

## American Chemical Society

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Form: Part I - Annual Report Questionnaire **REQUIRED**  
 Organization: Richland  
 Year: 2006

### \*\*\*\*Important Notice Please Read\*\*\*\*

The EZ form consists of the Part I - Questionnaire, Part III - Financial Report and the Optional Part IV - Self-Nomination Form for ChemLuminary Awards. Sections that wish to submit the EZ form are not required to submit the Part II - Narrative and Appendices. All local sections are eligible to complete the EZ form UNLESS, they would like to self-nominate themselves for the LSAC Award for Outstanding Performance by a Local Section. Local sections may submit the EZ form and self-nominate themselves for any of the other awards listed in Part IV. Local Sections must postmark or submit their completed annual reports electronically by February 15, 2007 to be eligible for any of the awards

We do not wish to be considered for the Local Section Outstanding Performance Award

- \*Part I Annual Report Questionnaire  
 \*Part II Annual Report Narrative and Appendices (Optional)  
 \*Part III Financial Report  
 \*Part IV Self Nomination for ChemLuminary Awards (**Not Eligible for Local Section Outstanding Performance Award**) (Optional)

Our section would like to be considered for the ACS Local Section Outstanding Performance Award. We are submitting Parts I,II,III and IV of the annual report

- \*Part I Annual Report Questionnaire  
 \* Part II Annual Report Narrative and Appendices  
 \* Part III Financial Report  
 \* Part IV Self Nomination for ChemLuminary Awards (**\*\*\*Outstanding Performance Award Nomination must be completed\*\*\***)

### Web Posting of Annual Reports

- Our Section would like to have Parts I and II (if applicable) posted on the Local Section Activities Committee webs

### 1. TOP ACTIVITIES

Please list the titles of your top activities (Rank order) and indicate if the activity was new in 2006.

- | Check<br>if new<br>in 2006             | Title of Activity                        |
|--|--|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/>            | Girls in Science                         |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/>            | Student Travel Grants to ACS Meetings    |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/>            | Scout Merit Badge                        |
| 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Can something so small make a differenc  |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/>            | 51st Mid-Columbia Science Fair           |
| 6. <input type="checkbox"/>            | Support of Tri-City Technical Council    |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/>            | DoE'ss Regional Science Bowl Competition |
| 8. <input type="checkbox"/>            | National Chemistry Week                  |

9.  Chem-is-Tree
10.  Local Chemistry Olympiad

## 2. SECTION ADMINISTRATION

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 2.1 How many times did the executive committee meet during 2006? 9
- 2.2 How many members are on the executive committee? 7
- 2.3 How many section meetings were held in 2006? 8
- 2.4 On average, how many members attend **a regular section meetings**? 65

### COUNCILORS

- 2.5 What percentage of the section's Councilors were in official attendance at the ACS spring Council meeting? 100 %
- 2.6 What percentage of the section's Councilors were in official attendance at the ACS fall Council meeting? 100 %

### 2.7 How do Councilors report to the section about national ACS matters? (check all that apply)

- at a section meeting     at an executive committee meeting
- in the newsletter     on the local section website

### COMMITTEES

#### 2.8 Specify active committees having two or more members. Please indicate the chair's name where appropriate.

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|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Awards  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mentoring                         |
| <b>Chair:</b> Dr. Janet Bryant  | <b>Chair:</b>  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budgets/Finance   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minority Affairs       |
| <b>Chair:</b> Dr. Sam Bryan   | <b>Chair:</b> Dr. Anna Cavinato                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Career Assistance/Employment   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newsletter/Publication |
| <b>Chair:</b>   | <b>Chair:</b> Dr. Steven Krogsrud                          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chemistry Olympiad  | <input type="checkbox"/> Nominations                       |
| <b>Chair:</b> Mr. Royace Aikin  | <b>Chair:</b>  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Activities<br>(e.g. National Chemistry Week or<br>Chemists Celebrate Earth Day, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Relations            |
| <b>Chair:</b> Mrs Kayte Denslow   | <b>Chair:</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Education   | <input type="checkbox"/> Project SEED                      |
| <b>Chair:</b>   | <b>Chair:</b>  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Relations       |
| <b>Chair:</b> Ms. Karen Grant   | <b>Chair:</b> Dr. Steven Krogsrud                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental  | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Chemists                   |
| <b>Chair:</b>   | <b>Chair:</b>  |



