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Theodore J. Lewis Appointed Editor of Near Eastern Archaeology

SOR is very pleased to announce the appointment of Theodore J. Lewis as Editor of its journal *Near Eastern Archaeology*.

Ted Lewis is currently Professor of Hebrew Bible and Ancient Near Eastern Studies at the University of Georgia. He earned his Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1986 in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations. Prior to that he studied at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem (Hebrew Bible and Semitic languages) and the University of Wisconsin-Madison (MA & BA in Hebrew and Semitic Studies). His research areas are in Northwest Semitic languages and epigraphy, ancient Israelite religion, ancient Syrian religion, Hebrew Bible, the interface of text and archaeology, and iconography. Ted has written Cults of the Dead in Ancient Israel and Ugarit and co-authored Ugaritic Narrative Poetry. He is currently writing a volume on ancient Israelite religion for the Anchor Bible Reference Library and is a member of the team producing the *Ugaritic Tablets Digital Edition*.

Ted brings to the position considerable editing experience. He served as editor of Hebrew Annual Review and has been on the editorial boards of both *NEA* and *JBL*. In November, he will become General Editor of SBL's Writings from the Ancient World series. Ted has edited several volumes including *Text, Artifact, and Image: Revealing Ancient Israelite Religion* (with Gary Beckman, University of Pennsylvania Press).

NEA is published by ASOR to provide authoritative and realiable analyses of the ancient world from Mesopotamia to the

Mediterranean in an accessible and attractive format for the general reader. Ted's tenure as Editor of *NEA* will begin officially on July 1 for an initial term of 18 months. At the end of this period he will be eligible for reappointment for two additional terms of three years each. We at ASOR look forward to a long and productive association with Ted.

Past & Present

Readers will have noted that the most recent issue represents a departure from *NEA*'s usual content and appearance. This issue, devoted to Qumran studies, was special because it represents the salvaged fruits of ASOR's brief association with Bayard Presse. The efforts of the French publisher to launch an Englishlanguage version of the successful French magazine *Le monde de la bible*, with ASOR's endorsement, were cut short early in 2000, but both ASOR and Bayard Presse were anxious to ensure that the work of scholars such as Vanderkam, Schiffmann, Yon, Pardee and many others should nevertheless see the light of day.

The issue on Qumran and the soon-toappear issue on the "Mystery of Ugarit," the second of our two "salvage operations," have also afforded *NEA* an opportunity to experiment with its appearance by merging the vibrant images of *Le monde* with the sophistication of *NEA*. The response to the issue's "look," and particularly to the use of color and high quality images, has been extremely positive. Readers should be reassured at the same time that the nature of the content of these issues does not represent



Ted Lewis in the Aleppo Museum holding an amulet from Arslan Tash.

a change in the direction or focus of the journal. *NEA* will continue to be the source for realiable and readable articles that its readers have come to rely on. Coming up in the next few issues are articles on a wide variety of subjects from female iconography in the Chalcolithic to Judean coins, and an exciting issue devoted to the archaeology of death is planned. We are working hard to bring the journal back on schedule, a goal we hope to have achieved by early next year.

NEA welcomes manuscripts consistent with the broad areas of research and scholarship supported by ASOR. These include the art, archaeology, history, anthropology, literature,

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philology, and epigraphy of the Near East and Mediterranean worlds from the Paleolithic period through early Islamic times. Potential contributors to *NEA* may contact Ted Lewis via the Department of Religion, University of Georgia, 217 Peabody Hall, Athens, GA 30602; email: neareast@uga.edu. Books for review should be sent to *NEA*'s recently appointed book review editor, Rachel Hallote, Division of Humanities, Purchase College, State University of New York, 735 Anderson Hill Road, Purchase, NY 10577. Email: rhallote@mindspring.com.

Future

The challenge for *NEA* in the future is to find the financial resources it needs to allow for enhancements, such as the addition of color. Another planned enhancement is the establishment of an electronic component to the journal, access to which will be free to subscribers and ASOR Members.

