



# CHICAGO DRUG & CHEMICAL ASSOCIATION

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### Welcome 2017 President: Diana Watson

Hello and thank you for the opportunity to serve as your 2017 CD&CA President. I feel very honored to be a part of this great organization that has great people who care and want the best for the CD&CA!

I encourage you to participate in the many events that will take place this year. The committees will be working hard trying different venues and events to help increase participation. Please feel free to provide feedback and/or suggestions to anyone on the Board and on any of the committees so we can work to improve this great organization we all belong to! Thank you and I look forward seeing you all!

–Diana Watson



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### Industry News

EMCO Chemical Distributors Canada Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of EMCO Chemical Distributors, Inc. announced early this year that it successfully completed the acquisition of Inortech Chimie Inc.

Heather Boritzke • Lou Depasquale • Dawn Drass • Larry Kelly • Tanya McKnight Bob Miller • Megan Peboontom • Christopher Wrobel • Ex-Officio Brian Bloom

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## UPCOMING EVENT

### Next Event: March Madness Watch Party Fri. March 17, 2017

The CD&CA's next event is the **March Madness Watch Party** on **Friday, March 17** from 12-4pm at Salerno's Pizzeria and Sports Bar (9301 W. 63rd Street Hodgkins, IL 60525).

You can register at <http://www.cd-ca.org/store/events/marchlunch.html>. The ticket includes a generous lunch buffet and an open bar. Please wear your favorite college team's apparel or colors!

#### *March Madness Bracket Challenge!*

To add a bit of fun and friendly competition, CD&CA will be running its third ever **NCAA March Madness Bracket Challenge**. Once bracket selections are announced this Sunday evening, you may enter by going to the CBS website to make your selections ([cd-ca.mayhem.cbssports.com](http://cd-ca.mayhem.cbssports.com)).

Anyone is welcome and encouraged to participate! The entry fee is only \$6.00/bracket and you can sign up online at <http://www.cd-ca.org/store/events/marchlunch-11.html>. 1st place will receive 65% of the pool, 2nd place will receive 25% of the pool, and 3rd place will receive 10%. Have fun and good luck!





## Kip Coco's Hustle Up the Hancock

Kip Coco participated in the Respiratory Health Association's 20th Anniversary of Hustle up the Hancock on Feb. 26, 2017 to help raise money for lung disease research and education. He raised \$2,400, beating his goal of \$2,000!

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## Note from 2016 President: Brian Bloom

I want to thank those that served on the CD&CA 2016 Board of Directors and their committees. Without your help, our events would not have been as successful as they were.

Additionally, I want to thank the CD&CA 2016 Officers for their commitment and vision as they continue to Lead our Association in 2017 and beyond.

To all of my fellow Chicago Drug & Chemical Association members: I want to extend to you my deepest thanks and gratitude for allowing me to serve as your CD&CA President in 2016.

Respectfully,  
Brian Bloom

## Social Media

In 2017, the CD&CA is going to have more of an active presence on social media in order to communicate better with its members and overall industry. I encourage everyone – all existing and new members – to [join](#) the Chicago Drug & Chemical Association Group on LinkedIn. The CD&CA Publicity Committee will be posting information about upcoming events and other industry news on the group page. All LinkedIn members can also send private messages to the Chicago Drug & Chemical Association Group with any news or updates to be published in the CD&CA Newsletters! If you have any questions, please contact Heather Boritzke ([hboritzke@essentialingredients.com](mailto:hboritzke@essentialingredients.com)).

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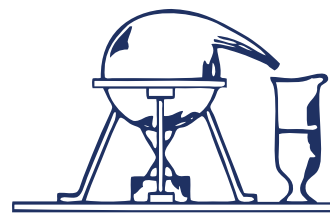
## First Meeting of the New Year!

We kicked off our 2017 program with a very informative presentation from David Oppedahl – Senior Business Economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. He provided an overview of the Federal Reserve System and an overview of the economy. If members are interested in a copy of his presentation, please contact Tanya McKnight – Chair, Program & Luncheon.

Our LUCKY BUCK winners for January were father and daughter, Lou & Cheryl DePasquale! Each won a cash prize of \$106!



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### Chicago Drug & Chemical LinkedIn Group

We have created a group on LinkedIn for the CD&CA. It is a great way to have discussions, share information and stay in touch, etc. To join the group, please go to:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3775030>

To join the CD&CA group, you must be a member of LinkedIn. LinkedIn is free and setting up a new account only takes a few minutes. Please join the discussion on LinkedIn.

### Welcome to Shutterfly

We have created a website called "Chicago Drug & Chemical Association" to share pictures with our members. Please check it out at

<https://cdca.shutterfly.com/pictures>

Shutterfly.

## CHICAGO DRUG & CHEMICAL ASSOCIATION CALENDAR OF MEETINGS & EVENTS 2017

**Watch your email for  
upcoming CD&CA  
dates and times.**

