

# **Engineering Libraries Division Newsletter**





## May 2008





## **Message from the Chair**

Jay Bhatt

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ELD is a division of the American Society for Engineering Education. Its mission is "to promote and strengthen the role of the library as an integral part of engineering education." Every year, our annual conference provides us ample opportunities to share what we all have been doing in our respective institutions for the past several months. It is the fun part and at the same time informative since we learn so many new things through enlightening interactions and educational conversations.

But the most important part among all these fun activities is our program itself. Amy Van Epps has done a tremendous job in organizing this year's ELD program that I am positive will be an excellent learning experience for all of us.

Directors, Michael White and Linda Whang, and have done an excellent job in putting together Welcome Reception and our dynamic Annual Banquet.

Please refer to all the committee reports highlighted in this newsletter and see if you are interested in participating in any of those committees. Committee Chair can provide all the necessary information about what is needed and whether the committee is looking for any additional members.

I had several opportunities to interact and have a meaningful dialog on a number of ELD related issues such as Publish to Present, Updating of ELD By-laws, and copyright related situation with our PIC-IV Chair, Mary Anderson-Rowland. I take this opportunity to thank Mel DeSart for his support and his initiatives in conveying ELD's message on Copyright related matters to our PIC-IV Chair. Members of our Extended Executive Committee also provided valuable insights and recommendations to these developing matters. Our annual Business meeting will highlight more details that we will learn through our meeting with our PIC-IV Chair.

Please Email me if you would like to propose an agenda item for our Business meeting.

As usual our Development committee under the Direction of Stephen Stich was able to further strengthen our relationship with our various sponsors, and secure the funding that allows ELD to provide wonderful events at the annual conference.

As always, ELD is interested in increasing our membership and providing opportunities for existing members to serve in new capacities.

In the coming year, John Teleha will be looking for people to participate in the 2009 conference in Austin, Texas, while Amy Van Epps will be looking for chairs for several ELD committees. I will be looking for volunteers to run for ELD Secretary/Treasurer and Director. So, if you're looking for new or different professional opportunities, make your interest known to one of us.

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http://eld.lib.ucdavis.edu/

## **Conference Program Update**

**Amy Van Epps** 

The Pittsburgh conference is just weeks away, my how time flies when you're busy. The conference program can be found on the ELD website (<a href="http://eld.lib.ucdavis.edu/conf/confo8.php">http://eld.lib.ucdavis.edu/conf/confo8.php</a>). I'd like to take this column to outline the full program and highlight meals, logistics and other details.

## **Saturday**

#### **CUEBALLS**

The Completely Unofficial Early-Birds And Leftovers Line-up Squad

Mel DeSart, the fearless leader of the CUEBALLS has planned another fun activity.

Anyone who's interested in taking in the **Pirates** and Blue Jays on Saturday night will plan to meet in the lobby of the Renaissance Hotel (the conference hotel closest to the stadium) at 6:00 then plan to walk over to the stadium (it's less than a mile from the Renaissance), buy tickets, and go enjoy the game. If it's pouring down rain, we bag baseball and go find food and drink

somewhere instead (and yeah, Mel's already scoped out some options on that front too).

Look for more information on ELD-l for this and other CUEBALL events.



## Special Thanks

As in past years, we couldn't pull off all that we do during this conference without the help of our sponsors, ranging from catering support, and helping to bring in guest speakers to other conference costs. We offer a heartfelt thanks to the following sponsors (in alphabetical order): Ei/Elseiver, IEEE, Inspec, Institute of Physics, Knovel, Proquest and Morgan & Claypool.



## Sunday

## Preconference Programs

9 am – noon

Session 0241: Patents at Mach 2: Technology on the

**Cutting Edge** 

**Moderator:** Charlotte Erdmann

**Presenters:** Charlotte Erdmann, Michael White, Jay

**Bhatt** 

A hands-on session that will introduce attendees to advanced techniques and tools for searching patents in emerging fields of engineering and science. This session will be held in a computer lab at the University of Pittsburgh, facilities available complements of the School of Engineering.

2 pm - 5 pm

Session 0541: What every librarian should know

about assessment planning **Moderator:** Danianne Mizzy **Presenter:** Gloria Rogers

We have the privilege of having Gloria Rogers, who specializes in assessment techniques and works for ABET coordinate this hands-on session focused on librarians and assessment. The session will be interactive and groups of participants will develop a plan that can be used as the basis of work in their own location.

