Prof. Larry Wolff.



HOROLEC, ANNA, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw: Five

month fellowship to conduct research on “Leisure participation and adaptation of Polish immigrants in urban and suburban neighborhoods of Chicago by examining the influence of place of residence characteristics on immigrants’ leisure practices” at the University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign with Prof. Monika Stodolska.



KLONKOWSKA, ANNA MARIA, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Philosophy, Sociology, and

Journalism, University of Gdansk: Three month fellowship to conduct research on

the strategies of social adaptation and patterns of masculinity among transsexual men after the process of transition at Stony Brook University with Prof. Michael Kimmel.



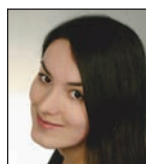
KUBECKA, MAGDALENA, Ph.D. candidate, Institute of Applied Social Sciences, University of Warsaw:

Four month grant to conduct research on the importance of culture for social changes and development of the city at the University of Chicago with Prof. Terry Nichols Clark.



LUTY, JERZY, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Wyższa Szkoła Oficerska Wojsk Lądowych im. Tadeusza Kościuszki:

Three month fellowship to conduct research on “Art and storytelling as natural categories in evolutionary aesthetics” at the University of Missouri with Prof. Joseph Carroll.



MATCZAK, MAGDALENA DOMICELA, Ph.D. candidate, Department of Archeology, Adam

Mickiewicz University, Poznan: Five month grant to conduct research on the “Perception of Healthy and Ill people in Medieval Poland (11th-13th century) at the University of California, Berkeley with Prof. Sabrina Agrawal.



PASIEKA, AGNIESZKA MARIA, Assistant Professor, Institute of Slavic Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences,

Warsaw: Five month fellowship to conduct research on the “Faces of Polishness, An Anthropological Study of Ethnic and Civic Identities” at Yale University with Prof. Krystyna Illakowicz.



WARCHALA, MICHAŁ, Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy and Sociology, Pedagogical University of Krakow:

Three month fellowship to conduct research on the religious thought of major romantic authors: W. Blake, W. Wordsworth, etc., at the University of Chicago with Prof. David E. Wellbery.



WOLACEWICZ, DOMINIK, Archivist, The State Archive in Krakow: Five month grant to work on the archive

collection and conduct research on comparative cartographic materials at The Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America with Prof. M.B. Biskupski.

SCIENCES



BLAZEJCZYK, AGNIESZKA, Ph.D. candidate in Biological Sciences, Ludwik Hirszfeld Institute of Immunology

and Experimental Therapy, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw: Five month grant to conduct research toward Ph.D. on identifying novel anticancer treatments that would prevent metastasis, at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University with Prof. Damian Medici.



DRUCIAREK, TOBIASZ, Ph.D. candidate in Horticulture and Crop Science, Department of Applied Entomology,

Warsaw University of Life Sciences: Three month grant to conduct research toward Ph.D. on biology and ecology of eriophyoid mite species on roses at the University of Arizona with Prof. Ioannis E. Tzanetakos.



JACYGRAD, EWELINA, Ph.D. candidate, Department of Ornamental Plants, Warsaw University of Life Sciences: Five month

grant to conduct research toward Ph.D. on efficient methods of micro-propagation for *Pistacia vera* L, a species difficult to propagate by conventional methods at the University of California, Davis with Prof. John E. Preece.



KASPRZYCKI, PIOTR, Ph.D. candidate in Physics, University of Warsaw: Five month grant to conduct research toward Ph.D. on “Quantum effects in organic molecules revealed by nonlinear optical spectroscopy” at the University of Oregon with Prof. Michael G. Raymer.



KNAPIK, OSKAR, Researcher, Department of Statistics, Krakow University of Economics: Three month grant to conduct research on the Bayesian analysis of cyclo-stationary time series with missing observations at the University of California, Davis with Prof. Christina Drake.



MARZEC, KATARZYNA, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Jagiellonian University: Two month fellowship to conduct research on alterations in biochemical composition of breast cancer in mouse tissue treated with drugs at the University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign with Prof. Rohit Bhargava.



MICHALAK, MARCIN, Assistant Professor, Department of Seed Biology, Institute of Dendrology, Polish Academy of Sciences: Three month fellowship to conduct research on the conservation of the genetic diversity of oak at the United States Department of Agriculture with Prof. Christina Walters.



MIELCAREK-KUCHTA, DANIELA, Assistant Professor, Department of Otolaryngology, University of Medical Sciences in Poznan: Three month fellowship to conduct research and observation on the most advanced operations in sinus surgery (frontal drainage type II and III) at the University of Pennsylvania with Prof. James N. Palmer.

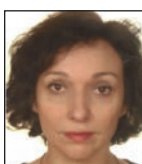


SZLACHTA, KAROL, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, Warsaw University of Technology: Five month fellowship to research on: “Is ferritin responsible for Parkinson disease?” at the University of Virginia with Prof. Wlodek Minor.



ZABOROWSKI, MIKOŁAJ, Ph.D. candidate in Medicine, Karol Marcinkowski University of Medical Sciences in Poznan: Five month grant to conduct research on the “Identification of micro RNA in plasma micro-vesicles and the use of viral vectors in gene therapy in the course of ovarian cancer” at Harvard Medical School with Prof. Xandra O. Breakefield.

ARTS



DEBSKA, KINGA IZABELA, Film Director: Three month grant to conduct research on Joseph Hofmann for a biopic, at the International Piano Archives in New York with Mr. Gregor Benko.

LAW & ECONOMICS



MACKIEWICZ, MARTA, Ph.D. candidate in Laws, Institute of Legal Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw: Five month grant to conduct research on “Protection of minority shareholders’ rights in the takeover procedure” at Columbia University with Prof. Jeffrey Gordon.



MIRONSKA, DOMINIKA, Assistant Professor, Institute of International Management and Marketing, Warsaw School of Economics: Five month fellowship to conduct research on “Donors-Beneficiaries’ value model.

The role of marketing in non-profit organizations” at the University of Minnesota with Prof. Michael J. Houston.



MIRONSKI, JACEK, Five month fellowship to conduct research on the cross-cultural comparison of the concept of human nature in management at the University of Minnesota with Prof. John W. Budd.