c. email: amada.kissire@pnl.gov

- 2.24  The section used electronic communication.
- 2.25  The section posted its 2005 Annual Report on its website.

### SECTION ELECTIONS

- 2.26 How many members voted in the 2006 officer election? 51
- 2.27 How many current elected officials, councilors and committee chairs:
- a. have held other **elected** positions in the local section 14
- b. have held other **appointed** positions in the local section 14
- c. are in their first two years of service 3

- | 2.28 Please complete the following as it applies to your last election: | An election<br>was held             | Election was<br>uncontested         |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. Chair-elect  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Secretary  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Treasurer  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Councilor(s)   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| <b>e. Other</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

2.29 Please indicate the number of positions that were open and the number of members that ran for each position in your last election.

- |                        | Number of open<br>positions | Number of members<br>that ran for position |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| a. Councilor           | 0                           |  |
| b. Alternate Councilor | 1                           | 2  |
| <b>c. Other:</b>       | 0                           |  |

- 2.30 Please indicate the number of candidates, who ran for office this year, who:
- a. Held a previous leadership position 4
- b. Who are new to local section leadership 1
- c. Who are new to local section activity 0

### SECTION AWARDS (check all that apply)

- 2.31  The section submitted a nomination for the ACS Regional Award in High School Chemistry Teaching during 2006.

#### The section gave awards or a Salutes to Excellence to:

- 2.32  Primary school students (K-6)
- 2.33  Secondary school students (7-12)
- 2.34  College students
- 2.35  Primary school teachers (K-6)
- 2.36  Secondary school teachers (7-12)
- 2.37  College teachers

- 2.38  Members of the local section for service
- 2.39  Outstanding chemist(s), regardless of section affiliation
- 2.40  The section or local company encouraged and/or submitted a nomination for the ACS Regional Industrial Innovation

**SECTION AFFILIATES**

- 2.41 How many paid section affiliates excluding students (teachers, technicians, others) are there in the section? 10
- 2.42  Section has supported an existing Technician Affiliate Group (TAG) during 2006.
- 2.43  Section has promoted the formation of a Technician Affiliate Group during 2006.

**REGIONAL MEETINGS**

- 2.44  Does your local section have a representative to your Regional Board/Steering Committee?
- 2.45  Does your section participate in the Regional Chemjobs Employment Center?

**VOLUNTEERS**

- 2.46 Please indicate the approximate number of active volunteers in your local section. 30
- a. How many of these volunteers were new in 2006? 4
- 2.47 Please indicate all the ways that you recognize volunteers:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificates          | <input type="checkbox"/> Gifts                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Awards                | <input type="checkbox"/> Letter to volunteer             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Letter to volunteer's supervisor | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recognition at event |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No formal recognition program    | <b>Other:</b>  |

- 2.48 Other than normal succession of chair-elect to chair, how does your local section identify future leaders and get them

into the leadership pipeline?

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self-Nominations                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation or advertising |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Identify active committee members | <input type="checkbox"/> Formal leadership training  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach to new members                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arm-Twisting     |

**Other:**

**3 - 8 Connecting Chemistry and the Community****3. COMMUNITY BUILDING (Check all that apply)**

- 3.1  Industrial members are active in the section's governance.
- 3.2  The section communicated with non-ACS members working in industry and local companies about meetings and pro
- 3.3  Local companies have financially-sponsored an activity or donated money to the section.

