

# Letter From The Editor

This issue marks the end of my term as editor of the IP. I have found that the demands of my work schedule do not allow me to give the time needed for properly assuming this responsibility. The last four years have been a personally rewarding experience for me. I have met many of you, through correspondence and in person, and I feel that this aspect alone would have made the time and energy expended worthwhile.

I also have a sense of pride in the publication that I am leaving. With the continuing assistance of Hal McAbee, I feel that the image of the journal has been changed, as well as an expansion of the number of issues per year. The most telling aspect of this change is the quality of the manuscripts that continue to come from you, and the professional manner in which the material is presented.

Although my other responsibilities have necessitated my leaving, I believe there is some advantage to changing the editorship of the NASAP journals on a regular basis. I know that the content of the IP has reflected, in part, my interests even though the editorial board has had much input into the selection of what you have seen in print. The publication has been limited by my ability to implement some of the suggestions made for special departments and features. I am forwarding to the new editor ideas that have been submitted to me over the years, so that he can consider them as he puts his imprint on the journal.

I would like to personally thank Hal, and Denise Harlow for the many hours they have spent in unheralded work to improve the finished product that you receive, as well as the faithful readers on the editorial board who have been such a help to me as editor. Finally, I want to thank you, the readership of this journal, for the enthusiastic response you have given to my periodic pleas for manuscripts, as well as the encouragement you have given me.

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