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Hudson Valley Science Café

A Science Café is a monthly gathering in a Café, Pub or Restaurant, open to the public, with a short presentation of a topic followed by discussion. The essence of a Science Café is informality, with groups seated around tables with food and drink to encourage conversation. Hudson Valley Science Café usually meets on the 4th **Wednesday** of the month, except where noted.

Website: <http://www.cafescientifique.org/hudsonvalley.htm>

NEW Meeting site:

Diana's

1015 Little Britain Road (Route 207)

in New Windsor (just east of Stewart Newburgh Airport, on the opposite side of the road from the airport entrance).

Visit <http://www.dianasny.com> for menus and map.

\$3.00 admission fee includes coffee or tea. If you arrive at 6 PM, you can order from the Early Bird menu. No orders are taken during the Presentation (7:00-7:30).

SAVE THESE DATES

November 19 (3rd Wednesday)

"The Astronomic Search for the Origins of Life on Mars"

Robert Novak, Ph.D., Professor and Chair of the Physics Department, Iona College, New Rochelle, NY

December 17, 2008 (3rd Wednesday)

"Pharmacogenomics and the Future of Drug Discovery"

Ronald Snyder, Ph.D. Schering Plough Research Institute, Lafayette, NJ

January 28, 2009

"Computer Memories - Present State and Future"

Janusz Nowak, Ph.D., Physical Science Department, T. J. Watson Research Center, IBM, Yorktown Heights, NY

Hudson Valley Science Café has received start-up funds from WGBH-NOVA and The American Chemical Society. To suggest a speaker (yourself included), please contact Dr. Toby Rossman (tobyrossman@yahoo.com).

The Mid-Hudson Section of the American Chemical Society

and

The Department of Chemistry, Biochemistry and Physics of Marist College

Announce

Improving Biodiesel Stability and Lubricant Anti-Wear/ Friction
Modifier Performance Through Additive Technology

Frank J. DeBlase, Ph.D.

Sr. Research Scientist, Chemtura Corporation, Middlebury CT

Wednesday, November 12, 2008

7:00 PM

Donnelly Hall, Room 240

Marist College, Poughkeepsie, New York

(Refreshments at 6:30 PM)

Contact: Neil Fitzgerald at 845-575-3000, ext. 2491 or by e-mail at Neil.Fitzgerald@marist.edu

About the speaker: Dr. DeBlase received a Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry with a minor in Polymer Chemistry from Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. After working in the area of applied spectroscopy at Harrick Scientific Corp., he spent over sixteen years as a research chemist for Chevron/Texaco, Texaco Additives Corporation, and Texaco Research and Development. In 2004, he joined Chemtura Corporation where he presently works as a Senior Research Scientist in the areas of fuels and lube tribology, biodiesel antioxidants, and new additive development. His current efforts are in process chemistry, new additive development, 6-sigma project management, and technical supports for Naugalube® antioxidants, Naugalube® friction modifiers/anti-wear additives, and Synton® poly-alpha-olefins. He is an active member of ASTM, ACS, and Sigma XI.

Directions to Marist College: Marist College is located at 3399 North Road, just off Rte. 9, approximately 1 mile north of the Mid-Hudson Bridge in Poughkeepsie, NY. Detailed directions are available at <http://www.marist.edu/about/directions.html>. For a campus map, please visit <http://www.marist.edu/about/map.html>.

Seminars at SUNY New Paltz – Fall 2008

The following seminars will be held in the Coykendall Science Building (CSB) at SUNY New Paltz this fall. For more information about these seminars, contact Dr. Pamela St. John (stjohnp@newpaltz.edu, 845-257-3794).

For directions to SUNY New Paltz, visit <http://www.newpaltz.edu/about/directions.html>.

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE	TIME	PLACE
William Herbst Wesleyan University	The Case of the Winking Star: New Insights into the Formation of Terrestrial Planets	Thursday, November 20	4:00 PM	CSB Auditorium*
John Hassett SUNY ESF	Stalking the Wily Hydrophobe	Friday, November 21	3:30 PM	CSB 321

*This seminar is part of the SUNY New Paltz School of Science and Engineering Colloquium Series.



American Chemical Society Mid-Hudson Section

Monday, October 27, 2008

Dear ACS Member,

It is again time to elect the individuals who will represent you on the Executive Board of the Mid-Hudson Section of the American Chemical Society. Your ACS dues support the Section's activities and we encourage you to take the time to select the people who will best serve your interests.

