



PITTSBURGH SOCIETY FOR COATINGS TECHNOLOGY

JANUARY 9, 2023

IN-PERSON:

Roland's Seafood Grill
1904 Penn Ave • 15222
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Board Meeting 4:30-5:30PM

Social Time 5:30-6:00PM

Speaker 6:00-7:00PM

ZOOM OPTION:

www.zoom.us
Meeting ID: 833 8178 3624
Security Passcode: Coatings

DINNER MEETING:

\$35 with Reservation
\$40 at Door
\$15 Retired

In-Person Reservations by:

FRIDAY, JAN. 6
psct1927@paintsociety.org

VIRTUAL ONLY: FREE

Even if you are attending remotely, please
RSVP to **psct1927@paintsociety.org**

JANUARY MEETING SPEAKER

SUBJECT: Sustainability at BYK

Protecting the world's natural resources is one of our primary responsibilities. We all are required to reduce the environmental effects of our business activities continuously. BYK is working intensively to develop the most sustainable production processes, conserve our natural resources, protect human life and minimize the burden on the environment. Our products should also increase sustainability in the applications of our customers.



PRESENTED BY: TIM CHEN

**BYK, Senior Technical Sales Manager,
Sustainability and Renewable Products**

Tim Chen is presently the Senior Technical Sales Representative for BYK serving the greater Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Detroit region. He has been with BYK over 17 years and held positions as Architectural End-Use Manager and Product Manager in the North American Region. In short, he provides sales and technical support to Paint and Coatings Manufacturers on the use of additives that

BYK produces and sells. Before joining BYK, Tim previously worked in Technical Departments of The Sherwin-Williams Company in Cleveland, OH, Americhem Inc. in Cuyahoga Falls, OH and AkzoNobel (ICI Paints) in Strongsville, OH and Toronto, Ontario. He likes his current role very much, because he can help chemists and scientists with their formulation problems.

Tim received a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry from the University of Toronto and a Master of Business Administration from Cleveland State University. Originally born in Taiwan, his parents immigrated to Toronto, Canada when he was six years old. Currently, he lives in Strongsville, Ohio and likes to play tennis and golf for fun and exercise.

For more information on this topic please contact Tim at 203-645-3657 or Timothy.chen@altana.com



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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Dear PSCT Members,

Happy New Year! We wish you all a prosperous and healthy 2023. I hope you all had a nice holiday break and come into the New Year refreshed and excited for everything 2023 has to offer.

Unfortunately, the December event at the Breakout Room did not happen. We didn't have enough people

sign up and needed to cancel. I am looking forward to seeing what we can do to make our Spring event in May a success. Ideas are most certainly welcome. Please let anyone on the board know if you have some venues in mind.

The application deadline for the Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship is March 15, 2023. A scholarship application form is available online at <https://paintsociety.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/PSCT-scholarship-form-2023.pdf>. Applicants must be a child of an active member who met eligibility requirements and attended four PSCT meetings or events in 2022-2023 or student members who meet eligibility requirements.

Over the next month we will be making some revisions to our bylaws regarding the definition of Corporate Membership. In order to update the bylaws, those updates must be posted to the group and then reviewed and voted on over the next two meetings. This month we are doing the posting in a section below and then will be voting on the changes in the next months. This change was prompted because there was no definition of this type of membership in the bylaws.

Please join us on Monday January 9th at Rolands for our monthly speaker series. Our first speaker for 2023 is Tim Chen presenting about renewable products and sustainability at BYK. Tim and BYK have been long-time supporters of the PSCT and his talks always offer interesting perspectives. We are also hosting this talk online for those who can't make it in-person. Please RSVP either way.

I would like to remind everyone that membership is still open and encourage anyone who is interested in advertising their company or sales/business development team to contact us and let us know you would like to post your business cards or advertisement in 1/4, 1/2 or full-page advertisements in our monthly newsletter. These advertisements help support the PSCT.

We look forward to seeing you all at the start of the year!

Best regards, Art Kasson
PSCT President 2022-2023

UPCOMING MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 13, 2023

Stephanie Anderson, Monolith Materials, Manager
Sustainable Pathways for Carbon Black Production

ADVERTISE IN THE PSCT NEWSLETTER

We would like to thank all of the companies who advertised with us in the past and hope we can count on your continued support. Advertisements will continue through the May 2023 newsletter. We can also do special announcements for one or two newsletters (prices vary by size and scope). Please contact Andy Meshanko at ameshanko@ppg.com.

