New Officers and Directors Join ASIS&T Board

Each year at the ASIS&T Annual Meeting, a new administrative year begins, and the first official order of business is the introduction of new faces to the ASIS&T Board of Directors. In October in Pittsburgh, the annual changing of the guard took place and new officers and directors took their seats on the Board.

Positions filled through the summer balloting process are for three-year terms. Those elected are Diane Sonnenwald, president-elect; Vicki Gregory, treasurer; and Katriina Byström and Marcia Lei Zeng, to terms as director-at-large. In addition, Elaine Toms was elected to complete the unexpired term of Karen Fisher, who found it necessary to resign.

As the new members took their seats, Linda Smith, elected last year as president-elect, assumed the presidency from Gary Marchionini, who continues on the Board as past president for one year.

Diane Sonnenwald is head of school and professor at the School of Information and Library Studies at University College Dublin. She is also an adjunct professor in computer science at the University of North Carolina. She holds a Ph.D. from the School of Communication and Information at Rutgers University, M.S. from Montclair State University and B.A. from Muhlenberg College. She was a postdoctoral fellow at Risø National Labs (Denmark) and a Fulbright professor in Information Studies at the University of Tampere, Finland. Prior to joining academia she worked at Bellcore. Her research has been funded by the National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, National Science Foundation and European Science Foundation, among others. She is the recipient of the ASIS-ISI Doctoral Dissertation Award, U.S. Army Research Laboratory Scientific Contribution Award, ALISE Research Methodology Best Paper Award and Bellcore Award of Excellence. She serves on the editorial boards of JASIS&T, JELIS, Information Research and the Journal of Library and Information Science (Taiwan).

Vicki Gregory, re-elected for another three-year term as treasurer, is professor at the School of Library and Information Science, University of South Florida. She earned her doctorate at Rutgers University and holds an M.A. and M.L.S from the University of Alabama. Since becoming a member of ASIS&T in 1984, she has served as the Florida chapter president and on the national level has been a member of SIG/LAN and SIG/DL, serving as chair of SIG/LAN. She was elected Deputy SIG Cabinet Director and then SIG Cabinet Director. Prior to assuming the ASIS&T treasurer position, she spent four years as a member of the Budget and Finance Committee. She also currently serves as chair of the ALA Committee on Accreditation.

Katriina Byström is associate professor/reader at the Swedish School of Library and Information Science, University of Borås in Sweden. In teaching and research she focuses on task-based information seeking and retrieval in workplaces and on information architecture. She holds a Ph.D. from the University of Tampere, Finland, and is an active member of the academic community of LIS within teaching, research and administration. She has been the director of the Swedish School of Library and Information Science and served on numerous committees. She is co-founder and associate editor of the international Journal of Information Architecture and has a broad experience serving as a peer-reviewer in a number of high-standard journals. She has organized international academic events and has curriculum development experience. Furthermore, she works as a senior researcher in a private company. At present, she heads two research projects: Better Search Engine focusing on work task based search support and Better Web
ASIS&T 2010 Annual Meeting Coverage

In keeping with recent tradition, the bulk of our coverage of the 2010 ASIS&T Annual Meeting will be included in the February/March 2011 issue of the Bulletin. But in this issue, we provide a few quick peeks at some of the proceedings. Specifically, you’ll find here a list of the winners of the 2010 ASIS&T Annual Awards for which more details will be provided in the next issue. In addition, you’ll find the inaugural address of Linda Smith as the new ASIS&T president on the President’s Page and, in the feature section, her speech accepting the prestigious ASIS&T Award of Merit. Look for much more coverage in our next issue.

Award of Merit – Linda C. Smith
Watson Davis Award – Barbara Wildemuth
Research Award – Susan Leigh Star

Best Information Science Book Award – Piracy: The Intellectual Property Wars from Gutenberg to Gates by Adrian Johns (published by The University of Chicago Press); and Encyclopedia of Library and Information Sciences, edited by Marcia J. Bates and Mary Niles Maack (published by CRC Press)
Thomson-Reuters Doctoral Dissertation Proposal Scholarship – Jaime Snyder, Syracuse University, for Image-Enabled Discourse: An Investigation of the Creation of Visual Information as Communicative Practice
ASIS&T/ProQuest Doctoral Dissertation Award – Alberto Pepe, student at the University of California at Los Angeles, for Structure and Evolution of Scientific Collaboration Networks in a Modern Research Collaboratory
Chapter-of-the-Year Award – Los Angeles Chapter of ASIS&T (LACASIST)
Student Chapter-of-the-Year Award – Simmons College ASIS&T Student Chapter
Chapter Member-of-the-Year Award – Susan Fensore, Northern Ohio Chapter of ASIS&T (NORASIST)
Chapter Publication-of-the-Year Awards (2) – Central Ohio Chapter and Los Angeles Chapter
Chapter Event-of-the-Year Awards (2) – Los Angeles Chapter; and Carolinas Chapter and the UNC Student Chapter
SIG-of-the-Year Award – SIG/Information Needs Seeking and Use (SIG/USE)
SIG Member-of-the-Year Award – Barrie Hayes, SIG/Digital Libraries (DL)
SIG Publication-of-the-Year Award – “A Decade of SIG/USE: Celebrating SIG/USE and Information Behavior Research,” special section of the February/March 2010 Bulletin of the American Society for Information Science and Technology

with focus on the development of digital information and communication milieus.

