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MAUREEN CHAN, 2004  
BURTON C. BELDEN  
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDEE

Since I have known Maureen for all but the first two weeks of her industrial career as a chemist, I am delighted to write about why she deserves the award. It is particularly fitting that Maureen receive the Burt Belden Award, because just as Burt did, in addition to her many other offices, she served as secretary to the section for six important years. Maureen volunteered for the position of Secretary after she had served as Chair, because she realized the importance of the office of Secretary to the section. Not only did she expertly fulfill all the duties of the office, but she kept reminding whoever was Chair, as well as the rest of the Executive Committee, what needed to be done. And she did it all in such a diplomatic way that nobody took offense. Chairs are in office only one year, but the secretary keeps the section going from one year to the next. It is seven years since she was secretary, but we are still using some of the documents that she originated.

Another reason that it is so fitting that Maureen receive this award is that she has unselfishly nominated several North Jersey Section members to ACS national and regional awards, and has nominated laboratories in our section to Landmark and Polymer Awards. She did it so well that her nominees usually won.

Another important service that we owe to Maureen is rescuing The Indicator from turmoil in 1986. After retrieving the files, Maureen suggested Lilian Sello as editor, which turned out to be an excellent idea. Excellent ideas and follow-through by Maureen led to her being elected to the Board of Directors of the ACS. This is a service to our section since only through Maureen was our section, as well as the district, represented on the small group of people who run the whole ACS.

Maureen learned some of her leadership skills by participating in women scientists’ and women chemists’ groups in the 1970s. She went on to chair the National Women Chemists Committee in the 80’s. However, even after Maureen was promoted to Technical Manager at Lucent, and elected to the ACS Board of Directors, she has not forgotten her commitment to women chemists. Maureen represents the section as the MetroWomen Chemists Co-coordinator to this day, and the North Jersey and New York Sections won a Luminary Award for women chemist activities based on her continuing efforts.

Maureen’s interests and accomplishments are wide — Public Affairs, Minority Affairs, Education, and many others. We are fortunate to have Maureen Chan as a continuing, hard working member of the North Jersey Section.

Susan Fahrenholtz
2004 SR. MARION JOSE SMITH EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARDEE, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY SECTION

Professor Richard Mendelsohn

Professor Richard Mendelsohn has been a member of the Chemistry Department in the Newark College of Arts and Sciences of Rutgers University for almost thirty years. During this period his enthusiasm for chemistry, particularly biophysical chemistry, has inspired and motivated the diverse group of students that have passed through his laboratory and the department of chemistry. It is very gratifying for those of us that have been inspired by Professor Mendelsohn's enthusiasm for scientific research to see him receive the Award for Excellence in Chemical Education from the Northern New Jersey Division of the ACS.

Richard Mendelsohn received his B.Sc. in chemistry, with first class honors, from McGill University in his native Montreal in 1967. Following graduation he moved to Boston, Massachusetts to begin his doctoral research in the laboratory of Professor Richard C. Lord, then director of the Harrison Spectroscopy Laboratory at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. This research was among the first to establish the utility and feasibility of using Raman spectroscopy techniques to study proteins. After receiving his Ph.D. in 1972, Professor Mendelsohn moved to King’s College, London to join the laboratory of Professor Maurice H.F. Wilkins (winner of the 1962 Nobel Prize with Watson and Crick). In London, Professor Mendelsohn began his lifelong interest in the structure and organization of biological membranes. Following a research fellowship back in his native Canada, Professor Mendelsohn joined the faculty at Rutgers in 1976. For the last twenty-five years, the National Institutes of Health has continuously funded Professor Mendelsohn’s research in the chemistry department at Rutgers University. His research has been at the forefront of developing new biophysical spectroscopy techniques and applying these to investigate proteins, lipids, membranes, cells, and intact tissues.

