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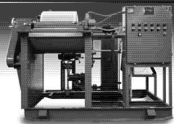
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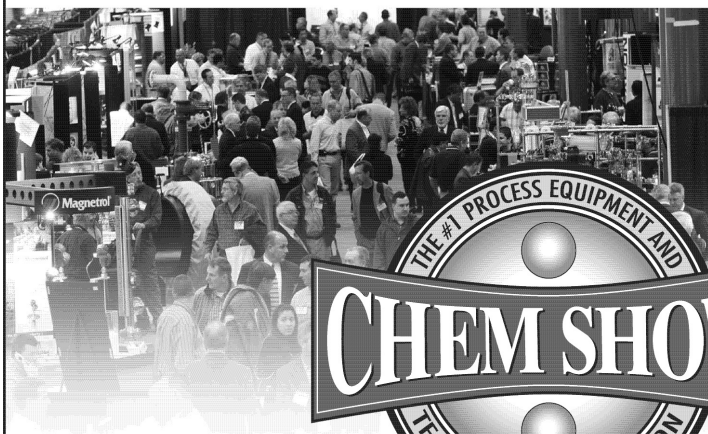


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OCTOBER MEETING

**Philadelphia Section Award
Dr. Robert J. Levis
Temple University**

THURSDAY, October 18th, 2007

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call the Section Office at (215) 382-1589, email PhilaACS@aol.com
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From The Chair

David Cichowicz



Welcome back for the “stretch run!” My term as Section Chair is more than half over and the rest of the events for the year are pretty well scheduled. First, some old business: I want to publicly thank everyone who helped make the 2007 MARM such a fantastic success. The Section really shined! I also want to thank Catherine T. (Katie) Hunt, our National President, for speaking at the June meeting and taking the time to talk individually with all the 50-year members who attended.

One of my goals for this year was to have a family event and the September meeting will fulfill that goal. Thanks to Rohm and Haas Company, our event sponsor, we will be holding the September meeting at the Elmwood Park Zoo in Norristown. The Zoo will be ours from 6:00 to 9:00 with free admission. Bring the family and visit with the animals. A light dinner of hoagies and sandwiches will be available for a cost of \$10.00 per adult. Children under 12 eat free with a paying adult, but need to make reservations. The event will also feature Dr. Chris L. Whittle, currently at the Monell Chemical Senses Center, speaking about her graduate work on male moose pheromones. So you can attend a talk while the rest of the family enjoys the Zoo! For more details, see the the meeting page of this issue and check the Section website.

If you can help with this year’s Section National Chemistry Week Celebration, contact Judy Summers-Gates, our chair for the event at jsummers@fda.hhs.gov.

Finally, please remember to vote!
See you at the Zoo!

NEWS ATOMS

Christopher Kulp promoted to director of the contract services business, and **Keith Crumley** promoted to manager of product sourcing at Richman Chemical in Lower Gwynedd.

Thomas R. Tritton, president of Haverford College, was named president of the Chemical Heritage Foundation, succeeding **Arnold Thackray** who founded and led CHF 25 years ago. Thackray will continue with the Foundation in an advisory role. Tritton takes his new position after the fall semester at Harvard University where he will be “President in Residence,” working with graduate students in higher education.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Eugene Garfield received the Chemical Heritage Foundation’s second annual award for supporting industries. He is chairman emeritus of the Institute for Scientific Information and invented the *Science Citation Index* and similar tools and databases for the improvement of scientific communication. The award recognizes outstanding contributions by a leader who provides products and services that are key to the growth of the chemical and molecular sciences.

Sherrill Adams, professor and chair of biochemistry in the School of Dental Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, has been named chair-elect of Penn’s Faculty Senate. **Daniella Fera** received a 2007 Excellence in Teaching Graduate Students prize at Penn in the field of chemistry.

Jeffrey Winkler, chemistry professor and a founding member of the Center for Cancer Pharmacology, received the University of Pennsylvania’s Lindback Award for distinguished teaching.

DEATHS

Frank W. Hankins, 50-year member of ACS, January 16th, 2003 at 79. No further details are available.

Carl Alper, former professor of biochemistry, April 2nd, 2003 at 82. He taught biochemistry at Hahnemann University Medical School and Temple University Medical School, and was appointed director of clinical laboratories at Temple. He was then named director of BioScience Laboratories in Philadelphia, retiring in 1985. In 1976 Alper chaired the ACS Division of the History of Chemistry, and he was an ACS abstracter for the *Journal of Clinical Chemistry*.