RATAJ, ANNA, Ph.D. candidate in Laws, Department of Constitutional Law, Jagiellonian University: Supplementary grant towards the completion of LL.M program at Harvard Law School.

POLISH STUDIES



HARRISON, MAGDALENA, Brown University: Ten month teaching fellowship in order to support the establishment of a Polish Studies program at Brown University in Rhode Island with Professor Svetlana Evdokimova.



KLASKA, BARBARA, Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Gdansk: Ten month teaching fellowship to conduct research on “American historiography and press in order to identify and describe the image of Poland in American historical writing during World War One” and to teach in the Polish Studies Program at the University of Buffalo, State University of New York with Prof. Janina Brutt-Griffler.



SZTABNICKA, EMILIA PAULINA, Ph.D. candidate in Linguistics, University of Lodz: Extension to conduct ten month program teaching Polish Language and Literature in the Polish Studies Program at Indiana University, Bloomington with Prof. Justyna Beinek.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION WELCOMES TWO SOPHIE WOJCIECHOWSKI AWARD WINNERS

This summer, The Kosciuszko Foundation invited two promising Polish students to New York, both of whom hail from our founder's hometown of Rakszawa!

Thanks to the Sophie Wojciechowski Endowment Fund for Gifted Polish Youth, Agnieszka Calka and Marta Kukla attended a six-week summer program at Pace University's English Language Institute.

The two budding scholars had an opportunity to do some sightseeing, including that of Dr. Mizwa's adopted hometown – New York City – and returned to Poland after the six-week program with an experience of expanded horizons that will hopefully shape and influence them for the rest of their lives.

The Foundation began awarding gifted students from Rakszawa as part of the Sophie Wojciechowski Endowment Fund. The town is the birthplace of Kosciuszko Foundation founder Stefan Mizwa and features a high school named in his honor.

Sophie Wojciechowski worked tirelessly during her life for the causes of immigrants and refugees. She held an undergraduate degree in Economics and a graduate degree in Social Work. In addition to her work with the Polish government in exile during World War II, she was involved with numerous programs to assist émigrés and their families after the war. Her years of dedication resulted in her receiving the Émigré Award for Distinguished Leadership from the Institute for Families and Children at Adelphi University in 1992. It was at this time that the Foundation announced the creation of the Sophie Wojciechowski Scholarship program. 🌐

2013 PROFESSOR MICHAL SMIALOWSKI AWARD



*Kosciuszko Foundation
President and Executive Director
Alex Storozyński with the 2013
Michal Smialowski award winner,
Dr. Emilia Stanczyk-Wolowiec.*

The Kosciuszko Foundation selected Dr. Emilia Stanczyk-Wolowiec of the Lodz University of Technology to receive the 2013 Professor Michal Smialowski Award. Dr. Stanczyk-Wolowiec received the \$2,000 award for her work in utilizing artificial intelligence to aid the development of material engineering processes.

The Foundation bestows the Smialowski award annually to a Polish citizen for a distinguished publication in the field of Materials Science. Professor Susan Smialowska established the award 18 years ago, in memory of her late husband, a highly recognized authority in the field of Materials Science. Professor Michal Smialowski founded the Institute of Physical Chemistry of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw, serving as its Director from 1960 to 1973. The Foundation selects the award recipient based on the recommendations of the award's Academic Advisory Committee, composed of several Polish academics, all experts in the field of Materials Science.

The Kosciuszko Foundation Scholarship Committee presented the award to Dr. Stanczyk-Wolowiec at a ceremony held in its Warsaw office during the annual Exchange Program interview sessions. Representatives of the Polish Academy of Sciences also attended the ceremony. 🌐

KF NEWS *from the Development Department*

As the KF continues to update and modernize our processes and functions, we are excited to share with you an upcoming change in our Development Department. We are in the midst of implementing a new member database. The new software will not only streamline internal functions and provide new tools, but it will also include online services for members. As an active member, you will be able to access your KF giving history, update your contact information, renew your membership, register for events, and purchase tickets all through our secure website.

Development Staff are diligently working to ensure that this transition goes smoothly. However, we ask for your patience throughout the process and apologize for inconveniences you may experience. We are confident that you will be just as thrilled as we are with this wonderful, new program. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Kasia Prorok, Membership Manager at 212-734-2130 or kasia@thekf.org

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS FOR AMERICANS 2013-2014

The Kosciuszko Foundation Board of Trustees has allocated **\$297,900** in scholarships to Americans of Polish descent for fiscal year July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014. Of this amount \$269,000 is awarded as Tuition Scholarships to 87 Americans of Polish descent towards their graduate studies in the United States. In addition, the Foundation has awarded \$12,700 through its Massachusetts Federation of Polish Women's Clubs Scholarships and through scholarships which it awards on behalf of the Polish American Club of North Jersey and the Polish National Alliance of Brooklyn, USA Inc.

This year, 9 students will be attending programs in Poland through the Kosciuszko Foundation's exchange program with the Polish Ministry of National Education to study Polish language and culture as part of the

Foundation's Year Abroad program at the Jagiellonian University's Center of Polish Language and Culture in the World. The Polish Ministry provides scholarship recipients with a tuition waiver, dormitory housing and funding for living expenses. In addition, each student receives \$900 per approved semester towards living expenses from the Kosciuszko Foundation. Funding allocated for the Year Abroad program amounts to \$13,500.

The Foundation's exchange program is also supporting one candidate for research in Poland. Funding is provided through the Foundation's Graduate Studies and Research in Poland program in cooperation with the Polish Ministry of National Education. The Polish Ministry provides dormitory housing, funding for living expenses, use of academic facilities and access to archives.

In addition to the funding provided by the Ministry, the Kosciuszko Foundation allocated \$2,700 in additional support for living expenses during the research period.

The grants and scholarships for Americans were made possible through the generosity of many donors who have bequeathed the named scholarship funds which make up the Foundation's endowment. We are pleased to introduce the winners of Kosciuszko Foundation's Domestic Scholarship winners for academic year September 2013 – June 2014.

