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Aerospace Section

Marcia Rodney, Chair



The Aerospace Section of the Engineering Division encourages communication and cooperation among information professionals concerned with aerospace, aeronautical and related technologies. In addition, it fosters dialog with entities such as NASA, the AIAA and other important sources of technical data and bibliographical services.

Toronto rocked!!

Our trip north of the border (for most of us) was a change of pace. Many thanks to David Hook of MDA (formerly MDRobotics), past-chair of the Aerospace Section and well-known Toronto man-about-town and general bon vivant. David made sure that we all had the information we needed to turn Toronto into a memorable event. And if you made it to the Engineering and Sci-Tech parties and brewery gatherings, he helped you turn that information into knowledge. David, thank you for your year of leadership and your Canadian hospitality.

Many congratulations and high fives to Eileen Dorschner of MIT, this year's winner of the George Mandel Memorial Award, sponsored by Dr. David Mandel and AIAA. Eileen was nominated for her leadership in the section, her activity in aerospace librarianship, her creativity in programming, and her openness and willingness to mentor others. She was unable to join us in Toronto, so will be properly honored next year, in Baltimore.

Ginny Jarvis of CAE SimuFlite was elected chair-elect of the Aerospace Section for 2005-2006, so not only will she be helping me with Baltimore, but also will be in charge of program planning for Denver in 2007. Send your ideas to either one of us. And thank you, Ginny.

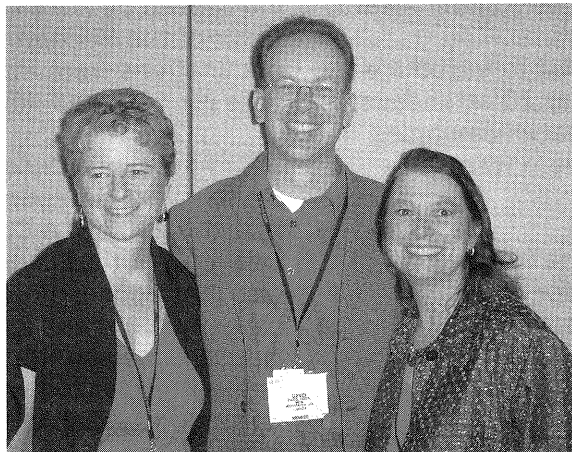
But wait! It doesn't end there. Aerospace tried something a bit different for its programming this year, partnering with the Sci-Tech Division. Picture Wednesday afternoon, after the General

Session. A packed room with people standing at the back – who woulda thunk it? Was this one of the Super Searchers? A celebrity speaker guaranteed to keep people from their planes? No, this was a panel discussion on "Self-Archiving, Information Repositories, and Knowledge Management: What Can Corporate and Academic Libraries Learn from Each Other?" Peter Clinton, IT director for the University of Toronto libraries, has been leading a robust program for several years, in stark contrast to those of us in government or corporate settings. One of the key contrasts that emerged were the free flowing discussions of university faculty on this point vs. corporate or governmental policies that dictate how self-archiving will, or will not, be handled. I confess, as a panelist I questioned how interesting this was going to be, but I came home with a lot of news I can use, as well as professional credits for my employer. Something to

think about – next time you're asked to be a panelist, say yes.

Next year finds us in Baltimore, a plum location for the Aerospace industry, whether you're in academia, industry, or government. Get your programming ideas to us now, so we can get them into the pipeline. What topics grab you, what speakers do you want to hear, any place you'd like to go for a field trip? You can always reach me at the email below.❖

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Marcia Rodney (left) Current Chair, David Hook, Past-Chair, and Ginny Jarvis (right) Chair-elect.

Minutes of the Aerospace Section of the Engineering Division Annual Business Meeting (Highlights only)

Monday, June 6th, 2005 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Dave Hook has the complete attendance list for the meeting.

Voluntary minute taker:

Mary Crompton, Northrop Grumman Corp.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, David Hook, at 8:00am.

The next order of business was the introduction of the Sponsors:

AIAA – Exhibit Booth 1515 – Jeanne Trimble;
Thomson Scientific – Booth 921 – Rick Orlando from Philadelphia; and Dr. David Mandel in Ohio – the generous sponsor of the Mandel Award.

