

## Detroit

The **DETROIT SECTION** has held six seminars since January 2009. The talks covered various topics in the area of fuel cells, batteries, supercapacitors, and hydrogen energy. The speakers were from both industry and academia.

The 2009 season started on January 14, 2009 with its first talk featured by Esther Takeuchi, Greatbatch Professor of the University of Buffalo, on defibrillator batteries. Doron Aurbach, a professor of Bar Ilan University, Israel, gave a talk on carbon electrodes for EDL capacitors and separation process on February 12. In March, Scott Calabrese Barton from Michigan State University presented a talk on biocatalyzed fuel cells for microscale devices.

Spring brought another three talks to Section members. Kev Adjemian discussed the fuel cell development at Nissan Motor Company on April 15. On May 14, Benny Reichman, of ECD, discussed hydrogen production from renewable fuels; and on June 17, Dawn Bernardi, of Ford Motor Company, presented a talk on lithium-ion battery modeling. Abstracts of past talks can be found on the Section's website, [www.electrochem.org/ecs/sections/detr/detr.htm](http://www.electrochem.org/ecs/sections/detr/detr.htm).

At the Section's last meeting for the season, on June 17, the Section held elections for next year's officers. Dennis Corrigan, of DC Energy Consulting, was elected Chair, and Xia Wang, of Oakland University, was elected Vice-Chair.

Other officers include: Kent Snyder, Ford Motor Company, Secretary; Kimber Stamm, Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing, North America, Treasurer; Alvaro Masias, Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing, North America, Councilor; and Gholam-Abbas Nazri, General Motors Research Lab, Incumbent Councilor.

## Twin Cities

The **TWIN CITIES SECTION** held its General Business Meeting on June 18, and elected the following officers: Prabhakar Tamirisa, Chair; Andrew Haug, Vice-Chair; Peter Zhang, Secretary; and Shawn Kelley, Treasurer.

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