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## SCC Southeast Chapter Officer Installation and End of Year Celebration

**Thursday, November 16th, 2023**

**Jim's Place Grille, 3660 Houston Levee Road,  
Collierville, TN.**

5:00 –6:00 pm Registration/Cocktails

6:00 pm Dinner

7:00 pm Officer Installation

\$50 – SCC members

\$45 – Retired SCC members

\$60 – non-SCC members

Complimentary registration for Past Southeast Chapter Chairs  
and Emeritus Members.

RSVP by Monday, November 13th, 2023 To Cynthia Thomas,  
[southeastssc@gmail.com](mailto:southeastssc@gmail.com), [cthomas@jstrickland.net](mailto:cthomas@jstrickland.net) or 662-890-  
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Or register and pay online!

[Register and Pay](#)

(Note: No refunds will be available for anyone who pays with a credit card before the  
meeting.)



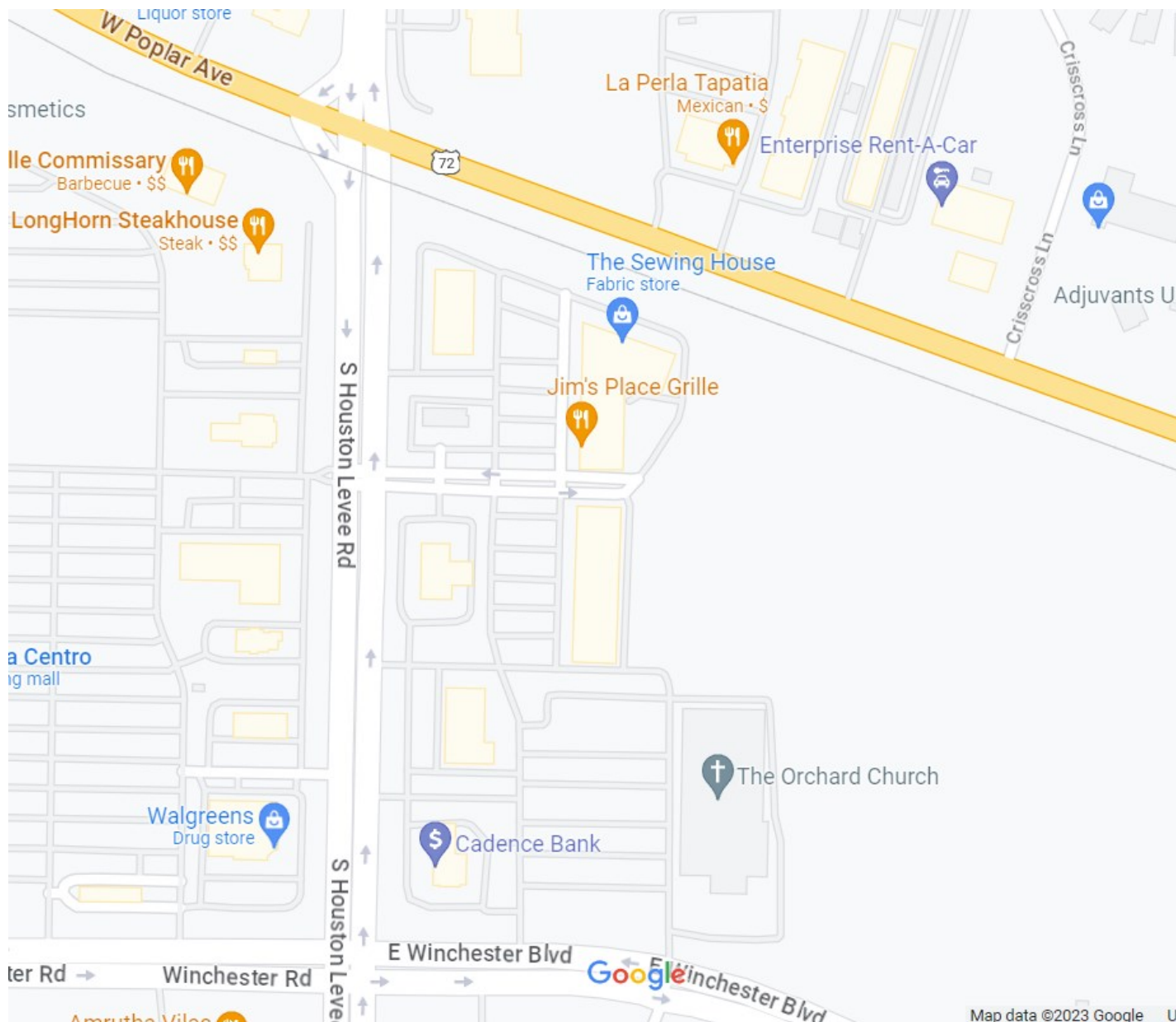
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## Scholarship Winner