Addy Tymczyszyn
Scholarship and Grant Officer
for Americans

DOMESTIC TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS 2013-2014

KAZIMIERA ADRIAN ADRIANOWSKA SCHOLARSHIP



MIHALYFY, DAVID of Chicago, IL – for doctoral studies in the History of Christianity, University of Chicago, Chicago IL. Scholarship: \$1,000

THE LEON A. AND PAT BABULA SCHOLARSHIP FUND



BARCY, KATHERINE of Nashville, TN – for second year of graduate studies in International Education Policy and Management, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN. Scholarship: \$2,500

BELYAYEV, ALEXEY of Seattle, WA – for third year of graduate studies in International Studies and Economics, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Scholarship: \$1,500



CEPAK, JENNIFER of New York, NY – for second year of studies in Nursing Anesthesia, Columbia University, New York, NY. Scholarship: \$6,000



EISENBAUM, ELAINE of Austin, TX – for third year of graduate studies in Social Work, University of Texas, Austin, TX. Scholarship: \$1,000

JARZEBOWSKI, KATHERINE of Southington, CT – for second year of graduate studies in Music Composition, Film Scoring, New York University, New York, NY. Scholarship: \$3,500



KLOSOWIAK, JULIAN of Glenview, IL – for third year of studies in Medicine and Bio-Physics, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$5,000



KOCZWARA, KONRAD of Chicago, IL – for first year of doctoral studies in Physical Therapy, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$3,500



KOWALIK, MARTA
of Oviedo, FL – for third
year of Physician Assistant
studies, Drexel University,
Philadelphia, PA.

Scholarship: \$2,500

KUSZEWSKA, KARINA of White Plains,
NY – for third year of graduate studies in
Psychology, Pace University, New York,
NY. Scholarship: \$2,500

LIPINSKI, IGOR of Chicago, IL – for
second year doctoral studies in Piano
Performance, Northwestern University,
Evanston, IL. Scholarship: \$4,000



MIKULSKI, LAURA of
Chicago, IL – for first year
of graduate studies in Arts,
Entertainment and Media
Management, Columbia
College, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$1,500



PACHOWSKI, JUSTYNA
of New Britain, CT – for
first year of Physician
Assistant studies, New York
Institute of Technology,
Old Westbury, NY. Scholarship: \$3,000

PEKALA, KAROLINA of Shrewsbury
MA – for second year of doctoral studies
in Clinical Psychology, Long Island
University, Brookville, NY. Scholarship:
\$4,500



**SAMBORSKA-MOROZ,
OLGA** of Cherry Hill,
NJ – for first year of
graduate studies in
Sustainable Development,
School of International Training,
Washington, DC. Scholarship: \$3,500



URBANIAK, ANNA of
Elmwood Park, NJ – for
first year of doctoral studies
in Clinical Psychology,
Fairleigh Dickinson
University, Teaneck, NJ. Scholarship:
\$2,000

VANONI, MIRIAM of Medford, MA –
for fourth year doctoral studies in
Music, Boston University, Boston, MA.
Scholarship: \$1,000



WANDREI, KEVIN
of Adams, MA – for first
year of graduate studies in
Public Policy, Cornell
University, Ithaca, NY.

Scholarship: \$4,500



YELINEK, KRISTINA
of Fort Collins, CO –
for second year of graduate
studies in Teaching English
as a Second Language,

Colorado State University, Fort Collins,
CO. Scholarship: \$1,000

DR. RAYMOND DZIEJMA SCHOLARSHIP FUND



SZCZEPANIK, BRYCE
of Saint Joseph, MO –
for third year of studies in
Dentistry, University of
Missouri, Kansas City, MO.

Scholarship: \$3,500

SOPHIA GRODZICKA SCHOLARSHIP FUND



BOYRAZ, MALGORZATA
of North Brunswick, NJ –
for fourth year of doctoral
studies in Communication,
Information and Library

Studies, Rutgers University, New
Brunswick, NJ. Scholarship: \$1,500



DURKA, MALGORZATA
of Libertyville, IL – for first
year of graduate studies
in Comparative and
International Law, Chicago

Kent College of Law, Chicago, IL.
Scholarship: \$4,500



KOMAR, JOANNA
of Plantation, FL – for
third year of studies
in Optometry, Nova
Southeastern University

College of Optometry, Davie, FL.
Scholarship: \$3,000



MALECKI, BIANKA
of Madison, WI – for
second year of studies in
Medicine, Jagiellonian
University, Krakow, Poland.

Scholarship: \$1,000



MOJESCIK, JOANNA
of Brooklyn, NY – for first
year of graduate studies in
Occupational Therapy, York
College, Jamaica, NY.

Scholarship: \$1,000

POMIECKO, ALEKSANDRA

of Monroeville, PA – for second year
of graduate studies in Central and Eastern
European Studies, Jagiellonian University,
Krakow, Poland. Scholarship: \$1,000



ROG, BARTLOMIEJ
of Colorado Springs, CO
– for final year of studies in
Medicine, Jagiellonian
University English School

of Medicine, Krakow, Poland. Scholarship:
\$1,500

EDWIN L. HARASIMOWICZ SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND



KINZEL, ADAM of
Ann Arbor, MI – for first
year of studies in Medicine,
Medical College of
Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI.

Scholarship: \$4,500

DR. CASIMIR V. KIERZKOWSKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND



DOBEK, PETER
of Lakemoor, IL – for
second year doctoral studies
in Medieval History,
Western Michigan

University, Kalamazoo, MI. Scholarship:
\$2,000

JOHN C. KIERZKOWSKI SCHOLARSHIP FUND



KOZIK, BRYAN
of Maynard, MA – for
second year doctoral studies
in History, University of
Florida, Gainesville, FL.

