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*** DEBUTANTES, COTILLIONS, GALA BALLS, AND YOUR HUDDLED MASSES ***

by Paul S. Valasek <hallersarmy@aol.com>

Let's face it. We often don't think of those first three terms associated with the last one. Our first and foremost images of immigrant ancestors are visions of masses, literally huddled, on ships and docks, usually double- and tripled-wrapped in multiple layers of clothing, carrying, wheeling, or dragging trunks and cases of worldly possessions to start a new life in the new world.

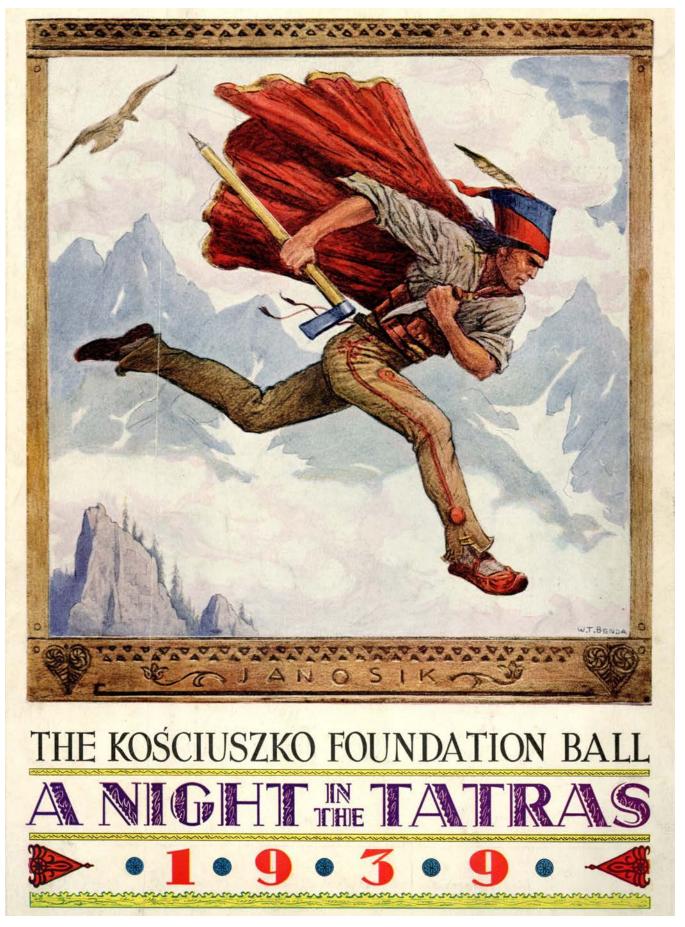
That's fine for me, as most of my Polish ancestors came through in similar ways. I still remember going to visit "big grandma" – my paternal great-grandmother, who was an immigrant to New York and then to Chicago in 1913 – seeing two large trunks, one black and one green "up" on the attic, with strange writing on them. Unfortunately, they were disposed of before I had the opportunity to preserve them for family history.

As most of us realize, rich people, people of means, people with landed wealth and titles, were NOT in steerage with the huddled masses. For a fact, they usually were not on board at all. Very few rich people ever migrated at all. Why would you want to leave your estate complete with manor house, servants, a fine annual income without manual labor, to start anew in a large American metropolitan city? Unless you were being chased out, for instance, by the military, government, invading armies, or changes in governments, you enjoyed sitting securely on your ancestral lands.

But as "things" happen, sometimes you had to pack up, and quickly, to escape the many times fatal future you might be facing. Poverty was not the impetus to leave; death and destruction was.

There are, of course, some historical exceptions to the rarity of intelligent and wealthy people migrating from their comfortable living arrangements. One of the greatest involved emigrants from Germany during the years preceding World War II and the systematic hunting down of "enemies of the state," especially if they had Jewish roots. Without this calamity, the movie industry in Hollywood would never had made it so well. Directors, producers, musicians, writers, and especially actors ran from Europe to settle in the United States, especially California, there to flourish for decades. The movie *Casablanca* would never had achieved its greatness without Nazis both in the movie and in real Germany in the 1930s.

Even though immigrants may have come to America from a lower strata of society, they had the opportunity to raise themselves up as high as they could go. Such was the case I am familiar with here in Chicago. Balls, especially Debutante Balls, were fashionable and growing amongst the migrant population. Knowing my great-grandmother as she was, no way could I imagine her in the setting of the Grand Ballroom of the Chicago Hilton, watching year after year young ladies making their debut into society, specifically, Polish society. Though she was out of place, her granddaughter, and two great-granddaughters, were all debutantes as well as a great-grandson partaking of society for nearly a decade, came to pass. She helped provide, via the Legion of



Young Polish Women, the opportunity to rise up from farm and field roots, to seek higher standards through universities and colleges. Not particularly for herself, but for her descendants.

I know Chicago was not alone in this societal function. Many of the large Polish centers did and some still do have society balls, geared for the Polish race, to step up to a higher level than ever could have been achieved had the family stayed in Poland.

I recently stopped to visit the Polish Falcons, based in Pittsburgh, of which both sides of my Polish ancestry were members. The Falcons made it possible for me to view and use material which I had known about but did not have the opportunity to sit down with and examine and digest for Polish Genealogical material. One small grouping were programs from the Kosciuszko Foundation, based in New York City, founded in 1926 and structured to aid Polonia and Poland. These programs detail benefit balls in 1939, 1941, and 1947. In this case, I'm concentrating on the one held on January 20, 1939, a year that was to change the world. Though the official start of World War II would come later, in January, spirits were still high, Poland was still officially a free-standing nation, and hopes continued. Though fears were increasing every day.

That year, the theme was *A Night in the Tatras*, exploring the world of the Polish mountaineers. *Górale* were described, with this image and the beautiful Polish art deco cover (on page 3 of this issue) was drawn by W.T. Benda, an influential Polish artist living and working in New York City. The featured figure was that of Janosik, the Tatry "Robin Hood" who worked both the Polish and Slovak sides of the mountains, stealing from the rich and giving to the poor. This graphic introduced several articles on the Highlanders.



