Tips for a better work-life:

- There is an abundance of scams involving academic conferences. Please do your homework when choosing conferences and only book travel and accommodations through your administrative assistant. Learn more here.

Happenings of note:

- **Special seminar** from Goldsmith group alum, Dr. Feng Pan.
  
  **High-Q-Factor Chiral Metasurfaces Enable Strong Valley-Polarized Emission in Transition Metal Dichalcogenides at Room Temperature**
  
  Dr. Feng Pan, postdoctoral researcher with Prof. Jen Dionne, Stanford University
  
  Hosted by Prof. Randall Goldsmith (Feng is a Goldsmith lab alum)
  
  Thursday June 13, 11 a.m., Room 2401 Chemistry (North Tower)

- This month, UW-NOBCChE has organized a Juneteenth panel and celebration in honor of Juneteenth National Independence Day, a celebration of Black independence in the United States. Please join us on **Friday, June 14th, at 12 pm in 1435 Learning Studio**. Please RSVP using this form. More on the Juneteenth holiday can be found here.

- **Remote Work Agreements - due June 30**
  
  Remote Work Agreements (RWAs) will be completed on a fiscal-year basis going forward. RWAs for July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, must be completed by June 30th. An RWA is required for regular, ongoing remote work. Occasional, sporadic remote work does not require an RWA. See the [http://See](http://See) the instructions for RWA entry for more information. Contact Char Horsfall with questions.

- **Staff 2023-2024 Performance Evaluations - due September 15**
  
  Performance evaluations for the 7/01/2023 -6/30/2024 period must be completed in the PMDP system by September 15, 2024. Supervisors can access UW PMDP support materials for instructions and contact Char Horsfall with questions.

- GSFLC reminders and community-building events! Please note RSVP deadlines:
  
  - **Madison Mallards**
    Sunday, June 9 at 4 pm
    2920 N. Sherman Ave
  
  - **Mini Golf**
    Saturday, July 13
    Vitense Golfland, 5501 Schroeder Rd
    More information TBA
Fall Bonfire
Friday, September 6 (rainout date: September 13)

For more information about the Graduate Student Faculty Liaison Committee (GSFLC), how to join, and our event calendar, visit https://chem.wisc.edu/gsflc/.

- **ChemCoders** are gathering a list of people interested in participating in our Summer Sprint!
  - This will be a multi-day event (July 18-19) that is designed to help people learn more about coding by solving problems alongside peers and experienced coders.
  - This is a great opportunity for you to get help with your own coding problems and learn valuable debugging/problem solving skills for future coding endeavors.
  - If you are interested in participating, please fill out this google form.
  - Also be sure to join our Teams channel to get more information in coming weeks.

**Important department events**

- Saturday, June 8
  - **Celebrating Creative Collaborations – The Adventures of John and Betty Moore, and Colleagues**
  - North Tower Atrium and Learning Studio
  - Click [here](#) to let us know you're attending!

Here is our [Department of Chemistry Calendar page](#). If you'd like an event added, please contact your admin or reply to this email. Please notice events now have a "Download Event" link that you can click to add the event to your Outlook calendar.

**Reminders**

- The *Badger Chemist* is available online [here](#). Please email kmhazen@wisc.edu if you have ideas to add to this year’s issue (published in November).

- Follow the Department of Chemistry on [X (Twitter)], [Facebook], [Instagram], and [LinkedIn] for information on happenings, achievements, seminars, and publications.

- Please remember to [opt-in to receive text alerts](#) from the Department of Chemistry. While use of this system is optional, we encourage you to sign up for important safety alerts about our building.
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