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### ABOUT THE COLUMBUS SECTION

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The Columbus Section of the American Chemical Society comprises approximately 1,500 members who live and work in the following central Ohio counties: Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Hocking, Knox, Licking, Madison, Marion, Morrow, Muskingum, Perry, Pickaway, Ross, and Union.



The Mission of the American Chemical Society (ACS) is to encourage in the broadest and most liberal manner the advancement of the chemical enterprise and its practitioners. Toward that end, the ACS advances scholarly knowledge, provides professional services and support, communicates with varied audiences, and is actively involved in the science, education, and public policy arenas.

The Columbus Section of the ACS adheres to this mission and the strategic thrusts of the national organization and leadership by providing programs and networking opportunities for Chemistry professionals in Central Ohio.

We invite ACS members and scientists in the community to lend their expertise and talents to our activities in science education, government and legislative policy issues, safety in our industrial plants and in our communities, and care of our land.



MEETING NOTICE



Columbus Section of the American Chemical Society, Inc.  
Meeting #877 — April, 2015

Joint Meeting with Ohio State Undergraduate Chemistry Club

## Demilitarization and My Scientific Career

Lindy Dejarne, Ph.D.

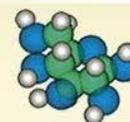
Senior Research Scientist, Battelle Laboratories

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

Ohio State University Golf Course  
3609 Tremont Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43221

(Enter on the south side of the building. The dining room is up the stairs)

PROGRAM DETAILS	
5:00 – 5:45 PM	Executive Committee Meeting – All Section Members are welcome to attend
5:45 – 6:30 PM	Social Hour – Appetizers and beverages; cash bar
6:30 – 7:30 PM	Dinner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chicken Marsala</li> <li>• Roast Beef with demi glace</li> <li>• Vegetable lasagna</li> <li>• All dinners served with mixed vegetables and rosemary roast red skin potatoes.</li> <li>• Choice of carrot cake, chocolate cake or key lime pie</li> </ul>
7:30 – 9:00 PM	Lecture: <i>Demilitarization and My Scientific Career</i> By Dr. Lindy Dejarne
Cost	The charge for dinner is \$20 per person for members and non-members, \$5 for retired and unemployed members, and \$5 for students. Payment will be collected at the door; cash and checks accepted. There is no cost to attend the program only. <b><u>Remember that this is a dinner order and must be paid. Please help control costs by honoring your order.</u></b>



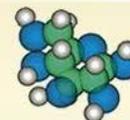


RSVP	Please use the <a href="#">Meeting Reservation Form</a> on the Section's website. . Alternatively, please send an e-mail with information following the template shown below to <a href="mailto:acscols@wowway.com">acscols@wowway.com</a> or use the voicemail reservations service by calling 614-447-3600, extension 7047.
*Voicemail/e-mail Reservations Template	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First and last name: Please spell last name.</li> <li>• Membership category: member, non-member, retired, emeritus, unemployed, or student.</li> <li>• Employer</li> <li>• Your choice of entree: roast beef or vegetable lasagna</li> <li>• Please indicate if you will join us for the <u>Dinner &amp; Program</u> OR the <u>Program Only</u></li> <li>• Your e-mail or phone number, in case we need to contact you.</li> </ul>
Reservation Deadline	<b>Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 2015 at 12:00 noon</b>
Program Contact	<b>David Speth:</b> 614-538-0635 or <a href="mailto:drspeth@sbcglobal.net">drspeth@sbcglobal.net</a>
Directions & Parking	<p><b>From the North</b> Take Ohio 315 South to the Henderson Road exit. At the exit ramp stoplight, turn left onto Olentangy River Road. Turn right at the first stoplight onto Henderson Road. Proceed to Kenny Road. Turn left onto Kenny and proceed approximately 1.5 miles south to Tremont road. Bear right onto Tremont at the stoplight. The Ohio State Clubhouse is on the right immediately after the corner.</p> <p><b>From the East</b> Take I-70 West to the Rich Street/Town Street/Ohio 315 exit (99C). Proceed north to the North Broadway/Olentangy River Road exit. Stay left to exit onto North Broadway. Turn left at the exit ramp stoplight onto North Broadway. Proceed to Kenny Road. Turn right onto Kenny Road and then hard left at Tremont Road. The Clubhouse is on the right immediately after the corner.</p> <p><b>From the West</b> Take I-70 East to I-670 East to OH 315 North. Proceed north to the North Broadway/Olentangy River Road exit. Stay left to exit onto North Broadway. Turn left at the exit ramp stoplight onto North Broadway. Proceed to Kenny Road. Turn right onto Kenny Road and then hard left at Tremont Road. The Clubhouse is on the right immediately after the corner.</p> <p><b>From the South</b> Take OH 315 North to the North Broadway/Olentangy River Road exit. Stay left to exit onto North Broadway. Turn left at the exit ramp stoplight onto North Broadway. Proceed to Kenny Road. Turn right onto Kenny Road and then hard left at Tremont Road. The Clubhouse is on the right immediately after the corner.</p> <p><b>Parking is free.</b></p>