## **Society Wide Picnic**

6 pm - 9 pm

**A 'Burgh Block Party presented by** Dassault Systemes

Rooftop terrace of the David L. Lawrence Convention Center. This is the opening event of the conference for all attendees. This year the theme is a 'Burgh block party and the travel will be easier than most any other year I can remember in the last 10! ELD will mark a gathering point, look for the maroon and gold balloons and come join the other engineering librarians. This event requires advanced registration and is \$35. If you didn't purchase a ticket when you registered, you can add the event to your registration now, or check onsite for availability of tickets. If you wait until you're in Pittsburgh though, you can expect to pay an additional \$10 for your ticket.

## Conference Program Update (Continued from page 2)

## **Monday**

The **Main Plenary** is the first session of the conference on Monday morning, from **8:30-10:15**. This year the speaker will be Dr. Charles M. Vest, president of the National Academy of Engineering and his presentation title is "Engineering Education for the 21st Century". This session is well attended by all conference goers, and for the morning people in the group, ASEE puts on a continental breakfast before the main plenary, starting at 7:45.

## 10:30 am – 12:00 noon Session 1341:

ELD Special Interest Groups/Get Acquainted Session

**Moderator:** Patricia Kirkwood Westin – Allegheny Ballroom II

The ELD program starts with this opportunity to gather with your engineering librarian colleagues, covers some conference logistics and then spend the time talking about hot topics in the field in smaller groups.

## Box lunch provided, no beverages

## 12:30 pm – 2 pm Session 1441:

New Tools and Techniques for Information Literacy

**Moderator:** Patricia Watkins Conference Center – Room 308

Take a look at what your colleagues are doing in the information literacy realm which may be new and different in approach. Hopefully we will all leave this session with some ideas on additional things we could be doing for our IL sessions.

#### 2:15 pm – 4:00 pm Session 1541:

**Engineering Librarian's Basics Boot Camp** 

**Moderator:** Donna Beck Conference Center – Room 407

This session will provide a series of shorter papers with very concrete information for librarians new to engineering and seasoned veterans alike. The goal is a collection of take away tips and documents to help during the daily work of being an engineering librarian.

## 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm ASEE Emerging Trends Poster Session Exhibit Hall

This is a time when posters of general interest will be on display and the exhibit hall will be open. There are typically munchies provided by ASEE, as this is also a time to focus on the exhibits and catch up with vendors.

## **ELD Welcome Reception**

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Organizer: Michael White

Bevier Engineering Library, University of

Pittsburgh

This is an opportunity to socialize with other members of ELD, meet the new members and first time attendees and get to see what wondrous changes are afoot in the Engineering library at Pitt. Transportation will be provided to this gathering from the convention center, and hors d'oeuvres will be provided to tide folks over until they can get more to eat.

Light food and beverage provided.

For more information, please contact Michael White at <a href="michael.white@queensu.ca">michael.white@queensu.ca</a>.

## **Message from the Chair**

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I congratulate Bob Heyer-Gray and Nancy Linden on their election to Secretary/Treasurer and Director. I would like to thank all ELD members for their help and work over the past few years during my tenure as an officer. My special thanks to Larry Thompson, Kate Thomes, Mel DeSart, and Jill Powell, for their support, encouragement and excellent mentoring and our executive committee, Amy Van Epps, John Teleha, Michael White and Linda Whang for their contribution and excellent suggestions throughout the year.

I have truly enjoyed serving as an officer of ELD. It provided me so many opportunities to think, suggest and seek your opinions on how we can as a team work towards taking ELD to the next step. This would not have been possible without your constant support and encouragement.

I would also like to take this opportunity to specially thank and appreciate our Immediate Past Chair, Kate Thomes, for her support, encouragement and valuable insights to our Division.

Thank you all very much for giving me this opportunity.

See you in Pittsburgh!

Jay Bhatt ELD Division Chair

## Conference Program Update (Continued from page 3)

## 7:00 am – 8:15 am

Session 2141: ELD Committee Meetings

Conference Center - Room 315

For any early risers in the group who want to use this time for their committee meeting, it is available. I expect most of the committees will choose to find another time to meet during the conference.