Scholarship: \$3,000



LAKE, EMILY of Bayonne, NJ – for third year of graduate studies in Museum Management, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ. Scholarship: \$2,500

STAN LESNY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

BOCHENEK, MATTHEW of Park Ridge, IL – for third year of graduate studies in Bio-Engineering, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$1,500



KULCESKI, SAMUEL of Emmitsburg, MD – for second year of graduate studies in Navel Architecture and Marine Engineering, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA. Scholarship: \$2,000



PETRYNIAK, ANNA of Durham, NC – for second year of graduate studies in Environmental Management – Water Resources, Duke University, Durham, NC. Scholarship: \$3,000



PRICE, ANDREW of College Park, MD – for first year of graduate studies in Geopolitical Information Sciences, University of Maryland, College Park, MD. Scholarship: \$1,000

FLOYD AND IRENE MCKAIN/ JOHN AND HELEN GENZA SCHOLARSHIP FUND



GLICKMAN, ERIC of Annandale, VA – for second year of studies in Public Interest Law, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA. Scholarship: \$4,500



KUBICKI, STEFAN of Los Angeles, CA – for second year of graduate studies in Film Directing, American Film Institute Conservatory, Los Angeles, CA. Scholarship: \$5,000

POMIANOWSKI, JOSEPH of East Hampton, CT – for first year of studies in Law, Yale University, New Haven, CT. Scholarship: \$5,000

REV. PAUL J. MISKOWICZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND



PIOTROWSKI, ANNETTE of New York, NY – for third year of Pharmacy studies, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD. Scholarship: \$3,500

THE JOSEPH NOWAK SCHOLARSHIP FUND



LUKASZEK, DAGMARA of Mundelein, IL – for third year of studies in Veterinary Medicine, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL. Scholarship: \$2,500

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ZBOREK, ANNA of Chicago, IL – for first year of studies in Dental Medicine, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$4,000



WIETECHA, MATEUSZ of Chicago, IL – for third year of studies in Dentistry, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$1,500

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JASTRZEMBSKI, BENJAMIN of Somerville, MA – for fourth year of studies in Medicine, Harvard University, Boston, MA. Scholarship: \$5,000

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CZADERNA, BIANCA of Notre Dame, IN – for second year of graduate studies in Theology, University of Notre

Dame, Notre Dame, IN. Scholarship: \$4,000



ORNA, MARIANA of Redding, CT – for second year of Physician Assistant studies, University of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, CT. Scholarship: \$2,500

POPE JOHN PAUL II SCHOLARSHIP

WIETECHA, MATEUSZ of Chicago, IL – for third year of studies in Dentistry, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$3,000

DR. IRENE S. PYSZKOWSKI SCHOLARSHIP FUND



HOJNOWSKI, LINDSAY of Hudson, OH – for second year of graduate studies in Education, Baldwin Wallace University, Berea, OH. Scholarship: \$1,500



KRYCH, MAGDALENA of Nashville, TN – for first year of doctoral studies in Education, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN. Scholarship: \$3,000

THE ARTHUR AND HALINA RODZINSKI ORCHESTRAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

MILEWSKI, WOJCIECH of Albuquerque, NM – for second year of graduate studies in Conducting, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM. Scholarship: \$1,500

MICHALINA, KAZIMIERZ, JOZEF AND HENRY W. ROKICKI SCHOLARSHIP



LATUSZEK, KATHERINE of Chicago, IL – for second year of studies in Public Interest Law, DePaul University, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$2,500



MIKULSKI, ANNA of Addison, IL – for first year of studies in International Law, DePaul University, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$4,500

EDWARD J. SCOTT FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND



CIECIERSKI, ANNETTE of Edison, NJ – for second year of graduate studies in Management and Labor Relations, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. Scholarship: \$2,000

RICHARD SOBIERAJ SCHOLARSHIP FUND



LASZIK-FORBUS, STEPHANIE of Tyler, TX – for first year of graduate studies in English, University of Texas, Tyler, TX. Scholarship: \$1,500

ALBERT SPIEZNY JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP



GLINSKI, NINA of Brooklyn, NY – for first year of graduate studies in Journalism, Columbia University, New York, NY. Scholarship: \$7,000 (*\$4,000 from Zachariasiewicz*)

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SAVAGE, STEPHANIE of Manhasset, NY – for first year of graduate studies in Journalism, CUNY Graduate School of Journalism, New York, NY. Scholarship: \$5,000

Scholarship: \$5,000

MONICA AND FRANK STANITSKI MUSIC FUND



BALEWSKI, WERONIKA of Medford, MA – for second year of graduate studies in Flute Performance, Bard College Langley School of Music, Cambridge, MA. Scholarship: \$4,000

Scholarship: \$4,000

JEROME AND MARY STRAKA SCHOLARSHIP



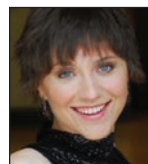
OKTAWIEC, JULIA of Ridgewood, NY – for first year of graduate studies in Inorganic Chemistry, University of California, Berkeley, CA. Scholarship: \$1,000



SCZEPANIK, EMILY GRACE of San Antonio, TX – for third year of studies in Pharmacy, University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, TX. Scholarship: \$3,000

Scholarship: \$3,000

MICHAEL TWAROWSKI FUND



WIETRZYNSKA, MARIA of Los Angeles, CA – for first year doctoral studies in Piano Performance, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX. Scholarship: \$2,000

Scholarship: \$2,000

THE JOSEPHINE WALL AND IGNATIUS WALL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

LAPIN-DARDASHTI, ABIGAIL of New York, NY – for first year of doctoral studies in Art History, New York University, NY. Scholarship: \$3,500

THE ADELINE AND WALTER ZACHARIASIEWICZ JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP

GLINSKI, NINA of Brooklyn, NY – please see Spiezny Fund \$7,000 (*\$3,000 from Spiezny Fund*)

THE ZIELINSKI FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND



BABIARZ, ALEKSANDRA of Baltimore, MD – for third year of studies in Medicine, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD. Scholarship: \$4,000

Scholarship: \$4,000

CHELMINSKI, LUKASZ of Brooklyn, NY – for first year doctoral studies in History, The Graduate School and University Center, CUNY, New York, NY. Scholarship: \$1,000



DYM, WARREN of Silver Spring, MD – for first year of graduate studies in Security Studies, Georgetown University, Washington, DC. Scholarship: \$3,000



KIELB, STEPHANIE of Chicago, IL – for second year of graduate studies in Clinical Psychology, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$6,000



