

# 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Polish Community in Seattle and King County in 2018

Next year, the Polish Home Association and the local Polish community will celebrate its 100th anniversary. It will coincide with the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Poland's independence in November 2018. We have already launched several projects to commemorate the centennial and we invite members of the community to participate.

The anniversary plans include:

- 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary book
- Oral history video project
- Exhibitions at the Polish Cultural Center, Museum of History and Industry, the Seattle Center
- Improving the Polish community archive site created last year
- Anniversary Gala and Banquet

We invite everybody who has information, pictures and memorabilia related to the history of the PHA and Polish community of the Seattle area to contact us. Especially, we would like to encourage seniors of the Polish community and children or grandchildren of the PHA's founders to share their stories. We are also actively collecting photographs and other historical artifacts, including video and film footage, both for digitalization for the archive site and for the exhibitions.

Currently, we are focusing on the book and the history video projects. Both require a lot of volunteer time and a significant amount of money to be professionally done and finished on time. Each has its own committee already working on the project specifics and each needs several more volunteers!

The goal of both is to document the changes and achievements of the Polish community, especially in the last 25 years, when so many new organizations and initiatives started. We want the final product to be a showcase for the Polish community that we all can be proud of for years to come.

If you would like to help in any way – to contribute materials to be digitalized or to volunteer your time and skills with any of the projects, please contact us at [centennial@polishhome.org](mailto:centennial@polishhome.org). We will connect you with an appropriate person. Or if you prefer, please have a look at the volunteer positions, roles and tasks below and contact members of the anniversary committee listed below directly.

Thank you for all you support!

Paweł Krupa  
President of the [Polish Home Association](http://Polish Home Association)

<b>Project area &amp; contacts</b>	<b>Positions and tasks for the subproject</b>
General inquiries etc. <a href="mailto:centennial@polishhome.org">centennial@polishhome.org</a>	Helping with general inquiries, steering volunteer traffic to appropriate leads

<p>Archive management  <a href="mailto:centennial@polishhome.org">centennial@polishhome.org</a></p>	<p>Managing historical photographs and other historical materials and preparing them for digital archives and exhibitions. Several people needed.</p> <p>PHA Archivist and archivist helpers are urgently needed to manage different archives at the Polish Home: from old documents, artifacts and photographs going back to early 20<sup>th</sup> century to the PHA history website.</p> <p>The tasks include cataloguing and preserving documents in archive cabinets, digitalizing old documents and photographs, uploading digital images to the website etc.</p>
<p>100th anniversary book  <a href="#">Krystyna Untersteiner</a></p>	<p>Help with historical fact checking, creating / finding / selecting and preparing illustrations for different chapters of the book. Confirming copyright or usage permissions where needed.</p>
<p>History videos  <a href="#">Ryszard Kott</a></p>	<p>Preparing detailed stories, we'd like to show through the videos, preparing scenarios for video or audio interviews, help with arranging shooting sessions with interviewees, help with organizing and conducting shooting sessions, help with transport of elderly interviewees and/or materials or equipment, transcribing audio and video recording in English or in Polish as appropriate, translation of transcript to English, preparing summaries from sessions.</p> <p>Content manager to handle all the produced materials (audio &amp; video recordings, transcripts and translations, summaries, etc.), upload the material to a work storage, help with preparation to editing and postediting, upload edited material for storage, upload ready videos for distribution.</p>
<p>Exhibitions  <a href="#">Krzysztof Poraj-Kuczewski</a></p>	<p>Preparing a concept of the exhibition and designing it. Selecting and preparing materials for the exhibition.</p>
<p>Posters and souvenirs  <a href="#">Ewa Roszkowski</a></p>	<p>Brainstorming for ideas and proposals, then designing 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary souvenirs. Organizing manufacture or purchase of appropriate materials and objects.</p>

News and PR

[Teresa Indelak Davis](#)

Preparing PR texts and media for publishing, drumming up 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on different media etc.

Graphic designer needed for the website, logo and associated marketing materials.