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All members and friends of Polish-American Engineers Association are cordially invited to attend our meeting.

DATE: Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup> 2015

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** Copernicus Center

Kings Hall

5216 W. Lawrence Avenue

Chicago, Illinois

**SPEAKERS:** Diana Kukawski

**AXA Advisors LLC** 

**TOPIC:** Financial planning for professionals

## Diana Kukawski



Diana Kukawski graduated from the AGH University of Science and Technology in Krakow in 2009. She obtained a Master's degree in Environmental Engineering. During her college years she was actively involved in many scientific and social events. She also acted as an editor in chief of the university magazine "the Campus."

After coming to United States Diana decided to pursue a career in finance, because of her background and well developed analytical skills. Diana derives great satisfaction from working with people and assisting them with designing their successful financial strategies.

Recently, she began a career in one of the largest financial corporations in the world – AXA

Advisors, LLC Every day, she meets with clients to help them build a strong financial future and to help them protect and grow their assets. She specializes in three major areas:

Investment Services, Risk Management, Financial Strategies Diana holds FINRA Series 7, Series 63, and life and health insurance licenses. She is also a proud member of PAEA (Polish American Engineers Association).

Securities offered through AXA Advisors, LLC (NY, NY 212-314-4600), member FINRA, SIPC. Annuity and insurance products offered through AXA Network, LLC. 101439 (02/15) (exp. 02/17)

#### **ABSTRACT**

Diana Kukawski will present sound financial advice for working professionals. In her discussion, she will cover how our members could benefit from techniques designed to minimize income tax exposure. Additionally, Diana will talk about the importance of saving for retirement, and offer advice and how to make smooth 401K rollovers. Moreover, she will introduce financial management components, financial strategies, as well as services customized to address the needs of white collar professionals.

Topics to be covered:

- Qualified Retirement Program
- 401K rollovers
- Financial management
- Non- Qualified products which provide and secure income on retirement

## **PAEA Announcements**

We are approaching **PAEA's biennial elections**. Candidates will be identified and elections **will be scheduled for June 2015** with new administration assuming their responsibilities in September 2015. Nominating Committee consisting of Roman Poplawski, Janusz Kulczuga and Pawel Pacocha is requested to develop slate of candidates for the 2015-2017 administrative year.

Likewise Auditing Committee consisting of Stanley Witczak, Ewa Mroczek and Ed Staruk should convene a review of the financial statements for the past two years.

Beyond administration election will identify new Board of Directors

Board of Directors: Dr. Ron Wolosewicz, Miroslaw Niedzinski, Dr. Jan Plachta, Danuta Szymulaski, Roman Korczak, Andrzej Czyszczon

During the past two months members of administration attended two **social events**. On February 7th and March 7th we particiapted in the **annual balls of PACBA and Legion of Young Polish Women**.

**2015 MEMBERSHIP DUES**. Please note that the dues schedule for 2014 did not change. **Dues are \$50 per year, senior citizens and students \$25 per year.** We strongly encourage you to pay your dues in January or, if not possible, in February. 2014 membership cards will be provided to all those who paid their dues. Questions? You may inquire at the meeting or send an email to: <a href="mailto:paea.members@gmail.com">paea.members@gmail.com</a>

You may send your dues directly to our Treasurer:

Mr. Richard Kaczmarek 1725 S. Crescent Park Ridge, IL 60068

## **Special Interest**

## PAEA intends to participate in the following event...

## The 2015 Quad Cities Henry Farnam Dinner

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Farnam Dinner will celebrate:

The 1896 Government Bridgecand its Designer, Master Engineer Ralph Modjeski

Date: Friday evening, March 27, 2015

Place: Jumer's Hotel and Casino, Rock Island, Illinois

The 2015 Farnam Dinner will celebrate the life and work of "America's greatest bridge builder," Ralph Modjeski, who designed the 1896 Government Bridge between Rock Island and Davenport as his first bridge project. Modjeski went on to design and construct dozens of bridges in North America including the Ambassador Bridge in Detroit, the Ben Franklin Bridge in Philadelphia, the San Francisco Bay Bridge, and several bridges on the Mississippi River. Modjeski capped his career by contributing to the design of the first span of the Iowa-Illinois Memorial Bridge (now part of the I-74 Bridge), which first connected Moline with Bettendorf in 1935.

#### The evening's program will feature the following distinguished presenters:

First, Basia and Leonard Myszynski will present film clips from a new documentary they are producing on the life and work of Modjeski. Their full-length documentary *Bridging Urban America: The Story of Master Engineer Ralph Modjeski*, is scheduled to be released in the spring of 2015.

Second, Jeffrey W. Newman, engineer and Senior Associate of the bridge-building firm Modjeski and Masters will discuss the design and operation of some of Modjeski's bridges. He will focus mainly on the Government Bridge, its design and construction, its operation for over 100 years, and its future. Newman is an expert on bridges with swing spans and was the lead engineer for all of the recent upgrades performed on the Government Bridge.

