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President's Message

Hello, and I hope you are having a great summer so far! Can't believe we are into August already and kids will be heading back to school soon!

I want to extend a special welcome to all of our recently-accepted new CD&CA members:

- **Melanie Randal** (Caleb Chemical)
- **Brent Kulikowski** (Caleb Chemical)
- **Dennis Amberger** (Alexander Chemical)
- **Ethan Li** (Austin Chemical)
- **Dianne Mahoney** (Univar)
- **Jessica Talerico** (Rowell Chemical)
- **Patrick O'Connell** (Rowell Chemical)
- **Jack Pohlmeier** (Rowell Chemical)

It's exciting to see so many new members! If you know someone, who you feel may enjoy the type of camaraderie and networking opportunities that CD&CA provides, please reach out to CD&CA Membership Chair, Lou DePasquale at lou.d@acidproducts.net.

I also want to thank all the members that have been able to help out and volunteer some their time.

The brewery tour and first golf outing were fun events and we have the 2nd golf outing and axe throwing event right around the corner. More to come, so stayed tuned!

Hope you all have a good rest of the summer and look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events!

Bob Miller (DuBois Chemicals)
CD&CA President

Lou DePasquale • Cheryl DePasquale • Tommy Turriff • Jim McHatton • Jeff Nelson • Dan Berg • Ryan Sheets

Ex Officio: Megan Peboontom

Dawn Drass, Executive Administrator

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Golf Outing

Golf Season is in full swing, so don't forget to register for our next CD&CA Golf Outing on August 22, 2022. Be sure to be there at Arrowhead Golf Course (Wheaton) when the modified shotgun kicks off at 11:00 a.m. Arrowhead is one of the finest public courses in the Chicagoland area! And the shotgun start will make sure that every golfer will get into the clubhouse around the same time – just in time for a great dinner! Get together a foursome and try your luck at the “Hole in Two” contest and show off your prowess in the “Straightest Drive!” Hope to see you out there on the 22nd!

Register now at: <https://cd-ca.org/event-4791752/Registration>



Axe Throwing

Who doesn't like a good axe throwing? I know we sure do! That's why we will be taking over Master Axe at the Promenade in Bolingbrook on September 22, 2022! A mere \$40 will have you throwing sharp objects for two hours. By the end, you'll be ready for the World Axe Throwing League! And don't worry: the drink menu has all your favorites, so this happy hour event is not be missed!

Registration is available at: <https://cd-ca.org/event-4857663>

Annual Meeting

Save the Date! CD&CA's Annual Meeting will once again be held at LaGrange Country Club, on 10/27/22. In addition to voting in new Board members and hearing from our President, **Bob Miller** (DuBois Chemicals), and his successor, **Chris Wrobel** (Univar Solutions), we will be announcing the CD&CA Scholarship winners (see below for more details).

And, of course, we will be holding a Silent Auction, our sole fundraiser for our Education programs (and a fantastic way to get a jump on your Holiday shopping!). LGCC always puts out a great spread and this is always a fun event!



Casino Night/Masquerade Ball

You will NOT want to miss the CD&CA Casino Night/Masquerade Ball. On 12/09/22, be sure to be at the Marriott O'Hare for a super-fun evening. We will again have casino games and a cool masquerade theme, as well as a DJ/MC to keep things lively. Start planning out who you'd like to invite as your guest for this soirée!

Members Only Scholarship

Don't forget to turn in applications for the Chicago Drug & Chemical Members Only Scholarships by 09/01/22. Applications should be sent to Education Chair, **Megan Peboontom** at mpeboontom@ravagochem.com. You can find more info and the app at: <https://cd-ca.org/Education>. The Education Committee will select winners, and the scholarships will be presented at the Annual Meeting on 10/27/22.



