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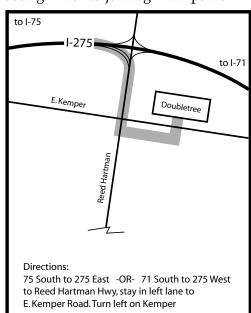
# APRIL MEETING INFO

# So You Are Thinking of a Career in Plastics?

Our speaker for the month of April will talk about education and the affects it has on career choice. He will speak on "So you are thinking of a career in Plastics?" This should be an interesting and thought provoking talk for students and career SPE members alike. Dr. Wickman will draw on his varied working career and has taught students long enough to know their interests as well as what keeps them alert. Let's plan to welcome him with a great turnout for the April Education Meeting. You might even meet a high quality future job applicant since several students will be in attendance.

Jerry L Wickman has been with Phillips Plastics Corp. for roughly two years. In his capacity in Corporate Engineering Support he serves all corporate facilities in terms of new technologies development and troubleshooting. Prior to joining Phillips he

was the Director of the Plastics Research and Education Center at Ball State University. In that capacity he was involved (teaching and research) with plastics processing, materials testing, materials selection, Design of Experiments (DOE), quality control, proposal development, rapid prototyping and tooling, and plastics industry outreach/partnerships. He is one of the founding members of Mid-America Plastics Partners Inc. (MAPP). He has worked in Wisconsin. Texas, Indiana, Mexico, and Malaysia. His professional memberships include the Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE), Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME), and the American Society for Quality (ASQ). His education includes a BS, MS, and PhD.



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## NEWSLETTER

Bob Rajkovich, Dan Tomo

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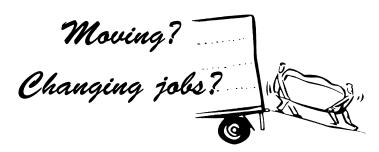
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#### SPECIAL EVENTS Mickey Brandon, Paul Moore

IT COMMITTEE Frank Maus, Dean Kroger, Bob

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# SOCIETY OF PLASTICS ENGINEERS, INC.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2002

April 4 Education Night

Cincinnati Doubletree

May 2 Nano Technology

Alex's Continental

June 10 Golf Outing

Hamilton Elks Club

**Alex's Continental** is located just West of I-75 on SR 725 in Miamisburg, Ohio. Take exit 44 (Dayton Mall exit), go west 2 blocks, Alex's is on the left next to Paxar Monarch.

## NEW MEMBERS

Stephanie Farfsing

Kelly S. Haggard

Greg A. Smith

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**MEETING DATE: APRIL 4, 2002** 

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SPE Board Meeting
Networking
Dinner
Program7:30 - 9:00 pm
MEMBERS \$20 NON-MEMBERS \$22 STUDENTS/RETIREES \$7
MEMBERS \$22 AT THE DOOR WITHOUT A RESERVATION
NON-MEMBERS \$24 AT THE DOOR WITHOUT A RESERVATION
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello Miami Valley SPE!

While the year has started off very slow for our industry, time does not appear to be sharing the same pace. The year is quickly flying by, and the beginning of the New Year feels like such a long time ago. It will not be long before we will be making final preparations for the golf outing and then adjourning for the summer. I would like to thank all those who attended March's meeting, and especially Troy Nix for representing MAPP and sharing some of the services and data they offer. This month's meeting will be education night, and held at the Doubletree Suites in Cincinnati. Among other topics, we will be announcing the winners of six grants to be awarded by MVSPE to local university students studying with an interest in the

field of plastics. I hope to see as many people as possible there to support not only our chapter, but also those students who will hopefully be future members of our industry.

Thank you, Ken Lewis MVSPE—President

# RECYCLING IS A FAMILY AFFAIR

February 23rd & 24th at Fairfield Commons Mall was really a great time. Some of our members made it a real family outing. Dean brought Tracie and the "miracle" kids, Nicholas and Katie, his mom and dad. Nicholas worked in the booth getting bags for us and Katie gave her grandpa a real tour of the mall. Paul Moore brought his lovely wife and while Tom was promoting plastics, she was doing her fair share using the plastic to help keep the economy going. Thank you!

