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Pauling Medal Awardee:

Prof. Christopher “Kit” Cummins of MIT

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Intersectional Picnic

Saturday, July 8, 2017, 11 AM

[Cor Cellars, 151 Old Hwy 8, Lyle, WA 98635](#)

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Save the dates:

- Sept 14 Section meeting at Lewis & Clark College
- Oct 22 Poster symposium & career fair at PSU
- Oct. 14-15 and Oct. 21-22 National Chemistry weekends at OMSI
- October 12 Portland Section meeting

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Contact [Scott Vanderwerf](#) if you have questions

Intersectional Picnic July 8 at Cor Cellars

Join the Oregon Section, the Puget Sound Section, the Richland Section, the Washington/Idaho Border Section and the Portland Section for our second [intersectional wine tasting and picnic](#) Saturday, July 8, 2017, 11 AM, at Cor Cellars, 151 Old Hwy 8, Lyle, WA 98635. Cost of the tour and wine tasting is \$25; cost of picnic is \$10. [Reservations](#) (first-come-first-serve for private tour, limit 25 people) are required. Questions? Contact Jim Tung at jimtung@gmail.com.

Upcoming meetings and events

[ACS Fall 2017 National Meeting](#) Washington DC August 20-24, 2017

[Undergraduate Poster Symposium](#) and Career Fair Oct. 22

[National Chemistry Week](#) October 22 –28 (weekends of Oct. 21-22 and Oct. 28-29 at OMSI; contact hoffman@up.edu or dibblee@hevanet.com

[Pauling Medal Symposium Fall 2017 hosted by PSU.](#)



2017 Pauling Medal Awardee is Prof. Christopher Cummins, MIT

The 2017 Pauling Medal Awardee is Professor [Christopher “Kit” Cummins of MIT](#). Prof. Cummins’ citation reads “For unparalleled synthetic and mechanistic studies of early transition metal complexes, including reaction discovery and exploratory methods of development to improve nitrogen and phosphorous utilization.”

The [Symposium](#) will be held at PSU in the fall, date TBD. The Pauling Medal Award recognizes outstanding achievement in chemistry and is presented annually by the Puget Sound, Oregon, and Portland Sections of the ACS. The award is named after Dr. Linus Pauling, a native of the Pacific Northwest, because of the inspiration of his example.

The Award Chair for the 2017 Pauling Medal Award was Dirk Iwata-Reuyl; symposium co-chairs are Dave Stuart and Theresa McCormick.



ACS volunteers at Boeing Aviation Day. Marcie Merritt, middle in photo, Portland Section Councilor, reported that 834 students attended the Boeing Aviation Day event.

Remembering Maxine Hutchin (1922-2017)

Maxine Elaine Hutchin was a regular attendee at Portland Section meetings until recently. She joined the Society in 1943, making her a 74-year member. Maxine's daughter Kristine provided the following details about her mother's life.

Maxine grew up in Kansas City, Missouri. At the age of 17, her family, including her sister, traveled to California for better job prospects for her father. It was during the Great Depression.

She went to the University of California, Berkeley, obtaining a Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry. She applied to Medical School in about 1946, but was rejected as all the men were returning from World War II.

She married in late 1946. Her daughter Kristine was born in 1952 and Kristine's sister Heidi was born in 1957. They divorced in 1972.

Maxine worked at Oakland Naval Hospital as a biochemist in the 1950s, early 1960s. Our family moved to Castro Valley in 1960. She soon started work/research at Naval Research Defense Laboratory AKA as NRDL in San Francisco. NRDL was closed in the early 1970s.

For a couple of years, Maxine worked for the San Mateo Coroner's office. She determined blood alcohol levels and other drugs. She always was curious when strange results occurred. "She was like Quincy of TV fame searching out what happened".

Following work for the Coroner's office in San Mateo, she worked for Alameda County in the Blood Alcohol section. She testified in court cases.

She retired in 1991 and moved to Oregon where her daughter Heidi lived. She volunteered at Leach Botanical Gardens in Portland where she was very well regarded. There was a celebration for her when she stopped working there.

"As her daughter, I am very grateful to her for giving me her wisdom which has helped me very [well] during my life. She was my Best Friend as an adult. She never forced advice on me as some mothers do, but gave me good advice when I asked. After she moved to Oregon, my sister and her met weekly for lunch. My mother visited me in Eagle River, Alaska every other Christmas. The alternate Christmas she spent with my sister."

Maxine visited Kristine in Alaska some summers. Kristine and her husband took her all around Alaska sharing their life in the North with her. Kristine took her on a trip to Seward for a boat trip of Resurrection Bay and beyond where she saw the wildlife there and glaciers. She took her to see Mt. McKinley (now known as Mt. Denali). On the first bus ride of the late Spring, Denali was there in all her splendor for her.

Around 2012, she and her companion Oliver Domreis moved into Town Center Village in Happy Valley.

Maxine passed away in January, 2017. She is survived by her daughters Kristine Hutchin and Heidi Barber and granddaughter Mandy Wardrip and her children: Great Granddaughter Kahley Wardrip and Great Grandson Valen Wardrip.

2017-2018 MEETINGS

DATE	SPEAKER/ EVENT	AFFILIATION	TITLE/TOPIC	VENUE
Sep 7, 2017	Lauren Kurtz	Executive Director, Climate Science Legal Defense Fund (New York)	Legal defense of climate scientists	Lewis & Clark College Law School
Oct 5, 2017	Mark Burns	Founder, President and CSO, Aminex Therapeutics (Se- attle)	Immuno-oncology drugs	OHSU Center for Health & Healing
Nov 2, 2017	Two local compa- nies (to be deter- mined)		Company pitches to Chemical Angel Network	OHSU Center for Health & Healing
Dec 7, 2017	Wine, Cheese and Chocolate		Chemistry-focused tasting	?
2018	Michael Cohen	OHSU, Physiology and Pharmacology Department	Chemical tools to study ADP ribo- sylation and other cellular processes	?
2018	Brian Grimberg	Case Western Reserve Univer- sity (Cleveland) / Hemex Health (Portlan	Rapid malaria de- tection device	OHSU Center for Health & Healing
2018	?	FDA	FDA regulations (medical device chemistry)	?
2018	?	?	Drug pricing, reim- bursement	Pacific University School of Pharmacy