

ACS – Northeast Wisconsin Section

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Chemistry in the Fall?

As quickly as fall arrived in September, we have been graced with a reprieve and some fantastic weather! It has been an exceptional treat to experience the colorful leaves with a warm breeze and sunshine. I hope everyone has been able to get out and enjoy the days, for I'm sure the weather will soon remind us that we live in Wisconsin.

October is a busy month. We are preparing for our local elections, National Chemistry Week is the week of October 17th, and all the holidays are ahead and behind us. We are deep into the semester, emails abound, and the list of action items keeps growing. Amidst it all, however, it is nice to have a little surprise like the weather to remind us that we need to take the time to experience and enjoy the chemistry, our family, friends, colleagues, our health and all of our surroundings.

Take advantage of the fall leaves and head up to Marinette, for an excellent presentation on the chemistry of specialty chemicals (see below).



Corey Cunningham – Chair

◆ October Section Meeting ◆

David Mielke

President, CEO ChemDesign Products, Inc.

“Chemistry in the Specialty Chemical Industry”



Pictured are Dave Mielke, President, Governor Doyle, Dr. Tim Swavely, Director Environmental Health & Safety

October 21th at 6:30 pm
(6:00 social networking)
UW-Marinette
Main Building Room M-117

[Map](#)

(See below for details)



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David Mielke – “Chemistry in the Specialty Chemical Industry”

Wisconsin plays an important role in the chemical industry. In addition to a strong industrial base, Wisconsin is the home of significant players in Specialty Chemicals. Marinette contributes to this tradition by being home to ChemDesign Products, Inc. The company's history is as fascinating as the chemistry it undertakes. UW-Marquette and the Northeast Section of the American Chemical Society will host David Mielke, President and CEO of ChemDesign, on Thursday October 21, 2010 at UW- Marquette, at 6:00 pm. He will provide a very enlightening presentation, “Chemistry in the Specialty Chemical Industry”. His presentation will emphasize the need for synergy in chemistry, business and the environment for success. ChemDesign is a winner of trade association awards for commitment to environmental excellence in the community. Visit the ChemDesign [website](#) for more info.

Hear the Buzz – It's Election Time Again!

The Northeast Wisconsin ACS section once again will hold officer elections for the 2011 term. We are seeking nominations for Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer. Please contact any of the officers to nominate yourself or someone else for these positions. Look for voting information in your mailbox soon.

UW-Oshkosh seeks Post-doc

UW-Oshkosh has a postdoctoral position in ceramic ultra-capacitor research. If interested, check out the [website](#).

Looking for Some Chemistry Nostalgia?

The Wisconsin Historical Society [website](#) is a gem for viewing the chemistry of the past. Use keyword searches to find old images and excellent historical information. The lab coats of old looked more like lab dresses!

National Chemistry Week

October 17th – 23rd is [National Chemistry Week](#). It is an excellent opportunity to share and celebrate all that is chemistry (which is everything!). Help celebrate chemistry by donating your time to promote chemistry in your community.

November Northeast WI ACS Section Meeting

The November NE WI Section meeting will be hosted by Marquette University on November 9, 2010, at 6:00 pm. Professor emeritus Charles Wilkie from Marquette University will make a presentation; details to follow.

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ON THE WEB

Working Safely with Chemicals

While the magic of chemistry is everywhere, we must always be conscious of the hazards of working with chemicals. Check out this [website](#), from the University of Texas, for some good safety information and links. Another useful site is the [Safety Zone](#).

UW-Oshkosh Chemistry Seminar Series

Check out the UW-Oshkosh Chemistry [Seminar Series](#), and feel free to attend!

Not Quite Viral

This [video](#) has not quite gone viral, kids having fun with chemistry.

Northeast Wisconsin Section Newsletter

Do you have items to share? Put it in the newsletter! Send an [email](#) and we'll be glad to get it in print!

<http://newisc.sites.acs.org/>