Engineering Libraries
Division Newsletter

May 1999

Chair's Message

One faces one's future with one's past... Pearl Buck.
In this issue of the ELD Newsletter, you will find
much about the past... the activities of the past year
summarized in the annual reports of the Officers and
Committee Chairs. These reports recount for the
membership the many activities undertaken on behalf
of ELD and the engineering information community in
the past year. If you are interested in more
involvement in ELD, read these reports, note those
committees that interest you, then take a moment to
inquire of the Committee Chair about the need for new
members on that Committee.

The future... the ASEE Annual Conference is next
month! Sheila Curl and her cohort of moderators and
speakers have been working diligently the past months
to make this conference worth your while. I hope you
are planning on attending! Not only will the formal
sessions be stimulating, but the chances to informally
meet with your engineering library colleagues are a
highlight of these conferences. At the conference, you
can personally talk with the Committee Chair of your
choice, or an Officer, about concerns or involvement.
Attend the Annual Business Meeting, Tuesday, 4:30- 6
p.m. to participate in the discussions, and catch the
flavor of the Division (it's not boring, really!). The
Nominating Committee has presented us with their
slate of candidates in this newsletter, and we'll vote for
our future representatives. We'll also vote on those
Bylaw amendments approved by the Executive
Committee, and sent in a separate (paper) mailing, plus
attend to the other old and new business of the
Division. Then plan on attending the Annual Banquet
at the Mimosa Grill for an enjoyable evening with your
colleagues (remember to purchase a ticket to the
banquet when you register for the conference!).

Annual Report from the Chair

As for my own activities, the past year has been a
study in collaboration. Several projects have been
initiated, and reports of most have been included in
past newsletters, on ELD-L or on ELDNET-L. In the
Fall, I initiated two committees, the *Bylaws Review
Committee*, chaired by Past-Chair Charlotte Erdmann,
and the *Mentoring Committee*, with members Jay Bhatt
and Marilyn Von Seggern. Reports and proposals will
be coming to you soon. [Each will be discussed at the
upcoming conference, and I encourage you to
participate in those discussions. If you are unable to
attend the conference, consider e-mailing your
comments ahead of time.] I had queries, also in the
Fall, from ELD members about exploring
opportunities for involvement in two separate
ventures-- *SPARC*, with Mel DeSart and Kate Thomes
in the lead, and *J-STOR*, broached by Dorothy Byers.
I, with the agreement of the Extended Executive
Committee, gave these individuals the ELD "go-
ahead". You have seen postings either on ELDNET-L
or in the ELD Newsletter on the findings and activities
of those endeavors. I began the year by sending a
letter on behalf of ELD, drafted at last year's
conference by Patricia Johnston and revised using
comments from the membership, to *Dialog
Corporation* objecting to the new pricing structure the
company had recently instigated. In response to ours,
and others, feedback, some of the pricing structure was
adjusted. And newest among the projects, this Spring,
I was contacted by Billie Joy Reinhart, the current
Chair of the *Science and Technology Section (STS)* of
the Association of College and Research Libraries
(ACRL) of the American Libraries Association (ALA),
inquiring whether ELD would be interested in
exploring the possibilities of partnering on projects or
programs of common interest. With the approval of
the Extended Executive Committee, our two groups
will be exploring those possibilities at the upcoming
ASEE Conference and the ALA Conference (more on

this later). I am exploring, with the Extended Executive Committee, *future uses of the Operating Account* since the electronic delivery of the Newsletter and the Directory have dramatically decreased our usual Operating Account expenses (Note: the funds in the Operating Account are allocated to the ASEE Divisions primarily to support the communication needs within the Division). I have *kept in touch* with the officers and committee chairs through e-mail and phone calls, and with you the membership through my Chair's Messages in the Newsletter. The Division is healthy, alive, and vibrant, through your efforts and those of your colleagues. *Thank you* to each of you who have been involved for your dedicated service this year! I have been honored to be your representative during the last three years and look forward to the activities generated in the future by this outstanding group of my colleagues.

