



American Chemical Society - Orange County Section

High School Awards Dinner Banquet

Tuesday, May 23rd 2017

**Titan Student Union
California State University Fullerton**

Registration - 5:45 pm	Dinner (Italian Buffet) - 6:00 pm
Speaker - 6:45 pm	Awards Presentation - 7:30 pm

Reservations: Register online through the Orange County American Chemical Society website www.ocacs.org. On the 'Education' tab, click on the 'High School Exam' button and then the 'Awards Dinner' button, or go to www.ocacs.org/reghighschoolinner2016.htm. Follow the directions to register all the guests and pay for their dinners with a credit/debit card or PayPal. Print out the PayPal receipt and bring it to the Banquet.

Registration and payment for the Dinner must be completed by **midnight** on **Thursday, May 18th 2016**.

To be seated with a particular high school's students, make sure you enter the name of the High School and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Cost: \$30 per person. The teacher of each student awardee and the student attend as guests of ACS, but reservations are required. No one can be seated for dinner without advance reservations.

Please remember to pay for the Dinners after filling in and submitting the online registration form.

E-mail questions to Helen Wagner at hwagner0227@gmail.com.

Directions:

Exit the 57 freeway on Nutwood Avenue and go west. Turn right onto North State College Blvd., right again on Student Union Way onto campus, and then make an immediate left. The Titan Student Union is on the right, followed by parking structure 35. Be sure to buy a parking ticket at one of the machines (cost: \$8). See attached map.

Where to Go from Here?

Harwood Garland

Department of Chemistry, University of California, Irvine

Harwood Garland II is a graduate student of Medicine, Science & Technology Studies at the University of California, Irvine. His research with the Rowland-Blake Group utilized gas chromatography with flame ionization detection to measure atmospheric methane levels, particularly on islands in the South Pacific. His work was part of a longitudinal study to measure the effects of greenhouse gases, started decades ago by the Nobel-prize-winning Dr. Sherwood Rowland.

After High School, Harwood's older sister inspired him to pursue a life of adventure and he joined the US Navy. Unfortunately, after only six months of medical and seamanship training, He and many other Navy medics, called Hospital Corpsmen, were drafted into the US Marine Corps to serve as platoon medics in Iraq. After three years with the infantry, and two years at sea, Harwood left the military to pursue a college education.

In college, Harwood traveled to New Zealand, Guam, Saipan, and many other places to gather and analyze chemical samples on behalf of UCI. He also published in the Journal of Urology, and his anthropology research explaining how veterans adopt new identities after military service received congressional recognition. His proudest accomplishment at UC Irvine is helping to start the First Generation, First Quarter Challenge Program - which aims to help first generation college students, like Harwood, adapt quickly to college, and find success.

Harwood's family and friends usually describe him as intelligent and focused, but in fact, Harwood has always felt insecure about his intelligence and is often afraid of what the future may hold. After finishing his graduate studies in medical anthropology, he will pursue a Master's in Biomedical and Translational Sciences, followed by, he hopes, medical school.