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All members and friends of Polish-American Engineers Association are cordially invited to attend our April 2012 meeting.

DATE: **Friday, April 20th, 2012**

TIME: **7:30 p.m.**

PLACE: **Copernicus Center**  
Kings Hall  
5216 W. Lawrence Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

SPEAKER: **Zenon Kurdziel**  
Founder and President Ridgeland Associates Inc.

TOPIC: **Contemporary Architectural Design**

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## Professional History:



As president of Ridgeland Associates, Inc. Zenon is responsible for managing the efforts of all staff to ensure that all projects are successful. Zenon personally oversees all teams and constantly monitors each project's schedule and budget to ensure that each project is complete and cost effective for the client. He has more than 30 years of experience in retail, hospitality, multi-unit residential, industrial, and office design and construction administration. Zenon has held licenses in sixteen states. In addition to being registered in Illinois, Zenon has held licenses in Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Virginia and Wisconsin. Zenon is also licensed in Ontario, Canada.

Zenon is certified with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) which allows him to get additional state registration if needed.

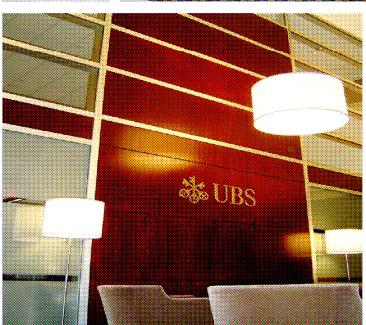
Education University of Illinois at Chicago BS - Architecture  
Registrations National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB)

City of Chicago Self-Certification Approved  
American Institute of Architects – Northern Illinois Chapter  
Energy Conservation Registered Professional

Mr. Kurdziel will provide an overview of current trends in commercial and industrial architecture. His presentation will span full spectrum of projects in both fields. Photo below shows his architectural style.

## COMMERCIAL PROJECTS

Commercial office and tenant build out clients are important to Ridgeland Associates, Inc. Ridgeland has well over one million square feet of office tenant build-out experience. We work with every phase, starting as early as evaluating prospective building sites and run the project until move-in is complete. Ridgeland is committed to putting together a thorough set of drawings. We are fully aware of our client's budget and time and are happy to lead the project so our clients can focus on what they do best.



For any inquiries regarding our company, please feel free to give us a call at (708) 435-0300 or email us at [zenon@ridgelandassociates.com](mailto:zenon@ridgelandassociates.com).

### ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES:

- Site Planning and Fit Studies
- Municipal Zoning and Building Approval
- Operations Programming - Schematic Planning Services
- Design Development Services
- Building Code and BOMA Standard Compliance
- Building Survey and ADA Compliance
- Interior Design Services and Furniture Selection
- Bid and Permit Services
- Budget and Bid Analysis
- Construction Administration Services
- Payout and Final Inspection
- Licensed in 14 states
- NCARB Certified
- City of Chicago Self-Certification

### PARTIAL LIST OF CLIENTS:

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Two of our members, **Mr. Piotr Deoniziak** and **Mr. Mark Cyran** represented PAEA at Ridgewood High School Career Fair promoting field of engineering among students. They will provide a brief overview of the event.



## 9th Annual Midwest Bridge Symposium - April 26, 2012

Maggiano's Little Italy 111 W. Grand Ave., Chicago, IL  
Structural Engineers Association of Illinois (SEAOI)



Since 2004, the SEAOI Annual Midwest Bridge Symposium has been held in Chicago to provide a forum for bridge engineers to share analysis, design, and construction information from recent projects with unique and/or distinguishing characteristics. Attendance typically represents a diverse cross-section of around 200 professionals from every facet of the bridge industry including: design, construction management, material suppliers, academia, general contracting, as well as, owner representatives from various

Departments of Transportation on and FHWA.

More information: <http://www.seaoi.org/bridge/bridge.htm>



**May 3rd Parade** will take place on Saturday May 5th. Our application and donation was sent to Alliance of Polish Clubs. Grazyna Czyszczon attended the organizational meeting, which took place on March 8th. Details regarding our participation will be provided during the April 20th meeting.

*Archives: May 3<sup>rd</sup> Parade 2011*

Reminder to all members and sympathizers. **Ralph Modjeski scholarship applications** should be turned in by qualified students of engineering by June 15th. Three scholarships will be awarded.

About thirty **members of PAEA attended a special event at Chopin Theatre on April 12th**. Highly regarded "Death and Houdini" play was preceded by an eclectic dinner catering to every taste.

One of our members, **Mr. Janusz Kulczuga is organizing a trip to University of Ohio to meet with Professor Wieslaw Binienda**. Attendees will leave on Sunday May 8th. This will be an overnight event and will include dinner with Prof. Binienda, tour of the laboratory and simulation center. Mr.; Kulczuga indicated that he has a number of individuals who made a commitment to attend. Last opportunity to sign up will be on April 20th.

### **Contemporary Polish Art Week:**

The Hejna Chair in Polish Language and Literature at University of Illinois at Chicago cordially invites you to one of the most extensive presentations of the contemporary Polish art in Chicago. World-renowned artists and curators Maria Anna Potocka, Krzysztof Wodiczko and Piotr Krajewski will deliver a series of significant lectures during upcoming Contemporary Polish Art Week in Chicago. Event is scheduled for April 22nd thru 26th.and will take place at University of Illinois and Chopin Theatre. For more information please contact Mrs. Agata Kopacka at (312) 996 1248

Messieurs' Roman Korczak, Tad Hofkin. Miroslaw Noyszewski and Dr. Ron Wolosewicz held teleconferences and met face to face on March 10th. This effort is aimed at modernizing **Bylaws and Constitution**. Mr. Tad Hofkin summarized the deliberations and created document, which is being reviewed by the team and will provide recommendations to the administration.

