



ACS-KC SECTION MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING **ANNUAL STUDENT/TEACHER AWARDS BANQUET**

WHEN: Thursday, May 7th; 6:00pm

WHERE: Princess Garden Restaurant, 8906 Wornall Rd., KCMO

DINNER: Family Style Dinner including Appetizers: Egg Rolls, Crab Rangoon, and Hot & Sour Soup; Entrees: Cashew Chicken, Beef & Broccoli, Shrimp & Veggies and Tofu & Veggies. Hot & Iced Tea. Additional beverages available for purchase.

COST: Members: \$20; Students & Seniors: \$5; Awardees (& their families): FREE

RSVP: Please RSVP by Friday, May 1, 2026 (See sidebar)

Please RSVP to Sarah Leibowitz:
sleibowitzacs@gmail.com
by May 1, 2026.
Thank you!



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CONGRATULATIONS **TO OUR ACS 50-, 60-, & 70-YEAR MEMBERS!**

We celebrate your long-standing ACS membership and your service!

Please plan on joining us for our Annual Awards Banquet and be recognized at Princess Garden Restaurant on Thursday, May 7th!

50 YEAR MEMBER: Mr. August Scott, KCMO

60 YEAR MEMBER: Mr. Gary Hindman, KCMO

70 YEAR MEMBERS: Mr. Sheldon Hersh, Tonganoxie, KS
and

Mr. William Lloyd Taylor, Shawnee, KS

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USNCO 2026: The United States National Chemistry Olympiad is a multi-tiered competition designed to stimulate and promote achievement in high school chemistry. It is sponsored by the American Chemical Society. Local Chemistry Olympiad competitions are open to all high school students in the U.S. **The Local Exam period was February 27-March 16. The National Exam took place April 10-19.**

Our top 12 Local Exam Students are: **1. Eddison Chen** (sophomore), Blue Valley NW, Theresa Kennedy (teacher); **2. Matthew Chen** (senior), Blue Valley North, Amy Schulte (teacher); **3. Bryce Harms**, Liberty North, Spencer Fish (teacher); **4. Ryan Seo**, Blue Valley West, Cheryl Myers (teacher); **5. Katherine Chang**, Olathe North, Amy Clement (teacher); **6. Mahi Kohli**, Olathe North, Amy Clement (teacher); **7. Katie Cole**, Liberty North, Spencer Fish (teacher); **8. Neil Joshi**, Blue Valley West, Brad Banning (teacher); **9. Gabriel Jenkins**, Liberty HS, Stu Jorgensen (teacher); **10. Adnan Rathore**, Liberty HS, Stu Jorgensen (teacher); **11. Mikel Law**, Olathe NW, Justin Slaven (teacher); **12. Aarav Sharma**, Blue Valley North, Amy Schulte (teacher).

***2026 Kenneth A Spencer Award Winner Announced!**

Congratulations to Dr. Michael Appell, USDA-ARS National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research. Our ACS-KC Section is already working on the Award Presentation and Banquet which will take place in the fall. Much more information to come in the Kansas City Chemist publications.

The Kenneth A Spencer Award for Outstanding Achievement in Agricultural and Food Chemistry was founded in 1955. It is recognized as one of the most prestigious awards presented to chemists working in many agricultural and food science areas. The award endorses meritorious contributions by scientists in academia and industry. For more than 60 years, the outstanding achievements of the Awardees have continued to establish the great reputation of the Spencer Award within the United States of America.

ACS-KC Standing Committees & Chairs

Please consider volunteering on one (or more) of our committees!

We welcome your thoughts, ideas, and contribution!

*Please contact Gary Clapp (geclapp424@gmail.com) if you are interested in one of the committees. Thank you! We would appreciate it, and we welcome your input and assistance!



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