#### 8:30 am - 10:15 am

Session 2241: Educating the Whole Engineer -

**Building Life Skills** 

**Moderator:** Edward Eckel Conference Center – Room 325

Librarians get involved in teaching many skills which are related to library skills and information literacy, and their inclusion in programs of study is often included with other "life skills" the students need to learn during their education. This session will present information on how several of our colleagues are advancing the education of the well rounded engineer.

## 10:30 am – 12:00 noon ASEE Distinguished Lectures

There are 3 lecture options during this time. Session I: Dr. Robert Liebeck, Project Manager, Blended-Wing-Body Program, Boeing and Dennis Bushnell, Chief Scientist, NASA-LaRC (Langley Research Center)

"The X-48B" by Dr. Liebeck

"The Future(s) of Energetics" by Dennis Bushnell Session II: Dr. Robert Erlandson, Professor of Electrical & Computer Engineering and Bioengineering at Wayne State University and Bruce E. Seely, Professor of History and Chair of the Department of Social Sciences, Michigan Technological University

"Accessible Design: It's the Law; Universal Design: It's the Market" by Dr. Robert Erlandson

"The Other Side of Engineering Education: The Changing Non-technical Curriculum through the Lens of History" by Bruce E. Seely

Session III: Dr. Lauren Resnick, Director of the Learning Research and Development Center and a Professor in the Department of Psychology at the University of Pittsburgh

"What Would It Take to Expand The Pipeline of Minority Students Coming Into Engineering?"

Alternately, the exhibits are open, the committees may choose to meet, or you have some free time.

#### 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Session 2441: ELD Annual Business Meeting

Facilitator: Jay Bhatt

Westin – Allegheny Ballroom II

This meeting covers a variety of topics, both what's is new and upcoming in the division, an update from our PIC chair about the larger ASEE

## **Tuesday**

conversations, and presentation of the division awards. You can also look forward to a discussion of pending bylaws changes, but even with such seemingly dry topics, this group has a good time.

## Buffet lunch provided.

## 2:15 pm - 4:00 pm

Session 2541:

Engineering Resources Off-the-Beaten-Path

Moderator: Lisha Li

Conference Center - Room 322

The session looks at some information resources not traditionally part of the library focus, or taking a new look at a traditional resource. They promise me this room will be big enough for all of us, I certainly hope so!

## 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm Session 2641:

Bio/Med Informatics and Engineering Libraries

**Moderator:** Lee Petersen Conference Center – Room 318

This session will feature a guest speaker, Mary Lou Klem, from the life sciences library at Pitt and two speakers from ELD who will focus on the engineering aspects and reasons to be up to date on bioinformatics.

The **ELD Annual Banquet** will be held at the Senator John Heinz History Center on Tuesday, June 24. The festivities begin at 6:00 pm with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres in the Great Hall. Please be sure to check in when you arrive and receive your two free drink tickets. The museum will be open for our exclusive use so you can tour the exhibits while mingling with ELD members, guests, and our sponsors. A buffet dinner will be served in the Great Hall and the bar will remain open as a cash bar for the remainder of the evening. We will have use of the museum until 10:00 pm.

#### **Directions:**

Start at: David L Lawrence Convention 1000 Fort Duquesne Blvd

♦ Head northeast on 10th St Bypass toward 10th St - 0.2 mi

♦ Turn left at Smallman St - 469 ft

Arrive at: Senator John Heinz History Center 1212 Smallman Street,

Many thanks to Ei/Elsevier for their generous sponsorship of this event!



## **Conference Program Update**

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## Wednesday

8:30 am – 10:15 am **ELD Poster Session** 

Moderator: Kathleen "Pix" Fleming

**Exhibit Hall** 

This year we will have 6 posters from ELD presented at the same time all the division posters will be up for attendees to review. The Awards committee will also be making their rounds during this time to gather information for the division Best poster award.

Take the time to see what our engineering librarian colleagues are doing, but this is also an opportunity to see the posters from other conference divisions, where you may learn about some work going on at your own campus where you could be of help.

## 10:30 am - 12:00 noon

Session 3391: Mini-Plenary, ELD sponsored

**Moderator:** Sharon Siegler Conference Center – Room 408

Richard Sweeney from the New Jersey Institute of

Technology Library will be with us to speak about millennial students and if engineering students fit the same mold as the general population. We can expect about a 40 minute talk from Mr. Sweeney and then a panel of 12 local engineering students will join the conversation to answer questions to help the attendees determine if they are a typical sample of the larger population.



