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Polonia in America!

As the sixth largest ethnic group in the United States, Polish Americans remain a vibrant part of our nation's ethnic mosaic, its tax base, and cultural well-being. If we look at what Polonia does in the Philadelphia and Southern Pennsylvania area, we see a reflection of the good Polish Americans do within local communities across the United States.

1. Polish Americans have always been an outstanding pillar in Pennsylvania's and the nation's tax base. The taxes Polish Americans pay include income, property, business, school, sales, inheritance and other taxes, which represent a substantial portion of the annual revenue used to support government services and continue community programs.
2. Polish Americans pride themselves in property ownership and in proper building maintenance, which in turn promotes real estate values.
3. Polish Americans regularly sponsor public events of an ethnic or patriotic nature, highlighting ethnic richness. These events promote positive publicity and goodwill for the Polish American community and the community at large.
4. Polish Americans believe in education and often choose the private and parochial systems, increasing their own financial commitments, while reducing the financial burden on education budgets.
5. Polish Americans support youth, cultural and community service organizations, church groups, and civic and patriotic activities. Their community-wide efforts are sponsored with the intent to maintain Polish history, culture and pride, now and for the future. When community organizers seek assistance from city or state services, they are simply seeking a portion of the services and appropriations which are being made possible from a portion of their own tax dollars.

October "Polish American Heritage Month"

This effort was established in Pennsylvania in 1981. In 1986, it became a National Celebration of Polish and Polish American history, culture and pride promoted by thousands of Polish American organizations across the United States. For more information visit:

PolishAmericanHeritageMonth.com

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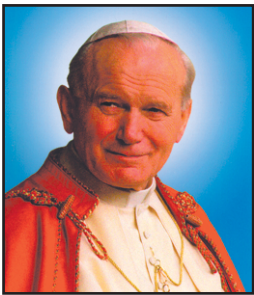
General Casimir Pulaski (1745-1779)
American Revolutionary War Hero
Father of the American Cavalry
Mortally wounded in the Battle of Savannah in October, 1779

**During October We Celebrate
National Polish American Heritage Month**
and on **Sunday, October 5, 2025** the
92nd Annual Pulaski Day Parade in Philadelphia

Also Celebrating Polish Heritage in America since 1608

And a community-wide tribute to

General Casimir Pulaski and Saint John Paul II



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2025 Pulaski Observance Schedule

**You're Invited to Join The
Pulaski Day Parade in Philadelphia and
Polish American Heritage Month Celebration**



On Sunday, October 5, 2025, the 92nd Annual Pulaski Day Parade steps off at 12 Noon from the Parkway in center city Philadelphia and will be televised on WPVI TV-6 ABC. The parade marches down the Parkway to 16th Street, turns and marches up the Parkway to the reviewing stand at Logan Circle at 19th Street. **Live television coverage on WPVI TV 6 ABC begins at 12:30 P.M.** For information on how to watch the parade from your mobile device, **download the 6ABC Mobile App.**

For more information call the Museum between 11 A.M. and 3 P.M. at: (215) 922-1700.

The 2025 parade theme is “People of Polish Heritage have added to the Greatness of America for over 416 years, since the arrival of the First Polish Settlers at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1608”.

The parade will celebrate the history, culture and pride cherished by the Polish American community. **During the 2025 Pulaski Day Parade, we will also mark the 417th Anniversary of the First Polish Settlers in America.** The first Polish settlers arrived in Jamestown, Virginia on October 1, 1608. They were craftsmen invited by Captain John Smith to establish a glass industry in the Jamestown Colony. They opened a glassblowing shop, which became the first American industry, and the first commercial items to be exported from America to Europe. The first Polish settlers came to America 12 years before the Pilgrims.

In 2025, we also mark the 406th Anniversary of the Polish settlers staging the first labor strike in America after being denied participation in the new Virginia Assembly. Recognized for their vital role in the Jamestown settlement, the Poles were granted the same voting privileges as those enjoyed by the English.

General Casimir Pulaski, considered the “Father of the American Cavalry”, was born in Poland in 1745. Pulaski came to America to fight for their independence. He earned a commission as Brigadier General of the entire American cavalry from the United States Congress. Pulaski and his Legion were then ordered to defend Little Egg Harbor in New Jersey and Minisink on the Delaware; they then proceeded south to Charleston, South Carolina. It was **on October 9, 1779, during the Battle of Savannah, that General Pulaski, charging into battle on horseback, fell to the ground mortally wounded by the blast of a cannon.** Pulaski’s enemies were so impressed with his courage, that they spared him the musket and permitted him to be carried from the battlefield. **Pulaski died several days later on October 15, 1779, at age 34.** The Pulaski Monument, erected in his honor, is located in Monterey Square, Savannah, Georgia.

Kindly invite your family and friends to mark their calendars and plan to participate in the **2025 Pulaski Day Parade on Sunday, October 5, 2025.** For more info email **Info@PulaskiDayParade.com.**

Download the **6ABC Mobile App for Android or iOS** to watch the parade on your smartphone or tablet from **12:30 to 2:00 P.M. on Sunday, October 5, 2025.**

For more information about Philadelphia area activities, contact the **Polish American Cultural Center at (215) 922-1700, Monday through Friday between 11 A.M. and 3 P.M.**

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Friends and Neighbors as They Celebrate**



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in Cooperation with Polonia across America**

**WPVI-TV 6 ABC Will Televis the
Pulaski Day Parade in Philadelphia**



Alicia Vitarelli

The PAC encourages you to inform your family and friends that they can view the **2025 Pulaski Day Parade on Sunday, October 5, 2025, 12:30 to 2:00 P.M. on WPVI-TV 6 ABC** serving the Philadelphia and Tri-State area.

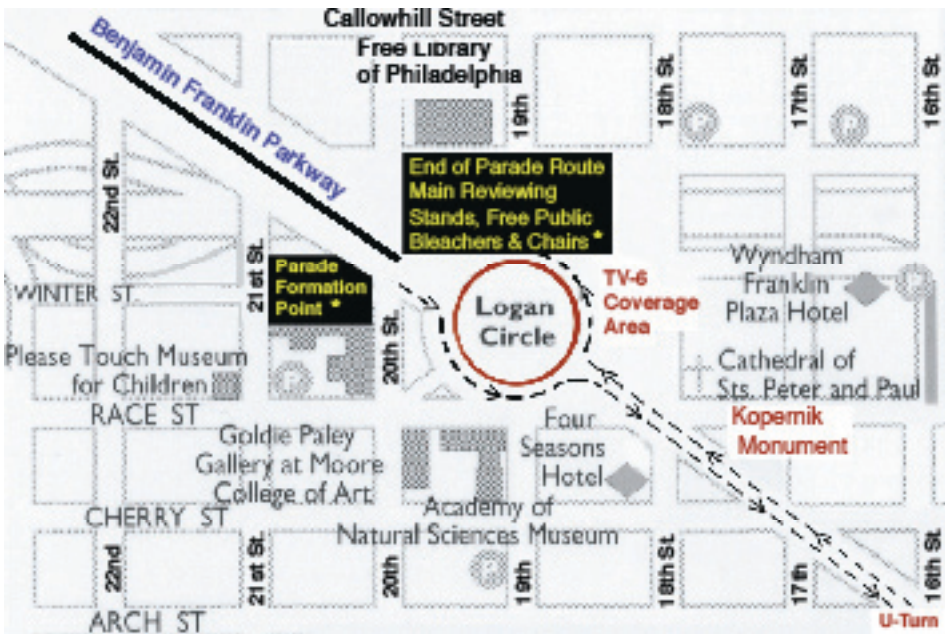


Michael Blichasz

Your broadcast hosts, **Alicia Vitarelli, TV 6 Reporter, and Michael Blichasz, host of the Polish American Radio Program,** will narrate this annual display of Polish history, culture, and pride.

