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## Bridgestone Research Tour Monday, January 14, 2013

Bridgestone-Firestone 10 East Firestone Boulevard, Akron

#### Agenda:

- 4:30 Board meeting
- 5:30 Arrival
- 5:45 Tours of Bridgestone Research begin
- 6:15 Last tour departs
- 7:00 Dinner follows at Spaghetti Warehouse 510 Main St., Akron, OH
- Price: Member and/or guest \$20.00 Retired \$15.00 Student and/or guest \$5.00



Reservations must be in by noon on Monday January 7<sup>th</sup> with Mark Holtman at holtman@uakron.edu or 330-972-6008 to allow for security screening.

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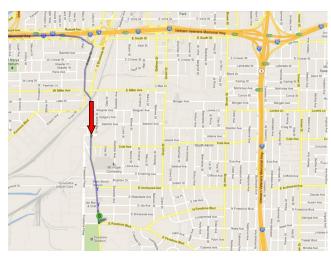
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#### Directions to Jan 14<sup>th</sup> meeting:

- 1. Take I-77 to the I-76E merge on Akron's south side.
- 2. Exit 22A (South Main Street).
- 3. Continue south for 1.3 miles
- 4. Bridgestone Firestone is located at the corner of South Main St. and Firestone Blvd. There are parking spaces near the front door of the new building.



#### Directions from Bridgestone Firestone to Spaghetti Warehouse, 510 S. Main St., Akron, OH

- 1. Exit Bridgestone Firestone, returning north on S. Main Street for 0.9 miles.
- 2. Bear right at the Y, taking S. Broadway St. north for 0.9 miles.
- 3. Turn left on W Bartges St.
- 4. Take the second right, turning north on S. Main St.
- 5. Make a U-turn at Rosa Parks Dr.
- Spaghetti Warehouse will be on your right, 510
  S. Main St., Akron, OH.





# **President's Message**

By Gary Casterline

Happy New Year!

Most of you missed a great tour of the MAPS (Military Aviation Preservation Society) Museum. Unfortunately the weather was a little nasty so we did not spend much time touring the aircraft that were parked outside. The aircraft inside were nicely restored and a few were still in the process of being rebuilt. There was also a room with many artifacts from the wars we have been involved with over the last 100 years. They are open for tours on your own, so I recommend you take the time to check them out. Do it on a nice day to get the best tour. http://mapsairmuseum.org/

The Bridgestone Research tour should also be an outstanding event. It will be hosted by Akron SPE. We hope to see you there on January 14.



We are announcing our tour of PET Processors in Painesville on the last page. They are asking for a chance to approve all attendees. If you are interested in coming to this tour, you don't have to wait until next month's announcement. Let me know now so I can start building an approval list. No walk-ins will be allowed. We do not have dinner arranged yet, but assume it will be \$25 for all attendees.

Gary Casterline

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## **Upcoming Events**

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2/24-27	2013 SPE International Polyolefins® Conference	Hilton Houston North Hotel
		Houston, Texas

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Month	Date	Торіс	Location				
February	2/11	PET Processors Tour	Painesville				
March	3/11	Alpha-Micron/Kent Displays Tour	Kent				
April	4/8	Lincoln Electric Tour	Dinner at Lincoln in Euclid				
May	5/13	Awards	Cleveland				

### February's SPE Cleveland Meeting

**PET Processors LLC** is a privately held company with 28 years of polymer processing expertise. Headquartered in Painesville, OH, PPLLC offers customer thermoplastic compounding and processing services including custom compounding, solid state polymerization, melt filtration, pelletizing, crystallization, drying, blending, and de-dusting.

In addition, PPLLC provides recycling solutions for post consumer and postindustrial resins including PET. Single screw extrusion technology is used to melt, process, and filter recycled flake into pelltets.

Please join us on February 11, 2013 for a tour of the PET plant and catered dinner. The plant tour will include a very extensive tour of their operation including the compounding facility, in-process labs, and their Solid Stating area. We will not be able to tour their recycling area, but the program will be described in detail. Tours will begin at 5:00 pm in groups of 8 to 10 individuals.

Please make your reservations early, as PET has been given the opportunity to qualify all visitors and may choose to disallow competitors. Reservations should be made early with Gary Casterline, 330-240-2543, gcasterline@gmail.com, and he will need to include the company affiliation, full name and phone number of the attendee.