**3.4 Industrial members (M), local companies (C), and/or non-members employed in industry (N) participated in these s activities.**

M C N

- |                                     |                          |                          |   |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Meeting at industrial site/plant tour   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Local Section Award/Recognition program |

- Membership Drive for new members
- Industrial speaker/Industrially focused topic
- National Chemistry Week, Chemists Celebrate Earth Day or other community outreach activity
- Career Development activities
- Student or younger chemist activities

3.5  The section is affiliated with other technical or scientific societies or consortia.

a. The section affiliated with:

(name of technical organization)

Tri-Cities Technical Council

This affiliation was approved by ACS council in what year.

3.6  The section held a meeting jointly with another professional society.

#### 4. MENTORING AND LEADERSHIP (Check all that apply)

- 4.1  The section provided services for pre-college students.
- 4.2  The section provided speakers for student affiliates chapter meetings.
- 4.3  The section organized tours of local industries for student affiliates.
- 4.4  The section offered financial support for student affiliates chapter activities.
- 4.5  The section offered financial support to students attending regional or national meetings (undergraduate and/or graduate).
- 4.6  The section appointed a member as student affiliates chapter liaison.
- 4.7  The section members served as non-faculty professional advisors or contacts for students and young chemists.
- 4.8  The section provided students with free subscriptions to journals.
- 4.9  The section invited student affiliates to attend regular section meetings.
- 4.10  The section sponsored a teacher affiliate group to engage students in ACS.
- 4.11  The section involved student affiliates in community outreach activities (e.g. National Chemistry Week and/or Chemists Celebrate Earth Day, etc.).
- 4.12  The section distributed career literature to students or to colleges and universities.
- 4.13  The section developed and maintains a networking directory.

#### 5. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (Check all that apply)

- 5.1  The section published articles on employment services in its newsletter or website.
- 5.2  The section sponsored local employment services (e.g., free ads in section newsletter or website, job counseling, etc.).
- 5.3  A section representative attended a Local Section Career Program offered by the National ACS (if available) during the year.
- 5.4  The section referred individuals to the national ACS Department of Career Management and Development.
- 5.5  The section maintained a job line for career opportunities available within the local section.
- 5.6  The section hosted an ACS short course.
- 5.7 How many local section career programs or activities were conducted in 2006?
  - a. How many career programs were new?
- 5.8  The section offered career counseling/literature.

The section maintains a list (and contact information) of local organizations  
5.9 (networking directory) that employ chemical professionals?

5.10  Does your section have a Career Coordinator?

## 6. CONTINUING EDUCATION (Check all that apply)

6.1  The section organized a regional meeting.

An ACS Technical Division was involved.

6.2  The Section organized a symposium.

An ACS Technical Division was involved.

6.3  The organized a Meeting-in-Miniature.

An ACS Technical Division was involved.

6.4  The section organized an undergraduate research symposium.

An ACS Technical Division was involved.

6.5  The section organized a meeting that was co-sponsored by an ACS Technical Division.

6.6  The section has topical groups in interdisciplinary areas.

6.7  The section has sponsored meetings with an interdisciplinary focus.

6.8  The section offered activities such as symposia, seminars, or sponsored student activities on environmental issues.

6.9  The section offered specifically tailored symposia, seminars, or sponsored activities for industrial chemical professor

## 7. PUBLIC EDUCATION (Check all that apply)

**The section provided assistance to K-12 schools by:**

7.1  Providing Judges for area science fair(s)

7.2  Sponsoring awards at area science fair(s)

7.3  Members make visits to K-12 classrooms.

7.4  Presenting career programs and/or distributing career literature to students or schools

7.5  Sponsoring or organizing student competitions (e.g., chemistry examinations, ChemBowls, poster competitions)

7.6  Present Chemical Demonstrations

7.7  Participate in National US Chemistry Olympiad

**The section encourages participation and leadership in all aspects of the chemical sciences by women (W), underrepresented groups (G), and persons with disabilities (D). (Check all that apply)**

W G D

7.8    Section members mentored students or colleagues

7.9    The section sponsored hands-on science activities in underserved communities.

7.10    The section provided summer research opportunities.

7.11    The section developed science career fairs at high schools or colleges that have high female, underrepresented minority or disabled populations.