## 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Session 3441: One Step Beyond: Taking Collaboration to the Next Level

**Moderator:** Amanda Werhane

Westin – Westmoreland East & Central

A new title on what used to be our "Technical Papers Session. It's still a bit of a mix of papers, but upon additional investigation they had a unifying theme of collaboration, and so a new title. Lunch will be in the room beginning at Noon, please arrive early so you can collect your lunch and be ready for the session to begin at 12:30.

## Box lunch provided, no beverages.

#### 2:15 pm - 4:00 pm

Session 3541: Professional Issues Forum

**Moderator:** Alice Trussell Conference center – Room 318

This session is purposely left without a collection of papers to be presented. This provides the division an opportunity to hold a discussion about a topic that has become important since the program needed to be determined several months ago. Alice will likely arrive with several topics we can discuss, but feel free to bring your own ideas and thought and let's have a lively conversation.

## 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Session 3641: ELD Extended Executive Committee Meeting

Facilitator: Amy Van Epps

An opportunity to debrief from the conference just completed, deal with some division business, and begin planning for the 2009 conference in Austin, TX.

## Snacks provided.

Looking forward to seeing you all at what will be a fun and exciting meeting.

Amy Van Epps ELD Program Chair / Chair Elect

#### **CUEBALLS**

For any stragglers, there is usually a CUEBALLS event following the EEC meeting. Stay tuned to ELD-L for more information.

## **ELD VISITOR'S GUIDE TO PITTSBURGH**

While most of your time at the ASEE Annual Conference will be spent with ELD program activities you may find yourself with some discretionary time in the 'Burgh as well. Below are some fun and interesting destinations you may wish to consider visiting. Please refer back to John Meier's piece in the March Newsletter on "Sammiches" for additional ideas.

Pittsburgh prides itself on its neighborhoods. Each neighborhood has unique sites and restaurants for you to explore. Here are some highlights.

**OAKLAND**: University of Pittsburgh, Carnegie Mellon University, Carnegie Museum of Natural History and Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, Nationality Rooms in the Cathedral of Learning, Phipps Conservatory.

TAKE NOTE: Cathedral of Learning -- The building itself is a landmark and the Nationality Rooms are classrooms on the ground floor that showcase the culture and heritage of 28 immigrant homelands.

#### SELECTED RESTAURANTS:

Joe Mama's, (Italian) 3716 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh, PA, 15213 Original Hot Dog Shop, (Great fries, too!) 3901 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Red Oak Café, (Healthy, fast & tasty) 3610 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

#### GETTING THERE:

Between Downtown and Oakland, you may take all 61, 71, or 500 series buses.

**STRIP DISTRICT**: Heinz History Center, Wholey's Fish Market, Prestogeorge Fine Foods

TAKE NOTE: Stroll along with local Pittsburgers in this ethnic and specialty foods shopping "mecca".

#### **SELECTED RESTAURANTS:**

DeLuca's Restaurant, (Breakfast) 2015 Penn Ave., Pgh. 15222

Kaya, (Caribbean) 2000 Smallman St, Pittsburgh, PA

Primanti Bros. Restaurant, (Sandwiches – a Pittsburgh Classic!) 79 South 23rd St., Pgh, 15203

#### GETTING THERE:

Between Downtown and the Strip District, you may take all 86 or 91 series buses.

#### ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

Top 10 things to see in Pittsburgh:

http://pittsburgh.about.com/od/attractions/tp/must\_see.htm

Ten Fun Ways to Experience Pittsburgh:

http://pittsburgh.about.com/od/things to do/a/favorites.htm

Pittsburgh Neighborhood Tours:

www.pittsburghneighborhoodtours.com

Port Authority, www.portauthority.org

Yellow Cab, 412-321-8100

Airport Shuttle: 28X Airport Flyer, \$2.60 (requires transfer in Oakland to get into Downtown locations)

Google Maps for an overview of the city and neighborhoods

## **ELD VISITOR'S GUIDE TO PITTSBURGH**

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**SOUTHSIDE:** Duquesne Incline, Mount Washington, Station Square and the Gateway Clipper

TAKE NOTE: Take the incline up to Mt. Washington for a spectacular view of the city.

