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# PITTSBURGH SOCIETY FOR COATINGS TECHNOLOGY



TOPIC: Precision – What the Heck is That?

SPEAKER: Clifford K. Schoff, Retired

PLACE: Domenico's Ristorante / 412-776-6455

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TIME: Board Meeting 4:00 pm

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Social Hour 5:00 pm
Presentation / Speaker 6:00 pm
Dinner / Meeting 7:00 pm

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## SPEAKER'S BIO

**CLIFF SCHOFF** has spent 40 years doing research and problem solving related to coatings. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in Chemistry from the University of Idaho and a Ph.D. in Polymer Chemistry from the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. He has been a Peace Corps science teacher in Nigeria, a Research Fellow at the University of Glasgow, and a member of the Research Staff in Chemical Engineering at Princeton University. From 1974 until 2002, he was employed by PPG where he did research and problem solving in many areas. He still does occasional consulting for PPG.

Cliff has published more than 40 papers and articles plus over 100 one-page "Coatings Clinic" articles for the American Coatings Association's magazine JCT Coatings Tech. He has been active in the Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology and Committee D01 on Paints and Related Materials of ASTM for many years. Currently, he is Chair of ASTM Subcommittee D01.24 on Physical Properties of Liquid Paints and Related Materials. He also chairs the Publications Subcommittee for the ACA and is one of the Technical Editors for the Journal of Coatings Technology and Research. He has received a number of awards, the most recent of which came in 2008 when the Polymeric Materials Science and Engineering Division of the American Chemical Society conferred the Roy W. Tess Award on him for outstanding contributions to coatings science and technology.

## **ABSTRACT**

## PRECISION - WHAT THE HECK IS THAT?

The statistics of test methods (precision, accuracy, bias, uncertainty) are a mystery to a lot of coatings people and confusing to most of us. Cliff will try to burn away a little of the fog by using two measurement areas, film thickness and viscosity, to illustrate precision (repeatability and reproducibility), bias and uncertainty. Cliff will also explain why precision seems surprisingly bad for some test methods, and describe how you can produce better results when performing testing in your lab.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear PSCT Members:

I would like to thank **Dr. Zamanzadeh** of MATCO Services, Dr. Zee, as he is affectionately known, for the interesting and enlightening discussion on "Optimizing Corrosion Protection by Coatings." Hopefully the weather allows for our next couple of meetings

as this winter has produced some exceptionally challenging road conditions to navigate. This month we have **Cliff Schoff** from PPG who will be giving a talk titled, "Precision—What the Heck is That?"

In March, **Dr. Romesh Kumar**, Senior Technical Sales Manager with Clariant Corp will be giving a talk on "Requirements for Colorants for Concrete Coatings," color treads and new market research data on a variety of end-user needs.

In April, **Tom Van Kuren** Technical Director – Rigid Packaging, from Watson Standard Company will be giving a talk. The May meeting is our social event. Again, Tim Hurley took on the responsibility of organizing the event this year. If you remember, Tim did a wonderful job last year organizing the brewery tour at Penn Brewery. I am sure Tim will make the May social event equally successful this year. If there is a location and/or activity that you would like to suggest, please contact Tim Hurley at thurley@ppg.com or 724-274-3493.

Finally, I would like to remind the PSCT Members with High School and College age children to apply for the Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship and the students majoring in the Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics fields, please remember to also apply for the Grant that is available. Please review the requirements and deadline (March 15th) which are provided in this newsletter.

Cindy O'Malley

PSCT President 2013-2014

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

For those members who have not yet renewed their membership, you can contact Britney Grabigel to renew your membership at grabigel@ppg.com or at 724-274-3548. If you renewed online through the ACA website, please confirm your status with Britney.

Renew online at http://www.paintsociety.org/join/

## **PAINT POT**

The winner of the January Paint Pot was Chris Gehly of PPG Industries, Inc. Chris was not present at the January meeting so a total of \$50 will be rolled over to the February meeting.

## **MEMBER HIGHLIGHT:**

# **BRITNEY GRABIGEL**

Britney graduated from Allegheny College in 2008 with a B.S. in Chemistry. After college, she was a laboratory assessor for AASHTO Materials



Reference Laboratory (AMRL) performing audits for construction materials labs in the US. She started at PPG in March 2010 as a contract employee in Process Technology. She worked on small scale production batches of multiple products and collected data for existing group projects. She was hired by PPG in April 2011 as a chemist for the group Machine Applied Coatings within Architectural Coatings. She works on product development for low viscosity exterior paints for wood, wood composites, fiber cement, and plastic composites. Britney also serves as the Chair of the Membership Committee for PSCT.

In her spare time, Britney likes to stay active playing golf, softball, and snowboarding. She also likes taking yoga and zumba classes. Britney loves food so she likes to try new restaurants often. She also enjoys like listening to music and watching movies. Her favorite books to read are ones that will become movies.

## **PSCT SCHOLARSHIP**

The requirements for the PSCT Scholarship Program remain the same as the 2012 - 2013 year. The major change instated last year in the requirements for the General Hiram P. Ball Scholarship is an increase in the cumulative grade point average from 2.5 to 2.75. The Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology is a science and technical society to promote the welfare of the coatings Industry. The Society will continue to offer an additional grant to one student who is enrolled in a technical course of study. This Grant will be awarded to one Hiram P. Ball Scholarship recipient who meets the extra requirements: has a declared Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics major, entering the Junior or Senior Year, and has a 3.0 minimum grade point average in courses directly related to the declared major. (see application for specific requirements). The Grant will be \$500 in addition to the Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship award.

Please send applications to Julie Glover at jglover@kta. com with a subject line of "PSCT Scholarship Application."

## **2014 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Please mark your calendars for the great meetings ahead: March 10, 2014 April 14, 2014 May Outing: (TBA)

### **NEW WEBSITE**

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VIRTUAL LEARNING CONFERENCES:

## **Fundamentals of Waterborne Coatings**

Vijay Mannari, Eastern Michigan University February 13, 2014 1:00 - 2:00 pm ET

### **Introduction to Life Cycle Assessment**

David Meyer, Ph.D., U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
March 13, 2014 1:00 - 2:00 pm ET

Conference - February 24 - 28, 2014
The Waterborne Symposium
Enviromentally Friendly Coating Technolgies
New Orleans Sheraton, LA

Conference - February 26 - 28, 2014
Smart Coatings Conference - Orlando, FL
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# Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2014** 

ALL APPLICANTS MUST ATTACH COPY OF TRANSCRIPT

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# **PSCT Science, Technology, Engineering Mathematics Grant Requirements**

The Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology is a technical society to promote the welfare of the coatings Industry. The Society will be offering an additional grant to one student who is enrolled in a technical course of study. To be considered for this grant, the student must meet the following criteria. If more than one applicant meets the criteria, the award will be made to the STUDENTH THEHIGHESCUMULATIERADPOINTERAGEASOFAPPLICATIONEADLINEFNOAPPLICANNTEETSTHEREUIREMENTSIO grant will be made.

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