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Message from the Chair

Elizabeth Brown

2017 has been a transitional year for PAM and SLA. The changes will continue, but one thing that makes them easier is the continued commitment of our PAM members to our PAMily, and of our deep, committed passion to serving our users and increasing the usability, accessibility, and dissemination of the literature in our fields. As the year comes to a close, I am looking forward to 2018, including our next annual conference in Baltimore. Preparations are already underway, which Laura Palumbo will lead and share with us as we get closer to the event. Thank you Laura for planning the sessions and collaborating with other units to provide a rich experience for us!

At the beginning of 2018, we will be welcoming a new Chair-Elect, John Kromer, and Treasurer, Anya Bartelmann. Congratulations to both John and Anya! Thank you for your service to PAM and SLA. Special thanks also to Travis Warwick for chairing this year's Nominations and Elections Committee and to Kelly Durkin and Nastasha Johnson for their hard work and dedication in finding new leaders for the Division. Continuing on the PAM Board will be Sheila Bryant as Secretary, Laura Palumbo as Chair, and myself as Past Chair.

Congratulations to Debra Kolah and Margaret Lam for completing your terms on the PAM Board. Margaret has done an outstanding job as Treasurer, with dedication and service above and beyond. Debra finishes up her Past Chair duties in December. She has been hard at work updating the PAM Practices Manual, just one latest example of her insight and leadership this past year. I thank both Debra and Margaret for their leadership and support during a

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time of change. Debra has particularly been supportive, and I thank her for her guidance during my term as Chair.

Thank you to the many members that make PAM shine! Our committee chairs, our conference session leaders, our advisory board members, and our vendor member partners—we would not do all that we do without you! Please visit <http://pam.sla.org/manual/staff/current/> for a current volunteer leader list and their terms. If you are interested in serving the Division please contact Laura Palumbo. There are a number of positions starting on January 1 and on July 1 in 2018.

It has been a tremendous honor to serve PAM this year as Chair. As we close out 2017, I'm so grateful to have served as a part of such a supportive and close-knit professional community. As a long-time PAM member, every year I come to the annual conference and reconnect with those I know well, and I always make new friends within PAM and SLA. As life gets hurried, it's easy to lose sight of this. Everyone have a wonderful holiday season, and I look forward to seeing everyone in Baltimore next year!

2018 SLA Conference Update Laura Palumbo

By the time you read this, we will have already submitted proposals for next year's annual conference! PAM is requesting your favorite educational sessions, including the three PAM Roundtables and Publisher-Librarian Relations. We are also submitting a proposal for a co-sponsored session on STEM information literacy and one on data management using Excel. Thank you to all of the Roundtable moderators—Sara Tompson and Therese Triumph; Donna Thompson and Kelly Durkin—to Jenny Hart and Carol Hutchins for planning and organizing the Roundtables, and to Zary Kamerai and Andy Shimp for organizing the Publisher-Librarian Relations session. Thanks to

Thurston Miller for proposing the Data Management with Excel session along with Parker Ladwig.

We've also requested spots for our PAM Business meeting and breakfast, the PAM Open House Reception, and the popular First Night Dinner and PAM Tour. Thank you to the Hospitality Committee—Matt Wascavage, Kelly Durkin, and Katie Harding—for planning the dinner and tour. And thanks in advance to our Fundraising Committee, Jeffra Bussmann and Margaret Lam, and our sponsors, without whom these sessions would not be possible.

Mark your calendars for June 10–14! More details to come on our plans for Baltimore in the next *PAM Bulletin*.

2018 PAM Election Results Travis Warwick

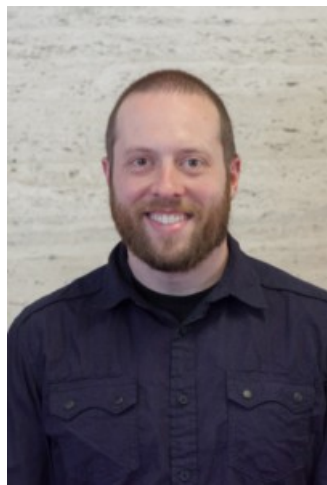
Congratulations to our new PAM Division board members!

John Kromer

Chair-Elect for 2018, Chair for 2019

John Kromer is the Physical Sciences Librarian at Brown University in Providence, RI. John received an MA in Library & Information Studies and an MS in Chemistry, both from the University of Wisconsin—Madison, and a BA in Chemistry and French Language and Literature from Transylvania University in Lexington, KY. After receiving the IOP travel stipend in 2012, John quickly became involved in the PAM Division. He is currently the Membership Chair for the PAM and Chemistry Divisions of SLA, and he has previously served as the chair and a member of the PAM Awards Committee, the PAM Bulletin Editor, and the Physics Roundtable Moderator. John is also a member of the Students and New Professionals Advisory Council (SNPAC) of SLA and was named a 2017 SLA Rising Star. John has published and

presented on information literacy and collection evaluation, and he has forthcoming publications about deploying Open Educational Resources in a first-year engineering course.



