## **Editorial**

With the conclusion of Volume 5 of Quaternary Research, I am turning over the editorship to Stephen C. Porter. The change in editorship is coincident with my withdrawal from administrative duties at the University of Washington's Quaternary Research Center in accordance with retirement guidelines.

Dr. Porter has worked on numerous *Quaternary Research* questions during the year, and each issue of the current volume has been essentially a joint product. It is a pleasure to report that his selection as Editor has been wholeheartedly endorsed by the American Quaternary Association and by the many individuals who were consulted on the question.

Clearly, a new Editor will put his own stamp on the Journal and will wish to select his own Editorial Advisory Board and consultants. To the present Editorial Advisory Board, I express my deepest appreciation for help and support. Similarly, I wish to express my indebtedness to the many referees who have devoted so much of their time to *Quaternary Research*, often repeatedly so with but slight respite. I also express my gratitude to Academic Press for their support and cooperation and for making *Quaternary Research* the success it has become.

I have had many rewarding experiences with contributors to the Journal, despite the fact that very few manuscripts have been published without being returned to an author for revision, and that many manuscripts have been rejected outright. Almost without exception comments from authors have been supportive and cooperative, an attitude that has contributed to making my tenure as Editor so enjoyable. I leave the editorship with deep gratitude, a sense of real reward, and with the knowledge that *Quaternary Research* is in excellent hands.

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