President’s Letter

Well, the semester is over and I am ready for a fun and productive summer. Whether you are staying in the office to get your research done, doing some traveling, or just taking some much needed time off, I hope you have a great summer. I’ll be doing a little of all three as I look forward to the annual meeting in August. The annual meeting is a chance to see not only all of my friends in the IS Section, but also my fellow graduates from Colorado, and all of the other young faculty that I met at the Doctoral Consortium and New Faculty Consortium many years ago. Unfortunately we’re not as young as we were then, but at least we’re wiser and better looking. So I hope to see you all in Anaheim and particularly at the IS Section breakfast. If I can also ask one favor, please try to attend the IS Section sponsored panel session on “Developing a better understanding of the relationship between IT and an organization’s value” by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. The session will be held Wednesday, August 6, 2:00 pm-3:30 pm, please make your travel plans so that you can attend this valuable session.

Panel sessions generally feature experts in their fields that are donating their time to keep us current on the concerns they have in practice and what we can do to either prepare our students for their world or things we can research to help them solve the problems they are faced with every day. The only payment they get is our gratitude, so please attend their sessions and be sure to say thanks if you get a chance.

One of the things I enjoy about being President is getting to thank all of the great people that make the Section function so well. On that note I would like to thank Ronny Daigle, our outgoing “In the Literature” editor, for all of his hard work the last few years. For me the ITL Section in the newsletter is a must-read every issue, and Ronny always seemed to find interesting articles that I had overlooked and wanted to know more about.

Another great feature of this position is getting to announce when someone steps up to the plate to volunteer and take on a major role in the Section. Therefore, I am pleased to announce that starting with the next issue Juan Manuel Sanchez will be the next “In the Literature” Editor. Manuel joined the faculty at the University of Arkansas in 2006 after graduating with his PhD in accounting from the University of Texas, San Antonio. Previously he worked at Deloitte & Touche LLP and AT&T. Please feel free to contact Manuel or just offer your congratulations at jsanchez@walton.uark.edu.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the Journal of Information Systems is going to have a special issue titled “Reviews of Information Systems Research.” Roger Debreceny has been selected as the editor of this special issue, look for the call for papers inside. Congratulations Roger!

So as my year as Section President draws to a close, I would like to thank everyone who trusted me with the Section leadership this past year, particularly the previous Section leaders that brought me into the fold and got me involved in the Section. There is not enough room to list everyone, but I would like to personally thank Chris Wolfe, Stephanie Bryant, and Nancy Bagranoff for giving me the opportunity to get involved in the Section and for always leading by example. Looking forward at the next President and President-Elect, I can see that the Section will continue to be in good hands, and I hope that each of you will try to think of a way to contribute to the Section in the future. Sometimes the most important positions are the ones that do not receive recognition, so whether you are serving on a committee, reviewing a paper, or simply attending a session to support your fellow Section members, thanks for all that you do.

Have a nice summer, see you soon!

Bruce Dehning, Chapman University

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The Journal of Information Systems (JIS) is the journal of the Information Systems Section of the American Accounting Association (www.jisonline.com). JIS will publish a special section in the Fall 2010 issue entitled "Reviews of Information Systems Research." The section will include papers that review a stream of research in information systems (IS). The papers will align that stream of research to current and future research in Accounting Information Systems (AIS).

Papers in the section will: (1) review the relevant IS literature (e.g., decision aids, user acceptance, GDSS, data and information quality, value of IT, IT governance, ontology, etc.), (2) integrate the relevant Accounting Information Systems (AIS) literature and (3) map future research directions in AIS and IS.

There is a two-step process for publication of papers in the special section. The first stage is a paper proposal. This stage ensures that the special section covers those dimensions of the IS literature most relevant to AIS. It should eliminate overlap between competing papers. The second stage is the formal review of completed papers. Accepted paper proposals do not guarantee publication of the final paper, which are subject to the normal double blind review process of the Journal. This review process takes place in the second stage.

The paper proposal should be no more than four pages in length. It should address the following questions: What strand of IS research will the paper review? What are the dimensions of the strand? What are some of the papers that constitute this strand? What are the major themes in this strand? Why is this strand of research important for AIS? How has the AIS literature contributed to the strand? What are the potential contributions of research in this strand to the practice of AIS? Where is research within this strand headed?