Howard I. Cramer, (no date or age available), active in the field of rubber chemistry. In 1928 he joined the research division of Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. and in 1933 took a position as assistant professor of rubber chemistry at the University of Akron. In 1941 he was hired by Sharples Chemicals, which later became Pennsalt Chemicals and then Pennwalt Corp. He retired in 1970. In 1949 he chaired the ACS Division of Rubber Chemistry.

Peter E. Kucharski, emeritus member of the Society of Flavor Chemists, April 18th, 2006 at 65.

Frank Scholnick, former researcher with the USDA's Eastern Regional Research Center, April 13th at 81. He worked for E. F. Houghton and then Allied Chemical Corp., until he received a research fellowship grant from the American Renderers Association to work at ERRC in 1958. He remained at the Center for over 30 years working on detergents, polymers, and leather coatings.

After retirement Scholnick taught chemistry at Penn State University's location in Abington, and served on the committee for lifelong learning at his synagogue. He was a 50-year member of ACS and served the Philadelphia Section on its Publications Committee as a proofreader for *the Catalyst*.

Henry H. "Pete" Kohl, retired chemical engineer formerly with DuPont, April 20th at 81. Following service in the Navy in the Pacific during World War II, he joined DuPont and worked at Newbury NY, Philadelphia, and Wilmington, retiring in 1985. For over 20 years he served on the boards of Riddle Memorial Hospital and Riddle Village retirement community.

Felice "Phil" J. DeMaria, chemist and former chairman of Para-Chem, April 23rd at 90. After working for several firms as a chemist, he joined Para-Chem in the 1950s where he eventually was named director of research and then president. He retired from the firm in the 1980s but served as board chairman until 2003.

Frank R. Romano, retired environmental biochemist, May 18th at 94. He was a

civilian chemist for the United States Navy from 1941 to 1947, studying the biological break-down of organic military materials. He owned Ambler Laboratories for 43 years, specializing in water testing and consulting, and retired in 1990. He also analyzed herbicides and pesticides for the United Nations Children's Fund.

Romano was an environmental and political activist and ran for congressional office several times but was defeated. In the 1960s he marched for civil rights with Dr. Martin Luther King, and locally was a frequent letter-writer on environmental issues. He was a 59-year member of ACS.

Ralph C. Schreyer, former research chemist with DuPont, June 1st at 87. He worked on the Manhattan project during WWII. He joined DuPont in 1946 and worked for 38 years at the Experimental Station in Wilmington and also in Gibbstown, NJ. He obtained over 50 patents and published widely in the field of polymer chemistry. After working as a patent agent in DuPont's petrochemical department, he retired in 1984.

Schreyer was an avid contract bridge player, and he and his wife, both of whom enjoyed travel, participated in more than 60 Elderhostel programs. He served the New Castle County school board for 25 years and was a 50-year member of ACS.

Robert J. Kerr, retired chemist and engineer formerly with DuPont, June 6th at 80. He worked for DuPont for 32 years where he was also on the team that developed Crolyn for use in magnetic tape for video and audio use. After retiring from DuPont in 1984, he operated R.J. Kerr Audio/Video Services for 20 years. He wrote a number of articles and books on video recording.

Beginning in 1936 Kerr performed in over 50 productions of the Players Club in Swarthmore and directed many of the shows as well. He loved to portray Benjamin Franklin and appeared in that role at DuPont trade shows, and in promotional videos for the insurance industry and the National Park Service.

Morris Deglin, former forensic chemist for the Philadelphia Police Department, July 4th at 87. He served as an Army artillery spotter and medic in the Battle of the Bulge in WWII. He then joined the Philadelphia General Hospital in 1948 as a lab technician, and later worked for the New Jersey state government in Trenton as a chemist.

In 1968 Deglin joined the Philadelphia Police chemistry lab, analyzing blood and other materials gathered in crime detection, looking for alcohol and drug use. He retired from the lab as supervisor in 1997 and later moved to California.

