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For more than 70 years, the Society of Cosmetic Chemists has been proud to serve as the oldest and largest non-profit association dedicated to the advancement of cosmetic science. This year, with the active involvement of our Board of Directors, chapter leaders, committees, and members we achieved much to be proud of in the areas of education, networking, and philanthropic endeavors in support of the society’s mission.

I encourage you to read through this newsletter and learn more about the 19 SCC chapters and activities taking place across the US and Canada. From education and networking events to golf outings and suppliers’ days, our chapter network continues to be the star of the show by delivering unparalleled value to members at the local level.

While this newsletter is intended to highlight chapter achievements, I’d like to take this opportunity to share some of the successes on an organization-wide basis:

Membership Growth: I’m pleased to report we now have more than 5,300 members – that’s a 6% increase over last year! With the help of our chapters, we are excited to grow with the industry and demonstrate the value of SCC membership. We continue to see increases in student and junior memberships due to our investment in the NextGen program and collaborations with colleges and universities around the globe.

Record Attendance: As the reputation of the premier global scientific and technology event for the cosmetic science industry continues to grow, the 72nd Annual Meeting in December 2018 welcomed more than 1,300 attendees to the meeting – another record-breaking year! The event featured 3 Keynote lectures, 40 podium presentations, and more than 95 poster presentations and exhibitors highlighting the advancements in research and the services available to the industry. Mark your calendars NOW for the 73rd Annual Meeting, December 17-18, 2019 at the Sheraton New York Times Square.

New Chapter Leader Events: The pre-annual meeting events featured an all-new Chapter on Committee Affairs (COCA) workshop where chapter leaders had the opportunity to learn more about SCC and the support headquarters offers to chapters – and they even had some fun with group exercises, breakout discussions and more, all while learning from each other. An expanded Treasurer’s workshop which addressed chapters’ financial and legal questions was also offered, as well as one-on-one QuickBooks training.

Continuing Education Programs: SCC headquarters hosted more than 11 continuing education programs across the country with more than 345 participants. This year also saw a very successful venture into “hands-on” classes, where time was split between the classroom and the lab.

Look for more of these in the future. We also continued to bring our members learning via webinars and will continue these member-exclusive events in the year to come.

The Journal of Cosmetic Science: I am excited that 2018 saw a return to six full issues of the Journal for the first time since 2015. We are pleased to announce that later this year we will be converting the printed Journal to an online platform with more frequently published articles, search capabilities, and more. Stay tuned for details!

International Federation of Societies of Cosmetic Chemists (IFSCC): We continue to build a strong relationship with the IFSCC. As a member of the SCC, you’re automatically a member of the IFSCC. That includes a subscription to their magazine, access to the Kosmet database, a quarterly e-newsletter, discounts to international events, and more.

This year is the 25th IFSCC Conference in Milan, Italy (September 30-October 2, 2019) with the theme “CosmEthic: Science and Conscience” driving the education program content. Visit ifsc2019.com for more information.

Chapter Services: The Board and staff have been listening to our chapter leaders. We understand the challenges that sometimes come with volunteer leadership and we want to reaffirm our commitment to making your service to your SCC chapter as easy as possible. To that end, we are rolling out several new products and services in 2019 designed to address these issues, including QuickBooks Pro access/training, a sharepoint site, hosted email, nationally managed e-balloting, and more.

Headquarters: With a successful headquarters move in the Fall of 2018, the staff is now housed in a smaller, updated space which includes features designed to promote collaboration and enhance productivity. I’d like to take a moment to acknowledge my colleagues - Latasha Archer, Kenisha Beaupierre, Colleen Daddino, and Sam Neely - for their outstanding commitment to member services and the work they did to ensure a successful 2018.

I continue to be impressed and inspired by the work of our chapters. Your success is truly a testament to the scores of passionate volunteers who give of their time and talents to this wonderful organization.

As always, I encourage you to contact me (eogrady@scconline.org; 212-668-1501) or any of the headquarters staff, with your feedback on how we can continue to deliver more value to your membership, your company, your chapter, or the industry.

Wishing you all continued success, personally and professionally, in 2019!

Erica L. O’Grady, CAE
Executive Director/CEO
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Last year during the 72nd Annual Scientific Meeting, held at The Sheraton NY Times Square, the 2019 Board of Directors of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists was officially installed. Your board for the current year now consists of Kelly Dobos (Sun Chemical) as President, Mindy Goldstein, Ph.D. (Mindy Goldstein, Ph.D. Consulting) serving as Vice President, Liz Streland (Croda) assuming the Vice President-Elect position, Michelle Hines, Ph.D. (Mary Kay, Inc.) continues her term as National Secretary and Mark Chandler (ACT Solutions) began his term as National Treasurer.

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Rounding out the Board and serving as Area Directors are:

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Congratulations to all!
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Michigan Chapter wins the SCC Chapter Retention Contest

Every year the Society challenges its 19 chapters to a friendly competition – which chapter can get 85% or more of their members to renew by December 31st? The Michigan Chapter reclaims their throne of FIRST PLACE from the Long Island Chapter, who broke Michigan’s winning streak last year. All winning chapters will receive a $1,000 bonus toward their rebate amount in the coming weeks.

Any chapter who retains 85% of their members during dues renewal will receive an additional $1,000 toward their rebate – which can be used to secure speakers, venues, offset costs for events, products, etc.

Fantastic job to all chapters for their work in 2018!

We look forward to your meetings & events in the new year!

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IMPORTANT DATES

May 6, 2019  
3 SCC Education Courses offered at New York Chapter Suppliers’ Day

May 7-8, 2019  
New York Chapter Suppliers’ Day

April 30, 2019  
Annual Meeting Call for Papers (Podium Abstract Deadline)

June 28, 2019  
Green Star Award Submission Deadline

July 1, 2019  
2019 Annual Meeting Registration Opens

July 31, 2019  
Last Day for Early Bird Registration of 2019 Annual Meeting

September 12-14, 2019  
Sunscreen Symposium

October 2-3, 2019  
California Chapter Suppliers’ Day

December 17-18, 2019  
73rd Annual Scientific Meeting & Technology Showcase

For information, please visit the Society website at www.scconline.org

Congratulations to all!
California

The California Chapter had another packed year bringing members together. Eight monthly meetings were held in various locations throughout California with the hottest topics in the industry being discussed. Pickering emulsions and a preservation double feature opened the year in the Valley. February and March in Manhattan Beach provided insights into new product development and plant active sustainability, with lessons on importing cosmetics into the EU and rheology modification. Hair and Scalp dominated April in Orange County with two talks on hair - mechanisms on anti-pollution and the chemical and physical mechanisms of re-bonding in hair. May was the ever-popular meeting at Duke's in Malibu, where the skin microbiome and biotechnologies for plant extraction were reviewed.