The goal of this section is to enhance the professional environment of those who work in chemistry. The section holds many programs during the year to promote professional and educational growth for our members and students in the region. The ACS membership is an opportunity to participate in a highly integrated effort toward increasing our knowledge of chemistry and how it applies to the world around us.

In a continuing effort to control costs associated with the balloting process, we are once again delivering the ballots with the Mid-Hudson Chemist newsletter. We ask that you tear out the ballot and return it to us by November 21, 2008. Detailed instructions are given on the ballot. We have provided the small ballot envelope which is to be placed in a standard envelope and mailed back to the member who has volunteered to count the ballots, Pamela St John at SUNY – New Paltz. A biographical summary of the candidates is enclosed for your information.

The opportunity for a write-in candidate is also available. You can write the name, phone number and an email address (if available) of the candidate of your choice in the space provided on the ballot.

Very truly yours,

Secretary - Mid-Hudson Section



American Chemical Society Mid-Hudson Section

CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

Member-at-Large (3 Year Term)

John Galbraith

Occupation:

Assistant Professor of Chemistry, Marist College

Education:

B.A. Chemistry, Colorado College, Colorado College, CO 1992

Ph.D. Physical Chemistry, University of Georgia, 1997

Affiliations:

ACS Member Since 2001 (Physical Chemistry Division)

Activities:

Mid-Hudson Section – Chair Elect 2004, Chair 2005, Past Chair 2006, Secretary 2007

Research:

Theoretical/Computational Chemistry

Secretary (1 Year Term)

John C. Edwards

Occupation:

Owner, Process NMR Associates, LLC

Affiliate Assistant Professor of Chemistry, Marist College

Research Associate, SUNY New Paltz

Consultant – NMR, Spectroscopy, Petroleum Chemistry

Education:

B.Sc. Chemistry, University of Durham, U.K., 1986

Ph.D. Physical Chemistry, U. of South Carolina, 1990

Affiliations:

ACS Member - Since 1988

Member – American Oil Chemists Society – Since 2004

Activities:

Mid-Hudson Section Secretary 2005, 2008

Chair Elect 2006, Chair 2007, Past Chair 2008

Research interests:

NMR Spectroscopy, Process Analytical Technology, Petroleum

Chemistry, Infra Red Spectroscopy, Simulated Distillation,

Alternative Energy

Treasurer (1 Year Term)

Joan L. Skinner

Occupation:

Information Scientist, Hoffmann La Roche

Education:

B.S. Chemistry, Douglass College

M.S. Computer Science/Information Systems, Marist College

Affiliations:

Member ACS (American Chemical Society) since 1991

Member SLA (Special Libraries Association) since 1995

Member PIUG (Patent Information Users Group) since 2001

Member ACS WCC (Women Chemists Committee) since 2002

Activities:

Production of ACS Mid-Hudson Chemist, 1999-2001

Mid-Hudson Section Treasurer, 2000-2008

Chair Elect (1 Year Term)

Joseph Tanski

Occupation:

Associate Professor, Vassar College

Education:

A.B., Vassar College, Chemistry, 1995

Ph.D., University of Massachusetts, Analytical Chemistry, 2000

Affiliations:

Member of ACS (American Chemical Society) since 1996

Member - Council on Undergraduate Research

Activities:

Member at Large Mid Hudson Section 2005-2008

Chair – Mid-Hudson Section Undergraduate Research Symposium 2005-2007

Research interests:

Bioinorganic mimetic chemistry,

Extended structure coordination chemistry,

Inorganic medicinal chemistry, and X-ray crystallography.

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1: Place the completed ballot in the Small Ballot Envelope.
- 2: Place the Small Ballot Envelope in a larger Return Envelope and sign the Return Envelope in the bottom left hand corner.
- 3: Print your name and address on the Return Envelope.

Return the ballots to:

Dr. Pamela St. John
Chemistry Department,
SUNY New Paltz, CSB 102,
1 Hawk Drive,
New Paltz, NY 12561

Note: All ballots must be received on or before **Friday, November 21, 2008.**

Chair Elect

Joseph Tanski

Write in _____

Secretary

John Edwards

Write in _____

Treasurer

Joan Skinner

Write in _____

Member at Large

John Galbraith

Write in _____

**DO NOT SIGN THIS BALLOT OR THE BALLOT ENVELOPE.
PLEASE SIGN THE OUTER ENVELOPE.**