Submit the paper proposals using the guidelines for regular journal submissions at www.jisonline.com. Payment of the submission fee must accompany the full paper in the second stage.

The editor of the special section is Roger Debreceny, Shidler College Distinguished Professor of Accounting, School of Accountancy, Shidler College of Business, University of Hawaii at Manoa. Email: rogersd@hawaii.edu roger@debreceny.com. Do not hesitate to email Roger for feedback at any point in the process.

Key dates are:
- Preliminary proposals: Nov. 30, 2008
- Full papers: June 30, 2009
Dwina Williams, Texas A&M University; Shengmin Ye, University of Delaware; A. Faye Borthick, Georgia State University; Anthony O. Vance, Georgia State University

Tuesday, August 5, 2008 - 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Session Title: Performance in Production Tasks: An Investigation of the Effects of Framing of Information Systems Feedback on Professional Investor Behaviors

Carolyn M. Callahan, University of Arizona; Jeff R. Johnson, Oklahoma State University; John G. Martin, University of Utah

Wednesday, August 6, 2008 - 10:15 am - 11:45 am

Session Title: Deception and Control in Online Auctions

Alexei Nikitkov, Brock University; Dan Stone, University of Kentucky; Efrim Boritz, University of Waterloo; Jee Hae Lim, University of Waterloo; Theophanis C. Stratopoulos, University of Waterloo

Monday, August 4, 2008 - 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Session Title: The Role of IT

Mishra, University of California Riverside; Erik Rolland, University of California Riverside; Akhilesh Chandra, University of Ohio Akron; Nirup Menon, IESE Madrid; Birendra Smith, California State University at Long Beach; Adi Masli, University of Arkansas

Session Title: The Determinants and Consequences of Information Technology Excellence

Adi Masli, University of Arkansas; Vernon J Richardson, University of Arkansas; Juan Manuel Sanchez, University of Arkansas; Rodney Smith, California State University at Long Beach

Monday, August 4, 2008 - 4:00 - 5:30 pm

Session Title: Information Technology Investments and CEO Compensation

Joung W. Kim, Nova Southeastern University; Vernon J. Richardson, University of Arkansas; Efrim Boritz, University of Waterloo; Jee Hae Lim, University of Waterloo; Theophanis C. Stratopoulos, University of Waterloo

Monday, August 4, 2008 - 3:30 - 5:30 pm

Session Title: Budgeting and IT Investments

Mary Jane Prichard, University of Edwards; Jonathan E. Darnell, Georgia Tech; Charles (Terry) Smith, University of South Alabama; Robert Hodgkinson, Institute of Chartered Accountants In England And Wales; Michael P. Cangemi, Financial Executives International (F.E.I.); Bruce Dehning, Chapman University

Wednesday, August 6, 2008 - 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Session Title: An Empirical Investigation of the Effect of Privacy Breaches on Firm Market Value

Gary J Cook, Florida Southern College; Lynn H Clements, Florida Southern College; Efrim Boritz, University of Waterloo; Won Gyun No, Iowa State University; R. P. Schlegelmilch, University of Arkansas

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Session Title: Computerized Tools For Use In Proactive Fraud Examination

Asli Basoglu, Graduate Student; Mark A. Fuller, Professor; John T. Sweeney, University of South Florida; Paul Miranti, Rutgers Business School; Robert Hodgkinson, Institute of Chartered Accountants In England And Wales; Michael P. Cangemi, Financial Executives International (F.E.I.); Bruce Dehning, Chapman University

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Session Title: IT Control Weaknesses, IT Governance and Firm Performance

Efrim Boritz, University of Waterloo; Adi Masli, University of Arkansas; Vernon J Richardson, University of Arkansas; Juan Manuel Sanchez, University of Arkansas; Rodney Smith, California State University at Long Beach; Carolyn B. Miller, University of Arkansas

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Session Title: IT Innovation Persistence and Firm performance

Efrim Boritz, University of Waterloo; Won Gyun No, Iowa State University; R. P. Schlegelmilch, University of Arkansas

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Session Title: Developing Business Value Through IT Architecture Maturity

Akhilesh Chandra, University of Ohio Akron; Nirup Menon, IESE Madrid; Birendra Smith, California State University at Long Beach

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Session Title: The Role of IT in Professional Investor Behaviors