Of course, these things cost money, and the most important challenge facing the Committee on Publications in the coming years is to build its development efforts. Besides the enhancements to NEA, ASOR Publications' other major financial challenge is to build its book program endowment. Thus COP has been dedicating itself to generating new sources of revenue. Beside numerous efforts in the Publications Office in this direction the COP Chair, Al Leonard, has submitted a proposal to the ASOR Executive Committee to institute a study tour series beginning in the Spring of 2002. It will be brought to the ASOR Executive Committee for a vote at a meeting in September. If successful, the study tours will offer individuals the opportunity to participate in unique travel

experiences to the countries of Middle East and Mediterranean with the expert guidance of lecturers selected by ASOR while at the same time helping to support ASOR programs. Watch the asor-l in early September for an update and tour details.

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ASOR ANNUAL MEETING 2000 STUDENT FELLOWSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

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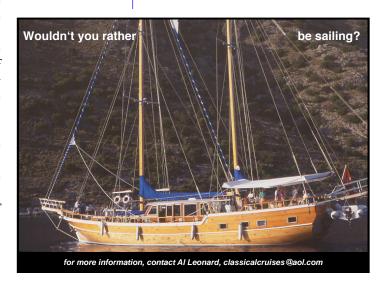
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Timothy Fries, Graduate Theological Union Gabriella Castro Gessner, SUNY Binghamton Thomas James, Mississippi State University Judy Kenworthy, Texas A&M University Chantel Nixon, McMaster University Justine Warren, Mississippi State University

Information on these fellowship opportunities is available from the Annual Meeting page of the ASOR web site, www.asor.org/AM/am.htm, or by contacting the ASOR Office, email: asor@bu.edu; tel. 617-353-6570. The application deadline for fellowhsips for the 2001 Annual Meeting is September 14, 2001.



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A S O R N E W S

New ASOR Trustees Assume Office

The ASOR Trustee Class of 2004 will in L clude several new faces. Joining the Board for the first time are Dr. Martha Risser of the Department of Classics at Trinity College, Hartford, CT, and Dr. Mark Chavalas of the Department of History, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. Dr. Risser was elected at the November Nashville meeting as an Institutional Member Representative and Dr. Chavalas as an Individual Member Representative. Also new is Dr. Brigitte Watkins of Chicago, IL who was voted as a Board elected Trustee at the April Board meeting in Providence. Dr. Watkins has had a distinguished career in development work, serving from 1993-1995 as Associate Vice President for Development at George Washington University, Washington DC. In 1997 she completed a Ph.D. in the archaeology and history of Syria-Palestine from the University of Chicago. At the same time she established her own business as a fund-raising consultant, focusing on international institutions of higher education and culture.

In addition, the 2004 Class will include several re-elected members. These include Oded Borowski and Tammi Schneider (Institutional Member Representatives), Nan Frederick and Kyle McCarter (Individual Member Representatives), and Jerry Vincent (Board elected). Dr. Douglas Clark of Walla Walla College, College Place, WA also takes a formal seat with the 2004 Class by virtue of his election as Chairman of the CAMP Committee. And finally, new roles on the Board will be assumed by two continuing Trustees. Øystein LaBianca, in addition to his place as an Individual Member Trustee in the Class of 2003, is now ACOR representative to the Board, and Jodi Magness, Institutional Member Trustee in the Class of 2003, is also the AIA representative.

On behalf of Board Chairman P. E. MacAllister I am pleased to welcome all of these individuals in their respective roles as new and continuing Trustees in service to ASOR.

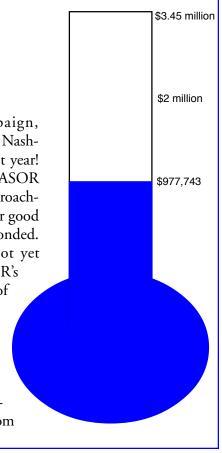
Joe D. Seger ASOR President

We Need Your Help!

