

OKLAHOMA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

2014 Fall Newsletter

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From the OAS President

Dr. Stan Rice has written his latest "OAS President's Column" for this newsletter describing what he did during the summer. Click here to read it.

2014 OAS Fall Field Meeting

This event will be held at Black Mesa State Park in the northwest corner of the Oklahoma panhandle on September 19-21. Click here for field meeting information and click here for field meeting registration.

The annual Okie-Tex Star Party begins at Black Mesa on Saturday, September 20, while we are there for our field meeting, and Marco reports it is a great adventure. We will have to park on the road and hike in to observe the "lights out" rule. Anyone who wants to come will need a red or green light (typical headlamps have this feature) to see where we are walking. NO FLASHLIGHTS. Hopefully the weather will cooperate.

2014 OAS Annual Technical Meeting

The 2014 OAS Annual Technical Meeting will be held on Friday November 7 at the Broken Arrow campus of Northeastern State University. Registration and meeting information will be posted by early September Click here for technical meeting information.

2014 OAS Officers & Council Members

Contact information for the OAS officers and all other members of the 2014 OAS Executive Council, including section chairs and vice-chairs, has been posted on the web page. Click here to view names and contact information. Please remember that each section will elect a new vice-chair during the their respective section meetings held at 11:00 a.m. during the technical meeting in November and the vice-chair will move

into section chair the following year. You may consider giving back by serving as a section vice-chair / chair. Click here to learn more about those responsibilities.

Proceedings of the Oklahoma Academy of Science

Please consider submitting your research to the Proceedings of the Oklahoma Academy of Science, the official publication of the Oklahoma Academy of Science. *POAS* is a multi-disciplinary journal with the aim of publishing manuscripts of interest to the broader scientific community in the State of Oklahoma and beyond. The journal is in the process of digitalizing its content to enhance the visibility of published manuscripts. The 2014 volume is reported to be on schedule and should be available in early 2015. Instructions for authors and deadlines for submission for the 2015 volume may be found at http://oas.uco.edu/EdPol&Pro.html. Feel free to contact Dr. Mostafa Elshahed (Mostafa@Okstate.edu) with your questions and inquiries.

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. All membership periods run January 1-December 31.

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 (dbass@uco.edu) for additional information.

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