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April 29th
Pam Tucker
Emergency Planning
Lone Star Cafe, Augusta

The joint AICHE/ACS meeting will be held on Thursday, April 29 and will feature Pam Tucker, Columbia County Emergency Services Director. She will update us on new emergency projects and plans, including emergency plans relating to local chemical industry. The meeting will be held at the Lone Star Cafe (2744 Washington Rd, Augusta, GA, (706) 738-5504) at 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Dinner will be by order from the menu. Reservations should be made ahead of time by calling Glenda Blystone (725-2605).

Up Coming Events --

April 29 - Joint Meeting w/AICHE - Lone Star Cafe - Augusta

June - Summer Break

July - Summer Break

August - 228th ACS National Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August 22-26, 2004.

September

- First Fall Meeting - To Be Announced

October

- Local Speaker - Elections - Business Meeting

- WOW Chemistry - ASU

- National Chemistry Week

- Science Education Enrichment Day - USCA

November

- Nov 9, Steven Dutch, U. WI - Green Bay, Tour Speaker,

- Nov 10-14, SERMACS, Research Triangle Park, NC

December -- Holiday Party, Recognitions and New Officers

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Pamela P. Tucker, Director
Columbia County Emergency Services Division

Pam has lived in Columbia County for 24 years and is married to Randy Tucker, who is an Accounts Manager for FedEx Freight. Their son, Andrew, is 18 years old and is senior at Greenbrier High School. After a 21-year career in emergency management in Augusta-Richmond County, Pam has served as the Division Director of Emergency Services in Columbia County for the past 5 years. Pam's Division includes Emergency Management, Senior Center, Animal Control, Public Transit, Customer Service & Information Center, and the Dive Rescue & Recovery Team.

Pam also has oversight of the emergency medical services (EMS) contract, as well as day-to-day budget & administrative coordination for the Health Department, Department of Family & Children Services, Emergency Medical Services, and the Forestry Service. Additionally, Pam will manage the recently developed "Fire Service Agreements" and she will coordinate all activities between the fire departments and Columbia County. Pam received her certification as a Public Manager from the University of Georgia in 1992 and received "Master Emergency Manager Certification" from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency in 2000. This is the highest level of certification in the emergency management field.

Pam was honored by the CSRA Girl Scouts Council as a "Woman of Excellence" in the government category in April 2003.

Some community affiliations are:

- Selected by GEMA to serve as a "mentor" for new EMA Directors in Georgia
- Member, Metro Augusta Destination 2020 Task Force Public Safety Subcommittee
- Member, Emergency Management Association of Georgia
- Member, East Central Georgia EMS Council
- Member, Sister City Advisory Board
- Member, GA-Carolina Council of Boy Scouts of America
- Chairperson, Red Cross Heroes Campaign 2004
- Chairperson, United Way of the CSRA Health Services Budget Panel- (Past member of United Way Board of Directors)
- Coordinator & Member, Columbia County Local Emergency Planning Committee
- Coordinator & Member, Columbia County EMS Advisory Board

The 227th ACS National Meeting held in Anaheim, CA was well attended with 14,141 total registrants including 3,801 students. In general, only San Francisco and San Diego locations can be expected to draw larger spring attendance figures. Strong Santa Ana winds made for unusually warm weather with temperatures in the mid 90's and high pollen counts in the area.

The National Employment Clearinghouse conducted 1597 interviews for 271 posted positions amongst 1281 candidates. The actual number of available jobs is often considerably larger than the number posted. The interview and posted job figures are similar to those in NYC last fall though the number of job seekers was down by nearly 100.

The Membership Affairs Committee reported that membership in the Society now stands at 159,332 down from the past few years but with a 3.7% increase in student memberships.

The Local Section Activities Committee (LSAC) has cancelled the award for most innovative use of technology following the 2004 ChemLuminary Awards. They will be awarding \$78,000 through the spring round of Innovative Program Grants. The Savannah River Section Younger Chemists Committee has a grant application in for a project they hope to pursue with Fort Discovery.

