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## ASOR to Participate in JSTOR

We are pleased to announce that ASOR has recently been invited to become a Participating Publisher in JSTOR. The invitation came as a result of interest by various institutions in making scholarly journal literature related to Iraqi archaeology available to scholars in Iraq. Established in 1995, JSTOR is a not-for profit organization that makes digital versions of academic journals available to libraries on-line. Its primary aim is to enable these libraries to free up "prime storage" by obviating the need to keep back issues on their shelves. As JSTOR maintains a "moving wall," whereby only back issues published at least three years ago are available on-line, our participation will have no adverse effect on print subscriptions.

The benefits to ASOR are many, including the prestige, but two stand out. First, JSTOR will, at its own expense, create a digital archive of all back issues of *Near Eastern Archaeology/Biblical Archaeologist*, the *Bulletin of ASOR* and the *Journal of Cuneiform Studies* thus preserving them for posterity. Second, professional members of ASOR (including students and retired members) will in due course be able to access all the archived material on-line. We are grateful to Piotr Michalowski, editor of *JCS*, for suggesting we approach JSTOR. Details of JSTOR are available at its website [www.jstor.org](http://www.jstor.org).

## Dever to Edit New Book Series

William G. Dever has accepted the invitation of the Committee on Publication to be the Editor-in-Chief of a major new book series intended to meet North American needs for textbooks on the undergraduate and seminary level.

Dever brings to the project a vast knowledge of the region in antiquity as well as the present, a deep acquaintance with the scholars who will be potential authors and editors, and an ability to write (and edit) for readers whose knowledge of the Middle East is minimal.

Georgio Buccellati, Stuart Swiny and Martha Joukowsky have all agreed to serve on the editorial board of the series. ASOR's Director of Publications, Billie Jean Collins, will also serve on the committee in an advisory capacity. The committee's first task will be to establish an editorial policy, select authors, determine production style and format, financial strategies, marketing, and more.

The books in this series will cover the archaeology of all periods within each country of the Middle East: Cyprus, Turkey, Syria/Lebanon, Iran, Iraq, Israel/Palestine, Jordan, and Egypt. Each volume will be well illustrated and short enough to be used with one or two other volumes in classes that may combine the archaeology of more than one country. For instance, Iraq, Syria, and Iran could

## A Plea from Iraq

ASOR's Baghdad School not only conducted archaeology in Iraq but was responsible for providing many books for the original Iraq Museum Library. It is in this tradition of scholarly cooperation that we support the following request from the Department of Museums, Ministry of Culture, State Board of Antiquities and Heritage Republic of Iraq:

The Iraq Museum Library, which once housed the best collection of archaeological and historical books in the Middle East, has suffered in recent decades from lack of new publications. In the 1990s hardly any books were purchased, then after 1991, virtually no books reached the library due to the international sanctions imposed on Iraq.

The Library is now refurbished after the events of the last year and will be opening soon to students and the public; however, it is in great need for new publications from 1980 onward. We appeal to the academic community to donate books or periodicals. Duplicates will go to the Mosul Museum and the University.

The British Museum has kindly accepted to be the collection point for the books before sending them all the Baghdad.

Please post your book donation to: Iraq Museum Book Appeal, Department of the Ancient Near East, The British Museum, Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3DG, England.

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# 2003 HONORS & AWARDS

## P.E. MacAllister Field Archaeology Award 2003

*Presented to Thomas Levy by Øystein La Bianca*

I first became personally acquainted with Tom in 1993 at an international symposium which he organized at UCSD under the title "The Archaeology of society in the Holy Land - New Perspectives on the Past." The symposium brought together researchers from all around the world who had been invited by Tom to serve as authors for a new book he was editing for Leicester

University Press. I recall being very positively impressed by the thought and organization that had gone into preparing for this symposium, and especially by Tom's intellectual leadership in conveying his vision for this new book to the assembled group of authors. It was to be unlike any previous book on the archaeology of the Holy Land in that it should deal explicitly with the "archaeology of society" in the region and it was to span the entire history of the region from the Paleolithic to the Present. Furthermore, contributions were to be interdisciplinary in nature, and should attempt to incorporate the "Annales paradigm" as a means to think about long-term cultural processes in the region.

As is now well known, the book which resulted from this pivotal conference, published in 1995 under the same title as the symposium, has become a standard reference in our field – if not THE standard reference – and is being widely used throughout the United States and the world as a primer for advanced undergraduates and graduate students in the fields of biblical

and Levantine archaeology. Furthermore, more than any other title that has been published in recent years dealing with the archaeology of the Holy Land, this volume has served to inform archaeologists and anthropologists working outside of our particular region of the significance of this body of research for advancing theoretical concerns within the broader field of anthropological archaeology. Tom's success in nudging most of the authors to give attention to theoretical themes of broad relevance within and beyond their own disciplines is a major reason why the book has become such a success not only within, but far beyond the scholarly community of Levantine archaeologists to which Tom belongs.

This vision of creating a new and expanded space for the discourse about data and propositions resulting from archaeological research within the Levantine region has continued to animate Tom's research agenda ever since this 1993 symposium. This is clear from his professional memberships, his involvements as a reviewer and editor, and his list of publications and papers delivered at congresses, spanning the fields of anthropological archaeology, biblical archaeology and prehistoric archaeology. By comparison to most, Tom's curriculum vitae is singular for its wide-ranging scope of interdisciplinary involvements. It provides solid evidence of a career animated by a vision of seeking new peers and an expanded discourse regarding his archaeological data from Israel and Jordan.

The ultimate source of Tom's credibility as an agenda setter and visionary within our discipline is his own fieldwork in connection with the Jabal Hamrat Fidan Project. This project, which examines the role of a new revolutionary technology, namely metallurgy, on social and political change during the Chalcolithic period in Southern Jordan, is widely regarded by those of us who are his colleagues in ASOR and Jordanian archaeology as a state-of-the-art project. It is leading the way not only because of the sophistication of the theoretical apparatus which Tom has put to use, but because of his cutting-edge application of the latest technology, especially his use of GIS to map individual finds and to search for

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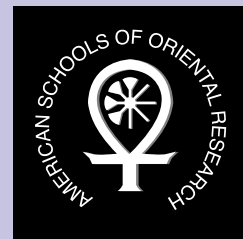
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## ASOR in San Antonio

The Annual Meeting of ASOR will take place this year November 17-20 at the Westin Riverwalk Hotel in San Antonio, TX. There will be over fifty sessions, with topics ranging from the ethics of collecting antiquities, to the use of technologies in archaeology, biblical issues, trade, and how to communicate archaeology to the public. Five of the sessions will be new, including the Persian Levant, Atchana and related Amuq issues, Philistia and the Philistines, New Developments in the Archaeology of Israel, and a Writing Workshop. Regularly-scheduled sessions will include reports on archaeology in Cyprus, Jordan, Israel, Syria, Egypt, Anatolia, Arabia, and Mesopotamia and will cover everything from Prehistory through the Byzantine Period. Presenters will be attending from a variety of countries, including the United States, Israel, Jordan, Britain, and Germany. This year's plenary speaker will be Ian Hodder, professor of anthropology at Stanford University. Prof. Hodder is well-known for his numerous publications on theory and method in archaeology, and is currently directing the renewed excavations of the celebrated site of Catalhüyük in Turkey.