More on ELD's (Probable) Partnership with STS

STS received a grant from ACRL to investigate possible areas of collaboration with other organizations on projects of common interest. ELD was one of the organizations approached, and we agreed to explore avenues of mutual interest. The first task will be to identify possible projects. Members of the ELD Extended Executive Committee have identified two so far: 1) Collaboration on a survey of science and technology libraries-- both groups have done separate surveys in the past, 2) Creation of a Union List of Cancellations for Engineering Journals. **Please send any additional suggestions for projects on which to collaborate to me before June 11.**

Each group will discuss suggestions at a meeting held at their respective conferences. There will be a representative from each group at each conference. The Extended Executive Committee will discuss this proposal at a special meeting on Tuesday morning, June 22, 10:30-Noon. Bart Lessin, Director of the Science and Engineering Library at Wayne State University in Detroit, will be the STS representative at the ELD meeting. STS will discuss the proposal at the ACRL STS meeting at the ALA Conference on June 26. Mel DeSart will be the ELD representative at that meeting. This is an opportunity to pool resources with another organization on issues or projects of concern to both memberships. I am looking forward to the results.

One faces one's future with one's past... Members of ELD can be proud of the accomplishments over the course of this year, and past years. We have a legacy of which to be proud. And with your continued involvement and enthusiasm, the Division will continue to be strong and make a difference in the

future. And now... read on for the reports of your colleagues on their activities throughout this year.

As always, please contact me with comments or questions about the Division. I hope to see you in Charlotte, NC.

Cheers,
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1999 Conference Update

Conference is right around the corner. The May/June Annual Conference Special Issue of *PRISM* in out. Hold onto your copy and mark it up. There is still time to register but the price goes up again on June 7, 1999. Don't wait until you arrive in Charlotte to register, you might miss out on some of the ticketed events, like the Picnic on Sunday and the Division Banquet on Tuesday. http://www.asee.org/conferences/annual99/html/registration.htm

The ASEE website http://www.asee.org/ also has a reminder to make hotel reservations by May 20th. If you need some help finding a roommate, visit the ASEE/ELD Charlotte Conference Roomies Sought Bulletin Board: http://unr.edu/homepage/willis/roomboard.html.

New to the conference this year is an orientation session (0605 Greet the Stars) for new members and first-time attendees to be held on Sunday, June 20. The session will give an overview of the conference and ASEE as an organization, with information about how the society works and tips on getting involved.

Make sure you RSVP to Tom Volkening [volkenin@MAIL.LIB.MSU.EDU] and let him know your dinner selection for the Banquet at Mimosa Grill.

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you in Charlotte.

Sheila Curl, Program Chair

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(Ed. Note – There is a two-page schedule of ELD conference sessions at the end of the Newsletter, prepared by Sheila Curl.)

ELD Mentoring Proposal

The ELD Extended Executive Committee has reviewed and accepted a proposal for ELD mentoring submitted by the Mentoring Committee (Jay Bhatt and Marilyn Von Seggern). The next step is to gather comments from ELD members, both before the June ASEE conference in Charlotte, and at the conference. For those interested in discussing the proposal at the conference, there will be a lunch meeting on Monday after the session.

Questions, comments, and further mentoring ideas can be directed to Jay Bhatt (bhattjj@drexel.edu, (215) 895-1873) or Marilyn Von Seggern (m_vonseggern@wsu.edu, (509) 335-8217). Let us know what you think!

Proposal to Facilitate Mentoring among ELD Members of the ASEE

Date: 3/10/99

We propose the following activities to facilitate mentoring among ELD members. The proposed activities are based upon several exchanges of ideas over email, suggestions from fellow ELD members, literature reviews from several academic journals, ideas exchanged on listservs such as NMRT-L (New Members Round Table from American Library Association), and web sites from The Mentors Forum (http://www.mentorsforum.co.uk) and NMRT (http://www.ala.org/nmrt/mentoring.html).

