Message from the Chair

Welcome! I was happy to see so many of you in Salt Lake City and I'm looking forward to another great year. ELD offers many opportunities to become involved in professional issues. Joining a committee or task force is a good way to begin and I invite you to contact committee or task force chairs and volunteer. In addition, we have begun to plan for the 2005 conference and I encourage you to share your ideas and experience by submitting an abstract for Portland.

Several new initiatives are underway this year. Linda Musser is chairing a task force to explore the development of a repository or distributed archive for standards. ELD is participating in the development of a collaborative survey with ACRL/STS and SLA/STD to determine the continuing education interests of members. And, after the success of the electronic voting process, the Extended Executive Committee agreed to revise the bylaws and move up the Division's election process in order to provide newly elected officers with more time to plan for conference responsibilities.

As announced earlier, we have several new committee chairs: John Teleha is Awards chair, Craig Beard takes over the Publications Committee, and Stephanie White fills a newly created position as coordinator of ELD's Information Literacy SIG. Special thanks go to Greg Raschke and Ann Morgan as outgoing chairs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped make the Salt Lake City conference a success. We had a good mix of informative and engaging talks by ELD members, engineering faculty, and guest speakers. In particular, I would like to recognize the session moderators: Alice Trussell, Liz Mengel, Mel DeSart, Doug McGee, Gay Woods, Christy Hightower, Bill Mischo, Karen Andrews, Julia Gelfand, Jay Bhatt, and Najwa Hanel. Mary Steiner picked a wonderful location for the banquet. Amy Van Epps once again organized a very well received New Members Reception at the University of Utah’s Marriott Library. Behind the scenes, Ann Morgan and members of the Publications Committee reviewed the draft papers submitted for publication.

I also received helpful advice from the Programming Planning Committee: Jill Powell, Mary Steiner, Larry Thompson, Amy Van Epps, and Tom Volkening.

Of course we wouldn't have a conference without speakers, and I would like to thank the many ELD members who presented papers and posters: Frank Elliot, Jay Bhatt, Maria Kochis, Margaret Mellinger, Ann Morgan, Sheila Young, Anna Gold, Alice Trussell, Stephanie White, Deborah Helman, Bill Mischo, Mary Schlembach, Linda Whang, Karen Clay, Larry Schmidt, Linda Musser, Julia Gelfand, Robert Kackley, Susan Boyd, Bruce Reid, and Jean McKenzie.

I would also like to recognize our corporate sponsors: Elsevier Engineering Information, IEEE, Knovel, Inspec, CSA, and IoP. Their generous contributions have allowed ELD to enhance the conference experience for attendees with refreshments and support for invited speakers.

Finally, I would like to commend Larry Thompson for his three years of leadership as division chair, program chair, and secretary/ treasurer...not that he's finished yet. As chair of the Nominating Committee, you will hear from him in the coming months as we seek nominees for Division offices.

Please feel free to contact me with your comments and suggestions. andy.shimp@yale.edu
Save these dates for next year's conference in Portland, Oregon, **June 12-15, 2005**! It seems a long way off, but planning is well underway for the ELD program at the ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition. ELD is the most active professional group I've been involved with, and many of you have volunteered to help plan and moderate.

This has made my job easier - I have already been able to select moderators at this early date. Regretfully I couldn't include everyone, but I carefully read all your notes to me and hope many of you will consider submitting abstracts to include for sessions #3-9 below.

### Here is the list of session topics and moderators:

1. **The Creators' Dilemma: The Struggle to Liberate Innovations and the Internet from the Law.** Professor Lawrence Lessig, Stanford Law School will speak for the entire hour (trying for distinguished speaker time slot; we won't hear until November) Moderator: Bruce Neville

2. **Get Acquainted/ELD Special Interest Group Meeting**
   Moderator: Rachel Berrington

3. **Open Access Journals, Open Source Culture**
   The impact of open access journal and open source culture on the scholarly exchange of information. Moderator: Craig Beard

4. **ELD Poster Session**
   Mention in your abstract if your submission is intended as a poster session. Moderator: Ibironke Lawal

5. **Vendor Partnerships for Engineering Libraries**
   This includes partnerships between vendors and academic institutions, patrons, other user groups. Moderator: Jay Bhatt

6. **Mentoring/Supervising/Managing**
   This includes supervisory issues with professionals, staff, students, colleagues, etc. Moderator: Alice Trussel

7. **International Engineering Librarianship**
   We have the possibility of inviting Chinese librarians to speak. Another paper or two on international librarianship would be welcome. Moderator: Larry Thompson

8. **Re-energizing the Mid-Career Professional**
   Many of us have been in the same job for over a decade. How do we avoid burnout or being put out to pasture? How do we recharge ourselves? Co-moderators: Lisa Dunn, Frank Elliott

9. **ELD Technical Papers Session**
   Papers that don't fit into the other sessions go here. Moderator: Anne Graham

If your idea for a presentation doesn't fit in the above list, you are still encouraged to submit an abstract. The Technical Papers session is designed for papers that don't fit into the other categories.
News from the Program Chair continued...

