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NOVEMBER DINNER MEETING



Dr. Tonja L. Ringgold

Assistant Secretary
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Wednesday, November 14th

6:00-9:00 pm

Mt. Washington Conference Center, Baltimore, MD

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November Dinner Meeting

featuring

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“Enhancing the Completion Agenda by Promoting Women in Science”

sponsored by the
Women Chemists Committee

All are welcome!

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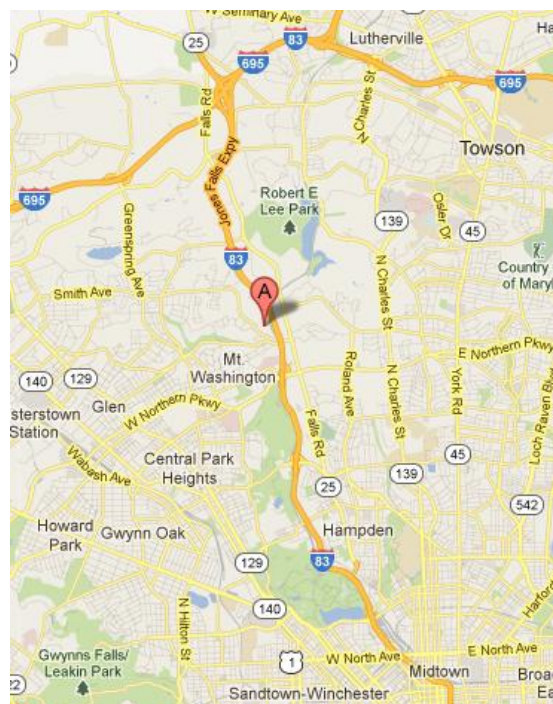
Mt. Washington Conference Center
5801 Smith Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21209

6:00 – 6:30 pm	Registration / Networking
6:30-7:30 pm	Dinner
7:30-8:30 pm	Speaker talk
Price	\$20 for members/nonmembers, \$10 for students
RSVP (by November 9 th)	contact-us@mdchem.org

Directions to the Mt. Washington Conference Center:

From points north and south of Baltimore:

- Make your way to I-83
- If traveling south on I-83, take exit 10A-10B for Northern Parkway; follow signs for Northern Pkwy E
- or:**
- If traveling north on I-83, take exit 10A for Northern Parkway
- Turn left onto Falls Rd
- Turn left onto Kelly Ave
- Turn right onto Greely Rd
- Take the 1st left onto Smith Ave
- Mt. Washington Conference Center will be on the right.



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Speaker Biography



Dr. Tonja L. Ringgold is an experienced higher education administrator who brings a wealth of skills and accomplishments to her new position as Assistant Secretary at the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MEHC). Prior to arriving at MHEC, Dr. Ringgold served as Campus Dean at the Community College of Baltimore County, and held several positions at Baltimore City Community College including Acting Dean of Liberal Arts, Executive Director/Dean of Student Development, Department Chair for Social and Behavioral Sciences, Honors Program Director, and Professor of Psychology.

During her 17 years in higher education, Dr. Ringgold has dedicated herself to developing online education curricula, and conducting research on the “digital divide.” She has developed online courses at the doctoral and undergraduate levels, several of which have been Quality Matters certified. Her research interests focus on diversity and computer literacy, and she was able to showcase her work at Oxford University during their 2007 Scholar Roundtable.

As Assistant Secretary, Dr. Ringgold provides overall leadership and direction for the Academic Affairs and Information Technology departments. She is responsible for the coordination of academic processes and procedures for Maryland’s public and independent colleges and universities, and private career schools. Additionally, Dr. Ringgold coordinates the development and assessment of the Maryland State Plan for Postsecondary Education, serves as the Commission’s primary point-person for all college completion initiatives, and is the agency’s liaison to the Governor’s P20 Council workgroup.

Dr. Ringgold holds five academic degrees including a B.S. in Psychology from Morgan State University, an M.S. in Applied Psychology from the University of Baltimore; an M.S. in Management and an MBA from the University of Maryland University College; and an Ed.D. from Morgan State University in Urban Educational Leadership.

Recent Events

2012 Braude Award

On Wednesday, October 17th, the Maryland section held the Braude Award dinner meeting at The Club at Greenbury Point in Annapolis. The Braude Award honors a professor with a successful research program who involves undergraduates as researchers. The recipient receives a framed certificate and a check to support his/her research. This year's awardee is Dr. Paul Trulove of the United States Naval Academy. Dr. Trulove presented his research on ionic liquids. As one application, in his presentation entitled "Natural Fiber Welding", he described how fibers can be strengthened by partial dissolution in ionic solvents. We congratulate Dr. Trulove on his accomplishments.



Upcoming Events and Announcements

Undergraduate/Graduate Student Travel Grants from the ACS Maryland Section

Undergraduate/Graduate students can apply to receive up to \$500 for travel and expenses to attend a National ACS Meeting. This is open to ACS members who are enrolled full time in a college or university in the Maryland Section.

The application should include:

- The meeting you plan to attend along with location and dates
- Your ACS membership number
- An estimated budget (cost for travel, registration, lodging, and meals)
- A 250 word essay describing your motivation for attending the meeting
- A copy of your abstract and the abstract number ACS gave it when your abstract was accepted
- A letter of support from your faculty advisor.
- Please state what would be the most convenient way for the check to be made out, in the event you are awarded a travel grant.

Review of applications will begin November 1st for 245th ACS National Meeting & Exposition (New Orleans, LA, April 7-11, 2013) but will continue until all funds are utilized.

Submit your application to Louise Hellwig by e-mail (Louise.Hellwig@morgan.edu).

If you are awarded a travel grant, the following items need to be submitted after the meeting:

- Photocopies of receipts totaling the amount of the award.
- Trip report summarizing your experience at the meeting and photos of yourself at your poster at the meeting so we can proudly post them on the section website.

Morgan State University Chemistry Club Activities

Morgan State University Chemistry Club has had several interesting speakers so far this year: Nkem Nonyel from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy; Safiyyah Rahman, a Morgan chemistry grad who is now a psychiatrist; Judith Currano, Head Chemistry Librarian at University of Pennsylvania; and for National Chemistry Week, Morgan chemistry professor Kadir Aslan spoke about "Nanotechnology". For NCW the Club had a table in the lobby of the Science Complex with games about the periodic table as well as a demonstration with Magic Sand, sand that will not get wet even in a glass of water due to a hydrophobic coating.

The Chemistry Club participated in Morgan's Homecoming Parade on Oct. 13th riding in a decorated pick-up truck.



2012-2013 MARYLAND SECTION EVENT SCHEDULE

Event	Date	Location
Women Chemists Committee Dinner	November 14	Mt. Washington Conference Center, Baltimore, MD
Undergraduate student event	February, 2013	UMBC
Student Awards	April, 2013	TBA

If you have any ideas or suggestions about new events please feel free to contact us at contact-us@mdchem.org

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