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Stepped-up emphasis on military sites, the result of increasing preparation for the celebration of the nation's bicentennial anniversary, is providing an excellent opportunity for the historical archaeologist to study the variety of structures and construction techniques provided by 18th century fortifications, as well as to seek new evidence about the condition of the 18th century soldier as revealed in artifact study.

Reflecting this current expanded interest in an always-fascinating field, the Fall Symposium of The Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology chose the archaeology of fortifications as its theme. This issue, containing the papers presented at the Symposium, should provide valuable information for organizations planning to include the restoration of Revolutionary War fortifications in their bicentennial activities.

Our Journal has now reached its full size of 64 pages which we hope will be the standard format for the future. We welcome the submission of manuscripts on subjects relevant to the archaeology of Northeast sites.

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