
POLISH-AMERICAN ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION

FOUNDED



IN 1934

P.O. Box 241, Northbrook, IL 60065-241, USA

www.polishengineers.org

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

- DATE:** **Friday, September 14th, 2018**
- TIME:** **Doors Open 7:30 p.m.; Business Meeting begins 8:00 p.m.**
- PLACE:** Our Lady Mother of the Church
8747 W Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, IL 60656
- SPEAKER:** **Andrzej Andrew Pi towski**
- TOPIC:** **From Explorers to Educators in the Colca Region of Peru**



Mr. Andrzej Andrew Pi towski

Andrew graduated from University of Mining and Metallurgy AGH (Krakow, Poland) – Electronics; and Bowling Green State University of Ohio – M.A. in Mathematics.

) Kayaker, traveler, discoverer, educator, leader of the longest non-sailing kayak expedition „Canoandes’79-81”, and leader of the National Geographic Society’s expedition „Amazon 2000” which pinpointed and confirmed the farthest source of the Queen of the Rivers with mathematical accuracy.

-) Founder and president of The Eng. Ernest Malinowski Polish-American Educational Foundation, Inc., a longtime foundation supporting activists of Polonia in the USA.
-) Awarded the “Cross of Merit” by president of Poland for “the promotion of Poland in the world”. Fellow National member of the prestigious Explorer Club in New York.
-) Dreamer, altruist, always in love with Peru.

After five years of teaching mathematics in Nigeria and Bolivia, Andrew returned to Chicago and is sharing his time between family life, Polonia activities (member of Polish American Congress) and summer schools of English language in the Colca Valley, organized yearly since 2004. Currently, he is working on the creation of a Polish Home and Linguistic Institute near the Colca Canyon in Peru and on translating of his book, “To Conquer Colca Canyon and mountain rivers in Americas” (in Polish, edit. Bezdroza, 2013), into Spanish and English. He is also looking for sponsors and associates which would be interested in both of Andrew’s ambitious endeavors. Married, one son Sebastien.

ABSTRACT

Andrew will take us to the world deepest land gorge, the Colca Canyon in southern Peru, discovered in 1981 by the kayakers from Krakow. After the young Polish students discovered it, they promoted it as a tourism attraction. This profoundly changed the life of two native tribes, called Collagua and Cabana, populating the Colca Valley.

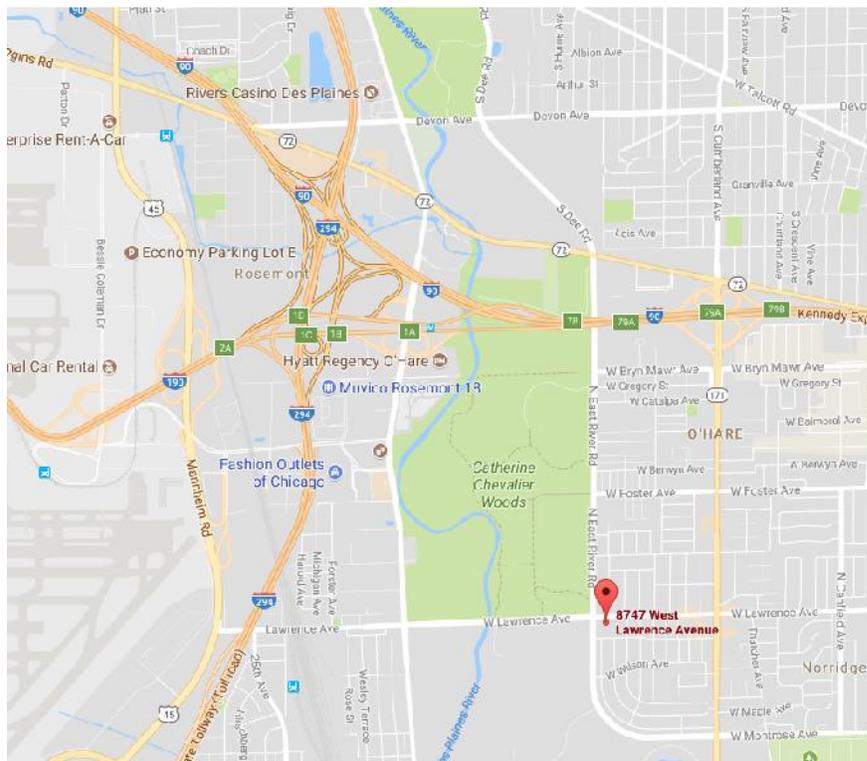
Today, over 200,000 tourists are visiting the enchanting Colca Canyon and have left behind over US\$ 4 million in profits and an incredible impact on the native culture. To improve the relationship between tourists and locals, Andrew is now trying to help native youth to communicate with those foreign visitors by teaching English in public schools and evening classes. He has been spending his summers there since 2004, accompanied by volunteers, doing this. Additionally, every summer, Andrew and the volunteers gather some poor students and work with them using audio-visual methods to make them more communicative to help them get employment and a better pay within the tourism industry in their town.

