

Polymer Valley News



The Newsletter of the Akron Section of the Society of Plastics Engineers
Our 61st Year of Education and Service to the Plastics Industry

~ Next Session ~

Monday, April 8, 2019
5:30 p.m.

Magnet Presentation
Hilton Inn
3180 West Market Street
Akron, Ohio 44333



The speaker from MAGNET (Manufacturing Advocacy and Growth Network) will be Michael O'Donnell, VP of Operations.

He will speak on "How To Engage Your Workforce To Grow Your Business With Client Case Studies".

Meeting Information

Member and/or guest	\$25
Retired	\$20
Student	\$5
New Member - first meeting	Free
Social / Networking / Bar	5:30 p.m.
Dinner	6:00 p.m.
Program	Following dinner

Reservations must be in by noon on Fri., April 5 and can be made to Gary Taylor at 330-419-4380 or akronspe1@gmail.com
Be sure to include your company affiliation and dietary restrictions.

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Directions to Meeting

Hilton Inn, 3150 West Market Street, Akron, Ohio 44333

From Cleveland Hopkins Airport

Take 480 East to I-77 South. Exit at #138 to Fairlawn. Turn right on Ghent Rd. Follow south for two miles. The DoubleTree is at West Market Street (Rt. 18) and Ghent Road. Turn Right on West Market Street. Hotel is located on the left.

Driving South on I-77

Exit at #138 to Fairlawn. Turn right on Ghent Rd. Follow south for two miles. The DoubleTree is at West Market Street (Rt. 18) and Ghent Road. Turn Right on West Market Street. Hotel is located on the left.

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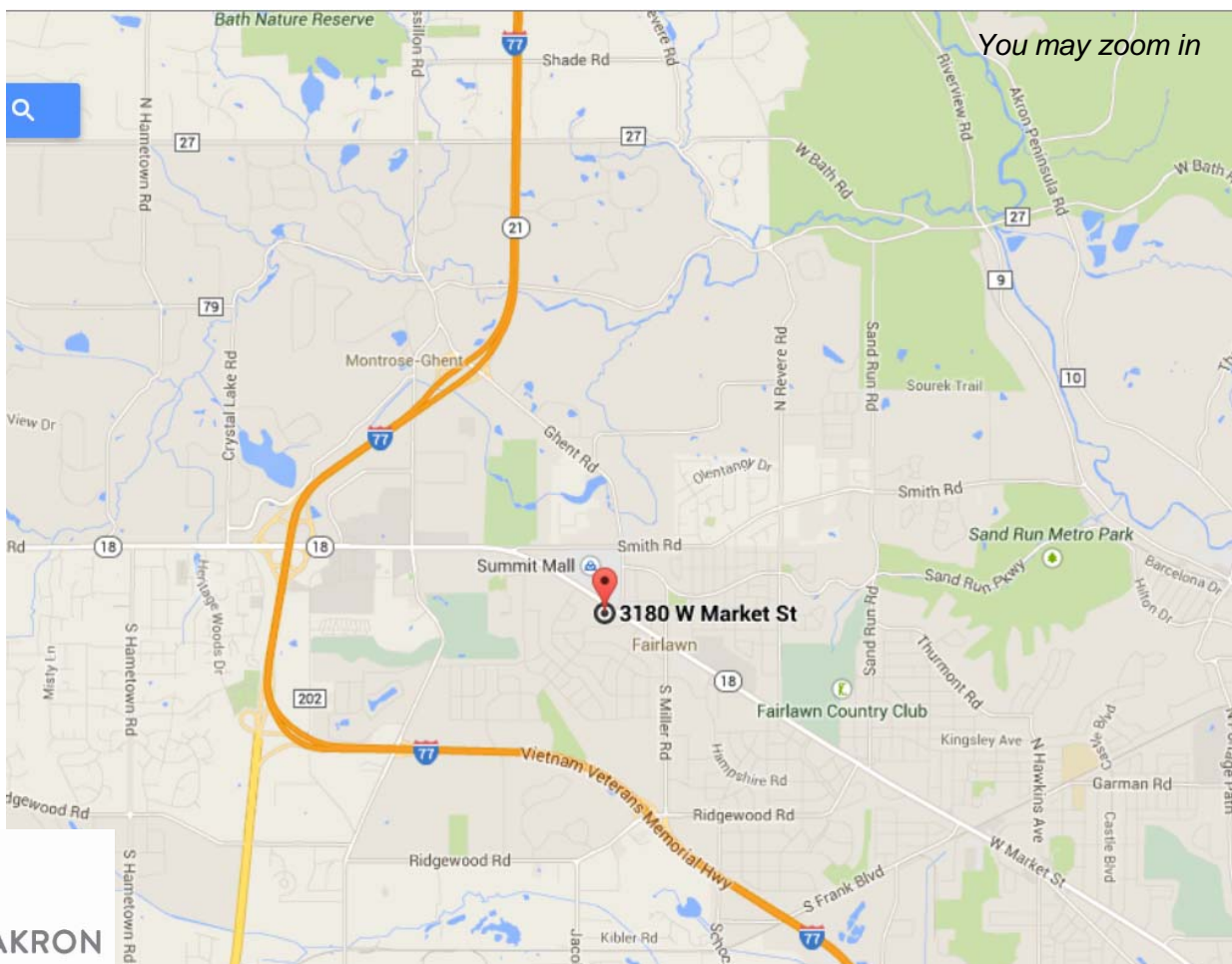
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Driving North or South on I-71

