



GREETINGS FROM THE NEW EDITOR

I'm pleased to be the new editor starting with this edition of *Better Software* magazine. Being in the software/IT world for well over twenty-five years and the author of books and articles, I've always wanted to be a part of spreading best practices for software development and IT practitioners. In this role, I have the opportunity to work with inspiring authors and an incredible magazine staff to put out an amazing periodical.

I've known about *Better Software* magazine for some time as a result of attending Software Quality Engineering conferences that take place throughout the year. What I really like about Software Quality Engineering—and, by extension, *Better Software* magazine, TechWell.com, and the community websites—is the entire organization's focus on education and communication for the software development and IT community. In my opinion, it is rare to find a company that really “gets it.”

While I've been a *Better Software* subscriber for some time, I've mentioned the magazine to fellow technologists, and most have never heard of it. So, we have some work to do in order to get the word out!

In order for *Better Software* magazine to grow and sustain its mission to educate software and IT professionals, we need to spread the word. Please take a moment and use your influence in social media to let people know about *Better Software*. You can mention it on LinkedIn, Facebook, or Twitter—or just forward this issue, to two or three other folks. A BSM subscription is complimentary, so put your credit card away!

If you're interested in writing an article for *Better Software* magazine, please send me an email at kwhitaker@sqe.com. I'm looking for article proposals for agile, testing, project and people management, configuration management, ALM, development, and any other topic you think is relevant to today's software professionals. You are out there doing the work, so you tell me what you want to read more about in *Better Software* magazine.

Finally, I'd like to thank Joey McAllister, who was the *Better Software* magazine editor for a long time and who has been so great at helping me through this transition. I met the Software Quality Engineering staff in Orange Park, Florida, and I'm proud to be associated with such a fun and dedicated group.

I hope you enjoy this issue! (And don't forget to tell your friends about *Better Software* magazine!)

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