



Toledo Sun Nov 1 Student chapter Networking with ACS 2015 President ChemLuminary Self-Nomination 2015

ChemLuminary Self-Nomination -- Add an Award Nomination	
Award Name	Fostering Interactions between Local Sections and Student Chapters
Sponsored by	Society Committee on Education
Award Description	This award recognizes an ACS local section that has contributed significantly to the professional development of ACS student members in its region.

Which student chapter(s) did your section interact with for your event(s)?	We've interacted with 4 Local student chapters. They were invited to participate in a student networking event and visit with 2015 ACS President Diane Schmidt Nov 1-2. In the end student chapters from U Toledo and Heidelberg U participated, even after lots of encouragement to BGSU chapter. Adrian Chapter is inactive, and we worked in 2014 and this year to help them become active again, but to no avail; they did not respond nor participate in Diane's visit. We also invited the BGSU student chapter to attend but unfortunately, due to the distance to travel and the date and time, they were unable to attend although interested.
Please summarize the event(s) and/or activity(s) that you are submitting for this ChemLuminary nomination in addition to how they were publicized.	Actually there are 3 events linked together with invitation and visit of ACS 2015 President to Toledo area and section from Nov 1- Nov 2. On the evening of her arrival Nov 1, we had Diane dropped off at Gilmore Atrium on the Heidelberg campus to attend to an informal student chapter networking event, hosted and organized by Toledo Section. This was the first time students from the Heidelberg and UToledo chapters had met face to face, even while being a little over an hour away. Event last 2 hours and all students had an opportunity for a 1 on 1 chat with President Schmidt as well as network with other students. Publicity for this student event was shared via email to chapter advisers and officers and then internally within each chapter. During day of Monday Nov 2, UT student chapter and Dept of Chemistry and Biochemistry co-hosted Diane's visit to UT with 1 on 1 meetings, student group roundtable and attendance of her Chemistry Frontier seminar. Publicity for this day included fliers being posted on campus and throughout the Bowman-Oddy and Wolfe Hall science building, fliers were also emailed to faculty, students and staff; arrangements for Diane's schedule were coordinated with symposium coordinator, UT Student chapter president Zane Wilhelm and their adviser, Edith Kippenahn. In addition, section members were invited to the seminar via email, newsletters and section website. UTNews also did an article on Diane's visit to UToledo. Evening of Nov 2 was our Annual Mtg and Awards Event and Diane was our keynote speaker. Lots of publicity for this event starting with a save-the-date postcard to all members of section and students in August, followed by announcements in our newsletters, emails to section membership and posting on our website all the details. Special letters of invitations were also sent to our honorees (50 and 60 yr members) and awardees, with follow up phone calls.
For each event/activity, please list the number of Student Members that participated and the number of other local section members that participated. Please also list the roles that both Student Members and the Local Section had in each event.	For student networking event on Sunday Nov 1 evening, 8 students from UToledo chapter and 19 from Heidelberg participated, in addition to chapter advisers, Chair of Heidelberg Chemistry Dept and Chair-elect Joanna Hinton, who organized and coordinated the event. Heidelberg Chapter President Ali Bauer gave a brief overview of their chapter's activities and plans, followed by introducing the other officers and students and adviser; UToledo Chapter President Zane Wilhelm did the same for the UToledo chapter. President Diane Schmidt gave a brief talk of her responsibilities and goals for ACS, followed by brief Q&A. Then the fun 1 on 1 opportunity to chat with Diane and receive a free ACS tee shirt; students were thrilled at this opportunity for individualized conversation and connection. On Nov 2 visit to UToledo, about 20-30 student members (including graduate) and 20-25 faculty and section members got to participate and meet with President Schmidt; her schedule was coordinated by UT Student Chapter president, chapter Adviser and dept symposium coordinator. On Nov 2 evening, 6 students from Heidelberg U with 2 faculty, 9 UT student chapter members and 28 section members attended the annual meeting and awards event, and 4 non members. Section chair-elect Joanna Hinton organized and coordinated whole event to allow for all guests, honorees and members to socialize, network, and enjoy the evening; she recruited her friends and family to help with food and setup to save on costs; section volunteers

