

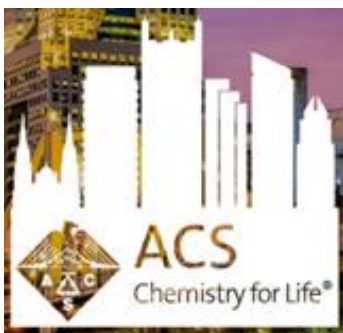


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We are proud to recognize our long-standing ACS members for their service and accomplishments over the years. We offer a humble thank you for being part of the ACS community, and we appreciate your commitment to our society.

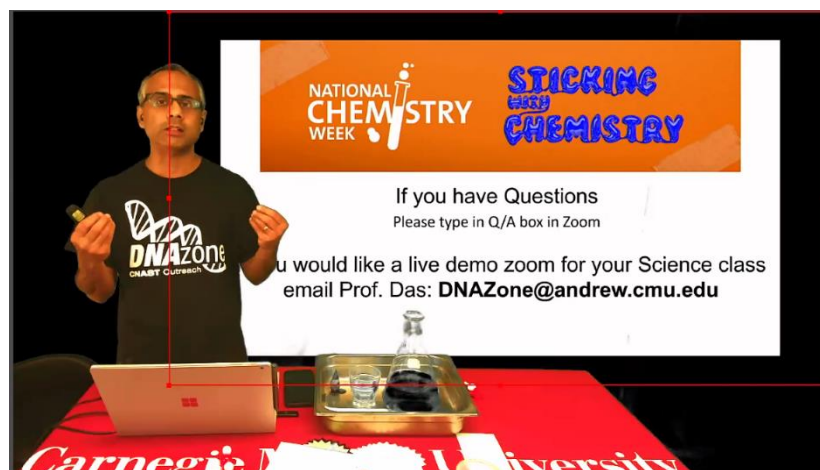
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National Chemistry Week 2020 Goes Virtual and Celebrates 100K Participant Milestone!

COVID forced us to improvise – but it did not impede our vision to offer our annual NCW chemical outreach program to students in the Pittsburgh region!

In 2020, the ACS Pittsburgh Local Section continued its 22-year partnership with the Carnegie Science Center to host a virtual ChemFest celebration! Through a ‘telethon’ delivery approach, classrooms from across the region were invited to participate in the two-day event on October 22 & 23, 2020 following the theme “Sticking with Chemistry.” Chemistry enthusiasts from the Pittsburgh area joined in to remotely offer demonstrations, at-home activities, lab tours & videos, and career discussions.



A total of 126 educators participated in the 2-day telethon, reaching an estimated 4800 students with our content. During a given 15-minute interval of programming, an estimated 400-675 students were watching. In many ways this surpasses the impact of our traditional face-to-face program! Responses we received from educators indicated that this experience was a much-needed

supplement to both virtual and in-person teaching this year. We are thrilled to have reached and impacted so many students.



This year also marks a milestone achievement: Since its inaugural run in 1999, the ChemFest/NCW program has reached over 100,000 students in the Pittsburgh region! We were on target to hit this number in 2020 and we are delighted that we were still able to achieve this goal despite the restrictions caused by the pandemic.



For more information on ChemFest, visit the Carnegie Science Center [website](#).



Call for Nominations

Pittsburgh Section of the ACS Pittsburgh Award



The Pittsburgh Award was established in 1932 by the Pittsburgh Section of ACS to recognize outstanding leadership in chemical affairs in the local and larger professional community. This Award symbolizes the honor and appreciation accorded to those who have rendered distinguished service to the field of chemistry. The Award consists of a plaque presented annually at a section dinner. Members of the Pittsburgh Section, or in exceptional cases, nonmembers, who have done work worthy of recognition toward increasing chemical knowledge, promoting the chemical industry, benefiting humanity, or advancing the Pittsburgh Section, are eligible for consideration.

<https://pittsburghacs.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Pittsburgh-Award-Kim-Woznack-2021.pdf>

The Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award was established in 2007 by the Pittsburgh Section of the ACS to expand and replace the predecessor Chairman's Award of the section. Both recognize outstanding volunteer service to the Section. The Award, consisting of a plaque, is presented annually at a Section dinner, which is open to the public. Members of the Pittsburgh Section, past or present, who have provided outstanding service in advancing the Pittsburgh Section, are eligible for consideration.

<http://www.pittsburghacs.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Dist-Service-Award-Nom-Form-Generic.pdf>

Nominations for both awards are solicited from the membership of the Pittsburgh Section. Please include your contact information, the nominee's contact information, any supporting letters, and the nominee's CV. More information about the awards, including information on past winners can be found on the ACS website:

<https://pittsburghacs.org/awards/>

Please send all nominations (or questions about nomination process) to Pittsburgh Section Chair-Elect, Kim Woznack, woznack@calu.edu. Nominations are due no later than **Wednesday, September 1, 2021**.



**In Memoriam:
Pittsburgh ACS Member Charles P. Lazzara**

We remember long time Pittsburgh ACS Member Charles Lazzara. Chuck joined the ACS in 1965.

From the March 29, 2021 issue of *C and E News* by [Linda Wang](#)

Charles P. Lazzara, 78, died Jan. 10 in Pittsburgh.

