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Preface

It is with pleasure (and some relief!) that we present this latest issue of *Prairie Perspectives*. We are proud of the quality and variety of scholarship showcased here; the research presented within these covers demonstrates the vigour of geographical research conducted by the faculty and graduate students of the universities that make up the Prairie Division of the Canadian Association of Geographers.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the numerous reviewers who so ably and efficiently worked with us in selecting and improving submitted papers, and thus helping us to ensure that *Prairie Perspectives* retains and builds on a reputation of excellence. We really could not produce this journal without their commitment and collegiality.

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Enjoy, and look forward to Issue 2!

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