KOZON, LUKASZ of New York, NY – for second year of studies in Business Administration, Fordham University, New York, NY. Scholarship: \$3,000



KRAJNIAK, MARTA of Brooklyn, NY – for third year doctoral studies in Clinical Psychology, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ. Scholarship: \$3,500

Scholarship: \$3,500



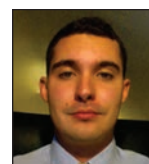
KUFTA, SAMANTHA of West Chicago, IL – for second year of studies in Dental Medicine, Midwestern University, Downers Grove IL. Scholarship: \$6,500

Scholarship: \$6,500



LESNIEWSKI, VICTOR of Atlanta, GA – for first year of graduate studies in Biomedical Engineering, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA. Scholarship: \$4,500

Scholarship: \$4,500



MOGIELNICKI, ROBERT of Rowley, MA – for first year of graduate studies in Arab Studies, Georgetown University, Washington, DC. Scholarship: \$4,000

Scholarship: \$4,000



NEHRING, EMILIA of Maspeth, NY – for second year of graduate studies in Civil Engineering, City College of New York, New York, NY. Scholarship: \$1,000

Scholarship: \$1,000



OLENDEREK, MARTA
of Gainesville, FL – for
second year of studies in
Medicine, University of
Florida, Gainesville, FL.

Scholarship: \$3,500



OZGA, KRZYSZTOF
of Maumee, OH –
for second year of studies
in Pharmacy, University
of Toledo, Toledo, OH.

Scholarship: \$2,000



PARYS, MARTA
of Oakland Gardens,
NY – for second year
of graduate studies in
Occupational Therapy,
Quinnipiac University,
Hamden, CT.

Scholarship: \$4,000



**PRZYBYLOWICZ,
RYLE** of Columbus, OH
– for third year of studies
in Medicine, The Ohio
State University,
Columbus, OH.

Scholarship: \$4,000



RAJ, ERIK of Detroit,
MI – for third year
doctoral studies in
Communication
Disorders – Speech
Therapy, Wayne State
University, Detroit, MI.

Scholarship: \$1,000



RESNICK, VICTORIA
of Flemington, NJ – for
second year of graduate
studies in Counseling,
Fairleigh Dickinson
University, Madison, NJ.

Scholarship: \$3,000



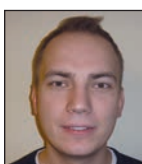
SASINSKA, BEATA
of Newington, CT – for
second year of graduate
studies in Historic
Preservation, Architectural
Conservation, Columbia
University, New York, NY.

Scholarship: \$5,000



SESULKA, MARTHA
of Wallington, NJ –
for third year doctoral
studies in Physical
Therapy, Long Island
University, Brooklyn, NY.

Scholarship: \$4,500



**SOKOLOWSKI,
MICHAL** of Maspeth,
NY – for third year of
doctoral studies in
Physical Therapy,
Long Island University,
Brooklyn, NY.

Scholarship: \$4,500



SOWA, WANDA
of Arvada, CO – for first
year of graduate studies
in Natural Resources
and Environmental
Management, University
of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI.

Scholarship: \$3,000



**SWIERSZCZ,
PATRICIA** of Jamaica,
NY – for second year of
studies in Law, Brooklyn
Law School, Brooklyn,
NY.

Scholarship: \$5,000



**WADOLOWSKA,
JULIA** of Brooklyn,
NY – for first year of
graduate studies in
Speech Language
Pathology, New York
University, New York, NY.

Scholarship: \$4,500



WALSKA, JOANNA
of New York, NY – for
second year of studies
in Dentistry, Columbia
University, New York,
NY.

Scholarship: \$6,500



WILLIAMS, ANN
of Lexington, MA – for
first year of doctoral
studies in History,
Harvard University,
Cambridge, MA.

Scholarship: \$1,000

THE MICHALINA AND HERMAN ZIMBER SCHOLARSHIP FUND



HEYMANN, HELEN
of Stanford, CA – for
first year of studies in
Medicine, University of
Texas, San Antonio, TX.

Scholarship: \$1,500



RADOMSKI, SEAN
of Williamsburg, VA –
for third year of studies
in Law, William and
Mary Law School,
Williamsburg, VA.

Scholarship: \$3,500



SKRABONJA, LYDIA
of Fair Lawn, NJ – for
first year of graduate
studies in Operations
Research Engineering,
Cornell University,
Ithaca, NY.

Scholarship: \$4,500

DR. MARIE E. ZAKRZEWSKA MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP



**DYMERKA,
MALGORZATA**
of New Britain, CT –
for first year of studies
in Medicine, Johns
Hopkins University,
Baltimore, MD.

Scholarship: \$3,500

MASSACHUSETTS FEDERATION OF POLISH WOMEN'S CLUBS FUND



KIELTYKA, CAROLINE
of New Britain, CT – for
junior year of undergraduate
studies in Environmental
Studies and Governmental
Policies, St. Lawrence
University, Canton, NY.

Scholarship: \$1,250

POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF NORTH JERSEY FUND



AMIAGA, MORGAN
of Franklin Lakes, NJ –
for sophomore year of
undergraduate studies
in Sociology/Marketing,
University of Maryland,
College Park, MD.

Scholarship: \$600



CIESLAR, OLIVIA
of Westwood, NJ – for
first year of undergraduate
studies in Pre-Medicine at
the University of Scrant-
ton, Scranton, PA. Scholarship: \$850



**FILOCHOWSKI,
PIOTR** of Upper Saddle
River, NJ – for sophomore
year of undergraduate
studies in Violin, Curtis
Institute of Music, University of
Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.
Scholarship: \$1,100



**MCCORMACK,
JOANNA** of Westfield,
NJ – for freshman year of
undergraduate studies in
Liberal Arts, Rutgers
University, New Brunswick, NJ.
Scholarship: \$900



**RUSZALA,
DOMINIQUE**
of Fairfield, NJ –
for freshman year of
undergraduate studies in
Animal Behavior, Bucknell University,
Lewisburg, PA. Scholarship: \$1,000



**TROCHIMCHIUK,
NATALIA** of Mahwah,
NJ – for senior year of
undergraduate studies in
Systems Engineering,
George Washington University,
Washington, DC. Scholarship: \$800



WIS, SANDRA of
Clifton, NJ – for senior
year of undergraduate
studies in Psychology,
Montclair State Univer-
sity, Montclair, NJ. Scholarship: \$700

POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF BROOKLYN, USA, INC. FUND



OLKO, BARTŁOMIEJ
of Brooklyn, NY –
for freshman year of
undergraduate studies in
Biology, Binghamton
University, Binghamton, NY. Scholarship:
\$2,000.