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Janosik and His Band of Outlaws, by W. Skoczylas

These programs are of great genealogical use, as they document who were in attendance at a given function, and possibly the social status of those people attending. Also exemplified were the cause or causes which the affair was to benefit. Committee after committee listed names of both Poles and non-Poles who worked together to create a successful night of celebration, culture, and camaraderie. Location, music, and programs for entertainment were paramount in producing not only a successful benefit evening, but one of style and class, reminiscent of the szlachta of Poland and their estates. This, of course, was more than just a dance at

a local food/liquor establishment or Polish organizational hall or auditorium. This could be at the Waldorf Astoria with Ted Makysmowicz and his orchestra. Not just Happy Staś and his Polkateers. I've attended many such functions, great and small, and it's the time, the people, the music, and the event that make one dance better than the others. Not who has the larger diamond or emerald, though that is a function in society, as well.

There are literally 1000+ names in these programs, but allow me to center in on those areas filled with Polish names.

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And of course, music was provided for your dancing and listening pleasure.

Following the pageant, dancing will be continuous in the Grand Ballroom

JIMMIE LANIN and his ORCHESTRA playing American Dance Music alternating with FRANCIS GREGORY and his ORCHESTRA playing Polish Dance Numbers

1 o'clock

(Grand Ballroom)

MARYLYNN and MICHAEL

Courtesy of the Rainbow Room and Grill (Rockefeller Center)

Introducing

"THE TATRA POLKA"

The purpose of this article is to demonstrate that Polish people in America were not confined to delicatessens, coal mines, and steel mills.

It is also hoped that one who reads this may make a connection to their own family, possibly even one of the names listed, and in turn, share some moments, memories, or comments for others to read. There always were photographs.

Many thanks to the Polish Falcons of America for allowing me access to this material.

Editor – You can read more about Janosik here: https://tinyurl.com/rys6hzd

*** LETTER FROM THE EDITOR ***

Subject: The USCIS Fee Hikes

We ran an article in the last issue of *Gen Dobry!* about planned USCIS fee hikes for documents genealogists use. I wanted to go ahead and get this issue out to you a day early because the deadline for commenting on this hike, originally December 16, was extended to December 30. Thousands of people have reacted; but to forestall this increase, it would be wise to overwhelm them with as many complaints as possible If you're not familiar with what's involved, or you'd like to make your voice heard, I recommend going here for guidance:

https://www.recordsnotrevenue.com/

But if you're going to do it, do it **NOW!** Your chance ends at midnight, December 30.

And by the way, Happy New Year! I hope 2020 is nice to you.

Fred Hoffman, Editor

*** GENETEKA INDEX UPDATES ***

by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Editor – Once more, let me pass along some of the new Geneteka indexes shared by Waldemar on Facebook's Polish Genealogy group this month. You can find assistance with the two-letter province abbreviations online, for instance, at http://hitchwiki.org/pl/Szablon:Wojew%C3%B3dztwa_Polski. Note that UK is Ukraine and BR is Belarus.

Also worth remembering is the tip Henry Szot shared with us in the April 2018 issue of *Gen Dobry!*

Here is an easy way to find out if an index has been updated.

On the top right of results pages, there is a list of options (*opcje*). The last item is *Wyszukaj tylko indeksy z ostatnich* (search only indexes in the last), with a choice of 1, 3, 7, 14, 31, and 60 days. This permits receiving results only in the chosen time period.

Example of use:

- 1) select the search page icon,
- 2) select świętokrzyskie,
- 3) select parish Sokolina and the wyszukaj option with 31 days,
- 4) if any, only results entered for the last 31 days will be shown.

A surname might be added to further limit results.

Births – U[rodzenia] • Marriages– M[ałżeństwa] • Deaths – Zgony.

Andrzejewo (MZ) -- UZ 1846-50, indexed by Justyna Jaźwińska

Bałtów (SK) -- M 1921-25, MZ 1926-30, UMZ 1916-20, indexed by Roman Burczyk

Bartag (WM) -- U 1874-78, indexed by Justyna Szulc, checked by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Bejsce (SK) -- U 1826-29 (expanded), 1834-37 (expanded), indexed by Wld_lan

Biała Rawska (LD) -- U 1830-35, Z 1830-34, indexed by Ewa Czerkawska

Bieżuń (MZ) -- UZ 1856, indexed by Anna Banasiak

Bobin (MP) -- U 1797-1810, indexed by Renata Majewska

Bobin (MP) -- UMZ 1791, U 1810-1814 (expanded), indexed by Mateusz Serwatowski

Bobrowo (KP) -- U 1775-86, indexed by Jarosław Cendrowski

Bobrowo (KP) -- U 1840-45, indexed by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Bobrowo (KP) -- U 1846-50, indexed by Bożena Celmer, Mariola Postępska, checked by Waldemar Chorążewicz

Bobrowo (KP) -- U 1851-55, Z 1848-55, indexed by Bożena Prymus, checked by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Bobrowo (KP) -- Z 1826-46, indexed by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Bodzentyn (SK) -- U 1718-22, 1744-68, M 1754-73, 77-86, indexed by Piotr Opaliński

Bodzentyn (SK) -- U 1769-76, indexed by Tomasz Fiedorek

Borek Stary (m. Borek Nowy) (MZ) -- M 1786-97, indexed by Anna Krawiec

Borszewice (LD) -- UMZ 1841, 1842, indexed by Felberg sławomir

Borzymy-Borszymen (WM, Prot.) -- U 1787-1826, indexed by Magdalena Wróbel

Bożewo (MZ) -- M 1917-18, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Brodnica (KP) -- U 1850, 55-59, indexed by Mariola Postępska, checked by Waldemar Chorążewicz

Brodnica (KP) -- U 1851-54, indexed by Mariola61, checked by Waldemar Chorążewicz

Brzeg-Brieg (OP) -- M 1923-24,29,37, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

Brześć Kujawski (KP) -- U 1808-12, Z 1822-45, indexed by Grażyna Przybysz, Katarzyna Siemiankowska

Brzezie (pow. wielicki) (MP) -- U 1901-1906, indexed by Ela Synowiec

Brzeżany (UK) -- U 1788-1914 (supplemental), indexed by Jerzy Nowosielski

Buczek (LD) -- UZ 1894, UMZ 1895-1916, indexed by Urszula Świerczyńska

Bytom-Beuthen (SL) -- U 1861-62, Z 1836-53, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

