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President's Message

Looking back on last year, I want to thank Ken Lewis and all of the board members of MVSPE for their dedicated service. Ken certainly excelled at leading the way in many areas, including his "hands-on" approach to launching our website. We all need to congratulate Ken and the other core members that keep MVSPE rolling.

It was also a busy summer for MVSPE. It started out with another successful golf outing. Not only was it a good time for many, but we raised over \$3,000 for our education fund. This money combined with the \$6,000 we gave out in scholarships shows how strong we support educating future professionals in the plastics industry. Thank you to everyone who supported the event.

We also added Sinclair Community College as a student chapter over the summer. We will be supporting the local Dayton college, and certainly welcome them to our meetings and other events.

For the future, we will be making the following changes .

In regard to our meetings, we are trying to do more to support all areas of plastics. We certainly welcome engineers, sales professionals, management/supervisors, technicians, quality personnel, human resources and anyone else in the plastics field. Not only can you gain knowledge from the meetings, but also by interfacing with others in the plastics field. We are also asking employers to encourage your associates to come to our meetings. We will certainly listen and respond to any suggestions and improvements you want us to implement. Feel free to contact Mickey Brandon, Rob Jergens, Jack Bell or myself.

There has been a slight increase in the cost of our dinner meetings. We are seeing these costs rise, and we lost money on our meetings last year. We are trying to maintain our meetings in professional surroundings that provide a comfortable learning environment.

Finally, I would like to thank all of our board and committee members for their time this year. With their dedication to the organization, we are looking forward to a great year with MVSPE!

Frank Maus,
MVSPE President

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The screenshot shows the Miami Valley Section website with a contact form. The form includes fields for Name, Company, Address, City, State, and E-mail. There are also checkboxes for 'I would like to receive the printed newsletter' and 'I would like to receive the e-newsletter'. A 'Submit Information' button is at the bottom of the form. The website header includes the SPE logo and the text 'Miami Valley Section'.

Calendar of Events

Sept. 5	Dayton/Alex's Fasti, compressed air dryers
Oct 3rd	Cin./Doubletree Water molding - Engle
Nov. 7th	Cin./Doubletree Plastic part design - Glenn Beall
Dec. (date TBD)	Dayton Spouse/Date Night
Jan. 9*	Plant tour
Feb.6	Dayton/Alex's Additives, fillers, blowing agents
Mar. 6	Cin./Doubletree Taking the fear out of OSHA
April 3	Dayton/Alex's Student Night/Economic Development
May 1	Plant tour Comet Automation - weigh blenders, loaders, dryers, conveying equip.
June 9	Golf outing Hamilton Elks
June 22-26	Chicago NPE'03

Meeting Notice Details

MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 5, 2002
Advance Reservation required by September 3, 2002
To reserve, call or fax:

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Meeting Agenda - Sept 5

SPE Board Meeting4:00 - 6:00 pm
Networking6:00 - 6:30 pm
Dinner6:30 - 7:15 pm
Program.....7:15 - 8:00 pm

MEMBERS \$20 NON-MEMBERS \$25 STUDENTS/RETIREES \$10
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September Meeting Info

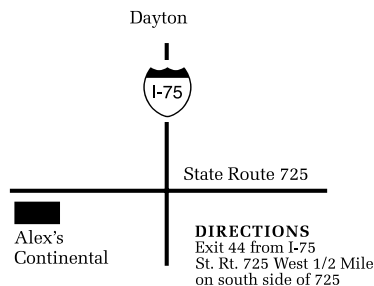
Are you using technology that was invented in the 1950's? Sure you are if you have been using desiccant type dryers to remove moisture from your plastic materials. The "twin tower" system, and it's more modern version the "rotating bed" have been around for years, and that does not make them any more efficient. With companies now claiming to have "mystery gas" to dry your material, look no further.

Mr. Rainer Farrag is President and CEO of Fasti USA, Inc., 927 North State Street, Elgin, IL 60123. He earned his PHD in Aerodynamics and Aircraft Design from the University of Vienna and has worked in the plastics industry since 1981. He is the inventor of the Compressed Air drying system.

He will be discussing Resin Drying and the differences between hot air, dry air, vacuum, microwave and compressed drying systems.

