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Dear Members and Associates,

As my term as Chair of the Division comes to an end later this month I’d like to use this platform to publicly thank my Executive Committee and the entire Board of Directors for their unwavering support, teamwork and dedication to this Division’s goals and purpose. Over the course of the past two years much has been accomplished and the tracks for continued growth and success are firmly in place for continuance.

As some of you may know, much hard work and effort has culminated in the establishment of an ongoing blow molding educational curriculum conducted by the Blow Molding Division in conjunction with Calhoun College in Alabama. Several classes have already been held and the reviews by participants as well as their employers has been exceedingly positive. The opportunity for blow molding businesses to send their machine operators to a professionally run, hands-on, multi-day class lead by true industry leaders can only help their businesses grow and prosper. For more information regarding upcoming classes, please email us at blowmoldingdivision@gmail.com.

In addition to the successes this Division has had with the educational endeavor, we’ve had solid growth in our own annual technical conference or ABC over the past two years. Growth can be measured by many perspectives and as those of you that have attended our program have provided feedback in terms of the continued uptick in the quality of papers, attendees, sponsors, hosting venues, as well as the natural flow of the, full 2 day, event. This achievement could not have been realized without the commitment to the blow molding process by each and every one of us and certainly each ABC Chair, Co-Chair and Deirdre Turner’s invaluable dedication to making sure every detail is covered.

Another area in which the Division has excelled is in our support of SPE Annual technical conference (ANTEC), being held in conjunction with NPE again this year in Orlando, FL the week of March 23rd. It seems like each year the Blow Molding Division has more high quality presentations to offer. On Wednesday the 25th starting at 1:30PM in room number S330E we will be hosting 6 Technical Papers covering many topics specific to the blow molding process. Also at ANTEC, the Blow Molding Division has been awarded the opportunity to submit four blow molded parts for consideration into the SPE’s Global Parts Competition – “Plastics for Life” event. Our Entries include the Esky 135 Quart Cooler submitted by Hawkeye Preferred Tooling Group, the Foam Core Parking Block, submitted by Pinnacle Plastics Products, the 400 ml Precision Products Bottle submitted by Amsler Equipment, Inc. and the Stack Wine, submitted by R&D Leverage. I encourage all attending NPE to register for ANTEC and take advantage of the opportunity to learn more about what’s coming down the pike for the future of our industry.

During the course of the proceedings, the Blow Molding Division will again be recognized in having been awarded both the Pinnacle Gold and Communication Excellence awards. These honors recognize this Board’s level of commitment to successfully creating and delivering member value after having been reviewed in four categories as well as having met additional criteria in implementing effective communication practices. Congratulations to the entire Board for their collective commitment.

As we soon turn our focus to “post-ANTEC” goals, I’m pleased to share that this Board has already been hard at work laying the foundation for ABC 2015, which will be held in Pittsburgh, PA October 12-14, at the Sheraton Station Square. Given the theme of ABC 2015 – The Three Rivers of Success – Innovation, efficiency and sustainability it should come as no surprise that we’ll again be hosting a plethora of industry leaders to address “new” topics as well as seasoned educators and pioneers to share innovations and improvements that could benefit all that participate. So please REGISTER TODAY by visiting our new and improved website @ www.blowmoldingdivision.org.

Again, thank you to all the Directors for their support and dedication to our common cause over the past two years and a sincere best wishes to the incoming Chair, Mr. Jamie Pace. I hope your term is as enjoyable and fulfilling for you as this Board has helped to make my own. Cheers!

Regards,

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As the premier event for the blow molding industry, the Annual Blow Molding Conference showcases the latest advancements and innovations in blow molding design and applications. This year, the SPE Blow Molding Division invites all conference attendees, speakers and sponsors to participate in the Third Annual Blow Molded Parts Competition.

Product Entry Submission Form

Submitter / Attendee*:

Submitter Company Information*:

Part Name*:

Manufacturer / Blow Molder:

Designer / Other Contributors:

Mold Maker / Toolmaker:

Material Supplier / Resin Type:

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Submitter signature and Release of Liability*: Date:

Product Category: please check one

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PART COMPETITION
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Hotel Contact: Ms. Christine Engel
Tel: (412) 803-3871

Parts should be shipped no more than 2 business days in advance of event. Shipments will be delivered to the conference registration area outside of the exhibit hall. Each entry should be shipped with a completed return bill of lading form.

