

EDITOR'S NOTE

The officers and members of the Small Business Institute Directors' Association (SBIDA) dedicate this issue of the *Journal of Small Business Strategy (JSBS)* to Drs. Lloyd Elgart and Lillian Schanfield, former editors of the *JSBS*. Drs. Elgart and Schanfield served as editors of the journal for approximately two years. We appreciate their excellent contributions toward making the journal a highly-recognized, quality small business journal.

The articles published in this issue of the journal represent a focused effort to provide the readers with practical information that can be used to help small business owners and managers improve and grow their businesses. In keeping with a practice begun by Drs. Elgart and Schanfield, the special non-reviewed section includes invited papers and papers that received the Distinguished Paper Award at the SBIDA National Consulting Conference.

I commend the reviewers and authors for their contributions and patience during this time of transition between editors. I would appreciate your comments on articles published in either section and any suggestions for improving the journal.

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