Cincinnati Section of the American Chemical Society (CINTAS) Letter from the Chair August 2018

Summer Science Fun

Greeting Cincinnati CINTACS! Hope you've been enjoying the summer! Cincinnati has a hotbed of Summer STEM Activities, ranging from the Research Experiences for Undergraduate Programs (REU) across tri-state Colleges and Universities to the STEM Camps hosted by agencies like iSpace. Students have had a vast number of enriching STEM options to choose from.

The Cincinnati ACS Chapter has been on hiatus during the summer break, however many members have remained active via engagement in STEM Activities. I had the pleasure of participating in two activities: conducting chemistry demonstrations at the Springer School (1) and observation of University of Cincinnati's Minorities in Math, Science, and Engineering (M2SE) Program (2). In both cases, it was inspiring to see students advancing their awareness and knowledge of STEM.

As the Autumn approaches, we are in the process of planning local chapter activities. Currently we are planning for the annual end of the Summer CINTAS Picnic on September 9th at Germania Park. Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend. We will have a wide range of summer favorite foods! So come on out and get some barbeque as well as build your network within the Chemical Community of the Tri-State. This gathering will include activities geared toward families & kids. So feel free to bring your family to the Picnic.

Lastly, I want to **CONGRATULATE** Cincinnati's newest ACS Fellow, Dr. Roger Alan Parker of Xavier University. The 2018 ACS Fellows were announced in Chemical & Engineering News on July 16, 2018 (3). CINTAS' very own, Dr. Roger Alan Parker, was announced as a recipient of the ACS Fellow distinction in the 2018 Class This distinguished award is given to outstanding ACS members who demonstrate excellence and outstanding leadership through science and exceptional volunteer service in the ACS Community. Dr. Parker and the 2018 ACS Fellow Class will be honored at the Fall ACS National Meeting in Boston, Massachusetts on August 19 – 23, 2018.

Enjoy the final days of Summer and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our Summer Picnic in September 9th.

Judson

- 1) <u>http://local.cincinnati.com/share/story/261138</u>
- 2) http://m2se.org

3) https://cen.acs.org/acs-news/programs/2018-ACS-Fellows/96/i29



