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# PITTSBURGH SOCIETY FOR COATINGS TECHNOLOGY

## SEPTEMBER 2019



### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



#### Dear PSCT Members,

The year kicks off with the **PSCT Golf Outing on September 5**, and if you haven't signed up yet, we hope you are considering joining us. The golf outing will be held at a new venue this year, Conley Resort and Golf Club (see page 2). It will be exciting to try a new golf course and dining facilities.

Proceeds from the golf outing support the PSCT Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship and STEM Grant Award. I would like to thank our sponsors and all those who participate in this great event. Last year we were able to award a total of \$7,000 in scholarships. If your company would like to sponsor a hole or make a donation for the raffle, please contact our treasurer, Art Kasson at [akasson@krussusa.com](mailto:akasson@krussusa.com).

I'd like to thank Karen Hollertz for serving as the Scholarship Committee chair the past two years and agreeing to lead it again. If you would like to serve on the scholarship committee, please contact Karen or email me at [cheryl.l.roberts@sherwin.com](mailto:cheryl.l.roberts@sherwin.com). If you are interested in having your child apply for the scholarship, please watch upcoming newsletters for the 2019-2020 scholarship application. Note that attendance at the golf outing counts toward the four meetings required for scholarship eligibility.

We have an interesting lineup of speakers planned from companies including PPG, Kennametal, Ashland, and Gamry Instruments. See page 3 for the meeting and speaker schedule. **Note that the first meeting will be held October 7, which is the first Monday of the month.** Kurt Olson, a PPG Research Fellow, will be speaking about "Innovation as a Growth Engine in the Coatings Industry." The meeting will be held at Roland's Seafood Grill on Penn Avenue in the Strip District.

The annual December and May events last year were both a lot of fun. The bar trivia night at the Couch Brewery in December was mostly science based, and the grand finale question of which elements and states share the same abbreviation was a good mental challenge. The axe throwing tournament held at LumberJax

in Millvale required a different skill set but was equally fun and we had a great turnout. If you have a suggestion for the December or May events this year, please let a member of the board know.

Membership increased to more than 40 people last year, and we aim to have it continue to grow this year. I would like to thank Jeff Scherm for volunteering to serve as our Membership Chair again this year.

I would also like to thank the 2019-2020 board members for volunteering this year. They are Vice President Chris Chaousy, Treasurer Art Kasson, Secretary Julia Baur, ACA Liaison Mark DePasquale, Director at Large Barb Anderson, and Past President Chris Gehly. And many thanks to Jim Wasik, who although has completed his term as ACA Liaison, continues to guide this organization with his many years of experience in and great dedication to PSCT.

**Cheryl Roberts, PSCT President 2019-2020**

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

**It's time to renew your dues** for the 2019 – 2020 membership year (July 1 – June 30) for the Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology. This year will be the 92nd Anniversary of the PSCT. Our Society was founded in 1927 as "The Pittsburgh Paint and Varnish Production Club" and has changed names a few times, but our objective of promoting the welfare and education of the members through exchange of emerging technologies has not changed. Also, promoting educational scholarship to undergraduate students remains a prime objective of the PSCT.

We encourage you to check out our website (<http://paintsociety.org>). The website not only relays information about the Society and upcoming events, but also offers members an easy way to join or renew their membership (There is a \$5 convenience charge added to PayPal payments).

As an added incentive to renew your membership, **we are going to award \$92 to an active member** at the October 7 meeting. Please pay your dues on or before September 30, 2019 to be eligible. Unlike the Paint Pot, you do not need to be present at the October meeting to win the drawing.

# • 2019 PSCT GOLF OUTING •

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2019

**\$125 PER GOLFER**

**\$40 PER PERSON, DINNER ONLY**

**\$150 HOLE SPONSORSHIP**

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## Conley Resort & Golf Club

**740 Pittsburgh Road (Route 8) • Butler, PA 16002**



**11am**

**Noon**

**6 pm**

**Registration / Sandwich & salad buffet**

**Shotgun start / Scramble Format**

**Hot dinner buffet, draft beer & iced tea**

**Skill Awards, Raffle, Door Prizes**

*Cash beverage cart on the course. Scramble format,  
all skill levels are welcome!*

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**To register: [www.paintsociety.org](http://www.paintsociety.org)**

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE PSCT SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

# OCTOBER 7, 2019 MEETING

**Note: FIRST Monday of October**

**TOPIC:** Innovation as a Growth Engine in the Coatings Industry

**SPEAKER:** Kurt Olson is R&D Fellow for PPG Industries

**LOCATION:** Roland's • 1904 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15222  
412-261-3401 • [www.rolandspittsburgh.com](http://www.rolandspittsburgh.com)

**TIME:**

Board Meeting	4:00 pm
Social Hour	5:00 pm
Presentation / Speaker	6:00 pm
Dinner / Meeting	7:00 pm

**COST:** \$35 with reservation • \$40 at door • \$15 retired

## PLEASE RSVP:

**Contact: Art Kasson by Monday, Sept. 30 at**  
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**Or Call @ 412-389-4977**

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**Kurt Olson**, R&D Fellow for PPG Industries, began his career with PPG in 1981 as a Research Chemist. After promoting through the technical hierarchy, he promoted to Manager, Automotive Resin Research in 1991; Manager, Automotive Spray Technology in 1998; Associate Director, Automotive Coatings in 1999 and Associate Director, OEM Polymer Synthesis in 2010. Kurt was promoted to his current position of R&D Fellow in 2011.

