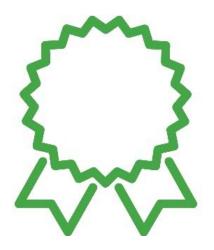
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The Newsletter of the Akron Section of the Society of Plastics Engineers
Our 63rd Year of Education and Service to the Plastics Industry

~ Upcoming Session ~

Akron Awards Night

Monday, May 17, 2021

Hosted virtually by Akron

Meeting Information for May 17

All attendees – No Charge Presentation - 5:30 p.m.

If you have any trouble, please contact Gary Taylor at 330-419-4380.



Everton Callum, Goodyear

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Speaker Biography

Everton Callum joined Goodyear in 2018 as Human Resources Director for the Global Technology organization. Prior to Goodyear, he worked for the French multinational company Schneider Electric -as Global Human Resources Director, in their Information Technology Division, supporting a client group comprised of Technology & Innovation, Finance and Marketing. Previously, he worked at Corning Inc, in Corning, NY, in their Science & Technology Division as HR Manager for Global Research and started his HR career at Microsoft's headquarters in Redmond, WA where he was HR Manager for the SharePoint group within the Microsoft Office Division.

Prior to becoming an HR Leader in a corporate environment, he was Unit Director & Senior Lecturer in Human Resources Management at Portmore Community College in his native Jamaica.

Everton holds a Master of Human Resources and Industrial Relations degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and a Bachelor of Science in Management Studies from the University of the West Indies in Kingston, Jamaica. Additionally, he holds the professional designation of Senior Professional in Human Resources from the Society of Human Resources Management.

An avid believer in community engagement and giving back, Everton serves as a mentor to students from Rwanda, South African and the Caribbean in the Global Mentorship Initiative, as well serves as an Advisory Council member on the Increasing Diversity in Engineering Academics (IDEAs) Council of the College of Engineering and Polymer Science at the University of Akron.





President's Message

Dear Akron SPE Members,

As the current program year of 2020-2021 comes to a close with the May Awards night, I would like to give a huge THANK YOU to all of those that really gave an extra effort to make the events that we co-sponsored with the Cleveland section possible and successful. Through the challenges that we faced, we learned a lot about what changes were happening in many areas due to the pandemic, and also how things were going to change going forward.



We learned how to handle meetings and life in the "virtual world," which for some of us was more difficult than others (like me). We learned how fragile our lives and our environment are, and some of the ways that we can work towards making a difference, and we learned that caring does not change even when we cannot get together in person.

To me, the changes that I saw were both frightening and exhilarating, making me realize that technology could happen at an accelerated pace if we just opened ourselves up to it. I truly believe that even though we have been through a year of tough choices and new realities, so many new opportunities have been given to us if we dare to take the next step.

The next items on our calendar are:

BOD meeting - 5/3/21 May Awards meeting - 5/17/21

For those that attended last month's meeting featuring Tim Ponrathnam from Berry Global, I know you attended an excellent presentation that I would like to thank Tim personally for presenting. I would also like to thank all of the other speakers that selflessly dedicated their time and energy to help make the Akron and Cleveland sections of SPE more knowledgeable and well informed about what we can do to help effect positive change in our world.

Now the usual plug - join a section, recruit others and become involved by becoming a member of the Board of Directors.

President, Akron Section

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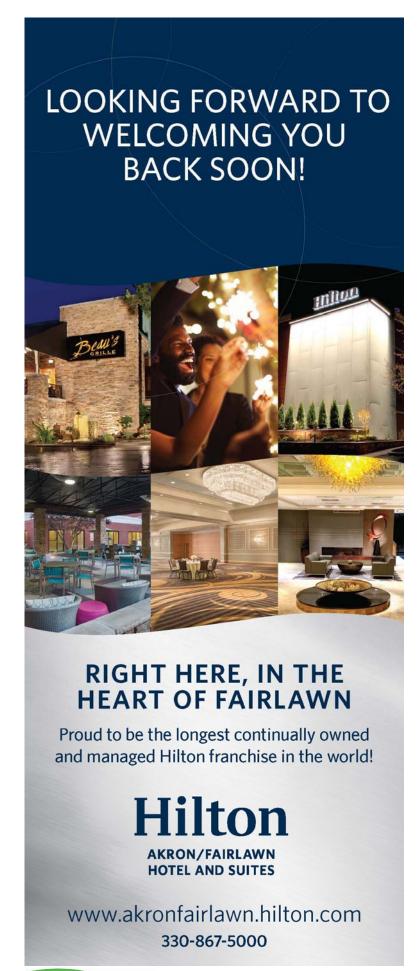
Membership Report - 2021

The Akron Section currently has 171 active members.

