

CENTRAL STATES REGIONAL CHAPTER

ANNUAL REPORT: 2013-2014

May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014

I. Officers/Committees:

<u>Officers</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>
President:	Aileen Keating
President-Elect:	Claire Croutch
Secretary/Treasurer:	Hans-Joachim Lehmler
Past President	Thu Annelise Nguyen
Councilors:	Apte Udayan
PDA Representative:	Samuel Buxton
GSLC Representative:	Dilshan Harishandra
Committees:	If applicable.

II. Activities:

The 2014 CSSOT annual SOT meeting Reception was held in Phoenix, Arizona on March 24th at Marston's Café, Renaissance Hotel from 7.00-8.00am.

Approximately 45 people were in attendance.

Meeting Minutes: Dr. Keating called the meeting to order at 7.30 AM on 03-24-14 and thanked the breakfast attendees. Dr. Nguyen and Dr. Lehmler were recognized for their help over the past year. Dr. Claire Croutch was introduced as the incoming president and the tentative 2014 CSSOT annual meeting details were discussed (Kansas City, October 2014). Attendees were encouraged to nominate deserving individuals for the 2014 John Doull award (not awarded in 2013). Student travel award certificates and checks were presented by Dr. Keating. The MRIGlobal award was presented by Dr. Claire Croutch and Dr. Robert Casillas.

Awards:

Poster presentation awards:

Charles River Travel Award (\$150):

Sharon Manley, Kansas University Medical Center
Stephanie Shishido, Kansas State University
Chad Walesky, Kansas University Medical Center

Iowa State University Toxicology Program Travel Award (\$150):

Saurabh Verma, Iowa State University
Muhammet Ay, Iowa State University

Dilshan Harischandra, Iowa State University

PK Biosciences Travel Award (\$200):

Shanthi Ganesan, Iowa State University

Oral presentation awards (sponsored and presented by MRIGlobal):

Best Oral Presentation by a postdoctoral student (\$250)

Dr. Xin Hu, University of Iowa:

Best Oral Presentation by a graduate student (\$500)

Hemantkumar Chavan, Kansas University Medical Center

2013 SOT Annual Meeting Courses/Sessions:

Other Regional Chapter 2013-2014 Activities:

Dr. Nguyen conducted an undergraduate outreach program in 2014.

Dr. Casillas and Keating were involved in the SOT 2014 annual meeting undergraduate program by serving on the Career Panel: Career Opportunities in Toxicology as the request of the Committee on Diversity Initiatives.