While it is true, hot air will (eventually) dry your material, please come see why Fasti has been the proven choice for PET, as well as other high volume users of hygroscopic materials. If you have ever had a dryer, dryer maintenance, or other problems with wet materials, you could use a crash course in "new" dryer technology.

ALEX'S CONTINENTAL DAYTON



Sixth Annual Byron Nelson Golf Classic Hamilton Elks Country Club

June 10, 2002

The Sixth Annual Byron Nelson Golf Classic was held June 10, 2002 at the Elks Country Club, Hamilton, Ohio. The event was played over the 27-hole layout with three tournaments being held concurrently, i.e. Blue/Red courses, White/Blue courses and Red/White courses. The Elks pro shop determined a handicap for each foursome participating in the four-person scramble.

The first place winners from Alpha Mold playing the Blue/Red courses with a net 48 were Gene Shuret, Ryan Higgins, Steve Meyer and Tom Zwolski.

The first place winners from Custom Mold & Design playing the White/Blue courses with a net 55 were Bob Catrow, Dan Sauer, and Rich Schock.

The first place winners from Polyone playing the Red/White courses with a net 53 were Dave Gregoriviz, Glen Johanson, Chris Laux and Frank Zack.

Closest to the pin winners were:

Red #3	Rich Stevens - Solution Plus
Red #5	Frank Zack - Polyone
White #3	Rob Doti - Matrix Polymer
White #5	Rich Schock - Custom Mold & Design
Blue #3	Anderson Heir - General Polymers
Blue #7	Chris Cooley

Longest putts on each ninth hole were:

Red #9	Robb Johns - Polyone
White #9	Jim Tucker - Ferromatic- Milacron
Blue #9	Chris Laux - Polyone

Ten Companies sponsored holes which raised \$3,000.00 for the education fund:

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- NuTECH POLYMERS
- POLYONE DISTRIBUTION
- RECTO MOLDED PRODUCTS
- TP COMPOSITE/POLARIS PLASTICS SALES

Additional sponsors of cash and/or door prize donations helped make the event a great success:

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- VERSA PRINT
- MATRIX POLYMERS
- MINCO GROUP

Although the attendance of the event was off by 25%, a good time was had by all the participating golfers.

Thanks to all who helped make this event a success, in particular...

Ken Lewis - Recto Molded Products - registrations
Mike Rusconi - Hole sponsor solicitations
Sally Rajkovich - registrations/Oasis lady

Melinda Lewis - registrations/Oasis lady
Andrew Rajkovich - Oasis/Photography
Tim Lambert & Elks employees who kept the liquids flowing

Mark your calendars for 2003. It will be June 9, 2003. Enjoy the pictures of the event in this Spectrum. Thanks to all.



May 2002 MVSPE Board Meeting Minutes

MVSPE MTG 5-2-02 Meeting started at 4:28pm

Attendees: Ken Lewis, Bob R. Jack Bell, Rolly Bedard, Dick Hauck, John Pierce, Don Keyes, Dan Tomo, Dean Kroger & Tom Cross

Minutes: Were accepted w/ corrections.

Treasurer's Report: The checking account is down to \$100. The CD does not come due till July. We are still waiting on the other half of our rebate. One item not shown in the treasurer's report is a check to UC for ANTEC expenses. We tabled the report until the next meeting.

Int'l Councilor's Meeting: Sinclair is on the agenda to be approved. Dan said there should be no hold up in their approval to be a student chapter for us. There is some question of whether Sinclair has all there paperwork in. We are going to address the question.

Membership Report: We had 1 new member, 1 transferred in, 1 transferred out and 20 renewed. 486 total paid. At one time, membership was around 660.

Program Report: Mickey arranged tonight's program. Looking at 25 people for dinner tonight. Bob was awarded the Victoria's Secret Watch, which can only be opened with one hand behind your back.

House: We are done for the year. Summer meeting is at the Heather Wood. July 25th. Set for 10:30 am right now. The exact time to be determined later.

Education: We gave money to UC for the ANTEC. We have not given money to anyone else. We have rec'd two or three thank you notes via e-mail. Trying to cover things with mentoring and issues with the grants. Grant winners tend to be Junior's and seniors. Would like to see younger kids get it. This issue will be covered at the next education meeting. We received about 4 or 5 requests for the essay contest from the national essay contest.

