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Having completed this past fall our first year of publication, *Collaborative Librarianship* looks forward to another good year of promoting, critiquing, and expanding library collaboration across all kinds of boundaries spanning all types of libraries.

As we start this new publication year, we welcome the first appointee to our Advisory Board from outside North America, Rona Wade, Executive Director and CEO of UNILINC Limited, a large multi-type library consortium in Australia.

In this issue we present a guest editorial by Joan Frye Williams and George Needham that offers some practical perspectives on developing collaborative partnerships. How, in fact, a library partnership evolved in North Carolina is the subject of a peer-reviewed article by Mary G. Early and Anne Marie Taber. The “From the Field” section begins with an engaging interview with Rick Lugg, a consultant in the field of library reorganization. Two articles follow that deal with opportunities for academic libraries to expand their resources and services in new areas of support for scholarly initiatives on campus: one on the creation and dissemination of scholarship, and the other on assisting in grant identification, development and coordination. “From the Field” concludes with another interview, also on library reorganization, with Mary Somerville, author of the new ACRL book, *Working Together: Collaborative Information Practices for Organizational Learning*. She challenges employees in all types of libraries to rethink library practices and structures that better embody larger educational aspirations. Again, the “Viewpoints” section publishes insights and opinion from library innovator, Mitchell Davis. Completing this issue, Barbara Pope reviews the multi-author work, *Academic Library Outreach: Beyond the Campus Walls*.

*Collaborative Librarianship* welcomes your comments on any of these articles. The journal also encourages submission of articles to be considered for publication in one of its three main sections: Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Articles, From the Field, or Reviews.

Although the journal is published quarterly, remember to visit the website frequently to keep abreast of developing news related to library collaboration. This section is updated frequently each week. Your contributions and comments to CL “News” are always welcomed. Keep informed and in touch! Please considered becoming a “fan” of *Collaborative Librarianship* through our facebook website: http://www.facebook.com/CollaborativeLibrarianship.