

To all PAEA Members and sympathizers,

We look forward to seeing those who have registered to come to our Christmas Party this coming **Saturday (14 December) 4pm-7pm** at **Art Gallery Kafe (127 Front St, Wood Dale, IL 60191)**. We will try to contact those who have inquired with confirmation; however, if you don't hear from us with regrets (that there is no longer space), you have been registered.

We also want to apologize for a slightly premature announcement of the event. As we saw since initial planning of the event that the number of people interested exceeded the capacity of the AGK, and the cost exceeded our initial estimates; we realized that, aside from being a bigger-than-expected drain of our budget, it could be seen as an unfair use of operating funds, to which everyone contributes. So, instead of our intention to bring our organization together, to celebrate the holidays (covering the costs as a 'thank you'); we might actually push people away.

So, after further discussions and consultation with the PAEA Board, we would like to ask for a donation of \$18 per adult to help cover the costs associated with the event. We apologize for this change; and ask for your understanding.

We wish all those who won't be there this Saturday a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year! And we look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting, January 17th, 2020 at Our Lady Mother of the Church (our usual meeting place), beginning with networking at 7:30pm (as usual).

Administration of Polish-American Engineers Association