In June, Cali SCC took the meeting on the road to members in San Francisco, where Rodan + Fields’ Dr. Bob Bianchini mapped the 3D hydration content and changes in the stratum corneum.

Members returned to Orange County in September, where the newest K-Beauty technologies were discussed, and the impact of solvent and emulsifier selection on UV absorption were analyzed.

October in Universal City was a CBD double-feature about the role of cannabidiol in the body, and how-to bring CBD-containing products to the market. The November meeting in Manhattan Beach included a discussion from the Palm Free Council, just as the New York Times published an exposé about palm oil and the environmental impacts.

The educational programming for the year was supplemented with the biennial Scientific Seminar, themed California Dreaming, A Seminar for Emerging Technologies. The program featured scientists from academia and industry leaders from non-cosmetic disciplines, where innovations and their potential in cosmetics were discussed.

SoCal is notorious for its good vibes, and members experienced them through two social events, the 80s-themed Dinner Dance in May at Huntington Beach, and wine-tasting during the summer event at San Antonio Winery in Downtown LA, one of the only wineries allowed to operate during Prohibition in the United States. The Annual Golf Outing held in conjunction with SCIFTS was also a huge success, selling out.

The California Chapter is looking forward to an equally exciting year in 2019, which will be highlighted by the biennial Suppliers Day exhibition in Long Beach. See you there!
Looking back, 2018 was a year filled with fun and education for the Carolina Chapter of the SCC. I would like to thank the speakers who lead us forward in our knowledge of the cosmetic industry and those that attended each and every event.

The year started with a Spring Technical Seminar by Nelson Ayala, Ph. D, Distinguished Toastmaster on Wine, Roses, and Chocolate at Restaurant Forty Six in Kannapolis, NC. Nelson has worked to create new consumer products that either taste good, smell good, or feel good on the skin. He has worked in new product development on consumer products at Unilever, Westwood Chemical, Carter Wallace, Fleet Labs, and Prestige Brands. He has patents on taste masking, oral rehydration, anti-itch, antiperspirants, and deodorants. He has authored several papers in major journals. Nelson has been a member of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists in the New York and Virginia sections. As a member of Toastmasters International since 1990, Nelson enjoys making presentations on topics related to health, beauty, and career/personal development. He gave a wonderful presentation where we explored sensorial aspects that make products successful. We had the opportunity to taste wines, chocolates, and smell flowers from around the world which allowed us to learn more about the art and science of evaluating scents and tastes.

In October, the Carolina Chapter held its Naturally Kiawah Symposium, which is held every other year, at the beautiful Kiawah Island. We were excited to have a record number of attendees. It began with a CEP course which had knowledgeable speakers on Breaking Down your Benchmark from Marketing, Selecting the Right Preservative, Natural Fragrance Overview, Safety & Claims Product Testing, Processing Challenges, and Natural ISO Certification Overview. The next day was followed by two tracks of speakers, which spoke on topics ranging from Marketing and Product Development, Regulations, Hair and Skincare, and Niche Category. We had two nights of cocktail parties and finished off the event with a day of golfing and spa.

And the last successful meeting of 2018, our installation meeting, was held at The Palisades Country Club in Charlotte, NC. We had the privilege of hearing from Hemali Gunt, Head of Clinical and Scientific Affairs at Burt’s Bees (A Clorox Company), where her focus is to demonstrate scientifically based skincare benefits through clinical testing, laboratory investigations and instrumental assessment. As sensitive skin continues to be a concern to the majority of the world population, Hemali presented on “New and Natural Solutions for Sensitive Skin”, showing findings of a study which showed that nature-based sensitive skin regimen provides both the performance characteristics necessary for the management of sensitive skin as well as addresses a growing demand for the nature-based skincare formulations.

As we begin 2019, we would like to invite you to come and attend our meetings this year. Bring your friends, bring yourselves, and let’s have another year together of learning and fun.

Carolina
Florida

2018 was an exciting year for the Florida Chapter Society of Cosmetic Chemists! We held four chapter meetings throughout the state, a free CEP Course, and sponsored two University students to attend Suppliers Day and Next Gen courses. Here’s a brief summary of our highlighted events!

Our first Chapter Meeting to kick off the year was a technical presentation on ‘Skin Layer-Specific Delivery of Actives Using Double Encapsulation’ presented by Jereon van den Bosch of Ultra Chemical at Dave and Busters in Ft. Lauderdale. All our members walked away with a better understanding of encapsulation and its importance in delivering actives to the skin.

We then moved on to our February meeting which was held in Tampa; this time the topic was ‘A Novel Cationic Humectant with Proven Efficacy’ presented by Dennis Abbeduto of Colonial Chemical.

In March we had a talk entitled ‘Super Hero Silicones for Water’ presented by Tania Viana of Grant Industries. We were also gearing up for Suppliers Day where we sponsored two University Students. With the help of Marie Rinaldi as their guide, the students walked away with the experience of a lifetime.

Next was our CEP Course which we offered for FREE to ALL Florida Chapter Members which was instructed by David Steinburg & Moe Lovelace. The course was about ‘International Regulatory Updates’ with very informative details on current and future regulations and also the HOT TOPIC, CBD in Cosmetics.

We closed the year with our final Chapter Meeting in Orlando, FL at Andretti Indoor Karting & Games where Jim Mosbaugh of Copperhead Chemical Company gave a technical presentation on ‘Novel Preparation for Liquid Crystal Mixture of Plant Derived Water Soluble, Antimicrobial Medium Chain Monoglycerides’.
During 2018, the Michigan Chapter of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists hosted three unique chapter meetings as well as a full day educational symposium with social event. We had an amazing year with our highest number of members to date. We were also very proud to have a full roster of volunteers and multiple individuals run for officer positions for 2019.

This year we were blessed with more speakers willing to present at our meetings than we had the time for. We had a wonderful year learning about all the different aspects of the cosmetics and personal care industry. In March, we had recognized National Women’s Day with our Women Who Soar in Science event. We had a great time learning about the cosmetic industry from the differing perspectives of running a small cosmetics business to the fundamental research involved. At our May meeting we had the opportunity to take a break from skin science and dive into personal care industry with our event Enough skin: It’s time for Hair and Nails.

In September we focused on the natural side of the business with our Naturals Symposium. The night before we hosted a social event at New Holland Brewing’s – The Knickerbocker. The symposium topics covered all aspects of the natural cosmetic industry; from current regulations and claims to trends, and from formulation to responsible sourcing. During the event we also held a student poster session and contest for best poster. We had several students from University of Toledo present at the event. We want to say congratulations again to Mariam Abou Dahech, Kendra Kutcher and Casey Dunigan on your first, second and third place awards. We also want to thank all the students who presented and helped make our event so informative!