	helped with cleanup. All Section officers were involved in Awards part of program with presentations etc. Event within \$25 broke even.
Please describe the overall impact of each event/activity. For each event/activity, please also describe other organizations, groups, schools, or individuals that were involved.	How does one describe the overall impact for the opportunity of students to meet the ACS 2015 President and have a 1 on 1 conversation in a relaxed setting? Tremendous and inspiring! Students were thrilled with the informal networking event! It provided a wonderful opportunity for the students of both chapters to get to know each other, network and learn about being students and chapter activities. They felt special getting an opportunity to meet with ACS 2015 President in Toledo and loved getting the free t-shirt. And this meeting made it so much more relaxed and easier the following day for the UT students to have their roundtable with her. At the Awards event, it was nice seeing the students from both chapters socializing again; and now they will have section friends to see and interact with in San Diego and celebrate their accomplishments together! Student chapters were recognized during the Awards ceremony for their activities and upcoming Awards to be presented at San Diego. They also got to witness Toledo Section honoring for the first time in decades section members for their accomplishments to the section as a whole.
Please indicate how this event/activity will (or could) lead to an ongoing program of collaboration between your local section and its Student Chapter(s).	Collaboration (and communication) is key and has been growing for Toledo Section. Firstly, we collaborated (for 1st time in 2014) in 2015 with UT Student Chapter on 3 seminar events and PIB Chemistry on the Silver Screen and now have established a good relationship to continue to do this in the future. For Heidelberg, this year was our first to engage them in collaborations and with great enthusiasm on their part and success. They are working on a plan for a section wide event at Heidelberg, and have expressed interest in helping out with summer outreach in Seneca County. For BGSU, our engagement with them last year with 2 events led to them re-activating their chapter this year! Hooray! We hope they will help plan partnership events; there has been little discussion about tour of recently opened State Forensic Labs on campus. We just learned another student chapter has been activated – Tiffin U. This is part I believe due to our open invitations and emails concerning our section activities to all student members, plus letting all .edu section members know that we sponsor Student Research Travel Awards. Last year we awarded travel funds to 10 students from Adrian U, Tiffin U, Heidelberg U, UToledo and BGSU (previously only UT students ever applied). Further we let our chapters know we are here to support them both financially (with funds that can be used to support chapter travel to National and/or Regional meetings or to support other chapter activities), professionally (2 students attended our sponsored Leadership Dev Course in April; they are invited to attend our events, with reduced costs if there is a fee and networking) and publicity wise (through our section email list and website and facebook) . There has also been some talk of trying to setup some sort of fun competition between the active student chapters. It is so much easier communicating by email and phone if one can attach a face and remember the first meeting. It should also be recognized how the UT Student chapter provided several volunteers at our section's table during the STEM-in-the-PARK event, which was appreciated. Also at STEM-in-the-PARK, Toledo Section, the BGSU student chapter and UToledo student chapter all interacted and discussed potential for future collaborations.

ChemLuminary Self-Nomination -- Supporting Materials

File Name	File Size	File Description
Awards Program.pdf	0.74 MB	Nov 2 Awards Program
Local Chemists honored press release.pdf	0.13 MB	Section Press Release
Schmidt_UT Chem_Frontiers_11215.pdf	0.1 MB	Nov 2 Chemistry Frontiers flyer for Diane Schmidt seminar
trifold mailer and registration form.pdf	0.95 MB	Awards Event Nov 2 mailer and registration

Web Link/URL for the Event	Weblink Description
http://toledosection.sites.acs.org/	Section website with Tabs for Student Chapters Info, 2015 Event Info and Photo Albums
http://toledosection.sites.acs.org/apps/photos/	Section website link to photo albums (Nov 1 and Nov 2 Events)
http://utnews.utoledo.edu/index.php/10_30_2015/american-chemical-society-president-to-speak-nov-2-at-ut	UToledo article about Diane's visit Nov 2
https://drive.google.com/a/noaa.gov/file/d/0B4tHdG3HhOzRmZkTnotMDVZSTIfNzBkc25y	Heidelberg U newspaper article about ACS President visit

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https://www.facebook.com/Toledo-Section-American-Chemical-Society-128610157192543/	Section facebook page with Group Links to UT Student Chapter and Heidelberg pages
https://www.facebook.com/groups/420238014704930/	Heidelberg U Student Chem Club Facebook Group Page
https://www.facebook.com/groups/UTStACS/	UToledo Student Chapter Facebook Group Page

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