

16th Annual ChemLuminary Awards Celebration

ACS Honors Volunteers in San Francisco



The 16th Annual ChemLuminary Awards celebration will be held during the ACS National Meeting in San Francisco, CA, on August 12, 2014. The ceremony gives members a great opportunity to recognize local sections, regional meetings, and divisions that receive accolades for their tireless efforts and work in promoting chemistry and the chemical sciences in local areas during 2013.

The Southern Nevada Local Section is proud to announce that the local section is being considered as a finalist for the Small / Medium Local Section Outstanding Performance Award for the events and local section members' participation in 2013. Prof. Onofrio Gaglione and other local section members attending the ACS National Meeting in San Francisco will represent the local section and attend the ChemLuminary Awards Celebration. Prof. Gaglione has supplied the ChemLuminary Committee with digital photos of local section members and their participation in activities and events that led to our consideration as finalist for the year 2013. The digital photos will be part of the slide show played at the award celebration. A poster illustrating our members and their activities in 2013 will be presented at the awards celebration exhibition so that all attending can recognize our local section members for their participation and hard work making all this possible.

ACS President Tom Barton will open the ChemLuminary Awards event with welcoming remarks followed by a keynote address presented by Dr. Robert A. Pribush, recipient of the 2014 ACS Volunteer Service Award. Prior to the awards presentation, a poster session will be held for members to view. The posters are presented by finalists of each ChemLuminary Award that reflects their outstanding activities being recognized. The awards are given to well-deserved local sections, technical divisions, and regional meetings. Immediately following the awards presentation, the celebration will continue on the dance floor until midnight.


Southern Nevada Local Section September Seminar



The Southern Nevada Local Section will start off the fall calendar of activities with a seminar at the UNLV, Chemistry Building – Room 101, on Thursday, September 4, 2014. The guest speaker will be Dr. Van Vo, who has recently completed her PhD in Chemistry at UNLV. Light food and refreshments will be served from 5:30 – 6:00 PM and Dr. Vo's talk will begin at 6:00 PM. An announcement containing all of these details and including Dr. Vo's bio and an abstract of her talk will be e-mailed to all local section members and invited guests by the middle of August and also posted on the local section website. The announcement will also be posted at the CSN College Campuses, UNLV, and Nevada State College. The local section encourages all of our members to attend the September Seminar and share the accomplishments of Dr. Vo's

research and hard work. Dr. Vo started in our section as a student member and has successfully achieved a PhD in Chemistry, along with a Bachelors and Master's Degree in Bio-chemistry.

Local Section Election of Officers



This October the Southern Nevada Section of the ACS will conduct their annual elections of officers for the 2015 calendar year. The officers that will be presented on the Ballot are: Chair – Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and Member - at – Large (x1). Prof. Onofrio Gaglione, SNS Councilor and Dr. Pradip Bhowmik, Immediate Past Chair will serve as the election tellers and report the results to the executive committee and the membership. A call for nominations will begin in the last week of August and all Local Section Members will receive via e-mail

a notification that the nomination period has begun and instructions to either self-nominate or nominate another local section member. Upon completion of the nomination period those eligible to receive a place on the ballot will be informed and the membership will receive a sample ballot to review and instructions about voting in the election. The ballots, instructions, bios of candidates, ballot envelope and return envelope will be sent to each eligible local section member via U.S. mail. Upon completion of the voting the tellers will inform all local section members of the election results. The Section encourages all of our members to participate in the election of our 2015 Officers and help our Section to grow and reflect the ideas and goals of all its members.

SNS National Chemistry Week Activities

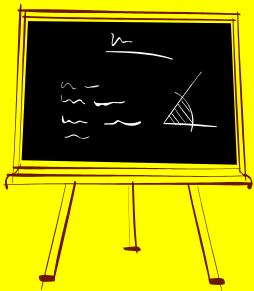


NCW encourages chemists and chemistry enthusiasts to build awareness of chemistry at the local level. Local Sections, businesses, schools, and individuals are invited to organize or participate in events in their communities with a common goal: to promote the value of chemistry in everyday life.

The NCW 2014 theme is "The Sweet Side of Chemistry—Candy", showcasing the chemistry involved in candy and confections.

Local Section National Chemistry Week Ambassador, Prof. Onofrio Gaglione will organize the Annual 2014 SNS National Chemistry Week Demonstration Show at the Paradise Elementary School on the UNLV Campus. Chemists & Scientist from the EPA & local section student members will participate this year in the demonstration show for 5th grade elementary school students and their teachers. An announcement detailing the times and members participating will be e-mailed to our local section members and posted on our web site. The announcement will also contain details of any other events or activities that will take place in our area during National Chemistry Week.

