

Dr. Sonntag installed as AOCS President

Dr. N.O.V. Sonntag, technical director for Southland Corp. Chemical Division in Dallas, TX, was installed as president of the American Oil Chemists' Society during the annual meeting earlier this month in San Francisco.

Also installed during the meeting were Frank Naughton, vice-president; T.H. Smouse, treasurer; Frank Luddy, secretary; and Joyce Beare-Rogers, Erl Lowery, and L.D. McClung as members-at-large of the Governing Board.

Ballots were distributed earlier this year to approximately 3,200 voting members. A total of 1,124 valid ballots were returned. All of these contests were close, with no more than a 10% difference between vote totals between candidates for the top three contested offices.

Naughton was recently promoted to manager of the plastics and specialty chemicals application laboratory for NL Industries' Industrial Chemicals Division. He has served as AOCS treasurer during the past year and served on the Governing Board as a member-at-large prior to that. Under AOCS by-laws, he will serve as president for 1980-81.

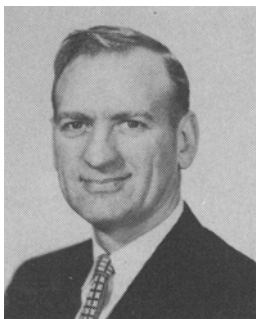
Succeeding Naughton as treasurer will be Dr. Smouse, a member-at-large of the Governing Board during the past year. He is manager of lipid sciences, Venture Management, Ralston-Purina Co., in St. Louis.

Luddy, senior research chemist at the USDA's Eastern Regional Research Center in Philadelphia, will be serving his second consecutive term as secretary.

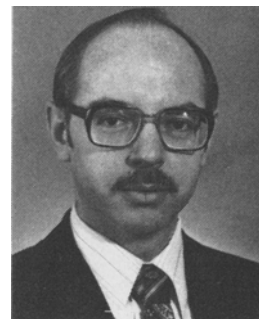
Dr. Beare-Rogers is chief of nutrition research at the Bureau of Nutritional Sciences, Health Protection Branch, Department of Health and Welfare in Ottawa, Canada. This will be her first term on the Governing Board. She has been active in numerous AOCS committees, serving as head of the Honored Student Award Committee for the past two years.

Lowery is section head of Procter & Gamble's Product-Process Development, Industrial Chemicals Division, Fatty Acids and Derivatives. He has held numerous committee assignments, serving as chairman of the National Program and Planning Committee. He will be serving his first term on the Governing Board.

McClung is quality control manager at Best Foods Division of CPC International in San Francisco. He served as a program chairman for the JOCS-AOCS joint meeting held earlier this month in San Francisco. He has been an active member of national and local section committees. This will be McClung's first term on the Governing Board also.



N.O.V. Sonntag



T.H. Smouse



F. Naughton



F. Luddy

A word of thanks to my colleagues

I would like to take this means of thanking my friends and colleagues who were thoughtful enough to cast ballots for me in the recent AOCS election.

I hope this note will serve as a general expression of my acknowledgment and appreciation for all the good wishes and congratulations I have received.

The past decade of AOCS has been one of significant progress in our publications, technical scope and international character. I sincerely hope that I can sustain the progress of the Society and fulfill the expectations of those who were kind enough to support me.

Sincerely,
Frank Naughton