



## ACS-KC SECTION

### ANNUAL NETWORKING PICNIC AT THE LANDING!

WHEN: *Saturday, June 14, 2025; 11:00am-2:00pm*

WHERE: *English Landing Park, Parkville MO; we have the River Shelter reserved*

QUASQUICENTENNIAL FUN: *Prepare yourself for Chemistry Trivia and see if you can win a prize!!*

MENU: *ACS will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, chips, veggies, cookies and drinks. Please bring a side or dessert if you'd like to, however, it is not necessary. FYI: Alcohol is permitted in the park.*

COST: *FREE of charge*

RSVP: *Please see the RSVP information on the right sidebar. Thank you! We are looking forward to seeing many of you at this fun networking picnic! We will also enjoy yard games in the beautiful setting! Feel free to reach out to Sarah Leibowitz if you have any questions: [sleibowitzacs@gmail.com](mailto:sleibowitzacs@gmail.com)*



Please RSVP to Sarah Leibowitz:  
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by Tuesday, June 10, 25.  
Thank you!



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### CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!

We would like to congratulate Eddison Chen and Matthew Chen who both received HONORS certificates for their achievements on the National Exam of the USNCO (United States National Chemistry Olympiad!) Well done young men!

## *Upcoming Events:*

### **Annual ACS-KC Section Networking Picnic**

Mark your calendar! We have the River Shelter at English Landing Park in Parkville reserved from 11:00am-2:00pm on **Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**! Join us for food, beverages, games, networking and good company! There is no cost to attend; our local section will provide food, drinks, and the grill master! Feel free to bring any yard games you'd like to play and maybe even your dog! There are walking trails as well. Questions? Contact Sarah Leibowitz at: [sleibowitzacs@gmail.com](mailto:sleibowitzacs@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you all, enjoying the picnic food, and having fun with you!

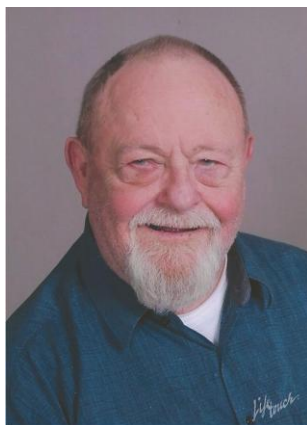
### **ACS MWRM: ACS Midwest Regional Meeting 2025**

**October 12-14, 2025, Columbia MO**

Abstract Submission for ACS MWRM opened April 14, 2025. Visit [mwrn2025.org](http://mwrn2025.org) in the coming months for further information.

### **Spencer Award Recipient Named: Congratulations to Dr. Gary List (D.Sc.)!**

Dr. List was a Lead Scientist at the National center for Agricultural Utilization Research in Peoria IL. He has been involved in research for over 50 years, and we welcome the opportunity to celebrate him at our Annual Awards Dinner & Presentation on Thursday, October 16, 2025. Mark your calendar and stay tuned for more information.



## **ACS-KC SECTION CELEBRATES ITS QUASQUICENTENNIAL**

This year, the KC Section is celebrating its Quasquicentennial, which is our **125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!** That's right, the section was founded in 1900! Join us at our annual picnic on **June 14<sup>th</sup>** where you can showcase your chemistry knowledge as we play chemistry trivia besides eating, playing yard games, and enjoying one another's company!

The section recently received a \$2,000 grant from the National ACS in support of our Quasquicentennial Celebration, and we plan on organizing a few interesting activities, including inviting some eminent speakers and having a membership meeting where we review the past 125 years of history of the section. If you have ideas for events or celebrations that you would like to see for our Quasquicentennial, please do not hesitate to contact me at [jwoodford@missouriwestern.edu](mailto:jwoodford@missouriwestern.edu). Thank you for celebrating this milestone!

# 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@yahoo.com](mailto:geclapp424@yahoo.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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