Newsletter: Thanks for the help with the newsletter. The next deadline is August 15th. Dan says that National always wants money for this and that. Dan was upset about there being no identification in the newsletter about money given, \$ amounts and who the winners were. We will add this information to the September newsletter.

Golf Outing: Dan says the golf outing ran into some snags. The new food Manager at the Elks, Molly Schwartz only lasted a month. He is working on who is responsible so that the contract is good. In the end it was decided to give

caps out. Cali Fame made these in USA. A local guy is now making the caps. Dan bought 120 divot tools and Caps. The order has been placed. Tim Lambert at the Elks will handle the golf course.

There will be 3 TV's donated for the golf outing. We need monitors for the TV's. Need 3 people for this. Green flyers went out on the 1st. June 10th is the golf outing. Versa print donated 4 blue seats and a parking pass to a Red's game in September. Frank thinks he could get ASPM to donate Dragon's Tickets.

Special Events: Has heard nothing about the casino or trips. We are waiting for Belterra to call back. The Air Force Museum has been contacted. If we get it done before schools out, then we can go to Space Shuttle Imax.

Recycling: Nothing to Report.

Historian: John did an article, so that it will go into the September Newsletter. He wrote it on outings and tours.

Awards: all given out.

Advertising: We will be charging for the advertising link on the website. All advertisers in the newsletter will be given the opportunity to have their link on our website. There is a counter on our website.

RETEC: Dan to check at national for any.

Public Info: nothing Nominations: Nothing

IT Report: The website is up and going. Dean, Bob and Ken did a lot of it. Looks very nice. Advertisers need to supply their URL so they can be linked. Also, need their graphics. You can e-mail info from the website to others about the golf outing.

Old Business: Dan got the cost for the two buses from Cincinnati and Dayton, which was \$1500. It comes to 20 bucks ahead for the bus. We will be going in the morning and coming home in the afternoon. We need the September newsletter to put out the info for the trip. We should make a form up and put it on the website and distribute it at the golf outing.

New Business: The new president wants to get a jump on the new committees and positions. Raffle tickets still for sale of the TV.

Meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm

International Councilor's Report By Dan Tomo

The Spring Council Meeting was held May 4 and 5, 2002 in San Francisco prior to the ANTEC. I attended representing the Section, the Committee of The Whole (COW) meeting; the outgoing (2001-2002) Council Meeting, the incoming (2002-2003) Council Meeting and the Student Activities Committee Meeting.

The following is a summary of the highlights of the Council Meetings held on May 5, 2002.

Attendance at ANTEC was 3,225, comprising of advance registrations of 2,214 and on site registrations (including participants in the seminar and spouse programs) of 1,011. A total of 153 registrants attended 13 Society seminars.

Incoming President Claudius Feger stated the theme of his administrative year would be Solutions. He talked about how our industry is characterized by incredible diversity-in topic, business structures, and in geography. He discussed the challenges facing our members, customers and patrons, and how SPE is positioning itself to provide solutions to meet the escalating challenges for the Global Plastics Industry.

From the Council Floor

The Council reviewed and approved an Antitrust policy.

The Council reviewed and approved a Branding policy.

The Council approved the chartering of student chapters at Sinclair Community College in Dayton, Ohio and at ITECH in Ecully, France.

The Council approved changes to Bylaws 11 & 13 converting to an anniversary date membership.

Outgoing President Browitt thanked his Executive Committee for their hard work, and reviewed our accomplishments in the International arena.

Executive Director Michael Cappelletti reviewed various Society issues and thanked everyone involved on creating our newest product, "*The Technician's Tool Box*."

Presentations

Detroit Section	5,000 1,000	Scholarship Fund
Mid Michigan Section	500	Scholarship Fund
Mold Making & Mold Design	2,000 2,500	Student Travel Fund SPE Foundation
Plastics Environmental Division	7,740	Proceeds from GPEC 2002
Quebec Section	1,600	General Fund
Southern California Division	1,000	ANTEC Reception
Thermoforming Division	22,300	Equipment Matching Fund

Next Council Meeting

The next meeting of the council is scheduled for September 21, 2002 in Danbury, CT.

