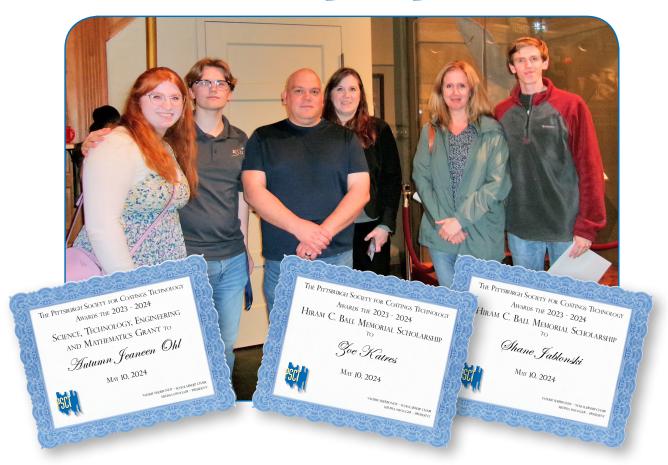




## Congratulations to the 2024 PSCT Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship Recipients



Above L to R: Autumn Ohl, Joey Hefler, Mike Pietrolaj, Amy Pietrolaj, Kim Jablonski, Shane Jablonski

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## Shane Jablonski

Shane just finished his sophomore year of studying for a bachelor's degree in Exercise Science at Slippery Rock University on the Pre-Physical Therapy track. At Slippery Rock Shane is the president of Rock Run Club and works part time during the school year. Next semester, besides those activities, Shane will also be a research assistant for a study on collecting data on how a blood flow restriction model affects cardiovascular measures during training.



### Zoe Katres

Zoe is a rising junior at the University of Colorado Boulder studying environmental engineering. Surrounded by the beautiful creeks and forests of Pennsylvania, she grew a passion for preserving local wildlife and ecosystems. Integrating this passion into her profession, she hopes to pursue a career in the remediation of natural waters to better wildlife and human health. Besides academics, Zoe is part of the Engineering Honors Program and the Society of Environmental Engineers at her university. Next fall, she plans to mentor incoming freshmen in her major and hopes to join research at her university. Outside of college, Zoe focuses on spending time with her friends and family.



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### Autumn Ohl

Autumn is about to enter her fourth year as an Aerospace Engineering student at Kent State University, also accepted into their five-year master's program. Throughout Autumn's time at Kent State, she has been actively involved in campus life and academic pursuits. Autumn served on multiple committees in her undergraduate student government, aiming to contribute to the vibrant campus community. As a co-founder of the Women in Engineering Club, she has worked to create an inclusive environment to support fellow female students in the field. Holding various officer positions and currently serving as the president of the High-Power Rocket Team, she developed leadership skills while working on hands-on aerospace projects. Additionally, her role as a student assistant in the College of Aeronautics and Engineering's Marketing and Communications office and lab spaces has provided Autumn with valuable experience in administrative tasks and applying engineering principles in practical settings.

Over the past few summers, she had the opportunity to gain practical experience through internships. At Component Repair Technologies, she worked as a process engineer, learning about different components of jet engines and their repair processes. Additionally, time at Fischer Special Tooling gave her manufacturing and shop skills. This summer, Autumn is excited to start research in the Fuel Cell Laboratory, focusing on investigating fuel cells with minimal to zero emissions for greener and more sustainable energy systems.

Autumn is grateful for the opportunities Kent State University has provided her, and is excited about the journey ahead continuing to pursue passions in aerospace engineering and strive to make meaningful contributions to the field.

### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



### **Dear PSCT Members**,

Wow, it seems like this season has flown by! On April 8th, we had our last regular monthly meeting for the 2023-2024 season at Covestro, LLC. During this meeting, the PSCT membership present elected the new Officers

and Board of Directors for 2024-2025. After a presentation about Covestro, the membership toured the Covestro facility and laboratories.

On May 10th, PSCT had its annual Spring social event. This year it was held at The Roberto Clement Museum. It was a wonderful tour with a lot of information about Roberto and his life. During the event Scholarships were presented to this year's recipients.

I would like to thank this year's Board and Committee members for making this year a success for all the hard work. I would also like to welcome all the new Board member's coming onboard for the 2024-2025 year. I look forward to seeing everyone next year!

Melissa Swogger, PSCT President 2023-2024

### WEBSITE

Please visit http://www.paintsociety.org to get more up-todate PSCT information including the current newsletter, President's message, upcoming events and more. On the Home Page, you can RSVP and pay for the upcoming dinner meeting and events. New membership and renewals can also be paid directly online.

## SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENT

Applicants must be children of active members who meet eligibility requirements. The sponsoring member must have attended at least FOUR PSCT MEETINGS or events in 2024-25. Student Members must also meet eligibility requirements.

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### MEMBERSHIP

The society was founded in 1927 as "The Pittsburgh Paint and Varnish Production Club". 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. This year will be the 97th Anniversary of the PSCT.

Join or Renew: www.paintsociety.org. Members can Join or renew your dues for the 2024 – 2025 membership year (July 1 – June 30) for the Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology (PSCT). MEMBER DUES ARE DUE NOW!

New members joining the PSCT in June, will automatically be extended into the 2024-2025 Membership Year.

