

April 2015 Newsletter

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I. Biomimicry in Action on Thursday, April 2 in Albuquerque @ Yanni's

Our Local Section is partnering with the organizers of the following upcoming "Science on Tap" event in Albuquerque:

5:30 pm on Thursday, April 2, 2015 @ Yanni's
Alexandria Maciejewski and Dr. Heather Canavan, UNM Department of Chemical & Biological Engineering
"Anything You Can Do, I Can Do Better: Biomimicry in Action"

How did a diving bird revolutionize commuter trains? How have sharks proven that usefulness is often skin-deep? Why did some irritating Burdock burrs launch a scientific movement? Since the evolution of mankind brought us to grunting and pointing and furrowing our brows, we have been observing nature and trying to uncover its secrets. The progression of technology beyond sticks and stones has enabled us to keep a different kind of fire burning, and biomimicry is poised to be the solution to many of the challenges facing Earth today. Join Professor Heather Canavan and soon-to-be UNM graduate Alex Maciejewski for a journey through air, land, and sea as they reveal all that humans can achieve when they take a page from Nature's playbook.

This event will be held at Yanni's at 3109 Central Avenue NE in Albuquerque (505-268-9250):
<http://www.yannisandlemoni.com/>

This Albuquerque "Science on Tap" series is sponsored by the University of New Mexico, Explora, the National Museum of Nuclear Science and History, and Yanni's. Our Local Section is assisting with this presentation through providing attendee raffle prizes. Further information on the Albuquerque "Science on Tap" series can be found at the following:

<http://scienceontapnm.blogspot.com/>

II. “ChemCam and Zapping Rocks on Mars” on Thursday, June 18 in Los Alamos

Our Local Section will be co-hosting the June “Science on Tap” event in Los Alamos:

5:30 pm on Thursday, June 18, 2015 @ the UnQuarked Wine Room
Nina Lanza, LANL Space and Remote Sensing Group
“ChemCam and Zapping Rocks on Mars”

This event will be held at the UnQuarked Wine Room (145 Central Park Square) in Los Alamos (<http://www.unquarkedwine.com/>). The Los Alamos “Science On Tap” series is sponsored by the Los Alamos Creative District and occurs on the third Thursday of every month and is organized by the Bradbury Science Museum. Additional information on this and other “On Tap” series events is available through Los Alamos Creative District and Bradbury Science Museum websites:

<http://www.creativelosalamos.com>
<http://www.lanl.gov/museum/index.shtml>

III. ACS Webinars – an archive for our Members

Thanks to those who joined us on a snowy late afternoon in Los Alamos in February for the ACS “Chemistry on the Silver Screen” webinar. For those that were unable to attend the ACS has an archive of past ACS Webinars that is accessible to our Members at the following URL:

<http://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/events.html>

The above webinar is not yet among the listed choices in the archive but there are many other interesting past titles that are available.

IV. Local Section Officers

The following are our 2015 Local Section Officers. Please feel free to contact them for information or suggestions regarding the Local Section or ACS in general.

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VI. Changes of Address

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