Elaine Toms is professor and Canada Research Chair in Management Informatics and runs the iLab at the Faculty of Management, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. She was formerly an associate professor in the Faculty of Information Studies, University of Toronto, and at the School of Library and Information Studies (now School of Information Management) at Dalhousie University. She holds a B.A. in economic geography and education from Memorial University, St. John’s Newfoundland; M.L.S. from Dalhousie University; and a Ph.D. from the University of Western Ontario, London. Her research interests lie at the intersection of human computer interaction, information retrieval and the representation and presentation of information. Her work has been funded by NSERC, SSHRC, OCLC, Heritage Canada, Canada Foundation for Innovation and the Canada Research Chairs Program. She was/is co-investigator with three Canadian national research networks. Her publications have appeared in journals such as the International Journal of Human Computer Studies, the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology and Information Processing & Management, as well as in the proceedings of a number of national and international associations.

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Marcia Lei Zeng, professor of library and information science at Kent State University, has been a member of the faculty since 1992. She holds a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh and an M.A. from Wuhan University in China. She was a visiting associate professor at Columbia University during her sabbatical in 1999 and 2000. Her major research interests include semantic technologies and knowledge organization systems, metadata, database quality control and multilingual information processing. Her scholarly publications include more than 60 papers and three books. She has chaired and served on standards committees and working groups for several national and international library and information organizations. She is also a member of the executive board of the International Society for Knowledge Organization and the advisory board of the Dublin Core Metadata Initiative and an invited expert on the W3C Library Linked Data Incubator Group. She received the ASIS&T Doctoral Forum Award for outstanding doctoral research in 1992. She has served ASIS&T as chapter chair and officer, JASIST and conference proceedings referee, awards juror, SIG workshop and session organizer and ASIS&T Annual Meeting program committee member. She has been the chair of the ASIS&T Standards Committee and the voting representative for NISO since 2006.

In addition to those elected by the membership at large, the Chapter Assembly elected Cassidy Sugimoto to serve as Chapter Assembly director following her term in the deputy position. Both the Chapter Assembly director and the SIG Cabinet director, position currently held by K.T. Vaughan, are members of the Board of Directors. Leaving the Board are past president Donald Case; directors-at-large Efthimis Efthimiadis, Barbara Wildemuth and Karen Fisher; and Amy Wallace, Chapter Assembly director.

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Henry Small, who spent over 30 years working for the Institution for Scientific Information (later Thomson Scientific and Thomson Reuters), where he was director of research services and chief scientist, has joined the research staff at SciTech Strategies, Inc. Helen Tibbo, professor at the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has been appointed Alumni Distinguished Professor, a title reserved for exceptional faculty who are tenured professors with records of distinction. Tibbo has been a member of the faculty since 1989. She served as assistant dean and then associate dean from 1996 until 2000. In 2002, she was selected as the Frances Carroll McColl Term Professor; in 2003 she was promoted to professor.

Steven L. MacCall, associate professor at the School of Library and Information Studies (SLIS), University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, is the winner of the LJ (Library Journal) 2010 Teaching Award recognizing excellence in educating the next generation of librarians. As the distance education coordinator at SLIS, MacCall is in charge of the school’s online program in which he also teaches. About a third of all SLIS students enroll in the distance program. Virtually all of them end up taking at least two of MacCall’s classes. The LJ Teaching Award is sponsored by ProQuest.

Tefko Saracevic Honored by Rutgers Colleagues

The faculty of the Department of Library and Information Science of the School of Communication and Information of Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, found a very special way to honor their colleague Tefko Saracevic on the occasion of his 80th birthday. Recognizing that a celebration of research would also be a celebration of Tefko’s contributions to the field, the faculty offered TEFKO 2010, a conference featuring a day and a half of wide-ranging talks by Tefko’s students, collaborators and friends. Keynote addresses were given by Peter Ingwersen, Gary Marchionini and Michael Lesk. Additional remarks were made by honorary conference chairs, Jorge Reina Schement, dean of the School of Communication and Information, and Hartmut Mokros, senior associate dean of the School of Communication and Information.
NORMAN HORROCKS, OC, PhD, FCLIP, professor emeritus in the School of Information Management, Dalhousie University, was born in Manchester, England, October 18, 1927, and died Halifax, Nova Scotia, October 14, 2010, at the age of 82. He was also president of Scarecrow Press and an adjunct professor at Rutgers University from 1986 until 1995. He received honors and awards from the major Canadian, British and American library associations and was named an Officer of the Order of Canada in 2004.

Norman was active in many professional societies, all of whose members regarded him in a very special way. In ASIS&T, he seemed to be ubiquitous at every Annual Meeting. He made new friends easily and was loyal and warm to all the old ones. He was an inspiring leader and role model of generosity, kindness and inclusivity in the International Relations Committee and in SIG/International Information Issues (SIG/III).

