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The American Archivist Editorial Board Report: January 1 – April 30, 2013 Prepared by Editor Gregory S. Hunter

This year, *The American Archivist* begins its seventy-sixth year of publication. It is a time of transition, as we implement a redesign of the journal that has been in process for several years and plan for the delivery of the journal as an ePublication readable on mobile devices.

We decided to commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the journal by asking SAA members to post reflections about the article that has most influenced their professional careers. As editor, I had the honor of posting the first reflection (please see www2.archivists.org/node/17272). I encourage all Council members to submit reflections via the SAA website (visit www2.archivists.org/node/17206).

Upcoming Issue

Volume 76, No. 1 (Spring/Summer 2013) is in production. The issue totals approximately 285 pages. It includes the 2012 Presidential Address, the winning Pease Award submission, nine other articles, and seven book reviews.

Article Submissions

Since January 1, I have received thirteen new article submissions. In addition, thirteen other articles have been resubmitted after the authors considered comments received during the peer review process. I am encouraged by the quality of the submissions; the next issue of the journal is shaping up very well.

Theodore Calvin Pease Award

Based on my experience with the Pease Award last year, I asked the Council to consider some changes to the award criteria. At the request of the Council, I asked the archival educators (through the Archival Educators Roundtable discussion list) to comment on the proposed changes. We reached a compromise that was presented to the Council and approved last fall. The major changes are:

- Each archival educator is limited to submitting one student paper per year.
- Papers must have been completed during the previous calendar year.
- The deadline for submissions was moved up to coincide with the deadline for all other SAA awards (February 28).

This year, seven papers were submitted for the Pease Award. The subcommittee just selected the winner in a very close competition. I will notify the winner next week.

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