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Oct. 21, 2011

Nancy Bakowski  
2012 Student Leadership Award

Dear Ms. Bakowski:

I currently am and have held numerous leadership positions. Currently I am the treasurer of the local student chapter of the American Chemical Society. I am also a leader in an on-campus organization known as the Collaboratory. In the Collaboratory I am the project manager of the Hollow Fiber Membrane project and I coordinate and delegate weekly tasks to students from several academic departments to ensure that our work developing and testing the filter system will be accomplished in a thorough yet timely manner. Past leadership experience has included earning both the Silver and Gold Awards in Girl Scouts, as well as the Girl Scout Leadership Awards. I also had the opportunity to lead other youths in my community in Reality Check; a youth-led anti-tobacco campaign. Additionally I had the privilege to fulfill a leadership role as a mentor through the Big Brothers Big Sisters program in high school and continued that type of leadership role volunteering at the Salvation Army after school program while at college.

I have learned a great deal through my opportunities to partake in my many leadership positions over the years. I have learned how to communicate effectively in a variety of settings; from giving presentations to community organizations and town boards, to making phone calls and emails of various natures, and to preparing and running meetings. I have also learned how to work well with people of all ages and in both formal informal settings. I have learned that plans seldom go as expected and have developed methods to compensate for the unforeseen events that undoubtedly arise. My leadership roles have taught me how to work well with people and how to delegate roles and responsibilities in a way that tasks and programs are accomplished and accomplished well.

My time as a leader has also taught me that good leaders seek out opportunities to further develop their skills. One skill in particular I would like to develop is my ability to seek out and network with other leaders and members in the community who desire the same goals as those under my leadership. There are often people in the community with resources valuable to a group I am leading but I am often unsure of how to discover and tap into these resources. I believe learning how to more effectively network would greatly increase my ability to be a fruitful leader. I would also like to better hone my presenting skills. A well said presentation can go a long way towards increasing the stature of the project or group you are speaking for, and as such I wish to take every opportunity to become a better-spoken presenter.

I wholeheartedly desire to strengthen my ACS student chapter with the leadership skills I currently possess as well as the skills I hope to gain at the 2012 ACS Leadership Institute. I plan to use my communication and presentation skills to reach out to the community and plan events in which our group members share chemistry with the community, as well as events where skilled members of the community share their knowledge and expertise with our chapter. Though much can be done with the good communication skills I and other leaders in our ASC student chapter possess, learning to better network with the community would go a long way towards planning engaging presentations and demonstrations which help our chapter share the excitement of chemistry with the community. Those

skills would also help us connect chemists in the community who possess an invaluable wealth of knowledge and experience with members of our chapter. Without the networking tools that allow us to connect with people in the community, we are passing over some of our golden opportunities. As a leader this is unacceptable for it is my duty to find and pursue any and all opportunities that will benefit our chapter. Participating in this leadership institute is one such opportunity and if selected for this award, the skills and knowledge gained would go a long way towards strengthening my ACS student chapter.

As requested I have enclosed a copy of my resume below and am happy to answer any questions you may have. Please feel free to contact by e-mail at [jv1197@messiah.edu](mailto:jv1197@messiah.edu).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Janelle Veazey  
Treasurer of the ACS student chapter at Messiah College

## 2012 Student Leadership Awards

### Application Form

Please complete all fields and e-mail this form to [undergrad@acs.org](mailto:undergrad@acs.org) (include "2012 Leadership Awards" in the subject line) or FAX to 202-872-8068. All paid student members who have completed at least one year of undergraduate studies in the chemical sciences and have held elective office in an active student chapter are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to sophomores and juniors.

