

Comings, Goings, Stayings . . . Thanks

Coming . . . Going . . . Staying . . . Such is the staff of a volunteer publication. As 2008 ends, let me thank all who joined us, left us, or remained with us this year.

This year, we welcomed three members to our editorial staff. Kenneth F Heideman assumed editorship of the Solution Corner column, which had appeared infrequently since its longtime editor, Della Mundy, stepped down. The first column under Ken's leadership appears in this issue (see p 199). Susan M Shirley took over the book-review section from Edith Paal, whom I thank for all her hard work since becoming our book-review editor in 2005; the care that Susan devotes to the role is much appreciated. And Caroline M Simpson joined us as a publication manager, bringing the sharp eye and strong work ethic required for the position.

In our publication-manager duo, Simpson took the place of David E Nadziejka, whom I deeply thank for the hard work, astute observations, and excellent ideas he has contributed. My gratitude also goes to Elizabeth L (Betsy) Fleischer, now stepping down as editor of Unbound, our column

focusing on open access. Now that open access has entered the mainstream, it will no longer be the focus of a separate column. Special thanks to Betsy, whose suggestions led to establishing Unbound.

Special thanks also to those who have remained throughout 2008 and thus now have been working on material for 2009. They include Publication Manager Leslie E Neistadt, very much a mainstay of our operations; Annual Meeting Editor Jamie Holaday, in charge of all the reports on annual-meeting sessions; Word Hawk Bob Johnson, whose column attracts an enthusiastic following; and Peer-Renewed (poetry) editor Mary E Knatterud, whose columns, amazingly, arrive months before deadline. I also thank continuing staff members Poly M Potter, covers editor, who this year received a CSE certificate of appreciation for contributions to *Science Editor* and *CBE Views* (its predecessor), and Gabe Waggoner, Web liaison, who prepares the article compilations for the CSE Web site.

Extraordinary thanks are due to the three on the masthead who have worked

with me throughout the decade that I have been editing *CBE Views* and then *Science Editor*: Manuscript Editor Norman Grossblatt, Designer Tiffany D Inbody, and Quality Control Ace Roxanne K Young. Their contributions have been exceptional, and I hope to have the privilege of their continued service throughout my remaining time as editor.

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I look forward to working with many in the CSE community in 2009. May it be a very good year for all who are reading this column.

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