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PITTSBURGH SOCIETY FOR COATINGS TECHNOLOGY

MARCH 9, 2026 • CANCELLED •

THE PSCT MARCH MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

Please join us next month on April 13th. The featured speaker will be **Dr. Crystal G. Morrison** from The ChemQuest Group presenting Global Coatings Industry Outlook and Trends.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENT:

Please note the requirement has been changed for 2026: Applicants must be children of active members who meet eligibility requirements. The sponsoring member must have attended at least **THREE** PSCT MEETINGS or events in 2025-26. Student Members must also meet eligibility requirements.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE DUE MARCH 15, 2026
See scholarship application at the end of this newsletter.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear PSCT Members,

I want to thank Smriti Arora, BYK's Technical Service Manager, for her interesting presentation on adhesion promoters in paint and coatings. I also want to thank the past presidents that attended our February meeting.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we are cancelling our March meeting. For this reason, scholarship sponsoring members need to have attended three meetings or events to meet the Scholarship requirements.

Our April meeting will be held at Cornerstone Restaurant in Aspinwall on April 13, 2026, at 6:00PM. With this new venue, we need to give the restaurant a headcount on Friday, April 10th. Please be sure to sign up for dinner on our website in advance!

During this meeting, we will welcome Dr. Crystal G. Morrison of ChemQuest a global consulting firm specializing in specialty chemicals and materials. As Vice President, she supports clients worldwide in mergers, acquisitions, business strategy, and technology development. Dr. Morrison will be discussing Global Coatings Industry Outlook and Trends.

During the April meeting we will have our elections so if anyone is interested in open positions, please reach out to Greg Stewart at gstewart@shorecorporation.com.

As a reminder, if you know of anyone eligible for the PSCT scholarship please remind them to check our website and newsletter for information. The deadline for applications is March 15th.

We are also in the process of finalizing our May social event where we will present the scholarship awards. This is always a fun time, so please plan on attending!

Kim Wilson

PSCT President 2025 - 2026

MEMBERSHIP

Join or renew your PSCT membership for the 2025-26 year. You can use the membership form at the end of this newsletter or online at www.paintsociety.org. This year is the 99th Anniversary of the PSCT which was founded in 1927 as the "Pittsburgh Paint and Varnish Club". The prime objectives of the PSCT are to promote discussion and exchange of information on new and existing coatings technologies. The PSCT offers educational assistance by awarding annual Hiram P. Ball Scholarships.

CALL FOR SPEAKERS

We have opportunities available in 2026 for meeting presentations. If you are interested in speaking, please contact Deb Longhini at dmlonghini@gmail.com.

WEBSITE

Visit www.paintsociety.org to get current PSCT information including upcoming events and newsletters. Visit the Home page to make meeting reservations and dinner/event payments. You can also become a PSCT member or renew your dues online.

ADVERTISE IN THE PSCT NEWSLETTER

We would like to thank all of the companies who have advertised with us in the past and hope we can count on your continued support. Contact Jim Wasik at psct1927@paintsociety.org to add your company's advertisement to the Newsletter. Advertisements will begin with the September newsletter and continue through the May 2026 newsletter. We can also do special announcements for one or two newsletters (prices vary by size and scope).

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SAVE THE DATE

PSCT Golf Outing **WEDNESDAY** September 9, 2026

Proceeds Support the PSCT Scholarship Fund

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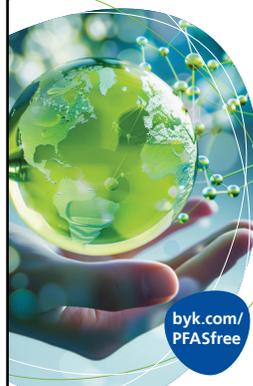
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Name: _____

Company: _____

Address : _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

PSCT MEMBERSHIP DUES

Full Society Membership \$40

Student / Educator \$10

Retired Members \$10

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Check payable to PSCT. Amount enclosed: \$ _____

SIGNATURE AND DATE: (Required)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

RETURN APPLICATION & CHECK TO:

Mark DePasquale, Matthews Marking Systems
3159 Unionville Road, Suite 500
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Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology
Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship
APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2026

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, 2025**.

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 for the 2025 - 2026 meeting schedule.

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 and a list of PSCT meetings/events attended for the 2025 - 2026 meeting schedule.
- 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, 2026. 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, 2026

**ALL APPLICANTS MUST MEET AND COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED BELOW.
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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 the courses that are 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, 2026. 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: 2025-2026
PSCT Science, Technology, Engineering Mathematics Grant Application: 2025 - 2026

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2026

**ALL APPLICANTS MUST MEET AND COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS.
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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: _____

Current High School/College for 2025-2026: _____

College/University for 2026-2027 _____

OFFICIAL CLASS STATUS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2025:

Graduating High School Senior COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY: 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: _____