

## THE AMERICAN SCIENTIFIC GLASSBLOWERS SOCIETY

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## NORTHEAST SECTION REPORT

Dear Ms President and Members of the Board of Directors:

The Northeast Section has an annual award for the best technical article written by a National Member that has been published in *Fusion*. The Section has decided to name this award the Karl Walther Award in honor of this scientific glassblower who has contributed so much to our Society. Karl Walther was not only a charter member of the ASGS and a charter member of the New York Metropolitan Section, now the Northeast Section, but also the second ASGS President and the only President Emeritus. Karl unselfishly helped further and promote the ideals of the Society and many are indebted to him.

Wale Apparatus hosted the fall Northeast Section meeting on September 16 at their expanded facility in Hellertown, Pennsylvania. They are superb hosts. The 48 attendees included President Doni Hatz, President-Elect Gary Coyne, members from the Pittsburgh, the Delaware Valley and the Canadian Sections, and Daryl Smith, the new Instructional Chair at Salem College who brought several of his students.

Workshops were held from 11:15am to 1:30pm which generated a lot of interest. Dumitru Costea, Ottmar Safferling and Doni Hatz provided these educational demonstrations. At the Business Meeting which followed, President Doni Hatz outlined her agenda for the year, a Director's Report was given, and input was sought from the Section on various issues. The Northeast Section agreed to pay for the Director's expenses at the Board of Directors' Meeting this November. They also supported the establishment of criteria for future reimbursement of directors' expenses to Board meetings by the National Society. Specifically discussed was the idea that reimbursement be limited to those Sections having a minimum of twenty geographically-local National members. A picnic complete with a pig roast followed at a nearby outdoor pavilion. Wale Apparatus's warm hospitality was greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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