**For additional information,
or to sign up for any these
events go to cd-ca.org**

EVENT RECAPS

Noon Whistle Brewing Event

This past April 8th, we had a great event at Noon Whistle Brewing in Naperville! Attendees arrived at 4:00 p.m. and enjoyed a wide selection of Noon Whistle's award-winning beers. Just that week, they had released seasonal beers "Cubby Gummy" and "Gummiskey", so both Northsiders and Southsiders were able to find a beverage to wet their whistle.

Then, we went behind the scenes for a really cool brewery tour. It was very interesting to see how they make those delicious beers and the role that chemicals play in creating the perfect lager, IPA or stout! There was plenty of time to enjoy the local food truck. And everyone walked out of there at the end with a cool souvenir beer glass. This was one of our best events in recent memory!



Tommy Turriff (Selfie Taker), Jeff Nelson (VLS Environmental), Dawn Drass, Jerry Maziarka, Cory Krobert (Chemtrade), Tom Budreck and Steve Weigel (TLC Ingredients), Ethan Li (Austin Chemical).



Katie Thompson (Entire Care Protection / ECP), Megan Peboontom (Ravago), Tom Budreck, Ethan Li (Austin Chemical), Jeff Nelson (VLS Environmental), Glenn Gibisch (Seeler), Dawn Drass (Rowell & CD&CA), Steve Weigel, Cory Krobert.

Golf Outing

Avid golfers and duffers alike met for a shotgun start at Seven Bridges Golf on June 20th. Seven Bridges always delivers a challenging experience – the name says it all! There’s water in play on nearly every hole, but that didn’t intimidate our group! The best ball format made the course a little less challenging and more enjoyable for everyone.

Straightest Drive winners were **Ken Otto** (PalletMaxx) and **Angela Marino** (Global Chemical Resources). These folks can hit ‘em long and straight! Best short game was demonstrated by Hole-in-2 winners: **Bill Huml** (ICC Chemical), **Dave Ryniec** (LA Chemical), **Tim Ryniec** (LA Chemical). (Like father, like son!)

Afterwards, the golfers all enjoyed a wonderful late lunch/early dinner.



Presidential Volunteers: Cheryl DePasquale and Megan Peboontom.



Dave Ryniec and Tim Ryniec



Neal Patel, Ryan Sheets (EMCO) and Don Boutzarelos (Ivanhoe Industries).

Congratulations to Jordan Polen, daughter of **Mark Polen** (EMCO Chemical Distributors)! Jordan will be attending Arcadia University this Fall, where she plans to continue playing soccer.



Former CD&CA President, **Megan Peboontom** (Ravago Chemicals), is an official Illinois State record holder in the American Powerlifting Federation. Megan holds the Illinois State record with a total weight lifted of 340 kgs. (749.5 lbs.). The event consists of a combination of Squat, Bench and Deadlift. Wow!

Tom Harris (Rowell Chemical) is again a proud grandpa! Grandbaby number four, Camden Elizabeth Hawkins, was born on 02/04/22 and he has one more on the way, due 12/28/22! Tom, we are so happy for you and Jodi!

Emma Marie Grimm was born on 07/11/22 to parents **Heather** (Essential Ingredients) and Drew Grimm, at 10:24 p.m. Emma Marie came into the world at 5 lbs. 3 oz. and 18 ½ inches long. Heather and Emma are both recovering nicely and Drew is over the moon to be a new Dad. Congrats from all your friends at CD&CA!



Camden Elizabeth Hawkins



Emma Marie Grimm



MEMBER NEWS

Whoa! **Bob Miller** (your CD&CA President, DuBois Chemicals) and his wife, Angie, are having quite the summer! Their son, Scott, just finished his Masters in Nursing at DePaul and is working at Advocate Hospital, while their daughter, Shannon, completed her Doctorate in Physical Therapy from Midwestern University and is working in Chicago. Bob and Angie are now empty-nesters and looking to their future. Angie is hoping to be a retired school teacher in the near future. Bob is looking forward to getting back out on the Ice for the start of Hockey season; this year, he will be coaching 6–8-year-olds.