All attendees were then asked to introduce themselves. There were over 20 attendees, with many prominent Aerospace companies represented. All attendees were warmly welcomed.

Old Business: David listed the following Engineering Division Events for Toronto:

- Standards Roundtable
- Technology Petting Zoo
- Sci-Tech./Eng. Open House: Science Fiction authors which was to be held on the 18th Floor in the Fairmont Royal York Hotel

New Business: David gave a membership update – the Section has 80 members. The Aero Listserv is still operational, but more

traffic is wanted. For 2006 Baltimore programming, please send all ideas to Marcia Rodney at Ball Aerospace.

David thanked all those who served on the Mandel Award Committee and the Chair-Elect Nominating Committee.

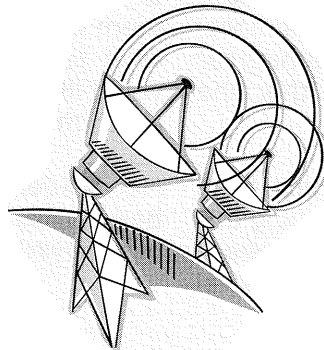
The next order of business was Marcia Rodney with the Mandel Award: Eileen Dorschner is the 2005 winner. Unfortunately, Eileen could not be in attendance.

The introduction of the candidate for Chair-Elect, Ginny Jarvis of CAE Simuflite, was introduced by Mary Crompton, immediate past Chair of the Section. Calls for further nominations were made from the floor. The vote for Ginny as new Chair-Elect was passed.

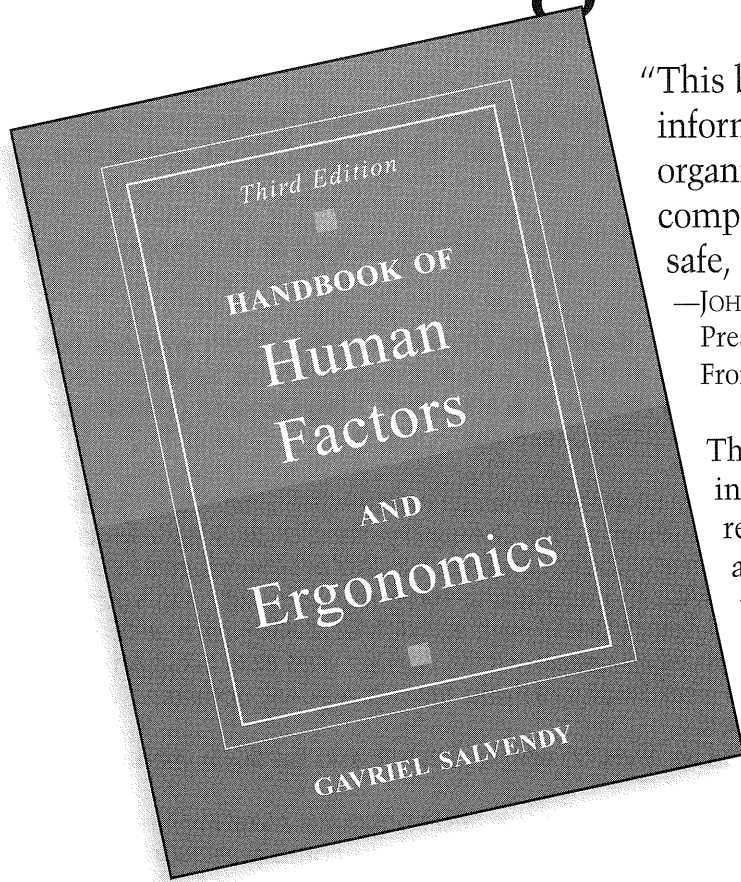
David then introduced the new Chair of the Section, Marcia Rodney. Marcia mentioned that the 2007 SLA Conference will be in Denver and that is nearly her backyard. She also mentioned again that she is looking for program ideas and sponsors for Baltimore. Marcia is also on the SLA Nominating Committee, so if anyone is interested in those upcoming available positions, please let Marcia know.

The meeting was then adjourned at 8:22 am.❖

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