What happens next? You can help by developing presentations and submitting a title and abstract to CAPS, ASEE’s electronic system for receiving all presentation, poster, and paper submissions. The URL is http://www.asee.org/caps. The CAPS system is open until 3 PM EST on October 6, 2004. All submissions, for ELD members and non-ASEE members, need to go through this system to be considered. Even if you opt to cancel later, you must still submit an abstract by this time or you cannot present at the conference. This applies to all poster sessions, papers, and presentations without papers.

In addition to the above list, Amy Van Epps is planning a New Members Reception, Liz Mengel is planning the ELD Banquet, Michael White is planning a Patent Workshop offsite, and Michael Powell from Powells.com may come speak on entrepreneurship. I will keep you updated on all program activities on the ELD-L listserv.

Guidelines for Submitting Abstracts with answers to FAQs is at http://www.englib.cornell.edu/eld/programguidelines.html
It has been written by several previous program chairs and will answer many of your questions.

Abstract Deadlines
October 6, 2004 (3 pm EST) - Abstract submission closes.
October 8 - October 22, 2004 - Abstract review period.
October 27, 2004 - Abstract Status Notifications

Paper Deadlines (you are not required to submit a paper to present)
November 16, 2004 - January 5, 2005 - Draft paper submission start and end dates via CAPS.
January 12 - February 2, 2005 - Draft paper review period.
February 7, 2005 - March 2, 2005 - Final paper submission start and end dates via CAPS.
February 9, 2005 - Accepted papers and abstracts assigned to sessions

Nominations Sought!

So, you go to your supervisor, and you ask for extra travel funding because the conference is in Honolulu. And the reply is, “You know we’re having cutbacks. How am I going to justify giving you extra money so you can lie on the beach?”

But, as ELD Program Chair in Honolulu, you go to your supervisor and ask for extra funding. The coffers open, gold coins appear, first class airline tickets are paid in full, and . . . . Well, maybe it won’t be quite that good. But, it sure won’t hurt your case to be Program Chair when you’re asking for funding for Hawaii.

Yes, this year’s ELD Nominating Committee (Charlotte Erdmann, Linda Musser, Larry Thompson) is seeking nominations for the positions of Director and Secretary / Treasurer.

The Secretary / Treasurer position begins a four year rotation through four offices including Division Chair (Pittsburgh), Past Chair / Nominating Chair (Austin). The Director position is a two-year term, and includes organizing the ELD Banquet during the first year (Chicago).

You may nominate yourself, or someone else. If you nominate someone else, please check with that person first to see if they are willing to be nominated for the position. Please send nominations to Larry Thompson at larryt@vt.edu.

If you would like more information about the duties and responsibilities of these positions, please consult the descriptions at: http://www.lib.ucdavis.edu/eld/bylaws.php#addendum1

A slate of candidates will be announced by the Nominating Committee no later than six weeks before the Annual Conference.
Extended Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Salt Lake City, June 23, 2004, 4:30-6:00 pm

Chaired by Andy Shimp
Present: Jay Bhatt, John Teleha, Christy Hightower, Bob Heyer-Gray, Amy Van Epps, Larry Thompson, Greg Raschke, Andy Shimp, Jill Powell, Mel DeSart, Liz Mengel, Mary Steiner, Stephen Stich

Agenda

A. Committee Reports & Updates
B. Elections
  1. Review of online ballot
  2. Timing of elections. Should we consider advancing the election cycle (i.e., April 1)? Pros: newly elected officers can plan for conference responsibilities. Cons: Requires change to bylaws; less time for Nominating Committee work
C. Conference paper peer review process
  1. Andy will update Bylaws Addendum II
  2. Include expectations for reviewers
D. Salt Lake City Conference Review
  1. Questions, comments, complaints
  2. Do we like the Get Acquainted format?
     Should we do a single roundtable discussion with pre-arranged topics instead of breaking into small groups?
  3. Do committee chairs prefer to have an assigned room for committee meetings like last year?
E. Portland conference planning (Jill Powell)
  1. Session topics to consider
  2. Scheduling ideas
  3. Sponsored activities: Should we seek higher levels of support or additional sponsors for new events?
  4. Moderator gifts with the ELD logo

A. Committee Reports and Updates
Bob Heyer-Gray asked about web page changes. Can he make them without asking Executive Committee (EC) permission? Andy said yes, and he can copy someone from the EC if he is uncertain.

Christy – 2 liaisons have requested feedback. Ginny Baldwin (ALA SciTech) has questions about survey. She asked us to give her feedback but since this came only last Friday, it will have to wait until after the conference. Jay has questions about information literacy. He is going to go to the information literacy group (Stephanie White).

Christy re punch list. SLA’s PAM and Engineering Divisions reviewed the punch list and liked it. Although SLA may not allow the Divisions to officially endorse the punch list, the Divisions are interested in supporting it. They plan to link to the document from their web sites. The SLA Sci Tech Division already put a link to the punch list from their home page in the section where reports from the June conference are listed, but the link doesn’t imply a recommendation or support. Christy will follow-up with Ginny Baldwin, the SLA Sci Tech liaison, to see if they plan to do more. Members of the task force that developed the punch list plan to write an article for a library journal with an audience outside of Sci Tech to encourage wider conversation of the punch list issues. The task force also has other promotion ideas that they will bring to the EEC for review in the near future.

