



**PACT'25 – Meeting #1**  
Thursday, January 2, 2025  
3–6:05 PM

Participants:  
Andrzej, Dr. Andrzej, Halina, Irena, Jacek,  
Janusz, Jola, Jurek, Krzysiek, Ryszard,  
Tomek, Zbyszek.

Wishing you a New Year filled with love,  
health, achievements and joy.  
The future is a blank canvas, and 2025 is our  
chance to paint it beautifully.

### **What has happened since our last meeting?**

- Secretary Steve Flor did not answer Andrzej's question "how he intends to verify the eligibility of candidates for EC (it is his responsibility, as mentioned in Article III p-t 3 c of By-laws).
- Tomek was invited to the Polish Consulate for the "Opłatek" celebration on December 12, and was surprised that no one from EC was there. He met Anna Wieciuk from PAC-Michigan who is a friend of Mr. Walewender.
- Krzysiek met with Sylwia Gladkowska, President of PAC- Arizona and Tomek Niemyjski.
- Krzysiek sent us corrected CV of Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz.
- Jurek told us that PM Orban was at Mar-a-Lago in Florida Monday and Tuesday (Dec.30-31).
- Dr. Gene was invited to the White House on Monday, Jan. 6 for the signing ceremony of the bill repealing WEP and GPO.

### **We talked about:**

- Report from the last meeting was read and commented on.
- How to educate Americans about what is happening in Poland.
- How many Polish churches were actually closed. Władek's info, 300 were questioned.
- Again, about Amstrong and Mazurkiewicz. Everyone agreed that John Amstrong would be an excellent as a deputy secretary of State.
- The merits of Józef Krutul and Edward Cyran ca. 15 years ago in the context of the recent successful activity of Dr. Gene Sokolowski.
- When and where we could meet in person. Perhaps after Easter which falls on April 20.
- PNA and its importance for the image of the PAC of which Krzysiek is convinced.
- Res. on the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of WWII. We tried to find out if this had ever been done. Zbyszek's discovery after the meeting: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-concurrent-resolution/226/text>
- Publications presented by zk: the bimonthly "Weteran" published by the Polish Army Veterans and Thaddeus Kosciuszko, textbook for primary school students.

### **What was decided:**

- To send a letter to the EC regarding the eligibility of those wishing to take part in the elections.
- We will only begin inviting candidates to EC once we receive a response on eligibility.
- Jola will talk to her Rep. about presenting the Wołyń exhumation case in Congress.
- To imitate an interesting PAC-Arizona project "Mentoring Polonia youth" in our divisions.
- Jola invited us to participate in the 80th Anniversary of PAC-Michigan on March 9.
- Jola will try to organize the next "Opłatek" together with other organizations.
- Zbyszek will probe Rep. Suozzi office re the possibility of preparing a Resolution on the 80th anniversary of the end of WWII.
- Jola will find out about availability of Thaddeus Kosciuszko textbooks for Polish Saturday Scholls.

**Next meeting:** PACT'25 > Thursday, January 9, 2025, at 3 PM EST via Skype.

AGENDA: this report will be read and commented on first + current events.

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## **PACT'25 – Meeting #2**

Thursday, January 9, 2025  
3–6:06 PM

Participants:

Andrzej, Dr. Andrzej, Edmund, Halina,  
Jacek, Janusz, Jola, Jurek, Krzysiek,  
Tomek, Zbyszek.

