Welcome to the Winter 2002 issue of *Biofeedback* – our first online-only issue! As I write this message, several of DBIO’s officers are preparing to attend the Winter Meeting in Chicago, IL. Whatever happened to January meetings being held in sunny and warm climates? When not freezing, David Duggar and I will be attending Leadership Institute programs, and Laura Osegueda will be finalizing details for much of DBIO’s Los Angeles conference programming. Chicago is where planning for our 2003 annual conference begins! By the time you read this, you should have received winter meeting, annual conference and other division updates over the DBIO listserv; if you are not a member and you missed out on these updates – subscribe today!

**SLA News:**

SLA Endowment Grant applications are due July 1, not long after we have all recovered from the annual conference. It’s time to start thinking of projects now! These Endowment Fund Grants support division, chapter and committee programs “that will further the scientific, literary, and educational purpose for which the Special Libraries Association is organized and operated. Proposals must have a wide applicability to the entire special libraries community.” Grants are submitted by and funded to SLA divisions, chapters, and committees. If you have ideas for a potential DBIO-submitted grant, please let me know. Details on the program are available at [http://www.sla.org/content/leadership/endowment.cfm](http://www.sla.org/content/leadership/endowment.cfm).

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Chair's message continued…

SLA began a major staff restructuring in October. For an overview of the transitional staff structure, please see http://www.sla.org/content/SLA/Structure/staff/orgchart.cfm. Updated staff contacts may be found on SLA's "Where to Turn Guide" at http://www.sla.org/content/SLA/Structure/staff/where2.cfm.

Nominations for the International Special Librarians Day Award are due to SLA on May 18, 2002. This honor “awards the efforts made by an individual member(s) to promote his/her special library, information resource center, or profession during International Special Librarians Day, the Thursday of ALA’s National Library Week (Thursday, April 18, 2002).” For details, promotional ideas, and ways to celebrate, see http://www.sla.org/content/memberservice/communication/pr/isldweb/index.cfm. Nomination forms are available at http://www.sla.org/content/memberservice/communication/pr/awdindex/awardnomform.cfm. The 2002 theme is "Leadership, Partnership, Membership: Expanding Global Knowledge Frontiers".


Peter Drucker and Doris Kearns Goodwin have been confirmed as featured speakers at the 2002 annual conference in Los Angeles.

Applications for the 2002 Steven I. Goldspiel Memorial Research Grant were due on February 15, 2002. If you missed the deadline, be sure to put it on your calendar for next year! This grant funds innovative research in the field of library and information science. An “evidence-based” approach should be emphasized in the applications. For more information, see http://www.sla.org/content/memberservice/researchforum/goldspiel/index.cfm.

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The 2002-2003 year will be here before you know it. Many committees within the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division will have openings, as some of our able membership end their terms of service. If you’ve always wondered what a particular committee did or wanted to serve on a committee but were not sure where to start, now is the perfect opportunity. Below is the Volunteer Form to serve on any of the numerous important and fun committees within the Division. Committee appointments are two years in length and may be renewed for another two years. There are also some appointed positions, which may have vacancies in the near future. Check out the Division’s Procedure Manual for a description of any committee, liaison, representative, or other appointed position at http://www.sla.org/division/dbio/procedur/procedure.pdf or http://www.sla.org/division/dbio/procedur/contents.htm. Contact any of the Committee chairs or members listed at the end of the newsletter to find out what a committee’s workload is like. Then fill out the Volunteer Form below and mail it, fax it, or e-mail your choices to the Division’s Chair-Elect. Meet new colleagues, share and/or expand your knowledge, skill, and experience, and participate in shaping the future of the Division and librarianship!

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Archivist  Program Committee 2003 (New York)
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I am interested in volunteering for:

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____ I have served on a BIO Division Committee within the past five (5) years.

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David Duggar
Chair-elect and Fund Development Committee Chair

Financial support for the Division’s programming at the Los Angeles SLA conference is well on its way. With the tragedy of September 11th and turmoil of the world’s financial markets, it is unclear how many companies will be giving financial support to library programs at the local, state, regional, national, and international level. However, as of January 1, 2002, due to the tremendous work of the Fund Development Committee members, we have firm commitments for over $5000 and tentative sponsorship of an additional $1500. As you do business, please let the following vendors know how much we appreciate their contributions to our Division:


The Fund Development Brochure for the 2001-2002 year did not make it in the mailing of the Fall issue of *Biofeedback*, but a revised version of the brochure has been put on the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division’s web page. Thanks to Carol Lepzelter for converting it to a pdf file and loading it on the web page. Please take a look at the brochure. If you know of other vendors who could be contacted for support, it’s not too late to ask for support for 2002 conference programming. Please send their name and contact information to me and feel free to pass on a copy of the Fund Development Brochure to them when seen.

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**Vendor Relations Column**

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**BIO Members’ Publications List**  
**October-December 2001**

What do Sputnik, bibliographic coupling, and clinical genetics websites have in common? These subjects are all topics of publications written by BIO members during the fourth quarter of 2001. The full list of fourth quarter publications is listed below.


Please send citations for materials published this quarter (January-March 2002) to Nancy Stimson at nstimson@ucsd.edu for inclusion in the next issue of *Biofeedback*. Thanks to Claudia Lasic for maintaining the cumulative BIO Members’ Publication List.

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**CALLING ALL STUDENT MEMBERS!**

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Business Meeting / Breakfast of the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division which will be held on Tuesday, June 11 in Los Angeles, CA during the SLA Annual Conference.

Free tickets will be provided for student members of the BIO Division upon advance request. If you plan to attend the Annual Conference and are looking for free food and a terrific opportunity to network and job search with like-minded colleagues, please send an email to Janet Weiss by May 1.

Looking forward to meeting you in person.

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