This year, we celebrated the 30th anniversary of National Chemistry Week! The theme was “Chemistry Rocks!”, about the chemistry of rocks and minerals.

NCW Teacher “Care Packages”: Continuing our annual tradition, the Georgia Local Section provided chemistry-themed give-aways to local K-12 teachers through our annual “care package” program. This year, the Georgia Section sent out packages to 14 schools. Requests were received on behalf of 2000 total students. The care packages included copies of Celebrating Chemistry (for students in grades 4-6), periodic table wallet cards (high-school), and chemistry-labeled pencils, balloons, and stickers. The School of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Georgia Tech aided our efforts by paying the shipping charges to send the materials to the local teachers. Prof. Heather Abbott-Lyon (Kennesaw State), Chemistry Olympiad coordinator for the Georgia Section, helped us contact the teachers. Students and Postdocs from the Sherrill group at Georgia Tech helped prepare and ship the packages (below).
**Demos and Mole Day at Emory University**: On Tuesday, October 24, The ChEmory student group at Emory university hosted their annual chemistry demo show at the Memorial Student Center. They then displayed a Periodic Table of Cupcakes on Friday, October 25.
Spelman College: Spelman College celebrated Mole Day with special T-shirts and displays. They gave out free Periodic Table cupcakes at the college's weekly Market Friday event on Friday, October 25.

Chemistry Day at Fernbank Science Center: On Saturday, November 7, Fernbank Science Center hosted its annual Chemistry Day, open to the public. This event features demonstrations and hands-on activities, put on with the help of chemistry undergraduates from all around the Atlanta area.

Guests put a sticker on their favorite element at Fernbank Science Center’s Meet the Elements event in honor of National Chemistry Week
Visitors enjoy making models of different molecules with gumballs and toothpicks.

Both guests and volunteers enjoyed exploring the properties of solid carbon dioxide.
Visitors were able to view properties of light coming from different light sources.

Chemistry Day was a multi-generational event. Professor Gillian Rudd oversaw the student volunteers from Georgia Gwinnett College, while her daughter volunteered to help with the Georgia Tech table as part of the Georgia Tech ACS student group.