His accomplishments include numerous contributions to the advancement of coatings science. His 54 issued U.S. patents and 12 U.S. patent applications cover a wide area of coating technology including polymer synthesis and coatings formulations for electrodeposition, powder coatings, and waterborne systems. Kurt has participated in the successful commercial development of CeramiClear clearcoat which received a PACE Award in 2003; the development of a light metallic waterborne basecoat for Europe, and a powder clearcoat for automotive applications which received a IR 100 Award in 2002. Additionally, Kurt was elected to the PPG Collegium in 2004, serving as Collegium president in 2011 & 2012, and received the American Chemical Society Pittsburgh Award in 2011.

A native of Pennsylvania, Olson earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Ursinus in Collegeville, PA and a doctorate in organic chemistry from the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL.

## CALL FOR SPEAKERS

We are still looking for speakers for the 2019-20 year. If you are interested please contact Cheryl Roberts at [croberts11@gmail.com](mailto:croberts11@gmail.com).

## UPCOMING MEETING DATES

### November 11, 2019

Chris Beasley, Gamry Instruments  
Evaluation of Coatings with EIS

### December 2019

Social Event: Something Fun and Different!

### January 13, 2020

Kennametal / TBD

### February 10, 2020

Ashland / TBD

### March 9, 2020

Shanti Swarup, PPG Industries

Recent Advancements in Polymer Synthesis and Applications in Coatings

### April 20, 2020

TBD

### May 2020

Social Event: Something Fun and Different!

## CONGRATULATIONS TO GARY BALINT

### ... on a Long & Successful Career

Congratulations to PSCT Past-President and longtime member Gary Balint on his upcoming retirement from Lanxess. Gary has been a member of PSCT since "forever," and has always been willing to lend a helping hand. He served as PSCT President in 2012 and has served on numerous committees, most recently including the Scholarship Committee and Audit Committee. In addition, he has presented to the Society at least twice in the past. We wish Gary the best in his retirement and hopefully his continued support of the PSCT!



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## PAINT POT

We are happy to announce we will be continuing the Paint Pot this year. The October drawing will start out at \$25. In order to be eligible to win, you must be an active member and must be present at the meeting when drawn. If the drawn member is not present, the pot will roll over to the next month.

## WEBSITE

Please visit <http://www.paintsociety.org> and view the website, including the current newsletter, President's message, upcoming events and more. Don't forget you can RSVP and pay for the upcoming dinner meeting and events from the home page of the website. You can also renew your membership directly online.

## ADVERTISEMENT REMINDER

We would like to thank all of the suppliers who have advertised with us in the past and hope we can count on your continued support. If companies want their advertisement displayed in the PSCT monthly newsletter, please contact Art Kasson at [psct1927@paintsociety.org](mailto:psct1927@paintsociety.org).

## UPCOMING ACA WEBINARS

(ACA Members Only)

**Exempt Compounds Update**

**September 11 at 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Nanoscale Material Regulations and  
Nanotechnology Standards**

**September 25 at 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**MTB Petition System – Requesting Temporary Duty  
Suspensions and Reductions**

**October 10 at 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Chemical Data Reporting Requirements under TSCA**

**October 23 at 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Coatings Trends & Technologies**

**September 10 - September 11**

Loews Chicago O'hare Hotel, Rosemont, IL

**NACE Corrosion Technology Week**

**September 15 - September 19**

Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark, St. Louis, MO

**Rheology Fundamentals & Applications for Synthetic  
Latexes and Associated Coatings Formulations**

**October 2 - October 4**

TBD, Chicago, IL

**NACE Eastern Area Conference**

**October 7 - October 9**

Renaissance World Golf Village Resort, St. Augustine, FL

**2019 ACA Annual Fall Meeting (ACA Members Only)**

**October 15 - October 16**

InterContinental Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL

**NACE Northern Area Eastern Conference**

**October 20 - October 23**

Courtyard by Marriott Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario Canada

**Western Coatings Symposium and Show**

**October 20 - October 23**

Paris Hotel, Las Vegas, NV

**Chem Show 2019**

**October 22 - October 24**

Jacob Javits Convention Center, New York, NY



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Toll Free: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. PSCT MEMBERSHIP DUES

☐ Primary Full Society Membership \$40

☐ Secondary Full Society Membership \$40 – Please indicate primary society membership:

☐ Student / Educator \$10

☐ Retired Members \$10

## 5. PAYMENT INFORMATION:

☐ Check payable to PSCT

## 6. SIGNATURE AND DATE: (Required)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 7. RETURN APPLICATION AND CHECK TO:

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Bradfordwoods, PA 15015  
412-389-4977 / akasson@krussusa.com


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