

Science Editor: *Read It Online, Too*

Recently, I referred a fellow CSE member to a *Science Editor* article I thought might help to answer a question she had asked. The member replied that unfortunately a colleague had borrowed, and not yet returned, the issue containing the article.

There is now a convenient solution to such dilemmas: *Science Editor* is available online, as a members-only feature of the CSE Web site (www.CouncilScienceEditors.org). The postings begin with the first *Science Editor* issue (January-February 2000) and continue to the present.

Newcomers to CSE especially may welcome online access, which lets members, no matter how recent, retrieve PDF files of all *Science Editor* articles—including summaries of dozens of sessions at recent CSE annual meetings. (Nonmembers using the Web site can view tables of contents; we hope they will then com-

plete the online application for membership.)

Long-time CSE members can also benefit from online access. Not all members, I know, keep back issues. And often it's easier to retrieve an article electronically than to find and page through the appropriate issue.

Electronic access may prove especially useful for *Science Editor* articles that readers may repeatedly wish to consult. Among them:

- The proceedings (in the current issue) of the recent CSE retreat on the journal's role in scientific misconduct.
- The CSE authorship taskforce report (July-August 2000).
- The article on formats for Chinese authors' names (January-February 2002) and that on formats for names of authors from Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking countries (July-August 2003).
- "The *Science Editor's* Bookshelf" (July-August

2003).

- Historical pieces, such as that on the first decade of the Board of Editors in the *Life Sciences* (March-April 2001) and that on the first quarter-century of the Uniform Requirements for Manuscripts Submitted to Biomedical Journals (January-February 2004).

Readers also may enjoy accessing multiple pieces from their favorite departments—say, Views Afield, Solution Corner, or Other Than Editing.

To aid in locating articles of interest, the CSE Web site includes an index. Dating back to 1996, it covers *Science Editor* and the latter volumes of its predecessor, *CBE Views*. Our thanks to Winfield Swanson, who prepares our index each



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year, for compiling this master index.

For those wanting electronic access to *CBE Views* itself, such access is on the way. Issues for which electronic files already exist are being posted. In addition, CSE member Frank Stumpf, of SPI Publisher Services, has volunteered to scan earlier issues and prepare PDF files to post.

Whether a colleague has kept your issue of *Science Editor*, you recently joined CSE, or you prefer to retrieve articles electronically, we hope you will find online access to *Science Editor* a worthy benefit of CSE membership. Special thanks to CSE webmaster Seth Beckerman for establishing and maintaining our online version. And as always, my thanks to the *Science Editor* authors and staff, who make the publication what it is.

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