

# Polymer Valley News

The Newsletter of the Akron Section of the Society of Plastics Engineers  
Our 46<sup>th</sup> Year of Education and Service to the Plastics Industry

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## Costs, Schedules, Reservations

Member	\$30.00
Member and Guest	\$50.00
Retiree	\$25.00
Student	\$15.00

Social	5:30 p.m.
Dinner	6:15 p.m.
Presentation	7:00 p.m.

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## Awards Night

**Monday, May 24, 2004**

**Martin University Center**

105 Fir Hill Street

*East Side of University of Akron Campus*



Our annual Awards Ceremony is targeted as our main Section meeting for May. This ceremony will award scholarships to many deserving students, recognize national SPE awards that have been given to Akron members, induct new members to the Akron SPE Hall of Honor and award the Zekan memorial award to a deserving member. We also will have two guest speakers. Sabrina Arrick, a former winner of an SPE scholarship will speak on what the scholarship has meant to her career. Mike Fisch, director of the program on E-Beam Technology at Kent State, will speak on the importance of plastics to Ohio and Kent State.



This year, as last, the ceremonies will be held at the Martin Center on the campus of the University of Akron. Please join us in the celebration of these worthy individuals. The food will be great and the price is right. It is a great wrap up to the year for us!

**Coming Up:**

- One more newsletter this season
- Board meeting May 10, 5:30 p.m. at AES – 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room

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# President's Message

# ONE MORE TO GO!

We're still moving (which direction, I'm not sure). A big **THANKS!** to the 5% of our membership (20) that participated in our last meeting, along with the 8 students from the U of A. The other 95% missed a good one. The presentation by SPIREX was excellent. We all learned new information about co-injection of plastics. Our House and Program Committees provided us with an excellent venue and menu.

**HELLO IS ANYBODY OUT THERE?** Please tell a board member what will bring you out to a meeting? (free doesn't work). It's **YOUR Section**; may we count on you to be a part of it? Your opinion is valuable. **E: MAIL ME**

Ever notice that a necktie is a powerful symbol? The Presidential wannabees wear red. Some yuppies wear a textile Tabasco, a "Rush" or a fabric fish. Jehovah's Witnesses, police detectives and all the James Bond incarnations, wear ties. Wearing a tie used to make you feel successful. The absence of a tie is now a symbol of success. Bill Gates, Eminem and Israel's Prime Minister hardly ever (also never seen on hippies).

So, whatever happened to the tie? We replaced it with "business casual". We have dress down days and only the top Doggy Dogs wear ties.

There are, of course, exceptions when you have to wear a tie for a customer contact (especially foreign visitors). Even when they are casual, we are formal. Even when the conference room is 90°F we are buttoned at the collar and circled with silly silk. Even when we are touring their plant we are obviously visitors, for we have brought our visitor badges. It is respectful and appropriate. The rest of the time there are no ties.

Now you might be thinking that a company wouldn't be able to function without ties. In my early working days, the system of work priorities went like this: If it had the President's name on it, it got done first. The VP's name, it got done second (unless there was kicking and screaming). Then came the rest of the tie guys and, last, everyone else. Interesting how the organization remains intact. Things still got done. I don't miss ties and I don't feel less successful (even though I'm at the peak of a mediocre career).

You don't have to dress up and wear a tie to feel good about yourself.

So, no ties at the golf outing and tie one on, if you need, at the Awards Banquet (it could save some food spots on your shirt).

Have a blessed May!

**See you at our next meeting !!!**

Come on out and support our scholarship and other award winners **Monday MAY 24<sup>th</sup>**.

**Program and Dinner at the Martin University Center.**

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- SEPT. 22-24 Thermoplastic Elastomers  
TOPCON -- Hilton
- SEPT. 26 FALL GOLF OUTING  
-- Raintree CC
- OCT. 27 Injection Molding – **Process Cooling Systems, Mr. Ted Rudy**  
experiences with Injection Molding, Extrusion and Blow Molding engineering and design applications  
-- Martin Center
- NOV. 24 Color & Appearance –  
**Americhem, Inc.**  
**Mr. Rick Mathew, COO**, lunch  
-- Tangier
- JAN. 20 Joint Meeting with NTMA, AMBA  
-- Guy's
- FEB. 23 Extrusion –Tour- **Diamond America** (single screw manufacture) + talk by **Diamond America & CA Picard** (twin screw elements) --Tallmadge/Falls
- MAR. 22 Tour - Harry London Chocolate –  
Food Packaging  
-- 356<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group
- APR. 26 Twin Shot Injection Molding -- Martin Center
- MAY 14 Spring Golf and Lunch  
-- Barberton Brookside
- MAY 24 Awards Night -- Martin Center