#### **SELECTED RESTAURANTS:**

Doublewide Grill, (Upscale diner) 2339 E. Carson St., Pgh 15203

The Library, (Eclectic American) 2304 E. Carson St., Pgh. 15203

Piper's Pub, (Irish) 1828 E. Carson St., Pgh. 15203

#### GETTING THERE:

Between Downtown and South Side, you may take the 51A or 51C.

**NORTHSIDE:** Aviary, Warhol Museum, Children's Museum, Mattress Factory, Heinz Field, PNC Park, Carnegie Science Center.

TAKE NOTE: The Children's Museum houses a permanent exhibit of Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood.

## SOME ADDITIONAL THINGS TO CONSIDER:

Just Ducky tours: <a href="http://www.justduckytours.com/">http://www.justduckytours.com/</a>

Gateway Clipper: <a href="http://www.gatewayclipper.com/">http://www.gatewayclipper.com/</a>

Carnegie Museum of Art: Life on Mars – the 55<sup>th</sup> Carnegie International opens May 3<sup>rd</sup>, <a href="http://www.cmoa.org/exhibitions/ci08press/npress160.asp">http://www.cmoa.org/exhibitions/ci08press/npress160.asp</a>

Carnegie Museum of Natural History: Phase One of *Dinosaurs in Their Time* - the majority of the exhibit - opened to the public on November 21, 2007, marking the 100th anniversary of the original Dinosaur Hall. Phase Two — featuring two *T. rex* skeletons posed mid–fight— of the project will be completed in June 2008.

#### **SELECTED RESTAURANTS:**

James Street Tavern, (Cajun) 422 Foreland Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212 Max's Allegheny Tavern, (German) 537 Suismon St, Pittsburgh, PA Penn Brewery, (German) 800 Vinial St., Pgh 15212

#### GETTING THERE:

Between Downtown and North Side, you may take the 16B, 16D or 500.

#### Don't Forget Kennywood!!!

http://www.kennywood.com/

http://www.kennywood.com/park\_info/history.php

4800 Kennywood Boulevard, West Mifflin, PA 15122, 412-461-0500

#### TRIP PLANNING:

Once you decide what areas or specific destinations you want to explore you may want to go to the Port Authority website to get an itinerary for that outing. For evening travel Yellow Cab may be your better bet since busses do not run as frequently.

Check Mel's CUEBALLS tips (no doubt featuring the Church Brew Works, and perhaps the 55<sup>th</sup> Carnegie International art show, the new Dinosaurs display at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History) for additional ideas of what to do and see.

Here's wishing you a terrific time in Pittsburgh!!!

**Kate Thomes** 

## **Committee Reports**

## **ELD Webmaster Annual Report**

Bob Heyer-Gray ELD Webmaster

It was a quiet year on the ELD Webpage front this year. The only significant change to the site over the year was the addition of the Liaisons Program and Liaisons Roster pages that previously had been hosted on the various Committee Chairs' web sites. Because the pages had been taken down and deleted at the last host's site, the Internet Archive's Wayback Machine and Google's cached pages were instrumental in recreating the pages.

We are nearing ASEE Conference time again, so if you are a speaker or presenter at the conference this year, it is never too early to think about and getting your presentation or paper to me for posting on the ELD Conference Program page. Better than thinking about getting your paper or presentation to me for posting, is of course actually getting it to me for posting. Naturally, papers and presentations will be welcome post-conference as well.

I would like to make another plea to ELD members to help us update the Testimonials page: <a href="http://eld.lib.ucdavis.edu/conf/testimonials.php">http://eld.lib.ucdavis.edu/conf/testimonials.php</a>. Please share with us why you find coming to ASEE and meeting with your ELD colleagues so valuable.

While not strictly related to the ELD web page, I would like to remind everybody that UC Davis is also currently hosting the ELD wiki: <a href="http://eldwiki.lib.ucdavis.edu/index.php/Main">http://eldwiki.lib.ucdavis.edu/index.php/Main</a> Page

The first entries are already showing up so take a look at and participate in the site.

The ELD website includes meeting minutes, conference information and presentations, officers and their job descriptions, bylaws, awards and award recipients, FAQs, listserv information, the duplicates exchange, ELD newsletters, and information on literature guides. ASEE links to our page from their list of divisions at: <a href="http://www.asee.org/activities/organizations/divisions/">http://www.asee.org/activities/organizations/divisions/</a>.

