

Editor's Note

From the “Cold War” bunker of Brennen II, the Fairmount Folio rises once more. Renovations in the beloved Fiske Hall have forced the History Department to carry on off campus. To reach the department one must cross 17th street in a hazardous rendition of frogger. Many students found the necessary jaunt too much last year when it came time to turn in papers for the Folio. There were only two submissions in 2017, so the decision was made to hold them until this year. Many more papers were submitted for consideration this year and the Editorial Board carefully selected the papers to be included. After revisions on all papers, we have a wonderful volume with many amazing works.

As editor, I have had a unique two-year experience. I have been able to sit with two different editorial boards as they chose the papers for the Folio. The papers that make up volume 18 have a wide range of topics from U.S. to European History. Due to the wide range of topics the volume has been arranged chronologically. The authors look at many social and political topics that have resonance in the world today. War, civil rights, education, and women's place in history are some of the overarching themes these authors cover. Many of the papers reveal the history of issues that are still being decided in the world today.

I would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Hundley. She has held the Fairmount Folio together through many years. Regardless of the trials this two-year volume has brought, she has remained steadfast and unflappable in her determination to help the authors and myself through this process. The Editorial Boards for both years deserve a thank you as well. Dr. Price, Dr. Hayton, Dr. Owens, and Dr. Hundley all served in this capacity and I thank them for their time and consideration of all papers submitted.

Please enjoy and learn from the hard work of the authors and editors who made this volume possible.

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