ASOR's "Passing the Torch" campaign, launched at the 2000 Annual Meeting in Nashville, has enjoyed major success in its first year! Thanks to the encouraging response from ASOR members and friends, we are quickly approaching the one million dollar mark. The other good news is that many of you have not yet responded. We strongly urge everyone who has not yet pledged to make his committment to ASOR's future now and help us realize our goal of \$3.45 million by 2003!

Be a Torch Bearer! Help Light Up ASOR's future!

For more information on the campaign and how you can pledge, contact Austin Ritterspach, Chair of the ASOR Development Committee at Adrarcheology@ aol.com



ETANA Receives Mellon Funding

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has given \$100,000 grant to Vanderbilt University to create ETANA (Electronic Tools and Ancient Near Eastern Archives). ETANA is a cooperative project supported by the American Oriental Society, the American Schools of Oriental Research, Case Western Reserve University Library, the Cobb Institute of Archaeology at Mississippi State University, the Sonia and Marco Nadler Institute of Archaeology (Tel Aviv University), the Oriental Institute at the University of Chicago, the Society of Biblical Literature, Vanderbilt University Press and the Vanderbilt Divinity Library.

This grant is the second received by ETANA from the Mellon Foundation: in 2000, the Mellon Foundation funded a planning grant that enabled representatives of participating organizations to meet and explore the feasibility of this project. These organizations collectively represent over 7,000 scholars world wide who are interested in the academic study of the ancient Near East (ANE).

This new funding will allow ETANA to migrate Abzu, the premier Internet ANE portal developed by The Oriental Institute, to a more robust database structure and make it part of the developing ETANA comprehensive portal for ANE studies. The grant will also allow ETANA participants to experiment with the digitization of up to 100 core texts important to scholars of the ancient Near East. Published materials in this discipline can be especially difficult to digitize because of their ancient language content.

Longer term, it is anticipated that ETANA will contain a substantial number of core texts, excavation site data, member society journals, excavation reports, and a scholar's commons to help researchers in ancient Near Eastern studies communicate with one another.

For more information about ETANA see: http://www.etana.org.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Call for Papers

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of its foundation, the Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute (CAARI), together with the Archaeological Research Unit (ARU) of the Department of History and Archaeology of the University of Cyprus, is organizing an international conference, on

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to be held from April 3–6, 2003 in Nicosia. Many new discoveries and findings have been made both in Egypt and Cyprus since the principal works on this theme were published. It is timely to bring the results of recent fieldwork and research together in a forum where their bearing on the process of historical reconstruction can be expertly and collectively evaluated.

The conference will cover the period from the 3rd millennium BC to the 6th century AD, and will comprise three large chronological areas: A: from the Chalcolithic to the Late Bronze Age; B: from c. the 11th to the end of the 4th century BC; and C: The Ptolemaic and Late Roman periods. The languages of the conference will be English, French and Greek. Participants, other than keynote speakers, will be allowed 25 minutes each for their delivery.

Those who are interested in attending and giving a paper should send an abstract of c. 500 words by post, fax or (preferably) e-mail to the Secretariat of the conference by 31 December 2001. In order to preserve a balance between the periods covered, the organisers reserve the right not to accept proposed titles, or to suggest alternative ones of their own. Speakers will be responsible for making and paying for their own travel to Cyprus. There will be no registration fee and the conference will be open to the public.

Secretariat: Mrs. Vassiliki Demetriou, E-mail: vasiliki@ucy.ac.cy, Tel. (357-2) 674658/674702, Fax. (357-2) 674101, Postal Address:, Archaeological Research Unit (ARU), University of Cyprus, P.O.Box 20537, CY-1678 Nicosia, Cyprus.

