

Polish Constitution Day Reports

Polish American Congress, Eastern PA District, Celebrates Polish Constitution Day 2007



Polish Constitution Day, 216th Anniversary Observance, sponsored by the Council of United Polish Societies, Chester, PA, Wednesday, May 2, 2007, at the Historical 1724 Court House, Chester, Pennsylvania. From left to right are: (First row) Rev. Mr. Boleslaw Wojewodka, Deacon, St. Hedwig Church; Rev. Jan Palkowski, Pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Clifton Heights, PA; Mayor Wendell Butler, Chester, PA; Judy Kuchinski, Mistress of Ceremonies; John Groch, Guest Speaker; Hedwig Kierbiedz, Outstanding Community Participant Award Recipient; Philip Tarashuk, President, Council of United Polish Societies; David Chominski, PAC District Vice President of Delaware County; Michael Blichasz, President, Polish American Congress (PAC) EPD. (Back row) Veterans of S.P.K. #48, Polish Army Veterans, Post 104, and Szymanski - Rywacki, Post 546.

Polish Constitution Day in Chester, PA

On Wednesday, May 2, 2007, members of the Polish American community of Chester and Delaware County gathered at Chester's Historic 1724 Courthouse to celebrate the 216th Anniversary of Poland's May 3rd Constitution. The event is sponsored annually by the Council of United Polish Societies from Chester, PA which welcomed political guests, community representatives and Polonia.

The principal speaker for the program was John Groch, a teacher at St. Joseph's Preparatory School and Development Director at the Polish American Cultural Center in Philadelphia. John spoke about his pride in his Polish heritage and his early family experiences after arriving in America as a young child. He also highlighted features of Poland's May 3rd Constitution and its role as a model for emerging democracies around the world.

During the program, a plaque was presented to Hedwig Kierbiedz, a life-long participant in the Polish American community of Delaware County and at St. Hedwig's Church in Chester, for her outstanding community involvement.

Michael Blichasz, President of the Polish American Congress, Eastern Pennsylvania District, extended best wishes and thanked the Polonia from Delaware County for their ongoing support and participation with Polonia in Southeastern Pennsylvania. He complimented Phil Tarashuk, President of the United Council of Polish Societies, Judy Kuchinski, the mistress of ceremonies, David Chominski, District Vice President of the Polish American Congress of Delaware County, and representatives of St. Hedwig's Church and the Polonia of Delaware County for another outstanding program and traditional Polish hospitality.



John Groch, Guest Speaker



Pictured left to right are: Philip Tarashuk, President of the United Council of Polish Societies, Hedwig Kierbiedz, Outstanding Community Participant Award Recipient, Judy Kuchinski, Mistress of Ceremonies, and John Groch, Guest Speaker, during Polish Constitution Day Ceremony in Chester PA on Wednesday, May 2, 2007.

PAC in Philadelphia Celebrates Polish Constitution Day

The officers of the Polish American Congress, Eastern Pennsylvania District, thank all who attended Polish Constitution Day celebrations.

On Thursday, May 3, 2007, at 11:00 A.M., a Polish Constitution Commemoration Day Program took place in St. Adalbert Auditorium in the Port Richmond section of Philadelphia, to mark the 216th anniversary of Poland's Constitution of May 3, 1791. Michael Blichasz, President of the Polish American Congress, Eastern Pennsylvania District, welcomed everyone in attendance to the celebration held on the exact date of the May 3rd Constitution. Greetings were presented from Pennsylvania and Philadelphia elected officials and was followed by a presentation by the students from St. Adalbert Polish Language School, under the direction of Maria Koleda, which payed tribute to Poland's May 3, 1791 Constitution, the second oldest constitution in the world.

Also participating in the program were representatives of the Polish American Congress, Eastern Pennsylvania District, Msgr. Francis Feret, Vice Chaplain and Pastor of St. Adalbert Church, Theresa Romanowski, Vice President, Richard Klimek, Recording Secretary and Fr. Krzysztof Mendelewski, Pastor of St. Valentine Church. This year's program hosts were Msgr. Francis Feret, Pastor of St. Adalbert Parish, Sr. Ruth, Principal of St. Adalbert school, and St. Adalbert parishioners.

The Officers of the PAC thanks all who attended!



St. Adalbert School children along with children from St. Adalbert Polish Language School, members of the Polish American Congress, Eastern Pennsylvania District, and dignitaries gather for a group photo at St. Adalbert Auditorium, during the Polish Constitution Day celebration on Thursday, May 3, 2007.



St. Adalbert Polish Language School children sing during the Polish Constitution Day celebration at St. Adalbert Auditorium, on Thursday, May 3, 2007.

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