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Dear SVC Member,

As you renew your membership in the SVC, I ask you on behalf of the SVC Foundation Board to consider adding a donation to the SVCF Annual Fund. This Fund help supports our scholarship program for enterprising undergraduate and graduate students who are on a track to enter the vacuum coating field. Not only do we provide scholarships, but we invite (and fund) these students to attend the SVC Techcon and to give papers as appropriate, thereby rounding out their education through exposure to our industry maximizing their chance of participating in this industry after graduation. Your donations are important to helping sustain these scholarships.

If you are aware of any students studying vacuum technology or a related field, please direct them to our web site and encourage them to apply for a scholarship.

Since our inception in 2003, we have awarded seventeen scholarships to students from 7 countries, giving out at least 3 significant scholarships annually in recent years. Our support can really have an impact in the life of these students; quoting a recent award recipient: *"I am very thankful to SVC for the 2008 Scholarship Award. This scholarship gave me the opportunity to attend such a wonderful technical conference which is not only a technical conference but a school where I learned a lot."*

During the past year we have seen the endowment of the Bernard Henry Fund, thanks to the effort of the SVC and AIMCAL, joining the company of the previously existing Rolf and Helen Illsley Fund and, John Fenn, Sr., Fund, and the Jane and Frank Warchol Fund. These donors recognize the value added to their donations through the work of our outstanding scholarship committee.

In all, more than 290 individuals and organizations have contributed to the Foundation, led by the SVC matching program, which matches donations of \$1000 or more. Our deep thanks goes to all those who have donated or volunteered to make the Foundation what it has become.

The Foundation has established an investment account that piggybacks on the SVC investment fund administered by RBC Dan Rauscher. This will ensure the returns necessary to supply the scholarships from endowed funds. Additionally, we are a "volunteer run" organization, which means that a very high percentage of your donations will go to work for our stated goals.

The SVC Foundation is making a difference, and I hope you will join me in making a contribution to this worthy cause. (Details about the Foundation can be found in the accompanying brochure or on our web site, www.SVCFoundation.org You can also support the Foundation by sponsoring or participating in the 5K run or the upcoming (new) Golf Tournament.

Sincerely,



Jim Seeser
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