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HONDURAS PROJECT

Recently, Mark Berard has returned from a trip to Honduras where he delivered a water distillation apparatus that his dentist donated. The distiller will be used in a dental clinic. Mark indicated that currently, the next biggest need is for bottled water, as the local water isn't fit to drink. The community uses about 200 gallons per week. Mark is planning to travel there again next summer.

Chemists Without Borders MEMBER WINS ACS AWARD

In May, Steve Chambreau was awarded the American Chemical Society Salutes to Excellence Award by the Detroit Local ACS Chapter in recognition of his work with Chemists Without Borders. Steve was nominated by Professor Matthew Mio from University of Detroit Mercy after Steve gave a presentation about Chemists Without Borders to the Chemistry Club at UD Mercy.

AIDSfreeAFRICA GETS FIRST GRANT

At the last Chemists Without Borders conference call, Rolande Hodel of AIDSfreeAFRICA (Chemists Without Borders and AIDSfreeAFRICA have been working together) announced AIDSfreeAFRICA had received its first grant in the amount of \$10,000. Also, Lawyers Without Borders (LWOB) has secured a law firm to represent AIDSfreeAFRICA, and Rolande expressed her thanks to Chemists Without Borders for introducing her to LWOB. Congratulations Rolande! See www.AIDSfreeAFRICA.org for more details. Also, see Rolande's bio from the April Chemists Without Borders newsletter.

501(c)(3) UPDATE

Perry Israel, the tax attorney from the Sacramento branch of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe who is helping us with the 501(c)(3) application participated in our last conference call (conference call notes on the weblog). He indicated some changes to our bylaws and our need to sign off on the bylaws at a Chemists Without Borders board meeting. Steve has sent Perry copies of the incorporation papers and the form 1023 he had filled in. Perry will get us an EIN (essentially a social security number for corporations). He also indicated that once Chemists Without Borders had 501(c)(3)

status, we can donate funds to other 501(c)(3) organizations such as AIDSfreeAFRICA, and we can also reimburse Mark Berard for his travel expenses on his trip to Honduras.

Chemists Without Borders MEMBER BIO-BEGO GERBER

Bego Gerber is President and Co-Founder of Chemists Without Borders. He is an Executive Associate accredited by the Institute for Independent Business and is Managing Director of Business Development International. Dr Gerber's experience ranges from academic medical research to patented new product development in a no-walls start-up, and in Fortune 100 R & D; from idea processing and information management to entrepreneurial lifestyle marketing and the development of B-quadrant businesses on the Internet. Bego was educated at Heriot-Watt University in Scotland, has Master's and Doctoral degrees from the University of California, and was a postdoctoral fellow at The Johns Hopkins University.

-Our Chemists Without Borders biography section is to highlight the work of current members of Chemists Without Borders and to help you get know who else is part of our organization. If you would like for your bio to be included in a future newsletter, please contact Steve at the email address below.

OPEN ACCESS DEBATE- OPEN THREAD ON Chemists Without Borders WEBLOG

Heather Morrison (See her bio from Chemists Without Borders June 2006 newsletter) is very active in promoting open access, and has suggested that Chemists Without Borders support the recent Federal Research bill in Congress which mandates free public access to publicly funded research within 6 months of publication. Chemists Without Borders needs to formulate its official position on open access issues, and has set up an open thread on the Chemists Without Borders weblog to get your opinion and how you think Chemists Without Borders should approach this issue. If you are interested in the open access debate and would like to voice your opinion, please visit <http://www.chemistswithoutborders.blogspot.com>

LINKS

CHEMICAL EDUCATION: There was an interesting interview in C&E News about a postdoc at Arizona State University, Rachel Theall, who is working to get high school students interested in science (C&E News, June 26, 2006, p42). See the weblog at scienceinthecity.arizona.edu Perhaps Chemists Without Borders could team up with her...?

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We are looking for ideas for fundraising and soliciting donations. Some ideas include a fun run/walk at the ACS conference, and applying for grants from organizations such as

the Gates Foundation. If you have any ideas, please let us know! Email to: stevechambreau@chemistswithoutborders.org

If you plan on attending the Fall ACS meeting in San Francisco (September 10-14) and would be willing to spend an hour promoting Chemists Without Borders, Steve will be handing out flyers and talking to people. Please contact Steve at stevechambreau@chemistswithoutborders.org if you would be interested in helping.

And don't forget- your input at the conference calls is always appreciated! Keep an eye out for an email invitation from Bego. The next conference call will likely be Thursday, July 19th, at 6:00 PM Pacific Standard Time. See www.chemistswithoutborders.org for previous conference call notes. (For international Chemists Without Borders members, Bego has suggested checking out skype.com for internet calling to attend the conference calls)

Thanks for reading. Hope to hear from you soon!

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