

The Newsletter of the Akron Section of the Society of Plastics Engineers Our 49th Year of Education and Service to the Plastics Industry

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Costs, Schedules, Reservations

Member	\$15.00
Guest and Member	\$28.00
Retiree	\$12.00
Student	\$10.00
Registration	11:30 a.m.
Lunch at Tangiers	12:00 p.m.
Program	12:45 p.m.
Adjourn	1:30 p.m.

Contact Bob Wegelin on or before Feb 21 - 330/414-1498 robert.wegelin@sbcglobal.net



Technical Meeting - Luncheon

Monday, February 25, 2008 11:30 a.m.

Tangier Restaurant

532 West Market Street Akron, Ohio 44303 (330) 376-7171

So, Now How Do We Cut This Stuff Up? By Chris Case, Reduction Eng.



Please join our technical meeting this month on compounding and auxiliary equipment. Chris Case from Reduction Engineering will give a thorough overview on the pelletization of thermoplastics materials. Chris will highlight the machinery involved with turning plastics into pellets and explain why different types of equipment are needed for the many different types of plastics that are used in our industry. Did you ever wonder? What kind should I use for TPEs? What type works well with reinforced plastics? How about those new wood composite materials? This discussion should help provide directions and answers to those questions. The advantages and disadvantages of each different pelletization technique will be discussed with detailed schematics. This is your chance to learn about this important auxiliary step that produces the pellets we depend on to support our plastic businesses.

 Next meeting – Mar. 31, 2008
 Board meeting – Mar. 3, 2008, 5:30 p.m. Polymer Eng. Center, Room 105 See page 3 for Chris Case's biography





On January 28, we had a very successful tour of the Steere Enterprises blow molding plant in Tallmadge, OH. This was a joint meeting with Cleveland and we also had some members of the Firelands Section attend. It was our best turnout of the 2007-08 year with over 70 attending. David Curtis, past Technical Director and currently a consultant for Steere, organized the tour. At the Royal Buffet after the tour, Dave gave us a talk on the automotive products and manufacturing processes which we had seen on the tour. This was a very encouraging attendance and we hope to see similar numbers at our next meeting on "Compounding and Auxiliary Equipment". This will be a lunch meeting at the Tangier Restaurant in Akron on Monday, February 25. Chris Case of Reduction Engineering will be our speaker. The two remaining technical monthly meetings will be our Vendor's Night on Monday, March 31 at Guy's Party Centre on Waterloo Road in Akron and a talk on "Coatings for Plastics" by Bayer Material Science, possibly in conjunction with one on "Weathering of Plastics" by Atlas on Monday, April 28, also at Guy's Party Centre. We will hold our Spring Golf outing on Friday, May 16 at the Barberton Brookside Golf and Country Club, and our Annual Awards Night the following Monday, May19.

ASTIGNT'S MESSAL

I hope you are enjoying the program so far and will continue to broaden your knowledge of plastics, as well as benefit from the networking opportunity and sharing the camaraderie of your fellow plastics engineers. We welcome all input on our monthly meeting program and ideas for future programs, as well as any suggestions for improving the value of SPE to our membership.

Remember that the SPE ANTEC and Plastics Encounter Exhibition will be held in Milwaukee from May 4 through May 9. Avraam Isayev and Sadhan Jana, both of Akron U, will be inducted as Fellows of SPE and Lloyd Goettler, our Prior Past-President, will become an Honored Service Member at the ANTEC banquet.

Looking forward to meeting with you all at Tangier Restaurant on Monday, February 25.

You can always contact me at vivian.malpass@tek-mark.com or at 330-342-1120.

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Sincerely, Viv Malpass



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From North, Cleveland or Cleveland West -

Route 71 South to Route 18 East (Market Street) to Tangier. Or Route 77 South to Ghent Road exit. Turn right onto Ghent Road. Proceed to W. Market Street (Route 18) and turn left to Tangier.

Cleveland East - Route 271 South to Route 8 South. Exit at Perkins Street. Turn right onto Perkins Street to High Street. Turn left onto High Street. Proceed to Market Street. Turn right onto Market Street.

