PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As the Coblentz Society approaches its 40th anniversary, in 1993, look for announcements for special events at various conferences to commemorate the occasion.

The Coblentz Society is the prime sponsor for the 1993 International Conference on Fourier Transform Spectroscopy to be held in Calgary. A proportionate return of any profit from that meeting will allow the Coblentz Society to continue to be a major supporter of such events in the future.

Tom Rizzo of the University of Rochester was presented with the Coblentz Award at the Ohio State Symposium this past June. He gave a fine award address as one of the plenary lectures on the first day of the Symposium in Columbus.

At the annual general membership meeting held in New Orleans at the Pittsburgh Conference, we presented Bob Hannah of Perkin-Elmer with honorary membership into the Society. Not only did Bob serve as Secretary for the Society for countless years but he has made many significant contributions to the field of vibrational spectroscopy through the years.

The general membership meeting was followed by the Williams-Wright Award Symposium, honoring Tim Harris of AT&T. We later gathered together for our annual

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

At the last Board meeting, the Coblentz Board of Managers voted to supplement the Coblentz newsletter with a bulletin, to be mailed to each individual member. This bulletin will contain information of interest to the Society members that is too lengthy to be contained in the newsletter. This information will include the updated membership list, minutes of the Board meetings, notice of committee appointments, as well as the committee work that is underway, and financial information. Any other ideas for additional material that you would like to see in the bulletin will be appreciated.

We still welcome articles and comments from the membership for the newsletter, and the next due date for submissions is October 1st for the February issue. Regardless of the number of contributions, we will always be printing the events and progress of the Society so you can keep in touch with the Board members and officers. Newsletter and Bulletin requests can be mailed directly to me, as editor of the newsletter (see address at end of this newsletter). Be sure to look for the Coblentz Society Newsletter in every February and August issue of Applied Spectroscopy.

KATHY KALASINSKY

Tim Harris smiles a little bigger when he receives the check for the Williams-Wright Award.
arrange to have the certificates and Desk Books delivered, and will list the awardees in a future Newsletter.

ROD MCDOWELL

NINTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FOURIER TRANSFORM SPECTROSCOPY: CALGARY, ALBERTA, CANADA, AUGUST 1993

The Coblentz Society is the primary sponsor of the 9th ICOFTS, which will be held at the University of Calgary from August 23 to August 27, 1993. Hal Wieser of the University of Calgary is chairing the Conference, and the program chairman is John Bertie of the University of Alberta—which is situated in Edmonton, some 190 miles north of Calgary.

In the tradition of ICOFTS, the program will consist of about 16 plenary lectures, with posters; an extensive instrument exhibition; discussions; and, of course, the Wednesday afternoon excursion, occupying the remainder of the week. Calgary is in the foothills of the beautiful Alberta Rockies, with Banff and Lake Louise only an hour away, so Alberta guarantees magnificent scenery for the excursion. In fact there is so much to see that additional excursions for the Saturday following the Conference as well as a Friday evening social event are being contemplated.

The last four conferences in this successful series were in Ottawa, Canada in 1985, Vienna, Austria in 1987, Fairfax, Virginia, U.S.A. in 1989 and Lubeck, Germany in 1991. It has been noted that each meeting has brought a fresh group of plenary lecturers. This practice will continue, and already some very creative young scientists have agreed to present lectures. Again following the ICOFTS tradition, the topics of the plenary lectures will cover a broad range of science. Astronomy, atmospheric chemistry, and remote sensing will be among the topics covered by plenary lecturers at the 9th ICOFTS, as will step-scan spectroscopy and its applications, time-resolved spectroscopy and its applications, studies of polymers, and applications of FTS in industry.

Note that you can fly nonstop to Calgary from many centers in the United States, Europe, and Asia. When you come from Europe, insist on nonstop flights, which take only eight hours. Do not let your travel agent book you through the eastern part of North America unless you want to visit there, because the travel time to Calgary will be doubled.

Further information about the 9th ICOFTS can be obtained from the conference office at the University of Calgary. The full address is listed below.

9th International Conference on Fourier Transform Spectroscopy
% Ms. Lois Kokoski
The University of Calgary
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2500 University Drive, NW
Calgary, Alberta T2N 1N4
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INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ADVANCED INFRARED SPECTROSCOPY

This conference is being organized by the Spectroscopic Society of Japan around a specific topic: recent advances in time-dependent IR techniques, especially the development and application of time-resolved and two-dimensional IR spectroscopy. This conference will be held 23–25 March 1993, at the Sanjo Conference Hall of the University of Tokyo. Professor M. Tasumi of the University of Tokyo is the chairman of the organizing committee. The format of the Symposium will be a three-day program consisting of plenary and invited lectures, contributed papers, and demonstration sessions. The scientific program will consist of approximately 25 invited lectures, poster sessions for contributed papers, and a half-day demonstration session where IR instrumentation will be available for displays and demonstrations. The official language of the conference will be English.

A partial list of invited speakers for this conference includes: J. Breton (France); B. Chase, W. Fateley, P. Griffiths, C. Marcott, I. Noda, and R. Palmer (U.S.A.); F. Siebert and H. Siesler (Germany); and A. Fukuda, Y. Furukawa, K. Masutani, S. Nomura, S. Tanka, M. Tasumi, H. Toriumi, and T. Yokoyama (Japan). The invited lectures of this conference will be published in a special issue of Applied Spectroscopy. Authors of contributed papers are also encouraged to submit manuscripts for this same issue.

Interested parties may obtain further information from the conference office at the address provided below.

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SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership. Anyone wishing to join the Society may do so by sending $5.00 to Dr. James A. de Haseth, Coblentz Society Membership Chairman, Department of Chemistry, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602.

Board Meeting. The Coblentz Society Board will hold its semi-annual meeting the third week in September at the FACSS Conference in Philadelphia. Any article of business that you want the Board members to consider needs to be sent in writing to Rachael Barbour, Coblentz Society President, BP Research, 4440 Warrensville Center Road, Cleveland, OH 44128, prior to the conference.

Board Members. Two new Board members are elected by the Society each year. Please send nominations for the 1993–1997 term to Coblentz Society President, Rachael Barbour (see address above) by 1 September 1992.

Honorary Members. The Society is awarding honorary memberships in the Society to people who have made outstanding contributions to the field of spectroscopy. Send your nomination for 1992 to Rachael Barbour, Coblentz Society President (see address above) by 1 September 1992.

Coblentz Society T-Shirts. The last of our popular-design T-shirts are being sold this year. A new T-shirt design will be introduced in the coming year. Look for both of them on display at various conferences and Coblentz functions.

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Some Coblentz Society members enjoying the local atmosphere at PittCon in New Orleans. From left to right: Neil Lewis, Paul Hartman, William Dollard, Jenny from Texas, and William George. Missing from the photo is a past Coblentz President who wishes not to be identified.
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