



Dr. Randy Larsen wrote (February 11th):

Thomas Reuters (ISS Web of Knowledge) has now published its rankings of the top 100 chemists world wide in terms of publication impact. **Mike Zaworotko** is now ranked #20 in the world!!!! The ranking is based upon publications since 2000. Mike has 7,403 citations for 83 publications since 2000 for an astounding average of 89 citations per publication!

Congratulations to Mike for this significant achievement! It is efforts such as this that have resulted in our continued rise in the NRC rankings and will propel us to a top 25 department in the near future. It is truly an amazing accomplishment!

Only one other chemist from Florida is on the list. The link to the rankings is:

[\[http://sciencewatch.com/dr/sci/misc/Top100Chemists2000-10/\]](http://sciencewatch.com/dr/sci/misc/Top100Chemists2000-10/)

Dr. Randy Larsen (Professor and Chair) announced that **Ms. Christina Nelson** began the appointment on December 1, 2010.

She has a B.S. in Communication (College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Cornell a Masters in Education (USF) and is a Ph.D. candidate (Curriculum and Instruction, Higher Education Specialization) at USF's College of education.

Dr. Larsen Noted that **Ms. Nelson** has significant experience in academic administration, as well as breadth in employment experience., including being a skilled academic advisor in various roles at USF.

REU is a research experience for undergraduates and was initiated as an NSF-supported summer program with a three-year grant, as noted in previous issues of *News*. The program was adapted to the fall and spring semesters starting with the fall of 2005. This Spring Semester, 55 students are participating in research for credit. We also have a number of undergraduates who have chosen to volunteer this semester, which would bring our total participation close to 80 students. Twenty-nine of the students in the REU program are enjoying their first semester as researchers. Eighteen faculty members are involved in the mentoring process this semester.

This semester, **Dr. Patricia Muisener** and **Mr. Todd Gatlin** will coordinate two workshops: "Writing a Scientific Abstract" and "Creating and Presenting a Scientific Poster." There will be follow-up meetings for each of the workshops for students to review each others progress and gain feedback on their own work. These

experiences will culminate when students present their research at the 9th Raymond N. Castle Student Research Conference.

The "Castle Conference", as it is often called, is organized by students to provide undergraduate and graduate chemistry researchers an opportunity to develop communication skills needed to excel in the future. Plans are being made to host the 9th Raymond N. Castle Student Research Conference on Saturday (please see below).

The College of Arts and Sciences was reorganized in the fall 2008. Chemistry became part of the **School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics**. SNSM consists of Cell Biology, Microbiology and Molecular Biology; Chemistry, Integrative Biology; Geology; Mathematics; and Physics. As of the 2009-2010 academic year there were 147 faculty, about 6200 undergraduate students and 472 graduate students. The active research and contracts totaled \$44,215,976.

Buildings : 253
Rooms: 18,000
Trees: 7, 811
Underground pipes: 50 miles
Sidewalks: 27 miles
Toilet paper used (010): 15,909 miles
 (From a Facilities Management Team presentation March 1, 2011)

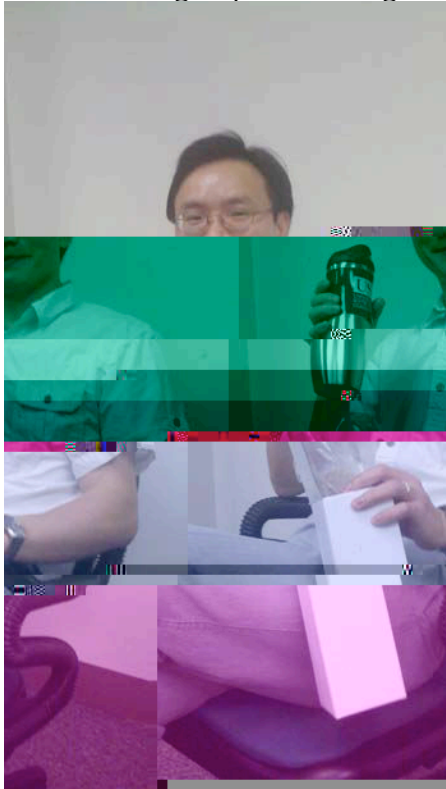
Dr. Bill Baker (Professor of Chemistry) was pictured with Professor Dennis Kyle (Department of Global Health) in a SNSM brochure "IMAGINE" ("Rethinking what is possible").

Wen-Shan Chang (MS 010) is employed by Nafertine Bio-technology Co., LTD, located in Fengyuan, which is near Taichung, Taiwan. She represented the firm's interests in nano-fertilizers in a presentation in Vietnam (November).

The Tampa

The USF Foundation announced (Feb 25th) that USF System president **Dr. Judy Genshaft** and her husband, **Steven Greenbaum**, are creating an endowment of \$1 million dedicated to the financial support of UF students who wish to study abroad. The gift to be made over a five-year period will create the new Genshaft/Greenbaum Passport Scholars Fund.

in the visitor group and among the winners.



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