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DEPTULA, MARTA
of Haskell, NJ –
An undergraduate
sophomore majoring in
Art and Computer
Science, Virginia Wesleyan College,
Norfolk, VA. Scholarship: \$ 900



**GOLER SOLECKI,
SARAH** of Ashland,
OR – B.A. in Liberal Arts,
Colorado State University,
Ft. Collins, CO; M.A.
in Euroculture, Palacky University,
Olomouc, Czech Republic and
Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland.
Ms. Goler is currently majoring in
Politics and International Studies,
University of Warwick, Coventry, UK.
Scholarship: \$1,800



SAJEWSKI, EMILY
of Arlington, VA – B.A.
in Art and Design,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, MI.
Scholarship: \$1,800



SIGIEL, MICHELLE
of Farmington, CT – B.A.
in European History,
Political Science,
Holocaust and Genocide
Studies, Keene State College, Keene, NH;
M.A. in History, University of Vermont,
Burlington, VT. Scholarship: \$1,800



SZYMULA, ERIK
of Palm Coast, FL –
A.A. in Arts and
Sciences, Holyoke
Community College,
Holyoke, MA. Scholarship: \$1,800



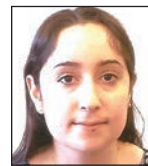
WARREN, JARED
of Tolland, CT – B.A. in
History and French, Calvin
College, Grand Rapids,
MI; M.A. in Russian and
East European Studies, University of
Kansas, Lawrence, KS. Scholarship: \$900



WOJDAK, NATALIA
of Rochester, NY –
Current undergraduate
senior major in Marketing
and International
Business, Kent State University, Kent,
OH. Scholarship: \$1,800



**WUTKOWSKI, JR,
GERALD** of Sewaren,
NJ – An undergraduate
senior majoring in
International Business,
Holy Name Family Philadelphia, PA.
Scholarship: \$1,800



YADOO, JENNIFER of
East Williston, NY – An
undergraduate sophomore
majoring in Economics and
International Development,
McGill University, Montreal, Quebec,
Canada. Scholarship: \$900

GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH IN POLAND 2013/2014



WILCZEWSKI, MICHAEL of Chicago, IL – to study the everyday
lives of peasants in the interwar period focusing specifically on the
aftermath of imperial rule in the Polish countryside. Studies to be
conducted in the Department of Social Transformations in the 19th
and 20th century at the Polish Academy of Sciences, with Prof.
Włodzimierz Medzecki. Scholarship: \$2,700

TOMASZKIEWICZ-FLORIO SCHOLARSHIPS

FOR SUMMER STUDIES AT THE JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY, KRAKOW

SUMMER 2013



CATLIN, JOHNATHAN
of South Barrington, IL –
undergraduate sophomore
majoring in Humanities,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, IL. Scholarship: \$1,985



CINCILLA, ANNA
of Glen Ellyn IL –
undergraduate junior
majoring in International
Politics, Georgetown
University, Washington, DC.
Scholarship: \$1,985



EMMETT, BRITTNI
of Gilbert, AZ –
undergraduate
sophomore majoring in
International Relations,
Seton Hall University, South Orange,
NJ. Scholarship: \$1,985



GAJER, VERONIKA
of Potomac, MD –
undergraduate
sophomore majoring in
Communications,
American University, Washington, DC.
Scholarship: \$1,985



GUGALA, AGNIESZKA
of Brooklyn, NY –
undergraduate junior
majoring in Geography,
Hunter College,
New York, NY. Scholarship: \$1,985



HEROLD, ANNA
of Belle Vernon, PA –
undergraduate junior
majoring in Civil
Engineering, University
of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.
Scholarship: \$1,985



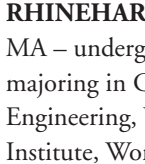
**KWIATKOWSKI,
AMELIA** of Maspeth,
NY – undergraduate
sophomore majoring in
Anthropology, Barnard
College, New York, NY. Scholarship:
\$1,985



**MARCZAK,
GABRIELLE** of Colonia,
NJ – High School senior
studying at Colonia
High School, Colonia,
NJ. Scholarship: \$1,985



MURPHY, KATHLEEN
of Broadview Heights,
OH – undergraduate
sophomore majoring in
Recreational Sports,
Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI.
Scholarship: \$1,985



RHINEHART, MAYA of Springfield,
MA – undergraduate sophomore
majoring in Civil and Environmental
Engineering, Worcester Polytechnic
Institute, Worcester, MA. Scholarship:
\$1,985



**ROSZKOWSKI,
SYLVIA** of Bronx, NY –
undergraduate
sophomore majoring in
Education, Hunter
College, New York, NY. Scholarship:
\$1,985



RUDY, PAULINA
of Lawrenceville,
NJ – undergraduate
sophomore majoring in
Biology, Villanova
University, Villanova, PA. Scholarship:
\$1,985



SALAMON, MIKOLAJ
of Littleton, CO –
undergraduate junior
majoring in Civil
Engineering, University
of Colorado, Boulder, CO. Scholarship:
\$1,985



SIERACKI, JORDAN
of Williamsville, NY –
undergraduate junior
majoring in History and
Government, Daemen
College, Amherst, NY. Scholarship:
\$1,985



**SOKOLOWSKI-
JOHNSON, JOSHUA**
of Chelsea, MA –
undergraduate junior
majoring in Political
Science, University of Chicago, Chicago,
IL. Scholarship: \$1,985



**STEINBERGS,
KORINA** of Redding,
CA – undergraduate
junior majoring in
Exercise and Sport
Science, Oregon State University,
Corvallis, OR. Scholarship: \$1,985



CHICAGO CHAPTER

In January of 2013, in grateful memory of Jacqueline and Thaddeus Kozuch, the Chapter organized a piano recital by Igor Lipinski, a KF scholarship recipient. His recital was performed on a 1922 piano, donated to the Chicago Chapter to support its mission of fostering young musical talent.

