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What was I thinking? Was I crazy to accept such an overwhelming post like SciTech News editor? Should I have run screaming when I saw the posting about the position? Why am I babbling on in this fashion in my first “From the Editor” posting? Only the Norns may know for sure!

Any way, enough wailing and gnashing of teeth! First off, I must apologize for the lateness of this issue. All blame should be assessed to me alone. Transitions are often a bit messy and this one was no exception. But, the fault lies with your humble editor and should not be ascribed any further. I accept all blame and ask you all for your kind forgiveness and I truly hope this does not herald a new standard for the SciTech News.

I am grateful to all the contributing authors and especially my predecessor, Susan Fingerman, for all her advice and support as I tackle this new challenge. I am thankful that she is staying on as an Assistant Editor, at least for a little bit to help with the continuing process of getting the SciTech News running more smoothly under its new management.

I am also happy to report that both Carol Lucke and Heidi Porth have agreed to stay on in their accustomed roles with the bulletin!

And, finally, I want to thank Christina Pikas for her years of service to SciTech News. She has done a phenomenal job as Assistant Editor and I wish her the best in her future endeavors.

To the readers, I want to thank you for your patience as I “learn the ropes.” I also want to put out a call for, as the Manuscripts notation so eloquently illustrates, “papers of interest to the community of science and technology-oriented special libraries.”

And, finally, I do want you all to know that your editorial staff will be looking into several new, or returning, features/changes for SciTech News this coming year. Those changes will include: an online version of the bulletin, hopefully by 2010, a return of the refereed section, and, perhaps, a surprise or two.

See you next time!

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