



American Chemical Society Western Michigan Section May, 2012 Newsletter

Note from the Chair

It was noted that the March Newsletter would be the last issue until autumn but several items have come up and the executive committee wished to include an additional Newsletter for spring.

Electronic Balloting This Fall

At our last election 67 of 72 voting members were in favor of sending out ballots electronically this fall. The By-laws have been amended to include this new procedure which we feel will streamline the voting process.

50 and 60 Year Member Awards

Awards will be presented at the first autumn meeting to honor the following individuals who have attained 50 or 60 years of membership with the ACS. If you see any of these members, be sure to congratulate them.



50 Year Members

Dr. Roger N. Brummel
Mr. Henry R. Greeb
Mr. Robert Lilenfield
Dr. Thomas Tisue

60 Year Members

Dr. Eugene C. Jekel
Dr. Joseph H. Mahhart
Dr. William Schroeder

Central Region ACS Meeting (June 5-9, 2012)

Planning for the [43rd ACS Central Regional Meeting](#) is complete. The meeting will be at the Henry Hotel in Dearborn, Michigan. The meeting is supported by the 25 Central Region ACS local sections and will be hosted by the Detroit Section as part of the centennial celebration (**1912-2012**). An item of interest will be a symposium on the history of chemistry in Detroit (southeastern Michigan). Please click on the link above or see <http://2012cerm.sites.acs.org> for information and registration.

Positions available both locally and nationally



Any members wishing to get involved in the ACS at the National level should contact our Councilor, Dr. Mark Thomson at MarkThomson@ferris.edu.

Our local section also is looking for members who wish to serve for our local section. The following positions are available: Alternate Councilor, Secretary, Chair Elect and Historian. Contact Jim Krikke (krikkeji@gvsu.edu) for information if you are interested.

Please consider volunteering. It's not that much work and can be a great resume builder!

National Chemistry Week Update



Coordinator, Lou DuPont has begun working on this event for our local chapter. He is currently looking at locations for "Chemistry at the Mall" and hopes to hold the event sometime around Mole Day (10/23).

More information should be available by the time we send out the first fall newsletter.

West Michigan ACS - Outstanding Chemistry Student Awardees

High school teachers in our section are asked to identify an outstanding chemistry student. Of those who replied, these teachers nominated the following high school students for the 2011-2012 school year. The Western Michigan Section of the American Chemical Society has sent award certificates to them. Congratulations!

<u>Student</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Nominating Teacher</u>
Skyler Rietberg	Calvin Christian HS	Mike Hoekwater
Hoang Nguyen	East Kentwood HS	Shelby Erskin-Seay
Zachary Veenstra	Holland Christian HS	Dale Eizenga
Kate Cebelak	Holland HS	Carl Van Faasen
Austin Meadows	Hudsonville HS	Kevin Conkel
Brianna Ballew	North Muskegon HS	Debra Johnson
Richard Southward	Ravenna HS	Scott McFarren
Juan Gonzalez	Union HS	Linda Jennette
Jennifer Connell	West Catholic HS	Sharon Piers
Brian Book	Western Michigan Christian HS	Sarah Tomans