Dick Hauck brought his lovely wife as well and she was pretty elusive, I didn't get the chance to see her before she left, I certainly hope if she didn't spend it that she is saving it for our casino outing.

Ken Lewis, our illustrous President, brought Melinda, his lovely wife and his beautiful daughters, Savannah and Amber. His daughters are outstanding conversationalists and good shoppers as well. Don't worry about the economy guys, it's gonna be alright. What can I say about Melinda?? Wow!! What a model woman and she certainly looks fab in VS aqua!! You guys don't know what you missed!! You snooze, you lose!!

Frank Maus brought his two sons, Joey and Jake for the second year and they really are two energy driven young men. They were seasoned from last year and started right out telling the people how the 2 litre and the orange juice bottles are made from preforms. They both attempted the wall climbing, next year they will meet the challenge.

Doesn't this all sound like fun? Well it was!! Join us next year and to all the spouses thank you for sharing precious time!!

# INTERNATIONAL COUNCILOR'S REPORT

The main Council action was the election of the 2002-2003 Officers

**Elections:** 

President-Elect:

Donna S. Davis, ExxonMobil Chemical Co.

Senior Vice-President:

Kishor Mehta, Bayer Corporation

Vice-President-International:

Randy Lewis, P.R. Lewis Consultants

Mr. Claudius Feger of the IBM corporation, 2001-2002 President-Elect, will become SPE President at the 2002 Annual Technical Conference meeting in San Francisco, California when the newly elected officials are installed.

Mr. Rick Wilson was elected as Chairperson of the Council Committee of the Whole.

#### **Committee Meetings:**

Twelve Committees met in conjunction with the Council meetings.

#### **Council Action:**

#### Council approved the following:

The European Thermoforming Division (D43) was chartered.

The Portugal Section-in-Formation (SIF-L) petition was approved.

The Additives & Color Europe Special Interest Group (SIG17) petition was approved.

#### The following changes where made to Sections:

Counties in the Eastern Central Illinois Section, inactive for several years, were given to:

**Chicago Section** 

McLean, Ford, Champain

Central Illinois

Vigo, Sullivan, Parke, Putnam

The Southeastern Ohio Section added the state of West Virginia

to it's territory and changed their name to the West Virginia & Southeastern Ohio Section.

#### Council voted to charter Student Chapters at:

Edison Ohio Student Chapter

#### **Presentations:**

Mr. Walter Plotch, SPE Foundation Fundraising Consultant gave a presentation.

#### **Contributions:**

The following donations were presented.

#### **SPE Foundation**

#### UK & Ireland Section

\$1000 general donation (with thanks to Jim toner & Gail Bristol for all their help with the section)

#### **Southern California Section**

\$1000 for ANTEC 2002 Welcome Reception

#### **Connecticut Section**

\$1000 as part of a 5 year pledge

#### **Southern Section**

\$500 for the ANTEC 2002 Welcome Reception

#### **Detroit Section**

\$1000 for ANTEC 2002 Welcome Reception

#### **Detroit Section**

\$1000 as sponsor of the Golf Outing

#### **Carolina Section**

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#### Motorola Corporation (Bonnie Bachman)

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#### **SPE**

#### **Ohio-Firelands Section**

\$500 ANTEC Student Author Travel Fund

#### Kentuckiana Section

\$100 for the International Essay Contest

The next formal Council meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 5, 2002 in San Francisco, California, prior to the ANTEC.

# FEBRUARY 2002 MVSPE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MVSPE 2/7/02 Board Minutes

**Attendees:** Dean Kroger, Dan Tomo, Paul Moore, Rolly Bedard, John Pierce, Ken Lewis, Don Keyes and Tom Cross. Frank Maus, Mickey Brandon.

