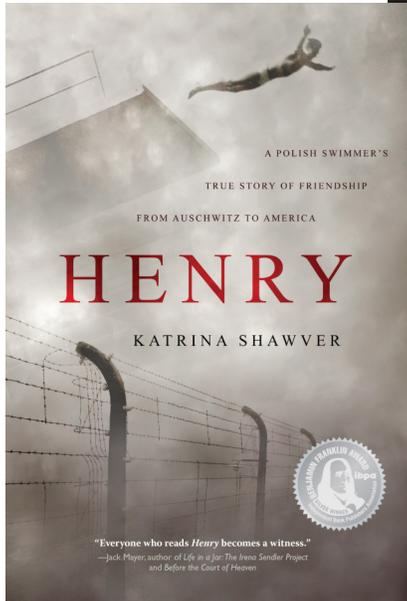# The Polish American Arts Association of Washington, DC

## invites you to its fall membership meeting followed by

# an afternoon with author Katrina Shawver

**Sunday**
**September 22, 2019**
**3:00 - 6:00 pm**
**Arts Club of Washington**
**2017 I St NW, Washington, DC 20006**

The business portion will include committee reports and a brief discussion of plans for upcoming events.

The main feature will be a talk by Katrina Shawver about her book *Henry: A Polish Swimmer's True Story of Frienship from Auschwitz to America*, folowed by a question and answer session.

A reception will follow.

## Henry: A Polish Swimmer's True Story of Friendship from Auschwitz to America

This incredible true story is both a witness to the Holocaust through Polish eyes and the story of how Henry Zguda, a Polish (Catholic) competitive swimmer, survives Auschwitz and Buchenwald concentration camps by his wits, humor, luck, and friends. At times humorous, always gut-honest, this account fills a huge gap in historical accounts of Poles during World War II. Katrina Shawver met Henry in 2002 when she wrote for the Arizona Republic and after one meeting offered to write his story. They soon became close friends and friendship remains a theme throughout. Relevant history is woven into the account, resulting in a unique perspective of both Jewish and Polish suffering in Nazi-occupied Poland. Henry's story is backed by authentic documents and photos reprinted throughout the book, combined with meticulous research that includes a trip to Poland and Germany in 2013. (*Goodreads.com*)

### THE EVENT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – PLEASE INVITE YOUR FRIENDS

Please confirm your attendance by email to paaanewsletter@gmail.com,

**Parking**: Plenty of street parking (free on Sunday) or at the garage at 21 St. and Pennsylvania Ave., NW. The Arts Club is within easy walking distance from the Farragut West and Foggy Bottom Metro stations

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