

## EDITORIAL

This issue constitutes the Proceedings of the technical symposium of Acoustics Week in Canada 1994, to be held in Ottawa in October. Those of you attending should bring this issue along with you as a valuable source of reference. So far over ninety papers have been submitted; over sixty two-page summaries are published here. This will be an exciting meeting with interesting sessions, courses, banquet, CAA prize awards and, apparently, a large proportion of the Association membership in attendance.

For those of you still undecided as to whether or not you will attend, and who need a little bit more seduction, I am pleased to announce a special event that will take place during the symposium. Association President Raymond Hétu is organizing a special plenary session on "The Acoustical Environment - a Social Concern". It will involve a press conference and a round-table discussion of acoustical issues by representatives a number of organizations. The aim is to increase public awareness of acoustical issues and increase the visibility of the CAA - that is of you and your activities. You won't want to miss this event! In the words of Marge, my departmental administrator, "Be there or be square".

In my last editorial I mentioned that reader reaction to the Hétu article published in the March issue had been light, but positive. My remarks were clearly premature. Since then I have received considerably heavier reaction, not all of it positive. I plan to publish reader reaction, and the author's response, in the December issue. Anyone wishing to add their comments to the debate should do so to me by early October.

Cette édition du journal est composée des Actes du symposium technique de la Semaine Canadienne d'Acoustique 1994, qui se tiendra à Ottawa en octobre. Ceux qui participeront au symposium sont invités à apporter leur copie; elle vous servira de source de références indispensable. Jusqu'à maintenant plus de 90 communications ont été soumises; plus de 60 résumés de deux pages sont publiés dans ce numéro. Le congrès promet d'être excitant avec des sessions intéressantes, des cours, le banquet, les prix de l'ACA et, paraît-il, une bonne participation des membres.

Pour ceux qui sont encore indécis quant à leur participation et qui doivent se faire davantage séduire, je suis heureux d'annoncer qu'un évènement spécial aura lieu au cours du symposium. Le Président de l'Association, M. Raymond Hétu, organise une session plénière spéciale sur "L'environnement sonore - une préoccupation sociale." Il y aura une conférence de presse et une table-ronde réunissant des représentants de plusieurs organisations qui aborderont diverses questions reliées à l'acoustique. L'objectif est de sensibiliser le public aux questions reliées à l'acoustique et d'accroître la visibilité de l'ACA - c'est-à-dire vous et vos activités. Vous ne voudrez pas manquer cet évènement. Comme le dirait si bien Marge, l'administratrice de mon département, "Soyez-y, sinon vous ne serez pas dans le coup".

Lors de mon dernier éditorial, je mentionnais que la réaction des lecteurs à l'article de Hétu paru dans le numéro de mars était limitée mais positive. Mes remarques étaient clairement prématurées. En effet, depuis ce temps, j'ai reçu des réactions beaucoup plus importantes et pas toutes aussi positives. Je prévois publier les réactions des lecteurs et les réponses de l'auteur dans le numéro de décembre. Tous ceux qui désirent participer au débat en me transmettant leurs commentaires peuvent le faire avant le début octobre.



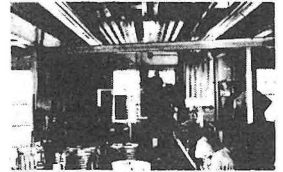
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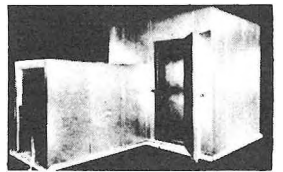
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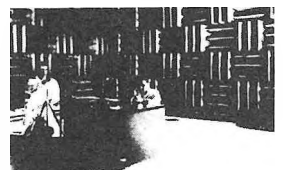
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