

Right: The Polonaise's first waltz: Blanka Rosenstiel and Prince Philippe Poniatowski.

Below: Wanda Tomczykowska in a chat with Count Eric de Lewenhaupt.

The fabulous *polonaise '85*  
"...outshone its own sparkling self".

In the words of the Miami Beach **Sun Reporter's** Social Editor, **Betty Wickwire**: *A brilliant quasar on South Florida's social firmament for more than ten seasons, The American Institute's of Polish Culture Polonaise Ball... this time outshone its own sparkling self.*

Celebrated in the Grand Ballroom of Pavillon Hotel, the 1985 Polonaise was an affair to remember. The decor, designed by Mr. Constantin and Jeannie Flowers, Inc, and supervised by **Lady Blanka Rosenstiel**, was a work of art: round tables sparkling with fine porcelain and stemware were arranged in a seemingly random pattern around a large, shiny dance floor; huge bouquets of intricately arranged flowers were placed, like mid-air bursts of color, high above the tables, on crystal-like stands. A huge Polish white eagle, crafted of cotton-like, soft material (the work of **Mr. Ludwik Janiga**), adorned the wall behind the band stand.

The ball opened with a Polonaise led by Lady Blanka and her Guest of Honor, **Prince Philippe Poniatowski** of France, direct descendant of the last King of Poland, Stanislaw August Poniatowski. Miami **Mayor Maurice Ferre** and wife **Mercedes** made up the second pair followed by the **Count and Countess Eric de Lewenhaupt**, Prior of Florida of the Knights of Malta, and twenty other couples, all members of the Polonaise Committee.

Among the distinguished guests from South Florida were Dade County Commissioner **Barry Schreiber** and **Mrs. Schreiber**; Miami Beach **Mayor Malcolm Fromberg** and wife **Arlene**, **Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kahn**, **Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nathenson**, **Dr. and Mrs. Maxwell Dauer**, and many others.



Out-of-state and foreign guests included: **Mr. Henryk de Kwiatkowski**, an internationally renowned aviation entrepreneur, master polo player, and racing-horse breeder of the Conquistador del Cielo-fame; **H.E. Gerald Schamis**, former Ambassador of Argentina in France, and **Mrs. Schamis**; Mexico's Cabinet Minister **Lic. Adrian Lajous**; **Dr. Albert Juszcak**, president of the Kosciuszko Foundation in New York; **Mrs. Wanda Tomczykowska**, founder and president of the Polish Arts and Culture Foundation in San Francisco.

To quote Betty Wickwire again: *It was an event of great beauty and great fun. Above all, it was a fund-raising project benefiting the South Florida community, and enhancing Miami's cultural profile.*



Clockwise from the top:

Sir Kenneth and Lady Whittaker  
Colonel and Mrs. Milton Richmond  
Malcolm and Arlene Fromberg

Taking a break from the dance-floor:

Rose Kruszewski in conversation with  
Michael Cieplinski and Waldemar Dowiak

It's time to start the Polonaise:

Blanka and Prince Philippe are followed by  
Maurice and Mercedes Ferre



Above: Blanka Rosenstiel performs her medley of love songs.

Top right: Victor Shafferman and Henryk de Kwiatkowski.

Right: Jacek Schindler with two of his guests, Marcia Maze and Star Porter.





Left: Anna Gluski, Albert and Janina Juszczak, Wanda Tomczykowska.

Below: Ande Lippin enjoys a conversation with Woytek Magosa and Waldemar Dowiak.

Bottom: Eric de Lewenhaupt shares a joke with Astrid de Grabowski, Blanka Rosenstiel and Marjorie Serralles.

