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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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I want to thank our members that participated in the golf outing this year. As you know, our annual golf outing is our main source of revenue that funds our activities all year. This allows us to put on technical dinner series, fund social events, and give to our section scholarships to continue the strong plastics engineering presence in our region. I would especially like to thank our members who volunteered for the outing and companies who donated gifts for the raffles and goodie bags. We could not put on a successful outing without all of your support.

This year, we also have a strong effort toward creating a bi-annual newsletter and re-vamping our NWPA SPE website. If you get a chance, please log in to nwpa.4spe.org to keep current with our chapter. We are opening advertising opportunities with both the webpage and newsletter, and you can find more information below.

Thanks again for all of your support, and we are looking forward to the exciting year ahead!

Annie Gohn, NWPA SPE Section President

Newsletter and Website Advertising Information

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7-3/4" x 10-1/4"
Webpage:
Logo on Home Page
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Advertising Guidelines

- Advertising pricing includes promotions for 1 full calendar year.
- The NWPA SPE Newsletter will be developed twice per year.
- Limited print copies will be available at SPE Events. Digital copies will be posted on the section website.
- Acceptable file formats include PDF (*preferred*), .tif, and JPG. Files must be at least 300 dpi resolution.

Contact Michelle Hartman at maw179@psu.edu for more information

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



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Lynzie Nebel

Plastics Engineer
Tech Tank

Lynzie Nebel is a Plastics Engineer at Tech Tank in Erie, PA, the co-founder of Advocates for Plastics Careers, Vice President of Young Professionals on the Executive Board for SPE, and cohost of the PlastChicks podcast. Lynzie joined Tech Tank in 2018, but has been in the industry for over ten years working for various custom injection molding facilities. Some of which include micro, medical, appliance, and automotive industries. She has been involved with SPE since she was a student in 2004, and was elected to the Executive Board in 2018 and graduated from Penn State Behrend in 2008.



In 2018 Lynzie and her nemesis, Mercedes Landazuri, came up with the idea to create a podcast that highlights the interesting people and jobs in the plastics industry. The original name for the podcast was “Hey, We Like Turtles Too”, but the acronym of HWLTT wasn’t as catchy so after some contemplation, the name “PlastChicks” was born. There were a few episodes recorded in 2018, but were ultimately scrapped. PlastChicks went officially LIVE at ANTEC 2019. Episodes are released the first Friday of every month.

When Lynzie’s not nerding out to plastics stuff, she can be found with her husband Danny and their two boys Henry & Samuel. Their fat ginger cats (Richard & Ralph) are probably there too.

SUCCESSFUL EVENTS



Technical Dinner Speaker

Greg Schneggenburger

April 18

**Robots and Automation in Manufacturing and the
State-Wide Initiative for Local Companies
Northwest Industrial Resource Center**



Conference

NWPA SPE, along with SPE and the Injection Molding Division, had a booth at Penn State Erie's Innovation and Emerging Plastics Technologies Conference

**June 19-20 2019
Burke Center
Erie, PA 16563**

UPCOMING EVENTS



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Fall Technical Dinner Speaker

September 26

Quaker Steak and Lube: Erie, PA

Scott Smith, DME

Turbulence, premature failure, and corroded water lines: the
GOOD, the BAD, and the UGLY of mold cooling

Fall Social

Date: TBA

Riverside Brewing Company

Fountain Street

Cambridge Springs, PA

Holiday Party

December 12

Fox and Hound

Millcreek Mall Plaza

Erie, PA

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CALENDARS!**

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2019 Golf Outing



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THANK YOU

For another successful golf outing!



1st Place

Wes Baird	Josh Thompson
Dave Dombroski	Chris Laverty

2nd Place

Steve Sawin	CJ Kirvan
Dave Nichols	Frank Gibala



3rd Place

John Schanz	Kevin Stevens
Dennis Suchomski	Joel Befort



2019 Golf Outing



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Die-Spe	PolyOne	X-Cell Tool & Mold
DME/Milacron	Port Erie Plastics	Yushin

***THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO BROUGHT GIFTS AND WE DID NOT HAVE TIME TO GET
YOUR NAME ON THE LIST – WE DO APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!***

STUDENT SECTION



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Penn State Behrend and the Plastics Engineering Program is proud to represent Northwestern Pennsylvania's student chapter. Students are actively participating in local meetings, webinars, along with searching for more ways to better educate themselves in the industry through resources provided by SPE.

In upcoming news, the club will be hosting DME in our lab on September 27th. DME will be demonstrating their new CoolingCare® unit and techniques on cleaning/caring for molds. To make this event even better the club will be sponsoring a cookout in the rear of the lab!

Speaking on behalf of all of the students we would love to organize more events like the one with DME! Please reach out to us with inquires! Thank you for supporting us and our future endeavors!

Zack Panian, PSB SPE Student Chapter President

Pictured Below:

Kevin Cummings at his Internship at TE Connectivity



SPE Student Chapter

Showcasing Thermoforming at Penn State Erie's STEM Fair



Pictured Above:

Dylan Rodgers at his co-op at Husky

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



1) Student Chapter Member Scholarship:

Collegiate Level

Applicants must be studying plastics or polymers at an accredited 4-year college and a student chapter member of the NWPA SPE

Applications Due October 25, 2019

Three scholarships up to \$1,000 available

2) Member Scholarship:

The 2019 Member Scholarship was awarded to Jacob Hartmann. Jacob is now studying Plastics Engineering Technology at Penn State Behrend.

Ask your NWPA
SPE President
for more
information!

3) Section Scholarship:

The 2019 Section Scholarship was awarded to Tristan Lee.



JOIN SPE!

Member Benefits:

- Free Webinars
- Access to SPE's Technical Journals
- Receive *Plastics Engineering* Magazine

Are you a member ?

If not, go to 4spe.org and select "Join Now"

Make sure to designate NWPA as your local chapter!

- Discounts on Online Training Courses
- Discounts on SPE Events
- Mentor Program



NWPA SOCIETY OF PLASTICS ENGINEERS SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION 2019



The Northwestern Pennsylvania Section Scholarship is intended to reward outstanding SPE students with a one-time monetary donation. This year there will be three scholarships. Eligible students must be at least a sophomore and currently studying plastics or polymers at an accredited 4-year college, and preferably from the NWPA SPE region of Erie, Crawford and Warren Counties. Application deadline is OCT 25, 2019.

Award Criteria may include (but not be limited to):

- SPE Section Membership
- Interaction with NWPA Section
- Program of Study in Plastics
- Grade Point Average
- Financial Need
- Activities & Awards

1. Name _____ SPE No: _____
2. E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____
3. Home Address: _____
4. Local Address: _____
5. High School Name/City/State: _____
6. Expected Grad Date: _____ SOPHOMORE JUNIOR SENIOR
7. Date you joined SPE: _____
8. Write a short (one page) statement describing why you are applying for the scholarship, why you are a good candidate for the scholarship and your educational and career goals in the plastics industry.
9. Attach a copy of your resume noting activities, awards and honors, previous employment information, and any other plastics specific items of interest.
10. Scholarship recipients are expected to attend the December NWPA SPE Dinner and Award meeting to receive their award in person. Details will be provided.
11. Signature of Applicant _____

Please return this application along with your essay and resume by FRI OCT25, 2019 to:

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*** Note: Past recipients are not eligible in the following one year ***

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