Month	<u>Active</u>		
Jan	178		
Feb	178		
Mar	175		
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Sep	We are always welcoming new		
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Zips Who Inspire – Tribute to Talent for Teaching

John Fellenstein

Nominated by: Annie Hanson Hilaire

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John, also known as "Professor Polymer," always says yes to outreach activities! He is always ready to inspire children to pursue STEM fields, encourage them to be curious, ask questions, and do their best. John's work in the Akron Global Polymer Academy means that he hosts guests on campus through camps and field trips, or he takes his show on the road to schools across the region or even the Rubber Ducks stadium! Thank you, John, for being an inspiring Zip!



The Akron Board approved a donation to the SPE Foundation to fund a PlasticVideo for GlenOak High School. More information can be found by following this link - **PlastiVideo™**.





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Board Meeting Minutes - March 29, 2021

Call to Order: Zoom meeting called to order at 5:30 PM - Host Gary Taylor- New ASPE Zoom

Present: Larry Stanek, Gary Taylor, David Schultz, Tony Dean, Keith Pelfrey, Sherri Makar Hart, Bob Weiler, Nicole Fraifogl and John Fellenstein

Absent: Joe Mattingly, Tom McQuaide, Sahil Gupta, Kevin Malpass, Bob Wegelin, Joshua Seylar and Dan Jones

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Minutes from early March February meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

President's Remarks

The year has been Virtual and after hard work from Program Committee we have aligned three Virtual meetings jointly with Cleveland- Thank you again to Missi Sakach at Educational Service Center Cuyahoga Falls for hosting!! Thank you again for all hard work from Committee of BOD handling ideas, suggestions and set-up for meetings along with Rik Keeley and Susan Montgomery-Cleveland. In addition most IMPORTANT ACTION ITEM- Search for SOCIAL MEDIA HELP!!- Joshua Seylar is trying to contact U of Akron student James Garcher in Marketing via Linked IN who as well works in Polymer Science Dept. We anticipate with his help we can make sure SPE and it's activities and meetings are seen and thus bring added attendance to our meetings!!!

Technical Program 2020/21—Larry Stanek, David Schultz

Upcoming programs:

We thank Jeff Hoffman for the excellent interactive meeting on Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Serial entrepreneur Jeff Hoffman talked about the entrepreneurial landscape post-pandemic, about areas and industries most in need of innovation and entrepreneurship, and about what he has learned from his world travels with students and working with young entrepreneurs.

Thank you Missi all went very well and attendees really enjoyed the meeting. Thank you as well to Larry Stanek for making contact with Jeff Hoffman.

Missi Sakach re ACESS informs she is on to Host and moderate along with Co-Host from Sections for the meeting set up for April 19. It will be an interactive meeting theme Addressing the Plastics Problems with speaker Tim Ponrathnam from Berry Global- Consumer Packaging.

David Schultz, Sherri Hart and Dan Jones will be moderating and helping Missi - a special thanks to Susan Montgomery – Cleveland Section. Zoom link will be provided to attendees.

Keith Pelfrey and Sherri Hart will develop a Zoom Awards Banquet- confirmed ASPE New Zoom will host date set May 17 may as well we have Speaker- Goodyear. Gary will soon be sending Zoom link for Awards Meeting. Keith and Sherri along with Larry to develop slides for Awards Banquet, Goodyear speaker set. John Fellenstein to provide awardee contacts.

BOD has been requested to review thoughts and plans for meeting for next year upcoming 2021-22 year-hopefully in person by the Fall. We anticipate we could provide programming every other month. Completed now for the year with Jenny's help preparation of a set of modified fliers to help PR for Zoom meetings for use on ASPE and Cleve- Web and newsletters.

Sherri Hart along with Susan Montgomery have aligned posting on LinkedIN.



