

To the readers of *The Florida Geographer*

This is the first issue of the *Florida Geographer* since 1992. When I assumed the editorship in January I had hopes to be able to put together an issue very rapidly, since it was my belief that there were many faculty and student papers throughout the state ready for submission. Optimistically, I even believed there might have been a sufficient number for two issues, and we would be able to fill in more than one year of the four that were lost. Even with the two articles that had been submitted before I became editor (Malecki's and Meindl's), it took five months to accumulate a sufficient number to complete this issue.

I believe that the *Florida Geographer* is a marvelous outlet for papers with a geographical theme about Florida. In the past most articles that have appeared in the journal have been written by members of the faculty of higher educational institutions. That also is true of this issue. Nonetheless, a rich potential source of papers is from students. The best way this source can be tapped is through the encouragement of faculty members. I urge those of you who have or have had graduate and undergraduate students who have written high-quality term papers for you about Florida to encourage them to submit their papers to the *Florida Geographer* for review. Meanwhile I will continue to solicit papers for submission through constant appeal, particularly through the Internet list server now in operation. To be listed please send a message to: listproc@mailier.fsu.edu. Include a message with no subject and with the following text: `subscribe fla_geog<your name>`.

At my expense I am printing extra copies of this issue so that the libraries of all institutions of higher education in the state will receive a copy. I hope both subscriptions and readership will be increased.

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