At our November meeting we enjoyed learning about the different sustainable initiatives at work to protect our plant. The There’s No Planet B: Significance of Sustainable Beauty event looked at the developments in packaging and formulation as well as major corporations’ efforts to make an impact. We conducted our 2019 officer installation and continued our Toys for Tots campaign.

The Best Speaker Award from the Michigan Chapter of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists for 2018 went to Shannon Hess, Associate Director of Responsible Sourcing from Burt’s Bees. Shannon presented at our September Symposium. Her presentation was titled “Responsible Sourcing in Natural Cosmetics.” The Michigan Chapter wants to say thank you to Shannon and congratulations!

We were very proud to continue our support of the National SCC in 2018 by sponsoring the pen giveaway at the SCC Annual Meeting in New York City. We hope you put yours to good use! This year we also reached the new membership retention goal of 85% (we reached 88% retention) which earned us a $1,000 bonus.

We are entering 2019 with goals to continue improving the professionalism and education in our industry, promote and set high standards for research, strengthen our own education through the sharing of science, grow our professional network, provide the public confidence in the science behind consumer products, and ultimately advance cosmetic science!

From all of us in the Michigan Chapter, best wishes for a wonderful New Year!
April 2018

On April 26th the Personal Care Products Council (PCPC), located in Washington, DC, hosted the first event of 2018 for the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Society of Cosmetics Chemists (MASCC).

The guest speaker was Lisa Powers, Executive Vice President of Public Affairs & Communication for the Personal Care Products Council. Lisa addressed the group with an engaging presentation on “Communicating Science in a Challenging New World.” Lisa discussed challenges the industry faces with messaging and the importance of advocating. More than 25 attendees from the Mid-Atlantic region attended the event.

June 2018

On June 28th the MASCC hosted a “Fragrance Overview Event.” The event was held at the Norfolk Botanical Gardens in Norfolk, Va.

The Fragrance Overview Event featured three phenomenal speakers who discussed the science behind, the marketing and future of fragrances. The event presenters included:

• Steve Herman, President of Diffusion, LLC, presented Fragrance 101.
• Andy O'Shea, Senior Vice President at Berje Inc. and Tom Lauzurica, Marketing Manager at Berje Inc. presented, The Future Forecast of Fragrances.
• Dr. Robert Coots, R&D Manager at Colonial Chemical presented Fragrance Solubilization.

The Fragrance Overview event was well attended. After the presentations attendees were able to explore the Norfolk Botanical Gardens.
August 2018

On August 9th the MASCC hosted a free Virtual Event “Emerging Trends in Personal Care.” The event presenters included:

• Arnoldo Fonesca, Marketing Manager at Evonik Industries presented *The Creation and Importance of Halal Formulations*.

• Chris Johnson, Managing Director at Kinetic Tech presented *The Future of Preservatives*.

• Erin Turner, Cosmetic Marketing Manage at BASF and Betty Aucar, Technical Account Manager at BASF presented *Color Trends*.

The virtual event was a big success. Many attendees viewed the webinar with fellow colleagues.
November 2018

- Presidents Night was held on November 7th at Texas de Brazil in Richmond, Va. During Presidents Night, Stanley Milstein - Senior Area IV Director Installed the MASCC Officers for 2019.
- CEP Course - On November 8th the MASCC hosted a CEP course Liquid Foundation Emulsion Technology at Fareva, located in Richmond, Va. The course instructors were Mark Chandler, President of ACT Solutions Corp. and Jane Hollenberg, JCH Consulting.

Thank you to all who attended the Mid-Atlantic Chapter’s events.

Sincerely,

The 2018 MASCC board:
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            (Personal Care Products Council)
72nd Annual Scientific Meeting & Technology Showcase Highlights

We’ve closed another year with another fantastic Annual Meeting. The Society’s 72nd Annual Scientific Meeting & Technology Showcase was the highlight of 2018. With these photos, you can relive the awe, excitement, level of science and fun networking opportunities presented at The Sheraton New York Times Square where 1,300 of your peers convened. The SCC’s Annual Meeting is where the world connected for the best cosmetic science education!

*Special thanks to all of our speakers for helping us raise the bar on the level of science presented at the 2018 event!*
The 2018 Maison G. de Navarre Award, the Society’s highest honor, was presented to Anthony J. O’Lenick by 2018 SCC President, Perry Romanowski. Tony is currently the President of Siltech, a company that develops, manufactures and markets a full line of organo-functional silicone compounds and related specialties. Tony has authored more than 50 articles and 6 books and serves as a contributing author to the column in Household & Personal Care Today and in Cosmetics & Toiletries. He has served on the IFSCC Praesidium as the Education Chair and some of his SCC National activities include Area Director, Treasurer, Vice President and President. We are honored to present him with this award and look forward to all of his continued contributions to the industry!

The 2018 Merit Award was presented to Amy Wyatt. Our policy manual describes the award as recognizing a member of the Society for distinguished contributions, achievements and service to the Society on a National Level. Amy has a long record of service to the Society of Cosmetic Chemists. She has been an active SCC member since 1994 and has since served as an Area Director, Vice President, President and, until recently, represented the US Society as the President of the IFSCC. All this and more showcase her dedication to the Society and her spirit of volunteerism.

The 2018 Henry Maso Keynote Lecture Award, sponsored by Siltech Corporation and the Maso Family, was presented to Michael McAlpine, Ph.D. for his presentation entitled, “3D Printing Electronics on the Skin”. Dr. McAlpine presented on the idea that the ability to three-dimensionally interweave biological and functional materials could enable the creation of devices possessing unique and compelling geometries, properties, and functionalities. This award recognizes an outstanding lecturer of the 72nd Annual Scientific Meeting specifically selected by the COSA Committee.

The 2018 Frontiers of Science Lecture Award, sponsored by Cosmetics & Toiletries, was presented to Charles Spence, Ph.D. for his presentation entitled, “Neuroscience-Inspired Multisensory Design in the Cosmetics Sector”. Dr. Spence delivered an exciting presentation that stressed the importance of utilizing all 5 senses to sell personal care products. His talk touched on topics of Neuroscience and its relation to consumer perception and the sensory experience. This award recognizes a speaker who has achieved exceptional national or international stature in the scientific community and for delivering a lecture at the 72nd Annual Scientific Meeting.
The 2018 Allan B. Black Award, sponsored by the Presperse Corporation, was awarded to Arvind Shah, for his paper entitled “Learnings of Fundamental Properties of the Fine Powders in Cosmetics” which was presented before the membership at the Society’s 2017 Annual Scientific Meeting. This Award is given annually for the Best Paper on Make-Up Technology either presented at the previous Annual Scientific Meeting or published in the Journal of Cosmetic Science.