Carolyn M Callahan, University of Arizona; Jeff R. Johnson, Oklahoma State University; John G. Martin, University of Utah

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Session Title: New Scholar Paper by Jillian Phillips, University of Arkansas

Jillian Phillips, University of Arkansas; Vernon J Richardson, University of Arkansas; Juan Manuel Sanchez, University of Arkansas; Rodney Smith, California State University at Long Beach; Carolyn B. Miller, University of Arkansas
Election Results

The IS Section elections are complete; congratulations to next year's officers and committee chairs:

**Elected:**
- Vice President (President-Elect): Vernon J. Richardson, University of Arkansas
- Secretary: Stacy Kovar, Kansas State University
- Treasurer: Marcus Odom, Southern Illinois University
- At-Large: Andrea S. Kelton, University of South Florida and Dale Stoel, Miami University
- Research and Publications Committee Member: Martha Eining, University of Utah

**Returning and Appointed:**
- President: Elaine Mauldin, University of Missouri
- Past-President: Bruce Dehning, Chapman University
- Research and Publications Committee Chair: Faye Borthick, Georgia State University
- By-Laws Committee Chair: Mary Curtis, University of North Texas
- Education Issues Committee: Ronny Daigle, Sam Houston State University
- Membership Services Committee: Del Devries, Belmont University
- Notable Contributions to the Literature Committee: Kathy Hurtt, Baylor University
- Outstanding Dissertation Award Committee: Jagdish Pathak, University of Windsor
- Mid-Year Meeting Chair: Marianne Bradford, North Carolina State University
- Doctoral/New Faculty Consortium Chair: Brad Tuttle, University of South Carolina
- JIS Research Workshop Chair: Pat Wheeler, University of Missouri
- Annual Meeting Chair: Andreas Nicolaou, Bowling Green State University
- Section Website Editor: Terry Glandon, University of Texas - El Paso
- Newsletter Editor: Marcia Watson, Mississippi State University
- In the Literature: Juan Manuel Sanchez, University of Arkansas
- Historian: Ann O’Brien, University of Wisconsin
- JIS Editor: Paul Steinbart, Arizona State University
- JIS Book Reviews Editor: Robert Pinsker, Old Dominion University
- JIS Associate Editor for Web Services: Chih-Chen Lee, Northern Illinois University

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The new Section website design should be finished and ready for unveiling by the AAA meeting. Stay tuned!

JIS Book Reviews Needed

Rob Pinsker, the JIS book editor, is looking for volunteers to review a book (no textbooks, please). It can be something that would help in the classroom, research, or for practitioners. Contact Rob at RPinsker@odu.edu
Congratulations!

Pending the Board of Regents’ vote on June 13th, Rob Pinsker is scheduled to receive tenure and be promoted to Associate Professor at Old Dominion University.
Call for Papers

Annual International Research Symposium on Accounting Information Systems (IRSAIS)

The conference theme is Designing Sustainability. Papers are invited that focus on four topic areas: Product and Service Innovations, Supply Chain Management, Community Engagement Initiatives, and Technology as a Platform for Community Engagement Initiatives.

Product and Service Innovations

- Can Corporate Leadership Inspire Sustainable Innovation?
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Conferences

17th Annual Research Workshop on Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies in Accounting, Auditing and Tax

Date: Saturday, August 2
Location: Anaheim, CA

The 17th Annual Research Workshop on Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies in Accounting, Auditing and Tax, hosted by the AI/Emerging Technologies Section, will be held on Saturday August 2 in Anaheim, CA, prior to the AAA Annual Meeting. Some fourteen papers will be presented at the workshop. Topics include knowledge management, continuous auditing, XBRL and ontological analysis. The workshop concludes with a panel of editors who will canvass research in the field. The full program for the Workshop is at [http://aaahq.org/aiet/events/2008_AIET_Workshop_Program.pdf](http://aaahq.org/aiet/events/2008_AIET_Workshop_Program.pdf). Registration for the workshop is by signing up for CPE Session #1, when registering for the Annual Meeting (see [http://aaahq.org/AM2008/cpeinfo.htm](http://aaahq.org/AM2008/cpeinfo.htm)). Further details can be obtained from the workshop organizers, Roger Debreceny, Carol Brown and Amelia Baldwin at aietworkshop@yahoogroups.com.