Starting the process

We propose that some time during the conference be given for a mentoring roundtable discussion where the members can meet at the same time, two groups - new members and experienced members - and the process for setting up teams is developed. Any one participating in this session may indicate willingness to be a mentor. A committee could assist new librarians (or those seeking mentors) to arrange a coffee break or even lunch dates between them to set up their initial meetings. Informal chats over coffee or lunch can be ideal as mentoring experience develops. Other members who can not attend the conference but are willing to be mentors can volunteer through a process determined by the program or committee.

Pairing

1. Set up Mentor/Mentee teams based upon similar interest areas. Areas of interests can include but are not limited to: building an electronic journals collection, collection development and weeding, weeding old abstracts and indexes (print), developing instructional modules (web based, guidebooks and literature resource guides), outreach to students and faculty, ways of promoting new resources to our community, developing and maintaining skills on electronic resources among students and faculty and how best we can achieve, etc.

2. Set up Mentor/Mentee teams based on geographic area. It might be worthwhile to match new engineering librarians with more experienced ELD members in their immediate region to provide assistance, reassurance, and ideas (as well as encourage new people to be involved in ELD activities). We could ask members to volunteer to be potential mentors, then when a new person joins, the volunteer mentor in that area could be notified and could contact the new person.

Conference mentoring

3) whether on a one-time basis or as a beginning to a long-term relationship, a mentoring program could pair a new member with an experienced conference attendee who will guide them in terms of selecting sessions at the conference, networking, navigating the facilities, etc. Mentors should meet with their mentees during the conference to answer questions they have, provide guidance and contribute positively for developing mutually rewarding relationships.

Crucial to the success of our mentoring is to motivate experienced ELD members by letting them know the value of sharing their experience with others.

Other sharing

4) Create an "inventory" of where the members have traveled, so that they can be queried by prospective travelers. These types of "inventories" would connect us together on a more constant basis.

5) Mentors/mentee can continue their communications over email and other means of electronic mentoring. Periodically, they may share their ideas on ELDnet for the benefits of other members.

Value of mentoring

6) Developing relationships between mentors and mentees is crucial in terms of long term effectiveness. Moreover, at some point, mentees can be mentors to new members and hence, their initial experience can also contribute to mentoring skills. Informal, trusting and mutually stimulating relationships can further contribute to the field of librarianship which in turn can enhance individual contribution to their libraries and ELD.

1999 Slate of Candidates

The Nominating Committee of the Engineering Library Division is pleased to present the slate of candidates:

Melvin G. DeSart of the Anschutz Library, University of Kansas for the office of Secretary-Treasurer.

Catherine (Kate) Lee of the Marston Science Library, University of Florida and John M. Saylor of the Engineering Library, Cornell University for the office of Director.

We thank Mel, Kate, and John for agreeing to be nominated for office in the Engineering Libraries Division.

Charlotte Erdmann, Chair
Larry Clemens, Member
Jill Powell, Member

New Member Bios

Bruce Neville is the Reference Librarian and Collection Management Coordinator for Science and Engineering at the University of New Mexico, Centennial Science and Engineering Library (and selects for for Chemical and Nuclear Engineering and Civil Engineering). Prior to arriving in Albuquerque in 1996, he served as Science Librarian at the University of Texas at El Paso Library. Bruce received his MLS from Florida State in 1992 and his B.S. in Biology and Chemistry from the University of Miami in 1977. Prior to library school, he worked in a variety of positions as an environmental scientist throughout Florida. Bruce is on the ELD Union List of Technical Reports Committee.

Sharon Shafer is the Science & Engineering Library Web Administrator at the University of California, Los Angeles. She also is responsible for reference &

collection development subject for Civil & Environmental Engineering and Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering. Sharon has an MLS from the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, and a BS in Physics from California State University, Northridge. Prior to UCLA she worked at North Carolina State University and in Special Collections, University of Southern California. Sharon serves in the ABET 2000 ASEE committee.

Jean McKenzie is the Engineering Reference Librarian at the Kresge Engineering Library, University of California, Berkeley, where she serves as the selector for Civil and Environmental Engineering, Bioengineering, and Offshore Engineering. Her MLS is from the University of Chicago and her BA from the University of British Columbia. Prior to UCB, she worked at the University of Chicago's, John Crerar Library and Joseph Regenstein Library. Jean also worked at the Bank Marketing Association in Chicago.

