

Secretary's Report

ACS Technical Division Annual Report for 2004

Division of History of Chemistry

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1. Officers - As designated by your Division's Bylaws

	Required by Bylaws	Position filled Through 2004	Position unfilled (specify for how long)	Is there someone available to step in if needed (i.e. assistant secretary)
Chair	Yes	Yes		Yes, the Chair-Elect
Chair-Elect	Yes	Yes		
Vice-Chair				
Past-Chair		Yes		
Secretary				
Treasurer				
Secretary/Treasurer	Yes	Yes		
Program Chair		Yes		
Councilors (specify number)	Yes 2	Yes 2		Yes, alternate councilor
Member-at-Large (specify number)				
Other (specify)	Alternate Councilor - 1	Yes		
Other (specify)				

1. Were the 2004 Elections conducted in accordance with the Division's Bylaws?

Yes No *If no, explain:*

3. Is the Division incorporated? Yes No

If yes, what year was it incorporated in:

What state was it incorporated in:

4. Bylaws and Operations Manual

	Current Date	Date of Last Review
Division Bylaws	1995	
Operations Manual	1995	
Membership Retention/ Recruitment Plan		

5. Number of Executive Committee members: 9

6. Executive Committee/Division Meetings

	Spring National Meeting	Fall National Meeting	Other
Executive Committee Meetings	Yes	Yes	
Division representative attended DOC	Yes	Yes	
Division Annual Meeting	Yes		
Number of Councilors and/or Alternate Councilors attending Council	2	2	

7. What is your mechanism of exchanging annual reports and Form 990 information among your officers? email

8. Who attended the 2004 Division Leadership Conference (DLC) from your division? ??

9. Members are kept current regarding Council and Executive Committee activities via:

- Division Website Division Newsletter open Division meeting
 open Division Executive Committee meeting other (*specify*)

10. Copy and paste your 2004 Executive Committee Roster in this section.

(check here if also available to the members on your website)

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11. Subdivisions

Name	Number of Officers	Assist with programming	Number of Newsletters
Archaeological	1	Yes	

12. Who attended the 2004 Program Planning and Coordinating Conference (P²C²) from your division? Roger Egolf

13. Programming – National

	Organized Programming	Cosponsored symposium with other Divisions	Held workshops	Held tutorials	Cosponsored meeting with other U.S. And non-U.S. societies
Spring National Meeting	Yes				
Fall National Meeting	Yes	Yes			
Other (<i>specify</i>)					

14. List meeting(s) and co-organizer(s) of co-sponsored meetings with other U.S. societies and non-U.S. societies.

Biennial Conference on Chemical Education, "Chemical History and Its Application to Chemical Education", organizer Seth Rasmussen, July 18-22, 2004"

15. List affiliations that your Division has with other technical organizations. (Note the start date).

Since 2001, with the Historical Group of the Royal Society of Chemistry.

16. Does your Division actively participate in a Secretariat? Yes No

If yes, check the appropriate box(es).

Biotechnology Catalysis Materials Macromolecular

17. List the activities in which your Division worked in collaboration with local section(s) and or regional meeting(s).

Activity	Dates Held	Sections and/or Regional Meeting Involved
Support of History of Chemistry programming via the "See and Be Seen Program	Sept. 29, Oct. 2, 2004	Southwest Regional Meeting
Support of History of Chemistry programming - "Most Beautiful Chemistry Experiments"	Oct. 27-30, 2004	Western Regional Meeting
Support of History of Chemistry programming - "History of Stereochemistry"	Nov. 10-13, 2004	Southeast Regional Meeting

18. Does your Division have a Regional Meeting Program Coordinator? Yes No
If yes, who is it?

19. Does your Division have a Division/Local Section Contact? Yes No
If yes, who is it?

20. Publications and Newsletters

	Number	Hard Copy	On Website	Other
Newsletter	2	Yes	Yes	
Separates	2	Yes	Yes	
Preprints				
Directory				
Books Published in 2004				
Journals	2	Yes		

21. Is your division membership: increasing remaining constant decreasing?

Briefly explain the trend?

