

Editorial

Jack D. Gaskill, Editor

Guest Editors for Special Issues

As most readers of *Optical Engineering* already know, a majority of issues of this journal are "special issues"— issues in which many of the papers are devoted to a "special" topic related to the field of optical engineering. In both 1986 and 1987, nine of the twelve issues of the journal were special issues. During 1988, it appears that we will have only seven special issues, although I hope to increase that number for 1989.

For each special issue, the Editor appoints one or more individuals to serve as Guest Editor(s). These individuals, who are unpaid volunteers, have several important responsibilities: first, they invite authors to submit papers, either directly or via a call for papers that is printed in *Optical Engineering*; then, they see that the submitted papers are reviewed by two referees; next, based on the referees' comments, they decide which papers need to be revised, which may be recommended for publication, etc.; and, finally, they forward all of the recommended papers to the Editor for a final decision. There is quite a bit of work involved in this endeavor, but the personal and professional satisfaction can be quite rewarding.

With that as background, I would like to invite readers of *Optical Engineering* who are interested in being a Guest Editor to write or telephone me and let me know your qualifications and your proposed special topic. If you are not interested yourself, or if you simply don't have the time, I would still like to hear from you if you can recommend someone else who you think might make a good Guest Editor. I'm looking forward to hearing from you. Future Special Issue Call for Papers

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Optical Computing

Guest Editors

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The January 1989 special issue of *Optical Engineering* will be devoted to optical computing. Topics to be covered will include materials, devices, architectures, and algorithms for optical computing, advances in organic materials, ferroelectric liquid crystals and multiple quantum well structures for optical computing devices, computer-generated holograms and photore-fractive crystals for optical interconnections, 3-D optical memory, optics for artificial intelligence, optical neural computing, and programmable architectures and systems for digital optical computing. Authors are encouraged to submit manuscripts for consideration on any of the above or related topics to the Guest Editors before June 15, 1988.

OPTICAL ENGINEERING EDITORIAL SCHEDULE

May 1988

Industrial Applications of Optical Signal Processing II

Bahram Javidi Michigan State University Electrical Engineering Department East Lansing, MI 48824-1226 517/353-6329

June 1988

Contributed papers on optical engineering

July 1988

Contributed papers on optical engineering

August 1988

Photomechanics II

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September 1988

Multiple-Aperture Optical Systems

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Contributed papers on optical engineering

November 1988

Optical Design

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December 1988

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