

# OKLAHOMA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

# 2016 Spring Newsletter

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### From the OAS President

Dr. Terry Conley has written his first "OAS President's Column" for this newsletter describing his thoughts about ..... Click here to read it.

#### 2016 OAS Spring Field Meeting

This event will be held at Beavers Bend State Park in eastern Oklahoma on April 8-10. Click here for field meeting information and click here for field meeting registration.

## 2016 OAS Annual Technical Meeting

It is not too early to mark your calendars for the 2016 OAS Annual Technical Meeting to be held on Friday November 4 at Oklahoma State University's Center for Health Sciences in Tulsa. Registration and meeting information will be posted in early September.

### **Student Award Recipients**

Almost 60 student presentations were made at the 2015 Technical Meeting held at Oklahoma City University. Click here to see the award recipients.

### 2016 OAS Officers & Council Members

Contact information for the OAS officers and all other members of the 2016 OAS Executive Council, including section chairs and vice-chairs, has been posted on the web page. Click here to view names and contact information. New vice-chairs for each section are elected during the their respective section meetings at the technical meeting in November and the existing vice-chair moves to section chair for the next year,

following the outgoing section chair. You may consider giving back by serving as a section vice-chair next year. 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 OAS. *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 2015 volume should be mailed very soon to all 2015 OAS members. Instructions for authors and deadlines for submission for the 2016 volume may be found at <a href="http://oklahomaacacemyofscience.org/EdPol&Pro.html">http://oklahomaacacemyofscience.org/EdPol&Pro.html</a>. Feel free to contact Dr. Mostafa Elshahed (<a href="mailto:Mostafa@Okstate.edu">Mostafa@Okstate.edu</a>) with your questions and inquiries.

### 2016 Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science

OAS Executive Director, Dr. David Bass, represents OAS at the AAAS Annual Meeting. Click here to see his summary of meeting activities.

### OAS Biochemistry & Molecular Biology Spring Seminar Series

Dr John Gustafson has submitted the OSU Department of **Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Spring 2016 Seminar Program** Spring Seminar Series. Click on the following link to see the schedule: <a href="http://biochemistry.okstate.edu/departmental-resources/seminars">http://biochemistry.okstate.edu/departmental-resources/seminars</a>

### **Passing of Long-Time OAS Members**

Two OAS members, <u>Dr. Charles Carpenter</u> and <u>Dr. Gary Wolgamott</u>, recently passed away. Both of these individuals were long-time members and past presidents of OAS. Click on Dr. Carpenter's name above to read more about his life (provided by his daughter, Caryn).

### OAS Facebook Fan Page and OAS Blog Site

The OAS Council hopes many people who use Facebook will be interested in joining the Facebook Fan Page for OAS <u>Click here to join</u>. The blog site is administered by OAS Past President, Dr. Stan Rice. <u>Click here to read it</u>.

# **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

<u>PayPal</u>, 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 (<a href="mailto:dbass@uco.edu">dbass@uco.edu</a>) for additional information.