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Chunshan Song to receive 2011 ACS Distinguished Researcher Award in Petroleum Chemistry ^[1]

Friday, April 29, 2011

Chunshan Song, distinguished professor of fuel science in the John and Willie Leone Family Department of Energy and Mineral Engineering and director of the EMS Energy Institute in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences at Penn State has been selected to receive the 2011 Distinguished Researcher Award from the Petroleum Chemistry Division of the American Chemical Society (ACS). The award, which began in 2008, will recognize Song for his extensive original contributions to research in the petroleum chemistry field.

Penn State and Dalian Establish the International Joint Center for Energy Research ^[2]

Friday, April 29, 2011

On April 12, Penn State and Dalian University of Technology (DUT) in China celebrated the establishment of the Penn State Dalian Joint Center for Energy Research (JCER).

Ceremony attendees included Penn State President Graham Spanier, Penn State Vice President for Research Henry Foley, Penn State Vice Provost Michael Adewumi, State College Mayor Elizabeth Goreham, DUT President Jinping Ou, DUT Vice President Guiling Ning and many other faculty and staff members from both universities.

Xiaoliang Ma Leaving the Institute for New Opportunity ^[3]

Friday, June 3, 2011

Dr. Xiaoliang Ma, senior research associate at the EMS Energy Institute, has accepted an offer to lead a refinery research program at Kuwait Institute of Scientific Research, as a program manager. He will be leaving the EMS Energy Institute in June 2011.

Dr. Harold Schobert, Professor of Fuel Science, Retires ^[4]

Thursday, July 7, 2011

Dr. Harold Schobert, Professor of Fuel Science in the John and Willie Leone Family Department of Energy and Mineral Engineering and leading researcher in fuel chemistry in the EMS Energy Institute, has retired from Penn State after twenty-five years. His retirement was effective June 30, 2011.

Pennsylvania Biomass Energy Association Holds First Meeting ^[5]

Wednesday, July 20, 2011

On Tuesday, the Pennsylvania Biomass Energy Association (PBEA) held its first meeting. The goal of the meeting, which had close to 50 attendees, was to introduce potential members to PBEA, formalize the organizational framework and strategic plan, and outline steps for moving forward. Topics discussed included membership, bylaws, proposed activities and focus areas, and the status of biomass activity in Pennsylvania.

Bembenic and Clifford to Receive R. A. Glenn Award for Best Paper ^[6]

Tuesday, August 2, 2011

Meredith Hill Bembenic, a graduate student in the John and Willie Leone Family Department of Energy and Mineral Engineering, and Caroline Burgess Clifford, senior research associate, EMS Energy Institute, were selected to receive the R. A. Glenn Award for best paper from the American Chemical Society (ACS) Fuel Chemistry Division. The award is for the technical paper "Examination of Hydrothermal Lignin Conversion using Carbon Monoxide," which was presented at the 2010 ACS National Meeting.

Chunshan Song recognized by the Catalysis Club of Philadelphia ^[7]

Thursday, September 22, 2011

The Catalysis Club of Philadelphia selected Dr. Chunshan Song, director of the EMS Energy Institute and distinguished professor of fuel science, as the recipient of the 2011 Excellence in Catalysis Award. He was recognized during the spring symposium in May 2011 for his accomplishments to the field of catalysis on sulfur removal from hydrocarbon mixtures and

hydrocarbon conversion for energy oriented processes.

Students Garner Awards at International Conference ^[8]

Thursday, September 22, 2011

Enette Louw and Fidel Castro-Marcano, graduate students in the John and Willie Leone Family Department of Energy and Mineral Engineering, were recognized at the 28th Annual International Pittsburgh Coal Conference on September 12 ? 15, 2011.

Rep. Glenn Thompson Visits EMS Energy Institute ^[9]

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

On October 11, U.S. Rep. Glenn Thompson spent the morning at the EMS Energy Institute. Penn State faculty and representatives from the U.S. Department of Energy?s National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) were part of a briefing that highlighted NETL?s Regional University Alliance and current research initiatives, especially in the area of fossil energy. After the briefing, faculty guided Rep. Thompson on laboratory tours.

Penn State Managed Consortium Highlighted in Fossil Energy Today ^[10]

Monday, October 17, 2011

The most recent issue of Fossil Energy Today, a newsletter produced by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), discussed the new technologies that have resulted from the Stripper Well Consortium (SWC). These technologies, many of which have been commercialized, improve environmental protection while helping independent oil and gas operators.

The SWC is an industry-driven consortium that was established in 2000 through a cooperative agreement between DOE and Penn State. The EMS Energy Institute at Penn State is responsible for the management of the consortium.

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