



# The SPECTRUM

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## APRIL MEETING INFO

### APRIL MEETING WILL BE EDUCATION NIGHT!

*By Don Keyes*

The April meeting will be a good indication of the caliber of students we will see graduate shortly into industry.

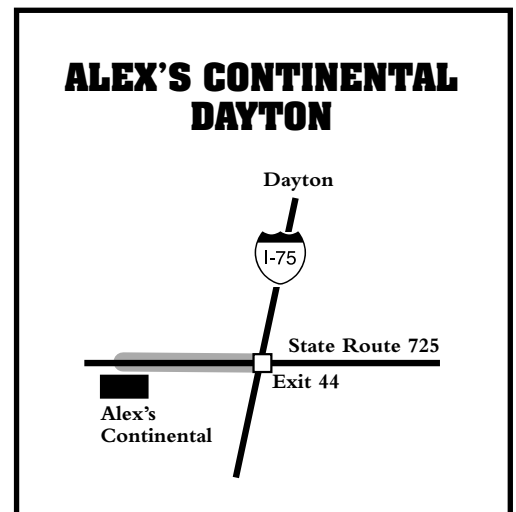
We will be giving grants to 5 students who all showed themselves to be excellent candidates for future work in the industry. I personally hope we can challenge and get the best from them because these are bright students who can do just about anything they set their minds to.

I hope we will have a good turnout to meet these students and their peers who will be there to cheer them on. It could prove to be a very worthwhile meeting for someone lucky enough to make a friend.

For the student's benefit (and yours as well) we plan to have a short review of some current industry trends. We'll do a follow-up on the internet reverse auctions that we discussed last year and what some companies are asking for now. We'll talk briefly about what plastics companies are looking for now in the way of capability and personnel. Then we'll do an overview of some new business and quality systems that are showing up. This will be an open forum type of meeting so if you have strong feelings about some of these subjects, come and add to the discussion.

### Driving Directions Alex's Continental

Exit 19 from I-75 to Muhlhauser Road.  
Alex's is .5 mile on south side of 725.



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 1** Plant tour  
Comet Automation - weigh blenders,  
loaders, dryers, conveying equip.
- June 9** Golf outing  
Hamilton Elks
- June 22-26** Chicago  
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## MEETING NOTICE DETAILS

MEETING DATE: April 3, 2003  
Advance Reservation required by April 1, 2003  
To reserve, call or fax:

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## MEETING AGENDA - APR. 3, 2003

Board Meeting.....	4:30 - 6:00 pm
Networking .....	6:00 - 6:30 pm
Dinner .....	6:30 - 7:30 pm
Program .....	7:30 - 8:30 pm

MEMBERS \$20 NON-MEMBERS \$25 STUDENTS/RETIREES \$10  
MEMBERS \$25 AT THE DOOR WITHOUT A RESERVATION

*We are now taking VISA and MASTERCARD  
for registration and other events*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**Frank Maus**

Thanks to everyone who attended our last meeting. It was nice to see a larger turnout than what was originally expected. We also would like to thank Dick Gilgrist for the thorough presentation, and for tailoring it especially for the plastics industry.

For those that missed the meeting, a variety of safety issues were discussed. Mr. Gilgrist also reviewed safety issues relating to cooling towers, especially with regards to Legionnaires disease. For more information, he suggested visiting <http://www.osha.gov>, <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh> and <http://www.ashrae.org> For those that aren't familiar with this health issue, I strongly urge you to investigate it.

April's meeting will be an especially good meeting. We are giving out \$5,000 in grants to qualified students. This is a direct way for SPE to aid in the education of future plastics professionals. We thank those that contributed to the education fund, and that sponsored holes at our golf outing last year.

Speaking of the golf outing, be sure to reserve June 9th on your calendar. Hope to see you there!