

## SECTION NEWS



### Gwendolyn B. Wood Section Excellence Award

*The NATIONAL CAPITAL SECTION once again received the Gwendolyn B. Wood Section Excellence Award. Farrel Martin, Second Vice-Chairman of the Section (left), received the award from ECS President Bruno Scrosati. The purpose of the award is to honor Sections whose level of activity serves to strengthen the Society and to encourage and reward the good management and operations of the Section.*

### Korea

The Section met on October 10 at the University of Seoul. Prof. Nobuyoshi Koshida of Tokyo University A&T, also the chairman of the Japan Section, was invited to give a special lecture entitled "Nanosilicon Technology." Eleven talks and two posters also were presented on solar cells, fuel cells, battery materials, nanomaterials, display, surface science, and impedance spectroscopy. Dr. Chi-Woo Lee, the Section chairman, hosted the evening banquet together with the Korean Electrochemical Society. The next meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2004, in Daejeon.

### New England

The Section held their first dinner meeting of the 2003-2004 season on September 9. Dr. Anne M. Mayes, currently Toyota Professor of Materials Science and Engineering in the Department of Materials Science and Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) was the featured speaker. The topic presented was "Nanophase Polymer Electrolytes for Lithium Rechargeable Batteries." ■

### Canadian Section's Young Authors' Symposium



*Some of the participants enjoying the poster session at the Young Authors Symposium.*

The research group of Prof. Sylvie Morin hosted the Canadian Section's second Young Authors' Symposium at York University on August 8, 2003. The symposium was comprised of 9 student talks, followed by a poster session. Students and postdoctoral fellows from York, Guelph, Western, Lakehead, and Acadia Universities participated and presented their work, with a postdoctoral fellow from York chairing the session. The relaxed and friendly atmosphere provided an excellent speaking opportunity for the presenting authors and some interesting accounts of scientific work for the several dozen students, postdocs, and professors in the audience. ■