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***American Archivist* Editorial Board
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(Prepared by Gregory S. Hunter)**

MetaPress Replacement

As noted in my previous report, MetaPress has decided to end its relationship with SAA as well as other small publishers. SAA formed an “Online Publication Working Group” to explore options and present recommendations to the Editorial Board. The Working Group members are:

- Paul Conway (Chair)
- Bethany Anderson
- Amy Cooper Cary
- Brad Houston
- Teresa Brinati

The Working Group developed a list of requirements for a new vendor, identified potential vendors, and prepared an RFP that was mailed to those vendors. At the August Joint Annual Meeting, the Working Group and Editorial Board will meet jointly to move the selection process forward.

Upcoming Issue

Volume 77, No. 2 (Fall/Winter 2014), is in the copyediting stage and will be in production by the time of the Joint Annual Meeting. The issue will contain 12 articles and six reviews. It will include a special section on “Archives and Twitter.” At the end of this report is the working table of contents for the issue.

Subsequent Issue

Volume 78, No. 1 (Spring/Summer 2015), is taking shape. It will include the Presidential Address and Pease Award winner. In addition, I already have accepted five articles totaling 39,495 words.

Brown Bag Discussion at Joint Annual Meeting

This year, we again will be holding an informal lunch-time brown bag discussion of an article from the upcoming issue of the Journal. For this year, I have selected “Archival Diasporas: A Framework for Understanding the Complexities and Challenges of Dispersed Photographic Collections,” by Ricardo L. Punzalán of the University of Maryland.

Manuscript Tracking Software

In the previous fiscal year the Council approved funding for “manuscript tracking software” to manage the complete lifecycle of manuscripts, from submission to publication. Although a solution was not identified, I have placed this item on hold pending resolution of the MetaPress situation. My hope is that a new hosting repository also will offer manuscript tracking functionality as part of an integrated solution.

I would be happy to answer any questions that Council members may have about the Editorial Board or *The American Archivist*.

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