**Schedule:** 5:00 p.m. Viewing Displays, Cash Bar, Raffle Ticket Sales;

6:20 Dinner; 7:30 Program

Cost: \$40 per person or \$375 for a table of 10

**Registration:** Online registration available at <a href="http://riveraction.org/">http://riveraction.org/</a>

Contact: Curtis C. Roseman: 309 764 6122; croseman@usc.edu

## **Upcoming Events at the Polish Museum of America**

#### PISANKI & PALM WEAVING WORKSHOPS

Prepare for Easter with the PMA — Saturday, March 28, 2015

The PMA will offer its annual workshops on the intricate arts of Pisanki, or Polish egg decorating, and Palm Weaving, on Saturday, March 28, 2015, in the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America Social Hall.

Pisanki workshop – 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Palm Weaving workshop – 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Come for the day, and participate in both sessions, or choose only one. Children participating must be at least 8 years old, and parents/relatives must remain with the children. Please note: the workshop fee for all participants is the same, as it includes cost of materials and instructors' fees. Build-a-sandwich lunch from Kasia's Deli will also be available. Please arrive 10 minutes before the scheduled session. Payment must be received before the day of the Workshop. Space is limited. Walk-ins may be turned away. Parking is free.

Please submit your payment and reservation ticket no later than March 16 to:

PMA Easter Workshops, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642-4101 Or by calling: 773-384-3352, ext. 2102.

Pisanki Workshop—\$25 | Palm Weaving—\$20 | Both Workshops—\$35 | Build-a-Sandwich Lunch—\$10

# BOOKMARK CONTEST IN CELEBRATION OF THE 100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE POLISH MUSEUM OF AMERICA LIBRARY

THEME: The Polish Museum of America Library Centennial

Design a bookmark celebrating the centennial of the PMA Library, serving Polonia for 100 years! Be creative and imaginative! Use a lot of colors!

Please design only one side of the 8 x 2.25 inch bookmark; reverse must be blank. Please include an entry form with the following information:

Name

Address

City/St/Zip

Phone

E-mail

Age

Grade

School

Teacher

Entries will be displayed in the Sabina Logisz Great Hall of The Polish Museum of America during PMA Library Centennial exhibition. Winners will be announced during the celebration program on April 18, 2015.

#### **DEADLINE IS APRIL 2, 2015**

CONTEST ENTRY LEVELS: Up to 4th grade | 5th-8th grade | 9th-12th grade

#### PRIZES FOR EACH CATEGORY:

1st - \$100 + 3 year PMA Library membership 2nd - \$50 + 2 year PMA Library membership 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$25 + 1 year PMA Library membership

Mail entry form and artwork by April 2, 2015, to: PMAL Bookmark Contest, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642.

For more information call (773) 384-3352 ext. 2112. All artwork becomes the property of The Polish Museum of America.

#### ARTIST INVITATION/CALL FOR ARTISTS

Artists in Action at The Polish Museum of America

Theme: Treasured Collections at the PMA

Location: The Polish Museum of America, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642

Date & Time: Saturday, April 11, 2015, 11am - 4pm (last artist set-up at 2pm)

Artist Application deadline: April 1, 2015

The Polish Museum of America (PMA), with the Polish Arts Club (PAC), is hosting a live Artist in Action event at the PMA. Artists are invited to create pieces (paint, sketch, sculpt, or draw, excluding photography). The primary purpose is to bring artists and their audiences together in the genesis of unique and special items to be made available in the new gift shop located near the new lobby of the PMA. Artists are asked to create an art piece (or pieces) related to the PMA's treasured collections. The public is invited to share in an interactive experience for children and adults alike – to see artists at work. The PMA will organize a children's art station with art supplies for kids to create their own PMA related artwork.

Artists in Action at The Polish Museum of America is open to all. The premise of this event at the PMA is for the artists to produce art pieces depicting an item or scene from the PMA collections. The artists agree to leave the artwork with the PMA gift shop and have it available for sale at 30% commission. If suitable, the PMA reserves the right to reproduce art work for cards, posters, or other print materials (arrangements to be made with individual artists.)

Artists supply all their own materials, including easels, art supplies, and tarps should they use media such as paints. Pieces can be no larger than 16 by 20 inches. Pieces can be left at the PMA at the end of the day on April 11, 2015, or be redelivered within 10 days. The Polish Arts Club will allow the work to be shown during their 79th Annual Exhibition on April 26, 2015, as a separate non-juried presentation. The completed artwork will later be made available in the PMA Gift Shop.

Artist are encouraged to bring a portfolio and/or marketing material on April 11, 2015. Media and subject of art work to be preapproved by PMA and PAC. Prior visit to the PMA is strongly suggested.

Applications and any questions can be sent to: Grace Bazylewski at gbazylewski@yahoo.com