Larry – suggested that EC set up publisher, vendor liaisons? Publishers need to be reminded that 100 librarians are here and this is often the only conference they go to all year. It probably shouldn’t be the same person who does development (sponsors) because these are different people in the organization. It is McGraw-Hill, Wiley, and others (a different group) that need to hear from us. Elsevier and our current sponsors know we are here.

Membership directory – Liz said they will add under expertise those who are on the board of a publisher advisory group. Amy will write an authentication script so that we can access the directory from the ELD Web site. The directory is now in an Access database. It would need to be a web page if we included pictures. Most of EEC were against this, they thought it would be too much work.

JSTOR – At the ELD annual meeting John Saylor wondered if we should dissolve this due to JSTOR’s lack of interest in engineering journals. John Teleha reported that the Chancellor of NCA&TSU is on the JSTOR board and he will investigate. Larry also volunteered to work on it.

Awards - Greg updated the description of the Bernhardt Award and got the ASEE to list the ELD award descriptions on their web site. Past winners are also listed [but are not current]. As ASEE has moved up the date they need the winners reported, we will need to move up the date for nominations to the beginning of March. John will work on this and update the ELD Awards web pages accordingly.

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John will look into corporate sponsorship for the Bernhardt Award. We have received an expression of interest from a potential sponsor for the Bernhardt award. In order to accept sponsorship, we will require a written guarantee of a multi-year commitment (i.e., 5 years) from an executive of the organization. Instead of renaming the award, we would recognize the sponsorship by referring to the award as the "Homer Bernhardt award sponsored by xxxxx.”

**Development** - Stephen Stich had 3 people interested in being on the development committee. Amy agreed to be liaison to IEEE, since they sponsor the New Member Reception.

**B. Elections**

**Amy on Voting** – Andy thought the process went very well. Amy wants to know who gets the results. Just nominations committee or voting administrator, who else? Should ELD Chair have access so he can get people to vote (those who are not on list)? We have some teaching faculty who are also members of ELD, some retirees. They have to be contacted separately. When do they get notified? Larry thinks snail mail should be sent at the same time the electronic ballot goes up. Chair will send reminders to vote, Amy won’t have to do that.

Timing? Should the results be moved up? New officers will know they have to go to EC, etc. Cons – it requires a change in the bylaws.

This would advance the schedule for the nominating committee; they would have to recruit earlier. Andy reports that ASEE headquarters elections are complete April 1. Instead of November, we could send out candidate names in December. Most Divisions do it as we do now, at the conference. Mel says as chair of nominating, he told nominees about staying for this meeting and their potential responsibilities. Those who aren’t elected have to stay for naught? Greg thought if we have electronic voting we might as well use its advantages. Greg volunteered to work on amending the bylaws. Larry volunteered to work on it with Greg. Mel said 2/3 of those voting must vote for the amendment for it to pass.

**C. Conference paper peer review process**

Andy revised the Bylaws Addendum II. In addition to making procedural corrections, he also included a section outlining the responsibilities of reviewers. The EC voted to accept the changes.

Andy attended an ASEE-sponsored session on writing and reviewing papers, and came away with some useful ideas. He will work with the Chair of Publications to develop a guide for reviewers.

**D. Salt Lake City Conference Review**

The increase in catered events helped the lunchtime problem. Andy suggested he could ask ASEE to have technical sessions on Sunday instead of just workshops before picnic so we could have more sessions. They could also allow more concurrent technical sessions (that’s why some of ours get bumped). It is 20 concurrent right now, we think.

Greg thought the Roy Tennant and other sessions were great. It’s nice to have outside people and new ideas. We liked the mix of ELD and non-ELD sessions. The cosponsoring with ERM (Jay) was also nice. The XML and ethics session brought in people from outside ELD.

Larry would like to give guest speakers more time to interact with ELD members. Don King was invited to speak, but he only had about 20 minutes. If we invite someone to travel to the conference, wouldn’t it be better to have more time to interact with him or her?

We invited Roy to banquet, but he didn’t have time to attend. Several moderators had too many speakers. 4 speakers were too much; Jill will try to keep it down to 3 next year so there is time for discussion. All of EEC agreed. This year Andy would have had to put speakers in poster sessions otherwise or at 7 am meetings (not popular). Many members would not attend a 7 am session. This is the first year ASEE cancelled sessions due to lack of rooms. They probably take turns canceling sessions for different divisions, so we would eventually get hit.

Andy reported that two categories of speakers were not included in the final printed program: (1) guest speakers (non-ASEE members) and (2) members who submitted papers that were not accepted for publication. These speakers appeared in the online session locator. Andy will contact ASEE to report the problems so that they can be corrected next year. Can we ask ASEE to check the final program to see if it’s OK before it goes to press? The new program chair (Jill) will follow-up on this.

**Get Acquainted session** – it was suggested that we have a facilitator at each table to lead the discussion. Moderator can select facilitators. Someone could take notes. Should there be fewer topics? There was merging of some groups, and some had very few people.
Large sizes make it difficult to have good discussions. Perhaps we should make a couple separate tables for instruction, since it is a popular topic. A big room is important. Andy asked for large room this year. We need 100 seats.

Larger projection screens would be better. We should ask ASEE for equipment verification, so we can show them a copy of what we asked for when there are problems.