If you have comments or feedback on the ELD Web pages or see something in need of updating, please feel free to let me (or one of the committee members) know.

## **Accreditation & Standards Committee Annual Report**

Danianne Mizzy Accreditation & Standards Committee Chair

The A&S Committee formed 4 subcommittees to pursue specific projects. Documentation of some of their activities is on the new ELD wiki. Below are brief reports on their activities.

The **Accreditation Subcommittee** conducted a brief survey of ELD list members to gather information regarding whether the institution is going through accreditation this year or next year and the role of the library in the process. We are following up with members to gather more information and assessment related documents in order to develop a "Guide to ABET Accreditation for Librarians". – Sheila Young

The **Benchmarking Subcommittee** conducted a brief survey of ELD list members regarding desired metrics to help develop a benchmarking profile tool.

The **A&S** Committee Charge Subcommittee convened via email and phone and made extensive changes to the charge for the A&S committee contained within the ELD Bylaws. The revision defines the functions of the committee with respect to the library's role in the accreditation process of engineering programs as well as the development of standards (i.e. benchmarks) for library services and collections. – Kevin Drees [The suggested language change for the committee's charge will be reviewed by the full committee and then sent to the Extended Executive Committee for review.]

**Information Competencies Subcommittee** is developing a set of recommended competencies for graduating engineers. As a first step, a survey was sent to ELD list members regarding desired competencies and soliciting feedback.

We hope to see many of you at the Sunday afternoon workshop, /What Every Librarian Should Know about Assessment/, conducted by the head of assessment for ABET, Gloria Rogers.

The A&S Committee will be meeting Tuesday June 24 from 10:30 – 12:00, location TBD on site. If you are interested in attending, please contact chair Danianne Mizzy after June 22, to find out the location (cell 610-585-8935)

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#### **ELD** members

James Van Fleet Membership Directory Editor

The ELD Directory of Members has been updated through April 2008, and is available on the Division web page at:

http://eld.lib.ucdavis.edu/secure/2008DirApril.pdf

members can download the pdf version using the same password as the last edition (distributed in an email to ELD-L). The membership directory editor can also provide a copy on request.

#### **Award Committee**

Alice Trussell Chair, ELD Award Committee

The Engineering Library Division of ASEE Award Committee is pleased to announce the following award winners:

HOMER I. BERNHARDT DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD is awarded to Larry Thompson, Associate Professor and Engineering Librarian at Virginia Tech. [Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University], Blacksburg, VA. As highlighted and summarized by the nomination letter, "I'm nominating Larry because of his continuing strong service to the ELD division, engineering librarianship, and his wide-ranging contributions to his colleagues. He has been not only active as an executive officer (secretary/treasurer, program chair, and division chair), but he has remained extremely productive since his executive office service. He chairs the JSTOR committee and reports regularly to ELD regarding its achievements, investigates digital rights management issues with SAE, reported thoroughly into whether to retain NASA STAR publications, serves actively on the development committee (which he founded), and enthusiastically mentors new ELD officers. He is excellent at gathering information from the division, researching further, talking diplomatically to vendors and publishers, and reporting back. Because we are all busy with our own responsibilities, this continued diligence is rare and valuable. He follows up without fail to help his colleagues."

**BEST PUBLICATION AWARD** is awarded to Megan S. Nelson, Purdue University, West Lafayette IN. for her article "Initiating Engineering Outreach Reference Services: Background and Practice." <u>Reference Services Review</u>, Vol. 35, No. 2, 2007. This article described one engineering library's effort to tackle the challenging job of reaching out beyond the walls of the library to the patrons needing service. One committee member commented that "I really appreciate this article because it is trying to tackle the important and hard to define world of 'outreach'. I think it was well researched and she put together some useful information from some messy data. .... she [also] was up front about the limitations of the survey and data collection." Another committee member commented that this was "a well written paper providing useful information on what works or doesn't work for outreach services."

