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Conference/Exhibition to be held on Sunday 10th March 2019 At the Manor Hotel, Meriden.



Intermediate Laundry Technology a weeks intensive training course to be held April 2019. Very popular in the past and

we are currently planning our next. Please register your interest as we require 10 delegates to make the training viable. Contact enquiries@gcl.org.uk or telephone 01698322669 to book places.

Guild Membership Renewal? Your Membership Subscription for the year 2019/2020 will become due for renewal from the end of March 2019. Remember that you can now pay on line by visiting the Guild Website at saves money and time in having to check and chase late payers. Contact enquiries@gcl.org.uk

Guild Web Site has been upgraded visit http://gcl.org.uk to see what a difference we have made.

See this month a Technical Bulletin dealing with the Chemistry of Laundry and an Amber Alert dealing with damage caused by new garment sales swing tags not previously noticed when items are checked in.

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Book Your Place Now for the 2019 Guild Conference and Exhibition

To be held on Sunday 10th March 2019 At the Manor Hotel, Meriden, just 3 miles from M42 (M6/M5/M40) and Birmingham International Airport and Railway Station. This Will Be A Day of Events Covering, Best Practices, Plus Profitable and Sustainable Business. Featuring, A Master Class in Stain Removal, Marketing Your Business, Common Failures in Cleaning, Additional Income Generation, Starting a New Revolution in Our Business, and Winning An Award. (Featuring two international guest speakers). The latest on "What is Happening in Europe" where most of our equipment comes from. See below for list of speakers. An opportunity to network with other cleaners and to meet the best of the in-

dustry suppliers in the Exhibition Hall. Free entry, but please advise secretariat at enquiries@gcl.org.uk, this will ensure that we cater for free tea/coffee and lunch. News On The Research Project - Professor John Dean and Dr Stephen Reed of Northumbria University, with the help of some senior Guild members and a number of cleaners in the North East of England, started in the last week of January a research project to investigate the cross-bio contamination of textiles in both wet and dry cleaning low temperature processes. Your Guild, in cooperation with the Worshipful Company of Launderers', and the Northumbria University, are co funding the research project. The trend in our industry is to process at ever lower temperatures to save energy, and to prolong fabric life, and traditionally higher temperatures have been used to ensure the hygiene of textiles. The research will (A) check out the longevity of live bacteria under ambient conditions, (B) in simulated washing conditions investigate the effectiveness of wet cleaning on the removal of pathogenic bacteria from natural and synthetic fibre. (C) as in B but with dry cleaning solvents, (D) all above with and without bactericide, and (E) to check on the efficacy of the temperature in finishing on bacteria control. Being forewarned and prepared is better than having to react later, and if we need to modify our methods how?!

Alternatives to single use plastics - In previous issues we have mentioned work on finding alternatives to polythene for packaging and we have advance information www.gcl.org.uk, or alternatively, Telephone 01698 322669. Paying on time that suppliers Clean Supply are researching this and The Laundry Room will take back, not only used polythene drums but empty hanger boxes and reel cores from polythene film. Both will be in the Exhibition Hall at the Guild Conference. Can you help by advising us on what alternatives to plastic film you have come across, or already use. Send any information via email to enquiries@gcl.org.uk

Do You Know Members Can Advertise Their Business on the Guild's Website An advantage to your business and demonstrates to the general public your proficiency by belonging to the Guild. Check out the Guild's Web Site and if it is not there for your outlet pass on your details to the secretariat. The general public can check out the Guild's website for a registered member in their area. We are promoting competent cleaners who keep abreast of developments by monthly bulletins and alerts. Plan of Conference Speakers Guild Conference 10th March 2019 In no particular order:-

Leon Wennekes CINET "Meet the World's Most Extraordinary Business in Textile Care; Raising International Standards" (Global Best Practices Awards showcases combined with some major trends in the industry)

Frank Ziermann CEO of BOWE "Textile Cleaning from the European Perspective" "Starting a Revolution in the Textile Care Business" Kyle Grant CEO OxWash Graham Warren CEO Caraselle "Marketing in a Service Industry" Colin Oakley Laundry Efficiency Group "Best Practice; Major Trends" "A Master Class In Stain Removal" Roger Cawood FGCL SDML Training Brian Pearce FGCL IDC Consulting "Common Failures in Wet and Dry Cleaning" (supported with contributions from Stacey King at the DTC) Open Forum Chaired by Ken Cupitt FGCL Guild Council Chairman Ideal Manufacturing Phillip Kalli Wet Cleaning; Best Practice

Guild Members are dedicated to the care of garments, care for the environment, and care with skill and knowledge to serve the customer to the best of their ability.