Tuesday, May 16, 2017
Percy Julian Award Dinner

Dr. Albert N. Thompson Jr
“A History of Twentieth Century African American Women Scientists”

Location:
Manley Atrium
Spelman College
350 Spelman Ln, Atlanta, GA 30314
Directions: Click Here

6:30 pm Meet and mingle
7:00 pm Dinner
8:00 pm Speaker

Menu:
Tossed Garden Salad
Grilled Salmon - Lemon Dill Sauce
Jerk Chicken
Red Beans and Rice
Traditional Caribbean Cabbage
Plantains
Freshly Baked Assorted Rolls with Butter
Cheesecake
Freshly Brewed Sweet Iced Tea
Lemonade
Water
(Alcoholic Beverages: Beer and Wine)

RSVP by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at http://goo.gl/7aCj7a
Price: $35 regular; $25 retired, current ACS members and K-12 teachers, $15 students
Payment: At the door Cash, credit card, or check to: “Georgia Section ACS”
Note: If you make a reservation and then do not attend, you will be charged for the meal as we have to guarantee the number of meals.

We will be live streaming this event through YouTube Live. (Select live streaming option while RSVP)

ABSTRACT: Edward Bouchet was the first African American to earn a doctorate degree at a college in the United States. He was awarded the Ph.D. degree in physics in 1876. It was not until the mid-twentieth century that an African American woman earn a doctorate degree in a STEM field. From the early pioneering African American men who earned doctorates in STEM there are several pioneering women who broke gender and racial barriers in earning STEM doctorates. These women are not “Hidden Figures” and they established a history and pathway for the success of next generations of African American women scientists.

BIO: Albert N. Thompson, Jr. is Chair of The Natural Sciences and Mathematics Division and Professor in the Department of Chemistry at Spelman College. He has been a faculty member at Spelman College since 1981. He earned the B.S. and M.S. degrees in chemistry from Texas Southern University, and a Ph.D. in inorganic chemistry from Howard University. He previously held faculty positions at Texas Southern University, Houston Community College, Fisk University and Fayetteville State University. He has done post-doctoral research at USAF School of Aerospace Medicine in San Antonio, Texas, and was a Visiting Professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1990.
Albert Thompson’s current research interests are directed toward the synthesis and characterization of tetraphenylporphyrins and he has conducted funded research in the field of acid rain. He has received funding and co-funding for several research and educational grants from NIH, NSF, the Air Force, the Pittsburgh Conference, NASA, DOE, and the U.S. Army. He has published, and has given numerous talks and presentations in his current research area. He has served on national grant proposal review panels for NIH, NSF, NASA, EPA, and has served as a research and program consultant for QEM, Project Kaleidoscope, and liberal arts colleges. He is a former member of University of Chicago James Franck Institute NSF Materials Research Center Visiting Advisory Committee, the American Chemical Society’s 2001 and 2003 General Chemistry Examination Committees, and the Chemistry Praxis I & II and Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Committees. He also serves on the Georgia Assessment for Certification of Educators (GACE) Content Advisory Committee for Chemistry.

Albert Thompson is frequent speaker on the preparation and training minority students in science and the contributions of African Americans in the sciences. He served as the P.I. of the NSF sponsored and NASA funded Model Institutions for Excellence Program at Spelman College. He has hosted high school students in an American Chemical Society (ACS) Project SEED summer research program, and served for ten years on the ACS National Project SEED Committee and currently is a member of the ACS Committee on Minority Affairs.