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In her One-Minute Mentor, Alexa Dembek, DuPont's chief technology and sustainability officer, says that diversity, equity, and inclusion are core to solving the company's technology and innovation challenges. She also believes that being open to new perspectives spurs personal growth and impact.

Apart from being the name of my wife's favorite station on SiriusXM, "The Bridge" is also the name of a new feature launching in today's issue, which addresses the interests of chemical technical professionals. As someone recently explained to me, chemical technical professionals often serve as the 'bridge' between the lab and consumer, between science and manufacturing, or between an idea and implementation. Jeff Seifferly, recently retired from Dow Corning after decades working as a chemical technical professional, gets us off to a great start. He shares insights on how he adapted to constantly changing technology, identifies several traits common to successful chemical technical professionals, and recounts what he misses most about his old job.

Some people aren't sure what to do with their retirement years. Not the case with Dwight Chasar, featured in this issue's 5th Quarter. He is confident that retirement is, quite literally, for the birds. He and his wife, Ann, are passionate ornithologists who have traveled worldwide to see their beloved birds.

Speaking of traveling, we're On the Road Again with Anne DeMasi. Like many of our contributors to this feature, Anne is quite the fan of San Diego as a meeting site. Almost too big of a fan, based on her first visit there.



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ONE-MINUTE MENTOR



Alexa Dembek
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THE BRIDGE



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THE 5th QUARTER



Dwight Chasar believes retirement is for the birds, quite literally. He's an ornithologist! [Go to Article](#)

Dwight Chasar

ON THE ROAD AGAIN



Anne De Masi, like so many others, is quite the devotee of San Diego as a meeting site. Almost too big of a fan. She explains. [Go to Article](#)

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From February 16 through March 15, we will be asking members to complete a survey on what your companies expect newly hired PhD chemists to know about chemical safety before they start their jobs.

We plan to use this insight to inform discussions at the upcoming ACS Safety Summit. The survey will only take 10-15 minutes of your time and will help shape the future of ACS safety programs.

Participants who qualify and complete the survey will be entered to win one of ten \$50 Visa gift cards. All survey responses will be reported in the aggregate and will not be attributed to any individual or their respective company. Please email research@acs.org if you would like to participate in this survey. We value your time and insights!

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