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Upcoming Events

April 1, 2006 – Vermont State
Science and Math Fair, at Norwich
University

April 4, 2006 – Chris Hollinsed,
Director of ACS/PRF, speaking at
St. Michael's College

May, 2006 – Chris Allen, past
Director of Vermont EPSCoR,
speaking in Montpelier



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GMLS March Meeting

“Ski and Snowshoe Outing”



When: 1:00 pm, Sunday, March 12, 2006

Where: Mountain Top Inn and Resort
Chittenden (near Killington)



Details: Join us at the Mountain Top Inn and Resort for an afternoon of outdoor activities. You can get lots of exercise on the groomed trails at their Nordic Ski & Snowshoe Center, get less of it but have just as much fun going on a dog sled or a horse-drawn sleigh ride, ice skate, or even go on a guided snowmobile tour. For a full description of their resort go to www.mountaintopinn.com/.

We will plan to get back to their Highlands Tavern at about 5 p.m. for some après ski activities. They are offering our group a 20% discount food and drinks, as well as on trail use and rentals.

RSVP: If you are interested in attending, please RSVP by March 8 to Fiona Case at (802) 879-3684 or send her an e-mail at greenmntacs@yahoo.com.

Directions: Chittenden, Vermont is approximately 60 miles south of Burlington on Route 7, and just northeast of Rutland. For precise directions, go to www.mountaintopinn.com/directions.html.



Further Information on Upcoming Events

April 1, 2006 – Science and Math Fair

The Vermont State Science and Mathematics Fair is an annual event hosted by Norwich University. The event is open to students in grades 7-12, and every year we are impressed by the enthusiasm of the students, and the quality of their work. Our ACS local section provides judges for the chemistry entries and we award prizes for the best chemistry projects. It is always a great pleasure to meet these budding chemists! This year's event will take place on April 1. The projects will be open to the public from 9:00 - 12:30 pm.

Just visiting the exhibits is worthwhile, but if you are able to devote four hours of your time on a Saturday morning to being a judge, please contact Mary Hoppe at hoppe@norwich.edu. Lunch provided free to the judges!

April 4, 2006 – Tour Speaker Chris Hollinsed

Dr. Chris Hollinsed will provide us an insight into the world of industrial chemistry. He will emphasize the past impact that industrial research has had on society, the need for industrial research to contribute to innovation and economic development growth in the US and globally, and the set of skills that every researcher should have in order to make this contribution. When our local section invited Chris to speak, he was a Principal Investigator within Dupont Central Research and Development. Since then he has been appointed as the Director of the ACS Petroleum Research Fund.

The meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 4 at 5:30 in Room 116, Cheray Science Hall, St. Michael's College, Colchester. It will be followed by dinner with the speaker at The Station in Essex Junction. Contact Fiona Case by March 31 if you wish to join us for dinner.

ACS Hospitality Award

We are delighted to report that one of our 2005 ACS Tour Speakers has nominated the Green Mountain Local Section for the prestigious ACS Hospitality Award. Two years ago we were the winner of this award, and last year we were awarded one of the runners-up awards. It is good to know that Vermont, and our ACS Green Mountain Local Section in particular, is considered such a friendly and pleasant place to visit. The award winners will be announced at a reception at the Atlanta National Meeting, March 28, 2006.

Our Program for 2006

In addition to the events highlighted on this page, your Green Mountain Local Section has laid out a full program of activities. In brief, the events are:

- *May*: Chris Allen, past Director of Vermont EPSCoR, speaking on "Chemistry in Montpelier"
- *June*: Allison Doerr, Assistant Editor of Nature Methods speaking on "Publishing Chemistry"
- *July*: "Chemistry" on the golf course – a round of golf, followed by dinner
- *August*: Vineyard tour of Snow Farm Winery of South Hero (a joint activity with the Northern NY Local Section)
- *September*: John Meister from the Forest Products Research Center, title TBD
- *October*: National Chemistry Week whose theme will be "Your Home: It's All Built on Chemistry"
- *November*: "Meet the Profs" – a chance to meet the new chemistry faculty hires of 2005 and 2006 at all the Vermont universities and colleges
- *December*: Our annual Holiday Party

We are also looking at a repeat of last year's very successful cruise on Lake Champlain. Please let us know if you have any comments or suggestions!

Fifty-Year Members

Congratulations to our members who are celebrating their 50th year as members of the ACS!

- Louis Isaacson
- Paul Krapcho
- Ronald Krause

It is our Section's tradition to treat 50-year members to a dinner at one of our section meetings, so we hope to see these gentlemen some time this year.

Women's Chemistry Group

The UVM Women's Chemistry Group continues to meet and would be interested to hear from any female chemists in the area who would be willing to share their work experiences over luncheon or tea. For further information, contact Fiona at greenmntacs@yahoo.com.