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Newsletter of the Rochester Section of the ACS

We are changing our format a bit this summer. The Section's website is now hosted by the ACS National Offices. You may find it faster if you access it using Firefox. Since the Newsletter continues to be electronic, we have the ability to publish it more frequently, and we plan to do that. Ken Schlecht will again attempt to serve as Editor, so send information to him at kschlech@brockport.edu. These issues will be in a pdf format and archived on the Section's Website. Many of the items you see in the newsletter will be in a "poster" format; generally, one page in length. This will allow you to print information for individual events for posting.

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Mark Your Calendars for these coming events:

National Chemistry Week (Saturday, Oct. 22)

Section Awards Dinner (Friday, Oct. 28)

Message from the Chair:

I want to take this opportunity to update the section on our accomplishments and upcoming activities for the remainder of the year.

Our Section has a **new website!** The address is www.rochester.sites.acs.org and the old address (www.RochesterACS.org) will redirect to the new website. Maryann Mendel is the current webmaster and I'd like to thank her for taking on this important task. I also want to thank Jim Reynolds for his long tenure as our webmaster. Please visit the website for news of the Section.

I am pleased to announce that Leah Vacca-Michel has agreed to lead the **Project SEED** program for the Section this year and going forward. Our **High School Chemistry recognition nights** were a great success, due to the efforts of the great volunteers that organized and staffed the event. The Section recognized approximately 1,000 students this year throughout the five county area represented by the Section. I encourage you to [view the photos of the students on the Section's website.](#)

Speaking of the news, we have two important deadlines coming up. We are seeking members to serve on the **Elections committee**, headed by Dick Cobb, and more importantly, members who are interested in running for election to the executive committee. The list of officers up for election this fall is posted on the website. We are also seeking **nominations** for the **Section's Volunteer of the Year** and **Technician of the Year**. The nomination forms for these awards can be downloaded from the website and the deadline for nominations is September 1, 2011.

We have a number of events planned for this fall. [In conjunction with the Syracuse Section, we are hosting a Seneca Lake Winery Tour](#) on Saturday, September 24. The deadline for registering for the wine tour is September 16. The details about the wine tour can be found in this newsletter and on the Section's website. We will be hosting another **Chemistry and Arts Lecture** at the Memorial Art Gallery on Thursday, October 6 at 7 p.m.

We have designated Saturday, October 22 as our celebration of **National Chemistry Week**. The event will take place at the Rochester Museum and Science Center and more information will be forthcoming about this event in September. The [theme](#) of National Chemistry Week is "[Chemistry - Our health, our future](#)", which explores positive impacts of chemistry as it relates to nutrition, hygiene, and medicine.

Our **Annual Awards Dinner** is scheduled for Friday, October 28, 2011, at Mario's Restaurant. We will be honoring the 50 and 60-year members, the Section's Volunteer of the Year and the Technician of the Year. [Our guest speaker for the evening will be ACS President Nancy Jackson.](#)

Please contact me or any member of the Executive Committee with your ideas and concerns. The Executive Committee meets the third Tuesday of each month in Eastman Business Park (Building 28 in conference room 151C) at 5 p.m. We welcome any section member to participate in the meeting and share their input.

Regards,

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**THE ROCHESTER SECTION of the
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY**



Celebrate International Year of Chemistry with a Seneca Lake Wine Tour

Saturday, September 24, 2011

A joint activity with the Syracuse Section

Cost: \$25 for members and guest \$30 for non-members

- Includes:** Round-trip transportation via Covered Wagon motorcoach
Wine tasting fees at two wineries : Montezuma (6 wines) and Wagner (8 wines)
Buffet lunch at Ginny Lee Cafe´ (Wagner Winery)
 Buffet includes: soup du jour, garden salad, penne pasta with sauce, grilled chicken breast, roast beef au jus, rolls, seasonal dessert, coffee, tea, iced tea, lemonade
Souvenir wine glass at Wagner Winery
Gratuities
Entertainment: shadow puppets by Dick Cobb

Deadline for reservations: Sept. 16, 2011

Send payment to: Deborah Janes
686 Bangs Rd.
Churchville, NY 14428

or PayPal at Section's website
<http://rochester.sites.acs.org>

Itinerary

Departure from Rochester:
9:00 a.m. Irondequoit Medley Center at the carousel entrance Pole H 1
9:30 a.m. Piano Works Mall behind Patricia's Fabrics
10:30 – 11:00 a.m. arrive at Montezuma Winery for tasting
1:00 p.m. arrive at Wagner Winery for wine tasting
1:30 p.m. buffet lunch at Ginny Lee Cafe´
Other stops along the way, time permitting
7-7:30 p.m. Approximate return to Rochester





2011 Rochester Local Section Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Purpose: To recognize significant volunteer efforts of individuals who have served the Rochester Section of the American Chemical Society, contributing significantly to the goals and objectives of the Society through their Local Activities.

Nature and Establishment: The award consists of a plaque to be presented at the Rochester Section's Recognition Banquet by the Chair of the Local Section acknowledging the contributions of Society volunteers at the Local level. Dinner will be offered free of charge to the winner and a guest.

