Letter from the Editor

All's Well That Begins Well...

After several months as editor of the *JNMT*, my horizons have been significantly broadened and my leisure time just as significantly decreased. Never before did I truly appreciate our previous editors. Their dedication, organization, and diplomacy provide a shining example for this novice. I expected this position to be a challenging and demanding one; I have not been disappointed. If anything, however, my enthusiasm for this publication has grown rather than dampened. The quality of the manuscripts that I have received thus far is definitely superior. Technologists as a group should be extremely proud.

Dave Wells has been of immeasurable help in preparing and executing a relatively crisis-free transition. He has agreed, following a precedent-setting decision by the Publications Committee, to remain on the staff as a consulting editor.

Other staff members who have consented to continue to avail the JNMT of their expertise include associate editors Floyd Potes and Sybil Swann; consulting editors R. Edward Coleman, MD, Trevor D. Cradduck, PhD, and C. Douglas Maynard, MD; and RIA consulting editors Danielle Battaglia and Theda Driscoll. In addition to those editors, three highly qualified technologists have joined the staff as associate editors. They are John Allen, John Capuzzi, and Jane Christie; this issue contains an introduction to each of them.

JNMT manuscript reviewers, for the most part, have rallied to the cause. They deserve unrestrained applause for their unselfish donation of time and competence. They continually amaze me with their astute observations and comments.

Allow me to thank everyone involved: the scientific staff, the National Office staff, the manuscript reviewers, and the Technologist Section for bearing with me while I try to fill the shoes of our previous editor.

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