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### A FLOOD OF INFORMATION

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This special issue is on the game of Poker. I would like to thank the Guest Editors Graham Kendall and Jonathan Schaeffer for their efforts to solicit the contributions and guide the refereeing process. This issue might be considered as a research pointer for future investigations. In this respect we would like to mention the contributions by Littmann and Zinkevich on the 2006 AAAI Computer-Poker Competition. The ICGA hopes to see fruitful continuations of these contributions in the form of a Poker competition at the Computer Olympiad and many contributions at future ACG Conferences and CG conferences.

For the second part of the Journal, there was a flood of information which could not be included in this issue. One of the causes was that in the previous issue we were unable to include all the Computer Olympiad reports. Therefore they had the highest priority of being included in this issue. As a consequence we postponed publication of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chess 960 Computer Chess World Championship. Moreover, in the next issue attention will be given to the passing away of Emeritus Professor Adriaan de Groot on August 14, 2006 by Fernand Gobet, Henk Visser, and Jaap van den Herik. Gobet provides us with an overview of De Groot's performances in the world of chess and chess thinking.