Charles B. Egolf, chemical engineer formerly with Rohm and Haas, July 24th at 102. He worked on the Manhattan Project during WWII in Oak Ridge, TN, and also helped develop the use of Plexiglas for fighter plane windshields. He was employed by Rohm and Haas in the field of polymers for 36 years, retiring in 1966. In retirement he continued his lifelong interest in watercolor painting and exhibited at many art shows.

[Note: For people in the field of chemistry in the greater Philadelphia area, *News Atoms* seeks to report new hires, significant promotions, honors and awards, and those who have recently passed away. If you have a news item for this column, send it by email to philcatalyst@aol.com or by mail to the Philadelphia Section ACS.]

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Date & Time: Tuesday, September 11th at the Cynwyd Club, Bala Cynwyd, PA; Networking, 5:30 PM; Dinner, 6:30 PM; Talk and Business Session, 7:30 PM. PLEASE NOTE TUESDAY DATE!

Speaker and Topic: Dr. Marc Halpern, *E-marketing for a Consulting Practice*.

Location: The Cynwyd Club, 332 Trevor Lane, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004.

Reservation: To make or cancel a dinner reservation, e-mail CCNReservations@aol.com or call the ACS office at 215-382-1589 (leave message on voicemail if necessary). Fee, including food and beverages, is \$35.

Early Bird discount price is \$25 if reserved by Thursday, September 6th. Late reservations and walk-ins subject to availability. No-shows will be invoiced.

Abstract: Marc Halpern decided to launch his chemical consulting business after attending a CCN meeting in 1996. Marc uses a combination of seven marketing methods to grow his chemical consulting business. As a result of anti-spam laws, Marc was forced to upgrade his monthly E-newsletter. In the past two years Marc estimates that the impact of integrating the new "PTC Tip of the Month" with his other marketing methods has been in the range of \$50,000 to \$100,000 per year. In this talk, Marc will describe the simple mechanics, the low cost, the effective results and most importantly what he thinks he learned about designing his monthly E-newsletter to increase profit.

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THE PHILADELPHIA SECTION,
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presents

FAMILY NIGHT AT THE ELMWOOD PARK ZOO

with

Dr. Chris L. Whittle

Monell Chemical Senses Center

*The Chemical Ecology of Moose (Alces alces gigas): Characteristic
Urinary Components of Male Alaskan Moose*

Thursday, September 20th
6:00 to 9:00 PM

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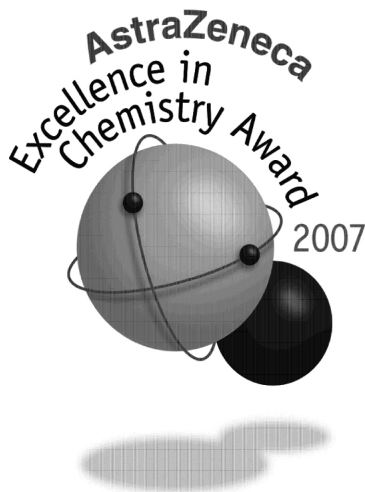
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SPEAKER'S ABSTRACT AND BIOGRAPHY

*The Chemical Ecology of Moose (*Alces alces gigas*): Characteristic Urinary Components of Male Alaskan Moose*

Dr. Chris L. Whittle

Monell Chemical Senses Center

Abstract: Olfactory communication and associated scent-marking activities play a major role in the behavioral ecology of many mammals. During the mating season (rut), scent-marking associated with urine of male cervids is an important chemical cue to relay information to conspecifics. Specifically, adult male moose (*Alces alces*) dig rutting pits in which they urinate, and females respond strongly to urine deposited in pits.

I tested the hypothesis that female moose spent more time investigating urine of adult male moose during rut than from nonrut. Urine samples of both nonrut and rut urine were presented to females.

Females spent significantly more time investigating samples of rut versus nonrut urine. Only the rut urine elicited the characteristic behaviors associated with the mating season. Additionally, urine from the rut contained more volatile compounds and in elevated levels in contrast to nonrut urine as determined by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry analyses.

These results indicate that male urine from the rut contains constituents that may act as pheromones, which synchronize and prime estrus.

Biography: It was at an early age when I discovered my love for science. I had the rare opportunity to actually practice science in a rural community: I "played" with species of both vertebrates and invertebrates. I wondered why the pretty little spider that caught my curiosity had a red hour glass on its abdomen. Perhaps, instinctively, I decided not to let my curiosity get the better of me and, therefore, I did not disturb the Black Widow spider.