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Speaker

Michael O'Donnell has more than 30 years of experience in engineering and manufacturing consulting. Since joining MAGNET in 2000, he has helped companies with lean, operations, and product development challenges. O'Donnell has also played an instrumental role in developing new consulting methods, training simulations, and workshops for use in a variety of businesses, and he continues to champion continuous improvement and total quality programs across Northeast Ohio. O'Donnell holds a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from the University of Michigan as well as an MBA from the University of Richmond.



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Akron Section Wins Awards

The Akron Section SPE has received the Pinnacle Gold Award for Communication from SPE Int'l. This is the most prestigious level of the award. It recognizes a full range of achievements in communication excellence. The purpose of the award is to recognize Sections, Divisions and Special Interest Groups (SIGs) that carry out highly effective communications with their groups and, optionally, with other parts of the Society during the course of the SPE year. It is intended to recognize all types and forms of communications as opposed to being focused on one medium or method of communication and information delivery.



The Akron SPE Section also received the Pinnacle Award for Education. The education award just has one level. The 2018 TPE TOPCON, Plastivan Visit, Student Essay Contest and Technical Program all contributed to the Akron Section being recognized. Like the Communications Award it is not competitive. It is based on meeting or exceeding certain performance standards and Accomplishment thresholds.



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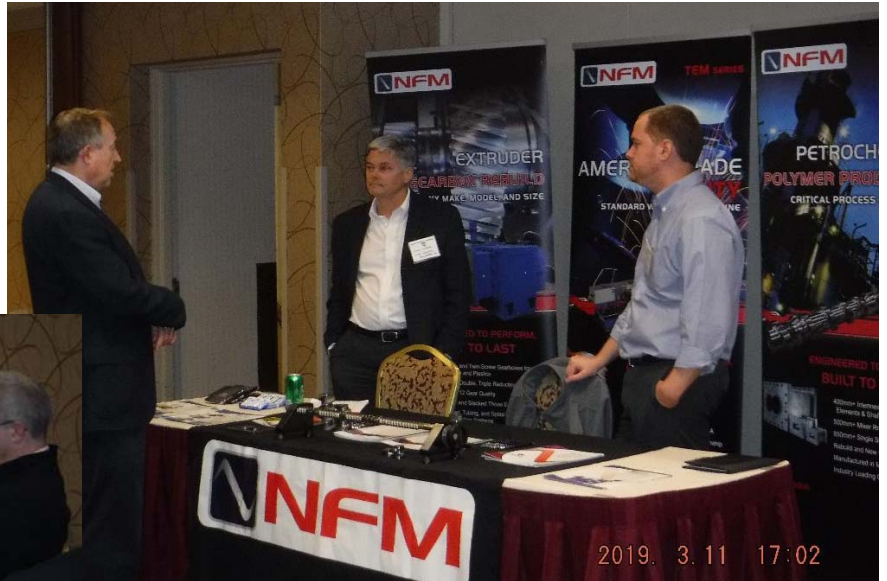
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Membership Report - 2019

The Akron Section currently has 252 active members.