#### ABOUT THE TOPIC:

#### *DEMILITARIZATION AND MY SCIENTIFIC CAREER*

In this talk, I will discuss my shotgun approach/experience to scientific curiosity by connecting it to the general problem of demilitarization. The majority of this talk will focus on chemical warfare agents and their destruction.



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ABOUT THE SPEAKER:  
*DR. LINDY DEJARME*

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Dr. Dejarne is a research leader at Battelle Columbus Operations where he has worked on chemical demilitarization and other projects for the past 22 years. At Battelle he has led a team of chemists to develop several methods for the analysis of chemical warfare agents, including GB and VX, and related compounds in caustic hydrolysates and other matrices using mass spectrometry based instrumentation with front end separation technique such as gas and liquid chromatography.

Dr. Dejarne is also a trained forensic microscopist. He employs his microscopy background to solve selected problems encountered in demilitarizing operations. Dr. Dejarne is also a micro-spectroscopist. His span of experience includes chemical and biological warfare agent detection, toxins (chemical and protein based), explosives, drugs, database building, analytical instrument building, bench-scale plant processing, microscopy (hair, fiber, pollen, mold, particles and chemicals) and proteomics.

While working on his scientific pursuits, another event with international ramifications was developing. A treaty called the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction was being drafted by many nations. The treaty is administered by the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). The treaty was drafted in 3 September 1992, signed on 13 January 1993 and ratified on 29 April 1997. By signing on the treaty, the USA is bound by its provisions.

In 1995, he got involved in the US government side on the verification and compliance to the treaty. By 2004, his involvement with all the demilitarization sites became full blown ranging from addressing day-to-day-problems at the incineration sites to the design and construction of the caustic hydrolyzation sites in Pueblo, Colorado (PCAPP) and Richmond, Kentucky (BGCAPP).

Dr. Dejarne holds a BS Degree (Mindanao State University, Philippines), Master's Degree (Bucknell University, USA), and Ph.D. in Chemistry (Purdue University, USA). Dr. Dejarne holds patents on decontamination of VX, and, analyte separation process and apparatus. Dr. Dejarne is a senior chemist at the Blue Grass Chemical Agent Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP), a multi-billion dollar plant in Richmond, Kentucky.

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CHAIRMAN'S NOTE  
*By DAVID SPETH*

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Thank you again for re-electing me Chair of the Columbus Section and thank you for your patience while we get organized this year. Now that we are on to our second program, I hope the rest of the year's activities will provide you with intriguing topics and good fellowship.

By now you should have received the announcement for our April joint meeting with the undergraduates at Ohio State. The topic of disarmament is timely since the 100th anniversary of the first use of poison gas in wartime was just noted in Chemical and Engineering News and a new novel about Fritz Haber. It will also bring more recent events, like the disposal of Syria's poison gas stockpile into focus.

At the April meeting we will also be reinstating awards for the best junior and senior chemistry students at our local colleges. Our treasurer-elect, **Kelly Moran**, has been working with the chairs of the chemistry departments to identify the awardees. We hope most of them will be able to attend the meeting to be recognized and to receive their check.

Our May meeting is not yet scheduled, but we do have the State Science Fair on Saturday May 16. This is another opportunity to meet budding young scientists and to have an impact on their future. It's also a lot of fun. Please consider joining us to help judge the poster presentations if you have some time to spare.

At the May meeting we also plan to recognize the outstanding high school chemistry teacher in our area. This award is very meaningful for our teaching community. It is a good way to encourage them to put an extra effort into bringing the next generation to STEM (and particularly chemistry) careers.

Finally let me reiterate my call for volunteers. The Local Section does its best to provide an interesting program for its members. To do that we need volunteers to help with our monthly programs and to help with outreach to the wider community. The Columbus section has been fortunate to have a loyal group that has led the section for the past 10 years. It is now time for a new generation of leaders to come in to take the section forward into the next decade. Please consider helping. If many participate, no single member needs to do a lot.