The 2018 Green Star Award, sponsored by Colonial Chemical, was presented to Chaz Hudak, Ph.D. for his green formulation, AVALON ORGANICS® Moisturizing Coconut Conditioner. The Award is given to the formulator who has done the most to accomplish green formulations during the past 12-month period.

The 2018 Hans A. Schaeffer Award, sponsored by Lonza Personal Care, was presented to Jennifer Marsh, Ph.D. for her paper entitled, “Measuring Hair Damage & Strategies to Deliver Healthy Hair”, which was presented before the membership at the Society’s 2017 Annual Scientific Meeting. This award is given annually for the Most Innovative Paper presented at the previous Annual Scientific Meeting. The co-authors of this paper include; Matthew Thompson, Timothy J Hawkins, Ph.D., Arto Määttä, Ph.D., and Haibo Jiang, Ph.D.
The 2018 Des Goddard Award, sponsored by INOLEX, was presented to Xin Qu, Ph.D. for his Journal Article entitled, “The Rheological and Skin Sensory Properties of Cosmetic Emulsions: Influence of Thickening Agents”, published in the Journal of Cosmetic Science Vol. 69 No. 1. This award is given annually for the Most Innovative Paper on the topic of Polymer Science related to Cosmetics or Personal Care, presented at the previous Annual Scientific Meeting or published in the Journal of Cosmetic Science. The co-authors of this paper include; Yanan Li, Zhaoqing Zhou, Xiaomin Zhao, and Hua Zhao.

The 2018 Shaw Mudge Award, was awarded to Estelle Loing, Ph.D. for her paper entitled “Innovative Hair Care Biomimetic Peptide: A Promising Solution to Fight Gray Hair” which was presented at the 2017 Annual Scientific Meeting. This award is given for the best paper presented at the preceding Annual Scientific Meeting. The co-authors of this paper include; Joan Attia, Ph.D., Magali Borel, Joanna Wdzieczak-Bakala, Ph.D., Stephanie Scalvino, Ph.D., Elian Lati, Ph.D., Laurence Michel, Ph.D., Jean-Christophe Choulot, Ph.D., and Michel Hocquaux, Ph.D.

The 2018 Society of Cosmetic Chemists Award, sponsored by The Hallstar Company, was awarded to Ratan Chaudhuri, Ph.D., for his paper entitled “Delayed DNA Damage – How Significant is this Pathway for Skin Damage?” which was presented before the membership at the Society’s 2017 Annual Scientific Meeting. This award is given annually for the Best Paper that makes the greatest scientific contribution to knowledge in the field of protecting against or ameliorating damage to human skin caused by exposure to UV radiation presented at the Society’s previous Annual Meeting. The co-authors of this paper include; Krys Bojanowski, Ph. D., and Parvesh Singh, Ph. D.
The Student Poster Showcase is held annually to promote student research in the Cosmetics industry. The Poster Awards are sponsored by DD Chemco. Members of the Committee on Scientific Affairs judged the posters.

FIRST PLACE was Liangchen Xu and Yao Zhou from Manhattan College, SECOND PLACE was Stephanie Ventura Morris from the University of Cincinnati, THIRD PLACE was Lama Alsheddi from the University of Cincinnati and FOURTH PLACE was Trang Vu also from the University of Cincinnati.
POSTER & TABLETOP PRESENTATIONS

This year, there were 70+ companies who showcased their top innovations across the Cosmetics and Personal Care industry.
Midwest

The Midwest Chapter embarked upon 2018 with very ambitious goals. Our vision and goals for the year focused on student engagement, STEM and community outreach, fiscal planning at a more strategic level, at least one physical meeting (not skype/remote) outside the Chicago area, Homecare inclusion in events, elevating the Teamworks experience, and a renewed priority on membership value proposition.

My Year in Review is written to share the MWSCC “firsts” along these lines. Information on our traditional activities outside these firsts, including our fantastic chapter monthly meetings and speakers/topics, can be found at www.midwestscc.org via our SCCOOP newsletter section.

STEM outreach is how we started our 2018 year, with a chapter donation of $1000 to help a team of students at Fox Valley Christian Academy as they advanced from a regional level competition to sectional, state, national and even the global competition! Team C3s was coached by none other than our former MWSCC Chair Scott Wenzel of Kimberly Clark. Their FIRST Lego League (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) project was Solar Safe, a solar puffer that floats on water and wicks water into the main chamber where sunlight is captured to create heat and condense water. The condensed water is free of dirt, chemicals, salt and microbes. It rolls down the acrylic cover where it is collected. The unit also used copper surfaces and pipes to capture water and ensure it remains clean in the collection chamber. And these budding scientists are only in grades 4-7!

The MWSCC Board is working hard to find other worthy STEM projects, teams and students to support – as our nonprofit educational society is committed to the future scientists of the world. Christine Daraska of Croda for years has participated on behalf of the MWSCC at various science days in Chicago and suburbs. Crystal Rampaul of TH Hilson (a Ravago Company) is working with Chris to engage other chapter members in this endeavor – as our only limit to participation in these events is the volunteer hours it takes.

University of Toledo students have led the field in recent years with our chapter’s NextGen efforts – but University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) is another institution where MWSCC is forging a deeper relationship. The College of Engineering in particular has engaged with us – not only for career fairs – but actual participation for events like our Fall Meeting and SCJ tour in Racine WI.

Lisa Kringas of Vantage Chemical, our 2019 MWSCC Chair, coordinated the WI meeting and it was a smashing success! The chapter is committed to better reach outside Chicago and IL – and our first attempt in many years meeting outside IL had over 90 attendees! The meeting was held in Racine WI – as the chapter targeted SC Johnson as one of the companies overlapping Personal Care and Home Care for which we would like to increase membership, education and activities.
The SCJ campus tour was held in the afternoon, followed by a dinner meeting with Dow Chemical educating us about Silicone regulations in various global regions. Thanks to the financial success of Teamworks, the chapter was able to fund 2 vans at no cost to members in IL desiring to attend the Racine WI meeting without having to drive – with 1 of the vans dedicated just to UIC students.

