

American Scientific Glassblowers Society

Directors Report

Section: SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

Section Officers

Director: VICTOR GALICCHIO
 Alt. Director: BILL FOACH
 Chair: BARY FARLOW
 Vice Chair: _____
 Secretary: VICTOR MATHEWS
 Treasurer: VICTOR MATHEWS

Section Profile

Number of section meetings planned for the year: 2
 Number of meetings since last Board of Directors meeting: 1
 Number of section members: 75
 Average attendance at section meetings: 100+
 Financial resources: Adapters Income \$4000.00
 How would you describe your typical section meeting (check all that apply)
 Educational Social Speaker Tour Workshop
 Other _____

*SPRING - EUGENE
 FALL - GASS VALLEY*

Section Challenges

- Difficulty in finding a meeting location
- Difficulty in organizing a meeting
- Difficulty in finding workshop presenters
- Poor attendance at section meetings
- difficulty in finding section officers
- Other (explain) _____

Additional Comments (use additional sheet if necessary):

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cleveland, Ohio

November 1 & 2, 2002

SECTION: San Francisco Bay Area

We had our fall meeting golf scramble on Friday the 4th at Lake of The Pines with tee times starting at 11am. We had eight foursomes play golf on a beautiful day. All had fun and there are many stories to be told. Gary Koopman's team took first place with eight under par. The random picking of teams went well for Gary's Team. But the stories are only good for one year so until next year they have the bragging rights. We all then met at the Holbrooke Hotel for a fantastic dinner by the hotel staff.

The section meeting was held on Saturday the 5th of October at Condon Park in a new facility for us. A smaller building with a Bar-B-Que area and nice out door setting which highlights our local area. The weather was also a nice so we were blessed and had over 100 in attendance. We had 5 to 6 juniors members show up bright and early to help set up the building and offer help to our 14 exhibitors. It was a change to have all the help you needed from the juniors and working as a team went well. We also had 4 to 5 kids from the local High School Rotary Interact group which we sponsored, support many duties and learn how local businesses do such things.

Everyone upon registering received a working packet with a program and a 2002 Directory which highlighted all the exhibitors and supporters with their information and a little note on what they do in the Glassblowing Industry. It was well received by all. We received many donations this year from our vendors to be raffled off with the proceeds going to The Rotary Polio Eradication Campaign. We thank all the vendors for their support in making this a great success again this year with a total cash donation of \$300.00.

We had a great day of seminars, demonstrations and overall fun between all. Bob Yazell of Heraeus Amersil kicked it off and explained the manufacturing process of quartz from the start to the actual drawing process of quartz tubing. He was followed by Henry Grimmert of Glass Alchemy who explained the history and workings of colored glass. He had two juniors, Jerry Crossan and Ken Caston who worked with him prior and displayed the results while talking.

We had a great bar-b-que with the support of the Litton Staff and under the guidance of Tish Buti from Litton. They cooked up chicken, burgers and hot dogs. We had beans and all the trimming of a great cook out. All agreed that this style of outing was better than our normal layout of sandwiches. They felt it was like a family picnic. And when you think of it we are a family.

We moved to our Directors report and I gave all a basic rundown of what is happening at a National Level the last few months. All items on the ballet passed as in:

- 1) Section Name change to Pacific Northwest Section
- 2) Bill Roach as alternate Director
- 3) Our Section Guidelines for Junior Award to the Symposium
- 4) Their support of Corporate Rates at a National Level
- 5) The direction of outside services and Bonding for the National Office.

We had packets for all on the Symposium on the table for all to review thanks to Scott Brankcroff sending us the extras. We talked about the up coming show and explained to all those in attendance about National Membership. We explained how our Section would wave our sections yearly dues of \$20 to all National Members to help drive the membership up. We also explained that shows of this level are possible by all the vendors around the hall so please support these vendors in the future. We also introduced Bonnie

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Clark our new Director at Large to explain what is going on in the many committees she is involved in. She gave a good update and seemed to draw interest.

We then moved to our demo by Ed Waddoups, Tom Orr and Frank Rossback doing artistic glassblowing. We had George Chittenden do a scientific demo also. We had an open bench for all others who wanted to try working with colored glass after learning from Henry's seminar. This was supported by a few juniors so they could try whether they had experience or not. This drew a lot on people to try working with a torch and glass.

We then wrapped it up on time and said god-bye to all. All helped out each other and I'm talking about all. The vendors help the glassblowers tear down by putting away tables and chairs and general clean up. The juniors helped vendors carry packed boxes to the car or companies doing the shipping for them. This became a family event with all helping everyone. Never have we gotten done so fast and efficiently. Thanks to all. We then meet for dinner at Main Street Café for another night of good food and great company.

We are now working on next year event which could become a two day show. One day for scientific and the other day for artistic. We already have a vendor waiting list for we had to turn away vendors this year. We will be working with the list from the inactive Northwestern Section to form a group on how these two area can work together to draw from both areas. We have contacted Eugene Glass School of Eugene, Oregon and have gotten total support of working together. We hope to have our spring meeting under their guidance with our support. We also are working on all those who attended and cold calling to see if the message for National Membership hit home and we can sign them up. We are working with Carlisle to have an open bench next year for All Torch Manufactures to show and demo their torches.

As a final note we got great response from all the vendors on the fact that the seminars being in the same room as vendors gave them a chance to learn about other products within the glassblowing field.

Respectably Submitted

Victor Gallicchio
ASGS-SF Director

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