

IMPORTANT NOTES AND SECTION NEWS

Scholarships Awarded

Congratulations to the 2023 scholarship award winners! See page 2 for the list of awards. A virtual "Awards Night" meeting will be held online on June 15, 7 pm, hosted by Mark Lavach. Invitations with a link will be sent to the students and posted on our website for anyone else who would like to attend. A virtual board of directors meeting is planned for the same day.

Plans for the upcoming 2023-24 year

We anticipate having more in-person meetings in the fall, so stay tuned for announcements that will come by email as well as be posted to our website and LinkedIn page. Fall events to be confirmed include a tour of Penn Color's color lab in Hatfield, PA; a section meeting and tour at Lehigh University; and the rescheduled Design for Additive Manufacturing Workshop.

Volunteers Wanted

We're looking for a new volunteer to fill the Secretary position. Secretary is a great volunteer job for someone who would like to get to know people in section leadership—the primary role is to take notes during meetings and distribute them. We typically have a few in-person board meetings and a few virtual meetings. Contact anyone on the board or our general address: info@spe-pma.org or reach out to us at our LinkedIn page.

Next year, we would like to host a Processing TopCon. Contact Paul Brigandi, pjbrigandi@dow.com if you would like to join the planning committee.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2023 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS!



Alva Whitney Memorial Graduate Scholarship:

JORDAN GREENLAND (Lehigh, Polymer Science and Engineering)

John Manson/Les Sperling Graduate Scholarship:

MELANIE ALPERT (Rutgers, Mechanical Engineering and Aerospace Engineering)

Jack Ryan Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship:

ELI PAUL (California Institute of Technology, Physics)

J. Stephen Duerr Undergraduate Scholarship:

EMILY DUERR (Duke University, Biology)

Richard Bradley Undergraduate Scholarship:

JORDAN REMILLARD (Elon University, Marketing and Business Management)

John Manson/Les Sperling Undergraduate Scholarship:

KYLE DUERR (Duke University, Biomedical Engineering)

Sal Monte High School Scholarship: KATHERINE DOOLEY

Francis McAndrew High School Scholarship: SEAN REMILLARD

Board of Directors scholarships were awarded to:

- MEGAN BYNOE (Rutgers, Materials Science and Engineering)
- **© LIAM BOYLE** (RVCC, Engineering Science)
- GABE DECKER (RPI, Civil Engineering)
- **KRISTEN LAVALLEE** (Duquense, Physical Therapy)
- SLATER FISCH (Passaic County Community College, Computer Science)
- **MICHAEL CARROLL** (Penn State, Business)
- **JAYCE BRADY** (East Stroudsburg, Industrial Manufacturing)



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- Resin and Additives
- Sustainability and Recycling
- Megatrends (Climate Change, Data Analytics & Digital Connectivity, Decentralized Financing, Globalization, Health & Wellness, Populations Shift, Resource Constraints. Social Responsibility, Transparency, Workforce Resilience)
- Vinyl Industry Association Updates

Posters will be highlighted during the cocktail hour & coffee breaks. A great time to show off new product/technical innovations! Timeline: Abstract and Title by July 31, 2023 Please Contact: TPC Chair, Raechel Sincavage with proposed poster title and author

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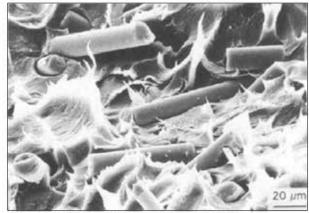


Figure 1 Untreated E-Glass (Silane Sized) Fibers in ETFE (ethylene Tetrafluoroethylene).

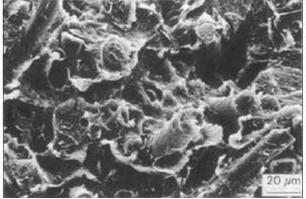


Figure 2 KenReact® NZ® 44 Zirconate Treated E-Glass (Silane Sized) Fibers in ETFE

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