

The American Scientific Glassblowers Society

Great Lakes Section Directors Report

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President Cornell,

The Great Lakes Section, as with many of the ASGS sections, has experienced a reduction in members. This is due to retirements and the demise of older members.

Recently, we have welcomed a small handful of younger and junior members. Hopefully, these members will continue with the goals of the section and the national.

We continue to have two meetings a year. The attendance has been sporadic but they are still held and demonstrations are given. This year's fall meeting, November 2nd, was held at Technical Glass Products in Painesville Twp Ohio. This facility is unquestionably the cleanest and most organized shop most of will ever see. Large quartz demonstrations were given and marveled at. Many thanks to owner Jim Horvath and his staff for sponsoring this meeting.

Elections were held and we now have a full board for the section. Nominations were held for the National Awards and we do have a Junior member up for the Memorial Award.

This past April, a meeting was held at West Michigan Glass Art Center, in conjunction with the Midwest section. Attendance was good, with about thirty members, and demonstrations were plentiful. A joint business meeting was held and a lot of information was exchanged. President Meints was in attendance and shared ASGS National news and progress with us.

There was much discussion about the responsibilities of the ASGS concerning social media.

Respectfully submitted,
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