



Update

To inform the SURA Board of Trustees, Council of Presidents, and other stakeholders, here is our Quarterly Update for January-March 2009:

Jefferson Lab / Jefferson Science Associates, LLC

JSA announced on February 5 that it was awarded [a three-year contract extension](#) from the U.S. Department of Energy to operate and manage the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility ...

Twenty-five inventors of fifteen new patents were honored at the Patent Awards program at Jefferson Lab on March 19. Since its first patent in 1991, [JLab has produced over 80](#). These awards are funded by the [JSA Initiatives Fund Program](#) ...

An Argonne post doc studying the intricate relationship between protons and neutrons was awarded the [2009 JSA Postdoctoral Research fellowship](#) at JLab ...

You can stay up-to-date with the latest JLab news through the monthly eNewsletter, [On Target](#). To add yourself/opt-in to this listserv, please e-mail [Greg Kubiak](#) at SURA ...

Information Technology

To help identify areas of sustainable IT program development, SURA's IT Committee explored regional disaster recovery/business continuity services at its spring meeting. For more information, see the [April IT Program Update](#) ...

The SURAGrid community, which continues to grow in participants and resources, will come together at the All Hands Meeting on April 29-May 1 in Washington, DC. For more information and activity details, see the [April 2009 SURAGrid Newsletter](#) ...

SURA is actively seeking partners interested in leveraging SURAGrid capabilities for funding opportunities, and has issued an [Open Call](#) to researchers and those supporting research infrastructure at all SURA and SURAGrid institutions ...

Coastal Research

Appearing before [the House Commerce-Justice-Science Appropriations Subcommittee](#), SURA Fellow Phil Bogden testified that SURA's ocean research program is a "prototype distributed coastal laboratory to support community-oriented research and development ..."

The latest [SCOOP update](#) highlights proposals submitted, conferences attended and outreach activities of the coastal research team ...

Development / Commercialization

The [SURA Venture Forum](#) represents the re-tooling of the SURAFund initiative with increased venture capital firm participation (e.g., Honda Ventures.) Spring '09 solicitation is now closed with 22 submissions ...

The [6th Annual SURA Terahertz Symposium](#) (June 10-12 in Washington, DC) is again welcoming and encouraging students, faculty, staff and sponsors from academe, industry and government ...

Relations & Communications

Nominations for the [SURA Distinguished Friend of Science](#) are now being accepted through May 22. Past honorees include U.S. Senators Lamar Alexander (2006) and John Warner (2007). The award will be presented at the Fall Board of Trustees meeting in Washington, DC ...

SURA joined with [206 corporations, universities and professional organizations](#) of the Task Force for the Future of American Innovation to thank President Obama for support of science funding in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Professor Allen J. Bard, Hackerman-Welch Regents Chair in Chemistry at The University of Texas at Austin, was honored with the [2009 SURA Distinguished Scientist Award](#) at the SURA Board of Trustees Meeting

Governance

The Board of Trustees held its annual spring meeting and standing committee meetings on April 7 & 8 in Washington, DC. Committee reports and board actions can be found on the [meeting website](#) ...

SURA welcomes [new trustees](#) to the Board: Michael Moriarty (Florida Atlantic); Madilyn Fletcher (South Carolina); Theresa Maldonado (Texas A&M); Sheila Sanders (Alabama-Birmingham). Moriarty and Maldonado will serve on the Development Committee. Fletcher will serve on the Coastal Research Committee. And Sanders will serve on the Information Technology Committee.

The Board of Trustees will hold its fall 2009 meeting and committee meetings in Washington, DC on October 20-21, 2009.

Finance & Administration

The [Finance Committee report out](#) from the Spring Board meeting can be found on the Board page ...