

letters. Copies of no more than three publications may also be included if available. All nominations should be sent to Dr. William B. Jensen, Secretary, The Division of the History of Chemistry - ACS, Department of Chemistry, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, 45221 by 1 January 1990. It should be emphasized that, though the award is administered by an American organization, it is international in scope and previous winners have included historians and chemists from Germany, France, Holland, Hungary, and Great Britain.

The Outstanding Paper Award

As of 1990, the Division's Outstanding Paper Award has been changed from the best paper presented at a general session to the best paper published in the *Bulletin for the History of Chemistry*. This change allows members who are unable to attend national meetings to compete. As before, the award will consist of \$100, a certificate, and \$150 worth of books from the current catalog of the publishing firm of D. Reidel. Papers published up to three years prior to the date of the award are eligible, and the winner will be chosen by a committee which operates independently of the *Bulletin's* editorial staff.

NOTES FROM MEMBERS

Jeffrey L. Sturchio (formerly of AT&T Bell Labs) has been appointed as corporate archivist for Merck & Co., Inc. Dr. Sturchio's new address is Merck & Co., Inc., P.O. Box 2000, Rahway, NJ 07065-0900.

Raymond B. Seymour (University of Southern Mississippi) and Charles H. Fisher have recently published *Profiles of Eminent American Chemists*. The book gives brief biographies of the 154 chemists who have won either the American Institute of Chemists' Gold Medal or its Chemical Pioneers Award.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

* Applications are invited for the 1990-1991 Edelstein International Fellowship in the History of Chemical Sciences and Technology. The fellowship period is from 1 September 1990 to 30 June 1991, and successful applicants are expected to divide their time between the Beckman Center for the History of Chemistry in Philadelphia and the Edelstein Center for History and Philosophy of Science, Technology and Medicine in Jerusalem, Israel. The application deadline is 31 October 1989. For details, applicants in the USA should contact Dr. Arnold Thackray at the Beckman Center and those in Europe should contact Dr. Itamar Pitowsky of the Edelstein Center.

* Mary Virginia Orna and Mary Margaret Grubbs will conduct a winter intersession in the history of science from 4-18

January 1990. The course will take place at London's Science Museum, with side trips to Oxford, Cambridge, Kew Gardens and Greenwich. Cost of the trip, which includes round trip airfare (to and from JFK-New York-London), hotel accommodations, ground transportation in England and some meals, will be approximately \$1499. For additional cost, the course may be taken for undergraduate or graduate credit through the College of New Rochelle. For more information, write or call Dr. Mary Virginia Orna, Department of Chemistry, College of New Rochelle, New Rochelle, NY 10801; Phone: (914) 654-5309 (O) or (914) 636-4453 (H).

* The Edelstein Center International Workshop on the History of Chemical Technology will be held in Jerusalem on 28-31 May 1990, rather than 1989, as incorrectly announced in the last issue. For further details, contact Dr. Tony Travis, Deputy Director, Sidney M. Edelstein Center for the History and Philosophy of Science, Technology and Medicine, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Israel.

* Dr. Colin A. Russell, noted British historian of chemistry, will be in the United States in April of 1990 and will be available for university seminars and other speaking engagements. Persons interested in contacting Dr. Russell, or in obtaining a list of potential talks, should contact Dr. John H. Wotiz, Department of Chemistry, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Carbondale, IL 62901.

* More detailed information is now available on the new *Mitteilungen* or journal/newsletter of the *Fachgruppe Geschichte der Chemie* of the *Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker (GDCh)*. The group, which was established in 1962, is one of 18 subdivisions of the GDCh and has a membership of 233, mostly from academia and industry. The purpose of its publication is to preserve the most interesting of the papers read at the group's biannual meetings and to provide information on current projects and events in the history of chemistry. The journal, which is published in German, appears once a year, and costs DM16 for nonmembers and DM8 for members of the GDCh. Subscriptions should be sent to the Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker, Fachgruppen, Postfach 900440, Varrentrappstrasse, D-6000, Frankfurt (Main) 90, West Germany.

* Cornell University has established a cold fusion archive to document the current controversy over cold fusion. Potential contributors should contact Dr. Bruce V. Lewenstein, Cold Fusion Archive Project, STS Program, 632 Clark Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853; Phone: (607) 255-6500.