Dr. Plachta suggested a multi day bus trip to visit and **explore Bridges of Ralph Modjeski**. Trip could be scheduled in the fall of 2012. Original itinerary, attractions and cost are provided below.

### **MOSTY RUDOLFA MODRZEJEWSKIEGO**

Dzień 1 - Wyjazd z Chicago o godz 9 rano, około godziny 1 pm docieramy do Rock Island (170 mil od Chicago), gdzie przez godzinę podziwiamy historyczny Government Bridge (2). Przejazd do następnego, pobliskiego mostu pomiędzy Bettendorf a Moline (3), gdzie spędzamy dodatkowy czas do godziny 4-5 pm. Posiłek, przejazd na nocleg (100 mil) do Keokuk.

Dzień 2 - Wyjazd z hotelu po śniadaniu ok. godz. 8:30, krótki podjazd do mostu Keokuk (4), gdzie spędzimy około półtorej godziny. Około 10 wyjazd w kierunku odległego o 130 mil Saint Louis, gdzie dotrzymy ok. godz. 12:30 w południe. Do godziny 2 po południu oglądamy most McKinley Bridge (5), po czym jedziemy 110 mil do Thebes gdzie znajduje się kolejny most kolejowy (6) Rudolfa. W Thebes będziemy do godz. ok. 3:30 pm, a następnie przejedziemy (70 mil) oglądać most w Metropolis (7). Wyjazd z Metropolis ok. godz. 7:30 pm, przejazd (120 mil) na nocleg do Evansville KY, gdzie dotrzymy ok. godz. 10 pm. Nocleg w Evansville.

Dzień 3 - Wyjazd z motelu o godz. 8 rano, na most w Evansville (8) przeznaczamy czas do godz. 9 rano, po czym jedziemy oglądać most w Louisville (9) w godz. 10:30-11:30. Po lunchu długи przejazd (450 mil) do Memphis TN na nocleg.

Dzień 4 - Po śniadaniu, w godz. 8:30 - 9:30 oglądamy most kolejowy w Memphis (10). Dla zainteresowanych byłaby możliwość zwiedzenia muzeum Elvise Preseleya, tzw. Graceland Mansion. Przejazd 400 mil do Nowego Orleanu, gdzie jedziemy ok. godz. 5 po południu. Most drogowo- kolejowy Huey P Long (10) (5-6:30). O moście tym prasa Nowego Orleanu pisala, że był "Cudem Techniki, Dzielem Sztuki". Reszta dnia poswiecimy na spacer, relaks i kolacje w zabytkowym Starym Mieście, nocleg w Slidell.

Dzień 5 - Cały dzień przeznaczamy na przejazd do Greensboro/Raleigh w Karolinie Północnej.

Dzień 6 - Po śniadaniu przejazd 300 mil do Waszyngtonu, zwiedzanie miasta w godz. 1- 4 pm, przejazd (140 mil) na nocleg do Filadelfii.

Dzień 7 - Od rana podziwiamy most Benjamin Franklin (12) w Filadelfii, ukończony w 1926 roku w 150. rocznicę Stanów Zjednoczonych. Przejedziemy również przez most Tacony-Palmyra (13), oraz ciekawy lukowy most kamienny poprzez Henry Avenue (14). O 10-tej ruszamy w stronę Nowego Jorku, a następnie wzdłuż rzeki Hudson, gdzie (2-3 pm) oglądamy most Poughkeepsie (15). Nocleg w okolicach Niagary.

Dzień 8 - Przejazd (600 mil) do Chicago.

Proponowany termin wycieczki: druga połowa Maja 2012

Cena wycieczki: \$1050 .

Cena obejmuje transport wg. programu mikrobusem (van) 15-osobowym, 7 noclegów w motelach standardu Super 8 i opiekę przewodnika. Cena nie obejmuje ubezpieczeń, posiłków ani biletów wstępu.

**UWAGA:** możliwe jest 2-dniowe przedłużenie wycieczki (jej cena wzrośnie do \$1350), połączone z dodatkowym zwiedzaniem Quebec City, Montrealu, Niagary i mostu Modrzejewskiego w Detroit.

Dzień 8 - Przejazd z noclegu w okolicach jeziora Champlain/Adirondack Upper NY do Quebec City, zwiedzanie mostu (16) Dolcia, o którym, pisano, że jest ósmym cudem świata. Nocleg w okolicy Trois Rivieres.

Dzień 9 - Zwiedzanie Montrealu, przejazd w okolice wodospadów Niagary, wieczorna panorama oświetlonych wodospadów, nocleg.

Dzień 10 - Całodniowy przejazd do Chicago połączony z podziwianiem ostatniego już na naszej trasie mostu Modjeskiego (17) w Detroit/Windsor.

**All those interested please contact Dr. Jan Plachta at 773-775-7599 or jsplachta@sbcglobal.net**

**P.A.E.A. MEMBERSHIP DUES.** If you are late with your dues please remember to send us your check. Dues are \$50 per year, senior citizens and students \$25 per year. 2012 membership cards will be provided to all those who paid their dues. Questions? You may send an email to: paea.info@gmail.com

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