

Welcome to the American Physical Society (APS) Division of Plasma Physics (DPP) web site. I hope you will find it helpful and easy to navigate. If you would like to see something added to our web site, please let us know via Saralyn, <[stewart@physics.utexas.edu](mailto:stewart@physics.utexas.edu)>, so that we can make it as useful as possible for members. Any corrections, comments and suggestions for improvements are welcome.

The Division Leadership is looking forward to a busy year of moving forward with raising endowments for the Stix Early Career Award in Plasma Physics (won in 2016 by Tammy Ma) and a new award, the Stacey Graduate Fellowship in Magnetic Fusion. Also on our list of important tasks is working with other professional societies to support the National Academies as they move forward (we expect) with a review of the Magnetic Fusion program and perhaps with a simultaneous Decadal Study of the entire plasma science program in the USA.

I am looking forward to 2017 as I serve my colleagues as chair of the Division of Plasma Physics. The function of the Division depends on a host of volunteers who give of their time and energy to serve on the various committees, the Executive Committee, and the officers of the Division. I want to especially thank our immediate past Chair, David Meyerhoffer, for his service and also our outgoing treasurer, Dan Dubin, for his many years of service. I encourage any of you with suggestions for the management of the Division or our annual meeting to get in touch with me at any time ([escime@wvu.edu](mailto:escime@wvu.edu)).

To learn about some of the other accomplishments by the Executive Committee during the past year, the financial state of the Division, and other noteworthy information, I encourage those of you who are going to the DPP Annual Meeting in Milwaukee, WI in 2017 to attend the annual DPP General Business Meeting on Wednesday afternoon.

Yours truly,

Earl Scime  
2017 Chair of the DPP