



The Rubber Zone

Rubber Division, ACS Member Newsletter

Join Us in Louisville at IEC - Register Today!

Learn from the best in our industry through our technical meeting and educational symposium and see what the best in the business have to offer at our expo this October 9-11 at the Kentucky International Convention Center in Louisville, KY. Discover new connections, customers and partners and catch up with ones you have known for a while.



[Click here for all details about the International Elastomer Conference](#) or visit rubberiec.org.

We still have one more booth available if your company is interested in exhibiting! [Click here to learn about exhibiting.](#)

Looking for the perfect candidate to join your team? Make your company known to potential employees by purchasing a table at our Career Fair taking place Thursday, October 11th. Tables are \$100. [Click here to secure a table today.](#)

[Register for IEC](#)



Be sure to select FIRST-TIMER when you register, so you can be a part of our program this fall!

Welcome First Timers!

If this is your first time attending the International Elastomer Conference - we want to welcome you and help you make the most of your time with us! We know what it's like to attend a conference for the first time and sometimes feel overwhelmed. We want our first-timers to feel at home, to meet their company (and personal) goals and be excited to return next year!

If you know someone at your company attending IEC for the first time, let us know so we can get them enrolled. We have fun things in store for them!



Thank You Rubber Division, ACS Corporate Members



Celebrate These Corporate Members' Anniversaries

TARRC celebrates its 80th Anniversary

In July 2018 the Tun Abdul Razak Research Centre (TARRC) the UK research and promotion centre of the Malaysian Rubber Board, held a 'Gateway to the Malaysian Rubber Industry Open Day' to celebrate its 80th Anniversary at its laboratories at Brickendonbury, Hertford.



Guests were also able to visit the laboratories accompanied by TARRC staff who all proved to be very informative guides. Visitors were given short presentations at each area including biotechnology, microscopy, mill room, engineering and tyre technology. All these facilities are available to clients worldwide through TARRC's commercial unit, Rubber

Consultants, www.rubberconsultants.com that provides testing and R&D services for the polymer-related industry.

Organizations such as TARRC do not last for 80 years if they are not relevant, dynamic and innovative. The dedication of the staff, both present and past has been responsible for many of the significant advances in rubber science, technology and applications over the decades.



RDAbbott celebrates its 70th Anniversary, Full Steam Ahead

R.D. Abbott Company, Inc. (RDAbbott) is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year and is certainly not losing any steam. Rather, RDAbbott is accelerating into an elastomer company that innovates across distribution, manufacturing and applied science with premium products, comprehensive testing laboratories and strategically-located warehouses. But the company's most prized asset continues to be its people—who help to bring connections, contributions and commitment to the rubber industry at large.

The company's founder, Robert David Abbott, was instrumental in developing the rubber technology curriculum at the University of Southern California (USC). Today RDAbbott hosts and teaches a similar curriculum at its Cerritos, California, headquarters through a 20-week *Basic Rubber Technology* course offered by The Los Angeles Rubber Group, Inc. (TLARGI). RDAbbott also provides numerous private training sessions for customers and suppliers, as well as a highly-interactive internship program for college students annually.

Since 1948, RDAbbott has strived to build and maintain the best team in the rubber industry by putting people ahead of profit and by setting the standard for industry engagement and activism.



Featuring Lion Elastomers, Tier III Corporate Member

Lion Elastomers is a global leader in the production of EPDM and Synthetic Rubber, with North American manufacturing in Geismar, Louisiana and Port Neches, Texas.

Lion's technical solutions team is dedicated to partnering with customers for their success. Lion produces "Best in Class Rubber Products" which their customers convert into parts for Automotive, Construction, Wire, & Cable, lubricants additives, Tires, Hose, Belts, and Adhesives.

Be sure to stop by their booth #115 at the IEC to learn about their new and exciting products including Royalene X-5169, and High Molecular Weight EPDM for TPV Compounding & Anti-vibration applications.

[Learn More About LION ELASTOMERS](#)

For He's a Jolly Good FELLOW!

Congratulations to John Long for being named a Fellow of ACS! John Long, JM Long Rubber Consultants, LLC & Rubber Division, ACS Councilor has been named an ACS (American Chemical Society) Fellow. John is the first ACS Fellow from Rubber Division of the American Chemical Society.



