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Message from the Editor

I have several items to bring to your attention at this time:

1) Readership -- We now have over 150 subscribers to A-A A, over 30 of whom are scholars in the developing world. While most of the subscribers are professional archaeologists or historians, a surprising number are educators and interested lay people. We, of course, welcome our subscribers from outside the profession of archaeology, and we invite them to tell us about their interests in the field and how they make use of A-A A.

2) Subscription Renewals -- Far too many of you have not renewed your subscription for 1999. Not to put too fine a point on it, but the newsletter is in rather dire financial shape. Please check your label -- if says "98" after your name, this is your last newsletter unless you pay your 1999 fee. I also encourage everyone to renew for 2000 as soon as possible -- see the next item.

3) Fee Increases -- As A-A A goes from 3 times a year to a quarterly publication schedule, it is necessary to increase the subscription fees as follows: \$6.00 student; \$8.00 individual; \$15.00 institutions/outside the USA. These rates will go into effect on January 1, 2000. Renewals will be accepted at the old rates (\$4.00 student, \$6.00 individual, and \$8.00 institutions) until then.

4) Compilation Volume -- A bound compilation of issues 1-25 of A-A A is in production for a January roll-out. In addition to copies of the first 25 issues of the newsletter, the compilation will include several specially commissioned essays and an index to major articles. I anticipate that the volume will sell for approximately \$25.00. Stay tuned for more details as this project develops.

5) Contributions -- We are always looking for substantive contributions to A-A A. Please consider the newsletter as your direct pipeline to the community of scholars with whom you most want to share the results of your work, "float trial balloons," etc.

6) Book Review Co-Editors -- Please join me in welcoming Fred McGhee and Mark Warner as our new book review editors. Contact either (or me) if interested in reviewing a book.

That's about all I want to share at this time. It continues to be an honor to serve as the editor/publisher of A-A A. Please feel free to contact me about any matter related to the newsletter.

