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

DATE:	Friday, September 24 th , 2021
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:	Dr. Andrzej Karabinowicz
TOPIC:	The Formation of FSM in Bielsko Biała, Poland



Dr. Andrzej Karabinowicz

Mr. Karabinowicz is a Mechanical Engineer with over thirty years of experience in automotive, machine and sheet metal manufacturing environments. He has worked in Poland, Germany and the USA; as well as in internship at Fiat Italy. Responsibilities have included engineering department management, mechanical engineering, design, processing and development, quality assurance, programming, scheduling, planning, process of machinery and equipment purchasing and jobs estimating. His experience has led to a thorough knowledge of CAD procedures.

He holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering (19710 from the Technical University of Kraków, Poland; and M.S. in Mechanical Engineering (1977) from the Technical University of Sląsk, Gliwice, Poland; and a Ph.D. in Engineering Technology (1983) from the Technical University of Wroclaw, Poland. His thesis titled, "The Method of Exploitation Quality Evaluation of Cars based on Fiat126p Data," was related to the quality and reliability of Automotive-industry products

immerse in real application environments.

Mr. Karabinowicz is currently a Database Design & Implementation Consultant. His implementation of Data Base concepts has been utilized in many management applications.

He is fluent in Polish, English, and Spanish; and functional in German; with some knowledge of Russian.

ABSTRACT

The establishment of one of the biggest companies in Poland in the early 1970's, Fabryka Samochodów Małolitrażowych (FSM) in Bielsko Biala, has a few interesting stories. The company development came at a time of turnover in both the political as well as social life of Poles. Different groups of people they were trying "to do something" in environment where doing nothing was state of the art- Art of Impossibility, some called it.

On the other hand, plenty of active citizens were aware of situation, and did not agree with such an approach, which they imagined was leading to nowhere. All were in the same boat, so the choice became as always private and personal.

The presentation will describe the establishment of FSM; which includes some interesting situations when dynamic development arose and then suddenly was confronted with reality. The author was part of the engineering team deeply engaged over the first 12 years of the creation of FSM. Some details not publicly-known will be disclosed during the presentation.

PAEA Announcements

MEETING LOCATION

This month will be our first face-to-face meeting since the beginning of the COVID-19 Pandemic! We very much look forward to seeing everyone in person at Our Lady Mother of the Church.

We remind that by Executive Order, masks are required indoors at this time.

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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):



2021 Membership Dues

Thanks you to those who have already mailed in their dues, or paid them at our Picnic!

There is no change in dues for 2021: \$70 per year, seniors and students \$35 per year.

We ask that everyone pay their dues as soon as possible, as this is our source of operating funds.

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

You may send your dues (checks payable to the Polish American Engineers Association) to:

Mr. Andrew Pawlowski P.O. Box 241 Northbrook, IL 60065-241

You may also pay your dues at our meetings (once we re-start face-to-face meetings), and receive your Membership Card immediately.

Again, dues are critical in supporting the work of the PAEA- thank you for your support.

2021 Ralph Modjeski Scholarship

For 2021 we had a large number of very qualified applicants for our Ralph Modjeski Scholarship. It was difficult to choose, but, thanks to our 2021 Scholarship Committee- Grazyna Czyszczon, Malgorzata Grochal and Ewa Mroczek, we have chosen four recipients. We will announce the winners, and hopefully be able to award them in person, at our October meeting.

2021 Summer Picnic

We would like to thank everyone who supported and participated in our 2021 Summer Picnic! After having to cancel our 2020 Picnic due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, we were grateful to be able to see you all this year at Fourth Lake Resort. And we were also grateful for the wonderful weather!

Special thanks to all the volunteers and the Administration for making this possible. Though we are sure to miss some, and apologize in advance if we do, we would like to recognize: Anna Bobek & Monika Cyran for helping set up and managing the food (we know there were many more who were also guests and helped- thank you!), and Sebastian Dobon for managing the grill again this year.

Thanks also to all those who helped by inviting guests. And thanks to Professor Andrzej Nowak, our member from Auburn Alabama, who flew in and joined us!

We will provide a financial summary at our meeting.





Administration for 2021-2022

As reported in May, the Nomination Committee has proposed that the current (2019 - 2021)Administration continue for an additional year, due to the limited activity forced by the COVID-19 Pandemic. As there were no concerns raised, and all agreed, we will continue as proposed.