[Bermuda, Horseshoe Bay](#)  
with pink beach

### **What has happened since our last meeting?**

- VP for American Affairs Tim Kuzma and VP for Polish Affairs Bozena Kaminski announced that their first Zoom meeting of the year for Divisions and National Organizations Presidents will take place on Tuesday, January 21 at 8 PM .  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81624747165?pwd=8MSH00s4V7tvOPnjJMmdcQ5gmEPw7k.1>
- Andrzej received from Mr. Kuzma the qualification requirements for candidates for EC (from the amended By-laws).
- President Duda will not come to President Trump's inauguration according to Jurek.
- President Andrzej Duda announced that Netanyahu will not be arrested when he comes to Poland to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of liberation Auschwitz. PM Netanyahu is wanted by the International Court for genocide in the Gaza Strip.
- The port in Szczecin was sold to Germany today by PM Tusk.
- Halina found a cruise to Bermuda in March where we can go on vacation and meet up.  
[NCL Links Micro-website](#)  
Sun March 23 thru Friday March 28  
From NYC to Bermuda and back on Norwegian  
Inside cabin \$approximately \$800; Ocean view \$900; Balcony \$1,000  
all. Meals, entertainment, 75 min of the internet, \$50 excursion credit in Bermuda  
Hope you can join us  
My consultant is Chad- contact below  
**Chad Wilson | Personal Cruise Consultant**  
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### **We talked about:**

- Report from the last meeting was read and commented on.
- Pulaski bookmark. It was read and Krzysiek's additions/changes were discussed.
- President Trump's inauguration. Details of participation were presented. Jola, her husband and 2 PAC-Michigan members plan to go to D.C.
- Candidates for vacant EC positions. You have to be ND for min. 2 years which limits our options.
- Polish News Chanel (Kanał) 0 on You Tube. Edmund recommended watching.
- The end of WWII in Europe. How Americans perceive the beginning and end of WWII.
- Witold Rosowski. Edmund is trying to find him and we were trying to help him.

### **What was decided:**

- To ask Mr. Kuzma who can sit on the Nominating Committee and who approves them. .

**Next meeting:** PACT'25 > Thursday, January 16, 2025, at 8 PM EST via Skype.

AGENDA: this report will be read and commented on first + current events.

Participants:

Andrzej, Dr. Andrzej, Halina, Irena, Jacek, Jola, Jurek, Krzysiek, Marek, Zbyszek.

Pictures for bookmarks:



**Tadeusz Kosciuszko**

[kosh-choosh-koh]

1746-1817

National Hero of the US and Poland

A great man truly ahead of his times. Called

“The purest son of liberty” by Thomas Jefferson

**Kazimierz Pułaski**

[\[ka'zimjɛs pu'waskij\]](#)

1745 – 1779

National Hero in both the US and Poland. Saved the life of [George Washington](#).

Called "The Father of the [American cavalry](#)".

**What has happened since our last meeting?**

- Jola, her husband and several other of PAC-Michigan members are ready to travel to Trump's inauguration. They will go there on Saturday and return on Wednesday. We would love to hear about her adventure.

**We talked about:**

- Due to the large amount of time spent on discussing Trump's inauguration and the subsequent failure of my laptop, the report from the last meeting was not read.
- A trip to Trump's inauguration was discussed. We had fun bringing up expected situations. Jola described how to check hotel beds for bedbugs. Andrzej checked the weather: bitter cold is expected from 31 during a day to 8 at night degrees F on Monday (inauguration day).
- Pułaski bookmark. Zbyszek read it after Dr. Gene's corrections. Several improvements were proposed and will be implemented.
- Making our publications more attractive. Zbyszek showed a simple blue-white-red frame for Kosciuszko bookmark and the same will be done for Pułaski. The brochure about Poland will be entirely surrounded by a blue frame on the inside and the columns will be separated by a blue line. The proposals were accepted.
- The US blocked Poland's access to advanced AI computer chips (Gienek sent the info).
- Breaking the law in Poland (Andrzej showed us what he found).
- Mosbacher's visit and meeting with Trzaskowski in Warsaw.
- National Polonia Foundation. Halina reminded us about her idea.

**What was decided:**

- Andrzej will suggest to Mr. Kuzma to postpone Tuesday's meeting due to the inauguration and therefore some presidents of PAC division may be absent.

**Next meeting:** PACT'25 > Thursday, January 23, 2025, at 3 PM EST via Skype.

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Podczas posiedzenia XI kadencji 29 października 2024 r. Senat RP podjął uchwały w sprawie ustanowienia roku 2025 Rokiem ks. prof. Józefa Tischnera, Marii Pawlikowskiej-Jasnorzewskiej, Władysława Stanisława Reymonta oraz Wojciecha Jerzego Hasa.