Submission Instructions:

Email the following to parisonsblowmolding@gmail.com

- Completed and signed entry and release form
- Display and judging information form
- Product image in a jpg format

The image and description should be suitable for publication. A separate entry form, description and photo will be required for each submission.

Contact: Lew Ferguson, Chair, Blow Molded Parts Competition
Email: parisonsblowmolding@gmail.com Tel: 313-506-4637
Part Name:

Submitter / Company:

Part Description
[1 to 3 sentences]

Part Features / Benefits:
[include novel features of the part like, design, manufacturing, material application, parts consolidation, commercial implications, sustainability, safety, cost savings – up to 12 bullet points]

Photo of the Part:
► Please send a JPEG picture of the part as a separate file.
ABC 2015 Blow Molded Parts Competition Guidelines

1. Parts may be entered by any conference attendee, speaker or sponsor (up to two parts per participant).

2. All entries must include a plastic form utilizing the blow molding process in some portion of the product.

3. All submissions must be new to the market starting commercial production within the last two years and made from production tooling.

4. Parts must be able to fit on display table. If you wish to display a part large than 48 inches, please contact Lew Ferguson, parts Competition Chair at parisonsblowmolding@gmail.com to discuss.

5. A completed entry form, display and judging information form and a photo for each part must be sent to the Parts Competition Chair by Oct. 2, 2015.

6. A Display Form will be provided by the Parts Competition Committee using information contained in the entry form.

7. The Judging Committee may consolidate parts in categories, if fewer than 4 parts are submitted in a category.

8. No electric power connections are provided. If needed, power may be arranged through the hotel by contacting meeting services at 773-693-4444.

9. No business cards, marketing materials, laptop presentations, etc. may accompany the part in the display area. The display is intended to be an exhibit to encourage discussions and technology exchange. No sales or marketing activities in this area will be permitted; however, there are conference sponsor opportunities to do so (visit www.blowmoldingdivision.org).

10. All shipments must follow the mailing label format as indicated in Shipping Information on the application.

11. Submitters will be responsible for collecting, unpacking and setting up their parts in the Parts Competition area located outside the ABC 2015 Exhibit Hall. Set-up hours are Mon., Oct. 12th from 8:00-5:00 p.m. All displays should be set-up by 5:00 p.m. on Oct. 12th. For more information about shipping and retrieving your parts, please contact Ms. Christine Engel, Sheraton Station Square at (412) 603-3871.

12. Submitters will be required to pack and prepare their parts for outgoing shipment by 5:00 p.m., Wed., Oct. 14th which marks the conclusion of the Blow Molding Conference. The SPE Blow Molding Division is not responsible for any unclaimed parts after ABC 2015 concludes.

13. The Blow Molding Division winners will be announced at ABC 2015 Awards Reception and Program on Tues., Oct. 13th at the Sheraton Station Square Hotel.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Submission of an entry releases from liability, indemnifies and holds harmless the Society of Plastics Engineers Blow Molding Division, Directors, volunteers, employees or agents representing or related to The Society in part or whole. This release is for any and all liability for property losses and/or damage occasioned by, or in connection with any activity or accommodations for this event. Submission of an entry further agrees to abide by all the rules and regulations promulgated by the SPE Blow Molding Division and/or its affiliate groups or vendors throughout this conference event.

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This new feature is the result of the combination of two proven products: Agr’s Pilot Profiler thickness management system and the M-RULE® Container Performance Model. These components have been integrated to provide an on-line tool that can not only effectively monitor material distribution to a very fine degree as needed for the successful production of ultralight bottles, but also monitor the shelf-life performance of those bottles at the same time.

By monitoring the material distribution of the blown container as well as shelf-life performance characteristics, the Pilot Profiler along with Process Pilot automated blowmolder control system are able to account for subtle changes in the process affecting shelf-life and other performance factors that would normally go undetected by the operator. This prevents the process from drifting out of control before the operator’s next quality sample, averts the loss of precious little processing margin and provides operators with a means to maximize shelf-life performance of bottles in production.

