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Dear Reader,

Here it is. Clutched between your fingertips is a year of toil, bound. The tight spine sighs a little as you bend back the cover. The pages, stiff and crisp and new, almost quiver at your touch. New pages. New voices. New words.

There is nothing like a new literary journal. Here, writers and artists gather and meet for the first time—or maybe the second, or the third—and stand proud among their peers. Before this moment, they've been weighed and prodded, questioned and defended, arranged and rearranged—but now, at last, they've found you. Listen, reader: they have so much to tell you.

So crack the spine. Bend the pages. Write in the margins and dog-ear your favorites. Circle the same phrase again the second time through. Perch it on the mantel between your family photos and that dusty softball trophy from when you were eight. Show your mother. Your uncle. Your neighbors. Take this new journal and let it live.

That's all we could ask for.

Lynn Dimick and Kathyrn Willis
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