The Chapter's Annual Meeting took place on April 20 at the Polonia Bookstore in Chicago. Dr. Kinga Kosmala, lecturer in Slavic Languages and Literature at the University of Chicago, gave a talk about Ryszard Kapuscinski, foreign correspondent, poet and philosopher. Her book published in 2012 by Peter Lang Publishing House is titled "Ryszard Kapuscinski: Reportage and Ethics or Fading Tyranny of the Narrative".

May was a busy month as members of the Chicago Chapter participated in the Polish Constitution Day celebrations, attended the Doctor of Musical Arts in Piano Performance Degree Recital by Igor Lipinski, and assisted the Jagiellonian University Medical School in organizing interviews at Northeastern Illinois University for USA and Canadian students attending English program. Additionally, Dr. Anna Kordylewska, Chicago Chapter Vice President participated in the Class of 2013 Graduation Ceremony at the English School of Medicine, Jagiellonian University and Prof. Lidia Filus with representatives of Northeastern Illinois University met with Prof. Piotr Laidler, Vice-Rector of the Jagiellonian University for the Medical College, to discuss further cooperation.

In August the Chapter organized an Evening of Poetry and Music "Poems and Dreams," written and read by Joanna Radwanska-



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Williams, KF member, Professor of English in the School of Business, the School of Languages and Translation at Macao Polytechnic Institute. Music of Henryk Wieniawski, Manuel M. Ponce and Jules Massenet by Krzysztof Zimowski, Concert Master of the New Mexico Philharmonic, violin and Igor Lipinski, piano.

This year the Chapter will celebrate its 30th Anniversary. A special event is planned for Sunday, October 27 in the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago to commemorate this event. It will be combined with this year's celebration of Kosciuszko's *Imieniny*. The Chapter will honor Dr. Ewa Radwanska, KF Trustee for her contribution to the KF. 🍷

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Several years ago a group of dedicated donors had the foresight and philanthropic desire to establish a special fund for The Kosciuszko Foundation. They wanted to invest in the Foundation's mission, while at the same time creating a unique way to ensure a source of investment income for the Foundation in perpetuity. They established a "pooled" income fund. Recently, they converted the pooled fund into a direct cash gift to the Foundation.

We want to extend a special thank you to the following pioneering benefactors. It is your generosity and support that allows The Kosciuszko Foundation to further promote Polish culture and education.

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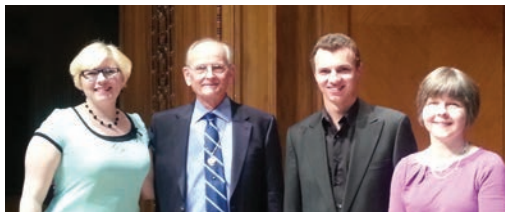
PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

Every December, the Philadelphia Chapter hosts a festive Polish Christmas Celebration which includes Polish cuisine, a raffle of Christmas baskets and the rich Polish traditions of “kolędownie” (caroling) and sharing the “opłatek” wafer. The highlight of the evening is a musical performance by an esteemed Polish artist or group. On Sunday, December 16, 2012, the Chapter once again held this much-loved event in Radnor, PA. Guests enjoyed an inspiring concert by Mieczysław Gubernat, Wojciech Szczęch, and Sabina Nemtusiak of the Slavic Arts Ensemble which featured the works of Polish composers Mielczewski, Wieniawski, and Chopin.

In collaboration with the Polish Heritage Society of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Chapter co-sponsored a lecture on April 6, 2013 by Paul Krzywicki, a retired member of the Philadelphia Orchestra and a faculty member at the Curtis Institute of Music since 1972. Mr. Krzywicki gave a fascinating talk and Powerpoint presentation on the history of the renowned Curtis Institute and the many Poles and Polish-Americans who have served among its esteemed faculty



Christmas caroling is a much-loved and festive aspect of the Chapter's annual celebration.



Dr. Teresa G. Wojcik, Paul Krzywicki, Piotr Filochowski, Susan Nowicki

including Jozef Hofmann, Leopold Stokowski, and Maria Kochanska Sembrich. Interestingly, during the first commencement exercises at the Curtis Institute in 1934, the Polish flag graced the stage along with that of the United States! Mr. Krzywicki's talk unveiled a beautiful hidden treasure regarding the contributions of famous Polish musicians in Philadelphia. A performance by Polish-born violinist Piotr Filochowski, a student currently studying at the Curtis, provided the perfect ending to the presentation and illustrated the continuity of Polish presence at the Curtis from its origins to today.

Upon the invitation of the United Polish Societies of Chester, PA, Chapter President, Dr. Teresa G. Wojcik, gave a talk during the Commemoration Ceremony for the Polish Constitution of May 3 which took place at the Historical 1724 Courthouse in Chester. Dr. Wojcik traced instances in Poland's history in which students and teachers kept the “spirit of the May 3rd Constitution” alive despite attempts by occupiers to suppress it in schools. 🇵🇱

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS BY MARIA KOZAK IN DENVER

In May 2013, an exhibition of recent paintings by Maria Kozak took place in Lower Downtown Denver. On May 10th, the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the Kosciuszko Foundation organized a private viewing of her paintings. Following the viewing, we had interesting conversation with the artist over dinner at the near-by Spanish restaurant Al Lado.

Maria Kozak was born in Krakow, Poland in 1981. She has a BS from Colorado State University in Business Administration and an MFA from the New York Academy of Art.