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### STATE SCIENCE DAY 2015: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

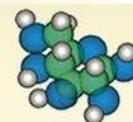
*By ROBERT KROSHEFSKY*

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On **Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**, State Science Day 2015 will be hosted by The Ohio State University at the French Field House in Columbus – just up the road from the ‘Shoe. Since 1998, as part of its commitment to chemical education at all levels, the Columbus Section has sponsored awards for outstanding projects in the chemical sciences. The objective is to acknowledge and reward those students who have not only understood the scientific method, but also have exhibited creative thought. The section awards \$2,500 in prizes to the various winners.

Clearly, these students are some of the best that Ohio has to offer and are already showing an interest in chemistry. What better way to encourage them and show them the human face of the chemical enterprise? Professors and employers, it might also be a good way to do early recruiting for future students and interns.



**WE NEED YOUR HELP !!!**

The number of projects entered is large (~140) and we need around 30 judges to evaluate them and decide on the winners. A general knowledge of some branch of chemistry is desirable, but being a chemist or ACS member is not required. And even having limited knowledge in one area can be supplemented and effectively utilized through interactions with judges having complementary skills.

Judging is scheduled to run from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Refreshments and orientation will occur from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. You really need not be there much before 8:00 a.m. in order to get a clear idea of what will be happening that morning. You will be well-informed in advance. Previous judges have thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Please consider taking one morning out of the entire year to offer encouragement and advice to someone who could be taking the first steps in an illustrious career. If you would enjoy the opportunity to meet the next generation of chemical scientists, e-mail me at [bobkro@embarqmail.com](mailto:bobkro@embarqmail.com) or call me at 937-707-9276.

The section's immediate past Chairman, **Dr. Wenbin Qi**, and his wife, **Dr. Yun Gong** of CAS, have organized the event for the past two years. However, they are moving from Columbus to upstate New York for employment reasons and I am stepping back into the fray. I look forward to seeing many of my friends again.

Refer to The Ohio Academy of Science Web site <http://www.ohiosci.org/ssd.htm> for more details.

Silver

**SILVER CIRCLE NEWS**  
*By Tom Weeks*

Silver

Upcoming Silver Circle activities are as follows:

Wed. April 22 at the OSU nanotechnology center on Kinnear Rd.

Fri. May 15 at Ohio EPA headquarters downtown

Thurs June 4 at CAS.

For more details, or to get on the Silver Circle mailing list, contact [tomweeks@aol.com](mailto:tomweeks@aol.com)

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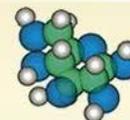
**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 249<sup>TH</sup> ACS NATIONAL MEETING, HELD IN DENVER, MARCH 22-26, 2015**  
*BY VIRGINIA SONGSTAD*

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Following are some topics addressed at this Meeting that ACS Columbus Councilors **Ed King, Donald and Virginia Songstad** [songstadva@aol.com] attended. These Council-specific topics are lifted from talking points provided to Councilors by the ACS Secretary and General Counsel Flint H. Lewis.

Meeting Attendance:

As of the evening of March 24, the total registration was 13,940. The specifics were 7307 attendees, 5141 students, 847 exhibitors, 360 expo only, and 285 guests. More than 10,000 papers, 4000 posters, and 6000 oral presentations were offered. The exposition featured more than 250 companies that showcased services and products in over 400 booths.





The ACS Career Fair had 715 seekers, 27 employers, 85 positions, and 10 booths. The Virtual Career Fair had 918 seekers, 6 employers, and 38 positions. Additionally, 368 resume reviews, 218 mock interviews, and 23 Career Pathway workshops were conducted during the meeting.

#### Actions of the Council:

#### Election Results

The Committee on Nominations and Elections presented to the Council the following nominees for selection as candidates for President-Elect, 2016: G. Bryan Balazs, Allison A. Campbell, David J. Lohse, and Christopher J. Welch. By electronic ballot, the Council selected G. Bryan Balazs and Allison A. Campbell as candidates for 2016 President-Elect. These two candidates, along with any candidates selected via petitions, will stand for election in the Fall National Election.

#### CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT 2016

*G. Bryan Balazs	330
*Allison A. Campbell	194
David J. Lohse	111
Christopher J. Welch	182

#### Candidates for Directors-at-Large

The Committee on Nominations and Elections announced the selection of the following candidates for Directors-at-Large for 2016-2018 terms: Willem R. Leenstra (Green Mountain Section), Ingrid Montes (Puerto Rico Section), Mary Jo Ondrechen (Northeastern Section), and Thomas W. Smith (Rochester Section). The election of two Directors-at-Large from among those candidates and any selected via petition will be conducted in the fall. Ballots will be distributed to the Council on October 2, 2015.

#### Committee Continuance

As part of a regular performance review, the Council voted unanimously to continue the Committees on Ethics and on Science. Continuation of the Committee on Science also requires Board concurrence.

#### 2016 Member Dues

The Council voted to set the member dues for 2016 at the fully escalated rate of \$162. This rate is established pursuant to an inflation-adjustment formula in the ACS Constitution and Bylaws.

#### National Meeting Long-Range Financial Plan

Following a discussion on the revenue supporting National Meetings, the ACS Council respectfully requested that the Board of Directors delay the implementation of a technical meeting additional fee of \$15 as recommended by the Committee on Meetings and Expositions to the meeting registration fee, until the Board presents an analysis (preferably at the Boston national meeting) of the projected break even fee, including and excluding the net revenue from the National Meeting Exposition.

#### New International Chemical Sciences Chapters

On recommendation of the Committee on International Activities and subject to the concurrence of the Board of Directors, the Council voted to approve petitions to charter the India International Chemical Sciences Chapter and the Taiwan International Chemical Sciences Chapter.

#### Reports of Elected Committees (Highlights):

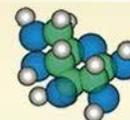
##### Council Policy (CPC)

As required by the Society's Bylaws, CPC has set the divisors which will be used to determine how many Councilors each Local Section and Division is entitled for 2016-2019. Official notification will be sent to Local Sections and Divisions within two weeks of the Council meeting, well in advance of the Bylaws required May 1 deadline, in order to accommodate the units' conduct of their elections in 2015. CPC's Long Range Planning Subcommittee is forming a task force to consider whether changes are in order for the calculations and policies, and to implement any recommendations in time for the 2020 election cycle.

In its continuing efforts to assist the Society in finding ways to reduce expenses, CPC is considering alternatives to reduce the printing and mailing costs of the Council Agenda. CPC will be conducting surveys to evaluate potential strategies.

##### Nominations and Elections (N&E)

N&E solicits Councilors' input of qualified individuals for President-Elect and/or Directors for future consideration. Suggestions may be sent to [nomelect@acs.org](mailto:nomelect@acs.org).





Reports of Society Committees and Committee on Science (Highlights):

Budget and Finance (B&F)

In 2014, ACS generated a Net from Operations of \$17.9 million, which was \$4.2 million favorable to budget. Total expenses were \$499.0 million, \$0.7 million or 0.1 percent higher than budget. Expenses ended the year at \$481.1 million, \$3.5 million favorable to the budget. This variance was largely attributable to a continued emphasis on expense management across the Society. Despite favorable operating results, the Society's financial position weakened in 2014, with Unrestricted Net Assets declining \$62.3 million, to \$144.7 million at year-end.

Additional information can be found at [www.acs.org](http://www.acs.org), at bottom, click 'About ACS', then 'ACS Financial Information'. There you will find several years of the Society's audited financial statements and IRS 990 filings.

Education (SOCED)

SOCED reported that more than 1,900 individuals have joined the American Association of Chemistry Teachers (AACT) which launched last year, 88 percent of whom are K-12 teachers of chemistry. The Dow Chemical Company was announced as the Sole Founding Partner of AACT with a gift of \$1 million.

Science (ComSci)

ComSci has collaborated with several ACS committees to develop five public policy statements which were approved by the Board in December 2014. More recently ComSci led the development of a new draft ACS policy statement on hydraulic fracturing, which will be considered by the Board. Current collaborations include revising ACS policy statements on energy, climate change and forensic science.

Committee on Meetings and Expositions (M&E)

M&E recommends that the Early Member Registration Fee for 2016 national meetings be \$415, per the National Meeting Long-Range Financial Plan. However, this was postponed due to Council Action noted earlier.

As part of the continuing ACS sustainability effort and to encourage the use of the ACS mobile app and online program, M&E has decided to discontinue free distribution of the hard copy program book starting in 2016. Those who pre-register for the meeting may purchase a copy of the program book for \$10 (pick up on site), and copies will be available at the meeting for \$20. The PDF version of the national meeting program will be more prominently displayed on the ACS website for those who would like to print portions for themselves.