Business Card	\$200	3.625" wide x 2" high
Quarter Page	\$300	3.625" wide x 4.875 high
Half Page	\$500	7.5" wide x 4.875 high
Full Page	\$750	7.5" wide x 10" high

MEMBERSHIP

It is past time to renew your dues for the 2022 – 2023 membership year (July 1 – June 30) for the Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology. This year is the 95th Anniversary of the PSCT. The PSCT objectives are promoting the welfare and education of the members through exchange of emerging technologies. Also, promoting educational scholarship to undergraduate students remains a prime objective of the PSCT.

We encourage you to check out the PSCT 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 (A \$5 convenience charge is added to PayPal payments).

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 to 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.

CALL FOR SPEAKERS

Potential opportunities exist for the 2023-24 year to present. If you are interested in presenting, please contact Barb Anderson at andersonb@troycorp.com. We have already filled up slots for Spring 2023 and have started with Fall 2023. We are also interested in getting feedback on incorporating a poster session for students into one of our Spring meetings.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENT

Sponsoring member must attend at least four meetings or PSCT sponsored events either in-person or remotely. Please inform the Scholarship Chair of your attendance: scholarship@paintsociety.org.



CYNTHIA L. SHERMAN

October 12, 1953 – December 28, 2022

PSCT President - 2009

CYNDY SHERMAN worked for Westinghouse Research Center in Churchill, PA prior to joining the Photochromic Research lab at PPG Monroeville, PA. She then moved on to the Surfactants Research lab prior to being promoted to Chemist in the Architectural Coatings Research lab in Springdale, PA. Cyndy worked on wood stains in the Architectural Coatings Research lab in Springdale, PA. Cyndy then joined the Protective and Marine Coatings Group where she commercialized several low VOC high performance coatings. She closed her career by utilizing her vast coatings knowledge in the Regulatory Affairs Department at PPG Headquarters in Pittsburgh, PA.

Cyndy was active in the Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology where she was elected as an Officer and on the Board of Directors. She served as President of the PSCT in 2009.

Outside of work, Cyndy was a beer aficionado and liked to travel to many taverns and microbreweries in the area to try different beers and just see things. She shared many of her finds, either directly or by recommendations, with her beer buddies.

She was also one of the kindest, most thoughtful people, offering help to many who knew her.

Cyndy died on December 28, 2022 at 69 years old. The PSCT offers its condolences to Cyndy Sherman's friends and acquaintances.

BYLAWS REVISIONS

(Note – we are posting this to the entire PSCT group as directed by our current Bylaws for any revision or changes)

Bylaws / Standing Rule – Proposed Addition – Corporate Membership

Establish a new class of Membership – Corporate.
Add the following sections to Bylaws

Article II – Membership.

Corporate: Individuals currently employed by a sponsoring corporate business, Number of members and dues structure determined by Board of Directors according to schedule set in the Standing Rules.

Article VII – Dues

D. Corporate

Dues and other benefits established by Board of Directors according to schedule set in Standing Rules.

Procedures for changing the dues shall follow that for amending the Standing Rules.

Addition to Standing Rules.

Article SR II – Membership

D. Corporate Membership:

1. Established to recognize business entities contributing to the well-being of the Pittsburgh Society of Coatings Technology. Membership and benefits are established per the following structure:

a. Gold

1. 30 Full Memberships to individuals employed by sponsoring business. Full membership to cease if individual leaves employment of business. Business may replace Full membership for vacancy.
2. Full page advertisement in the PSCT Newsletter
3. Business Logo in Newsletter and on Website

b. Silver:

1. 20 Full Memberships to individuals employed by sponsoring business. Full membership to cease if individual leave employment of business. Business may replace Full membership for vacancy.
2. Half page advertisement in the PSCT Newsletter
3. Business Logo in Newsletter and on Website

c. Bronze:

1. 10 Full Memberships to individuals employed by sponsoring business. Full membership to cease if individual leave employment of business. Business may replace Full membership for vacancy.
 2. Quarter page advertisement in the PSCT Newsletter
 3. Business Logo in Newsletter and on Website
2. Dues amounts per level to be determined annually by the Board of Directors

