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Presidential Ponderings

Deanna M. Talerico, RQAP-GLP, Charles River Laboratories, Inc.
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As the storms of spring's transition into summer for the Midwest region, time allows us to reflect on the continual changes we have experienced. Over the past months since I have last addressed the membership, the 27th SQA annual meeting has come and gone, and the continued planning of the MWSQA annual meeting have been just a few of the changes.

To touch briefly upon the annual SQA meeting, I hope that many of the MWSQA members were able to attend the meeting in San Antonio, Texas; however, if you were not able to attend, the planning committee is working ever so hard to bring a similar venue to your regional meeting.

The MWSQA planning committee is excited to present the membership with 2011 annual meeting brochure to be distributed the beginning of July. The committee is led by Angela Eichelberger as well as team members from our 2011 Titanium Sponsor Company, Midwest BioResearch, a WIL Research Company. This year our annual meeting will be held in the Evanston, Illinois area September 20-21, 2011. The planning committee finalized the details regarding the evening event, a Dinner Tour in the Chicago area. We are looking for volunteers – workshop/training presenters, speakers, poster presenters or anyone who has ideas to share for the meeting. Please contact Angela if you are interested in volunteering your time and services. We look forward to seeing you all at the meeting!

We, the MWSQA Board, hope our communications, website, and conferences provide you with great resources and connections to supplement your auditing needs. Remember that this is ***your*** MWSQA—you are the reason why we exist! I encourage all members to actively participate and feel free to provide any recommendations that you believe will make our organization stronger and more beneficial.

In closing, I would like to take the opportunity to wish all the membership a very successful and rewarding year. I look forward to the year ahead and hope to provide to the membership an organization that is beneficial, prosperous and resourceful.

Respectfully submitted,
Dee



“Quality Bears Repeating”: the 2011 MWSQA Annual Meeting

Angie Eichelberger and Tony Ettwein

We’re looking forward to the MWSQA summer meeting, which will be held **September 20-21 in Evanston, Illinois**, at the Hilton Orrington/Evanston. The title of this year’s meeting is “Quality Bears Repeating,” a tip of the helmet to Chicago’s professional football team. This year’s meeting will mark MWSQA’s 20th anniversary. In recognition of this anniversary, we welcome posters, including those that have been displayed in previous years. There will also be some special remarks for the occasion.

Our keynote speaker will be David Spaight, the CEO of WIL Holdings. Mr. Spaight has over 25 years of executive experience at WIL, MDS Pharma, Fisher Scientific Products and Perkin Elmer, and he recognizes the importance of Quality in our industry. We’re looking for speakers in GCP, GLP, GMP, Quality, and other areas, and all topics are welcome.

The registration fee for participants will be the same as previous years: \$200 for members, \$220 for non-members who also apply for membership, and \$275 for non-members. For those of you will be presenting at this year’s meeting, your registration fee is waived.

This year’s fee for exhibitors to promote their products and services is \$250, and the fee for MWSQA member consultants is \$50.

The new MWSQA logo, which is being designed during our logo contest, will be revealed at the annual meeting. You still have the opportunity to submit your idea for a new logo. The deadline for submission has been extended through July 15th. This is your chance to contribute to the long-term identity of Midwest SQA. If interested in submitting a logo, or if you have additional questions about the logo or the annual meeting in general, please contact Angie Eichelberger at: aeichelberger@wilresearch.com.



Looking Ahead: MWSQA Elections

Matt Bruns, Charles River Laboratories, Inc.

Are you interested in becoming an officer with the MWSQA? Elections will be held this coming November and we would like all members to consider becoming involved in organization. Why should I be an MWSQA officer?

- Great networking opportunity
- Looks excellent on your résumé
- Give back to a great organization

Positions that will be available this election:

- Vice President (3 year position, one year as vice president , one year as president, one year as recent past president)
- Secretary
- 2 Director positions

If you are interested please contact Matt Bruns at nomination@mwsqa.org



MWSQA Wants You!!!

The MWSQA Planning Committee is seeking volunteers to present posters at the annual meeting to be held in Evanston, IL on 20-21 Sep 2011. We welcome any new topics or if you have existing posters presented at previous meetings that you would like to share with the membership that would be welcomed as well. If you are interested in providing a poster, please send an email to Angela Eichelberger - vicepresident@mwsqa.org or program@mwsqa.org so appropriate resources are available to you at the meeting.



Purdue University Graduate Certificate Program

Mary Speer

RQC Graduate Program Coordinator

Looking to expand your career opportunities with an education that fits your busy work and life schedule?

Purdue University's Regulatory and Quality Compliance (RQC) Graduate Certificate Program is designed for working professionals like you. The program will allow you to earn a graduate certificate in one year from one of the country's top pharmacy programs. You can take weekend classes at a convenient location in suburban Chicago, approximately 30 minutes from O'Hare International Airport. Typically, professionals can also apply credits earned for the certificate toward a master's degree.

The program provides graduate-level education in the important aspects of regulatory and quality compliance in the pharmaceutical industry. The graduate certificate curriculum provides detailed information on the drug development process from early discovery and toxicology research through clinical trials, manufacturing, registration and marketing.

Participants complete three courses for the graduate certificate. The courses are Food and Drug Law I (PHAD 50100), Drug Development (IPPH 52100) and Good Regulatory Practice (IPPH 52200).

- The Graduate Certificate brochure can be viewed at <http://www.ipph.purdue.edu/graduateprogram/cert-rqc/brochure.pdf>
- The master's degree brochure can be viewed at <http://www.ipph.purdue.edu/graduateprogram/ms-rqc/brochure.pdf>

Applications must be submitted online through the Graduate School at the following URL: <http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/programs>.

If you have any questions contact Mary Speer at mspeer@purdue.edu or phone at (765) 494-9001.



Note from your Editor

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I hope everyone has “pawed” to enjoy the warmer weather, and that you are safe from the ravages of the storms that came with it. Perhaps on a rainy day when you are stuck indoors you can find a few minutes to write an article for the newsletter – as Dee says, this is **your** MWQSA – please help make it, along with this publication, something special. Please don’t be afraid to ask a question or start a discussion! All relevant topics are welcome!

Please note, Word or email format is much appreciated.

Thank you,
Paula

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