SNS Annual Poster Competition and Exhibition



The SNS Annual Poster Competition & Exhibition will take place this year at Nevada State College on Saturday morning, November 22, 2014. The exhibition and event will be held in the Science Building on the Nevada State College main campus in Henderson. Light breakfast food, coffee, juice and water will be served to all attending the event. SNS Public Relations Chair, Dr. Roger Rennels is the originator of the High School Poster Contest with the co-operation and participation of the Clark County School District. This year's theme will focus on Chemistry and Art. There will also be a Poster

Competition for Undergraduate and Graduate Research Posters, organized by Dr. Zachary Woydziak, Nevada State College Chemistry Professor and Prof. Onofrio Gaglione, SNS Councilor. Graduate and Undergraduate students from Nevada State, UNLV, and CSN will be encouraged to participate in the event and present their research posters. An announcement will follow in early September containing details of how students may enter the contests, specific time of the event, and address and location of the Nevada State College Campus will be posted at all of the 3 School Campuses, E-mailed to our membership, and posted on our website. The section encourages our members to support this event and share the hard work of our student members who are pursuing careers in Chemistry and Science. Dr. Roger Rennels and Dr. Zachary Woydziak will be the Masters of Ceremony and announce the winners at the event.



Dr. Zachary Woydziak
Nevada State College



Dr. Roger Rennels
CSN

SNS New Student Member Welcome Breakfast – Fall 2014

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Local Section

The SNS Local Section will host a new student member welcome breakfast on September 13, 2014. SNS Executive Committee and Leadership Team members will attend and discuss fall activities and events in the local section. ACS student members from UNLV, Nevada State College, and CSN will be invited to attend along with their respective

Chemistry Club Advisors. Prof. Onofrio Gaglione will organize the event and an announcement will be sent sometime in August to inform all concern of the specific details of the event. The local section has found these welcome breakfasts to be a successful motivating event to encourage student attendance and participation in our local section.

Congratulations to Dr. Pradip K. Bhowmik – 2014 ACS Fellow



The American Chemical Society (ACS) Fellows Program was created by the ACS Board of Directors in December 2008 to recognize members of ACS for outstanding achievements in and contributions to science, the profession, and the Society.

UNLV Chemistry professor, Dr. Pradip K. Bhowmik has been named a 2014 Fellow of the American Chemical Society (ACS). Those selected have demonstrated outstanding accomplishments in chemistry and made important contributions to ACS, the world's largest scientific society. They represent a wide range of disciplines and geographic locations, from 30 of the Society's technical divisions, 57 local sections, and 23 national committees.

This year 99 members were awarded this honor by ACS in recognition for outstanding achievements in and contributions to

science, the profession, and the society. New Fellows will be presented with an official certificate and a lapel pin at the ACS Fellows Ceremony and Reception during the Society's 248th National Meeting & Exposition in August.

This year's ACS Fellows were formally announced in July 14 issue of *Chemical & Engineering News*.



Congratulations Dr. Van Vo – 2014 PhD Chemistry



The officers and members of the Southern Nevada Local Section would like to extend congratulations to Dr. Van Vo for successfully completing her PhD Degree in Chemistry at UNLV this summer. Dr. Vo started in our section as a student member and has continued to excel in her education and research to her Degree in Chemistry. Dr. Vo has achieved a Bachelors and Master's Degree in Bio-chemistry to also compliment her PhD in Chemistry. As a graduate school student member she has

already presented a seminar talk to our local section members and is scheduled in September to present another on her current research. Dr. Vo has also presented a Poster this year in Dubai about her research. The local section is proud to have such members. Dr. Vo's dedication and hard work are an inspiration to other student members who can see her as a role model for those having goals for careers in Chemistry and Science.



Congratulations Prof. Onofrio G. Gaglione – 2014 David Emerson Award



The Southern Nevada Local Section each year honors local section members by recognizing outstanding performance, hard work, and creativity to promote the goals of the local section with a service award. The award is presented to the recipient at the SNS Annual Awards Ceremony which usually takes place in the spring semester. In 2011 the service award was renamed after the late Dr. David W. Emerson, former Dean of Science & Engineering at UNLV. Dr. Emerson made many contributions to both the educational and science community, served as General Co-chair, along with Dr. Jeanette Van Emon, in 2008 for our ACS Western Regional Conference at the Riviera Hotel, and has supported the activities of our local section. Dr. Emerson is truly a role model for our local section members and worthy of being honored by representing this award in his name.



The recipient of the Dr. David W. Emerson Service Award this year was our SNS Councilor, Prof. Onofrio G. Gaglione for his hard work and outstanding performance for the 2013 year. Prof. Gaglione is a member of the ACS for the past 52 years and has been part of our local section since the year 2000. He has served as a Chair in 2003, and has been SNS Section Councilor for the past 7 years. Some of the many activities and events he has organized for the local section include National Chemistry Week, Graduate – Undergraduate Annual Poster Exhibition – Competition, and

New Student Welcome Breakfasts. Prof. Gaglione has a passion for advancing the goals and mission of the local section and is a strong advocate of student participation and activity in our local section. He currently serves the ACS National on the Committee of Minority Affairs and the ACS Scholars Program. The Southern Nevada Local Section thanks him for his hard work and outstanding performance that helps our local section goals becomes a reality.
