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You will notice several changes in upcoming issues of *Pennsylvania History: A Journal of Mid-Atlantic Studies*.

There is a difference in the background color of the cover and an increase to the size of the cover images. After twelve years of gray and black, it was time for a change. The background color will vary from year to year, as had been done in the 1990s. The larger images will be more eye-catching. We still maintain the wonderful relationship we have with Penn State Press, and are working with them for other potential design changes as well.

This issue, Spring 2015 (82:2) will be the last issue containing an annual index, specifically, the index for volume 81. There was unanimous agreement among the journal's Editorial Board to stop creating them. The present ability to word search *Pennsylvania History* electronically through our partners at JSTOR and Project Muse negates the need and expense of creating them in this day and age.

We have eliminated the associate editor position. For the moment, there is no need for one, and is a cost-saving measure. We have also fully embraced Editorial Manager as the means for processing manuscripts and book reviews. Items for consideration can be submitted directly to www.editorialmanager.com/pah.

Finally, we hope to bring back the "Announcements" section in upcoming issues. We look forward to learning about special projects, resources, and events relating to Pennsylvania history. These can be sent directly to the editor at jaggers1952@verizon.net.

The editor would like to especially thank Beverly Tomek, book review and associate editor, and the staff at Penn State Press, who helped her through the editorial transition following the death of Bill Pencak.

Sincerely,
Linda A. Ries, Editor