COATINGSTECH

CONFERENCE 2023



JUNE 26 – 28, 2023

Hyatt Regency Cleveland at the Arcade • Cleveland, OH

COATINGS TECHNOLOGIES: ADAPTATION IN A COMPLEX WORLD

<https://www.paint.org/aca-events/ctc-2023/>

Through a series of specialized lectures from notable industry experts and focused technical sessions, ACA's 2023 CoatingsTech Conference will offer an unprecedented opportunity for all levels of coatings professionals to participate and learn from each other. Embracing the theme, "Coatings Technologies: Adaptation in a Complex World," reflects current challenges and trends, from increased bio-sourcing, to supply-chain unpredictability and manufacturing onshoring. The 2023 conference will feature the industry's latest science and technology developments, including advance notice on technology-forcing factors to help the industry set a sustainable trajectory for meeting future market challenges.



50TH ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM
FEBRUARY 12 - 17, 2023

<https://www.waterbornesymposium.com/>

We look forward to being back in New Orleans for a celebration of our 50th annual International Waterborne, High-Solids and Powder Coatings Symposium. As we move forward to planning for our next in person event in 2023, we are implementing all necessary safety precautions and guidelines as set forth from the CDC and other leading health organizations.

If you are interested in exhibiting or being a part of the technical program, but are unsure about public gatherings in the future, or do not currently have the budget for events, please reach out to us (we are able to work with all budgets). We understand that this is a unique and trying time and we want to compile the best possible technical content and vendor resources for our annual conference.



MEMBERS ONLY WEBINARS

Webinars are free, but member login is required.

To register: <https://www.paint.org/aca-events/webinars/>

Current State of Global Supply Chains
THURSDAY, JAN. 12, 2023

PFAS in Products – Regulatory Initiatives at the U.S. State and Federal Level
THURSDAY, JAN. 26, 2023

Securing Your Chemicals – CISA's CFATS and ChemLock Programs
THURSDAY, FEB. 2, 2023

Formulating Waterborne Direct-to-Metal Coatings
THURSDAY, FEB. 23, 2023



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PSCT Membership Application and Dues Renewal Form for 2022 - 2023

Renew or join on-line at: <http://paintsociety.com/join/>

1. MAILING ADDRESS:

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address : _____

City: _____

State/Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

2. CONTACT INFORMATION:

Work Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Toll Free: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

3. PSCT DUES:

☐ Full Society Membership \$40

☐ Student / Educator \$10

☐ Retired Members \$10

4. PAYMENT INFORMATION:

☐ Check payable to PSCT

5. SIGNATURE AND DATE: (Required)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

To mail in membership form and check contact: Andy Meshanko • 724-600-9488 • ameshanko@ppg.com

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NOTE:

If you have anything to physically mail to an officer or committee member, please call or e-mail and an address will be provided.

Email addresses for PSCT Committee Chair positions:

SCHOLARSHIP: scholarship@paintsociety.org

MEMBERSHIP: membership@paintsociety.org

COMMUNICATIONS: communications@paintsociety.org

EVENTS AND GOLF OUTING: events@paintsociety.org

GENERAL: psct1927@paintsociety.org monitored by treasurer

THE PSCT IS NOW LINKEDIN PLEASE JOIN US!



A Pittsburgh Society of Coating Technologies page has been created on LinkedIn.com to keep everyone informed of events, meetings, and important deadlines reminders just to name a few benefits. It will also allow members of group to share posts in an effort to help promote and grow our association.

To become a member, please sign into your LinkedIn account and search Pittsburgh Society of Coating Technologies, under the group description, click on the join button.

OTHER SOCIETIES:

<https://mnyca.org/>

<http://nesct.org/>

<http://www.ssct.org/default.htm>

www.chicagocoatings.org

<https://www.clevelandcoatingsociety.org/>



Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology
Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship
APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2023

ALL APPLICANTS MUST MEET AND COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED BELOW.
PSCT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE HAS FULL DISCRETION TO REJECT AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The PSCT Board of Directors will determine the total scholarship money to be awarded each year.
- The maximum of each scholarship will be \$1500. Scholarships will be awarded equally to students as recommended by the Scholarship Committee.
- The Scholarship Committee will consist of five PSCT Members who do not have a child or relative applying for a scholarship.
- Scholarships are limited to one award per applicant per PSCT member per year.
- Applicant may receive the award up to a maximum of four times.