PulaskiDayParade.com

2025 Pulaski Day Parade Route



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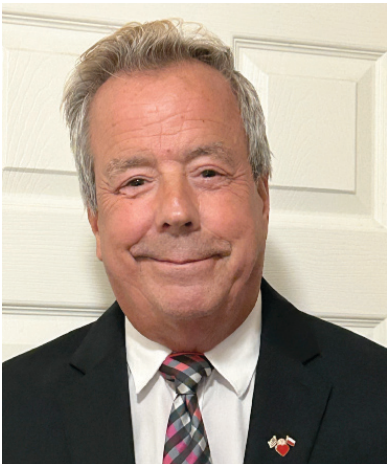
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2025 Grand Marshal
John Wisniewski

a BS in Biology at LaSalle College and a subsequent BSN at Holy Family College where he met his wife, Pat. They were married in 1979 and had four children: Denise, John, Matt and Andrew.

John attended Adam Mickiewicz Polish Language School in the 1960s. He was a member of the Polish Intercollegiate Club of Philadelphia and a long-term member of Polish American Congress of Philadelphia and the Associated Polish Home where he has been on the Board of Directors the past several years. John is a member of the Polish Heritage Society of Philadelphia, Polish American Cultural Center, Pulaski Day Parade Committee and the Kosciuszko Foundation.

He pursued his professional career as a Nurse Anesthetist after graduating from Nazareth Hospital’s School of Nurse Anesthesia in 1981. Throughout his career, John was a clinical and didactic educator of nurse anesthesia students at both Nazareth Hospital’s Program and MCP/Hahnemann and subsequent Drexel University’s Program of Nurse Anesthesia. John also served as Assistant Program Director and Director of these Anesthesia Programs. John acquired his MS in Health Education from St. Joseph University and a MSN from Allegheny University of the Health Sciences. He was the proud recipient of the Lindback Foundation Award for Distinguished Teaching in 2000. John guest lectured at the Crozer-Chester/Villanova University, Jefferson University, and Montgomery Hospital/LaSalle University Nurse Anesthesia Programs. He likewise has engaged in the clinical practice of nurse anesthesia for over 40 years.

During his career, he served numerous years on the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA) Council on Certification of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs where he also had a term as Vice-Chair. He likewise was a member of and subsequently chaired the AANA Certification Examination Committee and the Self-Evaluation Examination Committee.

John was active in the community as treasurer of the St. Jerome Home and School Association, a lector at St. Jerome Church, member of the Winchester Park Civic Association, and a member of Crispin Gardens Athletic Organization where he also served on the Board. He coached various sports at Crispin and was Director of the Boys Soccer Program. In 2004, he received the Francis McArdle Sr Memorial Award from Crispin Gardens for his outstanding service to the youth of the community.

St. Laurentius remained an integral aspect of John’s life. In response to the merger of St. Laurentius into Holy Name of Jesus Parish in 2013, the closure of St. Laurentius for alleged safety reasons in March 2014 and the subsequent removal of St. Laurentius as a worship site by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in late 2014, John along with the late Tim Breslin founded the Save St. Laurentius Committee. The Committee coordinated an appeal to the Vatican and a subsequent recourse to the Vatican to reverse the decisions of the archdiocese but was unsuccessful. Through the Committee’s efforts, though, the exterior of St. Laurentius was designated in the Philadelphia Registry of Historic Places in 2015. The Save St. Laurentis Committee received the John Andrew Gallery Community Action Award from the Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia in 2016. After compiling an application with the Philadelphia Historical Commission for the designation of the interior of St. Laurentius Church as historical, John subsequently orchestrated a contract with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to coordinate placement of the reredos and murals from within St. Laurentius to interested entities. He likewise contacted Father Tadeusz Lizinczyk, Provincial of the Pauline Fathers at the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, to assess the stained-glass windows. Father subsequently directed purchase of the windows, and they have been installed in St. Ann's Chapel at the Shrine where they were formally blessed and dedicated on February 17, 2024.

At the 2024 Polish Heritage Society Polonaise Ball, John was presented with the Heritage Society’s Polonia Achievement Award for his activism in the Polish American community. Recently, on May 13, 2025, on a visit to Philadelphia, Washington’s Polish Embassy Charge d’ Affaires, Bogdan Klich, on behalf of the Republic of Poland, presented John with the Gold Cavalier Cross of the Order of Merit (Złoty Krzyż Kawalerski Orderu Zasługi) for his dedication to Polonia and his work in preserving some of the treasures within St. Laurentius.

Congratulations and Sto Lat are extended to John Wisniewski from the entire Polonia!

John Wisniewski
2025
Pulaski Day Parade
Grand Marshal

John Wisniewski was born in Kensington/ Fishtown section of Philadelphia. Each of his grandparents immigrated from Poland before World War I and settled in this neighborhood within St. Laurentius Parish, the first Polish Catholic Church in Philadelphia founded in 1882.

John’s parents moved to the then Polish Church of Our Lady of Calvary where he attended grade school. John went to Holy Ghost Prep for High School and acquired

Sunday, October 5, 2025
92nd Annual Pulaski Day Parade



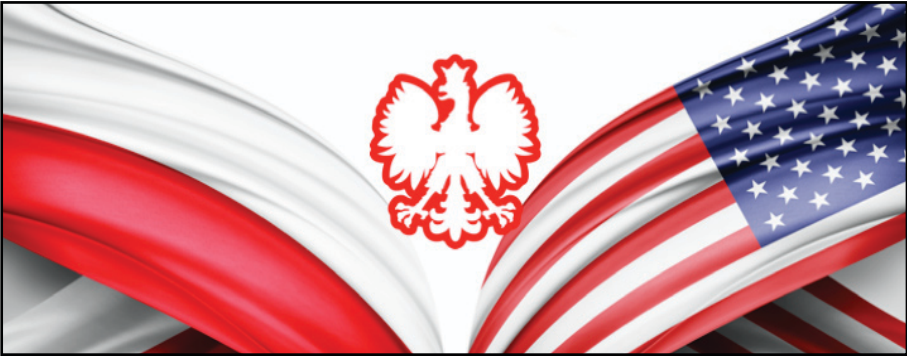
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The Pulaski Day Parade begins at 12:00 Noon from 20th & the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Center City, Philadelphia, PA • The Parade reaches 19th and Logan Circle at 12:30 P.M. Reviewing area with seating at Logan Circle at 19th Street where live television coverage will be from 12:30 to 2:00 P.M. on WPVI-TV 6 ABC. Everyone is invited to attend.

Sunday, October 5th
AFTER the Pulaski Day Parade Party

Associated Polish Home, 9150 Academy Road, in Northeast Philadelphia, PA. Food and refreshments will be available at 3 P.M.

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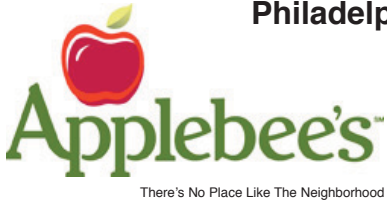
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92nd Annual Pulaski Day Parade in Philadelphia

The 92nd Annual Pulaski Day Parade in Philadelphia will take place on **Sunday, October 5, 2025, on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Center City**. The Pulaski Day Parade is a community-wide event that brings many people and organizations together to celebrate Polish History, Culture and Pride. **The Parade will be televised on WPVI TV 6 ABC from 12:30 to 2 P.M.**

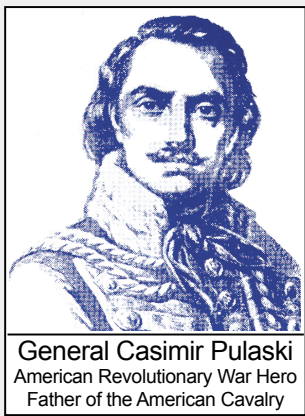
2025 Pulaski Day Parade Theme:

People of Polish Heritage Have Added to the Greatness of America For Over 416 Years, Since the Arrival of the First Polish Settlers at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1608.

