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Chemistry Division

Luray M. Minkiewicz, Chair

The Chemistry Division is concerned with chemistry and chemical technology, and the economics, educational advances, and information handling of developments in the field of chemistry and related subjects.

Colleagues and Friends,

A change of seasons is here. It reminds us that change is a fact of life. As part of the changes happening in the SLA Chemistry Division, I would like to welcome some new members to the Advisory Board:

• Arda Agulian from BASF Catalysts (NJ) as the 2010 Conference Planner

• Jack Bashian from Smithers Rapra (OH) as the MRM Section Chair-Elect

• Linda Maddux from Reed College (OR) as our new Webmaster

• Kiem Ta from Oklahoma State University (OK) as the new Bulletin Editor

• Norah Xiao from the University of Southern California (CA) as the new ACS Liaison

By the time you are reading this, the Division's membership survey should be either on its way to your email box or already in progress. When the survey arrives at your destination, I urge you to take a few minutes to answer the survey – it will help the Chemistry Division define our new strategic vision and goals and set our direction for the next few years. One of my favorite quotes is from St. Augustine: "If you wish to reach a higher level of self-understanding, you must allow yourself to be dissatisfied with where you are. For when you were satisfied, you made no progress." Change and adaptation is necessary in order to grow and make progress.

Change is also a theme running through the 2009 SLA Annual Conference and the lineup of programs from the Chemistry Division. I hope you are able to avail yourselves of some of these great programs and events:

• Change the way you measure your library's collection -- A Measures Toolkit for Librarians

• Change the way you think about energy sources -- Materials Research in Wind Energy - Present and Future

• See how changes in science affect our profession, too -- Interdisciplinary Science and Its Implications for Librarians and Information Professionals

• Come hear how changes in the regulatory landscape will effect the chemical industry -- REACH & the Future of Toxics Legislation (with ERM)

• What changes have you instituted in your library workflow? -- Interact at the poster session during the All Sciences Reception

These are but a sampling of the great programming in store for all attendees at the SLA Annual Conference in Washington, DC! I hope to see you there!

Happy 100th Anniversary to SLA! ❖

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Budgeting, Costing and Estimating for the Injection Moulding Industry
The underlying theme of this book is the maximization of profits through the control of costs. This book discusses and defines the different methods of budgeting, costing and estimating that are normally used within the injection molding industry.

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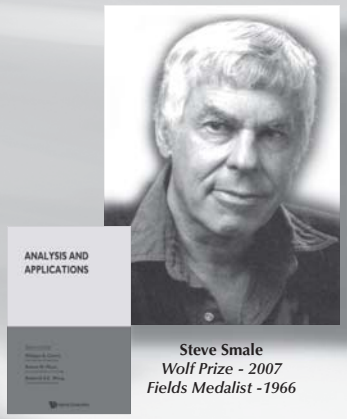

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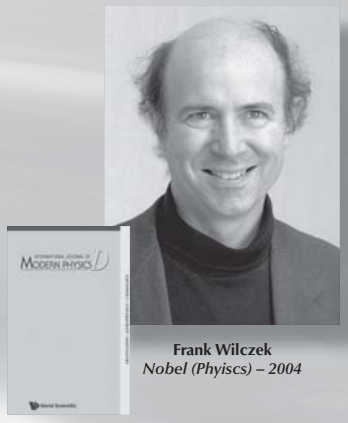

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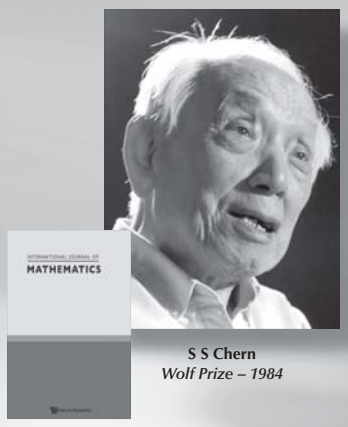

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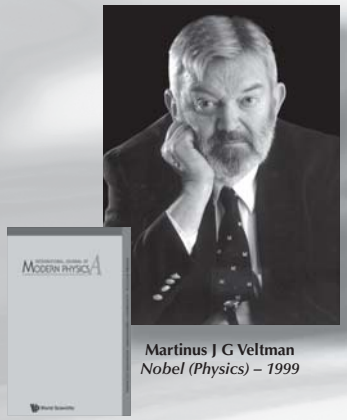

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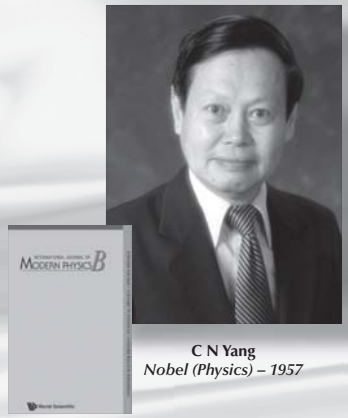

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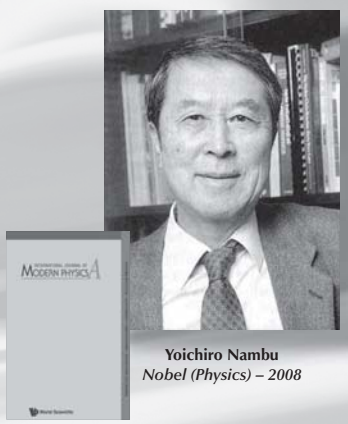

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