Chełmo (LD) -- M 1857-73, Z 1938, indexed by Gadecki.Bogusław

Chlewiska (MZ) -- Z 1915, indexed by Mikołaj Wilk

Chodecz (KP) -- M 1891-1909, indexed by Jan Berens

Chojnata (LD) -- UM 1902-16, Z 1902-1916, indexed by Tomasz Przygodziński

Chorostków (UK) -- UMZ 1909-15, indexed by Bożena Czarnuszewicz

Chotcza Dolna (MZ) -- UMZ 1836-73, indexed by Bartłomiej Zieliński

Chrzanów (LB) -- Z 1938-45, indexed by Danuta Wasilewska-Lenart

Chrzanów (MP) -- UMZ 1790-1791, indexed by Renata Majewska

Chynów (MZ) -- U 1808-25, indexed by Marcin Biliniak, checked by Teresa Mikołajewska

Ciechanów (MZ) -- U 1820-12, 1818-22, indexed by Izabela Czaplicka

Cmolas (m. Poręby Dymarskie) (PK) -- M 1809, 1811-14, 1816, 1818-19, 1845-46, 1848, 1851, 1855-56, 1859-1860, indexed by Bartłomiej Babiarz

Cudnów (UK) -- Z 1777-92, indexed by Rafał Albiński

Czarnożyły (LD) -- UMZ 1896-98, indexed by Danuta Mieżyńska

Czermin (m. Czermin) (PK) -- U 1865-1893, 1898-1904, 1906, 1914-17, 1919 (baptismal register for outside the parish), indexed by Krzysztof Naróg

Czermin (m. Czermin) (PK) -- U 1867-1919 (baptismal register of actual parishioners), indexed by Krzysztof Naróg

Czernikowo (KP) -- UMZ 1867-75, indexed by Hanna Uszyńska

Czersk (MZ) -- UMZ 1826-35, indexed by Teresa Mikołajewska and Kazimierz Paczesny

Częstochowa św. Zygmunta (SL) -- U 1903, indexed by Stanisław Jegier

Dąbrowa (MZ) -- UMZ 1916-18, indexed by Jan Wojtkiewicz

Dabrowa nad Czarna (LD) -- U 1851-70, indexed by Tomasz Chamerski

Dobre (MZ) -- Z 1891, indexed by Artur Lewandowski

Drwalew (MZ) -- UMZ 1900-02, indexed by Jolanta Jarosz-Hryniewicz

Dubicze Cerkiewne (Orthodox.) (PL) -- U 1864 completion, indexed by Walenty Adamiec

Działoszyn (LD) -- UMZ 1901, 1902, indexed by Daniel Leszczyk

Dzierzbice (WP) -- UMZ 1841-50, indexed by Hanna Kołodziejska

Fałków (SK) -- UMZ 1903-08, indexed by Joanna Bugajska

Giebułtów (MP) -- UMZ 1790-1791, indexed by Renata Majewska

Gliwice Wszystkich Świętych (SL) -- U 1870, indexed by Jertom

Godzianów (LD) -- UMZ 1913-17, indexed by Tomasz Przygodziński

Godziszów (LB) -- Z 1939-45, indexed by Danuta Wasilewska-Lenart

Golub (KP) -- M 1826-40, indexed by Kamil Krasiński

Gołaczewy (MP) -- UMZ 1790-1791, indexed by Renata Majewska

Gomulin (LD) -- UMZ 1868-72, indexed by Urszula Świerczyńska

Gorenice (MP) -- UMZ 1790, indexed by Renata Majewska

Goryń (MZ) -- UMZ 1853-56, indexed by Mirosław Orzechowski

Gostynin (MZ) -- U 1889, 1890, indexed by Agnieszka Kuczkowska

Gostynin (MZ) -- UZ 1835 (expanded), indexed by Bożena Prymus

Góra (pow. płocki) (MZ) -- Z 1866-76, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Gralewo (MZ) -- Z 1879-87, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Grodzisk Mazowiecki (MZ) -- Z 1810-12, indexed by Tomasz Frynia

Gródek (Stary Grudek) (MZ) -- Z 1856-60, indexed by Andrzej Baran

Haczów (PK) -- U 1889-1907, indexed by Grzegorz Zuzak

Hadynów (MZ) -- U 1863; Z 1854, indexed by Tomasz Skolimowski

Igołomia (MP) -- UMZ 1868-1880, indexed by Jerzy Koprowski

Imielno (SK) -- Z 1915-36, indexed by Jacek Sławiński

Indura (BR) -- UMZ 1802-1810, M 1811-1818, indexed by Wilnianka

Iwaniska (SK) -- M 1905-32, indexed by Magdalena Kasprzycka

Jabłonica Polska (gr-kat) (mm. Jabłonica Polska and Malinówka) (PK) -- UZ 1784-1800, 1830-43, 1849-59; M 1784-89, 1830-43, 1849-59, indexed by Grzegorz Zuzak

Janisławice (LD) -- UZ 1886-89, U 1890-1904, M 1890-09,15-16, Z 1890-1908, indexed by Tomasz Przygodziński

Jarosław (gr-kat) (m. Przedmieście Leżajskie) (PK) -- U 1785, 1860-70, indexed by Maciej Głowacki

Jasionówka (PL) -- UMZ 1849-64, indexed by Radosław Karabowicz

Jastrzębie (KP) -- Z 1836-42, indexed by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Jedlnia (MZ) -- Z 1941-46, indexed by Bartłomiej Zieliński

Jedlnia-Letnisko (MZ) -- M 1921-31, indexed by Mikołaj Wilk

Jędrzejów (SK) -- U 1853-55, 1881-84, M 1855, 1883, Z 1874, 1781, 1911, indexed by A.Ch.

Jedwabne (PL) -- Z 1901-02, indexed by Grzegorz Nowik

Jeżów (LD) -- M 1793-1804, Z 1794-1804, indexed by Bogusław Dzbikowicz

Joniec (MZ) -- UZ 1881-98, indexed by Krystyna Malik

Kalina Wielka (MP) -- U 1680-1695, M 1677-1695, 1785-1796, indexed by Renata Majewska

Kamienica (MP) -- M 1792-1805 (first and last years), Z 1787-1795 (first and last years), 1796-1801, indexed by Renata Majewska

Kamieńsk (LD) -- Z 1834-37, indexed by Krzysztof Bartosik

Kamion (MZ) -- U 1911-14, 1916, indexed by Marcin Prengowski

Kamionna (MZ) -- UM 1918-45; Z 1918-44, indexed by Rafał Krasieńko

Kamionna (MZ) -- UMZ 1860-64, indexed by Barbara Sikorska

Karniewo (MZ) -- U 1843-46, indexed by Katarzyna Osypiewska-Thomas

Katowice - Kattowitz (SL, Prot.) -- M 1857-74, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