Old footage of the Colca discovery in 1981 and super slides from the Colca Canyon and nearby source of the Amazon River at Nevado Mismi, as well as glimpses of the “fifth world” societies of Nigeria will take us to remote and abandoned places on two continents.

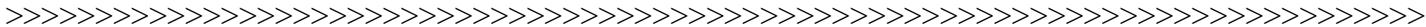
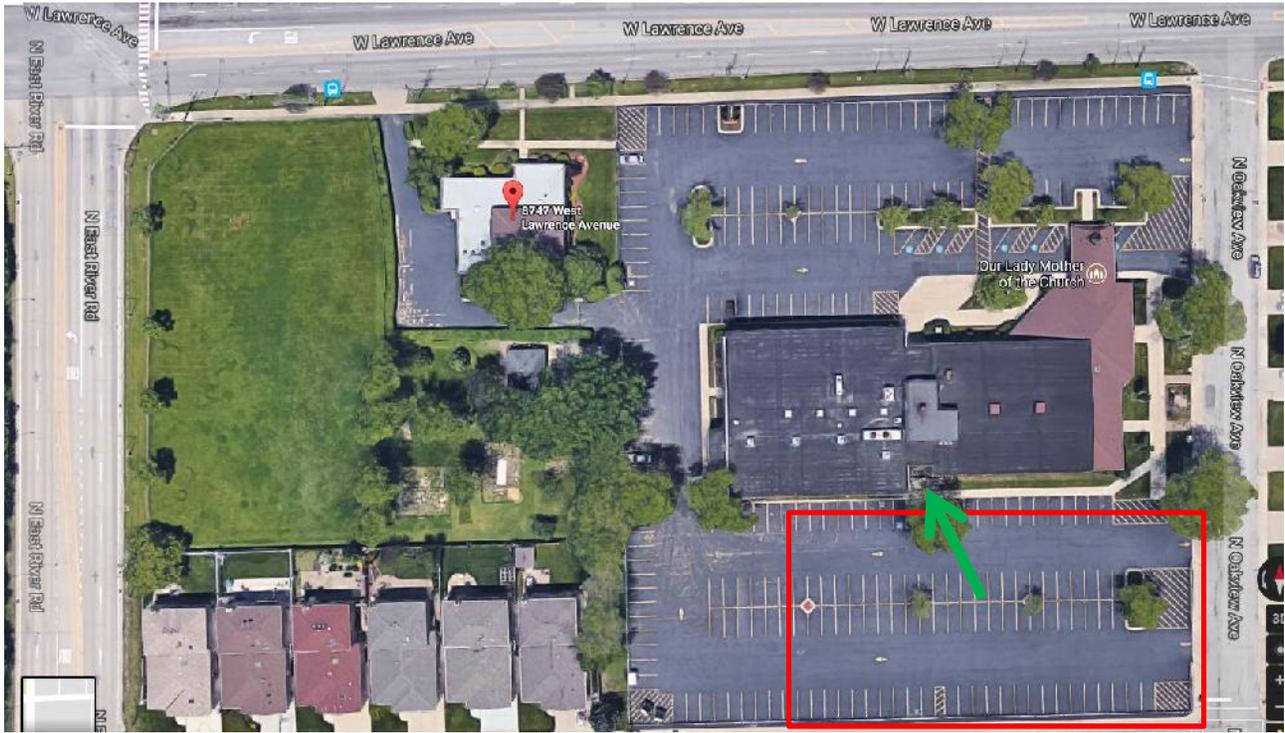
PAEA Announcements

MEETING LOCATION

Our Lady Mother of the Church
8747 W Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, IL 60656



The entrance closest to our room is at the back of the church (Green arrow)- the best parking location is off of Oakview Ave, behind the church (Red box):



2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES

There is no change in dues for 2018: **\$70 per year, senior citizens and students \$35 per year.**

We ask that everyone pay their dues as soon as possible; and thank those who have already paid. Membership Cards will be provided to all those who paid their dues.