Professor Mendelsohn is receiving this year’s excellence in education award not for his important research contributions, but rather because of his role as an educator. However, as all those who know him will attest, Professor Mendelsohn’s role as an educator is intrinsically linked to his research. Indeed his energy and enthusiasm for scientific understanding, particularly as concerns problems in biophysical chemistry, is the vehicle through which he educates students to become scientists. It is this highly practical and empirical approach to chemical education that ultimately forms the foundation from which students that pass though Professor Mendelsohn’s learn chemistry and learn to be critical thoughtful scientists.

Although they are too numerous to mention individually it is worth considering the range of careers and opportunities afforded the students that received their chemical education in Professor Mendelsohn’s laboratory. In the academic world there are Mendelsohn alumni running their own laboratories at Thomas Jefferson University, the University of Georgia, Kent State University, the University of Puerto Rico, and the Hospital for Special Surgery. In the industrial world former students are employed in positions across a range of companies including biotechnology companies, chemical companies, and multinational corporations. It is also worth noting that almost half of the students that received their M.S. or Ph.D. with Professor Mendelsohn were women. It has been, and remains a hallmark of Professor Mendelsohn’s approach to the education of his students that he is extremely open, flexible, and respectful of each student’s individual circumstances, an approach that has attracted and retained many students to his laboratory. The current group of Ph.D. students is engaged in research across a diverse range of topics in biophysical chemistry, from the physical chemistry of monolayers to confocal Raman studies of skin and many topics in between. However, although the research topics change year to year, the current students have something very special in common with all of Professor Mendelsohn’s previous students. They have all benefited from his unbridled enthusiasm for research and science, and his commitment to sharing that with each and every student, a process which has gone on in his Rutgers University laboratory for over twenty-five years, and continues to this day.
ANNUAL AWARDS MEETING

At this meeting the Section will present several awards as well as honor its 50 year members. Among the awards to be presented will be the prestigious Burton C. Belden Distinguished Service Award and the Sr. Marion José Smith Excellence in Education Award, see pages 5 and 6 for more information. Dr. Michael DiGiuseppe will once again serve to introduce the 50 year members.

Come and help us honor our award winners and 50 year members.

Date: Thursday, May 20, 2004
Times: 50 year member reception 4:30 PM
       50 year recognition 5:30 PM
       Dinner 6:15 PM
       Awards 7:15 PM
Place: Lenfell Hall, The Mansion
       Fairleigh Dickinson University
       Madison, NJ
Cost: Free to 50 year members and spouses; $25 for other attendees

Reservations: 50 year members will be contacted by the Chair to confirm attendance. All others should call (732) 463-7271 or acsoffice@aol.com to make reservations before Friday, May 14, 2004.

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CAREERS IN TRANSITION GROUP

Job Hunting??

Are you aware that the North Jersey Section holds monthly meetings at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison to help ACS members? Topics covered at these cost-free workshops are:

- The latest techniques in resume preparation
- Ways for improving a resume
- Answers to frequently asked interview question and
- Conducting an effective job searching.

The next meeting for the Careers In Transition Group will be held Thursday, May 6, 2004, in the Rice Lounge on the first floor of the New Academic Building. The meeting will start at 5:30 PM and end at 9:00. There will be a Dutch-treat dinner. To get the most from the meeting, be sure to bring transparencies of your resume.

Please contact vjkuck@yahoo.com, if you plan on attending this meeting.

ChemTAG MEETING

Date: Thursday, May 6, 2004
Time: 4:00 PM
Place: High Point Regional High School
299 Pidgeon Hill Road
Sussex, NJ

Contact: Patti Duncan at PDuncan@hpregional.org

NJACS-TA EXECUTIVE MEETING

Date: Monday, May 10, 2004
Time: 4:30 PM
Place: Chatham High School
255 Lafayette Avenue
Chatham, NJ

Contact: Diane Krone at kroned@optonline.net

NMR TOPICAL GROUP

New Methods and Applications for Studying Protein Motions through Nuclear Spin Relaxation

Speaker: Dr. Arthur G. Palmer
Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics
Columbia University

Date: May 18, 2004
Time: Social hour 5:45 PM
Dinner 6:30 PM
Seminar 7:00 PM.

