

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:-I just received my first copy of *The Permanente Journal* (Volume 1, No. 2). I am very impressed with the professional quality of the *Journal*.

Susan Yee
Laboratory Administrator
California Division, Berkeley

To the Editor:-I have been meaning to tell you that I really do appreciate—and like—the *Journal*. I used some of it for inspiration (and quotes) for the recent rating agency presentations. I hope that there will continue to be such articles as those written by Oliver, Dave, and Merv, as well as the clinical contributions. By the way, I remember when I joined in 1989, in my interview time with Paul Lairson, just being incredulous that there was not such a compendium of clinical research articles by Permanente physicians ... so eureka! And good job!

Janice Murphy
Vice President & Treasurer
Kaiser Foundation Hospitals/Health Plan

To the Editor:-Very excellent format and content.
Bruce Locke, MD
Administration/Surgery
The Permanente Medical Group, Walnut Creek

To the Editor:-I want to congratulate you on *The Permanente Journal* I just received (Volume 1, No. 2). It is very professional in appearance (equal to what one sees in a bookstore) and well written. While I am not medically trained, I did find some of the articles interesting and within my "span of understanding."

You deserve to feel good about it. Keep up the good work.

Ed Denton
Director, Design and Construction Consulting Services
Program Offices

To the Editor:-I have received both copies of *The Permanente Journal* and am quite impressed with the quality of production. You have a much bigger staff than our first two journals and it shows. Morrie Collen did most of *The Permanente Foundation Medical Bulletin* by himself. Ruth Straus and I did most of *The Kaiser Foundation Medical Bulletin*. I have no significant criticisms. At my age I would prefer a larger font, but if I had to choose between a larger font with less content I would choose the present way.

I can't help but be quite interested in the beginnings of your project.

Carl Fisher, MD
Anesthesiologist, retired
The Permanente Medical Group

To the Editor:-I just read the latest *Permanente Journal* and it is terrific. You and your team should feel enormous pride in the quality and scope of this wonderful publication. My sincere congratulations to all involved.

Peter Hohl
Director, Alliance/Acquisition Services
Program Offices

Flypaper Meeting:

"A spontaneous gathering that takes place after two people begin talking in the hallway or an office cubicle, then draw passersby into their conversation."

Gareth Branwyn, Wired, August 1997