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| **Chicago Rubber Group Technical Meeting**   Thursday, September 25th  at  **White Pines**  500 West Jefferson Street  Bensenville, IL 60106    C:\ChicagoRubberGroup Website\White_Pines_1.jpg Guest Speakers: **Brian Stull, LORD Corporation**  *“Rubber to Metal Bonding”*  *And*  *"Environmental Regulations in the Rubber Industry"*  **Technical Program Schedule**  **Check In: 3:30 PM – 4:00 PM**  **Presentations: 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM**  **Cocktails: 5:30 PM – 6:00 PM**  **Dinner: 6:00 PM**  **To Make Dinner Reservations and to View a Short Biography of our Presenter, Please Visit Our Website:**  <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org>  **In This Issue of the Newsletter…**   * Technical Meeting Announcement * President’s Message * Donation Appeal * ACS Rubber Division Update * 2015 CRG Executive Board Election Announcement. * Membership and Renewal * Scholarship and Education Awards Update * Newsletter Advertisements Reminder * Golf Outings Recap | **President’s Message** Fall is upon us and the 2014 year is coming to a close. The Chicago Rubber Group had a very successful 2014 year with many activities and good member turnouts. Let’s recap all the events for 2014!  Ron Coia, Jock Whitacre and their team put on another successful Rubber Technology course at SKF in March. There were 32 participants, many speakers, and much knowledge that was shared during the 3 day course. The social night at Jimmy’s Charhouse was also a big success as we had many of the participants, presenters, and CRG members there to converse and network.  Our first technical meeting was held May 12, 2014 at Hawks View Golf Course. Our speaker was Ed Juline from SASCO, who spoke to us about the science of anti-tack.  In July, the CRG Chicago Golf outing was held at Indian Lakes Golf Resort. Mike Szymborski and team did a wonderful job with organizing this event as well as having great prizes for all participants.  In August, The CRG Wisconsin Golf Outing was held at Hawk's View in Lake Geneva, WI. This outing is typically smaller than the CRG Golf outing at Indian Lakes, but Mike Collins and his team do a wonderful job making this outing feel just as fun as the outing at Indian Lakes.  Our last and final CRG event will be at White Pines Golf Club in Bensenville, IL in September. Brian Stull from LORD will be our guest speaker. Please see the CRG website and newsletter for further details.  Finally, please make sure to continue your membership by renewing either on line at our website or in person at any of the Chicago Rubber Group events! Please tell others that might benefit from joining our organization. We welcome all new and present members.  I look forward to seeing you at out last CRG event of 2014 at White Pines!  **Michelle Rodriguez**  **President, The Chicago Rubber Group** | **President**  Michelle Rodriguez  *SKF Aerospace*  **Vice President**  Jessica Petras  *Chem Rep*  **Treasurer, Editor and Webmaster**  Mark Hlinak  *RotaDyne*  **Secretary**  Yan Fayman  *SKF Sealing Solutions*  **Past President**  Howard Robins  **Rubber Division Area Director**  Leonard Thomas  **Manufacturer Directors**  Rick Davies  *Preferred Rubber*  Deidre Tucker  *SKF Sealing Solutions*  **Supplier Directors**  Mark Guzzaldo  *Harwick Standard Distribution*  Tim Peterschmidt  *Barton Solvents*  **Scholarship Chair**  Richard Alt  **Membership Chair**  Paul Stoeck  *Trostel Ltd.*  **Parliamentarian /**  **Registered Agent**  Mike Amis,  *American Phoenix, Inc.*  **Historian / Education Chair**  Ron Coia – Retired  **Necrology**  Paul Miller – Retired  **Golf Outing Chairs**  Mike Szymborski  *Trostel Ltd.*  Mike Collins  *Barton Solvents* |

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| **2015 Donation Appeal**  Special thanks to our annual donation sponsors for 2014: Wacker SilMix and ChemRep. The CRG would also like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who saw fit to donate to the CRG at our golf outings, and to remind the membership that 2015 promises to be a year with even greater need than ever for CRG Donations. Please make your 2015 donation to the CRG by visiting us on the internet at  <http://www.chicagourbbergroup.org/donations.htm>. From here, you will learn how to donate and what your donation means to not only the CRG, but also to you and your company. The help of both suppliers and manufacturers enables us to maintain our scholarships, education awards, the Basics of Rubber Technology course, the Golf Outings, and other interesting programs.  Please forward annual donations for 2015 in the suggested amount of **$300** to the address listed below**.** If you wish to make a single donation to the September Technical Meeting, a suggested amount of $75 is requested. Please direct all donation checks to:  **Mark Hlinak**  **CRG Treasurer**  **RotaDyne**  **2512 West 24th Street**  **Chicago, IL 60608**  …Or make your donation online using a major credit card from our Payments Page:  <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/payments.htm>  **NOTE: Annual donations of $300 account for $150 donation for the CRG Chicago Golf Outing only and $75 for each CRG technical session -- CRG Wisconsin Golf Outing donations are separate.**  **Rubber Division ACS Update**  Please click one of the links below to see the latest on this event, as well as the CRG’s Area Director’s report and other goings on at the Rubber Division ACS.  [http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/RDACS.htm](http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/golf_outings.htm) and  <http://www.rubber.org>  **2015 Executive Board Election**  The Chicago Rubber Group usually solicits volunteers to hold Board offices in July and holds the Executive Board Elections in August. For various reasons, we shall hold our elections in October this year. If you are at all interested in donating your time to the CRG and becoming a member of the CRG Executive Board, please click below and email any one of us listed, and we will be happy to give you more details. This year we are in search of **candidates for Secretary, as well as Manufacturer Director and Supplier Director** (3 year term).  <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/executive_board.htm> | **Joining Our Group and Renewing Your Membership**  Now is the time to begin or renew your membership in The Chicago Rubber Group for 2015. Please visit our Membership Page for more details on how to join or renew. Dues are still only $10 for individuals and $50 for corporate memberships. Help support the CRG with your membership!  <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/membership.htm>  **Scholarship and Education Awards Update**  The CRG is now taking applications for the 2015 Harold Stark Memorial Scholarship, which is a four year, $1000 scholarship given to one accomplished graduating senior slated to attend college. This scholarship is awarded based on composite ACT test scores. We are also accepting nominations for the Robert Kann Educational award, which is $1000 awarded annually to someone already working in the rubber industry as a means to defray the cost of his or her continuing education. Please visit our Scholarship Page to find out more:  <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/scholarships.htm>  **Newsletter Advertisement Renewal**  Special thanks to Engel Machinery, Wacker SilMix, and Hexpol Compounding for their newsletter advertisement sponsorships in 2014. Please consider the benefits of submitting your business card sized advertisement in both our e-newsletters and on our website and begin your newsletter advertisement today. Mark Hlinak, our newsletter editor would love to see even more familiar names and company logos on our electronic publications for 2015. Although there is no longer a paper publication, our e-newsletter still reaches many relevant industry professionals in the Chicago area. For the low cost of **$100**, your business card sized advertisement will be placed in all three newsletters and on our website’s Sponsors Page for the 2015 calendar year. The website advertisement also includes a URL link to your company’s website. Start your Advertisement today by clicking the link below:  <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/newsletter_ad_form.pdf>  Engel_Larry_Davis |

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| **2014 CRG Chicago Golf Outing Recap - Mike Szymborski**  The 2014 Chicago Rubber Group Golf Outing was held at Hilton Indian Lakes on Thursday, July 25th. The weather was outstanding for this year’s event. After a historically cold winter, I think we can all agree that the weather this summer has been spectacular!  This was the first year of the new “Best Ball” rule, which replaced the old “Play your own ball” game. This was done to try to speed the pace of play. However, I’m not sure we did much to accomplish that. The first groups finished in 4 hours, while the last groups finished in 5:45. We have a couple ideas which may speed the pace further next year. We’ll be discussing them during upcoming CRG meetings and most likely implementing a tweak. We will do a “Best Ball” again in 2015.  Attendance was up slightly from 2013 (81 golfers vs. 76). We had 80 for dinner, which is consistent with last year. Dinner was excellent. There were dozens of fantastic prizes given in the raffle. If you attended the event and had a good time, make sure you tell your friends and coworkers, and make sure you come again next year!  Corporate donations were up approximately 50%. We raised about $7,500 this year, vs. about $5,000 in 2013. We greatly appreciate the efforts of all of the sponsoring companies, and the individuals within those organizations that went the extra mile to make sure a check was cut to our group. We could not do this without these generous contributions.  Mark your calendars next year for Thursday, July 16th, 2015. We look forward to seeing you all out there again in 2015. Here is a list of companies that donated to the CRG Chicago Golf Outing this year: | | **2014 CRG Wisconsin Golf Outing Recap - Mike Collins**  The CRG Wisconsin Golf Outing was once again held in 2014 on Wednesday, August 13th at Hawk’s View Golf Club in Lake Geneva, WI. Weather was also fantastic for this outing. We also made this outing a "best ball" scramble, which we believe was well received. Next year’s CRG Wisconsin Outing will again likely be held at Hawk’s View. The likely date will be Wednesday, August 12th, 2015. Here are the companies that donated to the 2014 CRG Wisconsin Golf Outing:  **Akrochem**  **Alternative Rubber and Plastics**  **American Phoenix**  **Barton Solvents**  **ChemRep**  **Dow Automotive**  **Harwick Standard**  **Hexpol Compounding USA**  **Lavelle Industries**  **Lintech Specialty Chemicals**  **McLube Release**  **Preferred Compounding**  **Sid Richardson Carbon Company**  **Struktol Company of America**  Please visit our Annual Golf Outings Page for more information at:    <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/golf_outings.htm> |
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