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

Allen Press

We have completed two phases of the transition to Allen Press: migration of existing content and using Allen Press for the production of the journal.

Last spring we began the third phase of the Allen Press implementation: manuscript submission, tracking, and peer review. In October, members of the Editorial Board and current peer reviewers—totaling more than 150—were invited to re-register through Allen Press and complete their profiles. We also will be issuing calls for new peer reviewers to register directly through Allen Press.

New manuscripts now are being submitted through Allen Press. I am using the system to assign articles to peer reviewers, monitor review progress, and communicate publication decisions to authors. I anticipate that there will be bumps in the road over the next couple of months, but will work through them with SAA staff and Allen Press.

Reviews Portal

Reviews Editor Bethany Anderson and Reviews Portal Coordinator Gloria Gonzales have completed the new Reviews Portal: <https://reviews.americanarchivist.org/>. The Review Portal team moved the Reviews Portal (RP) from the SAA Drupal site to an SAA WordPress site. Working with Matt Black and Abigail Christian, they migrated all content and customized the site's theme. The new RP is currently linked on *The American Archivist* site menu. Similarly, *AA* is linked both on the RP menu and on the *AA* banner at the bottom of the RP.

There are a few other items of note with regard to the new site:

- Content from the original site was preserved and migrated both to posts on the RP home page and to the RP "Reviews" page.
- New content will similarly be posted on the home page and the "Reviews" page.
- Reviews will continue to be available in PDF format.
- Reviews will now be easy to share via social media.
- Tablet and mobile-device viewing is automatically accommodated.

Intern

This year the Editorial Board has the assistance of an intern, Dana Bronson. She has just completed her first assignment, compiling links to all presidential addresses published in *The American Archivist* for our first “article collection.” She now will begin her second assignment: Providing access points for the journal’s “dark content” found in such places as “front matter,” “shorter features,” and “additional matter.”

Journal Issues

Volume 79, No. 2 (Fall/Winter 2016), is now in production and should be available in December. The table of contents is below.

Volume 80, No. 1 (Spring/Summer 2017) is taking shape. It will include Dennis Meissner’s Presidential Address and the 2016 Pease Award-winning student paper by Rachel Walton, a master’s student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In addition, I already have accepted four other articles for the issue.

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