

# Michigan SCC - News from the Mitten

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#### SOCIETY OF COSMETIC CHEMISTS — MICHIGAN CHAPTER

### A Message from Chair, Di Qu

#### August 2015

Dear members,

The time is flying and the summer will be almost over by the time you see this issue of the newsletter. Our committee members have been busy all summer preparing the future activities for our chapter. In this issue, you will meet each of our committee chairs and get to know their responsibilities and what they have planned for the rest of this year. You will also be reading about the SCCMI members' professional achievements in speaking/presenting at various conferences and seminars. In addition, there is news about the upcoming SCCMI educational seminar in September, the last chapter meeting in 2015 and officer inaugural ceremony in November, and the updates on the SCC sponsored IFSCC Congress next year. I also would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that our membership renewal process starts soon. Hope each of us makes an effort to renew and to introduce potential new members to our chapter. Last year, under Yulia's leadership, our chapter won the first place award in membership retention contest from the National office, and I do hope we can keep that honor this year. The annual election for chapter officer positions is around the corner as well. Everyone's participation and the intention of running for the positions are greatly encouraged. It is truly the opportunity for demonstrating our capability and achievement in the professional realm. Have fun reading and I thank everyone for your strong support.

Kind regards,

Di Qu, Ph. D.—Amway R&D

#### **Debbie Pinardo - Chair of PROGRAM Committee**

The Program Committee's primary responsibility is the selection and coordination of speakers for our meetings. The team includes Jat Rana, John Scimeca, Rong Kong, and Evan Waddell. Our challenge is to find interesting, relevant and scientifically sound speakers. We are always looking for suggestions for new speakers, please feel free to contact any committee member with your ideas. Another important function that we provide to our chapter is the collection of your valuable feedback on our meetings and speakers with our surveys. The survey results help us to continuously improve our meetings and in the selection of the "Best Speaker" from our chapter each year. We appreciate you taking the time to fill out the surveys at each meeting!



The Program Committee is a very busy and active committee but our bonus is that we have the pleasure of more interaction with the speakers and getting to know them a little better.

Visit our website at <u>www.sccmi.org</u> for information about upcoming meetings, access to all of our past newsletter issues, contact information, and useful links. If you have suggestions for our site, contact the webmaster Mike Starch (<u>msstarch@charter.net</u>) with your suggestions.

For Facebook users, look us up and "like" or "follow" our page, which you can find by searching for "Society of Cosmetic Chemists Michigan Chapter"

**Beth Johnson - Chair of RECORDS and ELECTIONS Committee** 

I lead the annual SCCMI elections which includes ensuring there are candidates for each open position, collecting nomination forms, preparing and managing the electronic ballot process, working with the secretary to send ballots to current members and sharing final voting results with executive committee. Updates and recommendations are also provided during committee meetings to improve our current process. Our next election will be held toward the end of September, which means we will start taking nominations for Chair-elect, Treasurer-elect, and Secretary in just over a month. Please consider submitting your nomination, if there is a role you would be interested in pursuing.

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#### **Bart Maxon - Chair of OUTREACH Committee**

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Lane Duvel - Chair of Sponsorship Committee.

One of the main goals of the SCCMI Outreach Committee is to look for opportunities to promote careers in cosmetic sciences at the high school and university levels. We've been very fortunate to have the University of Toledo School of Pharmacy -Cosmetic Science participate in our chapter and are looking for more opportunities to include a broader audience within Michigan. As part of this initiative, I am participating on the newly formed SCC National Education and Outreach Committee and dialoguing with the SCC California Chapter. Together we are developing presentation materials and formulation demos that can be used to educate and excite students about our industry and careers that are available within the cosmetic sciences. More details on this initiative will be communicated when they become available.

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#### Robin Ray - Chair of the HOUSE Committee

As chair of the SCCMI House Committee, I work closely with the program committee. Once they set the date, time and general location of each meeting, my committee finalizes the remaining details. This includes, venue, food and drinks. An important role of the committee is to ensure our meetings stay within budget by carefully selecting the venue, food options and drinks included in registration cost. Sometimes, this is a challenging task so any recommendations are always welcome.

#### Kausar Malik - Chair of SYMPOSIUM Committee

Greetings to my fellow SCC members. The SCCMI Symposium team is committed to advance the technical learning in the field of personal care/skin care/cosmetics science. I have an excellent team who helped organize very successful events in the past two years and excited for the upcoming educational seminar in September. We love to get your input on future symposium topics.

