



# Irving Shain Chemistry Research Tower

Dedication Celebrations  
May 5 and 6, 2006

March 7, 2006

You are invited to an exciting weekend of science and celebration.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison Chemistry Department will host a series of educational, artistic and social events on Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6, 2006, to honor former department chair and university chancellor Irving Shain and to dedicate the Irving Shain Chemistry Research Tower. Dr. Shain joins two other department chairs, Farrington Daniels and J. Howard Mathews, in sharing the name of the Chemistry Building. UW-Madison chancellor John Wiley calls Irv Shain "one of the most consistently influential figures in the history of the University of Wisconsin." This weekend is an ideal time to acknowledge an inspiring leader and to enjoy educational and artistic community events.

Scheduled events begin with a dedication ceremony at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, May 5 at the Chemistry Building. Following the ceremony, there will be a scientific symposium featuring UW-Madison chemistry department faculty. Noted electrochemist Professor Allen Bard, Hackerman-Welch Regents Chair in Chemistry at the University of Texas at Austin, will be the first Irving Shain Chemistry Colloquium Series speaker.

In recognition of Irv Shain's life-long interest in and support of music, the Pro Arte Quartet and other music faculty will present a special late afternoon concert Friday at 5:00 p.m. in Music Hall, 455 N. Park Street.

Saturday, May 6 festivities begin at 9:00 a.m. with a Chemistry Department Open House featuring tours of the research and educational facilities and hands-on activities for adults and children. UW-Madison faculty also will offer a continuation of the scientific symposium. Dr. Larry Faulkner, President Emeritus, University of Texas at Austin will deliver the closing keynote talk at 11:00 a.m. Dr. Faulkner, an electrochemist, retired this year after a distinguished teaching, research and administrative career.

During his career as teacher, mentor, administrator and leader, Dr. Shain earned the respect of colleagues, the affection of students, the gratitude of the campus community and the friendship of many. He served as professor and chair of the chemistry department prior to his appointment as vice chancellor. After two years as vice president and provost at the University of Washington, he returned to UW-Madison, where he was chancellor from 1977 to 1986. He is currently a vice president and trustee of University Research Park.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this entertaining and enlightening weekend. More details are available through the contacts at the bottom of the page.

Sincerely,

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