Rules of Eligibility: A nominee must be:

- A member of the American Chemical Society residing in the Rochester Section 6-county region.
- A member who has made significant contributions to the Rochester Region of the American Chemical Society.

Because the winner of this Local Section award will be nominated for the Northeast Region Volunteerism Award and, potentially, for the National ACS Volunteerism Award, it is important that the Local Section winner be recognized for a variety of activities including, but not limited to, the initiation or sponsorship of a singular endeavor or exemplary leadership in the Local Section, Region and on the National Level. Past and present members of the ACS Board of Directors and ACS staff are ineligible for this award.

Selection of Recipient: Nominations will be solicited from individuals of the Rochester Section. The awards committee will select the recipient. The award will be presented at the fall Awards Dinner. The awards committee will nominate the winner to the Northeast Region of the American Chemical Society for their annual Regional Award for Volunteer Service.

Nominations: The official "Nomination Form" and seconding letters are to be used in this nomination process. This form may be found on the Rochester Section's website.

**The deadline for this year's Award Nominations is
September 1, 2011.**

The Rochester Section of the American Chemical Society is now accepting nominations and seconding letters for:

THE 2011 ROCHESTER TECHNICIAN AWARD

The American Chemical Society defines a technician as “a person whose training includes successful completion of a two-year post-high school level science curriculum leading to an Associate’s degree, the equivalent course work in a Baccalaureate program, or the equivalent knowledge gained by experience. The primary work of a technician is to conduct experiments, correlate information to help solve problems, and to discover new knowledge”.

Eligibility

All technicians, as defined above and who have minimum of five years work experience, are eligible for nomination. **American Chemical Society Membership is not required.** All technicians working in the areas covered under the 34 divisions of the ACS are eligible to participate. This includes, but is not limited to, process, environmental, health/safety, quality assurance, medical, analytical and R&D technicians. Nominations should include a **detailed** description of the nominee’s:

- job skills,
- reliability,
- communication skills,
- safety awareness,
- relationships with co-workers
- publications/presentations/patents and other professional or community related activities.

Please include your nominee’s work address, e-mail and phone number. Seconding letters are encouraged and may be submitted by anyone with knowledge of the nominee. Nominees from previous years are eligible. Past winners are eligible to reapply after a minimum of 5 years since last receiving this award. Members of the Rochester Section Awards Committee are excluded from nomination. There must be a minimum of two nominees for this award for it to be presented.

DEADLINE: Nominations are due by September 1, 2011.

Send electronic nominations and seconding letters to:

D. Richard Cobb

dcobb4@rochester.rr.com

The Award will be presented at the Rochester Section’s Awards dinner this fall.



ROCHESTER SECTION, ACS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The following offices need to be filled in this fall's Local Section election:



**CHAIR-ELECT
TREASURER
COUNCILOR
ALTERNATE COUNCILOR
THREE MEMBERS-AT-LARGE**

We are looking for people willing to serve on the Nominations and Elections Committee, as well as for candidates for these offices.

If you would like to serve on the Nominations and Elections Committee, please contact Richard Cobb [by Monday, August 1st](mailto:DCOBB4@rochester.rr.com).

If you are interested in holding an office within the Section or would like more information on what is involved, please contact Richard Cobb. We are always happy to take a self-nominations!

If you would like to nominate someone for one of these offices, we do ask that you check with that person first regarding their willingness to run.

**IMPORTANT:
The deadline for nominations is September 8th**

NOMINATIONS CAN BE SENT TO RICHARD COBB AT:

DCOBB4@rochester.rr.com

The duties involved for each position up for election are on the Section's website with the Call for Nominations.

2011 ANNUAL HISTORIC MAPLEWOOD HOME TOUR

Saturday, September 17, 2011, 11a.m. - 4 p.m.

This year's Historic Maplewood Home Tour will feature five historic homes, and Eastman Business Park's (formerly Kodak Park) iconic Building 26, including the area where George Eastman's office and conference room used to be. Building 26 serves as this year's Tour Headquarters. Built in 1902 **it will be open to the public for the first time!** Besides Eastman memorabilia, the third floor will feature rare images including a photo of Frederick Douglas' visit to Kodak Park and 3D perspective drawings of Kodak Park from the late 1890s through the mid-50s. This is an exemplary adaptive use of a building that is both historic and functional. Also featured is the Eastman Memorial built in 1934. With its bas-relief images of a man representing Science and a woman carrying the flame of Aspiration it is a rare example of Art Deco style public art in our area. Three of the five homes on the tour are listed on The National Register of Historic Places and one of them will be **celebrating its 100th anniversary this year**. The tour booklet describing Building 26 and the houses is your ticket and docents will be available at every location to guide you through and answer additional questions about the history of the structure.

Tickets are available in advance for \$10 (\$8 for senior citizens) and \$5 for groups of 10 or more, at: Parkleigh, 215 Park Ave, The Peppermill Restaurant, 1776 Dewey Ave, and Dark Horse Coffee, 274 N. Goodman (Village Gate)

Tickets can also be reserved through phone by calling (585) 458-3460. Leave your name, phone number, and number of tickets desired. Tickets purchased by phone will be reserved under your name at Headquarters: Building 26, Lobby area.

Tickets will also be available at the headquarters on the day of the tour for \$12