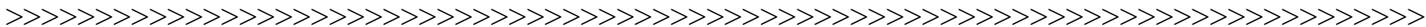
Questions? You may inquire at the meeting or send an email to: administration@polishengineers.org

You may send your dues directly to our Treasurer:

Mr. Marek Rozwadowski
5718 W. 84th Street
Burbank, IL 60459

You may also pay your dues at our meetings, and receive your Membership Card immediately.

Dues are critical in supporting the work of the PAEA- thank you for your support.



2018 Ralph Modjeski Scholarship Winners

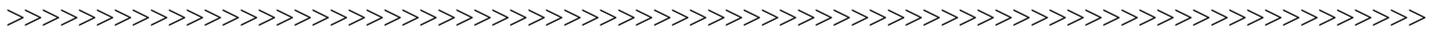
We would like to congratulate our 2018 Ralph Modjeski Scholarship winners:

- Anna Busza, University of Illinois, Urbana, Sophomore in Bioengineering
- Andrew Gugulski, University of Illinois, Urbana, Junior in Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering
- Michael Rakowiecki, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Sophomore in Electrical Engineering
- Michael Rogalski, University of Illinois, Urbana, Senior in Mechanical Science & Engineering

The scholarships will be awarded at our October (19th) meeting.

We would like to thank the many well-qualified candidates who did not win this year; and encourage them to apply next year.

We would also like to thank the Legion of Young Polish Women, for funding our scholarship for Mrs. Busza. Their generosity allows us to provide four scholarships of \$850 each this year.



2018 Summer Picnic – a great time!

Saturday, July 28th, PAEA Members and sympathizers gathered at Fourth Lake Resort, for a great picnic- wonderful weather, good food and drink, and great company! We want to thank all for attending, enabling us to raise \$612.70 toward our Scholarship Fund!

We would also like to thank Danuta Szymulanski and Adam Czyszczonek for helping greet guests; Rene Pietrzyk for entertaining us with great music and his contagious wit; Piotr Deoniziak, Sebastian Dobon, & Krzysztof Kompel for their tireless work at the grill; Malgorzata Grochal, Ewa Mroczek, Marek Rozwadowski, Magda Zielinska, and the many others who helped with set up, food and cleanup (sorry for not being able to list all).

We ask all to send us (contact@polishengineers.org) more pictures from the picnic, so we can put them on our web page.



Special Interest

All PAEA Members & sympathizers are invited to send information for our Special Interest section. Please send to contact@polishengineers.org; at least 2 weeks prior to our next meeting. It will be published in the next Bulletin.

Mega Machines

Roman Korczak shared the very interesting video below, regarding advancements in construction taking place in China:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-china-41206772?app=news.world.asia.china.story.41206772.page>

Thank you, Roman!

Art for Heart Family Day @ The Polish Museum of America

Saturday, September 15, 2018; 1:30pm-4:00pm (984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642)

The Polish Museum of America warmly invites all PAEA Members and sympathizers to the Art for Heart Family Day! There will be many activities for children; and an opportunity parents and adults to enjoy the artwork. Kids will enjoy arts & crafts projects, face painting, a magic show, puppet show and clown. Paczki and beverages will also be served. Suggested donation per family \$10 at the door. All original artwork will be available for sale.

For more information:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2619059931453212/>

Polonia Goes to War: 100 Years of Poland's Independence Exhibit Opening

Friday, October 12, 2018; 7:00pm (984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642)

2018 marks the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War I and the Centennial of Poland's regained independence. The exhibit Polonia Goes to War examines the actions of Polonian organizations and Polish Army recruits from the early 1900s through 1923. Uniforms, posters, drawings, photographs, documents, and a rare film footage will shine the light on this chapter of Polish American history.

The Polish Museum of America invites all PAEA Members and sympathizers to the Polonia Goes to War Opening, Friday, October 12, 2018, at 7pm, at the Polish Museum of America.

For more information:

https://www.polishmuseumofamerica.org/?event=polonia-goes-to-war-100-years-of-polands-independence&event_date=2018-10-12