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## *A Message From Chapter Chair Rhonda Solberg*

Happy New Year 2020! I am excited and honored to chair the SCC Michigan Chapter for 2020. Thank you for the opportunity to serve, and for your trust and support. I want to personally thank the Board, committee volunteers, and chapter members for a successful 2019. Your support and engagement in the SCC Michigan Chapter is what keeps us going and we could not have a successful year without all of you. Our chapter is one of the newest in SCC and we continue to be a vibrant, energetic organization! This year is off to a great start as we achieved the member retention goal of 85%, to receive the 3<sup>rd</sup> place rebate prize from the SCC national office.

As scientists, we know the value of continuing to learn throughout life. What better place to challenge our thinking and explore new ideas than in community with other scientists in the SCC. The national and local SCC meetings bring scientific knowledge, new research data, and opportunities to network. Moreover, they encourage creativity and stimulate innovation.

Let's face it . . . Google! It has become a common verb. We can grab all types of information off the Internet, but what you can't get from the worldwide web is a sense of community with other professionals. I welcome you to join us in 2020, as there will be great opportunities to learn and grow.



*"Tell me and I forget,  
teach me and I may remember,  
involve me and I learn."  
— Benjamin Franklin*

We have an exciting lineup of meetings planned, with our first on March 12 at the Paddock Place in Grand Rapids, MI. Industry professionals, Anna Gripp and Nicole Paraszczuk, BASF, will present "Sunscreen Regulation Changes and Trends in 2020." Formulation expert, Susan Sperring, Symrise, will speak about "Challenges in Formulating Effective Sunscreens." On May 14, we are planning a golf outing and chapter meeting at the Candlestone Golf Resort in Belding, MI. Our third chapter meeting will be a special event in conjunction with the renowned ArtPrize 2020 on Thursday, Sept 17, at City Flats Hotel, downtown Grand Rapids. Finally, we will wrap up the year with the fourth chapter meeting and officer installation at Zehnders, in Frankenmuth, MI, a great place to begin shopping for the Holidays. Mark your calendars!

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Michigan Chapter executive board officers: Lane Duvel as Chair-Elect, Lu Bai as Secretary, Karen Patin as Treasurer and Caryn Weiss as Past Chair. I anticipate that we will continue to bring education, value, and excitement to the cosmetic industry. We strive to uphold high ethical, professional and educational standards, and to positively influence and invite the next generation of cosmetic scientists.

On behalf of the Board, we look forward to seeing all of you at our next monthly meeting. Cheers to an exciting and inspiring year!

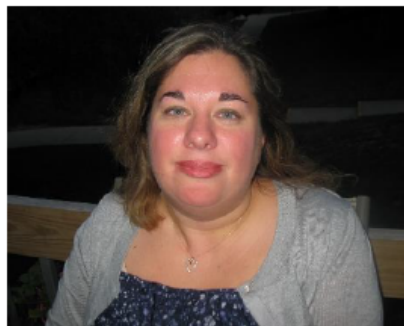
Thank you,

**Rhonda Solberg**

2020 SCC MI Chapter Chair

Feel free to email me at [Chair@sccmi.org](mailto:Chair@sccmi.org). I want to get to know you and hear your ideas, suggestions, and concerns.

## Our 1st Meeting of 2020 Will be Held on March 12 and Will Feature Several Speakers on the Topic of Sunscreens



### Challenges in Formulating Effective Sunscreens

Susan Sperring, Sr. Technical Manager, Symrise

Developing a sunscreen with a high sun protection factor along with an elegant feel has always been a challenge for cosmetic formulators. However, with a shrinking portfolio of acceptable filters and potential changes in upcoming regulations, this task is becoming more and more difficult.

In the presentation, we will discuss the challenges that cosmetic formulators face when developing sunscreens. Typical formulation challenges such as maintaining water resistance, SPF boosting and formulating a product for multiple markets will be discussed as well as the specific challenges of formulating mineral sunscreens.



### Sunscreen Regulation Changes and Trends in 2020

Anna Gripp, Marketing Manager, & Nicole Paraszczuk, Technical Service Specialist, BASF

The latest sunscreen regulatory changes coupled with the demanding trends in sun care create a challenge for formulators that seek to meet today's consumer



expectations for optimal performance. This presentation will address the US regulatory landscape at a high level and will review the testing needed to meet FDA's monograph requirements. Additionally, the latest trends will be reviewed along with examples from the market.

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## 2020 Society of Cosmetic Chemists Calendar

- March 12 - SCC Michigan Chapter Meeting—Paddock Place (Grand Rapids, MI)
- April 8—TEAMWORKS 2020 (Rosemont, IL—see details below)
- May 14 - SCC Michigan Chapter Meeting and Golf Outing - Candlestone Golf Resort (Belding, MI)
- May 5 - 6 - NYSCC Supplier's Day - Jacob K. Javits Convention Center (New York City)
- September 17 - Michigan Chapter Meeting - City Flats Hotel (Grand Rapids, MI)
- November 12 - Michigan Chapter Meeting - Zehnders (Frankenmuth, MI)

### **The Main Event for the MWSCC Partners with ACI and HAPPI**

*TEAMWORKS 2020 Set to Expand its Offerings for Cosmetic Chemists involved in Beauty, Personal Care and Household Product Development*

(Chicago, IL)— The Midwest Chapter of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists (MWSCC) main event for beauty ingredients, formulations, and delivery innovations, TEAMWORKS, has confirmed alliances that aim to expand their reach outside of cosmetic/personal care development to include household products. The biennial event will take place April 8, 2020 at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, Illinois.



