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In 2008, four issues of the *Bulletin* were published: Volume 31(1), Spring 2008; Volume 31(2), Summer 2008; Volume 31(3), Fall 2008; and Volume 31(4), Winter 2008. In addition, Volume 32(1), Spring 2009 has been published and mailed to the membership earlier this year, and Volume 32(2), Summer 2009—a special issue on early hominin diets—is in preparation.

Mailing of the *Bulletin* in 2008 stayed on schedule, being sent on or close to February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. All materials were accepted and processed by the submission deadlines posted on the website (January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15). As I reported in 2008, “I am happy to report that submission of material for the *Bulletin* is up (even more so from last year), resulting in more material than we can regularly accommodate with our current allocation of 32 pages. Still, since submissions ebb from time to time, I do not recommend increasing the page allocation.”

Each issue of the *Bulletin* continues to be converted to PDF format and to be made available to the public on SASweb with the assistance of Destiny Crider. The PDF version of the *Bulletin* is in color; the print copy is not.

The organization of the *Bulletin* continues unchanged. After my editorial on the cover, the first pages always contain time-sensitive material including employment opportunities; awards, fellowships, and training; conference news and announcements; and other news items. These sections are followed by two or three short (ca. 1500 words) research articles. The articles are then followed by news from the associate editors in their respective columns. The *Bulletin* always ends with the meetings calendar.

The current associate editors include Charlie Kolb (ceramics), Nora Reber (archaeological chemistry), Gordon Rakita (bioarchaeology), Deb Huntley (book reviews), Greg Hodgins (dating), Jane Entwistle (geoarchaeology), and Apostolos Sarris (remote sensing and GIS). Rachel Popelka-Filcoff produces the meeting calendar. The Associate Editor position for Archaeometallurgy, previously filled by Roger Doonan, is currently vacant. As of the last volume issue for 2009, Deb Huntley, our book review editor, will resign.

Costs for printing and shipping (domestic and overseas) remains relatively unchanged from last year, which saw slight increases due largely to changes in U.S. postage rates.

I am sad to announce my retirement as Editor of the *SAS Bulletin*. At the same time, I am very happy to report that Dr. Jay VanderVeen, a faculty member in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Indiana University-South Bend, has agreed to take the reigns. Jay and I will be working closely together in the coming months on the production of the final two issues for 2009 so that he can become familiar with the processes in place for publication and shipping.

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