7.12    The section organized summer science camps.

7.13    The section sponsored contests or awards.

- 7.14    The section maintained employment services.
- 7.15    The section leadership (elected or appointed) includes underrepresented groups.
- 7.16    The section sponsored community outreach activities.
- 7.17  The section maintained an experts roster and provided it to local media.
- 7.18  The section created or updated a media list.
- 7.19  The section prepared a public relations plan and included a copy of this plan in Appendix 4.
- 7.20 How many times were section activities promoted to the local media (press releases, op-eds, advisories, etc.)?
- 7.21  The section used an ACS film, videotape, or other ACS visual-aid resource at a public event.
- 7.22 How many talks were given by section members to the public in 2006?
- 7.23 The section participated in, or conducted the following community activities:

- National Chemistry Week
- Chemists Celebrate Earth Day

**Other:**

**7.24 The number of community outreach events conducted during National Chemistry Week. 4**

**7.25 The number of community outreach activities conducted during Chemists Celebrate Earth Day. 1**

- 7.26  The section conducted teacher workshops.
- 7.27  The section invited teachers to attend section meetings.
- 7.28  The section provided teachers with free subscriptions to magazines or journals.
- 7.29  The section involved teachers in section program planning.
- 7.30  The section participated in Project SEED
- 7.31  The section provided a forum to address educational issues.

## 8. ADVOCACY (Check all that apply)

- 8.1  Local section members interacted with federal government officials. (i.e., members of Congress, agency staff, etc.) research.
- 8.2  Local section members interacted with federal government officials (i.e., members of Congress, agency staff, etc.) to workplace policy issues.
- 8.3  The section conducted a chemical hygiene, responsible care or environmental health and safety event for the general public.
- 8.4  The section offered its services to the local community as a resource on chemical hygiene, responsible care or environmental health and safety.
- 8.5  The section carried out environmental activities for the general public.
- 8.6  Section has a Government Relations Representative.
- 8.7  Section hosted a government policymaker (elected, appointed or otherwise) to speak at a local section meeting.
- 8.8  Section organized or participated in a special government relations event (state capitol day, science town meeting, policy forum, etc).
- 8.9  Section informed its members on legislative issues and events through newsletter articles, Website, or other communication.
- 8.10  Section member(s) held an office or key position in state or federal government in 2006.

- 8.11  The section actively encourages members to join and participated in ACS' Legislative Action Network.
- 8.12  The section arranged for visits with federal elected officials when they are home on recess.

## American Chemical Society

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Form: Part II - Annual Narrative Report **Optional for EZ Submission**

Organization: Richland

Year: 2006

### A. Activities

Please describe and rank up to ten of your section's activities during 2006. Provide (a) the title of the activity, (b) a one paragraph description of the activity, and (c) an indication if this activity was new in 2006. If you wish to provide details beyond these paragraphs, please do so in Appendix 1.

#### Activity #1

a) Title: Girls in Science - WCC

Description  
(Please limit to  
b) one paragraph):