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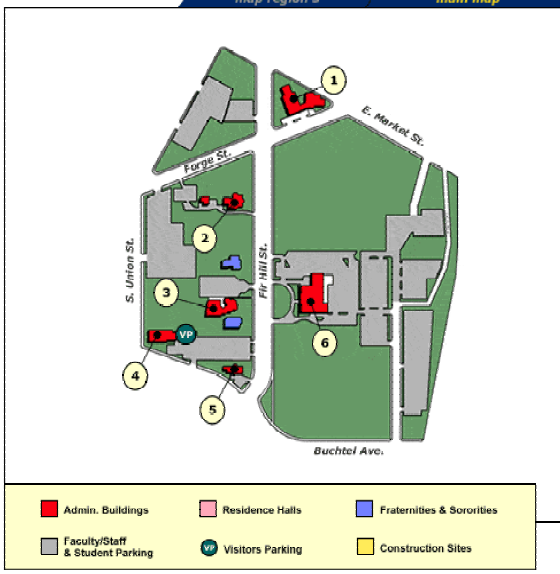
## Map to Martin University Center 105 Fir Hill Street Akron, Ohio

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## 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Golf Outing and Silent Auction

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Friday, May 14, 2004  
*Akron and Cleveland Sections*

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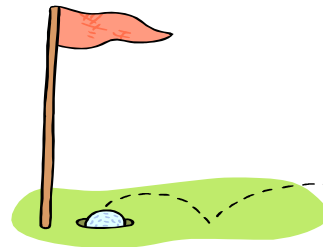
Please register early so we can plan and organize this event for you.

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# 39th Annual Spring Golf Outing and Silent Auction

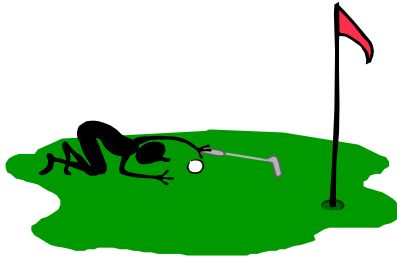


**Akron & Cleveland Section  
Society of Plastics Engineers**

**Barberton Brookside Country Club**

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**No Refunds After May 7, 2004**



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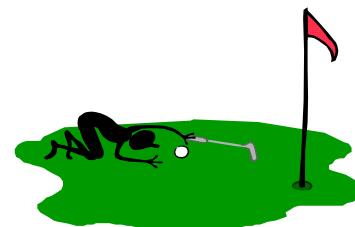
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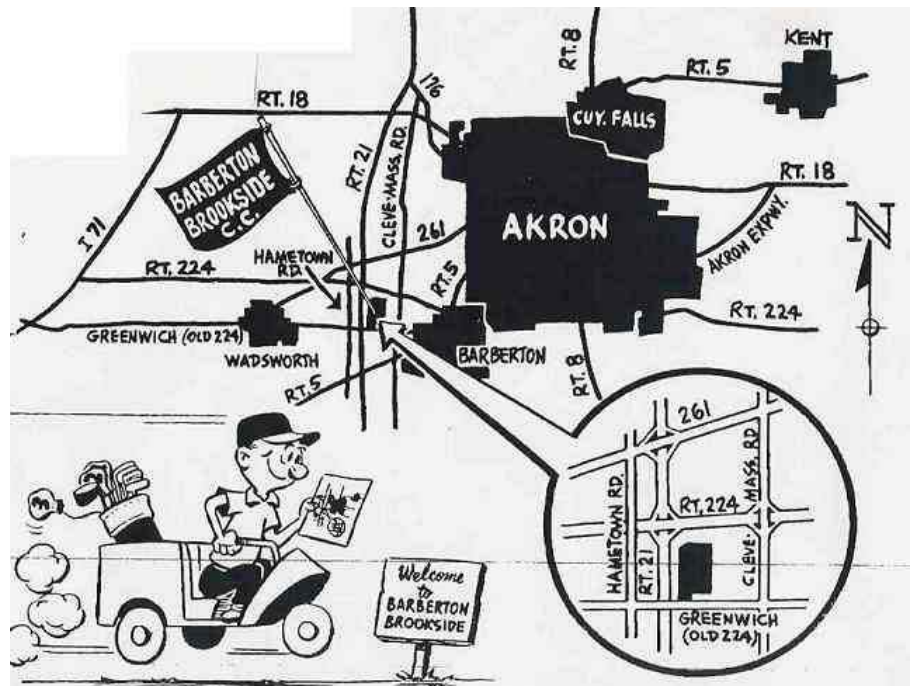
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FROM CANTON - Take I-77 North to 224 West to Cleveland-Massillon Road (exit 14). Turn left and go to 2nd light (Greenwich Rd.) Turn right. One mile on Right Side.

