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**Career Development Workshop!**  
 Saturday, May 18, 2024, 9:00 – 12:00  
 University Detroit Mercy  
 Seasoned professionals will be available to help you...

- Develop a strategy for your Job and Career Search
- Resume Review and Mock Interviews
- Speed Elevator-Speeches

Refreshments to be served!  
 See Future Chemists for more details!

## 2024 Section Officers and Councilors Elected

**Chair:** Sue White



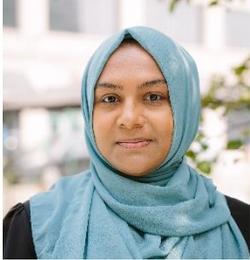
**Chair-Elect:** Sean Hickey



**Treasurer:** Darrell Marshall



**Secretary:** Fardusee Jaigirdar



**Councilor:** Amy Hamlin



**Alt. Councilor:** Matt Mio



Jim Landis, Editor

Connecting our diverse community through our love of chemistry

# PROJECT SEED

Dear ACS Detroit Community,

Detroit ACS is now accepting student applications for PAID (\$4000) summer research fellowships. This year the Detroit Local Section is sponsoring four research fellowships for 8–10 weeks in the Department of Chemistry at Wayne State University. **Applications close on April 3, 2024.** Students currently in grades 10 or 11 with at least one year of chemistry are encouraged to apply. Students must also qualify financially as described on the Project SEED website. Please share this opportunity with anyone who may be interested or can share this with high school students.

For full eligibility requirements and to apply:

<https://www.acs.org/education/students/highschool/seed/apply.html>

For questions on this year's program, please reach out to the 2024 Project SEED Coordinator:

Ms. Sue White,  
[saw@wayne.edu](mailto:saw@wayne.edu)

Best regards,  
Sue White  
Chair and Project SEED  
Coordinator  
ACS Detroit

## Project SEED



ACS Project SEED  
Chemistry for Life®

### ABOUT:

Project SEED is a summer fellowship program for high school students. Students spend 8-10 weeks in a lab working on a project with a mentor and additional lab members.

### BENEFITS:

- Paid fellowship (\$4,000)
- Hands-on research experience in a lab
- Great addition for your resume and college application
- Scholarship opportunities for college (\$5,000 - \$20,000 in scholarships over 1–4 years)
- **Research in the Chemistry Department at Wayne State University, Detroit, MI**

### ELIGIBILITY:

- Interest in chemistry/science
- Qualify as low-income based on the program criteria (refer to our website for more information)
- Successfully completed at least one course of high school chemistry

### APPLICATION OPENS:

February 13–April 3, 2024

Website: For more info on program dates, eligibility criteria, and to apply visit [www.acs.org/projectseed](http://www.acs.org/projectseed) or contact Sue White, [saw@wayne.edu](mailto:saw@wayne.edu).



# BREWING CHEMISTRY

American Chemical Society – Detroit Local Section – Younger Chemists Committee *Presents:*



*Brewing Chemistry is a monthly lecture series. These informal talks are designed to make science fun and accessible for all.*

## The Science of Blood Donation

by Barry Siegfried, MD

**Tuesday, March 19, 2024**

**7:00 pm presentation**

An evening of libations, edible delights, and science inquiry

There is no admission charge, and free parking is available.

Feel free to join us before the talk at 6:00 PM for a Dutch-treat dinner.

**O'Mara's Irish Restaurant** | 2555 Twelve Mile Rd, Berkley, MI 48072

This presentation will include both chemistry and other scientific and engineering aspects of blood donation.



**American  
Red Cross**

Blood  
Services

Connect with us on Facebook for Event updates: <https://fb.me/e/3YIzPTDRQ>

Please RSVP: <https://forms.gle/wwa7QBJZpzacyFYq7>  
or use the QR Code



Facebook: [Brewing Chemistry](#)  
Instagram: [@BrewingChemistry](#)  
Twitter: [@Brewingchem](#)

# Brewing Chemistry: Upcoming Events

American Chemical Society – Detroit Local section  
Younger Chemists Committee

7 PM, Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month

## Sturgeon Recovery in the Detroit River

Justin Chiotti, Fish Biologist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

**Tuesday, April 16, 2024**

**7pm presentation**

Maverick's | in the enclosed covered patio | 20970 West Rd, Woodhaven, MI  
48183

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## Companion Planting

by Linda Simpson

Macomb County Master Gardening Association, MSU  
extension

**Tuesday, May 21, 2024**

**7:00 pm presentation**

O'Mara's Irish Restaurant | 2555 Twelve Mile Rd, Berkley, MI 48072



# VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

## Congratulations to our 2024 Outreach Volunteer of the Year for the Detroit Local Section: Nawana Lawson!



The purpose is “to recognize the immeasurable efforts made by ACS local section and international chapter volunteers who conduct outreach and teach the public about chemistry.”

“For the last four years, Nawana Lawson has served as our Women Chemists Committee Chair as well as two years as Secretary. Nawana is an enthusiastic and dedicated volunteer who cares deeply about students, her community, and her peers. Nawana has co-coordinated Skills Beyond the Bench, an event unique to the Detroit Section, for four years. She partners with other ACS and NOBCChE groups to bring diverse speakers and networking opportunities that target students, and anyone interested in a chemistry career. Additionally, Nawana volunteers for many outreach activities organized by the Detroit Local Section.”

