



ACS Local Section  
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## History and Chemistry of Lead

### Dr. Paris Svoronos

Professor Queensborough Community College (retired)

**Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 6:30 PM**

Dinner followed by seminar  
Nassau Community College  
CCB Building Room 251

Register by December 5<sup>th</sup>  
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**Abstract:** Lead is a heavy, not-as-difficult to isolate metal that has been known since prehistoric times and was used primarily for war and construction purposes. Later it has been substantial in the printing process, plumbing, batteries, medical procedures, radiation shielding and leaded gasoline. A short description of its basic chemistry and several of its uses and applications will be provided

**Biography:** Paris Svoronos earned his PhD in Organic Chemistry at Georgetown (1979) and has served as a full-time faculty at CUNY Queensborough Community College (CUNY-QCC) for over 40 years (1981-2021). He was the first Chemist to be selected as Professor of the Year by the CASE/Carnegie Foundation (2003) and the only community college faculty to be presented the James Flack Norris Award by the ACS-NE section (2021). He has served Long Island Subsection of the American Chemical Society (LI-ACS) as its Chair (2002), Secretary and current Director-at-Large. He was selected as the ACS-NY Section Chair (2015), Community College first Professor of the Year (2019) and alternate counselor. He is an ACS fellow (2018), as well as a recipient of the Stanley Israel Award for advancing diversity in the chemical sciences (2018), and the Ann Nalley Regional Award for volunteer service (2016). He has served MARM as co-General Chair (2008, QCC) and co-Program Chair (2016, Mount St. Vincent) as well as an ACS-General Chemistry Test Committee member (2018-2021).

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