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Welcome to the pre-conference issue of *SciTech News*! Inside you will find information about upcoming conference programs from our contributing units, in addition to our regular columns and reviews. As usual, the programs our contributing units are planning look to be excellent! Although this year's SLA Annual Conference is not until July, I hope you will take the opportunity to begin looking over the sessions being offered and begin planning your Annual Conference experience. It looks like it will be an awesome conference in Chicago and we look forward to bringing you lots of conference highlights in the next issue!

Also in this issue, you will notice a special section devoted to Ellis Mount, who passed away in January. Ellis served as Editor of *SciTech News* from 1990 to 1999 and was named

Editor Emeritus on June 7, 2004 during the SLA Annual Conference. In addition to being a very active member of SLA for many years, he was a very active author and contributed a great deal to science and technology librarianship. He will be greatly missed by his SLA colleagues and friends.

Following up from the last issue, I am delighted to announce the selection of a new Assistant Editor for *SciTech News*, Abby Bedford. Abby is currently the Science Librarian at Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Michigan. While newly involved in the Sci-Tech division of SLA, Abby was a member of the student chapter of SLA at the University of Michigan School of Information. Please join me in welcoming her to the staff of *SciTech News*!❖