

Message from the Editor

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In an attempt to streamline publication of the *Engineering Design Graphics Journal*, Carolyn Dunn, one of our associate editors, has produced a template for the submission of *Journal* manuscripts. Since it's based on the revised template developed years ago for the production of Mid-Year manuscripts, there should be minimal investment in the way of ramping up for those who've published Mid-Year papers. Never-the-less, we're certain there still will be glitches. Flip a few pages into this issue and examine the template. Feel free to offer suggestions for improvement. Sometime in the future, we'll be seeking input on best practices for submitting tables and other graphics electronically. The editing of tables and graphics can be some of the most time consuming part of manuscript editing.

The *Journal* continues to monitor detailed statistics about the Journal and its traffic and traffic sources with the aid of Google Analytics. GA tracks visitors from address of the webpage that linked to the resource being requested, including search engines and social networks, direct visits and referring sites, among other things.

So how's the *Journal* doing? Since Sep 2011, when we began collecting data, the *Journal* has been visited by almost 52,000 unique visitors. The number of visit during that time was over 60,000. Approximately 85.7% of the visits were new visits and approximately 14.3% were returning visitors. The top ten countries/territories from which visitors originated from most to least included the United States, India, United Kingdom, Philippines, Canada, Australia, Malaysia, unknown, Ireland, and Indonesia.

Of the feature articles viewed, including repeated views, the following were the top five most frequently viewed feature articles since the *Journal* began collecting data:

- Developing 3-D Spatial Visualization Skills by SheryIA. Sorby
- Drafting the Basics by Carol M. Lamb and David G. Kurtanich
- A Review of Spatial Ability Research by James L. Mohler
- Spatial Visualization Measurement: A Modification of the Purdue Spatial Visualization Test - Visualization of Rotations by Theodore J. Branoff
- Assembly Modeling by Vedaraman Sriraman

Please keep in mind that the longer an article has been posted, the greater the likelihood it will have been viewed.

As libraries continue inquiring about visitor traffic, we will attempt to respond.