Place: The Woodbridge Hilton
Cost: $10 for students and post-docs,
$30 for all others

Registration: At our web site www.njacs.org where further information about the program can be found. For further details contact Thomas Schuster at tschuste@optonline.net, or Gerald Stockton at gstockton@comcast.net.

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ChemCentral

Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2004
Time: 4:00 PM
Place: North Brunswick Township
High School
Raider Road
North Brunswick, NJ

Contact: Cheryl Litman at cherrylitman@juno.com
NJ GROUP OF SMALL CHEMICAL BUSINESSES

Environmental Forum — Compliance Assistance on Regulatory Issues for Chemical Businesses

Speakers:  Karen Brown
            Director, EPA Small Business Ombudsman

            Melinda Dower
            Director, NJ Office of Pollution Prevention and Right to Know

Are you up to speed on EPA’s Small Business assistance program and all the compliance and educational information they can make available to small chemical manufacturers and importers? This presentation will provide you with the basic tools for small business compliance to federal regulations, including where to find free help.

And NJ Department of Environmental Protection can profile pollution prevention technology that helps you meet regulatory requirements. In addition, DEP will present the Right to Know regulations and the compliance assistance available to the manufacturer.

Here is the opportunity to find ways to make compliance easier and more efficient, reducing your costs and issues to the manageable level.

Date:  Thursday, May 20, 2004

Times:  Presentations 4:00 PM
        Networking 5:30 PM, Open Bar and Hors d’Oeuvres
        Dinner 6:30 PM
        Speaker Panel  Q & A 7:30PM

Place:  Holiday Inn, North Frontage Road
        Newark Airport

Cost:  $55 for members of NJGSCB;
       $65 for non-members in advance or at the door.  Cancel 48 hours in advance or be invoiced.

All Reservations must be in advance either at Web Site: www.NJChemBus.org or call Rhoda Kriesel at (973) 509-3290.

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The workshop will focus upon the following aspects of teaching AP Chemistry:

+ AP Textbooks, resources and websites for teaching AP Chemistry (presenter: Patricia Duncan – High Point Regional HS)
+ Scheduling of Content (presenter: John Penna – Retired Teacher)
+ Chemical Reactions (presenter: Dave Lee – Retired Teacher)
+ Equilibrium Problems and Hands-on Equilibrium Activities* (presenter: Diane Krone, Northern Highlands Regional HS)
+ Hands-on Lab Experiments and the Required Lab Exam Question* (presenter: Brenda Rosenau – Somerville HS)

Participants will earn 5 hours of NJ Professional Development hours for successfully completing the workshop.

Included in the cost of the workshop is a continental breakfast (from 8:00 - 8:30 AM) and a lunch, served at noon.

*Additional materials, lab kits, etc. will be available in the Equilibrium and Lab sessions for a nominal fee.

**Date:** Saturday, May 22, 2004  
**Times:**  
Continental breakfast 8:00 AM  
Workshop 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM  
Lunch - Noon  
**Place:** Chatham High School  
255 Lafayette Avenue  
Chatham, New Jersey  
**Cost:**  
$30 for members of ACS-TA  
$45 for non-members (which includes the annual membership fee)

Registration is limited to the first 24 individuals, so apply now.