BEST REFERENCE WORK AWARD is awarded to the Synthesis Digital Library of Engineering and Computer Science, Collection I. Synthesis Collection I, published by Morgan and Claypool, is a collection of 100 electronic books that each "synthesize an important research or development topic, authored by a prominent contributor to the field." Synthesis emerged as a top choice among the award committee. Samples of comments reflecting high regard for the resource were these: "The Morgan & Claypool Synthesis collection has been widely used on my campus - we have both the first & second series and look forward to the 3rd due out in 2009. [These are] excellent examples of new scholarly communication products." Also, "I like this package for a number of reasons. I like the short treatises on topics of interest to researchers, the fact that they are packaging it in collections and best of all a 'one time purchase', no maintenance fee and perpetual access, no digital rights management and unlimited usage. They also have marc records available so it is easy to add to your library catalog."

**Congratulations to all the award winners!** (Committee reports on page 11)

## **ASEE ELD Treasurer's Report**

ASEE's fiscal year is from October through September. I have included summaries for FY 2007 (October 1, 2006 - September 30, 2007), and for the first six months of the current fiscal year, FY 2008 (October 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008).

#### **ELD** has two accounts:

- 1. Operating Account. The Operating Account is allocated annually by ASEE headquarters (\$511.00 for FY 2007 and FY 2008), and cannot be carried over from year. There are tight restrictions on how these monies may be used.
- 2. BASS (Banking and Accounting Services System). The BASS account contains funds that ELD accumulates through dues, sales, contributions, etc. These funds are carried over from year to year and earn interest.

## ELD Operating Account, FY 2007 (October 1, 2006-September 30, 2007)

	Credits	Debits	Balance
Beginning Balance			\$511.00
Ending Balance			\$511.00

#### ELD BASS Account, FY 2007 (October 1, 2006-September 30, 2007)

	Credits	Debits	Balance
Beginning Balance			\$10,748.86
Member Dues (12 months)	\$1,135.00		
Interest FY 2007 (4 quarters)	\$193.63		
Donation IOPP – ALOHA Program	\$3,000.00		
Donation Inspec	\$1,500.00		
Donation Morgan & Claypool	\$2,500.00		
Donation IOPP	\$2,500.00		
Donation CSA	\$1,500.00		
Donation Knovel	\$1,000.00		
Welcome Reception / Luau - guests	\$2,063.00		
Honolulu Banquet – guests	\$1,600.00		
ELD Publication Royalties	\$0.00		
ALOHA Program		\$3,000.00	
Awards – printing, framing & mailing		\$216.46	
Hawaiian Convention Center – Deposit for Food		\$8,196.20	
ELD Welcome Reception / Luau - guests		\$2,063.00	
Speaker Gifts (Clifford Lynch)		\$70.02	
ELD Bracelets, Ribbons, and Balloons		\$368.17	
ELD Banquet Entertainment		\$730.00	
ELD Banquet guests and vendors		\$2,700.00	
Session 0241 – net loss		\$260.00	
Session 0541 – Workshop Charge		\$250.00	
Totals	\$16,991.63	\$17,853.85	
Net Loss			\$862.22
Ending Balance			\$9,886.64

## **ASEE ELD Treasurer's Report**

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## ELD Operating Account, FY 2008 (October 1, 2007-March 31, 2008)

	Credits	Debits	Balance
Beginning Balance			\$511.00
Ending Balance			\$511.00

#### ELD BASS Account, FY 2008 (October 1, 2007-March 31, 2008)

	Credits	Debits	Balance
Beginning Balance			\$9,886.64
Member Dues (6 months)	\$675.00		
Interest FY 2008 (2 quarters, Dec. and Mar.)	\$79.32		
Totals	\$754.32		
Net Gain			\$754.32
Ending Balance			\$10,640.96

John C. Teleha Secretary/Treasurer

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#### **Archives**

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On May 3, 2008 a deed of gift of all ELD Archives to the Special Collections and Archives of the Claire T. Carney Library, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, was signed by co-Archivist Paige Gibbs on behalf of ELD. This action had been approved by the ELD executive board. There is no library archive "home" for ASEE. The earliest papers for the American Society for Engineering Education are now at ASEE headquarters. The Linda Hall Library has a supplemental collection.

The hat box for the "Homer Bernhardt Hat" will be retired to the archives at the end of the 2008 conference

To date the archivists have received two archive queries since the 2007 ASEE annual meeting. The queries were:

- A question from the Accreditation and Standards committee about work by the committee to develop the ACRL Information Literacy Standards for Science and Technology. Finding no relevant information in the Archives the requestor was referred to the person who had chaired the committee during that period.
- 2. Were librarians the instigators for the establishment of the group which became this division? No. Administrators and interested faculty began the group.

