With the 75th anniversary meeting of the American Society for Information Science rapidly approaching, Edward Y. Chang, head of Google Research in China, is packing his bags for a trip to Baltimore as the keynote speaker of the milestone meeting. The 75th ASIS&T Annual Meeting will be October 26-30 in Baltimore, featuring dozens of information science and technology researchers and practitioners from around the world.

Edward Chang has been head of Google Research in China since March 2006. He joined the nation’s leading search firm after an academic career that began after receiving his Ph.D. from Stanford in 1999. He joined the department of electrical and computer engineering at University of California, Santa Barbara, that year and received his tenure in 2003. In 2006, he was promoted to full professor of electrical engineering. His recent research activities are in the areas of distributed data mining and their applications to rich-media data management and social-network collaborative filtering. His team at Google has developed and launched Google Confucius (a Q&A system, VLDB 10) in 68 countries including China, Russia, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, 17 Arabic and 40 Africa nations. Chang also directs Google Mobile 2014 research focused program, which develops novel mobile technologies.

Convening under the theme, Information, Interaction, Innovation: Celebrating the Past, Constructing the Present and Creating the Future, the 2012 ASIS&T Annual Meeting will provide an opportunity to reflect on our past and current research practices, while charting potential pathways for the future. The conference committee, chaired by Shanjun L. Chang, National Taiwan University; Crystal Fulton, University College Dublin; and Julia Hersberger, University of North Carolina, is busy preparing the complete program for the meeting. Make your plans now to be a part of the celebration. Check your mailbox for a printed version of the preliminary program, or go online for program updates as they become available.
their professional and everyday lives. The new knowledge generated by this research is used to inform the development or enhancement of resources, services and technologies that facilitate information access and use. Harry's research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), the Washington State Library and the Australian Department of Employment Education and Training.

Dietmar Wolfram is a professor in the School of Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, where he also recently served as interim dean. He received his PhD in library and information science, MLIS and bachelor’s degrees from Western University in Canada. He has published widely in the areas of information retrieval and applied informetrics. He currently serves on five editorial boards, including the Journal of Informetrics and Information Research. Dietmar has been a member of ASIS&T since 1988 and has been involved with the society at all levels. He has served as faculty advisor to the UW-Milwaukee student chapter, occupied every officer position of the Wisconsin chapter and served nationally as chair, research symposium organizer and current treasurer. Her contributions to ASIS&T extend to all organizational levels: membership on the program committees and chairing tracks for Annual Meetings, mentoring in the Future ASIS&T Leaders program, regularly reviewing and contributing to JASIST and serving as a faculty co-mentor for the ASIS&T student chapter at MU.

Lynn Silipigni Connaway, senior research scientist at OCLC Research, has experience in academic, public and school libraries, as well as library and information science education and corporate and non-profit organizations. Prior to joining OCLC Research, she was vice-president of research and library systems at NetLibrary, the director of the Library and Information Services Department at the University of Denver and on the faculty of the library and informational science program at the University of Missouri, Columbia. Connaway received her doctorate in library and information science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and her MLS from the University of Arizona. She has been a member of ASIS&T since she was a doctoral student and is a member of SIGs/Classification Research; Information Needs, Seeking and Use; and Digital Libraries. She has served on many ASIS&T award and review committees and is a frequent ASIS&T conference presenter, in addition to serving as co-chair of the 2011 ASIS&T Annual Meeting.

Sanda Erdelez is an associate professor at the School of Information Science & Learning Technologies at University of Missouri (MU). She also serves as associate director for education at MU’s Informatics Institute and is the founder of MU’s Information Experience Laboratory. Her prior academic appointment was at University of Texas at Austin. She holds bachelor and master of law degrees from University of Osijek, Croatia, and as a Fulbright Scholar received a PhD in information transfer from Syracuse University. Her research and teaching focuses on human information behavior and usability evaluation of information systems. She has been actively engaged in SIG/USE as chair, research symposium organizer and current treasurer. Her contributions to ASIS&T extend to all organizational levels: membership on the program committees and chairing tracks for Annual Meetings, mentoring in the Future ASIS&T Leaders program, regularly reviewing and contributing to JASIST and serving as a faculty co-mentor for the ASIS&T student chapter at MU.

