#### ACS Hungary Chapter ANNUAL REPORT 2008

#### First Quarter 2008

## Management meeting (19 Feb, 2008)

The management discussed the main objectives of the Chapter for the year 2008. The main issues:

- The result of 2007 ACS HC.
- Services what the Chapter should provide.
- Recruitment of new members.
- Discussing the ACS HC website up-dating.
- Appoint the organizing committee of Frost 2, 2009.

#### Management Teleconference (12 March, 2008)

Management's discussion regarding the issues of:

- > Short Course (FROST 2) to be held in Budapest, Hungary in October, 2009.
- > The role of the Chapter in supporting the participation of young scientists at conferences.
- > ACS HC related scientific presentation of Dr. Darvas in Szeged.

#### **Second Quarter 2008**

### MKE Hungarian Chemical Society Conference, Hajdúszoboszló, Hungary (June 19-21, 2008)

On behalf of ACS HC oral presentations were given by Dr. Attila Wootsch, Dr. Zsolt Ötvös, Mr. László Lengyel and poster presentation by Ms. Eszter Varga.

#### **Third Quarter 2008**

#### Management Teleconference (01 July, 2008)

Management's discussion regarding the issues of:

- > Advertising the benefits of the ACS HC membership.
- > Participation of the ACS conference in Philadelphia.
- > Parties agreed to sponsor the traveling cost of a young scientist Nóra Rideg for a presentation at a conference in Istambul, Turkey (July 06-09, 2008) and donate 500 USD to Dr. János Kiss toward his traveling expenses for a presentation at the ACS Fall 2008 conference in Philadelphia (16-21 August, 2008).

## 9th European Conference on Research In Chemical Education, Istanbul, Turkey (06-09 July, 2008).

In April 2007 an exhibition was opened and organized by Dr. Attila Pavláth, the honorary president of the ACS HC. From the material of this exhibition Nóra Rideg prepared and held an oral presentation in Istambul, Turkey

Title: <u>Nora Rideg</u>, Attila Pavlath, Veronika Nemeth: Pictures of an Exhibition - a possible way to make chemistry more popular.

# **237**<sup>st</sup> ACS National meeting & Exposition, Philadelphia, PA (16-21 August, 2008)

Dr. Ferenc Darvas represented ACS HC at the International Activities Committee / U.S. National Committee for International Union of Pure & Applied Chemistry Reception for International Registrants on 17th August. At this occasion Dr. Ferenc Darvas had a meeting with Dr. Nina McClelland (President of Committee) with Dr. Thomas Lane (ACS President-elect) and with Dr. Ann Nalley (ACS President 2006). At the ACS conference oral presentations were given by ACS HC members: Dr. György Dormán, Mr. Richard Jones and Dr. János Kiss.

#### **Fourth Quarter 2008**

### Management meeting (28 October, 2008 Budapest)

> ACS HC Election polls.

Dr. Ferenc Darvas informed the Chapter's management about his intention to withdraw from the office of Chairman of ACS Hungarian Chapter by the end of 2009. The management accepted his decision. In accordance with that he asked the fellow officers to nominate new candidates. Dr. Attila Pavláth also participated at this meeting and kindly offered his help in organizing the election. Circular for the ACS HC members was sent and responses evaluated. Prof. András Guttman was accepted as nominee for the next Chairman of ACS HC.

## Dennis Gabor Awarded Club Meeting Fall (11 November, 2008 Budapest, Hungary)

Dennis Gabor is the winner of the 1971 Nobel Prize in Physics for his investigation and development of holography. Since 1989 Dennis Gabor award is given annually to experts who made significant contribution to scientific fields inspired by the scientific achievements of Dennis Gabor. The club is established by the awarded experts to share utilize and contribute their collective experiences on the field of research and innovation.

At the biannual meeting of the Dennis Gabor Awarded Club Dr. Attila Pavláth held a presentation on the current situation of scientific and technological education and training in the USA.