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Letter from the Editors

Dear UPOJ Reader:

When our chairman, Dr. Fitzgerald, approached us about assuming editorship of the UPOJ's resurrection, we decided to make some significant changes. In the past, the UPOJ contained articles that were both academic and informative, but were not necessarily of interest to the majority of our orthopaedic alumni or to practicing orthopedists in general. By contacting our graduates and learning of their specific interests, we found that they were most interested in peer-reviewed articles which dealt with the practical application of orthopaedics by our own faculty and alumni. Consequently, our first edition of the new UPOJ contains a series of review articles from our faculty that compares with other peer-reviewed orthopaedic journals.

The change in the focus of the UPOJ prompted a new appearance to signify the transformation. The journal cover now prominently features the Penn crest because we are emphasizing our faculty and alumni as resources. To insure that the UPOJ will have continued financial and educational viability, a business plan was created to generate funding from advertisers instead of subsidization by our department. Dr. Fitzgerald was able to provide the resources and support to achieve these goals. The support of our associate editors and peer reviewers was outstanding. We would be remiss if we did not specifically commend John Klimkiewicz and Richard Seldes for their exemplary work in this regard.

We hope that you will read and enjoy this edition of the UPOJ. Feedback and comments will be greatly appreciated.

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