TEAMWORKS 2020 educational programming this year will be expanded to include a

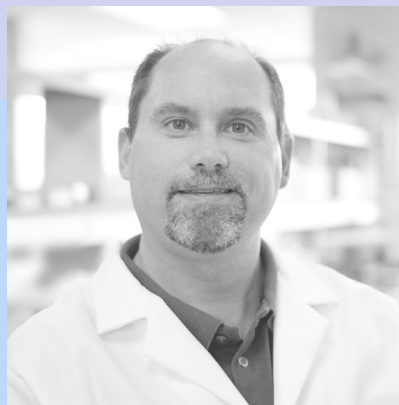
“Main Stage” during expo hours and will feature innovative solutions from the participating exhibitors. The morning sessions will be peer-reviewed presentations selected by the MWSCC Executive Board and Program Committee.

The popular social night event, that is a key component to attendees’ overall TEAMWORKS experience, will take place on Tuesday, April 7th at the HofbrauHaus in Rosemont. Registration for TEAMWORKS 2020 and ticket sales for the social event are available online at <http://www.midwestsc.org/2020-main-event/>. For exhibiting and sponsoring opportunities, contact [teamworks@midwestsc.org](mailto:teamworks@midwestsc.org) to learn more.

## Meet our SCCMI Board Members for 2020

### Chair-Elect Lane Duvel


Hello All. I'm excited to be your Chapter Chair-Elect for this year. I've been a member of the Michigan Chapter since it was founded in 2012 where I started as Chapter Treasurer. Since then I've helped serve on a number of different committees such as the Symposium, Sponsorship and Social Events Committees. I started my career in 1986 at SC Johnson in Racine, WI after graduating with a degree in Biology from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. While at SCJ, I worked on developing a wide array of professional and consumer products from anti-bacterial hand lotions, shampoos and surgical scrubs to industrial cleaners. I then moved on to Helene Curtis in Chicago, IL where I developed Suave Hair Care and Skin Care products from 1987 – 1996. While at Helene Curtis I obtained my degree in Chemistry from Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, IL. Making my way around Lake Michigan, I then moved on to Amway where I've been a formulator in Personal Care now for almost 24 years. My primary responsibility at Amway is Hair Care, however I develop products for Skin Care and Artistry as well. I love traveling and during my career at Amway I've had the opportunity to travel around the world and meet many wonderful people from different countries. Throughout my career as a formulator I've been awarded over 10 US Patents and have published 2 technical articles with my colleagues in the International Journal of Cosmetic Science. I love to cook, brew beer and spend time at my cottage in northern Michigan fishing, boating and relaxing. I've been married to my lovely wife Jane for almost 33 years and have 2 sons and 1 grandson. As Chair-Elect my goal this year, with the help of our chapter volunteers, is to keep our young Michigan Chapter vibrant and growing by providing our members with the latest scientific knowledge and industry topics presented during quarterly meetings throughout the state of Michigan. I look forward to a successful year!




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## Meet our SCCMI Board Members for 2020 (*continued*)



### Treasurer Karen Patin

Hi and welcome to the new year! I am your Chapter Treasurer for 2020-2021. I have been a member since 2014 and this is my second time serving the members of the Michigan chapter as Treasurer. After graduating from Aquinas College with a Biology degree, I started working at Amway Corporation in the Quality Assurance department where I have worked for over 34 years. During that time I obtained a degree in Chemistry from Grand Valley State University.

I am an avid baker and love to use chemistry to create new recipes and try new techniques. I even have a “Baking Bucket List”! Baking is a great way to introduce kids and adults to chemistry, especially since they can eat the results. I have also participated in the Chemistry at the Mall with other Chapter members and in our chapter outreach program. In warmer weather (above 45 F/7 C), you can usually find me bicycling the trails around West Michigan getting in some miles after work. We have a great chapter with dedicated members and I look forward to being your Chapter Treasurer!

### Call for Volunteers!

SCC MI Chapter works because of our dedicated volunteers.

Interested in getting involved? There are several levels of involvement. See what works for you.

Volunteering is a great way to gain experience with leadership opportunities, make a personal impact on the organization, and build your network of professionals in the cosmetic industry.

#### Volunteer Opportunities

- **Photographer**  
The SCC MI Chapter Photographer is responsible for acquiring a camera and photographing the event, speakers, and people who attend.
- **Program Chair**  
Lead the Program Committee to ensure that all programs are set well in advance so that adequate notice can be given to the membership via the Chapter Newsletter as well as the Chapter Website, so the maximum attendance at meetings is secured.
- **Authors**  
Write technical papers or feature articles for the News from the Mitten newsletter.

If you are interested in helping the chapter by volunteering for one of the many committees, please contact Rhonda Solberg at: [chair@sccmi.org](mailto:chair@sccmi.org) or Lane Duvel at: [chair-elect@sccmi.org](mailto:chair-elect@sccmi.org). Thanks for being part of the SCC!