Agr International Inc., develops and manufactures a full line of laboratory and on-line testing/quality control devices for containers and similar products for the plastic and packaging industry. The Agr headquarters and main manufacturing facility is located in Butler, PA, USA.
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Creative Blow Mold Tooling and Big 3 Precision form strategic partnership.

Creative Blow Mold Tooling (Lee’s Summit, MO) and Big 3 Precision (Centralia, IL) have announced the formation of a strategic partnership to create Centers of Excellence (CoE) for the design and manufacture of injection blow and injection stretch blow molds (IBM/ISBM), as well as the design and manufacture of extrusion blow molds.

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Both companies have relationships that process on both platforms and this partnership will allow both companies to better and more broadly serve their respective customer base.

"Creative is an ideal company for Big 3 Precision to partner with because of its outstanding extrusion blow molding capabilities, something that Big 3 Precision has not been supplying to its customers," said Clinton Hyde, Vice President of Sales & Engineering for Big 3 Precision. "Now, through this partnership our customers can also order extrusion blow molds from us and receive the expert engineering and manufacturing that Creative has been providing for 30 years."

The goal of the partnership and the CoE is to help existing customers with speed to market through increased product development and support. Big 3 and Creative also intend to use the CoE concept to help balance engineering and manufacturing capacity, increase efficiencies and further reduce lead times for customers. The partnership will allow customers to source tooling on complementary platforms through a known and trusted business partner. For some customers, access to the CoE will allow them to more quickly and efficiently expand their existing capabilities to other platforms.
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According to California-based Jason Foster, Founder and “Chief Reuser” of Replenish, his team met the R&D/Leverage team at a trade show in Florida, and the rest, as they say, is history. “At that point, we had made some tools, but nothing had been scaled up,” Foster said. “From the inception of our partnership with R&D/Leverage, it was clear that they recognized and were excited about the potential of our new category, and that their expertise is second-to-none. Together, we are changing what a bottle can be.”

R&D/Leverage’s Project Manager Dave Taylor noted the immediate chemistry between the two teams. "We can handle everything from unit tools to 144-cavity production molds" he said, "and, in this case, we wanted to pioneer a new packaging category with Replenish. We were totally up for the challenge and were ready to partner with them to help commercialize their breakthrough vision." Replenish, through its partnership with R&D/Leverage USA, today continues its mission to eliminate waste and save money. The company’s goals, which include the marketing of its efficient, affordable and scalable refill system across brands and product categories, are being reached. “Most products we buy are 90 percent water [95-99% actually, but that’s neither here nor there], with only a small amount of active ingredients,” said Replenish’s Foster. “Our reusable bottling platform, created thanks to our true partnership with R&D/Leverage, helps us reach brand owners from household products to consumer beverages. It is a win for us. brand owners. retailers and consumers – and the planet.”
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Feedback from course attendee:

“The class was excellent in terms of the subject material presented. It was very clear that both Bob and David are experts in blow molding. Moreover, they articulated the material in a manner that made it easy to comprehend.”

Peter Martin, Univation Technologies

The next classes are scheduled for June 15-16, and September 14-15, 2015.

For more information go to:
http://www.blowmoldingdivision.org/fundamentals-of-blow-molding-seminar/ or
https://www.calhoun.edu/workforce_development/workforce_solutions/industrial_technologies.aspx

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This course has been initiated by the Society of Plastics Engineers Blow Molding Division in conjunction with Calhoun Community College. It is designed to give a better understanding of the Plastic Blow Molding process in North America. This course is designed for both students as well as those currently employed within or around a plastics blow molding business.

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David Calderone is president of Alternatives 4 Plastics, a common sense and hands-on consulting firm for the plastic blow molding industry. David has been in the blow mold industry for 45 years and was a plant manager by the age of 25. David’s career began on the floor packing and over time, becoming an operations manager overseeing a 300 employee plant with three unions in the facility. Mauser Group, Consolidated Container, Clearplass Containers and Liqui-Box are just a few of the bigger corporations David has worked for. His career includes many start-to-finish projects with large companies such as J&J, Zimmer Patient Care, Corning, and several medical companies and cosmetic companies like Victoria’s Secret, Bath & Body Works, and Crabtree & Evelyn.