**Banquet** – Mary suggested changing it to NOT a ticketed event. Just register with moderator. There were false signups with non-ELD and students registering. ASEE should check to see if this is possible. Jill will investigate; it may or may not be possible.

Morgan and Claypool want to sponsor something. Breakfast on Tuesday morning? The Annual ELD Business meeting at 8:30 am or 10:30 am. Larry will help talk to Morgan about sponsorship.

**E. Portland Conference Planning**

Jill then presented some choices for next year’s sessions in Portland. She put up a list of ideas and asked for suggestions. She also added suggestions she received from members from the past few days.

Larry mentioned we might want to have a Chinese librarian as speaker and Elsevier might support the travel expenses for this. The Chinese Ei site gets more hits than the Hoboken site.

Below are the topics. Jill asked EEC members to vote for their top 5 to give her an idea of which themes to pursue – here is how they voted. She will form a program committee to assist her in planning. The committee will most likely consist of the first year director, the secretary-treasurer, the ELD chair, and a volunteer.

- CopyLeft, Orphan Works, & the Creative Commons - Lawrence Lessig of Stanford Law School 13
- Re-energizing the Mid-Career Professional 11 (such as Kate Thomes for Engineer-at-Sea)
- Open Access Journals 11
- Open Source Culture 6
- Interdisciplinary research 4 (Linda Ackerson at University of Illinois Urbana)
- Mentoring/Supervising/Managing 5
- Entrepreneurship - Powells.com 2
- Vendor Partnerships 2
- Nurturing Information Literacy K-12 2
- Collection Development (Ensuring Collective Research Library on the Web) 1
- Patriot Act 1
- Digital Publishing and Effective Peer Review 1

**Meeting Adjourned**

Notes by Jill Powell, Program Chair
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Call to Order: Division Chair Larry Thompson called the meeting to order. Larry asked for additions to the agenda.

Agenda Additions: Linda Musser added Standards.

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made to approve the minutes from Nashville June 24, 2003. It was seconded and then approved with no changes.

Announcements: Banquet Directions: Director Mary Steiner gave directions to dinner for Panini. It is within walking distance of the convention center.

Larry recognized IOP for providing refreshments for this meeting. We requested a microphone for this session and it didn’t show. Someone suggested that a member bring one to the conference next year for all sessions to use. ASEE’s contract with the convention center will probably not allow that.

I don’t know if this was mentioned here or at the Get Acquainted session, but it bears mentioning here. Andy reported that two categories of speakers were not included in the final printed program: (1) guest speakers (non-ASEE members) and (2) members who submitted papers that were not accepted for publication. These speakers appeared in the online session locator, so it was a surprise not to see them in the final program. Andy will contact ASEE to report the problems so that they can be corrected next year. Can we ask ASEE to check the final program to see if it’s OK before it goes to press? The next program chair will do this.

Treasurer (Jill Powell): In addition to the annual report published in the May newsletter, the check from Knovel for $1650 arrived on May 7, 2004. [Since this annual meeting, another $310 check has arrived from IOP. This puts the balance for the Operating account at $500 and the balance for the BASS account at $16,607.12. While this sounds like a lot, much of this will be paid out in expenses from this conference over the next few months.]

Nominating Committee: Gretchen Sneff announced the results of the first online election. Kate Thomes won for Secretary/Treasurer and Liz Mengel won for first year Director.

Accreditation and Standards: Kevin Drees reported for John Napp. He wants to collect information on what people have done for ABET. The committee will meet Wed at 10:30 am at the front of the Exhibits.

The next locations for the ASEE conferences will be Portland (2005), Chicago (2006), Hawaii (2007), Pittsburgh (2008), and Austin (2009). Our group attendance at the conference is close to 100 in Salt Lake City. Overall ASEE attendance for Salt Lake City was 3,217 (received in an ASEE email after the conference).

Larry introduced new and current officers and explained the rotation from Secretary/Treasurer, Program Chair, Division Chair, to Nominating Committee Chair. Other members of the executive committee include the first year Director (responsible for planning the banquet), and 2nd year Director. Larry recognized newly appointed or reappointed chairs of committees (archivist, development, membership, publications, literature guides, Ref 24x7, information literacy, liaisons coordinator, and webmaster. (editor’s note - Task Force on Best Practices should also be included). Those who were entering their second years of appointment were not specifically mentioned. Committee officers’ names can be found at the ELD website, http://www.lib.ucdavis.edu/eld/officers.php.

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Archivist: Paige Gibbs got one question – when the division was established. Answer is 1967.

Awards: Greg Raschke had nothing to add.

Task Force on Best Practices: Christy Hightower says this group will continue for another year. She urged us to continue to share the punch list with our universities and give this group feedback.

Development: Stephen Stich is looking for a few members to be liaisons with sponsors. Let Stephen know if you want to help.

Duplicates: Orion Pozo did not attend.

Listserv: Mel DeSart did not have anything to report.

JSTOR: John Saylor had nothing new to report. He hasn’t had time to work on it and asked for a new leader for this. JSTOR does not appear interested in selling engineering journals.

Liaisons: Christy Hightower had nothing to add.

Membership: Amy Van Epps reports attendance at 95 this year. 220 is the total membership.

