## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT, MATT BENNETT

## **SPE Milwaukee Section is Celebrating 75 Years of Business!**

It is hard to believe that we are celebrating 75 years of business. We are unveiling this new logo throughout the year to commemorate our proud history. I would like to thank all past and present board members, our membership, and SPE National for their volunteering, hard work and dedication to the SPE Milwaukee Section in supporting our mission of spreading knowledge, strengthening skills and promoting plastics in Wisconsin.



As we start the new season I'm excited to tell you about some of the confirmed upcoming technical events that are planned. On October 16th we will be co-sponsoring with the SPE Chicago Section a plant tour of <u>Allied Plastics</u> in Twin Lakes, WI. Allied Plastics is a custom thermoformer specializing in medium to heavy gauge thermoplastic parts.

On January 9th of 2019 we will be teaming up with ASME, <u>American Society of Mechanical Engineers</u> to host a plant tour of <u>Milwaukee Tool</u> in Brookfield, WI. Learn about their rich history of leading the industry in providing the very best in power tools and accessories. The tour will include a walk-through of the new prototyping lab area. Please watch your emails for other events that will be scheduled throughout the year. We welcome suggestions and your feedback to us is vital for improving our section. If you have any ideas on future technical event topics/plant tours or ways to improve and grow our membership we want to hear from you!

If you are interested in attending a board meeting, joining the SPE board, volunteering in various activities to support us, or want to learn more about what we do please don't hesitate to contact us at <a href="milwaukeespe@gmail.com">milwaukeespe@gmail.com</a>.

Finally, as I announced at the SPE golf outing in July, I will be stepping down from the board as President. I do plan on staying active in SPE and continuing to serve the board in other capacities. It has been a pleasure serving you for the past four years and I truly enjoyed working with the board and our membership. Todd J. Menna, Ph.D., will be our new President starting on July 1, 2019. Todd has been on the board for 4 years and currently serves as our Councilor. I have no doubt that he will continue leading our section in supporting our mission.

Matt Bennett SPE Milwaukee Section President

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