### Book Series, continued from page 1

be combined for a class on the archaeology of Mesopotamia and/or the Mesopotamian empires. Because ancient remains constitute significant tourist attractions to visitors in the Middle East, we also hope that travelers will see the books as excellent introductions as they plan their visits.

The idea for the series was first proposed by Director of Publications, Billie Jean Collins, and embraced by ASOR's Committee on Publications, as a means of benefiting the organization financially and of enhancing its reputation among students and potential new scholars.

*Larry G. Herr, COP Chair*

## ASOR Financial Statements

*In an effort to keep members informed regarding ASOR's finances, the organization's audited statements of financial activity and financial position will be published annually in the ASOR Newsletter.*

### ASOR Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2003

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUE:</b>				
Contributions	\$143,128	\$34,708	\$18,471	\$196,307
Publication income	\$251,570	—	—	\$251,570
Institutional memberships	\$81,300	—	—	\$81,300
Individual memberships	\$88,996	—	—	\$88,996
Annual meeting	\$47,811	—	—	\$47,811
In-kind rent contribution	\$22,500	—	—	\$22,500
Royalty income	\$3,798	—	—	\$3,798
Investment income	\$969	\$2,892	\$4,294	\$8,155
Net realized loss on sales of investments	—	(\$1,380)	(\$4,687)	(\$6,067)
Net unrealized gain (loss) on investments	—	\$1,238	(\$346)	\$892
Net assets released from restrictions: Purpose restrictions satisfied	\$94,210	(\$94,210)	—	—
<b>Total Support &amp; Revenue</b>	<b>\$734,282</b>	<b>(\$56,752)</b>	<b>\$17,732</b>	<b>\$695,262</b>
<b>EXPENSES AND LOSSES:</b>				
Program services	\$603,622	—	—	\$603,622
General and admin	\$115,531	—	—	\$115,531
Fundraising and non- program	\$64,961	—	—	\$64,961
Total Expenses	\$784,114	—	—	\$784,114
Provision for doubtful accounts	\$13,490	—	—	\$13,490
Total Expenses & Losses	\$797,604	—	—	\$797,604
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	<b>(\$63,322)</b>	<b>(\$56,752)</b>	<b>(\$17,732)</b>	<b>(\$102,342)</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>				
beginning of year	(\$41,670)	\$494,037	\$426,021	\$878,388
end of year	(\$104,992)	\$437,285	\$443,753	\$776,046

## ASOR Statement of Financial Position Year Ended June 30, 2003

	2003	June 30 2002
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 415,066	\$ 461,781
Investments	93,334	106,834
Accounts receivable:		
Memberships and subscriptions, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$13,490 and \$0 at June 30, 2003 and 2002 resp.	78,030	88,337
Book sales	49,702	28,731
Contributions receivable	36,073	82,376
Other receivables	6,800	7,982
Inventory and capitalized costs	86,125	74,170
Notes receivable	-	555
Prepaid expenses and other assets	13,581	11,596
Furniture, fixtures and equipment, net	22,309	10,345
Long-term-cash equivalents	<u>420,534</u>	<u>399,223</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,221,554</b>	<b>\$ 1,271,930</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Note payable	\$ 6,650	\$ 13,300
Accrued expenses	92,349	58,783
Deferred revenue	330,979	304,953
Other liabilities	<u>15,530</u>	<u>16,506</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>445,508</b>	<b>393,542</b>
<b>NET ASSETS:</b>		
Unrestricted	(104,992)	(41,670)
Temporarily Restricted	437,285	494,037
Permanently Restricted	<u>443,753</u>	<u>426,021</u>
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b><u>776,046</u></b>	<b><u>878,388</u></b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,221,554</b>	<b>\$ 1,271,930</b>

ASOR is pleased to announce that an index to *Biblical Archaeologist* Volumes 51-60 (1988-1997), compiled by Kevin McGeough and Erin L. Hasinoff under the direction of Walter Aufrecht, is now available on the NEA website at [www.asor.org/pubs/nea/ba\\_index.html](http://www.asor.org/pubs/nea/ba_index.html). Included are an author index, an index of biblical passages, an index of illustrations and a subject index.

The W. F. Albright Institute is pleased to announce the 2004 winner of the Sean W. Dever Memorial Prize, Ms. Christine Thompson of the University of California, Los Angeles. Ms. Thompson's paper is entitled "Sealed Silver in Iron Age Cisjordan and the 'Invention' of Coinage."

## Want to Publish Research for the International Public?

The Beirut-based Daily Star, an English-language newspaper with a wide distribution in the Middle East, in partnership with the International Herald Tribune, is seeking popular articles exploring the archaeology and history of the Middle East. Brief articles (900-1200 words) that publicize recent finds, excavations, and research, and are written in an entertaining, informative, and accessible style are invited.

The American Schools of Oriental Research has entered into a partnership with the Daily Star through its outreach journal, *Near Eastern Archaeology*. Articles published in the Daily Star will also be considered for NEA's *Arti-Facts* section, which highlights recent expeditions, exhibitions, and discoveries. This partnership arises from our mutual desire to increase public access, both domestically and internationally, to archaeological research. Scholars will be able to present their research to an audience that the North American and European media often overlook - the Middle Eastern public. Our goal is to increase awareness of current archaeological research and create a dialogue between scholars and the region's public concerning the value of history and heritage.

Please send queries and electronic submissions to Benjamin Porter, [bporter@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:bporter@sas.upenn.edu), NEA's Assistant Editor for News. Please include two high-resolution images suitable for publication. If you are interested in taking advantage of this unique opportunity, but are not interested in writing the piece yourself, we will work with you to find an individual who will do so.

