



ASOR'S COMMITTEE ON ARCHAEOLOGICAL POLICY TOUR – 2005

Burton MacDonald, CAP Chair

The 2005 ASOR/CAP tour included visits to Jordan, Israel, and Cyprus June 13–26. Participants included Lawrence T. Geraty, ASOR President, Douglas R. Clark, ASOR's Executive Director, and the writer and, because virtually all international travel was covered by projects or individuals, the expense to ASOR was minimal. The directors of the Albright Institute, the American Center of Oriental Research, and the Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute, namely Sy Gitin, Pierre Bikai, and Tom Davis, respectively, joined us for segments of the tour. Moreover, Larry G. Herr, Canadian University College, who was in Jordan as a team member of the "Ayl to Ras an-Naqb Archaeological Survey Project," participated on the tour's Jordan segment.

Nabil Khairy, Professor in the Department of Archaeology, University of Jordan, Amman, graciously provided tour members use of his Mercedes-Benz for the Jordanian portion of the tour. Moreover, he and his friend Mustafa al-Barari, an MBA graduate of La Sierra University, Riverside, CA, and Secretary General of the kingdom's Audit Bureau, demonstrated further hospitality through meals and additional travel assistance.

Our first site visit in Jordan, on June 14, was to Jalul, just east of Madaba. The Jalul Expedition, part of the Madaba Plains Project, is directed by Randy Younker and David Merling, both of Andrews University. The visit was an extensive

one, incorporating a review of previous seasons' work, present objectives, and plans for future in-field seasons. During the tour, we were joined by Michèle Daviau, Wilfrid Laurier University, along with several members of her team, who were preparing for their upcoming season. This provided us with the opportunity not only to meet with Younker, his staff, and volunteers, but to chat also with members of the Kh. Al-Mudayna/Wadi ath-Thamad expedition about their upcoming season.

The Tall Jalul team onsite (with Kh. al-Mudayna/Wadi ath-Thamad staff visitors), hearing the pitch to join ASOR. Photo courtesy of John McVay. Other photos courtesy of Douglas Clark, unless indicated otherwise.



As part of the Jalul visit – and this became standard practice at all the other in-field projects we visited over the two-week period – we asked permission to address the expedition participants about ASOR. These informal addresses usually took the form of Larry Geraty's talking about ASOR, my speaking about CAP and the reasons for the tour, and Doug's making a sales-pitch to the audience to become, if not already, members of ASOR. Doug stressed especially the importance

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Report on the ASOR Board of Trustees Meeting, April 2005

Douglas R. Clark, Executive Director

Financial matters dominated the meeting of the ASOR Board of Trustees 30 April 2005 in Boston. Three important components quickly became apparent: 1) our current (FY05) deficit to finish out the fiscal year on 30 June, 2) a lean budget for FY06 which was still \$98,000 in the red and 3) the development program on which we are now embarking for the future.

1 The clarity of ASOR's finances (due to the hard work of BW Ruffner, Finance Committee Chair, and Selma Omerefendic, ASOR's Accountant) has helped us see where we stand and how much ASOR has depended in the past on a small number of very generous "angels." With the Torch Campaign benefits spent and other options diminishing, we faced a deficit of \$102,000. Trustees generously pledged to make up a large percentage of this.

2 The budget brought to the Board for FY06 was \$98,000 in the red. Publications and the Annual Meeting budgets were balanced, but the administrative expenses of running ASOR have outstretched revenues for some time and concrete figures, though helpful in creating clarity, do not a balanced budget make. A late-night meeting, laying out proposals for further cuts, followed up by severe budget cuts in all budget areas in subsequent days has led to a drastically reduced, but balanced, ASOR annual budget for FY06. This was approved by the Trustees at the end of May. We desperately hope these cuts are temporary until our new development initiative gets underway, anticipating that our precarious present will give way to a promising future.

3 David Rosenstein, Chair of the Development Committee, has led the way toward a development firm to help ASOR secure its financial future. According to the Executive Director's report, this is all intended to create "A development program which is systemic, comprehensive, carefully conceived, beneficial in the short run and for the long haul, a program that learns from the past, helps ASOR survive in the present and promises a long and sustainable future, rich in programs, publications and presentations." As of this writing, the development firm of Schultz & Williams of Philadelphia has been retained to work with ASOR in this quest and we are making the most of the summer months to begin our work in earnest. This is a bold venture, to mount a major development program while confronting last year's deficits and draconian budget cuts for the current year. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to several generous individuals, including Trustees and others, and to the entire Board for their support to fund this endeavor at between \$200,000 and \$250,000.

