New Haven Section American Chemical Society Newsletter

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What's New in the Section

Our student research symposium on April 13th was a great success! Lots of pictures in the newsletter and on our social media pages. Earth week is coming up, and ACS will be at the Hamden Earth Day Event on the 27th, where Jane Copes will be leading a fun water filtration exercise for kids (and
Did you know the theme for Chemists Celebrate Earth Week (CCEW) is the Chemistry of Paper. You can find access to promotional materials, themed items at the ACS store, and educational resources at the CCEW website!

Our May Meeting will be held at the Ag Station and will be the annual awards banquet and district officer, Katherine Lee, will be giving a presentation on ACS!

Pictures from the Student Research Symposium on Saturday!
April General Meeting
April 24th, 2019

Dr. Deseree Plata, an Assistant Professor at MIT in Civil and Environmental Engineering, has received numerous awards for her work in sustainability. Her work focuses on environmental chemistry, with applications in minimizing the environmental impact of emerging industries — with a particular focus on nanotechnologies across the energy sector. She has made fundamental contributions to the field of heterogeneous catalysis with respect to the bond-building mechanisms in carbon nanotube synthesis, which can be leveraged to lessen environmental impacts. Dr. Plata will speak on her work illuminating novel chemistries that occur during environmental processes of organic molecules.

Location: Eli’s on Whitney: 2392 Whitney Ave, Hamden, CT 06518

Executive meeting begins at 5:30 pm (All are welcome to attend)
Please arrive by 6:45 pm for a short networking session
Dinner begins promptly at 7:00 pm

Parking Information: There is limited parking behind the restaurant, but plenty across the street. If both those lots are full, there is municipal parking around the corner, which should for sure be more than enough!

Email secretary@acsnewhaven.org or chairelect@acsnewhaven.org if you need a ride to the event.

We are hosting an open executive board meeting at 5:30 PM. Payment will be accepted at the event, but please register for the meeting with the link below.

Register for April Meeting

Clean Up the Water at Hamden Earth Day
Join us for Chemists Celebrate Earth Week at the Earth Day Celebrations in Hamden, April 27th. More information about the event [here](#)! Jane Copes will be leading an activity called "Clean up the Water", where she and a team of volunteers will be teaching kids about water pollution, and how chemists can use activated charcoal to purify it! If you'd like to help with this event, please click the link the button below

I'm Interested In Volunteering!

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**May General Meeting & Awards Banquet**
May 22, 2019

Dr. Katherine Lee, a research fellow at Pfzier in Boston, is the current Director for District 1, which encompasses the North East of the US. She has been a member of the American Chemical Society since 1992 and volunteered in roles on both the local and national level within ACS. Currently, Dr. Lee serves on the executive Board of Directors, which oversees the organization as a whole.

“What the ACS means to me”

Dr. Lee will be presenting on her experiences with the ACS and the American Chemical Society as an organization.

Location: Jones Auditorium: The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station
23 Huntington Street, New Haven, CT 06511

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In Memorium

Have you seen the In Memorium section of our website? Here we honor the memories of Dr. Clive Greenough and David Smudin, longtime section members that recently passed. Please reach out to us through our facebook page, social media, or contact secretary@acsnewhaven.org if you have pictures or memories you would like to share.
Salutes to Excellence Program

Every year, the local section has a chance to recognize outstanding accomplishments, achievements or service by individuals who have made a positive impact on everyday life. Please consider nominating a friend, colleague, or community member for this award or colleague in the section for this award!

Nominate a Chemist

Molecule of the Month
What molecule am I? I've been modified to better treat a vicious cancer. Find out at the end of the newsletter!

NERM 2019

NERM 2019 will be held June 23rd-26th in Saratoga Springs, NY at the Saratoga Hilton. The sessions will cover a broad range of topics from aerogels to forensic science to peptide chemistry and many others. There will be a variety of programming options and will feature distinguished speakers including Nobel Laureate Joachim Frank.

Students are strongly encouraged to participate and NERM will include leadership training programs, a poster session and opportunities to present a talk. There will be an Exposition floor holding up to 50 exhibits to talk to vendors about their latest products and connect with companies and universities for partnerships. NERM 2019 is hosted by the Eastern New York Local Section.
Save the Dates

- **April General Meeting**, April 24th
- **Hamden's Earth Day Celebration**, April 27th
- **May General Meeting**, May 22nd
- **Northeast Regional Meeting 2019**, June 23rd-26th
- **Northeast Regional Meeting 2020 October**, 18th-21st

Feedback/Suggestions: If you have suggestions or feedback for the local section or if there are events that you would like to take place, please send us an email at: secretary@acsnewhaven.org