## **ADVERTISE IN THE PSCT NEWSLETTER**

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 Jim Wasik, Treasurer, psct1927@paintsociety.org.

Advertisements will begin with the September newsletter and continue through the May 2025 newsletter. We can also do special announcements for one or two newsletters (prices vary by size and scope).

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# **PSCT - May Family Event The Clemente Museum Tour**

21 PSCT MEMBERS, Family and Friends turned out on a beautiful Friday evening to attend the PSCT May Family Event. Tour Guide did a wonderful job talking about the history of how the museum came about as a historic firehouse that was in great disrepair. He was very well versed in Clemente's life inside and outside of baseball.

Personally, being a huge fan of Roberto, I was enthralled with all of the memorabilia and items that his family had provided to the museum. Not only was Clemente, #21, one of the greatest baseball players of all time, he was also a great humanitarian and it is what eventually cost him his life. Clemente also spent a short stint in the Marine Reserves until a Senator got him early release to play baseball.

His life was cut short on December 31, 1972 while attempting to take supplies to Nicaragua after a

devastating earthquake. His plane barely got off of the runway before crashing into the ocean, his body was never found. He ended his career getting his 3,000 hit late in that season. The Baseball Writers Association of America had a special election and waived the Hall of Fame requirements and allowed Roberto to be inducted in 1973. The museum is very well done and I would recommend that anyone who is a baseball fan to check it out.

Scholarship recipients **Autumn Ohl**, **Shane Jablonski** and their families joined us for the tour and Scholarship presentations. **Zoe Katres** was traveling back to Pittsburgh and was not able to attend. **Congratulations to these students**.

Our apologies to any mix-up in the after-tour dining experience.

- Greg Stewart





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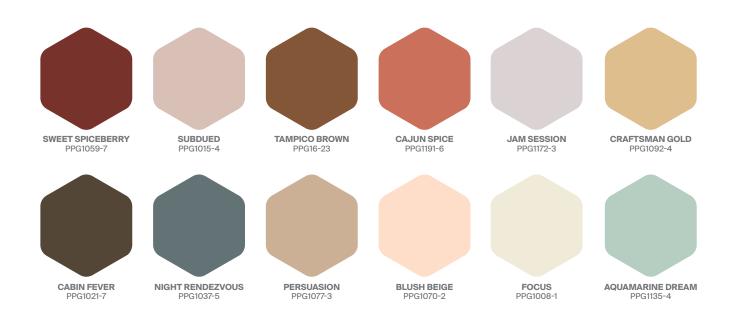
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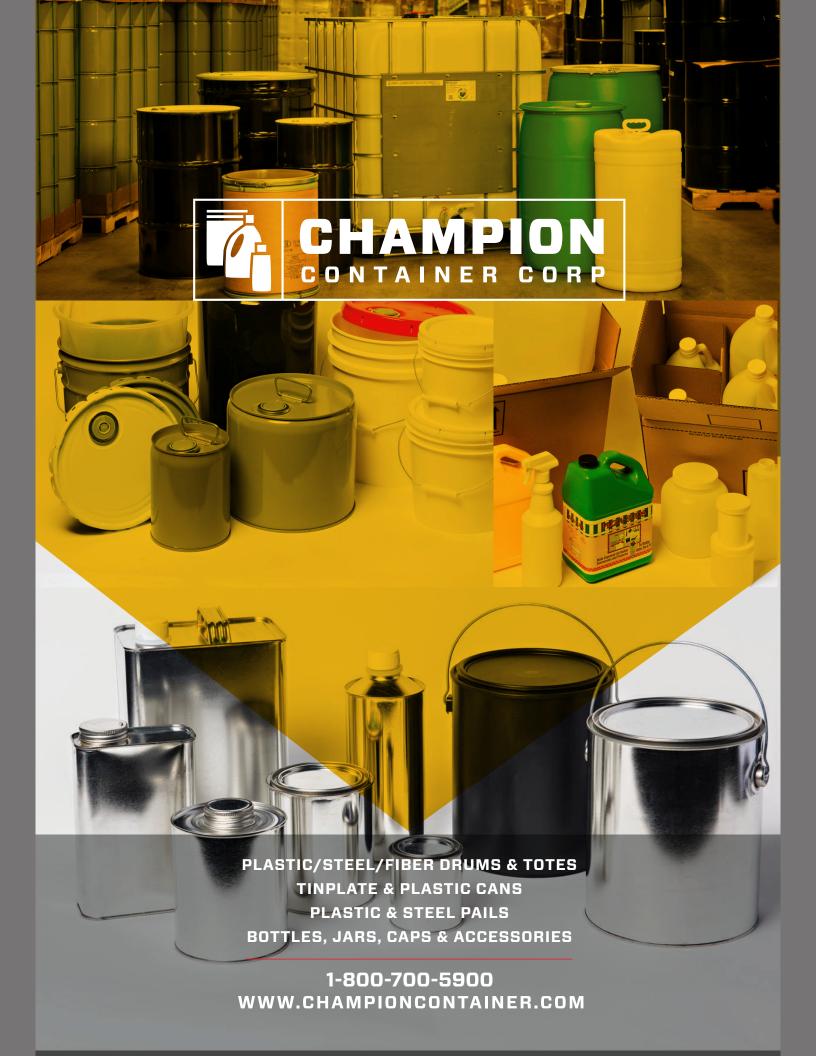
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