Another SIG that claimed Norman as one of their own was SIG/HFIS (History and Foundations of Information Science). Norman actively supported and encouraged the formation of the SIG. One of the projects initiated by SIG/HFIS was a book, Covert and Overt: Recollecting and Connecting Intelligence Service and Information Science (2005), edited by Robert V. Williams and Ben-Ami Lipetz, and published for the American Society for Information Science and Technology by Information Today in cooperation with Scarecrow Press. In Norman’s chapter in the book, “Spies of the Airwaves,” he told about having worked during World War II as a library assistant in the reference department of the Manchester Central Library. Although only a teenager, he was a member of the staff fire-watching team – two nights a week he had to stay up all night and “be prepared to go on the roof of the library with stirrup pumps and bags of sand to extinguish any incendiary bombs that landed there” (p. 17). Later he served in the British Army’s Intelligence Corps and used his library background to good advantage. His story makes for fascinating reading, but my own personal connection to that service was an incident that happened in the 1980s at a conference. Norman sneaked a couple of us newcomers into a reception sponsored by a vendor. He did it by palming up extra invitation cards as he laid his own on the pile and then slipping the cards back to us. He said it was just one of the little tricks he learned while serving in British intelligence. It was typical Norman – gracious and supportive to the younger generation, playful and fun, and irreverent about following the rules. He became an instant old friend and remained so for nearly 30 years.

His other many ASIS&T friends and colleagues noted his passing with fond reminiscences and testimonials. Here are some examples:

“Norman was one of the few people I’ve known who actually enjoyed meetings, and thought a well-run meeting was a thing of beauty. As a new faculty member I learned a lot from him when he was director at Dalhousie and especially from his tutorial on “How to Run a Meeting.” I still refer to that yellowed set of notes from time to time. Norman knew his Robert’s Rules very well, but didn’t apply them draconianly. However when chairing a meeting I would sometimes glance over and find him rolling his eyes and know that my imperfect technique had caused him pain.”

— Edie Rasmussen, University of British Columbia

“He had a unique talent for listening and understanding people, even non-native English speakers. He was the one upon whom one could count and rest. In short he was the kind of gentleman one would wish the world to be populated of, as old-fashioned as this may sound.”

— Michel Menou, University College, London

“Several years ago, I attended an ASIS&T session in which Norman, a panelist, recommended a book. I was so impressed with him that I immediately ordered the book online. I caught up with Norman at a later meeting to tell him how much I had enjoyed it. A lively conversation ensued. I was surprised that this man, who so vastly outranked me in experience and expertise, actually paid attention to what I thought. It was that modesty and charm, coupled with his formidable résumé, that made Norman a truly remarkable person.”

— Steve Hardin, Indiana State University

Trudi Bellardo Hahn, University of Maryland, College Park

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Plans are already well underway for the 74th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science and Technology. Working with the theme, *Bridging the Gulf: Communication and Information in Society, Technology and Work*, the meeting will be held October 7-12, 2011, in New Orleans. Conference chairs are Abby Goodrum (agoodrum@ryerson.ca) and Suzie Allard (sallard@utk.edu).

ASIS&T 2011 builds on the success of the just-concluded 2010 meeting structure, using six reviewing tracks, each with its own committee of respected reviewers to ensure that the conference meets high expectations for standards and quality. These reviewers, experts in their fields, will assist with a rigorous peer-review process.

The six tracks and their chairs and topic areas are as follows:

**Track 1** – Information Behavior, Sanda Erdelez, University of Missouri
- Information needs, information seeking, information gaps and sense-making

**Track 2** – Knowledge Organization, Diane Rasmussen Neal, University of Western Ontario
- Indexing, index construction, indexing languages, thesaurus construction, terminology, classification of information in any form, tagging (expert, user-based, automatic), filtering, metadata, standards for metadata, information architecture

**Track 3** – Interactive Information & Design, Jim Jansen, Pennsylvania State University
- Human interaction and communication with information or computers, design of interactive technologies, algorithms, user interfaces, search & retrieval, personalization & recommenders, navigation, information architecture

**Track 4** – Information and Knowledge Management, Robert Sandusky, University of Illinois, Chicago
- Information and knowledge creation, transfer and use at the personal, group, organizational and societal levels; expertise, insights, and judgment in organizations; the management of the processes and systems that create, acquire, organize, store, distribute, and use information; knowledge capital; social networking; knowledge sharing and communities of practice; business intelligence; content management, document management; workflow management; collaboration systems; portals; groupware; information and knowledge preservation and storage

**Track 5** – Information Use, Mia Lustria, Florida State University
- Nature of information and how information is used to help solve problems and aid decision making; information literacy, reading

**Track 6** – Economic, Social, and Political Issues, Nadia Caidi, University of Toronto
- Copyright issues, policies and laws; information policy; privacy; personal rights vs. freedom of information; surveillance; regulation; international information flow & issues; spam

Full details about the submission process, including types of submissions, formats and deadlines are available at the ASIS&T website at [http://asis.org/asis2011/am11cfp.html](http://asis.org/asis2011/am11cfp.html).