

Join us as we celebrate  
**“Polish American Heritage Month”**  
 at the 78th Annual  
**Pulaski Day Observance**



**2011 Pulaski Observance**  
 Sponsored by the Polish American Congress  
 Eastern Pennsylvania District

**Friday, September 30, 2011, Proclamation Ceremony for Pulaski Day and Polish American Heritage Month**, 12 Noon, Polish American Cultural Center Museum, 308 Walnut Street, historic Philadelphia, PA. Everyone is invited. Admission is free. Refreshments will be served. Info (215) 922-1700.

**Saturday, October 1, 2011, Pulaski Dinner Dance**, Associated Polish Home Ballroom, 9150 Academy Road in Northeast Philadelphia. Cocktails 5 P.M. - Dinner 6 P.M. For reservations call the Polish American Congress at (215) 739-3408 or Jean McCloskey at 215-425-4783.



Tune in to the Weekly Mass at 5:30 A.M.  
**Sunday, October 2, 2011 - WPVI-TV6**

Fr. Joseph Olczak, O.S.P.P.E., Provincial, Pauline Fathers and Brothers, will celebrate this Mass to mark the beginning of Polish American Heritage Month. The Polish Scouting Organization ZHP, Inc. “Harcerstwo” will sing during the Mass.

**Sunday, October 2, 2011 Public Events**

**Sunday, October 2, 2011, Pulaski Observance Mass**, 9:30 A.M., Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul, 18th and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Center City Philadelphia, PA., Pulaski Tribute Program, 10:30 A.M., at the portrait of Pulaski by the Kopernik Monument, Torun Triangle Park, across from the Cathedral - 18th and the Parkway.

**Parade Formation** begins at 12:30 P.M. from 20th and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway.

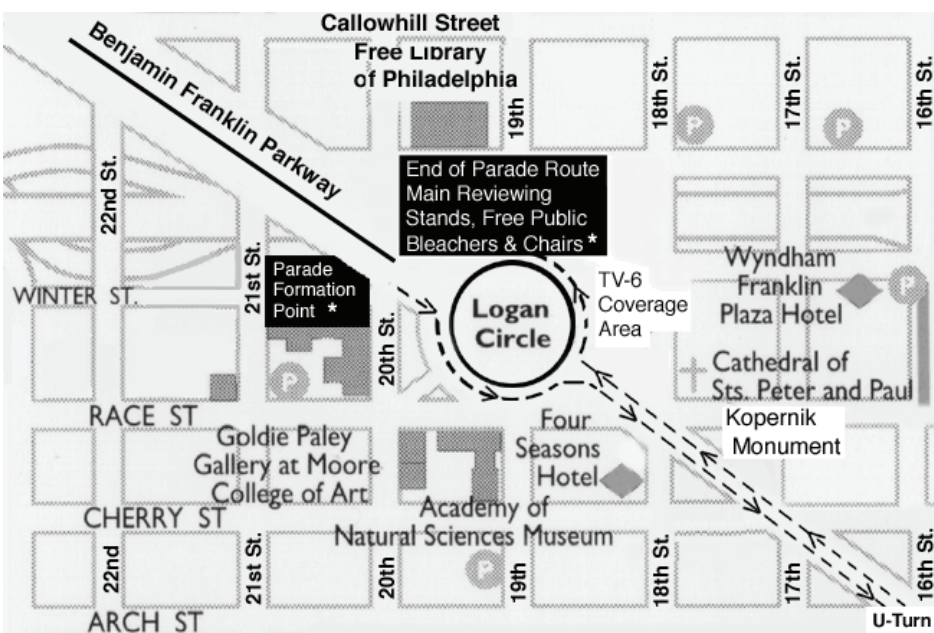


**Pulaski Day Parade** steps off at 12:30 P.M. from 20th and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, will march down the Parkway to 16th Street, u-turn on 16th Street and march west on the Parkway, around Logan Circle and end at 22nd Street. (See parade route map below.) Free seating at Logan Circle in the area of **live television coverage from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. on WPVI**

**TV-6, ABC.** Record the television coverage and come out and enjoy the parade live on the Parkway in Center City Philadelphia. **Kindly invite your family and friends to view the parade!**

**For more information** about Philadelphia area activities, contact the Polish American Congress office at **(215) 739-3408** or call the Polish American Cultural Center at **(215) 922-1700**, Monday through Friday between 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. or visit **PulaskiDayParade.com**.

**2011 Pulaski Day Parade Route**



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**Mowimy Po Polsku**

**Henry Michalkiewicz**  
**2011 Pulaski Day Parade**  
**Grand Marshal**



Henry Michalkiewicz was born in Poland and educated at the Mechanical Technical Institute in Swidnica near Wroclaw. Henry emigrated first to Austria, and then to the Republic of South Africa, just as martial law was imposed in Poland in 1981. While in South Africa, Michalkiewicz married Barbara Stramczewska. In 1983, the family moved to America. Henry has two daughters, Natalia and Olivia.

After settling in Bridgeton, NJ, Michalkiewicz was employed in the mechanical technical design field, but after a few years, he started his own construction business. This endeavor eventually led Henry to establish a custom cabinet manufacturing firm, Euro Kraft Group. Recognized for its merit by many in the architectural and design community, the company manufactures custom products, such as fine furniture, European sliding closet doors and room dividers, and kitchen and bath components both in the U.S. and Poland.

Shortly after his arrival in Bridgeton, Henry became involved with the Polish National Alliance Lodge 3106. He also was instrumental in forming the Polonia of South Jersey, a federation of Polish American organizations including groups from Cape May, Trenton and Camden County. Henry has also helped to organize an annual proclamation ceremony at Vineland’s City Hall, followed by a festive dinner as part of Polish American Heritage Month activities in South Jersey.

Michalkiewicz is also active in the Knights of Columbus, and is devoted to addressing the needs and concerns of the Tri-State Polonia. As a proud American citizen, Michalkiewicz remains fond of his cherished Polish heritage.

**2011 Pulaski Day Parade Military Marshal**  
**Major Slawomir Andrew Bilinski**



Polish-born priest and doctor, Major Slawomir Andrew Bilinski has a distinguished career of service in military and civilian settings. After arriving in the U.S. as a priest in the Polish National Catholic Church, he was assigned to Holy Mother of Sorrows Church in Dupont, PA, where he served as pastor until 2000. After earning a B.S. in pre-medical studies at Wilkes University, Father Bilinski entered Thomas Jefferson University Medical College in Philadelphia and joined the U.S. Army as a Lieutenant. Upon completion of his medical degree in 2004, he was promoted to Captain and served his internship in Emergency Medicine at Hahnemann University Hospital and residency training at the Underwood Memorial Hospital of Thomas Jefferson University. At that time, Father Bilinski also assisted at St. Valentine’s Church in Philadelphia.

In 2007, Captain Bilinski was transferred to Brooke Army Hospital and Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX, where he served as medical doctor in the Emergency Room, Troop Clinic, and wounded soldiers unit. He was promoted to the rank of Major in October, 2010.

Major Bilinski now serves a triple vocation as U.S. Army officer, priest and physician by caring for our soldiers and their families at Fort Lee, Virginia. When he visits his hometown of Philadelphia, he assists with Father Krzysztof Mendelewski at St. Valentine’s Church on Margaret Street, in the Frankford section of Philadelphia.

**WPVI TV 6 Will Televis**  
**Philadelphia’s Pulaski Day Parade**



Alicia Vitarelli

The PAC encourages you to inform your family and friends that they can view the 2011 Pulaski Day Parade on Sunday, October 2, 2011, 1:00 to 3:00 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.