Fellow Councilors,

This report consists of a few general remarks, and comments about and updates to some items discussed in my written report to Council.

First, I want to thank you sincerely for your time and effort to help me better understand concerns and needs of yourselves and the Society. That helped me to select items to address via my task force and programming.

Second, my activities as President will produce two ACS Series Books in areas of interest to Council as well as other ACS members. One of these is titled *Diversity in the Chemistry Community* and is partially based on three diversity-related symposia held during the Spring 2016 ACS National Meeting in San Diego. The second book will be a *Report of Recommendations of the ACS President’s Task Force on Employment in the Chemical Sciences*, and it is in final stages of assembly, except that a chapter on the expected impact of President Trump’s policies must be added.

The third item is programming. The *Hollyweird Chemistry* symposium which I organized for this Spring Meeting in San Francisco addressed the concerns of ACS members about the public perception of science and scientists. It was well attended, drawing up to 450 attendees.

Other symposia for this meeting which I supported via funding and/or speaking have passed except for one session this afternoon entitled *Communicating Science in the Twenty-First Century to Diversified Audiences*. I hope you will be able to attend that.

Programming planned for the 2017 Fall Meeting in Washington, DC, is also listed on this slide. Of these symposia, I’ll be personally organizing *Chemists of Courage*, which will again address your concerns of the public perception of scientists. This will include one presentation about the history of Chemical Abstracts Service and how it rose to such an important global presence.

Thank you again for all your help. That concludes my report.
ACS Immediate Past President Activities 2017

Dr. Donna J. Nelson
2017 ACS Immediate Past President
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Items of Special Interest from my written report to Council

• ACS Series Book – *Diversity in the Chemistry Community* – which is partially based on three diversity-related symposia held during the Spring 2016 ACS National Meeting in San Diego.


• Programming for ACS National Meetings
Hollyweird Chemistry Symposium

Meet the Scientists Behind the Silver Screen

Sunday Afternoon
1:10 Introductory remarks
1:15 Science in the TV show Breaking Bad. D.J. Nelsen
1:30 Bridging the worlds of science fiction and science fact on Star Trek. A. Bamms
2:15 How "The Universe" is made. C. Campbell
2:45 "Hunting the Elements" and other chemistry projects. C. Schmidt

Monday Morning
9:00 Hollyweird scientists. K. Grazier
9:30 Correctness, creativity, and compromise: The art of putting good science into great television. J.G. Sotom
11:00 Role of scientific integrity in cinematic and televised science. D.A. Kirby
11:30 Who is speaking? Film and TV as part of an on-going dialogue between science and society. E. Stangier
11:45 Too many geeks? S. Case
11:30 Panel discussion

Monday Afternoon
1:15 Teaching chemistry using popular media. J.G. Sotom
1:45 How to teach chemistry using Movie Wow! M.A. Grap
2:15 Effective science communication in the popular media. J.J. Sotom
2:45 Making science humorus (pun intended). K. Grap
3:15 This is your brain on Hollywood. Any questions? J. Call
3:45 Panel Discussion

These talks will all be held in Moscone Center 135

Breaking Bad
Star Trek
Universe
Hunting the Elements
Star Wars
Mystery of Matter
Battlestar Gallactica
Eureka
Zula Patrol
House MD
Jurassic Park
Apollo 13
Alien
Big Bang Theory
ACS Meeting Programming (future)

Spring 2017, ACS National Meeting, San Francisco
• Wed PM, CHED -- *Communicating Science in the Twenty-First Century to Diversified Audiences*

Fall 2017 ACS National Meeting, Washington, DC
• PROF -- *Chemists of Courage* (organizer)
• SCHB -- *Working in the Public Sector: Getting Elected to Public Office*
• POLY -- *Journey to Mars*
  Technology Commercialization
  Advanced Research and Development