#### Mike Starch - Newsletter Editor and Webmaster

I am the editor and publisher of News from the Mitten the Newsletter of SCC Michigan Chapter. I also do my best to keep our website (sccmi.org) up to date. I am always looking for content (news items and short articles) to include in the newsletter. Please contact me at msstarch@charter.net

### 2015-2016 SCC Calendar

September 9th - Social Night at San Chez Tapas Bar (see www.sccmi.org for details)

September 10th—SCC Michigan Chapter Educational Course (Grand Rapids, MI)

September 16th-18th—The SCC Florida Chapter presents the biannual Sunscreen Symposium (Disney's

Yacht Club Resort). For more information, visit www.flscc.org

November 12th—SCC Michigan Chapter Meeting (Grand Rapids, MI)

December 11th-12th—SCC National Meeting (New York City)

<u>October 30th—November 2nd, 2016</u>—29th IFSCC Congress (Orlando, FL) - *Please note that the date has been moved by one week—see the message from David Smith on Page 4* 





## An Important Message About the 29th IFSCC Conference

Dear Colleagues,

I'm writing to provide two very important updates regarding the 29th IFSCC Congress, scheduled for October 2016 in Orlando, Florida. We're in the process of issuing a formal press release but we ask that you also please share these critical updates with your Chapter members as soon as possible.

First, the dates of our Congress are moving by one week. The new dates for the 29th IFSCC Congress will be October 30, 2016 - November 2, 2016 (instead of the original dates of October 23, 2016 - October 26, 2016). Of importance to our Society and the entire international community, by making this date modification we've been able to significantly lower the room rate at this world class resort. Formal details will follow once registration opens early 2016.

Secondly, following some valuable feedback we've received regarding the Call for Papers deadline that was previously established, both our Committee on Scientific Affairs (COSA) and Congress Organizing Committee have agreed to extend the Call for Papers deadline. The Call for Papers deadline will now be December 31, 2015 (instead of the original date of September 30, 2015). We trust this additional time will enable our community to respond to the Call for Papers for the 2016 Congress.

These important changes have just been confirmed and we're working to update our website and systems now but wanted to make you aware right away.

We urge everyone interested in being a participant in the Congress to submit an abstract by the revised deadline for consideration. Of course, we also encourage our entire community to please save the date (October 30 - November 2, 2016) and plan on attending the 29th Congress.

The Dolphin Resort will offer the most up-to-date facilities and Walt Disney World will be a spectacular backdrop to this wonderful event.

Many thanks for your continued collaboration.

Sincerely,

David Smith - SCC Executive Director





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Chair-Elect Jason Vogel presents an SCCMI commemorative beaker mug to speaker Alicia Marie from StriVectin.

## Photos from our May Meeting





Marc Cornell from Englewood Lab speaking about "green" cosmetic formulation.



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MISCC board meeting held before the membership meeting





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## **News About our Chapter Members**

Several members from Amway Corporation presented posters at the 23rd World Congress of Dermatology, which was held June 9-13 in Vancouver, British Columbia. Over 11,000 physicians and scientists from around the world attended:

- Greg Hillebrand's poster was about the association between glycation and facial skin aging
- Rong Kong's poster was entitled "A Comparative Study of Retinol and Retinoic Acid Treatments on Human Skin"
- **Di Qu** presented a poster called "Can Skin Appear Years Younger After Treatment?: A Quantitative Measurement of Visual Signs of Aging in a Large Caucasian Population"



**Rong Kong** and **Di Qu** also attended the 2015 meeting of the International Society for Biophysics and Skin Imaging that was held in Vancouver, British Columbia on June 8th. Rong Kong presented a new *in-vivo* method to quantify the rate of skin renewal. Di Qu co-authored a presentation with colleagues from Amway China that was about the efficacy of melasma reduction using an oral supplement.



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The editor welcomes news items and short articles for publication in our newsletter. Please submit your information directly to Mike Starch at msstarch@charter.net On May 4th, **Mike Starch** gave a presentation at a symposium that took place as part of a joint meeting organized by the American Oil Chemists Society (AOCS) and Society of Cosmetic Chemists (SCC) in Orlando, FL. Mike's talk was entitled "The INCI Nomenclature System for Ingredient Labeling of Cosmetic Products"

**Paige Krzyskowski** from Dow Corning was given the best speaker for 2014 award by the New England Chapter of the SCC for her presentation entitled: "Applications for Silicones: Notes from Trends Lab and Aqua Dimensions Campaigns"

#### **Reverse Job Shadowing at Burton Middle School**

**Haywood Ware** participated in a reverse job shadow program at Burton Middle School. This program was organized by employees of Amway Corporation in partnership with Junior Achievement. This activity is part of Amway's One by One program for community involvement. The program exposed middle school students to a variety of concepts that will be important in their careers. Career skills were introduced using several different activities:

- Students were introduced to the scientific concept of surface tension in water by competing to float several types of objects with different densities.
- Amway volunteers introduced students to forensics by demonstrating the use of a microscope in examining several powders using a forensic approach. They were challenged to identify a "mystery powder" and the images from the microscope were projected so that the entire class could view them.
- Students were shown a presentation about the history of Amway and Junior Achievement. The presentation included a clue that was later needed by teams of four to find the word "Michigan" on a \$5 bill. This exercise demonstrated the value of paying attention (?)
- The value of networking was demonstrated by presenting the same answer to a question in every period of class. Students could pass the right answer on to other students during the day using networking.

During his time with the students, Haywood was able to relate his own story of rising from a humble beginning in Mississippi to achieving a successful career at Amway. This story could encourage the students, many of whom are from low-income families, to look beyond their current circumstances to prepare for their own future success.

## Thanks to Our Sponsors for the 2014 Educational Symposium

