Chair’s Message

What a great way to start our new year off. To all that attended our January meeting, thank you for coming out. We had a great turnout and a good presentation from WTTI concerning weld symbols that everyone was sure to benefit from.

Let’s keep the ball rolling. Hope to see you all at our February 19th Plant Tour of Vac-U-Max.

Paul Lenox, CW, CWI, DCM Erectors
AWS NJ Section Chairman

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Participate!
Get more from your AWS Membership

AWS membership provides numerous opportunities for you gain valuable knowledge about new materials, processes, equipment and techniques; meet welding industry experts; and network with other welding professionals at the meetings.

It also provides an excellent, ready-made arena in which to hone your leadership and managerial skills by heading a committee, leading a project, or serving as an officer. This valuable experience can enhance your professional growth and help you to advance in your career.

Take full advantage of all that your membership offers. You are encouraged to attend meetings, take part in activities, share your ideas, join a committee, and become part of the AWS NJ Section community.

As with most worthwhile things in life, the more you put into it, the more you’ll get out of it.
**New Jersey Section**  
**February Meeting Info**

**DATE:** February 19, 2014  
**LOCATION:**  
Vac-U-Max  
60 Williams St., Belleville, NJ 07109  
973-759-4600  
800-VACUMAX (800-822-8629)

**PROGRAM:**  
4:30 p.m. Executive Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Plant Tour

**DINNER:**  
Arrangements are being made so that members and guests may have an option for dinner.

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**Plant Visit**  
**Vac-U-Max**  
60 Williams St., Belleville, NJ 07109

Vac-U-Max specializes in the design and manufacture of pneumatic systems and support equipment for the conveying, weighing, and batching of dry materials. The primary technology for conveying is vacuum, but positive pressure pneumatic systems, as well as mechanical conveyors, are also used as the specific applications dictate. An equally important activity is the design and manufacture of heavy duty industrial vacuum cleaners, which range from small air- and electric-powered drum-styled units to large electric— and diesel-powered units.

Visit the company website: [www.vac-u-max.com](http://www.vac-u-max.com)

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**Nominations underway for 2014 - 15 Season**

The Nominating Committee is working to assemble a proposed slate of officers and committee members for the for 2014-15 season of the AWS NJ Section.

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In Memoriam — Harry W. Ebert

Harry W. Ebert, born June 25, 1925, passed away peacefully on February 5, 2014. He spent the last year of his life in an assisted living facility on Long Island, NY. Prior to that he resided in Madison NJ.

Harry was born in Mannheim, Germany. Due to the Nazi persecution, he left on a “kinder transport” for Holland. He stayed there until 1940 when he, his twin sisters and father immigrated to the United States. His mother joined a year later.

Harry attended the Ohio State University until he was drafted in 1943. In the service he was assigned to an intelligence unit where he participated in several war crime trials. While stationed in Germany he met his future wife, Hanna. They were married in 1947.

When he returned to Columbus, OH, he finished his degree in welding engineering at OSU. Later he earned his masters degree. He worked for 50 years in various engineering firms. He retired from Exxon as the principal welding engineer in 2000. After that he continued working as a consultant until a year before his death. He loved his work which took him to 60 different countries.

Harry spent many years in the army reserve where he attained the rank of Colonel.

He was a Life Member of the American Welding Society and he actively participated in the NJ Section. Over the years, he held a variety of different offices, served on the Executive Committee, as a member of numerous Standing Committees, as well as a guest speaker. He was very generous in contributing his time, knowledge, talents and energy in support of the welding industry.

In 1985 he established the “Hanni & Harry Ebert Scholarship Fund” to benefit students in welding engineering at Ohio State University. In 2010 he received the Distinguished Alumni Award. His wife Hanni, died in 2009, after a happy marriage of 62 years.

Harry will be mourned by his niece Ariel Greenfield who was the principal in caring for his needs in the last years of his life. He will be missed by his sisters Ursula Holloway, Lisa Greenfield, his nephews John Quimjian, Larry Shipp and his niece Kathy Jones. Many more family members and friends also were touched by his life and will surely remember his loyalty, intelligence and sense of humor.

If you wish to contribute to the fund in his memory please send it to: Harry and Hanni Scholarship Fund (#601880) Ohio State University, c/o Lindsey Maragoli, 2015 Neil Ave, Columbus, OH 43210.

A Celebration of Life will be held 1:30pm on March 29, 2014 at: Restland Memorial Park, East Hanover, NJ.
Boy Scout Welding Merit Badge

The Patriot Boy Scouts’ second Boy Scout Welding Merit Badge was held on Saturday, November 23, 2013 at the Brooklawn Middle School in Parsippany, NJ. Forty one participants took part in the first session towards fulfilling requirements for the Welding Merit Badge.

Incorporating Lincoln’s interactive training videos, and with the assistance of Jason Bryne, a student from the Morris County School of Technology, the session was entertaining to all. Furthermore, it is important to note that Jason volunteered his time to attend this session, and, without being told, he wore his welding uniform and impressively demonstrated proper personal protective clothing.

Prior to the end of the session, Lincoln’s Safe Hunt training activities were used to focus on participants identifying various safe hazards in the workplace, which led to many questions.

Scouts will complete online written assignments between November, 2013 and January, 2014 followed by four lab session which will be held on Saturdays at the Morris County School of Technology between February 22, 2014 and May 03, 2014.

On behalf of the Patriot’s, we would like to express our thanks to the Morris County School of Technology, the MCST AWS Student Chapter, and the AWS New Jersey Section for supporting this activity. By assisting us, we were able to award eleven participants with their Merit Badges during the 2012-2013 Welding Merit Badge session.

Submitted by: Herb Browne
Morris County School of Technology

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Meetings are now on Wednesdays
NJ Section meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at Pantagis Renaissance/Snuffy’s Clambar, in Scotch Plains, NJ or at other special locations as listed below. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Coming Events
AWS NJ Section Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month from September through May except for December. Unless otherwise posted, the meeting location is: Pantagis Renaissance/ Snuffy’s Clambar, 250 Park Ave., Scotch Plains, NJ. 07076. Guests are welcome to attend.

Reminder—Meetings are now on Wednesday evenings

February 19, 2014     6:00pm
AWS NJ Section Plant Visit
Location: Vac-U-Max
Belleville, NJ
www.vac-u-max.com

March 19, 2014     6:00pm
AWS NJ Section Meeting
“Choosing the Right Robot Cell”
Bill Monti, CWI, CWE
Miller Electric Mfg. Co.

April 16, 2014     6:00pm
AWS NJ Section Plant Visit & Resources Night Location: AEIS Rahway, NJ
www.aeisndt.com

May 21, 2014     6:00pm
AWS NJ Section Annual Meeting
Student Recognition Night
Somerset County Voc-Tech Bridgewater, NJ

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If you would like to present a program, please contact us.