



INSPIRING PLASTICS PROFESSIONALS CHICAGO SECTION



April 2023 Newsletter

Warm Spring Greetings Plastic Professionals! As the spring time flowers are popping up, so are the events SPE is planning for our members.

Engineering Systems Inc – Open House – June 1, 2023 5:30pm

4215 Campus Dr, Aurora, IL 60504

Mark your calendar and register at www.spechicago.org. ESI has graciously agreed to open their doors and showcase their tools & knowledge for evaluating part failures. Mr. Andy Shah is the Director & Principal Polymer Engineer with over 25 years of experience and will share with you their scientific methods of evaluating part failures. Know who to call should your brand's integrity be in question.



Anand R. Shah, M.S., M.B.A., P.E.

2023 Upcoming Events

June 1 – Engineering Systems Inc (ESI) – Aurora, IL Open House

June 26 – 49th Annual SPE Golf Outing

Register at

www.spechicago.org

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Golf Outing – Join in this great annual event to support our students.

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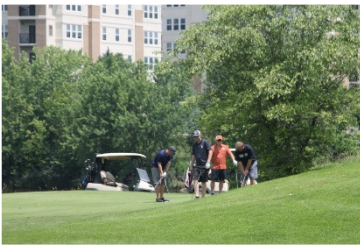
PT Expo 2023 – Year Two bigger than the first

SPE Chicago 49th Annual Golf Outing

Monday June 26th

Seven Bridges Golf Course

Woodridge, IL



I'm not sure how many years SPE has been putting on this outing, but for many years it is the single largest fund raiser for the section. It provides the funding to educate future plastic professionals.

Learn more and register at
www.spechicago.org

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

This event has been a tremendous success in good weather and driving rain. It is an opportunity to network, build relationships and join in the camaraderie of fellow plastic professionals.

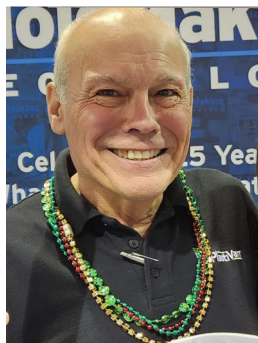
This is a great event for companies to have an outing for their employees without having to do all the preparation. Golf, games, prizes, & food all included. **To learn more please email Matt Johnson at mjohnson@jimpolymers.com.**

Rainbow Colors – February 23, 2023



In conjunction with SPE Milwaukee, we had an exciting evening with 30 attendees who had the opportunity to tour Rainbow Colors new production facility in Elgin, IL. Paul Glas (paul@rainbowcolorsinc.com) and Tony Vescovi (tony@rainbowcolorsinc.com) walked us through each facet of developing colors, and ultimately manufacturing custom master batches. We want to thank Rainbow Colors for opening their doors for a fantastic evening, educational event.

Educator of the Year – Mark Wolverton!



SPE Chicago Board Member & Plasti-Van Educator is being recognized by SPE Milwaukee as Educator of the Year! This is an outstanding recognition for a member of our section by Milwaukee. Mark followed his father's footsteps and sought a Masters Degree in Materials Engineering. After a lengthy career in the polymers industry in many technical roles, Mark now spends his time teaching students of all ages the many facets of polymers. We are so lucky and proud to have Mark on the Chicago Board and wish him all the best in earning this award from our brothers North of the border. Congrats Mark!

Glenn Beall - Stark County – Alumni Hall Of Fame inductee

You may remember last year SPE Medical Plastics Division recognized Glenn with Emeritus Status. Afterwards, Glenn received a notice from the county where he was raised, that they wanted to induct him in their own Hall of Fame.



In a separate October 20, 2022 ceremony Glenn Beall was inducted as a member of the STARK COUNTY ALUMMI HALL OF FAME. This annual program was created to acknowledge and reward the accomplishments of people who used what they learned in the Stark County Educational System to excel in educational, scientific, commercial or personal accomplishments that reflect positively on Stark County and their education system.

Glenn and Patsy Beall were born, raised and educated in Stark County, Illinois. They started dating in high school. They married in 1953 and had a fairytale marriage until cancer took Patsy in 2014.

After Glenn graduated from Bradley University in 1957 they left Stark County to pursue a career in the thriving Plastics Industry in and around Chicago, Illinois.

The Induction ceremony was conducted by Brett Elliot, Superintendent of Stark County Schools. He reviewed Glenns' major accomplishments and introduced him to the audience that consisted of over 400 Stark County students and approximately 40 family and friends.

In his acceptance comments Glenn said that for the past 64 years he has resided in the Chicago area, but he always considered Stark County as his real home.

He reviewed his life and education in Stark County and how they contributed to success in his professional and personal life. He finished his comments by thanking his nephew, Mr. James Langdon, a Stark County High School teacher who had submitted his name to the selection committee. Glenn also thanked the Board of Education for the Alumni Hall of Fame Award and the honor that goes with it.

PTExpo 2023 – Did you stop by?



This was the second year for PTExpo and it was bigger and busier than the first. SPE Chicago was so excited to showcase what it means to Inspire Plastic Professionals. Thank you for stopping by and showing your support. Did you find it amazing the amount of space between the molecules in the balloon rubber?



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