Gala Dinner

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Monday, April 29, 2013

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PIUG honors its Founding Members, Original Committee Chairs and Board Members

Stephen Adams  Frank Eastlack  Bob Murawski
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Ginger DeMille  Ken Koubek  Sandy Smith
Joe DiSalvo  Nancy Lambert  Sandy Springer
Pat Dorler  Carolyn Marshall  Heidi Stone
John Dudyniak  Dave McDowell  Sandra Unger
Mary Dugan  Fred Morgan  Don Walter
Monday, April 29, 2013
7:00 - 10:30 pm

Welcome
Ms. Susanne Hantos, PIUG Chair (Master of Ceremony)

Screening of “Looking for my Lost Prior Art”
A Video History of the PIUG
Created & Introduced by Dr Sandra Unger

Dinner & Dessert
Caprese Salad, Pan Roasted French Cut Chicken Breast
Spinach-Shiitake Mushroom Stuffing, Boursin Potato Puree
and Seasonal Vegetables, New York Style Cheesecake

Presentation of the Inaugural Stu Kaback Business Impact Award
In Honorable Memory of Dr Stuart Kaback
Introduction by Mr Anthony Trippe
Presentation of the Award by Ms Susanne Hantos

Presentation of the 2013 IPI Award
Introduction by Mr Ford Khorsandian
Presentation of the Award by Ms Lucy Akers & Mr Charles Darnell

Award Ceremony Closing Remarks
Ms Susanne Hantos

Screening of Extended Version of “Looking for my Lost Prior Art”
A Video History of the PIUG
Created by Dr Sandra Unger
A Message from the Chair

It is with great pleasure that I have the honour of celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the PIUG as Chair of this professional organization. In 1988, the founding members envisioned an organization that would enable any one working with patent information to connect and share their concerns, suggestions and views about patent information. This enduring principle that anyone can become a member of the PIUG has resulted in a diverse, professional and supportive forum of exchange.

I deeply respect and admire the spirit of PIUG volunteerism and the unwavering generosity of the PIUG sponsors both of which enable the PIUG to achieve such remarkable milestones. Looking back on all the accomplishments that this organization has achieved, I am certain that the next 25 years will bring forth even more memorable moments to celebrate.

Congratulations to the PIUG community for achieving 25 years of resplendent success!

— Susanne Hantos, PIUG Chair

Congratulations, PIUG, on your 25th Anniversary!

A big thank you to all my fellow PIUG colleagues for sharing your knowledge and expertise, the camaraderie and just being part of our community. Special thanks go to the founding members of PIUG, past Board members and the current Board for your leadership, to all the volunteers for your dedicated service, and last but not least to all the sponsors and exhibitors for their generous and consistent support.

Here’s to 25 more years!

— Cynthia Barcelon Yang
congratulations to PIUG on its 25th anniversary and congratulations to Sandra Unger on the IPI award!

It is a highlight in my professional career to be able to celebrate both events at the same time. Thank you to both for the impact you have made on the patent information profession.

— Lucy Teixeira Akers, Chair of the IPI International Selection Board and Past Chair of PIUG
Congratulations
PIUG
25th Anniversary

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Congratulations to all the volunteers over the past 25 years who have made PIUG an outstanding professional organization. PIUG has benefited from wonderful members, committee chairs and officers who have made our conferences first class and online discussions great resources. Many of us owe the success of our careers to our participation with our colleagues and friends in PIUG. Thank you for camaraderie, friendship and support.

— Tom Wolff, Wolff Information Consulting LLC
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Data Mining: It’s a dirty job, but somebody has to do it.

It’s a privilege and pleasure to share the trenches, shafts and pits with such dedicated, talented colleagues!

Congratulations on turning silver, PIUG; let’s go for the gold.

