

EDITORIAL

Starting 1 January 1998, I will be succeeded by Bill Kuo and Dave Jorgensen as co-chief editors of *Monthly Weather Review*. Before passing the torch I want to take this opportunity to thank the editors and the AMS staff for making my five years as chief editor a pleasure. Also a very special thank you to my editorial assistants Darci Kelly and Lisa Herbster for making my job much easier and for maintaining the high standards of *Monthly Weather Review*. And, of course, the greatest thanks to the authors who have seen fit to add to the diversity and quality of *Monthly Weather Review* and to the reviewers who help to maintain that quality.

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