

Virginia Section AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

REPORT OF THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

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I. 2016 ISSUES OF *THE BULLETIN*

Four issues of *The Bulletin* have been published in 2016:

January -15 pages February -15 pages March -11 pages April -15 pages

Some items of note regarding the 2016 issues:

- 64 photographs;
- four "Chair's Corners;"
- Chemistry Olympiad information;
- seminar schedules for VCU and UVA;
- articles on chemistry at Virginia State University, the University of Richmond, and the University of Virginia;
- six articles on the Section's Centennial Gala Celebration
- a directory of Section officers, committee chairs, and other members of the Executive Committee;
- an article on student affiliate activities;
- four "mystery persons;"
- four "questions from the past;"
- two articles on activities sponsored by the Younger Chemists Committee;
- reports on the February and March meetings of the Virginia Section;
- three reports on the revision of the Section's Bylaws;
- a safety note from Joe Crockett, Chair of the Safety Committee;
- two articles on activities of the Women Chemists Committee;
- information on the annual meeting of the Virginia Academy of Science;
- three articles on CCED (Chemists Celebrate Earth Day);
- a directory of community colleges in the Virginia Section;

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- the schedule of ACS webinars;
- the chemistry winners at the Metro Richmond STEM Fair;
- a directory of chemistry departments at colleges and universities in the Section;
- an article on an interview of Jeff Seeman that appeared in *C&EN*;
- four "Words of Wisdom."

II. PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE BULLETIN

We post the *Bulletin* on the Section's website and then send email notification to all Section members with operable email addresses (about 1,150 persons). The email notices are sent via the email service *Constant Contact*. Ann Sullivan has provided email addresses for about 300 high school chemistry teachers and we include them in our emails. We also print about 50 copies of each *Bulletin* for mail distribution. These are sent by first-class mail to persons who have requested hard copies. The printed copies are made at James River Printing in Colonial Heights. They copy, collate, fold, and staple the pages. The copies are then folded again and sealed with tabs and the mailing labels and stamps are affixed for mailing. Will Lewis and Jim and Gale Beck do the preparation of the copies for mailing.

III. EXPENSES

Expenditures to date for 2016 are about \$490, well within budget projections.

IV. SECTION WEBSITE

Ann Sullivan is the Section webmaster. The address is <http://www.virginia.sites.acs.org/>.

V. THANKS

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