

WEEKLY BULLETIN
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
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July 30, 2007
CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Monday, July 30,
2007**

Final Defense
Huihe Zhu
Ryan Hall, (Nano) 1004, 1:30p.m.
Advisor: Professor Fred Lewis

*“Electronic and Structural Studies
of DNA Hairpins and
Quadruplexes”*

**Wednesday, August
1, 2007**

Inorganic Summer Lecture Series
Professor T. Don Tilley
University of California, Berkeley
Tech LR2, 4:00 p.m.
Hosted by Professor Kenneth
Poepelmeier

*“Immobilization Strategies for the
Generation of Well-Defined,
Tailored Catalytic Centers:
Applications for Selective
Hydrocarbon Oxidation and
Electrocatalytic Water-Splitting”*

**Thursday, August 2,
2007**

Inorganic Summer Lecture Series
Professor T. Don Tilley
University of California, Berkeley
Tech LR2, 4:00 p.m.
Hosted by Professor Kenneth
Poepelmeier

*“New Stoichiometric and Catalytic
Transformations Involving
Transition Metal-Silicon Systems”*

**Friday, August 3,
2007**

Inorganic Summer Lecture Series
Professor T. Don Tilley
University of California, Berkeley
Ryan Hall, Nano 4003, 11:00 a.m.
Hosted by Professor Kenneth
Poepelmeier

*“Bond Activations at Transition
Metal Centers with Electrophilic
Early and Late Metal Complexes.
Fundamental Studies and
Applications to Catalysis”*

[The complete list of seminars and colloquia are available at www.chem.northwestern.edu/resources/](http://www.chem.northwestern.edu/resources/)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 13th, 2007
NSF – CRC – DNA Photonics
Professor Gary Schuster
Ryan Hall (Nano) 4003, 9:00a.m.
Hosted by: Professor Fred Lewis

August 17, 2007
Physical Seminar
Professor Ahn Tu Le
Kansas State University
Ryan Hall, (Nano) 4003, 4:00p.m.
Hosted by Dr. Stefan Tonzani

September 27 & 28th, 2007
2007 L. Carroll King Memorial Lecture
Professor Nicholas J. Turro
Columbia University
Location: TBD, 4:00p.m.

FYI

Faculty Lunch Seminars and also Faculty Lunch hour for the next few weeks will be held in Ryan Hall (Nano) 2003.

Silverman Hall Construction News

Silverman Hall construction has begun and access to the NANO Building and TECH Drive will be limited. Use the ground floor North and West doors of Nano for routine coming and goings. Use the East and Southeast doors of Nano for emergency purposes only. Tech Drive will be closed for rebuilding and access to the TECH loading dock will only be from the South Tech Drive entrance on Sheridan Road. Any deliveries **MUST** be made by entering and exiting at the South Tech Drive road (Ford-TECH Entrance). For any questions, please call Teri Collins @ 7-3946.

Week of July 30- Aug 6 – the digging will start for the foundation. The earth clearing has started and will continue through next week. The caisson placement and serious vibration activity will start within 5 days of completion of the earth clearing work. Turner is performing additional studies in order to determine the absolute necessity of relocating student offices in Ryan Hall.

Important Safety Information

Ryan (NANO) Building Emergency Evacuation Plan During Construction of Silverman Hall

The evacuation plan for the Ryan (NANO) Building lists the southeast door as one of the emergency exits. During the construction of Silverman Hall, the southeast door will open into a large fenced construction zone which will be locked with chains and padlocks at night. The University Police have keys to the fence locks and in the event of an emergency will always be there to open the site. Therefore, you can still use the southeast door as an **EMERGENCY** exit and there will be enough room to distance yourself from the building. If you can get to the North or East doors of Ryan (NANO), you will exit outside of the construction zone.

Please take a minute to familiarize yourself with all exits in the building so you can decide which way to exit is best for the situation. If you have any further questions, please call Teri Collins @ 7-3946.

Other Construction Safety Issues

Please remember Tech Drive North and South are both two-way street during the construction. Please be sure to look for traffic before crossing to the parking lot.

Arrivals & Departures

Christine Aikens, a postdoctoral fellow with Professor George Schatz has left the Department and taken a position as an Assistant Professor at Kansas State University.

Alyssa McCain, Program Assistant in the Department of Chemistry has left and moved to Hillsboro, Oregon.

Jin Wen Huang has joined Professor Richard Silverman's group as a Postdoctoral Fellow.