Jackie Shane is the Patent and Trademark Librarian at the Centennial Science and Engineering Library, University of New Mexico, where she also selects for Electrical and Computer Engineering. Prior to that she was the Government Documents Electronic Information Specialist, Emory University. Jackie has a BS in Agricultural Science.

Johann van Reenen is the Director of the Centennial Science and Engineering Library at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque. He is also the current Chair of the Library Services Alliance of New Mexico, a group of National Laboratory and University SciTech libraries. His current interests include consortial licensing and electronic publishing. Since the mid-1990's he has been teaching workshops on "Risk taking and decision making in the electronic environment." at library conferences. He has recently been named the UNM Director of the Library Linkages Project of ISTEC (IberoAmerican Science and Technology Education Consortium), headquartered at UNM. Before coming to N.M. in 1996, Johann was head of the four Life Sciences libraries at the Univ. of British Columbia, in Canada; previously being the Director of "Education Services and Human Resource Development" for an amalgamated health care system in Victoria, B.C.

John Matylonek is the Engineering Librarian, Valley Library, Oregon State University, where he has "had the fortune of being able to initiate and manage gopher and web systems for the library". He continues to investigate meta-tagging, web databases, and collaborative projects to bring new networked library services. John has been in Corvallis for 7 years, has a

BS in Geology and is pursuing a Phd in Geology. His research interests include: Electronic publication and peer-review, web site usability, and integrating library systems into the national digitial library. John is on the ELD SPARC committee.

Kay Denfeld is the Science Libraries Computer Resources Coordinator, Engineering Library, University of Washington, where she focuses on public access computing for the Science Libraries and has a special interest in web page development with emphasis on usability. She served as Head of the Media Center, University of Washington Libraries prior to joining the Engineering Library in 1998. Kay's BA is in Psychology and she notes that she's "looking forward to serving the (ELD) organization".

Deborah Kegel
UCSD

Conference Announcement

The 25th Annual Engineering Technology Leadership Institute (ETLI) will be held on October 23-26, 1999, in Denton, Texas, hosted by the University of North Texas. The purpose of ETLI is to bring together the community involved in two-year and four-year engineering technology education to address issues and challenges of common interest in an informal forum for open discussion.

For additional information on the 1999 ETLI, contact Mike Kozak, Department of Engineering Technology, University of North Texas (kozak@unt.edu, (940) 565-2363.

Annual Reports from Officers and Committee Chairs, 1998-1999

Archives

The ELD Archives were accessed three times this year to answer information requests. The first one was from an ELD member who wanted to verify information on conference sessions at which the member was either a presenter or moderator. Past newsletters and other conference files were consulted to obtain this data.

The second request, which came by way of the Publications Committee Chair, was from an organization that wanted to obtain a copy of an out of print ELD literature guide. The literature guide was in

the Archives, and a photocopy was made and sent to the organization, for which they were very grateful.

The Archives also were used by this year's Bylaws Review Committee to determine previous dates of bylaws revisions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Don Richardson
Archivist

Awards Committee

The ELD Award Committee is pleased to announce that the 1999 Homer I. Berhnardt Distinguished Service Award will be presented to Robert Schwarzwalder of Ford Motor Company. Bob's outstanding contributions to the profession as well as to ASEE and ELD have clearly led to the advancement and development of excellence in engineering libraries. The following nomination quote encapsulates the feelings of many in the profession:
"Bob exemplifies professional leadership in the best sense of the word. Many of us would love to work on his team because to do so would assure us a place on the cutting edge of engineering librarianship."

The 1999 Best Paper Award goes to Tom Conkling and Kelly Jordan for their article in "Enhancing NTIS Database Access at a Multi Campus University." This article was published in Science & Technology Libraries 16(2):27-35. Thomas W. Conkling is the Head of the Engineering Library at Penn State and Kelly Jordan is Digital Resources Librarian for the Arts and Humanities at Penn State.