To pursue my scientific curiosities, I attended California State University Hayward where I graduated with a BS in Biology.

After graduating, I lived in Sweden for two years but decided that the USA was one of the best places to pursue a degree in Wildlife Biology.

Under the excellent mentorship of R. Terry Bowyer, PhD, I obtained my MS in Wildlife Biology from the University of Alaska Fairbanks in 1999. Under the excellent mentorship of Thomas P. Clausen, PhD, in 2005, I received my PhD in Chemical Ecology that investigated urinary pheromones in male moose.

I am currently a Post-Doctoral Fellow at Monell Chemical Senses Center located in Philadelphia, PA. Under the excellent mentorship of George Preti, I am investigating a rare genetic metabolic disease in humans—Trimethylaminuria.

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The first recipient will be recognized at the Society's 2009 spring national meeting in Salt Lake City, UT. The award consists of \$5,000, a certificate and a plaque. Nominations are now open with an application deadline of November 1st, 2007. For additional details and nomination criteria, and to apply for the award, visit ACS Award for Affordable Green Chemistry at http://www.chemistry.org/portal/a/c/s/1/acsdisplay.html?DOC=awards\Affordable_Green_Chemistry.html

ACS PROJECT SEED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Project SEED is national program of the ACS designed to encourage economically disadvantaged high school students to pursue career opportunities in the chemical sciences. The national program, established in 1968, relies on volunteer scientists in academia, industry, and government to establish eight-week summer student research projects.

The current program at the University of Pennsylvania, which is now in its fourth year, began as the result of my meeting John Sheats, the Project SEED coordinator and advocate at Rider University, at a biochemistry symposium held in Philadelphia. I then applied for and was awarded a grant for two student fellowships from the ACS. I soon found a colleague who was keen to mentor the second student. Next we had to find the two students, and this proved harder than expected. In fact, one of the two dropped out before she started. (She had found a higher paying job in a restaurant.) The remaining student, Alan Nesbitt from South Philadelphia High School, successfully completed the program and entered University of Pittsburgh the following year.

I knew I needed a better method of recruiting students to the program, so I met with Ron O'Neal, the Assistant Director of the Educational Opportunity Center at Penn. With his expertise in reaching out to disadvantaged populations we put together

a selection system that consists of a student nomination by a high school science teacher, a written application with essay, and an on-campus interview and informational visit with the student and his or her parent/guardian. With this system in place we can both inform all the nominees and their families of the importance of science and higher education and choose the students who will be best suited to program.

The Project SEED students work one-on-one with a scientific mentor (typically a graduate student, research assistant, or postdoc) on their own research projects. This year Jin Gao from Benjamin Franklin High School is studying *Iron regulated gene expression* under my direction, and Christopher Griffin from Lamberton High School is studying *Hydrogen release from ammoniaborane* with postdoctoral fellow Laif Alden. It is quite a step for these students to move from a high school chem lab to a world-class university research lab, which requires both academic ability and personal maturity. After a couple of weeks, the students gain the skills and understanding required to move their projects forward.

As part of their projects the students write research reports. This year I arranged for volunteer writing tutors and a workshop from Penn's Critical Writing Program to assist with the writing. At the end of program the students present their work to their research groups. It is a real challenge for the high schoolers to stand up in front of graduate students,



University of Pennsylvania Project SEED Students and Mentors in front of the Edgar Fahs Smith statue, left to right: Simon Knight, Jin Gao, Chris Griffin and Laif Alden.

postdocs, and professors and talk about their research. However, the compliments and congratulations they receive provide a reward for their hard work and the affirmation that they can be "real scientists."

This program would not be possible without grants provided by the American Chemical Society and matching funds from the Diversity Fund of the University of Pennsylvania that provide the students with generous fellowships.

Simon A.B. Knight, PhD, Research Assistant Professor, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

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590th. Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, March 8th, 2007 University Of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA

This is the edited version of the minutes. A full copy of the minutes can be obtained from the Section Office.

Present: D. Cichowicz, A. DeMasi, M. Falcone, J. Falcone, Jr., Sr. R. Mulligan, R. Gates, J. Summers-Gates, D. Thomas, C.J. Bruner, D. Cook, K. Shaginaw, J. Tierney, E. Davis, V. Tortorelli.

