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JOIN THE CELEBRATION OF THE UNVEILING OF THE NEW ABRAHAM LINCOLN MONUMENT IN HISTORIC WILKINSBURG

**Saturday, July 24
10 am - Noon**

**At the Point of Ardmore Blvd.
& Penn Avenue**

Free Parking at Graham Field
on Princeton Blvd. & Penn Ave.
Shuttle Buses Provided to the
Unveiling Site

Join the Parade down Penn Avenue
with Abe Lincoln and a drummer
to the unveiling site

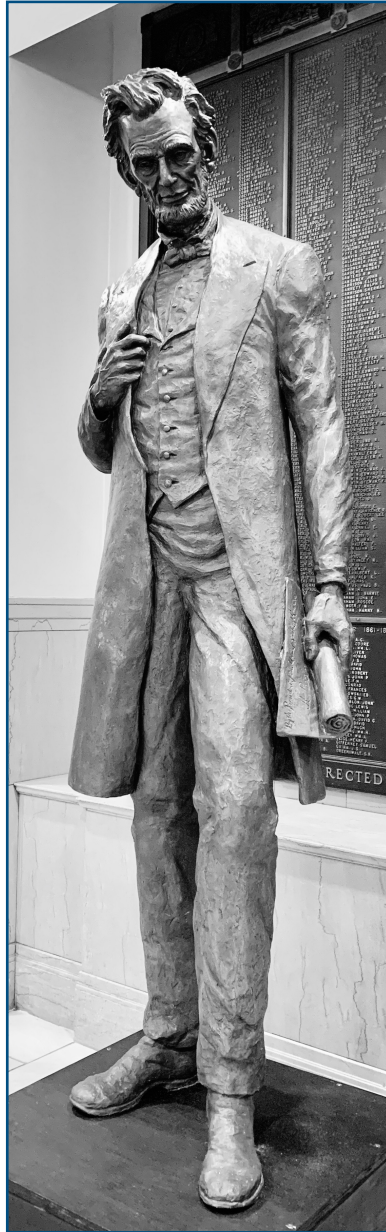
The parade will begin promptly
at 9:45 a.m. from Graham Field

In partnership with the Wilkinsburg Borough
Council and the Wilkinsburg Historical Society



Many thanks to Vicki Cherney with the Wilkinsburg Chamber of Commerce
for creating this eye-catching poster to promote our event.

The dedication of Wilkinsburg's statue of Abraham Lincoln
Saturday, July 24, 2021 - 10:00 am
crossroads of Penn Avenue and Ardmore Blvd. (Historic Lincoln Highway)
Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania

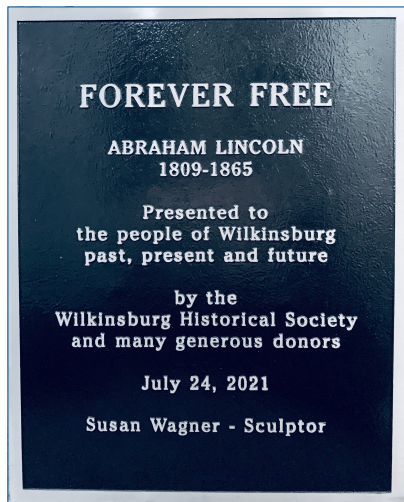


ABRAHAM LINCOLN

February 12, 1809- April 15, 1865
16th President of the United States March 4, 1861- April 15, 1865
A Project of the Wilkinsburg Historical Society

PROGRAM

WELCOME	Andrew Stockey , Master of Ceremonies WTAE Channel 4 news anchor/sports director
INVOCATION	Father Chuck Esposito St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
STAR SPANGLED BANNER	Tania Grubbs
LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING	Chantal Braziel
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	Girl Scout troop #52326
PRESIDENT LINCOLN	Kevin Santillo
EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION	Paul Guggenheimer Tribune-Review journalist, former radio personality
"FREE TO BE GREAT"	Jonathan Ray , M.S.W., Executive Director PUCS
"AT A CROSSROADS"	David Wieggers Lincoln authority and originator of Facebook page "Images of Abraham Lincoln"
UNVEILING THE STATUE	Susan Wagner , Sculptor
UNVEILING THE PLAQUE	Anne Elise Morris and Eli Douglass
PRESENTATION OF STATUE	Wilkinsburg Historical Society to Wilkinsburg Council President Pamela Macklin
PRESIDENT LINCOLN	Kevin Santillo
"AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL"	Instrumental first, then everyone join in song
BENEDICTION	Rev. Thomas Mitchell , Covenant Church of Pittsburgh
Music performed by:	Moonlighting with Mimi Jong and Keith Cochran
Drummer:	Melissa Alliston
Trombonist:	Hill Jordan



*By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation*

*Whereas, on the twenty-second day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, a proclamation was issued by the President of the United States, containing, among other things, the following to wit:
That on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, all persons held as slaves within any state or designated part of a state, the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States, shall be then, thenceforward, and **forever free**; and the Executive government of United States, including the military and naval authority thereof, will recognize and maintain the freedom of such persons and will do no act or acts to repress such persons or any of them and any efforts they may make for their actual freedom.*

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good
with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

Words by Katharine Lee Bates

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Help promote the valuable history of Wilkinsburg.

Name _____

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City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

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() \$20 Individual membership

() \$35 Family membership

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