**Minutes:** The January Minutes were accepted with minor revision.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ken Lewis filled in for Dick Hauck. The CD got rolled over into another one. The profits were put in the general fund. The new CD is at 1.8% for 6 months. We are currently paying two student chapters money to replenish their accounts. We need to decide which fund it is going to come out of. Dan moved to accept the minutes. The cost for the January newsletter was \$1200.

Int'l Councilors: Dick attended the Friday and Saturday meetings. Since Dick was still in Florida, we will get updates at the next meeting. Edison is now an SPE chapter under the Miami Valley section. Sinclair will not be voted on until the next International Councilors meeting. This would be in San Francisco in May at the Antec.

**Membership:** There were 7 new members and 3 transferred out of the MVSPE section.

**Program:** Heat Treating is tonight (Iron Nitriding). Education night will be held on April 4th. March Program is Troy Nix from MAPP (Midwest Association of Plastic Processors. Benchmarking is his talk. May – Maybe thick cell molding from Husky. Another option that they are on is micromolding. This will be nailed down by next month.

House: See Program

**Awards:** Mickey would like to make a presentation to Carmella (Alex's) for all their years of letting us hold our meeting there. One presentation for our outstanding member will be given per year.

Education: We were going to do six \$1000 dollar grants this year. There is an issue with the education fund because two schools came in and asked for money to replenish their checking accounts. We have previously stated that we would replenish their checking accounts to \$500 if they can give us receipts and documented proof of where they have spent their money. UC has expenses of \$350 that they can account for and Shawnee wants \$500 to bring their acct up to date since it has been inactive for a few years. Dan states that the money has always come from the general fund not the education fund. Dan thinks we need to support them. Don thinks we need to come up with a different funding formula. We have not heard and anything from UD. As far as the grants go, Don has received 18 applications so far.

Paul motions that the \$850 comes from the general fund and there will be no more money dispersed until the education committee can decide where future seed money will come for. Dan seconds it. Dan wants to send the money with a letter so that the students know that they are responsible for keeping the books. That is what was approved.

The Following is how the above topics were left:

1) The education committee needs to determine if we maintain the chapters out of the education fund or the general fund?

2) There will be six \$1000 dollar grants given this year.

Newsletter: Deadline is February 15th.

Golf Outing: Nothing to report. Dan will contact the Elks.

**Special Events:** Bringing Info to the next meeting in April.

**Recycling:** Dean's letter made it in the newsletter. Frank and Jack Bell have already volunteered. All the giveaways are ready.

**Historian:** Nothing to Report: Rolly Bedard is going to bring the March records.

Advertising: \$550 is still owed on ads.

**Retec**: Since Bob R. is not here there is no report.

**Public Info:** Nothing to report.

**Nominations:** Nothing to report

IT Report: Website is 95% done and the hosting should be done by the end of the week. Frank has someone lined up to maintain this. Dean, Ken and Frank will be getting together to kick it off. Milwaukee SPE section had a great website and Dean, Ken and Frank got together with the Milwaukee SPE webmaster to get permission to use some of their website material.

Old Business: None

**New Business:** Mickey called SPE and is trying to get a list of past presidents so that they can get their past presidents pins.

The meeting started at 4:12 pm and ended at 5:32pm.

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# BYRON NELSON MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC



# Monday, June 10, 2002 Hamilton Elks Country Club

Preparation for the Sixth Annual Byron Nelson Memorial Golf Classic is just about complete. Again this year, we will have 27 holes for the event. Therefore we will be recognizing the three low net foursomes, i.e. Blue/Red Course, Red/White Course and White/Blue Course. Other pertinent details include:

- 11:00am shotgun start
- Four person scramble (include each player's handicap with registration)
- Lunch on the patio 10:30am—2:30pm
- Closest to the pin prizes
- Longest putt prizes
- Low net per foursome recognition
- Beer and soft drinks on the patio and on the course
- Sit down steak dinner
- and much more!

All this for \$120 per person. Registration forms will be mailed May 1, 2002.

Hole sponsors are needed to raise money for the Education Fund. Please see the letter and hole sponsor registration form in this *SPEctrum*.

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The Golf Committee



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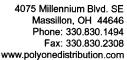
















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