To register for this event or for more information, contact:  
Brenda Rosenau  
Somerville High School  
222 Davenport Street  
Somerville, NJ 08876  
(908) 218-4108  
email: bkrosenau@aol.com

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**NORTH JERSEY CHROMATOGRAPHY GROUP**  
— JOINT MEETING WITH THE YOUNGER CHEMISTS COMMITTEE AND THE GENERAL INTEREST GROUP

**Tinctures, Tonics, and Patent Medicines: A History of Commercialized Quackery**

**Speaker:** Prof. Ned D. Heindel  
Lehigh University

While folk medicines and natural product derivatives have, in many cases, proven a fruitful source of modern, medically accepted therapeutics, they have also proven an abundant source for quackery. From Dr. Bateman's Pectoral Drops, recommended for "rheumatism, afflictions of the stone, gravel agues, the hysterics", to Munyon's Miracle Kidney Cure, which was claimed to "cure Bright's disease, all urinary problems, and pain in the back and groins from kidney diseases", the 19th century witnessed nearly unbelievable excesses in pharmaceutical advertising. Beginning in colonial America and extending to the passage of the Pure Food and Drug Act, a plethora of quack pharmaceutical manufacturers produced and aggressively marketed home remedies of dubious origin and questionable chemical purity. Whether the ingredients were opium and ethanol or simple milk sugar, no regulations governed their manufacture or sale.
Dr. Heindel will trace the birth of America's patent medicine industry in the late 18th century and its heyday of unregulated commercial success in the 19th century. The role of chemistry in the production, analysis, and eventual legal regulation of patent medicines will also be treated.


Date: Tuesday, May 25, 2004
Times: Social and registration 5:30 PM
       Dinner 6:30 PM
       Seminar 7:30 PM
Place: Somerset Marriott
Cost: $30.00 for Dinner ($15.00 for Students)
      Open seating for those not attending the dinner.

Reservations: Please reserve by Friday, May 21. Registration is required. To register online, go to www.njacs.org, click on chromatography. Or phone: David Kohler, ES Industries, (856) 753-8400. If you cannot attend, please be responsible and cancel your registration.

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ORGANIC CHEMISTRY TOPICAL GROUP

Spring Symposium: “New Directions in Asymmetric Synthesis”
“New Methods for the Synthesis of Chiral Amines”
Prof. André Charette
University of Montreal
“Catalytic Asymmetric C-H Activation: A New Strategy for Organic Synthesis”
Prof. Huw Davies
SUNY at Buffalo
“New Metal-Catalyzed Carbocyclization Reactions for the Synthesis of Complex Terpene Natural Products”
Prof. P. Andrew Evans
Indiana University, Bloomington
“Complex Natural Products as a Driving Force for Discovery in Organic Chemistry”
Prof. Brian Stoltz
California Institute of Technology

Date: Thursday, May 27, 2004
Times: Registration 12:00 PM
       Symposium 1:00 PM
       Reception 5:15 PM
Place: Fiber Optics Auditorium
       Rutgers University, Busch Campus
       New Brunswick, NJ
Cost: Registration fee $50.00.
       Students or Post-docs $20.00

For directions/information please see our website: www.njacs.org/organic.html
Due to limited seating, registration and payment are required by May 13, 2004.

☐ Check if you are a student or post-doc.

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To register, send above registration information with a check made payable to “North Jersey Section ACS” to: Dr. Jake Song, Merck and Co., P.O. Box 2000; RY 800-C364, Rahway, NJ 07065
ANITA BRANDOLINI HONORED BY PARENTS CHOICE FOUNDATION

Bloomingdale Drive resident and chemist Dr. Anita Brandolini was recently honored by the Parents Choice Foundation for her children's chemistry book, "Fizz, Bubble and Flash!: Element Explorations and Atom Adventures for Hands-On Science Fun!"

Ms. Brandolini received a silver award from the group for her book in December. The gold medal went to "Mr. Roger's Playtime" by the late PBS children's program host Fred Rogers.

“I lost to Mr. Rogers so I don’t mind second place,” she laughed.

Ms. Brandolini, a Hillsborough resident since 1987, is an assistant professor of chemistry at William Paterson University. She combined her passion for chemistry and interest in children’s education to create the book, which explains the periodic table of elements.

“I’m a longtime member of the Liberty Science Center,” she explained. “And I got the idea for the book from a game with the elements that we were going to do there.”