Board Meeting Minutes – 3/29 continued

Technical Program 2020/21—Larry Stanek, David Schultz (continued)

Subjects for potential future topics base on in person meetings vs Virtual

- Keith Pelfrey noted U of A Professor doing work on bio-based films
- Joe Mattingly will follow-up on options for touring Goodyear, Innovation Center
- Nicole Fraifogl suggested 3-D printing options
- Taking a virtual tour of University of Akron discussed and possible presenters

Group discussed benefits of having tours: even virtual tours may be possible high participation, lower cost for attendees, and profitable for section

- Advances in Technology and Engineering, try to engage Student Chapter/ PESO, NPIC and local area companies- will discuss opportunities with Cleveland
- Dave Schultz recommended Bio-Med 3-D printing tour
- Hands-on Engineering oriented meeting, involves students to greater extent and 3D Printing
- Nicole noted a medical potential talk with Cleveland based 3D Heals
- Joe Mattingly brought up Extrusion Mini-Conference, Twin-screw and Continuous mixing plus potential for 3D Printing visit
- Americhem tour- Joe Mattingly to check
- AICHE interest in future joint meeting- Dan Jones to handle with Bartev- E Week

House—Gary Taylor

Gary has purchased with BOD approval a monthly Zoom license to use for BOD meetings and meetings. No report - all Virtual format on plan for the remainder of this year.

Membership—Nicole Fraifogl

Membership is still at around 175 members, a number of members lapsed in March (new list sent)- will review and Committee Keith Pelfrey, Sherri Hart and David Schultz will make contacts and try to re-align to Akron Section- SPE.

Treasurer—Gary Taylor

Gary reported he is up-to-date on financials, finalized review of Expenses through March 2021. Square online worked well for Feb/March Virtual meeting, planned to use April, May will be no charge.

Councilor—Dan Jones

Bob Weiler re-confirmed ANTEC is FREE this year for BOD members. In addition Bob Weiler informed there is a new class of Section- Regional Interest Group. It was developed to a modified version of current Sections with less reporting and specific Intl. requirements. We anticipate that may help various areas in Ohio- Sandusky, Columbus and Cincinnati.

Education Committee—John Fellenstein

WRD5 is set for early to mid-April- Dan Jones, Sherri Hart and David Schultz will Judge for SPE with plan to provide Gift cards for up for 6 Awards typically noted as High School - 2 students and Middle School - 1 student divided up accordingly to Grade level and amounts at Judges discretion.

Judges- Dan Jones, David Schultz and Sherri Hart- will work with John Fellenstein.

John reported that Eve Vitale has reached out recently and informed of need for PlastiVideo sponsors. We discussed with John's explanation provided for details and voted on providing monies. Approved. Mini Science Olympiad are all set for virtual format this year. John to provided added details on Mini Science Olympiad.



Board Meeting Minutes – 3/29 continued

Student Chapter—Joshua Seylar

Josh informed that PESO has available now T Shirts - contact Joshua Seylar as this helps the newly expanded Student Chapter.

T- Shirts available for \$15 for ASPE Members.

Public Interest/Website/Newsletter—Tony Dean

Tony informs that he is up to date - our April 19 meeting has been posted on line SPE Intl website. BOD will hope to review options in future to provide free advertising to companies that we tour. We most recently received a request and have them aligned as a newly developed general Section Sponsor-Excellent thoughts as we align future.

National Awards—Larry Stanek, Keith Pelfrey

Direction set Team moving forward with May 17, 2021- Virtual Zoom based meeting. ASPE will host 60-90 minutes.

Team- Keith Pelfrey, Sherri Hart and David Schultz

Bob Weiler was informed that he received the Honored Service Member Award- A BIG CONGRATULATIONS to Bob well deserved of this Award after many years of service both Vinyl Division and Akron Section- SPE. Joe Mattingly will now move forward to develop supporting data and support information to Intl for year 2021.

Section Awards—Keith Pelfrey

Need to develop thoughts with new Virtual format planned.

Confirmed Zekan Award will be presented to David Schultz for leadership provided this year to keep SPE-Akron Section in front of our members and an expanded audience.

The Hall of Honor will not be presented this year.

It has been suggested that we make a list of long term 30 plus years down to 15 years in Akron Section for SPECIAL Recognition

In addition John Fellenstein will be providing list of new Scholarships for this year.

Education Foundation—Joe Mattingly

Nicole reported for Joe that modification of Ed Fdn. Portfolio has paid off very well again as we hit late March. Committee meet March 11- Zoom.

Bylaws still under review.