For more information on the Beirut Daily Star, visit [www.dailystar.com.lb](http://www.dailystar.com.lb). For more information on *Near Eastern Archaeology*, including instructions on how to submit materials, visit [www.asor.org/pubs/nea/](http://www.asor.org/pubs/nea/). Recent articles published in *NEA* and the Daily Star are also available on-line.

We look forward to working with you in the near future.

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and present patterning in his data. Tom has also earned the respect of his colleagues for his courageous continuation of this work even during these times of deteriorating relations between the West and the Islamic world.

In sum I think it is not exaggerating to say that Tom Levy has emerged as one of the brightest stars on the horizon of Levantine archaeology in particular and Eastern Mediterranean archaeology in general. He has won the confidence and respect of his colleagues in Israel and Jordan as well as that of the membership of the American Schools of Oriental Research and the American Anthropological Association. It is a great pleasure to be able to honor him tonight by means of the MacAllister Field Archaeology Award!

### **Frank Moore Cross Publication Award**

*Presented to Michael Homan by Thomas Levy*

The committee is especially pleased to award this year's Frank Moore Cross Award to Michael Homan for his recent book, *"To Your Tents, O Israel! The Terminology, Function, Form, and Symbolism of Tents in the Hebrew Bible and the Ancient Near East"* published in 2002 by Brill. Through his analysis of the term tent in the Hebrew Bible and other Near Eastern texts and archaeological data, Homan's synthetic study represents the best entry this year that deals with ancient Near Eastern epigraphy, text and the tradition of nomadism. The book is based on his doctoral thesis, written at the University of California San Diego under the co-supervision of Bill Propp and Tom Levy from the Judaic Studies Program.

The book brings together an extensive amount of information regarding parallels to ancient Israel's tabernacle. Homan's synthesis of past research and his analysis of the Hebrew Bible's description of the tabernacle's form will prove valuable to researchers for generations to come. Amongst other things, the book examines in detail the phrase "To your tents, O Israel" in the context of parallel ancient Near Eastern phrases as well as the previously explored functions for tents. The final product is a superb synopsis of past research as well as an important synthesis of academic methodologies providing many original insights in both ancient history and anthropology.

Finally, Frank Moore Cross began the modern academic debate concerning the tabernacle's historicity with his seminal article "The Tabernacle: A Study from an Archaeological and Historical Approach" published in *Biblical Archaeology* in 1947. It is therefore appropriate that Michael Homan's recent book, which greatly expands upon Cross's earlier work both in scope and in the analysis of new data, has won the award named in honor of Professor Cross.

### **G. Ernest Wright Publication Award 2003**

*Presented to Beth Alpert Nakhai by Martha Risser  
(Citation by Tammi Schneider)*

This year's winner of the G. Ernest Wright Award for the best recent book dealing with the archaeology of the ancient

Near East and eastern Mediterranean has perfect credentials because both the book and the scholar represent the best of ASOR: solid scholarship that integrates a number of subfields into a meaningful synthesis. In this award-winning book, the author separates the study of ancient Near Eastern religions from purely biblical texts and incorporates the corpus of archaeological resources with insights from the social sciences concerning the study of religion. She then examines each of the following: texts, Middle Bronze Age remains, Late Bronze Age materials, and Israelite sacred places of the Iron Age. I am not going to give away the results; instead I recommend you buy the ASOR publication and benefit from the approach and insights.

Dr. Beth Alpert Nakhai represents the best of ASOR in her work and professional activities as well. Her book, *Archaeology and the Religions of Canaan and Israel*, is the revision of her doctoral thesis published by ASOR's press. She has worked at numerous archaeological sites, including Tel el-Wawiyat, Miqne-Ekron, Tell el-Hesi, and Gezer, all ASOR-affiliated excavations. She is presently an assistant professor at the University of Arizona, where she teaches such a range of courses as: Biblical Hebrew, Ancient Civilizations of the Ancient Near East, and Women in Israel. She presents regularly at ASOR's annual meeting and serves on a number of ASOR committees, including the Board of Trustees. Finally, she is the chair of the newly-formed Pacific Coast ASOR Regional Association and in this, its first year, she managed to put together two sessions.

With members like Dr. Beth Alpert Nakhai and publications like *Archaeology and the Religions of Canaan and Israel*, ASOR's future is very bright.

### **W.F. Albright Award (AIAR)**

*Presented to Norma Dever by Sidnie White Crawford*

I feel a little silly standing here representing the Albright Institute on behalf of this evening's recipient, because the recipient has been involved with the Albright much longer than me! Tonight's recipient of the W. F. Albright Service award may be called the "mistress of the Albright," and she certainly was that from 1971 to 1975, when she lived in the Director's House. Since then she has been an important presence in the life of the Institute. I myself met her one summer in the garden of the Albright; later we shared (with Jane Waldbaum) a Roman dinner. In one of the many acts of kindness for which she is known, tonight's recipient got up at 2:00 a.m. to wait with me for the sherut to the airport, so that I wouldn't feel lonely on ghostly Salah-ed-Dhin!

You have all guessed by now that tonight's recipient is Mrs. Norma Dever. She is a long-term trustee of the Albright, and in that role is best known as the Director of the Alumni Campaign, which every year provides an important, tangible item for the residents of the Institute. She started out with new garden furniture, and since then we have received curtains, a new washer and dryer, new fence, shutters, desks, lamps, mattresses, and this year a new stove for our renovated kitchen! She also was a member of the production staff for the Institute's beautiful Centennial Symposium

volume, just released by Eisenbraun's.

Most importantly, however, in the face of recent tragedy Norma has taught us all how to live with grace, courage, and continuing hope. It is my very great pleasure to present the W. F. Albright service award to Mrs. Norma Dever.

### **W.F. Albright Award (CAARI)**

*Presented to Ellen Herscher by Stuart Swiny*

Never have I presented an award to anyone who deserved it more. I was pleased to be asked by my president to do so, and it is with great affection and respect that I am here tonight. Thirty-four years ago, I met the recipient of this award on a dig. We were both young, and she was certainly beautiful - then as now. Certainly nobody has done more to help CAARI keep on an even keel over the years than Ellen Herscher, secretary, vice president, trustee, and vice president again.

When I was director and faced with a delicate issue, more than once I would phone Ellen. I always got sage advice or support which never, and I repeat never, did I regret.

In my opinion, nobody else in ASOR has done more over the years to help preserve the world's cultural heritage. Perhaps her dedication is sparked by what we saw in Cyprus as the result of a war which wracked our beloved island and resulted in the destruction of so much culture. I am honored to present this W.F. Albright Award to Ellen Herscher.