During the 2025 Parade We Will Also Highlight Historic Community Celebrations:

- 417th Anniversary of arrival of the First Polish Settlers in America at Jamestown, Virginia on October 1, 1608.
- 145th Anniversary of the Polish National Alliance Founded in Philadelphia, PA, became a National Life Insurance Fraternal Organization serving America. PNA-ZNP.org
- 125th Anniversary of the Associated Polish Home, 9150 Academy Road in Northeast Philadelphia. PolishHome.com
- 110th Anniversary of the Polish Intercollegiate Club in Philadelphia “PKM” PKMDancers.org
- 100th Anniversary of the Polish American Radio Program on 860 AM founded in Philadelphia. Its broadcast signal continues to cover Southeastern PA, New Jersey and Northern Delaware. PolishAmericanRadio.com
- 70th Anniversary of the Founding of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA in 1955. PolishShrine.com

If you have any questions or suggestions call **Theresa Romanowski, Parade Contact, from the Polish American Cultural Center, Monday through Friday between 11 A.M. and 3 P.M. at 215-922-1700**. More info will be listed in the *Polish American News*.



Join us as we celebrate
“**Polish American Heritage Month**”
at the 92nd Annual
Pulaski Day Parade
Sunday, October 5, 2025

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417th Anniversary of the Arrival of the First Polish Settlers in America on October 1, 1608



On October 1, 1608, the English ship Mary and Margaret arrived at Jamestown, Virginia. Aboard the ship were several persons of Polish descent who had been hired by the Virginia Company of London, at the request of Captain John Smith, leader of the Jamestown Colony. Captain Smith, who had first learned of

the Polish craftsmen's work while traveling in Eastern Europe, invited them to Jamestown for the specific purpose of helping to establish a glass industry in the colony. Upon their arrival, the Poles made a vital contribution to the survival of the colony by digging a well to provide fresh drinking water, which was seriously lacking in the colony.



The next accomplishment was the building of a furnace to produce glass products, which became the first factory in America. In addition to producing glass products,

the Polish settlers also produced pitch and tar, vital building materials for expanding the new colony. Despite many hardships due to the climate and living conditions, the Poles and their fellow settlers persevered and eventually were able to produce enough glass, pitch and tar for export to England. These products became the first commercial items to be exported from America to Europe.

The arrival of the first Polish settlers in America marked a humble, yet significant event into American history. Over the years, people from Poland continued to immigrate to America. Today Poles are the sixth largest ethnic group in America, residing in all fifty states and participating in every aspect of American life. Poles comprise a significant portion of the tens of millions of immigrants who have come to America from all over the world and now proudly call this nation their home. The 416th anniversary of the first Poles in America provides an excellent opportunity for persons of all national origins to reflect on the journey of their immigrant ancestors who continue to add shape and color to the American mosaic.

On July 30, 1619, the Polish settlers accomplished another noteworthy achievement in the Jamestown colony by staging the first labor strike in America. After being denied participation in the First Virginia Assembly, the Polish settlers conducted a labor walkout, not for wages or better working conditions, but for democratic rights. The newly formed House of Burgesses quickly acknowledged the vital role of the Poles in the settlement's well being and granted them the same voting privileges as those enjoyed by the English.



For more information, visit the Polish American Cultural Center, on the Internet site at:
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**Greetings to Polonia as we mark the
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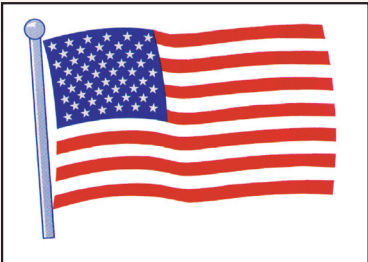
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2025 Parade Line Up

Grand Marshal
John Wisniewski

Guests of the Polish American Congress:

Parade Contact: Theresa Romanowski

Military Contact: Joe Fraioli

Portrayal of General Casimir Pulaski - Andrew Klimek

Roxborough High School Army JROTC

National Anthems:

Annette Horta & Dorota Orlik
Polish Army Veterans

Polish American Cultural Center

Pennsbury High School Marching Band

Polish American Social Services “PASS”

Historic St. Stanislaus Church

Second Street Polish Society

Organizational Grand Marshal: Ron Gutleber

Divisional Marshals: William Yurkow,

Joseph Verbitski Jr., John Bielec,

Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union

Polish Student Club Representatives:

University of Pennsylvania Polish Club

Alliance College Alumni Association

ASSOCIATED POLISH HOME:

Organizational Grand Marshal: Andrzej Wisniewski
Divisional Marshals: Dr. Malgorzata Zaleska, Debbie Majka, David Zagorski, Diana Blichasz, Marcin Niemiec, Peter Obst, Frank Somensky, Henry Sienkiewicz, Robert Pacan, Jozef Rzeznik, Rafal Czapla, Wojtek Galadyk
Participating Organizations:
Adam Mickiewicz Polish Language School
P.K.M. Polish Folk Dance Ensemble
Marcella Kochanska Sembrich Chorus #321
Polish Heritage Society of Philadelphia
Polski Uniwersytet Ludowy
Gazeta Polska Club
Polish Police Association

POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION OF CAMDEN COUNTY (PAHA):

Organizational Grand Marshal: Rev. Adam Cichoski
Divisional Marshal: Agnieszka Maj
Participating Organization:
St. Joseph’s Church Camden, New Jersey & Polish American Heritage Association

POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY:

Organizational Grand Marshal: Henryk Michalkiewicz
Divisional Marshal: Jozef Sowinski
Participating Organizations:
Polish National Alliance, Group #3106
John Paul II Polish School, Poconos

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Organizational Grand Marshal: Monika Zarzycka
Divisional Marshal: Karolina Marczewski
Participating Organization:
Ogniwo Polish Learning Center

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POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION OF BRIDESBURG, PHILADELPHIA ST. JOHN CANTIUS CHURCH:

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Polish Scouts ZHP Swiat from Philadelphia

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Organizational Grand Marshal: Tadeusz Sadlo
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NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA:

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Participating Organizations:
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Divisional Marshals: Richard Poremski, Wesley Musial
Participating Organizations:
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Divisional Marshals: Rev. James Olson, Jan Szymula, Maria Koleda, Danuta Eichler, Bogumil Drela
Participating Organizations:
Polonia of St. Adalbert Church
St. Adalbert Polish Language School
Polish American String Band

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Organizational Grand Marshal: Alyson Fick
Divisional Marshals: Lucyna Borzecki, Mania Dajnak, Silvana Dell, Leonard Kress, Kalina Witkowski, Dana Mietus, Ewa Goralezyk, Olivia Lesinski

POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY:

Organizational Grand Marshal: David Swedkowski
Participating Organization:
St. Mary’s Polish American Society

POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION TRI-STATE POLONIA:

Organizational Grand Marshal: Coleen James
Divisional Marshals: Fr. Kenneth Cavara, Joseph Deskiewicz
Participating Organization:
St. Josaphat Group of Manayunk and Roxborough Areas

ST. VALENTINE POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Organizational Grand Marshal: Fr. Andrew Bilinski
Divisional Marshal: William Quilty

POLISH LIVING HISTORY:

Organizational Grand Marshal: Helena Masiorski
Divisional Marshals: Agnieszka Machala, Adam Machala

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**Polonia is Proud to Honor
American Revolutionary War Hero
General Casimir Pulaski (1745-1779)**



Casimir Pulaski, son of Count Joseph Pulaski, was born in Warsaw, Poland, on March 6, 1745. At the age of fifteen, he joined his father and other members of the Polish nobility in opposing the Russian and Prussian interference in Polish affairs. Outlawed by Russia for his actions on behalf of Polish liberty, he traveled to Paris where he met Benjamin Franklin, who induced him to support the colonies against England in the American Revolution. Pulaski, impressed with the ideals of a new nation

struggling to be free, volunteered his services. Franklin wrote to George Washington describing the young Pole as "an officer renowned throughout Europe for the courage and bravery he displayed in defense of his country's freedom."

