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Newsletter

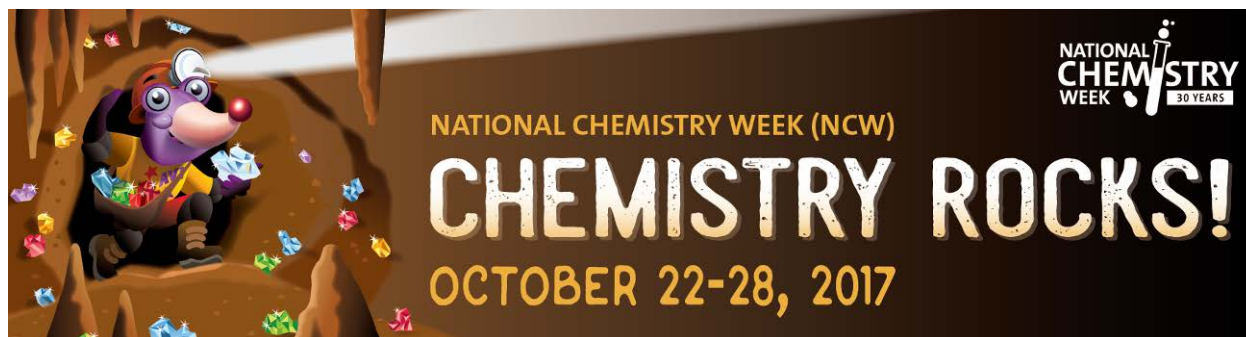
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Happy Mole Day!

This year, the theme for National Chemistry Week (October 22-28) is “Chemistry Rocks!” The NCW 2017 edition of *Celebrating Chemistry* is available on the ACS web page (www.acs.org) in the Education tab, in the section for National Chemistry Week.



Officer Elections

We will be needing to an election for the officer positions in the Permian Basin ACS section soon. If you're interested in running for a position, please contact one of the current officers soon.

Upcoming National and Regional Meetings and Programs

255th ACS National Meeting & Exposition

– Spring 2018

New Orleans, LA

March 18-22, 2018

Theme: Nexus of Food, Energy & Water



73rd Annual SWRM

Lubbock, TX

October 29 – November 1, 2017

Theme: Chemistry in the Southwest



Permian Basin News

NOTE: News about you makes this publication interesting for our members. Please take a few minutes to jot down what you are doing.

- 1) Speeches, papers, symposia, invited talks
- 2) Publications, patents, grants awarded
- 3) New positions, appointments, promotions, awards, honors, retirements, postdoctoral research
- 4) Offices held in professional societies
- 5) Avocational achievements, miscellaneous

ACS Student Chapter News

The Midland College Chemistry Club has received an Outstanding Student Chapter award and also a Green Chemistry award for the 2016-17 year. The ACS student group at ASU received a Commendable Chapter award and a Green Chemistry award.

The Midland College Chemistry Club is hosting an event at the Midland Park Mall on October 21st to celebrate National Chemistry Week. They will also be participating in the “Spooky Spectacular Science” program at the Petroleum Museum Family Science Night on Oct 31st at 6:00 pm.

The ACS student group at ASU will be hosting a Program-in-a-Box webinar on Tuesday, October 24, in the Cavness Science building on the ASU campus at 5:30 pm. The ACS student group from Midland College will also be hosting the webinar in the Fox I Science building on the Midland College campus. The ACS webinar will be on “The Chemistry of Rocks and Minerals.”

A number of students and faculty from ASU, Midland College, UTPB, and other institutions and industries in the Permian Basin area will be attending the SWRM 2017 meeting in Lubbock on October 29 and 30.

A Chemical Thought

All redox reactions involve electron transfer from a donor to an acceptor; and remarkably, all life, from bacteria to man, relies on electron transfers of one sort or another for its energy. As the Hungarian Nobel laureate Albert Szent-György put it, 'Life is nothing but an electron looking for a place to rest.'

Nick Lane, *Life Ascending: The Ten Great Inventions of Evolution* (2009)

Chemists Just Want To Have pHun

A policeman stopped Werner Heisenberg for speeding, and told him how fast he was going. Heisenberg responded, "Great! Now I'm lost!"

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If you have news about local activities, student activities, new employees, new members, good (or bad) science/chemistry jokes, or any other events related to the local section that you want to be included in the newsletter, please send the information to Kevin.Boudreaux@angelo.edu.