



# Stuart Cameron McLeod Society

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# The SpotLight

## FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**SCMS Board of Governors Meeting**

February 20, 2022

11:00 a.m.-2:00 pm ET Virtual

**ACE2022—June 12–15, 2022**

JW Marriott, Austin, TX

**SCMS Board of Governors Meeting**

June 12, 2022

**SCMS Induction Ceremony**

**Annual Meeting**

June 13, 2022

**Information Updates**

Check for meeting updates and Other information throughout the year at [www.scms.imanet.org](http://www.scms.imanet.org)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members of the Stuart Cameron McLeod Society,

What a crazy time we are in working remote, semi-remote, or back into the offices and holding virtual IMA meetings with our boards and chapter members. We are all getting pretty tech savvy navigating the new virtual platforms. This year, our Virtual Fall Mid-Year Conference had 91 attendees for our program. Following our conference, we had a fun zoom Hospitality Party. Cristal Britbeil hosted, and we had several online games and prizes too.

Our Virtual Winter Mid-Year Conference was held Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> and we had 52 attendees followed by a Hospitality Party. We played Jeopardy which we all enjoyed with questions on SCMS and IMA.

Thank you to the Education Committee Evan Scarbrough, Education Chair, Mitch Lenoil, Kris Brand, Leroy Pennock, Laurie Burney and Cristal Britbeil for all their help in making these program successful! I'd also like to thank Tara Barker for making the behind-the-scenes set up requirements and communications.

**We need your help this year** to get the word out on our new membership eligibility criteria. Currently this year we have approved 11 new members to the society. Any IMA in good standing who has had volunteer service within IMA for no less than 1 year is eligible to join SCMS. They must agree to:

- Pay SCMS dues
- Abide by the IMA Statement of Ethical Professional Practice
- Accept personal responsibility for continuing their professional education

Please reach out to your IMA community to make them aware of the new criteria.

Membership applications are available at [SCMS Membership Application](#) (a copy is on the last page of this newsletter). New members can be inducted with bagpipers in Austin at the next Annual Conference and Exposition (ACE).

At the Board of Governors meeting this October, the board approved a new SCMS purpose, Vision, and Mission Statement along with a new Strategic Plan. These statements prove that we are a diverse organization of IMA Leaders which we are all proud to be an SCMS member. SCMS is committed to providing education program for students and professionals. We offer an annual student scholarship, networking opportunities and forum to continue our camaraderie.

Congratulations to our scholarship winner John Valazquez from California State University in Bakersfield. John will be awarded the scholarship at the Student Leadership Conference.

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Moving? Changing your e-mail address? Make sure to change your IMA profile so you continue to receive updates and information from IMA and SCMS

- Go to the SCMS Website: [scms.imanet.org](http://scms.imanet.org)
- Log in on the upper right-hand corner
- Go to the drop-down arrow next to your profile photo and select "Profile"
- Go to "My Account" and check in both Email Preferences and Community

**2020-2021  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**Executive Board**

*President*—Sandra Brenner,  
Cleveland East \*  
*Vice President*—Tanya Shell, Dayton \*  
*Treasurer*—Peggy Brown, Austin \*  
*Secretary*—Dana Whitted, Cleveland \*  
*Past President*—MaryValerie Reeves,  
Dallas Fort Worth Area \*

**Governors – Term ending June 30,  
2023**

Marco Otti, Zurich (Switzerland)  
Susan Jones, Raritan Valley  
Chuck Phillips, Detroit  
Harlan Fuller, Central Illinois  
Cate Long, Las Vegas  
Dave Skora, Madison

**Governors – Term ending June 30,  
2022**

Jessica Pellini, Dayton  
Laurie Burney, Dallas  
Loutfi Echhade, Riyadh (Saudi Arabia)  
Rich Brady, Unaffiliated  
Luke Harris, Greater Ozarks  
Lydia Washington, New York

**Committee Chairs – Term ending June  
30, 2023**

*Nominating Committee*—MaryValerie  
Reeves, Dallas Fort Worth Area \*  
*Communications*—John Engel, Michiana  
*Sub-Communications Website*—Diane  
Hewlitt, AZ Valley of the Sun  
*Sub Communications Spotlight*—Lydia  
Washington, New York  
*Sub Communications Social Media*—  
Evan Scarbrough, Ann Arbor  
*Membership Support*—Louise Crider,  
Houston

**Committee Chairs – Term ending June  
30, 2022**

*Education*—Evan Scarbrough, Ann Arbor  
*Events and Hospitality*—LeRoy Pennock,  
Houston  
*Scholarships and Students*—Cristal  
Breitbal, Denver Centennial

\*- Executive Committee members

**ACE 2022**

IMA's ACE 2022 will be held at the **JW Marriot in Austin Texas** from **June 12-15, 2022**. The **Induction Ceremony** will be held in person during the week of the conference on **June 13, 06:00 PM - 09:00 PM (CT)** .

Please plan to be there to greet the new inductees.