In 1777, Pulaski arrived in Philadelphia where he met General Washington, Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army. Later, at Brandywine, he came to the aid of Washington's forces and distinguished himself as a brilliant military tactician. For his efforts, Congress appointed him Brigadier-General in charge of Four Horse Brigades. Then again, at the Battle of Germantown, Pulaski's knowledge of warfare assisted General Washington and his men in securing victory for American forces.

Later in 1778, through Washington's intervention, Congress approved the establishment of the Cavalry and put Pulaski at its head. Pulaski, who became known as the "Father of the American Cavalry," demanded much of his men and trained them in tried and tested cavalry tactics, many of which he used in his fight for freedom in Poland. Pulaski often used his own personal finances, when allocations from Congress were scarce, in order to assure his forces of the finest equipment and personal safety.

Pulaski and his Legion were then ordered to defend Little Egg Harbor in New Jersey and Minisink on the Delaware; they then proceeded south to Charleston, South Carolina. It was on October 9, 1779, during the Battle of Savannah, that General Pulaski, charging into battle on horseback, fell to the ground mortally wounded by the blast of a cannon. Pulaski's enemies were so impressed with his courage, that they spared him the musket and permitted him to be carried from the battlefield. Pulaski died several days later on October 15, 1779, at age 34. The Pulaski Monument, erected in his honor, is located in Monterey Square, Savannah, Georgia.

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Today, more than 20 Million Americans share full or partial Polish heritage and are known for their contributions to the Arts, Music, Education, Politics, Engineering, Communications, Medicine, Religion, Military, Travel, Research and Development, and community events. They are inventors, builders, manufacturers, and professionals who make up the Great Mosaic of America.

Polish Americans are proud to be a vibrant part of America’s history and culture for over 416

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- 4. Polish Americans believe in education. They support public, private and parochial school systems that provide the education that benefit childrens’ future.**
- 5. Polish Americans support youth, cultural and community service organizations, church groups, and civic and patriotic activities. Their community efforts maintain Polish and Polish American history, culture and pride.**

Polish Americans are proud to be part of the History and Great Mosaic of America and encourage all Americans to celebrate the history, culture and pride of their family heritage.

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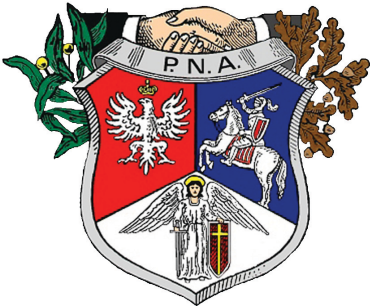
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For your information, we have listed a selection of historic reflections for the month of October.




October 1, 1608 - First Polish Settlers in America (Event)

The first Polish settlers arrived in Jamestown, VA, on the ship Mary and Margaret. They were glassmakers from Poland hired by the Virginia Company of London to establish a glassmaking industry in the new American colony of “Virginia”. The glass products they produced became the first products made in America, and also the first products made for export to Europe for sale.


October 2, 1922 - William Swiacki (Born)

William Adam Swiacki played end for the New York Giants and Detroit Lions in the National Football League for five seasons. He played college football at Columbia University and was drafted in the sixteenth round of the 1946 NFL Draft by the Boston Yanks.



October 3, 1923 - Stanislaw Skrowaczewski (Born)

Stanislaw Skrowaczewski was born in Lwow, Poland, and became best known for his work with the Minnesota Orchestra. In 1997, one of Skrowaczewski’s works was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. He also led the Cleveland Orchestra and was the composer-in-residence for the Philadelphia Orchestra.




October 4, 1705 - Stanislaw Leszczynski (Coronation)

Stanislaw Leszczynski was the first Polish king crowned in Warsaw, Poland.




October 5, 1861 - Antoni Fijalkowski (Died)

Antoni Melchior Fijalkowski was the Archbishop Metropolitan of Warsaw and spiritual leader of the nation during the partitions of Poland.




October 6, 1873 - Sir Pawel Strzelecki (Died)

Sir Pawel Strzelecki was an explorer of the Australian continent. He named the largest mountain in Australia after American and Polish freedom fighter, Tadeusz Kosciuszko.




October 7, 1943 - Eugeniusz Bodo (Died)

Eugeniusz Bodo was born Bohdan Eugene Junod. Eugeniusz changed his name to Bodo, a stage name, which he used at many theaters, eventually opening Cafe Bodo in Warsaw, Poland. With WWII raging, Eugeniusz Bodo ended up in the Soviet Union and was sent to a Gulag where he was executed.




October 8, 1910 - Maria Konopnicka (Died)

Maria Konopnicka was a poet, novelist, translator and essayist born in Suwalki, Poland. Her writing touched on many issues that beset the people in Poland during the late 1800’s. She often used the pen name “Jan Sawa.” Maria Konopnicka writings influenced generations of Polish poets and novelists.



October 9, 1779 - General Casimir Pulaski Mortally Wounded (Event)

General Casimir Pulaski, Father of the American Cavalry, was mortally wounded while leading his troops in the Battle of Savannah, Georgia in 1779. Pulaski has parades and holidays in his honor until this day as well as parks, schools, bridges, towns and countries named after him.



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October 10, 1979 - Joel Przybilla (Born)

Joel Przybilla was a professional basketball player in the National Basketball Association. He went to the University of Minnesota and played for several NBA teams. He also played for the Portland Trail Blazers.

October 11, 1903 - Kazimierz Kordylewski (Born)

Kazimierz Kordylewski was an astronomer born in Poznan, Poland in 1903. In 1956, Kordylewski discovered clouds of dust, believed to be particles left over from our moon. These clouds are now named after him.



October 12, 1840 - Helena Modjeska (Born)

Helena Modjeska was a Polish actress of international fame who immigrated to the United States in 1876. She became a star of American stages for many years with her portrayals of Shakespearian characters. Modjeska was the mother of Ralph Modjeski, the builder of the Benjamin Franklin and Tacony Palmyra Bridges in Philadelphia and several others across America.

October 13, 1926 - “Killer” Kowalski (Born)

Professional wrestler Wladek Kowalski is known as “Killer” Kowalski to his long-time wrestling fans. He wrestled in over 6,000 matches from 1947 to 1977, winning great popularity in TV matches during the 1960’s and 70’s against foe, Bruno Sammartino.



October 14, 1864 - Stefan Zeromski (Born)

Stefan Zeromski was a Polish novelist who was given an apartment in the Royal Castle of Warsaw in recognition of his artistic abilities. He wrote over fifteen major works.

October 15, 1817 - Thaddeus Kosciuszko (Died)

After the struggle for America’s Independence, General Thaddeus Kosciuszko returned to his homeland of Poland. He swore an oath in the Krakow market place to fight for Poland’s liberty and took command of the Polish uprising in 1794, urging all men to take up arms to defend Poland.



October 16, 1726 - Daniel Chodowiecki (Born)

Daniel Niklaus Chodowiecki was a Polish-German painter and printmaker with Huguenot ancestry, who is most famous as an etcher. He spent most of his life in Berlin, and became the director of the Berlin Academy of Art.

October 17, 1849 - Fryderyk Chopin (Died)

Fryderyk Chopin, Polish composer and pianist, was born in Zelazowa Wola, Poland in 1810. At age 7 Chopin wrote his first composition, the Polonaise in G minor. At age 8 he presented his first public concert. Fryderyk Chopin’s music continues to be played throughout the world.



October 18, 1922 - Richard Stankiewicz (Born)

Richard Stankiewicz was born in Philadelphia, grew up in Detroit, and had a presence in several prestigious art galleries in New York City during his career. He became internationally known in the 1960’s for his trend setting work by welding pieces of scrap metal. He died in 1983 at his home in Worthington, Massachusetts.

October 19, 1984 - Fr. Jerzy Popieluszko (Died)

Fr. Jerzy Popieluszko, the Solidarity Priest, was murdered by Communist internal security agents. His murder only solidified the resolve of the Polish people to gain their freedom. Pope John Paul II visited the grave of Fr. Popieluszko during one of his visits.