In Jan. 2004 the HIST Division had a total of 794 members, while by Nov. 2004 there were 816 members. Many of our members join the Division when they retire from their other professional activities, as they now can indulge an interest in the history of chemistry. Our membership is increasing slightly with a corresponding increase in programming.

22. Outreach (Activities not associated with programming)

Did your Division Participate in any:	Yes	No
Educational outreach activities		X
Public outreach activities	X	
Outreach activities directed toward government or public officials		X
National Chemistry Week		X
Other (please list)		

23. Copy and paste the list of awards given by your Division during 2004 and their recipient(s).

2004 Sidney M. Edelstein Award - Joseph B. Lambert

2003 Outstanding Paper Award - James L. Marshall and Virginia R. Marshall

check here if available to your members on your website

24. Did your Division apply for Innovative Project Funds in 2004? Yes No
<http://membership.acs.org/c/cda/#ipfund>

25. Did your Division submit the self-nomination form for the Division Recognition ChemLuminary Award? Yes No

26. Did your Division submit the self-nomination form for the Division/Local Section Collaboration ChemLuminary Award? Yes No

27. What activities, during 2004, were earmarked for a specific group of members such as: younger chemists, minorities, women, chemical technicians, undergraduates, etc.

Activity	Group Targeted	Measurement of Effectiveness

28. Did your Division submit the self-nomination form for the Outstanding Divisional Programming for Younger Chemists (YCC) ChemLuminary Award? Yes No

29. List your Division programs and activities that support the ACS Strategic Thrusts:

Be the world's leading provider and deliverer of chemical information	HIST publishes the Bulletin for the History of Chemistry, a leading international journal in the history of science
Provide programs and activities to facilitate the career development of chemical professionals	
Provide programs to improve science literacy of students and ensure quality education in the chemical sciences	
Increase participation of students and young chemists in the activities of the Society	
Provide programs and activities to encourage the participation and leadership in all aspects of the chemical sciences by women, underrepresented minorities, and persons with disabilities	
Expand services to members and prospective members working in industry	
Expand activities at the interdisciplinary boundaries of chemistry	Our programs and awards promote cooperation with the community of professional historians and others interested in the history of chemistry from the vantage point of the humanities and social sciences.
Encourage funding of research in science, technology, and engineering	Through the "See and Be Seen" program and the monies available via Stop Gap funding, the Division helps to fund symposia and sessions at National and Regional ACS meetings. We encourage the use of these monies as matching grants.
Encourage activities and programs applying scientific principles to environmental issues	
Provide programs and activities to improve the public's recognition and appreciation of the contributions of chemistry	Initiated Citations for Chemical Breakthroughs to recognize breakthrough publications and patents worldwide in the field of chemistry

30. Do you believe that your Division is healthy? Explain.

Yes. The Division continues to function effectively through its Executive Committee, to provide programming activities at national meetings as a forum for both chemists and historians interested in the history of chemistry, to receive a steady supply of manuscripts for the Bulletin

for the History of Chemistry, to receive outstanding nominations for the Edelstein Award, and to develop new programs and offer new opportunities for greater member participation and division visibility throughout ACS. We have worked on a new strategic plan for outreach and anticipate providing new and valuable services to other ACS divisions. HIST has been working with and providing services to other divisions for symposia incorporating historical contexts in other division's symposia. For example: 100th Anniversary of Chromatography (2003 - with ANYL), the Presidential Symposium on Graduate Education in the 21st Century (2004), the History of Organic Geochemistry (2005 - with GEOC).

31. Do you have any other information that you feel that the reviewer needs to know to appropriately assess the health of your division? If so, please list it here.

32. What problems did your Division encounter, and how might ACS help to resolve them?

We are receiving help and requesting more help from ACS attorneys regarding the copyright and photograph permissions for the Bulletin for the History of Chemistry, and regarding Division incorporation. HIST could use more help from staff attorneys in these areas.

33. What new ideas, unmet needs, or questions would your Division like to be addressed by the Divisional Activities Committee (DAC), Division Leadership Conference (DLC), Program Planning and Coordination Conference (P²C²), the Committee on Science (ComSci), and/or ACS staff?

34. Your comments and suggestions about the Annual Report Forms are earnestly solicited.