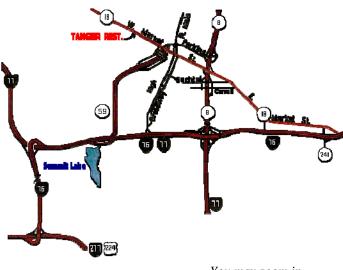
From the South: Canton - Route 77 North to Perkins Street exit. Turn left onto Perkins Street. Proceed on Perkins Street to High Street. Turn left onto High Street. Proceed on High Street to Market Street, Turn right onto Market Street to Tangier.

From the East: Youngstown - Route 76 West to Broadway Street exit. Straight onto Broadway Street. (one way Street North) Proceed on Broadway Street to Market Street. Turn left onto Market Street to Tangier.

From the West - Route 76 East or Route 77 South to Route 59 North. Proceed on Route 59 to Market Street exit, Turn left onto Market Street, Proceed on Market Street to Tangier.







You may zoom in

Biography – **Chris Case**

BSME Western New England College prior to starting his career as a design engineer with Albany International. He has held engineering, product management and project management positions with Georg Fischer Plant Engineering, and the Conair Group. Chris is currently Sales and Technical Manager at Reduction Engineering.

He has been a guest lecturer at the University of Wisconsin, University of Akron, Umass Lowell as well as several SPE Minitech conferences. He hold several patents on polymer products and processing and has authored over a dozen technical papers on polymer related subjects as well as chapters in several textbooks and The SPE Guide on Extrusion Technology and Troubleshooting.



the Canadian Chemical Producers' Association and of other entities in other countries.

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For more information or assistance, call Rich Markham at 614-477-1133 or write to rmarkham@polymerohio.org.



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Programs for 2007 / 2008

Sept. 10	Blown Film – with Cleveland Polymer Packaging - Tour Dinner TBA	Feb. 25	Compounding and Auxiliary Equipment Reduction Eng., Chris Case Tangier's lunch
Sept. 17-19	TPE TOPCON Hilton Inn		6 1 1 1
		Mar. 31	Vendor's Display Program
Oct. 22	Materials in Space - NASA		(suppliers, tooling, etc.)
	Hilton Inn		Guy's Party Centre
Nov. 26	Akron CNC Training Center	Apr. 28	Weathering of Plastics
	Lindsay's Amber Restaurant	-	Atlas Material Testing Technology
			LLC, William Lucas – Tour ARDL
Dec. 10	Social Outing – with Cleveland		TBA
	Pro Football Hall of Fame		
		May 16	Spring Golf Outing
Jan. 28	Blow Molding – with Cleveland Steere Enterprises Royal Buffet		Barberton Brookside
	* · ·	May 19	Awards Night TBA

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Member	\$ 25	Member & 1 guest	\$ 40
Retirees	\$ 20	Students	\$15

43rd Annual Spring SPE Akron / Cleveland Section **Joint Golf Outing**

Spring Golf Committee: Bob Wegelin – Chair David Katz **Bud Seymour** Joe Pfeiffer



MAY 16, 2008 **BARBERTON BROOKSIDE COUNTRY CLUB**

WOW! 43 YEARS OF PUTTING THE PLASTIC AND SMACKING THE SURLYN. COME ON OUT AND HELP US CELEBRATE OUR 43rd GOLF OUTING. THERE'S **GREAT FOOD, FUN, PRIZES.**

Invite a friend, bring a customer or bring your spouse for a relaxing day. You can donate a prize, sponsor a hole or help the committee.

Remember, this is all for education.

Be a part of your Section and enjoy it's benefits.

