Editor’s Introduction
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This volume of Juniata Voices brings together essays based on many of the talks given at Juniata College during the 2013-2014 academic year. It includes President Jim Troha’s inaugural address and speeches from convocations, commencement, and the Bailey Oratorical Contest. Five of this year’s essays are inspired by the campus-wide reading for the summer of 2013, J. Glenn Gray’s The Warriors. Gray was a Juniata graduate, a World War II veteran, and a philosopher, and the book is his reflection on the experience of war. These five essays are grouped together near the beginning of the volume, while the other essays appear chronologically. We are lucky to have essays from five of the Bookend Seminars; Juniata alumni may be particularly interested in David Sowell’s examination of the epidemic behind the original Mountain Day.

This volume also features essays from visiting speakers in a range of disciplines, from chemistry to poetry to politics. Two of them, Daniel Ellsberg and Myra MacPherson, address the relationship between journalists and government. Ellsberg talks about his own experiences with the Pentagon Papers and about Edward Snowden, while MacPherson looks back to the work of I.F. Stone.

Many thanks to the speakers and to all the people who worked behind the scenes to make this volume possible. Colleen Wall was our Juniata Associate for this volume and recorded and transcribed many of the talks. Haley Schneider, the Juniata Associate for the next volume, worked on this one as well. Sadie Luetmer recorded several speakers and helped edit transcripts. Jim Skelly coordinated our work with many of the speakers, and Wade Roberts helped with another. Jim Borgardt was our physics consultant. Chad Herzog was our liaison with the Juniata Presents speaker series. Peter Goldstein continued his work on our poetry series. As always, Voices relies on the support of the Provost’s Office and of the library; we thank Lauren Bowen, Joanne Krugh, and John Mumford. Finally, thanks to the editorial board and in particular to Jim Tuten and Dave Hsiung, who cheerfully took on extra work as needed.

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