October 20, 1948 - Honorable Robert Borski (Born)

Honorable Robert Borski, former United States Congressman, represented the people of Northeast Philadelphia for many years. We thank him for his many years of service.

October 21, 1969 - Wacław Sierpinski (Died)

Wacław Franciszek Sierpinski was a Polish mathematician known for outstanding contributions to set theory (research on the axiom of choice and the continuum hypothesis), number theory, theory of functions and topology. He published over 700 papers and 50 books. Three well-known fractals are named after him (the Sierpinski triangle, the Sierpinski carpet and the Sierpinski curve), as are Sierpinski numbers and the associated Sierpinski problem.



October 22, 1978 - Pope John Paul II (Installed)

Pope John Paul II, was elected to be the shepherd of the Universal Catholic Church in October 1978, and served as pontiff until his death on April 2, 2005. During his 27 years as Holy Father, he was recognized as a true son of Poland and an international leader of faith and justice. On May 1, 2011, Pope John Paul II was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI as Blessed John Paul II, and on April 27, 2014, was canonized a Saint by Pope Francis as Saint John Paul II.

October 23, 1885 - Jan Czochralski (Born)

Jan Czochralski was a Polish chemist known for the Czochralski process of growing single crystals used in the production of semiconductor wafers. He also helped to develop a hand grenade for Poland’s Home Army during World War II.



October 24, 1916 - Edward Piszek (Born)

Edward Piszek was a Polish American Industrialist and Philanthropist. He was the founder of Mrs. Paul’s Kitchens, the frozen-food business that became a national giant. Mr. Piszek was an outstanding supporter of Poland and the Polish American community. Among his many accomplishments, Edward Piszek helped eradicate tuberculosis in Poland and was the main supporter of the Kosciuszko House in Historic Philadelphia. Died 2004.

October 25, 1867 - Józef Dowbor-Musnicki (Born)

Józef Dowbor-Musnicki was a Polish military officer and commander, serving with the Polish army. He was also the military commander of the Greater Poland Uprising.



October 26, 1910 - John Cardinal Krol (Born)

John Cardinal Krol was a Polish American Cardinal and the Archbishop of Philadelphia from 1961 to 1988. John Cardinal Krol participated in the Second Vatican Council, served as the President of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and was advisor to Pope John Paul II. Died 1996.

October 27, 1991 - Free Elections Held in Poland (Event)

We mark the date of the first free elections for the Polish Parliament, since World War II, on this day in 1991.

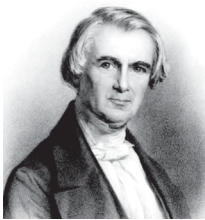
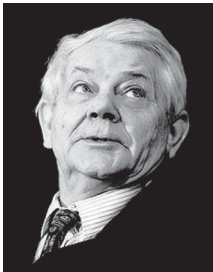


October 28, 1824 - Fr. Leopold Moczygemba (Born)

Fr. Leopold Moczygemba was a patriarch of America’s Polonia. Fr. Moczygemba organized the first Polish settlement in the United States at Panna Maria, Texas in 1854. He was one of the founders and also served as president of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America, which was founded in Chicago in 1873. He also established the first Polish College in America at Orchard Lake, Michigan.

October 29, 1924 - Zbigniew Herbert (Born)

Zbigniew Herbert was an influential Polish poet, essayist and moralist. He was a member of the Polish resistance movement during World War II. The publication of his Selected Poems in the United States and England made Zbigniew Herbert one of the most popular contemporary poets in the English-speaking world. Died 1998.

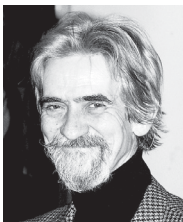


October 30, 1790 - Karol Lipinski (Born)

Karol Lipinski was a Polish virtuoso violinist and composer. His Stradivarius violin became known as the Lipinski Stradivarius. His compositions included four violin concertos, as well as polonaises, rondos and variations. The Karol Lipinski University of Music in Wrocław, Poland, bears his name.

October 31, 1950 - Józef Stolorz (Born)

Józef Stolorz is a fine art painter born in Katowice, Silesia, Poland. He has displayed paintings at over 100 exhibitions worldwide, including over 60 individual exhibitions and since 2002 has been listed in an official “Who’s Who in Poland”.



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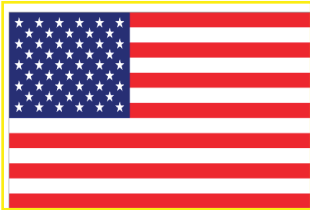
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A Brief Outline of Polish and Polish American History - Part 1



120,000 B.C. - First records of Protoslavic cultures in the Ojcow region of Poland.

1300 B.C. - First evidence of Lusatian culture, the progenitor of modern Polish and Slavic cultures.

700 B.C. - Biskupin Settlement is built in central Poland in what is now the voivodeship of Torun. It is now a museum in Poland featuring the oldest settlement.

100 A.D. - Contact with Roman Danubian provinces made by Slavic peoples, although Rome never expands into their territories.

500 - West Slavic tribal federations begin to form.

850 - Polanie and Wislanie tribal groups appear, eventually merging together into the first state of Poland.

966 - Duke Mieszko accepts Christianity for himself and for Poland and the documented history of Poland begins.

1000 - The foundations of the Catholic religion are laid with the establishment of the Archbishopric of Gniezno and three suffragan sees.

1025 - Boleslaw the Brave becomes the first Polish King.

1138 - Boleslaw Wrymouth’s order of succession starts the dynastic division of Poland.

1253 - Poland’s patron, St. Stanislaw Bishop of Cracow, is canonized.

1364 - The University of Cracow is founded under the direction of the Roman Catholic Church.

1410 - Polish-Lithuanian forces defeat the Teutonic Knights at Grunwald. This collaboration between the two nations would lay the seeds for the creation of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth.

1473 - The “Father of Modern Astronomy,” Mikolaj Kopernik (Nicolas Copernicus), is born.

1543 - Copernicus’ revolutionary work “The Revolution of Heavenly Spheres” is published shortly before his death, the first strike against the theory that the sun revolved around the Earth.

1569 - The merger of Poland and Lithuania into the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth takes place. (Lublin Union).

1596 - The Union of Brzesc unites most of the Orthodox Bishops of Poland–Lithuania with Rome – the largest, most successful reunion movement in the history of the Catholic Church.

1608 - The first Polish settlers arrive in Jamestown, Virginia, on the English ship Mary and Margaret. They were craftsmen invited by Captain John Smith to establish a glass industry in the Jamestown Colony. They opened a glassblowing shop, which became the first American industry. After fulfilling the needs of the new Jamestown colony, the Polish settlers produced glass, pitch and tar for export to England. These products became the first commercial items to be exported from America to Europe.

1619 - After being denied participation in the new Virginia Assembly, the Polish settlers staged the first labor strike in America. The strike was not for wages or working conditions but for the right to participate in the newly-formed House of Burgesses. Recognized for their vital role in the Jamestown settlement, the Poles were granted the same voting privileges as those enjoyed by the English.

1683 - John Sobieski defeats the Turks at Vienna.

1745 - Casimir Pulaski is born in Poland.

1746 - Thaddeus Kosciuszko is born in Poland. He attended school in Lubieszow and later the Cadet Academy in Warsaw and then undertook engineering studies in Paris.

1776 - Thaddeus Kosciuszko came to America to offer his services to General George Washington. He was appointed engineer of the Continental Army with the rank of Colonel. He distinguished himself throughout the American Revolutionary War. His engineering and fortification skills along the Delaware River and at Saratoga, N.Y., helped win battles for the Continental Army. Kosciuszko is well known for his fortification at West Point, which is the site of West Point Military Academy. The name General Thaddeus Kosciuszko is listed on organizations, bridges, schools, and other local and national landmarks.

