

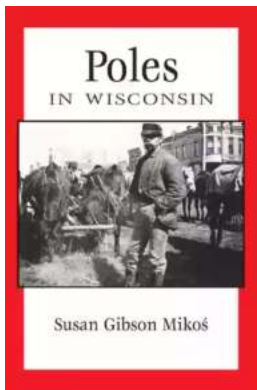
Poles in Wisconsin: People of Wisconsin's Rich Heritage



The Polish-American Community in Wisconsin

Wisconsin, known as the "Badger State", is widely recognized for its diverse immigrant population that has greatly contributed to the state's cultural heritage. Among these diverse communities, the Polish immigrants have played a significant role in shaping Wisconsin's identity.

Throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, a considerable number of Poles migrated to Wisconsin in search of better opportunities and a brighter future. This migration wave was a result of various factors such as economic hardships, political unrest, and religious persecution back in their homeland.



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Settlement and Contributions

Arriving in Wisconsin, the Polish immigrants settled in various cities and towns, establishing vibrant communities that preserved their language, customs, and traditions. Today, these Polish-American communities continue to thrive in cities like Milwaukee, Stevens Point, Green Bay, and Pulaski, among others.

Wisconsin's Polish residents have made significant contributions in numerous fields, including politics, arts, sports, and education. Many individuals with Polish heritage have risen to prominence, leaving an indelible mark on the state's history and development.

Preserving Polish Culture and Traditions

In a bid to keep their rich cultural heritage alive, Polish-Americans in Wisconsin have erected Polish-style churches, established Polish-language schools, and organized events and festivals that showcase Polish traditions. These cultural institutions and celebrations serve as a platform for future generations to connect

with their ancestral roots, ensuring the preservation of their customs and traditions for years to come.

One of the most famous Polish-American celebrations in Wisconsin is the Polish Fest held annually in Milwaukee. This festival brings together people from all walks of life to celebrate Polish culture through music, dance, traditional food, and historical exhibits.



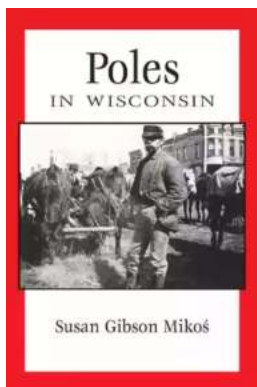
The Polish-American Influence

The influence of Polish-Americans extends far beyond their cultural contributions. In Wisconsin's culinary scene, Polish cuisine has left a lasting impact. Traditional dishes such as pierogis, kielbasa (Polish sausage), and paczki (Polish donuts) have become popular not only within the Polish-American community but among Wisconsinites in general.

The Polish-American community in Wisconsin is a testament to the importance of preserving one's heritage and the positive impact immigrants have on the cultural fabric of a nation. Through their contributions in various fields and their dedication to preserving Polish culture, the Poles in Wisconsin have become an integral part of the state's rich heritage.

So, the next time you find yourself visiting Wisconsin, make sure to explore the Polish-American communities and immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere that reflects the fusion of Polish traditions with Wisconsin's unique culture.

Remember to honor the long heritage and contributions of the Poles who have made Wisconsin their home.



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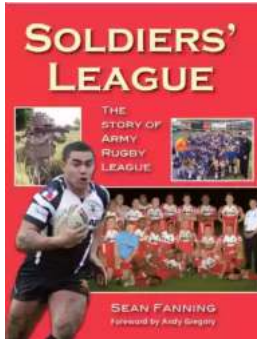
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In this all-new addition to the People of Wisconsin series, author Susan Mikos traces the history of Polish immigrants as they settled in America's northern heartland. The second largest immigrant population after Germans, Poles put down roots in all corners of the state, from the industrial center of Milwaukee to the farmland around Stevens Point, in the Cutover, and beyond. In each locale,

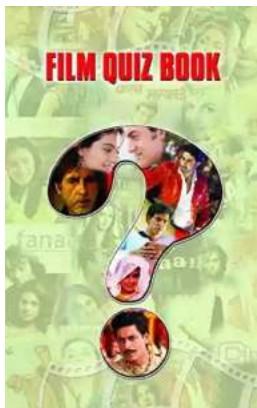
they brought with them a hunger to own land, a willingness to work hard, and a passion for building churches.

Included is a first person memoir from Polish immigrant Maciej Wojda, translated for the first time into English, and historical photographs of Polish settlements around our state.



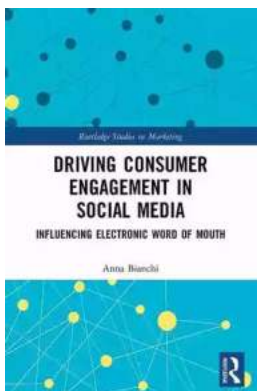
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