Membership Directory: Liz Mengel sent the directory out earlier via email and asked for updates. She will send the directory via email again in August. It is not posted on the ELD web site due to political reasons (obtaining it is a benefit of becoming a member). Amy Van Epps will look into making it accessible on the Web via login with membership number.

Mentoring: Jay Bhatt reported that they became a committee (were formerly a task force). Member expertise is to be put in the directory. Please send successful mentoring stories to Jay. They will work with Liz (Membership Directory) and Amy (Membership).

Newsletter: Sandy Lewis was not in attendance.

Publications: Ann Morgan tells all potential authors to see the paper guidelines in our bylaws, http://www.lib.ucdavis.edu/eld/bylaws.php. Craig Beard is the current chair. The Publications committee can be a resource for those with questions on how to submit papers.

Literature Guides: Janardan Kulkarni reported that finalized guidelines were approved today. The Guide on Data Mining is almost complete. Nanotechnology and NanoScience will be next. Jan asked people to contact him if they wanted to volunteer and/or if they needed a topic. He’s more than happy to have someone volunteer to do a guide who already has a topic in mind.

Union List: Mary Schlembach will be going on a 6 month sabbatical. The committee will do an html-only version of the Union List.

Ref 24x7: Jim Ottaviani was not in attendance.

Information Literacy: ELD-ILit is an electronic discussion list designed for exchanges addressing issues related to information literacy and library instruction within engineering libraries or engineering disciplines. Coordinator Stephanie White invited anyone interested to meet at 10:30 am.

Webmaster: Bob Heyer-Gray can post your presentations on the ELD website. He is willing to meet with new web site committee members at 10:30 am outside the exhibit hall.

Old Business: As a result of ELD requests at the Nashville conference, Larry asked Wiley and McGraw-Hill to bring more reference / library related materials to the Salt Lake City conference. When Larry checked with these vendors in the exhibit hall, neither Wiley nor McGraw-Hill had any library materials on display. Representatives stated that reference books are in a different corporate division, and aren’t brought to the conference. In contrast to these two publishers, Elsevier does have a nice display of encyclopedias and other reference materials. Larry suggests we go to the booths in the exhibit hall and let vendors know that librarians at the conference would like to see more library related material.

New Business: Linda Musser is interested in standards and the difficulties of space. Standards are hard to afford. Can our CRL membership help us? Archiving old standards is a particular problem. Linda will look into this issue. Anyone who is interested should contact her.

Electronic Voting: Gretchen Sneff reported that the turnout was 50%. 95 members came to this conference. There are some people who are members but are not subscribed to ELD-L. They don’t see the announcements, so we had to contact them individually. The Nominations committee does more now that we
have electronic voting. They are asking nominees to write a statement. They should include prior ELD positions, connections. Pictures were suggested and would be helpful. The Executive committee can discuss and it can be voluntary. Amy Van Epps volunteered to scan in individual pictures if people want to mail them to her.

Members were appreciative of electronic voting and how it saved time. Larry was a little disappointed that we had only 50% turnout - he wanted more, but other members expressed approval of the turnout.

Should we move up the timing of the voting earlier? It would require a change in bylaws. One advantage to this is that we could notify people earlier so they know if they are staying for the Extended Executive Committee Meeting at the annual conference (and staying another night). This information is necessary when they prepare their airplane flight arrangements.

**Awards:** Greg Raschke presented the awards. Below is the text sent in an earlier email date April 26, 2004.

The ELD Award Committee is pleased to announce that the 2004 Homer I. Bernhardt Distinguished Service Award will be presented to Mel DeSart, Head of the Engineering Library at the University of Washington. Mel’s substantial achievements in the profession: the establishment of the ELDNET-L listserv, recruitment and mentoring of new engineering librarians, leadership in areas of scholarly communication, and significant contributions to ELD have made him a leader, trusted colleague, and creative force in the community of engineering librarians. He has raised the visibility and professional status of engineering librarians by his own modeling of exceptional competence, enthusiasm, and unselfish contributions to the profession. Mel’s nomination received over a dozen letters of support from colleagues, faculty, vendors, and consortia representatives. One quote best summarizes those letters and the committee’s decision, “Mel’s dedication, his commitment and devotion to the profession, and his vitality are simply phenomenal.” Congratulations Mel!

The 2004 Best Paper Award goes to Maliaca Oxnam for her paper “The Informed Engineer,” presented at the 33rd ASEE/IEEE Frontiers in Education Conference, Boulder, CO (November 2003); session F1E, pages F1E-5 to F1E-8. Ms. Oxnam is an Assistant Librarian at the University of Arizona.

The Best Reference Work Award goes to Comprehensive Structural Integrity. Edited by Milne, Ritchie, and Karihaloo. Pergamon Imprint: Elsevier Science & Technology Books, 2003. This unique title fills a much-needed gap in many engineering library collections. By collecting essays from a wide-range of disciplines into one resource, Comprehensive Structural Integrity provides a definitive tool that links the various areas of scholarship comprising structural integrity and serves as an ideal candidate to receive ELD’s 2004 Best Reference Work Award.

The annual meeting was adjourned.
Notes submitted by Jill Powell, Secretary/Treasurer, jhp1@cornell.edu

**Membership Directory Update**

An updated 2004 Directory of Members was emailed to members in August. Entries included information on changes I received prior to and during the conference. Any additional changes can be forwarded to me for next years directory, which will be published after the annual conference.