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# Minutes of Board Meeting – April 13, 2004

**Call to Order:** 5:30 pm at AES, Akron, Conference Room 101

**Present:** Ron Miller, David Katz, Johanna Baena, Gary Taylor, Bob Wegelin, Joe Pfeiffer, Lloyd Goettler, Ernie Anderson, David Schultz

**Absent -** George Carroll, Kathy Perevosnik, John Woodside, Bud Seymour, Tony Dean, Jerry Robinson, Kevin Malpass, Joe Mattingly

## NOTE ACTION ITEMS – IN BOLD

**Minutes:** March 8 minutes as prepared by Ken Kear were approved, moved by Joe Pfeiffer, seconded by Vice President – Lloyd Goettler. Motion carried.

**Treasurer:** Gary reports books are in good shape with only a few expenses for March. TPE-SIG money has been sent to Dr. Viv Malpass to confirm TOPCON for 2005.

**ACCESS:** Joe Mattingly attended the most recent Board Meeting and hand-carried our \$50 fee to join. Board members are still to check with active ACCESS members to determine values to SPE-- D. Schultz- Ruth Murray-ACCESS Sec from ACS-Local, L. Goettler- Ann Bolek-U of Akron, Professional Engineers-T.Dean, and SME-Joe Mattingly. Akron Section did help judge Science Fairs- Feb and March. Thanks to Joe Mattingly, Bob Wegelin. Next Joint Meeting set for April 22 at Tangiers.

**Officers, 2004:** Dr. Lloyd Goettler has recently stepped up to be our new VP-Program for 2004/2005 year- Thanks Lloyd!! **Board Members have been requested to bring a new candidate for Committee and/or Board Membership.**

**Awards 2004 Update:** Joe Pfeiffer has met with Dennis Conley; they have found the pictures from 2002 and now need to have them framed and placed on the wall at U of Akron. Speaker is still needed- ideas contact Joe. Need additional candidates for Hall of Honor, Zekan Award.

**Joe has two candidates for Hall of Honor and will set up meeting with Frank Kelley to discuss those and additional candidates as they come in.**

Joe has asked for help –DRS to contact guests from Goodyear, etc. as in the past. **He plans a meeting week of 4-13 to further detail and ACTIONS.**

**Student Chapter:** Johanna Baena has prepared and circulated an excellent synopsis for the need for funds to help up to 25 students attend, ANTEC-Chicago anticipated they will have 20 papers plus additional students to attend since it is so close. The Board voted on monies to help students attend and give papers. Joe Pfeiffer made a motion to provide \$2,000 for travel and expenses, seconded by Ernie Anderson. The Board voted on the motion; it passed. **Gary Taylor to forward check to PESO.** Johanna has also requested money from Intl. She was told most of those monies went to students who were presenting in student Sessions. She is on the list. Lloyd brought up Polymer Processing Society Conference in June 2004. In addition he mentioned that the Mechanical/Polymer Engineering enrollment is down from 8-12 students to 4 for 2004. He has asked SPE-Akron to get involved. We mentioned that ACCESS would also be good to contact. The PESO recently had a Bowling Night- April 7 and are planning April 21- Ice Skating at Kent State- details to follow by e-mail. In addition they are planning informative meetings on Interviewing and Plastics Industry.



# Minutes of Board Meeting (*continued*) – April 13, 2004

**Newsletter:** If you have anything for newsletter be sure to forward to Joe Pfeiffer or Jenny Digiantonio by April 28. Include: Presidents message, program list, board list, last year's ads, May meeting info and a NEW Consultant's Corner-Technical Articles.

**Membership:** Joe reports that current membership is 409 – 6 NEW Members!!

**Councilor's Report:** Ken Kear will not be able to finish his term – he has retired from AES and resigned from our Board. We are looking for help at upcoming ANTEC May 15 and 16. **Bob Wegelin to contact Dr. Viv Malpass. Lloyd Goettler has agreed to help if he can as well.** New Officers- ANTEC 2004 Karen Winkler from Dow -President and Len Czuba will be President-Elect.

**TPE TOPCON 2005:** Dates are set for TOPCON next year as Sept 12-14. Ed Tam-Teknor will be representative from TPE-SIG working with Viv Malpass.