**Przypomnijmy sobie czym się zasłużyli:**

W 2025 będzie obchodzona 25. rocznica śmierci. jednego z najważniejszych polskich filozofów, duchownych i intelektualistów, ks. Józefa Tischnera. To wybitna postać polskiej filozofii i duchowości, przez całe życie budował mosty między różnymi środowiskami i nurtami umysłowymi.

9 lipca 2025 r. będzie obchodzona 80. rocznica śmierci jednej z największych polskich poetek Marii Pawlikowskiej-Jasnorzewskiej (1891-1945). Napisała ok. 500 wierszy, 20 sztuk teatralnych oraz kilkanaście słuchowisk radiowych. Jej wiersze wykonywane były jako piosenki m.in. przez Ewę Demarczyk, Annę German, Irenę Santor, Czesława Niemena, Halinę Kunicką, Krystynę Jandę, Marylę Rodowicz, Marka Grechutę, Annę Marię Jopek, Turnaua, Kayah, Natalię Kukulską."

W 2025 r. minie 100. rocznica śmierci Władysława Reymonta – laureata Nagrody Nobla w dziedzinie literatury, którą Akademia Szwedzka przyznała mu 13 listopada 1924 r. za powieść „Chłopi”. Zdobył popularność dzięki powieściom „Ziemia Obiecana” i „Komediantka”. „Uniwersalna, ponadczasowa treść „Chłopów” sprawiła, że przetłumaczono powieść na 29 języków,

W 2026 przypada setna rocznica urodzin Wojciecha Jerzego Hasa (1925-2000) – jednego z najwybitniejszych polskich filmowców. W jego dorobku są m.in. „Pożegnania”, „Rękopis znaleziony w Saragossie”, „Lalka” i „Sanatorium pod klepsydrą”. „Has sięgał do kanonu europejskiego dziedzictwa kultury i wypełniał swe filmy bogatą metaforą. Należał do gigantów światowego modernizmu, ale zarazem tworzył filmy arcywłoskie, zawsze podejmując dialog z rodzimą mitologią, kompleksami i politycznymi narracjami”

**What has happened since our last meeting?**

- Jola, Tomek and Jacek went to D.C for Trump's inauguration.
- Ryszard, Jurek and Janusz told us about Mr. Kuzma's meeting on Tuesday. PAC's letter from Trump on continued support for Ukraine was discussed.
- TV Republica organized a Ball and Conference in DC.

**We talked about:**

- 2 reports from 2 weeks were read and commented on.
- Trump's inauguration in D.C. Jola, Tomek and Jacek described the events in which they participated. Several people came from Poland. Among them were former PM Mateusz Morawiecki, and former Minister of Education Przemysław Czarnek.
- Candidates for the EC. Jola suggested Stella. She might be good for Treasurer. Jurek from Florida will run for VP for Polish Affairs. There are two candidates for president: Mark Pienkos and Tomek Niemyjski. Andrzej from New Jersey should be ready to run for VP for American Affairs.
- Pulaski bookmark. Krzysiek argued that is necessary to mention the Polish legions in Haiti and Kosciuszko.
- Halina's idea to establish the Polish-American National Foundation. Jola suggested that to be on the board; one must have Polish roots and in case of termination of activity, The money should go to Polish organizations. Everyone agreed that we should start by forming an organizing committee.

**What was decided:**

- Jola will contact Stella and try to convince her to run for a position in the EC.
- Krzysiek will prepare his proposal to include info about the Polish legions in Haiti and Kosciuszko in Pulaski bookmark.
- Zbyszek will invite Andrzej Tomek Niemyjski to join us on Thursday at 3 pm or week later on Wednesday at 8 pm regarding his candidacy for the president of the EC.

**Next meeting:** PACT'25 > Thursday, January 30, 2025, at 3 PM EST via Skype.

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