Kazimierza Wielka (SK) -- U 1872-74, Z 1870-74, 77, 79-80, 82, 85-91, 93-94, indexed by Małgorzata Kisiel-Dorohinicka

Kiełbasin (KP) -- UM 1810-17, M 1789-1809, indexed by Kamil Krasiński

Kije (SK) -- U 1864-66, Z 1819-25, indexed by Jacek Stradowski

Kleszczele (Uniate par.) (PL) -- U 1805-06, indexed by Walenty Adamiec

Kleszczów (LD, Prot.) -- M 1927-37, indexed by Gadecki. Bogusław

Konopnica (LD) -- UMZ 1831-36, indexed by Tomasz Skolimowski

Korzkiew (MP) -- UMZ 1791, indexed by Renata Majewska

Kowalewo Pomorskie (KP) -- M 1799-1882, indexed by Kamil Krasiński

Kozin (UK) -- M 1827-29, Z 1827-29, indexed by Danuta Wojtowicz

Koźle (LD) -- UMZ 1868-77, indexed by Krystyna Zadwórna

Kozłów (MP) -- U 1826-1894, M 1881-1894, indexed by krysmag, checked by Renata Majewska

Krajkowo (MZ) -- U 1866-67, indexed by Jan Wojtkiewicz

Krasnopol (UK) -- U 1911-15, indexed by Marek70

Krotoszyn (WP) -- U 1732-39, 1758-86, 1825-28, M 1790-99, indexed by Radek Kliber

Krupiec (UK) -- MZ 1860, indexed by Danuta Wojtowicz

Kruszyn (KP) -- Z 1908, indexed by Jan Brens

Krzcięcice (SK) -- M 1872-94, indexed by Renata Majewska

Krzywosądz (KP) -- U 1826-31, M 1817-24, indexed by Krystyna Domańska-Bzdak

Kuców (LD, Prot.) -- M 1925-37, indexed by Gadecki. Bogusław

Kuklin (MZ) -- UZ 1773-1807 (summary), M 1773-82, 1786, 1793-94, 1796-1807 (summary), indexed by Krzysztof Kośnik

Kułaczkowce (UK) -- U 1856-64, indexed by MagdaA

Kurowo (MZ) -- M 1917-18, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Łączki Kucharskie (m. Glinik) (PK) -- U 1870-79, indexed by Szymon Król

Łęgonice (pow. grójecki) (MZ) -- U 1869-72, 1881-84, 1890-1895; M 1868-1910; Z 1869-1893 (expanded), indexed by Jakub Wiśnik

Lembarg (KP) -- M 1817-34, 1846- 52, indexed by Kamil Krasiński

Leśnica- Leschnitz (OP) -- U 1872, indexed by Rafał Marek

Łętowo (MZ) -- M 1918, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Lipowiec Kościelny (MZ) -- M 1910-12, indexed by Jan Wojtkiewicz

Lisów (MZ) -- M 1844-59, indexed by Sławomir Wodzyński

Liw (MZ) -- M 1826-30 (expanded), indexed by Grażyna Przybysz

Łobdowo (KP) -- U 1790-1808, indexed by Kamil Krasiński

Łódź NMP (LD) -- U 1915, indexed by Michał Stasiak

Łódź NMP (LD) -- Z 1859, indexed by Rafał Wodziński

Łódź NMP (LD) -- Z 1871, indexed by magnowa

Łódź św. Krzyż (LD) -- Z 1912, 1913, indexed by Jacek Kundzik

Łódź św. Krzyż (LD) -- Z 1921, indexed by Urszula Gałkiewicz

Łódź św. Trójca (LD, Prot.) -- Z 1900, indexed by Rafał Albiński

Łódź św. Wojciech (LD) -- UZ 1899, indexed by Ilona Gieras

Łomża (PL) -- U 1878, indexed by Krzysztof Piaszczyński

Łosice (MZ) -- UMZ 1826-29, U 1830-39; Z 1830-39, 1844-67, indexed by Magda Tarkowska

Lubawa-Löbau USC (WM) -- U 1904-1914, M 1904-13, Z 1903-14, indexed by Donata Stremplewska

Lubecko (SL) -- U 1800-07 M 1874-93, indexed by Maria Rogalska

Lubliniec- Lublinitz (SL) -- M 1840 -49, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

Lubsza- Lubschau (SL) -- UZ 1860-69, indexed by GTG Silius Radicum

Mecina (MP) -- M 1776-1784, indexed by DariuszHareza

Mecina (MP) -- U 1776-1784, Z 1776-1784, indexed by Renata Majewska

Miastkowo (PL) -- U 1823, 1824, 1890, 1891, Z 1826, indexed by Livia Ditto

Michałów (SK) -- U 1897-1900 M 1889-93, Z 1897-1900, indexed by Anna Kasprzyk

Miedzierza (SK) -- Z 1840-88, indexed by Gośka

Mierzyn (LD) -- M 1753-1802, indexed by Tomasz Turniak

Mierzyn (LD) -- UMZ 1836-45, indexed by Mateusz Gieras

Mikołajewice (LD) -- U 1775-76, Z 1775-1808,29-30, indexed by Grzegorz Żychowski

Młodzawy (SK) -- U 1811-14, 1821-41, indexed by Edward Jabłoński

Młodzieszyn (MZ) -- M 1929-37, indexed by Michał Kazimierz and Waldemar Chorażewicz

Mochowo (MZ) -- M 1917-18, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Momina (SK) -- U 1903- 08, indexed by Krzysztof Kołwzan

Mszano (KP) -- U 1764-77, indexed by Jarosław Cendrowski

Niedzbórz (MZ) -- M 1913, 1915-18, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Niedzbórz (MZ) -- U 1909-12, indexed by Jan Wojtkiewicz

Niedźwiedź (pow. wąbrzeski) (KP) -- M 1813-52, indexed by Kamil Krasiński

Niegowa (SL) -- M 1875-78, indexed by Mariadobrosława

Niemonajcie (LT) -- UMZ 1802-1818 (partially updated), U 1713-1760 (1730-1735 missing), indexed by Ewa Rębosz

Nieżywięć (KP) -- M 1720-93, 1860-74, indexed by Jarosław Cendrowski

Nieżywięć (KP) -- U 1831-40, indexed by Kamil Krasiński

Nowa Słupia (SK) -- U 1866-77, 1884-90, indexed by Bożena Krajewska

Nowe Miasto nad Pilica (MZ) -- UMZ 1894-95, indexed by Krzysztof Jach

Nowe Miasto nad Wartą (WP) -- U 1797-1813, Z 1797-1817, 1850-76, indexed by Danuta Danecka

