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## EDITOR'S REPORT

Dear President and Members of the Board of Directors of the ASGS:

The publication and mailing of the February 2006 and the May 2006 issues of *Fusion* proceeded smoothly. It continues to be a pleasure to work with McCain Printing, a very professional, first-rate company. As in the past, Amy and Stephanie at the National Office are always well-organized and very proficient with their assistance. And, Tracy Drier, the new Q & A Chair, is doing an excellent job summarizing the important submissions to the discussion list.

Unfortunately, the double *2004 and 2005 Proceedings* is still, at the time of this writing, underway. The main reason is the late submission of papers; in fact, one paper from the 2004 Symposium was only sent to me towards the beginning of last month. While it was impossible to proceed without this paper prior to that time, good progress has been made since receiving it. This is in part due to the rather quick turn-around by the Publications Committee members (Chair Dave Smart, Rick Smith and Jim Hodgson) with the proof reading. These individuals are to be highly commended as it is a major, time-consuming undertaking to read thoroughly, not just once but three times, the approximate 150 pages which make up this double *Proceedings*. The binding will require additional extra time but all efforts are being made to ensure as expeditious a mailing as possible.

The lateness with which some material is being submitted for inclusion in *Fusion* is, at times, causing difficulties. This was especially true in December 2005. I realize that December is a busy time for most people, myself included; if an effort could be made to plan ahead better, it would certainly be appreciated. In addition, multiple pictures or large files must be sent to me on a CD rather than via e-mail; last year, one file alone that was sent to me was 10 MB and shut down my computer completely. Please pass this information on to those submitting information from the Sections. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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