

MEETING SCHEDULE

Following is the tentative committee meeting schedule for the AOCS 48th Annual Fall Meeting September 29-October 2 at the Sheraton Hotel in Philadelphia, Pa. The list reflects change requests received at AOCS headquarters as of July 17, 1974. Chairmen will be notified of the final schedule and will in turn notify individual committee members.

Committee	Day	Time
Advertising	Tuesday	10:00-12:00
AOCS Foundation	Wednesday	8:00-10:00
Awards Administration	Tuesday	5:00-6:00
Bleaching Methods	Sunday	5:00-6:00
Bond Award	Sunday	4:00-5:00
Commercial Fats and Oils Analysis	Tuesday	8:00-9:00
Commercial Fatty Acids	Tuesday	5:00-6:00
Dibasic Acids	Tuesday	8:00-9:00
Education	Tuesday	2:00-4:00
Environmental Control	Sunday	3:00-4:00
Examination Board	Sunday	12:00-3:00
Fats and Oils By-Products	Sunday	4:00-5:00
Fatty Nitrogen	Sunday	5:00-6:00
Flavor Nomenclature	Tuesday	8:00-9:00
Governing Board	Sunday	9:00-12:00
	Wednesday	2:00-6:00
Honored Student Award	Monday	4:00-5:00
Hydrogenated Oils	Tuesday	4:00-5:00
Instrumental Techniques	Monday	4:00-6:00
International Relations	Wednesday	8:00-9:00
Lipids Advisory Board	Sunday	1:00-4:00
Local Sections	Sunday	5:00-6:00
Meetings Planning	Monday	2:00-4:00
Membership	Tuesday	4:00-6:00
National Program and Planning	Tuesday	4:00-6:00
Nomenclature	Sunday	4:00-6:00
Polyethylene in Fats	Tuesday	8:00-9:00
Public Relations	Sunday	3:00-4:00
Publications	Tuesday	8:00-10:00
Seed and Meal Analysis	Monday	4:00-6:00
Society Improvement	Monday	4:00-6:00
Standards Subcommittee	Tuesday	9:00-10:00
Technical Program Chairmen	Monday	7:30-9:00
Technical Safety	Monday	5:00-6:00
Uniform Methods	Wednesday	8:00-10:00
Ways and Means	Wednesday	10:00-12:00

Unemployment rate for chemists drops

The unemployment rate for chemists dropped for the second consecutive year, but salary increases have fallen far behind recent big boosts in the cost of living, according to the 1974 American Chemical Society survey.

"Actual unemployment was at 1.4% this March, down from 1.8% a year earlier and 3.2% in March 1972," according to a summary of the report in the June 17 issue of *Chemical and Engineering News*, the weekly news-magazine of the ACS.

"The mass of data reveals that between March 1973 and March 1974 the median salary increase for chemists was 5.2%. In the same period the overall consumer price index spurted upward by 10.2%," the article continued.

There were large differences between men and women chemists, with more women employed than men (3.5% vs. 1.2%) and women's salaries ranked substantially lower in all categories. Differences between all chemists by age, specialty, geographic location, and educational level were less noticeable.

"The new survey indicates that the better employment situation for chemists involves more than simply a drop in the jobless rate," the article noted. "In 1972, 1.5% of the respondents were in temporary or part-time employment and another 2.9% were employed subprofessionally.... So the total of those either without jobs or in unsatisfactory jobs was 7.6%."

By 1973, the total was down to 5.2%, which included 1.8% unemployed, 1.3% in temporary or part-time jobs, and 2.6% subprofessionally employed.

"For this year," the article stated, "this total is down further to 3.4%-1.4% without jobs, 1.0% in temporary or part-time jobs, and another 1.0% in subprofessional jobs."

"It is apparent from these ACS surveys that the job market for chemists has improved much more sharply over the past 2 years than have most other job markets," the article continued. "For instance, the unemployment rate for the total civilian work force was at a seasonally adjusted 5.8% in March 1972. By March 1973, it was at 5.0%, and, by March this year, it was up to 5.1% after dipping below the 5% mark for the last 7 months of 1973."

In other unemployment results of the survey, a detailed analysis revealed that M.S. chemists have a higher unemployment rate (1.7%) than either Ph.D (1.2%) or B.S. Chemists (1.3%).

CALL FOR PAPERS

AOCS 66th Annual Spring Meeting

The Technical Program Committee has issued a call for papers to be presented at the AOCS 66th Annual Spring Meeting, April 27-30, 1975, in the Statler Hilton, Dallas, Tex. Papers on lipids, fats and oils, and all related areas are welcome.

Submit three copies of a 100-300 word abstract with title, authors, and speaker to Thomas H. Smouse, Research Scientist, Anderson Clayton Foods, 3333 N. Central Expy., Richardson, Tex. 75080.

The deadline for submitting papers is December 1, 1974.