



## Scientific Glassblower Society Canadian-Section-Canadienne

June 15, 2005

Subject: Subject:

Fall report of the ASGS Canadian section to the BOD.

This year the Canadian section didn't hold a spring meeting. Also Yves Rambour from Queens University had volunteered to organise a spring meeting his university decided to relocate the glassblowing shop to a new building on the campus so he had to cancel at the last minutes.

We didn't hold either a fall meeting.

We are planning to hold a meeting in spring 2009 in Queen's University, Mr Rambour will organise the meeting and we will have an election for a new slate of officers.

Fortunately, a very profitable meeting last spring held at McGill University enriched the section by more than \$800.00 so our finances are very good with no expenses and a balance of \$3185.37 but I am sad to report that so far this year very few people paid their dues to the section despite several requests and a letter sent across Canada by Brian Power our treasurer.

For the first time I have received some news of Canadian glassblowers for out west, I have 3 new names and I will contact them and try to get them to become members of ASGS.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Canadian section.

Georges Kopp  
Canadian Section Director

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# American Scientific Glassblowers Society

Directors Report

Section: Delaware Valley

Section Officers:

Director: Katherine Cheetham

Alternate Director: Karen Carraro

Chair: Ariel Rom

Alternate Chair: Chris Bock

Secretary: Kathryn Jones

Treasurer: Daniel Walker

Section Profile

Number of meeting planned for the year. 5

Number of meetings since last BoD meeting: 1

Average attendance at section meetings: 40

Financial resources: Adequate  Inadequate

How would you describe your typical section meeting (check all that apply)

Educational  Social

Speaker  Workshop

Tour

Other

(explain) \_\_\_\_\_

The Delaware Valley Section is operating quite well this year with an enthusiastic group of section officers. The treasury is healthy and at the last meeting everyone who attended paid their dues. The meetings are more social than educational with the exception of the meeting held at Salem Community College. The challenge is to engage people who work in industry all day and simultaneously engage those interested in the technical and educational aspects of scientific careers, research and development. Attendance has a mean of about 40 people. Last year we held 4 meeting and this year will probably do the same as the SCC Flameworking Conference conflicts with our March meeting. There is more involvement from SCC this year and we expect a great Jan/Feb meeting at the new facility in Alloway, NJ. We have four sponsors from the section to host art contests to generate donations for the 2009 Symposium with a prize of \$100. each and create interest in the DV meetings. It is anticipated that we will raffle registrations for the Symposium at the next three meetings. Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Cheetham  
Delaware Valley Section Director

# American Scientific Glassblowers Society

## Directors Report November 2008

### Section: Exhibitor Group

#### Section Officers

Director: Deborah Camp  
Alt. Director: Dave Surdam  
Chair: N/A  
Vice Chair: N/A  
Secretary: Bonnie Clark  
Treasurer: Bonnie Clark

#### Section Profile

Number of section meetings planned for the year: 1  
Number of meetings since last Board of Directors meeting: 1  
Number of section members: 24  
Average attendance at section meetings: 25-35 (Business Meeting attendance)  
Financial resources: X\_Adequate Inadequate  
How would you describe your typical section meeting (check all that apply)  
 Educational  Social  Speaker  Tour  Workshop  
 Other Business marketing and planning

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#### 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  
 Difficulty in collecting Dues

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#### Additional Comments (use additional sheet if necessary):

The annual exhibitor group section meeting was held in the exhibit hall Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM which was one hour prior to opening of exhibits.

This was a difficult meeting time for there were several companies that did not attend. But we were able to include new companies in our business meeting and were able to introduce them to our group.

Bonnie Clark agreed to be the Secty/Treasurer for another term.

BOD meeting notes were discussed with the group from both the Nov.07 meeting and June 08 meeting.

Jr. Member sponsorship was approved again for 2009 symposium. Charley Amling was recognized as our 2008 recipient.

Raffle prizes and food and beverage donations will be discussed in the coming year.

Companies were excited at the turnout for this symposium. It was a good experience for many of the exhibitors.

The food and beverage in the exhibit hall made for a nice atmosphere and brought most if not all to the exhibit hall.

We thanked the symposium committee and the exhibiting companies who had so much to do with the planning of this event.

Vic Mathews presented his proposal for 2009 symposium.