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Publication Committee Update

After discussing the Guidelines for Literature Guides at the ASEE annual conference in Salt Lake City, the committee determined that there are two sections needing further work. However, in order to make the Guidelines available to those who are or are considering authoring guides, we are going to release the Guidelines "as is" and continue working on the sections still in development. As soon as possible, the Guidelines will be made available via a link on the ELD website.

Jay Bhatt received a request from the editor of E-LIS -- "an electronic open access archive for scientific or technical documents, published or unpublished, in Librarianship, Information Science and Technology, and related application activities" -- that relevant journal articles and conference papers published by ASEE be deposited in the archive http://eprints.rclis.org/. The Chair of the committee contacted Bob Black, ASEE Deputy Executive Director, regarding ASEE's position on this, which is that such publications may be placed in the E-LIS archive as long as ASEE is properly credited. The committee will coordinate the identification and depositing of the documents into the archive.

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Organizational Liaisons Committee Update

Incoming and Outgoing Organizational Liaisons

Even though the new terms of office for these positions don’t actually start until January 1st, this is the time of year when we thank our outgoing Organizational Liaisons for their two years of work and attention, and when we welcome in our new Organizational Liaisons who will start in 2005.

So let me formally take this opportunity to thank the following for their work and attention these past two years which has helped to bring increased communication between their assigned group and ELD:

Karen Andrews, for SLA/PAM through 2004
Eileen Dorschner, for SLA/Engineering Division through 2004
Carol Robinson, for ACRL/STS through 2004

And let us welcome in:

Karen Andrews, SLA/PAM reappointed through 2006
Darcy Duke, for ASIS&T/STI (whose term has already started, through 2005)
Maliaca Oxnam, for ACRL/STS 2005-2006
Daureen Nesdill for SLA/Engineering Division.

We are very grateful to everyone who works to make the ELD Liaison Program a success. For links to the reports from our Organizational Liaisons as well as the full roster of Organizational Liaisons (more than are listed here) please visit http://library.ucsc.edu/science/ELD/

-- Christy Hightower, Liaison Program Chair
Organizational Liaison Reports: SLA Physics Astronomy Math Division

SLA Annual Meeting, Nashville, June 5-10, 2004
Report by Karen Andrews, ELD SLA PAM Division Liaison

At the SLA annual conference in June, I attended the Publisher Relations group, the PAMwide Roundtable, and the PAM business meeting in addition to the regular PAM topical sessions.

Publisher Relations Committee: Frances Knudson, Los Alamos National Lab, is now Chair of the group and convened the meeting. Michael Fosmire, Chair of the PAM Division, attended the meeting and reported on the ELD Punch List. The PAM Board strongly supports the ELD Punch List. However, the SLA Board of Directors would not issue a formal endorsement of the document because it is against their policy. Michael indicated that PAM would find alternative ways to indicate its support for the principles, perhaps by linking to it from the PAM web page. Frances began by reexamining liaison assignments to determine who wished to continue and which appointments were “official” vs. informal.

The group discussed the difference between appointments made by PAM to publishers vs. appointments made by publishers to their own library advisory councils. What should be the role of the PAM-appointed publisher liaisons? How seriously will they be taken by the publisher? Could or should PAM utilize its members who already hold appointments on publisher-created advisory boards? There seemed to be a mix of these circumstances in the current roster of liaisons. Frances took sign ups from those present to reflect interest in being a liaison or existing relationships with publishers. Some additional publishers not formerly on the list were added. I suggested that one role for PAM publisher liaisons would be to share the ELD Punch List with their respective publisher contacts.

Members also discussed the need to communicate informally throughout the year with each other via a different venue than the PAM listserv. Frances took all of these considerations under advice and will firm up the roster of liaisons.

PAMwide Roundtable: This session focused on PAM and SLA activities, such as the new governing documents, whether the PAM logo needed revision, an upcoming survey to get member feedback on activities and services, and the PAM mentoring program, for which they plan to create a database of mentor expertise.

PAM business meeting: Besides the issues mentioned at the roundtable discussion above, the highlight were the PAM awards. The PAM Division award went to the American Physical Society, for its significant contribution to the literature of physics, above and beyond the usual publisher activities. APS was lauded for its foresight and responsiveness in archiving, copyright, reference linking, and support of arXiv. The PAM Achievement award went to Molly White of UT Austin. The Division also sponsors an international member at the meeting; Marie Antoinette Villafor from the University of the Philippines was honored.

General notes: Several publishers held focus group breakfast or lunch sessions during SLA, such as INSPEC/IEEE, SIAM, Project Euclid. Perhaps we could encourage publishers relevant to engineering to do the same at ASEE. During the Physics Roundtable, Dana Roth of Cal Tech presented the latest data he has compiled on publisher price increases for serials, including an analysis of exchange rate factors. This engendered much discussion of how we interact with publishers and how we might influence pricing decisions.

