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Two Major Events Today and Tuesday

Tonight is the [Detroit Section Material Auction](#) beginning at 4:30pm. Don't miss this event even if you are not bidding. It's a great time for networking, fellowship, entertainment, and a fabulous dinner. Next Tuesday is the [AutoEPCON](#) which we co-sponsor at the Troy-Marriott. It's a full one-day conference with 3 concurrent sessions covering the very latest in engineering plastics for the auto industry. Be sure to check out the Sessions, Speakers, Abstracts, and Exhibits on your free app for [SPE Events](#), and plan your schedule for the day.

Happy Birthday to Us

The Detroit Section is 75 years old and was the founding group of the Society of Plastics Engineers. Be sure to read the April 24 [Plastics News](#) which is devoted to the 75th Anniversary of SPE. We are pleased to have our ad to say how proud we are to have been the founders of this great international society.

Directors Elected

Five 3-year term Directors who were nominated from and by members of the Detroit Section. They are: Marc Bahm, Neil Fuenmayor, Todd Hogan, Armando Sardanopoli, and Keith Siopes. Their photos and bios are in the newsletter and on our website. Their term will begin 7/1/17 and end 6/30/20. The current Directors, Officers, Councilor, and Committee Chairs are listed on the back page of our [newsletters](#).

Important Upcoming Events

- **Friday, April 28** [Detroit Section Material Auction](#) – 4:30pm, MGM Grand Hotel and Casino, Detroit, MI
- **Tuesday, May 2** [SPE AutoEPCON](#) – Detroit Marriott Troy, Troy, MI
- **Mon-Wed, May 8-10** [SPE ANTEC](#) – Hilton Anaheim, Anaheim, CA
- **Tuesday, May 9** [WardsAuto Interiors Conference](#) – Cobo Center, Detroit, MI
- **Monday, May 22** Detroit Section Board Meeting – 5:00pm, ACC, Troy, MI
- **Monday, June 12** [CMG America Plant Visit](#) – CMG, Clio, MI
- **Monday June 26** Detroit Section Planning Meeting – 5:00pm, Wyndham Garden (previously Sterling Inn), Sterling Heights, MI
- **Tuesday, June 27** [Detroit Section Golf Outing](#) – Bay Pointe Golf Club, West Bloomfield, MI

For information about the above upcoming events or to offer other future events and activities, contact Karen Rhodes-Parker, SPE Detroit, 248-244-8993 ext 3, karen@spedetroit.com.

Important Links to the Web

- Detroit Section Website, spedetroit.org, a valuable resource for information on local Events, Scholarships, Essay Contests, and PlastiVan Visits.
- Detroit SPEaker Social Media, [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#), and [Facebook](#).
- Detroit communities in [The Chain](#) for interactive discussions and Q&A.
- Detroit Section Webpage on SPE Website, [Detroit Section](#) for cross-linking.
- SPE International website 4spe.org to get current global information.
- SPE's [PLASTICS INSIGHT](#) for the news you want each week.
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