

Our 2020 accomplishments:

- **Informed Texas Polonia to complete the 2020 US Census to include their Polish heritage: Feb. 5, 2020**
- **Taping/Recording of the Wielkopolska Polish dialect in Chappell Hill on Oct. 27, 2019 and the Silesian Polish Dialect of Panna Maria on August 22, 2020**
- **“Polish Texan -The History of Texas Polonia” presentation for the Texas A&M Polish Association and the Penn State University Polish Club on October 13, 2020. All the presentation was posted on Facebook and the PACT website.**
- **Hosted the St. John Paul II 100th Anniversary 2020 World Concert Series on October 25, 2020 sponsored by the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Houston. This concert was recorded and has been posted on the PACT website.**
- **Co-sponsored a letter of invitation to Mr. Dariusz Bonisławski, President Stowarzyszenie Wspólnota Polska on Feb. 11, 2020 with John W. Yanta, Bishop Emeritus, Chairman of the Board, Polish Heritage in Panna Maria, Texas to visit Texas and the PHC.**
- **Organized and planned an eight day “Polish Texas History Visit” from March 28 to April 5 for Professors from Lublin University (KUL) and University of Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński (UKSW) in Warsaw to study “The History of Texas Polonia”. Cancelled due to COVID-19.**
- **Prepared and submitted a letter to President Andrzej Duda for support of Project ACP on May 2020.**
- **Prepared and submitted a letter on behalf of PACT to all 36 Texas US House of Representatives and 2 Texas US**

Senators concerning the Social Security Fairness Act (H.R. 141/S.521) on September 14, 2020.

- **Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz, President of PACT was interviewed and an article was written about “Texas Strategy for Polonia” on January 3, 2020 and published in Tygodnik Solidarność by Waldemar Biniecki.**
- **Sent a letter of congratulations to Polish President Andrzej Duda for his re-election to a second term as President of Poland on July 14, 2020 on behalf of PACT.**
- **Provided an interview with Kimberly Fox with KAMU-TV for the “Around the world in 10 days series” on July 23, 2020 about Poland.**
- **Interview with Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz titled “Poles from all over the world should get together” premiered on May 19, 2020 conducted on by Polonia wRealu24 with 16,284 views.**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5SBbkK1OZzY&t=16s>
- **Prepared and submitted a letter of support on behalf of PACT on May 27, 2020 for the resolution commemorating the 80th Anniversary of the Katyn Massacre introduced to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by US Senators Menendez, Risch and Durbin on May 7, 2020. This letter of support was submitted to Senators Menendez, Risch, Durbin, Cruz, Cornyn as well as President Trump and President Duda.**
 - **Research information was collected from December 2019 to February 2020 and presented to Ewa Barczyk on February 13, 2020 with the Polish American Historical Association (PAHA) for a document Ewa was preparing for “Guide to Polish Historical Sites in North America. Texas Polish history included parishes, Texas**

Independence battles, San Jacinto, music, Polish Home in Houston and the narrative about the four Polish immigrations to Texas by Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz.

- PACT Proclamation for Elenora Dugosh Goodley to be presented to her family for her many contribution to Texas Polonia and the City of Bandera.**
- Initiated and established a “Sister City” between Bryan/College Station, Texas and Toruń, Poland confirmed on June 3, 2020 from the Mayor of Toruń, Michal Zaleski.**
- Dr. Piotr Przybylski explained the current status of Texas Polonia and the reason why Poles and people of Polish descent are moving to Texas in an interview with the Polvision Polish TV from Chicago – Houston, January 2020**
- Dr. Piotr Przybylski prepared and conducted three virtual lectures about the Polish History for the students of the St. John Paul II Institute at the University of St. Thomas – April-June 2020**
- New PACT website was created (August-November 2020) – group effort led by Elaine Mazurek Stephens**
- PACT sponsored the virtual symphonic concert and recitation of some Karol Wojtyła’s poems during the 100th birth anniversary of St. John Paul II – effort organized by Krzysztof Gajda – October 25 2020**
- PACT Annual Meeting in Anderson, Chairman Michał Kurtin – November 14, 2020**
- Coordinated with Polish Consulate a help for a sick child and its parents to come back to Poland after successful therapy in Houston – June 2020**

- Prepared, printed out and distributed 2020 PACT directories in various places in Texas – June-November 2020 – Elaine Mazurek-Stephens and Maureen Brown, Co-chairmen
- Added Floyd Daigle – an experienced web designer – to the PACT team
- Added Justyna Lopez as new PACT Board Member – extended PACT to El Paso region
- Added Elaine Mazurek-Stephens as 3rd VP of PACT – September 2020
- Developed a strong Polish volleyball team “The White Eagles” in Houston league, with a high chance of winning the group; the finals were postponed due to Covid-19 – January-March 2020
- Advertised and helped to find students for the first online Polish language course organized by Urszula Szuleta from Houston Polish Academy – June-August 2020
- Added St. John Paul II Institute, Houston Polish Academy, and New Waverly Polish community to PACT – January 2020
- Invited Dr. John Hittinger as a guest speaker about the St. John Paul II for Texas Polonia at the PACT annual meeting in Anderson – November 14 2020

Our 2019 activities included:

- Assisted in the arrangements to display an art exhibit on the American Revolution/Civil War.
- Participated in the Proclamation of Polish Month in Washington County.

- **Assisted in the arrangements to display the art exhibit “Fighting and Suffering” at Texas A&M.**
- **Obtained \$2000 in grants from the Polish Consulate in Houston for educational and cultural programs.**
- **Assisted in the application for grant funding of the Polish Heritage Center in Panna Maria from Wspolnota Polska.**
- **Submitted a letter of support to President Trump for the Visa waiver program.**
- **Participated in the planning for President Duda’s June visit to Houston.**
- **Distributed 2,500 PACT directories at events around Texas.**
- **Joined the Polish American Chamber of Commerce in Texas.**
- **Mailed a Letter of Support to the President of the EHESS (Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales) (School of Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences) and Ambassador of France in Poland concerning the misinformation about the role of Poles during the Holocaust.**
- **Sent representatives to meet with Argentines of Polish Descent and Brazilians of Polish Descent.**
 - **Provided letters of support for the U.S. Senate Resolution 556 commemorating the 80th Anniversary of the Katyn Massacre.**
 - **Issued a proclamation commemorating the life and work of the late Elenora Dugosh Goodley.**
 - **Provided information for the PAHA Guide to Polish Historical Sites in Texas.**
 - **Represented PACT at regional Polonia activities in Austin, Panna Maria, Sherman, Houston, Bremond, Chappell Hill, San Antonio, Dallas and more.**

- **Provided an interview to Polish TV 24 about Texas Polonia.**
- **Provided photos to ZGODA of Texas Polonia Activities.**
- **Provided professors from Adam Mickiewicz University an opportunity to document Wielkopolska 19th century dialect and music in Texas.**
- **Provided a letter of support to Polish President Andrzej Duda for the ACP Syndrome Project.**
- **Provided a letter of support for the VISA Waiver Program to Polish President Andrzej Duda and US President Donald Trump.**
- **Provided contacts for the Business and Trade between Texas and the U.S.**
- **Awarded \$4000 in scholarships to Texas students.**