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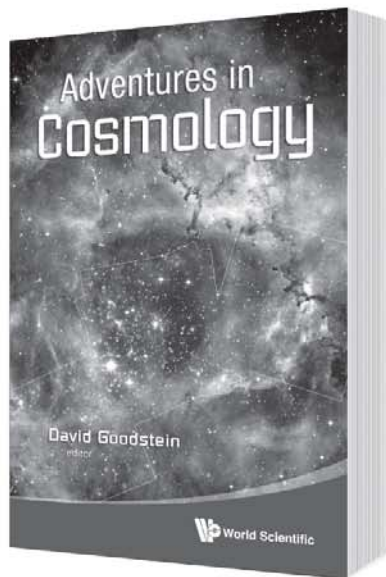
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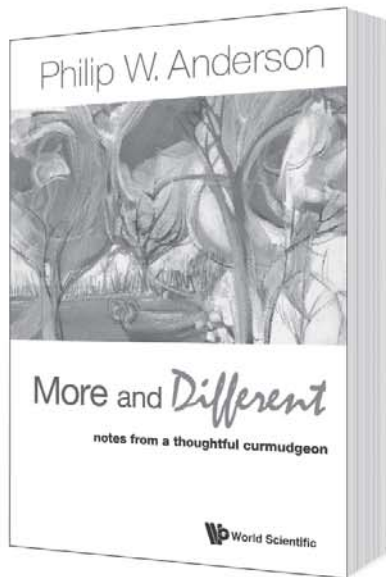
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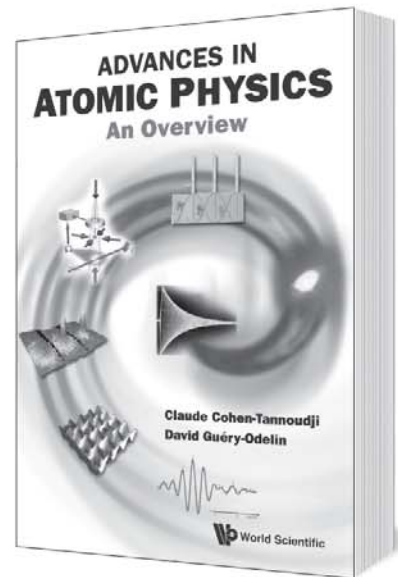
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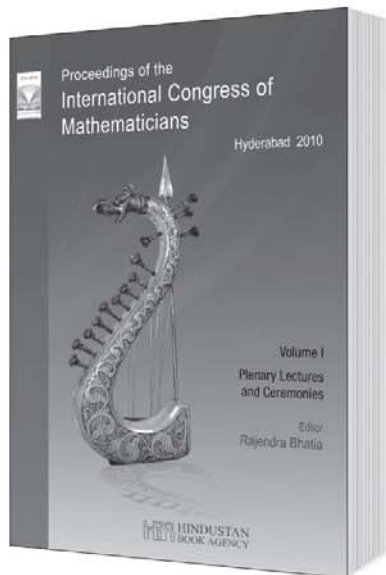
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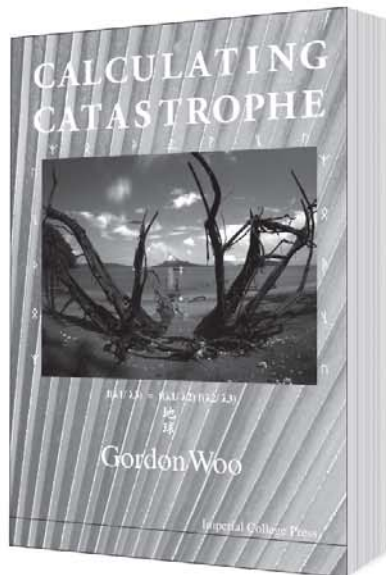
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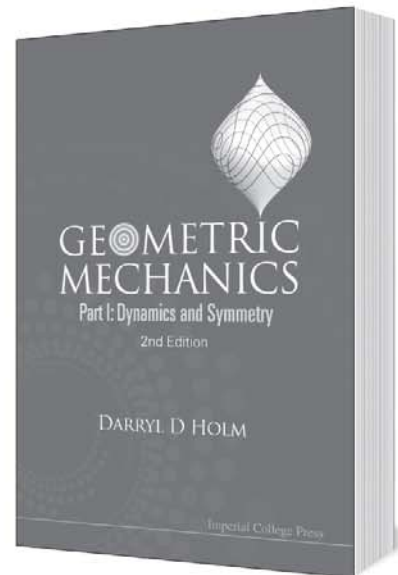
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News from the Engineering Division

Engineering Division

Kathryn Breininger, Chair



The objectives of the Engineering Division are to provide an association for those having an interest in library and information science as they apply to engineering and the physical sciences and to promote the use of materials and knowledge for the benefit of libraries and other educational organizations.

End of 2011, Beginning 2012

It is hard to believe it is already nearly the end of the year! I know we say it every year, but my, how fast the time has flown by! Today I shuffled my feet through the brightly colored maple leaves that had fallen all around my car while I was in the office, and remembered the joy of kicking up the crackling leaves that I have felt from the time of childhood, and I did a quick little shuffle and kick just to hear the sounds and feel that Autumn feeling that includes crisp days, warm coats, and frost on your breath!

