

## INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH

### Thomas A. Holland

**Thomas A. Holland** continued to intermittently work with the Oriental Institute's Publications Office to help prepare the manuscripts for the final publication of the two forthcoming Oriental Institute Publications (OIP) volumes on the archaeological and landscape research studies done by Holland and Tony J. Wilkinson. This research focuses on Tell es-Sweyhat, located in the northeastern sector of the Tabqa Dam area in the upper Euphrates Valley in Syria. Work has progressed well on Wilkinson's introductory volume to Sweyhat, *Tell es-Sweyhat, Syria, Volume 1: Settlement and Land Use on the Margin of the Euphrates River and in the Upper Lake Tabqa Area*. Two of this year's work-study students, Lindsay DeCarlo and Katie Johnson, completed the computer scanning of the artwork and the bibliography for the Sweyhat landscape volume. Clemens Reichel, Research Associate, is updating and completing a valuable contribution to Wilkinson's landscape volume, Appendix B. "Gazetteer of Sites in the Upper Tabqa Dam Area." At present, Thomas Urban is editing the volume and Leslie Schramer is formatting it. Wilkinson will soon receive page proofs for his final approval and both Holland and Urban will approve the manuscript for final publication, which we estimate will be towards the end of this calendar year.

The Publications Office also made a good start on the production of Holland's Sweyhat text and plate volumes, entitled *Tell es-Sweyhat, Syria, Volume 2: Archaeology of the Bronze Age, Hellenistic, and Roman Remains at an Ancient Town on the Euphrates River*. Lindsay DeCarlo and Alexandra R. Witsell completed the scanning of the 340 photographic and line illustrations and page layout of the plate volume is well underway. One of the new work-study graduate students continues to scan the Sweyhat text illustrations. The Publications Office continues to review the final textual matter for good usage, grammar, punctuation, as well as a thorough check of the extensive bibliographical entries for this volume, which the Publications Office estimates will be ready for press during the early part of 2004.

Holland, personally and on behalf of the Publications Office, wishes to thank everyone who worked so hard during 2002/2003 to help bring the results of our academic endeavors at Tell es-Sweyhat closer to final publication. Wilkinson, Reichel, and Holland worked on the additions and corrections that were necessary for the printing of final excavation reports in the OIP series. Urban did a marvelous job in organizing and assisting all of the work-study graduate students who have greatly contributed to the forthcoming publication of the Sweyhat volumes: Leslie Schramer, Katie Johnson, Lindsay DeCarlo, and Alexandra R. Witsell; Urban also began the tedious job of computer formatting Wilkinson's volume so that initial page proofs will be available for Wilkinson before he leaves Chicago for his new position at the University of Edinburgh. The staff of the Publications Office has again this year done an excellent job in preparing Oriental Institute research.