



# POLISH-AMERICAN SOCIETY

## NEWS

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### CURRENT NEWS

- **CONSULAR VISIT**

Please note that at the invitation of our Society, Consul Michal Sikorski, from the Consulate of the Republic of Poland in Washington D.C., will be visiting Memphis on September 18 and 19, 2010. Here is the agenda of the Consul's visit:

#### September 18 (Saturday)

**10:30 – 12:00 - Cordova Branch Library, 8457 Trinity Rd., Cordova**

Meeting with the Consul (it is important that all those who made their appointments with the Consul attend this meeting)

- Information about the schedule of individual visits with the Consul, Q&A regarding passport and other consular matters
- Transfer of the Paderewski memorabilia to the Embassy of Poland

**18:00, Cameron Brown Park, 8628 Farmington Blvd, Germantown - Picnic with Consul Michal Sikorski**

#### September 19 (Sunday)

**9:00 – 4.00pm - Office of Mr. & Mrs. Bute, 1604 Kirby Parkway, Memphis**

Individual meetings with the Consul according to schedule

Please remember that the requests for a meeting with the Consul must be made in advance by contacting the Consulate. The best way is to write an email [washington.consular@msz.gov.pl](mailto:washington.consular@msz.gov.pl). It is also possible to call the Consulate office at (202) 234-3800 (ext. 2201), however, sometimes the Consulate staff may not be available to pick up the phone.

- **SEPTEMBER 18 – PICNIC AT CAMERON-BROWN PARK**

Our fall picnic will be held at Cameron-Brown Park, 8628 Farmington Blvd, Germantown, TN, from 4 pm to 8 pm. Consul Michal Sikorski will also participate.

As usual, PAS will have Polish kielbasa for the grill as well as soft drinks. Please bring an entrée or a dessert to share with others. We will have CDs with Polish music and we will sing together as during past events.

Witek Kaziow, ph. 752-9010, will coordinate the event. We need volunteers to man the grill so if you are willing to help, please give Witek a call.

- **SEPTEMBER 25-27 - FALL CAMPOUT AT THE VILLAGE CREEK STATE PARK IN ARKANSAS**

As we do every year, we invite children as well as the adults for a camping trip to the picturesque Village Creek State Park in Arkansas. We plan to hike, play games, cook and grill, and sing at the camp fire. If you take a bike

with you, there will be plenty of bike trails to explore. The park is located at the geologically diversified Crowley's Ridge, about 60 miles from Memphis. More information about this beautiful place is available on the Internet at <http://www.arkansasstateparks.com/villagecreek/>.

Please call Zbyszek or Gosia Stroinski, ph. 761-5147 for more information. If weather does not cooperate the last weekend of September, the campout will be rescheduled for October 1 & 2.

- **OCTOBER 9 – OCTOBERFEST (Rescheduled)**

We are continuing our two year old tradition of Oktoberfest celebrations. As in past years, the Polish-American Society will join forces with The Germania Club to organize the event. The details about the time and place as well as the menu will be posted later on the PAS web site.

- **NOVEMBER 6 – CAMPFIRE – POLAND'S INDEPENDENCE DAY**

Polish Independence Day commemorates when Poland regained its sovereignty after World War I on November 11, 1918. We will celebrate this important anniversary at a campfire singing patriotic and campfire songs, listening to stories from the past. The army-style pea soup will help us stay warm if the evening is chilly. We will meet at 5 pm at the Korean House, 10569 Collierville Road, Collierville TN 38017. This is a “potluck” event, so please bring a dish or a dessert to help us make this day a special one.

- **DONATION FOR FLOOD VICTIMS IN POLAND**

The Polish-American Society sent a donation in the amount of \$100 to the Polish Red Cross to help victims of the severe flooding this spring.

## MISCELLANEOUS

- **NEW PAS WEBSITE**

Our new website has been active for over two months. It has a new address and a new look. The new website address is <http://www.pasofmemphis.com>. The old address will still work until our old domain expires. Due to increased visibility of our activities we are getting inquiries from Poles from other countries and our new Internet address will better identify our organization. We are still working on publishing information from the old website. We are also adding new articles, links, and archives.

- **FOR SALE - T-SHIRTS WITH PAS LOGO**

We are selling t-shirts and long-sleeve shirts with the logo of the Polish-American Society. If interested, please contact Zbyszek Stroinski, ph. 761-5147. Pictures of the shirts are available on our website.

Pricing:

- T-shirts – blue, red, and ice grey, sizes M, L & XL - \$12/each for PAS members, \$16 for others
- Long-sleeve shirts in white, sizes M, L & XL – \$18/each for PAS members, \$22 for others

- **EQUIPMENT FOR RENT**

PAS members can rent our audio equipment for use at family gatherings, weddings, and other events.

