

## One Fine Day



There are 156 issues of the *Journal of The Electrochemical Society* (JES), 66 issues of *Electrochemical and Solid-State Letters*, and nine issues of *Interface* in a special place on my bookshelf. These are the issues which I have had the privilege to serve as editor. This issue of JES is my last. Dan Scherson will become Editor of JES in January 2008. He is most capable and I am sure he will do a wonderful job.

I have met some of the most *interesting* people along the way. There have been many authors, each with a unique story. The number of reviewers who have been willing to help has been remarkable. My exchanges with them have been professional and educational. The reviewers are the backbone of the scholarly publication.

I have spent many hours talking with the people responsible for the editorial and production aspects of the publications. The dedication and efforts of the Associate Editors (AEs) has been notable. The past JES AEs include Doron Aurbach, Gerard Blom, George Blomgren, Noel Buckley, Alison Davenport, Dennis Evans, Dennis Hess, Frank McLarnon, Tom Moffat, John Newman, Bob Rapp, Stan Raider, Mordechai Schlesinger, Darrel Untereker, and Russ Wong. I am especially grateful to the current AEs: Cor Claeys, Taka Homma, Chuck Hussey, Yue Kuo, Mark Orazem, Dan Scherson, Ashok Shukla, and Martin Winter. They have made this adventure stimulating and rewarding. I can't think of a better group to have spent time with.


The quality of JES comes from the dedicated efforts of many people in Pennington and across the country who produce JES. The extraordinary effort of Anne Clementson, Annie Goedkoop, Paul Cooper, Terry Cooper, Andrea Guenzel, Pat Lorynski, Cynthia Freeman, and Torrey Adams needs to be recognized. They have made this a beautiful publication to read. Last, the style and structure of the publications has come from Mary Yess and the guidance from Roque Calvo. JES and the other ECS publications are in very good hands. My interactions with the ECS staff have always been very memorable and positive.

I also have very fond memories from many chance meetings along the way, often with JES readers. Particularly the day I had issue 153(2) taken from me. One fine day, I was invited to talk at Ms. Gilmore's second grade Career Day at



Love T. Nolan Elementary School in Atlanta, Georgia. I brought a few stories of scientists and inventors and grabbed a copy of JES for fun. I ended my session with the question: "How do scientists tell the world of their discoveries?" I used my copy of JES to explain the idea of the scientific publication and passed around JES issue 153(2). To my surprise, the students asked if they could keep it for a while. I was sent this picture and told that issue 153(2) would be staying in second grade because the students were choosing it to read rather than the regular books during open reading time. (Pictured left-to-right are Amea Stephens, Alexis Smith, and Markell Graham.) They were

using the graphs and pictures in JES to describe to each other how telephones and batteries work and why ice floats. You never know where the future authors will be coming from. I think 153(2) is my favorite issue.

  
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