

Junior Liaison

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Committee Report

November BOD Meeting

Dear President DeFlorio:

The 2011 ASGS Symposium held in Alexandria, Virginia last June was a great success. The program again was filled and the junior / student members learned a lot of good scientific glassblowing techniques. I would like to thank our gracious volunteer instructors for their enthusiasm and contributions. Each one brings a special talent to the program and our junior members benefit greatly from those talents. This year the instructors were: Ron Bihler (2nd year), Joe Gregar (23rd year), James Hodgson (5th year), and Robert Singer (18th year).

I am looking forward to the 2012 ASGS Symposium in Corning New York. This the home of Corning Glass Works one of the "glass Mecca's" in the United States. Corning Glass Works was the site of our very first ASGS Symposium 57 years ago in 1955. I will be putting together a great program for this symposium. The students that participate will learn new techniques and may also discover which skills they need to practice more to become proficient. Corning New York is located in Central NY in what is known as the Finger Lake region. The geology of the area is absolutely beautiful and many times breathtaking. It should be a very enjoyable and relaxing trip and you may want to extend your visit for a wonderful vacation. I can't wait to get there.