

## Editorial

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With this issue, we enter the fourth year of publishing *Geoscience Canada*. Our policy is to appoint Associate Editors for a term no longer than three years: ruthless application of this policy has produced an editorial board that is now almost completely different from the one we started with in the first issue.

It seems an appropriate time to make a few small changes. It has become apparent that it is unrealistic to hope that we can deliver the magazine into the reader's hands three months after going to press: therefore, we have retained the old dates for going to press (end of November, February, May and August) but now recognize that the issues will not, in fact, be distributed until March, June, September and December.

Two book review editors have been appointed: Bob McNutt will handle books in English and Denis St-Onge books in French. In this way, we hope to reduce the past bias of the magazine towards English language books on sedimentology! If you wish to suggest books that should be reviewed, or to offer your services as a reviewer, write to the book review editors. Be warned, however, that some books are now so expensive that publishing companies will not supply us with review copies.

We are dropping the Soil Column, for the time being. It has already served its purpose in making the predominantly geological readership of this magazine more aware of some of the interesting geological aspects of research in soil science and soil mechanics in Canada. We are, of course, still willing to consider MSS in these fields for publication as Articles.

Walter Kupsch takes over from Bob Legget as editor of the History of Canadian Geology column. The Geological Education column continues under the editorship of Jon Rau, and Ward Neale will continue to concoct Pyroclasts. All editors of regular columns welcome unsolicited contributions. If a column does not appear in a given issue this is because the editor has not found a suitable contribution by the time we go to press.

We are still soliciting a few MSS, but we hope that the need to do this will decrease with time, as the magazine becomes better established. After three years of publication, it should be clear what type of papers we are willing to print. If your favourite subject or conference has so far been neglected, write it up yourself and send us the MS. And we are always looking for good cover photos.

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