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## CONGRATULATIONS TO

The following persons have achieved the remarkable milestone of fifty or sixty years as ACS members. They will be honored at the SoFL-ACS annual awards banquet on Saturday, April 17.

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### SOUTH FLORIDA CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD

During March, over 200 high school chemistry students from South Florida took a qualifying exam put together by ACS Exams Institute. Based on the results of that exam, ten students qualified for the next round: the nationwide National Chemistry Olympiad (NChO) test that will be administered locally on Saturday, April 24 at Nova Southeastern University. Based on the performance on that test, 20 students nationwide will be selected to go to an intense three-week training camp at the US Air force Academy in Colorado Springs. Four will then be selected to go on to International Chemistry Olympiad (ICHO), July 19-28, 2010 in Tokyo, Japan. Congratulations to the following South Florida students who qualify to take the national exam:

<u>Student</u>	<u>High School</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
Jason Albert	Miami Beach High	Carlos Rodriguez
Aaron Brookner	American Heritage	Dawn Gregor
Rishi Neeranjan	American Heritage	Dawn Gregor
Nikita Bodoukhin	Michael Krop	Darlos Montero
Brandon Jaffe	Pine Crest	Dagmara Podkoscielny
Calvin Winchell	Pine Crest	Dagmara Podkoscielny
Rodrigo Paniza	Cypress Bay High	ClaraRusso and Brandon Boswell
Rohan Ramnath	Cypress Bay High	ClaraRusso and Brandon Boswell
Jeremy Leshen	Cooper City High	Herb Slusher
Madhuri Nagaraj	Marjory Stoneman Douglas	Teresita Chipi

These students and their chemistry teachers will be honored at the SoFL-ACS awards banquet.

## SoFL-ACS AWARDS BANQUET

Saturday, April 17

6:00 PM Reception, 7:00 PM Dinner and Awards

Wolfe Student Center, FIU – Biscayne Bay Campus  
3000 N.E. 151<sup>st</sup> Street, North Miami

ACS President-Elect as keynote speaker:

**Dr. Nancy Jackson**

Sandia National Labs, Albuquerque, NM

Cost: \$30.00 ACS members & guests; \$15.00 Students

Send reservation form with check payable to SoFL-ACS by Monday, April 12 to:

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## ACS Scholars from South Florida

This year the ACS Scholars Program celebrates its fifteenth anniversary. Since 1995 the Scholars Program has awarded \$10 million in direct scholarships to underrepresented students with excellent academic records and financial need who are pursuing studies in the chemical sciences. More than 1,900 students have received a scholarship through the ACS Scholars Program. African Americans comprise 55% of the recipient pool, Hispanic/Latino students represent 39%, and Native American students at 6%. The hallmark of the program is the assignment of a mentor to each Scholar. As a result, the program retains 80% of the students entering it. It is clear that the ACS Scholars Program has had a major role in literally transforming the face of chemical education. To date, over 900 students have graduated with a bachelor's degree in a chemical science. Of those students, 52% have gone on to graduate school, and 48% have entered the chemical science workforce. The following students from south Florida have received ACS scholarships for their studies of chemistry or chemically related sciences at their respective universities. Congratulations to:

<b>David Acosta</b> Chemistry & Physics Florida Int'l Univ.	<b>Beatriz Brando</b> Chemistry Harvard University	<b>Spring Davis</b> Biochemistry Princeton University	<b>Nathan Gonzalez</b> Chemistry Barry University	<b>Anabel Gonzalez Gil</b> Chemistry Florida Int'l Univ.	<b>Cristhiand Guerra</b> Chem. Engineering Univ. of Florida
<b>Victor Manrique</b> Chem. Engineer. Georgia Tech	<b>Kristen Martinez</b> Materials Science MIT	<b>Claudia Meneses</b> Chemistry Florida Int'l U.	<b>Jenny Mesa</b> Chemistry Miami Dade Col.	<b>Luis Navarro</b> Chemistry Calif Inst. Tech.	<b>Yaribey Rodriguez</b> Chemistry Florida Int'l U.
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