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## Free slated for October 13 meeting at SU

Dr. Helen Free will speak on Chemistry – Contributions to the Quality of Life” at Seattle University on Monday, October 13 at 7:30 p.m., immediately after the October meeting of the Puget Sound section.

Dr. Free, whose credits include being the 1993 President of the ACS and serving as the chair of the Board of Directors of the National Committee for Clinical Chemistry, is a Professional Relations Consultant for the Diagnostics Division of Miles, Inc., in Elkhart, Indiana. She is a recognized authority in clinical chemistry and medical devices and holds many honors in both chemistry and health care.

Her talk is centered around the intriguing thesis that “chemists don’t brag enough about their positive contributions which increase our quality of life”, and will use many examples from her extensive experience in the diagnostics industry, ranging from “sophisticated automated equipment for performing 30 different analyses on a small quantity of blood to simple easy-to-do tests using dry reagents to analyze blood or urine at the patient’s bedside.”

She will conclude by discussing “ways to help change the public’s perception of chemistry so that they are aware of these great contributions.”

Dr. Free’s talk will be held in room 501 on the Seattle University campus, located. The social hour will begin at 5:30, followed at 6:30 by a buffet-style dinner. The cost will be around \$15 and attendees are requested to call Jeff Stephens at (206) 296-5945 for reservations at least three days prior to the meeting.

The Seattle University campus is located east of downtown Seattle. From I-5, take the James Street exit and head up the hill east on James to 12th Avenue. Turn left at 12th (the campus is on the left) and then left again at Columbia, at which there is a kiosk where you will receive visitor parking information.

## ChemEd Conference here in 2001?

Laura Spencer of Edmonds-Woodway High School is putting together a bid for the Chem Ed 2001

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Meetings are open to all members and are held at 6:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in room 2430C (above the bookstore) at North Seattle Community College, 9600 College Way North in Seattle (across I-5 from Northgate Mall). The next meeting is October 8.



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## Michael Doyle will keynote at November meeting

Dr. Michael Doyle will be speaking on Thursday, November 6. The previous issue of the Chemist had an erroneous date. Dr. Doyle's topic will be "Seeing is Deceiving – It's Eating That's Believing" which will focus on bringing undergraduate students into the world of research chemistry. The talk is centerpiece of the November meeting of the Puget Sound section, held at Western Washington University. More details will be available in the next issue of the Chemist.

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## Nominations for 1998 Officers

Clarita Bhat has been nominated for the position of Alternate Counselor for the term expiring in the year 2000. Herb Bryce has been nominated for the position of Alternate Counselor for the term expiring in the year 2000. Ballots for the election of these offices will be available in the next issue of the Chemist. In addition, nominations for the above two offices and for chair-elect are still being sought; please contact Tom Griffith by e-mail at [griffith@seaccd.sccd.ctc.edu](mailto:griffith@seaccd.sccd.ctc.edu) or by mail at PO Box 24032, Seattle, WA 98124-0032.

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## An editorial comment

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The Chair-Elect serves as the Chair of the Program Committee and performs the duties of the Section host for guest speakers at Section meetings. In addition, the Chair-Elect also helps the meeting institution members make arrangements for the meeting to take place, including dinner menus (if applicable), parking and meeting notices. And, of course, the Chair-Elect succeeds the previous Puget Sound Section Chair in that position after one year.

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Should you know of any member who would like to help out the Section, or if you yourself would like to fill these positions, please contact Tom Griffith by e-mail at [griffith@seaccd.sccd.ctc.edu](mailto:griffith@seaccd.sccd.ctc.edu) or by mail at PO Box 24032, Seattle, WA 98124-0032.

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Section 1. The rolls of the Section shall include those members, associate members and national affiliates of the Society residing within the territory of the Section, provided that exceptions to this rule shall be made in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society.

Section 2. Any person not a Member, Associate Member or National Affiliate of the Society may become a Local Section Affiliate after having been nominated in writing by the Membership Committee and having said nomination approved by the Executive Committee on the Section. The Chairperson shall have ad interim authority to approve properly submitted applications for affiliation.

Section 3. Members, associate members, national affiliates and local section affiliates shall have such rights and privileges as are accorded them by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society. All members and associate members of the American Chemical Society may vote. An associate member is entitled to all other privileges of membership except that of holding an elective position. National Affiliates and Local Section Affiliates may not vote for or hold an elective position of the Section, vote on articles of incorporation and bylaws of the Section, or serve as voting members of the Executive Committee.

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## Bylaw V. Organization

Section 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chairperson, Chairperson-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2. The Section shall have Councilors and Alternate Councilors as provided in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section, the immediate Past Chairperson, the Councilors, the Alternate Councilors and the Editor of the Puget Sound Chemist.

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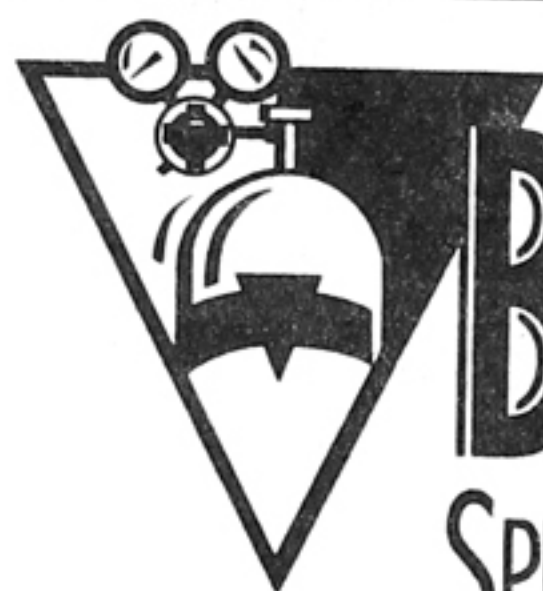
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Chem Ed conference, continued from page 1)

Conference to be held in the Puget Sound area, and is looking for assistance from all areas of professional chemistry — high school teachers, college and university instructors and industrial chemists - to find a venue and host institution and to provide support for this conference.

She notes that this conference has never been held west of Minneapolis and has been gaining attendance successively. She estimates that 100 teachers may attend the 2001 conference.

Coming the year after the 17th Biennial Conference on Chemical Education, for which the Puget Sound Section is putting together a bid, the conferences will focus attention on chemistry in the Puget Sound area and, she believes, they will mutually support each other's goals. The problem will be, she says, for each conference to attract enough support from area chemists to fill out the necessary organizing committees.

If you wish to be involved with the bid for the ChemEd 2001 Conference, please contact Laura Spencer at (206) 364-8655 or [lspencer@edmonds.wednet.edu](mailto:lspencer@edmonds.wednet.edu).

If you wish to be involved with the bid for the 17th Biennial Conference on Chemical Education, please contact Deborah Wiegand at (206) 543-653 or e-mail her at [wiegand@chem.washington.edu](mailto:wiegand@chem.washington.edu).

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## **FUTURE MEETINGS 1997**

Monday, October 13th

Dr. Helen Free: Chemistry: **Contributions to the Quality of Life**

Thursday, November 6th

Dr. Michael Doyle: **Seeing is Deceiving: It's Eating That's Believing**

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