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One of my favorite words is "penultimate." While it's not a word I use in everyday conversation (unless I want to sound like an overeager English major), I've always found it very descriptive and more succinct than "next to last."

However, in this case, I'm sad to use it, as this issue of the Quarterly has the penultimate article of "Ross' Rave," a fixture in the Quarterly for almost a decade. Its inimitable author, Ross LaBaugh, has thoroughly enjoyed his long run, but decided it was time to hang up his pen/keyboard, and let someone else have a go. I know I speak for all previous LOEX Directors when I say editing Ross was always a fun and refreshing part of our job and we are quite thankful for his valued contribution to LOEX.

The departure of Ross' column after the next issue does leave the question of what should replace it. While the most straightforward replacement would be to get another columnist, finding one as unique and skilled as Ross is not remotely easy; if you would like to volunteer someone as a possibility, I'm all ears. If not another humor/general interest columnist, please let me know any other ideas/topics that you would like to see regularly featured in the Quarterly. Anything that could be applicable to the world of library instruction is up for discussion. In the next issue, I'll discuss some of the options.

In the meantime, in this latest issue of the Quarterly, we have articles on tweets, blogs, remembering instruction, getting organized without organizations, and penultimate Ross.

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