Growth Committee—Kevin Malpass

IMPORTANT. Kevin reports he feels that he would now like to align with Membership Committee in tandem to discuss future for ASPE. Separate Zoom to be set up to discuss future objectives. Suggested to develop a brochure re Top 20/10 reason to join SPE- Akron for Awards Banquet and as well include Application potential to join Akron Section.

2022 TPE TOPCON—David Schultz

Akron set to host TPE TOPCON for October 2022 - hope onsite vs virtual.



Board Meeting Minutes – 3/29 continued

ACESS Update

ACESS BOD is still on Virtual Zoom format plans to join in SPE Virtual set-up for 2021. The November Banquet is being discussed currently. In addition ACESS is moving forward on originally developed plans in early 2020 projects with Soap Box Derby as well as NEO Bio Med in Rootstown. None to limited societies are planning meetings.

Old Business

None to report.

New Business

Interest in future in hosting a Podcast.

GOOD to Know- I most recently made contact via Linked IN with a CSU student in Marketing- Molly Bregar, who in turn showed interest to help Cleveland Section on Social media side. She has a good friend at Univ of Akron- who as well is Marketing and has interest in polymers- works part time in Polymer Science Dept. We are hoping to align them both in Akron and Cleveland to aid in a new Social Media push! I have recently found out Molly Bregar is Bill Bregar's daughter. Bill recently passed away and was a great friend to Akron Section over the past many years as he attended many meetings and reported on them in Plastics News.

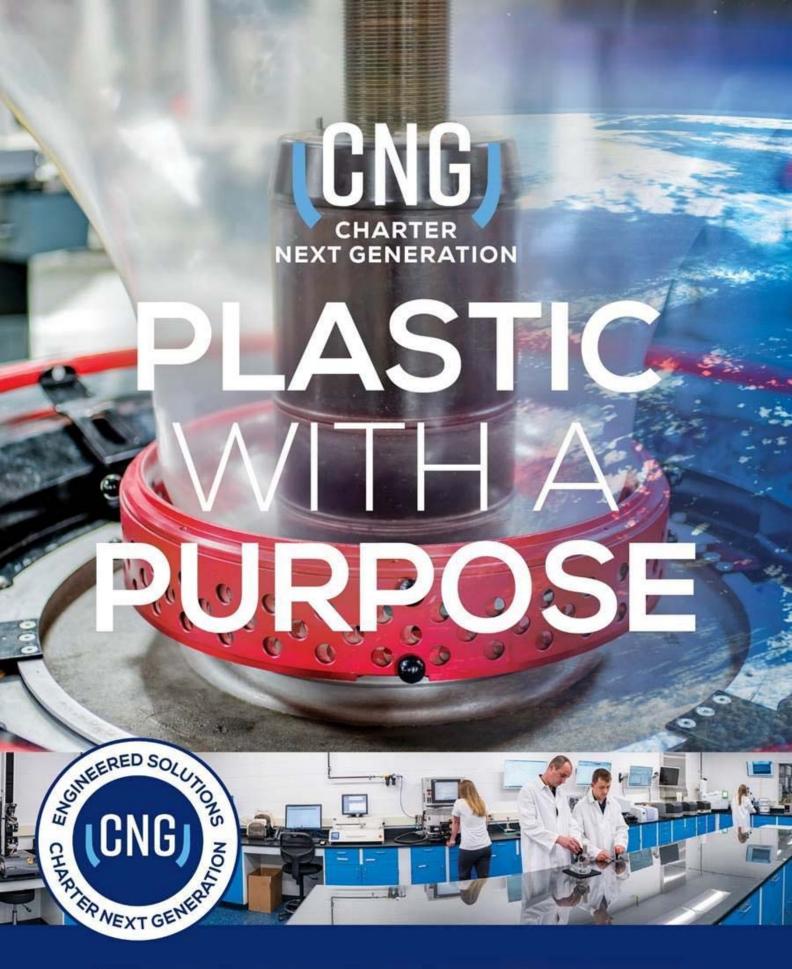
Honor Bill's 31 years at Plastics News\$31

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Meeting Adjourned 6:20 PM

Next BOD meeting set for May 3 - Zoom hosted by ASPE— Covid-19 issues In future may regroup and determine meeting location on site??





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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 1983, 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 275 young men and women totaling in excess of \$385,000 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 1983, we offered those companies who contributed a substantial donation, a perpetual annual 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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Sincerely,

Joe Mattingly, Foundation Chair

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