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2008 Report from the Editors of *Antichthon*

The Editors of *Antichthon*, Elizabeth Minchin and Peter Davis, report that Volume 42, the volume for 2008, was distributed towards the end of the year, *suo anno*. Volume 42 contains seven articles. Six were contributed by colleagues at Australasian universities; one is from David Braund, who was the keynote speaker at the Newcastle Conference in 2007. Six papers were on Greek topics, one on Roman. Work on Volume 43, a special Roman studies number containing articles from a conference in memory of Charles Tesoriero, with Patricia and Lindsay Watson as guest editors, is close to completion. This volume should appear in mid-2009. Work on Volume 44, a general number for 2010, is well advanced.

The Editors' task is to invite submissions for *Antichthon*, to select referees, to make final decisions on the basis of the referees' reports and to communicate with the authors during the period that leads up to acceptance or rejection of the submission. But the production of the actual journal is another task altogether. The careful formatting of papers, the collation of proofreading feedback from the Editors and the authors, the negotiations with the printer – all these time-consuming duties have been taken on in recent years by Bruce Marshall. We are extremely grateful to him, particularly because of the technical difficulties presented by a number of papers in the most recent issue. The Society currently pays Bruce the humble sum of \$20 per hour for this painstaking work. We suggest that this be increased to \$30 per hour, still a modest sum and substantially less than universities pay a postgraduate student to take first year tutorials.

We would like to thank our referees both in Australasia and overseas for their excellent support over the year and to encourage all scholars, particularly paper-presenters at this ASCS meeting and at ASCS-subsidised conferences, to consider offering their papers to *Antichthon*.

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