2016 OUTSTANDING HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Please join us in recognizing

Ms. Nancy Sedita
of Notre Dame High School
at our annual Education Awards Banquet

Tuesday, April 26, 2016
Cash Bar 6:15 p.m.
Buffet Dinner 7:00 p.m.
Awards 7:45 p.m.
Outstanding High School Science Teacher
Chemistry Olympiad High Scorers
Outstanding College Seniors

The speaker this year will be

Dr. Jason Benedict
Dept. of Chemistry, University at Buffalo

WHO DOESN’T LOVE A GOOD CRYSTAL?

Fairdale Banquet Center
672 Wehrle Dr.
Amherst, NY

Cost $30, $15 for students

**** RSVP by April 20, 2016 ****

Please send your reservation information to Alice Steltermann (716-888-2340, or stelter@canisius.edu).

CANISIUS COLLEGE HOSTS SYMPOSIUM

Canisius College was host to the 9th annual WNYACS Undergraduate Research Symposium on Saturday, April 9, 2016.

The Symposium was attended by students and faculty from 13 institutions and featured 44 presentations on wide-ranging research topics. The event attracted corporate sponsorship from Pearson Higher Education, Shimadzu, GenTech Scientific and Krackeler Scientific.

The Symposium opened with a keynote address by Prof. M. G. Finn, of Georgia Tech entitled: Things that Roll Around and Do Stuff: Biological and Chemical Nanoparticles with Function.

The students listed below were recognized for their outstanding presentations:

For Oral Presentations:
Christopher Fritschi of Niagara University
James Rutowski of Canisius College
Mark Bortolus of McMaster University

For Poster Presentations:
Maoj Awad of University at Buffalo, SUNY
Katie Dempsey of Brock University
Zachary Mariani of Niagara University
Caitlin McGranahan of University at Buffalo, SUNY
Jennifer Empey of University at Buffalo, SUNY

YWOUNGER CHEMISTS COMMITTEE EVENT

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

See the full announcement about this event on page 2
Less is More: Creating and Giving First-Class Technical Presentations

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

Canisius College, Horan O’Donnell building, Room 202
Food and networking starts at 6:00 pm, presentation at 6:30

Please RSVP to Jeremy Steinbacher, steinbaj@canisius.edu, by Tuesday, April 26.

If you are a younger chemist (<36 years old) please consider attending! The main mission of the YCC is to advocate for and provide resources to early-career chemists and professionals in the chemical sciences and related fields. The YCC addresses specific issues facing younger chemists within the ACS and serves as a voice to the Society on behalf of younger chemists.

WNY CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD HIGH SCORERS

Listed below are the students with the highest scores on this year’s Western New York Chemistry Olympiad Test, along with the name of each student’s chemistry teacher at their school.

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<td>Max Dudek</td>
<td>St. Joe’s</td>
<td>Mr. Matthew Hellerer</td>
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<td>Maya Talukdar</td>
<td>Williamsville N.</td>
<td>Ms. Colleen Sowinski</td>
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<td>Phillip Hoffmann</td>
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<td>Ian Rozensky</td>
<td>City Honors</td>
<td>Ms. Valerie Davis</td>
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These nine students have been invited to take the National Chemistry Olympiad exam later this month. The top 20 students from the national competition will take part in a two-week study camp in June at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

2016 UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

Every year, the WNY section recognizes outstanding graduating college seniors. The students listed below, nominated by their institutions, are awarded the 2016 Student General Excellence Award for outstanding academic achievement and significant research accomplishments in their undergraduate majors.

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<td>Eric Gauchat</td>
<td>Buffalo State College</td>
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<td>Lauren T. Evans</td>
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<td>Emily York</td>
<td>Niagara University</td>
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<td>Andrea Pascucci</td>
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<td>Damian Peterson</td>
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<td>Patricia N. Johnson</td>
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<td>Hani J. Shaya</td>
<td>University at Buffalo</td>
<td>Med. Chemistry</td>
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These students, along with Olympiad high scorers, will be recognized, along with the Outstanding High School Teacher of the Year at the 2016 Education Night Banquet on Tuesday, April 26. Details on the banquet may be found on page 1.
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