2012 Summer Conference
June 1st - 3rd

TLARGI will have almost 100 members and guests joining us at the Aquarius Casino Resort in Laughlin, Nevada for our annual Summer Conference.

This is going to be a very exciting and fun weekend for all involved. We have many new and different things planned.

First will be the Technical Meeting starting at 5:00 PM on Friday in the Pisces Room. We have been lucky enough to get Peter Jazenski of H. M. Royal to give a talk on “Silanes in Rubber-to-Metal Bonding.” Peter spent 15 years with Lord Corp. and 24 years with Rohm & Haas as an R & D Chemist. He has several patents and numerous papers to his credit.

Then at 6:00 PM in the Scorpio Room is the reception get-together with appetizers and drinks. Then off to enjoy the gaming available or whatever suits your fancy.

Saturday starts at 6:30 AM with golf for the brave few who want to attack the heat. At 1:00 PM in the Peacock Alley all will get together for “Minute to Win It” Fun & Games.

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Hi Everyone,

Thank you to everyone who turned out for our April Dinner Meeting – it was a huge success. Attendance hit a ten-year high! The night’s entertainment was The 4 Lads from Liverpool, a Beatles tribute band. Judging by the number of people on the dance floor they were a big hit.

Speaking of dancing, the Summer Conference is right around the corner. Everything is set for this year’s conference June 1-3 in Laughlin, Nevada at the newly refurbished Aquarius Casino Resort. Some classic pictures and stories are sure to come from the dance party planned for Saturday night. The theme of the party is The Age of Aquarius, so dig-out your bell bottoms and platform shoes and get ready to have a blast to the past.

Additionally, mark your calendars for the TLARGI Technical Conference scheduled for October 2, 2012. The conference is conveniently coordinated with the Dinner Meeting at the Phoenix Club. Participants will be able to go straight from the conference downstairs to the always popular TLARGI Oktoberfest/Dinner Meeting. If you’re a lifelong learner, this technical conference will enhance your skills and increase your competitive edge.

I hope your business is doing well.

Enjoy the summer!

As always, I invite your suggestions, and please feel free to contact me at any time.

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Normally at their April meeting, the TLARGI Board approves the mailing list for the TLARGI newsletter to non-members. Nominees generally include advertisers, scholarship recipients and scholarship donors. If you have nominations for this list, please forward them to Eddie Gonzales via email egonzales@rdabbot.com.

Saturday Evening starts at 5:30 in Pavilion B for Cocktails, Dinner, and an Age of Aquarius Dance Party – A DJ will be spinning the songs of that era. Most will be dressed from the 60’s & 70’s era and we are giving cash prizes for best Female & Male costumes.

Sunday Morning starts early as well with the Blood Mary Bash at 8:00 AM and then Breakfast and prize give-aways at 9:00 AM in Pavilion B.

For those of you that could not make it to this Conference we are sorry, but for those of us who are going, we will have a great time.

Thanks,
Ron Sparks, Chairman-Elect
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### In Memory

TLARGI is saddened to announce the passing of the following members:

- **Pat Liberato** has been involved in the rubber industry since 1958 when he started his career with West American Rubber Company when it was located in Los Angeles. In 1963 Pat started his own family rubber business called Southern California Rubber Inc. and operated until it was sold in 1981. After that he worked for many other rubber companies as he was fascinated with this industry. He continued this process until his retirement in 1992. He loved this industry, but most of all, the people. Up until his final days he was still trying to come up with new rubber applications that he could market......

- **Tom Martin, Sr** joined TLARGI upon his arrival in California in 1965. He worked for Dow Corning, single handedly started and ran Custom Silicone Elastomers, and worked for several other silicone companies before finally retiring from Fabricote in 1993. He was a long-time chairman of TLARGI Golf and the Fall Outing. He spent 5 years on the Board of Directors where he helped create the post of Asst-Chairman. Tom will be long remembered for his good nature and his service to the industry.

- **William Atterberry** was a retired emeritus member of TLARGI. He passed away last July.

- **Lefter Parasson** has over 55 years in the rubber industry. Lefty is a man who will be remembered by all, not just because of his business sense, but because of who he was as a person. From starting his own company in 1993 to creating detailed reference material still used today, Lefty approached every task as a professional. He was TLARGI Chairman in 1991 and awarded a lifetime TLARGI membership in 2009. With as much experience and influence as he had on his coworkers and employees over the years, it’s difficult to find someone in the industry who didn’t know him or learn from him at some point in their career. Details about his upcoming service will be announced soon.
Aurora Rubber & Distribution, Inc. Acquires Parasson Corp.

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif – Aurora Rubber and Distribution, Inc. is pleased to announce the acquisition of Parasson Corporation, its employees, products, and calibration services, effective May 1.

Aurora Rubber and Distribution, Inc. and its owner, Andy Keil, opened its doors to the Los Angeles rubber industry in 2000 and have grown as a west coast distributor of high quality shears, chemicals and safety equipment due to its partnerships with Anderson Development Urethanes, Wolff Industry Shears, HB Chemical, San Joaquin Refining, Co., Tee-Group, and many more. Adding Parasson Corporation, its partnerships, and employees will help Aurora to continue to grow its inventory and customer service for their west coast customers.

Parasson Corporation began in 1993 as a supplier of raw materials and equipment to west coast manufacturers. Owner Alan Gordon and partnerships with Abrasive Supply Company, H.L. Blachford, Ltd., Americas International, Inc., and many more, have earned Parasson Corp. a successful reputation as a top supplier in Southern California. Parasson also provides ISO certified calibration services for lab equipment through its partnership with Midwest Engineering Associates, LLC, and a nationwide network of knowledgeable rubber technicians. These products and services combined with the distribution from Aurora will provide even more options in one location for customers of both companies.

Products and services will continue to be provided from previous locations until a new office and warehouse are acquired. With decades of experience in the rubber industry, the employees of Aurora and Parasson are excited for the upgraded company and ready to provide quality materials and service to their customers.
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Call For Papers!

The 2012 Technical Conference will be held on Tuesday, October 2nd at The Phoenix Club

The TLARGI Technical Committee is gathering abstracts for consideration in this year’s Technical Conference. The absolute deadline for the Technical Conference is Monday, September 3rd. If you would like to participate, please contact the Technical Committee as soon as possible!

The purpose of the TLARGI TIPS sessions and Technical Conference is to provide a technical forum for exchanging the latest developments in the Rubber Industry with an emphasis on the needs and interests of manufacturers located in the Western US.

Please come out and support these important events!

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