Excused: T. Straub, C. Rulli, M. Cichowicz.

Absent: C. Bentzley.

Also Present: L. Harper, H. Whalen.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cichowicz at 4:15 PM.

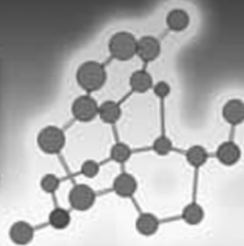

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes from the January 2007 meeting passed unanimously. A motion to approve the February 2007 meeting minutes passed with two abstentions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nominations: M. Prushan from La Salle University has been nominated to serve as Alternate Councilor for one year. The motion passed unanimously.



Councilors: the Pre-Council meeting in preparation for the Chicago meeting will be held

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on March 14th from 12-1PM. Ten Councilors and two Alternates will be in attendance at the Chicago Council meeting.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Chair (D. Cichowicz): The April meeting will be held at the Cynwyd Club. Dr. Kevin Hicks from the Department of Agriculture will be the speaker. The Student Award winners are invited to the NHCL designation at the FDA site in Wyndmoor.

Earth Day—this year's Earth Day activity will be a Haiku contest. Students in grades K-12 may participate. April 4th is the deadline for paper submissions. April 9th is the deadline for electronic submissions. Each school may submit three per grade.

Chair Cichowicz presented the Ulyot Award for Meritorious Service to Henry Whalen. The Board members thanked and congratulated Hank for his wonderful service and dedication to the Philadelphia Section.

Chair-Elect: E. Davis thanked L. Harper for sending out the teacher award nomination packages. The deadline is next week. Winners must be selected before the next Board meeting.

Secretary (A. DeMasi): No report

Treasurer (C.J. Bruner): The MARM 2007 budget line item needed to be adjusted to pick up an error from last year. The MARM budget is being handled out of the local Section bank

account and by the Section Treasurer at this time. C.J. Bruner also reported that the Section has not received the allotment from National but we have received the dues collected by National (\$23K). A motion to accept the Treasurer's report passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Registration for MARM 2007 is taking place. Winners of the E. Emmet Reid Award for 2006 are being considered for the MARM Regional HS Teaching Award. Chairs are needed for the Analytical and Physical Chemistry sessions.

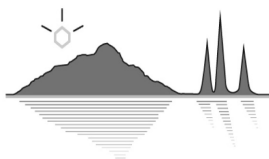
2. Expand Your Horizons is scheduled at Chestnut Hill College on March 17th, and 132 6th grade girls have signed up to participate. Amanda Grannas from Villanova University will be the keynote speaker.

3. The Section has received a note of thanks from Madeline Jouillé.

There being no other business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 4:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne S. DeMasi, Secretary



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**591st Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, April 19th, 2007
The Cynwyd Club
Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004**

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Present: D. Cichowicz, D. Kilmartin, C.J. Bruner, D. Cook, J. Falcone, M. Falcone, R. Gates, K. Shaginaw, T. Straub, J. Summers-Gates, and via teleconference E. Davis, Sr. R. Mulligan, D. Thomas, J. Tierney and V. Tortorelli.

Excused: M. Cichowicz, A. DeMasi, C. Rulli, A. Templeton.

Absent: C. Bentzley.

Also: E. Harper, M. Angelella, J. Crawford and J. Eddy.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cichowicz at 4:12 PM.

A motion to approve the March minutes as amended was carried with three abstentions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

National Chemistry Week Committee (NCW)/Graduate School Forum (E. Harper for A. DeMasi): E. Harper reported that A. DeMasi was looking for approval to continue the event and to choose a date. The Chair spoke for the Board, saying that so long as A. DeMasi was willing to chair the event, the event should continue and A. DeMasi should choose a date that works for her and Villanova.

Chair Cichowicz is planning to ask for NCW volunteers in his May column in *the Catalyst* and that Committee Chair J. Summers-Gates should plan an June NCW committee meeting.

Publications Committee: D. Kilmartin reported that the committee is already planning the special August 2008 edition of *the Catalyst* for the National Meeting in Philadelphia; anyone interested in either chairing or writing for the issue should contact her. All contributors for the 2004 special issue are welcome to either re-submit or write new copy. Chair Cichowicz suggested that copies of the 2004 special issue should be made available at MARM. T. Straub suggested that fewer copies should be printed for 2008 than in 2004. D. Kilmartin reported that the committee plans to print about 10,000 extra copies, not 15,000 as before. A suggestion was made to have only electronic copies available for the National Meeting. An electronic copy will be available but D. Kilmartin felt that extra printed copies should still be printed.