To donate, sponsor a hole or for more information call: **Bob Wegelin at 330-414-1498**

SEND PRIZES TO 388 S. MAIN ST. **AKRON, OH 44311 ATT: DAVID KATZ** SEE YOU ON THE 16th

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John R. Russell	1989-1990	Robert Wegelin
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Membership Report – January, 2008

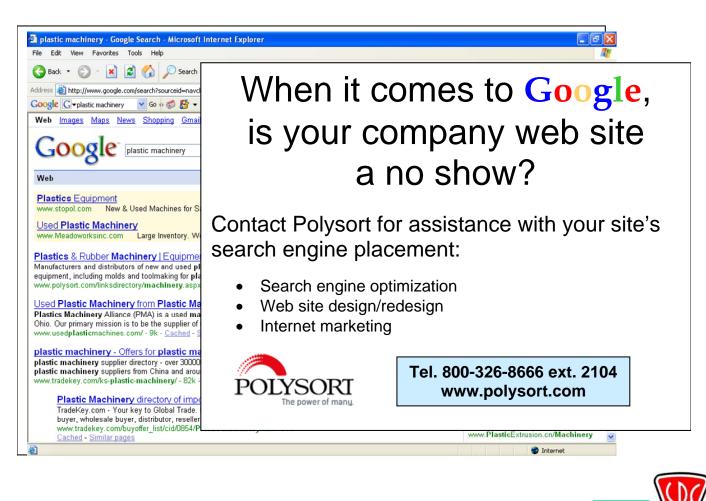
Akron had 4 new members join in January. Our membership number is at **379.** See list below for new members.

We had no transfers in or out of our section.

Membership chair, Reza Sadeghi

<u>New Members</u> - Say "hello and thanks for joining" if you know the following people.

Mike Berry, Technoform Company. Scott Kohl from Astra Products, Ltd. Alex Freeman student at the University of Akron. Soma Guhathakurta student at the University of Akron

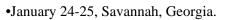




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Councilor's Corner

Highlights:



•Paul Anderson was elected President Elect.

•Ken Braney was elected as Senior Vice President.

•Jon Ratzlaff was elected as Vice President, International.

•Plastics Engineering magazine lost \$700K in 2007 and discussions are underway on how to minimize losses for 2008. Losses were approximately \$1M in red for SPE as a whole, due mainly to PE.

•Antec paper submittals are down for 2008 in Milwaukee. Various reasons were cited with a poor website as being a major contributor. Staff said they would get the website fixed but did not feel this held down the number of papers. Other reasons cited include recession, lack of company support, IP concerns, etc. This was the major topic discussed during the council of the whole (COW) meeting.

•Antec in 2009 will occur again concurrently with the Plastics Encounter tradeshow. Last year was successful so this has been agreed to do again in Milwaukee.

•It has been decided that Antec 2009 will occur jointly with NPE in Chicago. The contracts are being signed and we can get out of the San Antonio commitment. Staff and the executive committee were given a confidence vote to pursue this activity.

•Eurotec will be held in Barcelona in 2009 in September.

•Chinaplas will be held in April of 2008, hollow molded parts will be the theme.

•SPE foundation and SPE are studying the issue of merging SPE foundation back into SPE to minimize costs. An outside consultant has recommended this to avoid some incorporation issues with the state of Connecticut.

•Not much news from sections, my committee on a database for meetings did not meet. We plan to do a phone conference in early February.

•France and Scandinavia were put into provisional status.

•Turkey was approved as a new section for SPE.

•Several minor revisions to the bylaws were approved.

Joseph E. Pfeiffer

Technical Assistance Initiated On Akron SPE Web Site

Do you have a technical question on plastics, polymers, rubbers, etc. Our web site now has a place where you can detail your question and the Akron SPE Board will use their collective knowledge and resources to answer your questions. Check it out at www.akronspe.org. If you post a question we will post it in the following newsletter along with the answer.



January Meeting – Steere Enterprises and Royal Buffet and Grill



Viv Malpass and Dave Curtis of Steere Ent.





Speaker Dave Curtis explains the design and manufacture of a blow molded automotive part.

Dave and Viv



Dinner at the Royal Buffet and Grill



Minutes of Board Meeting – February 4, 2008

Call to Order: 5:30 PM at Akron University Polymer Engineering Center.