The book is the result of 10 years of work, a year and a half of which was “serious work,” Ms. Brandolini said.

The author adds fun to the basic elements in the book, geared toward ages 8 and up, with humorous black-and-white cartoons and hands-on activities for kids.

“It was fun to learn about some of the interesting facts and come up with the funny little poems and cartoons to explain them to the kids,” Ms. Brandolini said. “For example, I used a cow to illustrate ‘cowcium’ for calcium.”

It was hard to employ an entertaining and informal style as she wrote, the professor said. Yet overall she enjoyed the experience and relied on valuable tips from family and editors.

“My nephew, who’s now 17, gave me a lot of feedback over the years,” Ms. Brandolini said. “And the book is dedicated to him and my niece. And my editors were a tremendous help.”

The professor plans to pen more children's chemistry books in the future.

“It's an area that not a lot of people are writing about for kids. Chemistry is important though because it's related to the environment, cooking, art, and many other areas," Ms. Brandolini said. “Yet it isn’t getting a lot of attention.”

Contribute to The Indicator

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Any member of the North Jersey Section may be nominated by petition. The nomination must be signed by a minimum of ten members of the North Jersey Section in good standing. The nominee must be willing to serve if elected. The petition must be postmarked no later than June 15, 2004, and sent to the Section Secretary, Bettyann Howson, 49 Hillside Avenue, Madison, NJ 07940-2612.
New York Section

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD (OSA), NEW YORK SECTION

DR. LESLEY DAVENPORT

It is with great pleasure that the New York Section of the American Chemical Society announces the selection of Dr. Lesley Davenport as the recipient of 2003 Outstanding Service Award. Dr. Davenport presently holds the positions of Broeklundian Professor of Chemistry at Brooklyn College of the City University of New York and Executive Officer for the Ph.D. Graduate Program in Biochemistry, The Graduate School and University Center, The City University of New York.

Dr. Davenport obtained her Ph.D. in Biochemistry from University of Salford U.K. She has been a member of ACS for over 20 years. She is a gifted leader and has served the New York Section and the Brooklyn Subsection in various capacities over the years. She was the chair of the New York Section in 2002, Councilor 2003-present, Nichols Jury 2001-2005, Co-Chair Speakers Bureau 2002, Faculty Sponsor – Younger Chemists Committee 2002, Member of the Brooklyn Subsection Board of Directors, 1996-2000; Treasurer Brooklyn Subsection, 1997-2000; Organized and chaired the ACS-Brooklyn College sponsored Brooklyn High School Day, 1997-1999. On the National ACS level, Dr. Davenport is serving on the Committee on Science.

As chair of the New York Section, Dr. Davenport made many innovative contributions to the section including the initiation of the Salute to Excellence award and the creation of a professionally maintained website for the section. Dr. Davenport has been cited as “a remarkable scientist and an accomplished chemist who is faithful to her commitments and a team player.”

The Outstanding Service Award was presented to Dr. Davenport at the New York Section’s annual Section-Wide Conference on January 24, 2004 at St. John’s University to thank her for her many contributions to the New York Section. We want to congratulate Dr. Davenport for receiving the award and look forward to her continued involvement in the New York Section activities as well as the National level ACS activities.

The NY Section Outstanding Service Award for 2003 went to Dr. Lesley Davenport (right) of Brooklyn College and the City of New York Graduate Center. Presenting the award was Dr. Vijaya Korlipara (left). Dr. Mary Maier (center) presented a warm introduction of Lesley, enumerating her achievements and service to the New York Section.
NEW YORK SECTION HONORS ITS FIFTY YEAR MEMBERS

as guests of the Section along with their spouses at the Retired Chemists’ Association luncheon.

Date: Wednesday, May 12, 2004
Time: 11:30 AM
Place: The Chemists Club
40 West 45th Street
New York, NY

For reservations, contact Evelyn Sarnoff (718) 459-3097.

