From the editors

Recognizing progress and thanking sponsors

In this space we like, when appropriate, to mention ways in which we continually strive to give you, our readers, varied perspectives on the field of Greek linguistics. To that end, in this issue, there are two new types of offering for your consumption.

First, we have a “Field Report”, a new type of contribution that gives information on field research involving the Greek language. While perhaps most typically, such research would be aimed at some documentation of facts and data from regional dialects, we see it also as a venue for reports on research on urban dialects of Greek, on sociolects, or on jargon, and for presentations of field experiences with dialects, of new findings from dialects, or of insights into the social setting for the dialect(s) in question, and so on. Any of these topics—and no doubt there are other types of relevant work—would all constitute the sort of piece we have in mind. We envision these Field Reports as more descriptive in nature, and thus not necessarily theoretically oriented. We see them as a vehicle for disseminating information on “Greek in the field”, so to speak, giving perspectives that might not otherwise be brought to light. We thus invite readers and potential contributors to think about relatively brief write-ups of activity they have undertaken in the field. We hope with these pieces to extend the range of dialect material from Greek that linguists can and should take into consideration.

Second, a flurry of activity of a more institutional nature regarding Greek studies has led us to collect into a single piece three smaller items, each announcing a new development at various institutions that has an impact on Greek linguistics. At both the University of Chicago and the University of Cambridge, centers for Greek studies have been created, and Greek linguistics is among the disciplines represented. Moreover, at The Ohio State University, a laboratory focusing on Greek dialectology has been established. Details can be seen in the respective items. Should there be any other such news to report that positively affects Greek linguistics as an academic field, please contact us regarding a suitable announcement in a future issue.

Finally, we observe that publishing a journal in the way that we do, both in an electronic version and a print version, with a professional look and careful attention to editorial detail, requires time and funding, and we are pleased

with the support that Brill offers to this enterprise. At the same time, support occasionally has come from other sources and we take this opportunity to acknowledge—and thus thank—one such source that has helped us in the past year. In particular, this publication has been made possible, in part, by support from the Center for Slavic and East European Studies at The Ohio State University through funding from the International and Foreign Language Education division of the U.S. Department of Education.

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