1777 - Count Casimir Pulaski arrives in the United States and is welcomed by General George Washington to serve in the Continental Army. Using his own money, Pulaski formed the first cavalry unit in the Continental Army. He became the Father of the American Calvary. For his service the U.S. Congress appointed him Brigadier General in charge of Four Horse Brigades. General Pulaski, distinguished himself in several key battles during the American Revolutionary War.

1779 - In October, General Casimir Pulaski was killed during the Battle of Savannah. The British, amazed by his courage, tended to his wounds before he died. Across America many organizations, bridges, streets, schools, and other landmarks are named after General Casimir Pulaski.

1791 - The Constitution of May 3rd, the first democratic constitution in Europe and the second in the world, after the United States Constitution, is adopted. This event is commemorated annually as “Polish Constitution Day.”

1794 - The Kosciuszko Insurrection occurs in Poland to protest Russia’s interference in Polish politics. Kosciuszko, after successfully assisting the United States in its fight for freedom, attempted to help his homeland restore its independence.

1795 - The Third Partition of Poland by Russia, Prussia and Austria eliminated Poland from the political map of Europe. Despite the efforts of the partitioning powers, the Polish language and customs continued to flourish throughout the years of partition.

1797 - Kosciuszko returns to Philadelphia greeted by a hero’s welcome. He resided at 3rd and Pine Streets, which today is called Kosciuszko House, a national monument to Tadeusz Kosciuszko, operated by the U.S. National Park Service.

1830 - The November Insurrection occurs – the first of several unsuccessful Polish attempts in the 19th century to regain independence.

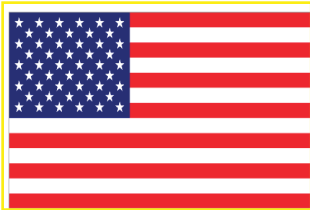
1863 - The January Insurrection against Russian rule in Poland takes place.

1867 - Marie Sklodowska Curie, the first scientist in history to win a Nobel Prize in both chemistry and physics, is born in Warsaw.

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A Brief Outline of Polish and Polish American History - Part 2



1870-1920 - Millions of Poles immigrated to the United States seeking better economic opportunities. They settled in Polish American neighborhoods, built churches, schools, and cultural organizations in major American cities to preserve the heritage of their homeland for their descendants Polish Americans continue to add to the way of life in America and every aspect of society.

1873 - The Polish Roman Catholic Union of America, the first Polish Fraternal Life Insurance organization in the United States, is founded. It continues to provide life insurance and other benefits to Polish Americans.

1908 - Polish American Social Services is established in Philadelphia to welcome Polish immigrants coming to America through the Washington Avenue Port of Entry in South Philadelphia. Large numbers of immigrants from many European countries were processed at the Washington Avenue Port of Entry between 1872 and 1914. Polish American Social Services, also known as PASS, sponsors United Social Services and remains a well-known social service agency assisting the general population in Southeastern Pennsylvania.

1918 - At the Treaty of Versailles, Poland regains its independence after 123 years of political partitions. At the close of World War I, supporters of Poland’s interests, such as famed Polish activist Ignacy Jan Paderewski and President Woodrow Wilson, advocated Poland’s political restoration. On November 11, 1918, the last day of World War I, an Armistice Agreement was signed that restored Poland’s Independence and rightfully restored Poland on the political map of Europe.

On May 3 and on November 11 each year, Polish people all over the world mark two historic events in Polish history. May 3rd marks the anniversary of Poland’s 1791 Constitution, the second oldest written democratic constitution in the world. November 11, 1918, marks the Restoration of Poland to the political map of Europe, a historic event known as Poland’s Independence Day.

1920 - The newly-independent Second Polish Republic drives back the Red Army at the Battle of Warsaw, destroying Lenin’s objective of bringing all of Europe under Communism.

1939 - September 1 - World War II begins as Hitler’s German troops invade Poland.
September 17 - Soviet troops seize the eastern territories of Poland in agreement with Nazi Germany.

1940 - Soviet Agents murder nearly 22,000 Polish military officers, police, and intellectuals in the Katyn Forest on the orders of Josef Stalin.

1945 - The Yalta Conference between the US, USSR, and UK occurs, with the Western Powers allowing Poland to come under Soviet Communist control.

1945-1989 - An additional large wave of Polish immigration came to the United States following World War II and the fall of Communism. They added to the already strong presence of Poles active in American Society.

1952 - The Polish People’s Republic comes into existence.

1966 - Poland observes the 1,000th anniversary of its Christianity and statehood.

1970 - The Polish government attempts to raise prices of basic foods, leading to protests and deadly confrontations.

1978 - Cardinal Karol Wojtyla is elected Pope John Paul II, to the great celebration of Polonia across the world.

1980 - Solidarity is founded under the leadership of Lech Walesa, starting protests at the Lenin Shipyards in Gdansk.

1981 - General Wojciech Jaruzelski, accompanied by the Military Council of National Salvation, declares martial law in Poland.

1981 - Polish American Heritage Month was established in Philadelphia, celebrated during the Month of October. In 1981, it became a national celebration in conjunction with thousands of Polish American groups including, organizations, churches, schools, and radio, print and electronic media. The main goal is to promote Polish and Polish American history, culture and pride. PolishAmericanHeritageMonth.com.

1983 - Martial law is lifted in Poland.

1988 - Polish American Cultural Center Museum opens in Historic Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to welcome tourists from across America and around the world.

1990 - The Polish People’s Republic and Polish government-in-exile from World War II dissolve on December 9, 1990, as Lech Walesa becomes the first democratically elected President of Poland since before World War II.

1997 - Poland adopts a new constitution to replace the modified Polish People’s Republic Constitution.

1999 - Poland joins NATO.

2004 - Poland joins the European Union.

2010 - The crash of the Polish presidential aircraft kills President Lech Kaczynski, members of his cabinet and high-ranking Polish civilian and military officials during a flight to Smolensk to attend a ceremony to commemorate the Katyn Massacre.

2013 - Pope John Paul II is officially canonized as Saint John Paul II.

2018 - Poland marks the 100th anniversary of its restoration on the map of Europe. Despite invasions and occupations, that at times, removed Poland’s boundaries, the population remained intact.

Throughout its history, the people of Poland have fought for the freedom of not only their own homeland, but for the freedom of other nations. The Polish language, culture, and history are kept alive not just in Poland, but across the world wherever people of Polish heritage live. Polish communities outside of Poland are known as Polonia. In the United States, millions of people of Polish heritage live and maintain thousands of organizations that keep Polish and Polish American heritage alive for Polonia in America and for future generations.



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Polish American Festival at Czestochowa Thank You 2025

The Pauline Fathers and Brothers from the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pennsylvania and the Polish American Festival Committee Volunteers extend a THANK YOU to all who attended and helped make the **59th Annual Polish American Festival a GREAT SUCCESS.**

The live music, Polish Folk Dance Groups, various entertainers, special exhibits, vendors, carnival rides and delicious Polish Food and refreshmnnents all added to an outstanding festival during the Labor Day Weekend and the second weekend of September.

During the 5 days of the FESTIVAL, August 30th, August 31st, and September 1st, and September 6th & 7th, thousands of people attended and enjoyed themselves and now PLANS begin for NEXT Year’s Polish American Festival.

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Poland’s New President Karol Nawrocki Visits Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pennsylvania

From the Desk Michael Blichasz

Sunday, September 21, 2024, was **ANOTHER DATE** in **Polish American history** as thousands of Polish Americans gathered to welcome the **New President of Poland** to the **National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, in Doylestown, Pennsylvania.**

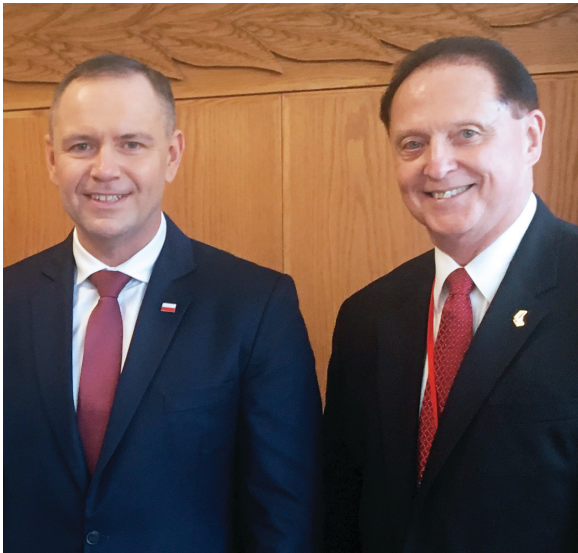
The **WELCOME** for **Poland’s President Karol Nawrocki** began with a **12:30 P.M. Mass** in the main Shrine Church followed by a welcome ceremony for President Nawrocki and his wife Marta.

