On behalf of the new editorial team, it is my privilege to welcome readers to the most recent issue of *Financial Counseling and Planning (FCP)*. Since January 2006, *FCP* has been located in the School of Human Ecology at Louisiana State University. The location of the journal shifted after being housed for three years at Oregon State University, where Dr. Sandra Helmick served as Editor. I am grateful to Dr. Helmick for her continued advancement of the journal and for her support in smoothing the transition of the journal office and its operations from Oregon to Louisiana. In addition to Dr. Barbara O’Neill of Rutgers University, who will continue to serve as the Book Review Editor, I am joined by Allison Rayburn, a graduate student in my division, who will assist with managing the manuscript review process and other editorial operations.

*FCP* has been in existence since 1990. *FCP*’s continuing existence reflects the commitment of the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education (AFCPE) and the dedication of many persons (authors, reviewers, editors, and support staff) to contributing to and publishing a quality journal. In the June 12, 2006 issue of *Fortune* magazine, the cover’s title read “Secrets of Greatness: Teamwork” and the related article pointed out that: “Life’s richest experiences often happen in concert with others” (p. 66). In the first 6-months of my service, I have valued immensely the rich experiences that have happened in concert with the *FCP* editorial team.

Several changes have been made to enhance the journal’s Website and the submission and review processes. All the available *FCP* manuscripts that have been published since the journal’s inception can be downloaded from its Website at www.afcpe.org. Manuscript submission guidelines have been revised to be more user friendly to reviewers and to authors and can be found on the Website. The reviewer assessment form has been enhanced and is also available on the Website to inform authors about how their submissions are evaluated.

Readers will likely notice that the journal has a different look. The front cover and the format of the content have been redesigned to give a more contemporary appearance. Readers may also notice that the Editorial Board membership has expanded. It is with great pleasure and deepest thanks that I announce the new Editorial Board members who represent academicians and practitioners from various geographic areas:

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In the coming years, the editorial team looks forward to working with our authors, reviewers, publisher, and readers to enhance *FCP*’s reputation and to expand its readership. I encourage all academicians and practitioners to submit their best research to *FCP* where it will receive a fair and respectful scholarly review.