### **W.F. Albright Award (ACOR)**

*Presented to David McCreery by Nancy Lapp*

It is my pleasure to introduce David McCreery to you for the Albright ACOR award—though he hardly needs an introduction. I have known Dave since his days at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary where he gave many hours of work to our Bible Lands Museum. And I must add a personal note, he was a close personal friend and an elder brother for our five children. And it was in Pittsburgh where he met his wonderful wife Linda.

He received his Masters of Divinity from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 1973 and his PhD in the joint program at the University of Pittsburgh in 1980. In 1975 he had joined the Dead Sea Plain excavations and served as a Field Supervisor in 1975, 1977, and 1979. In 1977 he also joined the technical staff of those excavations as paleobotanist, and has served in this position since that time. He received the Albright Fellowship in 1977 and spent the academic year in Amman at ACOR.

In 1981 he became Director of our institute in Amman-ACOR, and served until 1988. Those were relative years of stability and expansion in archaeological projects and fellowships. Dave's work included a salvage excavation at Umm al-Bigal near Amman. And looking toward permanency - David spent many hours, days, and weeks planning, raising funds, and overseeing the construction of a permanent home for ACOR - with a true vision for its archaeological and academic future. In 1988 he returned to the states and took a faculty position at Willamette University.

His archaeological work continued with initiating the operations at Tell Nimrin, with Jim Flanagan as co-director. He continues with his work on the final publication of the 1989, 1990, 1993, and 1995 campaigns. His service to ACOR continued as a member of the Board of Trustees. In 1998 he was tapped by ASOR to become chair of its Committee on Archaeological Policy, a position he still holds.

In 1998 he received the Alumni award from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary for excellence in teaching and archaeology. At Willamette, he was professor of the year in 2000 and recipient of a Faculty Achievement Award for service in 2003, and also in 2003 an Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching from AIA.

It is indeed time that ASOR awarded David McCreery's generosity, scholarship, and all round authenticity.

### **Membership Service Award**

*Presented to Rudolph Dornemann by Joe Seger*

Rudy Dornemann has had a distinguished career as a field archaeologist, scholar, and administrator. His contributions to ASOR and its affiliated centers have been manifold.

A graduate of the University of Connecticut, he received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Chicago's Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations.

In the mid-1960s he was appointed as ASOR Thayer Fellow and also served USAID as Archaeological Advisor to the Department of Antiquities of Jordan. Between 1968 and 1969 he was Annual Professor and the first Director of ACOR, as it developed from the Amman Research Center of ASOR. In 1972 he became Curator of History and Head of the History Section at the Milwaukee Public Museum, a post which he held till 1990 when he retired.

In 1991 he took the post of Administrative Director of ASOR in Baltimore and in 1996 was given a new title as ASOR Executive Director. He has served ASOR well, directing its headquarters staff, and overseeing management of its business affairs for over twelve years. Notable events during his tenure include the establishment of a new office on the John's Hopkins campus; helping the overseas centers each achieve a fully independent status; engineering the move of the offices to new space at Boston University; and guiding and directing programs and activities associated with the year 2000 Centennial celebration - and much, much more.

Throughout his tenure he has maintained a good pace with his archaeological research and scholarship, directing fieldwork in Syria and maintaining an ASOR presence there, and establishing a distinguished record of publications. Included among these is his most recent report on "Seven Seasons of ASOR Excavations at Tell Qarqur, Syria," in *ASOR Annual 56*.

For the past decade and more, Rudy Dornemann has served as the main hub for ASOR's work. All of us who have served as officers and trustees, worked on committees, or participated in any way as members of the organization have come to rely on his good judgment and able assistance. He has served us all very well.

It is therefore my special pleasure, on behalf of all the ASOR

Membership, to present Rudolph H. Dornemann with this 2003 Membership Service Award.

### **Membership Service Award**

*Presented to Ann Killebrew by Martha Risser (Citation by Andrew Vaughn)*

The ASOR Membership Service Award recognizes individuals who have made special contributions on behalf of the ASOR membership through committee, editorial, or office services." This year's recipient has not only served faithfully on important ASOR committees, but she has widened participation in ASOR through her service. From 1998–2001 she served on the Program Committee, and she was diligent in her efforts to increase participation by individuals and constituencies that had previously been under-represented. She made many phone calls at her own expense to encourage archaeologists, historians, and biblical scholars to attend the meetings and to present their research. Many of these participants were members who had not previously presented at ASOR meetings, but some of the participants were seasoned veterans who had somehow felt left out when natural changes took place. Our honoree saw it as her task to make sure that all members of ASOR felt a part of our meetings.

Over the last five years, our honoree has also served on COP (the committee on publications). She has asked hard questions, been supportive of our staff, and urged us to move forward with projects that will allow ASOR's publication arm to be a leader in the field. Her vast experience as a field archaeologist has proven vital for the committee as it reviews and expands the role of publications.

Our honoree has encouraged the inclusion of scholars who do not have huge amounts of field experience—biblical scholars, philologists, and anthropologists. She has been this type of advocate because she sees this as essential to success in the future. ASOR members listen carefully to her counsel because she is an accomplished archaeologist who probably has as much field experience as any other American archaeologist. Since first serving as a field director at Tel Akko in 1979, she had served as a supervisor or director at 14 different sites. She has been one of the directors at 6 of those sites. Moreover, she has been a model archaeologist who publishes what she digs. To date she has published two field reports, a book on the Jewish Cemetery at Jericho, and a massive dissertation on pottery from the Late Bronze Age and early Iron Age that makes very significant conclusions about ethnicity during those periods.

Our honoree is the ideal recipient of the ASOR membership service award because much of her professional life has been spent in an effort to share the significance of archaeological research with the larger public. She is a leading authority on site presentation and the need to make archaeological conclusions available to the larger public. This desire for a larger dissemination of archaeological findings has recently led to what might be her largest contribution to date to ASOR—the establishment of the ASOR Public Lecture Series in 2001. Without a motivation to promote her own research

or to gain money for her own institution, our honoree encouraged a wide group of ASOR members to promote a lecture series that would be expand the influence of ASOR. She was ambitious in her goals and yet practical in her approach. She dreamed that ASOR members could build on contacts that were already developed in their own institutions and communities and organize lectures that would let a broader audience know about ASOR. The result has been extremely successful events that have drawn people to ASOR. Just this past year, the lecture series had two extremely successful events in Atlanta and Los Angeles.