2004 Fifty Year Members

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CHEMICAL MARKETING & ECONOMICS (CM&E) GROUP

The Changing Fine Chemicals Marketplace

Speaker: Jean-Louis Delbauffe
Deputy General Manager
ISOCHEM (Groupe SNPE)
Paris, France

Date: Thursday, May 13, 2004
Times: Cocktails 11:30 AM
Luncheon 12 noon
Presentation 1 PM
Place: The Chemists' Club
40 West 45th Street
New York, NY

Fees: $35 discount price for Members who reserve by Tuesday, May 11 (12 noon); $50 for Guests and Members (at door without reservations)

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The mission of the Chemical Marketing & Economics (CM&E) Group is to inform members of economic and marketing issues of timely interest to the chemical and life science industries. To this end, the group has monthly meetings that take place September through June on the second Thursday of the month, at the Chemists' Club, 40 West 45th Street, New York City, where an invited speaker presents a talk. The meetings allow an opportunity to make contacts and exchange ideas with our peers in an informal atmosphere.

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Security and Vulnerability in the Chemical Industry

Speaker: William Anzovino
Akzo Nobel
Dobbs Ferry, NY

Mr. Anzovino has worked at Akzo Nobel for 32 years; 18 years in the Research Process Development Department and 14 years in the Safety Department. He is at present the Senior Safety Coordinator at Akzo.

Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2004
Time: Meeting 6:00 PM
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Dr. Scott Gordon-Wylie
Department of Chemistry
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Date: Tuesday, May 25, 2004
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Times: 2:00 – 5:00 PM
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SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE AWARDS
were presented by Dr. Vijaya Korlipara, 2004 Chair of the New York Section, to the following members for their extraordinary service to the New York Section.
Top row: Dr. Yorke Rhodes and Dr. Donald Clarke
Middle row: Mrs. Nadia Makar and Dr. Nancy Tooney
Bottom row: Dr. Neil Jespersen and Mr. Frank Romano
(Left) Dr. Ged Parkin received the past chair pin and plaque of recognition for his dedicated service as Chair of the New York Section for 2003.

(Right) Dr. William “Bill” Oliver, Keynote Speaker and Chair of the ACS Committee on Public Relations and Communications, gave an enlightening talk on the public’s perception of chemistry.

Joan Laredo-Liddell (left) and Jean Delfiner (right) received a plaque of appreciation for organizing a very successful Teacher Workshop program for the 226th National ACS Meeting in NYC.

Dr. Vijaya Korlipara presented a plaque of appreciation to Dr. Robert Beer for his excellent leadership and extensive work in organizing the hospitality activities of the 226th National ACS Meeting in NYC.

The NY Section recognized Jessica Dobbins of Ardsley High School for her outstanding achievement in the 2003 Chemistry Olympiad — earning a place in the National Olympiad Study Camp in Colorado. From the left: Mr. and Mrs. David Dobbins, Jessica, Dr. Stephen Goldberg (Olympiad Committee Chair), and Dr. Vijaya Korlipara.

The Nichols Foundation Chemistry Teacher Award for 2003 was presented to Josephine Parlagreco (second from left) of Mepham High School by Joan Laredo-Liddell and Jean Delfiner (Chairs of the Nichols Teacher Jury) and Dr. Vijaya Korlipara, 2004 NY Section Chair.
Dr. Shantu Amin of the American Health Foundation, Cancer Center Institute in Valhalla, NY, received the Westchester Chemical Society’s Distinguished Scientist Award for the “Studies of Structure: Activity Relationship in PAHs Tumorigenicity and DNA-Adduct Formation.” The award was presented by Joan Laredo-Liddell, co-chair of WCS at a dinner at Pace University in Pleasantville.

Members of the High School Teachers Topical Group presenting at the STANYS (Science Teachers Association of New York State) Conference in Ellenville, NY. (Left to right): Jean Delfiner, co-chair; Abby Kurnit, Al Delfiner, Joan Laredo-Liddell, co-chair; and Ivi Tamm.

