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Welcome to the final issue of SciTech News for 2012! For those of us in the United States, Thanksgiving has just passed and I am still mindful of all of the many things for which I have to be thankful and the many people I owe my gratitude. I am thankful for the opportunity to be involved with the Special Libraries Association and that it is an organization dedicated to providing excellent educational and leadership opportunities for its members. I am also thankful for all of you—the colleagues with whom I have the opportunity to network and work alongside to serve the organization. I would like to thank my assistant editor Abby Bedford for all of her assistance this year. And finally, to all of the chairs of our contributing divisions and sections as well as everyone else who contributed content for our issues this year, thanks so much for all of your work on our behalf.

The end of the year is not without some changes in SciTech News for the coming year. This is the final issue for Hope Leman’s “Science Today in Verse” column. Her column will be missed for its addition of science-related levity to each issue. We really appreciate all of Hope’s contributions to SciTech News. In addition, Kathy Alshouse is retiring and she and her colleagues at the Linda Hall Library will no longer be providing the cover images everyone has enjoyed for a number of years. We truly appreciate the service of Kathy and her colleagues to SciTech News over the years and we wish her well in her retirement.

The end of the year also means new opportunities for 2013. SciTech News is looking for recommendations for new sources of cover images. We are also looking for individuals who are interested in writing columns such as the Web Reviews column and those interested in submitting papers (both peer-reviewed and non-peer-reviewed) for publication. Please feel free to contact me directly at abby.thorne@gmail.com if you have suggestions or are interested in the publication opportunities we offer.

I hope everyone has a happy and healthy holiday season!

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