Present: Vivian Malpass, Dave Schultz, Joe Pfeiffer, Todd Lewis, Kaan Gunes, Hemant Thakkar, Joe Mattingly, Sadhan Jana and Tony Dean Absent - John Woodside, Kevin Malpass, Josh Wong, Gary Taylor, Reza Sadeghi, Lloyd Goettler and Bob Wegelin Amruth Puttarudraiah has resigned from Board -- left A Schulman - Texas Visitor brought by Joe Pfeiffer - Lauren Edwards from ExxonMobil - Sales to observe Board- she has been involved in SPE -College and several local sections in US - Welcome to Lauren.

Secretary: January minutes were approved.

President: Viv reviewed with Board -Intl. Action items for Feb. Key areas included: Awards and Contest deadlines -- Chase and Outstanding Student Chapter- Feb 6- Completed/signed; Husky Award - due March 3- No plans to date. Kaan volunteered to review ideas- forward to Viv. Honored Service and Fellows confirmed-Lloyd Goettler and Avraam Isayev - CONGRATULATIONS. Viv confirmed that Dr. Sadhan Jana received Fellow from ESPDIV - CONGRATULATIONS Dr. Jana.

* Viv called Intl to get details on Sigma Phi Epsilon - SPE recognizes outstanding student accomplishmentneeds submissions. * KEY- Need to confirm BOARD for 08/09-officers, Committee chairs, members.

Past President: John Woodside was absent. His work may prevent him from active service on the Akron SPE Board of Directors.

Prior Past President: Lloyd Goettler - No report.

President-Elect: Joe Mattingly has returned and reviewed upcoming meetings - Feb-Case at Tangiers, March-Guys Vendors Night.

Treasurer: Report submitted -we are up to date, monies received from TOPCON 07.

Councilor: Councilor attended Council Meeting in Savannah. * Plastic Engineering- issues with hard copyreview other formats. * Key items-- President-Elect - Paul Andersen. * ANTEC 08 set for Milwaukee - May joint with Plastics Encounter. * ANTEC 09 set for Chicago joint with NPE - mid June.

Awards: Bob Wegelin - reports-Date set for May 19th- locations under consideration-Fairlawn CC, Prestwick- suggested since tie to Raintree or Sheraton Suites. Need Speaker- Tom Murdough and Tom Waltermire- NEO TEAM suggested.

Program: Joe reports -- Committee has worked well in his absence -- all is set for Feb-28 Meeting- Case-Info has been received -will be sent, March-Vendors Night set Bob W- reports 12 plus more to add on in near future. April-to be finalized, May 16- Golf and 19th Awards.-Hemant/ Viv plus Cameron possibly will step in to replace Amruth for 08. Joe reports- CONSTANT CONTACT working well.-Report in March.

Student Chapter: The student chapter will participate in the Science Olympiad Mission, Vision and Purposes. Todd made contact ACESS- e-mail at marybrentsisler@aol.com. Reports needs total of money split 3 ways requesting 1/3 from Akron Section- voted by Board- Approved. Will request funds from PESO as well. Board would like to have count on students that plan to attend ANTEC 08-determine financial support.





Minutes of Board Meeting – February 4 (cont.)

Newsletter: Dave Katz back - requested dates for items for Newsletter Feb 25, March 24 and April 21. Reza Sadeghi issue with December newsletter needs to be figured out.

Membership: Number of paid members is still at 379. New member names are published in the newsletter.

Education Committee: Hemant informs 2 entries for Essay Contest. Scholarship deadline March 1-students being requested to qualify for 2nd set of money --6/14 have qualified need to follow-up. * Science Fairs- North HS- Feb 23- Kaan to help. Uof A set for March 15- Lauren to help- Hemant reports that he will provide similar prizes for 08 as 07-Need official amount for prizes- Board vote. * Plan to create flier to promote Plastics for 09- Need to have catch phrase promote Akron Section website-Experiments Section.- Board to make suggestions and will help Hemant- need Feb 20th. * Hemant requested to review possibility of PlastiVan visit and/or Thermoforming Equipment for local schools from Intl.

Education Foundation: Joe Mattingly has requested a review by Board to determine if an additional amount could be added to Foundation for future Scholarships.