As mentioned several times in this citation, our honoree has not sought personal recognition for her service to ASOR and the larger field. She has done her work because she felt that was the right thing to do. I am sure that she is sitting in the audience right now and thinking of how someone else might be more deserving. She has acted selflessly and not asked for recognition because she is simply that type of person. However, I cannot think of a more appropriate recipient of the *2003 ASOR Membership Service Award*, and I am honored to now be able to invite Dr. Ann E. Killebrew to come forward and receive this award. It is but a small token of appreciation from all ASOR members for the contributions that she has made to the organization, but it is a sincere token of our appreciation nevertheless.

### **Membership Service Award**

*Presented to Victor Matthews by Eric Meyers*

In selecting Vic Matthews for a Membership Service Award, ASOR has chosen someone who for nearly twenty years has devoted himself to making ASOR a viable entity in the heartland of American education. His efforts in making the Central States ASOR Regional Association into one of the most successful ASOR societies is well-known, and he served there as treasurer concurrently with AAR/SBL from 1986-1989; secretary of the ASOR section, 1992-1996, but also as regional secretary for the Central States SBL/AAR/ASOR from 1990-1997; as Vice President of the ASOR section of the Southwest Commission on Religious Studies, 1988-1990 and 1996-1998; and as president 1990-1992 and 1998-2000.

On the national level, Vic Matthews served as co-editor and editor of the ASOR Newsletter from 1990-1996; as editor of the ASOR Book Series 1996-2001; chair of the ASOR Agenda Committee, 1997-1999; and as Program Chair for the Annual Meeting 1998-2000, a committee he had served since 1994.

All the While, Vic has maintained his standing as a publishing scholar in the field of ancient Near East and Hebrew Bible at Southwest Missouri State University. The author of numerous books and articles, he also co-edited (with Doug Clark) *100 Years of American Archaeology in the Middle East*, which has just been published by ASOR. If we clone Vic, there is no doubt in my mind that ASOR regional associations would grow and flourish everywhere and the state of the field would be universally regarded as healthy and well.

On behalf of ASOR, congratulations Vic, on an honor well deserved.

# R E G I O N A L A S O R

## Pacific Northwest

WHERE: University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia

WHEN: May 7–9, 2004

### ASOR ARCHAEOLOGY

Lisa Cooper, University of British Columbia, Presiding  
Cynthia Temoin, University of Lethbridge, “Ground Stone Tools from Tall al-‘Umayri, Jordan”

Gregory L. Doudna, Bellingham, WA, “Redating the Dead Sea Scroll Deposits at Qumran: the Legacy of an Error in Archaeological Interpretation”

### ASOR PLENARY

Tour of the UBC Museum of Anthropology  
Lisa Cooper, University of British Columbia, host

This tour, sponsored by ASOR, is open to all conference attendees. Those planning to take advantage of the tour will meet at Book Exhibits at 10:45 am to make the short walk to the museum and be back by 12:15 pm. The guided tour will be approximately one hour in length and cost \$7 Canadian at the door. Check the museum’s webpage for further information - <http://www.moa.ubc.ca>.

## Great Plains

WHERE: Provo Courtyard Marriott, Provo, Utah

WHEN: March 26–27, 2004

### ASOR/Bethsaida Group

Rami Arav, University of Nebraska, “Bethsaida: The Capital of the Kingdom of Geshur - New Discoveries”

Nicolae Roddy, Creighton University, “Et-Tell: Bethsaida, or Not?”

Christian Haunton, University of Iowa, “The Tripod Vessel: Another Look”

Elizabeth McNamer, Rocky Mountain College, “The Relevance of Bethsaida for the Historical Jesus Quest”

## Southwest

### Report on the ASOR Southwest 2004 Regional Meeting

In March, members of ASOR Southwest Region met in Dallas in a meeting that was an unqualified success—in terms of both quality of presentations and numbers attending sessions. Papers ranged from *Jerusalem at the time of the United Monarchy: The Archaeological Evidence* (Jane M. Cahill, Houston, TX) and *Deconstructing Goliath: Recent Trends in Philistine Research* (Steve Ortiz, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary) to *Persian Influence in Judea during the Early Post-Exilic Period* (Stephen von Wyrick, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor) and *Archaeology and the Population of Galilee* (Mark A. Chancey, Southern Methodist University). A session on Teaching Archaeology and Biblical Studies was well-received. New officers for the year are as follows: Stephen von Wyrick (UMHB), President; Steve Ortiz (NOBTS), Vice-President; Nancy Reed (Texas Tech University), Secretary-Treasurer. Michael Homan (Xavier University of Louisiana) and Jesse Long (Lubbock Christian University) were elected to represent the region at the national meeting in San Antonio.



## Eastern Great Lakes

WHERE: Oglebay's Resort, Wheeling, WV

WHEN: April 1-2, 2004

### Archaeological Research 1:

Convener: *Suzanne Richard, Gannon University*

Ellen Dailey Bedell, The Ellis School, "The Uluburun On-line Project: A Late Bronze Age Archaeological Site as a Teaching Tool for Understanding Methodology and Trade Relations"

Deirdre N. Fulton, The Pennsylvania State University, "Shiloh: A Reexamination"

Karen Bowden, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary Museum, "Witness for the Excavation: M.G. Kyle at Tell Beit Mirsim"

### Archaeological Research 2:

Convener: *Suzanne Richard, Gannon University*

Brad Crowell, University of Michigan, "Because They Pursued the Gods of Edom': Religion and Society in Iron Age Edom"

James Constantine Hanges, Miami University, "How to Build a Mystery Sanctuary: Site Geography and the Cult of Palaimon at Isthmia."

Suzanne Richard, Gannon University, "A Unique EB IV Bronze Weapon from Khirbet Iskander, Jordan: Evidence for Elites?"

## Central States

WHERE: Holiday Inn – Westport, St. Louis, MO

WHEN: March 28-29, 2004

CONTACT: Victor H. Matthews, Southwest Missouri State University. E-mail: vhm970f@smsu.edu

### ASOR PROGRAM:

#### Session 1:

*Victor H. Matthews, Southwest Missouri State University, Presiding*  
Susan Ellis, Wayne State College, "Patterns of Modernization in Traditional Villages"

Victor H. Matthews, Southwest Missouri State University, "Thoughts on the Anthropology of Clothing in the Ancient Near East"

James C. Moyer, Southwest Missouri State University, "Gashing/Cutting the Body as a Grief Ritual in Jeremiah 41:5"

#### Session 2:

*Anne Marie Kitz, Kenrick-Glennon, Presiding (Joint Session of Hebrew Bible and ASOR)*

Peter Machinist, Harvard, "The Book of Nahum: Prophecy or Historical Report"