### All applications must be received by October 26, 2011

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10. Expected  
Graduation Date: May 2014

\_\_\_\_Janelle Veazey\_\_\_\_ 10/24/11\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature Date

\_\_\_\_Hannah Tims\_\_\_\_ 10/24/11\_\_\_\_  
Faculty Advisor Signature Date

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### Leadership Experience

- ACS Student Chapter**, Grantham, PA 2010-2011
- Treasurer: looking after finances and planning events
  - Active member: participating in activities whenever possible
- Collaboratory**, Grantham, PA 2010-2011
- Leader of Hollow Fiber Membrane project: work with students, faculty, and partners in Nicaragua to improve the design of the prototype system, develop and preform procedures to test bacteria and sediment strain on the filter over time, successfully implement improved system in Nicaragua (Sophomore year)
  - Member of the testing team: research organic and inorganic water contaminates and help with bacteria and chlorine testing project (Freshman year)
- Reality Check**, Geneseo, NY 2005-2009
- Created and delivered presentations on tobacco control to various groups
  - Created posters/ power points for advertising events
  - Managed table explaining organization
  - Collected signatures of support for various initiatives
  - Handed out flyers and gear at events
- Big Brothers Big Sisters**, Geneseo, NY 2008
- Met with little sister every week
  - Played games with little sister
  - Worked with multiple children when other mentors absent
- Girl Scouts**, Geneseo, NY 1997-2007
- Earned Gold Award, comparable to Eagle Award, starting a youth center in my community
  - Earned Silver Award, second highest award in Girl Scouts teaching sewing in my community
  - Planned Cookie Kick-off event for younger Girl Scouts
  - Collected and counted money from cookies

### Work Experience

- General Chemistry Tutor**, Grantham, PA 2011
- Helped students work through homework problems, lab write-ups, and answer any other chemistry questions they might have
  - Promoted chemistry as a fun experience, despite its somewhat challenging nature
- Laboratory prep**, Messiah College Department of Biology Feb.-Oct 2011

- Made solutions
- Compiled supplies for upcoming labs
- Washed glassware
- Performed any other task asked

**Associate,** Miceli's Deli, Geneseo, NY

March 2010- Aug 2011

- Prepared sandwiches, salads, and soups
- Operated cash register/ credit card machine
- Took customer's orders
- Closed deli: counted cash, cleaned, locked up
- Washed dishes

**Hostess,** Brian's Diner USA, Mt. Morris, NY

June 2009- Aug. 2009

- Greeted and sat customers
- Operated cash register/ credit card machine
- Closed restaurant, locked up, counted cash
- Arranged tables for parties
- Bussed tables, rolled silverware

## Education

**BS Degree,** (pending) Messiah College

May 2014

- Current GPA of 3.87

**Advanced Regents Diploma,** Geneseo Central, Geneseo, NY

June 2010

- Completed AP courses including Chemistry, Calculus, English, US History
- Completed 6 college credits of Spanish
- Cumulative GPA of 97.98

**References available upon request**

24 October 2011

Dear Reader,

I have had the pleasure of having Janelle Veazey as a member of a service group that I advise through the Collaboratory for Strategic Partnerships and Applied Research at Messiah College. During Janelle's freshman year she was part of the Village Water Ozonation System (VWOS) team. VWOS is a village scale water purification system that uses filters and ozone to purify water. Janelle worked on water testing aspects of the project. We could count on her to complete tasks given to her and to have the initiative to identify jobs that needed to be done and complete them.

This year Janelle is the team leader for the Hollow Fiber Membrane team. This team will study the feasibility of using hollow fiber membrane technology to purify water in a partnering village in rural Nicaragua. Being a team leader involves writing a project proposal and timeline, putting together an annual project budget, and assigning tasks to team members. Janelle returned to campus one week prior to classes starting in order to attend a leadership workshop to prepare her for these duties.

Janelle is a bright and hard working individual and will make good use of opportunities that will further her educational and professional development. I would highly recommend her as a recipient of the ACS Student Leadership Award.

Please feel free to contact me if you need any further information regarding this recommendation for Janelle Veazey.

Sincerely,

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