“Charles P. Lazzara was an intelligent and dedicated scientist who made great contributions to the field of mine safety. He was team lead on the Mine Rescue and Response team at the time of his retirement, after 36 years of service. During his time at the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, he earned the Distinguished Service Award. He was a devoted husband and loving father, whose main priority in life was his family and friends. He was active in his church and community.”—Deborah K. Field, daughter

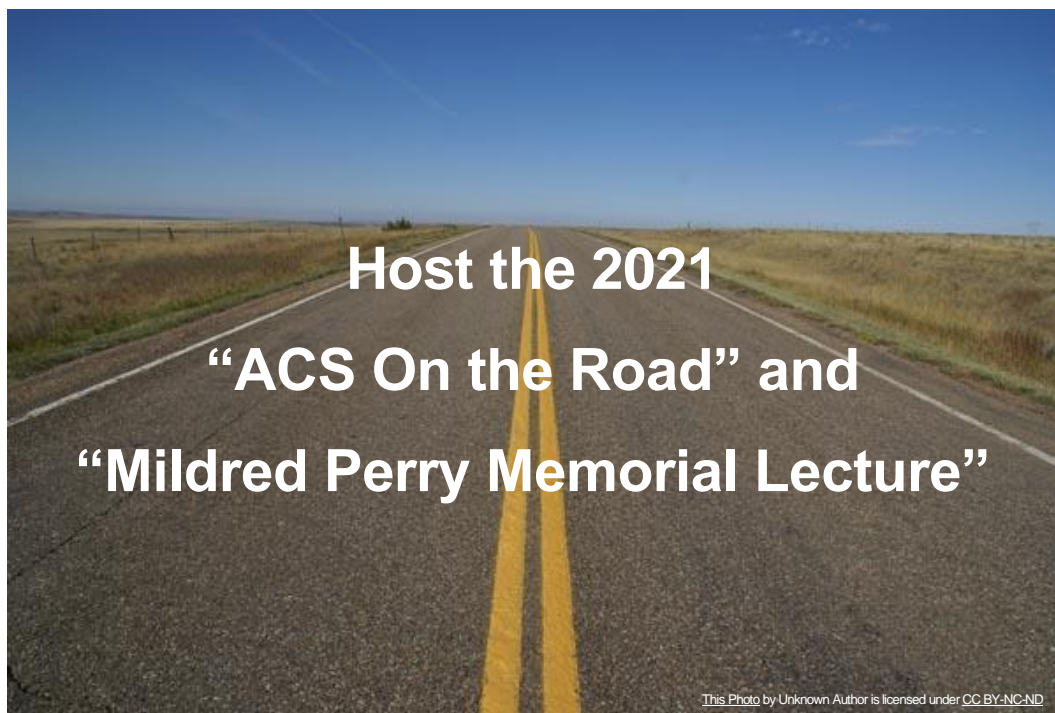
Most recent title: Supervisory physical scientist, US Bureau of Mines/National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Education: BS, chemistry, Northern Illinois University, 1964; PhD, physical chemistry, Loyola University Chicago, 1969

Survivors: Daughter, Deborah K. Field; son, David; three grandchildren



ACS Local Section
Pittsburgh



Each year the Pittsburgh local section features an "On the Road" event, which has the "Mildred E. Perry" memorial lecture. This is a great opportunity to local section chemists to visit your site or campus. The organizers choose the speaker and program details. Past organizers would be happy to share our experience and websites if the host location is interested. This event was hosted by Saint Francis University in 2019 and featured Dr. Megan Matthews from the University of Pennsylvania. If your institution is located in the Pittsburgh Local Section and you would like to host the 2021 ACS "On the Road" event please contact ACS Chair, Kevin Noonan (noonan@andrew.cmu.edu).

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2021 Virtual Meeting Registration Grant Program Application

Conference Funding to attend virtual ACS meetings (local and national)

Undergraduates, graduates, and post-doctoral researchers are invited to apply for conference funding to attend upcoming virtual ACS meetings for the 2021 year. We anticipate up to 30 grants can be awarded and we are looking to support our local members. The goal of the funding is to defray the cost of registration for regional and national ACS meetings to enable more students to make presentations and learn about the broader field of study to which they belong. Please complete an application and submit to Kevin Noonan (noonan@andrew.cmu.edu) and Heather Juzwa (hjuzwa@shimadzu.com) via email. Applications will be accepted on a rolling cycle and considered throughout the entire 2021 year until all the funds have been disbursed.

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Institution: _____

Undergraduate Student /Year

Graduate Student / Year

Mailing Address to Receive Payment if Awarded: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

PI: _____

ACS Membership No.*: _____

**If you do not know your ACS number, please email hjuzwa@shimadzu.com to receive it by email.*

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ACS Meeting: _____ Meeting Date: _____

Project Title: _____

Paper Presentation

Poster Presentation

**Please attach a copy of your project abstract to the application.*

Has your project been accepted*? Yes No

**Attach documentation regarding acceptance if received at point of application.*

Will this be your first presentation at an ACS meeting? Yes No

Other funding sources (if any): _____

Has the applicant received a travel grant from the ACS Pittsburgh Section in the past? Yes No

If your application was selected, the Pittsburgh Section of the ACS would like at least one photo of your meeting experience.

I am willing to submit at least one photo of my meeting experience: Yes No

In under 1000 words, please write a personal paragraph or justification for why the Travel Grant Committee should fund your registration?



Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Volunteers Needed!

We recently updated our website and are looking for someone to help with maintenance! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Heather Juzwa at hjuzwa@shimadzu.com!

The Crucible Deadline

The deadline for items submitted to The Crucible is the 25th of the month prior to publication. For example, all items for the May 2021 issue must be to the editor by April 25th, 2021.

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