Committee on Divisional Activities (DAC)

DAC voted to fund ten Innovative Project Grants (IPG) totaling \$54,000. The committee will consider another set of IPG proposals during the Boston National Meeting in August, 2015; the deadline for that round of submissions in July 1, 2015.

National meeting attendees were recently surveyed for their views on the Society's policy governing the use of devices to capture and/or disseminate content delivered at our meetings. While expressing support for the policy, the respondents also expressed interest in amending the current policy to permit presenters – at their discretion – to authorize audience members to capture and disseminate content.

Committee on Local Section Activities (LSAC)

LSAC awarded 15 Innovative Project Grants for a total of \$38,389, and is continuing to offer a mini-grant to Local Sections that attended the 2015 Leadership Institute to partner with neighboring sections to host an activity that would bring value to all members in a specific region. The committee is also planning to fund 16 grants totaling \$4000 for the Bridging the Gap: Teachers of Chemistry K-12 Nano-Grants. More information about all LSAC grants, and those of other committees, is available at [www.acs.org/getinvolved](http://www.acs.org/getinvolved).

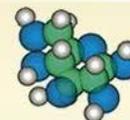
Committee on Membership Affairs (MAC)

MAC approved a recommendation from staff to ask individuals who have been receiving the 50 percent Graduate Student Discount for four years or more if they are still graduate students so they can receive the correct dues renewal. The current process does not provide an opportunity for graduate students to change their status after graduation except by contacting ACS Member Services.

MAC has endorsed President Diane Schmidt's campaign to invite faculty from PhD granting U.S. institutions to give ACS membership as an award to outstanding students in chemistry. Schmidt will match each gift by paying a student's membership from her Presidential funds.

Committee on Economic and Professional Affairs (CEPA)

CEPA reported the 2014 New Graduate Survey Results which show the unemployment rate for new graduate chemists has dropped from 14.9 percent in the 2013 survey to 12.4 percent as of 2014. The drop is principally due to more new bachelor's degree chemists finding employment. ACS members experienced three successive years of lowered unemployment, which could hint at a positive outlook for chemists in coming years. While unemployment is down, salaries have been overall stagnant.





#### Committee on Constitution and Bylaws (C&B)

C&B certified 23 bylaws in 2014, the second largest number certified in any year. Additionally, the committee has reviewed bylaws for 10 Local Sections and 5 Divisions since fall 2014. Certified bylaws and a status report are posted on [www.acs.org/bulletin5](http://www.acs.org/bulletin5)

New petitions to amend the Constitution or Bylaws must be received by the Executive Director no later than April 29 to be included in the Council Agenda for consideration at the fall meeting in Boston. Contact C&B with any questions or requests for information at [bylaws@acs.org](mailto:bylaws@acs.org)

#### Reports of Other Committees (Highlights):

##### Women Chemists (WCC)

WCC celebrated ten early-to-mid-career women chemists as recipients of the Fourth Annual WCC Rising Star Awards, and eight WCC/Eli Lilly Travel Grant awardees. WCC is also collaborating with Merck to develop a new Research Award that will fund eight women graduate students to present their research at the fall national meeting in Boston.

Members of WCC have been involved as contributing authors and editors for the second more diverse and inclusive edition of "Mom, the Chemistry Professor" being published by Springer.

##### Professional Training (CPT)

At this meeting, CPT reviewed 39 periodic reports from currently approved programs and held conferences with two departments beginning the process of applying for ACS approval. CPT also reviewed four site visit reports and approved three new programs. There are currently 681 colleges and universities offering ACS-approved bachelor's degree programs in chemistry.

The new 2015 ACS Guidelines for Bachelor's Degree Programs were approved at CPT's winter meeting and recently published on the ACS website.

##### International Activities (IAC)

At this meeting, the committee received, reviewed, and approved annual reports from ACS International Chemical Sciences Chapters in Hong Kong, Hungary, Malaysia, Romania, Saudi Arabia, and Shanghai. Additionally, the committee reviewed and approved new chapter applications initiated by members in Brazil, Nigeria, Peru, and the United Arab Emirates.

##### Environmental Improvement (CEI)

At this meeting CEI awarded Local Section Sustainability Grants to three Local Sections: Cornell, Kalamazoo, and Midland.

