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Election Results!

The 2017 election results are in! Check them out on [page 4](#).

The 2017 ACS Holiday Party will be hosted on December 17th, 2017 at Carole and Russ Berg's home in Renton, WA. The party starts at 7:00pm. Bring a friend and enjoy a wonderful evening of socializing with other Puget Sound Section members! RSVP and direct any of your questions to Carole Berg (cberg@bellevuecollege.edu). Read all the details on [page 5](#).

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Mark Wicholas. Professor of Chemistry at Western Washington University and long-standing ACS PSS Councilor, Mark left an impressive legacy. Read more on [page 6](#).

Registration for the 2018 Career Event is open! [Register here](#). The event will be held at the City of Tacoma's Center for Urban Waters Research Lab from 1:00pm – 5:00pm on January 31st, 2018. Read more on [page 10](#).

Save the date for the 2018 Undergraduate Research Symposium! Saturday April 28th, 2018. More info on [page 11](#) and on our [website](#).

Cheers!



Jonathan Clark

Newsletter Editor

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Calendar – December 2017

Calendar of Events - <http://pugetsound.sites.acs.org/calendar.htm>

11 December 2017 – Executive Committee Meeting

Time: 7:00pm

Location: North Seattle Community College - 9600 College Way N, Seattle WA 98103

Room 2328C - South end of the 2nd floor of the Instruction Building (IB)

Campus Map: <https://northseattle.edu/locator>

17 December 2017 – ACS Holiday Party

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Carole and Russ Berg's Home - 14017 SE 139th St., Renton, WA 98059

Puget Sound Section

News Briefs

2017 Election results

The 2018 ACS Puget Sound Section Executive Officers (Chair-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer) and the Councilor and Alternate Councilor positions that were up for election for 2018 have been elected by the Puget Sound Section membership. See results below.

Questions?

Please direct any questions about the various roles or the election process via email to:

elections@pugetsound.sites.acs.org

Election Results

| Position | Candidates | Paper | Online | Totals | Elected Person - Position |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Chair-Elect | Alicia Taylor | 5 | 293 | 298 | Alicia Taylor - Chair Elect |
| | Write In: Sam Ehlinger | | 1 | 1 | |
| Secretary | Michael Meechan | 5 | 294 | 299 | Michael Meechan - Secretary |
| | Write In: Todd Orlando | | 1 | 1 | |
| Treasurer | David Munch | 5 | 294 | 299 | David Munch - Treasurer |
| | Write In: DeShon Elliott | | 1 | 1 | |
| Councilor Pos 1 (2020) | David Patrick | 5 | 291 | 296 | David Patrick - Councilor Position 1 |
| | Write In: Antoine Lavoisier | | 1 | 1 | |
| Councilor Pos 4 (2020) | Dharshi Bopegedera | 2 | 175 | 177 | Dharshi Bopegedera - Councilor Position 4 |
| | Gary Christian | 3 | 121 | 124 | |
| | No Write-Ins Submitted | | | | |
| Alt Councilor Pos 1 (2020) | Gwen Gross | 5 | 287 | 292 | Gwen Gross - Alternate Councilor Position 1 |
| | Write In: Holton Hill | | 1 | 1 | |
| | Write In: Tyler Johnson | | 1 | 1 | |
| Alt Councilor Pos 3 (2019) | Carole Berg | 5 | 287 | 292 | Carole Berg - Alternate Councilor Position 3 |
| | Write In: Collin Johnson | | 1 | 1 | |
| | Write In: Zephyr Pitre | | 1 | 1 | |
| Alt Councilor Pos 4 (2020) | Charity Lovitt | 5 | 289 | 294 | Charity Lovitt - Alternate Councilor Position 4 |
| | Write In: Gary Christian | | 1 | 1 | |
| | Write In: Geoffrey Wilkinson | | 1 | 1 | |
| Alt Councilor Pos 5 (2018) | Natalie Merrill | 5 | 286 | 291 | Natalie Merrill - Alternate Councilor Position 5 |
| | Write In: Dharshi Bopegedera | | 2 | 2 | |
| | Write In: Gary Christian | | 1 | 1 | |
| | Write In: Jennifer Marsalla | | 1 | 1 | |
| | Write In: Tom Herman | | 1 | 1 | |

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|--------|-------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| | Paper | Online | |
| Totals | 5 | 303 | 308 |
| | | | 1900 |
| | | | 16% |
| | | | Total Number of Submitted Ballots |
| | | | Total Puget Sound Section Membership |
| | | | Voter Turn-Out |

News Briefs

2017 ACS Holiday Party



You and a friend are cordially invited to the
Puget Sound ACS Holiday Dessert Party
Sunday, December 17, 2017
7:00 pm at

Carole and Russ Berg's home

14017 SE 139th St., Renton, WA 98059

Come enjoy homemade desserts, glogg,
music, puzzles and chemistry companions.