Month	Active	New + Renewal
Jan	252	5 + 0
Feb	257	11 + 0
Mar		
Apr		
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Jun		
Jul		
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Sep		
Oct		
Nov		
Dec		

Say hello to new members

Hossein Abedsoltan, Student
Jaynish Amipara, Student
Craig Chmielewski, Schneller
Bob Duncan, Jr., LyondellBasell
Nicole Gowens, Student
Colton Greathouse, ENGEL Machinery
Jillanne Grimm, Parker Hannifin
Evan Nelson, Cell-O-Core
Krishna Nookala, Nolax, Inc.
Nilay Shah, Student
Victor Vogt, Student

**The Akron SPE Section is
happy to post local job
openings in the plastics
industry for 90 days for any
member.**

**Please contact a board
member if you are interested
in posting.**

Board Meeting Dates

Generally scheduled the first Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room of the UA Polymer Engineering Academic Center.

April 1, 2019
May 6, 2019
June 3, 2019

Board Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2019

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM at PEAC

Present: Nicole Fraifogl, Keith Pelfrey, Gary Taylor, David Schultz, Josh Seylar, John Fellenstein, Joe Mattingly, Che-Kuan Lin, Dan Jones and Sahil Gupta

Absent: Tom Mc Quaide, Bob Wegelin, Larry Stanek, Tony Dean, Sherri Hart, Kevin Malpass, Viv Malpass and Bob Weiler

Reviewed made minor changes to BOD Minutes- Education Foundation portion- reviewed final balance and identified missing check for Scholarship student then approved minutes from February BOD.

Review from President - February meeting well attended Plant Tour Mar-Bal from Cleve Section and a few as well from Akron.

Technical Program 2018/19—Nicole Fraifogl

Nicole reminds BOD to please invite at least one colleague or contact to monthly meetings-
March 11- Akron- Extrusion –MiniTech- Joe Mattingly reports he is set with 3-4 different companies- National Feed Screw, Steere America and Akron Tool and Die- discussed Tabletop and Panel discussion set-up and added logistics- Plan to start meeting at 4PM Need added attendees molding companies- Larry Stanek and Keith Pelfrey input

April 15- planned Magnet from Cleveland presentation-Recruiting and Retaining in todays Manufacturing environment

May 20- Awards at Firestone CC

House—Gary Taylor/Bob Wegelin

Gary confirms we are set rest of the year.

Technical Program 2019/20—Larry Stanek

Larry reports he now has several options for Program to confirming details with Cleve –Rik Keely
Plan to juggle Sept/Oct and Nov with Cleve based on Vinyltec Oct 1-3

Entec Plastic resins- New Polymers/Advancements, Solving Plastics Problems- Timex Plastics-Recycling and Plastics and possible: Akron Bounce, Goodyear- Innovation Center, Americhem or Injection Molders Night,considering Panel event- technical recruiting for engineers for ACCESS/Jan or March??

John and Larry still planning joint venture to have PlastiVan program in Cleve area.

Membership—Sherri Hart

Sherri informs several new Industrial and student members on board March at 257.

Plans underway to identify new members with red star on name badge for meetings.

Review in process to determine what else we might do to help track and determine reasons for not resigning and why Akron located members not signing up for Akron with new mode at Intl.

Treasurer—Gary Taylor

Report provided all updated info for early year- good balance.

Gary informs rebates provided for 2018 and wonders plans for 2019?

Joe Mattingly audited 2018 books ready to return April 2019.

Board Meeting Minutes – 3/4 continued

Councilor—Kevin Malpass

Kevin Malpass reports he plans to attend Council Meetings in Detroit.

Action – Voted on and passed money Logistics and expenses to support Councilor

Plans in place to change Membership policy no free Sections/Divisions cost \$135- STRESS TO SIGN UP FOR AKRON

Urging Akron Section as well consider helping Divisions with other Conferences- CAD- Color or PMAD

Student Chapter—CheKuan Lin and Joshua Seylar

Feb noted approval for Kaitlyn Mawhinney and Marco Pantoja to support ANTEC travel, they are presenting posters in Detroit.