Nominations Committee: D. Kilmartin reported that the slate of candidates for 2008 elections isn't ready to present to the Board. Names of potential candidates are welcome, especially for Chair-Elect.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

Chair Report: Chair Cichowicz reported that the USDA Eastern Regional Research Laboratories (ERRC) National Landmark dedication ceremony went well. Free potato chips were distributed and a wonderful presentation on dried potato flakes was made. National ACS Chair Catherine T. (Katie) Hunt was a speaker.

Chair Cichowicz reported he had tried to contact a board member who has missed three meetings in a row but received no reply. After some discussion, a motion was made to vacate the position on the Board. Chair Cichowicz will contact past nominees to fill the position.

Chair Cichowicz asked if members of the Board received an email from Mark O'Brien at national concerning a local section needs survey. Not all present had. The survey will be sent to all Board members who are to send their responses for submission to national by the May 21st deadline.

The Chair also reported that the June meeting will be held at the Cynwyd Club and the September meeting will be held at the Elmwood Park Zoo in Norristown.

The Chair had received a number of certificates for 60-year members in addition to the customary 50-year member certificates. It was decided to send on the certificates to the 60-year members and to print the names of those agreeing to be recognized in *the Catalyst*.

The Coriell Institute sent a letter thanking us for our contribution to their science fair program.

Chair-Elect Report: E. Davis reported that a teacher in the K-8 grade category was chosen for the elementary school teacher's award, John Mc Ginley of Devon Prep. In the 9-12 grade category, Madeline Fenner of Camden Academy Charter School was selected. Dr. Oliver Ludwig of Villanova was selected for the Merck Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching award. Last year's high school teacher awardee, Scott Zraggen, will be our nominee for the high school teaching award at the Middle Atlantic Regional Meeting (MARM) at Ursinus University this year.

Secretary Report (A. DeMasi): No report.

Treasurer Report (C.J. Bruner): There was a problem with the treasurer's report. Some of the Board members printed out only the MARM report and did not print out the March Treasurer's report. Acceptance of the March report was tabled until then.

Treasurer Bruner asked the Board if they would like to continue having National collect the Section dues. She also asked if the Board wanted to raise the dues higher than \$10 per year. It was the consensus of the Board that National should continue to collect the dues and no raise is needed at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Sr. R. Mulligan reported that she would have to resign her position on the Board effective December 31st as her professional duties have changed, requiring considerable travel. She will remain active in other roles.

2. T. Straub reported on the ChemOlympiad. The Section has lost one seat from last year, being allowed only 23 students instead of 24. Twenty-one schools submitted applications, with a median of 14 students per school. Twenty-one students were selected (only two per school allowed) with 12 teachers. The International ChemOlympiad will be held in Moscow, Russia. Posters are available announcing the international Olympiad. A new location may be needed for next year, as La Salle is renovating their laboratories beginning this fall. A school with 22 lab spaces and a large lecture hall is required.

3. K. Thrush-Shaginaw reported that the spring "Expand Your Horizons Mini-Conference for Sixth Grade Girls" (EYH) was cancelled on March 17th due to snow. It will not be rescheduled. The March speaker, Amanda Grannas from Villanova, will speak on November 3rd instead.

4. Erika Martin and John Crawford will be attending the Rohm and Haas Spring House outreach program, representing the Section.

5. V. Tortorelli reminded the Board that registration for the MARM continues until April 26th. There will be a table available to display ACS membership materials as well some issues of *the Catalyst*. It was suggested that the special 2004 issue, with its local activities guide, should be brought as well.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah E. Kilmartin, Acting Secretary

592th. Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, May 17th, 2007 Ursinus College Collegeville, PA

This is the edited version of the minutes. A full copy of the minutes can be obtained from the Section Office.

Present: D. Cichowicz, E. Davis, A. DeMasi, C.J. Bruner, J. Falcone, Jr., M. Falcone, R. Gates, J. Summers-Gates, C. Rulli, K. Thrush-Shaginaw, T. Straub, D. Thomas, J. Tierney, V. Tortorelli.