The Sean W. Dever Memorial Prize

THE ALBRIGHT INSTITUTE OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH announces an annual award of up to \$500 for the best published article or paper presented at a conference by a Ph.D. candidate in Syro-Palestinian and Biblical Archaeology.

The first award will be given for the year 2001. Authors may be of any nationality, but papers must be in English. All submissions should include the academic affiliation of the author and his/her mailing, fax, e-mail addresses, and phone number. Submission of conference papers should also include the name of the conference and the date when the paper was presented. The deadline for submissions is December 31, 2001. Articles/papers should be sent to the W.F. Albright Institute, P. O. Box 40151, Philadelphia, PA 19106. The announcement of the award will be made on March 1, 2002.

Contributions in memory of Sean Dever may be sent to: Mr. Sam Cardillo, Comptroller, W.F. Albright Institute, P.O. Box 40151, Philadelphia, PA 19106.

ASOR would like to welcome the following new Consortium members who joined us during our Centennial year. We thank them for their generous support of our operations and activities.

Carroll College, Waukesha, WI. Dr. Lamar Cope, Representative

Converse College, Spartanburg, SC. Dr. Byron McCane, Representative

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University of La Verne, La Verne, CA. Dr. Jonathan Reed, Representative

University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Belton, TX. Dr. Stephen Von Wyrick, Representative

ASOR Strategic Initiatives Retreat

Friday-Sunday September 7-9, 2001 Emory Conference Center Hotel Atlanta, Georgia

With the conclusion of our centennial year activities, and in anticipation of the transitions in leadership to take place in 2002 and 2003, various ASOR members have suggested that they would welcome an opportunity to engage in candid discussion on matters relating broadly to ASOR's mission and its longer term future. With this in mind a Strategic Initiatives Retreat has been scheduled for early September in Atlanta. The retreat is planned for the two days in advance of the September 9 summer quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee and invitations have been extended to ensure that the widest possible representation of the ASOR constituency is involved. In addition to Board and Executive Committee members this includes representatives from COP, CAP and CAMP, the Baghdad, Damascus and Saudi Arabia Committees, CAARI, ACOR and AIAR, and a large number of at-large senior and junior ASOR members.

The intent of retreat discussion is not to focus on immediate problems or concerns, but to project a view of ASOR three to five or more years out; to assess and discuss the longer range prospects for the organization's growth and service; and candidly to engage new perspectives and bold visions that may serve to help ASOR set its priorities for the decade ahead. The agenda is deliberately open with the hope that discussions will help ASOR "get a fix" on the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

While the initial invitation list has been selective, participation is open to all interested ASOR members. For details contact President Joe Seger at his Mississippi State University office (tel: 662-325-3826; Fax 662 325 8690; e-mail: jds1@ra.msstate.edu).

ASOR Publications

The Greek and Latin Inscriptions of Caesarea Maritima

by Clayton Miles Lehmann and Kenneth G. Holum

Joint Expedition to Caesarea Maritima Excavauon Reports vol. V

The 411 inscriptions included in this volume represent the finds of a quarter century of investigation at the site of the ancient port town of Caesarea Maritima and bear crucial testimony to the civil and military organization, urban construction, religion, and funerary practices of this important Roman and Byzantine provincial center. Caesarea Maritima, situated 40 km north of modern Tel Aviv, was founded by King Herod the Great sometime shortly after 22 BC and flourished as a major urban center during the first six centuries CE. The language of the Greek and Latin inscriptions provides important insights into the evolution of those languages as well as information on the demographic, ethnic and social make-up of the population of Caesarea Maritima in the Roman and Late Antique periods.

2001, ISBN: 0-89757-028-6 Pp. 292 + 171 b/w plates Cloth only: \$124.95

Ancient Naukratis: Excavations at a Greek Emporium in Egypt

Part II: The Excavations at Kom Hadid

by Albert Leonard, Jr ASOR Annual vol. 55

According to the Greek historian Herodotus, the ancient city of Naukratis was the first and only city in Egypt in which the early Greek merchants were allowed to settle. Volume 55 of the Annual of ASOR is the companion volume to AASOR 54, and details the excavations to the northeast of the modern village in an area known to both Sir Flinders Petrie and local farmers as Kom Hadid.