#### Session 3: Interpretation of Data

*James C. Moyer, Southwest Missouri State University, Presiding*  
Juris Zarins, Southwest Missouri State University, "GPS, remote sensing, and other computer Miscellaneous: A Case for the Near East"

Mark Appold, Truman State University, "Excavating Philip: Apostle and/or Evangelist"

Sara Orel, Truman State University, "Mixed Messages: Regionalism and the dating of ceramic assemblages at Beni Hasan"

#### Session 4: Artifactual Interpretation

*LaMoine DeVries, Southwest Missouri State University, Presiding*  
LaMoine DeVries, Southwest Missouri State University, "Incense Altars Revisited"

Christine R. Tibbs, Southwest Missouri State University, "The Public Bath Experience: A Study of the Stabian Bath Complex"

James W. Bennett, Southwest Missouri State University, "Early Christian Archaeology: The Roman Catacombs"

Scott Smith, Springfield, MO, "More on Herod's Harbor"

Christopher Jones, Southwest Missouri State University, "The Role of Hazor in the Levant in the Middle to Late Bronze Periods"

## Southeast

WHERE: Atlanta Marriott Century Center, Atlanta, GA

WHEN: March 5-7, 2004

### REPORT:

There were three sessions on the theme of "Archaeology and the Ancient World." The presidential address, The Theater at Sepphoris: Herodian Foundations and Urban Modifications ~A Final Report on the USF Excavations at Sepphoris, was given by Tom McCollough. ASOR SE will meet next March in Winston-Salem, NC. Next year's president is James Pace of Elon University and the vice-president elect is Byron McCane of Wofford College.

# Degirmentepe Social Organization and the Ubaid Period of Greater Mesopotamia

*Salvage excavations at Degirmentepe, conducted by the University of Istanbul between 1979 and 1986, yielded a good representation of typical Ubaid traits, such as tripartite buildings, seals, sealings (seal impressions made on lumps of wet mud), and abundant painted pottery. My dissertation project involved the analysis of the mud-brick architecture of Degirmentepe and the identification of the activity areas of that site. This analysis should yield insight about the use of space and the organization of the society at Degirmentepe. Therefore, the results of the dissertation should provide a better understanding of the Ubaid period in the high, mountainous plains of Anatolia and be useful for further comparative research in North Mesopotamia.*

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By Bekir Gürdil, UCLA,  
Mesopotamian Fellow 2003/2004

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The ASOR Mesopotamian Fellowship for the year of 2003–2004 was awarded to conduct research on the Ubaid period in North Mesopotamia. The major objective was to complete the research on the material culture remains recovered from the Ubaid site Degirmentepe, Turkey. The other goal was to study the available artifacts from other contemporary sites in Turkey and Syria with as much hands-on experience as possible. This research would permit me to go beyond the limited publications available about the Ubaid. In order to achieve these tasks, I studied the Degirmentepe artifacts kept in the local museum, and visited numerous other local museums and sites in North Mesopotamia and East Anatolia for comparative study and documentation.

The research trip was completed between July and mid-November of 2003. Upon arrival in Istanbul, my visit to the faculty members of Istanbul University transformed into a two-week-long necessary research period at the lab. More original drawings of Degirmentepe became available at the Prehistory department that were important to include in my research. These included the section drawings of the room interiors made during the excavations. Apart from the building plans, these drawings are critical in architectural description, providing substantial information about the construction techniques used and the qualities associated with these techniques, such as the brick layouts, wall heights, or doorways.

My work continued at the British Institute of Archaeology in Ankara, a preliminary step that was necessary before studying the survey collection kept in the Adıyaman Museum. The Institute

staff kindly provided full access to their hostel, research library, pottery collection, and the Adıyaman archaeological survey records kept by Dr. D. French and Dr. G. Summers. Following Ankara, I continued to Mersin to study the pottery assemblage from Mersin-Yümüktepe site where I met with Dr. I. Caneva. She permitted me to stay with her team at their excavation camp and I studied the pottery collection from the early excavations carried out by J. Garstang as well as the recent excavations conducted by Dr. Caneva. Work on this site's material added greatly to my understanding of the Mersin area during the Chalcolithic period.

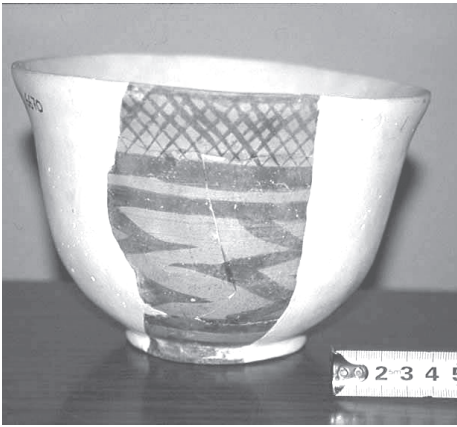
At the Adıyaman Museum, the director of the museum provided good facilities for me to study the Adıyaman survey material. As a result, the note taking and the photography at this museum were highly successful. During my stay, I also went on short trips to see the landscape and a small, unexcavated Ubaid-Halaf transitional site at the foothill areas of the city. At my arrival in Malatya, I worked with the Arslantepe pottery before I started working at the Malatya Museum. Arslantepe is of crucial importance for the East Anatolian Chalcolithic and EBA periods, since it represents a small regional center that probably controlled the Malatya basin. Although some of the Arslantepe collection has been published, a Ph.D. student was studying the Transitional Middle-Late Chalcolithic pottery. I am grateful that Dr. M. Frangipane generously provided me

full access to this collection, because I am confident now with my understanding of Arslantepe pottery as well as the chronology of the site. Following Arslantepe, I immediately began working on the Degirmentepe material at the Malatya Museum. I was able to describe and photograph the inventoried artifacts. This work provided crucial data for determining the activity areas at Degirmentepe. I have descriptions and a photo archive of almost one thousand artifacts now available for comparative studies with the other regions in future research.

The trip to Syria was the most exciting and enjoyable part of my Mesopotamian Fellowship. During the 14-day stay, I visited three museums and twenty-one sites dating to the Medieval, Late Roman, EBA (Early Jazira I, II), Ubaid, Halaf, and PPNB periods. Dr. G. Buccellati of UCLA guided me earlier in preparing my Syria itinerary. Upon my arrival in Aleppo, an archaeologist at the Aleppo Museum helped me to arrange a car with a driver for my trip to the south and the northern steppes of the country. I visited the Der-ez Zor and Aleppo museums, where the extremely rich collections on exhibit show the im-



Ubaid Period stone seals



Ubaid bowl with typical decoration

mense archaeological treasures of this country. I met with many archaeologists from different countries; where there was an active excavation at a site, I received as much information as possible about the time period on which their work focused, about the landscape, and about other sites within the vicinity.

