Chair’s Message

Our February 20th meeting had to be postponed to February 27th due to weather conditions. Thanks to social media and email, we were able to spread the word quickly. Be sure your email info is up to date so you can get these kind of notifications. Also, if you haven’t already, “Like” our Facebook page at:  
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Our March 20th meeting is also the first day of Spring. Just a heads up that this season is fast progressing. After our March meeting we will have just two more meetings, April and May, before going on our summer hiatus through August. The NJ Section meetings will then resume in September.

I would like to express to you that I really enjoy the banter at the meetings. I’ve been encouraged at the influx of new faces at the section meetings, and being able to foresee the direction in which we are going together; pursuing the rewards that a welding career can provide for our families; and like all of you, being proud of what we have accomplished at the end of the day, every day….

As things fall apart I believe we Welders can keep it together—together. Hope to see you there on March 20th to join in the conversation again.

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PROGRAM:  
4:30 p.m. Executive Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Networking  
6:30 p.m. Dinner  
7:00 p.m. Presentation

DINNER COST:  
Members & Guests: $ 25.00  
Students: $ 15.00

March 20th Meeting  
6:00pm

Autogenous Welding and the Passivation of Stainless Steel

Speaker: Joe Manfredi, President and CEO  
GMP Systems, Inc. Fairfield, NJ

A graduate of New Jersey Institute of Technology’s Newark College of Engineering, Joe Manfredi has extensive experience in pharmaceutical manufacturing including: liquids, ointments, creams, syrups, coatings, suppositories, tablets, capsules, pates and gels. However, he is most known for his expertise in USP water for injection, clean steam and purified water systems.

As a leading instructor of orbital welding technology for pharmaceutical applications, Mr. Manfredi also provides seminars for operator certification, orbital weld inspection, and equipment calibration and service.

Mr. Manfredi has been active in numerous industry organizations and has an extensive list of published work including leading industry magazines, textbooks, and multiple ISPE guides. He has delivered countless lectures and seminars; instructed and certified hundreds of orbital welding technicians and operators; and was the driving force behind the establishment of a Master’s Program in Pharmaceutical Engineering at NJIT. He has been the recipient of many awards throughout his career and continues to serve the industry as one of the leading experts in sanitary design and high purity water systems.

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Welcome New Members & Transfers

The AWS NJ Section welcomes the following members that have joined or transferred-in since our last report.

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We are looking forward to seeing you at a meeting. Remember that dinner at your first AWS NJ Section meeting is complimentary.

Participate!

Reap More Benefits from Your AWS membership

You are welcome and encouraged to become an integral part of the AWS NJ Section community. Attend meetings and activities, share your ideas, join committees, take part in courses and activities. Just show up!

Don’t be put off by thinking that participation has to be time-consuming. There are many ways to be involved with the NJ Section that do not require a lot of time, but can make a huge contribution. Assist with an a single event - Proctor an exam - Be a supervisor or speaker at a workshop - Judge a student contest - Donate materials - Share some ideas - Take a few pictures - There are plenty of quick and easy things that you can do.

You even can earn valuable Professional Development Hours just for attending th AWS NJ Section meetings! Certificates are given out right at the meetings.

Working together, we can help make a brighter future in the welding and related industries for everyone.

Come on out, bring a guest, meet some people and get involved. You’ll be glad you did!
Member Awards

The following AWS NJ Section members will be acknowledged with achievement awards at the March 20th meeting:

August F. Manz Speaker of the Year Award
Paul Lenox, CW, CWI
Owens Steel Company

Section Meritorious Award
James Dolan, CSP, CWI
Dolan Associates.

The AWS NJ Section congratulates these members, and thanks them for their ongoing contributions to the AWS and the welding industry.

Membership Longevity Awards

The following AWS NJ Section members have been recognized for their years of service to the AWS and the welding industry.

Silver Membership (25 years)
John H. Brooks
Peter W. Flanagan
Mark E. Joosten
Thomas S. Mann
Albert J. Oslislo
Francis N. Nguni
Gregg A. Pardun
DeForest M. Wormuth

Gold Membership (50 years)
Stanley P. Carraher
Patrick M. Fenelon
Edward R. Seidler

Life Membership (35 years)
Robert Bartley
John J. Da Costa
Perry P. Palmer

The AWS NJ Section thanks these members for their years of service.

Brian Demarest awarded AWS NJ Section Named Scholarship

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The winner of this year’s scholarship was Brian Demarest who has attended Sussex Country Technical High School, Sparta, New Jersey. He will be attending the Pennsylvania College of Technology in pursuit of a degree in Welding Engineering.

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