

Arrange *now* to join AOCS in Mexico City 65th Annual Spring Meeting

Travel Consultants, Inc., one of the largest and most efficient group travel agents, has been designated official travel coordinator for the AOCS 65th Annual Spring Meeting, to be held April 28-May 1 in Mexico City. This appointment represents a departure from AOCS tradition in that it is the Society's first effort to use coordinated travel as a means to reduce travel costs to a national meeting. A meeting outside U.S. boundaries provides an excellent opportunity for the AOCS to use such services.

Basically, TCI will work to arrange travel for all AOCS meeting registrants who decide to use their services. It will be TCI's responsibility to form groups whenever possible and to make and confirm housing arrangements, as well as to collect prepaid registration fees. Anyone wishing to attend the Mexico City meeting can make all arrangements through TCI and can request specific or general travel arrangements. As attendance and travel patterns develop, TCI will route travelers in groups of 15 or more people. For example, if it is not possible to form a group of 15 from, say, Indianapolis, departure from that city could be routed to St. Louis to pick up a group. The traveler would then pay regular fares from Indianapolis to St. Louis, and special group rates from St. Louis to Mexico City. The agent will not route travelers through diverse and devious routes just to form groups, nor will there be other undue inconvenience in travel arrangements.

An added advantage of TCI's group plan over other types of group travel is that participants will be required to travel with the group only one way—to Mexico City. Return trips can be made at the individual's convenience.

TCI will attempt to group everyone under the special GIT fare plan. This provides for reduced rates for any group of 15 who plan a five night or longer stay in Mexico (not just Mexico City) and who make arrangements through a special package plan, which includes hotel accommodations and one special AOCS ground tour during the stay. Savings

can be very substantial. For example, regular round trip economy class fare from New York to Mexico City (as of April 1, 1973) is \$295.00; GIT fare is \$218.00, or a savings of \$77.00. Similar savings are available for other cities. For example, economy fare from Atlanta is \$213.00; GIT is \$151.00. From Los Angeles, economy fare is \$221.00; GIT is \$156.00. From Chicago, economy is \$245.00 vs. \$167.00 for GIT.

A special brochure outlining all the details of the special travel plans and ground packages will be mailed to all Society members at a later date. In the meantime, nonmembers can request detailed information and brochures from AOCS.

For those who really like to plan ahead—a TCI representative will be available at the AOCS Fall Meeting in Chicago to take reservations for the Mexico City trip. Bring your \$50.00 per person deposit, and TCI will register you on the spot. There will be no penalty for cancellations prior to March 29, 1974.

More information about the Mexico City meeting and greater detail about special packages will appear in subsequent issues of *JAOCS*. ■

Kreutzer initiates technical program plans

Technical Program Chairman George Kreutzer, Swift & Co., Chicago, has announced that plans are under way for the AOCS 65th Annual Spring Meeting in Mexico City. Kreutzer has enlisted the aid of several key Society members in developing technical sessions and symposia for the occasion. Among those working with Kreutzer are George Cavanagh, Ranchers Cotton Oil, Fresno, Calif.; Steve Chang, Rutgers, The State University, New Brunswick, N.J.; Robert Greaser, Anderson, Clayton & Co., Houston, Tex.; C. Louis Kingsbaker, Blaw-Knox Chemical Plants Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Eric Jungermann, Armour Dial, Inc., Phoenix, Ariz.; Edward R. Hahn, Hahn Labs., Columbia, S.C.; Frank Sullivan, Frank E. Sullivan Co., Tiburon, Calif.; Karl Mattil, Texas A&M University, College Station, Tex.; Eugene Marshack, Eugene Marshack Assoc., Great Neck, N.Y.; Ernst H. Goebel, Tonsil Mexicana, S.A. de C.V., Mexico; and Raymond Reiser, Texas A&M University, College Station, Tex. ■

CALL FOR PAPERS

AOCS 65TH ANNUAL SPRING MEETING

The Technical Program Committee has issued a call for papers to be presented at the AOCS 65th Annual Spring Meeting, April 28-May 1, 1974, in the Maria Isabel Sheraton and the Camino Real Hotels, Mexico City. Papers on lipids, fats and oils, and all related areas are welcome.

Submit three copies of 100-300 word abstract with title, authors and speaker to George M. Kreutzer, Mfg. Refinery & Margarine, Swift & Co., 115 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill. 60604.

The deadline for submitting papers is November 15, 1973.