

American Chemical Society

Form: Part II - Annual Narrative Report
Organization: Huron Valley
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: Green Chemistry

Description
(Please limit to
b) one paragraph): Green Chemistry: In 2007, the University of Michigan chapter of the ACS Student Affiliates qualified as a Green Chemistry Chapter. Among their activities: publishing of a Green Chemistry Newsletter, and holding a Green Chemistry Awareness day.

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #2

a) Title ACS Student Affiliates membership drive

Description
(Please limit
b) to one paragraph): ACS Student Affiliates membership drive: In the fall of 2006, the Huron Valley Section initiated a program to subsidize the first year of the full student membership in the ACS for members of the Student Affiliates. The membership subsidy included the receipt of Chemical and Engineering News. The results of this membership drive were not fully realized until 2007. There are now approximately 40 new student ACS members from the University of Michigan, and 10 from Eastern Michigan University. These numbers represent an approximately 100% increase in ACS student membership. It has also stimulated a significant increase in membership in the two ACS Student Affiliate chapters.

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #3

a) Title Student Research Recognition Awards

Description
(Please limit
b) to one paragraph): Student Research Awards: The Huron Valley section continued its award program for outstanding undergraduate and graduate research at the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University. Each award consisted of a plaque and check for \$250.

c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #4

a) Title: UG Research Presentations

- Undergraduate research presentations at national and regional ACS meetings: The Huron Valley section has begun to expand its support to encourage presentations of research at national and regional ACS meetings. Extra travel funds are also provided for presentations involving Student Affiliate presentations.
- Description
(Please limit
b) to one paragraph):

- c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #5

- a) Title National Chemistry Week

- National Chemistry Week: The Huron Valley Section continued its support of the NCW event, Saturday Morning at the Lab , during National Chemistry Week, .attended by close to 1000 parents and kids. This marks the 10th year of this program supported by interactive activities led by faculty, members of student affiliates, and students enrolled in elementary education programs at EMU. In addition, members of the University of Michigan ACS Student Affiliates contributed to programs at the Ann Arbor Hands-on Museum, and a Kid s Fair at the University of Michigan.
- Description
(Please limit
b) to one paragraph):

- c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #6

- a) Title: Chemistry Olympiad

- Chemistry Olympiad: The Huron Valley Section continued it support of the Chemistry Olympiad examination coordinated by Dr. Larry Kolopajlo. In 2007, some 50 students from 7 school districts in Washtenaw County took the Phase I exam. Of these, 11 qualified to take the National exam. The Local Section funded luncheons and honorariums for participating schools and students taking the National exam.
- Description
(Please limit
b) to one paragraph):

- c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #7

- a) Title: HS Chemistry Teacher award

- High School Chemistry Teacher award: The Huron Valley Section again sponsored the Outstanding High School Chemistry Teacher award to Karen Fox of Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor.. This award consisted of a plaque and check for \$ 500. Ms. Fox was also nominated for the ACS regional award to be presented at the Central ACS Regional Meeting in June of 2008.
- Description:
(Please limit to
b) one paragraph):

- c) This activity was new in 2007

Activity #8

a) Title: Elections?

Description:
(Please limit to
b) one paragraph): Elections: Whether this should be included as a significant activity is open to debate. However, after struggling for many years to fill out officer positions, we are now pleased to announce that we now have a full slate of officers for 2008!

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.

The major activities are described above. We still struggle to maintain an active number of volunteers.

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

- goals.

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

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

To get our EC up to full strength so we can focus on our goal development. With our elections we are now on our way.

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

- 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):

1. Expand our support for UG student research.
2. Schedule more local section meetings and talks.
3. Publish at least 2 newsletters.
4. Conduct our next election electronically.
5. Continue sending members to the ACS Leadership Conference to renew our leadership pool.

b) 2008 Chair's Goals:

To continue the progress to systematize the way we interact so we can spend more time on development of innovative programs.

Hope to have articulated goals for next year's AR.

D. Suggestions/Concerns

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

Offer website development workshops at national and regional meetings.