2001, ISBN: 0-89757-025-1

Pp. 273 including numerous b/w plates

Cloth only: \$99.95

"East of the Jordan": Territories and Sites of the Hebrew Scriptures

by Burton MacDonald ASOR Books vol. 6

This volume is a convenient tool for all those interested in the location of territories and sites attested in the Bible as "East of the Jordan," i.e., in what is now The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. It presents the history of the identification of each biblical site and suggests the most likely location based on information provided by the biblical text, extra-biblical literary information, toponymic considerations and archaeology. The volume treats all territories and sites of the Hebrew Scriptures in Transjordan, from the "Cities of the Plains" (e.g., Sodom and Gomorrah), the Exodus itineraries, and the territories and sites of the Israelite tribes (Reuben, Gad, and half Manasseh), to Ammon, Moab, Edom, and Gilead.

2000, ISBN: 0-89757-031-6

Pp. viii + 287 Paper only: \$29.95

Prices do not include shipping.
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Faculty Position in Archaeology and Biblical Studies

Pacific School of Religion invites applications for a term appointment (which may become tenure track with additional funding) at the rank of Assistant Professor in Archaeology and Biblical Studies and Director of the Badè Institute of Archaeology. The successful candidate should have a completed Ph.D. in Archaeology, Biblical Studies, or Jewish Studies with significant research and field experience in Near Eastern archaeology (including Second Temple period). Training or experience in museum studies, and in the administration, conservation and exhibition of archaeological artifacts is preferred. Candidates are expected to teach classes in archaeology and biblical studies or Jewish studies at introductory and advanced levels for M.Div. and M.T.S. students at PSR and M.A. and Ph.D. students at the Graduate Theological Union and joint programs with the University of California, Berkeley. In addition, they are expected to enhance, maintain and expand the collections of the Badè Institute of Archaeology. Review of applications begins October 15, 2001. Preliminary interviews at AAR/SBL Annual Meeting. Position begins Fall, 2002. Candidates should submit a letter of application and curriculum vitae to: Riess Potterveld, Vice President and Acting Dean, Pacific School of Religion, 1798 Scenic Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94709. EOE.

Assyriology Position Columbia University

Columbia University Department of Middle East and Asian Languages and Cultures announces a one-year, non-renewable, postdoctoral position in Assyriology for the academic year 2002–2003. The successful candidate will be asked to participate in a project entitled "King Hammurabi of Babylon" and to teach one semester-long undergraduate course in ancient Near Eastern studies. These duties should permit an equal amount of time for personal research. Candidates need to demonstrate a very good working knowledge of the Akkadian language, preferably of the Old

Babylonian period, and should be able to translate texts in perfect English. They should have a Ph.D. degree by June 30, 2002.

To apply submit the following: cover letter; Graduate school transcript; if the candidate does not hold a Ph.D. degree at the time of application, a description of the work completed and a time table for its completion by June 2002; writing sample, preferably a chapter of the dissertation, not to exceed 25 pages (double spaced); name, address, phone-number and e-mail address of one scholar from whom a reference can be obtained; two page proposal describing the personal research project to be pursued (double spaced).

Please send applications to: Marc Van De Mieroop, 603 Kent Hall, Columbia University, New York NY 10027, USA. e-mail submissions will not be accepted. Files will be reviewed starting Oct. 15, 2001.

