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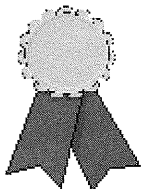
SUSAN LAMANNA

Happy New Year to all Aerospace Section members!

I am looking out my window as I write this column. Huge snowflakes are falling and everyone is bundled up. Yes, you guessed it; I am in Ottawa, Canada's capital and home of the world's longest skating rink. Once a year I don my skates and try to skate at least one-twentieth of the rink (I think that is about 1/4 of a mile). I reward myself along the way with what is known here as a "beaver tail": a wonderful, deep-fried dough dipped in cinnamon sugar (I like lemon squeezed over mine) and stretched out to look like—what else? This gives me the energy for the return trip to the car and warmth. Oh, the joys of winter!

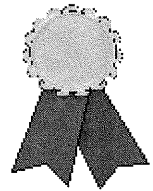


I would like to announce the winner of the 2001 George Mandel Award—Mary Ellen McMurtie. Ms. McMurtie joined Honeywell Defense Avionic Systems in Albuquerque, New Mexico, in 1993. She has been a member of the Aerospace Section ever since, and served as the first chair of the reconstituted section. Locally, she is



active in the Rio Grande Chapter of SLA. Congratulations, Mary Ellen!

Mary Ellen will receive the award at the business meeting in San Antonio. I would like to thank the award committee members—Tom De Petro, Janna Jantz, Sue Brewsaugh, Eileen Dorscher, and Edgar Santiago—for the time they devoted to choosing the winner.



By the time you receive this, the January meeting in Savannah will be over and the final stages of our program will be in place.

I hope that all of you will try to come to the conference in San Antonio in June. The Aerospace Section is planning the following:

Monday, June 11

Morning—meet-and-greet continental breakfast and business meeting

Luncheon—special guest speaker Susan Buckingham of the FAA

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