ELD on the Web!

http://www.lib.ucdavis.edu/eld/
Organizational Liaison Reports: SLA Sci-Tech Division Report

SLA Annual Meeting, Nashville, June 5-10, 2004

A. Business and Board Meeting Activities

1. SLA Sci-Tech, ASEE/ELD, and ALA/ACRL/STS (Science & Technology Section) Internet survey partnership.
The survey will be on the topic of continuing education needs of SciTech librarians and will, with ELD's participation, give a multi-organization overview as well as an Engineering Librarian specific indication of conference program topics of interest. The survey will be based on the biennial STS survey which was last produced in the Fall of 2003. The multi-organizational collaboration will begin with the survey in the Fall of 2005. Results of the 2003 survey are available on the STS Web site at: http://www.lib.auburn.edu/scitech/resguide/forestry/STSSurvey2003.htm.

STS Continuing Education members have decided that they want one survey instrument, one collection of results, with a mandatory question for respondents to indicate which of the organizations they are members of, and that there will be four compilations, one overall, and three separate, one for each organization. An STS member has been identified as being of potential assistance in analyzing the results (Don Frank).

The survey will be coordinated with the Continuing Education Committee of ACRL/STS to produce a list and ranking of topics that are of interest for workshops, programs, etc., to conference attendees. What is needed is an ELD member, perhaps a past, current, or future program chair, to work out the details of the survey and its implementation.

Sci-Tech Board Members agreed to review the 2003 survey results and notify me of any additional topics they would like to see added. STS Continuing Education members are also looking at doing an off-year, less structured "hot topic" survey. They are looking for potential topics for this survey. From the SLA conference, my input would be to add the topic "The Semantic Web". It would be helpful to have ELD Board members consider potential topics for the 2005 survey, and potential hot topics and relay them to me by the end of this month.

One other issue is the matter of survey participation. Do Board members have any suggestion for increasing participation in this collaborative survey? My own thought is that this new approach to

the survey will not only increase responses because of the new organizational input, but also, might encourage STS members to participate due to the broader focus of the survey.

The ELD Punch List has been posted to the Sci-Tech Division Web site at: http://www.sla.org/division/dst. It was stated that ICOLC has a list of best practices as well.

Also posted on their Web site is The STS compilation, "Professional Continuing Education on the Web." This is a valuable site and ELD Board members might want to look at placing a link on the ELD Web site to this document. http://www.ala.org/ala/acrl/aboutacrl/acrlsections/sciencetech/stscommittees/stscontinuing.htm

The next annual SLA conference is in Toronto, June 4-9, 2005. The 2006 conference will be in Baltimore, June 10-15, 2006.

2. STS task Force on Information Literacy for Science and Technology

A call was placed on several listservs, including ELD-L and ELDNET-L for input on the drafted standards, performance indicators, and outcomes. Several responses were received and incorporated into the document. The draft standards, with annotation of the listserv responses in red, are attached to this report. I request that one or more ELD Board members volunteer review the documents and provide input of any additions or changes relevant to their experience and knowledge.

B. Programs and Events for SLA 2005 were discussed at the incoming board meeting. A slate of topics for sessions is in the planning stages, including:

- Metrics, benchmarking in libraries, Web design for usability, Web design change-before and after studies (From Engineering Libraries Division)
- Open Access
- E-content management and models
- Possible themed day ideas: IT cooperation, blogs, RSS, Security, best practices with handhelds
- How to initiate change on campus

The Theme of the contributed papers session is "Cooperating to Survive and Flourish in the Modern Sci-Tech Library." Deadline for submission of abstracts: October 29, 2004 to Roger Beckman, beckmanr@indiana.edu. Some might be applicable to the ELD punch list.

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From the call for papers: "Cooperation is one way for librarians to cope with changes in scholarly communication, publication costs, exceeding allocations, the need to provide better service to our users with fewer staff, and the reality of the workplace power structure. Many of these changes are global issues or challenges. While the electronic world has broken down some barriers, currency and licensing differences still remain.

"What are corporate and academic libraries doing? Are librarians lobbying to get publishers to redefine the definition of a "site" when licensing resources in the electronic world? How do you react and protest when a publisher suddenly changes to a radically new pricing scheme in the middle of a budget cycle? Are any corporate libraries joining with academic institutions to form a consortial group to lower costs for all the partners? Are academic libraries contracting to provide services or staff to corporate libraries? Are informational professionals cooperating more with the CEO to transform corporate sci-tech libraries? Are we partnering with our international colleagues in innovative ways?"

C. Programs and Events at the 2004 SLA annual conference that were sponsored or co-sponsored by the Sci-Tech Division are the following:

- Continuing Education Course: "Competitive Intelligence for Sci-Tech Information Professionals", Angela Pollis, KnowledgeLink Consulting Service
- Newcomers Brunch for first time attendees as well as current members.
- Science and Technology Division Annual Business Meeting: a breakfast meeting with awards Computer Science Roundtable
- Academic Science Roundtable Breakfast
- Nanotechnology: What It Is and How It Is Used", Dr. Christopher Tourney, University of South Carolina, and Charles Trotter, Cordis/J&J
- "Science and Technology Information Resources", (focus on key resources for non sci-tech librarians), James Manasco, University of Louisville
- "Into the Wild Blue Yonder: Adventures of a Female Combat Pilot", Missy Cummings, MIT
- "The Semantic Web: Modeling the new Web with Librarian Input", Eric Miller, WWW Consortium's Semantic Web; Dav Robertson, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
- "Historical/Obsolete Standards: What, Why, Where, and How?", Claudia Bach, Kyle Feldman, ILI and Jean Piety, Cleveland Public Library

  - 'Virtual Browsing Via Deeplinked Catalog Searches,' Scott Warren, NCSU

Not sponsored by Sci-Tech, but of interest was "SLA Hot Topic: Specialized Search Tools Making the Invisible Web Visible", Gary Price. Also, SLA Materials Research and Manufacturing Division sponsored "Communication Patterns of Engineers", Donald King, University of Pittsburgh, and Carol Tenopir, University of Tennessee. Both speakers did a book signing at the Exhibit Hall.