Girls in grades six through eight were invited to investigate an environmental mystery on Saturday, October 28th at the Eastern Oregon University Science Center. Over 100 of them from schools in Eastern Oregon and Washington participated. Students researched what could be killing off the fish and also sought a solution to the problem. Their investigation included chemistry, biology, anthropology/archeology and computer technology activities. Girls analyzed water samples from four simulated sites for presence of nitrates and phosphates, diesel, acid streams, and heavy metals, specifically lead. Aquatic invertebrates and daphnia, or water fleas, also helped the students determine water quality. In addition, they observed the effects of toxins on mouse stem cells close-up under the microscope and examined the inner structure of dissected fish. Girls in Science received national recognition in 2006 when the program received a ChemLuminary Award for outstanding advocacy on behalf of women in the chemical sciences. The event was sponsored by the WCC of the Richland ACS, EOU Students Affiliates Chapter, The Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Center, EOU, Impact 100, and Soroptimist International of La Grande. Pictures of this activity are under the URL of the photoalbum in Appendix 1, and in the Sections Fall newsletter in Appendix 4.

c)  This activity was new in 2006

#### Activity #2

a) Title: Student Grants for Travel to ACS Events

Description  
(Please limit

The section again awarded \$1600 in travel grants to ACS affiliate students to present posters at both Atlanta and San Francisco National Meeting. The posters from the previous year were displayed at 50 Year Member Ceremony in April 2006. This funding is the single largest expenditure of our funds. A list of the posters funded and displayed at the 50 Year Celebration are in the Sections Summer Newsletter. Pictures of the students at the 50 Year Celebration are in Appendix 1 photoalbum and the Sections Fall

b) to one paragraph): Newsletter in Appendix 4.

c)  This activity was new in 2006

### Activity #3

a) Title Scout Merit Badges

Description  
(Please limit  
b) to one paragraph): The section has help sponsor and supply most of the instructors in the Boy/Girl Scout Chemistry and Nuclear Science Merit Badge programs over three Saturdays in March and November 2006. The instruction was conducted at Columbia Basin Community College. This is a on going effort of the section. Newspaper Clipping of this event is in Appendix 4. Pictures from the event are in the Photoalbum in Appendix 1 and in the writeup in our Sections Winter Newsletter in Appendix 4.

c)  This activity was new in 2006

### Activity #4

a) Title: Can something so small make a difference

Description  
(Please limit  
b) to one paragraph): 'Can something so small make a difference?' was the title of a nanotechnology workshop organized by the EOU Student Affiliates for the Undergraduate Program at the 232nd National Meeting in San Francisco. The workshop was designed to introduce undergraduates and other interested individuals to new advances in nanotechnology and was lead by Ms. Sharyl Majorski of Central Michigan University. Participants had the opportunity to make gold nanoparticles and ferrofluids, and examine properties of memory metals and LEDs. To enhance the material that was covered in the workshop, each Student Affiliate chapter in attendance received one Exploring the Nano-world kit which contains a piece of memory metal, an excellent color manual with nanotechnology information, a light emitting diode and circuit, a diffraction slide and a fiber optic. The event was partially sponsored by the ACS through an Innovative Activities Grant (IAG) awarded to the EOU Students Affiliates and by the Oregon Nanoscience and Microtechnologies Institute (ONAMI). A writeup of this activity and a picture are in the Sections Winter Newsletter in Appendix 4.

c)  This activity was new in 2006

### Activity #5

a) Title 51st Mid-Columbia Science Fair

Richland Section helped judge the MidColumbia's 51st Science Fair, presented special awards in Chemistry and was monetary sponsor of the event in March of 2006. Additionally, many of our members went to individual schools to serve as Judges and mentors to those students requesting aid. This was our organization 51st year in presenting and judging a

Description  
(Please limit  
b) to one paragraph): Special Awards category. Photos from theis activity are found in Appenbdix 1 under photoalbum. The student that won our special awards were written up in our sections Spring Newsletter in Appendix 4.

c)  This activity was new in 2006

**Activity #6**

a) Title: Support of Tri-City Technical Council

Description  
(Please limit  
b) to one paragraph): The Council is made up of representatives from the Scientific and Engineering professional societies that are associated with the Hanford Reservation. The purpose of this organization is to promote science within the surrounding school districts. They provide grants to individual teachers at the local middle and high schools for the purchase of laboratory equipment, computer software, chemical supplies, books and field trips to CWU s Chimposium, WSU Cadaver Lab, etc. The Council also serves as conduit for the exchange of each of the local societies activities.