As a co-owner in the fast growing business of personal care containers, David managed the operations. Later the company was purchased by one of the top 10 ranked blow molding companies in the country, and is still in operation today.

David interacted closely with the State’s Industrial Development Boards while building two green field plants from start to finish. He even served on one of the Industrial Development Boards after building a plant in their area.

David presently serves on the Society of Plastics Engineers Blow Molding Division Board of Directors and is Chair of the Division’s Training Sub-Committee.

Bob DeLong’s career in plastics started in R&D at Hercules Powder in 1956, working on applications for the then-experimental Polypropylene. He blew the world’s first PP bottles using a hand-operated machine built by Plax. In the 1960’s, Bob led Celanese’s (now Ineos) customers on processing techniques during the milk container’s explosive growth period. Operator training was a key ingredient as the dairies moved to self manufacture, and this was the beginning of his teaching and consulting. Bob also taught semester courses in blow molding in Newark College of Engineering’s associate degree program.

Bob spent 21 years as a senior consulting engineer at Solvay’s Tech Center in Houston, active in all aspects of HDPE and PP blow molding. This included resin formulation, molds and tooling, field service, and training. End-uses ranged from household chemicals to multi-layer stau gas tanks to extra large parts such as septic tanks.

A long time member of the SPE, he became a senior member in 1969, elected a Fellow of the Society in 2002, and received the Blow Molding Division’s Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004. Bob served on Blow Molding Division’s Board from 1995 until 2006, and is a frequent presenter at the Annual Blow Molding Conference. Bob is published in Modern Plastics, Canadian Plastics, Plastics Technology, as well as in several molding handbooks.

A member of the SPE since 1957, he became a Senior member in 1989, elected a Fellow of the Society in 2002, received the Blow Molding Division’s Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004, and was inducted into the SPI’s Plastics Hall of Fame in 2015.
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The Blow Molding Division of the Society of Plastics Engineers and Graham Engineering Corporation co-sponsor a program for continuing education of blow molding industry workers. By making financial resources available to Blow Molding Division member companies, this program will assist more people in obtaining continued education in blow molding and improve their job-related skills.

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Executive Committee (met from 7:00 –9:00 am)
Attendees: Jeff Light, Ben Lopez, Dr. Geoff Ward, Jamie Pace, Cal Becker, Gary Carr, Terry Glass, Mark Heitker, Dr. Surendra Agarwal, Scott Steele, Ron Puvak and Brian Spence. Excused George Rollend

Topics Discussed:
- Review finances under the new National Account
- D30 Budget Shortfalls
- Review BOD Slate 2015 and beyond
- BOD Attendance and Participation
- Evaluation of self-assessment form and individual performance requirements
- Reviewed updated D30 Policy manual
- Jeff reminded us all the importance of meeting attendance and of our attendance policy
- Strategic Planning Group for 5 yr. plans
- Need for additional Co chairs
- Move financial reporting to calendar year

Board of Director’s General Session Meeting February 18, 2015

- Call to order at 11:00 am

  BOD Members present: Jeff Light, Terry Glass, Ben Lopez, Gary Carr, Dr. Geoff Ward, John Rathman, Randy Moynihan, Lew Ferguson, George Hurden, Jamie Pace, Mark Heitker, Cal Becker, Dr Surendra Agarwal, Dale Klaus, Ron Puvak, John Sugden, Gerry Hobson, Mike Hall, Bob Jackson, David Hayward, Brian Spence, Piaras de Cléir, Scott Steele and Ken Carter

  BOD Members Excused: George Rollend, Mohammad Usman, David Calderone and Henry Vogel

  Board Candidates/Visitors: Don Maines, Rama Etikallapalli, Kathy Birchmeier, Dan Patek and Deirdre Turner

  SPE National Visitors: Dick Cameron SPE President elect

- Introductions & Welcome to the BOD – Jeff Light
  1. Welcome all Board Members
  2. Reviewed SPE Meeting Anti-Trust Guidelines
  3. Welcomed board candidates and SPE National Visitor