Women and minorities are especially encouraged to apply. Columbia University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. For more information, contact Marc Van De Mieroop at mv1@columbia.edu

ATLA Launches New Windows Version of ATLA Religion Database

THE AMERICAN THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY AS-SOCIATION (ATLA) has released the new Windows version of the ATLA Religion Database (ATLA RDB) on CD-ROM. The Windows version will now be considered the standard version of the database on CD-ROM. ATLA RDB is the premier index to journal articles, book reviews, and collections of essays in all fields of religion. A recent survey by Library Journal named ATLA RDB a favorite database among academic librarians (LJ, 124, no. 19:5-6, 11/15/99). For more information on ATLA RDB, please see the Products page on ATLA's web site at www.atla.com, or contact Rick Adamek at (888) 665-ATLA or radamek@atla.com.

Founded in 1946, ATLA is a scholarly, ecumenical, not-for-profit association dedicated to advancing and supporting theological librarianship and research in religion. For more information, visit the ATLA web site at www.atla.com or call (888) 665-ATLA.

EXHIBITIONS

"EXPLORING THE HOLY LAND: DAVID ROBERTS AND BEYOND"

October 6, 2001–January 9, 2002 The Bowers Museum of Cultural Art 202 North Main Street, Santa Ana, CA

The exhibit is sponsored by the Bowers Museum in association with ASOR. The Guest Curator is Dr. Ron Boyfner. Showing in addition to the David Roberts lithographs will be photographs from the Ecole Biblique and a complement of artifacts. Plans for lectures and/or symposia are being organized.

"CAMELS AND CARAVANS: DAILY LIFE IN ANCIENT ISRAEL"

September 2001–June 2003 The Jewish Museum 1109 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10128

An exhibit designed for children ages 4 to 10, this engaging interactive experience takes children on a journey to a Jerusalem home and a marketplace two thousand years ago. In addition to its many hands-on activities, the exhibit will contain various artifacts from the Museum's collection such as ancient glassware, carved stone objects, metal utensils and ceramics.

CONFERENCE CALENDAR

September 2-9, 2001

Second International Congress on Black Sea Antiquities, will take place in Ankara. Local Populations of the Black Sea Littoral and their Relations with the Greek, Roman and Byzantine Worlds and Near Eastern Civilisations (8th century BC–ca. AD 1000). The program, call for papers, and other information can be found at: www.bilkent.edu.tr/~arkeo/blacksea/blacksea.htm, or e-mail Jacques Morin <morin@Bilkent.EDU.TR>.

September 21-23, 2001

Prostitution in the Ancient World, to be held at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Contact: Laura McClure, Department of Classics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1220 Linden Dr., Madison, WI 53706. E-mail: lmcclure@facstaff.wisc.edu; Fax: 608-262-8570.

September 9-13, 2001

Colours in Antiquity: Towards an Archaeology of Seeing, the Department of Classics, University of Edinburgh announces an international conference exploring aspects of hue and colour in the ancient Mediterranean world. E-mail contact: colours@ed.ac.uk. Web: www.arts.ed.ac.uk/classics/colours

October 8-9, 2001

Society, Language and Culture in the Persianate World. Shiraz, Iran. Contact: Dr. Jo-Ann Gross, History Department, The College of New Jersey, P.O. Box 7718, Ewing, N.J. 08628-0718. e-mail: gross@tcnj.edu; fax: 609-730-1949. Web: www.persiansocieties.org.

October 18-21, 2001

Das alte Testament und die Kultur der Moderne. Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, Germany. The program of the symposium can be found at: theologie.uni-hd.de/at/atundmoderne.html. Contact: Prof. Dr. Konrad Schmid WTS, Kisselgasse 1m D-69117 Heidelberg; konrad.schmid@urz.uni-heidelberg.de; Tel. +49 6221 543307; Fax +49 6221 543195.

November 3-6, 2001

Anthropology, Archaeology and Heritage in the Balkans and Anatolia. Sponsored by the University of Wales Centre for the Study of South Eastern Europe and supported also by the British Academy. To be held at the University of Wales Gregynog. Contact: DShankland1@yahoo.co.uk.