Listed below are a few of the categories where you can enrich our archives.

- Committee and division correspondence and other items no longer required for active business
- Photos digital or paper (please identify with names of people, location and date)
- ♦ E-documents, links, blogs and other electronic information of interest to the division.
- ♦ Badges, especially since 1998

## **New Members**

**Theresa Calcagno** is the IT and Engineering Liaison Librarian at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA beginning in March 2008. She works with the faculty and students at the Volgenau School of IT and Engineering helping with research, instruction, and collection development. Previously, Theresa worked as a Research Librarian for over eight years at Independent Project Analysis, a capital projects consulting firm to companies in the process industries. She also worked as a Graduate Assistant at the Engineering/Physical Sciences Library, U. of Maryland for two years. Theresa holds a BA degree in Earth Science from Case Western Reserve University; a MS in Geology from Rutgers University, as well as a MLS from University of Maryland.

**Sarah Lester** became the Engineering Librarian for Outreach, Instruction, and Electronic Resources at the Stanford University Engineering Library in January 2008. While earning her MLIS she worked for the Engineering Library at the University of Washington. Before that she worked for seven years as a web developer and interface designer. Sarah comes from a long line of engineers. Both her father and grandfather are engineers. She is an aspiring knitter and a voracious reader and a gadget junkie.

**Norisham Ibrahim** is a Ph.D. student at the University of Auckland, New Zealand. She has been a Lecturer at the Universiti Tecknologi MARA, Malaysia and has worked as a civil engineer. She has six children (four boys and two girls).

**Carolyn Schubert** is the Librarian and Office Manager for Berkeley Research Company, a forensics and failure analysis engineering company. She has worked with metallurgists and mechanical engineers for almost two years. Her undergraduate degree is in Comparative Literature from the University of California, Irvine. She is currently working on her MLIS degree at San Jose State University. Previously, she had worked at UC Irvine as a student assistant for Julia Gelfand, the Applied Sciences and Engineering Librarian, as well as in the administrative departments of Collection Division and Catalog Maintenance. As part of her studies, she has also completed a fieldwork in the Learning Commons library at San Francisco's Exploratorium, a hands-on science museum.

## **Development Program Report**

I am please to report the Development Program has completed the fundraising for the Engineering Libraries Division at the ASEE Conference in Pittsburgh. A big "THANK YOU" goes out to all of our Development Liaisons and all of our sponsors that help make the 2008 conference more affordable. You will find a list of the sponsors and their matched Development Liaisons below.

#### Sponsored Events this year include:

Engineering Information/Elsevier will sponsor the Annual Banquet on June  $24^{\rm th}$ 

IEEE will sponsor the Welcome Reception on June 23rd

INSPEC/IET and Knovel will co-sponsor the ELD events on June 25<sup>th</sup>, including a boxed lunch and Richard T. Sweeney's Distinguished Lecture – "Are Engineering Students Typical Millennials?"

IOP Publishing will sponsor the Special Interest Group/Get Acquainted Session and boxed lunch event on June  $23^{\rm rd}$ 

Morgan & Claypool will sponsor the Annual Business Meeting Buffet Lunch

ProQuest will sponsor the ELD afternoon technical sessions on June 23rd and June 24th

Thank You again, to our ELD Sponsors listed with the Development Liaisons for 2008.

Engineering Information/Elsevier – Linda Whang IEEE - Michael White INSPEC/IET - Karen Andrews IOPP - Mel DeSart Knovel - Lisa Dunn Morgan & Claypool - Larry Thompson ProQuest – Megan Sapp Nelson

Stephen E. Stich, Development Coordinator

## **People & Places**

Nestor Osorio from Northern Illinois University Libraries and Dr. Andrew Otieno from the NIU Department of Technology published the following article:

Nestor L. Osorio, Andrew W. Otieno. A survey of manufacturing engineering databases

Collection Building, Volume: 27, Issue 1, Page 22 - 29, 2008.

On Saturday April 19th, John and Mary Meier became the proud parents of Henry Ellis. He was born weighing 7lbs 5oz and measuring 21in. Henry has the potential to be a third generation Electrical Engineer!

