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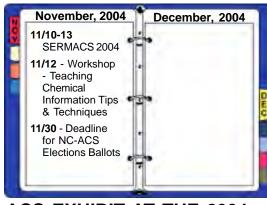


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ACS EXHIBIT AT THE 2004 NORTH CAROLINA STATE FAIR

The Local Section's Chemistry Stage Show and Exhibit at the 2004 North Carolina State Fair, which ran from October 15th through the 24th, was a successful community outreach event. Volunteers from across the Local

(BASF; Bayer; Section Campbell University; Cardinal Health; Dow Reichhold; Duke University; Eli Lilly; IBM; Meredith College; North Carolina Central University: North Carolina State University; RTI International; Synthematix; University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) conducted chemical demonstrations and helped with chemistry activities for the thousands of people who passed through the "Healthy Farms and Healthy Families" tent during the fair. Perhaps the most popular

hands-on activities during the exhibit were the extraction of iron from

breakfast cereal and making chromatography butterflies.

Laura Sremaniak, John Holland, and Jim Ellison, members of the Local Section's State Fair Exhibit Organizing Committee, would like to thank the many volunteers listed below on behalf of the American Chemical Society for their service. They would also like to pass along a special thank you to Sol Levine and Darrell Coleman for conducting the very popular chemistry "magic shows" during the fair.

If you are interested in helping to organize the Local Section's Chemistry Stage Show and Exhibit at the 2005 North Carolina State Fair, please contact Laura Sremaniak (Issreman@pams.ncsu.edu).

Volunteers and additional pictures of the exhibit are listed on page 8.



Patrick Healy shows children the iron in breakfast cereal

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CHARLES GOSS

Charlie Goss is an Investigator in the Chemical Development Analytical Sciences Department at GlaxoSmithKline. His main role is to work with crossfunctional drug development teams to provide analytical



chemistry support for drug substances used in pre-clinical and clinical studies. He also serves as a technical resource in several areas such as separation sciences, electrochemistry, microscopy and new analytical technologies.

He received a B.A. (1985) in chemistry from Cornell University in Ithaca, NY, where he worked with Prof. Hector Abruña to synthesize new transition metal complexes containing ligand-based redox centers and to characterize their spectral, electrochemical and electrocatalytic properties. He obtained a Ph.D. (1990) in physical chemistry from the University of California at Berkeley for work with Prof. Marcin Majda to quantify lateral charge transport in self-assembled surfactant bilavers using microfabricated interdigitated array electrodes with new electrochemical methods and computer simulations. As a post-doctoral fellow with Prof. Royce Murray at UNC-Chapel Hill (1990-1992), he used a variety of electrochemical and microscopy tools (optical, AFM, STM, SEM-EDX, Auger) to image electrochemical deposition of ultrathin (5-10 nm) dielectric polymer films, create laterally heterogeneous polymer nanostructures. characterize surface blistering and layerby-layer dissolution of graphite during anodic oxidation.

He began his pharmaceutical industry career in 1992 as a post-doctoral fellow in the Analytical Development Laboratories at Burroughs Wellcome Co., where he helped to construct a high-sensitivity laser-based optical rotation detector for HPLC and used it to determine enantiomeric purity, identify impurities, and to measure specific rotations for difficult samples. He also

started to learn how to develop new analytical methods (HPLC, CE, GC, titrations, polarimetry, spectroscopy, ROI, etc.) to support drug development. The excitement and personal satisfaction he found in this research area led him to join Burroughs Wellcome permanently in 1994, and he has continued to advance drug development in positions of increasing responsibility at Glaxo Wellcome and now GlaxoSmithKline.

His ACS service includes the Organizing Committees for SERMACS 1998 and SERMACS 2004, reviewer for Langmuir and Analytical Chemistry (since 1992), and reviewer for ACS Analytical Chemistry Fellowship applications (since 2000). He also coordinates the GlaxoSmithKline Seminar Series on Analytical Chemistry at UNC-Chapel Hill (since 1997) and is an associate editor for GSK Chemicus, a GlaxoSmithKline chemistry journal (since 2001).