Everything is provided,
bring your significant other for an evening of fun!!!!
RSVP: cberg@bellevuecollege.edu

News Briefs

Mark Wicholas

Western Washington University Professor Mark Wicholas passed away on Monday, November 20th, 2017. He was an active member of the Puget Sound section of the American Chemical Society where he served as a counselor for many years. He was the Chair of the Chemistry Department at Western Washington University for 25 years. He is greatly missed and we offer our sympathies to everyone affected by his passing.

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You can read the Western Washington University's Facebook post [here](#).

News Briefs

ACS Career Resources

<https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/careers.html>

Many opportunities and career resources are available on the ACS website for ACS members! Check them out!



2018 Heroes of Chemistry Award

[Heroes of Chemistry](#) is an annual award sponsored by the American Chemical Society that recognizes talented industrial chemical scientists whose work has led to the development of successful commercialized products ingrained with chemistry for the benefit of humankind.

Nominations for the 2018 Heroes of Chemistry Award are now being accepted. Deadline for 2018 Applications: March 1, 2018



For more information on the application process, please visit the [Nominations Procedures](#) page or email chemhero@acs.org.

ACS Webinars

Hundreds of webinars presented by subject matter experts in the chemical enterprise. LIVE every Thursday at 11am PST (2pm ET)!



Science Cafés & Lectures

► These Science Cafés & Lectures are free and are open to all ages. ◀

Science in the City - Lectures by the Pacific Science Center

The Pacific Science Center organizes an excellent Science Lecture series. Please take a look:

<https://www.pacificsciencecenter.org/lectures>

Science on Tap

Science on Tap is another science café that meets in Seattle, WA. Information regarding the next Science on Tap event can be found on their website: <http://www.scienceontap.org>

Younger Chemists Committee

Happy Holidays!

Dear YCC,

Happy holidays and look forward to more events in 2018.

Thank you,

Alicia Taylor

Alternate Councilor & YCC Chair



Mark Your Calendar

2018 Career Event

Please register by January 15th, 2018.

[Register Here](#)

American Chemical Society- Puget Sound Section

presents an informative afternoon on

“Careers in Chemistry for Undergraduates”

January 31st 2018, 1-5 PM

City of Tacoma

Center for Urban Waters Research Lab

326 East D Street, Tacoma, WA 98421

www.urbanwaters.org

Keynote Speaker

Dr. Edward P. Kolodziej

Associate Professor, Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences (UW Tacoma) & Civil & Environmental Engineering (UW Seattle) and Center for Urban Waters

This event includes lab tours, a career panel discussion & the keynote speaker.

**Recommended for all undergraduate science students
Free admission and open to all. Space is limited**

Please Register by January 15, 2018

Registration information is available at

<https://goo.gl/forms/FT9RTDMheEBSKNu1>

For more information: bopegedd@evergreen.edu



Mark Your Calendar

2018 Undergraduate Research Symposium

“Save the Date” for the 2018 Undergraduate Research Symposium!

Saturday, April 28th, 2018 at The Evergreen State College

2700 Evergreen Pkwy NW, Olympia, WA 98505

View more info at: <http://pugetsound.sites.acs.org/pssugressymp.htm>

Careers

Job Openings

Visit our [webpage](#) for current job opportunities.

Physics Part-Time Faculty Position ([Bellevue College](#))

Deadlines: See job posting

Location: Bellevue, WA

ACS PSS Posting Date: 11/30/2017

Brief Description: The physics department is looking for someone to teach PHYS 121 (General Engineering Physics I) in Winter quarter. If you are interested, please contact Jennie Mayer at jennie.mayer@bellevuecollege.edu with your CV.

View PDF of Job Posting: N/A

[Tenure Track Chemistry Instructor \(Highline College\)](#)

Deadlines: See job posting

Location: Des Moines, WA

ACS PSS Posting Date: 11/27/2017

Brief Description: Highline College is looking to hire a tenure track chemistry instructor for the upcoming school year. Please pass on this information to anyone who interested. Highline College is also looking for a tenure track math and physics as well. Thanks!

