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# **THINK SPRING!**



#### The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry University of Missouri-St. Louis

announces



The Eleventh Annual Robert W. Murray Lecture

Dr. William R. Roush

Executive Director, Medicinal Chemistry Associate Dean, Kellog Graduate School Professor of Chemistry, Scripps, Florida

Recent Studies in Organic Synthesis: Applications of the Double Allylboration Reaction in the Synthesis of Natural Products

Monday, March 17, 2008

Lecture at 4:00 pm in 451 Benton Hall. Reception 3:30 adjacent to the Lecture Theater. All are welcome!

The Robert W. Murray Lectureship was established in 1996, and inaugurated in 1998 as an endowed lecture series, through the kind contributions of family, friends, former students, colleagues of Dr Murray, and alumni. The Lectureship honors the distinguished research career and the many contributions to the University of Missouri-St. Louis over more than 30 years of Professor Robert W. Murray, Curators' Professor Emeritus. Parking is available in the West Drive Parking Garage

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Meeting Deminars

#### Washington University Department of Chemistry

Thursday March 6 4:00 pm 311 McMillen

Tuesday March 11 4:00 pm 311 McMillen host: T. Kappock

Thursday March 20 4:00 pm TBA host: G. Jensen TBA John F. Valiant McMaster University Department of Chemistry and Medical Physics

TBA John P. Richard Univrsity at Buffalo Depatment of Chemisry

TBA (joint with Mathematics) Troy Story Morehouse College Department of Chemistry



The SIUE Department of Chemistry and the Chemistry Club announce the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual William J. Probst Memorial Lecture

## Dr. C. Dale Poulter

Department of Chemistry, University of Utah

### Tuesday, March 25, 2008

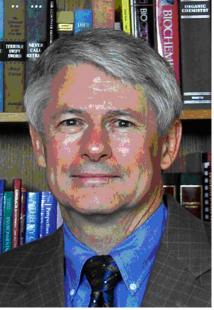
"The Terpenome. A Cornucopia of Natural Molecules for Life, Health, and Commerce"

7:00 pm Meridian Ballroom, Morris University

Additional Probst Lecture: "Isopentenyl Diphosphate Isomerase: Two Enzymes for One Reaction" 2:00-3:00pm Tuesday, March 25, 2008, Science Building Rm. 3114

Student Research Symposium Tuesday, March 25, 2008 3:30 p.m. Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center

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For further information contact the SIUE Department of Chemistry at (618) 650-2042



#### Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry University of Missouri-St. Louis Colloquia – March 2008

Monday March 3	Patrick Kinlen Crosslink "Ultra-flexible Electroluminescent Systems for Both Visible and Near-infrared"	
Monday	Patrick Walsh	
March 10	University of Pennsylvania "Asymmetric C-C and C-O Bond-Forming Reactions"	
Monday	Robert W. Murray Lecture	
March 17	William R. Roush Scripps, Florida "Recent Studies in Organic Synthesis: Applications of the Double Allylboration Reac- tion in the Syntheses of Natural Products"	
Monday March 24	Spring Break	
Monday	Luis Echegoyen	
March 31	N S F To be announced	
Please check our website at http://www.umsl.edu/chemistry		

Coffee: 3:45 PM	<b>Room 451</b>
Benton Hall	Seminar: 4:00 PM



### st. Louis section picnic

announcing a Member Picnic Saturday June 14, 2008 Location: Tower Grove Park Old Playground Shelter Time: 12:00 Noon

It's cold now, but Spring is coming! Section Picnic Sponsored by the St. Louis Section ACS Bring the family! Enjoy food, friends and spring weather. Just \$5 per person. Kids under 12 free.

Questions & Reservations by June 6th, please

Contact: Steve Kinsley-(kinsley@wuchem.wustl.edu) Washington University Department of Chemistry Campus Box 1134 One Brookings Drive St Louis, MO 63130-4481 phone: (314) 935-9401

#### MARCUS AWARD COMPETITION SLATED AT SLU

The 2008 Leopold Marcus Award competition will be held Wednesday, April 16 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 171 of Busch Student Center on the campus of Saint Louis University.

The Leopold Marcus Award was established by the late Jack and Gertrude Marcus in memory of his father. It is administered by the Department of Chemistry at Saint Louis University and the St. Louis Section of the American Chemical Society.

The competition consists of presentations based on the undergraduate research projects of senior chemistry majors at Saint Louis University. The candidates, chosen by the faculty, will be making fifteen-minute presentations.

The winner of the award is determined by vote of the professional chemists in the audience. All ACS members are invited to attend. Refreshments will be available after the competition.

