

Poland's Constitution of May 3, 1791 Continues to Unite Polonia Around the World!

Plan To Attend The Polish Constitution Day Mass and Youth Program

Sponsored by the Polish American Congress, Eastern PA District

Sunday, May 7, 2006

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa

Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA

Mass - 12:30 P.M. - Youth Day Program - 2:30 P.M.

Admission is Free. For additional information, call the PAC Office, Monday - Friday between 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. (215) 739-3408



Brief background of the Polish Constitution of May 3, 1791

The World's Second Oldest Democratic Constitution

Inspired by the American Revolution, the Declaration of Independence and the American Constitution of 1787, the people of Poland formed and adopted the first democratic constitution in Europe on May 3, 1791. This became the second democratic constitution in the world.

At one time, Poland was a powerful force in Europe. However, by the latter part of the 18th century, discord within the country made it a target for surrounding aggressors. In an attempt to unite the people of Poland against its enemies, the Constitution of the 3rd of May was adopted. Despite a tradition of monarchies and empire-building shared by the nations surrounding Poland, the authors of the May 3, 1791 Constitution proposed a democratic form of government. Their inspiration came from the American Revolution in which Polish patriots such as Thaddeus Kosciuszko and Casimir Pulaski had participated. The participants and observers of the American efforts to establish freedom and civil rights influenced the course of the new Polish government.

Now after many years of oppression, Poland has a free and independent government, a government dedicated to the same democratic ideals of the Polish Constitution of 1791. Over the years, the endless Polish quest for freedom, peace and justice, and the ideals of the May 3rd Constitution united the Polish nation and the world's Polonia. This same indomitable Polish spirit continues to unite Polonia worldwide.

Polonia all over the world celebrate the Polish Constitution as another opportunity to unite people of Polish heritage. It is another opportunity to publically bring attention to the fact that Poland was the second country in the world to recognize the rights of people in their pursuit of freedom, peace and justice.

See more info about Poland's May 3rd Constitution on the Internet at: PolishAmericanCenter.org.

You're Invited to the Polish Constitution Day Program

Marking the 215th Anniversary of Poland's May 3, 1791 Constitution

Thursday, May 4, 2006 - 9:30 A.M.

Chester's Historical 1724 Court House

Avenue of the States, Chester, PA

Sponsored by The Council of United Polish Societies

Following the ceremony refreshments will be served. Admission is free and everyone is invited.

Polish American Congress

Eastern Pennsylvania District

Invites all to attend the

Polish Constitution Day Program

Marking the 215th Anniversary of Poland's May 3, 1791 Constitution, the second oldest democratic constitution in the world.

Wednesday, May 3, 2006 - 11:00 A.M.

St. Laurentius Parish Hall - Memphis & Berks Streets

Fishtown section of Philadelphia

Following the ceremony refreshments will be served.

Admission is free and everyone is invited.

Nicole Valenti Awarded the Frances E. Wyszynski Memorial Scholarship

In 1998 a Memorial Scholarship was established by Ray Wyszynski in memory of his mother, Frances E. Wyszynski. The scholarship is presented to a student in recognition of outstanding scholastic achievement and service to the community. The seventh recipient of the Frances E. Wyszynski Memorial Scholarship was Nicole Valenti, who received the Scholarship Award at the Polish Police Association of Philadelphia Founders Day Banquet on Saturday, February 11, 2006.



Congratulations are extended to Nicole Valenti from Ray Wyszynski and family along with the Polish Police Association of Philadelphia, Polish American Congress, Eastern Pennsylvania District, and the entire Polonia. Wishing Nicole much success in the future. Sto Lat!

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with hostess Barbara Ilnicka

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New Executive Director

The American Center of Polish Culture, Inc. in Washington, DC, has announced that Dr. Monika Krol, Ph.D., is the new Executive Director.

Dr. Krol brings to the Center curatorial and managerial expertise from the United States and Europe. She is a Polish American, born in Warsaw, who received her graduate education from the University of California in Davis and Los Angeles (UCLA). After earning a Ph.D in art history from UCLA, she has devoted her professional career to her passion for art and culture. She served as a Curatorial Assistant at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art for four years, later becoming the Gallery Director at the Austrian Embassy in Berlin. While Curator at the Royal Castle in Warsaw, she launched an international research program to locate works of art that were missing from the collection of Poland's last king, Stanislaw August Poniatowski (1764-1795).

The Polish American Congress, Eastern PA District, and the Polish American Cultural Center Museum in historic Philadelphia, extend congratulations, best wishes and much success in the future. Sto Lat!