Nowy Dwór (BR) -- UM 1797-1847, brak ksiąg 1819-1823, indexed by Sławomir Rudziecki

Nowy Korczyn (SK) -- UMZ 1875-79, indexed by Henryka Adamczyk

Olesno USC (OP) -- M 1875-94, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

Olkusz (MP) -- U 1860-1861, Z 1860-1861, indexed by Karol Szotek

Olkusz (MP) -- UZ 1822-1823, 1840, 1848, indexed by pbasik

Osiek (pow.brodnicki) (KP) -- UZ 1832-34, U 1916-18, M 1833, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Osiek nad Wisłą (KP) -- U 1743-44,46-51,53-54,57,61,63-99, indexed by Cynthia Kurlas

Osjaków (LD) -- M 1915-18, indexed by Tomasz Skolimowski

Osobnica (PK) -- M 1911-22, indexed by Jay Orbik

Ostroróg (WP) -- M 1753-99, indexed by Danuta Danecka

Ostrowy Tuszowskie (m. Ostrowy Tuszowskie) (PK) -- U 1822-33, Z 1800-20, 1822-30, indexed by Bartłomiej Babiarz

Ożarów (LD) -- M 1826-27, indexed by Tomasz Skolimowski

Pawłowice (pow. sochaczewski) (MZ) -- U 1816-20, indexed by Barbara Sikorska

Peczniew (LD) -- U 1814-19, indexed by Magdalena Wróbel

Piątek (LD) -- M 1809-12, indexed by Antoni Burzyński

Piątek (LD) -- M 1909-12, indexed by Mariusz Dąbrowski

Piątek (LD) -- Z 1835-38, indexed by Tomasz Frynia

Pietrowice Wielkie (SL) -- M 1863-70, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

Płonne (KP) -- M 1784-1809, indexed by Jarosław Cendrowski

Płońsk (MZ) -- U 1896-98, Z 1893-95, indexed by Karol Szulc

Płoweż (KP) -- M 1741-1812, indexed by Jarosław Cendrowski

Pokrzydowo (KP) -- U 1804-20, indexed by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Probołowice (SK) -- M 1887-1919, indexed by Henryk Adamczyk

Przasnysz (MZ) -- U 1618-25, 1627-34, 1636-1708, 1710-1808, indexed by Danuta Wasilewska-Lenart Przasnysz (MZ) -- U 1837-40, indexed by Kazimierz Paczesny

Przedbórz (LD) -- UMZ 1834-37, indexed by Krystyna Stanisławska

Przesmyki (MZ) -- Z 1810-11, indexed by Magda Tarkowska

Puchały (PL) -- U 1842-44 M 1843,46,47,52 Z 1841-43, indexed by Bożena Śmigulska

Pułtusk (MZ) -- Z 1806-09, indexed by Rafał Albiński

Racibórz - Ratibor (SL) -- M 1874-1900, indexed by GTG Silius Radicum

Racibórz-Markowice- Markowitz (SL) -- M 1851-70, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

Racławice gm. Jerzmanowice (MP) -- UZ 1890-1913, indexed by Jerzy Żurada

Radoszyce (SK) -- UMZ 1843, indexed by Jan Krzak

Radzanów (pow. mławski) (MZ) -- M 1826-28, indexed by Jan Wojtkiewicz

Radziejów (KP) -- M 1800-11, 1822-25, 1831, Z 1759-78, MZ 1793-99, Z 1778-92, 1800-1811, 1831-48, 1858, indexed by Krystyna Domańska-Bzdak

Radziki Duże (KP) -- U 1712-1748, 1772-98, M 1706-40, Z 1755-1806, indexed by Jarosław Cendrowski

Radziki Duże (KP) -- UZ 1916-17, indexed by Jan Berens

Repla (BR) -- Z 1851-1864, indexed by Wilnianka

Rościszewo (MZ) -- Z 1898-1905, 1911-1915, indexed by Tomasz Bogiel, checked by Maria Bagińska-Wierzbowska

Rozdół (UK) -- U 1751-74 M 1774-84, indexed by Magdalena Kasprzycka

Różanka (BR) -- MZ 1827, M 1835, M 1834 aktualizacja, indexed by Sławomir Rudziecki

Różanka (BR) -- UMZ 1797-1803, indexed by Wilnianka

Rudniki (OP) -- UMZ 1808-25, indexed by Grażyna Stasiak

Ruże (KP) -- UMZ 1879, indexed by Renata Ściślewska-Skrobisz

Rybnik -Boguszowice (SL) -- U 1848,59-78, indexed by Anna Bittner

Rychwałd (SL) -- U 1766, indexed by Stanisław Sroka

Rzeczyca (LD) -- U 1812, indexed by Artur Godlewski

Sączów (SL) -- Z 1869-1915, indexed by Łukasz Puciata

Sadłowo (KP) -- Z 1829 (expanded), indexed by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Sędziejowice (SK) -- U 1906 (expanded), indexed by Krzysztof Klemens

Siemianowice Śląskie USC (SL) -- M 1874- 96, indexed by GTG Silius Radicum

Skaryszew (MZ) -- UMZ 1820, indexed by Andrzej Badowski

Skidel (gr.-kat.) (BR) -- U 1806-1815, indexed by Wilnianka

Skierniewice (LD) -- U 1871-72, Z 1871-72, indexed by mariamikołaj

Skomlin (LD) -- U 1915-17, M 1915-16, Z 1916-18, indexed by Michał Stojek

Sobótka (SK) -- M 1889-1926, Z 1883-1916, indexed by Stanisław Chrzanowski

Sokołów (pow. gostyniński) (MZ) -- UMZ 1916-17, indexed by Bożena Prymus

Solec k. Gostynina (MZ) -- UMZ 1916-17, indexed by Bożena Prymus

Solec nad Wisłą (MZ) -- UMZ 1911-12 (expanded), indexed by Wiesława Krawczyk

Sołek-Śleszyn (LD) -- U 1877-1907, indexed by Antoni Burzyński

Stolec (LD) -- M 1826-48, indexed by Małgorzata Berendzik

Strzygi (KP) -- M 1870,1916 Z 1916, indexed by Piotr Romanowski

Suchożebry (MZ) -- UZ 1886-90, indexed by Anna Poprawa

Sulmierzyce pow. Krotoszyn (WP) -- U 1790-99, indexed by Henryk Machnik

Suserz (MZ) -- UMZ 1900, indexed by Barbara Raniewicz

Szczepankowo (PL) -- M 1907, Z 1916-18, 1833, indexed by Livia Ditto

Szczuczyn (PL) -- M 1880-85, indexed by Magdalena Wróbel

Szwelice (MZ) -- M 1826-53 (expanded), 1854-80, indexed by Dorota Nowakowska

Szymbark (MP) -- U 1776-1826, indexed by Sandy10m

Świedziebnia (KP) -- U 1801-95.97-99, M 1817-22, 58, 97-99, 1906-09, Z 1891-95, 97-99, UZ 1906-09, indexed by Mary Ann Graham