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SALE ON ASOR TITLES!

A number of ASOR's back titles are now on sale.

Please visit the David Brown Book Company's website
<http://www.oxbowbooks.com> for details.

Back issues of *Near Eastern Archaeology/Biblical Archaeologist*, the *Bulletin of ASOR* and the *Journal of Cuneiform Studies* are also available at \$5 each plus shipping.

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The Petra Great Temple team surrounding Martha and Artie Joukowsky

of the younger generation becoming involved in ASOR-related activities.

Having communicated with Debra Foran, who with Tim Harrison (both are from the University of Toronto) excavates at Madaba, we then made a visit to the Iron Age, Nabataean, Byzantine, and Islamic remains at the southwestern segment of this central Jordanian town. Although the area of current work was fenced in, CAP Tour members could appreciate the restoration work taking place at the site.

Ø. S. LaBianca, Andrews University, recently received an Ambassador's Fund Award of \$45,000 for restoration work at the site of Tall Hisban. Sten stressed that he is attempting to get the community of Hisban to take ownership of the site and thus become involved in its care.

Our visit with Dr. Fawwaz al-Khraysh, Director General of the Department of Antiquities of Jordan, was, due to the fact that all CAP Tour members and Pierre Bikai know him well, very congenial. Among the topics discussed were the Tenth International Conference on the History and Archaeology of Jordan to be held in Washington, D.C. in the spring of 2007; Jordanian student participants on ASOR/CAP-affiliated projects; and the publication in ASOR journals, with the permission of Iraqi authorities, of "looted" cuneiform texts from Iraq that may have made their way into Jordan.

On our way to the Petra/Wadi Musa area on June 15, we made a slight detour to the southeast and visited a segment of the northern portion of the "Ayl to Ras an-Naqb Archaeological

Survey Project" territory of which the writer is the director. (I had just completed the first of three in-field seasons on June 12.)

Our visit to the Petra/Wadi Musa area began with a meeting with Martha and Artemis Joukowsky and team members at their dig headquarters. This was followed by a dinner with the Joukowskys in Wadi Musa which provided an opportunity for discussion of several ASOR-related matters. The next morning we joined the Joukowskys for a tour of the Brown University excavations at the Petra Great Temple. Following this, we met with Leigh-Ann Bedal, Pennsylvania State University, Erie, at the Petra Garden and Pool Complex, adjacent to the Great Temple. Leigh-Ann explained to us what she had done in previous seasons as well as her objectives for the upcoming season.

Since we were in the Wadi Musa region, we visited the area of Bayda, immediately to the north of Petra, where Patricia Bikai, ACOR, has turned her attention to regional work—excavating tombs, caves, cisterns, wine presses—after her many seasons of excavating

had not as yet begun their season's work at Ya`amun, at the time of our in-country visit. However, CAP Tour members made a visit to this multi-period site that has become a major one for the training of both American and Yarmouk University students.

John Oleson, University of Victoria, was at ACOR but did not begin his in-field work at Humayma in the south of Jordan until after our departure from the country. However, we did have the occasion to meet with him and many of his staff members.

Our trip to Israel began on June 18 with a visit with Sy Gitin at the Albright Institute, followed by a drive south to see Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, at Kibbutz Lathan in Wadi Arabah. She is excavating at the Roman fortress of Yotvata, measuring ca. 40 meters square and located ca. 40 km north of Eilat. It was established around 300 CE to guard the oasis, by the same name, as well as the trade routes in the area.

Upon our return to Jerusalem on June 19, CAP Tour members met at the Albright with Sy, discussing Albright-ASOR relations; new American archae-



Team of Yotvata excavations near Eilat. Photo courtesy of Jim Haberman.

Byzantine churches within Petra. This past spring's work exposed a religious structure boasting capitals that incorporated small Greek mythological heads—watch for further reports on this.

On our return to Amman we visited the site of Dhiban where Bruce Routledge, University of Liverpool, and Ben Porter, University of Pennsylvania, began excavations in 2004 and will be working later this summer.

Jerry C. Rose, University of Arkansas and Yarmouk University, and Mahmoud Y. el-Najjar, Yarmouk University,

ological projects in Israel, some of which would be co-directed by American and Israeli archaeologists; mutual fundraising; ASOR's academic focus; and CAP.

