The American Chemical Society

Founded in 1876 and chartered by Congress, the American Chemical Society is the world’s largest scientific society. It is a self-governed individual membership professional organization consisting of 154,000 members, representing a wide range of disciplines of chemists, chemical engineers, and technicians.

The organization seeks to promote the public’s perception and understanding of chemistry and the chemical sciences through public outreach programs and provides career development assistance and employment opportunities for science professionals.

The Orange County ACS Section has over 1400 members, and holds 8 general meetings and dozens of committee meetings each year. Along with supporting the Science and Engineering Fair, the Education Committee of Orange County ACS has testing and awards programs for high school and college chemistry students, and demonstrations and activities for elementary children in the fall and spring.

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College Awards Program
Grimm Hall Conference Center
Concordia University, Irvine

April 26, 2017
Welcome
Dr. Lindsay Kane-Barnese
Assistant Professor of Biology and Chemistry, Concordia

Italian Dinner
Classic Caesar Salad, Rosemary Chicken Breast, Rotini with Summer Vegetables, Italian Seasoned Potatoes, Garlic Bread, Cheesecake and Assorted Beverages

Introduction of Speaker
Dr. Sandra Thompson
Chair, Orange County ACS

Speaker
Gregory A. Weiss, Ph.D.
Department of Chemistry
University of California, Irvine
“Listening and Dancing with Life’s Molecular Machines”

OCACS Volunteer of the Year

Awards
Dr. Carol Grimes & Dr. Sandra Thompson
Orange County ACS

Closing
Dr. Carol Grimes
Education Chair, Orange County ACS

Presentation of College Awards

Outstanding Chemistry Students for 2016-2017
Selected by Faculty Vote

California State University Fullerton............. Joseph Amos
Cerritos College.................................... William Wellman
Chapman University................................. Julie Nguyen
Concordia University............................... Phoebe W. Weaver
Cypress College.................................... Andrew K. Alvarez
Fullerton College.................................. Dong Le
Golden West College............................... Ngoc La
Irvine Valley College............................... Yume Tateo
Mt. San Antonio College.......................... Armando Shehi
Orange Coast College............................. Hung Le
Saddleback College................................. Naveed Yazki
Santa Ana College................................. Thien Kim T Huyen
Santiago Canyon College.......................... Myra Ali
University of California Irvine..................... Quentin Tercenio
Vanguard University............................... Montana Mellody

Each student is presented with a gift card, a certificate, and their name engraved on their school’s plaque