Teamworks was a success again this year – with some awesome “firsts” of its own. Thanks to Crystal Rampaul and Rachel Grabenhofer (of Allured), not only did we have student posters for the first time ever at Teamworks – we had 14 posters from 6 educational institutions! Corporate sponsorships enabled the Midwest Chapter to cover the costs for all 14 students to stay at a hotel near the venue, participate in our Social Night, and for travel to/from the event. In conjunction with the NYSCC Chapter, the first and second place poster winners, Margaret Gorz and Syndey Holland (both from University of Toledo) enjoyed a fully paid trip to a New Formulators workshop during NYSCC Suppliers Day. Thank you Marcie Papadakis (of Neuryon) for coordinating the Poster Judging, as I am told decisions were hard and the scores were close. Both Margaret and Sydney are now employed by Nuskin and Estee Lauder – joining other recent students whose MWSCC involvement resulted in placement at member companies of ours like Azelis, Solo Labs, American Blending and Ecoco. The NextGen initiative is seeing much deeper relationships between MWSCC, other chapters and SCC National with various institutions and individual students throughout the nation.

Teamworks enjoyed record-breaking attendance for our Social Night with over 300 people! We automated our Call for Papers and Call for Posters so everything was done online. We elevated our sponsorship levels, combining Social Night and Teamworks and offering more sponsorship options for companies to choose from. Sponsorships enabled things like a University of Toledo booth – our first booth at Teamworks from a NextGen educational partner. We did an extensive post-event survey that provided excellent input on how to make Teamworks 2020 even better. Cinda Carlson (my Teamworks co-Chair), IAMI (our tradeshow vendor) and PDR Designs (our webmaster) did an incredible job – especially since incorporating as many changes as we did into the event was not easy.

Teamworks also benefited from continued collaboration and support from SCC National and NYSCC. NYSCC sponsored a booth as well as a breakfast. National SCC sponsored and staffed a booth – but also organized 2 CEP courses the day before our Teamworks Education and Suppliers Day. Both NYSCC and National are now a key part of our event that we expect will continue year after year.

Marcie Papadakis renewed our efforts on membership, going beyond member retention and into truly understanding and communicating the value of SCC membership. Marcie worked tirelessly to position us better than we have in years for early capture of member renewals. She has developed materials around SCC value, and positioned member survey questions, to capture how we can best serve our members – and those who are not members by understanding what companies and individuals most seek from our educational organization.
We went digital on our communications this year for our SCCOOP newsletter, and our website got better each month as PDR designs elevated aesthetics and content throughout the year. Our events and activities are literally reliant on the quality of our promotion and ease of registration of each event and activity – it cannot be overstated how important this function is to our success. We were one of the last chapters to stop printing and mailing our newsletter. The printing and postage were not only expensive – but time consuming – posing challenges literally every month to be able to get the issues mailed out in time for early registration discounts for our events. The chapter sadly incurred a large personal loss when our webmaster, Paul Romanowski, died suddenly and at a young age, in December. It is with heavy heart we had to say good-bye to Paul unexpectedly, as he was such an integral part of our chapter success in recent years. Perry Romanowski is working with our 2019 MWSCC Board to continue our news and registration functions as a permanent solution is found.

Quick Books was implemented by our Treasurer-Elect, Frank Wagner (of SCT) with help from SCC National Treasurer Liz Streland (of Croda) along with other changes in how we capture and report our financial activities. The result is that we have ready and immediate access to very detailed information around revenue and expense streams for all our events and activities. It used to take us days (literally) to compose our year-end financial statement and annual budget. With the improvements undertaken by Frank, this now takes only a few hours. All activities, events and questions during the year related to finances have seen similar gains in efficiency and time – our most valuable resource!

It was a year of vision, hard work and diligence – exhausting but rewarding! Our chapter remains challenged for enough volunteers at a leadership level to continue the quality of programs, activity and enrichment undertaken this past year. We look to our National and Area II leaders and colleagues to help us with this ongoing challenge.

A big thank you to the “village” it takes to make MWSCC a success, our dedicated 2018 MWSCC Board. One of whom, Anatoly Dameshek, received the Stanley Allured Lifetime Award for service to the MWSCC chapter – along with Frank Jarzembski, post-humous (a first):

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Greetings! A combination of unpredictable weather in January and speaker conflicts gave us a slow start to the year. Our first chapter meeting was held in March. Sonal Patil from Seppic, gave an engaging presentation entitled “Green is the New Black!” on the state of naturals in the industry. Attendees learned a lot about the different certifying agencies in different markets, what their requirements all. Sonal also presented emerging claims that may be the next big idea... or the next ingredient to avoid.

April brought us Curt Durfee from Twincraft Skincare. Curt leads Twincraft’s innovation group on the soap side of the business. He led a lively discussion about all things soap: from the origins of soap, to the differences between oil saponification and fatty acid neutralization, and some very entertaining stories about how to ruin a soap plodder.

We were blessed with another beautiful June day for our annual Golf Outing. Special thanks to Andrew Slesinski, who continues to spearhead organizing the outing with Blackstone National Golf Club. We made a few changes this year to enhance the outing and look forward to another successful event in 2019!

Our September meeting was held at Living Proof’s Style|Lab in Cambridge. Jim Hammer of Pharmasol gave a great overview on all the aspects of formulating aerosols: from the different types of aerosols to formulation challenges and regulatory aspects. All peppered with amusing anecdotes.

Karl Popp arranged an amazing list of speakers for our Educational Seminar. This year’s focus was on Cosmetic Product Preservation. Steve Schnittger from Estee Lauder, Howard Brown from Lincoln Fine Ingredients, Rocco Burgo from Inoless, Dr. Patrick Crowley from Callum Consultancy, and Tia Alkazzaz from Active Micro Technologies all did an amazing job enlightening us on the trends, changing regulations, and challenges facing chemists while selecting the right preservative system. Special thanks to our sponsors – Active Micro Technologies, Koster Keunen, Lincoln Fine Ingredients, Lubrizol, Schülke, Symrise, and Thor Specialty Chemicals – for your support and tabletop presentations.

In November, Giorgio Dell’Acqua came – in a snow storm – to present on Sustainable Product Development. Giorgio gave some interesting case studies were companies are working together to reuse parts of plants that typically end up as waste. One example is taking citrus fruit peels from the juice industry to extract essential oils. I’d encourage everyone to check out the blog he hosts for the New York Chapter at https://nyscc.org/about/blog.

We also ended the year with 2018 National President, Perry Romanowski, who also braved the snow to install our new officers for 2019. The officers are:

- Emily Nichols – Chair
- Kaylee Miller – Chair Elect
- Joy Welsh – Secretary
- Beth McGowan – Treasurer

Thank you,

Lauren Trahan,
2018 Chair
New York

NYSCC 2018 DEFINED AS “RECORD-BREAKING”

2018 boasted sold-out programs, the largest NYSCC SUPPLIERS’ DAY EVENT in both number of exhibitors and attendees, and unmatched number of strategic alliances with other industry associations, publications and “sister” SCC Chapters that allowed us to expand our mission of education and engagement.

“The Art & Science of Formulation” was our theme and we focused on not only scientific disciplines, but on the creative forces that bring products to life. These platforms were weaved into many of our programs and were the driving factors in the year’s success.