Fr. Kryzytow Wielicko, Provincial of the Pauline Fathers, and the Pauline Fathers in attendance, welcomed President Nawrocki and his wife Marta, and Thaddeus Antoniak, National Commander of the Smolensk Disaster Committee.

I had the pleasure of meeting President Karol Nawrocki and his wife Marta. He complimented Polonia in America and how people of Polish Heritage have been respected in America as they have added to America’s Growth and Independence for over 416 years.

They wished everyone an **ENJOYABLE Polish American Heritage Month Celebration during October** and thanked everyone for their support for Poland over the years.

The entire welcome committee thanked the thousands of people who came to offer a warm welcome to **Poland’s New President at the Shrine of our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA.**



President of the Republic of Poland, Karol Nawrocki, receives congratulations and is welcomed by Michael Blichasz, President Polish American Cultural Center



President of the Republic of Poland, Karol Nawrocki, with the recipients of the Commander’s Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland.



Performance by a Polish Folk Group.



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President of the Republic of Poland, Karol Nawrocki and his wife Marta, along with Fr. Bartholomew and the Polish Scouts.

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- Proof of Address
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Program Deadline: 1/31/26

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For decades, **the American people have been distracted from the real issues that have been facing America and its future.** As the candidates for all levels of public office debate various subjects, **it is vitally important for them to direct their FOCUS on the MAIN issues facing America.** Some of these issues include the need for more JOBS and Job Training programs so Americans have every opportunity to support themselves and add to the well-being of America’s economy and its future.

It is very important for the American people to speak up loud and clear that **JOB opportunities allow people to be compensated by America’s businesses** based on their jobs skills and reduce the need for government assistance to working age and able bodied people. It is time for the American people to call upon political candidates to work together to encourage businesses to expand in the United States. **By contacting your local representatives and using the power of your vote in the upcoming election we can end the loss of businesses and jobs which have been outsourced around the world for over 35 years.** Unfortunately, businesses moved production of their products to foreign counties to avoid the ever rising cost of doing business in the United States, rising taxes and growing regulations on businesses.

Americans also want to know that the officials they elect, and are paid to do a job, have the ability to **urge PRIVATE SECTOR BUSINESSES to restore jobs in the districts** they are elected to represent, and are able to create and document realistic plans to make the changes needed to move forward in the United States.

As we prepare for the GENERAL ELECTION in November, EVERY ELIGIBLE AMERICAN is asked to be registered and to vote. Change can only happen when we are UNITED for the well-being of the United States of America, which is the greatest nation on earth.

Thanks for spreading the word to family and friends!

**Americans Want MAJOR Changes
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While attending summer season events, I asked our fellow Americans what their concerns were and what changes they want to see in the United States. I told them I would include them in my commentaries. Here are 4 responses most people made:

- 1. Just a few years ago, I was able to pay my expenses and even save a few dollars. In the last few years INFLATION has caused havoc for me and my family and I can save money when we do without things my family enjoyed in the past.**
- 2. The company I work for has been hit with the rising cost of rent, utilities, insurance and general daily operations. It’s no different from what the average American family is experiencing with the daily cost of living. Unaddressed Inflation is putting Americans in growing debt.**
- 3. People are concerned about how local, state and the federal governments are spending their tax dollars. Local government spending is available on local government websites. However, people would like to see federal, state and local government budgets posted on the website of their national elected officials and local elected officials. This would allow taxpayers to easily see how their tax dollars are being authorized and also allow them to offer opinions on how our tax dollars are being spent.**
- 4. While people see advertisements offered by candidates seeking public office, they expressed an interest in seeing more public debates so they can get a better idea of the candidates’ priorities and see for themselves who is the best candidate to receive their vote.**

More of the suggestions discussed and submitted by our supporters will be outlined in future commentaries. The people that offer their opinions represent the true backbone of America, and we thank them for being supporters of the **Buy American Made – Support American Workers Campaign.** Many people spoke about how jobs represent long term security for our fellow Americans and how much they agree with supporting businesses that keep Americans employed and **help them realize a piece of the American Dream.**

Join Us in Promoting **NOVEMBER** as
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During the entire month of November, **American Workers Radio** will expand its efforts to promote America’s businesses, the industries manufacturing and assembling products in the U.S.A., and the jobs that employ Americans and add to a vibrant economy.

This is a national event and everyone is asked to participate.
For more information, visit: **AmericanMadeMonth.com.**



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American Made Month will highlight American workers in all professions and focus on ways for America’s consumers to circulate more of their money in America’s economy by supporting products and services provided by American workers.

During November, 2025, American Made Month will promote efforts to expand jobs for Americans and UNITE local, state and national businesses that manufacture, assemble, promote, distribute and sell American made items.

Brief Schedule:

- 1. Friday, November 7th, Saturday, November 8th and Sunday, November 9th,** go out of your way to support **National Small Business Weekend**, which is held the first full weekend of every month.
- 2. November 4th is National Election Day**, an opportunity to vote for political leaders who support efforts to expand the American Made campaign and jobs for Americans from the self-employed to individuals employed by major corporations.
- 3. Weekend of November 7th, 8th & 9th,** promote American Made items, list the places where they are sold with a focus on the items that will make great gifts for the holidays.
- 4. November 11th, Veterans Day**, a time to honor veterans and promote jobs for America’s veterans and all American workers.
- 5. November, 27th, Thanksgiving Day**, a time to give thanks and unite our family, friends and neighbors to support the Buy American Made Campaign and jobs for American workers.
- 6. Friday, November 28th, Black Friday**, a time to focus on American Made EVERYTHING, so American made businesses benefit.
- 7. November 29th and 30th, the last days of American Made Month** is an opportunity to consider what more can be done to make the balance of the holiday shopping season a success for the businesses manufacturing, assembling, promoting, distributing and selling American Made Products.
- 8. November 29th, Small Business Saturday**, a national event to support America’s small businesses and another opportunity to seek out American made products.

Mark your calendar and spread the word so **November “American Made Month”** will be a great success.

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Campaign to Aid Ukrainian Refugees

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Michael Blichasz
Radio Host

National Small Business Weekend
The First Friday, Saturday and Sunday of Every Month

As more Americans help to spread the word about restoring jobs and America's economy, everyone is urged to help us promote "National Small Business Weekend."

We began this special campaign in **March, 2012**, in response to local businesses stating that they lost customers to larger stores. In order to help local businesses, we encouraged supporters of the **Buy American Made Campaign** to shop local more often and began the **National Small Business Weekend** effort to show our supporters how important local businesses are to their communities.

The fact of the matter is that there are millions of locally-owned private sector businesses in communities all over the United States. **Locally owned businesses employ over 60 million American workers** and they need your business throughout the year to keep people employed.

For more information, visit NationalSmallBusinessWeekend.com.

