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We are pleased to announce that James L. Yarnall has been selected as the new Staff Editor of Newport History. James is an Assistant Professor in the Art Department at Salve Regina University and also serves in the Cultural and Historic Preservation Program there. James received his Ph.D. in Art History from the University of Chicago and is an internationally recognized expert on the artist John LaFarge, who spent so much time in Newport. He is a prolific author and has edited a number of volumes.

In the past few years, James has contributed more articles to Newport History than any other single author. Last year he won the Excellence in History Award for an article he co-authored with Natalie Nicholson.

With these credentials, it was an easy choice for John Hattendorf, Chair of the Newport Historical Society's Publication Committee, and myself to select James for the Editor position. James has some very exciting plans for forthcoming issues of Newport History. With his skill and intelligence, his passion for Newport History, and good working relationship with the staff, these plans are sure to blossom into an exciting new era for Newport History.

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