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Welcome to the first issue of *SciTech News* for 2011! I am delighted to welcome you to my first issue as Editor and look forward to providing our contributing units with an informative and useful publication for their members.

I am grateful to the contributing authors, division and section chairs, and our Business and Advertising Managers for their assistance and their contributions to the content for *SciTech News*. With their assistance, I am happy to say that the transition process has gone very smoothly. I also owe many thanks to my predecessor, James Manasco, for his advice and support as I took over the editorship in January.

In this issue you will find highlights from SLA Leadership Summit in January and previews of programs to be presented at SLA Annual Conference in Philadelphia this June. I highly encourage you to consider attending Annual Conference--in my opinion, SLA Annual Conference is THE BEST networking and professional development opportunity available for special librarians! If you are unable to make it to Philadelphia in June, a virtual component to the conference will be offered again this year, so you don't have to miss out on what the conference has to offer.

I would also like to encourage members of our contributing units to submit articles for the refereed section of *SciTech News*. It is my goal as Editor to see peer-reviewed articles published in *SciTech News*. So, please send us your articles! Bonnie Osif, Review Board Chair, is ready and waiting to help you get published. More information about the peer-reviewed section of *SciTech News* is available on page 4.

And last but not least: If you have an idea for a column or article for *SciTech News*, please feel free to contact me at abby.thorne@gmail.com. As members of our contributing units, this is YOUR publication and I am here to help bring you content that is interesting and useful to you! ❖

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