If you are attending, be sure to congratulate the winner of our Southeast Chapter 2023 Scholarship sponsored by J. Strickland & Co., Sharae Gipson. Sharae plans to join us for this Officer Installation meeting. She is a chemistry major in the School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff, majoring in Chemistry/ Biochemistry with a minor in Business. She is a member of the NextGen Advisory Committee of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists, and Ambassador, Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) Program, a Fellow of L'Oreal Diverse Future Leaders, and a member of the American Chemical Society.

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## Chatting with the Chair

Greetings fellow SCC members and supporters.

We had a wonderful turn-out in Murfreesboro, more than expected. Thanks to everyone that went, our officers that were able to attend and especially to our speaker Ms. Jessica Wright of Univar. It takes a lot of effort to make it all work.



We have really become the chapter that comes to you, with events this year in Memphis, Chattanooga, Johnson City and Murfreesboro. I know that our leadership next year is already planning great meetings with wonderful venues. Every year seems better than the last.

I am personally taking a small break from chapter obligations. I plan to work with National to come up with a way to encourage our companies to better support career societies such as the SCC. The SCC has been invaluable to my career, through education, networking and much more. I hope you all know how I have enjoyed serving and working with you and how much I love our chapter. I ran on a platform of “having more fun”, because I believe that when we are having fun with great people, the good work, gets done. A great example is Cubie Lamb (Area Director) working with J. Strickland to sponsor a scholarship and Ericka Bennett (upcoming chair) who led the committee to select our chapter’s scholarship recipient, Ms. Sharae Gipson. This is something that will have a positive impact on Ms. Gipson and our industry for years to come. She and people like her are our future and I think it is going to be bright.

Back to Memphis for our last meeting of the year, officer installation November 16th. Our venue is Jim’s Place Grille.

[Jim's Place Grille | 100 Years of Famous Steaks \(jimsplacegrille.com\)](https://jimsplacegrille.com)

It is going to be fun.

As always, I hope to see you there, to catch up with old friends and make some new ones. ☺

Kind Regards,

***Stephen Baldwin, 2023 Southeast Chapter Chair***

I am really going to miss sharing these great Chuck Norris Facts with y’all. LOL

Chuck Norris does not sleep, he waits.

Chuck Norris can slam revolving doors.

Chuck Norris can kill two stones with one bird.

**PS: I truly wish each and every one of you a great finish to 2023 and a wonderful 2024.**



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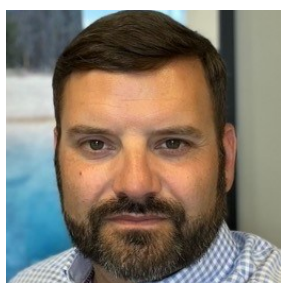
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**Employment Opportunities:** Please check our website for detailed job listings at <http://www.southeastsc.org/Employment.html>



# 2024 SCC Southeast Chapter Officers



**Congratulations and best wishes for a successful year to our newly elected Southeast Chapter Officers for 2024:**

Chair: Ericka Bennett, Medtronic

Chair Elect: Thomas O'Lenick, SurfaTech Corporation

Secretary: Cynthia Thomas, J. Strickland & Co.

Treasurer: Jenina Williams-Thomas, J. Strickland & Co.

Treasurer Elect: Dexter Williams, Crown Laboratories

## **Volunteers Needed!**

Our new officers will be actively looking for volunteers to continue to help out the Southeast Chapter promote our meetings and educate our members. If you are interested in serving as a Committee Chair or to help out with our events and membership efforts, please contact one of the officers listed on page one of the newsletter! The Society and the Southeast Chapter will be happy to have your help with newsletters, scholarship awards, selecting venues, recruiting new members, maintaining social media pages and soliciting sponsorship for our chapter.

