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# Message from the Chairperson

*by Gregory R. Childs*

Since this is the last newsletter that will be published during my term as Chairperson of the Management and Personal Development Section, I would like to use this column to recognize several people who are involved with our section.

Ed Martin and Dean Taylor are Council members whose terms expire at the annual meeting in San Francisco and I thank them for their many contributions to our new Section and for their work in the years before we gained section status.

To replace Ed and Dean, the Council welcomes Chris Ruckman and Ty Wooldridge who were recently elected to serve terms of three years. Thank you to Chris and Ty for volunteering their time and talents and we look forward to working with you. The third person elected to a three-year term is current Council member Michael Braunstein who was elected last year to the first Council for a one-year term. Michael is a past chairperson of the Management and Personal Development Committee, the predecessor to this Section, and has served our cause for many years. In addition he is the editor of this newsletter. I appreciate Michael's willingness to continue serving our members.

I would like to thank all the members of this year's Council. They have done excellent work preparing sessions for SOA meetings, serving on meeting program committees, and speaking at meetings. All Council members have contributed their time and ideas to the purpose of the Section. It has been a true team effort and I thank you all.

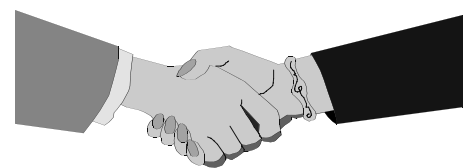
Lois Chinnock, SOA Section coordinator, has done a wonderful job supporting the operation of the Section and has been invaluable in helping us through our first year and breaking us in to how the SOA runs its Sections. Thank you, Lois, for your patience and your assistance.

Finally, Vice-Chairperson Lisa Tourville will assume the duties of chairperson of the Section at the San



Francisco meeting. Lisa has brought great enthusiasm and many good ideas to the Council and I thank her for her efforts during my term as chairperson. I have great confidence in her ability to lead the Management and Personal Development Section forward in the next year.

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## **Congratulations and Thanks Are in Order**

Congratulations to our new Council members:

- **Chris Ruckman**
- **Ty Wooldridge**
- **Michael Braunstein** (Re-elected)

Thanks to those who terms have expired:

- **Edward Martin**
- **Dean Taylor**