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Meeting Notice for Thursday, October 16, 2025

Topic – Sustainability and Profitability of EN Systems

Guest Speaker – Doug Hughes, MacDermid Enthone Industrial Solutions

Overview of the Evening's Technical Presentation

This presentation examines how new advancements in electroless nickel solution performance can deliver substantial value to applicators with improved bath stability, extended solution life, and improved nickel utilization. By leveraging these advancements, applicators can achieve greater process reliability, reduced operational costs, and gain a competitive edge in delivering high-performance coatings.

Speaker Biography

Doug Hughes is the Industry Manager for Wear Resistant Coatings at MEIS, where he heads the North American EN product and commercial management, as well as overseeing the aerospace connector group. He has over 23 years of experience in metal finishing with specialties in EN, tin plating, plating on aluminum, and plating on non-conductive surfaces.

Meeting Location – The Manor Inn (GPS Positioning Data)

1636 Meriden Waterbury Turnpike; (CT Rte. 322) Milldale, CT 06467

Times: 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Cocktails and Conversation

6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.; Dinner

6:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.; NASF Connecticut Chapter Announcements

7:00 p.m. – Guest Speaker

Price – Dinner price; \$20.00 for members, guests, and non-retirees

\$16.00 for retirees or \$20.00 includes dinner + 5 each, 50/50 raffle tickets

Raffle tickets for the 50/50 Raffle are available at the door for \$1.00 per chance

Dinner Choices – NY Strip Sirloin, Stuffed Sole, Chicken Parmesan

Reservations - Contact Larry Ryan by noon Tues October 14, 2025

Primarily by e-mail at RYANL46@cox.net

Secondarily by phone at (860) 384-8792; only if you don't have e-mail access

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Leadership Conference

- March 1-4, 2026 at The Cove at the Atlantis Bahamas Resort
- Registration deadline is February 6, 2026

Wastewater Treatment Web-Based Course

- October 28th through November 19th

Catalyst eLearning Center Reminder

- Introduction to Plating Basics 101 course is free to NASF members

NE NASF Regional Announcements

- Annual Regional Conference is Friday, November 7, 2025
- Salem Waterfront Hotel & Suites
- Massachusetts Wastewater TCH hours will be applied

Connecticut Chapter of NASF Announcements

Connecticut Chapter of NASF College Scholarship

An announcement was e-mailed to all chapter members this summer. The chapter is now accepting scholarship applications for college students. NASF members and members of their family are eligible to participate. Recipients can receive a scholarship only once. Applications are being accepted now and up until October 31, 2025. Please contact Connecticut Chapter Secretary Jameson Grout at jamesongrout@gmail.com for an application.