The committee has established working relationships with several technical divisions. The committee cosponsored with Division of Chemical Education the symposium featuring the winners of the ACS-CEI Award for Incorporation of Sustainability into Chemical Education. CEI and the Division of Environmental Chemistry have jointly established a project to provide grant support for programming around climate change at regional meetings.

CEI continues to review existing ACS policy statements, and at this meeting approved recommendations to the Board to establish new public policy statements on Hydraulic Fracturing and on Water Treatment and Conservation.

##### Chemistry and Public Affairs (CCPA)

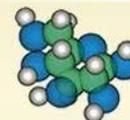
The committee highlighted the power of ACS member engagement in government affairs by relating the bipartisan effort, despite partisan roadblocks, to secure a resolution for National Chemistry Week in the United States Senate by Senator Chris Coons, a Democrat from Delaware, and Republican Senator Pat Toomey of Pennsylvania. The extra effort invested by ACS members in Pennsylvania to ensure that the resolution had bipartisan sponsorship helps to underscore that science is an issue where both parties can come together.

#### Resolutions:

The Council passed two resolutions: in memory of former ACS Secretary Rodney N. Hader and other deceased Councilors, and another in gratitude for the officers and members of the Colorado Local Section, host Section for the 249th National Meeting; the divisional program chairs and symposium organizers; and ACS staff.

#### Actions of the Board of Directors:

The Board's Executive Session  
The Board's Committees



The Board of Directors received and discussed reports from its Committees on Grants and Awards (G&A), Professional and Member Relations (P&MR), Executive Compensation, and Corporation Associates; the Society Committee on Education (SOCED); and the Joint Board-Council Committee on Publications.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Grants and Awards and of the Committee on Science, the Board voted to approve a Society nominee for the National Medal of Science.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Professional and Member Relations, the Board voted to provide nominal sponsorship, without financial commitment, for the "Frontiers of Science Research and Education in the Middle East: A Bridge to Peace" (Malta VII) to be held in Rabat, Morocco, November, 2015.

The Board received an extensive briefing and approved several recommendations from its Committee on Executive Compensation. The compensation of the Society's executive staff receives regular review from the Board.

On the recommendation of the Society Committee on Education, the Board voted to approve a procedure for the establishment of the inaugural Governing Board for the American Association of Chemistry Teachers (AACT).

On the recommendation of the Joint Board-Council Committee on Publications, the Board voted to approve the reappointment of an Editor-in-Chief for an ACS journal.

The Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer's Report

The Executive Director/CEO offered a review of his initial month in the position, and his direct reports updated the Board on the activities of Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS), the ACS Publications Division, the Society's Treasurer, and the Society's General Counsel.

#### Resolutions

The Board passed two resolutions, one in memory of former ACS Secretary Rodney N. Hader, who died in January 2015, and another for the U.S. Air Force Academy for 31 years of continuous support of the U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad.

#### The Board's Open Session:

The Board held a well-attended open session which featured Bibiana Campos Seijo, Editor-in-Chief, C&EN. Dr. Campos Seijo's topic was "Getting Bang for Your Buck in Science Communications." Prior to the presentation, members of the presidential succession and the new Executive Director and CEO offered brief reports on their activities. The officers provided more extensive reports on their activities and/or future plans as part of their reports to the Council.

### COLUMBUS SECTION ACS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Year	Month	Date	Day	Location	Comments
2015	April	8	Wed		Deadline for reservations for April Section meeting at Noon
2015	April	15	Wed	OSU Golf Course	Monthly Section meeting. See details elsewhere in this issue of <i>The Chemical Record</i> .
2015	April	22	Wed	OSU Nanotechnology Center	Silver Circle meeting; see details elsewhere in this issue of <i>The Chemical Record</i> .
2015	May	15	Fri	Ohio EPA Headquarters	Silver Circle meeting; see details elsewhere in this issue of <i>The Chemical Record</i> .
2015	May	16	Sat	French Field House, OSU	State Science Day 2015. Judges are needed; see details elsewhere in this issue of <i>The Chemical Record</i> .
2015	May	27-30		Grand Rapids, MI	2015 Joint Great Lakes / Central Regional ACS Meeting
2015	June	4	Thu	CAS	Silver Circle meeting; see details elsewhere in this issue of <i>The Chemical Record</i> .
2015	August	16-20	Sun – Thu	Boston	Fall ACS National Meeting
2015	October	18-24	Sun – Sat	Everywhere	National Chemistry Week.

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