Plan to as well have PESO meeting- requested speaker to address careers.

Public Interest/Website/Newsletter—Tony Dean

Tony informs that he is set for rest of the year in periodicals and magazines.

BOD suggests potentially touching bases with companies that we will be touring- mostly Cleve based for advertising on Akron website.

National Awards—Larry Stanek

Larry noted he has completed-topics around Education, Outreach and Communication for new Pinnacle/Communication- awaiting Intl. response.

He is looking into next set and will inform his needs form BOD/Committees Award criteria.

Larry reports he has built a template to help gather information and make available from Akron to Intl on a regular basis- please make sure to keep Larry updated on ALL activities as we build this database.

Larry reports Best Practices are being reviewed as outlined by Intl- and submissions being made.

Section Awards—Keith Pelfrey

Keith is looking for Hall of Honor nominations- will be in contact with Sherri Hart for input.

Nicole informs has a potential Speaker in mind.

BOD has set in motion new named Scholarship for 2019.

Keith informs after BOD review and vote- Dan Jones has been chosen as Zekan Award winner for 2018-19 – Congratulations to Dan!

Bob Wegelin will be contacted for Awards stick for update.

Plan a dry run in early May for banquet.

Keith is in addition developing Honored Service Member application for Bob Weiler for 2019-20. .

Education Committee—John Fellenstein

In Feb carried out an e-mail vote- to approve \$250 ANTEC- Intl Student Activities.

Scholarships due March 16, recap of APS Science Fair Awards.

Approved \$ sponsorship for judges at Western Reserve Science Fair set for March 16th need judges

Informs no Essays have been received for this year even with extended deadline potential for future contact info for added MS/HS in area- checking with ACCESS for added input.

Education Foundation—Joe Mattingly

Joe informs that will soon be calling Foundation Committee meeting to review current strategy in place as money re funds not handling current Scholarship needs. Motion made and Vote carried out to transfer money from Gen Akron SPE Fund to handle deficit and to used to start at same time named Scholarship Fund.

Board Meeting Minutes – 3/4 continued

Growth Committee—Kevin Malpass

No update still IMPORTANT area.

Kevin reports the committee will get together to review status and actions going forward especially based on new Pinnacle criteria.

He further reports that Action items will now have to be redeveloped as potential new members join.

VINYLTEC—David Schultz with Tony Dean

- Akron Section will co-host 2019 Vinyltec on Oct. 1, 2 and 3.

- Oct. 1 will be devoted to a Primer.

- Nicole suggested that we be thinking of a succession plan.

David reports second meeting set for March 6th at Hilton 530 PM- secured Call in number- Thank you to Ron Raleigh- Past President –Cleve/Vinyl Div.

ACCESS Update

ACCESS has handled all logistics issues and carried out training for new website- Tony Dean should be on board re Akron SPE.

Old Business:

Suggest addition of Young Professional- potentially for Website.

Nicole has requested each BOD Member invite 1 person from business, industry, customer base to monthly meeting.

Nicole has suggested and will reach out to various groups in extended Akron section territory- Youngstown State and Ashland University.

New Business:

E- Week- update- Larry Stanek / Dan Jones

Week meeting went well with 400 attending SPE- Akron on schedule for 2023- still need to have brainstorming- as to Special projects to highlight- PlastiVan outreach, Student Chapter. Anticipate that SPE will need to expand into undergraduate contacts- awards plus added Graduate Awards Meetings scheduled for 1st Monday of Month- same as SPE BOD dates- Dan Jones will be attending for Akron Section.

Goodyear STEM Days – HS set for April 6 at U of A- Speed Mentoring and STEM- MS for May 4 Firestone

Status on Marcos project for two monitors in PEAC- Josh and John to continue to discuss further with Dr. Sadhan Jana.

Meeting Adjourned 6:37 PM –Next BOD Meeting set for April 1, 2019 at PEAC- 5:30PM.

Need to have help with Minutes- April 1
Secretary to provide copy of Minutes to Gary Taylor





Join the Pittsburgh SPE on April 15th from 5-7 PM at the UPMC Lemieux Sports Complex in Cranberry to learn from Covestro and CMU about the Rethink the Rink initiative and materials science innovation in Pittsburgh.

