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Summer Planning Workshop  
Saturday, June 10 9am-5pm  
Katz Deli

## SECTION OFFICERS 2006-2007

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## Annual General Meeting

May 25, 2006

After several years of uncertainty the Annual General Meeting was finally held in the month of May. The evening began with our usual social & dinner followed by a presentation on Continuous Emissions Monitoring given by Dave Joseffer of Teledyne Monitor Labs.

After an excellent and informative presentation the section president, Doug Norton, opened the floor for the purpose of conducting the AGM. His first item of business was to acknowledge one of our most highly regarded committee member V. Stanley Weiss by presenting him with the Lifetime Achievement Award. (see next page)

Next, Hank Rasanen gave the Treasurer's report and discussed the financial statements for the fiscal year ending 2005/6. The report was moved, seconded and passed with majority approval of the members in attendance.

On behalf of the nominating committee chair, Leo Salemi announced the slate of candidates submitted for the 2006/7 term as shown on the left of this page. Since all positions were uncontested no elections were required and the appointments of the new board members was unanimously ratified by the membership.

No new business was conducted and the meetings was adjourned and another AGM is in the books.

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### Question of the Month

**What do you call an Engineer without a cap?**

Give up? Click here for the  [>> answer <<](#)

## Lifetime Achievement Award

The section honored Stan Weiss during the May 25th AGM with the Lifetime Achievement Award. Stan has been a member of the ISA since 1961 and during this time has held numerous positions with the Montreal and Toronto Section's, the District, the International Society, and was the first ISA Society President to be elected from outside of the US.

His 45 years of service and contributions to the ISA and other organizations are too numerous to list, he can only be described as the ideal volunteer role model and mentor any organization would be proud to call their own.

During the social portion of the evening Stan very quietly came up to me and said "Does this mean they want me to retire?" By no means Stan, your presence on the committee is needed to maintain the balance between the new and the old, may you live long and prosper and serve another 45 years.



**V. Stanley Weiss, P.Eng**  
Lifetime Achievement Award  
May 25, 2006

### NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Toronto Section welcomes its newest members.

Paul Acchione	Bruce James
Ryan Barkley	Don Mahony
Dave Prapanna	Juliano Matias
Adel Ebeid	Peter Mauti
Scott Edwards	Lucio Mesquita
Farzad Eslami	Dan Mustata
Alan Fenner	Les Perrault
James Gandhi	Charles Quick
Arthur Howarth	Eugene Rywak
Nazim Ismail	Brenda Vandermeer

We are also pleased to welcome Don Mahony and Louise Jones, both of Schneider Electric to the executive committee.

Has your membership lapsed? Renew now its never too late.

**Join or renew your membership** [>> here <<](#)

### in the LOOP - editorial

In the process industries control engineers and technicians strive to optimize the stability and efficiency of the process. Many factors are considered to maintain stability one of the most important being **feedback**.

In the realm of the ISA Sections, the engineers and technicians are the members of the board and sub-committees. They too try to optimize the stability and efficiency of the section, and like any process, **feedback** is one of the most important elements.

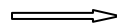
So we call upon our members for **feedback** by:

- Emailing your comments and suggestions to [office@isatoronto.org](mailto:office@isatoronto.org)
- Filling out the online surveys on our website at [www.isatoronto.org](http://www.isatoronto.org)
- Coming out to the dinner [meetings](#)
- Volunteering to be on one of the committees
- Renewing your membership
- Getting your colleagues to join
- Writing your MP (*OK forget this one, it falls under fuzzy logic*)

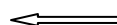


### May 25 Dinner Meeting

Doug Norton (L) with guest speaker Dave Joseffer (R)



Members socializing before dinner.



# Instrument Society of America - Toronto Section Inc.

## Balance Sheet

As at July 31, 2005

(Unaudited)

### Assets

	2005	2004
<b>Current</b>		
Cash and short term deposits	\$ 72,375	\$ 66,708
Accounts receivable	1,329	48,454
GST recoverable	1,489	549
Prepaid expenses and deposits	14,398	1,129
Accrued interest	<u>441</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 90,032</u>	<u>\$ 116,840</u>

### Liabilities

<b>Current</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<u>\$ 3,570</u>	<u>\$ 3,633</u>

### Surplus

<b>Surplus</b>	<u>86,462</u>	<u>113,207</u>
	<u>\$ 90,032</u>	<u>\$ 116,840</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board:

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May 25, 2006

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## Summer Planning Workshop

Saturday June 10, 9 AM - 5 PM Katz Deli

Traditionally the workshop is the time when the out-going and the in-coming board members switch hats and spend a full day in brain storming sessions to plan for the up-coming year.

It is also the time when volunteers are solicited to join the various sub-committees, some of which include:

- Education
- Programs
- Exhibits
- Directory
- Web/Newsletter Editor
- Membership
- College Liaison

If you are interested in joining the committee then this is the time to step up to the plate. Come out and join us.

Katz Deli is located on Dufferin St. South of Wilson and across from Yorkdale Plaza. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Please rsvp to [office@isatoronto.org](mailto:office@isatoronto.org) so we can make seating and food arrangements.

### **Take the survey and we all WIN**

Surveys are an important tool that help us plan the various events throughout the year. Without your feedback it becomes an open loop and an exercise of hit and miss.

Help us optimize the process and please take the time to fill out the survey(s).

Education [>> Survey <<](#)

Dinner Meetings [>> Survey <<](#)

Lapsed Membership [>> Survey <<](#)

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## Education & Training

Tell us what you want and we will do the rest. We need your feedback so we can organize courses and seminars that will benefit our profession and upgrade your skills and knowledge. We can run local courses that vary in length from 1 day to 1 week, during evenings or weekends, all we need to know is what you are interested in.

Please take a few minutes to fill out our online education [Survey](#) or drop us a line at [office@isatoronto.org](mailto:office@isatoronto.org)

### **Did you know**

That as a full dues paying regular member you have access to several free benefits that will keep you abreast of current trends and technology. Take advantage of them .... they're free.

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- recognize your specialized education, training, and knowledge in automation
- demonstrate your qualification, competence, and potential to current and future employers
- establish career paths and job advancement opportunities
- motivate you to continue growing in the field of automation
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