



CHAIR'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all with the first edition of the CRG Newsletter for 2005. I would like to congratulate the newly elected Directors Jennifer Forgue of R.T.Vanderbilt and Stanley Gedansky who recently retired from Crompton/Uniroyal. Also congratulations to Jeff Linn of Paratec Elastomers who was reelected to Director position. Special thanks go to Thomas Jablonowski, the past Chairman of CRG for his efforts and support.

Congratulations also to Ray Cash of R.T. Vanderbilt who was elected to Vice-Chairman (moving up from Secretary), Robert Hancock of Hancock Engineering who was elected to Secretary (moving up from Director), and Juan Cardona, the Treasurer of the CRG.

We will hold our Spring Technical meeting on Thursday, March 24, 2005 at the Rapp's Paradise Inn and the date of the TriState Meeting will be announced later. Ray Cash has put together a very interesting technical meeting. Please let your co-workers, employees and suppliers know about the technical meeting and our annual Golf/Tennis Outing to be held on Thursday, June 16th at the Tradition, Wallingford.

We do have a challenging task ahead in this year because the CRG is launching a new course to replace the Mixing Course which we conducted for the past 14 years. The new course will be called "Basic Rubber Technology Course" to be held in September 2005, and the committee will soon meet to finalize the details of the course.

If you have any comments or suggestions with regard to CRG, please feel free to contact me or any Board member shown in the Contact list. Also please visit our CRG website (www.ctrubbergroup.org) for the latest information on technical meetings, etc.

Finally, the success of CRG depends upon your active participation in the activities and, therefore, I encourage you to attend committee and technical meetings. I wish you all a healthy and prosperous 2005.

Best regards,

Chitta R. Lahiri

2005 Connecticut Rubber Group Chair

2005 Annual Dues

With the start of the new year, it is time to pay the annual dues for membership in the CRG. Please send your check for \$15.00 along with the membership application form on page 3 in this newsletter, as soon as possible. You need to be a paid member to continue to receive mailings (for the golf outing and technical meetings), be eligible to sponsor scholarship applicants, and receive this Newsletter.

Even if you are a life member or an emeritus member, you still need to return the membership application form, so that we can be sure we have your correct address and know that you are still interested in remaining a CRG member.

Any questions, please contact your CRG Treasurer, Juan Cardona at:

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Reserve these dates!!!

Spring Technical Meeting

Thursday, March 24, 2005

Rapps Paradise Inn, Ansonia

See notice page 7

Golf Outing

Thursday, June 16, 2005

2005 CRG Golf Outing will be held at:

The Tradition, Wallingford, CT

See notice page 6

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Mark Your Calendars:

2005 Meetings	
ACS Rubber Division May 16 –18 Spring Meeting San Antonio, TX November 1-3 Fall Meeting Pittsburgh, PA	Connecticut Rubber Group March 24 Spring Technical Meeting, Rapps Paradise Inn, Ansonia, CT September 2005 Basic Rubber Technology Course Oct/Nov. 2005 Tri-State Technical Meeting



The Connecticut Rubber Group

A Subdivision of the Rubber Division, American Chemical Society

www.crubbergroup.org

2005 Membership Application

I wish to ___ remain / ___ become a member of the Connecticut Rubber Group for 2005.

NAME: _____
 COMPANY: _____
 STREET ADDRESS: _____
 CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____
 TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____
 EMAIL: _____

- Yes / No This is a change to my current CRG mailing address
 Yes / No I prefer to have newsletters and mailings sent to me by email*

Primary function: ___ Sales/Marketing ___ Technical ___ Production ___ Purchasing ___
Other (specify _____)

- _____ I am a Life Member.
 _____ I am an Emeritus Member.
 _____ I am at least 65 years old and request Emeritus status. I have been a member of the CRG for a minimum of 10 years.
 _____ I am a Rubber Division member.
 _____ I am a member of the American Chemical Society.
 _____ I would like to serve on a committee of the CT Rubber Group.
 _____ I would like to serve as an officer / director of the CT Rubber Group.

Please list any topics of interest that you would like to have presented at the meetings of the CT Rubber Group: _____

Please forward the completed form with your check for \$15.00** (the fee is optional for Emeritus and Life Members) made out to The Connecticut Rubber Group to:

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2005 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 24: Spring Technical Meeting – Rapps Paradise Inn, Ansonia, CT
 Sept. Basic Rubber Tech.Course - Location and date TBA
 June 16: Golf & Tennis Outing – The Tradition, Wallingford, CT
 Oct/Nov: Fall Technical Meeting – Location & date TBA

* Mailings by email are in Adobe Acrobat Reader (pdf) format.
 ** Membership dues covers the printing and mailing costs of newsletters, meeting notices, scholarship notices, Golf Outing and Mixing Course Fund Raiser notices, annual ballots, publishing of membership directory every 5 years, and support our educational scholarships.

