# OKLAHOMA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

# 2011 FALL NEWSLETTER



Hello OAS Members and Friends.

You may use the following links to the OAS web page (<a href="http://oas.uco.edu">http://oas.uco.edu</a>) to find out the latest information about upcoming OAS events and activities. Please understand that some of the information listed below will be updated over the next several weeks, so check the web site periodically. PLEASE NOTE: YOU MAY NEED TO HOLD DOWN THE 'CTRL" KEY AS YOU CLICK ON THE WEB SITE LINKS!

#### From the OAS President

Dr. Ken Hobson has written his last "OAS President's Column for this newsletter. See his comments about upcoming changes and encouraging words to Academy members. Click here to read it.

### **OAS Officer Election Ballot**

This is an election year and OAS members will be electing people to serve as President-Elect and Recording Secretary. Click here to read about the candidates and obtain a ballot. You may print and snail-mail a completed ballot to OAS Executive Director Dr. David Bass, Oklahoma Academy of Science, University of Central Oklahoma Campus Box 90, Edmond, OK 73034 or electronically attach a completed ballot to an e-mail sent to dbass@uco.edu no later than November 1.

## 2011 OAS Annual Technical Meeting

The 2011 OAS Annual Technical Meeting will be held on Friday November 11 at the campus of Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant. Registration and meeting information will be posted by early September. Click here for meeting information.

#### 2011 OAS Officers & Council Members

Contact information for these officers and all other members of the 2011 OAS Executive Council, including section chairs and vice-chairs, has been posted on the web page. Click here to view names and contact information. You will notice there are still several sections that have no vice-chairs, so please contact the section chair and volunteer your services if that is of interest.

## 2011 OAS Fall Field Meeting

This will be held at Robber's Cave State Park on September 23-25. Click here for meeting information.

# Oklahoma Junior Academy of Science State Meeting Date

Please mark your calendars to support OJAS by serving as a judge for this competition held annually at East Central University. The dates have been moved forward this year to March 8-10. Contact OJAS Director Dr. Rahmona Thompson (rthompsn@ecok.edu) for additional information.

### OAS Membership Form

Be sure to continue supporting OAS with your annual membership. Click here to access a membership form. Simply complete the form, print it, and mail the form with your payment (check or cash) to: Dr. David Bass, OAS Executive Director, University of Central Oklahoma, Campus Box 90, Edmond, OK 73034. If payment is made using PayPal, please include a copy of your PayPal receipt with the membership form.

#### Publication of Papers in *POAS*

Please see the latest instructions and current deadlines for <u>submission of papers</u> <u>to POAS</u>. Our 2010 volume of *POAS* is scheduled to be mailed to all 2010 OAS members very soon.

## **OAS Facebook Fan Page**

President Ken Hobson has developed a Facebook Fan Page for OAS and hopes many people who use Facebook will be interested in joining. Click here to join. If you have photos from recent meetings, send them to Ken so they may be posted.

## Consider Leaving a Portion of Your Estate to the Academy

Have you thought about how you will be remembered by future generations? Please consider leaving something from your estate to the Academy. Both OAS

and OJAS have benefited greatly from generous individuals, such as Mr. Jimmie Pigg, Dr. Larry Magrath, Dr. Paul Buck, and Dr. Kathleen Donovan, who left portions of their estate to our academies. These contributions have come in the form of cash, insurance policies, royalties, memorial donations, etc. Donations of these kinds are placed into accounts where the principle is never spent; only the interest is used and it mostly goes to support student awards. These gifts make a difference in the lives of many young scientists. Contact Dr. David Bass (<a href="mailto:dbass@uco.edu">dbass@uco.edu</a>) for additional information.