June Abbas, associate professor in the School of Library and Information Studies (SLIS) at the University of Oklahoma, Norman campus, obtained her PhD in information science from the University of North Texas in 2001 and taught at the State University of New York in Buffalo before moving to Oklahoma in August 2008. She also held professional positions in public and special libraries. Her research focuses on the development of user-centered digital libraries, institutional repositories and other knowledge organization structures. She conducts research on youth and their use of
technology and the intersection between information behavior, information retrieval and structures for organizing knowledge. She teaches courses related to the organization of information and knowledge resources, cataloging and classification, indexing and abstracting, digital collections and digital information retrieval. She has also served as project manager on eight digital libraries projects and on task forces to develop institutional repositories. Her recently published book, *Structures for Organizing Knowledge: Exploring Taxonomies, Ontologies and Other Schema*, was nominated for ASIS&T Best Information Science Book in 2011.

**Beata Panagopoulos** is assistant director, technical services at the Mildred F. Sawyer Library at Suffolk University in Boston. As part of the management team, she collaborates in the development of library objectives and formulation of policies consistent with them. Previously, she was head of technical services at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government (HKS) library. In 2007 Beata was honored with the Harvard Heroes award for her contributions to the university. Beata has been an active board member of the New England Chapter of ASIS&T since 1994, serving as program chair/chair and membership chair. She serves on the NEASIS&T program committee and conducts the chapter’s annual student travel award competition. In 1998, she won the ASIS&T Chapter Member-of-the-Year award. As chair of SIG/PUB, she organized two panels for ASIS&T Annual Meetings. She has also served on various ASIS&T committees, including nominations and leadership development, and she was elected to two terms as chapter assembly director. She has a B.A. in politics from the University of California, Santa Cruz, M.A. in political science from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and M.S. from Simmons GSLIS.

Additional candidate information, including expanded biographical data and position statements, is available at the ASIS&T website: [http://asis.org/elections/](http://asis.org/elections/).

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**News about ASIS&T SIGs**

To celebrate the official launch of ASIS&T SIG/III’s Twitter account (@sig3i), the group conducted a random draw among its Twitter followers. **Isabella Peters** (@Isabella83) from Heinrich-Heine-Universität Duesseldorf in Germany is the winner of a $50 Amazon.com gift card. The SIG undertook the Twitter account to encourage and facilitate international
information exchanges among ASIS&T members. The account is managed by a
dynamic team of volunteers
(http://bit.ly/sig3iTeam) who will work to
highlight and promote research done by
SIG members and colleagues. The
account will also feature news from
ASIS&T scholars around the globe as
well as job and funding opportunities.

Also from SIG/III are the winners of
the 13th International Paper Contest
First Place Winner: Muhammad Said
Mirza and Khalid Mahmood, Pakistan,
Electronic Resources and Services in
Pakistani University Libraries: A Survey
of Users' Satisfaction.

Second Place Winner: Yahya Ibrahim
Harnade, Nigeria, Authorship Patterns in
Engineering Education.

Third Place Winner: Lallaisangzuali,
India, Information Needs and Seeking
Behavior of Social Science Post-Graduate
Students and Research Scholars of
Mizoram University: A Case Study.

Fourth Place Winner (1): Ibrahim Usman
Ahaji and Yahya Ibrahim Harnade,
Nigeria, Basic Literature of Diabetes: A
Bibliometrics Analysis of Three Countries
in Different World Regions.

Fourth Place Winner (2): Irene Onyancha,
Ethiopia, Addressing Institutional
Dementia in Africa: The Case of the ECA
Institutional Repository – A Knowledge
Base on African Socio-economic
Development.

The jurors for the 2012 competition
included Maqsood Shaheen, chair,
Alma Rivera, Fatih Oguz, Xiao Hu and
members of the SIG/III Board. The
principal authors of all winning papers
will be awarded a two-year individual
membership to ASIS&T. In addition, the
first place winner will be awarded a
maximum of $2,000 to attend the 75th
ASIS&T Annual Meeting in Baltimore,
Maryland, October 26-30, 2012.

SIG/MET, the special interest group
for the measurement of information
production and use announces the following
results of its 2012 student paper contest:
Sharing first place: Research Synthesis:
Overview of an Intersection with ILS, by
Laura Sheble, and The Determinants of
Research Citation Impact in Nanoscience
and Nanotechnology, by Fereshteh
Didegah
Runner-up paper: Visualizing an
Information Society: A Network-Based
Perspective of Authors and Editors over
30 years in the Context of a Scholarly
Journal, by Christopher Mascaro

All three authors will be awarded cash
prizes, will receive one-year memberships
to ASIS&T and are invited to present their
papers at the SIG/MET workshop to be
held on October 26, 2012, preceding this
year’s ASIS&T Annual Meeting in
Baltimore. The registration fees for the
workshop for all three students will be
covered by Elsevier.

I n M e m o r i a m
Jerry D. Saye

Jerry D. Saye, former faculty member at the School of Information and Library Science at the
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, passed away at his home in June of this year.