D. Science –Technology Division Officers and Committee Chairs Contact Information can be found at the Sci Tech Division Web site: http://www.sla.org/division/dst.

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Sci-Tech Division Strategic Plan can be found at: http://www.sla.org/division/dst/strategic%20plan.html
Part 1

Summary of my presentation to the General Assembly meeting to the entire IATUL members:

1. ELD - Introduction; New initiatives
   Basic introduction about ELD and ASEE to IATUL members.

2. ELD Punch list - Electronic Resources
   (Email sent to the IATUL List)
   http://www.lib.ucdavis.edu/eld/PunchListMay16approved2.pdf
   Recently, the members of the Engineering Libraries Division of the ASEE voted for the best practices dealing with the electronic resources. As a result, ELD Punch List of Best Practices for Electronic Resources has been unanimously endorsed by the ASEE - ELD membership. We want this to be a document that gets used and that generates productive conversations around the issues. So, we encourage members to share the Punch List within your home libraries and to use it as appropriate in your conversations with content providers.

Send feedback to me: bhatt@drexel.edu

3. Engineering Information Retrieval Pilot tutorial that we just finished designing in partnership with Elsevier, Drexel faculty and students, library staff, and graphic designers. I will also be talking about this at ASEE. We are identifying members who are interested in working with us to test and improve the tutorial further. This tutorial will be available to all ASEE/ELD and IATUL members with access to Engineering Village2.

See abstract: http://www.biblos.pk.edu.pl/IATUL/programme.php3

4. Identify at least three or four members who are willing or considering working with ELD members on some activities; That means, we will need to identify ELD members who will also be willing to work together with those IATUL members. Once the members are identified, contact information is posted on both lists for further dialog and project development.

Part II

IATUL – Summary of some sessions

IATUL Conference website:
http://www.biblos.pk.edu.pl/IATUL/
Main theme of this year’s conference was the ‘Library Management in the Changing Environment’. Within this theme, there were various categories where presentations on those subtopics were organized. The subcategories included: Elements of Library Management, Regional Library Co-operation, Traditional Collection and E-resources Policy Dilemma, and Public Relations; User Oriented Services. Within Public Relations: User Oriented Services category was several interesting presentations dealing with information literacy. One session of particular interest for ELD members is the presentation and paper on Engineering Ethics and Information Literacy by Alice Trussell.

Editor’s note: Jay’s complete report can be read at: http://library.ucsc.edu/science/ELD/2004/IATUL2004.doc
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Congratulations to John Knapp! John’s article, “Survey of Library Services at Engineering News Record’s Top 500 Design Firms: Implications for Engineering Education,” was published in the July 2004 issue of Journal of Engineering Education. John is chair of ELD’s Accreditation Committee and is at the University of Toledo. http://www.asee.org/about/publications/jee/

ELD Colleagues:

At least once before (when ASEE was in Edmonton—and when I was elected as ELD Secretary), my service with the US Army Reserve interrupted my library career and my ELD affiliation.

Well, another interruption, more substantial than an ASEE conference, has just occurred. I will be reporting for active duty on Monday, August 23 for an indefinite time period and for parts unknown. Ms. Maggie Trish, our current head of cataloging, will be serving as Acting Director in my absence. I have full confidence in her decision-making skills and her ability to figure out those murky areas which I haven’t told her about. I fully expect to return to Rolla, but am very uncertain about the "when."

By the time the Newsletter is printed, I am unsure what my e-mail access will be, but I know you care and truly appreciate your wishes for my safe return.

I’ve rarely put this in writing before now, but my affiliation with ELD and its members has been the high point of my professional library career. Both individually and as a group, **YOU** demonstrate the highest professional ideals—and I appreciate the chances I’ve had to associate with you.

Thank you for everything you’ve given me!!
Andy Stewart
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New Members

Daureen Nesdill joined the J. Willard Marriott Library at the University of Utah in October 2002. She is the subject selector for civil, environmental, mining and metallurgical engineering as well as for chemistry and physics. Daureen is also a subject specialist for the Western Waters Digital Library. Daureen received her MLIS from the University of Alabama in December 2001.

While searching for the perfect position, she worked at the Rodgers Library for Science and Engineering at the University of Alabama. Prior to entering the MLIS program Daureen held various research positions at Auburn University, Alabama including aerospace engineering, nutrition, consumer affairs, veterinary medicine, and wetland conservation and management.

She has a bachelors in biology and a masters in zoology/ecology. As a masters student Daureen held a library assistantship in the science and technology department of the University library. This experience led her to change her career path.