

Virtual Trivia Night draws sequestered fun-seekers

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Is a bee sting acidic or alkaline?

Which element has the shortest name?

What compound gives Mars its distinctive red color?

If you think you know the answers to these questions, you should have been at the Cocktails with Chemists Group virtual happy hour and trivia night on October 7! Over Zoom, we had three rounds of ten questions with some fun conversation in between. Answers had to be typed in the chat, so nimble-fingered scholars had quite an advantage. We had a mix of industry colleagues, students and professors participating. Michael, a Washington University graduate student, was crowned champion at the end of the last round.



Our next event is in November, date TBD, but [join the Meetup group](#) to get the details. We will have a *Chemistry in Your House Scavenger Hunt* over Zoom. Get ready to gather up household items only identified by their chemical names.

We're in the running

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(sung to the tune of *The Gold Digger's Song* ("We're in the money..." which, alas, we are not.)

We have just heard from Luis Echegoyen, President of ACS, that we are finalists for a [ChemLuminary award](#) in the category, **Outstanding or Creative Local Section Younger Chemists Committee Event**.

The nomination was for "[Wrightonpalooza](#)", our Section's hosting of a liquid N₂ ice cream truck for the Mark Wrighton retirement festivities on the campus of Wash U in April, 2019. Eschewing false modesty, we proudly suggest that this event was **both outstanding and creative**.

Stay tuned in December to see how the selection turns out. Or better yet, the ChemLuminary link above links on to a registration page for the on-line award presentation. Join us for the absolutely freshest view of the results. (ACS member log-in required.)

We've heard that the other finalists are threatening a class-action lawsuit if they don't win. Or maybe that's a different *Decision 2020*. We can never remember.



Cocktails with Chemists Present: Chemistry in Your Home

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Of course everything is a chemical, but your home is full of pure chemicals, chemical compounds and solutions you use on a daily basis. Join us for a Scavenger Hunt via Zoom to find Chemistry in Your Home!



There will be three rounds of increasing difficulty. Join us for Round 1 at 5:20, Round 2 at 5:40, and Round 3 at 6:00 PM. We'll give you a list of chemicals, and you'll need to scavenge your home for them and then show your found items on to the group on the Zoom meeting. You will be judged on quickness and accuracy.

Will there be prizes?? No! But there will be accolades from the judges, friendly faces, and a chance to meet new people.

When: November 5th, 5-6:30 PM

Where: Zoom (link will be send upon registration)

[Register here](#)

Meeting & Seminars

Board of Directors

St Louis Section-ACS Board of Directors meets the second Thursday of each month over Zoom for the foreseeable future

Date: November 12 ([via Zoom](#))

Join internet meeting at 6:00 pm for social/chit-chat
Business meeting begins at 6:30 pm

Future meetings: December 10, January 14

Maryville University

Seminars are approximately once a month on Thursdays, 4-5 pm. Details are available on the university's [seminar page](#). All seminars are free and open to the public. Contact [Jason Telford](#) for more information.

St. Louis College of Pharmacy

The Center for Clinical Pharmacology hosts a monthly seminar series in ARB 212 unless otherwise noted. For the most up to date information refer to the center's [seminar page](#) or contact [Jodi Maslin](#).

Saint Louis University

Seminars are generally on Fridays at 12 noon in Carlo Auditorium, Tegeler Hall, unless noted otherwise. Refreshments follow. For the most up-to-date information, refer to the department's [seminar page](#) or contact Brent Znosko, znoskob@slu.edu.

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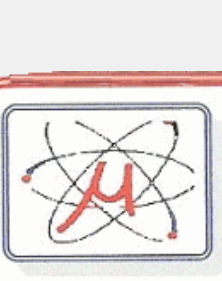
Mondays at 4 pm in 451 Benton Hall, unless otherwise specified. Refreshments 15 minutes prior to seminar time. For information on visiting seminar speakers, contact the Chemistry department, 314.516.5311, or visit the [seminar schedule](#). The department has additional seminar series which are also accessible from this page.

Washington University

Seminars are in McMillen 311 at 4 pm unless otherwise noted. For information, consult the departmental [events page](#). Related seminars, including endowed seminar series and the WU med school biochemistry series, are linked here as well.

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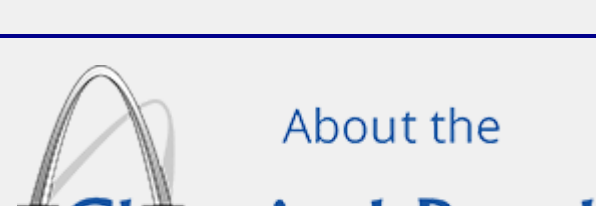
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