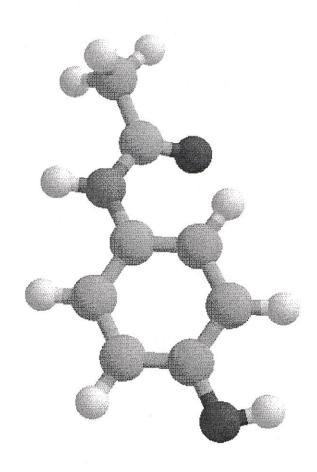
# WCCTA Conference WCCTA Conference October 13-15, 2005 Sleeping Ladydy



## 2005 WCCTA Fall Conference

## Conference Program

### Thursday October 13

3:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Check-In Sleeping Lady Office	
4:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Registration Woodpecker	
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Informal Gathering Grotto Bar	
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	<b>Dinner</b> Kingfisher Dining Hall	
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Evening Social. No-host bar Grotto Bar	

Sleeping Lady Conference Center Map

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Friday, October 14

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7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast Kingfisher Dining Lodge			
8:45 am - 10:15 am	Student in class response "clickers" as used in Freshman Chemistry Bill Zoller, University of Washington Chapel Theater			
10:15 am - 11:15 pm		Vendor Break Chapel Theater Lobby		
11:15 pm - 12:00 pm		Flicker	Woodpecker	Chapel Theater
	_	Cultivate Comprehension in College Chemistry Lance Mayhofer	Becoming "The Guide on the Side": An Active Learning Roundtable David Reichgott	The Periodic Table in the Alternate Universe Larry Gulberg
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1:10 pm - 1:55 pm	Exhibits Open	The Many Adventures of Tom and Sue Ralph Morasch	Revitalizing the Face of Chemistry through ACS Dharshi Bopegedera and Carole Berg	Replacing Quantitative Organic Chemistry Lab with Investigations into Named Reactions Kerry Breno
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm		Using Qualitative Analysis as a Learning Experience in General Chemistry Laboratory John DiBari	Going Green - Successes and Challenges in "Goin' Green" in Organic Lab Katie Gulliford	A Freshman Lab Experience Involving the Design of an Experiment Vicky Minderhout, Larry Gulberg, Patrick Ehrman
2:45 pm - 3:30 pm		Afternoon Break		
3:30 pm - 4:10 pm	Lab Books, Lab Quizzes, and Speed Grading Carole Berg		Chemists in the Library - A Valued Partnership between Faculty, Students, and the Community Dharshi Bopegedera	Natural Products Chemistry and Undergraduate Research in the Community College Curriculum Karen Grant
4:15 pm - 5:30 pm	Four-Year Discussion		Liberal Arts (NonMajors) Discussion	Literature Discussion Mary Whitfield and Timothy Sorrey
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm		Break		
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm		Dinner Kingfisher Dining Lodge		
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm		Culinary Spectroscopy - The Chemistry of Correct Cooking Dr. Jerry DeMenna Woodpecker		
9:00 pm - 11:00 pm		Evening Social and No Host Bar Woodpecker		

Saturday, October 15

8:00 am - 9:00 am	Breakfast Kingfisher Dining Hall		
	Flicker	Woodpecker	
9:00 am - 9:40 pm	BOAF Discussion WCCTA advocacy? Other suggestions?	GOB Discussion	
9:45am - 10:30 am	General Chemistry Discussion	Organic Chemistry Discussion	
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Chec	k-out	
11:00 pm - 11:45 pm		Business Meeting	
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch Kingfisher Dining Lodge		

### **Abstracts**

#### Cultivate Comprehension in College Chemistry

Lance Mayhofer, Pasco Scientific

What if your students could perform simple chemistry experiments that improved their comprehension of challenging Chemistry concepts? Learn how handheld dataloggers can be used to create a more meaningful chemistry learning environment. Find out how students can use a pressure sensor and thermistor to study Ideal Gas Law, a Colorimeter to study Beer's Law and reaction rates or a drop counter and pH sensor to improve the ease and success of titrations experiments.

