Technical editor's 1978 report

I can't take credit for the first half of 1978. Dr. Jack Grimes handled it expertly. I especially appreciated his efforts in making the transition of technical editors smooth.

Soon after becoming technical editor, I realized with some dismay that it was a nearly full-time, although voluntary, job. The activities of the technical editor include:

- soliciting papers and special issues (neither of these magically appear);
- approving and scheduling special issues;
- working with guest editors;
- supervising the review process for special issue papers and for stand-alone papers (all papers are reviewed by at least three reviewers);
- communicating with authors about needed changes;
- deciding to accept or reject papers;
- selecting the papers for each issue within page budget constraints; and
- reporting to the Computer Advisory Board and the Publications Committee.

Acting on the recommendations of Jack Grimes and Jack Shemer, past technical editors, we have added six new associate technical editors. They are:

Dennis Allison
Oscar Garcia
Samir Husson

Ted Lewis
Edward Miller, Jr.
Bruce Shriver

I have succeeded in delegating much of the technical editor's job to this very capable and hard-working group.

Perhaps the most thankless job with Computer is that of reviewing papers. Volunteer reviewers spend countless hours diligently reading and evaluating submitted papers. In return they get a thank-you letter and (if we have done our bookkeeping properly) their name on this yearly list:

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Computer is only as good as you make it. Every Computer Society member can help us with Computer. We need reviewers in all subject areas. We need papers and special issue proposals. And we need ideas for improvement. I hope you will help us.

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