



# INSPIRING PLASTICS PROFESSIONALS CHICAGO SECTION



## October 2023 Newsletter

Greetings SPE Members, we hope your summer has been filled with memory making events. All summer I was amazed at how our world is immersed in plastics. Whether it's the plasticware, plates & cups at the campsite, or the plastic parts on the bilge pump in an old boat. Plastics surround us and make our lives better. If it weren't for plastics, so many of those memories wouldn't be captured on those devices we all carry in our pocket today. We hope you had a delightful summer and look forward to seeing you at an upcoming event.

**Save the Date!**

**SPE Chicago Annual Golf Outing  
Monday June 24, 2024**

**Host your company outing at the  
SPE Outing!**

### 2023 Upcoming Events

***Oct 19 – One Dinner –  
Two Topics***

***Nov 16 – Holiday Dinner***  
at the Lucky Monk in South  
Barrington, IL

Register at

[www.spechicago.org](http://www.spechicago.org)

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# **One Dinner – Two Topics**

## **Where to Find Future Talent & Email Security, Phishing Scams to Corporate Ransom**

**Technical Dinner – Thursday Oct. 19 – 5:30 – 8:00 pm**

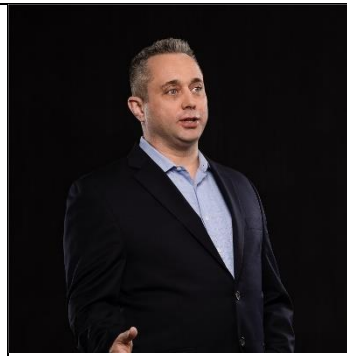
Holiday Inn – Elk Grove Village - 1000 Busse Road, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007



**Threats to U.S. Industries & Ability to Compete in a Global Market**  
**Kevin Rottinghaus** – Sr. Regional Sales Manager with Beaumont Technologies  
15 years in the industry, Kevin's commitment to his craft & network

throughout the industry affords him the credibility to be a trusted technical and commercial advisor.

**Threats to U.S. Industries** – This presentation inspires thought into what the industry leaders need to consider in an economic climate where talent, supply chain, and geopolitical forces are all challenging us beyond being exceptional manufacturers.



**Cyber Threat Survival Guide: Shielding Your Business from Today's Threats**  
**Chris Higgins** – vCTO and Cyber Analyst with CCS Technology Group  
18+ years helping

businesses protect their business and leverage technology to grow.

**Cyber Threat Survival Guide** - Informative and practical presentation for businesses today, we'll equip you with the knowledge and strategies needed to safeguard your business from harm. We will review the Threat Landscape today and effective defense strategies that every business should be putting in place.

*This technical dinner is for all industries!*

5:30 – 6:00 pm Registration & Networking (Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks & Cash Bar)

6:00 – 6:45 pm Buffet Dinner

6:45 - 7:15 pm Kevin Rottinghaus - Where to Find Great Talent

7:15 - 7:45 pm Chris Higgins – Email Security, Phishing Scams & Corporate Ransom

Registration can be found at [www.SPEChicago.org](http://www.SPEChicago.org)

SPE Members & Non Members - \$35.00

Sponsorships Available:

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## **SPE Chicago – Holiday Dinner**

Thursday November 19

The Lucky Monk – South Barrington, IL

Registration – [www.SPEChicago.org](http://www.SPEChicago.org)



## 2023 Golf Outing was another success because of YOU – THANK YOU!

I'm not sure how many years SPE Chicago has been putting on this outing, but for as many years it is the single largest fund raiser for the section. It provides the funding to educate future plastic professionals whether it's through PlastiVan or college scholarships. We thank you for your support and hope you'll bring a friend next year.

**Learn more and register for 2024 at [www.spechicago.org](http://www.spechicago.org)**

This is a great opportunity to build relationships while supporting future plastic professionals.

*\*\*Wishing your company had an annual outing? Use our outing as your company's annual outing. Everyone leaves with a gift, wonderful golf, great food & drinks, additional games – Beat the Pro, Golf Cannon & Skins.*





## Winner Winner.....



SPE Chicago rolled the dice at River's Casino August 10<sup>th</sup> and had a great event. The food was outstanding and while some won money at the games, all who attended won with winning food, drinks and networking! This is an annual and hope to see you there in 2024!



## Welcome our newest Sponsors!



**Obituary:** It brings us great sadness to learn of the passing of **Harry Greenwald – SPE Chicago and Decorating & Assembly Member since 1957**, 93, beloved husband of Brenda Kolar; loving father of Jacqui, Larry (Jessa), and Brad (Peggy); treasured and proud PopPop of Gabrielle, Zachary, Rebecca, Myles, and Trevor; devoted son of the late L. Leo and Regina Greenwald; dear friend to many.



Harry graduated from Syracuse University. He proudly served in the U.S. Navy on the USS Salem CA-139 and USS Randolph CVA-15. Harry enjoyed sailing, travel, tennis, and history. He was a member of the Plastics Pioneer Association and was a leader in the plastics industry with his distributorship, molding, fabrication tool, plumbing businesses. He also founded the first industry magazine devoted exclusively to plastics distributors. Harry was a philanthropist supporting many organizations such as the Lupus Society, Hadassah (to support Hadassah Medical Centers in Israel), ORT America, Jewish National Fund, Magen David Adom, Give Kids The World Village, The Make-A-Wish Foundation, The Ronald McDonald House and Cohen Children's Hospital.

Chapel service was Thursday, September 9th at Shalom Memorial Funeral Home. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Hadassah ([www.hadassah.org](http://www.hadassah.org)), American Friends of Magen David Adom ([www.afmda.org](http://www.afmda.org)), or Suncoast Hospice ([www.suncoasthospice.org](http://www.suncoasthospice.org)). To leave condolences and for information, including link to view service: [www.shalommemorial.org](http://www.shalommemorial.org) or 847-255-3520. To plant trees in memory, please visit the Sympathy Store.



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