

**Police Commissioner Charles H. Ramsey Selected
2009 Person of the Year**



On Saturday, February 14, 2009, the Polish Police Association of Philadelphia held its 33rd Annual Founders Day Banquet at King's Caterers II in Bristol, PA. Over 500 people gathered to celebrate the occasion with an evening of good food, friendship and Polish American entertainment.

Each year the organization chooses a Person of the Year. This year the Polish Police Association was pleased to honor Police Commissioner Charles Ramsey as its Person of the Year. A native of Chicago, Commissioner Ramsey served in the Chicago Police Department for nearly three decades in a variety of assignments. He became the chief of the District of Columbia's Metropolitan Police Department from April 21, 1998 to December 28, 2006. As head of the 4,400-member Metropolitan Police Department, Commissioner Ramsey worked to improve police services, enhance public confidence in the police, and bring down the District of Columbia's crime rate. He was appointed Police Commissioner of the Philadelphia Police Department on January 7, 2008 by Mayor Michael Nutter. Commissioner Ramsey leads the fourth largest police department in the country with 6,700 sworn members and 830 civilian members. He brings the knowledge and experience of nearly forty years in the law enforcement profession.

The Polish American Congress, Eastern PA District, and the entire Polonia extend congratulations to Police Commissioner Charles Ramsey and wish him much success in the future. Sto Lat!



Jennifer Gorden, Frances E. Wyszynski Memorial Scholarship Recipient, along with Raymond Wyszynski, and Polish Police Association Members, receiving her award at the Polish Police Banquet on Saturday, February 14, 2009..

**Jennifer Gorden 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 by Raymond Wyszynski to a student in recognition of outstanding scholastic achievement and service to the community. The tenth recipient of the Frances E. Wyszynski Memorial Scholarship was Jennifer Gorden, who received the Scholarship Award at the Polish Police Association of Philadelphia Founders Day Banquet on Saturday, February 14, 2009.

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



**Senator Stack Welcomes All to Attend
'PATH TO SUCCESS' EDUCATION & JOB FAIR**

Students and adults who are exploring new avenues to find their professional path to success are invited to participate in State Senator Mike Stack's free upcoming education and job fair.

The Path to Success: Education and Job Fair will take place:

**Saturday, April 18, 2009
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Holy Family University Campus Center
9801 Frankford Avenue in Northeast Philadelphia, PA**

This event is open to high school juniors and seniors, adult workers, and adults who are looking to get back into school or learn more about different careers, education or training opportunities.

"This fair is open to anyone who is looking for some direction, educationally and professionally," Stack said. "There are so many options available to those who want to get on the right path. Whether you want to go to school, go back to school, change your career or get back to work, this workshop is your first stop on the path to success."

Learn more about higher education, how to pursue various opportunities, career training, advancement programs and more from representatives from educational and professional fields, including Holy Family University, Community College of Philadelphia, PHEAA and CareerLink.

"This shaky economy shouldn't discourage anyone from pursuing a good education and a solid career," Stack said. "I invite the community to join me in this beneficial event."

**A Message From
Pennsylvania State Representative**

John Taylor

**177th Legislative District
Philadelphia, PA**



As Pennsylvanians continue to struggle with energy-related expenses, state Rep. John Taylor (R-Philadelphia) is reminding residents of a state program that facilitates energy-efficient upgrades to their homes.

The Keystone HELP Energy Efficiency Loan and Rebate Program provides homeowners with unsecured and secured loans ranging from \$1,000 to as much as \$35,000. Certain qualifying upgrades are also eligible for rebates of up to \$250 or \$500.

Improvements must be completed by an approved contractor. The type of eligible improvements varies based upon the type of loan or rebate being requested and can include:

- * Energy Star-rated electric, gas and oil heating systems (78% AFUE or Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency Rating is required for systems that are not Energy Star certified).
- * Energy Star certified central air conditioning systems.
- * Energy Star-rated windows and doors.
- * Geothermal and other alternative energy heating and cooling systems that have an Energy Star rating. Solar energy systems are not eligible.
- * Energy Star certified water heaters, programmable thermostats, and ceiling fans.

Depending upon the type of loan, homeowners will need to conduct a home energy audit by a certified home energy auditor. Homeowners must have satisfactory credit, must be able to repay the balance within the term of the loan and must not have a combined income of more than \$150,000 to be eligible.

While several different loan programs exist, there are no fees to apply or penalties for early payment, and closing costs are minimal. Additionally, some loans do not require a lien to be filed on property if funds are accepted.

For more information, to apply for a Keystone HELP loan or for a complete list of eligible improvements, individuals may visit my Web site at www.RepTaylor.com or call toll-free at 1-888-232-3477.

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