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## Materials Research & Manufacturing Section

Nora K. Stoecker, Chair



Members of the Materials Research and Manufacturing Section of the Chemistry Division share information concerning all phases of materials procurement, production, applications, and handling by means of educational activities, cooperative programs, publications, and Section-sponsored events at annual conferences.

Hello again!

In this column I'd like to acknowledge a number of MRM section members, beginning with those who volunteer their valuable time on behalf of the Division and the Section.

We thank **Earl Mounts**, Alcoa Technical Center, who drafted the MRM Section Strategic Plan last year, and who is also serving this year as the MRM Section liaison to the Chemistry Division Awards Committee. Earl also volunteered to serve as a moderator at the Materials Science Resources Forum session at the SLA conference. **Tracy Landfried**, Army Research Laboratory, also offered to serve as a moderator. Thank you too, Tracy. With five vendor/presenters and limited time, I welcome the assistance of both!

I would also like to acknowledge **Cathy DiPalma**, Saint-Gobain Norpro. Cathy is the 2009 conference planner for MRM (see you in DC). Cathy also is in line to accept the MRM Chair position for 2009. She represented me at the January Leadership Summit in Louisville, which was very helpful.

In her report at the Chemistry Division board meeting, Cathy noted that the 2009 conference planning team is working with the idea of "going green." Other ideas under consideration include a materials digital library workshop, a session focused on "From cyber infrastructure to cyber discovery in materials science", and/or international materials research network. There are good connections to the future with the role of materials in energy, healthcare, transportation, etc. Also, MRM and the Chemistry Division plan to take advantage of the presence of NSF and other government agencies in the D.C. area.

All the other members of the Board continue to deserve recognition – Past Chair **Betsy Aldridge**, PACCAR; Associations Liaison **Carol Tower**, SME; Membership Chair **Bette Finn**, Georgia Institute of Technology; Nominations Chair **Marty Rhine**.

Speaking of **Betsy Aldridge** – Betsy has recently been a reviewer for the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE International) as they and Factiva develop an automotive/commercial

vehicle/aerospace thesaurus for resources. Betsy says her role is to "determine if the list is accurate and comprehensive for commercial vehicle technologies."

I'd also like to welcome several recent new members to the MRM section.

**Jack Bashian**, Smithers Rapra Press  
**Dr. Brian Bridgewater**, Rohm and Haas  
**Jennifer Groff**, Clemson University  
**Richard Mansfield**, Air Force Research Laboratory

Finally, just a quick invitation to the MRM Section conference program, "Materials Science Resources Forum", Wednesday June 18, 12:15 – 1:45 PM. I'm pleased to welcome representatives from ASM International, CSA Proquest, Elsevier, Springer, and STN-Fiz Karlsruhe. Each will have the opportunity to tell us about recent materials-related additions to their offerings, but I envision the bulk of the session being devoted to either case-studies or other discussion of the value-add for research librarians and end-user customers. Moderators Earl Mounts, Tracy Landfried and I will work hard to ensure plenty of time for audience interaction, too.❖

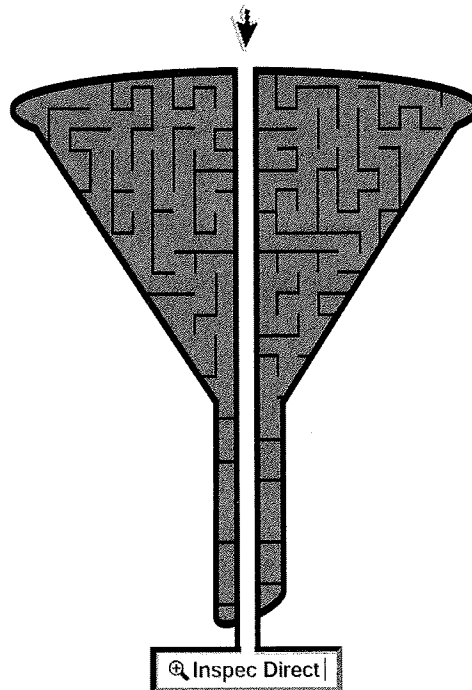
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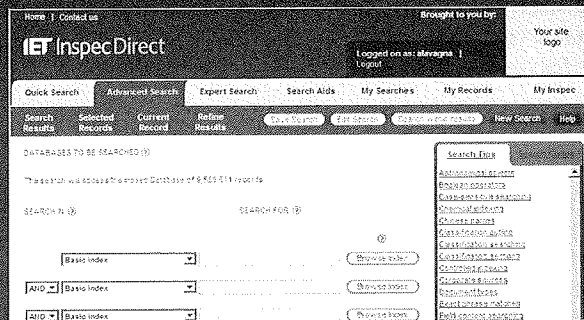
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