## **Continuing Education Program (CEP) -**

### *Upcoming Education Courses In-Person and Online*

**Wednesday & Thursday, November 8 & 9, 2023** | Location: Online

**Cosmetic Product Development** - Instructed by Perry Romanowski — [Learn More](#)

**Monday & Tuesday, November 13 & 14, 2023** | Location: Online

**cGMP's for Cosmetics & OTC's** - Instructed by Karl F. Popp, R. Ph. — [Learn More](#)

**Wednesday & Thursday, November 15 & 16, 2023** | Location: Online

**Scale Up and Processing Cosmetic Formulations** - Instructed by David Yacko — [Learn More](#)



## Spelman College

### Cosmetic Science Certificate Program

Spelman College now has a Cosmetic Science Certificate program available! Under the direction of Dr. Leyte Winfield, Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Division Chair, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and eSpelman Cosmetic Science Certificate Program Leader, this online certificate program will cover the historical trends that inform beauty practices in communities of African descent, basic formulations for creating products for hair, skin, nails and teeth, effective terminology describing ingredient structure, safety, stability and function in a cosmetic product, and regulations governing production and marketing of cosmetics.

For complete information about costs, start dates, prerequisites, and the course listing, click the link below:

<https://www.spelman.edu/espelman/cosmetic-science>

For an interview with Dr. Leyte Winfield on Beauty Independent.com: <https://www.beautyindependent.com/chemistry-professor-leyte-winfield-inside-scoop-spelman-college-cosmetic-science-certification/>

### Southeast Chapter 2023 Calendar

**November 16:** “End of Year Celebration and Officer Installation” Location - Jim’s Place Grille, Collierville, TN

### Check out the Southeast Chapter’s Social Media Links!

LinkedIn Profile: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/southeastssc>

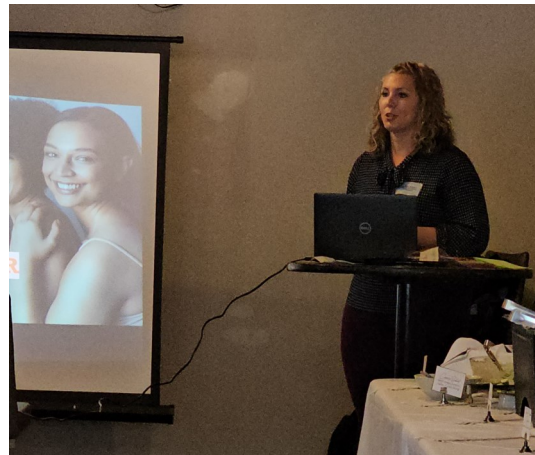
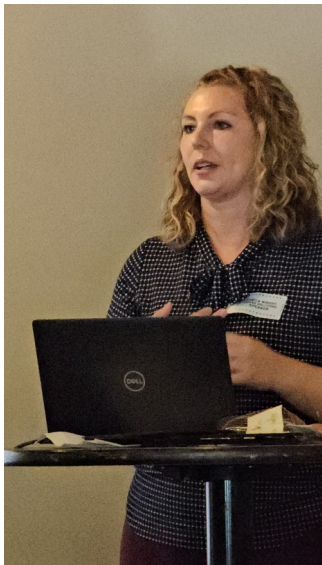
**OR the preferred Chapter Page:** <https://www.linkedin.com/company/southeastssc>

IG: <https://www.instagram.com/southeastssc/> or you can use the IG tag @southeastssc

Finally, the Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/TheSoutheastScc>

