Several field trips are also planned to familiarize conference participants with the Twin Cities and their cartographic centers. NACIS members should have recently received (or shortly will receive) information and a registration form for the meeting. We have also published a preliminary conference schedule on pages 31-33 in this issue of CP. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to receive additional information and registration material.

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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

This issue marks some changes for Cartographic Perspectives. Although the design and overall look of the publication remain the same (at least I hope it does when it goes to press), there have been some significant changes. One of these is a change in editorship of the journal. David DiBiase, who had served as editor of CP since its first issue in March of 1989, completed his tenure as editor with issue No. 12 (now known as the “white issue”). I know I speak for every NACIS member in thanking Dave for making CP a journal of high quality in both its content and design. I especially appreciate his assistance in making the transition go smoothly. Many of the contributions in this current issue were initiated, and in some cases already completed for me, by Dave and his staff at Penn State. I can only hope that we can continue to produce a publication of equal quality.

Another notable change marked by this issue is that instead of a single Featured Article, this issue has two Featured Articles. It is my hope, and that of the Editorial Board, that this precedent continues and that the cartographic community benefit from the increased scholarly contribution that CP can make. We wish to encourage submission of manuscripts as well as all other items of interest for publication consideration. Guidelines for papers and submissions appear at the end of this issue.

We will be publishing CP three times per year. We have targeted a Fall, Winter, and Spring publication schedule. This issue (Number 13, Fall 1992) has important information about NACIS XII. The meeting will be held in St. Paul, Minnesota from October 14-17. NACIS members should have already received (or shortly will receive) a conference schedule program and registration forms, however, we have also included this information on pages 31-33 of this issue. You should note that NACIS is conducting three workshops this year: Macintosh Animation, IBM Animation, and Map Production and Design. These workshops will provide an excellent opportunity to get hands-on exposure to some of the new and exciting techniques that are changing the way we conceive, store, and use maps. I urge anyone who can take advantage of these workshops to do so.

Finally, I would like to encourage each of you to let us know if you have suggestions for improving the quality and content of CP. Your input will be greatly appreciated and not ignored. I look forward to serving as editor and hope that the information we provide through CP is interesting, informative, and beneficial.

Sona Karentz Andrews

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On June 7, in Chicago, Illinois, Barbara Bartz Petchenik died of cancer at the age of 52. Barbara was a member of NACIS and throughout her professional career Barbara integrated scholarly research interests in the nature of spatial knowledge and mapping participation in commercial cartography.

Barbara was a Senior Sales Representative for R.R. Donnelley Cartographic Services, Mapping Services Division since 1975. From 1970 to 1975 she was Cartographic Editor of the Atlas of Early American History, and from 1964 to 1970 was Cartographic Editor and Staff Consultant in Research and Design for World Book Encyclopedia. She continued on page 25