Brad Graham (Graham Chemical) loves his boat! Rumor, though, is that he hasn't spent enough time out there this summer, as his tan is looking a little faded.

Tommy Turriff (TLC Ingredients) is happy to report he survived nearly three weeks in a tent this summer! He first went with his 13 year-old son, David, on a Scouting trip to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area in Northern MN. There's nothing more relaxing than locking your cell phone and wallet in the car for a week! When they got back, it was only 2 ½ days before Tommy took his daughter, Sophie, to Owasippe Scout Reservation in Michigan. Sophie went home after three days on Saturday, but Tommy stayed there to receive David and Andy and the rest of the BSA Troop for a week-long summer camp. It was fun and relaxing, but he was happy to be sleeping in his bed again!

Exciting news for proud Mama, **Dawn Drass** (CD&CA Administrator and Rowell)! Her daughter, Kate, married Brad Narlow on April 30th. The ceremony was held at the Atrium in Milwaukee. It was a beautiful day and Dawn and Jim finally have a son in the family. There were 150 people present and not a dry eye in the joint!!

Dan Berg (Producers Chemical) also has some very exciting news! He and his fiancée, Jackie, just bought their first apartment together in Chicago and their pending nuptials are set for October 2022.



Brad and Kate Narlow

Board Member Bios

Ryan Sheets

As we continue our “Meet Your CD&CA Board Member” series, it’s time to get to know **Ryan Sheets!** Ryan works in sales at EMCO as a Personal Care and HI&I Technical Account Manager. He is currently the Co-Chair of the Program & Luncheon Committee.

Ryan and his wife, Nicole, have two kids – Ava and Tyler. They enjoy vacationing in the Florida Keys, where Ryan has been known to be seen with a fishing rod in his hand. His favorite phrase is “Fish On!” and his favorite food is even Lake Perch. (Delish!!) Besides fishing, he loves coaching his son’s sports teams, attending Purdue football and basketball games and trying new restaurants.

Please don’t ask Ryan to live without sports or his cell phone! Those are essentials in his life! Ryan attended Purdue University (Boiler Up!), where he was a walk-on wrestler.

Meet Cheryl DePasquale!

Cheryl learned to love the chemical distribution industry from her dad, Lou DePasquale, but she has developed a style all her own!

Cheryl is a sales representative at TLC Ingredients, and has also worked for Acid Products and Univar. Cheryl has been on the CD&CA Board for many years, recently completing her term as President in 2019 and Education Chair for two years 2020 – 2021. She is currently our Chair for the Program & Luncheon Committee.

Besides her well-known Papa, Cheryl’s mom is Caroline and her brother is Lou, Jr. Cheryl’s husband, Joe, is a great guy! Cheryl has two daughters, Cora and Erica, and two beautiful granddaughters, Leni and Willa!

She and Joe like to spend time with family, especially anywhere in Mexico. In addition, CD enjoys walking, exercise classes and playing with the twins (granddaughters)! You may be surprised to learn that she is very spiritual and believes in the stars and the moon/universe.

Some may say her name proceeds her, but “Cheryl De” is an industry maven in her own right!

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Chicago Drug & Chemical LinkedIn Group

We have created a group on LinkedIn for the CD&CA. It is a great way to have discussions, share information and stay in touch, etc. To join the group, please go to:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3775030>

To join the CD&CA group, you must be a member of LinkedIn. LinkedIn is free and setting up a new account only takes a few minutes. Please join the discussion on LinkedIn.

Welcome to Shutterfly

We have created a website called "Chicago Drug & Chemical Association" to share pictures with our members. Please check it out at

<https://CD&CA.shutterfly.com/pictures>

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Upcoming Events

Golf Outing

August 22. – Arrowhead Golf Course
– Wheaton

Axe Throwing

September 22 – Master Axe –
Promenade in Bolingbrook

Annual Meeting

October 27 – LaGrange Country Club

Casino Night/Masquerade Ball

December 9 – Marriott O'Hare