

## Past President's Report 2006

During 2005-06 I had three main responsibilities: chairing the Elections Committee, planning the Plenary Symposium for Botany 2006 in Chico, and chairing the Corresponding Members Committee. In addition, I continued to serve as a member of the team that annually reviews the BSA office and Executive Director.

The Elections Committee identified excellent two candidates for President and two for Secretary, as charged. Pamela Soltis and Stephen Weller were elected.

For the Plenary Symposium, I chose the topic New Directions in Molecular and Organismal Botany. Speakers were chosen from nominations that I solicited from BSA's sister societies and the Executive Committee, representing a range of interests and taxonomic affiliations. The final slate includes five prominent researchers who will describe how their field has evolved and where it is headed, in honor of our Centennial celebration.

The Corresponding Members Committee had three openings this year and received three excellent nominations. All were approved by the Committee. These were Drs. Gabriel Bernardello, Jean Galtier, and Mostafa Kamal Tolba.

I also participated in Executive Committee discussions throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

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Past-President