ASM is Celebrating 100 Years, All Year Long

I’m extremely proud to announce that 2013 marks the 100th anniversary of ASM. Without a doubt, this is an historic milestone for our organization and a significant moment in time for our members around the world. It’s also an indication of the dedication and hard work our members have put forth to ensure the materials science community not only survives, but continues to thrive. One notable example is George Roberts, FASM and ASM Past President, through whose leadership and generosity the ASM Foundation is on the threshold of reaching 100 scholarships funded by Roberts in 2013 (see story on p 26–27 in this issue).

To honor a century of great progress, we’ll be celebrating throughout 2013 with a variety of events, including a special tribute advertising campaign; a new, engaging website; and a gala centennial celebration. Each of these occasions will make you proud of your association with materials science as we recognize great innovations and the pioneers who made them possible. Look at the 2013 issues of AM&P magazine as we honor top advancements decade by decade, forming a timeline of historic ASM moments.

An important part of our anniversary will be ASM Leadership Days. This annual conference, bringing together our chapters’ leadership to network, learn, and share best practices, will take place in Cleveland, Ohio. Following will be a dinner and program at our headquarters under the dome with our Trustees and Materials Camp participants to commemorate the chapters’ great history.

The year’s festivities will culminate in our 100th anniversary Gala held on October 27 in Montreal, Canada. This will be an ideal opportunity for members to come together and recognize those who have made an impact on the materials science community. The keynote speaker will be Peter Diamandis — chairman and CEO of the X PRIZE Foundation, cofounder and executive chairman of the Singularity University, and New York Times best-selling author. An awards ceremony, reception, and volunteer recognition ensure the Gala will offer something for everyone.

To stay up-to-date on our 100th anniversary, please visit our website — www.asminternational.org/100 — which is now home to the latest information on all of the activities, including events, conferences, and the Montreal Gala.

As you can see, there are a lot of exciting things to look forward to in 2013, and I hope you’re as eager as I am to partake in our special occasions. I’d like to thank you for doing your part in helping ASM reach 100 years, as well as for your contributions to the materials science community.

Sincerely,

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