

Historian Report – Ohio Rubber Group – 2016

Winter Meeting – January 26, 2016

The Ohio Rubber Group Winter Meeting was held at the Twinsburg, Ohio Hilton Garden Inn on January 26, 2016. The meeting was well attended with 101 members remaining after the presentations to enjoy dinner.

The 2016 board members were announced at the meeting. Below is a list of the 2016 board:

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| Chair | Jim Lipinski | Harwick Standard Distribution |
| Vice-Chair | Tim Samples | Polymeric, Inc. |
| Treasurer | Peter Glasser | HF Mixing Group |
| Secretary | Mike McDonnell | Alttran, Inc. |
| Councilor | Ernie Puskas | Littlern Corp. |
| Alt. Councilor | Denise Kotz | DuPont |
| Area Director | Andy Tisler | Omnova Solutions, Inc. |
| Alt. Area Director | Doug Ruch | R.E. Carroll, Inc. |

The following presentations were made during the Technical Session:

“Advances in Rubber Mixes Using High Performance Fillers”

Anthony Mariniello, Product Specialist & Northeast Territory Technical Sales Manager, ChemSpec Ltd.

“An Overview of Non-black Fillers Used in the Rubber Industry” – Part I

Walter Lackey, Technical Services Manager, Lintech International

“EPDM Replacing NR”

Pete Spanos, Technical Manager, Lanxess Corporation, USA

A 50-50 raffle drawing was held during the dinner portion of the meeting.

The Chair, Jim Lipinski, thanked the Hexpol Corporation for the very generous donation of a computer for use by the Newsletter/ Recording Secretary, Mary Puskas.

Spring Meeting – April 5, 2016

The Ohio Rubber Group Spring Technical Meeting was held on Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Twinsburg, Ohio.

The following presentations were made during the Technical Session:

“Surface Engineering Approach for Enhanced Filler Dispersion
And Reduced Hysteresis Loss”

Prasad Raut, Graduate Student, University of Akron, 2016 ORG Scholarship Recipient

“An Overview of Non-black Fillers Used in the Rubber Industry” Part II
Walter Lackey, Technical Services Manager, Lintech International

“Manufacturing Polypropylene (PP)/Waste EPDM Thermoplastic Elastomers
Using Ultrasonically Aided Extrusion”
Jing Zhong, Graduate Student, University of Akron, 2016 ORG Scholarship Recipient

A 50-50 raffle drawing was held during the dinner portion of the meeting.

Summer Golf Outing – June 21, 2016

The ORG Summer golf outing was held on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, at Yankee Run Golf Course. Doug Ruch of R E Carroll and Jason Huff of ChemRep were Co- Chairs of the outing. A Scholarship fundraiser was held during the outing.

Fall Golf Outing – August 29, 2016

The ORG Fall golf outing was held on August 29, 2016 at the Portage Country Club in Akron, Ohio. Greg Sibley of Intertex was the Chair of the outing. A Scholarship fundraiser was held during the outing.

Fall Meeting – September 27, 2016

The Fall Ohio Rubber Group meeting was held on September 27, 2016 at the Hilton Garden Hotel in Twinsburg, Ohio. The Program Chair, Tina Darnell arranged the following popular, well-attended program.

The following presentations were made during the Technical Session:

“Twin Screw Compounding in the Production Chain
For Thermoplastic Elastomers: From Raw Material to Final Product”
Kim Young, Process Engineer, Process Technology Group, Coperion USA

“High Performance Ester Plasticizers for NBR and HNBR”
Stephen O’Rourke, Technical Director-Polymer Additives, The Hallstar Company

“Selecting the Best Peroxide and Co-agent Combination
For High Performance Applications”
Steven Monthey, Senior Application Chemist, RheinChemie

A 50-50 raffle drawing was held during the dinner portion of the meeting.

OBITUARIES - 12/3/16:

Our friend and colleague, Lance Marguglio, passed away on November 30, 2016. Lance was a long-time member of the ORG and had just gained Emeritus membership after retiring from Zeon Chemicals at the end of 2015.