In the afternoon, Sy hosted a tea at the Albright for tour members. Others at the gathering included Albright Fellows and guests from the Israeli and Palestinian archaeological communities. This in turn was followed by a meeting with Hamed Salem, Bir Zeit University, to discuss the ways in which ASOR might



Zeitah excavation director Ron Tappy (2nd from right) along with (from left to right) Gabriel Barkay, Larry Geraty, Burton MacDonald, Sy Gitin and Doug Clark. Photo courtesy of Michael Homan.

be of assistance in the full publication of Ta'anach, a site that Paul Lapp excavated in the 1960s.

Along with Sy, we met the next day with Ron Tappy, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, at his Tel Zeitah excavations. The site is located in the Beth Guvrin Valley of the Shephelah. Current field work at the site is concentrated on a large public building that dates to the Late Bronze Age and another building from the early Iron II period.

From Tel Zeitah we drove to Ashkelon, which is being excavated by Larry E. Stager, Harvard University. Ross Voss, an expedition team member, gave us a comprehensive tour of the site's Canaanite, Philistine, Phoenician, Byzantine, Crusader and Islamic remains. In addition, we met with a number of other project team members who are working on the site's publication.

In the afternoon we met with Shuka Dorfmann, Director General, Israel Antiquities Authority, and several of his staff at the Rockefeller Museum in Jerusalem. Dorfmann expressed an interest in American involvement in archaeological projects in Israel as well as a desire to see more young Israeli scholars participating in ASOR's Annual Meeting. We later visited with Yosef Aviram of the Israel Exploration Society about the forthcoming volumes on the pottery of Israel.

An extremely interesting and informative tour of the Israel Antiquities Authority's store rooms and archives in Beth Shemesh concluded our visit to

Israel. At Beth Shemesh we met with Hava Katz, Chief Curator, National Treasures, IAA, and were given a tour of the store rooms. The materials are computerized, providing easy access for researchers. For information on the archives and how they can be accessed, email hava@israntique.org.il or galit@israntique.org.il.

Upon our return to Amman and ACOR we met for several hours with Barbara A. Porter who will become director of the center in April of 2006, in order to discuss how ASOR and ACOR can best serve our constituents.

June 22 found us in Cyprus where we met with Tom Davis, CAARI Director, and his staff. Tom then took us to meet with Pavlos Flourentzos, Director of the Department of Antiquities of Cyprus. Dr. Flourentzos stressed



The Ais Yiorkis team in Cyprus.

the importance of publication. And he is looking forward to participating in the ASOR meetings in Philadelphia in November as well as his visits to other parts of the country at that time.

The next day began with an Alison K. South-led tour of two sites excavated as part of the Vasilikos Valley Project by her and Ian A. Todd. The first site, Kalavassos-Ayios Dhimitrios, is a Late Bronze/Late Cypriote (13th century BCE) town site that was excavated in the 1980s and 1990s. The neighboring site of Kalavassos-Tenta is

a Middle Aceramic Neolithic site dating to 7000-5500 BCE. It is a great pleasure to report that the excavators are publishing volumes on their sites.

Then it was on to the far west of Cyprus to meet with Alan Simmons, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and his team of workers from both his home university and Edinburgh University, Scotland. Alan's site of Ais Yiorkis is dated to the Aceramic Neolithic phase of Cyprus' colonization and the director states that he is rewriting the prehistory on this phase of settlement.

Besides being involved in Cypriote archaeology, Alan has dug in Jordan for many years. And, he, like LaBianca, just received an Ambassador's Fund Award to carry out restoration work at the site of Al-Ghuwayr I, a Pre-Pottery Neolithic village in Wadi Faynan, Southern Jordan. Because of time constraints, we were unable to meet with Stuart Swiny and his staff members on site for their study season of Sotira-Kaminoudhia, but did hear from them at the annual workshop (see below). On June 24, Pam Gaber gave us a tour of the extensive site of Idalion, currently a Lycoming College, PA, expedition. The site has been the focus of excavations for well over a century.

Ellen Herscher, CAARI Vice-President, reminded us of the traditional potters of Kornos and, since we were nearby, we did find four of them working at their craft. It was wonderful to see some of the same women who are featured in Gloria London's "Women Potters of Cyprus"

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Several members of the Idalion team at their base camp.