ELIGIBILITY

Scholarship awards are to support undergraduate studies of FULL-TIME students enrolled in an accredited college or university seeking an associate or bachelor degree as of **December 31, 2022**.

Students must maintain a minimum of 12 credits per semester for the 2 previous semesters to be considered full time. Students graduating from their senior year of high school are also eligible for the award.

Applicant must be the child of an actively participating PSCT member who is current with dues. The PSCT Member must attend at least four (4) PSCT meetings or events a year.

OR

The applicant may be a Student Member of the PSCT who is current with dues. Student Member applicants must be sponsored by an actively participating PSCT member who is also current with dues. The Student Member applicant must attend at least four (4) PSCT meetings or events a year.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- ☐ Applicants must submit a COMPLETE Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship Application.
- ☐ Applicants must include a 200-word minimum essay explaining how their course of study will allow the student to reach their professional and educational goals
- ☐ Applicants must maintain a 2.75 cumulative GPA (out of 4.0).
- ☐ Applicants must submit a full and detailed copy of their transcript. School website transcripts are acceptable.
- ☐ Applicants must meet eligibility requirements with regard to enrollment and status at their college or university.
- ☐ The sponsoring PSCT member must submit an electronic letter of endorsement confirming the applicant meets all of the requirements.
- ☐ New Applicants must also submit 2 (two) Character References who know the student and their goals:
 - Examples: Teachers, Clergy, Employers, Neighbors/Friends, Professionals (doctors, business people).
 - References from relatives are NOT acceptable.

Scholarship and Grant Application Deadline: March 15, 2023. No exceptions.

☐ I agree to the requirements and conditions outlined by the PSCT and have provided a complete application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please read and sign all pages.

Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2023

**ALL APPLICANTS MUST MEET AND COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED BELOW.
PSCT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE HAS FULL DISCRETION TO REJECT AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION.**

PSCT Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Grant Requirements

The Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology is a technical society to promote the welfare of the coatings Industry. The Society is offering an additional Grant to one student who is enrolled in a technical course of study.

Grant Eligibility

- Applicant must have declared a major in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics.
- Applicant must be entering their Junior or Senior year of college or university.
- Applicant must have a GPA of 3.0 or greater in these related courses over the past 12 months (including summer school).
- The grant is \$500 in addition to the Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship award.
- Multiple Grants will be awarded to students who have equal highest GPA in qualifying STEM courses.

Grant Requirements

- ☐ Applicant must identify within the transcript courses directly associated with declared major.
- ☐ Applicant must also submit a complete application to the Hiram P. Ball Scholarship.

Scholarship and Grant Application Deadline: March 15, 2023. No exceptions.

☐ I agree to the requirements and conditions outlined by the PSCT and have provided a complete application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please read and sign all pages.

Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship Application: 2022-2023
PSCT Science, Technology, Engineering Mathematics Grant Application: 2022 - 2023

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2023

ALL APPLICANTS MUST MEET AND COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS.
PSCT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE HAS FULL DISCRETION TO REJECT AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION.

Applications are to be submitted electronically by e-mail to: **Scholarship@paintsociety.org**

An endorsement e-mail by the Sponsoring PSCT Member(s) must be submitted to: **Scholarship@paintsociety.org**

PRINT CLEARLY! ILLEGIBLE APPLICATIONS WILL BE REJECTED.

Applicant (student): _____

Permanent Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

PSCT Member Sponsor: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Present School/University (2022-2023): _____

College/University (2022-2023) _____

OFFICIAL CLASS STATUS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022:

☐ Graduating High School Senior COLLEGE: ☐ Freshman ☐ Sophomore ☐ Junior

Major Course of Study: _____ Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____

☐ Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics Grant Applicant Major Study GPA (last 12 months): _____

FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS: Please submit 2 character references from teachers, clergy, employers, professionals, etc., who are familiar with the student's goals and aspirations. References must be mailed to: Scholarship@paintsociety.org with the student's name in the SUBJECT line.

☐ I agree to the requirements and conditions outlined by the PSCT and have provided a complete application.

STUDENT SIGNATURE Date: _____

PSCT SPONSORING MEMBER SIGNATURE Date: _____