Public Interest / Website: Tony Dean reported that the website is up to date. He will get an announcement in the Akron Beacon Journal for January meeting. Tony also reports all dates into Plastic Engineering.

Advertising: Joe Mattingly reports Polysort to forward new art work, need to start requesting new companies for 08/09 advertising in Newsletter.

Fall Golf: No report.

Spring Golf: Bob Wegelin reports date set May 16th at Barberton Brookside.

House: No report.

ACESS: No report.

2007 TPE TOPCON: No report.

Polymer Ohio: No report.

Communications: No report.

Old Business:

 (1) <u>Past Presidents Committee</u> - Bob W advised that the Company of the Year Award info had been found--They will decide on action particularly for the 50th Anniversary year-will also participate in planning of 50th.
 (2) <u>20/20 Program</u> - No report.

(3) <u>Computer Projector</u> - Joe Mattingly will handle purchasing new high definition projector, portable screen and mouse. Details set-- Board has approved funding- Joe to contact Gary for funds. House or Program Chairman would keep the equipment.

(4) <u>Pinnacle Award</u> - Joe Mattingly has submitted the paperwork for the Pinnacle Award. Vivian Malpass reported- Joint Society Akron Council- Viv and Dave will attend Feb 21 at Emidios- CFO to represent SPE.



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Minutes of Board Meeting – February 4 (cont.)

New Business:

(1) Discussed Planning for 50th YEAR Anniversary-Planning Committee to be announced--Need to develop SPECIAL Programs and get Company support all year long. Joe Mattingly recommended featuring companies for each monthly meeting and tying into the 50th anniversary theme. David Curtis- Past President-retired from Steere Enterprises and Tony Dean --retired Ferro-- agreed to participate in planning. Steer America-Joe's new company -- has agreed to Sponsor a Gala Event to be planned for Year 08/09--April 09 suggested as preferred date.

(2) Need to confirm Board- President Elect for next year. Viv requested all Board review and report if they plan to continue in current positions.

- (3) President- Joe Mattingly
- (4) Pres-Elect-/Program-??
- (5) Councilor- Joe Pfeiffer- 1 more year
- (6) Secretary- David Schultz
- (7) Treasurer- Gary Taylor- need to confirm
- (8) Website- Tony Dean
- (9) Education- Hemant Thaakar

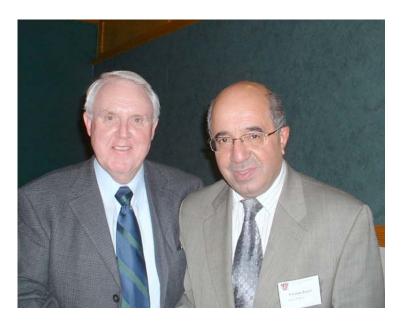
(10) Awards--??

- (11) Newsletter- Dave Katz??
- (12) Newsletter Advertising-??
- (13) Membership-Reza Sadighi??

(14) Also need new Board and Committee Members. Several new members were mentioned by BOD and will be contacted.

(15) Need to determine status of Hall of Honor- pictures in Polymer Science Building -Sadhan J will try to find a suitable location in Poly Eng-- Lloyd will discuss with Univ. of Akron deans in February. Viv has latest pictures and also key to PO Box. Current pictures are badly faded. It was discussed that a permanent record should be developed by scanning original pictures--Joe P to contact photographer.

Closing Comments: Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM. The next meeting of the Akron SPE Board of Directors will be Monday, March 3, 2008 at the Polymer Engineering Center, Room 105, starting at 5:30 PM.



Viv Malpass with Avraam Isayev, who was recently elected as a Fellow of the Society of SPE



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Our goal is to continue to grow the assets of the Foundation in order to increase the number of scholarships awarded as well as the size of the awards, and to do so in perpetuity. In doing this, we hope to be able to contribute to the supply of well-trained individuals to support the growth of the polymer industry in the Northeast Ohio area today and well into the future.

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Sincerely, Bob Wegelin, Chairman Akron Section Society of Plastics Engineers, Education Foundation Committee



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