



# Newsletter

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## September 2022

Hello all and welcome to the September newsletter! We had planned to list all our members who were presenting at SciX 2022, but there were just too many! That speaks volumes about our members and their contributions to SciX, our Society's annual meeting. Read on to find out about all the events we've planned for SciX including a new members-only reception (free beer and pizza!) to recognize our award winners from the last few COVID-affected years.

~Savitha Panikar, Newsletter Editor

### President's message

*Submitted by Zac Schultz, Society President*

I am looking forward to seeing Society members at SciX in a couple weeks. In case you missed it, SciX is in Covington, Kentucky, just across the river from Cincinnati, the first week of October. More info is available [here](#). I look forward to meeting with our members at the Member's breakfast on Monday morning and at other events throughout the week. I am also looking forward to recognizing all the winners of Society awards. This in-person meeting offers us a chance to reconnect with each other and I hope to see everyone there. A quick search through the program indicates that 57 sessions are being chaired and another 19 co-chaired by Society members. Three plenary speakers, nearly 100 invited speakers, and another 45 presenting speakers are Society members. It is awesome to see the participation by our Society and I look forward to trying to catch up with as many of you as possible. Please remember to [sign up online](#) for in-person speed mentoring at SciX on Monday (noon – 1:30 pm). Lunch is being provided to those who sign up in advance.

Just a reminder that EAS is also just around the corner, where I hope our participation is equally impressive. As I have commented in past newsletters, several Coblenz members are also receiving awards at this meeting. Speed mentoring is also occurring at EAS for those interested in participating as mentors or mentees. [Sign up here](#).

I want to reiterate my request for programming suggestions from our members from last month's newsletter. Successful programming occurs because people care enough to volunteer their time. As a society we are interested in hearing your ideas on the ways the Coblenz Society could be better serving the vibrational spectroscopy community. As we prepare the budget for the upcoming calendar year, we would like to hear from our members about programs our members are interested in leading. There is some money available to support causes in line with the Society's interests. If you have an idea, please contact me ([schultz.133@osu.edu](mailto:schultz.133@osu.edu)), our office manager Mary Carrabba ([mary.carrabba@coblenz.org](mailto:mary.carrabba@coblenz.org)), or someone else on the board. We are looking to support our members and increase the impact of the Coblenz Society in the greater community.

Lastly, we are coming up on Society elections. If you are interested in serving as a member of our Board of Managers, please let us know.

We have great members, and the Board of Managers and I want to support the efforts of our membership. If you have ideas, we want to hear from you!

### Welcome to our new members!

#### *Lifetime:*

Martin Zanni (University of Wisconsin – Madison)

#### *Regular:*

Robert Packer (PerkinElmer)  
Gail Vinnacombe-Willson (CIC biomaGUNE)  
All IR & Raman Courses, Inc. summer course participants

## Member News

Congratulations to **Igor Lednev**, winner of the 2022 Charles Mann Award for Applied Raman Spectrometry, **Karen Faulds**, winner of the RSC Analytical Division's Mid-Career Award, and student member **Alexis Weber**, the FACSS Student Award recipient. Be certain to catch their presentations at SciX 2022!

Congratulations to Society member **Barry Levine** who has been named to the 2022 class of ACS Fellows! The official list was published in the August 8, 2022, issue of *Chemical & Engineering News*. For more details click [here](#).

Hot off the presses! Lifetime member **Gloria Story** has just been named the next president of the Society for Applied Spectroscopy - congratulations Gloria!

## Seeking Nominations

*Spectroscopy* magazine is seeking nominations for the Emerging Leader in Molecular Spectroscopy Award.

The Emerging Leader in Molecular Spectroscopy Award recognizes the achievements and aspirations of a talented young molecular spectroscopist who has made strides early in his or her career toward the advancement of molecular spectroscopy techniques and applications.

The award will be given to a researcher who has focused the majority of his or her work in the field of vibrational or electronic spectroscopy, with direct contributions to Raman, infrared, near-infrared, terahertz, fluorescence, and/or UV-vis spectroscopy through original research on the development or advancement of theory, instrumentation, measurement techniques, or applications.