Tarnowskie Góry św.Ap. Piotra i Pawła (SL) -- M 1776-79,81-89, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

Traby (BR) -- Z 1798-1818, indexed by Karol Zajdel, checked by Łukasz Majtka

Trabin (KP) -- M 1749-74, indexed by Jarosław Cendrowski

Trębki (MZ) -- M 1879, indexed by Krzysztof Frydrysiak, checked by Tomasz Bogiel

Trębki (MZ) -- U 1879, indexed by Krzysztof Frydrysiak, checked by Tomasz Bogiel

Trzcieniec (UK) -- U 1868-1902, indexed by sstevens

Tuszyn (LD) -- UZ 1918, indexed by Mateusz Gieras

Uhrusk (LB) -- UMZ 1902-04, indexed by Janusz Iwanowski

Unieck (MZ) -- U 1697-1717, 1722, 1736-1796; M 1698, 1700-02, 1704-16, 1733-1808 (summary), Z 1698-1716, 1733-1808 (summary), indexed by Krzysztof Kośnik

Unisław (KP) -- U 1659-1701 (with gaps), indexed by Michał Zieliński

Wabcz (KP) -- Z 1760-96, indexed by Michał Zieliński

Wachock (SK) -- Z 1926-36, indexed by Małgorzata Sych

Walichnowy (LD) -- SkM 1767-1808, indexed by Agata Kasprowicz-Jandrić

Warszawa ASC Cyrkuł IV (WA) -- U 1818, indexed by Kamila Szymankiewicz

Warszawa św. Jan (WA) -- M 1908-09 (corrected and expanded), indexed by Krzysztof Zochniak

Warszawa św. Krzyż (WA) -- M 1902, 1905-06, indexed by Jerzy Mrozowski

Warszawa św. Krzyż (WA) -- U 1769-72, indexed by kasia wilcz

Warszawa-Leszno Narodzenie NMP (WA) -- U 1907, indexed by Marek Kamiński

Warszawa-Ochota św. Jakub (WA) -- M 1930-35, 1938, indexed by Tomasz Szczepaniak

Warta (LD) -- UMZ 1834, indexed by Martyna Pankiewicz

Wasiliszki (BR) -- M 1821, 1824-1847 (1834 missing), indexed by Danuta Wasilewska-Lenart.

Waśniów (SK) -- Z 1907-33, indexed by Andrzej Gawlik

Wedziagoła (LT) -- U 1752-1770 (from November 1752), indexed by Jacek Perkowski

Wielkie Czyste (KP) -- U 1694-97, 1699-1700, 1704-40, M 1698-1700, 1704-38, indexed by Michał Zieliński

Wielkie Eysymonty (BR) -- M 1851-1857, indexed by Sławomir Olczyk

Wierzbica (MZ) -- UMZ 1810, indexed by Marcin Borkowicz

Wilków (MZ) -- M 1645-60, 1662-71, 1673-86, 1689-1700, indexed by Tomasz Frynia

Włocławek (KP) -- M 1886-90, indexed by Barbara Lendzion

Wojnowice (SL) -- M 1846,55,59,6163-70, indexed by GTG Silius Radicum

Wólka Wygonowska (Orthodox) (PL) -- M 1889-1905, indexed by Walenty Adamiec

Wysokienice (LD) -- M 1837-38, Z 1809-10, indexed by leszcz

Wyśmierzyce (MZ) -- U 1903-11, indexed by Aleksandra Piętak

Zabłoć (BR) -- U 1824-1847, M 1799-1847 (1819-1823 books missing), indexed by Sławomir

Rudziecki

Zabrze św Andrzej Apostoła (SL) -- U 1900-04, indexed by Barbara Wiechuła

Zagnańsk (SK) -- M 1823-30, indexed by Krystyna Moćko

Zaręby Kościelne (MZ) -- M 1817-25, indexed by Waldemar Chorażewicz

Zaręby Kościelne (MZ) -- UMZ 1808-25, indexed by Anna Kempisty

Żbików (MZ) -- Z 1928-29, indexed by Małgorzata Szadkowska

Żelazna (LD) -- Z 1914-22,24-34,36-38, indexed by Danuta Wasilewska-Lenart

Zelów (Protestant) (LD) -- U 1837-49, indexed by Henryk Koluszkowski

Żurominek (Żuromin Kapitulny) (MZ) -- U 1899-1900; MZ 1899, indexed by Jan Wojtkiewicz

Zwoleń (MZ) -- U 1915-23, indexed by Bartłomiej Zieliński

**** AN OVERVIEW OF RECENT PERIODICALS ***

Editor—This is an ongoing feature, meant to inform you of articles published recently in newsletters and journals that may interest you.

FGS FORUM, Volume 31, No. 4, Winter 2019. Federation of Genealogical Societies, PO Box 200940, Austin TX 78720–0940 https://fgs.org/

- Starting Your Newspaper Research, Gena Philibert-Ortega
- Researching the 'Friends' in Your Family, Annette Burke Lyttle
- FGS to Merge with NGS, Ben Spratling, JD and Faye Stallings, CG
- Honoring Pioneer Ancestors: Create a First Families Program for Your Society, Jacqi Stevens and Sheri Fenley
- FGS 2020: The Heat of America, Sherri Camp
- Spotlight on Member Projects: Special Projects, Education & More, Cari A. Taplin, CG
- Ethics & Standards: More Than Chicken Tracks, Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL
- Next Generation: Knowing Your Worth: When Should You Get Paid for Genealogy Services?, Shannon Combs-Bennett
- Records, Preservation & Access: Newspapers, Maps & More, Linda McCleary, MLS

The Galitzianer: The Quarterly Research Journal of Gesher Galicia, December 2019, Vol. 26, No. 4. Gesher Galicia, 1522 S. Point View, Los Angeles CA 90035, https://www.geshergalicia.org

- Research Corner: Successes and Hurdles, Mark Jaocbson
- The First Habsburg Census, Andrew Zalewski
- Jewish Deputies from Galicia: Vienna and Lemberg, Börries Kuzmany
- Looking for My Parents: Their Lives Rediscovered, Reuven Liebes
- My Grandmother's Kitchen: Return to Gorlice, Peter Bein
- Map Corner: 1850 Cadastral Map of Gorlice, Jay Osborn
- A Day with Murray [Murray Adler], Barbara Krasner

*** UPCOMING EVENTS ***

Note: see also http://eogn.wikidot.com/"> for a large selection of upcoming events in the world of genealogy.