Meeting Location for 2021-2022

Due to a decrease in income from PAEA Dues, combined with an increase in cost at our current meeting location (Our Lady Mother of the Church) as well as uncertainty regarding future revenue-generating possibilities (i.e., risk of not being able to hold large, in-person events indoors); the Administration has decided to move our meeting location from October going forward. When it is safe and possible to meet in person (hopefully again for our 15 October and 19 November meetings, as well as next year), we are proposing to meet at Art Gallery Kafé (127 Front St, Wood Dale, IL 60191).

We will discuss the details of our situation and decision process at our meeting this month. For those who cannot make the meeting, as always, please feel free to contact us to discuss any questions or concerns.

Member News/Update

We would like to remind everyone that we are looking for achievements of as well as other noteworthy news about our Members (that's you!). Please send us information about yourself or another Member (please ensure they agree to have this information publicized) to <u>contact@polishengineers.org</u>. We will publish in the next Bulletin available.

Job Postings – Please Send

As part of our mission of mutual support, we would like to offer job openings to our Members. Please send any openings you know about to <u>contact@polishengineers.org</u>. Please let us know where it is OK to post (our website in Members Only, our public page; Facebook, LinkedIn pages, etc.

We would also like to post on our website (in the Members Only section) links to job listings of companies in our network. So please send those as well. We would like to list your name next to the link, so those applying through those links can have a reference person to cite. Please let us know if you would rather not be listed.

Thank you in advance to taking time now to send us this information, which supports our common mission!

Reminder- Polish American Engineers Association on LinkedIn!

We would like to remind our Members & Supporters that the PAEA is on LinkedIn:

www.linkedin.com/groups/12032140

Check out our Group, become a member, and post interesting and relevant content. The more active we are, and the more interesting information we post, the more likely we are to attract others to our Group, in addition of course to the benefits of inter-Group communication.

Reminder- the Polish American Engineers Association on Facebook

We would also like to remind our Members & Supporters that the PAEA is on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/Polish-American-Engineers-Association-PAEA-1153830014674800/

Please check it out, and help us keep it active by 'like'-ing and posting interesting material.

Next Meeting Date

15 October, 2021 (currently planning in-person)

Note: we will be monitoring the COVID situation, and may need to revert back to virtual meetings should the situation deteriorate.

Corrections

None highlighted.

Special Interest

If anyone has an item of Special Interest to the PAEA Membership and sympathizers, please sent the details to <u>contact@polishengineers.org</u> for inclusion in the next (monthly except for June-August & December) published Bulletin.

Note that information provided is for Member & Sympathizer interest, and does not represent the views of the Polish American Engineers Association. Events listed are not in any way sponsored by the PAEA.

Polish American Congress of Illinois Events Calendar

For a comprehensive and up-to-date listing of events in Polonia, please see the PAC-IL Polonia Calendar (many thanks to Mirek Niedzinski, Roman Korczak and the PAC-IL team for leading!):

https://www.pacillinois.org/calendar/

Virtual Night at the Polish Museum – 41st Gala

Friday, October 8, 2021 @ 7-9pm, virtually

The Polish Museum of America invites and encourages all PAEA Members and sympathizers to join this year's virtual Gala. This year's free virtual event will be both entertaining and engaging. The program will include music, dancing, short videos produced by the PMA, and more!

For more information about the Gala, as well as how to support through donations or sponsoring an ad in the program book, please see:

https://www.polishmuseumofamerica.org/eventer/night-at-the-polish-museum-41st-gala/edate/2021-10-08/

Polish American Congress, Illinois Division 51st Heritage Award Banquet

Sunday, October 24, 2021 @ 4pm, Allegra Banquets (5035 N. River Road, Schiller Park, IL 60176)

The Polish American Congress, Illinois Division cordially invites all PAEA Members and sympathizers to their 51st Polish American Heritage Month Awards Banquet, Sunday, October 24th. The banquet will begin with cocktails at 4:00pm, followed by the program and presentation of awards at 5:15pm, then dinner at 6:30pm.

For more information, and to purchase tickets, please see:

https://pacillinois.org/51st-polish-american-heritage-month-banquet/

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