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President's Message

Seven weeks until Christmas and my first year as State President is almost over. Where did the year go? Did you meet your own business and personal goals this year? As a State Group we believe we have represented you 'the membership' in a proactive manner and offered many functions throughout the year with the objective of assisting with your own professional development and having an opportunity to socialise and catch up with colleagues.

We are particularly pleased with the success of hosting over 100 delegates at the National One Day Conference and 373 guests attending the National Awards Dinner which attracted international and interstate visitors.

In 2008 we will be hosting the National Conference and Awards Dinner and would welcome some new members i.e. you to join us on these organising committees. We will be developing a theme for the conference, contacting international presenters and requesting abstracts in the very near future so if you have some thoughts and ideas it's now TIME to table them.

I take this opportunity to thank Scott Graham for chairing the conference organising committee and Victoria Sharp, Annette Warner and our Secretariat Miranda Grace for their contribution. The Awards Committee was chaired by our Immediate Past President Tim Hart - thanks Tim - and the other members of this committee including Nigel Hutton, Nicole Lenffer, Mark Frisby, Rob Cooper, Justine Image, Annette Warner, Victoria Sharp and our Event Manager Amanda Dale of Advent Events. Of course all programs received valuable contributions from our National office and we thank Paul Costigan, our National Executive Officer, and his team in Canberra - Edwina and Petra - for their valuable assistance.

No program would be possible without our sponsors and particular thanks go to our Major Partner - OMNITECH. Paul Ward and Jeff Wilson have been long term supporters of the AILA and we have been delighted to work with them this year and hope they've found their association with the AILA rewarding.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you later in the month at our AGM where we'll host Christmas drinks.

Regards

Darren

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Victorian Chapter President, AILA

