

## ***News from alumni...***

**Scott Fleischman** (M.S. '03) is working at Honeywell in Clearwater as a Chemical & Materials Engineer.

**William S. Hitchcock, Ph.D.** (M.S. '76) and his wife Teresa celebrated their 30th anniversary in September at their home in Houston. Their middle son (Tom, 23) was graduated from the University of Houston with a degree in Chemical Engineering and is employed in his father's firm ([www.wshitchcock.com](http://www.wshitchcock.com)).

**Eileen Pérez, Ph.D.** ('99) is an Assistant Professor at Hillsborough Community College. She liked the last newsletter and wrote, "It is a great way to keep in touch." She has initiated Cooperative Learning Groups in the General Chemistry Laboratories at the Dale Mabry Campus.

**Duke D. Pooré, Ph.D.** ('96), Capt, U.S.A., is editor of a newsletter at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C.

## ***In the news...***

**Mike Zaworotko, Ph.D.** Professor and Chair, was pictured and his research summarized in the September 15th issue of *Chemical & Engineering News*.

## ***We're recognized...***

The USF Department of Chemistry was again recognized as being among the top ten producers of chemistry majors by the American Chemical Society Committee on Professional Training. USF was number 7 (UCLA was in first place).

Florida State produced about half of our number; University of Florida somewhat fewer than FSU. [Source: *C&EN*: August 25th, p. 46]

This continues a tradition of long standing. Just how long is what we are trying to find out? Any help out there?

## ***About the Natural and Environmental Sciences Building...***

Construction is coming along nicely, and you can now see the second floor.



NES construction as seen from the third floor of CHE building.  
Taken October 20, 2003

## ***Down memory lane***

For a number of years, the Department held open houses in the fall. This included laboratory tours, invitations to high school and college students, poster sessions, a lecture by a Nobel Laureate (see Chapter 3 in the Department history for more information).

Here are some pictures for the open house held November 18, 1989. How many faces do you remember?



*Poster session. Open House '89 as seen from 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of CHE.*



The late **Gertude B. Elion**, who spoke on the “Purine Path to Chemotherapy” pictured with Dr and Mrs. Raymond Castle sponsors of the lecture series. (left)

**Dr. Robert S. Braman** leading a guided tour of his laboratory to representatives from Florida Southern (including Shaun Schmidt third from left, and Dr James Healy second from right).





Participants in the poster session waiting for the lecture including **Dr. Jurch** with chemistry graduate students, including **Drs. Tekelehamanot, Venkatraj, and Castle.**



### ***Where are they now?***

One of our colleagues noted that alumni may be interested in what is going on with older members of the Department, and there are too many to cover in one issue, but here is a start...

**Jo Aaron** (retired Computer specialist) still lives in Brandon and is active with music and family. She has been a long-time member of the French horn sections of the “Mostly Pops” and other musical organizations, and we have seen her performing at concerts in the Bay Area.

**Jesse S. Binford, Ph.D.** (1961-03) continues to be active and is seen several times weekly passing on his bicycle. He was pictured in local newspapers on October 7 demonstrating alternative ways to get to work.

**Robert S. Braman, Ph.D.** (1967-03) spent part of the

summer traveling. He and his wife visited their children on the way to Michigan where he attended the 55th reunion of his high school class. Later he visited Northwestern and stayed with Dr. Claude A. Lucchesi, formerly in charge of instrumentation there.

**Gerald Carlson, Ph.D.** (1978-83) is Professor and Head, Division of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry at the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City. Dr. Susan Carlson is Midwestern Dairy Association Professor of Nutrition at the same institution.

**Winslow S. Caughey, Ph.D.** (1967-69) became a Professor of Chemistry at Arizona State U (1969-72), before going to Colorado State as Professor and Chair of Biochemistry (1973—95). In 1996, he became a special volunteer in the persistent Viral Diseases at

Rocky Mountain Laboratories, Hamilton, MT. [The information came from his 50-year ACS membership citation.]