The winner must be within 10 years of receiving his or her Ph.D. in the year the award is presented. The winner is chosen by an independent scientific committee. A list of past winners can be found [here](#).

Submission Deadline for the 2023 award is November 14, 2022 – click [here](#) for nomination instructions.

## Conference News – SciX 2022 is almost here!

Make plans quickly, if you haven't already, to join us October 2-7, 2022, in Covington, Kentucky, along the banks of the Ohio river across from downtown Cincinnati. SciX is the annual meeting of our Society, and we have several great events planned in addition to all the SciX programming. An overview of Society events follows; please see the final SciX program for locations.

### Sunday, October 2

4:30 PM -5:30 PM

Society student member **Alexis Weber** will present *How to Make Connections: Student Networking at Conferences*, sponsored by The Coblenz Society

7:15 PM - 9:15 PM

Join us at the SAS-sponsored Student Poster Session to recognize our four Society student award winners.

### Monday, October 3

7:00 AM - 8:30 AM

Attend our Annual Members Meeting breakfast to reconnect with old friends and find out what's new on the horizon for the Society. The breakfast is free to members, but please [register](#).

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Ellis R. Lippincott Award plenary lecture by lifetime Coblenz member **Martin Zanni** at 11:30 am titled “*Advances in Interfacial and Voltage-gated Two-dimensional Infrared Spectroscopy*”

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Our ever-popular Speed Mentoring event is back! Please [sign up](#) as a mentor or mentee and join the fun! Lunch will be provided to those who pre-register.

### Wednesday, October 5

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Clara Craver Award plenary lecture by **Wei Min** titled “*Stimulated Raman Scattering Imaging: From Label-free to Metabolic to Super-multiplex and to Single-molecule Imaging*”

1:30 PM – 3:10 PM

Craver Award Symposium honoring **Wei Min**

12:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Stop by the Coblenz booth for **Headshots!** Free for members!

3:50 PM – 5:45 PM

Exhibits Closing Reception - This is a new event for 2022! Please attend and stop by the Society's booth.

7:00 PM – 10:00 PM

**MEMBERS-ONLY RECEPTION!** to honor all our award winners who have missed out over the past few years due to COVID. Join us at The Gruff for pizza, craft beers, and more. You must [register](#) for this event and pick up your tickets at the booth.

In addition to the above events, several of our members are presenting short courses at SciX. Check out these great educational opportunities!

- IR-Raman Interpretation (**Peter Larkin**, Solvay & **Gloria Story**, P&G)
- Practical Raman Spectroscopy (Sarah Shidler, Renishaw & **Tim Prusnick**, Renishaw)
- Laser Fundamentals for Spectroscopy (**Rob Chimenti**, Rowan University)

More details and registration information may be found [here](#).

### Conference News – TERS-8 2022 Conference

The 8th International Conference on Tip-Enhanced Raman Spectroscopy (TERS-8) at Sorbonne Université, Paris, France, initially scheduled from August 30 to September 1, 2021, is postponed to November 2-4, 2022. The conference will be held in a hybrid format (online simulcast).

We invite attendees to register as soon as possible. All information is available at <https://ters8-sorbonne.com/registration>.

### Conference News – EAS 2022!

EAS is happening at the Crowne Plaza Princeton Conference Center in Plainsboro, New Jersey from November 14-16, 2022, and registration is open at [eas.org](https://eas.org). Check out last month's newsletter for

highlights and stay tuned for our October newsletter for all the Society happenings!

## News from the Society Office

Lifetime member **Mike Carrabba** informs us that he will be attending his 35<sup>th</sup> **consecutive** FACSS/SciX conference next month! We'd love to hear from any of our members who can beat his record! Names will be published in next month's newsletter.

That's all for this month – we hope to see many of you in Kentucky next month!

~ Savitha Panikar & Mary Carrabba

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