Saturday, 18 January 2020
TALK ON "USING THE RESOURCES OF THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH" – Edward D. Luft
Family History Center • 10000 Stoneybrook Drive • Kensington, Maryland 1 p.m.

Veteran researcher Edward David Luft will speak on "Using the Resources of the Library of Congress for Genealogical Research" at the Family History Center, 10000 Stoneybrook Drive, Kensington, Maryland, at 1 p. m. on Saturday, 18 January 2020. Free admission, public welcome, plenty of free parking. The location is in the lower building nearby, next to the Mormon Temple. Enter via the main entrance. The emphasis will be on Eastern Europe; it may include mention of Jewish resources, but that is not the main focus of the talk. The talk will last for about one hour and will be followed by approximately twenty minutes of questions.

16 February 2020

PGSA QUARTERLY MEETING/WEBINAR

"Your Next Step: Write Your Family History" – Steve Szabados 2L00 – 4:00 p.m.

Eisenhower Public Library • 4613 N. Oketo Avenue • Harwood Heights, IL 60706-4690 phone: 708-867-7828 • https://www.eisenhowerlibrary.org

Your Next Step: Write Your Family History – Were your ancestors royalty or members of the working class? Were they rich or barely surviving? Whoever they were, we need to preserve their memory. The program will discuss a process and format that makes the transformation of your research efforts to a written family history easier. Learn a method to easily save your information and tips to help them "come alive." If we do not preserve the memories and stories of our ancestors for future generations, who will?

Bio: Stephen Szabados is a lecturer and author who has given numerous programs to genealogy groups and libraries. He has been researching his ancestors since 2000 and has traced ancestors back to the 1730s in Poland. He has published ten genealogy books and is a contributing editor for the Polish American Journal. He has a passion for sharing his love of family history, and his courses cover the methods that he has found successful. He is a member of the Polish Genealogical Society of America and a genealogy volunteer at his local library.

Steve has been researching his ancestors since 2000 and has traced ancestors back to the 1600s in New England, Virginia, and the 1730s in Poland, Germany, Bohemia, Hungary, Slovakia, and Slovenia. He has given numerous presentations to genealogical groups and libraries. As a

genealogy volunteer at the Arlington Heights Library, he helps individuals with their research, and he wants to share his passion for Family History.

3–4 April 2020 NASHI PREDKY SPRING GENEALOGY CONFERENCE Somerset, NJ

3 новим роком! In 2020, the Nashi Predky Genealogy Conferences of the Ukrainian History and Education Center are making a bold return and registration is now open for the Spring Conference in Somerset, NJ, on April 3-4, 2020! This year we will feature the following presentations on Saturday which should appeal to the beginner, intermediate, and advanced genealogist:

Finding Ukrainian, Polish, Belarusian and Russian Records on FamilySearch, by Joe Everett, Family History, Local History, and Microforms Librarian at the Brigham Young University Harold B. Lee Library

The Genealogical Value of Royal, Government and Private Estate Inventories of Galicia by Daniel Bućko, Polish genealogist

Fraternal Organizations, 1890-1918, by Fr. Ivan Kaszczak, Ukrainian Catholic priest and author Documentary Film: Our Ukrainian American Legacy, a showing by Roman M. Brygider, three-time Emmy Award winning producer/director of documentary films that have aired nationally since 1993

In addition, Friday evening will be devoted to a Knowledge Cafe, where you can interact with the members of our Committee (and each other!) in an informal setting to receive one-on-one guidance with your family history and research questions. For those who are interested, an informal workshop on advanced handwritten Cyrillic will be offered simultaneously.

And as part of our program on Saturday, you will have the opportunity for a guided tour of the UHEC exhibit, Visible Music: The Art of Yukhym Mykhailiv (1885-1935), the first significant exhibit in 30 years of the work of one of the most original, idiosyncratic, and undeservedly obscure Ukrainian artists of the early 20th century, who met an untimely death in exile in the Russian Arctic during the rule of Joseph Stalin.

Register today to reserve your spot at this exciting learning opportunity. Details and registration link are available on our website: https://www.ukrhec.org/nashi-predky-conference-2020>. Questions? Contact the UHEC Family History Group at genealogy@ukrhec.org>.

See	you	in	April!
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[From a note posted by Justin Kirk Houser to Facebook.]

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20–23 May 2020 NGS FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE Salt Lake City, UTAH

If you want to start making plans, the 2020 Conference of the National Genealogical Society will be held next May in Salt Lake City. You can download the program and other information here:

https://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/

Also, registration is open at all the official NGS Conference hotels. For more info:

https://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/accommodations/

Sunday, 9 August – Friday, 14 August, 2020 40TH IAJGS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON JEWISH GENEALOGY San Diego, California

[From an announcement posted to JewishGen by Nolan Altman on 24 November 2019]

We hope you will participate in the 40th IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy, to be held from Sunday, August 9 through Friday, August 14, 2020, in beautiful San Diego, California. Hosted by the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS), the Conference objectives are to inform, instruct, and inspire attendees to explore and preserve their Jewish family history.

The Conference provides participation opportunities for Jewish Genealogy Special Interest Groups (SIGs), Birds of a Feather (BOFs) and others who may offer services or resources to Jewish Genealogists such as libraries, archives, historical societies, and other non-profit entities. The Conference offers SIGs and BOFs the opportunity to have meetings during conference week and along with other outside non-profit entities, to staff a table at our traditional "SHARE Fair" which is held on the opening Sunday of our annual conference.

Please visit https://s4.goeshow.com/iajgs/annual/2020/SIG-BOF.cfm for the SIG / BOF / SHARE Fair application forms.

