



## editorial

This third edition of the *Journal of Mechanical Design* contains a list of coming meetings of interest to a great many designers. Calls for papers or other information about the meetings are distributed by the sponsoring societies. Information regarding other meetings which you may wish to bring to our attention should be sent to Dr. Richard Berkof, the Special Features Editor, Gulf & Western Advanced Development and Engineering Center, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania 19081. Dr. Berkof would also like to receive reviews of significant books recently published on Mechanical Design or Design Education. For these reviews to be published in a timely fashion, he should receive them by the first of January, April, July or October.

Of particular interest to designers and manufacturers of all kinds of equipment and products is the Design Engineering Conference and Show/West to be held in the Convention Center at Anaheim, California, December 5-7, 1978. Sponsored by the ASME Design Engineering Division, and operated by Clapp & Poliak and James O. Rice & Associates, this will bring the Design Engineering Conference and Show, a spring event in Chicago in recent years, to the West Coast in the late autumn. Called the *Regional Design Conference and Show*, this autumn program will be in the East in 1979 and in the South in 1980 before moving

back to the West Coast in 1981. The *Annual Design Engineering Conference and Show* will continue to be held in the spring in Chicago.

The Design Education Committee, under the direction of Dick Hirsch of the Naval Academy and Associate Editor Avram Bar-Cohen of M. I. T., has been expanding its activities recently, and we expect an increasing number of contributions from that source—always a potential area for heated discussion. Their current plans include the preparation of a summary of the panel discussion at the Winter Annual Meeting on “Do Design Educators Know What They Are Doing?”, and an article tentatively titled “World-Wide Trends in Engineering Design Education”, based on panel discussions at recent conferences. Articles and sessions are being solicited for upcoming meetings on the teaching of computer-aided design and on project based education. Readers with an interest in contributing to the work of the Design Education Committee are encouraged to get in touch with Dr. Richard A. Hirsch, Mechanical Engineering Dept., U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD 21402.

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