The Best Reference Award for 1999 goes to The Encyclopedia of Electrical and Electronics Engineering. This is a unique, comprehensive reference work that defines the entire discipline, bringing together the core knowledge from every one of the many specialties encompassed by electrical and electronics engineering. It is published by John Wiley and Sons, Inc. and is edited by John G. Webster, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Webster is a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, a Fellow of the Instrument Society of America, and a Fellow of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering.

The recipient of the 1999 Ford Motor Company's Digital Librarian Award is Ms. Honora Ford Nerz, Textiles and Engineering Services Librarian at NC

State University. Honora started at NC State in September '98 after receiving the MLS from The Catholic University of America in 1998. Ford Motor Company recognizes the valuable contribution information professionals provide to academia and industry. The growth of information technologies has fostered the development of corporate, academic, and public information networks. Ford believes that the future success of these networks depends upon the involvement of information professionals. This award is intended to encourage new professionals to develop and invest their energy to help enrich our profession.

This has been a terrific year to be the Chair of this committee and we would like to thank everyone who participated in any way. We could not have done it with out you. Congratulations go out to all award recipients and we are looking forward to welcoming y'all to Charlotte, North Carolina!

Suzanne T. Weiner, Chair, ELD Awards Committee

Listserv

In September 1998, I created a second Division e-list, ELD-L. ELD-L was created for the use of ELD members only, and subscription and access to the list is limited to that group. The purpose of the new list is to offer an additional avenue (with the ELD Newsletter and the Division's annual business meeting) for the communication and discussion of Division-related business and other issues.

List subscriber statistics for both ELDNET-L and ELD-L (as of late April for each year):

    ELDNET-L   ELD-L

Start-up (August 1991): 62
1991/92: 119
1992/93: 187
1993/94: 314
1994/95: 436
1995/96: 477
1996/97: 464
1997/98: 428   Start-up (September 1998): 169
1998/99: 423   1998/99: 174

As I surmised in a previous incarnation of this report, the number of ELDNET-L subscribers finally seems to be stabilizing in the low 400s after a number of years of significant variability in subscriber counts. I anticipate that this subscriber base will not vary appreciably over the next few years, with a slight

rebound from the loss of the last two years predicted to occur during the next year or two.

For ELD-L, the number of subscribers to the list is directly determined by the number of ELD members with e-mail addresses. Given that a number of retirees retain their ELD memberships but do not have ready e-mail access, the number of ELD-L subscribers will continue to be somewhat lower than the number of ELD members for the foreseeable future. The encouraging news is that both of those numbers are increasing.

I'm hoping to see an increase in the use of ELD-L in the coming year. Proposed changes in the Division's by-laws, if passed, will make it easier for Division members, committees and officers to conduct at least preliminary discussion of issues and Division business electronically, which would then lead to more formal actions, such as votes, which would still take place at the annual business meeting.

A project I hope to accomplish during the coming year is to inform every ELDNET-L and ELD-L subscriber of the address under which they are subscribed to each list, with a goal of updating those addresses to more current versions where appropriate. I still spend a significant amount of time unsubscribing and resubscribing individuals whose old addresses or "forwards" from old to new addresses finally go bad.

Mel DeSart, ELD e-lists editor

Literature Guides and Publications Committee

Andrew Shimp of Yale University is the new co-chair of the Subcommittee on Literature Guides, replacing Kelly Jordan who resigned from that position. He will share duties with Ann Ward.

No Literature Guides were published this year; but one paper was reviewed and accepted for the Proceedings.

Ann Ward reports for the Subcommittee on Literature Guides that this last year she contacted compilers of all guides in progress to update the status and set target dates for completion. Two new assignments were made – Hydraulic Engineering and the revision of the Mechanical Engineering guide originally published in 1985. Compilers for the following topics are needed:
Architectural Engineering
Automotive Engineering
Electrical Engineering

Chemical Engineering (update 1985)
Engineering Management (update 1987)

Godlind Johnson, Publications Committee Chair
Ann Ward, Literature Guides Subcommittee Chair

