

### Michael Monahan Research Fellowship

This award was established through a bequest of Dr. Michael Monahan, an alumnus of our department who received his BS in Chemistry in 1963. After receiving his PhD in Chemistry in 1968 he joined the Salk Institute and was subsequently a Senior Research Scientist with Beckman Instruments. Dr. Monahan was founder and President of California Medicinal Chemistry Corporation and a member of our faculty during the period 1985-1987. This competitive award is presented to an outstanding undergraduate or graduate student in chemistry or biochemistry to support summer research.

### John H. Stern Award

Dr. Stern was a member of our faculty from 1958-1987 and a distinguished teacher of physical and general chemistry. He was internationally known for his work in solution thermodynamics and as an author of many publications in that field. Several of his research students have become college and university professors through his influence and example. The Stern award recognizes outstanding scholarship in the field of physical chemistry.

### Spyros Pathos Award

Spyros Pathos was an undergraduate chemistry major in our department at the time of his death in 1993. The award was established in his honor by members of the Greek Folk Dance community of which he was a member. This award is presented to a student excelling in the second semester of General Chemistry, Chemistry 111B.

### Toni Horalek Award

Toni Horalek should perhaps be described as the "Founding Secretary" of our department. Faculty members who joined the department in the sixties remember her as the gentle authority who seemingly knew all the rules and regulations and communicated them to the newcomers in a manner that left no doubt that these rules were to be observed. The award recognizes a student with an outstanding record of service to the department.



The Chemistry and Biochemistry Department would like to thank all who have attended this evening in support of our outstanding students .

# *Chemistry and Biochemistry Awards Banquet*



*May 9, 2017*

*6:00 PM*

*THE POINTE  
1250 Bellflower Blvd. Long Beach, CA 90840*



**California State University, Long Beach**

## Departmental Awards

### Leslie K. Wynston Scholarship

Dr. Wynston was a biochemistry professor in our department from 1965-1998. He served as Chair of the Pre-Professions Health Advisory Committee for many years and was active in both the Western and National Association of Advisors for the Health Professions. The award recognizes an outstanding Biochemistry major who is planning to enter a health-related professional school the following year.

### Robert B. Henderson Award

Dr. Henderson was one of the founding faculty of our department. He was a distinguished scientist and a teacher of organic and general chemistry (1955-1982). Dr. Henderson also served as Chairman of Physical Science and as Associate Dean of the College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics (CNSM). This award is given to a student best exemplifying Dr. Henderson's scholarship and commitment to the profession of chemistry and who plans to enter a Ph.D. program.

### Dr. Gregory Whitaker

#### Graduate Recruitment Scholarship

Dr. Gregory L. Whitaker D.O. is a 1990 graduate of CSU Long Beach and anesthesiologist in Phoenix, AZ. Greg is a proud alumnus and longtime supporter of the Chemistry and Biochemistry Department who participated in the University Honors Program and completed an undergraduate thesis under the direction of Professor Dennis Anjo, Ph.D. Dr. Whitaker has graciously funded scholarships that are awarded to the top incoming master's student in both biochemistry and in chemistry each academic year, to help support their first year in the program.

### Kenneth L. Marsi Award

This scholarship began in 1996 when Dr. Marsi retired as Chair of the department after 21 years of service. A teacher-scholar, Dr. Marsi published his research work in organophosphorous chemistry and twice earned the Mayfield Outstanding Professor Award by vote of the students of the college. He was the CSULB Outstanding Professor in 1984 and the CSU System Outstanding Professor in 1985. This award is given to an outstanding junior or senior majoring in chemistry or biochemistry.

### McAbee-Overstreet Award

The McAbee-Overstreet Graduate Research Scholarship was established in 2008 from an endowment made to the department by Dr. Cathie Overstreet, a former MS Biochemistry student with Dr. Douglas McAbee from 2000-2003. The scholarship recognizes a graduate student in the MS Chemistry or MS Biochemistry program for excellence in scholarship and strong commitment to research in chemistry or biochemistry.

### David L. Scoggins Award

This award memorializes David L. Scoggins, a graduate student in the Department of Chemistry at the time of his death in 1969. This award recognizes outstanding scholarship and promise by a chemistry or biochemistry student who intends to pursue a career in one of the health-related professions.

### Maria Erlinda Co Sarno Scholarship

Dr. Sarno came to this country as a graduate of the University of Santo Tomas, Philippines, and received her MS in Chemistry from our department in 1975. After a highly successful career as a chemist at Baxter Healthcare, she became a US Patent Attorney in private practice who focuses on serving small businesses and independent inventors. The award recognizes an international graduate student with research interests in compounds leading to therapeutics or prevention of disease.

## 2017 Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry Awards

### Reception & Dinner

**Welcome** .....Dr. Chris Brazier

**Introduction** .....Dean Laura Kingsford

### Dinner

**Presentation of Awards** .....Dr. Enrico Tapavicza, Dr. Marco Lopez  
Dr. Deepali Bhandari

### ~ Subject Area Awards ~

American Chemical Society Organic Chemistry Award.....Annabelle Cantu

American Chemical Society Polymer Chemistry Award.....Joel Monroy

American Chemical Society Analytical Chemistry Award..... Zubin Patel

Analytical Chemistry Award.....Hongjing Zhang

Biochemistry Award .....Maureen Dougherty

Freshman Chemistry Award .....Russel Barie

Hypercube Award .....Yessica Gomez

Inorganic Chemistry Award.....Roxanne Jacobs

John H. Stern Award in Physical Chemistry .....Anneka Miller

Organic Chemistry Award .....Roxana Rohani

Spyros Pathos IV Award .....Mandy Vuong

### ~ Special Department Awards ~

American Institute of Chemists Baccalaureate Award

Biochemistry.....Lukas Fuentes

Chemistry.....Hadiah Fattal

American Institute of Chemists Graduate Award:

Biochemistry.....Peter Nguyen

Chemistry.....Khin Aye San

Robert B. Henderson Memorial Scholarship.....Roxanne Jacobs

Gia Tran & Bahareh Haeri

Kenneth L. Marsi Award .....Nicholas Pavlakovich

McAbee-Overstreet Award.....Clariss Limso

Michael Monahan Memorial Summer Research Fellowship.....James Horn

.....& Luladey Ayalew

Maria Erlinda Co Sarno Scholarship .....Tzyh-Mann Wei

David L. Scoggins Memorial Award.....Anthony Sablan

Leslie K. Wynston Scholarship.....May Luong

Outstanding Teaching Associate Award .....Joshua Feng

Toni Horalek Award .....Annabelle Cantu & Lori Digal

Dr. Gregory Whitaker Recruitment Scholarship.....My Vo Luong

.....& Lee Macklin

### ~ Departmental Undergraduate Honors ~

Tilini Wijeratne

Tate Lone

May Luong

### ~ Departmental Graduate Honors ~

Omar Becerra

Alex Donovan

Edward Nguyen

## ~ College of Natural Sciences and

### Mathematics Awards ~

-Robert D. Rhodes Award-

Nicole Moulton

CNSM Outstanding Thesis Award in Chemistry & Biochemistry

Rachel Ellena

CNSM Outstanding Graduate Award

Lukas Fuentes

Graduate Dean's Honor List of Scholars & Artists

Skylar Chuang

Phi Beta Kappa Inductee

Helen Dinh

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Final Remarks By

Dr. Chris Brazier