Jerry was an exceptional teacher, recognized by his own school as well as several professional
organizations for his classroom excellence. His primary subject areas included cataloging and
classification, history of the book, library history and metadata. Jerry authored, Manheimer and
Saye’s Cataloging and Classification, 5th edition (New York: Marcel Dekker), and from 1997 to 2002,
he edited with Evelyn Daniel, the annual Library and Information Science Education Statistical
Report. He published many papers, articles and reports, and presented broadly primarily on
subjects related to cataloging. He was devoted to his teaching, but he was also a devoted leader
at SILS. In 1990, he was appointed assistant dean and in 1994, he was promoted to associate
dean of the school.

In addition to a stellar academic career, Jerry served as commander in the U.S. Pacific Fleet
in the United States Navy. He spent part of his time at the Pearl Harbor Naval Base Library as a
library technical assistant. He later rejoined the U.S. Naval Reserves and retired as a Lt.
Commander with 27 years of service.

Jerry’s family has requested that memorial contributions be made in his honor to the School
of Information and Library Science at UNC at Chapel Hill, the Orange County Rescue Squad or
another charity of your choice. You may leave a memory of Jerry Saye at
A SIS&T president Diane Sonnenwald traced her career in information science as guest of honor at the special program celebrating the 75th anniversary of ASIS&T at the Libraries in the Digital Age (LIDA) meeting in June in Zadar. Currently head of school and professor in the School of Information and Library Studies, University College Dublin, Ireland, Sonnenwald credited her early employment at Bell Communications Research, specifically experience in long-range strategic planning, technology transfer and programs to support education in minority universities, as influencing her career. (For a PowerPoint slide presentation of Sonnenwald’s talk, please visit this site: http://www.asis.org/Conferences/Sonnenwald-Talk-career-overview-Jul2012.ppt.)

Several other sessions sponsored by the ASIS&T European Chapter were dedicated to ASIS&T and information science in Europe. In ASIS&T in Europe: Past and Future of ASIS&T, a panel of six speakers highlighted the opportunities and difficulties of maintaining a chapter of an American association in Europe. Tefko Saracevic, Rutgers University, New Jersey, provided an historical perspective that emphasized what American information science owed to European documentation pioneers. Speakers specifically mentioned Paul Otlet and Bozo Tezak. Subsequent talks traced the history and evolution of library and information science in Great Britain, Italy, Austria, Germany, Finland, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Iceland and Croatia.

Panel members included Nicholas Belkin, Rutgers University; David Bawden, City University, London; Isto Huvila, Uppsala University Sweden and Åbo Akademi University, Finland; ASIS&T-EC Chair Fidelia Ibeikwe-SanJuan, University of Lyon, France; and Christian Schloegl, University of Graz, Austria.

ASIS&T panel on Information Science in Europe. From left, Isto Huvila, Fidelia Ibeikwe-SanJuan, Nicholas Belkin, David Bawden, Christian Schloegl and Tefko Saracevic.
Presented Papers – Information Science in Europe

Presentations included Schloegl’s Information Science in Europe: A Scientometric Analysis; Lyn Robinson and Bawden, both of City University, London, speaking on So Wide and Varied: The British Origins of Information Science; and Elena Corradini, University of Parma, Italy, discussing the Evolution of Information Science in Italy. Franjo Pehar and Tatjana Aparac-Jelušić, LIDA co-chair, both of the University of Zadar, presented the History and Origin of Information Sciences in Croatia: With a Special Emphasis on Growth of Regional and International Activities. Huvila; Preben Hansen, Swedish Institute of Computer Science; Jeppe Nicolaisen, Royal School of Library and Information Science, Denmark; and Nils Pharo, Akershus University College of Applied Sciences presented Library and Information Science in the Nordic Countries: From the Present to the Future.

Chapter Advisor Emil Levine read a motion passed in the chapter meeting citing the lifelong contribution of Michel Menou to ASIS&T in Europe and worldwide.

“ASIS&T-EC – on the 75th anniversary of ASIS&T – recognizes the lifetime devotion and accomplishments and contributions to international information science by Michel Menou. These include creation of the ASIS&T-EC, capacity building and use of agricultural information and training/education of thousands of persons worldwide in various aspects of information science.”

The 158 participants at LIDA 2012 came from 24 countries and included 19 PhD students. LIDA 2014 will be held in Zadar in June, the preliminary topic being eBooks: Effects, and eBooks: Technology. See the LIDA 2012 full program at http://ozk.unizd.hr/lida/ and the proceedings at http://ozk.unizd.hr/proceedings/index.php/lida2012.