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# Great Lakes Chapter

## Winter-Spring 2023 Newsletter

### President's Message



Joe Robinson, QCXP, CPIP  
CAI Regional Manager, Midwest,  
ISPE GL Chapter President

Hello and welcome ISPE Great Lakes Chapter members. I hope all of you had a great holiday season and have had a great start to 2023. We are doing many great events this year and I am looking forward to seeing all of you attending one of these great events. We have done a few so far, hopefully many of you were able to attend one of these events. Please follow our LinkedIn page to see what is happening, the next event will be in Indianapolis on June 15<sup>th</sup> and will have an education session on GAMP. I am looking forward to seeing all of you there!

The Chapter has been working to stay engaged with current and new Student Chapters. Engaging people early in their career path is a great way to get new members and new ideas to benefit the industry. We are also engaging with the Women in Pharma at the na-

tional level and looking to do events to support this. If you are interested, please reach out to one of the Chapter Directors. If you have ideas for topics that would be interesting and beneficial for the Chapter membership, we want to hear from you. If you have a particular location in mind for an event, please share those with the GLC Board. We want to hear what you have to say.

I, along with the entire GLC Board, appreciate all your contributions toward the Chapter's goals, bringing pharmaceutical engineering professionals together and providing learning opportunities for everyone. Please contact me at: [joe.robinson@cagents.com](mailto:joe.robinson@cagents.com) if you have something to contribute or would like to be more involved.

# ISPE GLC Networking Events

## VEGA Factory Tour

The ISPE Great Lakes Chapter held a networking event on Feb 23rd at the VEGA Americas facility in Lebanon OH. 20 members attended the networking session which was followed up with a plant tour where Level and Pressure instrumentation is manufactured. The feedback from participants were all very positive. Thanks to VEGA for hosting the GLC and to all attendees for participating.



**Look for more events in 2Q 2023.**

# Member Spotlight: Kevin Tebrinke

*Tell me about yourself – what you do for a living your history and experience in the pharma industry.*

I am Findorff's Strategic Advisor - Science and Technology. We are a Construction Management / General Contracting firm with our main office in Madison, Wisconsin. In my role I am committed to helping our clients optimize their operations and processes, reduce waste, increase productivity, and maintain a safe working environment. I am proud to have a track record of delivering results that enable better implementation of new operations in new buildings and renovations of existing ones. I leverage my expertise in lean manufacturing to help clients optimize their processes and reduce waste.

My passion for the industry started in his early years as I pursued my studies in chemical engineering at Iowa State University, with an internship at an advanced wastewater treatment facility at Oscar Mayer. Since then, I have over four decades of experience in the science and technology industry. I've been so very fortunate to have a broad range of experiences in industry leading companies, with learning opportunities at the leadership team level (20+ years), business planning, people strategy and sourcing, lean / Kaizen / six sigma initiatives and continuous improvement, product development, capital management, commissioning and qualification, EHS, and operations.



**Kevin Tebrinke—Strategic Advisor –  
Science & Technology, FinDorff**

*Tell me what makes you get out of bed in the morning to come to work – what drives your passion for your work?*

I've been very lucky to have such a varied career with so many opportunities for learning in several aspects of complex, high tech manufacturing. In my new role as a Strategic Advisor, I'm finding that I can share what I've learned with others. This is very exciting to me. I spend a lot of time on training, both clients and internally at Findorff. I really enjoy the interaction that comes with training activities.

*Tell me how long you've been a member of ISPE and what you've gained from ISPE and chapter membership?*

I joined ISPE on November 3, 2001. I appreciate that ISPE provides the opportunity to meet industry leaders; learning from them is a great advantage provided by ISPE at both the Great Lakes Chapter and national level. Over the years I met some of the writers of the baseline guides at ISPE conferences, and their insight has been invaluable.

*Is there something you'd still like to accomplish professionally or personally with the Chapter that our readers can help you with?*

I believe that professional meetings are a very important way to learn, and I'm encouraged that the Great Lakes Chapter members in the Madison, Wisconsin area are having meetings and planning other events. I'd like to see an ISPE chapter at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. There are so many pharmaceutical and related industries here, and I think an ISPE chapter would help students understand the advantages of a career in pharmaceuticals.

*Give me a little personal info – what you like to do outside of work, family, where you went to school, etc.*

My "hobby" is that I'm president and CEO of the International Society of Lyophilization – Freeze Drying, Inc., which is a non-profit all volunteer organization. ISL-FD supports learning and education at all levels.

## 2023 Great Lake Chapter Board of Directors:

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# ISPE GLC Welcomes New Members

The Great Lakes Chapter consists of members in the states of Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Kentucky. The Great Lakes Chapter of ISPE welcomes 48 new members in Jan 2023– Mar 2023. Please welcome them to the organization and the pharmaceutical industry.

**Jonathan Stratton, Optimal Industrial Technologies, Plymouth, MI**  
**Christian Harper, Stilmas NA, BURLINGTON, ON**  
**Erin Brummett, Mitchell, IN**  
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**Grant David Wheeler, Grant Park, IL**  
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**Bradley H. Rowe, Commissioning Agents, Inc., Validation Engineer, Noblesville, IN**  
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**Mr. Paul J. Novorolsky, Weiler Engineering Inc, Elgin, IL**  
**Marty Reyes, Weiler Engineering Inc, Regional Sales Manager, Elgin, IL**  
**Abigail Rachel Pati, Valparaiso, IN**  
**Andrew Keady, West Lafayette, IN**  
**Devin Lewis, CAI, Validation Engineer, Indianapolis, IN**  
**Padraig Sheehan, CAI, Validation Engineer, Oak Park, IL**  
**Rob Truka, JacobsWyper Architects, Philadelphia, PA**  
**Mr. Thomas John Reedy, Pfizer - SLS, Battle Creek, MI**

# Upcoming Conferences 2023



## [2023 ISPE Europe Annual Conference](#)

8 - 10 May 2023

Amsterdam, The Netherlands and Virtual



## [2023 ISPE Biotechnology Conference](#)

26 - 27 June 2023

Dublin, Ireland and Virtual



## [2023 ISPE Annual Meeting & Expo](#)

15 - 18 October 2023

Las Vegas, NV USA and Virtual



## 2023 ISPE Pharma 4.0 & Annex 1 Conference

11 - 12 December 2023

Barcelona, Spain and Virtual

## Volunteer Opportunities

Would you like to get involved with other professionals in the Pharmaceutical industry? Do you have a special skill or passion? Would you like to see new or different events to help you in your career? The Great Lakes Chapter of ISPE is looking for volunteers to help with organization of events in your area. If you are interested, reach out to the board members listed .

## Technical Articles Wanted:

Do you have a technical discovery or best practices that you would like to share with the Pharmaceutical Industry? This is a great way to get recognized by your peers for the great work that you do every day. We are looking for technical articles for the Great Lakes Quarterly Newsletter>

If you have something you would like to contribute, please send to Joe Robinson, [joe.robinson@cagents.com](mailto:joe.robinson@cagents.com) or Allen Koester, [allen.koester@salasobrien.com](mailto:allen.koester@salasobrien.com).

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Joe.Robinson@cagents.com

## Membership/ Become a member and grow with us!

Discover the advantages of an ISPE Membership for every stage of your career. Whether you are new to the pharmaceutical industry or a seasoned professional, ISPE is your Society of Choice

### Networking Opportunities

Whether networking at face-to-face events or collaborating online, the value of ISPE is in the links forged between industry professionals with common work challenges, connecting professionals and companies to practical guidance and dialogue between industry and global regulators.

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