Eileen's Tablet

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Wonderful news! OWASU has a new editor — George W. Holland of Florence, Oregon.

George, a non-member of OWASU, saw Don Brenke's *Topical Time*, March-April 1998, Units in Action column report of our need for a new editor. He wrote me seeking membership information and offering his services.

George is a retired printer and is currently editing three publications. His most prestigious effort is *The Federated Philatelist* of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs.

I reviewed the last two issues that George sent me — very impressive work done on a home PC, H-P color printer and H-P scanner.

I spoke with our retiring editor, David Detrich, who agreed with me that George should be our next editor. Once again, thank you to David for his many years of service to OWASU.

Welcome Aboard — to George Holland as a new member and editor of the *Old World Archaeologist*. Best wishes to you on your "first" issue of the journal.

George has a degree from the University of Oregon in anthropology with major emphasis on archaeology. His interest over the past years has shifted from New World migrations to classical archaeology. His current collecting interests are Czeslaw Slania-engraved stamps and he plans to start a collection on Alexander the Great and one on the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.

Distressing news! Despite Don Brenke's two Units in Action columns — March-April and July-August 1998 in *Topical Time* — I have not received any offers to fill our open position of Secretary-Treasurer. This vital position requires an individual who is a self-starter with the ability to do a quarterly report of our finances. The job description is contained in the excerp of the Bylaws attached.

If a member considering the position of secretary-treasurer has any questions please contact our retiring secretary-treasurer Heinze D. Schwinge, 1515 Hinman Avenue, Apartment 503, Evanston, Illinois 60201 or me at P.O. Box 369, Palmyra, Virginia 22963.

The last issue of the Old World Archaeologist was the fourth in the volume, thus the first issue by George will be the first of Volume 17. Dues, then, are now payable. Please see the enclosed dues notice. Kindly send your dues to Heinz for the last time as soon as possible.

I wish to say a big thank you to the seven members who prepaid their dues in spite of our inactivity.

I have heard from the following officers that they are willing to run again for their current positions:

Caroline V. Scannell — Director

Irene F. Moose — Director

George W. Rohrer has already had two terms as Director and cannot run again. Thank you, George, for your fine service to OWASU over the years. I also appreciate the fact that you will continue to write articles for our journal.

Due to poor health I am unable to perform my duties as President. As per our Bylaws Merle Farrington, currently Vice President, has agreed to perform the duties of OWASU President effective 1 November 1998 until our next election.

It has been a pleasure to work with the OWASU officers and members over the years. I hope to continue serving the OWASU membership by writing articles for our journal. I wish to urge our members to also consider writing articles, as receiving the *Old World Archaeologist* is the main reason why people join our group.

Merle Farrington will run for President in our next election.

The positions of Vice President, Secretray-Treasurer, and Director remain open. Also, the positions of the President and two Directors are open for nominations.

Please contact me as soon as possible if you have a desire to run for any of the open positions. The job descriptions for all positions are printed below.

Best Wishes,

Eileen

Excerpt from the Bylaws

V. Board of Directors

A. Membership and Duties

1. President: The President shall have general charge of the business and affairs of the Unit, shall preside at all meetings, shall appoint all committees authorized by the Board of Directors and shall be ex-officio member of all such committees.
2. Vice-President: The Vice-President shall serve as an aide to the President and shall perform the duties of the President in the President's absence or inability to serve, and shall perform such additional duties as delegated by the President.
3. Secretary-Treasurer: This individual shall conduct correspondence relating to the welfare of the Unit and shall keep records of membership and meetings of the Unit. He shall receive all monies in the name of the Unit and shall pay out monies authorized by proper voucher. He shall maintain a permanent record of all finances of the Unit. He shall submit a detailed annual report to the other members of the Board of Directors. A summary of this report shall be printed in the Unit bulletin.
4. Editor: The editor shall be in charge of the preparation and distribution of all publications of the Unity. The editor shall be appointed by the Board of Directors.

B. Terms of Office: The President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer shall serve for two years beginning at the start of the fiscal year. The Directors shall serve for three year terms with one Director being elected each year. Directors may not serve more than two consecutive terms. After not serving for one year, a two-term Director may be elected again.

C. Election: Election shall be by mail ballot with a majority of the ballots cast being necessary for election.

D. Powers

1. The Board of Directors shall have the power to conduct all business of the Unit within these Bylaws. All major decisions of the Board of Directors shall be published in the Unit bulletin.
2. The Board of Directors may conduct business by mail provided that three affirmative votes be obtained to pass any motion.
3. If any position falls vacant the Board shall fill it until the next election. This will require a majority vote of the remaining Directors.