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In September we received word that our open-access journal *Parks Stewardship Forum* has been selected by the United States Library of Congress to be part of its permanent collection. “We believe this publication is an important and valuable addition to our collections and to the historical record,” the notice read. The decisions about what to include come from Library personnel known as “recommending officers”: subject-matter experts who identify web-based content worthy of archiving (and, in some instances, making available on the Library’s own website).

The Library “preserves cultural artifacts and provides enduring access to them in order to serve the needs of Congress and to support education and the creation of new scholarship,” the notice continued. “The Library’s traditional functions of acquiring, cataloging, preserving, and serving collection materials of historical importance now extend to digital materials.”

“As you can imagine, it was a very pleasant surprise to receive this honor,” said GWS Executive Director and PSF Co-Managing Editor David Harmon. “It’s a testament to the hard work of the PSF editorial staff getting the new journal up and out of the starting blocks so quickly and successfully, and it’s good to see PSF’s enduring value being recognized.” The other members of the staff—all of whom volunteer their services—are Rebecca Conard (Co-Managing Editor), Dorothy Davis and Gary Davis (Co-Editors, “The Photographer’s Frame”), Gary Machlis (Editor, “Verse in Place”), and Rolf Diamant (Columnist, “Letter from Woodstock”). For more information about the Library of Congress’s digital collections, visit <http://www.loc.gov/collections/>.