



# **AMERICAN CERAMIC SOCIETY**

**St. Louis Section  
*and the*  
Refractory Ceramics Division**

**Fifty-first Annual Symposium**

**on**

**Refractories**

**March 25-26, 2015**

**Hilton St. Louis Airport Hotel**

**Theme:**

**“Refractories as Engineered Ceramics”**

## PROGRAM

### “Refractories as Engineered Ceramics”

March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015

5:00 P.M. Kickoff Event - TBD

March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015

7:15 A.M. Registration and Coffee

8:00 Morning Technical Sessions  
Welcome and Introductions

**St. Louis Section Chairman**

*Roger Smith*

Bucher Emhart Glass

**Refractory Ceramics Division Chair**

*Ben Markel*

Resco Products

**Co-Program Coordinators**

*Mike Alexander*

Riverside Refractories

*Matthew Lambert*

Allied Mineral Products

8:15 New Forefront Measuring Techniques for Characterizing Engineered Refractories  
*Peter Quirnbach and Hartmut Koerber – Deutsches Institut fuer Feuerfest and Keramik (DIFK),  
Almuth Sax – University of Koblenz-Landau, Germany*

8:45 Thoughts on Additive Manufacturing for Refractory Application Abstract  
*James Hemrick – Oak Ridge National Laboratory*

9:15 A Potential Short-Cut to Quantitative Mineralogy  
*William Carty, Kuo-pin Tseng and Hyojin Lee – Alfred University*

9:45 Coffee Break

10:15 Physical Properties of a Refractory Castable with Various Alumina Aggregates  
*Mike Alexander – Riverside Refractories*

10:45 Carbon Bonded Refractory Composites  
*Duane DeBastiani – Vesuvius Pittsburgh, USA, Stefano Martelli – Vesuvius Genoa, Italy,  
Philippe Guillo – Vesuvius Feignes, France*

11:15 Tailoring Composite Properties through Engineered Ceramics  
*Jeremy Watts – Missouri S&T*

11:45-1:00 Luncheon Banquet

## Afternoon Session

- 1:00-1:45 Presentation of the T.J. Planje St. Louis Refractories Award to **Victor C. Pandolfelli – Federal University of S. Carlos - Brazil**
- 2:00 Castables for Industrial Applications - Still Room for Improvement  
*Dale Zacherl – Almatris, Inc.*
- 2:30 Coffee Break
- 3:00 Novel Deflocculation System for Silica Fume Containing Castables with Enhanced Robustness to Raw Material Variations  
*Carl Zetterström, C. Wöhrmeyer, E. Frier and J. Pommay – Kerneos, France*
- 3:30 Micro-Gel Bonded Castables - A Bond with Potentials  
*Bjorn Myhre and Hong Peng – Elkem Silicon Materials*
- 4:00 ACerS President's Council of Student Advisors (PCSA): Annual Report of Student Activities  
*Jessica Rimsza and Bradley Richards*
- 4:30 Questions & Discussion  
Co-Program Coordinator
- 4:45 RCD Annual Members Meeting
- 5:00 Closing Remarks  
*Roger Smith*  
Bucher Emhart Glass  
*Ben Markel*  
Resco Products
- 5:00-7:00 Exposition and Cocktail Hour
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| Almatris                 | IMERYS Refractory Minerals |
| AluChem                  | Kercher Industries         |
| Alteo-Alumina            | Kerneos, Inc.              |
| American Ceramic Society | Kyanite Mining Corp.       |
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| Cilas Particle Size      | Refractory Minerals        |
| DIFK GmbH, Germany       | TAM Ceramics               |
| Great Lake Minerals      | Washington Mills           |
- 7:00 Dinner Buffet with Speaker - Marcus Fish, ACerS Ceramic and Glass Industry Foundation

March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015

6:30 A.M. Refractory Ceramics Division (RCD) Breakfast Meeting

8:15 Morning Technical Sessions  
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8:30 **Invited Paper – 2014 AI Allen Award Winner**

In-Depth Microstructural Evolution Analyses of Cement-Bonded Spinel Refractory Castables:  
Novel Insights Regarding Spinel and  $CA_6$  Formation

*Eric Sako, Mariana Braulio and Victor Pandolfelli – Federal University of Sao Carlos, Brazil*

*Sieger van der Laan – Ceramics Research Centre, The Netherlands*

**Appeared in the J. Amer. Ceram. Soc., 95[5] 1732-1740 (2012)**

9:30 Protecting Metallic Anchors and Vessel from Alkali Corrosion by Innovative Refractory Paints  
*Norm Phelps - Calderys*

10:00 Coffee Break

10:30 Maximize Energy Savings by Selecting the Right Insulating Firebricks  
*Steve Chernack – Morgan Thermal Ceramics*

11:00 Improvement of Refractory Castables with an Innovative Calcium Aluminate Binder System  
*Robert Stacy and Douglas Ostrander – Calucem, Inc., Nikolaus Kreuels and Ingrid Mikanovic – Calucem GmbH, Germany*

11:30 An Alternative Advanced Alumina for Advanced Refractory Ceramics  
*Elodie Chabas – Alteo-Alumina*

12:00 Questions & Discussion  
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12:30 St. Louis Section Officer Business Meeting & Lunch

## REGISTRATION FORM

### Please select:

- ☐ Pre-Registration Fee (Deadline March 20) \$225.00  
☐ On-Site Registration Fee \$275.00  
☐ Emeritus/Senior Fee \$125.00  
☐ Student Fee \$50.00  
☐ Exhibitor for Exposition (Table Top) \$300.00  
**(Exhibitor cost does not include registration fee)**  
☐ Lunch - ☐ Chicken ☐ Fish ☐ Pasta/Vegetarian  
☐ Dinner Buffet  
☐ Guest for Dinner \$40.00

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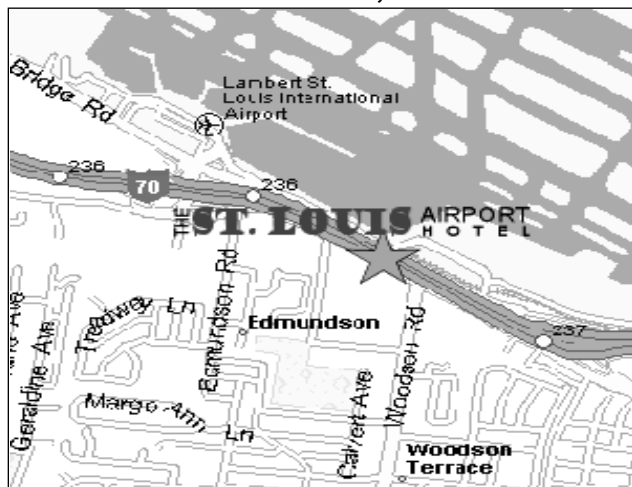
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**NOTE: Dress Attire – Semi Casual (Tie Optional)**

### LOCATION

**Hilton St. Louis Airport Hotel**  
10330 Natural Bridge Road  
St. Louis, MO



A block of rooms has been set aside at the Hilton St. Louis Airport Hotel in St. Louis, MO for this meeting. Please refer to **Group Code SAC** at the Hilton when reserving a room for which the rate is \$104.00 single/double per night or you can reserve online. **Reservations must be made before March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015**

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