Dr. John Sharkey of Pace University and Dr. James Bohning of Lehigh University at the grave site of Henry Carrington Bolton, Chemist and Bibliophile, on the 100th anniversary of his death, prior to the presentation on the Life of Henry Bolton for the WCS.

Project SEED students from Union Hill High School join Mrs. Nadia Makar, Chair of the NY Section Project SEED program. The SEED students presented their research results to the attendees of the Conference. They did an excellent job.
Call For Nominations

THE WILLIAM H. NICHOLS MEDAL AWARD FOR 2005

The New York Section is accepting nominations for the William H. Nichols Medal Award for the year 2005. This distinguished award, established in 1902 by Dr. William H. Nichols, for the purpose of encouraging original research in chemistry, is the first award authorized by the American Chemical Society. It is presented annually in recognition of an outstanding contribution in the field of chemistry, and consists of a gold medal, a bronze replica and $5000. The medals are presented at the William H. Nichols Meeting that consists of a Distinguished Symposium related to the medallist's field of expertise and a Medal Award dinner.

Investigators who have published a significant and original contribution in any field of chemistry during the five calendar years preceding the presentation meeting are eligible for consideration by the Nichols Medal Jury.

Nomination forms may be obtained from: The American Chemical Society's, New York Section, Inc., Department of Chemistry, St. John's University, 8000 Utopia Parkway, Jamaica, NY11439. The request may be faxed to (516) 883-4003 or e-mailed to njesper1@optonline.net (The New York Section Office). Six copies of the nominating materials and the official nomination form should be sent to the above mail address. Nominations must be received by May 31, 2004. The Nichols Medal Award Jury will meet in June to select the Nichols Medalist for 2005.

For more information about the William H. Nichols Medal and a list of past recipients please visit the New York Section website at www.NewYorkACS.org.

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Each year the New York Section presents an Outstanding Service Award to a very deserving member. Many members of the New York Section provide their time, leadership talent, educational skills and other valuable assets to the New York Section.

The tradition of excellence of the New York Section is directly attributable to the cumulative effect of these individuals. Please help us to recognize the efforts of our colleagues by nominating them for this award. The award will be presented at the New York Section’s General Meeting and Section-wide Conference in January 2005.

Nominations with supporting data should be mailed to Professor Yorke E. Rhodes, 1629 Glenwood Road, Route 565, Sussex, NJ 07461 or e-mailed to yr2@nyu.edu

For more information about the award along with a list of former award recipients, please visit the New York Section website at www.NewYorkACS.org.

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There are always other things to do that may seem more important, more fun, or more rewarding. Projects often get behind schedule or way over budget. A system must be put in place to keep people concentrating on their assignments so that jobs get completed in a timely manner.

William E. Swartz was the Worldwide Director of Technology for Rhone-Poulenc Food Ingredients, where he was also responsible for managing the Applications Laboratories, Technical Service and Regulatory Affairs functions located in Cranbury, NJ, and Washington, PA. He currently has a private consulting practice focusing on Sales, Marketing, and Technology management with special emphasis on commercial development activities for new products and processes, particularly those covered by use or process patents.

Swartz holds a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Bucknell University in Lewisburg, PA., and a bachelor of science degree in industrial management from Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh.
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Charles P. Casey, Ph.D., president of the Society, will present the bronze plaque to David A. Tirrell, Ph.D., chair of the division of chemistry and chemical engineering at the California Institute of Technology. The American Chemical Society established the chemical landmarks program in 1992 to recognize seminal historic events in chemistry and increase public awareness of the contributions of chemistry to society.

In the mid-1930s, Arnold O. Beckman, then an assistant professor of chemistry at Caltech, invented his pH meter to solve a problem confronting the California citrus industry: How to get a rapid and accurate measure of the acidity of lemon juice. In building the pH meter - with all components housed in one instrument - Beckman’s faster and simpler acid and alkaline measuring device revolutionized instrumentation.

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