BASIC RUBBER TECHNOLOGY

COURSE

Our Board of Directors will meet shortly to finalize plans for a new course titled “Basic Rubber Technology”. This will replace our Rubber Mixing Symposium that has been held over the last 14 years.

The course has been tentatively scheduled during the month of September 2005 but the exact date will be announced in the near future.

We will update our CRG website as soon as the final details are known. Our website address is www.ctrubbergroup.org

Mike DiGiovanni

Basic Rubber Technology Course Chair

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Use the scholarship application form on page 5, *OR* visit the CRG web site (www.ctrubbergroup.org) for the scholarship application form, *OR* contact Steve Gangi (see page 2).

Also visit the ACS Rubber Division website (www.rubber.org) for information on the A. Wayne Place and Rubber Division scholarships.

Congratulations to Jeffery Dvornek, Joshua Poulin and William Sheridan as recipients of scholarships from the CRG in 2004.

CT RUBBER GROUP WEBSITE

We invite you to sign onto our website which is WWW.CTRUBBERGROUP.ORG

After reviewing Chitta Lahiri’s Chair Message for 2005 we direct your attention to the links which are to the left of the screen.

These links will place you directly into the Cradle of the Rubber Industry, our Historian’s Corner, our file of past Newsletters, more details on Upcoming Events, the application forms for Membership and Scholarships, our CRG Contact List and a Links section that allows you quick access to the ACS, Rubber Division, The Naugatuck Historical Society, Rubber World Magazine and Rubber & Plastic News.

This website will be updated for 2005 shortly now that the Newsletter has been completed.

Art Delgrosso
Editor

DON’T FORGET

**Complete your 2005 Membership Application and mail your check to Juan Cordona.
Thank you.**

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The information provided in this application is confidential. Only the Scholarship Committee for the Connecticut Rubber Group scholarships will use it.

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

College / University Attending _____

Academic Major _____

Semesters of College Work Completed _____

Sponsor (Member in Good Standing) _____

Please attach a current transcript or arrange for its transmittal. Also, attach a summary of outside interests and a brief essay on any subject of interest to you. These should be sent by **April 29, 2005** to:

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ANNUAL CRG GOLF OUTING

Mark your calendar to reserve your foursome for this popular event played on a very interesting course!!



Golf Outing Information



The course at The Tradition in Wallingford has been reserved for Thursday, June 16th. After a luncheon buffet, we will have a shotgun start with a scramble format.

The fee for golf and dinner will include a cart and driving range.

For tennis players, the fee includes the buffet luncheon at the Tradition.

Lower fees will apply for people who can attend only golf, tennis or dinner.

Mike DiPino
Golf Committee Chair

The course's website is:
www.traditionalclubs.com/wal/

The address is:

The Tradition Golf Club at Wallingford
37 Harrison Road
Wallingford, CT 06492
Telephone: (203) 269-6023

Directions:

From I-91 South, Exit 14, turn right off exit, then left onto South Airlines. Turn left on Route 150 then right on to Harrison. The course is on the left. From I-91 North, Exit 14, turn right on Route 150, then right on Harrison. The course is on the left..

CONNECTICUT RUBBER GROUP

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SPRING 2005 Technical Meeting

Rapp's Paradise Inn

Exit 19 off Route 8

Ansonia, CT

203-735-3654

Thursday, March 24, 2005

Technical Session 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Presentations:

Functional Additives for Peroxide and Sulfur Cure	Steve Henning, Senior Applications Chemist, Sartomer Company
New Peroxide Products SP and CST	Leonard Palys, Senior Research Scientist Organic Peroxides R&D Arkema, Inc.
Open – Will advise.	

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Cocktail Hour (cash bar)

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Dinner

Price: \$35.00 per person in advance

Mail payment by **Friday March 18, 2005** to:

Ray Cash

2005 CRG Vice Chair

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Mark Dinner Choice of:

_____ Sirloin Steak

_____ Stuffed Boneless Breast of Chicken

_____ Stuffed Sole with Lobster Sauce

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Make checks payable to: Connecticut Rubber Group

Walk-in Registration: \$40.00; Limited Availability – Call Ray Cash

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