The Council approved the dues escalator unanimously, which will bring the 2005 membership dues to \$123.00. The Budget & Finance Committee reported the Society ended 2003 in the black, a development which was not expected. The Board is hoping to avoid the \$6 and \$8 special dues assessment approved for upcoming years when the new funding scheme for local sections and divisions was approved last year. Continued improvements in the Society's investment income and continued strong budget input from the Information Services sector (Chemical Abstract Service, Publications and subsidiaries) will hopefully make this possible. The 2004 approved budget leaves \$1,145,000 net from Operations. For additional budget details please contact Chris Bannochie.

Probably the item of most interest to the Council was the Board's discussions with the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE). Originally part of the ACS, AIChE split out from the society in 1908. They currently have 45,000 members, dues of \$199 and an annual budget of \$20 M. The ACS annual budget is \$400 M. The two societies have about 8,000 joint members. In recent years AIChE has encountered severe budget problems, and they were at one time interested in a merger with the ACS. The Board rejected a merger proposal, but was able to assist the AIChE in getting their

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budget issues under control. The Institute is a mere shadow of its former self, but is on sound financial footing after some major cuts to its programs, liabilities, and holdings. The two society boards have agreed to explore potential partnerships, which the ACS has referred to as a zipper-type relationship. The first partnership will involve programming, the second membership, and the third operations. A full Council discussion was held on the proposal and there was lively commentary both for and against the partnership. In general there is probably stronger support for the proposals from industrial members and weaker support from academic members. As there are further developments these will be communicated. If you are interested in a copy of the slides presented to councilors, please contact Chris Bannochie for a copy.

From: Elaine Diggs <e_diggs@acs.org>
Date: April 12, 2004 10:29:25 AM EDT
Subject: Advanced Career Tools & CCP online

Dear CEPA member or associate:

As you heard in Anaheim, the Department of Career Services launched Advanced Career Tools (ACT) this past winter and made the Career Consultant Program available online (CCP online). The Subcommittee on Professional Services needs your help to tell your local section chair and Local Section Career Program (LSCP) coordinator about these programs, in case they are not aware of these new services. Please see the attached announcement, and thanks for helping to get the word out at the grass roots level!

New Online Career Tools at ACS

To enhance career assistance to ACS members, the Department of Career Services has launched Advanced Career Tools (ACT), a suite of services, which includes nearly 300 articles of frequently asked questions (FAQ's) about career-related issues; access to professional career coaches; products such as career CD's and books; and customized features such as e-mail alerts. The FAQ's in ACT are available at <http://chemistry.org/careers> at no cost, while the professional career coaching is offered to ACS

members at a discount over the market rate.

The Career Consultant Program continues its long history of success with one-on-one, member-to-member, free, confidential career counseling. Members are now able to view consultant profiles and self-select consultants online. This ability reduces the response time to members and puts

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Income	Budgeted 2004
ACS allotment	5,000.00
Chemistry Show Grant	700.00
Dues	
Local Dues	1,500.00
Section Dues	
Interest	200.00
Meetings (Income at door)	2,000.00
YCC Grant	250.00
Total Income	9,650.00

Expenses	
Awards	450.00
Chem. Olympiad	350.00
Chemistry Show	750.00
Invested	300.00
Meeting Expenses:	
Speaker Costs	1,000.00
Meeting Costs	2,600.00
Misc.	225.00
National Chemistry Week	500.00
New Member Program	150.00
Newsletter	
Postage	550.00
Printing	600.00
Public Relations	100.00
Scholarships	750.00
Service Charges	150.00
Travel	600.00
Web	225.00
YCC	350.00
Total Expenses	9,650.00

Investments	12/31/2003	
Prudential Utility Fund CL B		415.02
Prudential Jennison Growth Fund		1,851.73
Prudential Short Term Corp. Bond Fund		631.82
Jennison Utility Fund CLA		1,766.43
Total		4,665.00
Gain Since 12/31/03		
Money Market Funds	12/31/2003	
		8,037.15

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