



# PENN-OHIO BORDER SECTION

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## Ballot for Councilor and Alternate Councilor

At the awards banquet on Friday, April 23, 2010, only the people listed below were nominated as councilor and alternate councilor.

By Friday, June 11, please email your ballot to: [wellsjoelle@yahoo.com](mailto:wellsjoelle@yahoo.com)  
or mail it anonymously to:

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**Councilor:** Doris Zimmerman   
**Alternate Councilor:** Pete Smith

## POBS Awards Banquet Report

POBS Annual Awards Banquet took place on Friday, April 23, 2010 at Westminster College. Many students from the POBS colleges presented research posters and Timothy S. Andreychek of Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC spoke about, “Westinghouse’s Role in the Nuclear Renaissance”. The turnout for the banquet was exceptional, with over 40 guests in attendance!

This gathering allowed many chemists from the area to gather and recognize the extraordinary achievements of fellow scientists and friends. The categories of awards and recipients are listed below.

### Chemistry Olympiad Local Section Exam Honorees

**Liberty High School:** Alex Saltz

**Grove City Area High School:** Bailey, Forest, Wes Uber

**Poland Seminary High School:** Brendan Higgins, Stacia Ruse

### POBS High School Teacher of the Year

**Sandy Conti, Salem High School**

### College Award for Excellence in Chemistry

**Youngstown State University:** Rick Kaiser

**Westminster College:** Ryan Konik

**Thiel College:** Evan Krizon

**Grove City College:** Emily Vore

**Kent State – Trumbull:** Angela Collazo

### 60 Year ACS Membership Awardees

Dr. Richard (Dick) Hendry

Mr. N.K. Visnapuu

## In Memory of Dr. Richard Allan Hendry

Richard "Dick" Hendry was born on October 13, 1929 to Allan and Mary Hendry in Santa Barbara, California. He grew up in southern California and then settled in western Pennsylvania where he resided for 51 years. Dick married Joanne Rae Peck on June 22, 1963. Together they have two sons, Thomas and Jonathan, and five grandchildren. Dick was devoted to his family and his faith. He was a member and ordained deacon in the Presbyterian Church in America. A diligent communicator, Dick kept in touch with friends and family on Facebook and actively blogged on faith issues. His quick wit and endearing smile placed everyone at ease.

Dick attended University of California at Santa Barbara, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry in 1951. He went on to earn a Master of Arts degree in organic chemistry from University of the Pacific in 1952 and a Doctor of Philosophy in biochemistry from Baylor University College of Medicine in 1956. After graduate school, Dick had a one-year postdoctoral position with Herbert Edmund Carter at the University of Illinois investigating cerebrosides, which led to three publications. He then entered academia, serving two years as an Assistant Professor of Chemistry at Texas Tech University. Dick came to Westminster College in 1959, as an Associate Professor of Chemistry. He was promoted to the rank of professor in 1963 and remained at Westminster for 39 years, retiring in 1998.

As a professor at Westminster College, Dick was a valued teacher, colleague and professional. His students found him to be a challenging, but caring instructor in the large variety of chemistry courses that he taught. Dick's devotion was illustrated through his availability to help students and his attention to instructional detail. In the laboratory, his selected experiments always worked because Dick painstakingly worked through each experiment prior to students seeing it in the teaching lab. Colleagues remember Dick as cooperative, helpful and friendly. If anyone asked a question, Dick would search for an answer. Two examples are his researching the literature to find the unusual sulfur-containing amino acid in asparagus, and the name of the indicator in red cabbage. He was one of the few chemists to have a personal subscription to Chemical Abstracts.

Dick's sense of humor endeared him to his colleagues. Whether standing in the laboratory praising the new balances (shoes, not instruments) or glowing about finding a picture of socks on the internet (the cat, not the footwear), he brought a smile those who knew him. Professionally, he served as both secretary and chair of the local American Chemical Society section, an organization to which he belonged for 60 years. He also held membership in Sigma Xi and served as secretary, vice-president and president of the Western Pennsylvania Club. Dick and his colleagues Dewey DeWitt, Ken Long and Percy Warrick shaped the department of chemistry with a combined 145 years of service. Dick's contributions to Chemistry, the sciences and Campus are still felt more than a decade after his retirement.

Dick passed from this life into the next on April 19, 2010. His warmth and his friendship will be missed by all that knew him. Yet, we are comforted that Dick Hendry lives on in this world through the legacy of his family and his professional service and he lives on in the next world with his Lord and Savior.

