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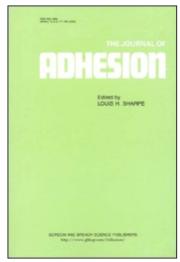
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## A Word from the Editor

Dr. Seymour Newman of Ford Motor Company, who has been associated with THE JOURNAL OF ADHESION since its beginning some 14 years ago, has resigned his post of Associate Editor because his recent and present duties are no longer closely associated with the field of adhesion. We have very much appreciated his guidance and counsel through the years.

Dr. Newman's place will be filled by Dr. Lawrence T. Drzal, of the Air Force Materials Laboratory, who is well known to workers in the field of adhesion, particularly for his innovative work in the elucidation of interphase structure in high-strength composite materials. We welcome him to THE JOURNAL and look forward to a long association. Dr. Drzal's photograph and biography appear on the following page.

We also welcome the following new members of the Advisory Board of THE JOURNAL OF ADHESION:

Dr. James P. Wightman, Chemistry Department and The Center for Adhesion Science, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, Blacksburg, VA, U.S.A.

Dr. Hatsuo (Ken) Ishida, Department of Macromolecular Science and Center for Coatings and Surface Research, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH, U.S.A.

They replace Drs. F. M. Fowkes and K. L. DeVries whom we thank for their help and guidance over many years.

In addition, we welcome Dr. F. James Boerio, Materials Department, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, U.S.A. Dr. Boerio succeeds Dr. Gina Kritchevsky as The Editor of The Adhesion Society and becomes an Associate Editor of THE JOURNAL OF ADHESION. Dr. Boerio is well known for his work on the elucidation of structure in silane coupling agents at interfaces.

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Dr. Lawrence T. Drzal

Dr. Drzal holds degrees from the University of Detroit (B.Chem.E.-1967) and Case Western Reserve University (Ph.D.-Chemical Engineering-1974).

Upon graduation he served as a Captain in the United States Air Force at the Materials Laboratory at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. There he set up a Surfaces Laboratory for the study of adhesion in Advanced Composite Materials and Adhesively Bonded Joints.

After completion of his military commitment, he remained with the Air Force Materials Laboratory as a civilian scientist. He has conducted independent research on carbon fiber surface chemistry, adhesion of epoxy matrices to carbon fibers, the relationship between interfacial shear strength and carbon fiber-matrix adhesion, mechanistic studies of hygrothermal degradation of composite interfaces, morphological and chemical characterization of epoxies, and the role of surface finishes on carbon and aramid fibers in promoting adhesion. In addition he is currently leading an interdisciplinary effort in interphase optimization to promote composite toughness in polymeric and ceramic matrix composites.

Dr. Drzal has numerous publications in the areas of surface chemistry of carbon fibers, relationships between composite shear strength and fiber-matrix adhesion, and epoxy matrix chemistry and structure. His professional affiliations include The Adhesion Society, American Chemical Society, American Institute of Chemical Engineers, SAMPE, and the American Physical Society. He was chairman of the 1982 Gordon Research Conference on the Science of Adhesion and Chairman of the 1980 Adhesion Society Meeting.

He resides with his wife Agnes and three sons in Beavercreek, Ohio.