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From Your (renovating) Editor:

Against my better judgment I was talked into renovating an old house! It's an old Army machine shop so I didn't think it would be too bad. Boy was I wrong!

This *ATG* issue, **IRs R Cool Again**, is guest edited by the amazing team of **Burton Callicott** and **Natasha Simons**. We have articles from **Burton** and **Natasha** (introduction), **Natasha** and **Chris Erdmann** (future proofing IRs) **Micah Vandegrift** (a color-blind perspective), **Andrew Wesolek** (resolving the dialectic aims of IRs), **Anton Angelo** (publication method of last resort), **Jamie Wittenberg** (IR and RIMS), **Tom Morrell** (research data and software), **John Chodacki** and **Daniella Lowenberg** (working beyond the institutional walls), **Eleni Castro**, **Erin Jerome**, **Colin Lukens**, **Mikki Simon**, **Macdonald** and **Lisa A. Palmer**

(NIRDS), **Dr. Robin Burgess** (visual arts data), and **Amanda Makula** (partnering with local cities and communities). Clearly there's a lot to learn about institutional repositories!

Scott Plutchak's Epistemology is about long-term preservation and **Kent Anderson** says we spend too much time fretting about money. **Ann Okerson's Back Talk** is about Chernobyl and lessons learned. We have a special report from **Dr. Francis Pinter** about intentions and motivations behind book burning. Our interviews are with **Nigel Newton**, **Dr. Anke Beck**, and **Dr. Sven Fund**. **David Parker** supplements with an interview with **Sarah Howard** about the rise of virtual reality and augmented reality. The profiles encouraged are all about many of our authors. Our book review section has **Corey Seeman's** monograph and reference reviews, and **Anne Doherty's** col-

lecting to the core as well as **Donna Jacobs'** summer reading recommendation.

Legal issues is about the EU Directive on copyright for the digital age by **Bill Hannay**. **Lolly Gasaway** answers many questions in her copyright column. **Myer Kutz (Scholarly Publishing Scene)** brings back many memories of **Robert Maxwell**. **Ramune Kubilius** does her usual thorough job of compiling reports from the **2018 Charleston Conference**. **Jill Heinze's Marketing Touchpoints** is about building bridges, **Michael Gruenberg** wants to know about the marketplace, **Michelle Flinchbaugh** continues her articles about creating a new repository, **Ariana Santiago** discusses advancing textbook affordability, **Arjun Sabharwal** is interested in institutional repositories and knowledge curation. **Dan Forrest** in wandering the web reminds us of food websites. In **Library Analytics**, **Kristin Hall** and **Janet H. Clarke** talk about the impact of annual reports. Holistic collection assessment is the subject of **Meghan Burke** and **Gwen Vredevoogd's Let's Get Technical**. **Jared Seay** is interested in using games to actually teach something.

Oh Bosh! The cement contractors are ringing the bell so they can pour the back porch! Sounds like fun! Meanwhile, life goes on! Happy almost Thanksgiving! **Yr. Ed.** 🐼

Letters to the Editor

Send letters to <kstrauch@comcast.net>, phone 843-509-2848, or snail mail: **Against the Grain**, Post Office Box 799, Sullivan's Island, SC 29482. You can also send a letter to the editor from the *ATG* Homepage at <http://www.against-the-grain.com>.

Dear Editor:

ATG is probably my favorite professional journal and I am very pleased to become one of your guest editors! I'm looking forward to getting started with this project!

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on bringing together the best library and software expertise to build solutions that help libraries transform to meet the demands of today's world.

Gosh!!! According to **Roger C. Schonfeld** in *Scholarly Kitchen*, **Annette Thomas**, who was our wonderful keynote speaker last year at the **Charleston Conference**, has left **Clarivate**. What does this mean for **Clarivate** and what exciting new developments will **Annette** have in store for us!?

An interesting article in *The Atlantic* (October 4, 2019) caught my eye. "College Students Just Want Normal Libraries" by **Alia Wong**. "Schools have been on a mission to reinvent campus libraries — even though students just want the basics." I couldn't agree more!

<https://www.theatlantic.com/education/archive/2019/10/college-students-dont-want-fancy-libraries/599455/>

When we were putting the program together for the **2019 Charleston Conference**, we decided that **Michael Mabe** was the perfect person to talk about **Plan S** and what all is going on with it. **Michael** has agreed to speak saying that he is retired from STM and cannot speak officially as a representative. Meanwhile, let's

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2020 Events	Issue	Ad Reservation	Camera-Ready
Annual Report, PLA	February 2020	01/02/20	01/16/20
MLA, SLA, Book Expo	April 2020	02/20/20	03/12/20
ALA Annual	June 2020	04/02/20	04/23/20
Reference Publishing	September 2020	06/11/20	07/09/20
Charleston Conference	November 2020	08/13/20	09/03/20
ALA Midwinter	Dec. 2020-Jan. 2021	11/05/20	11/23/20

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