

## CERMACS Report - 2011

The Central Regional Meeting was held at the University Place Hotel and Conference Center – IUPUI, Indianapolis, Indiana from June 8 – 10, 2011. There were teacher workshops; Kathryn Frantz and I attended “Chemistry with Vernier: and “Organic and General Chemistry with Vernier”. Special Events were 42<sup>nd</sup> Central Regional Awards Reception and Dinner, at which I was awarded the E. Ann Nalley Regional Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society; Continental Breakfast with ACS Governance, at which District II Director, George Bodner talked; Tour of Indianapolis Museum of Art Science Laboratory, a tour of conservation efforts; and finally Cultivating Connections Networking Event, held at the Skyline Club with a beautiful view overlooking the city. The ACS Division of Chemical Education Central Region Award for Excellence in High School teaching was presented to Judith M. Lachvayder, who teaches at St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland. The Plenary Lectures were “Delivering a Sustainable Future through Innovation” by Dr. Dawn Shiang, Associate Director for Sustainable Technologies at the Dow Chemical Company; “The Contribution of Pharmaceutical Science to Human Lives” by John C. Lechleiter, CEO of Eli Lilly and Co.; “From Hot Coals to Mass Spectrometry: The History of Forensic Toxicology” by Michael A. Evan, founder, president and CEO of AIT Laboratories.

The schedule for upcoming regional meeting is as follows:

43 <sup>rd</sup> CRM	2012	DETROIT (100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary)	Dr. Mark Bevenuto Detroit Mercy Dept. of Chemistry 313-993-1184 <a href="mailto:benvenma@udmercy.edu">benvenma@udmercy.edu</a>
44 <sup>th</sup> CRM	2013	MIDLAND	Phil Squattrito Chem Dept. Central Michigan University <a href="mailto:p.squattrito@cmich.edu">p.squattrito@cmich.edu</a>
45 <sup>th</sup> CRM	2014	PITTSBURGH	Heather Juzwa, General Chair <a href="mailto:hljuzwa@shimadzu.com">hljuzwa@shimadzu.com</a> Dr. Christina Mastromatteo, Program Chair <a href="mailto:mastromatteo@pittcon.org">mastromatteo@pittcon.org</a>
50 <sup>th</sup> CRM	2019	MIDLAND (100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary)	General Chair to be named

### REPORTS:

The 41st CRM Committee, Dayton Section reported 705 registrants. Science and technology unique to Dayton was used as a theme as well as aerospace. There were 40 symposia, 265 papers, 5 Plenary lectures, and 370 posters. A leadership development course was offered at no cost because of a grant. Seven ACS divisions sponsored symposia. Their CERMACS meeting was very successful with a surplus of \$27,770.55.

They did not meet the required number of hotel rooms though. Audio-Visual Rental was a large expense.

The 42<sup>nd</sup> CRM Committee, Indiana Section, Jeannie R. Phillips reported the award winners, the Plenary lectures, and that there were over 800 registrants. There were continuous breaks at this meeting. The exhibitors were in three different rooms which was a little crowded, but there were refreshments available at all times.

The 43<sup>rd</sup> CRM Committee, Detroit Section, Mark Bevenuto, presented a preliminary budget of \$113, 390, for the meeting to be held June 5 – 9<sup>th</sup> in Dearborn, MI. He asked us to join “The Throw Down In Motown” at the Henry (formerly the Ritz Carleton) in Dearborn, Michigan. Sponsors will be put on the webpage. Programming will include chemistry of brewing. There will be a 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Awards Dinner with Steve Shimer presenting the History of the Section. This will be a Joint Meeting with Windsor, Canada and the Royal Society of Canada.

The 44<sup>th</sup> CRM Committee, Midland Section, reported that the meeting will be held on the campus of Central Michigan University in the Academic Building. Housing will be in the dormitories in four bedroom suites. The organizational committee is complete. This will be a less expensive meeting. Theme is “Building Blocks for a Sustainable World: Polymer, Materials, Energy Renewable. Dates are May 15 – 18, 2013.

The 45<sup>th</sup> CRM will probably be a joint meeting with the Great Lakes Region.

The website for the region is [www.acscentralregion.org](http://www.acscentralregion.org).

This is the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Regional Award in High School Chemistry Teaching. Requests were made to support Project Seed.