c)  This activity was new in 2006

**Activity #7**

a) Title: DoE's Regional Science Bowl Competition

Description:  
(Please limit to  
b) one paragraph): For the 15th year the members of the Richland Section have served as moderators, science judges, rules judges, timekeepers, score keepers and special awards judges for the Regional Competition. Additionally, the section supplied members to review the questions prior to the competition to insure accuracy and quality of the questions.

c)  This activity was new in 2006

**Activity #8**

a) Title: National Chemistry Week

Description:  
(Please limit to  
b) one paragraph): Several projects were conducted under our NCW activities. Carol Berg, of Bellvue Community College, presented her one woman show on the life of Madame Curie at Columbia Basin Community College. Two poster contest on this years theme were held for high school and community college students. NCW materials were sent to all of our the local HS Chemistry teachers for. And a call was sent out to all section members to nominate a local HS Chemistry teacher for the NORM07 meeting. Our sections efforts were chaired by a new individual and it is expected that our sections efforts will grow next year. Pictures from these activities are in Appendix 1, under photoalbum.

c)  This activity was new in 2006

**Activity #9**

a) Title: Chem-is-Tree

- Description:  
(Please limit to  
b) one paragraph):
- The section donated and helped plant a tree as part of the City of Richland(Washington) Parks and Recreation Division Earth Day activities. This is an on going effort spanning the last 4 years. The trees have been planted if four different park within the City of Richland.
- c)  This activity was new in 2006

**Activity #10**

- a) Title: Chemistry Olympiad

- Description:  
(Please limit to  
b) one paragraph):
- For the 12th year Mr. Royce Aikin, of PNNL, has organized our sections efforts to encourage as many local high school student to participate in the yearly event. Unfortunately none of our local students made it past the first round this year.
- c)  This activity was new in 2006

**B. Summary - Overall Section Activities**

Please summarize in *1,000 words or less*, the activities of the section in 2006 which have not been already described. Outstanding events should be described in some detail and appropriate attachments included in Appendix 3. Programs described here may be featured in publications produced by the ACS Membership Division and/or at the Local Section Leadership Conferences.

## Other Section Activities:

## Regional and National Recognition:

Dr. Jean Futrell on being selected the 2007 recipient of the American Chemical Society's Frank H. Field and Joe L. Franklin Award for Outstanding Achievement in Mass Spectrometry and it will be presented at the 2007 American Chemical Society meeting in Chicago.(photo in photoalbum in Appendix1)

Dr. Glen Fryxell received the 2006 Northwest Regional Industrial Innovation Award at the Reno NORM 06 meeting. Glen presented his talk to the Richland Section at our February 2006 meeting. This is the third year in a row that a member of the section has won the award. Further Dr Fryxell was nominated in November of 2006 for ACS Chemistry of Materials sponsored by DuPont.(photo of Glen with Howard peters of the ACSBoard of Directors is in the Photoalbum in Appendix1)

Dr. Anna Cavinato chairwoman accepted the ChemLuminary Award for Outstanding Advocacy on Behalf of Women, sponsored by the Women Chemists Committee at the Fall 2006 National ACS Meeting.

The Eastern Oregon University was honored at the 2006 ACS Meeting in Atlanta with a commendable activities award. This student affiliate chapter helps the Richland section out in most of our K-12 and Girls in Science programs.

## Tour Speakers

The section had four tour speakers this year.

The central theme for the year was to have topics that would appeal to a broader range of individuals from high school students to our Membership. Attendance at the talks increased to an average of over 65. Our sections newsletters were sent to the high schools within the sections area. The three talks held in the tri-cities included about a dozen high school students each time.