CHANGING OF THE GUARD: TRANSITIONS ON THE ASOR BOARD

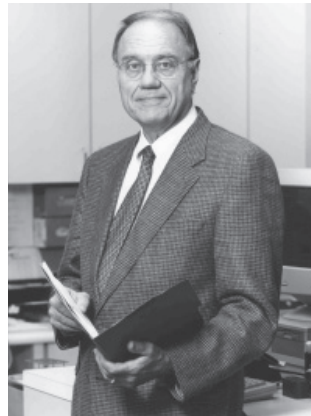
As monolithic and unchanging as it might appear, the ASOR Board of Trustees is always in a state of transition, some Trustees coming onto the Board and others leaving, having served ASOR well. ASOR owes a huge debt of gratitude to all who have been or are becoming part of the Board. We wish to report on the contributions of three lay Trustees who have recently requested to leave the ASOR Board and then introduce three new Trustees who were elected in November.

Kent Bermingham, of Powell, OH, has served two full terms, coming onto the Board in 1999, but was forced to cut back on his activities due to illness. He wishes ASOR the best as it moves toward its new development goals. **Ed Gilbert**, of Rancho Mirage, CA, has long served as a Trustee, most recently as Chair of the Investment Committee, helping ASOR reenter the stock market in responsible ways in order to maximize returns on our investments. Ed has promised to stay involved with ASOR. **Loren Basch**, of Oakland, CA, while on the Board for only a short time, contributed significantly to ASOR's self-understanding by means of the feasibility study he conducted two years ago. Our current engagement with development professionals is due in part to Loren's recommendations and encouragement. We collectively thank each of these former Trustees and wish them a bright and successful future.

Coming onto the Board are three persons with long-standing interests in archaeology and ancient history: Dr. John Anderson, Dr. Wilfred Geschke and Mr. Nader Rastegar.

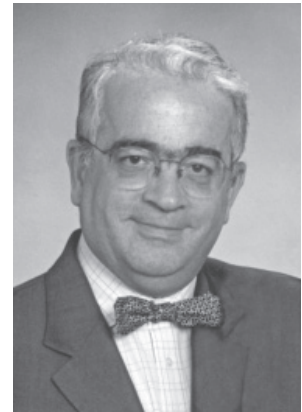
Dr. John Anderson, now living in Dakota Dunes, SD, has worked for the past two decades in surgery, especially cardiothoracic surgery, in New York,

Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania. His positions include surgical departments at prestigious hospitals as well as academic appointments at the State University of New York (SUNY) and Tufts University. Dr. John Anderson has distinguished himself internationally, having performed surgeries, made professional presentations and published articles around the globe. His work with the SUNY International Children's Cardiology & Cardiothoracic Surgery Program (1991-1998) brought over 200 patients to New York City from the Caribbean, Central and South America, the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, the Middle East and Asia. We are privileged to have someone of his credentials and background on the Board.



Dr. Wilfred Geschke, an oncologist in Portland, OR, has been acquainted with Larry Geraty for many years in a variety of contexts, mostly educational and church settings, and has worked and traveled extensively in the Middle East and Mediterranean world, often with Doug Clark. His history major in college has shaped his entire life, leading him (not only to the history section of Powell's Bookstore every time he visits, but also) to travel around the world in search of any historical information

available and the best photo opportunities possible. A connoisseur of fine food from Morocco to Amman, from Cairo to Istanbul, Wilfred and his wife Konnie immensely enjoy their travels, their family and their friends. These friends now include ASOR and ASOR members.



Mr. Nader Rastegar, born in Iran, studied in England and the United States, returning to Iran as a geologist-mining engineer in the family conglomerate of Mining Operations. His natural affinities to the land of ancient Persia have led him to encourage ASOR to expand its horizons, resulting already in a section on Iranian archaeology at the Annual Meeting and a major fund-raising event in his home town of Atlanta, GA. Involved in real estate and several companies, he has successfully helped bring about the initiation and expansion of Persian Studies programs at various educational institutions. One conversation with Nader will demonstrate how much he loves talking with people about the past and wants to see ASOR succeed in its mission.

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ASOR's Development Program
in Motion

(2000), still coil-building pots on a slow-moving turntable, using a technique reminiscent of ancient pottery.

In the afternoon, we met with Gus Feissel, new President of the CAARI Board, and Ellen Herscher in order to discuss matters of mutual ASOR-CAARI concern.

CAP Tour members attended "The 23rd Annual CAARI Archaeological Workshop in Collaboration with the Department of Antiquities Cyprus" held on June 25 at the Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation in Nicosia. After the welcome and introductory remarks by both Tom Davis and Pavlos Flourentzos, we heard reports from 24 project directors and/or their associates. These reports, six of which were on ASOR/CAP-affiliated projects, provided tour members with well-illustrated presentations on the very lively Cypriote archaeological scene.

