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Central North Carolina Section American Chemical Society

January Local Section Meeting

Speakers: Dr. Anne Glenn (Guilford College), Dr. Gail Webster (Guilford College) and Dr. Bakarr Kanu (WSSU): "Traveling Abroad in the Chemical Sciences"

When: January 22, 2019 (6:30 pm Social, 7:00 pm Meeting)

Where: Hege Library at Guilford College in the Carnegie Room



Upcoming Events

January 22, 2019 : Local Section Meeting, Guilford College

February 19, 2019: Local Section Meeting, UNC-G

March 4, 2019: Senior Chemist Group Meeting; location TBD

March 19: Local Section Meeting; location TBD

April 16, 2019: 19th Annual Poster Vendor Night, Syngenta

May 6, 2019: Senior Chemist Group Meeting; location TBD

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2019 Letter from the Chair

Happy New Year! 2019 is the International Year of the Periodic Table of the Chemical Elements (IYPT 2019)!! I hope that you are ready to celebrate an exciting year with the Central NC American Chemical Society (CN-ACS).

As stated on the ACS website, “The purpose of the local section is to help chemists stay active and involved in the community by providing a forum for networking and collaboration and by supporting our efforts to educate our communities”. I know that we also support our local section because of our love of Chemistry. We know that everything we do is chemistry! It is so critical that we continue to share the good news about chemistry with our local community. It is also very important that we advance science literacy throughout our communities so that others can make intelligent decisions regarding science-based issues.

The major CN-ACS goals for 2019 are to increase membership engagement and recruit new members through our faculty, staff, and students at our local colleges and universities, and chemistry teachers in our area high schools. Some of the activities and initiatives of the local section for 2019 include:

- Celebration of Women in Chemistry (March 2019)
- Annual Poster Vendor Night (April 2019)
- Networking Event with our Senior Chemists at a Local Winery (May 2019)
- National Chemistry Week Event (October 2019)
- Department Chairs and Local Industries Forum (October 2019)
- Periodic Table Trivia and Door Prizes (Each Meeting)

It is such an honor to serve as the chair of the CN-ACS. I want to hear from all of our members, and I would like to hear your ideas, your feedback and find out more ways that I can better serve as your chair for 2019. Feel free to email me at mikanipe@ncat.edu. Our first section meeting is January 22, 2019 at Guilford College in the Hege Library. At this meeting, we will hold elections for the 2019 CN-ACS chair-elect and treasurer.

I am certainly excited about the year we have ahead. I look forward to seeing you soon. Bring a guest with you!

Senior Chemist News - Robert Yokley

Dear Senior Chemists,

Our last meeting at Syngenta was attended by Bruce and Carol McKillican, Cynthia Williard, Cliff Bell, Rod Bennett, Debbie Pritchard, Ralph May, Ed Koos, David Pollard, and Robert and Phyllis Yokley. Many thanks to Bruce and Carol for serving as hosts and providing drinks and to Rod for bringing chocolate cake. Pizza and chips were courtesy of the CNC-ACS.

Due to my advanced seniority (I hesitate to use the word maturity here), I won't remember everything discussed last night but I will try to capture as much as I can recall in these notes.

(1) Future Meeting Dates: Monday appears to be the best day of the week to conduct meetings because we regularly lose members on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. We have a very active group of older, retired chemists. Therefore, the next meeting dates have been scheduled for the following Mondays – March 4, May 6, July 8, September 9, and November 4. Of course, if something critical later becomes known, we can change the date as needed.

(2) We had several presentations in 2017 and 2018 by members talking about their hobbies, their careers in chemistry, or both. For those who did not participate in these presentations but have interest, please let me know and we will schedule you in one of the future meetings.

(3) For future meetings, we will invite speakers to talk about topics of interest to our group. Thus, please let me know if you have a preferred topic and/or also if you know of a particular speaker who would be interested in speaking to Senior Chemists. Please make recommendations or I will select all the speakers and topics and you will get tired of hearing about old British cars, travel, and spicy food.

(4) Cynthia will gather the details about a day-trip to Counter Culture in Durham (perhaps the first quarter of 2019). You can taste many types of coffee and learn more about the growing and preparation of one of the favorite morning beverages around the world. Note, It is open only at 10 AM on Fridays.

(5) Debbie mentioned a Day-Trip to Ciener Botanical Garden in Kernersville. This would be good in spring time when many of the flowers start blooming. We could also dine at Giada's Italian restaurant prior to or after a visit to the garden.

Senior Chemist News - Robert Yokley (continued)

(6) Cliff and Bruce discussed a day-trip to Shatley Springs just north of West Jefferson, NC. This is fantastic place for any meal. It's about a 2 hour drive from Greensboro. After breakfast, we could follow-up with another activity or two (canoeing or rafting, visit the Cheese Factory, scenic drives, etc.). Debbie suggested we could conduct a cheese webinar prior to going to the Cheese Factory.

(7) Other day trip activities include Morrow Mountain State Park, Duke Family Plantation (Homestead), Pine Knolls, Wohlfahrt for play and dinner (in Wytheville VA), Moravian organ concert, Barn Dinner Theatre, Waterfall Tour of Western Carolina (weekend event), etc.

(8) Rod recommended we send two students (one undergraduate and one graduate) to a Regional ACS meeting as a reward for winning PVN (maybe we could obtain IPG grants to support this effort).

(9) Conduct a future meeting to address the topics NCW, Science Coaches, and Safety (including something about the Carolina Star Safety Program). How do we send this message to academia?

(10) Get together one evening to snack and watch old Science Fiction movies from the 50's and 60's.

Please let me know if anyone thinks of additional meeting topics or day activities.

I hope everyone is off to a great 2019.

Robert

Chair

Senior Chemists

Central NC ACS 19th Annual Poster Vendor Night (PVN) News

Poster Vendor Night will be held on Tuesday, April 16th at the Syngenta Auditorium in Greensboro from 3 to 7 pm. Easily the biggest event of the year, PVN is a unique opportunity to showcase your industrial or academic research to chemists, faculty, graduate and undergraduate students in the Piedmont Triad area, while at the same time taking in some of the great research from groups in the region. PVN is a fantastic opportunity for networking and for having in-depth discussions with a variety of vendors. More details will follow in the February newsletter and on the website.

Robert Yokley to serve on National ACS Senior Chemist Committee

Robert Yokley, head of the CNC-ACS Senior Chemist Group has accepted a position on the National ACS Senior Chemist Committee.

The Senior Chemists Committee was established January 1, 2013 as a Joint Board-Council Committee and consists of 18 members, 10 associate members, and a consultant. The Committee will serve two constituencies within the ACS: (1) seniors who are still active either as full time or part time employees, consultants, or those who still wish to stay closely connected to the ACS and its spectrum of activities; and (2) younger members and students who have questions about a chemistry based career or who have started careers but are looking for guidance in how to progress.

Their vision and mission is noted below.

Vision: Improve lives using the knowledge and experience of senior chemists.

Mission: Address community needs and ambitions by utilizing senior chemists' knowledge and experience.

Their goals are to:

- Develop avenues to expand communications and promotions to enhance awareness of senior chemist activities.

- Increase the number of senior chemists groups in local sections.

- Engage with community groups that benefit from senior chemists' expertise.

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