— Kristine Atkinson

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| 1988 | • PIUG born; organizational meeting following IFI meeting  
• First discussion list on Dialmail |
| 1989 | • First annual one-day business meeting  
• First newsletter |
| 1992 | • First Northeast (regional) meeting |
| 1995 | • Technical sessions at one-day annual meeting  
• Thomson Derwent hosts internet discussion list |
| 1996 | • CAS hosts PIUG website |
| 1998 | • First multi-day annual conference focusing on technical topics  
• PIUG Service Awards  
• 500th subscriber to discussion list |
| 1999 | • PIUG Incorporated, leading to Board of Directors |
| 2000 | • First West Coast meeting  
• Membership over 400 |
| 2001-2002 | • First non-US based volunteers (Chair, Director, Webmaster) |
| 2002 | • Online credit card payments accepted (through PayPal)  
• Over 1400 discussion list subscribers  
• First annual Brian Stockdale Memorial Award recipient |
| 2003 | • Record attendance of 320 at annual conference  
• Individual membership exceeded 600 by year end. |
| 2004 | • Meeting planner hired for annual conference (2005) |
| 2005 | • PIUG Trademark registered in U.S.  
• Improved online credit card payments (with Merchant Accounts)  
• Online membership management (with 123Signup) |
<p>| 2006 | • Implemented new discussion list with Listbox |
| 2007 | • First Boston Biotech Meeting |</p>
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| 2008 | • 20th Anniversary  
• Record attendance of 400 at annual conference  
• Strategic Planning Committee established  
• First five year strategic plan for PIUG unveiled  
• CEPIUG and PIUG Memorandum of Understanding signed  
• PIUG Wiki implemented |
| 2009 | • PIUG Wiki Discussion Forum replaced the discussion list  
• PIUG Association Manager hired, outcome of Executive Secretary Task Force  
• Certification, Training, Mentoring Working Groups - formed by PIUG Education & Training Task Force (PETT)  
• International Certification Scheme proposed by Certification Working Group  
• Patent Analytics Working Group established  
• Outreach and Collaboration with Patent Documentation Group (PDG) initiated |
| 2010 | • Bylaws Amendment to Single Membership Category took effect January 1, 2010  
• Partnership with WIPO on worldwide patent information training began  
• PIUG Fundamentals of Patent Information Course initiated  
• PIUG Wiki registrants surpass 1330  
• Chinese subchapter is initiated |
| 2011 | • PIUG receives an entry in Wikipedia  
• Quarterly Executive Meeting with CEPIUG established  
• PIUG begins partnerships with AIIP, LES, IRF and AALL  
• Mock Certification Exams held in conjunction with 2011 NE conference  
• PIUG partners with USPTO, EPO and CEPIUG to support the start of the CPC project  
• PIUG Newsletter goes digital |
| 2012 | • First Australian elected as PIUG Chair  
• First PIUG Marketing Brochure available in English and Mandarin  
• Improved online membership management, member directory and website platform established (with Wild Apricot) |
| 2013 | • 25th Anniversary  
• PIUG receives acknowledgement from the EPO President and the USPTO Director concerning the implementation of the CPC  
• First annual Stu Kaback Business Impact Award recipient  
• Quarterly Executive Meeting with PDG established  
• Mutual Release & Termination signed by PIUG and PIUG Association Manager |
Questel is a proud supporter of PIUG's mission bringing together IP members from all over the world, offering relevant conferences and education on the latest topics to the IP community. The Questel Team would like to express its appreciation to the PIUG and its organisers and congratulate on the occasion of the PIUG's 25th anniversary. Questel offers a comprehensive suite of SaaS applications for productivity & collaboration dedicated to Intellectual property. www.questel.com

The members of the Patent Documentation Group (PDG) would like to congratulate the PIUG on its 25th anniversary.

We appreciate the good spirit of cooperation existing between our two organizations and look forward to intensifying it over the next 25 years! www.p-d-g.org

Dear fellow PIUG colleagues — Twenty-five years! A silver anniversary! Congratulations on a fantastic run! As a long-time member of this organization, I have accumulated so many wonderful memories over the years. Thank you PIUG for enriching my professional life for all these years, and for doing so in an atmosphere filled with human warmth, good humor, and out-and-out fun. You are a beautiful blend of purpose and people. Let’s welcome and nurture those who will carry the torch for the next 25. With sincere appreciation and fondness — Elliott Linder
Congratulations to Patent Information Users Group, Inc. (PIUG) on most noteworthy milestone, 25 years of unwavering dedication and commitment to support, assist, improve and enhance the success of patent information professionals through leadership, education, communication, advocacy and networking.

We are pleased to be among the many well-wishers and admirers who congratulate PIUG on a quarter century of success. May the future of PIUG be just as triumphant as its storied past.
All of us at Beijing East Linden wish to congratulate you on your 25-year business anniversary.

Wishing you many more years of success!

An anniversary in business is always a milestone...
To celebrate the achievements of a dedicated staff, and to set new goals for the future ...
Congratulations on your success!
— Yanhuai Liu, Chairwoman Beijing East Linden

Hard work, dedication, & perseverance got you here.
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Congratulations! Wishing you continued success in the year ahead!
— Zhaolun Sun, Vice President Beijing East Linden
We congratulate PIUG on its 25th Anniversary

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Congratulations to PIUG on its 25th Anniversary!

Congratulations to PIUG for 25 great years! You have helped me tremendously during my career as a patent searcher and I truly value all the information, support and friendship PIUG and its members offer. Best wishes for many more productive years!
— Alison Taylor

Congratulations to PIUG on your 25th anniversary! I’ve really enjoyed attending great conferences and events, with updates about laws, tools, and techniques, and wonderful networking. I very much appreciate your passion for excellence in the profession - thank you all!
Very best wishes — Josh Duberman

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate the PIUG on its invaluable achievements for the worldwide patent information profession over the last 25 years. Keep up the good work over the next 25 years!
— Michael Blackman, Editor-in-Chief, World Patent Information

I have long valued PIUG for its spirit of knowledge sharing and mutual respect. I hope that these values will help PIUG members adapt to the vast technological changes now in progress, and to stay in our profession, continuing to provide their unique expertise to legal, R&D and business communities.
— Alex Belinskiy

From a founding member (then with Amoco), congratulations to PIUG and all members, past and present, on our 25th Anniversary. May there be many more. Sorry that I won’t be able to attend the meeting and festivities.
— Bob Buntrock - Buntrock Associates - Orono, ME

Congratulations to PIUG on the 25th anniversary! Thank you to all of the amazing volunteers who have given so much of their time and energy to the organization over the years. And thank you to all of the generous sponsors and exhibitors who have supported PIUG!
— Suzanne G. Robins – Patent Information Services, Inc. – Westborough, MA
Congratulations!

The entire BizInt Solutions team would like to thank the PIUG community for helping to make BizInt Smart Charts a success.

And a special thank you to all the PIUG volunteers for their dedication and hard work!

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