#### Becoming "The Guide on the Side": An Active Learning Roundtable

Dave Reichgott, Cascadia Community College

Do you practice Guided Inquiry, Peer Instruction, Project-Based Learning or other active learning methods in your courses? Would you like to hear the real experiences of those who do? Bring your experiences, your thoughts, your methods, and your concerns of active learning methods and strategies to an informal roundtable. The discussion will include Introductory, General, and Organic, and the direction we go will be entirely up to the teachers and learners present. We hope that you will take some new ideas and put them into practice!

#### The Periodic Table in an Alternate Universe

Larry Gulberg<sup>1</sup>, Vicky Minderhout<sup>2</sup>, and Patrick Ehrman<sup>3</sup>

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We have developed a performance assessment where students apply prior knowledge of the periodic table organizational scheme to a group of pseudo elements from a universe in which the normal rules of atomic structure do not apply. Students formulate a theory of electron arrangement that explains these properties and the periodic law they have found, make predictions about the properties of compounds made from these pseudo-elements, and model Mendeleev's struggle to organize a group of pseudo elements based upon some chemical and physical properties. This work was funded by the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations. During the workshop participants will have three tasks: 1) model Mendeleev's struggle to organize a group of pseudo elements based upon some chemical and physical properties; 2) formulate a theory of electron arrangement that explains these properties and the periodic law they have found; and 3) make predictions about the properties of some compounds made of these elements. This work was funded by the Aurthur-Vining-Davis Foundations.

## The Many Adventures of Tom and Sue Ralph Morasch, Pierce College

Tom and Sue are two made up students, that we have been using on GOB test to give students a look at real world problems. Tom and Sue's adventures involve the use of chemistry in their real world problems. The questions have allowed us to show students some real world uses of chemistry and incorporate harder thinking problems on test without student complaining. I will present some of our questions and talk about how there use has helped us to better teach the class. Also they have become helpful in relieving burn out during test writing.

## Revitalizing the Face of Chemistry through ACS Carole Berg, Bellevue Community College

Come hear about the exciting speakers, programs and opportunities sponsored by the American Chemistry Society throughout the Northwest region. Instructions between chemists in education, industry, medicine and business allows students and the public to view chemistry with a more positive attitude.

# Replacing Quantitative Organic Chemistry Lab with Investigations into Named Reactions Kerry Breno, Whitworth College

In the past, quantitative organic chemistry labs involving chemical tests, making derivatives, and limited use of spectroscopy were the pinnacle of laboratory instruction in organic chemistry. However, the technology and techniques have changed. Instead of challenging the students in outmoded methods, I have employed a lab that involves predicting the product of a named reaction and then supporting the conclusion with evidence obtained in the laboratory. Students gain experience in the characterization of an organic compound and research into a named reaction and the biographies of chemists. Upon the conclusion of the labs, students give presentations in which they defend their conclusions of the unknown and then teach the class about the named reaction. The lab is simple and cost effective to implement and can be easily adapted.

#### Using Qualitative Analysis As A Learning Experience in General Chemistry Laboratory John DiBari, Yakima Valley Community College

For a number of years at Yakima Valley Community College a qualitative analysis scheme has been the focus of the Spring Quarter laboratory experience for General Chemistry students. This presentation will focus on how this laboratory experience enhances the student's understanding of chemical principles and improves their self-confidence. The structure and operation of the laboratory will be explained. Student comments on how this experience has impacted them personally will be shared.

Going Green - Successes and Challenges in "Goin' Green" in the Organic Lab

Katie Gulliford<sup>1</sup> and Nadine Fattaleh<sup>2</sup>

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During the 04-05 school year, both Highline Community College (Des Moines) and Clark Community College (Vancouver) made the transition towards a more "green" organic chemistry curriculum. Highline went 100% green, and Clark changed some of its labs. We will address challenges, successes, student reactions, and resources available for making the change to a more environmentally-friendly approach at the organic chemistry lab experience.

