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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

As the new Managing Editor of CPN I want to acknowledge and thank Barry Rice, Jan Schlauer and Steve Baker for over a decade of incredibly hard work in bringing CPN up to the professional standards we see today. It was a huge job for three people to pull off for so long and so well. Recently Jan and Barry decided to bring more people into the process. Creating a Managing Editor position and bringing in more editors and others will make it possible to produce an even finer work. Fortunately Barry and Jan have not left the fold and will still be doing many of the things they did before, only with more help.

For over 35 years, CPN has been a top resource for CP growers and scientists alike. At one time it was the only way to get information out to a large audience of enthusiasts, and for many, it was their only source of information. Now, we are in the middle of an information explosion. The web allows writers from all over the world to publish their thoughts and experiences. In the middle of all this, there is still CPN. While the web is a “wild west,” CPN sets a standard of excellence for both peer-reviewed scientific articles, and articles from our readers’ experiences and observations, that the web does not consistently bring. It is THE place to register your cultivars and share information with thousands of growers worldwide.

We have already moved to a new structure involving more people with diverse skills from around the world. Further changes to CPN should not be made in a vacuum. We need your input and articles. What can we do to make CPN better? We need your experiences to fill CPN’s pages with articles that entertain and enlighten. Tell us your growing secrets. Show us how you have found conventional wisdom on growing our plants is wrong, or share a new technique that makes life easier and our plants grow stronger and faster.

Please contact me with your input on how you would like to see CPN changed over the coming year, and work on those articles.

Lastly, I want to give a special thanks to Barry Rice for his hard work, guidance and patience over the last few months as I became familiar with the inner workings of CPN.

Thank you,

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