

letters

What an Issue!

Thank you and my hearty congratulations! The May/June issue of the *Journal of Extension* is a gem!

As a theme issue on personal development, I don't know how you could beat it. In Wyoming, we are renewing emphasis on continued self-improvement as Extension professionals. I'm urging all of our staff to dig into this issue and do some serious thinking about its content. I appreciate your effort and a job that's well done.

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Congratulations, Phyllis, on putting together the excellent special issue on personal development for the *Journal of Extension*. I like the new format and your content.

So many times in the past two years I have remembered bits and pieces of the week in Washington when you and group helped me to develop a better self-image. Perhaps if I pursue some of the ideas in the *Journal* I can get a much needed retreat!

The *Journal* editorial board should also be commended for recognizing your qualifications and making it possible for you to share them with us in this way.

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May I extend enthusiastic congratulations on the May/June issue of the *Journal of Extension*. It's no doubt the best issue of *JE* I've read in my six years in *Extension* (the issue on time management runs a close second). I have been pleased with the new *JE* format and particularly favor the "theme" issue idea: I really like being able to mentally "zero in" on one topic.

In the article "Telling It Like It Is," the phrase "a gossip-oriented organization" caught my eye. While I dearly love *Extension* and feel the goals are worthwhile, the writer couldn't have described it better. I don't think I've ever held a job where there was so much of this activity and interestingly enough, the men are as bad as the women!

A future issue on management/administration/supervision might be interesting with some "telling it like it is" vignettes.

Keep up the good work.

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Thank you so much for including my Florida study in the latest *Journal of Extension*.

Upon sending a copy to Colonel Pfeiffer of the Port Charlotte Cultural Center, he replied: "I read the report with much interest and it's now being circulated among staff and volunteers. Everyone feels that you did an excellent job of catching the atmosphere of the center."

The new format and design for the *Journal* is very attractive. The professional development articles you selected certainly "rode in style."

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I want to express my pleasure with the *Journal of Extension*. It's an excellent format and very readable.

I particularly enjoyed the May/June, 1977, issue on professional development. Please continue to develop similar special issues.

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