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Oct. 18, 2011

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.— In celebration of National Chemistry Week 2011 (Oct. 16-22), Illinois Wesleyan University's Chemistry Department will host several events on campus.

The chemistry club at IWU, a student affiliate chapter of American Chemical Society, has planned fun demonstrations in the Center for Natural Science Learning and Research commons area (201 Beecher St., Bloomington) between noon and 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19. There will also be fun chemical demonstrations for all ages on the Eckley Quadrangle from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. during Homecoming, Saturday, Oct. 22.

As part of the International Year of Chemistry, National Chemistry Week (NCW) is a community-based annual event that has a focus on increasing the awareness and public appreciation of what chemistry has to offer the world, spark an interest in this field among the young people and to “generate enthusiasm for the creative future of chemistry.”

This year's theme is “Chemistry—Our Health, Our Future!”

According to the National Chemistry Week Website, “Chemistry is everywhere and is important to our health. Whether it's the medicines that make us well, the hygiene products that keep us clean, and even the vitamins and minerals that supplement our diets, chemistry is involved in maintaining our health and future...chemistry is a creative science essential for our sustainability and improvements to our way of life.”

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