[Click here to read the full article](#); and be sure to congratulate John at IEC this fall!



Call for Abstracts for 195th Technical Meeting

We are seeking leaders and innovators in the rubber/elastomer industry to share their expertise with our Spring Meeting attendees!

Rubber Division, ACS is now accepting online abstract submissions for our 195th Technical Meeting to be held April 30-May 2, 2019 at the Holiday Inn Cleveland-S in Independence, OH. Featured topics for this meeting:

Scheduled Symposia:

- Self-Healing Polymers
- Nano-Scale Tools for Rubber Analysis
- Industrial Rubber Products
- Winter Tire Technology
- Dynamic Properties of Elastomers
- Science, Technology and Applications of Rubber
- Interfaces & Adhesion
- Flammability and Thermal Stability of Elastomers
- Science & Technology Awards

Abstract Deadline: November 2, 2018

[Submit an Abstract](#)

Upcoming Local Rubber Group Events

Attend one of the local rubber group/affiliated technical organization's events of 2018. Here are a few of the events happening soon:

- Bourbon Trail Elastomer Group:** November 15 - Fall Technical Mtg; Lexington, KY
- Chicago Rubber Group:** Sept 20 - Fall Technical Mtg; White Pines Course, Bensenville, IL
- Detroit Rubber Group:** November 28 - Fall Technical Meeting; Freudenberg
- Ft. Wayne Rubber Group:** December 6 - Guest Night; Ceruti's in Fort Wayne, IN
- Los Angeles Rubber Group:** October 2 - Technical Conference, Oktoberfest & MiniExpo; The Phoenix Club in Anaheim, CA

Mexico Rubber Group: October 18 - Course: Improve Rubber Compounds Part III
Michigan Rubber Group: November 7 - Technical Meeting; East Lansing, MI
MidAtlantic Rubber & Plastics Group: Nov 15 - Educational Symposium; Bethlehem, PA
New England Rubber & Plastics Group: November 13 - Fall Technical Meeting
Ohio Rubber Group: September 25 - Technical Mtg; Hilton Garden Inn, Twinsburg, OH

Full Calendar of Industry Events

Don't Miss All the Benefits You Could Receive By Joining Our Corporate Membership Program

Become a Rubber Division, ACS Corporate Member and experience the value for your company. In addition to the benefits listed beneath each tier available stated below, corporate members will also receive the following benefits:

- Exclusive corporate member registration kiosk at IEC
- Group registration for IEC
- Logo displayed on signage during Rubber Division, ACS conferences
- Logo displayed in the on-site Show Guide and Show Daily publications
- Corporate member lounge with coffee, tea and water for corporate members at IEC
- Opportunity to purchase one corporate table at the IEC welcome reception
- Housing info for events released to you early
- Opportunity for on-site corporate training at your company
- Complimentary hours of library research

Information about Corporate Membership

Rubber Division, ACS Honors Past Members

It is with a heavy heart that we share news on our Rubber Division members who have passed.

2018 Necrology List:

Mr. Jorge Luis Battastini
Dr. Jay Bernard Class
Mr. Ronald L. Denecour
Mr. Harry J. Emore
Mr. Jerry Fasolino III
Mr. Zachariah George
Mr. Ralph S. Graff
Mr. Michael S. Hogan
Mr. James L. Palombo
Mr. Charles Thomas Ruffing



IN MEMORY OF
MR. RUBBER DIVISION
RALPH S. GRAFF

Our thoughts are with their family and friends in their time of loss.





Library Services

As a member, you get premier access to our Library Services! Chuck Brady, our Technical Programs Manager & Science Librarian, would be happy to help you find what you need.

[Click here](#) to see the fee structure for all library services. Contact Chuck Brady at 330-595-5543 or [email him](#) for assistance.



Looking for a New Career? The Perfect Candidate?

Don't forget to visit the [Careers section of our website](#) to post your resume, view open positions in our industry or post a position for your company. This information will be seen by our members, along with numerous other companies and people in the industry that view our website daily. [Contact Gretchen Cermak](#) for more information.



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Thank you for your continued support of Rubber Division, ACS!

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