



Editorial

Change is in the Air

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What is it about September that makes me think about change? I suppose that it has something to do with all those years of going back to school after summer vacation, signaling a new academic year and the end of summer vacation. Or perhaps it has to do with the changing of the seasons (I already have had to turn my heat on once) as the weather turns slightly cooler and the air changes its scent. My spring cleaning, so to speak, happens in the fall. That's when I turf out clothing that hasn't been worn for over a year as well as all the toys that the kids have outgrown or outplayed.

Change breeds ideas and renewed vigor. *Evidence Based Library and Information Practice* has established itself in the information professions as a fine publication and as a valuable, informative resource. All the expected elements are present in every issue: research articles, commentaries, evidence summaries and news. During the

next year we plan to shake things up a bit through a number of mechanisms. Feature issues are well received and we plan to publish one feature issue per year which will address areas in the evidence based literature that may be lacking or topics that are current and contentious. Some of these issues will be presented by guest editors who are active in the topical areas upon which the issues are focused. The December, 2007 issue will feature commentaries on classic research articles and the impact that they have had on the profession since first published. I guarantee that you will recognize at least one of these articles, if not all of them.

We have many plans, some of which are tentative and unofficial, others that have not quite solidified. What we do know, however, is that ideas are being brought to our attention on a regular basis and that the ideas are good. I regularly receive email

from potential authors with article ideas that they are thinking about writing, but wanting to ensure that their approach is conducive to the journal. Some of these show great promise, and I look forward to the opportunity to publish them upon completion. There are follow-up studies to articles published in earlier issues on the horizon. Suggestions have been made to increase the number of sections in each issue to include book reviews, brief reports of evidence being used in practice, etc. It is of utmost importance that this journal

continues to pique the interest of current readers and to attract new readers. Feel free at anytime to drop us an email with your ideas and suggestions. We are always happy to know that we are doing something well or whether or not something needs to be looked at more closely.

I anticipate a very exciting year for this journal and for our readers. We may not be cleaning out the closets, but we will be opening the windows a bit more.