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Polish Language Lesson

Basic Expressions

<u>English</u>	<u>Polish</u>	<u>Phonetics</u>
Yes	Tak	taak
No	Nie	n’yeah
Please	Proszę	proh sheh
Thank you	Dziękuję	jen koo’ yeah
Thank you very much	Dziękuję bardzo	jen koo’ yeah bard’ zoh
Hello	Cześć	chesh’ch
Good morning	Dzień dobry	jane / dough bry
Good evening	Dobry wieczór	dough bry / v ‘yeah choor
My name is	Nazywam się	nah zy vam / sheh
What is your name?	Jak się pan nazywa (M)	yaak / sheh / pan / nah zy va
	Jak się pani nazywa (F)	yaak / sheh / pa knee / na zy va
	Jak się nazywasz (I)	yaak / sheh / na zy vash
Goodbye	Do widzenia / Cześć	doh / vee d’zen ya
Pleased to meet you	Miło mi pana poznać (M)	me wo / me paa nah / poez nach
	Miło mi panią poznać (F)	me wo / me paa nyan / poez nach
See you later	Do zobaczenia	doh / zoh baa chen ya



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Fall, 2025

Reference: “Knights in Unity, Ukraine Mission of Mercy”

Dear Supporters,

Our project, “Knights in Unity – Ukraine Mission of Mercy,” has achieved significant success due to the generous contributions and donations received from the Knights of Columbus and other organizations. Since March 2022, K of C Council 2531 has collaborated with a council in Poland to support John Paul II Council #15801 in Lviv, Ukraine. Furthermore, we have collaborated with organizations and supporters in New Jersey and additional states to provide support to Ukrainian refugees in Poland and individuals remaining in Ukraine. This assistance includes medical supplies, clothing, food, and other necessities, generously donated to this worthy cause.

Our efforts have resulted in shipping twelve 40-foot sea containers, totaling over 160 tons of essential items, including medical supplies, non-perishable food, clothing, diapers, school supplies, blankets, candles, sleeping bags, and toys. However, as the conflict in Ukraine continues, our mission remains incomplete. We currently have sufficient donations for four more containers but lack the \$6,000 needed per container for shipping totaling \$24,000. Unless we can secure this funding, these donations of essential items will never reach the people of Ukraine. Therefore, we need your financial support to ship and distribute these essential supplies to the people in Ukraine. Your generosity is crucial to the success of our efforts!

The Brothers of Council 2531 express their gratitude for your previous contributions and donations. We hope and pray that you will once again find it in your heart to make a generous donation to this compelling cause, “Knights in Unity – Ukraine Mission of Mercy.” Your support will continue to aid the people of Ukraine as they strive for survival.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me on **609-381-4991**.

Thank you very much for helping us fulfill our mission **“Ukraine Mission of Mercy”**

Checks should be issued to:
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Thank you, and may God Bless You!

Sincerely,
Henryk Michalkiewicz
Project Leader
K of C Council 2531





Submitted by Polish American Cultural Center Outreach
Representative: Michael Carnahan

Baltimore Polonia Happenings

Recently Ojczyzna Polish Dancers helped to celebrate the 70th birthday of Gary Andrzejewski, presenting suites of dances from Lublin and Cieszyn in to leading the crowd in singing Sto Lat! Happy Birthday Gary!!!

Upcoming events include the next installment of the Polish Cooking Class series, “Back to Basics” at Polish National Alliance Council 21. The first class in September featured pierogi. The October 4th class, featuring gołąbki, is full, but the series continues November 1st. And after each class, students remain and enjoy the fruits of their labor, and folks from the community are welcome to come and order some food and Polish drinks at the lounge. Future classes include chruściki, various Polish soups, and more. Sign up for cooking class emails by sending your contact information to cookingclass@pnacouncil21.com.

Ojczyzna Polish Dancers and PNA Council 21 will join Polish organizations from the region at the annual Pulaski Day Parade in Philadelphia on October 5th, and will then proceed to Associated Polish Home for the parade after party.

On Sunday, October 19th at 2 p.m., the Polish Heritage Association of Maryland (PHAM) will host its annual Pulaski Day Remembrance at the Pulaski Monument in Baltimore’s Patterson Park. Following historical presentations and a wreath laying ceremony, attendees are invited to PNA Council 21 for a reception. More info: <https://www.phaofmd.org/>.

PHAM is sponsoring a concert by renowned violin and accordion virtuoso duet Karolina Mikolajczyk and Iwo Jedynecki, including free admission for PHAM members and reduced-price admission for all others. The artists will perform at An die Musik in Baltimore on October 22nd at 7 p.m. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/events/1337122441456592.

Polish National Alliance Council 21 will host its annual Independence 5K Walk on October 25th with this year’s walk beginning at the Korean War Memorial Park in Canton and proceeding along the Baltimore Waterfront Promenade. PNA members participate for free, and nonmembers pay a small fee of \$10. All participants receive a Walk t-shirt and are invited back to the Lounge at PNA for food and drinks after the event. More info will soon be available at www.pnacouncil21.com or on the organization’s Facebook page: www.facebook.com/polishnationalalliancebaltimore.

The National Katyn Memorial Foundation will soon launch a fundraising effort aimed at restoring the Baltimore monument that is now 25 years old. This will be a very detailed and involved project that will include high-tech scanning of the monument, design and engineering, renewing of the gold leafing of the flames portion of the monument, and completely refinishing other portions of the monument. The project includes a multi-year timeline, intense research and planning, monument modeling, procurement of services, and a great deal of fundraising. More information will soon be available. For now, to support this effort, please visit the organization’s website at www.katynbaltimore.org/donate.

Polish Home Club in Baltimore is open most Fridays and Saturdays, and there are a large variety of events throughout the year. Visit their website or their Facebook page to learn more. www.polishhomebaltimore.com/ or www.facebook.com/PolishHomeClub.

To stay on top of upcoming events in Baltimore, please send an email with your contact information to mike@pnacouncil21.com to be added to the email list.



Polish Cooking Class

October 4, 2025 at 12:00 PM
at Polish National Alliance Council 21

“Back to Basics” - Come and Learn how to make traditional Polish GOŁĄBK! (Stuffed Cabbage).

\$35 per person. Limited to 16 Guests.

The PNA Lounge will be open 3-9 PM - cash bar and Gołąbki for sale (reservation required).

Tickets: <https://tli.sh/fl>

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SAVE THE DATE!!

Looking forward to seeing everyone! PHAM’s annual Pulaski Day Commemoration will take place on Sunday, October 19, at 2 p.m. at the Pulaski Monument in Patterson Park (Eastern and Linwood Avenues, Baltimore). Many other Polish and American organizations will join PHAM to honor the memory of General Kazimierz Pulaski, Revolutionary War Hero and "Father of the American Cavalry". A reception will follow at the Polish National Alliance Council 21 Lounge, on Eastern Ave.

Celebrate America’s Independence in the spirit of General Casimir Pułaski

Join us & help to carry on our rich Polish Heritage.

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This article is seen as first published in Zgoda, September 2025.



President Spula congratulates President Karol Nawrocki on his inauguration as the 7th President of the Republic of Poland

**President Spula Attends
President Nawrocki’s
Inauguation with
U.S. Delegation**

Marking a milestone in U.S.–Poland relations, Frank Spula, President of the Polish National Alliance and Polish American Congress, attended the inauguration of the President of the Republic of Poland, Karol Nawrocki, on August 6, 2025, in Warsaw. He participated as part of the official United States delegation appointed by President Donald Trump, who had visited the PNA in 2016 prior to his first presidential election.



President Spula with Ms. Tiffany Boguslawski of Bloomingdale, IL, Associate Director of Presidential Scheduling

President Karol Nawrocki, formerly the head of the Institute of National Remembrance (IPN), has worked closely with the PNA in recent years. During his leadership, the IPN and PNA collaborated on several projects, including the long-term preservation of historic records such as ar-

chival issues of *Zgoda*, the PNA’s official publication, and *Dziennik Związkowy*, its subsidiary newspaper.

In the days preceding the inauguration, the U.S. delegation — led by SBA Administrator Kelly Loeffler — held high-level talks with senior Polish government officials, focusing on key priorities including U.S.–Poland business relations, economic cooperation, and a strengthened transatlantic alliance.



The PNA’s participation in this event underscores the organization’s ongoing role in fostering strong ties between Poland and the United States. The PNA congratulates President Nawrocki on the start of his term and looks forward to continued collaboration.

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