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Dear Alumni and Friends of UWP Chemistry,

The UWP Chemistry Program is celebrating the 65th anniversary of the chemistry major at UW-Platteville this year, and we look forward to your return for Chemistry Homecoming 2009 to join in the celebration. The events will begin Thursday, Oct. 8 with dinner and guest presentation by American Chemical Society President Thomas Lane. We are inviting regional K-12 and higher education chemistry instructors as special guests for the evening as Dr. Lane reflects on the past and shares the ACS vision for chemistry.

Several events are on tap for Friday, Oct. 9. We will start the day with a breakfast honoring our retired faculty and staff. We hope that you can join us along with Bob Hansen, Ralph Curtis, Hal Fenrick, Dwight Klaassen, Roy Shaver, Joyce Miller, Jesse Reinstein, Charles Sundin, Gerald Scheppers and Betty Wruck for a breakfast buffet. Students, alumni and friends are invited to a variety of presentations and program/departmental tours including the second floor Ottensman (chemistry) and Engineering Hall (EP) additions. This is the first expansion of the chemistry or physics programs in over 30 years. Chemistry enrollments have grown dramatically in the past 10 years and now average 130 majors and 18 graduates which places UWP chemistry in the top 20 percent in the nation. Friday activities also include a luncheon speaker, program social hour and the College of Engineering, Mathematics and Science annual alumni fish fry.

Saturday's festivities include the Homecoming parade, EMS alumni brat and beer tailgate and Homecoming game with UW-La Crosse. Saturday will close with the traditional lighting of the "M" and we are hopeful that this can go off with a special "bang" to celebrate UWP chemistry's 65th.

We hope that each one of you can make the journey back to UWP to celebrate with us. Please let us know if you are interested in giving a short presentation as part of Friday's activities or if your company may be interested in a corporate sponsorship of the event. The Alumni Office will be mailing detailed information related to our events as part of the UWP Homecoming in the coming months; if other questions arise before then or you would like more information, feel free to contact us. We are looking forward to seeing you Oct. 8-10.

Sincerely,

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