

# TRIAD CHEMICAL TIMES



Central North Carolina Section American Chemical Society

## March Local Section Meeting

**Speaker: Dr. Nadja Cech: "Goats and Greens and Community College: An Unlikely Journey to Becoming a Research Scientist"**

**When: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 (6:30 pm Social, 7:00 pm Meeting)**

**Where: UNC-Greensboro, 203 Sullivan Hall**

## Upcoming Events

March 13, 2018 : Local Section Meeting; UNC-G, Sullivan Hall Room 203; Dr. Nadja Cech

April 10, 2018: 18th Annual Poster Vendor Night, Syngenta Auditorium, 3 to 7 pm.

May 15, 2018 : May Section Meeting

June 16, 2018 : Family Picnic at Bur-Mill Park, Greensboro



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March Speaker Bio:



**Goats and Greens and Community College: An Unlikely Journey to Becoming a Research Scientist**

**Dr. Nadja B. Cech**

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Dr. Nadja Cech (pronounced “Check”) is not your typical chemist. She grew up in a yurt, spending much of her childhood barefoot in streams, climbing trees, and learning about plants from her botanist father. At the age of 14, with little formal education, she started community college, and less than 9 years later had earned a Ph.D. with one of the best-known figures in analytical chemistry, Dr. Christie Enke. Dr. Cech is currently Distinguished Professor of Chemistry at the University of North Carolina Greensboro, and manages an active group of 16 graduate and undergraduate students working to develop new treatments for drug resistant infections. This presentation will cover some of Cech’s recent work, and chronicle the unlikely journey that brought her to her current post. The content will be pitched to a general scientific audience, with plenty of time for questions and discussion.

## Parking for the March Meeting

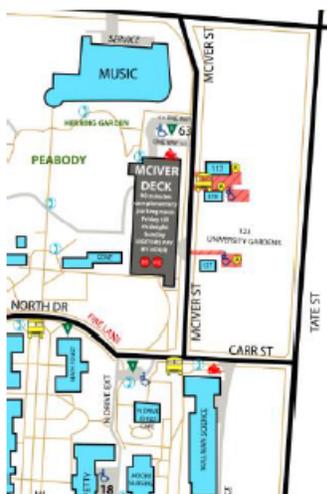
We have arranged with UNCG Parking to provide passes for a limited number of parking spaces in lots/driveways at houses owned by the university. The pass is attached here. Depending on how people park, 15-20 spaces would be available. When the lots are full, the McIver Parking Deck or area streets (Tate and Carr) would be the next option.



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## **TEMPORARY PARKING PASS**

**\*\*MUST DISPLAY ON VEHICLE DASHBOARD\*\***



**Tuesday, March 13, 2018  
5pm to 10pm**

American Chemical Society  
guests of the UNCG Chemistry  
and Biochemistry department may  
use this pass to park in university  
managed parking lots located at

117 McIver Street,  
119 McIver Street,  
or 127 McIver Street

UNCG Parking Operations & Campus Access Management  
<http://parking.uncg.edu> [parking@uncg.edu](mailto:parking@uncg.edu) phone 336.334.5681

## Senior Chemist News - Robert Yokley

We have two exciting events on the horizon:

(1) **Wednesday, March 7** is our next regularly scheduled meeting. Our guest speaker will be Allen Lo (IT expert at Syngenta). He will try to guide and assist us with the more common problems we encounter with our home computers. Bring your questions! This meeting will take place at Syngenta (L-1101) at 6:30 PM. Please bring a pot-luck dish to share –the entrée will come from the Senior Chemists budget.

For planning purposes, please RSVP no later than Monday, March 5.

(2) **Saturday, March 10** is our Kaleideum event (formerly SciWorks) at 400 W Hanes Mill Road in Winston-Salem. The entry fee is \$7.47 per person - 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We will dine starting about 12:15 so please bring your own lunch and drinks. After lunch, we will watch a planetarium show from 12:50 to 1:45 PM.

Please RSVP by March 8 and feel free to invite guests and children of all ages. This is a family event.

### **Mark your calendars for these Upcoming Senior Chemists Events:**

February 6 (Tuesday) – Science Coaches meeting at Syngenta

March 3 (Saturday) – Day trip to Kaleideum (formerly SciWorks) in Winston Salem, 10:30 AM to 2:00 PM (including lunch) – details to follow

March 7 (Wednesday) – Regular meeting, Allen Lo guest speaker (details above)

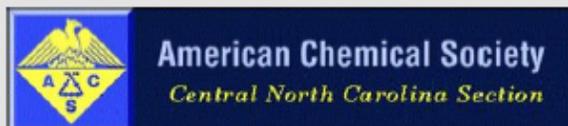
April (TBD) – Stars and Galaxies, guest speaker Mike Hager – details to follow

May 9 (Wednesday) – Guest speakers Cynthia Williard (Hobbies and Interests) and Bruce McKillican, Ralph May, and Jill Keith (Chemistry careers) – additional details to follow

Thanks,

Robert, Chair - Senior Chemists Group

# 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Poster Vendor Night



## Call for Posters

**When:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 from 3-7 pm

**Where:** Syngenta Crop Protection - Auditorium  
410 Swing Road  
Greensboro, NC 27409

**What:** Posters (Academic + Industry), Vendors

Trade Show

Networking

Food/Snacks

Research Posters

Cash Prizes for Best Student Posters

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Poster Submission Portal: <https://goo.gl/forms/wyOmND1YSRkYzmJM2>

## Central NC ACS 18th Annual Poster Vendor Night (PVN) News

Poster Vendor Night will be held on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018 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.

This year, we have moved to having posters submitted through Google Forms: <https://goo.gl/forms/wyOmND1YSRkYzmJM2>

So please mark your calendars for Tuesday April 10<sup>th</sup> and consider presenting a poster. We are also in need of judges for the evaluation of graduate and undergraduate student posters. If you are interested in judging, please contact the PVN organizing committee at: [cncpvnight@gmail.com](mailto:cncpvnight@gmail.com) .

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