*** MORE USEFUL WEB ADDRESSES ***

https://sites.google.com/view/polishgenealogygroup/indices-collection

Facebook's Polish Genealogy Group has put together a way to search its databases. Agnieszka Maja Mizgalska announced this, and added that Mirosław Bronakowski deserves a lot of credit for his help. The site is also available via http://polishgenealogy.indeksy.net/. You have to click on the green box saying "Tak" to agree to the use of cookies to remember your language preference, then you can set English as the interface language.

http://www.doroshheritagetours.com/time-capsule-blog/16

This blog entry discusses a subject that's just a bit chilling, and definitely not in the holiday spirit: "angel makers," people who took unwanted children off your hands and let them die. This happened in the 19th and early 20th centuries in Galicia, Bukovina, Volhynia and other parts of present Ukraine. It shows what extreme poverty and famine can lead people to. Andriy Dorosh's blog entries seem to be pretty fascinating – but they're not all hearts and flowers.

https://tinyurl.com/t6ac65z

If that last item leaves you wanting to read about humans showing courage and decency in dark times, this link takes you to an announcement at the Pilecki Project website. It deals with a list the Pilecki Institute of Warsaw has published, a list of 3,262 names of Jews who were provided with so called "Ładoś passports," named for Aleksander Ładosz, the Polish ambassador to Switzerland from 1940–45. He provided these Jews with forged documents of Paraguay, Honduras, Haiti, and Peru, which helped save many of them. I read about this in the 15 December 2019 issue of *Nu? What's New?*

https://sub-carpathia-genealogy.org/

The December 29th issue of *Nu? What's New?* mentioned this website, primarily for Jewish genealogists but potentially of value for anyone from the region involved. Here's how the website describes itself:

Sub-Carpathia Genealogy®, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation—founded for people with Jewish roots in the villages and towns located in Sub-Carpathia Ukraine today that were formerly located in:

- parts of the pre-1918 Hungarian *megyék* (counties) of Bereg, Máramaros, Ugocsa and Ung.
- the 1918-1938 Czechoslovak territory of Podkarpatská Rus' (Subcarpathia Ruthenia).
- the Republic of Carpatho-Ukraine which declared its autonomy in March 1938, lasting briefly.
- Hungary, after annexing Carpathian Ruthenia, in 1938, as a result of the Munich Agreement, lasting until 1945.
- The Soviet Union and subsequent Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, after World War II, as a result of the Yalta Treaty signed by Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin as Transcarpathia.
 - In 1991, Transcarpathia became Sub-Carpathia in newly independent Ukraine.."

https://tinyurl.com/MHHeathRisks

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That same issue of *Nu?* mentioned this site, where you can get details on an offer from MyHeritage to evaluate health risks based on analysis of your DNA. You can upload DNA test results from many providers to the MyHeritage subsidiary Promethease, and get evaluations. For more info, follow the link above. Notice, the offer is good only till **the end of this year!**

https://blog.eogn.com/2019/12/17/how-to-convert-pdf-files-to-printable-booklets-using-bookletcreator/

This link is to an item published in *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter (EOGN)* discussing a program, BookletCreator, that lets you print from a PDF to an actual booklet. There are some folks who might want to take advantage of this simple software tool. The options are limited, naturally, but include actions not generally available in PDF viewers. The software is offered with a free trial for a few days. If you keep and use the program, you'll need to purchase a license key for US\$19.95.

https://praktykowaniegenealogii.wordpress.com/tag/warszawa-granice-cyrkulow/>

Sometimes I run into civil registry entries drawn up in Warsaw while it was ruled by the Russian Empire, and I have to deal with the names of the yuactku, Polish *cyrkuly*, into which the city was divided. This site lists these divisions and the streets that ran through them. It can really save you time if you need to make out division and street names in these records! Of course, it's in Polish; but the information is presented in a way that does not require any real fluency.

https://www.geshergalicia.org/projects/przemysl-id/

Since October, Gesher Galicia has been conducting a long-term project to identify 577 Jewish record books of unknown origin housed in the Przemyśl State Archive in Poland. A complete list of the index books in the project can be found within the online inventory for Fond 154 of the Przemyśl State Archive, in the "Inventories" section of the Gesher Galicia website. The project, which has been approved by the Polish State Archives, will be managed by Gesher Galicia's "Przemyśl Identification Project" secretariat in Poland and carried out in cooperation with the Przemyśl State Archive. Gesher Galicia members will be given an exclusive opportunity to participate in the identification process and to advance the knowledge of the genealogical community. If you are not a member of Gesher Galicia and wish to take part in the Przemyśl Identification Project, you are very welcome to join: https://www.geshergalicia.org/membership/. I often mention such projects because they can be helpful to Jews and non-Jews alike. This particular project, however, seems likely to benefit Jewish researchers only. Still, if you're interested, you can ask for more info by writing <info@geshergalicia.org>.

This takes you to the text of an announcement that FamilySearch has added the ability for users to document all family relationships, including same-sex relationships. If you're interested, it's probably best to point you toward the Church's official announcement and let you read it for yourself. I originally read about this story in both *EOGN* and *Nu? What's New?*

https://tinyurl.com/vl85xcy

Adrienne Esposito shared a link with members of Facebook's Galicia Family History Group. I converted it with TinyURL because the original link was pretty long. It allows you to download a book from the Library of Congress online: *The Slav invasion and the mine workers; a study in*

immigration, Frank Julian Warne, Philadelphia and London: J.B. Lippincourt Co, 1904. It deals mostly with Slavic immigrants working in the Pennsylvania anthracite region.

http://www.namenforschung.net/dfd/woerterbuch/liste/

If you are interested in German surnames, this site is a digital dictionary currently listing 32,723 names, with their frequency, rank, and etymology. I didn't know *Hoffmann* was the 10th most common German surname, *Hofmann* is 23rd, but *Hoffman* is only #124. At least the etymology is the one I've seen explained in other books on the subject. I learned about this site while looking through an article on Lithuanian surnames in German mentioned on the LithuanianGenealogy mailing list, http://annaberger-annalen.de/jahrbuch/2019/Ausgabe27.shtml. That's the problem with surnames: once you start to study them, you never stop!

https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/00905992.2013.767793

On the Polish Genius mailing list, Debbie Greenlee mentioned this article, "Germanization, Polonization, and Russification in the partitioned lands of Poland-Lithuania," by Tomasz Kamusella. You can read the abstract if you follow the above link. But fair warning; you have to pay to read the actual article. I was satisfied reading the abstract and the notes.

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