



# Editorial

## The PVP Division's 25th Anniversary

The issue of the JOURNAL OF PRESSURE VESSEL TECHNOLOGY represents another momentous milestone in the Pressure Vessel and Piping Division's (PVPD) history. It celebrates the Division's 25th anniversary. Who but the most optimistic of our founders would have predicted in 1966 that PVPD would become one of ASME's flagship technical divisions, with about 15,000 ASME members expressing either a primary or secondary interest in it at this present time. Thanks for much of this growth must go to the forward-thinking and entrepreneurial leadership the Division has received during the ensuing years from its chairmen, be they of the Executive Committee (see list), of the operating committees, or of the technical subcommittees. However, these leaders could not have set their plans in motion without the assistance of a dedicated membership. The fact that our conferences and publication activities are so successful is ample testimony of this dedication. This dedication is also responsible for the international success the Journal has achieved in a relatively short time. For this, I and the previous Technical Editors (see list) are very grateful.

We have much to look forward to as a division. Our involvement in international activities, in continuing education activities and in joint sponsorship of conferences are just a few of the projects underway now. The challenge of building an even better division will lie with the future leadership, starting with the 1991-1992 PVP Chairman, S. Y. Zamrik. I wish him, and those who will follow him, well.

The papers in this special issue encompass the full spectrum of design, analysis and code activities in which the Division is involved. The authors are all recognized authorities in their respective professional areas, as well as being well known for their contributions to the Division. It is hoped that this collection of papers will serve not only to benefit the profession, but will also serve to inspire a new generation of analysts and designers as they tackle the technological challenges of the 1990s.

Happy 25th Anniversary, Pressure Vessel and Piping Division!

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