

American Chemical Society

Form: Part II - Annual Narrative Report
Organization: Central Pennsylvania
Year: 2007

A. Activities

Please describe and rank up to ten of your section's activities during 2007. Provide (a) the title of the activity, (b) a one paragraph description of the activity, and (c) an indication if this activity was new in 2007. If you wish to provide details beyond these paragraphs, please do so in Appendix 1.

Activity #1

a) Title: ACS Speaker, Ernie Simpson

Description (Please limit to one paragraph): Dinner followed by talk on the Chemistry of Wine. Held at Clinton Country Club. Turnout was excellent and the event was enjoyed by all.

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #2

a) Title ACS Speaker, Jack Breazeale

Description (Please limit to one paragraph): Dinner followed by talk on The Raising of the Hunley. Event was well-attended and several members traveled over 45 minutes to attend.

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #3

a) Title ACS Speaker, Richard Honeycutt

Description (Please limit to one paragraph): Dinner followed by talk titled The Risks and Benefits of Chemicals in Modern Society. Less well-attended than previous dinners.

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #4

a) Title: Halloween Demos and Haunted Laboratory

Description (Please limit to one paragraph): Announcement: The Penn State Nittany Chemical Society is getting ready for its annual Halloween show. It will be on October 28th at 6:00pm in 117 Osmond Lab on campus. The show incorporates a skit with a lot of chemistry demos and is always a big hit with the kids. This year, in addition to the Halloween show there will also be a haunted lab tour with demos along the way. It should be a lot of fun, and its free so why not? Check out the flyer attached. Let me know if you have any questions or need directions to the Davey Lab on the PSU campus.

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #5

a) Title National Chemistry Olympiad

From coordinator, 3/23/07: I've just returned from the HS south auditorium where we administered and corrected 78 level one regional chemistry olympiad qualifying tests, passed out certificates, announced

qualifiers from each school, and fed everyone with 30 Papa John's pizzas, tipped the driver 10% and whew... Wanted you to know -- all 5 other schools did request reimbursement for their substitutes for the day and the bill for exams, materials - we will need to order more Scantron for next year - will come in at around \$600 -- not bad for out reach to such a large geographic area. --- also John - i will be getting you the names and addresses of the school winners so that you can mail them their award checks.Thanks on behalf of the kids and their chemistry and enrichment teachers for making chemistry Olympiad accessible to Central Pa-- I know it has been since 2003 that we had a top 20 National student go to the National pool training camp.. - but even the lowest scoring kid today felt a part of the path that leads to the top 4 kids who go on to Moscow.

Description
(Please limit

b) to one paragraph):

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #6

a) Title: Science Cafe, Dr. Daniel Rabinovich

Refreshments and talk titled "An Introduction to the World of Chemistry on Stamps". Although this was advertised in several local newspapers AND the national philatelic society headquarters in Bellefonte, PA, there were no non-members in attendance.

Description
(Please limit

b) to one paragraph):

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #7

a) Title: PSU Chem Dept/ACSLs Tailgate

The Chemistry Pig Roast Tailgate was a great success. Well over 100 grad students, post-docs and faculty showed up and ate all 144 lbs of roast pig, 144 buns, 25 lbs beans and 15 lbs of cole slaw. It was really delicious. VWR contributed \$100 for the beer. Too bad we didn't win the game.

Description:
(Please limit to

b) one paragraph):

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #8

a) Title:

Description:
(Please limit to

b) one paragraph):

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #9

a) Title:

Description:
(Please limit to

b) one paragraph):

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #10

a) Title:

Description:
(Please limit to

b) one paragraph):

- c) This activity was new in 2007

B. Summary - Overall Section Activities

Please summarize in *1,000 words or less*, the activities of the section in 2007 which have not been already described. Outstanding events should be described in some detail and appropriate attachments included in Appendix 3. Programs described here may be featured in publications produced by the ACS Membership Division and/or at the Local Section Leadership Conferences.

C. Local Section and Chair Goals

2007 Goal Attainment. The Local Section Activities Committee strongly encourages local section planning. As a result, the 2007 local section annual report should follow-up on the attainment of goals. Please list the goals you set at the beginning of your term for your section and yourself, and report on the attainment of the

1. goals.

a) **Local Section Goals and Assessment:**

b) **2007 Chair's Goals and Assessment:**

2008 Goals. (This section should be completed by the 2008 local section chair.) Please list below at least

2. three goals that you and your local section plan to accomplish during your term as local section chair.

a) 2008 Local Section Goals (Include at least three goals):

b) 2008 Chair's Goals:

D. Suggestions/Concerns

List any suggestions you have for the Local Section Activities Committee (LSAC). How can LSAC specifically help your section?