



The Chicago Rubber Group, Inc.

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Spring Technical Meeting
Monday, May 14th, 2018
 Hawk's View Golf Club



Program Details

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM - Registration
 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM - Technical Presentations
 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM - Cocktails
 6:00 PM - Dinner

Guest Speakers

Mike Kumbalek -- Advanced Concepts

Compounding with Bolder Black

Malcom McInnes - Global Technical Service Manager, Synthomer (UK) Ltd.

Lithene® Liquid Polybutadienes: Their Uses and Benefits for the Elastomer Compounder

Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information at:

<http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org>

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Remaining 2018 CRG Schedule of Events		
Event	Anticipated Date	Anticipated Location
Spring Technical Meeting	May 14th	Hawk's View Golf Club, Lake Geneva, WI
CRG Chicago Golf Outing	Jul. 19th	Village Greens, Glen Ellyn, IL
CRG Wisconsin Golf Outing	Aug. 15th	Hawk's View Golf Club, Lake Geneva, WI
Fall Technical Meeting	Sept. 20st	White Pines, Bensenville, IL

President's Message

Finally spring is upon us! 2018 marks the 90th year of the Chicago Rubber Group. The year was kick started with a terrific turnout for the biennial Basics of Rubber Technology course hosted at SKF. Special thanks to the CRG Education Committee, Ron Coia, Rich Alt, Robert Klingender, Mark Petras, Deidre Tucker, Mark Hlinak, Mark Guzzaldo, and Rick Webb. Another special thanks goes out to Kathy Calhoon who organized the food for the course and handled the social event at Jimmy's Charthouse. Great work all!

Spring technical meeting is approaching quickly. Monday, May 14th the Hawks View Golf Club in Lake Geneva Wisconsin will host the event. Speakers presenting, Mike Kumbalek of Advanced Concepts and Malcolm McInnes of Synthomer (UK) Ltd. Please visit the CRG payments section and select "Dinner Reservations" for sign ups. Link: <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/payments.htm>

I'm pleased to announce the 2018 CRG scholarships winners! Congratulations!

- Robert Kahn Award:
Kyle Brinkmann, Preferred Compounding
 Harold Stark Scholarship:
Michael McGinnis Jr., Naperville, IL
 Boris Dinzborg Award:
Jeff Winders, Rothkopf Co.

Mark your calendar for the two golf outings later this summer!

Thursday, July 19th
 Chicago Golf Outing at Village Links, Glen Ellyn, IL
Wednesday, August 15th
 Wisconsin Golf Outing at Hawks View Golf Club, Lake Geneva, WI
 Please visit the CRG's "Annual Golf Outing" section for sign ups.
 Link: http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/golf_outings.htm

Lastly, don't forget to join/renew your CRG membership. You can renew membership, donations and newsletter advertisement by visiting the "payments" section of the CRG website. Any support is greatly appreciated from the Chicago Rubber Group. I look forward seeing you all at the next CRG event!

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2018 Donation Appeal

Special thanks to those companies who chose to make an annual donation in 2017. 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 2018 promises to be a year with even greater need than ever for CRG Donations. Please make your 2018 donation to the CRG by visiting us on the internet at <http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/donations.htm>, or download our PDF flyer at http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/CRG_Donation_Appeal.pdf. 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 2018 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:

Charleen Heinke
CRG Treasurer
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...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 - Rick Webb, Area Director

The 193rd Technical Meeting will be held May 8-10, 2018 at Hyatt Regency Indianapolis in Indianapolis, IN. See the Rubber Division Website below for details.

<http://www.rubber.org>

2018 Basics of Rubber Technology Course

As planned, the CRG's biennial Basics of Rubber Technology Course was held at SKF Sealing Solutions in Elgin, IL from March 13th through the 15th. There were 32 course participants in attendance and some 18 instructors provided the course materials. This year was also the fourth ever social night at Jimmy's Charhouse in Elgin, IL after the first day of the course. The Boris Dinzborg Education Award in which one of the course participants was randomly selected to receive his or her course tuition free of charge was also selected at our course. The lucky winner of that award this year was **Jeff Winders** from Rothkopf Co. Congratulations Jeff! The CRG Education Committee will meet after the Board Meeting on May 14th to discuss results of the course and the student recommendations voiced in the course feedback forms. To read more about our course, click the link below to go to our Rubber Course Page:

http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/rubber_course.htm

Joining Our Group and Renewing Your Membership

Help support the CRG with your membership! If you haven't already, join or renew your membership today by visiting our Membership Page:

<http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/membership.htm>

Scholarship and Education Awards Update

The CRG would like to congratulate **Michael McGinnis, Jr.** who is the winner of the 2018 Harold Stark Memorial Scholarship. Michael is from Naperville, IL. Congratulations Micheal! Also, congratulations are in order for **Kyle Brinkmann** from Preferred Compounding, who is the recipient of this year's Robert Kann Educational Award as well as **Jeff Winders** from Rothkopf Co. who is this year's winner of the Boris Dinzborg Award. Please visit our Scholarship Page to find out more:

<http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/scholarships.htm>

Newsletter Advertisement Renewal

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 is placed in all three newsletters, and on our website's Sponsors Page for the current calendar year. The website advertisement also includes a URL link to your company's website. Start your Advertisement today by clicking the link below or contact Mark Hlinak at mhlinak@rotadyne.com.

http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/newsletter_ad_form.pdf

2018 CRG Golf Outings

The Chicago Rubber Group is pleased to announce that both the CRG Chicago and the CRG Wisconsin Golf Outings will once again be held in 2018. **The CRG Chicago Outing** will be held at Village Greens in Glen Ellyn, IL. This outing will take place on **Thursday July 19th, 2018** with a shotgun start, at 11:30 AM. The **CRG Wisconsin Outing** will be held on **Wednesday, August 15th**, at Hawk's View Golf Club in Lake Geneva, WI. Please visit our Annual Golf Outings Page for the latest information and to register your foursomes. Please be advised that you will not be able to sign up for the Wisconsin Outing until after the Chicago Outing in July – this is simply to avoid confusion among the Golf Committee and the Treasurer for the two outings. If you have any questions regarding the golf outings, please contact Mike Szymborski for the Chicago Outing (mikes@trostel.com), or Jessica Petras for the Wisconsin Outing (jessica@chemrep.com).

http://www.chicagorubbergroup.org/golf_outings.htm



2018 Executive Board

The CRG Board regrets to inform the membership that relocation has forced our Treasurer for 2018 Benjamin Nelson to resign his position with the CRG as Treasurer. Our Vice President, Charleen Heinke has graciously offered to serve as both Treasurer and Vice President for the remainder of the year.

At the recent social night for our course, Tim Peterschmidt also announced that he will no longer be able to fulfill his role on the Board of Directors. Until a replacement can be found for Tim, the board will finish out 2018 with only three Directors.

An enormous amount of gratitude goes out to the rest of our 2018 Executive Board Members and volunteers for their continued support and efforts. Your full Executive Board roster is shown to the right here with contact emails. If you or one of your colleagues would like to volunteer for a position on our Board, or would like to help out with any of our events, please contact one of us and let us know.



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