

North Texas Section Co-Sponsors 8th Annual Symposium on Electronic Materials, Processing and Characterization

The Eighth Annual Joint Symposium on Electronic Materials, Processing and Characterization was held at the Richardson Hilton and Towers in Richardson, Texas, June 5-6, 1989. This is the fourth consecutive year the local chapters of the Materials Research Society, American Vacuum Society, and the Electrochemical Society have co-sponsored the conference.

The organizing committee composed of Marylyn Bennett-Lilley (MRS), Allen Bowling (ECS), and Roc Blumenthal (AVS) reported a new record attendance of 172, of whom 37 were students and 42 were vendors. There were 7 invited speaker presentations, 14 student presentations, and 9 other contributed presentations during the two-day event. Session topics were devoted to recent developments in metallization, compound semiconductors, thin films and superconductors, advanced ma-

terials and processing, lithography, and characterization.

For the first time, a poster session was included in the conference. The 10 poster session authors each gave a five-minute preview before the poster session began.

This was the third year for the student paper awards and attracted the highest number of contributions to date, 14, which included the poster papers this year. Symposium attendees rated the eligible papers. First place, with an award of \$150, went to K.W. Goeking and co-workers from Texas A&M University, who presented "Preparation of BiSrCaCuO Superconductor by Pb and Ti Doping and Liquid Phase Epitaxy." Second place, with an award of \$100, went to W.B. Kinard and co-workers, also from Texas A&M University, for "Fabrication of a Novel Gated Resonant Tunneling Diode: (GRTD)."

A reception was held for the vendors on the evening of June 5. This was followed by the June meeting of the North Texas Materials Characterization Society, the MRS North Texas Section. The speaker, Gary Kellogg from Sandia National Laboratories, gave a tutorial entitled "Field-Ion and

Atom-Probe Microscopy: Structural and Chemical Analysis at the Atomic Level." Approximately 31 NTMCS members attended the tutorial. MRS



Organizers of the 8th Annual Symposium on Electronic Materials, Processing and Characterization (left to right) Marylyn Bennett-Lilley (MRS), Roc Blumenthal (AVS), and Allen Bowling (ECS).

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