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## **APRIL MEETING INFO**

### **APRIL MEETING WILL BE EDUCATION NIGHT!**

*By Don Keyes*

The April meeting will be a good indication of the caliber of students we will see graduate shortly into industry.

We will be giving grants to 5 students who all showed themselves to be excellent candidates for future work in the industry. I personally hope we can challenge and get the best from them because these are bright students who can do just about anything they set their minds to.

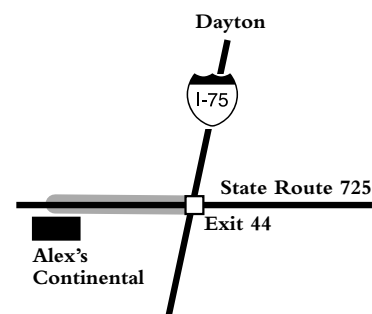
I hope we will have a good turnout to meet these students and their peers who will be there to cheer them on. It could prove to be a very worthwhile meeting for someone lucky enough to make a friend.

For the student's benefit (and yours as well) we plan to have a short review of some current industry trends. We'll do a follow-up on the internet reverse auctions that we discussed last year and what some companies are asking for now. We'll talk briefly about what plastics companies are looking for now in the way of capability and personnel. Then we'll do an overview of some new business and quality systems that are showing up. This will be an open forum type of meeting so if you have strong feelings about some of these subjects, come and add to the discussion.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>May 1</b>	Plant tour Comet Automation - weigh blenders, loaders, dryers, conveying equip.
<b>June 9</b>	Golf outing Hamilton Elks
<b>June 22-26</b>	Chicago NPE'03

## MEETING NOTICE DETAILS

MEETING DATE: April 3, 2003  
Advance Reservation required by April 1, 2003  
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## MEETING AGENDA - APR. 3, 2003

Board Meeting.....	4:30 - 6:00 pm
Networking .....	6:00 - 6:30 pm
Dinner .....	6:30 - 7:30 pm
Program .....	7:30 - 8:30 pm

MEMBERS \$20 NON-MEMBERS \$25 STUDENTS/RETIRES \$10  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**Frank Maus**

Thanks to everyone who attended our last meeting. It was nice to see a larger turnout than what was originally expected. We also would like to thank Dick Gilgrist for the thorough presentation, and for tailoring it especially for the plastics industry.

For those that missed the meeting, a variety of safety issues were discussed. Mr. Gilgrist also reviewed safety issues relating to cooling towers, especially with regards to Legionnaires disease. For more information, he suggested visiting <http://www.osha.gov>, <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh> and <http://www.ashrae.org> For those that are not familiar with this health issue, I strongly urge you to investigate it.

April's meeting will be an especially good meeting. We are giving out \$5,000 in grants to qualified students. This is a direct way for SPE to aid in the education of future plastics professionals. We thank those that contributed to the education fund, and that sponsored holes at our golf outing last year.

Speaking of the golf outing, be sure to reserve June 9th on your calendar. Hope to see you there!

## FEBUARY MEETING MINUTES

**Treasurer's Report:** We received our 1st rebate check from National. The investment CD has matured. Dick did not plan to immediately reinvest it in another CD so that we can get the grants out. Dick corrected an error. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

**Minutes:** Correct the spelling of Schlemmer.

**Attendees:** Frank Maus, Jack Bell, Bob Rajkovich, Dick Hauck, Tom Cross, Dean Kroger, Robert Jergens, Paul Moore.

**House:** Next month's meeting will be "Take the fear out of OSHA". OSHA has guaranteed no one will be taking names. It was suggested that someone from OSHA go over machine requirements

**Awards and Programs:** Mickey to make the plaques for the grant recipients.

**Education:** Don K. only received 6 applications for grants. They were as follows: 4 from UC, and 2 from Shawnee State.

**IT:** The IT Committee has solved the problem with the website concerning un-subscribing from a printed newsletter. Dean is in charge of people e-mail subscriptions. Also, the idea of adding a message board was discussed.

**National Report:** Dan Tomo's 3 year term is up at the end of June. Dan was appt. to finish Mo Spies term. National SPE is soliciting funds for the opening reception at Nashville. The board voted to not give any money. The winter Council meeting was in San Antonio. Dan T attended as a rep of this section. See Dan's report. Jenny Hodge has resigned. National lost \$260,000 dollars last year. An audit will be done by end of the month. The September National meeting will be held in Charlotte, NC.



**Golf Outing:** Dan has put together the procedure for a successful golf outing. He has some volunteers but needs someone to take over for him. The golf outing will be at Hamilton Elks again. Paul Moore investigated the possibility of having the golf outing at Kings Island (KI). It can be done for the same cost as last year with some exceptions. KI is public not private. Their charge is a flat rate of \$8000. They have a maximum limit of 144 golfers. The price would include carts, driving range and gift shop money. We would have to pay 50% up front. They can't touch the lunch we had last year. In summary, the Elks are the way to go.

**Newsletter:** Next Thursday or Friday will be the cut-off for submissions for the March Newsletter

**Recycling:** Dean needs people to sign up for times to man the booth. PET performs will be given away. It appears as though the give-aways are coming together.

**Membership:** 6 new, 1 transferred in, 0 transferred out and 0 resigned or renewed members. For a total of 388 paid members.

**New Business/Old Business:** One suggestion to get more people to the meetings was to hold a lunch meeting.



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## **BYRON NELSON MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC**



**Monday, June 9, 2003**

### **Hamilton Elks Country Club**

Preparation for the Seventh 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:

- 10:00am-10:45am Driving Range
- 11:00am Shotgun Start
- Four person scramble (include each player's handicap with registration)
- Lunch on the patio 10:15am—2:30pm
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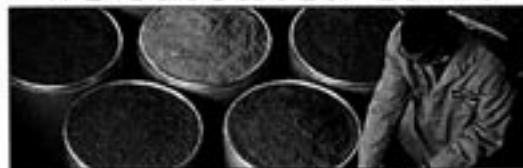
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