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Welcome to Missoula and thank you for joining us at NORM 2014!

On behalf of the Montana Local Section of the American Society, I would like to welcome you to the 69th Northwest Regional Meeting (NORM 2014) of the American Chemical Society on the University of Montana campus.

We have a variety of scientific programming and social/networking events. NORM 2014 will feature symposia, general, and poster sessions in analytical, organic, physical, and inorganic chemistry, biochemistry, and chemical education. The "Small Forces, Mountainous Outcomes" symposium, supported by the ACS Division of Organic Chemistry, will feature plenary lecturer Julius Rebek, Jr., of Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla. Inorganic chemistry symposia will focus on "Nanomaterials" and "Bioinorganic Chemistry." Biochemistry symposia include "Bringing the Protein Structure Initiative to Your Laboratory" and "Protein Dynamics," with keynote speakers Valerie Daggett from University of Washington and Daniel Raleigh from Stony Brook University. The physical chemistry symposium will emphasize applications of fluorescence spectroscopy, with Lenny Brand from Johns Hopkins University as a speaker. The "Translating Chemistry into Medicines" symposium, supported by the ACS Division of Medicinal Chemistry, will feature Bruce and Cyndie Maryanoff, ACS fellows and longtime associates with Johnson & Johnson.

In addition to the extensive educational opportunities, NORM 2014 will include a graduate school recruiting lunch for undergraduate students with representatives from regional chemistry graduate schools, and an undergrad breakfast featuring a panel of notable chemists. The meeting also features an interactive poster session and the "Finding Your Pathway" workshop presented by ACS Career Services. There will be a Tuesday evening Awards Reception honoring the recipients of the ACS Division of Chemical Education Glenn & Jane Crosby Northwest Region Award for Excellence in High School Teaching, the E. Ann Nalley Award for Volunteer Service to the ACS; and the Stanley C. Israel Award for Advancing Diversity in the Chemical Sciences.

Attendees can taste regional beer while they tour the Big Sky Brewery or spend an evening at Ogren Park Allegiance Field watching a minor league baseball game between the Missoula Osprey and the Helena Brewers.

Come enjoy some great science and the long summer nights in Missoula at NORM 2014!

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