Anya Bartelmann
Treasurer 2018–2019

Anya Bartelmann is the Physics, Astronomy, and Mathematics Librarian and Head of the Mathematics Research Library at University of Washington in Seattle, WA, and serves as liaison for Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Statistics, Physics, and Astronomy. As a PAM member since 2013, Anya currently serves as PAM Bulletin Editor (2016–present), writes the Members’ Corner for the PAM Bulletin (2015–present), and moderated the PAM Physics Roundtable at SLA in 2016. She is active in the Pacific Northwest Chapter (2013–present) and mentors current MLIS students on collection development projects and opportunities in STEM fields for LGBTQ students. She earned a BS in Mathematics from the University of Massachusetts and an MLIS from the University of Washington.



The Nominations and Elections Committee would like to thank everyone who took the time to vote. We would also like to thank everyone who submitted nominations. John and Anya will do an excellent job representing PAM and SLA.

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PAM Awards Call for Nominations Marsha Bishop

The Awards Committee is now accepting nominations for our two prestigious awards, the PAM Division Award and the PAM Achievement Award. With the multitude of important projects and superstar PAM members, the only challenge will be making a choice!

The PAM Division Award is “given for a significant contribution to the literature of physics, mathematics or astronomy or to honor work that demonstrably improves the exchange of information in physics, mathematics or astronomy.” Individuals or groups can be nominated, and they do not need to be PAM members. Past recipients include arXiv, MathJax, and the LISA Conference. Click [here](#) for a full list of prior winners.

The PAM Achievement Award honors a current PAM member “whose professional work is marked by distinction and dedication to librarianship in astronomy, mathematics and/or physics” and has “made outstanding contributions to the Division.” To be eligible, the nominee must also have been a member for at least five years and be currently working as an information professional. Jeff Bond and Donna Thompson are the most recent winners, but you can click [here](#) to see the full list of well-deserving individuals back to 1997!

Help us honor our peers in this unique and special way by submitting a nomination to Marsha Bishop, Awards Committee Chair, at mbishop@nrao.edu. Please include a brief justification for the nomination. The deadline is early next year, but we'd appreciate your responses ASAP!

We thank you, and your deserving colleagues thank you!

The Awards Committee

Marsha Bishop, Chair

Sharice Collins

Mea Warren

Jeff Bond

SLA Awards Call for Nominations Marsha Bishop

PAM Division, this is your opportunity to submit the name of a deserving colleague for an SLA Award! A short description of each award follows. More details can be found [here](#).

1. **The John Cotton Dana Award** is SLA's top honor recognizing lifetime achievement and exceptional service to the profession.
2. **The Fellows of SLA** is bestowed on mid-career SLA members in recognition of past, present, and future service.
3. **The Rose L. Vormelker Award** is presented to a mid-career member in good standing who is an active mentor.
4. **The SLA Hall of Fame** is awarded to members in good standing who are at or near the end of their active professional career to recognize service and contributions to the association.

5. **The SLA Rising Star Award** recognizes outstanding new SLA members who show exceptional promise of leadership and contribution to the association and profession.

The PAM Division, with its energetic, involved, and committed members, has at least one great candidate for each of these awards, so please submit the name of this deserving individual by December 15 to Marsha Bishop (mbishop@nrao.edu) to ensure recognition by SLA. Please include a short justification for your selection.

Thank you for taking the time to honor your peers.

The Awards Committee

Marsha Bishop, Chair

Sharice Collins

Mea Warren

Jeff Bond

Members' Corner Anya Bartelmann

David Bigwood, Assistant Manager for Library Services, has been appointed Data Manager for the Regional Planetary Image Facility at the Lunar and Planetary Institute.

Kelly Durkin Ruth, formerly a librarian at Los Alamos National Laboratory, is now the Engineering Librarian at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. She can be contacted at durkinru@usna.edu.

Marge Voelker, the University of Minnesota's Mathematics Librarian from 1968 to 1987, passed away last month at 92. She had served as PAM Secretary from 1979 to 1981, as well as on various PAM committees, and led the mathematics workshop at the 1982 SLA conference in Detroit. For more information, please see <https://math.umn.edu/directory/margie-voelker>.

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