We have been busy in the Engineering Division over the past several months. The nominating committees have been working hard, talking with volunteers, gathering nominations, and setting up and sending out the ballot slates. We will be announcing our new officers in the next few weeks, and look forward to their participation on the Boards starting in January. We thank those who are rotating out to enable others the opportunity to develop their leadership skills and share ideas in the coming year as we work on programming, membership development, and other activities. A warm thank you to those who have held positions, and to those who have volunteered to fill positions!

Another big accomplishment this year was the migration of our website to the new format and platform. A big thank you to our webmaster, Dale Copps, for all his hard work on this! Please check it out at: <http://engineering.sla.org/>. You will find information from the old site neatly categorized under the tabs across the top of the page, including Member Profiles under the About Us tab. Many thanks to Sara Davis for highlighting our members and helping us get to know one another better in a virtual age!

We have a number of communication avenues available on the website, including our discussion lists and wiki. In addition, we will be post-

ing to the blog regularly, and look forward to your comments! Please take a look and send in your comments, suggestions, ideas for articles, or better yet, submit an article yourself! This is our tool and it opens all sorts of opportunities for us to collaborate, share ideas, discuss best practices, lessons learned, strategies, dreams and goals! We should see rich and varied content grow as we move into the new year and as our membership moves forward in 2012 with new challenges and opportunities. Be watching for postings and updates related to the SLA 2012 conference – it promises to be a fun event in the Windy City!

As you know, Leadership Summit is January 25-28 in Atlanta, Georgia. Brent Mai will present the association's vision for 2012-2014 and there will be opportunities to learn about strategic planning and accomplishing your goals and discuss conference planning for 2013, running effective meetings, engaging members, and developing relationships, to mention a few. I encourage you to attend if possible; it is a great opportunity to learn about leadership, as well as an opportunity to network with colleagues!

I will be your Past-Chair starting in 2012 and Pam Enrici will be your new Chair. I have enjoyed the opportunity to serve as Chair and want to thank my fellow Board Members and all of you for helping me along the way. I have learned so much from each of you, and value the relationships we have developed over the last couple of years. As Past-Chair, I have a list of responsibilities I will be working on in 2012, so you will probably continue to hear from me (be watching for requests for nominations next year, as that will be one of my tasks!). Thank you for a great year! I look forward to new challenges in 2012! ❖

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\$1000 IEEE Continuing Education Stipend – Call for Applications

Stipend to attend the SLA Annual Meeting in
Chicago, IL July 15-18, 2012

IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) is sponsoring for SLA Engineering Division members a travel stipend up to \$1000 toward payment of expenses incurred while attending any Continuing Education course offered at the annual SLA conference in Chicago, IL July 15-18, 2012.

The IEEE Stipend will be given to the qualified member who submits an essay, of three or fewer double-spaced typed pages, which is judged to be the best paper that addresses "How the member will benefit professionally from a continuing education course." Please email Stephanie Sheldon (stephanie.sheldon@lmco.com) for a list of Continuing Education courses offered during the SLA 2012 conference. The winner will also be required to submit an article to the Engineering Division newsletter (SciTech News) within twelve months of completion on how the course helped them in library applications.

Qualifications for Entering Award Competition:

Be a member of the SLA Engineering Division in good standing at the time of applying for the award.

Special Instructions:

Type your full name (without any additional personal information) at the top of each essay page. Double space the typing on all pages.

Deadline for Submission: March 14, 2012.

The winner must be present to accept the award at the annual Engineering Division Business Meeting during the SLA 2012 conference.

Submit Entries for the award to:

Stephanie Sheldon
E-mail: stephanie.sheldon@lmco.com
or to:
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Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company
Company Research Library, MZ 0124
1011 Lockheed Way
Palmdale, CA 93599

Call for Nominations and Applications - SLA Engineering Librarian of the Year Award sponsored by HIS

The Engineering Librarian of the Year, sponsored by IHS, highlights the accomplishments and contributions of SLA Engineering Division members to the engineering librarian profession. The winner must be present to accept the \$1500 award at the annual Engineering Division Business Meeting held during the annual SLA conference in Chicago, IL, July 15-18, 2012.

Prospective candidates are encouraged to nominate themselves, or they may be nominated by a colleague or associate.

Criteria for entry are:

1. Be a member of the SLA Engineering Division in good standing at the time of applying for the award.
2. Distinguished achievement(s) in the engineering library profession, through an exceptional contribution on the job, within the SLA Engineering Division, or within the industry at large. Accomplishment(s) should have taken place within the calendar year immediately preceding nomination/application. However, in selected cases, based solely on the Awards Committee's judgment, recognition may be given for ongoing, long-term contribution(s).

Instructions for submissions:

Submit the nomination/application by March 14th, 2012. Provide full name, job title, address, telephone numbers, e-mail address, and a maximum one-page statement of the nominee's qualifications.

Submit Entries for the award to:

Diane F. Brenes, SLA-ENG Awards Committee, at the following email address: diane.f.brenes@boeing.com (714) 235-0814.