**Please check out the latest information on our meetings, any news or special events on the schedule!**

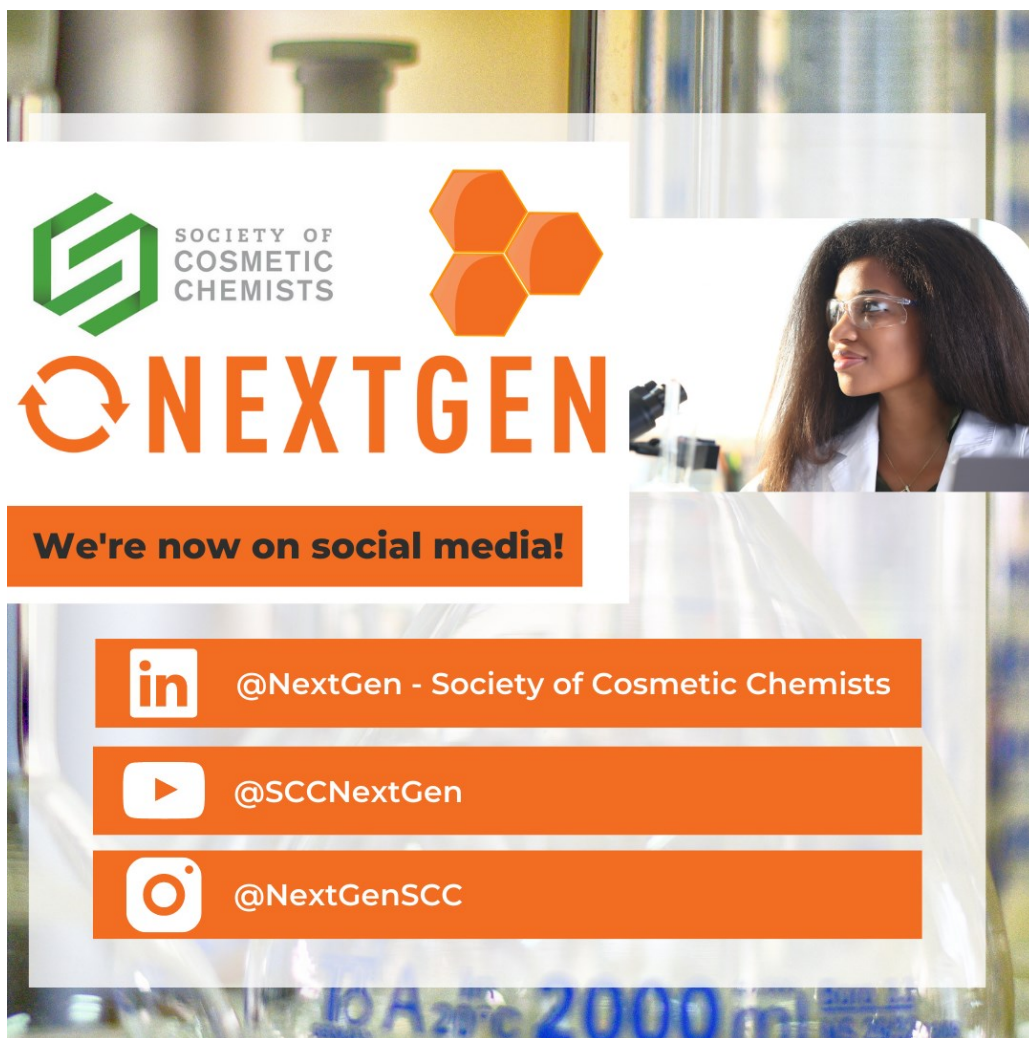




*SCC Southeast*  
*Chapter*  
*October 2023,*  
*Murfreesboro Lunch*  
*and Learn!*



Thanks to our Speaker, Jessica Wright and Secretary, Cynthia Thomas for these wonderful pictures of the event!



**The Society of Cosmetic Chemists HQ's NextGen Advisory Group would like to invite your chapter to collaborate with us!** The purpose of the NextGen Advisory Group is to assist with strategy development to increase program visibility, engagement, and impact of our programs to next generation of cosmetic chemists. Our efforts are currently focused on social media, outreach, education, and career development for Student, Junior, and early careerist General members.

We are seeking opportunities to talk with undergrad and grad students as well early careerists in cosmetic science to help keep the Society of Cosmetic Chemists' membership growing and help prepare them for careers in our industry. We are collaborating with the Chapters to produce career development-focused events in the coming months.

Please check our Social Media pages:

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/society-of-cosmetic-chemists-nextgen-15896a232/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnw7oaiDUQn3BBq6JYpxekg>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/nextgenscc/>

For additional information , contact the NextGen advisory group at [nextgen@scconline.org](mailto:nextgen@scconline.org)





### Join us December 11-13, 2023, in New York, New York!

The 77th Annual Scientific Meeting & Showcase remains the premier conference for cosmetic science education. Back for **2.5 days** this year at the [Sheraton NY Times Square](#), **more than 45 speakers** (in **8 breakout sessions** and **3 keynotes**), will be covering the latest research and innovation in the industry.

The showcase will feature **more than 125 posters and tabletop exhibits** from companies who drive the innovation and ingredients behind some of the most successful products in the market.

Join **1,000+ peers** from top cosmetic/personal care brands, manufacturers, suppliers, academia, and regulatory organizations around the globe who attend to gain the **inspiration, innovation, and education** keeping them at the top of their game – all while having multiple opportunities to network and connect with peers, customers, and potential clients.

SCC77 scientific session topics include:

- **Beauty Innovation**
- **Microbiome**
- **Artificial Intelligence**
- **Biotechnology**
- **Claims & Regulatory**
- **Formulation Design**
- **Sustainability**
- **New/Novel Ingredients**
- **Color Cosmetics**
- **Photoprotection**

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