



**SCANZ**

**FROM THE PREZ**

We hope you enjoyed the first electronic SCANZ newsletter sent out at the end of last year. It's time for another very much shorter but most important one!

The focus of this newsletter is the very important and exciting upcoming joint Asian Crystallographic Association (AsCA)/SCANZ meeting to be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre this year from December 2 to 5 and the linked one day Bragg symposium to be held immediately after the AsCA/SCANZ meeting (AsCA12/CRYSTAL 28) at Elder Hall, the University of Adelaide on December 6 (see <http://sapmea.asn.au/conventions/crystal2012/index.html> for details).

The Local Organizing Committee, the Bragg symposium planning committee, the International Scientific Advisory Committee and the SCANZ Council have been working very hard to make both these meetings truly memorable. There will be not one two 1987 Fellows:

Prof. Xiao-Ming Chen of Sun Yat Sen University, China who is an expert on metal organic framework and related materials and Prof. Wayne Hendrickson of Columbia University in the US who needs no introduction to the protein crystallographic community. In addition, the IUCr Executive Committee will also be attending. A fantastic program has been assembled for both the AsCA/SCANZ meeting and the Bragg symposium spanning a wide range of topics and interests and we very much encourage you to attend and look forward to your participation (see the web-site given above for details on how to register and submit abstracts). **Please note that the deadline for early bird registration and abstract submission for both the AsCA/SCANZ meeting and the Bragg symposium is July 30, which is coming up fast.** Don't miss out, please register early and get those abstracts in. Please also encourage your colleagues who may not belong to SCANZ to attend this very special meeting.

And on a related front:

**Announcement of Nomination for SCANZ Medals**

As detailed in previous newsletters, SCANZ is instituting two new medals to be presented by the Society at our SCANZ/CRYSTAL meetings. There will be an open award and a mid-career award. The proposed guidelines for the medals were published in previous issues of the Newsletter and are reproduced here. The first award of the medals will occur at the upcoming AsCA12/CRYSTAL 28 meeting in Adelaide. The two medals are:

**The Lawrence Bragg Medal**

*for distinguished contributions to science involving X-ray, neutron or electron diffraction and/or imaging*

1. The Medal shall be awarded to a financial member of the Society who, in the opinion of the

SCANZ executive or duly appointed representatives, has contributed most towards the development of a branch of science associated with X-ray, neutron or electron diffraction and/or imaging.

2. The award is based on consideration of the candidate's published scientific work, together with other evidence of his or her standing in the international community. A major portion of the relevant scientific work must have been carried out in Australia and/or New Zealand while the candidate was a member of the Society.
3. The medal shall be awarded to coincide with SCANZ conferences, and the successful candidate will be required to deliver a lecture at the appropriate conference.
4. The award will consist of a medallion, free registration at the SCANZ conference at which they will receive the award, a return economy airfare from the awardee's home city and \$750 towards accommodation expenses (if the awardee is not a resident of the city in which the meeting is held). This will be provided by SCANZ in conjunction with the conference organisers.
5. The nominee must have been a member of SCANZ for the previous 10 years.
6. Nominations (including self-nominations) should contain the following information: a brief curriculum vitae; a list of publications; reprints of no more than 10 of the most significant of these publications; and any supporting information that could be helpful to the Selection Committee. Nominees should also arrange for two independent testimonials to be forwarded to the SCANZ Secretary.

**7. Nominations should be forwarded electronically to the SCANZ Secretary (Stuart Batten; [stuart.batten@monash.edu](mailto:stuart.batten@monash.edu)) by 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2012.**

### **The Sandy Mathieson Medal**

*for distinguished contributions to science involving X-ray, neutron or electron diffraction and/or imaging by a researcher under 40 years of age*

1. The Medal shall be awarded to a financial member of the Society who, in the opinion of the SCANZ executive or duly appointed representatives, has contributed most towards the development of a branch of science associated with X-ray, neutron or electron diffraction and/or imaging. This person shall be under the age of 40 at the time of close of applications, except in the case of significant interruptions to their research careers.
2. The award is based on consideration of the candidate's published scientific work, together with other evidence of his or her standing in the international community. A major portion of the relevant scientific work must have been carried out while the candidate was a member of the Society. Due consideration will be given to nominees with interrupted careers.
3. The medal shall be awarded to coincide with SCANZ conferences, and the successful candidate will be required to deliver a lecture at the appropriate conference.
4. The award will consist of a medallion, free registration at the SCANZ conference at which they will receive the award, a return economy airfare from the awardee's home city and \$750 towards accommodation expenses (if the awardee is not a resident of the city in which the meeting is held). This will be provided by SCANZ in conjunction with the conference organisers.
5. The nominee must have been a member of SCANZ for the previous 5 years.
6. Nominations (including self-nominations) should contain the following information: a brief curriculum vitae; a list of publications; reprints of no more than 10 of the most significant of

these publications; and any supporting information that could be helpful to the Selection Committee. Nominees should also arrange for two independent testimonials to be forwarded to the SCANZ Secretary.

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See you all in Adelaide.