#### Social Activities:

Our section has three social activities each year. The first is our 50 Year member Recognition/Student Poster social. This brings in the extremes of the section. Our section has about 8% of our membership with 50 years of being members in the ACS and they enjoy the interaction with the students from EOU and Columbia Basin Community College. The posters are those that the section has awarded travel grants to ACS Meeting to in the past year.

The first week in June the Section has traditionally had a Picnic with the local AIChE group. The last two years the affair has been expanded to include the local section of Hazardous Material Managers. Besides the enjoyment of food and spirits next to the Columbia River, the picnic provides a relaxed opportunity to discuss the issues surrounding the Hanford reservation. The last social affair for the section is a Volunteer Recognition Social which serves to thank the members who have helped make the year a success. And to award one or two members whose efforts on behalf of the section deserve an ACS Salutes to Excellence Award. This year Dr. Anna Cavinato was recognized for her efforts as our Women/Minority Chemistry Committee chairwoman and the Girls in Science program she runs with the help of others from LeGrande Oregon. Her efforts have led to ChemLuminary Awards for the section over the past five years. A photo of her receiving the award is located in the photoalbum in Appendix 1.

## C. Local Section and Chair Goals

**2006 Goal Attainment.** The Local Section Activities Committee strongly encourages local section planning. As a result, the 2006 local section annual report should follow-up on the attainment of goals. Please list the goals you set at the beginning of your term for your section and yourself, and report on the attainment of the goals.

### a) Local Section Goals and Assessment:

- 1) Increased attendance at section affairs and increase in percentage active membership.
  - i. The ACS tour Speakers were chosen so as to appeal to an audience beyond the local section membership. The local press covered Dr. Burns talk on Counterfeiting due to a timely outbreak of bogus bills being circulated in our area. Attendance at our social affairs increased to 50 at our 50th Year Anniversary Celebration to 60 at our Volunteer appreciation night.
    - ii. Percentage of active members did not change.
- 2) Increased interactions with the local community.
  - i. We started sending off our newsletter to the

local high school chemistry teachers.

ii. Sent off announcements on our Tour speakers to the local media, both Dr. Burns and Fisher's talks brought in a handful of individuals from the community.

3) Prepare the Section to Participate in NORM'07.

i. Invited the Chairman of the NORM'07 conference to come to our Sections board meeting to keep the section apprised of the progress for NORM'07

**b) 2006 Chair's Goals and Assessment:**

1) Organize and run executive meeting to cover agenda under 60 minutes.

The initial section board meeting was scheduled for Saturday January 8th and scheduled for three hours. The meeting set the sections calendar of activities, and budgets. The remainder of the sections board meetings, with exception of one meeting where the emphasis was on NORM'07 was kept to within 5 minutes of an hour's duration.

2) Bring New individuals onto the executive committee.

Kayte Denslow was encouraged to organize and run the sections National Chemistry Week activities.

Therese Clauss took over as chairman of the membership committee with the first objective to update and organize our electronic membership and mailing lists.

3) Keep the sections finances within the budget.

The sections overall assets increased approximately \$5500 partially due to partially due to under spending our budget by \$1800.

**2007 Goals.** (This section should be completed by the 2006 local section chair.) Please list below at least 2. three goals that you and your local section plan to accomplish during your term as local section chair.

**a) 2007 Local Section Goals (Include at least three goals):**

1. Host a successful Northwest Regional Meeting
2. Create a written history of the activities of the Richland Section since its inception
3. Recruit more volunteers for section offices such that we are able to hold genuinely competitive elections
4. Redesign the Richland Section website to better advertise our events and to better serve the needs of our members

**b) 2007 Chair's Goals:**

1. Increase participation by younger members in Section activities
2. Get more of the Section's college faculty and students involved
3. Create an operating manual for the office of Chair, to assist in the transition to another chair

## **D. Suggestions/Concerns**

List any suggestions you have for the Local Section Activities Committee (LSAC). How can LSAC specifically help your section?