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Our team wishes all the readers, reviewers and authors a Merry Christmas and a Happy 2007! May all our dreams come true in this New Year!

With best regards,

**Carlos F. Santos**  
Editor-in-Chief  
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