Membership Committee

As of May 1, 1999, the ELD roster from ASEE headquarters lists 185 members from all over the world, 21 more than were listed for this same date last year, for an increase of almost 13%, and only 15 away from the Membership Chair's goal of 200 members! Additionally, there are 15 people who are librarians who are members of ASEE who have not yet added ELD to their divisional memberships. As I do every year, I have contacted this year's batch of yet-to-joiners to encourage them to amend their ASEE memberships to include ELD membership, as well! So, if we count all 10 of them, then we have actually met that goal number! At the annual conference, we always pick up 5-7 new members who become members as a result of registering at non-member rates. The division's membership remains at an all-time high but that does not mean that we can ever relax in our recruitment efforts -- until we have recruited every last academic engineering librarian throughout the world into our midst! The overarching goal is to ensure that every academic librarian who is involved in engineering or computer science librarianship who wishes to receive the benefits of ELD membership is informed of the opportunity to do so.

Deborah Kegel (west coast), Joanne Goode (middle coast), and Eileen Dorschner (east coast) are the current regional biographers of new ELD members in the Division's newsletter. Fred O'Bryant produced the ELD 1999 membership directory, and worked tirelessly throughout the year to track all membership address changes to be reported to directory recipients via the newsletter. Regretfully, after so many years of top-notch service in this capacity to the Division, Fred has tendered his resignation from his position as membership directory editor. A volunteer to fill his shoes is desperately sought!

As of May 1st, the Chair had mailed out only 35 "Invitation to Join ELD" packets (due to personal circumstances about half the normal number) to prospective ELD members throughout the world. The recruitment packets are sent out in response to: new ELDNET-L subscriptions (these seem to have slowed down a bit since we seem to have MOST engineering librarians on-line these days); "leads" from messages posted to other discussion lists or "people and places" listings in other professional organizations'

newsletters; gentle prodding from the ELDNET-L moderator in various messages he posts to the list; leads from other membership committee members, as well as other extended executive committee members; and, of course, the invaluable leads from the general ELD membership. Additionally, ELD recruiters continue their all-out "in-your-face" bombardment on several online fronts to attract additional new (and lapsed) members. These recruitment strategies include: publicizing the distribution of the new membership directory; publicizing contact info for membership in many ELD conference announcement mailings; publicizing "the ELD conference experience" commentaries solicited from the ELD membership; and posting a "scouting report" on the upcoming conference site. Each of these efforts flush out yet more "lurkers" on ELDNET-L (and STS-L, in the case of the ELD conference announcement that is usually posted to that list) who finally decide to give ELD membership a go. The Chair had also contacted 15(?) lapsed members to urge them to reinstate their ELD memberships (many of whom did). It is expected that there will be, as is customary, MANY new faces at the ELD sessions in Charlotte, and is the trend, an all-time high in conference attendance.

The behind-the-scenes membership work is conducted smoothly and with great humor due to the marvelous teamwork of the scouts/liaisons, the membership directory editor, the newsletter editor, the ELDNET-L moderator, the new member biographers, and the program chair.

1998/99 Membership Committee Members: Eileen Dorschner (New Member Bios), Norma Godavari (Canadian Liaison), Joanne Goode (New Member Bios), Deborah Kegel (New Member Bios), Fred O'Bryant (Membership Directory Editor), F. Orion Pozo (Chief Scout), and Glee Willis (Chair).

Respectfully submitted by Glee Willis, May 10, 1999

Membership Directory

This year, for the first time, the ASEE-ELD membership Directory was distributed electronically to nearly all ELD members in the form of an Adobe PDF file. PDF format was chosen to minimize the possibility that the database could be captured and easily manipulated as a mailing list without the authority of the ELD. The file currently resides in a subdirectory of the editor's Unix account at the University of Virginia.

By using this electronic method, the division realized a very large savings in terms of production and mailing expenses for the Directory. After initial corrections were made to the Directory database, a single master copy was laser printed and converted to PDF format. An announcement was sent to ELD members using the ELD-L mailing list informing them how to download the Directory at their convenience. I received only one E-mail in reply from a member who was having trouble downloading the file, and after suggesting some possible remedies, I heard nothing further from that member and can only assume the download was successful. One other member wrote to express satisfaction with this new method of delivery. Out of a total membership of 190 at the time the Directory was produced, only seven members appeared to have no E-mail or web access. Paper copies of the Directory were produced and mailed to these persons.

