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PREFACE

"WE'RE GONNA NEED A BIGGER BOOK!" This line, paraphrased from *Jaws* (incidentally, one of my all-time favorite films, and an obvious nod to our parody cover design), was uttered on more than a few occasions as the Editorial Board of *Cornfield Review* worked tirelessly to curate this year's volume. A smaller group than usual (seven) confronted a much larger pile of submissions than we typically get (nearly two hundred poems, short stories, and photographs). But much like those three rag-tag members of the Orca confronting a 25-foot, three ton great white shark, they got the job done. Thankfully, no one was eaten in the process.

We are especially thankful for the support—financial, emotional, and otherwise—we have received during this issue's production. First among this group is the administration of OSU-Marion, led by Dean Greg Rose. Additionally, our English faculty, particularly our teachers of creative writing, including Stuart Lishan and Mike Lohre, have encouraged students to submit their best work to us. Mary Fahy, who annually teaches a digital photography course, is a steadfast friend of our publication as well (and based on the quality of her students' submissions, a fine teacher to boot!).

This year's Editorial Board was indefatigable, and worked through a long, bleak winter to bring this issue to life. Members of the 2014 Board consist of: Casey Edgington, Stevie Evans, John Long, Samantha Stover Lynch, Melissa Pucci, Meg Weatherford, and Brian Wilds. Given the heft of this year's workload, the Board definitely deserves a slow clap of appreciation.

Cornfield Review is published annually. The Editorial Board is interested in quality poetry, prose, artwork, and photography. Submissions are primarily solicited from students at OSU-Marion, Marion Technical College, and Columbus State Community College-Delaware, although we accept submissions from off-campus writers and artists as well. For more information, please email me at <u>mccorkle.12@osu.edu</u>, or visit us online at <u>http://cornfieldreview.osu.edu</u>.

— Ben McCorkle, Faculty Adviser

The Cornfield Review Mission Statement:

We strive to represent the literary and artistic voice of Central Ohio by giving area college students (as well as others) an opportunity to see their work published in a professional literary journal. Additionally, we are passionate about achieving a cultural impact that goes beyond local campuses and reaches into the greater community.

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