November 14-17, 2001

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November 23-24, 2001

The International Table Ronde in Istanbul (Turkey) on "The Neolithic of Central Anatolia, internal developments and external relations during the 9th–6th millennia cal BC" will take place in Ankara. Contact: email: frederic.gerard@isbank.net.tr; web: www.chez.com/canew.

November 26-30, 2001

Materials Research Society, Boston, MA. The meeting will highlight current trends and progress in the swiftly evolving world of Materials Science and include the session "Materials Issues in Art and Archaeology VI." Contact: 506 Keystone Drive, Warrendale, PA 15086-7573. Email: info@mrs.org. Tel: 724 779-3003; fax: 724 779-8313. Web: www.mrs.org/meetings/fall2001/

January 3-6, 2002

Archaeological Institute of America 103rd Annual Meeting, will take place in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Contact: Jennifer Moen, tel. 617-353-9361; email aiamtg@bu.edu; web: www.archaeological.org/Annual_Meeting/

March 11-16, 2002

Eurasian Steppes in Prehistory and Middle Ages. The conference will be held in Saint Petersburg at the Institute of the History of Material Culture Russian Academy of Science (Dvortsovaya naberezhnaya, 18) and at the State Hermitage. Contact: M. N. Pshenitsyna, Secretary, Institute of the History of Material Culture,, Dvortsovaya naberezhnaya, 18, Saint-Petersburg, 191186, Russia. Email at (admin@archeo.ru) or (nikbok@infopro.spb.su). tel.: +7 (812) 312-14-84; fax: +7 (812) 311-62-71.

March 20-24, 2002

Society for American Archaeology. The SAA 67th Annual Meeting will take place at the Adam's Mark Hotel in Denver, Colorado. Contact: email: meetings@saa.org. web: www.saa.org.

March 22-25, 2002

American Oriental Society Annual Meeting. J.W. Marriott, Houston, TX. Contact: www.umich.edu/~aos/.

April 5-6, 2002

Talking Texts: Speaker and Addressee in the Ancient World. Rutgers University. Abstract deadline: September 30, 2001. Contact: Classics Graduate Student Association, c/o Department of Classics, Rutgers University, 131 George Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901. Web: classics.rutgers.edu/grad_conference.html

April 15-19, 2002

The Third International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (3 ICAANE) will take place in Paris at the invitation of the Université de Paris 1-Panthon Sorbonne, the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (UMR 7041) and the Ecole Pratique des Hautes Études (IVe section). The aim of 3 ICAANE is to promote cooperation and information exchange between archaeologists working in all fields and areas of the Ancient Near East, from the Eastern Mediterranean to Iran and from Anatolia to Arabia, and from prehistoric times to Alexander the Great. Contact: Victoria de Caste, Secretariat, web: www.3icaane.univ-parisl.fr; email: 3icaane@mae.uparis10.fr.

July 1-4, 2002

48e Rencontre Assyriologique International - International Congress of Assyriology and Near Eastern Archaeology. Theme: ETHNICITY IN ANCIENT MESOPOTAMIA. Sponsored by Leiden University, Dept. of Assyriology and Nederlands Instituut voor het Nabije Oosten. September 1–6, 2002

History of Medicine. Istanbul, Turkey. Contact: Prof. Dr. Nil SARI, Email: nilsa@turk.net or OR nilasari@istanbul.edu.tr.

April 3-6, 2003

Egypt and Cyprus in Antiquity. Nicosia, Cyprus. Sponsored by the Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute (CAARI), and the Archaeological Research Unit (ARU) of the Department of History and Archaeology of the University of Cyprus. Contact: Mrs. Vassiliki Demetriou; email: vasiliki@ucy.ac.cy; tel. (357-2) 674658/674702; fax. (357-2) 674101. Archaeological Research Unit (ARU), University of Cyprus, P.O.Box 20537, CY-1678 Nicosia, Cyprus.

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