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DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

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Dear Dr. Petersen:

At last fall's meeting of MACTIAC at Carroll College, considerable interest was shown in the "Tricks of the Trade" sessions. Therefore, these sessions are planned for this year's meeting at Elmhurst College, October 10-12. The program chairman, Dr. Rudolf Preipke, has asked me to arrange for these sessions.

Although informal, general discussions are potentially a most effective use of our time together, we should prearrange a program of short presentations. These can serve as the basis for an exchange and critique of ideas.

We would like to include those innovations, devices, and techniques which you have found to be effective in your own teaching. The guidelines are quite simple: if you think it teaches well, we're interested. Last fall's agenda included new ways to present basic concepts, new laboratory exercises, performance evaluation methods, use of three-dimensional models, use of instructional films, and other topics.

If you would be willing to share one of your "Tricks of the Trade," we would like to provide up to ten minutes of program time for you. Please send me a brief abstract of your "trick" along with a descriptive title. We will plan a program aimed at the freshman—sophomore level courses for Friday afternoon and another aimed at the junior—senior level courses on Saturday morning. Please indicate in which session your presentation would be most appropriate.

Bring a friend. Perhaps your departmental colleagues should be reminded that some of their "tricks" are very "tricky" indeed and would be most helpful to the rest of us.

Sincerely,

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