

## *Beckerman Becomes CSE Web Editor*

CSE members can now register on the Council's Web site to receive automatic e-mail notification when a new job has been posted to the Classifieds section of the Web site.

That is just one of the changes that has been made by CSE's new Web editor, Seth Beckerman, who is the first to occupy the post. Previously, the Information Management



Committee oversaw the Web site. Beckerman has been a Council member since 1988 and will serve a 3-year term, following the precedent established for the editor of Science Editor. From 1993 to 1996 he served on the CBE Board of Directors, and he has also served on the Information Management Committee and other committees, chaired the Data Gathering Task Force and the CBE Views Task Force, and spoken at annual meetings.

In a vision statement presented to the Web-editor search committee, Beckerman characterized the Council's Web site as being divided into three broad categories: information, resources, and recruitment. Among the ideas he proposed exploring

were the following:

- Having committees and task forces post documents-in-progress on password-protected portions of the Web site to work on among themselves.
- Posting board minutes and committee reports on the Web to facilitate access by Council members.
- Providing links to sites that contain reference materials.
- Adding links to the Web sites of members' organizations and journals.
- Offering links to freelancers' Web sites, either as a membership benefit or for an annual fee.

The Program Committee is using a password-protected portion of the Web site to facilitate its work as it refines the program for the San Antonio meeting. Membership-renewal forms now include a field for the URLs of members' organizations, which can be linked from the CSE Web site if members so choose.

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