Jack Korfhage and Bob Singer were kind enough to attend our meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Deborah Camp  
Director Exhibitor Section

# American Scientific Glassblowers Society

## Directors Report

Section: Great Lakes Section \_\_\_\_\_

### Section Officers:

Director: Douglas Navalinsky\_\_Alternate Director: \_Chris Sprague

Chair: \_Chris Sprague Alternate Chair:

Secretary: Frank Meints\_ Treasurer: \_Harald Eberhart

### Section Profile

Number of meeting planned for the year. \_\_\_2\_\_\_\_\_

Number of meeting since last Board of directors meeting. 0 ( 1 planned on 10/18)

Average attendance at section meetings \_\_\_15\_\_\_\_\_

Financial resources: Adequate \_\_\_x\_\_\_ Inadequate \_\_\_\_\_

How would you describe your typical section meeting (check all that apply)

Educational \_\_\_x\_\_\_ Social \_\_\_x\_\_\_

Speaker \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop \_\_\_\_\_

Tour \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

(explain) Occasional Speaker

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### Section Challenges

Difficulty in finding a meeting location. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_x\_\_\_

Difficulty in organizing a meeting Yes \_\_\_x\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in finding workshop presenters Yes \_\_\_x\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Poor attendance at section meetings Yes \_\_\_x\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in finding section officers Yes \_\_\_x\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Other (explain) As usual we would always like more involvement from the other glassblowers in our area. \_\_\_\_\_

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### Additional Comments

We have a nice but small group of committed people. \_\_\_\_\_

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Submitted by Douglas Navalinsky \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 10/9/2008

# ***American Scientific Glassblowers Society***

**Directors Report Section:** Midwest Section

**Section Officers:**

**Director:** Brian Schwandt

**Chair:** Tracy Drier

**Secretary:** Steve Anderson

**Treasurer:** Art Ramirez

## **Section Profile**

Number of meeting planned for the year. 2

Number of meeting since last Board of directors meeting 1

Average attendance at section meetings 20-25

Financial resources: Acct. balance ~\$4,000  
(Are looking for good causes to disperse to.)

Adequate YES

How would you describe your typical section

Educational YES Social YES

SPONSORS Chemglass and ABR Imagery both sent attending representatives.

Workshop YES

Always gracious host Joe Gregar at Argonne National Labs. Tour

Aldrich remodeling now scheduled to take place over Dec. holidays, hopefully allowing next meeting in Spring at location.

CATERED LUNCH,

BUSINESS MEETING: Certificate of Election forms updated and signed.

12 members demonstrated a technique or shared a workshop hint Ross (ABR Imagery sponsor) set-up a new Portable, oxygen concentrator and burner and demonstrated a quick Murini encasement method.

Four interactive members took up his offer to try the equipment for themselves.

Two Award nominations, symposium information,

A short honorable mention of Dan Edwards update for people uninformed.

Possible future meeting location in Indiana to be considered, perhaps a joint meeting with the Great Lakes Section for better attendance.

### Section Challenges

Difficulty in finding a meeting location. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in organizing a meeting Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in finding workshop presenters Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  \_\_\_\_\_

Poor attendance at section meetings Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in finding section officers Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  \_\_\_\_\_

Other (explain) Active difficulty in recruiting paper presenters and volunteer help in recruiting paper presenters for upcoming symposium. Presently have six positive, but unconfirmed interests in paper presenters. One is a junior and could use suggestion assistance in elaborating his desired topic of the characteristics of Quartz. I have doubts of two and yet are confident of the other two people interested. One referral yet to be successfully contacted. Further update at BOD meeting to take place after this report, as well as a stepped up "cold-calling" campaign in the meantime...

**Additional Comments** A Discussion concerning section's methods of charging section dues, vs. guest attendees lunch costs (not members) went unresolved. I suggested I would research how other section's assess fees for attendees and report next meeting. Treasurer is concerned with the home office's evaluation of difference in dues, versus non-member money, etc.

Submitted by: \_\_Brian Schwandt\_ Date: 10-17-08\_\_\_\_\_







# American Scientific Glassblowers Society Pacific Northwest Section Directors Report

ASGS BOD Meeting November 8, 2008

Section Office: ASGS-PNW, PO Box 1589, Cedar Ridge, CA 95924  
Section Phone: 530-305-3692 Fax: 530-477-1068

## Officers

Bruce Suba  
Chairman

Victor Mathews  
Director  
Secretary/Treasurer

November 2008

## Section Profile:

Number of meetings planned for 7/1/08 - 6/30/09: **2**  
Number of meetings since last ASGS board meeting: **1**  
Number of National section members: **56**  
Regular: **43 (77%)** Associate: **11 (20%)** Junior: **2 (3%)**  
Last attendance at meetings: **25**  
Financial Resources: **Low**  
Last section meeting included:  
**Demonstrations, Lunch, Tour, Raffle**

