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

**DATE: Friday, November 19th, 2010**

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

**PLACE: Polish National Alliance**  
6100 North Cicero Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois

**SPEAKER: Dr. Jack Leya, M.D.**  
Associate Professor, Loyola University Medical Center

**TOPIC: Pancreatic Cancer New Diagnostic Modalities**

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**Abstract:** Professor Leya is a foremost authority on variety of gastro-Intestinal ailments. His presentation will concentrate on most recent diagnostic techniques aimed at early detection of this typically fatal form of malignancy.

### Speaker's Brief Biography:

#### Education:

1981 M.D. Jagiellonian University, College of Medicine Krakow, Poland - Summa Cum Laude

#### Postdoctoral Training:

1981-1982 Internship Internal Medicine: Hines VA Hospital/Loyola University Medical Center  
1982-1984 Residency Internal Medicine: Hines VA Hospital/Loyola University Medical Center  
1984-1986 Fellowship Gastroenterology, Hines VA Hospital

#### Licensure and Certification if applicable:

1982 Illinois, Physician and Surgeon  
1984 American Board of Internal Medicine  
1989 American Board of Internal Medicine Gastroenterology  
1992 American Board of Internal Medicine Geriatric Medicine  
2004 Special Purpose Exam (SPEX) Admin by Federation of State Med Boards

#### Academic Appointments:

2004-present Associate Professor Loyola University Medical Center  
1989-2004 Assistant Professor Loyola University Medical Center

Dr Leya coauthored over 50 publications in technical journals

## ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

(1) Administration met on November 11 and agreed on nomination of 5 of the 7 individuals to the recently balloted and approved **Board of Directors**. Following distinguished members were nominated and accepted the nomination. Two additional candidates (\*) will be identified during the November meeting.

**Dr. Jan Plachta**  
**Walter Rymysza**  
**Stanley Witczak**  
**Jacek Zaworski**  
**Miroslaw Noyszewski**  
**To be identified 1 (\*)**  
**To be identified 2 (\*)**

Members will be voting on the nomination of the candidates during the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Additionally during the October meeting resolution to include a post of **Social Director** was adopted. **Mr. Rene Pietrzyk** who distinguished himself during numerous events hosted by PAEA was unanimously approved for this position,

(2) January 27, 2011 is the **150 birth anniversary of Ralph Modjeski**, a world famous bridge builder. On this occasion we are proposing a **tour of the Government Bridge**, Modjeski first bridge, which is located on the Mississippi River in Rock Island, Illinois; about three hours drive from Chicago. The Government Bridge, built in 1896, is located in vicinity of Lock and Dam #15, where we could observe operation of the Mississippi River



Navigational Lock, and have a view of impressive dam structure. Rock Island is a historical community with a museum, Civil War Confederate Cemetery, and open-air museum of armaments built at the local Arsenal. Please let us know if you would like to join us on this one-day trip. **We plan to leave Chicago on Saturday morning and return the same day, in the evening.** The date for this trip has not yet been set; it will be announced at later time.

*Photos: Government Bridge connecting Davenport, Iowa and Rock Island, Illinois*

(3) PAEA is the oldest Polish engineering association in North America. **We have a very impressive history that should be in some way recorded.** Historical information about PAEA was prepared for our 20th anniversary in 1954 and 50th anniversary in 1984. Last year our organization celebrated 75th anniversary. Putting together information from program books of past anniversaries will give us a **book describing our history**, our activities, with information about our many distinguished past and present members, about our Scholarship Program. Book could also have chapters dedicated to our Constitution, our By-Laws, Who is Who in PAEA, and History and Accomplishments of the Polish American Engineers Ladies Auxiliary. **To move ahead with this large project we will need your comments, ideas and support.**



**(4) Poland - Silicon Valley Technology Symposium December 4-7, 2010 Palo Alto, California.**

PAEA was invited to attend the symposium organized by the Polish Engineers in Silicon Valley. The goal of the Symposium is to facilitate technology, manufacturing, and trade exchange between US and Polish entities. The Polish delegation will include the leaders of industry and academia as well as government officials. Their American counterparts will be Silicon Valley companies interested in exploring market opportunities and establishing business relationships with Poland.

**Honorary Patronage:**

Waldemar Pawlak	Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economy of the Republic of Poland
Robert Kupiecki	Ambassador of Poland to the United States
Allen Greenberg	U.S. Consul General in Krakow
Joanna Kozińska – Frybes	Consul General of the Republic of Poland in Los Angeles

**Program includes meeting of the Council of Polish Engineers in North America. Michael Niedzinski will represent PAEA.** Those interested in participating should contact him or go to <http://www.psvts.org/register.html>.

December 4th Agenda is included.

- 9:00 AM Meeting of Council of Polish Engineers in North America Thornton 102, Stanford University  
General Session  
Marek Żywno President, Polish-American Engineers Club of the San Francisco Peninsula  
Andrzej Nowak, Ph.D., P.E., Prof. President, Council of Polish Engineers of N. America  
Paul Marca Deputy Director, Stanford Center for Professional Development  
Renate Fruchter, Ph.D. Director, Project Based Learning Laboratory, Stanford University  
Piotr Moncarz, Ph.D., P.E. Chairman, US-Polish Trade Council, C. Prof., Stanford University
- 12:00 pm Lunch, Stanford Cafeteria
- 1:30 pm Meeting of the Polish Council of Engineers of North America Thornton 102, Stanford University  
Council Meeting
- 6:00 pm Annual Gala Dinner of Polish-American Engineers' Club – Sheraton Hotel, Palo Alto

**(5) Annual Christmas party is scheduled for Sunday afternoon December 12th.** More details will be forwarded during the meeting and an invitation will be sent to members and sympathizers.

**(6) Several members of PAEA attended October 29th Heritage Award Banquet** which honored a number of distinguished members of Polish community.

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