The workshop was "capped-off" with a party held in the CAARI garden. Workshop participants, attendees, and members of the Cypriote community were present. Once again we had an opportunity to meet many of the day's presenters and their staff and numerous volunteers. Here there were more occasions to talk about the sites, the work, and how ASOR can be more involved in Cypriote archaeology and research.

ASOR/CAP Tour members were treated with great hospitality by the directors of the in-country institutes and their staff. They all went out of their way to make our visits enjoyable and informative. Moreover, project directors graciously accepted us, explained in detail their sites and their project's objectives, and gave up valuable dig time to let us speak with their teams. We are most grateful to all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Medieval Frescoes of Cyprus: Commemorating American Aid for a World Treasure

The Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute (CAARI) is pleased to announce a conference highlighting the American contribution to the restoration and preservation of the medieval frescoes of Cyprus. The Byzantine Center at Dumbarton Oaks in Washington, DC, led a multi-year effort to protect, preserve and promote the medieval frescoes of Cyprus. For more than a generation, American scholars and institutions have been involved in this effort. CAARI plans to bring some of the original team and other American specialists to Cyprus to join with local experts and former team members to re-examine this major contribution of the US to the Republic of Cyprus. The conference, to be held in Nicosia October 14-15, 2005, will feature an evening public lecture followed by a scholarly conference and a visit to some of the restored churches. Artistic, historical, archaeological and theological aspects of the frescoes will be examined. It is hoped that a modern church fresco artist will be included among the presenters.

CAARI is also pleased to announce that Gus Feissel of Santa Rosa, California, was recently voted President of CAARI and Ann-Marie Knoblauch of Virginia Polytech Institute as Treasurer. A more complete introduction to CAARI's new officers will appear in an upcoming issue of the *Newsletter*.

International Center for Advanced Studies at New York University

Fellowships for 2006-2007: Theme: "Rethinking the Social".

This is the third year of a larger project on The Authority of Knowledge in a Global Age. ICAS welcomes applications from scholars with PhD's at all career stages in any social science or humanities discipline from the U.S. and abroad. The project seeks to examine the production, circulation, and practical import of knowledge generated in the various disciplines of social inquiry. What are the costs of the growing divide between social science inquiry and humanistic scholarship? What are the implications of the growing dominance of U.S. based models of social inquiry for the understanding of other cultures and for the fundamental concepts of political experience and inquiry. The stipend is \$35,000 for nine months and includes eligibility for NYU housing. Application deadline: January 6, 2006. See <http://www.nyu.edu/gsas/dept/icas> for more information and application forms, or write to the center (fax: 212 995-4546; icas@nyu.edu).

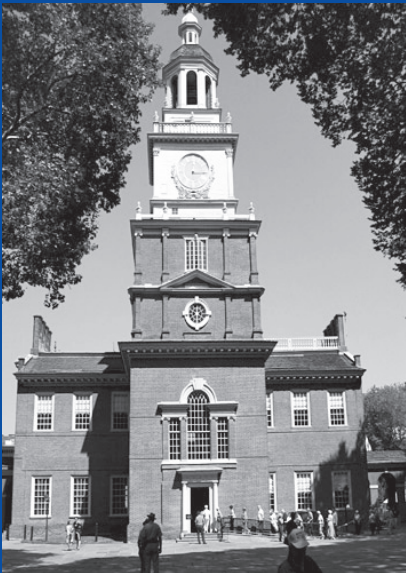
ASOR Outreach Education presents

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Wednesday Plenary Session
James Muhly (University of Pennsylvania, emeritus)
*The Mesopotamian Metals Project:
Recent Discoveries*

Thursday
Presidential Panel
Fakes and Forgeries in the Ancient World

Also of note:

- Over coffee and croissants, the inaugural meeting of the ASOR Student Association will bring students and recent Ph.D.s together to discuss the future direction of this interest group. Recent graduates and current students will have an opportunity to chat about the intricacies of applying and searching for jobs and funding, interview techniques, and other issues associated with a post-graduate career.
- A dinner and lecture on Friday evening in the University of Pennsylvania Museum.

See you in Philadelphia!