For further information, contact Bruce Kowert at (314) 977-2837 or kowertba@slu.edu.

## Positions open: Summer school organic chemistry instructor, NMR research

The Department of Chemistry and the Summer School of Arts and Sciences are seeking applications for the position of instructor who will be responsible for teaching undergraduate organic chemistry during the summer. The Summer School courses use the same syllabus and text as the courses taught in the regular day school and the material is presented at a level consistent with Washington University's academic year standards. The two courses meet five times each week for an hour and forty-five minutes, over two five- week semesters between mid-June and mid-August.

An A. M. or Ph.D. in Chemistry or Biochemistry is required. This position is available beginning in June 2008. Candidates interested in applying should send a resume emphasizing prior teaching experience to:

E. A. Hiss Department of Chemistry Campus Box 1134 Washington University One Brookings Dr., St. Louis, MO 63130

#### **Magnetic Resonance Research Position**

An opportunity exists at Washington University in St Louis for a highly motivated individual to pursue in-vivo 31P NMR studies of plants. The ideal candidate will have experience in NMR spectroscopy and training in the physical/ engineering sciences or biology. Applicants with a PhD/DSc are preferred but experienced candidates with a BS/BA or MS/MA will be considered. This position is available immediately and is for one year with the possibility of extension for a second year. Candidates should send a resume and letters of reference to:

Andre d'Avignon, Department of Chemistry Campus Box 1134, Washington University, One Brookings Drive St Louis, MO 63130

Email inquiries and submissions are encouraged and should be directed to: davignon@wustl.edu. EOE / AA.

### **Science Fair Call for Judges**

Science Fair season is almost upon us, and so is another opportunity for you to encourage an understanding of good science by participating as a Science Fair judge. Members of the ACS St. Louis Section are needed as judges to evaluate chemistry projects for special awards at regional science fairs in the greater St. Louis area. High School and Junior High winners receive prizes from the section (science books and more), while all elementary school participants with chemistry related projects receive participation ribbons.

Judging times for 2008 are as follows:

Illinois Junior Academy of Science Region 12 Science Fair at SIU-Edwardsville on Saturday, March 22, 2008. Judging starts at 10:00 am and concludes by 12:00 noon.

St Charles/Lincoln County Science and Engineering Fair at St Charles Community College on Saturday, April 12, 2008. Judging starts at 9:00 a.m.

Greater St Louis Elementary Science Fair at Queeny Park on Monday, May 5, 2008. We will distribute participation ribbons to entrants with chemistry projects beginning at 6:00 pm.

Greater St Louis Secondary Science Fair at Queeny Park on Thursday, May 8, 2008. Judging starts at 6:00 pm.

Interested in judging? Please contact John Kauffman phone: (573) 356-1142 e-mail: kauffmanj@centurytel.net or John.Kauffman@fda.hhs.gov

#### **Chemical Progress Week 2008**

Please send reservations to: Samir El-Antably P. O. Box 50168 Saint Louis, MO 63105 (314) 664-5522 Make checks payable to: Saint Louis Section – ACS Please make your reservations by April 14

Awards Night Dinner Reservation

Date: Monday, April 21 Location: Kemoll's 5:30 pm Cocktails, 6:30 pm Dinner, 7:30 pm Program Name

Number attending x \$25 = Amount Remitted

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Saint Louis Award Banquet Reservation

Date: Saturday, April 26 Location: Kemoll's 6:00 pm Cocktails, 7:00 pm Dinner, 8:00 pm Program Name

Number attending x 55 = Amount remitted

#### ACS ST. LOUIS SECTION Undergraduate Research Symposium

University of Missouri-St. Louis Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry 325 Benton Hall Friday, April 18, 2008 3:00-5:00 PM

Who is eligible?

All undergraduate researchers in the St. Louis ACS section Presentation Type: Research Poster Refreshments provided, gifts (swag) to all undergraduate participants Please submit intent with poster titles by April 11 to:

> Michael R. Nichols, PhD Assistant Professor, UM-St. Louis nicholsmic@umsl.edu, 314-516-7345

#### **Recognition Night 2008**

Saturday March 29, 2008 La Bonne Bouchée 12344 Olive Boulevard; west of I-270 in the Westgate Shopping Center St. Louis, MO 63141 (314) 576-6606 Come for an enjoyable evening. Spouses welcome!

Please join us to celebrate and honor members who have helped make this section great. We will have a presentation of the Distinguished Service Award and the Past Chair address, among other things. Cost is \$26.00 per person. Please send in payment and the reservation form below by March 26th to Samir El-Antably.