* A two-day symposium in honor of Dr. O. T. Benfey entitled "The Context of Chemistry: Conceptual, Historical, Social" will be held at the 1989 Southeastern Regional ACS Meeting on 9-11 October 1989 in Winston-Salem, NC. The program

will feature 17 speakers with topics in the areas of chemical education and the history and philosophy of chemistry. For further information, contact Dr. David MacInnes, Department of Chemistry, Guilford College, Greensboro, NC 27410; Phone: (919) 292-5511.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Boston 22-27 April 1990

Five copies of 150-word abstract (original on ACS Abstract Form) by 1 December 1989. Title of paper by 1 November 1989.

* *General Papers*. Contact J. L. Sturchio, Corporate Archives, Merck & Co. Inc., P.O. Box 2000, Rahway, NJ, 07065-0900 (215) 997-2832.

* *History of Biotechnology*. Contact J. L. Sturchio, (see address above).

* *The 1890 Benzol Fest 100 Years Later* (Cosponsored by ORGN). Contact J. H. Wotiz, Dept. Chemistry, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Carbondale, IL 62901, (618) 453-5721.

* *Wartime Research at RDX and its Political Aftermath*. Contact J. T. Edwards, Dept. Chemistry, McGill University, 801 Sherbrooke St. West, Montreal, PQ, Canada H3A 2K6, (514) 398-6233 or (514) 489-1663.

* *Chemistry in Colonial America* (Cosponsored by CHED).

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

Washington 26-31 August 1990

* *General Papers*. Contact J. L. Sturchio (see address above).

* *History of the Development, Use and Testing of Food Additives* (Cosponsored by CHAL). Contact H. T. McKone, Dept. Chemistry, St. Joseph College, W. Hartford, CT 06117, (203) 232-4571.

* *Chemistry and Crime II*. Contact R. O. Allen, Dept. Chemistry, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA 22901, (804) 924-3622.

* *History of Environmental Pollution and Protection in Relation to Federal Regulations*. Contact R. Sarmiento, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Analytical Chemistry Section, Bldg. 306, BARC-East, Beltsville, MD 20705, (301) 344-2266.

* *From Newport to the Nation's Capital: A Century of ACS National Meetings*. Contact J. J. Bohning, Dept. Chemistry, Wilkes College, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18766, (717) 824-4651. Ext. 4614.

* *50th Anniversary of the Discovery of the Transuranium Elements* (Cosponsored by INOR and NUCL).

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

Atlanta 14-19 April 1991

* *General Papers*. Contact J. L. Sturchio (see address above).

* *Michael Faraday - Chemist* (Cosponsored by CHED). Contact D. A. Davenport, Dept. Chemistry, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907, (317) 494-5465.

* *Chemistry and Science Fiction*. Contact J. H. Stocker, Dept. Chemistry, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA 70148, (504) 286-6852.

* *History of Synthetic Fibers*. Contact R. B. Seymour, Dept. Polymer Science, University of Southern Mississippi, Southern Station Box 10076, Hattiesburg, MS 39406, (601) 266-4868.

* *Emil Fischer: One Hundred Years of Carbohydrate Chemistry* (Cosponsored by CARB).

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

New York 25-30 August 1991

* *General Papers*. Contact J. L. Sturchio (see address above).

* *History of Steroid Synthesis*. Contact L. B. Gortler, Dept. Chemistry, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY 11210, (718) 780-5746 or J. L. Sturchio (see address above).

* *A Century of Chemistry in New York (Commemorating the Local Section Centennial)*. Contact J. Sharkey, Dept. Chemistry, Pace University, Pace Plaza, New York, NY 10038, (212) 488-1502.

* *Chemistry and Crime III - Forensic Methods: Past, Present and Future*. Contact S. M. Gerber, 70 Hillcrest Road, Martinsville, NJ 08836, Phone (201) 356-4721; Richard Safferstein, New Jersey Forensic Laboratory, P.O. Box 7068, West Trenton, NJ 08825, (609) 882-2000, Ext. 2692.

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

San Francisco 5-10 April 1992

* *General Papers*. Contact J. L. Sturchio (see address above).

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

Geneva (Date to be Announced)

* *100th Anniversary of the Geneva Conference*. Contact J. G. Traynham, Dept. Chemistry, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803, (504) 388-3459.