

The Newsletter for the Flexographic
Pre-Press Platemakers Association

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Registration Strong for FPPA Convention



The Ritz Carlton Amelia Island will host FPPA's 9th Annual Convention March 12-14, 2006.

Pre-registration for the upcoming Annual Convention in Amelia Island, Florida is very strong – ahead of last year's preliminary attendance numbers. We expect a strong turnout in Florida on March 12-14, no doubt in response to the strong program that the Program Committee has put together for the meeting. [DETAILS](#)

Panels Headline 2006 FPPA Convention in Florida

FPPA has maximized the success of its panel presentation format by adding a new panel to its 2006 program...a panel of Digital Asset Management Software suppliers. The panel will feature representatives from key software suppliers Agfa Corporation, Artwork Systems and Esko-Graphics. [DETAILS](#)

Plate Material Comparison: Test Results

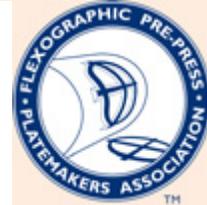
FPPA's Technology Task Force has invited industry plate material suppliers to participate in a voluntary test program. The Task Force, in cooperation with Clemson University and Flexographic Trade School, have developed the criteria and process by which performance will be measured for narrow web and corrugated projects. Plates will be provided by suppliers and put on press at Clemson and FTS to measure performance criteria. Print samples and plates will be on display during this session.

Dr. Page Crouch will provide a summary of the tests during this session, to demonstrate how each plate material performed during the testing program.

Participating Suppliers: Agfa Corporation, Anderson Vreeland, DuPont Imaging Technologies, MacDermid and XSYS. A panel of participating plate material suppliers will be on hand to answer questions and comment on the test results.

Test Results will only be presented at FPPA's 9th Annual Convention, March 12-14, 2006. Don't miss this one-time session.

Year-End Quarterly Survey Results



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The Latest News from FPPA

Here's the latest news from the Flexographic Prepress Platemakers Association.

You can find an archive of FPPA's newsletters on [FPPA's web site](#).

Let us know what you think of the online newsletter. Send your comments or article ideas to [Diane Vaughnley](#).

Coming Events

March 12-14, 2006
FPPA's 9th Annual Convention
Ritz Carlton Amelia Island
Amelia Island, Florida

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FPPA Members reported mixed results on sales for 2005, compared to 2004. Some platemakers reported an increase in year-over-year sales, some a decrease and several flat. There was no majority in the year-end survey results to indicate any sweeping industry trends in either direction.

The FPPA Quarterly Outlook Survey is sent to members to evaluate how recent business compares to the industry as a whole. The survey is conducted online and sent to members each quarter. This is a unique opportunity to compare your performance on a regular basis to other companies as well as your own past performance.

[Click here to view the full results of the survey.](#)

FPPA Offers Savings Solution Program Through APPI

Consider how lowering your utility costs by 10 to 25 percent would help your business. A utility audit is available to all FPPA members located in the United States. The audit includes a thorough analysis of energy (electricity and natural gas), water, waste removal/recycling, freight, credit card processing and telecommunications (voice and data) services. [DETAILS](#)

Member Profile: Day International, Inc.

Day Technology, Inc. will make a presentation to FPPA members in Ameilia Island. The focus of the presentation is how the digital workflow can become an integral part of the corrugated prepress and platemakers' world and allow them to realize a greater quality, productivity, and even lower costs using Day's Direct Digital Solution for Corrugated. [DETAILS](#)

FPPA Welcomes New Member

FPPA welcomes the following platemaker member who joined the association since our last issue of *On-Target*.

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