The following are the actual costs for the 1999 ASEE Engineering Libraries Division Membership Directory. This represents a savings of $413.48 over the cost of producing last year's edition:

PRINTING: (1 master copy, 7 copies for distribution) Cost absorbed by the Science and Engineering Library, University of Virginia
BINDERS : No cost; used 7 left over from last year
MAILING ENVELOPES: No cost; used 7 envelopes left over from last year
POSTAGE: $11.46
TOTAL COSTS: $11.46

The ELD continues to add new members throughout the year. The PDF file of the Directory will remain available for any new member to download as desired. Time permitting, an entirely new update can be produced at any time (e.g. following the June ASEE annual meeting) using information gathered electronically from the ASEE membership database and members can access the updated file whenever they wish. New members without web access can be mailed a copy as requested.

I would expect production costs for the 2000 Membership Directory to be roughly equivalent to the current year's, assuming electronic distribution continues.

Finally, I have decided to step down as Editor of the Membership Directory as soon as my replacement is announced. I have enjoyed my tenure as Directory Editor and look forward to working with the next editor to effect a smooth transition.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred O'Bryant
Membership Directory Editor

Newsletter

The Newsletter underwent a major distribution change this year. The September and December issues were produced as paper copies and mailed to the membership. The March and May issues were furnished to members electronically as Microsoft Word and text files. The distribution was done on the new members-only listserv (ELD-L), set up by Mel DeSart. Before the changeover, members were given the option of continuing to receive printed Newsletters instead of the electronic versions, and two members chose print.

The only Newsletter costs to the division this fiscal year were for postage ($67.51). Penn State University absorbed the printing costs for the September and December issues.

Kelly Jordan and Tom Conkling, Co-editors

Union List

The 4th edition of the Union List of Technical Reports, Standards, and Patents in Engineering Libraries (UL) is in final review and will be sent to the printer in the middle of May. A total of 42 organizations contributed their holdings.

This edition of the Union List was converted from a word processing document to a relational database in Microsoft Access. It is possible to do searches in the database for a specific organization and retrieve all the titles and holdings reported as well as the traditional Union List format to look for a particular title and retrieve all the organizations with holdings of the title.

Although the design is more complex, the new format will be useful in later editions to send participating organizations the titles and holdings they have already reported. It may also be possible to create a password-protected Web Homepage which offers various searching strategies.

The Subcommittee has 6 members. Alan Gould from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln; Bruce Neville, University of New Mexico; Mona Mosier, Los Alamos National Laboratory; Chandra Heller, University of Washington; Doug McGee, Princeton University; Greg

Raschke, Georgia Institute of Technology; Janardan Kulkarni, University of Louisville; and Mary Schlembach, Subcommittee Chair, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Each member of the subcommittee was responsible for contacting 5 or 6 organizations that were in the 3rd edition of the Union List in order to check contact information and whether or not the organization would be interested in reviewing and editing their holdings. There were 43 organizational holdings in the previous edition of the Union List, and 34 updated their holdings for the 4th edition.

In addition, messages were posted to ELD-net, and the SLA Sci-Tech Division listservs to solicit new organizations to participate in the Union List. Eight new organizations have submitted their holdings and have been added to the Union List. They include

the University of Kansas, Colorado School of Mines, California State Polytechnic (Pomona), Arizona State University, St. Louis University, University of New Brunswick, University of Nebraska at Lincoln, and Engineering Systems, Inc. in Aurora, IL.

The Subcommittee would like to thank all the organizations that participated in the 4th edition of the Union List. I would also like to thank the subcommittee members that worked on the new edition.

Mary C. Schlembach
Subcommittee Chair
Union List of Technical Reports, Standards, and Patents in Engineering Libraries

SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT

ELD OPERATING ACCOUNT

The Operating Account is replenished annually by Headquarters and is used for expenses relating to divisional communications such as newsletter costs and postage. Funds cannot be carried over from year to year.