Here is a breakdown of the 2018 chapter activities & accomplishments:

**UNMATCHED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING:**  Chair- Steve Herman, House- Suzanne Dawis, Registration- Alex Blakeman, Public Relations- Judith Bernabe, Social – Andrea Gafford, Cosmetiscope- Roger McMullen PhD

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NYSCC SUPPLIERS’ DAY 2018 @ NYC JAVITS CONVENTION CENTER. The city/venue continues to prove successful for this brand. Once again led by ECMA Show Management: Jane McDermott, Erin Layton and Team, with key support from the NYSCC Committee, including: Giorgino Macalino, John Carola, Giorgio Dell’Acqua, Sophia Chen, Reese Phamduy, Andrea Gafford & Team, Elizabeth Kaufman, and Maria Mo to name a few.

Highlights of BEAUTY WEEK that Suppliers’ Day anchored included:

- A ribbon cutting ceremony highlighting Art & Science with invited guests from NYC’s iconic museums (representing art) and industry associations (representing science); a sampling of participants included: Museum of Natural History, Cooper Hewitt, NYCxDESIGN, PeclersParis, ICMAD, IFSCC, and PCPC.
- More than 460 exhibitors from 60 countries
- Nearly 9,500 attendees
- A show floor occupying a massive 87,000 sq. feet of contiguous space
- AWARDS NIGHT, the opening reception for SUPPLIERS’ DAY; there were 4 sponsors of varying levels and nearly 1,000 in attendance at the social highlight of Suppliers’ Day.
- Education on the show floor included: Future Chemists Worship, Discover Sustainability, and the World of Chemistry.
- Programs in adjacent meeting rooms included: SCC CEP Courses on the pre-day to the opening; HAPPI’s Anti-Aging Conference; PeclersParis Trends Breakfast; Digital Age of Beauty and a panel featuring CEW’s INNOVATION AWARDS Finalists. ICMAD hosted their regulatory program post-show day at PeclersParis offices in Columbus Circle with CEW’s BEAUTY AWARDS closing the week on May 18, 2018 in the New York Hilton.
- In addition to the PRESENTATION THEATER on the show floor which included sessions on trends, microbiome, and more, the exhibit floor included a French Pavilion, as well as a SCC MEMBERSHIP BOOTH for all chapters’ participation.
- A membership breakfast/drive also took place on the show floor: members were invited to attend “and bring a non-member” guest to learn about all that is offered through SCC MEMBERSHIP.
- A registration raffle sent a Suppliers’ Day attendee to the IFSCC in the Fall.
NYSCC SOCIAL & NETWORKING SPECIAL EVENTS
Chair, Amy Marshall
- Annual Ski Trip, Chair-Amy Marshall
- Annual Golf Outing, Chair- Jim Fransisco
- 10th Annual Culinary Event, Chair- Johanna Gigliotti

NYSCC SUPPORTS EDUCATION
Chair- Giorgino Macalino, during SCC Annual Meeting in NYC Benefitting:
- Fairleigh Dickinson University - School of Natural Sciences – Bio Safety Hood
- Rutgers – Counter ACT Research Symposium
- Cullman Laboratory for Career Research
- Muhlenberg College Summer Student Research: Fragrance Materials and Fixatives for Personal Care Products grant of $7500 and Dr. Robert Fuller will be picking it up. Trenton Catholic Academy - Project Lead The Way Science Program
- Pace University – grant was issued for classroom supplies including books, and college tour trips

NYSCC SPONSORS SCC EVENTS - Uniting sister chapters
- SWSCC Suppliers’ Day
- Midwest SCC – Teamwork
- Florida SCC
- IFSCC Congress in Munich
- SCC 73rd Annual Meeting & Technology Showcase

EXPANDED PARTNERSHIPS – Outreach to increase membership and drive attendance at our flagship, NYC expo Suppliers’ Day included expanded plans with existing partners and new alliances:
- SCC, IFSCC
- HAPPI, PERSONAL CARE MAGAZINE, C&T, GLOBAL COSMETIC INDUSTRY, SPECIALCHEM ONLINE, SOFW, Expression Cosmetique, Euro Cosmetics
- PERSONAL CARE PRODUCT COUNCIL (PCPC), ICMAD, CEW, IKW
- PECLERS PARIS
- FCE COSMETIQUE
New York continued

New: There is more!

To boost our educational program and communications to our members, the Scientific Advisory Committee (chaired by Giorgio Dell’Acqua PhD), reviewed programming for Suppliers’ Day and also created and participated in a standing room only program at MAKE UP NYC; this was the inaugural “technology share” event and one that should continue at other, related industry events. A member initiative that included a mentorship program was spearheaded by a committee co-chaired by Mohamed Abdulla & Mohamed Omer. We participated in a “Walk With Walsh” where Cathy Piterksi was able to speak about all of the programs that make-up NYSCC and how Suppliers’ Day in NY is the anchor of events not only for the NY CHAPTER but Nationally (this social segment captures 20,000+ viewers).

To enhance exhibitor and attendee engagement and interaction at Suppliers’ Day while also allowing attendees to make the most efficient use of their time on-site, we launched COSMETIC RAWS: a robust, searchable database that allows Suppliers’ Day exhibiting companies to upload almost unlimited information on their raw materials/ingredients.

We also hosted the HAPPI Anti-Aging Conference at Suppliers’ Day, and again held a press event in NYC during IN COS North America at ULIVO – a restaurant that highlights essential ingredients. NYSCC continues with scholarship donations to universities and sponsored students from sister chapters to join the FUTURE CHEMISTS WORKSHOP for the first time (students came from Chicago/MWSCC and Florida chapters). We anticipate expanding this program and inviting students from other chapters in the future.

In the Fall we established a partnership with American Perfumery Association to co-host a FRAGRANCE track at Suppliers’ Day 2019. While in Munich at IFSCC’s Congress, we confirmed our participation as a benefactor of IFSCC moving forward. To strengthen international appeal and continue to expand our global audience, we also initiated conversations with IKW on a SAFETY/REGULATORY PROGRAM for Suppliers’ Day 2019.

To end the year, we finalized an agreement with CEW to formally sponsor the CEW Supplier’s Award: Ingredients and Formulations. We will announce the winner at NYSCC AWARDS NIGHT on May 7th – just like the iconic awards programs host TECHNICAL/SCIENTIFIC AWARDS in advance of the actual “awards day,” we will follow suit. The winner will then be introduced again on video at the CEW BEAUTY AWARDS 10 days later. This is a key partnership, CEW allows us to have a voice to 9,000 cosmetic executives spanning many disciplines within their organizations – many of whom are in the NY area and could have interest in participating/attending our programs. CEW members are also a highly desirable demographic for suppliers.

