

All members, families and friends of Polish-American Engineers Association are cordially invited to attend our October meeting:

DATE: Friday, October 20, 2006

TIME: 7:30 - 8:00 pm - Social 1/2 hours
8:00 pm - Business and Technical Session

PLACE: Copernicus Center
5216 West Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, Illinois

SPEAKER: Ms. Agnes Ptasznik
Assistant to the Attorney General
Eastern European Affairs

TOPIC: Concerns and Issues affecting the
Eastern European Community

Agnes will speak about protecting oneself from a variety of consumer fraud scams such as home repair, telecommunications, and sweepstakes. She will also provide information on protecting your identity; how identity thieves will steal your personal information, what thieves can do with your personal information, what a victim of identity theft should do, and tips on guarding yourself against identity theft. Participants of the talk will receive brochures on Consumer Fraud and Identity Theft and contact information for the Attorney General's Office. A question and answer session with Agnes will follow her speech. Agnes will also bring consumer complaint forms and be available for help in filling them out.

Agnes Ptasznik works for the Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan as a Community Outreach Liaison for Eastern European Affairs. As a Community Liaison, Agnes speaks to various Eastern European groups in the Chicago-land area, elected officials, community organizations, and the public in a number of capacities. She is continually informed about the issues arising in these communities and works to help resolve them to best of her capacity. She represents the Office of the Attorney General at community events and governmental forums, addresses audiences on a variety of topics ranging from consumer fraud to identity theft, and is available for questions and aid regarding the Office's programs.

Agnes Ptasznik received a diploma from the Maximilian Kolbe School of Polish language in 1998 and speaks Polish fluently. She graduated from Loyola University in June 2003 with a Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science. She is an active member in a number of organizations in the Polish community. As a member of the Polish Scouting Association in the United States, Ptasznik has educated girls about scouting principles including the unique issues related to Polish history, culture and traditions essential to scouting. Working with other Polish-American organizations she has helped organize the

Polish Heritage Banquet, the Polish Day Parade, community seminars on immigration issues and fundraising activities for an educational fund at Loyola University in Chicago.

RECOGNITION DINNER DANCE.

On November 4th, 2006 to commemorate our 72 years of service to Polonia, the Polish American Engineers Association will sponsor a Recognition Dinner Dance. This year we are honoring three members, Mrs. Danuta Szymulanski, P.E., Mr. Andrew Czysty, P.E. and Dr. Jan S. Plachta P.E., S.E. who have collectively contributed over 80 years of service to PAEA and the engineering profession. In addition we will recognize Ms. Adelia Blaszczyk for providing communication support to PAEA, Mr. Walter Linzing for his continuous support of PAEA and Mr. Wojciech Madejski AIA for his achievements in architecture. The Banquet will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1445 Lake Cook Road, Deerfield, IL. Cocktails 6:00 pm, Dinner 7:00 pm, Award Ceremony 8:00 pm. Following the Ceremony Dance music will be provided by Michael Kienko Quartet. Donation \$75 per person.

Separate invitations will follow.

Remember all proceeds go directly to our Ralph Modjeski Scholarship Fund. Three scholarships were awarded during the September 2006 meeting.

ILLINOIS ENGINEERS HALL OF FAME (IEHOF).

The five individuals below become the first inductees of the IEHOF:

John Bardeen. Electrical engineer; former University of Illinois professor; co-winner of two Nobel prizes in physics-- for the invention of the transistor, and for an explanation of the phenomenon of superconductivity, which enabled applications such as the Josephson junction.

Walter E. Hanson. Civil and structural engineer; former University of Illinois associate professor, co-author of a seminal reference on foundation engineering, and founder of Hanson Professional Services, a national consulting engineering firm with principal offices in Springfield, IL.

Fazlur R. Khan. Civil and structural engineer; former partner of the architectural and engineering firm of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill; primarily responsible for the innovative designs of the Sears Tower and the John Hancock Building in Chicago, which fostered a resurgence of skyscraper-building.

Henry W. Magnuski. Electrical engineer; former research executive at Motorola Inc., holder of some 30 patents relating to communications systems, responsible for seminal work in microwave and mobile communications.

Ralph Modjeski. Civil engineer; innovator in bridge design and structures, founder of an engineering firm (originally headquartered in Chicago) implementing such designs, moving spirit in the Western Society of Engineers in Chicago for many years, and 1931 winner of the Washington Award.

68th ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET - Illinois Engineering Council, a celebration of excellence in engineering and allied technical fields that recognizes the contributions of our member societies to the public welfare. In the program: **1st Annual Illinois Engineering Hall of Fame Inductions and 15th Annual Engineering Achievement Awards.** Keynote address will be delivered by Kathryn Gray. She is only the second woman to be national president of NSPE, is a past president of the Illinois Society of Professional Engineers, a civil engineering graduate of the University of Illinois, and a strong advocate of ethics and competency in the profession. Banquet will be held on October 6th, 2006 at the White Eagle Banquet Hall, 6839 N. Milwaukee Ave, Niles, IL. Reception 5:30 pm, Dinner and Program 7:00 pm. Cost \$50/Person. Two engineers of Polish heritage will be inducted into the Illinois Engineering Hall of Fame and we should strive to have a strong representation of Polish engineers. We hope to reserve a several tables for members of PAEA.

A business meeting will precede the technical presentation. Coffee and pastries will be served during the intermission.

SPECIAL INVITATION for Polish engineers and technicians who recently came to Chicago.