View PDF of Job Posting: N/A

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[Director, Environmental Health Laboratory \(University of Washington, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences\)](#)

Deadlines: Open until filled

Location: Seattle, WA

ACS PSS Posting Date: 09/30/2017

Brief Description: The EH Laboratory Director is a senior scientist housed in the UW Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences. The position's overall responsibilities include directing a complex service provider (Environmental Health Laboratory) and research resource (Trace Organics Analysis Center). The Environmental Health Laboratory, funded through a Washington state appropriation to DEOHS, provides essential analytical support to Washington state employers, employees, government agencies, and the general public. The Environmental Health Laboratory is currently accredited by the American Industrial Hygiene Association Laboratory Accreditation Program. The Trace Organics Analysis Center is a valuable research resource serving UW faculty, principal investigators and external researchers with complex methods development and implementation, chemical analyses, and integration into competitive federal and private grant submissions and awards. The Director's skills in analytical chemistry as applied to environmental and occupational health sciences is highly sought after in various UW departments and centers. The Director must be able to navigate very complex scientific questions from many perspectives ranging from the big picture scientific approaches to the day-to-day detail of laboratory operations (overseeing quality control, sustaining equipment through acquisitions and repairs, overseeing accreditation, and advising on finances, and managing scientific staff). Working in a higher education setting, the Director is also responsible for mentoring undergraduate and graduate students, as well as individuals pursuing post-doctoral education and junior faculty newly entering the field of environmental and occupational health sciences. Go to the following site to apply: [Job posting and application site](#).

View PDF of Job Posting: N/A

Careers

Internships

King County Internships - <http://www.kingcounty.gov/audience/employees/careers/jobs.aspx>

Washington Conservation Corps - <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/wcc/index.html>

Ecology Youth Corps - <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/swfa/eyc/index.html>

ACS Job and Career Resources

ACS Career Navigator - <http://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/careers.html>

National ACS Job Postings - <http://chemistryjobs.acs.org/jobs>

ACS Puget Sound Job Page – <http://pugetsound.sites.acs.org/jobsandcareerresources.htm>

Roster

| ACS Puget Sound - Executive Committee | |
|--|--------------------|
| Chair | Karen Goodwin |
| Chair Elect | Leonard J. Andrews |
| Past Chair | Sheri Tonn |
| Secretary | Michael Meechan |
| Treasurer | Arwyn Smalley |
| Newsletter Editor | Jonathan Clark |
| Councilor - Position 1 (2017) | Vacant |
| Councilor - Position 2 (2018) | Gregory Milligan |
| Councilor - Position 3 (2019) | Craig Fryhle |
| Councilor - Position 4 (2017) | Gary Christian |
| Councilor - Position 5 (2018) | Despina Strong |
| Alternate Councilor - Position 1 (2017) | Gwen Gross |
| Alternate Councilor - Position 2 (2018) | Amar Yahiaoui |
| Alternate Councilor - Position 3 (2019) | Alicia Taylor |
| Alternate Councilor - Position 4 (2017) | Dharshi Bopegedera |
| Alternate Councilor - Position 5 (2018) | Nadine Gruhn |

| Other Outstanding Volunteers | |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Awards Committee Chair | Carole Berg |
| Career Event Committee Chair | Dharshi Bopegedera |
| Communications Committee Chair | TBA |
| Earth Day Committee Chair | Karen Goodwin |
| Education Committee Chair | Despina Strong |
| Finance Committee Chair | David Munch |
| Hospitality Committee Chair | Carole Berg |
| Linus Pauling Award Committee Chair | Charity Lovitt (For 2018 Pauling) |
| Long Range Planning Committee Chair | Sheri Tonn |
| National Chemistry Week Committee Chair | Roxanne Hulet |
| Nominating Committee Chair | Sheri Tonn |
| Program Committee Co-Chairs | Alicia Taylor and Leonard Andrews |
| Public Relations Committee Chair | TBA |
| Senior Chemists Committee | Despina Strong |
| Safety Committee | TBA |
| Sustainability Committee Chair | Charity Lovitt |
| Undergraduate Symposium Committee Chair | Charity Lovitt |
| Webmaster | Jonathan Clark |
| Women Chemists Committee Chair | Despina Strong |
| Younger Chemists Committee Chair | Alicia Taylor |



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