

WITH THIS, IT'S 40 VOLUMES

In recognition of the 40th birthday of *AUSS*, a brief historical sketch by Karen Abrahamson pays tribute to those who launched the journal and those who have kept it going until now. Also for this Ruby Anniversary, we break with our usual practice in order to include pictures of the past editors and the present editorial staff.

Opening the article section of this issue is a mini-symposium on women in the OT. We are indebted to David Merling and Heidi Szpek for gathering these articles and doing initial editing. Some of them were originally presented at a Midwest Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Four more of the same group will be published in *AUSS* Spring 2003.

Karen Abrahamson, editorial assistant and office manager at *AUSS*, has been working for months on a complete overhaul of the *AUSS* web page. By the time this issue reaches readers, you should be able to click on < www.auss.info > and find a fresh new home page which Karen designed, backed up by a relatively full-service website, including a complete index for volumes 1-40, authors' guidelines for articles and book reviews, provision for online subscribing, and other information. Hopefully it won't be 40 years before the next web page update! (Karen agrees). JM



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