

# LETTER FROM THE NEW EDITOR

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On behalf of **Dr. Murali Nair**, Director, Cleveland State University School of Social Work, I am pleased to confirm that *Reflections: Narratives of Professional Helping* will be published as a peer-reviewed online journal. Dr. Nair and I are grateful to our CSULB colleagues - **Dr. Christian Molidor**, Director of the School of Social Work and **Dr. Eileen Mayers Pasztor**, *Reflections* Editor - for their support and collaboration throughout the process of transferring rights and responsibilities for publishing *Reflections* to our University.

Cleveland State's publication of *Reflections* will begin with the "Special Issue on Field Education, Volume 18, Number 2," co-edited by **Denice Goodrich-Liley** of Boise State University and **Martha Kirkendall Wilson** of the University of New England. Prior to that issue, all current subscribers, previous contributors, accredited social work programs and NASW chapters will be contacted about how to access the online journal in order to build circulation and stimulate subscriptions. Later this year, there will be a general issue, as well as a "Special Issue on Mentoring," co-edited by **Mark J. Hager** of Menlo College and **Jennifer Bellamy** of the University of Chicago.

*Reflections* has important Cleveland roots, as evidenced in the "Letter from the Founders" by **Sonia Leib Abels** with **Paul Abels**. In September 2010, our school hosted a lunch for them to mark the publication of the "Special Issue on Social Justice," which they co-edited.

The *Reflections* Editorial Board also has had strong roots in Cleveland. **Professor Edward McKinney** of CSU School of Social Work was on the original Editorial Board. **Professor John Wilson**, Department of Psychology at CSU, served from the inception of the Journal until approximately Fall 2007. Associate Professor Emerita **Beth Cagan** served on the Board from the 1990s until 2004. The Cleveland Clinic's **Martin Kohn** has served on the Editorial Board for many years. The Executive and Editorial Boards will be reformed, following extensive consultation.

Our goals for Editorial Policies and Procedures include transparency, accountability, continuity and change.

Many Cleveland-based authors have contributed to *Reflections*, including Cleveland State University School of Social Work **Professor Lonnie R. Helton**, who has contributed two narratives. **Professor Larry W. Foster** of our School and **Linda McLellan** of the Cleveland Clinic co-authored a narrative. Former CSU faculty members **Janet C. Bussey** and **Gloria Freire** also published narratives. Since arriving at Cleveland State University in 2007, I have published two narratives and edited the "Special Issue on Work and the Workplace."

Case Western University Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences contributors have included the late **Howard Goldstein** and the late **Herman Stein**, as well as current faculty **David Crampton**, and **Kathleen J. Farkas**.

Recently, Cleveland State University School of Social Work Professor Emeritus of Philosophy **Sam Richmond** contributed an article to the "Special Issue on Social Justice," co-edited by Sonia and Paul. In 1996, Sam had published a *Reflections* essay on individual obligation and the necessity to do the right thing. Our School has concluded that providing a new Cleveland-based home to *Reflections: Narratives of Professional Helping* is the right thing to do. It is a privilege that our School can play a role in ensuring that the journal will continue.

As work begins to publish the new era of *Reflections*, we will give full respect to the tradition the journal represents. We especially look forward to being in touch with the readers of *Reflections*, everyone who has contributed over the years, and prospective authors and subscribers for this beloved journal.

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