The June **Board of Governors Meeting** will be **June 12, 09:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)** also at ACE 2022.



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**President's Message Continued**

If there is room in your budget this year, please consider donating to the SCMS Scholarship Fund. Your donation will make big difference to the lives of future accounting and finance professionals. John Valazquez has a very emotional story that testifies why this scholarship is so important for students and what this means to him. Here is a link to his video, [John's story](#).

The Executive Committee meets monthly, and we are committed to making this a great society for our members. We are currently are planning for our Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas at the IMA Conference. We thank you for faith and trust in allowing us to serve SCMS.

I'd like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and their hope that they get some time to spend with families and friends.



Sincerely,  
Sandy Brenner  
SCMS President 2021-2022

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**Purpose Statement**

New Purpose Statement::

*The purpose of the Society is to offer IMA Leaders a welcoming community where they can continue their service to IMA and expand their professional and leadership skills.*

*SCMS provides educational programs for students and professionals, student scholarships, networking opportunities and a diverse and inclusive forum to continue their camaraderie.*



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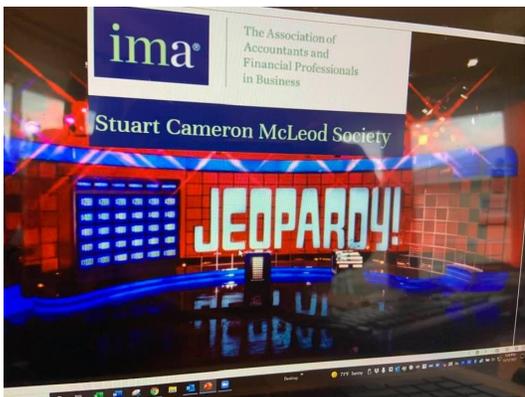
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From your Education Committee Chair....

First let me say thank you to my committee members last year Mitch Lenoil and Laurie Burney as well as 2 unofficial members of the committee Kristine Brands and Cristal Breitbal for helping to get speakers and topics for the recent Virtual Mid Years. To the incoming governors on my committee we have a lot to live up to.

We had several outstanding speakers from all over the nation to speak to us on various topics. We might not have had the pleasure of hearing these if not for the virtual nature of this year's conference. For those who were unable to attend or want copies of the presentations please email me or Tara Barker and we can send these out to you.

The current location for next year's midyear has yet to be determined, However once the location has been determined, my team and I will work diligently to offer engaging speakers for the 22-23 MidYear Confernce(s).



Please enjoy the pictures from the 21-22 Winter Midyear held November 12, 2021.

If you have any Topic or speaker suggestions please email them to me.

Evan Scarbrough  
([ima.mi.president@gmail.com](mailto:ima.mi.president@gmail.com))  
2020-2022 Education Chair



Do you know an **IMA** member who should also be an **SCMS** member?

To qualify for SCMS membership, an IMA member must have been or are active volunteers within IMA for no less than one year of documented volunteer service and meet the following minimum criteria:

- a. Agree to abide by the IMA Statement of Ethical Professional Practice
- b. Accept a personal responsibility for continuing their professional education
- c. IMA member in good standing
- d. Pay Society Dues

New members will want to experience the formal induction ceremony held right before the Annual Meeting during IMA's Annual Conference; you enjoy the benefits and prestige of **SCMS** membership after the approval of your submitted application.

To join **SCMS**, contact Member Services at [ima@imanet.org](mailto:ima@imanet.org) or 800-638-4427 or download the **SCMS** application (**please see the updated form in this newsletter**) from the **SCMS** website (found under the Participate tab).

Visit the **SCMS** website at <http://scms.imanet.org/>



**Next Board of Governors Meeting:  
February 20, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET) Virtually**



**SCMS Application for Membership**

To qualify for membership in the Stuart Cameron McLeod Society (SCMS), you must be an IMA member in good standing and have been or currently are an active volunteer within IMA for no less than one year of documented volunteer service with an interest in accounting, finance, or information management, and advancing the profession.

\_\_\_ Chapter (or equivalent) Officer                      \_\_\_ Council Officer                      \_\_\_ Global Board  
\_\_\_ Global Committee Member                      \_\_\_ IMA Staff (Director or above)  
\_\_\_ Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

The applicant below agrees to abide to the following criteria:

- Pay SCMS dues (currently \$35 paid in coordination with IMA membership renewal)
  - The IMA Statement of Ethical Professional Practice
- Accept personal responsibility for continuing their professional education

It is recommended that new members be inducted into SCMS in the presence of Society Officers and Governors at the formal induction ceremony during the IMA Annual Conference. However, membership is effective upon approval of this application.

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Candidate (print) \_\_\_\_\_

IMA Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

IMA Chapter or Equivalent (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

IMA Council (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor (if applicable/known) \_\_\_\_\_

Inductions are conducted at the IMA annual conference. Do you wish to participate? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

How did you learn about SCMS? \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mail or email completed form to:

Tara Barker (tbarker@imanet.org)

Institute of Management Accountants/SCMS/Tara Barker

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