**Joseph G. Cory, Ph.D.** (1966-71) shifted to the USF College of Medicine and became professor and head of biochemistry there. Subsequently, he left and is now Professor and Chairman of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at The Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University, Greenville, NC.

**Jeff C. Davis, Jr., Ph.D.** (1965-98; Chairman, 1978-82; 1995-98) and his wife Sylvia are living in Santa Rosa, CA where they are near family members.

**George R. Jurch, Jr., Ph.D.** (1966-98) is retired in Brandon, but continues to have a strong interest in wines and wine making, and has served as a wine judge in California.

**David O. Lambeth, Ph.D.** (1973-77) became a full professor in the Department of Biochemistry of the University of North Dakota and in 2003 was coming to the end of his professorial career.

**Marylyn Lupton, Ph.D.,** Administrative Aide, (1974-1986), completed her graduate program, received a Ph.D. from USF and taught with USF for a number of years. She and her husband, Keith, are retired and living in Original Carrollwood. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary some years ago.

**P. Calvin Maybury, Ph.D.** (1961-87; Chairman, 1963-74) is retired and living in Port St. Lucie, FL. He and his wife attended the 50th anniversary dinner of the Owens in March.

**Gerald R. Meisels, Ph.D.** (1988- ; Provost, 1988-94) is Director of the Coalition for Scientific Literacy on the USF and works closely with Professor Robert Potter.

**Terence M. Oestreich, Ph.D.** (1988-1996) After serving eight years as assistant chairman, he retired. He and his wife, Martha, live in Jensen Beach. As a High school official since 1968, he has officiated in six different

sports (baseball, basketball, football, soccer, fast-pitch softball, and volleyball). He has officiated in more than 1,750 varsity contests that involved schools in 60 of the state's 67 counties.

**Terrence C. Owen, Ph.D.** (1964-98; Chairman 1974-78) is Professor Emeritus of chemistry and still is to be found doing organic syntheses in the Science Center. He and his wife, Betty, celebrated their 50th anniversary last March.

**Venice Osteen** (receptionist, 1981- ) continues to be a receptionist in the Department.

**Bernie Pulin**, former Curator, left to move to Atlanta to be near his daughter. He passed away a few years later.

**Stewart W. Schneller** (1971-94; Chairman, 1986-1994) became Dean of the College of Science and Mathematics at Auburn, where he maintains an active research program as Professor of Chemistry.

**Joseph A. Stanko, Ph.D.** (1973-03) keeps active in Temple Terrace where he and his wife Joan swim, engage in church activities, keep in touch with their grown children, and Joe

continues to spend time in the Chemistry Building.

**William Swartz, Ph.D.** (1972-86; Chairman, 1982-86), is Manager of Analytical Services at Constellation Technology Corporation ([www.contech.com](http://www.contech.com))

**Eric Wickstrom, Ph.D.** (1982-1992) is a full professor in the Department Biochemistry of Biochemistry and Molecular Pharmacology at Thomas Jefferson University (Philadelphia) where he heads the Laboratory of Nuclear Therapeutics. He contributed to Chapter 6 of the Department History (see web page)

**Kin-Ping Wong, Ph.D.** (1970-75) has been Professor of Chemistry and Dean of the College of Science and Mathematics at California State University, Fresno for many years.

**Jay H. Worrell, Ph.D.** (1967-02) spent some time in France in the summer of 2003, and enjoyed revisiting the wine country. He and his wife, Louise, also spent time visiting their children. In the fall, the Worrells were scheduled to spend a couple of weeks touring the wine counties of California.

## ***Department history...***

See <http://www.cas.usf.edu/chemistry/>  
(see upper right hand corner)

## ***Our thanks...***

Mr. Ronald J. Federspiel provided the photos of the Open House, 1989.

Mr. Jason Hair is our valued Webmaster

## ***News and feedback...***

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