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## **Editorial**



A new Editor for North America - William M. Dunne

This year 2006 has seen some changes in the Editorial Board and Management of the Journal of Structural Geology. First of all, at the beginning of this year David Ferrill stepped down as Editor of the *Journal of Structural Geology* for North America. David has served the Journal as an Editor for more than three years, and has handled more than his share of papers for the Journal. David did some great work in the difficult period of changeover from paper copies, envelopes and handwritten comments to the world of Online Editing with pdfs and emails. He will remain connected to the journal in an advisory role and is presently editing a special issue on Planetary Structural Geology. I would like to thank David for his excellent contribution to the Journal as an Editor, and hope that he will continue to be involved with the *Journal of Structural Geology* in future.

David's work for the Journal has now been taken over by William Dunne, who joined the Editorial Board in January as our new North American Editor. I wish to welcome him to the team, and wish him a happy and productive time with us. Bill was a student of Paul Hancock, our first Chief Editor and has seen the birth of the Journal in 1979 from close by. A short CV is given below.

William M. Dunne is Professor in the Department of Earth & Planetary Sciences and Associate Dean for Research for the College of Arts & Sciences at the University of Tennessee Knoxville (UTK). Bill received his Ph.D. in structural geology

from the University of Bristol, England with Paul Hancock as his advisor for an investigation into the structural development of southwest Variscan Wales. He began his academic career as an assistant professor at West Virginia University in 1980, and then moved to UTK as an associate professor in 1988. Through that time, he has used the Alleghenian foreland thrust belt in the central Appalachian to investigate the lowtemperature deformation of sedimentary rocks in contractional settings. At the same time, he has maintained his interest that Paul engendered concerning the improvement of the characterization of joint systems with field sites in Wales, Nevada, Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and subsurface sites in Nevada and Colorado. In terms of the Journal of Structural Geology, he was a student of Paul Hancock's as Paul started the Journal, has been lead editor for a special issue honoring Paul Hancock, and has served on the Editorial Board. Currently, he is an officer of the Structural Geology and Tectonics Division of the Geological Society of America and a member of that fine informal organization, the Appalachian Tectonic Studies Group.

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