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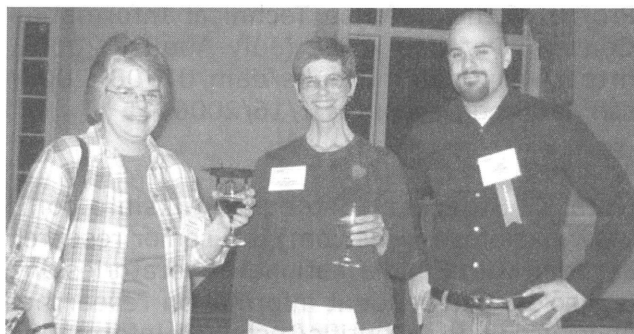
Daser-2 Summit on Digital Archives for Science & Engineering Resources by Susan Fingerman

The Daser-2 Summit on Digital Archives for Science & Engineering Resources, sponsored by the American Society for Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T) in cooperation with the Sci-Tech Division of SLA, was held from December 2-4 at the University of Maryland University College Inn and Conference Center.

A small but intensely interested group of about 50 people representing society and commercial publishers, universities, government agencies, research labs, corporations and even interested individuals gathered to present and learn from each other.



Mary Steiner, University of Pennsylvania, and Lea Starr, University of British Columbia at the reception.



Daureen Nesdill, University of Utah, Ann Koopman of Thomas Jefferson University, and Jeff Reidel of ProQuest enjoy some refreshments and networking.

We heard presentations from such Open Access pioneers as Jan Velterop, now with Springer and former publisher of BioMed Central, and Vivian Siegel, formerly with Public Library of Science. We learned about the latest efforts in institutional repositories from the University of Virginia and Sci-Tech's Mary Steiner of the University of Pennsylvania. Gadfly Stevan Harnad kept the meeting lively. David Stern of Yale, and Michael Leach of Harvard (and Summit organizer as ASIST President) guided us on a look into the

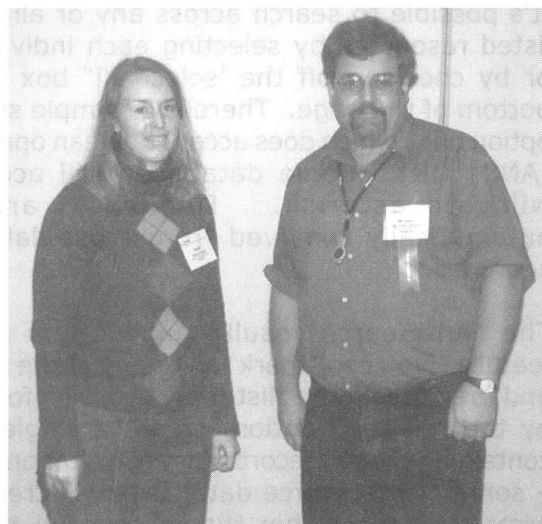
future. There was a lot of networking, food for thought, and amazing and abundant food in general.

Christina Pikas was the Summit Official Blogger, and her notes can be found at <http://asistdaser.tripod.com/daserblog/> with much more coverage and photos. Here are a few with some faces you'll recognize and some you might want to "meet."❖

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Christina Pikas taking a blogging break



Hilary Davis, NC State University and 2005 Marian E. Sparks Award for Professional Development winner and Michael Leach, Harvard University.