



MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

In lieu of a monthly membership meeting, this month we will be participating in Super Science Saturday!

WHEN: Saturday, January 28; 10:00am-3:00pm

WHERE: The circle drive in front of Agenstein Hall on the Missouri Western State University campus. We will be set up in the Griffon Mobile Laboratory.

WHAT: Super Science Saturday! How do you get your children excited about science and math? Treat them to the experience that is Super Science Saturday! They can solve the math maze, try biology, physics, chemistry, and weather experiments, meet amazing creatures, and much more! Presented by the St. Joseph Museums and Missouri Western State University, the hands-on activities related to math and science are sure to excite and spur the imagination!

We are expecting to draw about 1500 attendees who will engage in a wide variety of science experiments and demonstrations. Last year KC-ACS members worked on board the Griffon Lab where visitors had an opportunity to extract DNA from strawberries. We will be doing the same DNA extraction this year. Come join us!

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR, CHRISTINE HILBERT:

Welcome to 2023! As we kick off this year, let's start with a new focus on educating students and endorsing continual learning in the science community. Together, I know we can achieve more. Stay tuned for new activities in the coming year.

**Happy
New Year!**

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***Our new Chair is Dr. Christine Hilbert. We thank you for your willingness to serve, Dr. Hilbert!**

Chair-Elect: Mr. James Partridge

James Partridge received his undergraduate degree in Chemistry from Drury University in 2008 and received his masters from the University of Kansas in 2016. After graduating he worked for DeLaval as a formulation chemist for four years. He currently works as an analytical chemist for Honeywell. James has also served as an adjunct professor for Park University and Washburn University. He has also served as a judge for the Science Olympiad. In recent years he has volunteered with the KCACS and wished to take a more active role with this organization.

Treasurer: Dr. Jeff Woodford

Jeff Woodford, Associate Professor of Chemistry, earned his B.S. in Chemistry from Carnegie Mellon University, and his PhD in Physical Chemistry from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He served as a professor at Eastern Oregon University before coming to Missouri Western State University in 2010. His research interests include computational studies of cyclic peroxides, conformational studies of natural products, and the pseudo-Jahn-Teller effect. Dr. Woodford also served as the Chair of our section in 2021.

Secretary: Dr. Gary Clapp

Dr. Clapp is recently retired from his duties with Missouri Western State University. He has been an active member of the American Chemical Society for the past 30+ years serving as the CCEW and NCW Coordinator (2018), Treasurer, Secretary, Vice-Chairman and Chairman for the KC section during the past 20 years. Before joining the efforts at MWSU, Dr. Clapp spent more than 20 years in contract pharmaceutical development and in helping business start-ups. He also serves as an invited technical reviewer on numerous National Institute of Health (NIH) and National Institute on Drugs of Abuse (NIDA) technical evaluation committees. In addition, Dr. Clapp is also one of a group of individuals who helps administer the Annual Kenneth A. Spencer Award in Food and Agricultural Chemistry. He is a member of the NW Missouri Workforce Development Board organized under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) as the Higher Education representative on the Board of Directors. Dr. Clapp remains passionate about STEM in our rural communities and continues to help bring science to those who cannot access these activities in the rural townships through grants and other funding that supports these efforts.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Super Science Saturday, January 28, 2023
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*Please contact Gary Clapp (geclapp424@yahoo.com) if you are interested in joining one of the committees or chairing one of the "open" committee positions.

We thank you and welcome your input and assistance!!



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