Hollins University Hosts the January Meeting

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ACS Tour Speaker
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A native of Lebanon, Al received a B.S. degree in Chemistry from the American University in Cairo in 1968. He also holds an M.S. degree in Chemistry (1972) from Youngstown State University in Ohio and a doctorate in Science Education (1997) from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Al has taught science and chemistry for several years at the school and the college levels here and overseas. Currently, he is the Director of the Undergraduate Chemistry Labs and a Lecturer in Chemistry at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. In addition, he regularly teaches science education courses in the College of Education. He has received several grants from government agencies, industry, and various organizations to improve undergraduate chemistry lab instruction and also to support K-16 hands-on science and chemistry outreach activities. He was the 2000 recipient of the ACS Helen M. Free Award for Public Outreach. Al is a very active ACS member. He is the immediate past-chair of the ACS Committee on Chemical Safety, an ACS tour speaker, and the councilor for the ACS East Tennessee Section. Al is an affiliate of the Institute for Chemical Education and a member of the National and the Tennessee Science Teachers Associations. He has made several presentations and given talks to local, regional, national and international chemical and science education conferences.

Title: A Fun (but Educational) History of Chemistry

Alex Hailey (the author of "Roots") once said: "Anytime you see a turtle up on top of a fence post, you know it had some help." We surely have come a long way in our knowledge of chemistry since the natural philosophers, the alchemists and the Harry Potter days. Wonder what the father of the modern periodic table Dimitri Mendeleev's favorite toy was? Wonder what Marie and Pierre Curie received as a wedding present? Wonder how Watson and Crick arrived at the determination of the structure of DNA (with the super help of Rosalind Franklin)? In this presentation, these questions and many others will be answered that will surely bring the human side to our historical chemistry story.
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The Virginia Blue Ridge Section of the American Chemical Society is sponsoring the twenty-first Annual Undergraduate/High School Poster Session as a part of the April 8, 2015 meeting at Radford University. Poster boards will be provided.

If you have a student or students, who will be participating, submit the following information by email to Chris Hermann (chermann@radford.edu) by April 2, 2015. This is a firm deadline. No poster submissions will be accepted after this time. All students and faculty will get email confirmation. If you did not get an email reply, then your submission was not received and you cannot present.

Name of Project __________________________________________
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48” by 48” poster board with tripod on table or just table will be provided.
Please specify what you need.

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_____ table needed
Directions to Hollins University

From I-81, take the Hollins exit (146) south toward Williamson Road (US-11) and turn left. The entrance to Hollins University is a little more than half a mile and is on the left. The meeting is in the Ballator Gallery of the Moody Center (Building #22)

Map of Hollins

The February meeting will be held at Roanoke College on February 26. Further details will be announced in the next issue of the Blue Ridge Chemist.