At the end of my Syria trip I returned to Turkey via the Antakya border. From here, I continued east to visit local museums in Urfa, Gaziantep, and Diyarbakır. The latter was the last stop of my route to the east before returning to Ankara for meetings with some scholars. The most important of these meetings was with Geoffrey Summers, who received my gratitude for his great help in obtaining my research permit for the Adıyaman collection and in allowing a study at the British Institute in Ankara. Following this, I spent a week in Istanbul completing the latest drawings of the Degirmentepe rooms and copying them.

Completing more building drawings of Degirmentepe and studying its artifact collections at Malatya Museum provided me with a much better awareness

of the material remains of Ubaid period recovered during the salvage excavations. In terms of conducting an analysis to understand activity areas, these artifacts enhance the reliability of their contexts and help in determining the nature of these contexts. Therefore, such additional data about the artifacts will result in a much more reliable presentation and provide much better understanding of Degirmentepe.

Arslantepe is only about 20km away from Degirmentepe and they are both located in the same plain with similar environmental conditions. Although the earliest occupations excavated at Arslantepe are much younger than those of Degirmentepe, Arslantepe's architecture and pottery have similarities with those of Degirmentepe. For the time being, my observations suggest that there were uniform material aspects in the plain that seemed to have continued over a long time span. If the unexcavated thick Ubaid layers of Arslantepe can be excavated soon, the results will confirm or refute this hypothesis. Equally, the results from other Ubaid period excavations nearby these sites should also help to assess such cultural affiliations. On the other hand, Adıyaman and Mersin seem to constitute different cultural locales according to the pottery, which makes up a limited data corpus. This idea of having different localities can only be confirmed with more research so that the relations with Mesopotamia and the definition of the term local could be better understood for each of these regions.

In conclusion, as a Mesopotamian fellow of ASOR, my studies in Turkey and Syria generated substantial data to use in my dissertation about the Ubaid in North Mesopotamia and East Anatolia.

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## An Appeal to Establish a Library for Ancient Near Eastern Studies in Gaza

*From Dr. Moain Sadeq, Director, Department of Palestinian Antiquities of Gaza*

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I would appreciate the support of ASOR members in helping to establish such a library collection in Gaza by contributing books on all aspects of ancient Near Eastern Studies. Your cooperation in this matter would greatly advance the intellectual life of both students and scholars living and working in Gaza.

For logistical reasons, I would be grateful, if you would send books and journals, and any other publications to Prof. S. Gitin, at the Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, in Jerusalem. For further information on how to send them, please contact Prof. Gitin at [Director@Albright.org.il](mailto:Director@Albright.org.il). Thank you in advance for your help.

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## On the Fringe of Society. Archaeological and Ethnoarchaeological Perspectives on Pastoral and Agricultural Societies

*A seminar hosted by the Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, Jerusalem*

Organizers: Benjamin A. Saidel, Eveline J. van der Steen

Summary: Over the recent decades there has been a growing literature on the role of pastoralists in antiquity from archaeological and ethnoarchaeological perspectives. Traditionally, pastoral and agricultural societies were viewed as two separate entities which overlapped in economic and political spheres. Thanks to recent research, it is becoming clear that both types of subsistence strategies are different aspects of one society. This changing view has its impact on the way in which we interpret archaeological remains, as well as modeling the interaction between modern agriculturalist and pastoralist societies.

To address this research question and

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The seminar will be held on Thursday, 3 June 2004 at the W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Jerusalem. If you want to attend (part of) this seminar please register with the organizers. Those who wish to attend are asked to pay a \$10 fee to cover the costs of the seminar. Please note that the lecture room at the Albright is rather small. If you do not register in advance we cannot guarantee that you have a seat. A preliminary program is posted at [www.asor.org/seminar.htm](http://www.asor.org/seminar.htm).

## The Ancient Galilee in Interaction: Religion, Ethnicity and Identity

*October 23–25, 2004  
Yale University, New Haven, CT*

The correlation between religion, ethnicity and identity in antiquity has for many years been a main focus of several disciplines in the humanities. The ancient Galilee is especially well suited as a site for analyzing problems of cultural interaction and identity formation, as few other regions of the ancient Mediterranean world attract so much interdisciplinary research. The objective of the conference is to bring together scholars of texts, religious studies, history, and archaeology to reflect on new archaeological finds, new readings of ancient texts, and promising methodologies that help understand the complex ways of interaction and

identity formation in ancient Galilee.

The three day conference, will be held at Yale University. Proposals for papers (20-25 minutes, with additional time for questions and discussion) are invited. Those interested in presenting papers are asked to submit the following title of paper; 100 word abstract; full name, address, and institutional affiliation of author; email address, telephone number(s), postal address. Papers should not exceed 20-25 minutes with another 20 min. for discussion. The deadline for proposals is April 30, 2004. Papers or paper proposals should be sent via email to Jürgen Zangenberg ([zangenberg@t-online.de](mailto:zangenberg@t-online.de)). They may also be mailed to: Jürgen Zangenberg, Drausnickstraße 104, 91052 Erlangen, Germany.

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All correspondence should be addressed to: Search Committee, Department of Maritime Civilizations, University of Haifa, Haifa 31905 Israel. e-mail: [martzy@research.haifa.ac.il](mailto:martzy@research.haifa.ac.il)

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**The Levant in Transition: the Intermediate Early Bronze Age.** A Four-Day International Conference. Clore Education Centre, British Museum. Contact: [www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk/ane/anenoev.html](http://www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk/ane/anenoev.html).

## April 23–24, 2004

**Filtering the Past, Building the Future: Archaeology, Tradition and Politics in the Middle East.** University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. Contact: [Bradley.J.Parker@utah.edu](mailto:Bradley.J.Parker@utah.edu).

## April 29, 2004

**Between East and West: Eretz Israel and the Ancient Near East - Intercultural Ties and Innovation in the Second Millennium BCE.** The Hall of Justice, The Buchman Faculty of Law Building, Tel Aviv University.

## May 7–9, 2004

**Association of Ancient Historians.** Ann Arbor, MI. Theme: Perceptions of Change: In the Ancient World, Of the Ancient World. Contact: [www.lsa.umich.edu/aah](http://www.lsa.umich.edu/aah).

## May 7–9, 2004

**Pacific Northwest Regional ASOR Conference.** University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University. Contact: Douglas Clark, Walla Walla College, [clardo@wwc.edu](mailto:clardo@wwc.edu).