KEN TOMER

Kenneth Tomer is a Senior Investigator at NIEHS and is head of the Mass Spectrometry Workgroup in the Laboratory of Structural Biology. He received his B.S. degree in chemistry from Ohio State University in 1966



and his Ph.D. in organic chemistry from the University of Colorado in 1970. After one year of postdoctoral study at the H.C. Ørsted Institute (University of Copenhagen) and Stanford University (with Carl Djerassi), he held positions as Assistant Professor of chemistry (Brooklyn College/City University of New York) and Research Assistant Professor (University of Pennsylvania Medical School) before joining RTI from 1977-1981. From 1981 to 1986, Ken was Assistant/Associate Director of the Midwest Center for Mass Spectrometry and Associate Research Professor at the University of Nebraska. In 1986, he joined NIEHS as a Senior Investigator. In addition to his current position at NIEHS, he is an Adjunct Professor in the Oral Biology Program of the UNC School of Dentistry and has held visiting positions at Konstanz University in Germany and the University of Aveiro in Portugal.

Ken has served as a co-chair of the Triangle Area Mass Spectrometry (TAMS) Discussion Group since 1988. He has most recently organized the symposium 'Protein Characterization by Mass Spectrometry' at the 2004 Southeast Regional ACS meeting.

Ken's research interests are focused on the application of mass spectrometry to structural studies of proteins and protein interactions, to determination of epitopes recognized by anti-HIV antibodies, and to proteomics (as part of the NIEHS National Center for Toxicogenomics). He has coauthored approximately 250 publications and served on the editorial boards of Biological Mass Spectrometry, Journal of the American Society for Mass Spectrometry, Journal of Capillary Electrophoresis and Biomolecular Engineering.

TREASURER

JOAN T. BURSEY

Joan Bursey, the incumbent treasurer, was born in Omaha, Nebraska, and received a B.S. degree (in chemistry and mathematics) from The Creighton University in Omaha, and a Ph.D. in chemistry (1969) from the University of California (Berkley). She moved to North Carolina as a post-doctoral fellow at the University of North Carolina at



Ken Tomer

Joan Bursey

Joan Bursey

Chapel Hill, working for Professor Maurice Bursey (the faculty advisor who found a permanent job for at least one post-doctoral fellow!!). Joan worked at the Research Triangle Institute for 14 years, then at Radian Corporation from 1984 to 1996, when (due to ownership changes at Radian and organizational conflict of interest with EPA) Radian's EPA contracts were sold to the Eastern Research Group (ERG). The Radian staff required to complete work on these contracts was then employed by ERG, where Joan worked until earlier this year. Dr. Bursey's research interests are in environmental methods development and evaluation, both for stationary sources and ambient air. Dr. Bursey is a reviewer for Analytical Chemistry and is a frequent participant in EPA peer review panels for Small Business Innovative Research.

COUNCILOR

ERIC C. BIGHAM

Eric Bingham was born in 1947. His academic record includes a BS at North Carolina State University in 1969, a MA in 1971 and PhD in 1975 from Princeton University.

He has received the Marcus Hobbs Service Award, North Carolina Section, ACS, 1991; Distinguished Alumnus of

the Year, College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences, North Carolina State University, 2001; Sigma Xi; Phi Kappa Phi; Phi Lambda Upsilon Lecturer, North Carolina State University, 1986.

He has been employed by GlaxoSmith-Kline as Principal Scientist from 1995 to 2000 and has served as Manager of Discovery R&D since 2001to date. He was employed by Burroughs Wellcome as Section Head from 1978-1995.

Service in ACS National Offices:

Council Policy Committee, 2002-05 (Voting), 1998-00 (Nonvoting), CPC Subcommittee on Industrial Members, 2002-04 (Chair), 1998-00; Committee on Membership Affairs, 1995-00, Chair, 1998-00, Committee Associate, 1993-94; Advisory Board for Industry Relations, 1998-00; Board of Trustees, Group Insurance for ACS Members, ex- officio, 1998-00; Task Force on Committee Size, 2000; Task Force on Member Recruitment, 1997; Editorial Advisory Board, Chemistry, 1998-01.

Service in ACS Offices:

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Chair and Program Chair, 1986;

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Nominations Committee, 1987; Hospitality Committee, 1982-86; Budget Committee, 1981-86. Southeastern Regional Meeting: 1984 Organizing Committee, 1982-84.

Member: Sigma Xi. ACS Divisions: Chemical Information; Computers in Chemistry and Medicinal Chemistry.