## Section Challenges:

- \_\_\_ Difficulty in finding meeting locations. *The field seems to be shrinking.*
- \_\_\_ Difficulty in organizing a meeting. *Bruce Suba is a huge help in this.*
- X Difficulty in finding workshop presenters. *Hot & Cold.*
- X Difficulty in getting ASGS members to attend the meetings. *Greater number nonmembers.*
- X Difficulty in getting members to pay dues. *SHOULD BE PART OF NATIONAL DUES!*
- X Difficulty in finding Section officers. *YES! Bruce has been a relief.*
- X Difficulty in getting member participation. *Yes, it is the SAME people all the time.*
- X Other: *Members are spread out. Difficult to attend a meeting.*

## Summarized section plans, activities and comments:

1. There was a Summer meeting at Adams & Chittenden Scientific Glassblowing, July 19th.
2. Bruce Suba can not be the Artistic Chair for the 2009 symposium. His company, Thermo Fisher, will not support travel, so I will need a new Artistic & Auction Chair for the 2009 symposium.
3. Bill Roach, Roach Industries, has declined as chair of Special Events and will not be attending symposium.
4. I plan to contract with Matthew Stewart for a Hot Shop Seminar for the 2009 symposium.
5. A Fall Meeting is being planned to coincide with the November board meeting in Vancouver.
6. There continues to be no volunteers to serve as officers, so Bruce & I will continue at this time.
7. I will be recommending that the ASGS be part of a booth in the Glass Craft & Bead Expo Show in 2009.  
The booth will be part of a quad shared by Litton, Carlisle, Extreme Ozygen and Glass Alchemy.  
ASGS will be represented by Barry Lafler, Doni Hatz, Henry Grimmett and Victor Mathews.

# American Scientific Glassblowers Society

Directors Report November 8, 2008

**Section: Southeastern**

## Section Officers

Director: Curt Sexton  
Chair: Don Woodyard  
Vice Chair: Jason Craig  
Secretary: Ricky Harrison  
Treasurer: Ricky Harrison

## Section Profile

Number of section meetings planned for the year: 1  
Number of meetings since last Board of Directors meeting: 1  
Number of section members: 53  
Average attendance at section meetings: 15-25 (Business Meeting attendance)  
Financial resources:  Adequate  Inadequate  
How would you describe your typical section meeting (check all that apply)  
 Educational  Social  Speaker  Tour  Workshop   
 Other

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## Section Challenges

Difficulty in finding a meeting location  
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## Additional Comments (use additional sheet if necessary):

First of all our section would like to thank Victor Mathews for hosting our BOD meeting and the 2009 symposium. There is no new news to report at this time.

You are all invited to join the Southeastern and Southwestern Sections in a joint meeting. The dates are April 17 & 18, 2009 in Baton Rouge, LA. Contact: Jack Korfhage phone: 225-359-2108 or email [Jack\\_Korfhage@albemarle.com](mailto:Jack_Korfhage@albemarle.com) or Curt Sexton phone: 803-725-2781 email [william.sexton@srnl.doe.gov](mailto:william.sexton@srnl.doe.gov) Please put ASGS Section Meeting as the subject.

Southeast/Southwest Section Meeting  
Tentative Schedule

- Friday April 17 Meet at Albemarle Corporation library.  
All will have to view a safety video and be issued safety glasses and lab coat. View video about Albemarle Corporation and welcome from plant manager.
- Tour R&D labs and limited production areas and Glass Shop.
- Possible Aluminum Alkyls demonstration.
- Noon Lunch Served in the Library.
- 1:00 PM Break off into Section Meetings.
- 2:00 PM Leave for tour of CAMD/LSU
- 4:00 PM Tour ends. Dinner and evening on your own.
- Saturday, April 18 Meet at Technical Glass Products.
- Tour of TGP and glass/quartz demonstrations.
- Noon Lunch at TGP or Alligator Bayou.
- Afternoon Swamp Tour at Alligator Bayou.
- Evening Crawfish Boil/ Cajon feast at Bob & Nancy Singer's house.

