



Message from the President

Last year, the Board of Director's of the Academy approved a new mission statement: "Recognize, promote and influence excellence in science." A quick check of the archives shows that this statement is really a reformulation of what the Academy has always been about: serving science and those pursuing knowledge through science. We have now created a broad strategic plan full of great new and old ideas designed to serve our scientific community.

After some study, it has become clear that our community would be well served by restarting the publication of the *Journal of the Minnesota Academy of Science*.

To this end, we solicited and gained the support of Thomson-Reuters Inc. to host an electronic version of our journal. This will be a new and exciting version of the journal complete with embedded links to supplemental video and audio content related to each article. Our vision is to recreate the journal as a fully refereed publication available to members and non-members alike. To keep costs low this will be an online only journal.

Now the hard part begins. The members of the Academy will be providing all of the editing and management of the publication. If you are interested in working on this worthwhile endeavor please contact the Academy's office at 952-545-6789.

Watch for future editions of this newsletter to see the great new programs the academy will be developing in the future.

Jim Fairman
President, Minnesota Academy of Science

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