September 18, 2018

Dear Colleague,

The chemistry department at Hillsdale College cordially invites you to attend the 66th annual meeting of the Midwestern Association of Chemistry Teachers in Liberal Arts Colleges (MACTLAC) on October 19-20. The theme of this year's meeting is **Chemistry in the Liberal Arts**. We are excited to have as our Friday plenary speaker Dr. Nivaldo Tro, Professor of Chemistry at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California. Dr. Tro is the author of several widely used introductory chemistry textbooks, and his presentation is titled "Chemistry as Liberal Education." Our Saturday morning plenary speaker is Dr. Brian Coppola, Professor of Chemistry and director of the Chemical Sciences at the Interface of Education (CSIE) program at the University of Michigan. His presentation is titled "Teaching Research Ethics to Science Students." There will several breakout sessions to choose from, a poster session & social hour, a banquet dinner, and lots of cool door prizes to be given out following the general business meeting on Saturday. Following the Friday evening banquet dinner will be an interactive presentation by our own resident brewer Dr. Chris Hamilton titled "Beer: Chemistry, Styles, and Sampling."

Registration: You can access the online registration page at https://hillsdalemactlac2018.eventbrite.com. There are options to pay by check or credit card. Registration fees are \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. The cost of the conference banquet dinner is \$25. Onsite registration will be available from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm on October 19 (\$30 for onsite registration). If you plan to attend the Friday evening banquet dinner, please register by October 5 to help us with planning.

<u>Poster Session:</u> There will be an opportunity for you and/or you students to present research findings at the poster session and social hour on Friday afternoon. Registration is free for students. Please indicate at the registration website whether or not you will be presenting a poster.

<u>Accommodations</u>: Blocks of hotel rooms have been reserved for MACTLAC at the Dow Center Hotel on campus and the Days Inn in Hillsdale. Lodging can also be obtained through the Hillsdale Home Connection, The Rooms at Grayfield (Jonesville), or other hotels in Coldwater and Jackson.

The full meeting program is enclosed, and an updated version is available at the registration page and the MACTLAC website. Please feel free to contact myself or the MACTLAC state representative for Michigan, Mark Nussbaum (mnussbaum@hillsdale.edu), with questions regarding this meeting. We hope you see you in October at Hillsdale College!

Sincerely,

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