

## Karen L. Wilson

**Karen L. Wilson** is pleased to report that *Nippur VI: The Inanna Temple* has been accepted for publication by the Oriental Institute and will appear in the Oriental Institute Publications series. This will be the final publication of the Oriental Institute excavation of the Inanna Temple at the site of Nippur during the late 1950s and early 1960s. The authors of the volume are Richard L. Zettler, Karen L. Wilson, Jean M. Evans, and Robert D. Biggs with contributions by R. C. Haines and Donald P. Hansen. The series editor is McGuire Gibson.

The Inanna Temple project has included the preparation of a digital catalog of finds linked with images of the objects plus the scanning of all negatives and drawings as well as the field records generated by work on the site. Michael K. Hannan, of Hannan Architecture and Planning, prepared final architectural plans for the Inanna Temple levels using AutoCAD, and Angela Altenhoffen produced final inked drawings of the sealings.

Karen also continued to serve as Kish Project coordinator and research associate at the Field Museum, preparing the final publication of the results of the Joint Field Museum and Oxford University Expedition to Kish in 1923–1933. She is extremely pleased that the Oriental Institute Publications Committee has agreed to publish the manuscript as a volume in the Oriental Institute Publications series and is currently at work on the volume, which will include papers presented at a symposium in November 2008 focusing on current research and up-dated excavations at the site. Chapters cover studies of the human remains, textual evidence, lithics, animal figurines, and stucco, as well as a catalog of the Field Museum holdings from Kish and Jamdat Nasr.

In September, Karen presented a gallery talk on the Oriental Institute excavations at Khorsabad and the history of the ancient capital of Dur-Sharrukin as part of the Department of Public Education and Outreach's Lunchtime Traveler Series. She also reviewed the volume *Scramble for the Past: A Story of Archaeology in the Ottoman Empire, 1753–1914*, edited by

Zainab Bahrani, Zeynep Çelik, and Edhem Eldem (Istanbul: SALT, 2011) for the *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*.