last years. We continue to operate in the black and it looks like our subscription numbers have stabilized. Of our 816 subscribers, 723 are domestic and 93 are foreign. Six hundred and fifty-five of our subscribers are SSSA members.

Most of our income is from subscriptions, as the sale of back issues and the Guy Smith Interviews are nil. We continue to receive an adequate number or articles. The mix between technical and general nature articles seems appropriate. *Soil Survey Horizons* seems to be fulfilling the niche of a place to publish work related to soil survey and classification, with an occasional lighter article about soil survey history, a soil related story, poem, etc. The Editors are considering initiating a section in each issue for both historic and contemporary photographs.

A reminder to all authors to submit both a hard copy (double-spaced) and an electronic version (Word Perfect or MSWord) of their articles. Photographs should be original glossy black and white; line art figures may be high quality original hard copies or TIFF files (600 dpi or better). All authors should include their address, phone number, and email address.

The Editorial Board would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have made contributions to *Soil Survey Horizons* in the past. We encourage you to submit your articles, news items, and photographs. *Soil Survey Horizons* has been a medium for field soil scientists to voice their ideas, observations, and philosophies since the early 1960s. Although it has undergone many changes since it began as a regional newsletter, *Soil Survey Horizons* continues to be an easily readable publication dedicated to the study of soils in the field. We urge you to continue to subscribe and encourage your associates to subscribe. Please send your general interest articles, research reports and news items to the appropriate Regional Editor.

This year *Soil Survey Horizons* welcomes two new Regional Editors, Mike Walker and John Galbraith. We also extend thanks to Joey Shaw and Ken Matzdorf, the retiring editors. Joey and Ken reviewed many papers and their efforts were greatly appreciated.

Michael Ulmer
Editor, *SSH*

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**New Associate Editor, North Central Region**

Michael Walker, St. Paul, Minnesota, has been selected as the new Associate Editor for the North Central Region. Mike replaces Ken Matzdorf, who served on the editorial board since 1999.

Mr. Walker is currently employed by USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service as a Soil Data Quality Specialist for MLRA (Major Land Resource Area) Region 10. He is a native of Galesburg, Illinois. He graduated in 1973 from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a B.S. in forestry. Mike’s past positions have included field soil scientist and soil survey project leader in various locations in central and northeastern Illinois. His present position includes re-