

Periodic Times

Wittenberg University Department of Chemistry

2012-13 Highlights:

Senior chem major Alaina Engdahl wins Best Poster Awards at local ACS meeting (for the 2nd year in a row)
Professor Hanson completes new book edition.
Seven students present posters at national conferences
Kay Reed retires after 21 years at Witt.
Ginny Harkins is hired as new dept. assistant
Research student Sloan Galbraith competes in karate at the Pan American games in Colombia.

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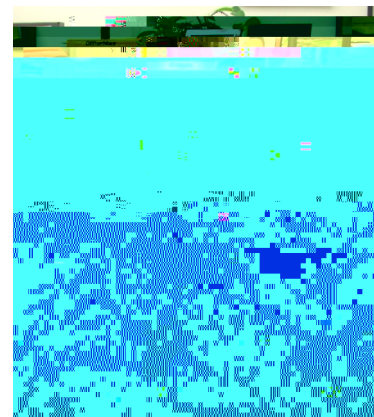
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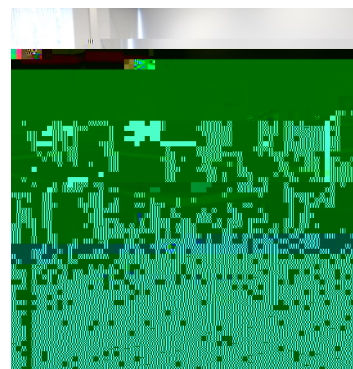
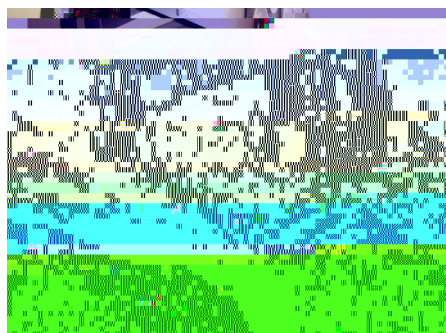
Department Bids Bon Voyage to Kay Reed

Kay Reed retired after 21 years as the department assistant to Chemistry and Physics. Her last official day at the office was June 27, though she returned for a few days in July to help train our new assistant. Students honored Kay at the department awards ceremony in April, presenting her with a scrapbook of photos and many heartfelt notes from students, faculty, staff and alumni. The department held a dinner celebration at the Simon Kenton Inn in June, with Nelson and Mary Lou Sartoris joining us for the occasion. We will miss Kay's friendly greeting in the office and her excellent handling of department tasks. Kay looks forward to spending more time with her grandson, home projects, and of course more cruises to the Bahamas. Ginny Harkins has been hired as our new assistant; Ginny has worked many years at Wittenberg, most recently for the Math & Computer Science Department and the Honors Program.



Computational Chemistry Lab Renovation and Upgrade

With funding from alumni and friends, the department accomplished a long-needed refurbishing of the computational chemistry lab. New carpet, paint and chairs were completed in October of 2012. Physical Plant staff also fabricated wood trim for the counters. We are grateful for the financial support of our donors who made this possible! In May 2013, the University also replaced the computers with new all-in-one Windows 7 machines, in time to be used by the computational research students this summer.



Alumni Notes

Neil Anderson (10) very excitedly accepted a quality control position at Amresco in October, 2012. He served on our alumni panel last fall.

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west, and back to New England.



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2013 Chemistry Graduates

Alaina Engdahl is attending the University of Michigan to pursue a PhD in medicinal chemistry.

Thomas Mori is employed as a chemical analyst for Galbraith Labs in Knoxville, Tennessee.

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