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QUOTATIONS FROM CHAIRMAN SMITH

Dear Colleagues:

The increasing interest in the chemical senses was reflected in our most recent meeting in Sarasota, which attracted greater attendance and more volunteer presentations than ever before. We are beginning to see contributions from many areas outside the mainstream of taste and smell research. It is just this kind of interdisciplinary meeting that the Association for Chemoreception Sciences hopes to promote. As most of you know, this year's AChemS abstracts will be published in Chemical Senses.

In that light, it is very exciting to think about next year's joint meeting of AChemS and the International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste. meeting will be held in Aspen, Colorado, on July 20-24. 1986, and is being organized by a local committee chaired by Steve Roper of the University of Colorado Medical Center. The Sarasota Hyatt has let us out of our commitment for 1986 so that we might organize a joint meeting in Colorado in July. Any inquiries about the 1986 AChemS-ISOT meeting should be addressed to Dr. Stephen D. Roper. (See announcement under Future Meeting notes.)

Both the Past Executive Chair and myself would like to announce a change of address. As of August I, 1985, my address will be:

Dr. David V. Smith
Department of Otolaryngology and
Maxillofacial Surgery
University of Cincinnati
College of Medicine
Mail Location 528
Cincinnati, OH 45267

As of September 1, 1985, the address of the Past Executive Chair will be:

Dr. Robert C. Gesteland
Department of Anatomy and Cell
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This may sound like a bit of an exodus, but I, for one, began to get tired of all the Wyoming jokes! At any rate, I will no longer be at the mercy of the Pony Express division of the U.S. Mail Service or of the horrible winter blizzards that have constantly threatened my travel arrangements to Sarasota and other wonderful spots!

JAVITS AWARD TO ACHEMS MEMBERS

Dr. Gordon Shepherd of Yale University is the latest member of AChemS to receive a Javits Neuroscience Investigatorship. There are now a total of 100 scientists, including seven other AChemS members, who are enjoying the award's provision for 7 years of NINCDS support.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The January, 1985 Bulletin of the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery is devoted to "How to apply for an NIH grant". Anyone wishing to obtain a copy of this document should write to the American Academy of etc. at 1101 Vermont Ave., NW, Suite 302, Washington, D.C. 20005.

AChemS VII MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING 26 April, Sarasota

I. Call to order 5:06 P.M.

Executive Chair, R.C. Gesteland, presiding

1. Reports

A. Elections Committee - W.S. Cain, Chair

The results of the 1985 election are as follows:

Executive Chair-elect: Bruce Oakley
Secretary: Janneane F. Gent
Councilor: Claire Murphy
Program Chair (for 1986 meeting):
Jelle Atema
Program Chair-elect (for 1987
meeting): Barry W. Ache

B. Membership - M. Frank, Chair

We currently have 332 members, 25 of these are student members.

C. Program - G. Beauchamp, Chair

A total of 283 registered for the 1985 meeting. Of these, 189 registered as regular members, 56 as students, and 38 as nonmembers. The Hyatt reports that 175 rocms were booked by attendees.

Finance - John Caprio, Chair

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- We finally have tax exempt status.
- We have \$47,000 in the bank as of March 31, 1985.
 24 graduatestudents received housing courtesy of AChemS.
- Travel Committee Barry Ache

\$2000 was awarded to 7 graduate students in order that they might attend this meeting. The award covered up to 60% of each student's travel cost.

- Chairman's report -Bob Gesteland
- 1. Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corp., Unilever Research Netherlands, and Unilever Research-UK each donated \$1,000 to the AChemS Traveling Scientist Fellowship Program. Recipients of travel support for 1985 were Doron Lancet (Israel), K.G. Tonosaki (Japan), Ann Tunnelly (UK), and Jan Frijters (Netherlands).
- 2. Abstracts from this meeting will be published in the journal. Chemical Senses.

John Kauer has been appointed as the ad hoc editor in charge of the abstracts.

ECRO and JATS will also publish abstracts from their meetings in Chemical Senses.

- 3. The membership wishes to express its sincere condolances to William Stewart and his family.
- 4.Awards: Freeman, Givaudan, Alberto-Culver

The next Executive Chair, D.V. Smith, will appoint an ad hoc committee charged with the preparation of a slate of nominees for each award.

5. Re 1986 annual AChemS meeting

A motion was made that the 1986 meeting of the Association be held in conjunction with ISOT in Aspen, CO, July 20-24, 1986, instead of in Sarasota in April.

Discussion The International Union of Physiological Sciences (IUPS) will be holding its 1986 meeting in Vancouver. As has been the custom, the satelite conference on Olfaction and Taste (ISOT) will be held at a site near the main meeting site, namely Aspen, CO.

