

Preparing for the Pulaski Day Parade and Polish American Heritage Month Events



Theresa Romanowski 2007 Pulaski Parade Coordinator

October is approaching rapidly and Polish Americans will, once again, proudly march during the Pulaski Day Parade on Sunday, October 14, 2007, on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Center City Philadelphia.

This year marks the 74th anniversary of the parade and we are looking for an event filled with Polish American pride. This year's parade theme, "Tracing Your Heritage", we will commemorate the

399th anniversary of the arrival of the first Polish settlers to America at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1608.

2007 Parade Grand Marshals

This year we salute this year's Grand Marshals, Jack and Dorothy (Bilikiewicz) Dempsey, the first husband and wife to be selected as Grand Marshals. Jack and Dorothy have been involved with Polish American activities for over 40 years, beginning with their children's participation in the annual Pulaski Day Parade. Jack served on the Formation Committee for 30 years, and Dorothy also served 30 years on the Formation and various other parade committees. Everyone is asked to reserve Sunday, October 14, 2007, and plan to participate in another outstanding Pulaski Day Parade.



August Parade Meeting

The next Pulaski Parade meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2007, at the Associated Polish Home, 9150 Academy Road, in Northeast Philadelphia beginning at 7:00 P.M. Representatives of the parade divisions and volunteers are asked to attend. If you need more information regarding the parade, call me at 215-739-3408.

Help the Pulaski Day Parade Committee

The Pulaski Day Parade Committee has set Saturday, September 22, and Sunday, September 23, as "Help the Pulaski Day Parade Committee Days." To help defray the expenses of the parade, members of the Parade Committee will be selling Grand Drawing tickets outside all Polish parishes and clubs on these days.

Please don't forget the weekend of September 22 and 23, "Help the Pulaski Day Parade Committee Days."

Attention Schools

The Pulaski Coloring Contest will begin Monday, September 10, with all entries to be returned by Wednesday, September 19, 2007. Schools interested in participating should call the Polish American Congress Coloring Contest Committee at (215) 739-3408, Mon.-Fri., 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Polish Language Classes at the Polish American Cultural Center

The Polish American Cultural Center at 308 Walnut Street in historic Philadelphia announces its fall/winter semester Polish Language Classes. Two levels of the Polish language focusing on conversation will be offered. Classes will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. The cost of the twelve week program is \$135 plus book fee.

If you are interested in enrolling in the Polish Language Classes at the Polish American Cultural Center, you can call for an application, Monday through Friday between 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. (215) 922-1700.

Place Your Salute in the October Edition of the Polish American News

Dear Members and Friends:

The celebration of Polish American Heritage Month during October and the annual Pulaski Day Observance will soon be upon us. Each year the Polish American Congress coordinates several activities to celebrate Polish American Heritage Month in our area.

At this time we are asking you to help support these efforts by placing your Heritage Month Salute in the October edition of the Polish American News.

As you know, the majority of the events sponsored by the Polish American Congress are not fundraisers. They are held to commemorate important events, celebrate our heritage, work with our youth and keep our people united. All of these events, however, cost a tremendous amount of money, and to help make them a reality, we need your financial support at this time.

Your salute in our newsletter will help us not only sponsor our October Newsletter, but will also help us with other events throughout the month.

Kindly respond by using the form below. We need your help to make Polish American Heritage Month a success. Kindly reply today.

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Enclosed is the donation for the Special Heritage Month Newsletter Salute in the amount of \$ _____

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