## ***Volunteers Welcome!***

***The Executive Committee would like to welcome any POBS member to join us in planning activities. If you have ideas or time to contribute, we will happily accept your help! Just email Joelle Wells at [wellsjoelle@yahoo.com](mailto:wellsjoelle@yahoo.com) or Doris Zimmerman at [ZIMDORIS@aol.com](mailto:ZIMDORIS@aol.com) with questions about ways to get involved.***

## ***Attention Younger Chemists!***

***The Younger Chemists Committee (YCC) is a group that represents chemists under the age of 35 or chemists at the beginning of their career. The YCC offers many events to assist with ways to help enter and adjust to the workforce and to help early career chemists advance. Visit [www.ycc.sites.acs.org](http://www.ycc.sites.acs.org) for more information.***

# 42nd Central Regional Meeting of the ACS

## *CHEMISTRY: REACTING TO PROVIDE NEW TECHNOLOGIES*

June 16-19, Dayton Convention Center and Crowne Plaza Hotel  
in Historic Downtown Dayton, Ohio!

Visit: [www.cermacs2010.org](http://www.cermacs2010.org) for more information!

The Dayton Section of the American Chemical Society invites you to the 2010 Central Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society, CeRMACS-2010, at the Dayton Convention Center and Crowne Plaza Hotel in historic downtown Dayton, Ohio, June 16-19, 2010.

The theme for CeRMACS-2010 is *Chemistry: Reacting to Provide New Technologies*. In addition to the traditional Symposia and Poster Sessions on Analytical, Biological, Inorganic, Organic, Physical, and Polymer Chemistry the meeting organizers are planning symposia on:

- New Vistas in Biotechnology: Chemistry, Materials & Applications
- Chemistry & Materials for Alternative Energy
- Metamaterials: from RF to NIR
- Materials for Aerospace and Space Applications
- Chemical Education Programming
- Computational Materials Science: Theory, Modeling, & Simulation
- Nanomaterials: Synthesis, Structures, Functionalization & Applications
- Laser-Based Technologies for Chemical Measurements
- Small Business Innovations in the Chemical & Materials Industries
- Chemistry for Peace: Building on the Dayton Accords

CeRMACS-2010 is pleased to announce five keynote speakers for the technical program:

- Dr. Wade W. Adams, Smalley Institute for Nanoscale Science and Technology, Rice University
- Prof. Richard B. Silverman, Dept of Chemistry, Northwestern University
- Dr. Morley Stone, 711<sup>th</sup> Human Performance Wing, Air Force Research Laboratory
- Mr. William E. Harrison, Technical Advisor for Fuels and Energy, Air Force Research Laboratory
- Prof. Paul B. Shepson, Departments of Chemistry and Atmospheric Sciences, Purdue University

In addition to the technical program, a welcoming reception for CeRMACS-2010 will be held during which the following awards will be presented.

- The Stanley C. Israel Regional Award For Advancing Diversity in the Chemical Sciences
- The Central Regional Award for Excellence in High School Teaching
- The E. Ann Nalley Central Regional Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society
- The Patterson High-School Chemistry Awards
- The Patterson-Crane Award for Advances in Chemical Information

The CeRMACS-2010 social event not to be missed, however, is the totally awesome *Chemipalooza* at the Boonshoft Museum of Discovery. Explore the museum while consuming fabulous food and cocktails. Take in the free planetarium shows or dance to the music of a live band playing your favorite '80s tunes. While faculty members can relive the glory of their graduate-school years, their students can gain valuable insight into what makes their advisors tick (in addition to the opportunity of posting on facebook embarrassing photos of their advisors dancing).

**Registration for CeRMACS2010 is now open** at <http://www.xpressreg.net/eReg/?ShowCode=CERM060>

**You can also make your hotel reservation at:**

<http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/cp/1/en/advancedsearch?whichtype=room&roomResult=none&hotelCode=daycc&quickRes=city&GPC=ACS&requestid=409791>

## **POBS Tentative Schedule for 2010**

**June 16-19 – Dayton, OH CERMACS**

**August 22-26 – Boston, MA – ACS Fall National Meeting**

**Sept. 24 – POBS 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner, Overture Restaurant, Youngstown, Jeff Crystal, chef**

Speaker - Dr. William Carroll, “Reese’s Pieces”

Presentation of Volunteer Awards to past chairs from 1990-2010

**October 17-23 – National Chemistry Week - “Behind the Scenes with Chemistry”**

– (Showcases the difference between what we see in television, movies and literature and the real science behind the “magic” and mystery of special effects, hair/make-up, and forensics.)