#### A Freshman Lab Experience Involving the Design of an Experiment

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We devised an experience (including lab) that requires students to use prior data of boiling points and knowledge about intermolecular forces to design an experiment. The experiment measures the rate of evaporative cooling using probes and reinforces as well as deepens the concept of intermolecular forces. It provides an opportunity for students to design the actual experiment including formulating the hypothesis and performing controls. As scientists we know that the practice of science involves designing experiments, yet often the experience is provided only to students during their capstone project or research project. Even guided inquiry experiments do not generally offer students the opportunity to design the experiment themselves. We will discuss the instructions provided to the students, the equipment and the list of compounds we used as well as aspects of the implementation. The experiment was used with great success during a professional development workshop with high school teachers and with a group of general chemistry students. Funded by Arthur Vining Davis Foundations

#### Lab Books, Lab Quizzes, and Speed Grading Carole Berg, Bellevue Community College

A discussion of a way to totally pressure students for good laboratory work with less grading required outside of the lab. This method offers time to interact with each student and watch their lab technique in a three hour lab period. Ways to speed up the grading process will also be emphasized.

## "Chemists in the Library" - A Valued Partnership between Faculty, Students, and the Community

Dharshi Bopegedera, The Evergreen State College

Abstract: During the past two years I have conducted hands-on science labs for the benefit of schoolchildren at the Olympia Timberland Regional Library with the help of Evergreen State College chemistry students. This event has become so popular at the library that the Youth Librarian is eager to schedule our events and welcomes us with open arms. The parents and school children that participate in these events have given us positive feedback on the effectiveness of our labs in engaging young students in science. I have never found it difficult to recruit student volunteers from The Evergreen State College to conduct these events. These college students have benefited by participating in a community service project that is meaningful to them. They strengthen their own understanding of science by teaching it to young children and gain confidence and self esteem. As a faculty member I have enjoyed watching the growth of my students and their eagerness to interact with young children. Through this activity I have been able to work with chemistry students who are not in my class. The Evergreen State College and the Puget Sound Section of the American Chemical Society have provided funds for these activities.

## Natural Products Chemistry and Undergraduate Research in the Community College Curriculum

Karen Grant, Columbia Basin College

For the past ten years, Columbia Basin College, a community college in Pasco, Washington, has had an undergraduate research program in chemistry. Higher enrollments and increased interest, on the part of students, in life science and environmental science applications has led to a new area of research in natural products chemistry. Through collaboration with Oregon State University; the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs in Central Oregon; the Harney Soil and Conservation District in Burns, Oregon; and others; students have been able to carry out research on several different projects. Examples of student work done on essential oils derived from Western Juniper, Lavenders, and Noble Fir will be described and some discussion of the goals and outcomes of the undergraduate research program at the community college level will be included.

#### Literature Discussion Group

Mary Whitfield (Edmonds CC) and Timothy Sorrey (CWU)

Back by popular demand (OK I am making that up) we will once again meet in an informal session to discuss some recent articles from the chemical education literature. If you have been too busy with your teaching to keep up with the literature, this is your chance to get caught up! Articles will be sent out ahead of time with a few additional copies available at the meeting. New this year - we'll also send advance discussion questions to guide your reading.

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## Information from Sleeping Lady

We look forward to welcoming you as our guest. To ensure you feel at home during your stay with us, we've provided the following information about our operations, policies and experience. Please do not hesitate to contact us at 800-574-2123 if you have any questions.

