

## From the Editor

Dear Reader:

This has been a good year for the Journal. I would like to recognize the efforts of the many perfusionists who helped make the Journal a valuable and timely source of information for the ever dynamic field of perfusion.

The authors are congratulated for their initiative—for asking and trying to answer questions pertinent to the practice of perfusion. They are also thanked for taking the extra time and effort to publish their work so that it could be shared with their colleagues.

The editors of the Journal deserve recognition for their commitment to the peer review process. They have worked hard to ensure that what we publish is original, valid and understandable. This year Robin Sutton and Jeff Edwards agreed to take on the added responsibility of being Manuscript Editors. They are well prepared for this task after serving as Associate Editors. They join Manuscript Editors Debbie Gherlone and Al Stammers.

I am also delighted to report that several perfusionists have stepped forward to offer to serve as Associate Editors. This not only will fill the places left by Robin and Jeff, but will allow us to expand the editorial staff and expedite the review process. A special thank you goes to Kurt Larrick, our Managing Editor in the National Office. He has done a heroic job of keeping track of authors, editors and manuscripts and is responsible for the format of the printed word you ultimately see.

Finally, I would like to recognize the readers, for without you there would be no reason for the Journal to exist. I thank you for the interest you've shown through Letters to the Editor, and your comments and suggestions.

I wish each of you an enjoyable holiday season.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Palmer Stark, CCP  
Editor

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