The 2018 NYSCC Executive Board:
Cathy Piterksi, Sonia Dawson, Roumelia Alina, Michael Smith, Stephen Carter and Marie Thadal

Big thanks to all the Committee chairs and subcommittees, Event chairs, Speakers, Awards finalists and winner, Education night sponsors, Program events’ sponsors, Suppliers’ Day exhibitors and sponsors, Membership and sister chapters, SCC and IFSCC

Keep NYSCC’s strong momentum going:
Register Now for SUPPLIERS’ DAY 2019 May 7-8, 2019 at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in New York celebrating its 40th Anniversary! Visit www.nyscc.org

Below are just a few of the incredible moments captured throughout the year.
We are so pleased to have had record membership for 2018! A big “thank you” goes out to our committed and new members.

The year started out on a high note with a talk from Perry Romanowski on “Becoming a Cosmetic Chemist” which was held at Seneca College and aimed toward students of their Cosmetic Science program.

Late winter, we held a regulatory day which was offered free to members. The program included ‘Prop 65 updates’ from Gayle Fortin, ‘Canadian regulation updates’ from Teena Warrin and ‘global regulatory updates’ from David Saucier.

Our regular evening meetings were all well enjoyed. We had an inspiring talk from Lauren Goodsitt of Mintel presenting ‘global cosmetics trends’. We were also pleased to offer expert information from our own Shahin Kalantari on Organic Cosmetics! Not to mention, Neil Kochar’s presentation, representative from the National Research Council of Canada, on innovation assistance available for Canadian small and medium sized enterprises.

Our annual golf tournament was held once again at the beautiful Caledon Woods Golf Club in July. It was a great day for our members to get outside for the day and enjoy some leisure time together. A delicious buffet dinner followed the tournament along with awards and prizes.

Education Day was a “Lipid Academy” course taught by Benjamin Schwartz, which was also offered free to members. For this talk, Ben was the recipient of the 2018 SCC Ontario Chapter Speaker Award!

The year ended with our annual holiday dinner dance which was held at The Venetian Banquet Hall. It was another sold out event that was fun filled right until the end! Matt Dean entertained us with music and singing and we had an exotic Latin dance show by Latin Energy. We had a record success with our annual toy drive for toy mountain which supports Family Services Food Banks and 9 Shelters throughout Toronto and the Durham, York and Peel regions!
Quebec

2018 has been a busy year with special and education events for the Quebec Chapter. Indeed, we organized different events more frequently to reach more people in our industry. During the last year, the Quebec Chapter was able to present very good conferences, including “how to identify customer needs” presented by Daniel Leblanc. In this conference, Mr. Leblanc presented methods and solutions to help businesses better understand the needs of their customers. The questions of a minimum viable product and issues of validation by the consumer were discussed as well as some tools and practical tips for identifying market opportunities. This presentation was broadcast via web camera to Quebec City, where people who were even 162 miles away from Montreal attended the conference.

The second topic presented to the Quebec Membership was on the theme of “Sunscreens in the 21St Century” and was presented by Julian P. Hewitt. In this seminar held in March, the consumer trends in UV protection and the evolution of the industry regarding the UV filter were discussed. Part of this presentation also addressed the regulatory aspects of sunscreen products. This presentation was also broadcast to Quebec City.

For our summer event, we chose to hold two conferences on entrepreneurship in Quebec. This event was held at the ITHQ of Montreal which was the perfect place to welcome Ms. Mariana Royer (President and CEO of ForeXtra Bio Laboratories) and Mr. Roger Southin (President at SoSen - Functionalab, Jouviance). Each one was kind enough to share their experiences on business creation in cosmetics. Their strategies for getting on the market, their challenges and their inspirations were shared with the 65 people who participated in this event.

We also offered to our members an exceptional Education Day on the skin microbiome. During this day, we welcomed 4 experts from the field. Mr. Daniel Auriol, Ph. D in microbiology presented the state of the art and the methodology on microbiota. Mr. Herve Offredo addressed the question “why keeping a good balance of bacteria is desirable for our skin”. Mr. Philip Ludwing introduced an overview and opportunities to understand and modulate skin colonization. The day was concluded by a presentation from Ms. Sara Caballero on “Skin microbiome: applications in the cosmetic field”. This event was held in the national library of Montréal, ideal place for sharing knowledge.

This year, we organized a fantastic Supplier’s Day. We had numerous scientific presentations and booths for suppliers. We had a record attendance for this event. Finally, we held our Christmas party at the gourmet restaurant L’Auberge Saint-Gabriel, in the heart of Old Montreal. This 300-year-old institution has inspired its owners Marc Bolay, Garou and Guy Laliberté to make it a premier dining destination, in a setting filled with playful winks about our past.

Below, please enjoy some of the photos taken at our events.
Southeast

What a fabulous year 2018 was for the Southeast Chapter! We were able to host three very informative scientific meetings, have a fun filled supplier social and end with a stylish Officer installation meeting.

Our first meeting of the year started in beautiful downtown Chattanooga, Tennessee at the St. John’s Restaurant. Professor Douglas G. Hayes (Department of Biosystems Engineering and Soil Science, University of Tennessee) gave a current and well-received presentation on Preparing Manuscripts for Publication and Assessing the Quality of Manuscripts and Publications.

In April, the “Bluff City” Memphis, Tennessee served as a perfect venue for our talk on “Requirements for New Raw Materials to be Used in the Cosmetic Industry”. Ms. Tanujakumari Ramasubramaniam (Tanuja), who serves in the capacity of Associate Regulatory Specialist at Revlon, gave a very enlightening presentation and our host facility “Char Restaurant” provided a delicious and satisfying meal.

The month of June brought forth our inaugural Supplier Social Event, which this year was held at the splendid Fire Museum in Memphis, TN. Located in the heart of downtown Memphis, the FMOM is considered the premiere fire museum in the country, dedicated to documenting and promoting the local history of fire-fighting and educating the public in fire and life safety. Prior to our dinner and fun giveaways, the FMOM provided interactive exhibits as well as cool video documentation.

September definitely did not disappoint, as we headed to the rolling hills of Murfreesboro, Tennessee. There, the fine establishment of Five Senses Restaurant, was gracious enough to close down operations to cater solely to our event. Paul Slavashevich, Symrise, presented a very enlightening talk titled “Modern Product Protection - Regulatory Landscape, Trends and Solutions”. It indeed sparked conversations that continue to this day.

In November, the Southeast Chapter Officer Installation meeting was held in Memphis at Season’s 52 Restaurant, where the 2018 Chapter Officers were thanked for their year of service to the Southeast Chapter and the newly appointed Officers for 2019 were graciously welcomed. The evening was concluded in truly fine fashion as we were able to provide a true pillar in our chapter, John Wagner, with a special trophy of recognition for over 30 years’ service in the SCC. While John is officially retired, he will look to serve as special assistant going forward.