**Education Committee:** Bob reported for Kathy that the Committee has selected 17 excellent students for Scholarships. They have been notified and asked if they could attend the Awards Night- May 24. Additionally Kathy has been invited to go to the school that had the most Essays and talk about Plastics-looking for information. Please contact Kathy with ideas. **Kathy reports she plans to get a Committee together over the summer to create proposal for Husky Award next year- Need Volunteers contact Kathy.**

**Education Foundation:** Goodyear and Rubbermaid will probably be exiting the Foundation due to financial situations. Kevin to check status of all contributors including Gen Corp. The end of the year trend is positive for balance. Joe M may attend meeting with Kevin at Merrill Lynch- like to see 6-7% growth. The second half of the year funds will soon be sent to Scholarship students. **ACTION: Need format ideas as to how to inform Members of those companies that do contribute. Testimonial letters, Poster board etc.**

**Website:** Tony Dean reports to Bob Wegelin all is set at site.

**Program:** Program is set for April 26 Spirex- Mark Colella at Martin Center.

**CONFIRM that all Sections surrounding Akron-Cleveland and Firelands has SAME dates.-Joe Mattingly**

- Apr. 26: Spirex – Martin Center
- May 14: Spring Golf – Barberton Brookside
- May 24: Awards Night – Martin Center

Suggest linking to speaker and tour companies on our website to increase attendance.

**House:** David Katz reports all locations are set for the remainder of the year.

**Fall Golf- Need a member to handle for this year.**

**Spring Golf:** Bud Seymour confirms it is set for Friday May 14- Barberton Brookside. They plan to start early. Firelands and Cleveland want to JOIN with us this Spring for a Joint Outing and have been informed on dates and locations and that we are having a Silent Auction, too.

**Joe Pfeiffer will blast an e-mail reminder with Golf Outing information to membership.** Ron Miller reports he has had great success with donors for Silent Auction- Dow, Firestone, Aeros, Cavs, Great Lakes Science Center etc. **Need more donors of items!!**



# Minutes of Board Meeting (*continued*) – April 13, 2004

**Old Business: Firelands merger with Akron. Bob W. has placed several calls to Dennis Meade. No response to date.**

**New Business:** David Schultz informed the Board that the Akron and Northeast Ohio Rubber groups will merge – Jan 2005 and be called potentially North Coast Rubber and Plastics Group. **NEED ideas on how we can both prosper by the move.**

Joe Pfeiffer moved and Ron Miller seconded the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

**Closing Comments:** Continue to think of potential new board members and Committee Members for 2004-2005. Next board meeting on May 10 at AES 5:30 PM, conference Room 101.



The University of Akron

## The University of Akron Institute of Polymer Engineering

### Polymer Processing and Testing Services

Don't want to invest in expensive equipment at this time? Don't know what equipment is best? Only need the use of the equipment for a short period of time?

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The Institute of Polymer Engineering has a wide variety of specialized equipment needed for polymer processing, characterization, analysis and testing. Some of that equipment is listed here below.

To further discuss your needs, please contact Dr Lloyd Goettler at (330) 972-7467 [lagoett@uakron.edu](mailto:lagoett@uakron.edu) or Cameron Fraser at (330) 972-6008 [cfraser@uakron.edu](mailto:cfraser@uakron.edu)

#### ***Analysis and Testing***

- x-ray
- scanning electron microscopy
- atomic force microscopy
- optical microscopy
- laser microscopy
- TGA
- DSC
- FT-IR
- DMA
- APA
- stress strain testing
- rheology
- biaxial stretching

#### ***Polymer Processing***

- single-screw extruding
- twin-screw extruding
- film casting
- film blowing
- fiber spinning
- injection molding
- compression molding
- vacuum molding
- blow molding
- compounding

#### ***Sample Preparation***

- microtoming
- vacuum drying
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## Akron Section Society of Plastics Engineers, Inc.

8-12-03

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, Inc., 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 twelve years that the foundation has been in existence, it has provided scholarships to over 200 young men and women, totaling in excess of \$100,000 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 two named scholarships -- *Newell/Rubbermaid* and *Goodyear*. We are asking your company to help with the growth of well-trained individuals in the local polymer industry. Please check below:

\$30,000 lump sum     \$10,000 / yr next 3 yrs.     \$5,000 / yr next 6 yrs.

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Our named scholarship donors are recognized at the annual Awards Night of the Akron Society of Plastics Engineers. We invite you to present your donation at our Awards Night, which will be scheduled in May.

I am looking forward to your support of this very worthwhile cause by your fine company. Please contact me at 216-573-7467 or e-mail at [kevin.malpass@gepolymerland.com](mailto:kevin.malpass@gepolymerland.com) with any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Kevin Malpass, Chairman  
Akron Section Society of Plastics Engineers, Education Foundation