Related Activities: North Carolina State University, Chemistry Department Board of Visitors, 1997-01, Chair, 1999-01; Pfizer Central Research Scientist, 1973-78.



Eric

Bigham

ROBERT W. MORRISON, JR.

Since receiving his Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Princeton University, Robert W. Morrison, Jr. worked in chemistry for nearly 40 years in the Triangle area. He retired in 1995 after five years with Chemstrand Research Center, Inc. (Monsanto) and 26



years with Burroughs Wellcome, where he was Vice-President of Bioanalytical Sciences and Director of the Division of Organic Chemistry. Since this first retirement, Dr. Morrison served the College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences at North Carolina State University in several capacities, including Executive Officer for the Department of Chemistry and later for the Department of Marine, Earth, and Atmospheric Sciences, Acting Associate Dean for Research, and Assistant Dean for Administration for the College. He retired from this last appointment in February 2004.

Dr. Morrison has served the Local Section of the ACS as Chair (1993), Councilor (1996present), and as a member of the Steering Committees for the 1998 and the upcoming 2004 Southeastern Regional ACS Meetings in the Research Triangle Park. He also served on the planning committee for the National Historical Landmark dedication and celebration at Research Triangle Institute in 2003. The emphasis on topical discussion groups as the primary local ACS meeting venue was initiated during his tenure as Chair. He currently serves on the Local Section Executive Committee and the Membership Affairs Committee for the ACS National Council where he also serves as Chair of the Membership Categories and Dues subcommittee. Dr. Morrison was presented with a Marcus E. Hobbs award at the 118th North Carolina - ACS Sectional Conference at Duke University on April 17th, 2004. This award was established to recognize members who have made significant, long-term contributions to the Local Section of the American Chemical Society.

ALTERNATE COUNCILOR

RICHARD M. FORBIS

Dr. Richard M. (Dick) Forbis has been a member of the professional staff in the Department of Chemistry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill since 1993, where he is presently Director of Teaching

Laboratories and Science Complex Coordinator for Chemistry. After completing his B.S. degree in chemistry at the University of North Carolina, he received his Ph.D. degree in organic chemistry from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana



in 1970, working with Ken Rinehart on the structure and total synthesis of the antibiotic nybomycin. Dr. Forbis spent the next 23 years in various R&D, regulatory, and management positions related to the agrochemical, pharmaceutical, and medical diagnostic businesses of DuPont in Wilmington, DE, in addition to a 2-year assignment in a corporate planning position.

Dr. Forbis is a member of the NC section of the ACS, currently serving as Alternate Councilor for the section; he also serves as faculty advisor for the local chapter of Alpha Chi Sigma at UNC-CH. He has served on the organizing committee for the local section ACS meeting at UNC-CH in 1999 and 2003.



Robert Morrison, Jr.

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ALAN EDWARD TONELLI

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Chemical
Engineering, 1964;
Stanford, Ph. D.
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Flory) Polymer
Chemistry, 1968.



Alan Tonelli

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Honors: Tau Beta Pi; Sigma Xi; Outstanding undergraduate in Physical Chemistry at University of Kansas, 1963; NSF Coop. Graduate Research Fellowship at Stanford, 1964-1966; Distinguished Technical Staff Award, AT&T-Bell Labs., 1983; Extraordinary Achievement Award, AT&T-Bell Labs., 1985, 1987; Elected Fellow of the American Physical Society, 1989.

Professional Activities: Member of American Chemical (Polymer Chemistry Div.) and Fellow of the American Physical (Polymer Physics Div.) Societies; Founding member of the North Jersey Regional Science Fair for High School students; Chairman of Polymer Topical Group North Jersey local section of American Chemical Society in 1980; Organized and Chaired Undergraduate Research Symposium under the auspices of the North Jersey section of ACS in 1981; Tour speaker for the American Chemical Society 1986, 1988; Chairmanelect and Program Chairman for the North Carolina Polymer Group of the American

Chemical Society 1992-93; Chairman of the North Carolina Polymer Group of the American Chemical Society 1993-94; Supervised the research programs of 30 undergraduate, 20 graduate, and 7 post-doctoral students; Editorial Boards of Macromolecules (1984-1986) and Comp. and Theor. Polym. Sci. (1991 to date).