# American Scientific Glassblowers Society

## Directors Report

Section: Southern California \_\_\_\_\_

### Section Officers:

Director: Rick Gerhart \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Director:

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\_Gary ,Coyne\_\_\_\_\_

Chair: Bob Maiden \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Chair:

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Secretary: Gary Coyne \_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer: \_Jim Merritt\_\_\_\_\_

### Section Profile

Number of meeting planned for the year. \_1-2\_\_\_\_\_

Number of meeting since last Board of directors meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_1\_\_\_\_\_

Average attendance at section meetings 15-25 \_\_\_\_\_

Financial resources: Adequate  Inadequate \_\_\_\_\_

How would you describe your typical section meeting (check all that apply)

Educational  Social

Speaker \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop

Tour \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

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### Section Challenges

Difficulty in finding a meeting location. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in organizing a meeting Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in finding workshop presenters Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

Poor attendance at section meetings Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in finding section officers Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

Other (explain)  
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### Additional Comments

\_\_Our last meeting was held on Sept. 20 at Killdee Scientific Glass. There were approximately 18 members in attendance as well as a visit from our president Jack Korfhage. Bob Maiden demonstrated a mega ribbon burner that he had built for bending large tubing. This was followed by a presentation by President Korfhage on his agenda for his term of office. \_We are hoping for a second meeting this Spring, possibly in a hot shop.

Submitted by: Rick Gerhart Date: 10/13/08

# **American Scientific Glassblowers Society**

## **Southwest Section Report**

### **Fall 2008**

The Southwest Section has not had any meetings since our Spring Gather in San Antonio in April. Consequently, I am submitting highlights from my report submitted for the June BOD meeting and updates on items that were reported.

The Southwest Section held one meeting in April of this year in San Antonio, Texas. The business meeting was held in the morning and we traveled to Bob Lewandowski's home shop for glassblowing demonstrations and discussions in the afternoon. The meeting was sponsored by Ace Glass, Friedrich and Dimmock and Technical Glass Products. Our section greatly appreciated the vendor's attendance and support of our section.

One new change was made this year in the administration of the Southwest Section. The Secretary/Treasurer position was divided into 2 positions. Bob Singer was retained as Treasurer and Ben Spaulding was voted in to be the new Secretary. All other current officers have one more year on their elected term.

Other business discussed:

\* Bob Singer gave a Treasurer's report which was approved by the attendees.

\* A discussion was held on how to get sectional members nominated for national awards. It was decided that it would require, at minimum, a fall mailing for members to obtain nominations for various awards for submission to the awards committee.

\* It was mentioned that former member Scottie McCleary(sp?) had died. He will be nominated for the Memorial Scroll if it is determined that he was a national member.

\* After sending out a mailing containing an announcement for the Spring Gather meeting and a dues/membership notice to 75 individuals, 14 members and 3 sponsors either replied to the notice or attended the meeting. A new position of Outreach Coordinator for the section was created and Ben Spaulding was voted in for the position.

\* The Southwestern Section will be hosting the 2010 Symposium in San Antonio, Texas. The following members have so far volunteered to chair the following committees:

Symposium Chairman:	Bob Singer
Technical Papers:	Ben Spaulding
Posters:	Jim Hodgson
Exhibitors:	Jim Cornell
Workshops:	Bob Lewandowski
Seminars:	?

Bob Singer will report further on the 2010 Symposium with updated committee chairmen.

\* At last year's Symposium, Jack Korfhage, Kurt Sexton (SE Section Director) and I discussed having a combined SE and SW section meeting in Baton Rouge, LA in the spring of 2009. The idea was approved and I believe that Jack and Bob Singer came up with an agenda for the meeting. The agenda includes a tour of Albemarle Corporation, CADM at LSU, and Technical Glass Products, a swamp tour of Alligator Bayou and a crawfish boil at Bob and Nancy Singer's home. The event's schedule is posted on the ASGS web page and members from all sections are welcome to attend! I would like to thank Jack and Bob for coordinating what should be a fantastic meeting for both sections.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jim Cornell  
Southwest Section Director

# American Scientific Glassblowers Society

## Directors Report

Section: Southwest

### Section Officers:

Director: Jim Cornell Alternate Director: Roger Ramirez

Chair: Michael Ronalter Alternate Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: Ben Spaulding Treasurer: Bob Singer

### Section Profile

Number of meeting planned for the year. 1

Number of meeting since last Board of director's meeting. 1

Average attendance at section meetings 11

Financial resources: Adequate X Inadequate \_\_\_\_\_

How would you describe your typical section meeting (check all that apply)

Educational X Social X

Speaker \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop X

Tour \_\_\_\_\_

Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Section Challenges

Difficulty in finding a meeting location? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No x

Difficulty in organizing a meeting? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No x

Difficulty in finding workshop presenters? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No x

Poor attendance at section meetings? Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty in finding section officers? Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_

Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Additional Comments

Submitted by: Jim Cornell

Date: October 20, 2008