Also available for rent is a rotisserie big enough to cook a piglet or a lamb. The rotisserie picture is posted on our website.

- Please visit our Website for the latest news about planned events and schedule changes. We also publish pictures from our events and celebrations. The website can be accessed using this link: <http://www.pasofmemphis.com>.

## SCHOOL LIFE

- **FAREWELL TO SUMMER**

Traditionally, we invite all students, their families and all Friends of our School to attend our traditional „Farewell to Summer” event to be held August 28, 2010. This year we plan to visit the Memphis Zoo. There are over 500

animal species from all parts of the world at the Memphis ZOO. During the tour we will be treated with animal showings and we will have an opportunity to talk to the professional Zoo staff. At the entrance the students will receive the pre-paid tickets (charged to the School account) and maps of the Zoo with the program of animal shows and feeding schedules. The newly opened Teton Trek Pavilion is a place where one can now admire not only pandas, lions, tigers, giraffes and many other exotic animals but also grizzly bears, wolves and moose - inhabitants of the Yellowstone National Park.

Please plan to be in front of the main entrance on August 28, 2010, at 10:30 am sharp (note that the first showing of sea lions starts as early as at 11:00 am). The Students' Parents and our School Friends who will join us will be able to benefit from the admission discount.

Special ticket fees are as follows:

- kids up to 2 years - free,
- children from 2 to 11 - \$8.00 (without the discount \$10.00)
- adults and youth above 11 years - \$12.00 (without the discount \$15.00)

In order to get the ticket discount, we need to know in advance the number of participants. Please call the School Coordinator Halinka Dutkiewicz, ph. (901) 385-7333, to sign up for the event and to get more information.

- **BEGINNING OF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR**

The beginning of the new School year is planned for Saturday, September 11 at 10:30 am at the Bert Ferguson Community Center, 8505 Trinity Rd., Cordova, TN 38018. All interested in signing up for classes please contact the School Coordinator Halinka Dutkiewicz, ph. (901) 385-7333. The soccer activities for school kids will resume in the fall.

## HOBBY CORNER

- **VOLLEYBALL FOR ADULTS**

All interested in getting some cardio exercise are encouraged to join the volleyball team on Wednesdays, at 7 pm, at the gym of the Blessed Sacrament Church, 2534 Hale Ave., Memphis, TN. Please contact Zbyszek Mustwillo, ph. 937-5329, for details.

- **BRIDGE CLUB**

The PAS Bridge Club meets once a month on Saturdays. If interested in participating please contact Ania or Mirek Wozniak at 385-2881, email [awozniak@bellsouth.net](mailto:awozniak@bellsouth.net). All levels of playing abilities are welcome; this will be a great opportunity to learn and practice this “mental exercise”. See our website for the next meeting date.

### **Executive Committee of the Polish-American Society of Memphis:**

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## PAS EVENT CALENDAR FOR 2010

*(Our calendar is regularly updated on our Internet website)*

January	February	March
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>February 13 at 7 pm</b> – - „Ostatki” – End-of-Carnival dance</li> <li>• <b>February 19 at 7 pm</b> – Bowling Night – All Star Lanes</li> <li>• <b>February 28 at 1 pm</b> – Table Tennis Tournament</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>March 7</b> – Spring Hike – Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park</li> <li>• <b>March 26</b> - - Easter egg painting (for adults)</li> </ul>
April	May	June
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>April 7 at 7 pm</b> – Lecture by Prof. Jordan Zjawiony – Poplar-White Station Library</li> <li>• <b>April 10</b> – Germantown International Festival</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>May 8</b> – End-of-School year at Polish School</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>June 12</b> – Picnic – Houston Levee Park, Clayton Drive, Germantown, TN</li> </ul>
July	August	September
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>August 28</b> – Farewell to Summer – Memphis ZOO</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>September 11</b> – School year start at Polish School</li> <li>• <b>September 18</b> – Picnic</li> <li>• <b>September 18 &amp; 19</b> – Consul’s visit</li> <li>• <b>September 24 &amp; 25</b> – Campout</li> </ul>
October	November	December
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October 1-2</b> – Campout – in case of inclement weather Sept. 24 &amp; 25</li> <li>• <b>October 9</b> – Oktoberfest</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>November 6</b> – Bonfire gathering – celebration of Polish Independence Day</li> <li>• <b>November 27</b> – „Andrzejki” Party</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>December 11</b> – Polish „Wigilia” dinner</li> <li>• <b>December 31</b> – New Year’s Party</li> </ul>