Excused: M. Cichowicz, A. Templeton, D. Cook, Sr. R. Mulligan.

Also Present: L. Harper, M. O'Brien.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 PM by Chair Cichowicz. The minutes for the April 2007 meeting were approved as amended.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilors Committee: A. DeMasi reported that the divisor for determining the number of local section councilors per section is 453. Based on the number of local section members, this does not affect the Philadelphia Section. Several other sections gained or lost one councilor.

NCW: J. Summers-Gates hopes to have a newsletter ready by June describing this year's activities.

Graduate School Forum (under NCW) (A. DeMasi): The Board discussed the Graduate School Forum in terms of decreasing attendance by both students and universities. All agreed that Jim Burke's absence has had a negative effect on the program. A. DeMasi agreed to confirm a date at Villanova University. Anne will send a list of universities invited in the past and has requested that Board members assist in making contacts at these universities. Matt O'Brien offered to assist with the program if needed.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Chair: D. Cichowicz informed the Board about a request for funding for a student to travel to the National meeting in Boston. The Board will vote on the issue at the June Board meeting.

Chair-Elect: E. Davis provided the Board with a written report and announced the recipients of the teaching awards for 2007.

John McGinley – K-8.

Madeline Fenner – High School.

Dr. Oliver Ludwig – Merck Excellence in Undergraduate teaching.

Secretary (A. DeMasi): No report.

Treasurer (C. J. Bruner) : Line item 4120 will be updated with the correct header. There were no other items to highlight or discuss in the budget. It was noted that approximately 800 people registered for the MARM 2007. The Section will do well financially mainly due to the great generosity of Ursinus College.

Treasurer's Report for May 2007 was approved. The March report was approved by default as its results were included in the May report.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Deb Kilmartin reported that she is working on the slate for the 2008 elections and is still seeking candidates for several positions.

Chair Cichowicz reviewed a survey sent on

behalf of D. Richard Cobb, Chair, ACS Action Team G. The survey relates to National support for local section activities. The Board assisted Dave with completing the survey on behalf of the Section.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne S. DeMasi, Secretary

ERRATUM

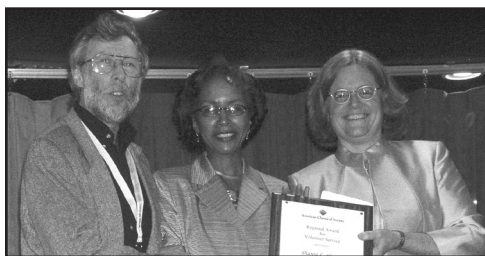
We apologize to 50-year member Dr. Norman Vorchheimer for misspelling his name in the June issue.



Ella Davis (R), Awards Committee chair, presenting the Philadelphia Section Pre-College High School Teaching Award to Madeline Fenner of the Camden Academy Charter High School.



Awards Chair Ella Davis with Philadelphia Section Pre-College Teaching Award winner for K-8 John McGinley of Devon Preparatory School (center) and Merck Undergraduate Teaching Award winner Oliver Ludwig of Villanova University. — *Joel Perlsh photo*



Sharon L. Haynie (middle) receives the Regional Volunteer of the Year Award from Anthony W. (Tony) Addison, Program Co-Chair 39th MARM and Catherine T. (Katie) Hunt, President - ACS.

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS, 2007

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Delaware Valley College		Thomas Reffle
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Drexel University (Chemical Engineering)		Thomas G. Salerno
Eastern University (Biochemistry)		Carolyn Pennay
Haverford College		Mark G. Maienschein-Cline
Immaculata University		Elizabeth Crowe
LaSalle University		Diana Tomezsko
Lincoln University		Yetunde Ibrahim
Rutgers, The State University		Lisa Sibley
St. Joseph's University		David P. Bulkley
Swarthmore College		Benjamin Thuronyi
Temple University		Megan Ruth Elliott
University of Pennsylvania (Chemistry)		Jessica Dweck
University of Pennsylvania (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering)		Sweta Vania
University of the Sciences	Chemistry:	Jessica Nixon
in Philadelphia	Biochemistry:	Kate Ashley Beishline
Ursinus College		Jonathan M. Darmon
Villanova University (Chemistry)		Ved Desai
Villanova University (Chemical Engineering)		Jon Lundin
West Chester University		Jennifer Eddy
		Maria Angelella
Widener University (Chemistry)		Robert Hickey
Widener University (Chemical Engineering)		Robert Rodgers