- BOD Agenda / Motions
  1. A Motion by Ben Lopez to increase the D30 Board of Directors from 29 to 32 Members for previous visitors. 2nd by Jamie Pace unanimous approval by Board majority.
  2. A Motion to accept board candidates Rama Etikallapalli, Kathy Birchmeier and Don Maines to the D30 Board of Directors by Ben Lopez , 2nd by Jeff Light , unanimous approval by Board majority. Welcome new board members!
  3. A vote for the election BOD Slate for the expiring 2012- 2015 BOD slate
     - A motion to approve the 2015 – 2016 BOD Slate without revision by Gary Carr, 2nd Surendra Agarwal, approved by BOD majority.
  4. Approval of the 2015 – 2016 Budgets for the Operating Disbursements and Grant Funds
     - A motion to approve the 2015 – 2016 Budget by Mark Heitker, 2nd Geoff Ward, approved by BOD majority.
5. A vote to not transfer end of year fiscal funds which was deferred at the end of 2014, until the 2015 winter meeting.
   - A motion to approve not to transfer deferred end of year fiscal funds by Terry Glass
     2nd Mark Heitker, approved by BOD majority

6. A vote to approve the proposed revisions to the D30 Policy Manual
   - A motion to approve the revisions to the D30 Policy manual by Mark Heitker
     2nd Piaras de Cleir, approved by BOD majority

- **Review of last Meeting Minutes & Action Items – Cal Becker**
  1. Approved Meeting Minutes from 2014 ABC, reviewed and updated action item list, plus updated roster are attached.
     - A motion to approve the BOD ABC 2014 meeting minutes with no revisions by
       Mark Heitker, 2nd Surendra Agarwal, approved by BOD majority.

- **SPE National Attendance and Communication**
  Dick Cameron Discussed the following topics:
  1. The updated National website & The Chain  [http://www.4spe.org/](http://www.4spe.org/)
  2. SPE National tactical steps to reaching our strategies for SPE globally.
  3. National Budgeted $80k in the black and ended the year ~ $100 K due to web advertising
  4. Agreed that student fees for attending the ABC shouldn’t be counted as conference revenue
  5. Suggested reading the book “Race for Relevance” 5 Radical Changes for Associations
     September 3, 2013
  6. The addition of Russ Broom has improved the National organization

- **ABC 2014 TPC and Marketing Review/Report**
  Information Provided By Brian Spence, George Rollend and Dr. Surendra Agarwal
  1. Reviewed the TPC and Marketing report
  2. Several good ideas presented by Brian Spence to grow D30
  3. Several hours of the BOD meeting was used for planning the 2015 ABC
     - A motion to approve the TPC and Marketing reports by Brian Spence,
       2nd David Hayward, approved by BOD majority

- **Treasurer’s report – Terry Glass**
  1. Reviewed the treasurer’s report
     - Discussed the desire to go to calendar year budget
     - Payment to National will be in 30 – 60 days
     - A motion to approve the Treasurer’s report by Ken Carter,
       2nd Bob Jackson, approved by BOD majority

- **Councilor’s report – Scott Steele**
  - A motion to approve the Councilor’s report by Lew Ferguson,
    2nd Gerald Hobson, approved by BOD majority

- **Education Committee – Dr. Geoff Ward**
  Education Committee Discussions
  - Division Training & Calhoun College Update
  - Scholar Program Updates
  - Corporate Sponsors Update
  - Disbursement Budget Update

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Awards Sub Committee – John Rathman
1. Need 2015 suggestions for Lifetime Achievement Award
2. Hall of Fame Recipient Bob Delong to be awarded at ANTEC
3. Update the honored service member spreadsheet

Parts Competition Sub Committee – Lew Ferguson
1. The blow molded parts competition was reviewed
2. Discussed the desire to grow this program.
   - A motion to approve the Education Report without revision by John Rathman
     2nd, Randy Moynihan - approved by BOD majority

New Business
1. Two BOD at a time will be drawn from a hat to provide Technical Articles for Division Newsletters
2. Cal Becker to submit a draft of action Items to Board
3. Many thanks to those that attended and contributed to the start of the 2015 Year!

ADJOURNMENT:
2/18/2015 3:00pm  Motion to adjourn by Jeff Light,
2nd by Gary Carr – approved by BOD

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