## **Editorial: Annual Business and News**

THIS past year has been another successful one for the *Journal of Guidance, Control, and Dynamics*. The *JGCD* remains number two in the total number of domestic and international subscriptions among the seven AIAA journals and continues to receive high impact-factor ratings from journal-rating services. In March, we celebrated Richard Battin's 80th birthday with an issue dedicated to him. We published more pages in 2005 than in 2004 in an attempt to decrease the backlog of papers ready to publish. We will continue to work off the backlog in 2006.

Our Web-based manuscript submission and management system (WriteTrack) was further improved and is now fully operational. The entire editorial and review process is faster, more accurate, and less labor intensive than the old system. Using WriteTrack, I can now generate various measures of performance for the review process. Here are some WriteTrack statistics for the 242 papers that received a final editorial decision in the period 1 January 2005-30 September 2005. Of those papers, 122 were accepted after peer review and author revision. That process averaged 177 days from submission to acceptance. The 105 papers we declined to publish took an average of 71 days from author submission to final decision. The remaining 15 papers were either transferred or withdrawn. On average, Associate Editors (AEs) assigned reviewers within 12 days of receiving papers from me. After the AE had the paper for 82 days, on average, the author received the results of the reviews, or 87 days for a request for a revision. Authors took an average of 47 days to revise their papers. The AEs took 143 days on average to complete the entire evaluation process of papers. I think the statistics show that the AEs are doing an excellent job in getting results back to authors within 87 days. However, improving the quality of the review process, not speed, is our overriding goal, and some papers will be sent for multiple reviews and multiple revisions as deemed necessary by the AEs. The editorial team thanks the AIAA team for their continuing help in designing, implementing, and upgrading the system.

In past editorials I have written about the progress made during the year toward meeting the goals that I have as Editor-in-Chief. These goals are as follows: 1) maintain the quality of the *JGCD*, 2) increase the number of engineering applications-oriented papers, 3) minimize the time from submission to publication, 4) increase the international involvement in the *JGCD*, and 5) listen to and respond to everyone's concerns. I am satisfied that we are continuing to make progress in meeting these goals. The *JGCD* attracts high-quality papers submitted on a worldwide basis. On any given date, about 100 papers were being evaluated. However, the number of applications-oriented papers submitted still needs to be increased, and I repeat the call to the community to respond with more relevant papers that can help engineers practice their profession.

International participation in the *JGCD* has remained at previous levels. About 50% of new paper submittals were from outside the United States, and the acceptance rate for those papers has been about the same as for papers from the United States. Publication tends to be a bit slower for foreign papers, however, because more of these papers need extensive editorial work and revisions of figures. Our International Advisors have been very helpful in soliciting papers. The fact that the *JGCD* archive is online has helped our international authors in their research and also increased our international subscription base.

The AIAA Publications Committee and Editors-in-Chief are in the process of approving a revision to our long-standing Ethical Standards for Publication of Aeronautics and Astronautics Research. The revised document is published elsewhere in this issue. Instances of plagiarism, intentional or otherwise, have increased dramatically with the increase in the availability of documents electronically. Please take the time to read our Ethical Standards and to help to educate others on their applicability. An approved revised version of AIAA's Editorial Policy Statement on Numerical and Experimental Accuracy also is published in this issue.

With this issue, I am announcing several changes to our Editorial staff.

First, retiring AEs are as follows:

- Dr. Karl Bilimoria, NASA Ames Research Center
- Professor Mark Psiaki, Cornell University
- Lt. Col (ret.) David A. Vallado, Analytical Graphics, Inc.
- Dr. Bruce D. Kothmann, The Boeing Company

I want to express my personal thanks to our retired AEs for their service.

Then, renewed appointments with thanks for their continuing service as AEs are as follows:

- Dr. David Doman, U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory
- Dr. Wodek Gawronski, California Institute of Technology
- Dr. Kevin Wise, Boeing Phantom Works

and as Book Review Editor,

Christopher Hall, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

I would like to welcome the following new AEs:

- Dr. James Kuchar, MIT Lincoln Laboratory
- Professor E. Glenn Lightsey, University of Texas at Austin
- Professor Daniel Scheeres, University of Michigan
- Dr. Russell Enns, The Boeing Company

The complete list including biographical sketches of all current AEs is presented in the following pages.

I express my gratitude to all of the reviewers who perform the peer reviews that are necessary to maintain the quality of the *JGCD*. The list of contributing reviewers from 1 October 2004 through 30 September 2005 follows the list of AEs. I apologize to any reviewers whose names may have been inadvertently omitted from the list.

I would like to acknowledge our International Advisors, who help us in soliciting high-quality papers that represent the technical efforts in their countries. They also assist authors who may have questions about the review process. For his service, I would like to thank our retired International Advisor, Dr. Yoshikuzu Miyazawa, and note the recent appointments of Professor Guido Colasurdo, Politecnico di Torino, Italy, and Professor Seiya Ueno, Yokohama National University, Japan.

Special acknowledgments go to the individuals who served as liaison between the *JGCD* and an AIAA Technical Committee: Prof. Yaakov Oshman, with the Guidance, Navigation, and Control Technical Committee; Dr. Ronald Proulx, Draper Laboratory, with the Astrodynamics Technical Committee; Prof. John Valasek, Texas A&M University, with the Atmospheric Flight Mechanics Technical Committee; Dr. Karl Bilimoria, NASA Ames Research Center, with the Air Transportation Systems Technical Committee; and Dr. Sanjay Garg, NASA Glenn Research Center, with the Intelligent Systems Technical Committee.

Thanks to all of the editorial staff at AIAA Headquarters and to the production staff at TechBooks. These dedicated individuals work at the highest standards in producing the *JGCD*. Thanks to Ms. Lisa Gorman and Ms. Loretta Mitrano, Draper Laboratory, for making the Editor-in-Chief's office operate smoothly and efficiently all year long and to Draper Laboratory for its support of the *JGCD*.

Finally, I continue to encourage communications between our readers and any member of the Editorial Staff. I also believe we did a good job last year in covering the span of interests of our readers and in responding quickly to communications. We can always do better and we are willing to listen; please contact me directly. My contact information is:

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