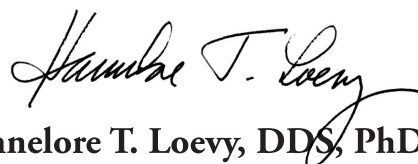


## Our New Issue

The New Year is here, and the new on-line format of the *Journal of Dentistry for Children* is making its debut. Like everyone else, I am excited with the new challenge. Over the past several years people have become accustomed to the idea of computers delivering the “state of the art” information and they will continue to do so (most of the time). There are, of course, disadvantages since the hardware and software can become obsolete and nobody can curl up efficiently with a computer (not even a laptop). On the other hand, there is no question that computers are expected to play a major role in the efficient delivery of patient care and monitoring treatment modalities and progress. This

will improve efficient exposure to new findings and new forms of treatment which should improve treatment care. Unfortunately this issue was delayed, but I hope that the problems we have had will be corrected soon, particularly since several papers are ready and waiting to be printed in the very new future. This present issue is truly international with five papers coming from different cities in Brazil, Costa Rica, Thailand, India and Saudi Arabia besides four different states from the United States. As usual, your input is important to us. I hope you will let us know your views during the meeting in San Antonio. If you are not going to be there, let us know anyway. Your suggestions are welcome.



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