- Check-in time is 3:00 p.m.; Checkout time is 11:00 a.m.
- Our Registration Desk and Gift Shop are staffed 24 hours a day. We offer seasonal equipment rental including snowshoes, cross-country skis, bicycles and trail passes.
- We have a non-smoking policy indoors and out. Violators will be charged a minimum of \$150. Pleasehelp us keep Sleeping Lady smoke-free.
- Due to the four seasons we experience we recommend non-slip footwear. High heels are stronglydiscouraged.
- Luggage carts are available directly outside the main office for our guests.
- Please park your vehicles in the guest parking lot. No motor vehicles may be driven on site.
- The Woodland Rock Pool is open 24 hours a day seasonally (May-September) and the adjoining hot pool is open year round. Swimsuits are required.
- The Sauna is open 24 hours a day and is located at the west end of the property.
- If you would like to schedule a massage, please call us at 800-574-2123. 24-hour advance reservation is recommended.
- Grasshopper Fitness Center is open 24 hours a day and requires your room key for access.
- We do NOT allow pets at the property. Those with pet allergies should note that Sleeping Lady hosts three cats - two of which have been with the facility prior to opening.
- There are no televisions in our guest rooms.
- The Library provides space to find or read a good book and relax. A variety of games and a computer with high-speed Internet access and printer are available for use.
- There are telephones and dial-up data connections in all guest rooms.
- The Grotto bar opens daily at 4:30 p.m. There is a television in the bar.
- Kingfisher Dining Lodge serves meals buffet/cafeteria style to all Sleeping Lady guests in a communityenhancing environment with European-style seating. Beer and Wine are available.
  - Dining Hours: Breakfast 7:30-8:30 a.m. Mon-Fri, 8:00-9:00 a.m. Sat & Sun, Lunch 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m., Dinner 6:00 7:00 pm
- O'Grady's Pantry serves espresso, homemade ice cream, many other café selections, and beer, wine and spirits. O'Grady's, located at the entrance to Sleeping Lady, opens daily at 7:00 a.m.

First time guests at Sleeping Lady will find a unique conference experience unlike most others. When you enter Sleeping Lady, you will feel nature's tranquility. Our buildings blend with the natural landscape, and are separated allowing many opportunities to enjoy the fresh air and a little exercise. You will leave your fast-moving work of tensions, noise and pressure, and once here, will slow your tempo and relate to your colleagues in simple, positive ways. Our offerings of arts and music on site; and the surrounding of the natural world will enhance the working energy in your conference.

Upon arrival, you will settle into a friendly, comfortable room. It smells good because there's no carpet or synthetic fabrics. The air is fresh and quiet, free of noises from air conditioner and fan. Since the room is small, with no TV or mini-bar, you will be encouraged to go out and find your colleagues. You can enjoy conversation as you walk to Kingfisher Dining Lodge along a narrow curving path among tall pines and native vegetation. There, you will find yourself in the buffet line, welcomed by friendly servers; with the subject of talk likely turning to the delicious food.

The next morning, you will come to breakfast, informally dressed, after a sound sleep under down comforters with no glaring lights, toxic odors, and sounds only of birds and frogs. Tensions will dissolve as you sit down at community tables, relaxed and laughing. You will have delicious and healthful meals, productive meetings, learn from each other, take a walk, and with luck, enjoy a concert.

Our meeting spaces are decorated with warm wood flooring, oriental rugs, comfortable chairs and couches, wood stoves and more. The meeting rooms take their names from the birds and animals you might see out their windows: Woodpecker, Nuthatch, Dipper, Quail and Flicker. The fresh air and natural lighting in all our meeting areas will inspire creative thinking.

Every aspect of our site layout and buildings, inside and out is designed to encourage gatherings and communication. From the chapel to benches under trees and on the decks, you can find your fellow conferees with no long-walled corridors to navigate. Those who have disputes at home often discover each other as human beings while watching a woodpecker, enjoying a plate of fine food by an open fire, walking among rocks by the river orduring ski outing on the trail.

Hostilities dissolve momentarily as people discover art pieces together. Every detail from Chihuly's Icicles to the door handles becomes a lighthearted diversion. The presence of the Icicle Creek Music Center provides an esthetic dimension for the Sleeping Lady guest experience, as well as bringing in people from afar. Its high quality music calms the soul, which all can share.

The environmental consciousness shown in our treatment of the landscape and our choices of building materials and methods demonstrates how comfortable, even luxurious, a facility can be where conservation principles are applied. Of course, energy conservation is central to our environmental commitment, simply because it is the right way to build anything.

We look forward to having you as our guest, and to welcoming you back time and time again.

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