## May 20, 2004

**The 4th Middle Bronze Age Study Group Workshop.** Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology, Hebrew Union College, Jerusalem. Theme: Social Constructs of the Middle Bronze Age. Contacts: Aren Maier ([maeira@mail.biu.ac.il](mailto:maeira@mail.biu.ac.il)), David Ilan ([dilan@huc.edu](mailto:dilan@huc.edu)) and Ezra Marcus ([ezra@research.haifa.ac.il](mailto:ezra@research.haifa.ac.il)).

## June 3, 2004

**On the Fringe of Society: Archaeological and Ethnoarchaeological Perspectives on Pastoral and Agricultural Societies.** The Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, 26 Salah ed-Din St. Jerusalem. Contact: [www.asor.org/seminar.htm](http://www.asor.org/seminar.htm).

## June 3, 2004

**On the Fringe of Society. Archaeological and Ethnoarchaeological Perspectives on Pastoral and Agricultural Societies.** Albright Institute of Archaeological Research. Contact: [www.asor.org/seminar.htm](http://www.asor.org/seminar.htm)

## June 4–5, 2004

**Dialogues between Sculpture and Archaeology.** International Conference at the Henry Moore Institute. Contact: Liz Aston, Henry Moore Institute, e-mail: [liz@henry-moore.ac.uk](mailto:liz@henry-moore.ac.uk).

## June 16–19, 2004

**Anatomical Knowledge in the Ancient World: from prehistory to late antiquity.** Centre for the History of Ancient Medicine, University of Birmingham Medical School. Contact: <http://medweb5.bham.ac.uk/histmed/ancientmedicine>

## June 18–21, 2004

**3rd International Conference: "Hierarchy and Power in the History of Civilizations."** Co-sponsored by the Russian Academy of Sciences, the Center for Civilizational and Regional Studies and the Institute for African Studies, 30/1 Spiridonovka St., 123001 Moscow, RUSSIA. Tel.: + (7 095) 291 4119; Fax: + (7 095) 202 0786. E-mail: [civ-reg@inafr.ru](mailto:civ-reg@inafr.ru). Contacts: Prof. Dmitri M. Bondarenko, Dr. Igor L. Alexeev, and Mr. Oleg I. Kavykin preferably by e-mail <[conf2004@hotmail.com](mailto:conf2004@hotmail.com)>, or either by fax (+ 7 095 202 0786), or by ordinary mail (Center for Civilizational and Regional Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, 30/1 Spiridonovka St., 123001 Moscow, Russia). Tel: + 7 095 291 4119.

## June 20–22, 2004

**Confronting Catastrophe in the Ancient World.** Contact: Dr Erhan Altunel, Osmangazi University, Eskesehir, [ealtunel@ogu.edu.tr](mailto:ealtunel@ogu.edu.tr) or Dr Iain Stewart, University of Glasgow, Glasgow G12 8QQ, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 141 330 6653 or ext. 6653; Fax: +44 (0) 141 330 4894; E-mail: [istewart@geog.gla.ac.uk](mailto:istewart@geog.gla.ac.uk).

## July 25–28, 2004

**European Association of Biblical Studies (EABS)** and the European branch of the Society for Biblical Studies will jointly convene an international meeting in Groningen, the Netherlands. Contact: [www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/EABS/news.htm](http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/EABS/news.htm).

## August 2–6, 2004

**50th renconte assyriologique internationale.** Theme: Fauna and Flora in the Ancient Near East. To be held at the Skukuza (Kruger National Park, South Africa). Contact: <http://www.unisa.ac.za/rai50/>.

## September 17–19, 2004

**Hittites, Greeks and Their Neighbors in Ancient Anatolia: An International Conference on Cross-Cultural Interaction.** Emory University, Atlanta, GA. Keynote speaker: Walter Burkert. Contact: [www.mesas.emory.edu/anatconf/](http://www.mesas.emory.edu/anatconf/).

## September 20–24, 2004

**29th German Congress of Oriental Studies and 11th Congress of the German Middle East Studies Association Meeting.** Halle/Saale, Germany. Interdisciplinary sections and panels. Methodological fora on Literature, Law, Religion, Anthropology and Politics/Contemporary History. Deadline for registration of papers and panels: May 31, 2004. Contact: [www.dot2004.de](http://www.dot2004.de), e-mail: [info@dot2004.de](mailto:info@dot2004.de)

## October 21–23, 2004

**Fiscality in Mycenaean and Near Eastern Archives,** Naples, Italy. The Conference, organized by M. Rosaria De Divitiis and Massimo Perna, will be held at the Soprintendenza Archivistica della Campania in Naples, Palazzo Marigliano, via S. Biagio dei Librai n.39, 80138. Contact Massimo Perna: via F. Crispi 72, 80121 Napoli, Italia. e-mail: [massimo-perna@rdm-web.com](mailto:massimo-perna@rdm-web.com).

## October 23–25, 2004

**The Ancient Galilee in Interaction: Religion, Ethnicity and Identity.** Yale University. Contact: Jürgen Zangenberg ([zangenberg@t-online.de](mailto:zangenberg@t-online.de)), Draisnickstraße 104, 91052 Erlangen, Germany.

## November 5–7, 2004

**Death and Burial in Ancient Palestine.** Rauischholzhausen, Germany; Guesthouse of the University of Giessen. Contact: Prof. Ulrich Hübner, President of the German Society for the Exploration of Palestine, e-mail: [ulrichhuebner@t-online.de](mailto:ulrichhuebner@t-online.de).

## November 10–14, 2004

**37th Annual Chacmool Conference.** University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Theme: Queer(y)ing Archaeology: The 15th Anniversary Gender Conference. Contact: [www.arky.ucalgary.ca/arky1](http://www.arky.ucalgary.ca/arky1), e-mail: [chacmool@ucalgary.ca](mailto:chacmool@ucalgary.ca)

## November 17–20, 2004

**ASOR Annual Meeting,** Westin Riverwalk, San Antonio, Texas. Contact: [www.asor.org/AM/am.htm](http://www.asor.org/AM/am.htm)

## September 5–8, 2005

**Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt: Origins of State.** Toulouse, France. Call for Papers concerning the pre- and protohistory of Egypt, 25 min length in French or English. Abstracts 4000 signs maximum in Word format, deadline March 30, 2005. Contact: Centre d'Anthropologie, UMR 8555 du CNRS, 39 Allées Jules Guesde, F-31000 Toulouse, France; e-mail: [origines@egypt.edu](mailto:origines@egypt.edu).

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