



the Alembic



Chair's Corner



Dear Fellow Chemists,

I'm sorry I had to miss the April meeting because of company business. I hear that we had an excellent program from Dr. Vinson, but we had a small turnout of members – only 10.

I'm certainly planning to make the awards program/spouses night at Eau Claire next Friday (May 3). The awards program is always special. It is great to recognize the outstanding work that our members, students, and teachers have done. Tom Marty and others have done an excellent job of selecting awardees. Dave Lewis has arranged a delicious buffet menu at Sweetwaters. Please see the meeting announcement in this issue of the Alembic for details. I hope to see you there.

As I mentioned in the last Alembic, we recently received three fifty-year membership certificates which we are very proud to present to the members who earned them: Hayden C. Flor of Wausau, John D. Hane of Wisconsin Rapids, and Donald E. Janssen of Woodruff. Congratulations!! Tip Randall, our secretary/treasurer, will be mailing the certificates to these gentlemen and inviting them to join us as our guests at the May 3 spouses night/awards night event in Eau Claire. If you know one of these gentlemen, you might offer to give him a ride to the meeting if he would like one.

I'm off early tomorrow morning to attend the ACS Local Section Leadership Conference. See you in Eau Claire!

Dave

2002 Chemistry Olympiad Report

by Laura Cole

Seven schools and 114 students participated in the 2002 ACS-CWS Local Chemistry Olympiad. The Local Chemistry Olympiad consists of a multiple choice exam provided by the CWS and given by the students' teachers. The top 8 students qualified to participate in the National Chemistry Olympiad Examination on April 20 at UWSP.

The National Exam consists of three parts: multiple choice, problem-solving and explanations, and a laboratory portion where the students design and then carry out an experiment. After the national exam is taken and graded, the top 20 students in the nation are invited to attend a study camp at the Air Force Academy. Then the top 3 or 4 of those students attend the International Chemistry Olympiad.

The top 8 student qualifiers were: Colin Sheikholeslami, Eau Claire Memorial High School; Lori Weigel, Marshfield Columbus High School; Matt Johnson, Eric

Yanke, and Yi Wei Zhang, Marshfield High School; Lizzie Jagodinski, Shawn Lin, and Justin McGivern, Wausau West High School. Congratulations are also extended to the other schools that participated in the local exam: Bruce High School, Lake Holcombe High School, and Necedah HS.

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ACS - Central Wisconsin Section 2002 Meeting Schedule				
DATE	LOCATION	SPEAKER	TOPIC	HOST
May 3	Eau Claire	Tour, Awards Presentations	Awards and Spouses Night	Dave Lewis
Sep. 11	Stevens Point	Stanley Manahan	Environmental Science	Tom Zamis
Oct. 7	Eau Claire	J. Ernest Simpson	"Chemistry of Wine"	Dave Lewis

The **UW-Stevens Point** Chemistry Department is happy to be hosting this meeting and want you to be sure and reserve the following date on your calendar ...

**UW System Chemistry Faculties Meeting
Friday and Saturday, September 27-28th, 2002
UW-Stevens Point**

Following in the footsteps of the last meetings, we have already begun planning for what we hope will be another great opportunity for the chemistry and biochemistry faculties and staffs of the University of Wisconsin System to get together and discuss the major chemical issues of the day. The overarching theme of this year's meeting will be "The Role of Research in Tomorrow's Undergraduate Chemistry Curriculum." Several invitations have been given to internationally acclaimed educators and individuals who have spoken out on this important topic. "Sub-Discipline Sessions" are being planned along this theme and a poster session devoted to undergraduate chemical research is also planned.

After choosing the above dates, we have now reserved blocks of rooms for Friday evening, September 27th at the following nearby hotels/motels:

Comfort Suites of Stevens Point
300 Division Street North
Stevens Point, WI 54481
(715)341-6000
Accommodations:
Double/Double or Standard ... \$62.00

Country Inn & Suites by Carlson
301 Division Street North
Stevens Point, WI 54481
(715)345-7000
Accommodations:
Double/Double or Standard ... \$59.00

Holiday Inn of Stevens Point
1501 North Point Drive
Stevens Point, WI 54481
(715)341-1340 or 1-(800)-922-7880
Accommodations:
Double/Double or King ... \$79.00

Super 8 Motel – Stevens Point
247 Division Street North
Stevens Point, WI 54481
(715)-341-8888
Accommodations:
Standard room \$45.00

We need to know whether or not we have reserved enough rooms. If possible, please tell us whether you plan to attend and if you plan to stay in one of these places. In fact, you can actually reserve a room now and up until September 15th – the cut off date. To get the discounted rate, please mention that you are attending the "UWS Chem Faculties Meeting." At the time of check-in, you must present a "UW System Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate." If you do not have one of these cards, your campus travel or accounting office can provide one. The State of Wisconsin will not reimburse you for sales and use taxes. Thus, if you anticipate requesting reimbursement for lodging while attending the Chem Faculties Meeting, you will need to present the "card" at check-in in order not to be charged these taxes.

Your colleagues at UW-Stevens Point are looking forward to having you on our campus in late September. Please plan on attending and let us know of your plans as soon as possible.

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American Chemical Society

Central Wisconsin Section



AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY - CENTRAL WISCONSIN SECTION
ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET AND SPOUSE'S NIGHT

Friday, May 3, 2002

Sweetwaters Restaurant

1104 W. Clairemont Ave

Eau Claire, WI

6:00 Cash Bar

6:45 Dinner, Banquet Room

8:00 - 9:00 Awards Presentations

Also at 5:30, there will be a guided tour for those who are interested, lasting around 30 minutes, of the newly renovated space in Phillips Hall. You will have time to take the tour and still arrive at Sweetwaters in time for a beverage before dinner.

Description	Recipient
Outstanding High School Chemistry Teacher	Teresa L. Harp North High School, Eau Claire
Outstanding College Chemistry Student, 2002	Westley Manske UWEC
Outstanding High School Chemistry Student, 2001	Caitlin Sullivan Marshfield Senior High School
Outstanding High School Chemistry Student, 2002	Yi Wei Zhang Marshfield Senior High School
Outstanding Contribution to Chemistry by a Member of the Section	Thomas F. George Chancellor of UWSP
Service to Central Wisconsin Section	Tom Marty UW - Marshfield

Dinner Choices:

Tossed assorted greens and condiments, Fresh fruits with raspberry cream cheese dip, Assorted domestic cheeses

Baked rolls with sweet butter, Fresh seasonal vegetable, Dijon oven-roasted red potatoes

Fresh Norwegian salmon served over warm tomato and white bean salad with lemon mayonnaise

Rotisserie breast of turkey.

The cost will be \$14.95 + 17% service charge + 5.5% tax, or about \$18.50 per person.

ACS-CWS Web Page

<http://www.uwsp.edu/chemistry/acscws/>

or you can link there from the American Chemical Society home page - Local Sections. Contains the most up-to-date information about section activities including all issues of the Alembic and meeting notices.

The meeting will be at Sweetwaters Restaurant, 1104 W. Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire (near the intersection of Clairemont (US 12) and State Highway 37). Dinner reservations should be made by contacting **Dave Lewis** at **715-836-4744** or email **lewisd@uwec.edu** **before noon on Wednesday, May 1.**