Please RSVP in advance, as dinner will be offered.

\$25.00 for SPE members

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- David Morehouse, president and CEO of the Penguins

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AKRON SECTION SOCIETY OF PLASTICS ENGINEERS

NOMINATION FORM FOR ELECTION OF CANDIDATES TO THE PLASTIC HALL OF HONOR

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Name of Nominee (include title) _____

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Present affiliations (Plastics, including dates and positions held) _____

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Specific contributions (Patents, publications, etc. to plastics industry) _____

Related Plastics activities (Clubs, Organizations) _____

Brief statement supporting the candidate (Attach additional pages, if necessary) _____

Membership in SPE not required to Nominate or to be Nominated

Name of Nominator _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Phone _____

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Keith Pelfrey , 828 Pegan Drive , Wadsworth Oh 44281
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E-mail questions to kpelfrey@neo.rr.com

Nominate a co-worker, employer, teacher, media person, leader, or any unsung hero who deserves this honor!

Honorees will be installed in the Plastics Hall of Honor at the Annual SPE awards night 2018 at Firestone CC May 20, 2019

Their names and photographs will be displayed in the Plastics Hall of Honor within the University of Akron Polymer Engineering Building

Programs for 2018 / 2019

- Sept. 17 **Sajar Plastics**
Gas Injection Molding, Plant Tour
-- Middlefield, Ohio - Cleveland *
- Sept. 18-20 **13th TPE TOPCON**
-- Hilton Fairlawn - Akron *
- Oct. 15 **Polymer Coating Systems**
-- DoubleTree by Hilton Fairlawn
Akron *
- Nov. 12 **Quality Synthetic Rubber**
Tour
-- Twinsburg, Ohio - Cleveland *
- Dec. 10 **60 Years and Holiday Celebration**
Madrigal Singers and Speaker
-- The Galaxy, Wadsworth – Akron*

- Jan. 14 **ACCESS**
-- Hilton Fairlawn - Akron *
- Feb. 11 **Mar-Bal**
Thermoset Molding, Tour
-- Mentor, Ohio - Cleveland *
- Mar. 11 **Extrusion Event**
After-Market Suppliers
-- Hilton Fairlawn - Akron *
- Apr. 8 **Magnet Presentation**
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- May 20 **Akron Section Awards Night**
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1983-1984	Robert G. Hills	2012-2013	Kevin Malpass
1984-1985	Anthony F. Dean, Jr.	2013-2014	Dan Jones
1985-1986	Gene Buser	2014-2015	Vivian Malpass
1986-1987	Harry J. Barth	2015-2016	Keith Pelfrey
1987-1988	Judith A. Fallon	2016-2017	Robert Weiler
		2017-2018	Tom McQuaide

**The Akron Section is in
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Newsletter



Akron Section Society of Plastics Engineers Educational Foundation



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The Akron Society of Plastics Engineers Educational Foundation operates exclusively for the benefit of and to carry out the purposes of the Akron Section of the Society of Plastics Engineers, which is to promote scientific and engineering knowledge relating to plastics by making educational scholarship grants to deserving students in the field of plastics engineering and related subjects. The Organization is supported primarily by contributions from the Akron Society of Plastics Engineers, the Society's individual members and corporations like yours affiliated with the polymer industry.

Since the inception in 1988, the Akron Society of Plastics Engineers Educational Foundation has grown to its current position through the hard work of many volunteers and the generosity of the local business community. Over the thirty years that the foundation has been in existence, it has provided scholarships to over 270 young men and women totaling in excess of \$350,000 to assist them in furthering their careers in the polymer industry.

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.

When the Foundation began its fund raising activities in 1988, we offered those companies who contributed \$30,000 a scholarship in their name. To date we have four named scholarships, Newell/Rubbermaid, Goodyear, Ken Sharp Memorial and Jim Steiner Memorial scholarships. We are asking your company to help with the growth of well-trained individuals in the local polymer industry. Please print this page, fill out the information and mail it to Joe Mattingly, 4918 Massillon Rd. North Canton, OH 44720.

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