Currently, she divides her time between Brooklyn and Amagansett, NY. Her paintings focus on nature and the



Hanna Altman, Elizabeth Wacinski, and Maria Kozak (left to right)



Maria Kozak and Ewa Bialasiewicz

human condition. She has shown most recently at RH Gallery in TriBeCa, NY and Silas Marder Gallery in Bridgehampton, NY. Her work is found in collections nationally and abroad and has been mentioned in the Wall Street Journal, The Art Newspaper and Paper magazine. Kozak is also co-founder of Foolsgold Arts, which curates exhibitions that benefit various charitable organizations that promote animal welfare or protect the environment. In 1999, she received the Kosciuszko Foundation grant to study the history of Polish art in Krakow. She is greatly inspired by

many Polish artists including Stanisław Wyspiański, Magdalena Abakanowicz, Krzysztof Bednarski, Wilhelm Sasnal and Jakub Julian Ziolkowski.

For more information please visit www.mariakozak.com 🇵🇱

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Here are ways you can support the Kosciuszko Foundation through your will:

A **specific bequest** is a gift of a specific dollar amount or a particular piece of property. For example, “I bequeath [dollar amount or description of property] to The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc.”

A **residuary bequest** is a gift of all or part of the property remaining in your estate after debts, expenses and specific bequests have been paid. For example, “I give, bequeath and devise [all, or ___% of] the rest, residue and remainder of the property, both real and personal, wherever situated, which I may own or be entitled to at my death, to The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc.” The Kosciuszko Foundation encourages gifts by residuary bequest. If your gift is stated as a percentage, this method automatically adjusts the size of your bequest according to your current financial position. This gives you flexibility and peace of mind that your bequest will not be larger or smaller than you had intended, in the event of unexpected changes in the size of your estate. Residuary bequests are also beneficial for the Foundation. People are often surprised by how much their assets can grow over time – and by how large an ultimate gift they are able to make to support the Foundation’s mission.

A **contingent bequest** is a gift that takes effect only if the primary beneficiary or beneficiaries of the bequest should



predecease you. For example, “If neither my husband nor any descendant of mine survive me, then I give, bequeath and devise all the rest, residue and remainder of the property, both real and personal, wherever situated, which I may own or be entitled to at my death, to The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc.”

Perhaps the most effective asset to bequeath is the **reminder of your retirement plans**, such as pension funds or IRAs. When left to someone other than your spouse, they can be subject to income and estate taxes – both of which combined could erode up to 63% of the remaining benefits! If bequeathed to the Foundation, these funds would escape both income and estate taxes, and reduce your taxable estate.

How will the Kosciuszko Foundation use my gift?

An **unrestricted bequest** is the simplest and most immediately beneficial kind of bequest to the Kosciuszko Foundation. The amount received through an unrestricted bequest can be used at the discretion of the Foundation’s Trustees and administration for its most important needs, which may change from time to time. Your will may read, “I give, bequeath and devise [dollar amount, description of property or portion of residuary estate] to The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc. for its general purposes.”

A **restricted bequest** provides cash or property to be used by the Foundation for a specific Foundation program or named scholarship fund. If you are considering a restricted bequest, please call the Foundation’s Development Office at 212-734-2130 and we will be happy to talk to you about your wishes and provide you with a personal outline of funding requirements and possibilities.

Whichever method you choose, remember that your gifts may take many forms and serve many purposes, including honoring the memory of someone you love.

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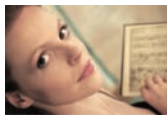
Saturday, October 12, 2013 – 10 AM Finals – Tickets: \$20/ \$15 KF Members and Students (Preliminaries, free and open to the public on Friday, October 11 at 10AM)



CHOPIN PIANO COMPETITION FINALS

The Kosciuszko Foundation's Chopin Piano Competition was established in 1949, in honor of the hundredth anniversary of the death of Frederic Chopin. This year's competition features the debut of Roy F. Eaton, Anna Kijanowska, and Jerome Rose as jurors and features a top prize of \$5,000.

Sunday, October 13, 2013 - 5:00 PM Tickets: \$20/ \$15 KF Members and Students



MAGDALENA BACZEWSKA, HARPSICHORD

The Kosciuszko Foundation in conjunction with Early Music Foundation's New York Early Music Celebration 2013: Pro Musica Polonica festival presents, Polish Renaissance and Baroque music for the harpsichord.

Monday, October 14, 2013 - 5:00 PM



WAS COLUMBUS POLISH?

Join the KF for a special Columbus Day Lecture with Manuel Rosa: The Secret Identity of Columbus: Peasant to Viceroy in 33 Days.

Saturday, October 26, 2013 - 7:00 PM



THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION'S TRIBUTE TO GEN. EDWARD ROWNY

Gen. Rowny has worked closely with five U.S. Presidents – Nixon, Ford, Carter, Reagan and Bush. Gen. Rowny was a Troop Commander in World War II, Korea and Vietnam, before serving as a negotiator in arms reduction talks with the Soviet Union. Proud of his roots, Gen. Rowny has been engaged in Polish-American affairs throughout his life.

Friday, November 1, 2013 - 7:00 PM Tickets: \$20/ \$15 KF Members and Students



ELEKTRA KURTIS & ENSEMBLE ELEKTRA: BRIDGES FROM THE EAST

Elektra Kurtis and Ensemble Elektra are "cutting through" cultural borders and genres of music, using the essence of Mediterranean music, spiced with Polish, Greek and Arabic flavor, based in contemporary Jazz and Classical music forms.

Friday, November 8, 2013 - 7:00 PM



POLISH WOMAN, 1864-1914: BETWEEN FAMILY DUTIES AND EMANCIPATION

A lecture by Dr. Tomasz Pudlocki, historian from Jagiellonian University (Krakow, Poland) and 2012 KF Grantee. The 2nd part of La belle epoque was crucial for the Polish women's emancipation movement. While their world was still very paternalistic and full of male domination in everyday life, Central Europe was going through the process of modernization.

Monday, November 11, 2013 - 7:00 Pm

COUNTERING CULTURES IN DIFFICULT TIMES: THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION AND POLISH-AMERICAN COOPERATION 1925-1945

A lecture by Dr. Tomasz Pudlocki, historian from Jagiellonian University (Krakow, Poland) and 2012 KF Grantee. The Kosciuszko Foundation played a major role in fighting misinformation, prejudice, and stereotypes about Poles after 1918. The KF was even called the "informal Polish embassy" and was one of the main Polonia organizations involved in creating good Polish PR abroad.

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