The executive committee unanimously recommended approval of the motion and noted that the precedent for such a move was set in 1980 when ECRO met in conjunction with ISOT in the Netherlands.

Other issues discussed included: attendence at ISOT would not be restricted, the proceedings (papers, posters, abstracts) would be published, room rates would be equivalent or less expensive in Aspen, and AChemS would return to Sarasota in 1987.

The motion was passed unanimously.

III. The gavel was passed to the next Executive Chair, David Smith.

Meeting adjourned at 5:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Janneane F. Gent

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1985 R.W. Wright Award in Olfactory Research

major contributions to the understanding outstanding international nominees. Research. Burnaby, B.C. Simon Fraser University is studies of olfactory transduction in of the process of olfaction through his was cited for his pioneering work and Seewiesen, was selected from a group of Kaissling of the University first, R.H. Wright Award in Olfactory pleased insects. to announce the recipient of the Professor Karl-Ernst 0 † He

The R.H. Wright Award is to be presented annually. It was made possible by the gift of an anonymous donor whose goal is: "stimulating and ancouraging excellence in olfactory research." It consists of a \$5,000 cash award and a \$20,000 research grant. In addition, the recipient is appointed as Distinguished Visiting Professor at Simon Fraser University to present a series of lectures and symposia which are published.

Dr. Kaissling has tentatively scheduled his visit to Simon Fraser University for the period April 7-20, 1986.

The selection of Dr. Kaissling was made by the Award's Governing Committee, an international group of scholars working on olfaction: Dr. R.H. Wright, Canada; Dr. K. Colbow, Canada; Dr. K.B. Doving. Norway; Dr. R. Gesteland, U.S.A.; Dr. S. Takagi, Japan.

More information on the Award may be obtained from Dr. Bruce P. Clayman at (604)291-4465. Nominations for the 1986 Award should be sent to him prior to February 28, 1986. They should cite the nominee's contribution to olfactory research and include literature references and biographical information.

MACMILLAN BUYS COLLAMORE

Smell, a book advertised in these pages over one year ago, was included in the sale of Collamore Press to the Macmillan Publishing Company. Co-editor H.L. Meiselman reports the book should be out in 1985. According to uninformed sources, Steven Spielberg is interested in the screen version entitled "Measurers of the Lost G.O.R.C. (Gustatory and Olfactory Receptor Connections)." Stay tuned for further developments.

POSITION AVAILABLE

and graduate teaching. Toledo, Toledo, OH 43606. (7/85). Department of Psychology, University of of three references to Dr. David Hill, should send curriculum vitae and names Duties will also include undergraduate years, and will depend on experience. is competitive, renewable for up to five peripheral include behavioral studies as well as gustatory system. Investigations will development and plasticity of the non-tenure track, to study the neurophysiological recordings. Salary Assistant Professor of Psychology, and Applicants central

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FUTURE MEETING NOTES

21-23 May 1986

The International Life Sciences Institute will sponsor a Symposium on Sweetness at the International Conference Centre of Geneva, Provisional programme Switzerland. contents include the chemical, neurophysiological, and psychophysical aspects of sweetness; sweetness and evolution of the human diet; development of sweet taste; sweetness and eating disorders; sweetness in product development. Further details may be obtained from Conference Associates ILSI, 27A Medway Street, London SWIP 2BD, England. (Tel. 01-222 9493; Telex: 934346 CONFAS G).

13-19 July 1986

The 30th International Congress of the International Union of Physiological Societies (IUPS) will be held in Vancouver. B.C.

20-24 July 1986

The ninth International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste (ISOT IX) will be held at Snowmass, CO, near Aspen. ISOT IX is a satellite symposium of the IUPS Congress mentioned above. Association for Chemoreception Sciences (AChemS) is the regional organization hosting ISOT IX, under the auspices of the International Commission on Olfaction and Taste of IUPS. components of the annual AChemS meetings, such as the Givaudan Lecture, will be incorporated into ISOT IX. The program for ISOT IX will include symposia with invited participants, volunteer papers, poster sessions, and specialized workshops and short courses. The venue. Snowmass, Colorado, is in a major outdoor recreation region, with a variety of excellent accommodations, and good transportation from Denver, Colorado. To obtain pre-registration and participation information, or to propose symposia, please contact: ISOT IX Organizing Committee Chairperson, Dr. Stephen D. Roper, Department of Anatomy, B-III, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center. 4200 East Ninth Avenue, Denver, CO 80262, USA. Telephone: (303)394-7696.