Budget summary for fiscal year 1997/98:

	Debits	Balance
Allotment		$800.00
Newsletter expenses	$375.06	$424.24
Directory expenses	$424.94	$0.00
Balance at end of year (9/30/98)		$0.00

ELD BASS ACCOUNT

The BASS account contains the accumulated funds of the division. These funds are carried over from year to year. Budget summary for fiscal year 1997/98:

Description	Credits	Debits	Balance
Existing BASS funds			$6317.99
Income:			
Dues revenue	$877.00		
Interest revenue	$155.38		
Contributions to annual meeting	$1550.00		
Additional Dinner tickets sold	$200.00		
Conference seminars (2)	$660.00		
Expenses:			
Officer expenses at annual meeting		$644.11	
Complimentary meals, gifts to speakers, etc.		$177.83	
Awards Committee expenses		$117.90	
Speakers expenses		$685.00	
ELD Banquet expenses		$675.41	
Newsletter expenses		$65.37	
Totals	$3442.38	$2365.62	$7394.75

ELD BASS Account budget summary for fiscal year 1998/99 (through 3/31/99):

Description	Credits	Debits	Balance
Existing BASS funds			$7394.75
Dues revenue	$395.00		
Interest revenue	$89.18		
Royalties from Literature guides	$466.40		
Totals	$950.58		$8345.33

ELD Operating Account budget summary for fiscal year 1998/99 (through 3/31/99):

Allotment $800.00
(no expenses through 3/31/99)

Report submitted by Linda Musser, ELD Secretary/Treasurer.

ASEE Annual Conference & Exposition
Engineering Libraries Division
June 20-23, 1999
Charlotte, NC

	Sunday, June 20, 1999	Monday, June 21, 1999
7:00 - 8:15 am		
8:30 - 10:15 am	0241 Create Your Own Web Pages for Beginners Off-site	1205 Main Plenary Convention Center Ballrooms C&D
10:30 am - 12:15pm	UNC Charlotte $$	1341 ELD Get Acquainted Session Convention Center 213B/C
12:30 - 2:15 pm		
2:30 - 4:15 pm	0541 Advanced Web Topics Off-Site UNC Charlotte $$	1541 ELD Poster Session Convention Center Exhibit Hall 1501 Focus on Exhibits Convention Center Exhibit Hall
4:30 - 6:15 pm		1641 WWW Accessible Full-Text Journals Update CC 207B/C
4:30 - 5:30 pm	0605 Greet the Stars Hilton Charlotte 0684 PIC IV Business Meeting Hilton Waring	
6:30 - 10:15 pm	0705 *6:30-9:00 pm ASEE Society-Wide Picnic Oehler's BBQ $$	

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	Tuesday, June 22, 1999	Wednesday, June 23, 1999
7:00 - 8:15 am		**3141** ELD Extended Exec. Comm. Mtg./ Breakfast Adams Mark Governors 4/5 $$ **3101** 2000 Program Chair Orientation CC 219A
8:30 - 10:15 am	**2241** The Impact of Consortia on Collections CC 207B/C	**3241** ELD Extended Exec. Comm. Mtg. II Adams Mark Governors 4/5
10:30 am - 12:15pm	**2341** ELD Exec. Committee, Partnering Proposal CC 216AB	
12:30 - 2:15 pm		**3441** Electronic Information Y2K: Getting There CC 207B/C **3484** PIC IV Awards Lunch and Bus. Mtg. Adams Mark Carolina E $$
2:30 - 4:15 pm	**2541** Issues in Scholarly Communication CC 204	**3541** ELD Professional Issues Discussion CC 203B **3501** (see 3101)
4:30 - 6:15 pm	**2641** ELD Annual Business Meeting CC 219A	**3641** Information and the Savvy Engineer CC 210A
6:30 - 10:15 pm	**2741** *6:30-10:30 pm ELD Annual Banquet Off-Site Mimosa Grill $$	**3705** *6:30-7:15 pm ASEE Annual Reception Hilton Ballroom Foyer **3805** *7:30-10:00 pm ASEE Annual Awards Banquet Hilton Piedmont Ballroom $$