Let’s see if we can top this in 2019!!!! We look forward to trying!
Southwest

2018 was an exciting year with several milestone events. From our 7 regular Chapter Meetings:

- Our Meet & Greet Mixer at Whiskey Cake in January was a tremendous success and we learned about the science behind whiskey!
- February was a very enlightening presentation on Target Delivery Systems held at Arthur’s.
- A Crash Course in Preservatives was our March topic given by our Speaker of the Year, Chris Johnson from Kinetik.
- April’s topic was Mega Trends to help the cosmetic chemist stay ahead of the curve on new concepts.
- Our May topic was a timely discussion of Anti-Pollution and its role in cosmetics.
- October was a first for the SWSCC as the meeting was held in HOUSTON and was very well attended. We will continue to have at least one meeting there per year!
- Our CEP course was held in November and we were treated to all you ever wanted to know about Polymers in Cosmetics and more!

Our special events included:

- April Golf Outing – our most successful Golf event ever, held at Cowboy’s Golf Club. Beautiful day at a legendary course made even more pleasant by the generous donations of our dedicated sponsors. Good day even if you aren’t a pro golfer! Jeff Barcafar, Mary Miller and Alison Nally are your committee members for the Golf Outings.
- July’s Fun Event was a Murder Mystery – Of Sound Mind and Dead Body. The audience was challenged to determine the “who done it” …..
- 2018 was the year for our SWSCC Suppliers’ Day event at the Irving Convention Center. Record number of booths with new and more attendee friendly layout, new after show party (with armadillo racing) and a record amount of donations all contributed to our semi-annual event. Make sure to thank your committee of Mary Miller, Mauricio Castro and Alison Nally (Co-Chairs) and Melissa Mata, Vallerie Deleon, Terry Easley, Joy Roederer, Andra Corder for a HUGE job well done.
- And to finish the year, the most popular event in the entire SCC (in my opinion anyway) – The SWSCC Dinner / Dance. The theme this year was “Gatsby Style” held at the Hilton Granite Park. Theme related decorations, giveaways, entertainment, casino, dancing, music – all resulted in a most enjoyable evening and having a “roaring good time”! We always collect unwrapped toys to be donated to the Children’s Medical Center for their Holiday Party – truly a worthy cause – thanks to Emultec for getting the toys to the hospital. Your committee was Daniel Ramirez (Chair), Terry Easley, Andra Corder and Alison Nally.

We are already hard at work for our 2019 events – make sure to come join us!
2018 was a fun year filled with Superbugs, Medicinal Plants, and Innovation!

Our first event was an enormous success, scheduled on March 28th at Bone Fish Grill for a dinner meeting. We were honored to have Professor Gautam Dantas from Washington University School of Medicine as our first speaker. His talk was on “Antibiotic-Resistant Superbugs”, and he also won St Louis Speaker of the Year. “Dantas’ Lab works at the interface of microbial genomics, ecology, synthetic biology, and systems biology, to understand, harness, and engineer the biochemical processing potential of microbial communities.”

Our second event was on June 15th at the St Louis Botanical Gardens for a lunch meeting in the garden. Wendy Applequest, Ph.D. spoke about the identification, quality control, and systematics of medicinal plants. Wendy’s research places an emphasis on the characterization of botanical materials for biomedical research, and chemical variability within and among medicinal plant species.

Our annual Scientific Symposium was September 7th and it was information filled at a wonderful venue. We had six speakers: Mahila Syed, Ph.D. (Avlon) spoke on Innovations in Textured Hair, Beth Kroeger (Steris Corporation) presented on Medical Marijuana, LaWanda Brooks (SweetHead Naturals) discussed bringing health and wellness to the hair salon, Mark Miller (Fitz Chem LLC) spoke on Consumer Trends and what they mean for your next reformulation, Jim Masucci (Monsanto) detailed what is killing our honey bees and what are we doing to combat one of their major pests, and finally Tom Meyer (Chemia) addressed Innovation in Scent: From Fine Fragrance to Functionality.

Our final 2018 event was on November 15th for a dinner meeting at Favazzas’s on the Hill, in the St Louis Italian district. During this event the 2019 Board Members were installed by Area II Director Yulia Park. The Annual Holiday Party and Officer Installation was a time to welcome new board members and celebrate a great year.

Tiffany Collis
2018 St Louis SCC Chapter Chair
As I write this review looking at the subzero temperatures we have in Minnesota, I recall the amazing events we have had this past year. We had some very engaging topics at our monthly meetings with a kick off in February by Anna Howe from Evonik, on the synergies of different conditioning agents for haircare.

March brought us Dr. Jon Anderson from Actives International, where we got some great insight into a time old practice Fermentation and how biotransformation of actives as a novel route with proven efficacy for the industry and a great example of using the principles of Green Chemistry.

We got our local spring flower, Jim Vlasic from Greenway Research Labs, for the April meeting. With his many years in the product development area, Jim gave us a schooling on the basics of developing cleansing products.

This then took us into warm June and our most populous event, our Summer Golf outing. And as always, the Golf Gods smiled on us again with fantastic weather. Thanks to the Dynamic Duo, Steve Beauchaine and Phil Leith, who have been organizing the event for more than 25 years. As always, the event was an amazing success.

Fall, is another gorgeous season in the Twin Cities mostly because that is when the state bird (The Mosquito) dies off! Our September gathering was a newer style of event for our chapter started by the 2017 board, a poster session at one of the great breweries we have in the Twin Cities for some lessons in the art of beer making and tasting. I think this also made a comfortable environment for suppliers and Chemists to interact and talk about ingredients and technologies.

Continuing with the industry education our October meeting was on Preservation trends in Cosmetics by Rocco Burgo from Inolex speaking on conventional and non-conventional preservation approaches and the impacts on the industry. Similarly, we had a great November event with Dr. Pete LeBaron from ICM products on Silicones and the hybrid solutions to potentially substitute for formulations, which was followed by the officer installation carried out by Jacklin Hoffelt our area III Director.

With that, I would like to welcome the 2019 TCCSCC board, Melissa Christenson (Chair), Justin Steinke (Treasurer), Mariisa Plescia (Secretary), and Jim Vlasic (Chair-Elect).

Also, my sincere thanks to Nadalia Helland, Kristen Haakenson, and Chad Pavlis for their support and work over the year as it was great to work with such enthusiasm. Looking forward to 2019 events including our Holistic Symposium on March 12th and 13th and continued success of the chapter.

Divyesh Patel,
2018 Twin Cities Chapter Chair
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