Publications: Over 300 publications including two books ("NMR Spectroscopy and Polymer Microstructure: The Conformational Connection", Wiley, 1989; "Polymers From the Inside Out; An Introduction to Macromolecules", Wiley, 2001) and multiple book chapters.

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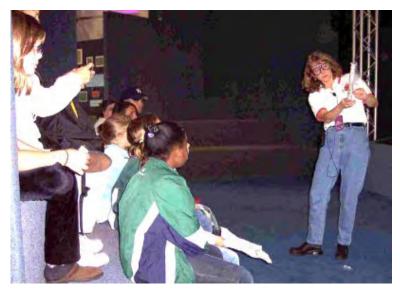
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Xi-Qing Wang helps children make chromatography butterflies.



Laura Sremaniak demonstrating sublimation by putting dry ice in cylinder of water.

Chemistry Day at the NC Museum of Natural Sciences



On Saturday, October 23rd, the Local Section teamed with staff members from the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences in Raleigh to provide a day

of fun and educational activities in celebration of National Chemistry Week. Over 1,600 visitors of all ages packed the exhibit hall to observe chemical demonstrations and participate in handson experiments related to this year's NCW "Health and Wellness" theme. The Museum's Coordinator of Special Events. Bob Flook, said that he was "delighted with the turnout," and that the volunteers who staffed the chemical demonstrations and interactive tables did "an outstanding job in communicating their enthusiasm about chemistry to the attendees." Dr. Meredith Storms (University of North Carolina at Pembroke) was the NCW event coordinator for the Local Section. She provided the names of the volunteers listed below and thanked them for doing an excellent job.

NC-ACS NCW Coordinator:

Meredith Storms

Museum Coordinators:

Bob Flook Erin MacEntee Sunny Allen

See page 11 for complete list of volunteers.



Tara Larsen and James Evans demonstrate the use of Clinistix (donated by Bayer) to measure glucose in Pedialyte and milk solutions.



"The Cat in the Hat" (Billy Storms, Spring Hill Middle School) reads "Bartholomew and the Oobleck" to a wonderful crowd!



A future chemist learns about the importance of Vitamin C from Fayetteville State University student Stacy Freeman

National

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Week

RTP Employees Make a Clean Sweep at the First RTP Electronics Recycle Day

Clean Sweep by RTP Employees Research Triangle Park (RTP) employees had a chance to clean out their closets and attics for the first annual RTP Electronics Recycle Day. The event was held September 30th at the Triangle Service Center in front of the Radisson Inn. Over 440 employees brought their used goods, from stereos and speakers, to computers, thermostats and mercury thermometers.

"We saw just about everything," commented Stuart Hurwitz, chairman of Environment@RTP, the organization that hosted the event. "People brought some of the oldest computer equipment made to a computer that was only six months old. It was incredible to see what people were wanting to recycle."

The group collected over 20,000 pounds of electronic goods. Roughly 160 cell phones were collected. Fifty of the cell phones were shipped as is pre-paid to "Charitable Recycling" in Michigan, which resells them and/or gives them away to those in need such as women's shelters.

The other 110 cell phones that didn't fit in the first shipping box were given to the Family Violence Prevention Center at Chapel Hill, who in turn shipped them to a family shelter in Colorado. The group a I s o collected

40 pounds of batteries and 20 pounds of mercury bearing thermometers and thermostats. <u>Environment@RTP</u> exceeded their goal of getting one percent of the RTP employees to participate.

All the material will be broken down and divided into glass, metal, and plastic. The total amount of each material will be available from the recycling company at a later date. The mercury and batteries were recycled through Orange County's hazardous wast Toxic Reduction Improvements Program (TRIP).

The event was held in partnership with Durham County, City of Durham, Orange County and Wake County's recycle programs and by Environment@RTP, a subcommittee of the RTP Owners & Tenants Association that focuses on environmental issues. Environment@RTP helped Research Triangle Park obtain its Wildlife and Industry Together (WAIT) certification earlier this year.

Research Triangle Park, located in Durham and Wake Counties in North Carolina, is the largest research park in the United States. This 7,000-acre park



includes over 130 companies employing over 38,000 full-time employees.

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Brandon Locklear demonstrates activities feastured as part of the "weightless lumbees" program in the UNC-P Department of Chemistry and Physics.

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