Scholastic Achievement Award winners at the April dinner. Front row, L to R: David P. Bulkley (St. Joseph's University), Maria Angelella (West Chester University), Thomas Reffle (Delaware Valley College), Jonathan M. Darmon (Ursinus College), Jon Lundin (Villanova University); back row, L to R: Ved Desai (Villanova University), Malka Lev (Drexel University), Jennifer Eddy (West Chester University), Mark G. Maienschein-Cline (Haverford), Jessica Nixon (University of the Sciences), Kate Ashley Beishline (University of the Sciences), Lisa Sibley (Rutgers), Robert Rodgers (Widener University), Elizabeth Crowe (Immaculata University). —Joel Perlish photo

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Section home page: <http://membership.acs.org/p/philadelphia>

National: 1-(800) 227-5558, ext. 6097; email: ncw@acs.org

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Fifty-year Members at the June Luncheon in Their Honor. Front row, L to R: Jay Basch, John Carson, Charles Signorino, James King, Norman Vorchheimer; rear: Edward Thornton, Norman Schwartz, William Golton, James Komerska, Richard Turner, Robert Albright, Robert Leonetti, Evelyn Baker.

BOOK REVIEW

Fundamentals of Industrial Catalytic Processes, 2nd edition, by C. H.

Bartholomew and R. J. Farrauto. 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ by 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches, casebound, 990 pages, Wiley Interscience, Hoboken NJ, 2006. ISBN 0471457132, \$99.95.

The book is designed as a handbook for practitioners and a textbook for students and faculty. It is divided into two parts—the first dealing with an introduction to the subject and its fundamentals, and the second part focusing on industrial practice. A seven-page nomenclature defines abbreviations and symbols used in the book.

A brief history of catalyst technology includes a list of catalyst producers and their end uses. The part one chapters cover the fundamentals of catalysis, properties of catalyst materials, properties of catalysts and their selection, reactors and activity testing, and the deactivation of catalysts.

Part two reviews industrial practices including hydrogen production and synthetic gas reactions, hydrogenation and dehydrogenation of organic compounds, catalytic oxidations, petroleum refining, environmental catalysis, special types of catalysis (homogeneous, enzyme, polymerization), and fuel cell catalyst technology.

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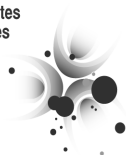
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Sept. 10	Delaware Valley Mass Spectrometry Dan Morgan, BMS <i>uHPLC/MS/MS of Small Molecules</i> http://science.widener.edu/svb/msdg/	Villanova University Villanova, PA
Sept. 11	Chemical Consultants Network Dr. Marc Halpern <i>E-marketing for a Consulting Practice</i> www.chemconsultants.org/	The Cynwyd Club Bala Cynwyd, PA
Sept. 20	Family Night at the Zoo Dr. Chris L. Whittle Monell Chemical Senses Center <i>The Chemical Ecology of Moose</i>	Elmwood Park Zoo Norristown, PA
Oct. 18	Philadelphia Section Award Dr. Robert Levis	Temple University Philadelphia, PA
Oct. 21-27	National Chemistry Week	All over the Delaware Valley
Oct. 28-30	ACS Prospective Conference PK/PD for Medicinal Chemists www.acsprospectives.org	Westin Philadelphia Philadelphia, PA
Nov. 1 1 st Thurs.	Ulyot Lecture: Shirley Tilghman Princeton University	Chemical Heritage Foundation Philadelphia, PA
Nov. 3	Expand Your Horizons Mini-Conference for Sixth Grade Girls	Chestnut Hill College Philadelphia, PA
Dec. 8	Herb Bassow Memorial Chemistry Demonstration and Hands-on Program	La Salle University Philadelphia, PA
Mar. 24-29	NOBCCHE National Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
April 6-10	ACS Spring National Meeting	New Orleans, LA
May 18-21	Middle Atlantic Regional Meeting (MARM) www.marmacs.org/2008/index.html	Queensborough Community Coll. New York
Aug. 17-21	ACS Fall National Meeting	Philadelphia, PA

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