

A Library Publisher & State Library Association Working Together

Pennsylvania Libraries: *Research & Practice*

(palrap.org)

The Need

A Library Publishing Program Looking for Content



The University Library System at Pitt is an Open Access library-based publisher using the Open Journal Systems (OJS) platform from the Public Knowledge Project (PKP).

A Library Association Looking for an OA Journal Publisher



PA Library Association members had a desire to share more knowledge among library professionals.

The Partnership

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- Published 2 times per year
- Now finalizing our 3rd issue (Spring 2014)
- Began with a focus on *Research & Practice* articles
- Now includes *Commentaries, Features, & News* articles



Publisher Provides:

- OJS Hosting, Support, & Expertise
- Graphic Design (website & article templates)
- DOI registration
- Assistance with Indexing Services (e.g. EBSCO)
- Publishing best practices

PaLA Membership Provides:

- Authors
- Editors
- Peer Reviewers
- Readers
- Financial support

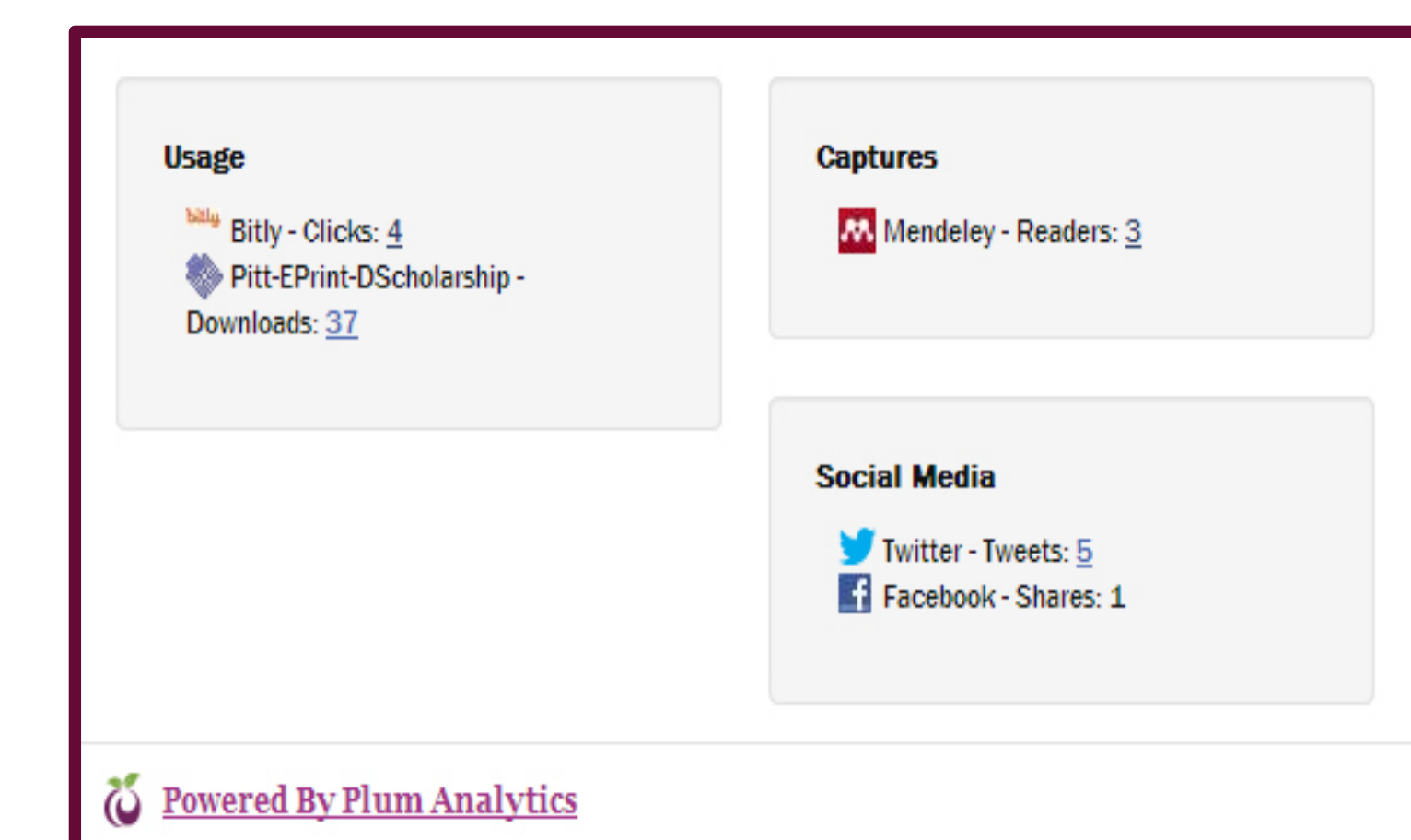
The Future

Making Improvements Together

The publishing team has been responsive to the ideas and interests of the editorial team.

Some of the improvements implemented recently or coming soon include:

- Ability to Accept Donations & Payments
- Rolling Issues
Releasing articles as soon as ready
- Usage Statistics
- Training for Copy and Layout Editors



Future interests:

- Print on Demand
Producing and selling bound issues for:
 - archival purposes
 - author souvenirs
 - readers who prefer print copies
 - revenue