Nawana said, “My favorite part of helping to organize the annual Skills Beyond the Bench is working with ACS members in other chapters and collaborating with NOBCChE. The networking and connections made are priceless and we look forward to working together for bigger and better Skills Beyond the Bench.”

Thank you, Nawana!

# SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Date	Arranging Group	Program	Presenter	Location	Time
<b>2024</b>					
12 March	EC	Detroit ACS Executive Committee Meeting	Chair Sue White	WSU	7-8pm
TBD/March (Spring 2024)	YCC	Museum Meetup: Casual Networking	N/A - Detroit Historical Museum	Detroit Historical Museum	TBD
19 March	YCC	Brewing Chemistry: The Science of Blood Donation	Barry Siegfried, MD, Medical Director of Biomedical Services, American Red Cross	O'Mara's Restaurant in Berkley	6pm Dinner 7pm Presentation
21 March	USNCO	Chemistry Olympiad local section exam	Mark DeCamp	University of Michigan-Dearborn	
March/April	Carmen and Alicia	Detroit Science Book Club	Meeting #6, Group Discussion	Virtual, Google Meet	6:45pm chit chat, 7:15pm discussion
9 April	EC	Detroit ACS Executive Committee Meeting	Chair Sue White	WSU	7-8pm
16 April	YCC	Brewing Chemistry: Lake Sturgeon Recovery	Justin Chiotti, Fish Biologist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Maverick's in Woodhaven	6pm Dinner 7pm Presentation
18 April	USNCO	National Exam for Chemistry Olympiad	see Mark DeCamp	N/A	N/A
14 May	EC	Detroit ACS Executive Committee Meeting	Chair Sue White	WSU	7-8pm
18 May	Career Services with aid from Mark Benvenuto & YCC	Career Event: about how to get jobs, how to be effective in them once a person has a job, one-on-one resume & CV guidance	Heinz Plaumann, Mark Benvenuto,	UDM	9am-12
21 May	YCC	Brewing Chemistry: Companion Planting	Linda Simpson, Master Gardener	O'Mara's Restaurant in Berkley	6pm Dinner 7pm Presentation

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Date	Arranging Group	Program	Presenter	Location	Time
April/June/ TBD	ACS and Rocketry Volunteers	Model Rocket Educational and Social Event	Robert Alway	TBD	TBD
June	Carmen and Alicia	Detroit Science Book Club	Meeting #7, Group Discussion	In-person, TBD	6:45pm chit chat, 7:15pm discussion
18 June	YCC	Brewing Chemistry: Latine Undergraduate Students' Science Identity Formation	Danielle Maxwell, Ph.D. Candidate in Chemistry, University of Michigan	O'Mara's Restaurant in Berkley	6pm Dinner 7pm Presentation
16 July	YCC	Chemistry Moth?		O'Mara's Restaurant in Berkley	6pm Dinner 7pm Presentation
TBD July?	EC	Annual Ice Cream Social, Meet the Leadership	EC committee	Clark's Ice Cream in Berkley	6-9pm?
20 August	YCC	Show and Tell?		O'Mara's Restaurant in Berkley	6pm Dinner 7pm Presentation
10 September	EC	Detroit ACS Executive Committee Meeting	Chair Sue White	WSU	7-8pm
September	Carmen and Alicia	Detroit Science Book Club	Meeting #8, Group Discussion	In-person, TBD	6:45pm chit chat, 7:15pm discussion
17 September	YCC	TBD		O'Mara's Restaurant in Berkley	6pm Dinner 7pm Presentation
8 October	EC	Detroit ACS Executive Committee Meeting	Chair Sue White	WSU	7-8pm
15 October	YCC	TBD		O'Mara's Restaurant	6pm Dinner

# SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Date	Arranging Group	Program	Presenter	Location	Time
				in Berkley	7pm Presentation
TBD, Saturday in Fall	Career Services with aid from Mark Benvenuto & YCC	Career Event: TBD, one-on-one resume & CV guidance	Heinz Plaumann, Mark Benvenuto, academia, industry volunteer	UDM	TBD
TBA November	Minority Affairs	Girl Scout Chemistry Day	Michele Allen	Troy Lutheran Church	9am-1pm
TBA November	Anachem	Annual Anachem	see Felix Schneider/Anachem	TBD	TBD
12 November	EC	Detroit ACS Executive Committee Meeting	Chair Sue White	WSU	7-8pm
November	Carmen and Alicia	Detroit Science Book Club	Meeting #9, Group Discussion	In-person, TBD	6:45pm chit chat, 7:15pm discussion
19 November	YCC				
October/November Fall 2024 Museum Meetup	YCC	Museum Meetup: Casual Networking	N/A	Dossin Great Lakes Museum	TBD
10 December	YCC	Brewing Chemistry: Field Trip			

## Colors

Gray = Chair/CERM, planning meetings, National events

Yellow = YCC

Green = USNCO, Kids and Chemistry, Kids-related event

Pink = Detroit Science Book Club

Blue = General Detroit Local Section Event

Reddish/orange = Anachem

Greenish/Blue = Career Services