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Section Meeting

Friday, April 28, 3:45 – 5:00 PM Wertheim Conservatory, WC130 Florida International University, MM Campus 11200 SW 8th Street, Miami

A View of an Industrial STEM Career

Dr. Dorothy PhillipsACS Board of Directors

I will share the knowledge gained during an almost 40-year career as an industrial scientist. Essential to starting a career in industry is being prepared. I will discuss experiences and training that prepares graduate or undergraduate students for a successful industrial career. Afterward I will give highlights of my journey. At both the Dow Chemical Company and Waters Corporation I began as a bench scientist. At both companies, I moved to a marketing or business role. I will address several points that factored in my ability to "climb the ladder", retiring from Waters Corporation as the Director, Strategic Marketing. For example, my willingness and passion for travel strengthen my ability to fulfill the responsibilities of a global position.

Dr. Dorothy J. Phillips is serving her second term on the American Chemical Society Board of Directors, Director-at-Large, 2014-2019. She holds a B.A. degree from Vanderbilt University in chemistry and a Ph.D. from the University of Cincinnati in biochemistry. Dr. Phillips began her industrial career in 1974 at Dow Chemical Company where she spent nine years and received three patents. She joined Waters Corporation in R&D in 1984 and retired in 2013 as Director of Strategic Marketing. She was instrumental in the development of Waters' flagship Symmetry[®] and Oasis[®] product brands. She received the Waters Manager's Award for Innovation in 1987 and 1988. She has published and/or presented over 70 papers that focus on high performance liquid chromatography technology and applications. In 1996, Dr. Phillips transitioned from R&D to Marketing as Brand Manager for the Oasis[®] family of products. As Director of Strategic Marketing, she traveled in the United States, Europe, Asia,India and Japan to identify and assess new technologies and business opportunities to meet global separation needs. She was the first recipient of the Waters Leadership Award for outstanding contributions to Waters and the Waters Community in 2008. Her honors include the Vanderbilt University Dr. Dorothy J. Wingfield Phillips Endowed Chair, 2015; ACS Fellow, Class of 2010. Vanderbilt University presents annually The Dr. Dorothy Wingfield Phillips Award for Leadership to a graduating senior in recognition of the student's outstanding accomplishments.

CONGRATULATIONS

The following persons have achieved the remarkable milestone of 50 or 60 years of ACS membership and will be honored at the awards banquet:

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SOUTH FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD FINALISTS

During early March, about 340 high school chemistry students participated in the National Chemistry Olympiad qualifier exam administered at Nova Southeastern University (Dr. Vic Shanbhag), FIU-Biscayne Bay (Dr. Milagros Delgado), Pine Crest School (Dagmara Podkoscielny), University School (Dr. Carlos Montero), American Heritage School (Dawn Gregor), Miami Country Day School (Dr. Jesse Bernstein), Clara Russo (Cypress Bay High School and at a couple other satellite centers. Based on the results of that exam, 11 students qualify for the next round: the nationwide National Chemistry Olympiad (NChO) exam and lab practical that will be held on Saturday, April 22 at Nova Southeastern University. Based on those results, 20 students nationwide will be selected to go to an intense three-week training camp at the US Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. Four will be selected to go to the International Chemistry Olympiad (IChO), July 6-15, 2017 in Nakhon Pathon, Thailand.

ACS SCHOLARS FROM SOUTH FLORIDA

The ACS Scholars Program was initiated in 1995 to address the gap in underrepresented minority representation in the chemical sciences by an original appropriation from the ACS Board of Directors of \$ 5 million. Outside gifts from individuals, corporations and foundations have reached another \$10 million. These contributions have funded over 2,900 scholarship recipients and over 1,700 students have successfully completed their undergraduate degree. More than half of them have continued into graduate programs where 272 have received a PhD degree with 40 serving in academic roles. The scholarship, besides the monetary award, strives to find mentors (coordinated by our own Zaida C. Morales Martinez - aka Mama Z) for all Scholars and encourage them to engage in research before graduating. As of December 2016, there were a total of 355 Scholars in over 185 colleges and universities across the United States. Congratulations to the following Scholars from the South Florida Local Section at their respective institutions:

Jamie Alvarez Duque Chemistry Northeastern Univ. **Emily Brown** Chemical Physics Columbia Univ. Michael Cartamil Chemistry Florida Int'l Univ. Ayomide Fatunde Chemical Engineering Julian Garcia Chemical Engineering University of Florida Chemistry Mario Gaviria Pomona College Daniel Guberek Chemical Physics MIT University of Florida Caridad Infante Biochemistry Courtney Johnson Chemical Engineering Northeastern Univ. Netgie Laguerre Chemistry Cal. Tech. James O'Connor Chemistry Univ. Texas Austin Joseph Paredes Chemistry University of Florida Biochem & Molec. Biol. Monique Peyreau **Boston University** Christopher Pinango Chemistry Florida State Univ. Isabela Ramirez Chemical Engineering Syracuse University Paloma Tuttle Florida Int'l Univ. Chemistry Salomon Vainstein Johns Hopkins Univ. Chem & Biomed. Engr. Univ. of New Haven Anahi Vivar Forensic Chemistry Suzanne Wilson Biochem/Molec Biology Florida Southern Col

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Congratulations to the following South Florida high school students, and their chemistry teachers, who qualified to take the national exam:

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Student	High School	<u>Teacher</u>
Eric Bautista	Cypress Bay High School	Clara Russo
Sara Branse	University School at NSU	Carlos Montero
Isabella Luna	Carrollton School	Suchetha Srikanthan
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Shangtao Wu	Coral Reef Senior High	J. Cloutier
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SUMMER 2016 SEED SCHOLARS

During the summer of 2016 four high school students participated in research at Florida Gulf Coast University and the University of Miami with support from SoFL-ACS and the ACS Project SEED (Summer Educational Experience for Disadvantaged students). Shangida Shareen, a Junior at Fort Myers High School, and Adriana Amaris, a Junior at Fort Myers High School, worked with Dr. Ju Chou at Florida Gulf Coast University. Andy Armand, a Junior at North Miami Beach High, and Vladimir Civil, a Junior at North Miami Beach High, worked with Dr. Rajeev Prabhakar at the University of Miami. These SEED students will be honored at the SoFL-ACS awards banquet. Congratulations to them.

Sofl-ACS AWARDS BANQUET

Sunday, April 30

11:30 AM Reception and Poster Session 12:00 - 2:00 PM Buffet and Awards

Wolfe Student Center, 2nd floor ballroom FIU Biscayne Bay Campus 3000 N.E. 151st Street, North Miami

Keynote address by

Dr. Dorothy Phillips **ACS Board of Directors**

"Paths to Becoming a Leader"

Cost: \$30.00 ACS members and guests; \$15.00 Students

Send reservation form with check payable to SoFL-ACS by Monday, April 24 to:

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