

## I. Editorial

This issue of the BHA features a photograph of Linda and Robert Braidwood (taken by Miles Burkitt in 1952) to note their sad passing in January 2003. Robert (aged 95) and Linda (93) passed away from pneumonia within hours of each other. Subscribers will be well aware of their great contribution to our understanding of the origins of agriculture and the development of urban societies. I thank Pamela Jane Smith for the photograph.

In this issue we have something of a feast, with substantial contributions from Peter Rowley-Conwy on the work of the 'northern antiquaries' based on his new translations of core texts, and from Daniel Schavelzon on a little know residence in South America by Gaston Maspero. In addition to this we have a long review by Hubert Fehr of an important new book on Gustav Kossinna, while Alice Kehoe has reviewed Wiktor Stoczkowski's insightful analysis of core assumptions in palaeoanthropology. Book reviews and suggestions of books that should be reviewed are always welcome. Finally we publish further information about the Göteborg and Cambridge conferences in June, and announce a major new research project into the archives of Henri Breuil.

I am happy to report an increase in the number of subscribers (both institutional and individual) over the last year, but we can always do with more of both. One way of increasing the visibility of the BHA is for us to continue to attract high quality contributions, especially essays and reviews, that enhance our understanding of the history of archaeology. Another way is to increase public visibility of the BHA through its being linked to the web sites of significant archaeological organizations and groups. I am very keen to hear from subscribers about which web sites would be most appropriate for us, and which newsletters or bulletin boards that might advertise the existence of the BHA.

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