Education Night Photos



2001-2002 SPE Student Grant Winners

The Grant Winners for this year were a tough call as usual. The committee had to work to make a good selection but we believe they did an outstanding job.

The criteria for the winners are fairly constant from year to year but they change slightly as we discover changes that may create a fairer assessment of the applicants. Input from the section membership is welcome, including the students, in an effort to improve our process.

The list of \$1000 winners is as follows:

David A. Banach	Senior – University of Cincinnati
Matthew C. Burke	Senior – University of Cincinnati
Jennifer R. Conley	Junior – University of Cincinnati
Aaron M. Johnson	Sophomore – Shawnee State University
Erin E. Porter	Junior – Miami University
Teri L. Shearer	2nd year – Edison Community College

CONGRATULATIONS to the winners and thanks again to the committee members who helped to make the selection.

Don Keyes, Section Education Chairman

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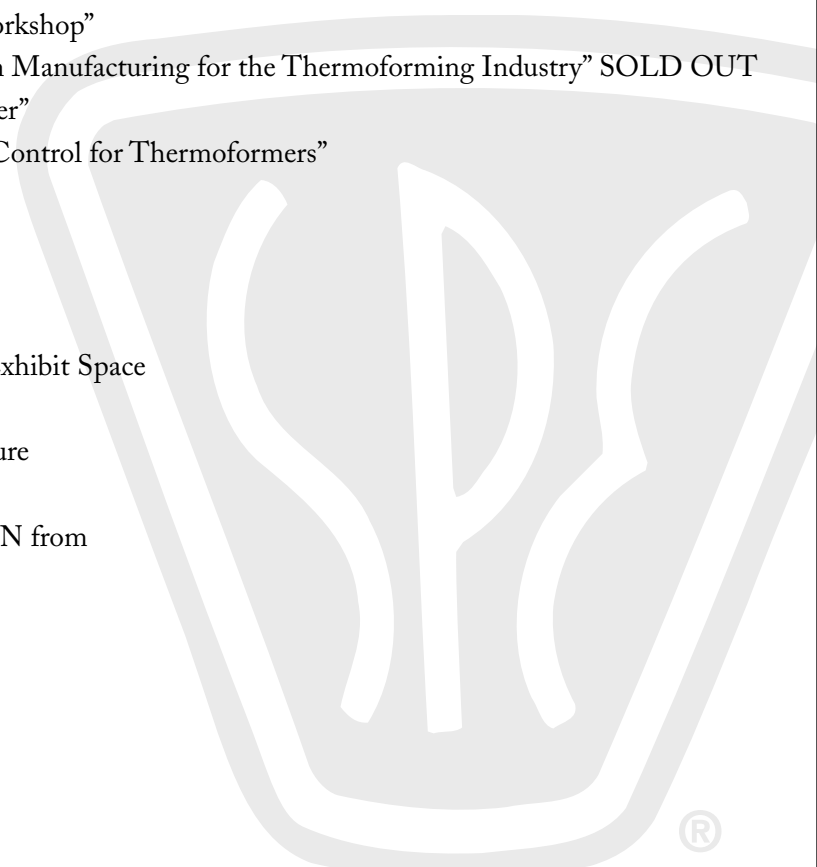
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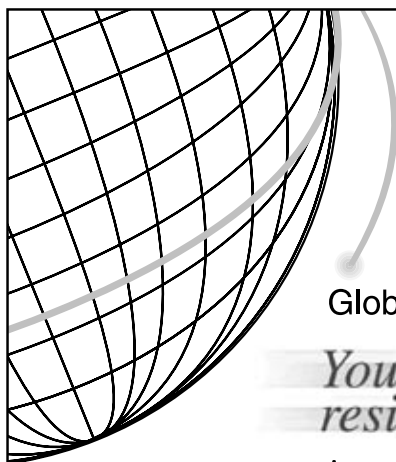
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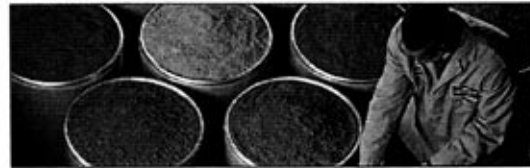
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