#### **Recognition Night Reservation Form**

Member Name:

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$26 =

Amount remitted

Dinner will feature a choice of trout, chicken breast, or steak; please indicate choices below for those attending:

Trout \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Breast \_\_\_\_\_ Steak \_\_\_\_\_ Reservations must be received by March 26, 2008. Please make your check payable to: St. Louis Section-ACS and mail to:

> Dr. Samir El-Antably Camela Medical Equipment Co. P.O. Box 50168 St. Louis, MO 63105

ETC....

Greetings from your new\* Chemical Bond Editor!

\* new to the realm of desktop publishing, that is. I am looking forward to providing you with Local Section news and issues. I thank you in advance for your support and contributions.

Regards,

Sue Dudek

#### **Chemical Progress Week 2008 Scedule of Events**

Friday, April 18:

**Undergraduate Research Symposium** 

University of Missouri – Saint Louis, Benton Hall 3pm -5pm Mike Nichols (email: nicholsmic@umsl.edu, 314-516-7345) or Eike Bauer (email : bauere@umsl.edu, 314-516-5340)

#### Monday, April 21:

Awards Night

Honors winners of the: High School Chemisrty Contest Leopold Marcus Award High School Teaching Award Chemical Science & Technology Award Outstanding Junior Chemistry Students at area colleges and universities Kemoll's Restaurant, One Metropolitan Square, St. Louis \$25.00/person 5:30 pm - Social Hour 6:30 pm - Dinner 7:30 pm - Program Contact: Samir El-Antably (314-664-5522)

<u>Tuesday, April 22:</u> **ADACIOM Luncheon** Sunset Country Club Speaker: TBA Contact: Jane Benet' (jane@drumtechus.com)

<u>Friday, April 25:</u> Saint Louis Award Symposium TBA

#### Saturday, April 26: Saint Louis Award Banquet Honoring the recipient of the 2008 Saint Louis Award (winner TBA) Kemoll's Restaurant, One Metropolitan Square, St. Louis \$55.00/person 6:00 pm - Cocktails 7:00 pm - Banquet 8:00 pm - Program Contact Samir El-Antably (314-664-5522)

#### St. Louis Section American Chemical Society ACS 2008 Midwest Award

Dear Local Section Colleagues:

As the Midwest Award Chair for the St. Louis Section of the American Chemical Society, I solicit your assistance in identifying candidates for the ACS 2008 Midwest Award. The St. Louis Section of the ACS established the ACS Midwest Award in 1944 to recognize publicly outstanding achievements made in chemistry by an individual in the Midwest region. The award is conferred annually on a scientist who has made meritorious contributions to the advancement of pure or applied chemistry, chemical education, and the profession of chemistry. These contributions must have been made during a period of residence in the geographic area defined by the territories of the Local Sections that participate in the Midwest Regional Meeting of the ACS (this includes Local Sections in Missouri, Arkansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Southern Illinois, and South Dakota). Neither the nominee nor the nominator need be a member of the ACS, nor do they need to reside in the Midwest Region currently. Nominees can be from industry, academia, government, or private practice. The 2008 ACS Midwest Regional Award will be presented at the 43rd Midwest Regional Meeting to be held in Kearney, Nebraska, October 8-10, 2008. The ceremonies on October 9 will feature the Midwest Award Lecture, a dinner honoring all Awardees, and the presentation of the Award which consists of a Medallion and a cash honorarium. Participation in all of these ceremonies on October 9 is a condition of the Award

Nominations should include a nominating letter, two or more seconding letters, a curriculum vita, a brief biography, and documented and objective information regarding the outstanding achievements of the nominee. If the nominee is an academician, a list of persons who have received advanced degrees under his or her direction should be included. As indicated above, to be eligible, a nominee's cited work must have been performed while he or she was residing within the Midwest Region of the ACS.

Please submit nine copies of all nomination materials to me at the address, given below. All nomination materials in regular (hardcopy) paper format must be received on or before the deadline of March 31, 2008.

Professor James J. O'Brien, ACS Midwest Award Chair Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry University of Missouri - St. Louis, One University Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63121

Please note that (just as in the last two year), hardcopy letters that solicit nominations for this Award will not be sent to various organizations, companies or universities in the ACS Midwest Region. We again hope this form of advertisement of the Award is successful.

If you have any questions, please cntact me by e-mail at obrien@jinx.umsl.edu or by telephone at (314) 516-5717 (O), or (314) 516-7023 (L).

Thank you for your assistance. Sincerely, Jim O'Brien