For more information and updates, visit our website at www.asor.org/AM/am.htm

2005 ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

NOVEMBER 16-19

Please see our [Annual Meeting web page](#) for detailed schedules, information on housing and transportation and online registration forms for the meeting and hotel:

<http://www.asor.org/AM/am.htm>

Housing

Accommodations are available at the conference hotel, the Hyatt Regency Penn's Landing, 201 S. Christopher Columbus Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19106. We have negotiated a special room rate of \$135 per night for a single, double, triple, or quad room for our meeting. In order to receive this special rate, you must make your reservation directly with the hotel by either calling (800) 233-1234, faxing the form included in this Newsletter, or reserving online via our website. If you call, identify yourself as part of the "American Schools of Oriental Research" meeting in order to receive this rate. The cut-off date for the rate is October 25, 2005 and rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Cancellations must be made with the hotel at least 24 hours prior to arrival to secure a full refund.

The hotel is located in eastern Philadelphia on the waterfront. Taxis are available at the Philadelphia International Airport and shuttles are available via the Lady Liberty Airport Shuttle. The shuttle costs about \$8 one-way and may be ordered at the airport by calling 215-724-8888. See the "Hotel and Philadelphia" link on the Annual Meeting web page for more details.

Registration

Save up to \$20 and avoid on-site registration lines by preregistering for the meeting. Complete the enclosed preregistration form or use a credit card and fill out the secure online form. Your registration fee entitles you to participate in all the academic sessions, the ASOR Welcome and President's Receptions, and the Plenary Session. All refunds of preregistration payments must be requested in writing or by email by November 10, 2005 and will be assessed an administrative fee.

Registration desk on-site

The ASOR registration desk will be located in the Grand Ballroom Foyer on the second floor of the hotel. All those preregistered should come to the ASOR registration desk to pick up the final meeting program.

Registration desk hours will be:

Wednesday 16 Nov	4pm to 7pm
Thursday 17 Nov	8am to 5pm
Friday 18 Nov	8am to 5pm
Saturday 19 Nov	8am to 2pm

Matching Funds Needed for Lindstrom Grant

The trustees of the Lindstrom Foundation will again provide ASOR with a grant for the support of student travel to the Meeting. Tax deductible contributions for matching funds are welcomed. Monies received will be used to provide student travel fellowships to cover travel and hotel expenses for students who will assist ASOR staff at the meeting. Your donation will not only assist a promising student in attending a professional meeting, but will also help the registration process and sessions run smoothly with the assistance of the Lindstrom fellows. The Lindstrom Foundation has allocated a maximum of \$2,500 on the basis that the foundation would match gifts on a one-for-two basis, i.e. that each \$1 of the Lindstrom grant be matched by \$2 contributed by others for this purpose. Individuals interested in supporting this program should send gifts directly to the Lindstrom Foundation at 2128 Alvarado St., San Leandro, CA 94577. Checks should be made payable to the "Lindstrom Foundation for Archaeological Research and Development." The Foundation will send acknowledgement letters and donations may be counted as charitable donations for tax purposes.

For Students

Several scholarships are available to assist students in their travel and hotel expenses in attending the Annual Meeting. See the Student Fellowships link on our Annual Meeting web page or call the Boston office at 617-353-6570 for more information. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2005. New this year: join fellow students and recent Ph.D.s for a student breakfast Thursday morning, and discuss common interests and forming an ASOR student interest group. Information will be posted online in September.

Special Evening Programs

The opening Plenary address this year will feature Professor Emeritus James Muhly of the University of Pennsylvania and American School of Classical Studies in Athens. Professor Muhly will speak about recent discoveries as part of the Mesopotamian Metals Project.

Our third annual Presidential Forum will focus on fakes and forgeries and the problems these pose for scholars. Chaired by ASOR President Lawrence Geraty, this Thursday evening session will feature archaeologists, a journalist specializing in the antiquities trade, and two agents from the FBI who specialize in art theft. For more information, see "Special Events" on the Annual Meeting web page.

New Sessions and Themes

The popular **Ethics of Collecting and Communicating the Near Eastern Past** session will focus this year on academic responsibility and the importance of publishing old excavations.

New sessions this year include:

**Excavations at Gezer in Retrospect and Prospect
Science and Technology in the Ancient World:
Measurement and Standards**

**The Byzantine and Early Islamic Near East, and
The Archaeology of Religion and the Sacred.**

Outreach Programs

A special public lecture will be held Friday night, Nov. 18th at the University of Pennsylvania Museum, featuring Dr. William Dever (University of Arizona, emeritus). Dr.

Dever will speak on "Stories of Great Archaeologists and What Made Them Tick." The lecture will be preceded by a banquet with Mediterranean-themed food, and separate registration is required for this evening's events (see page XX for a reservation form). The museum is on the University of Pennsylvania campus (see <http://www.museum.upenn.edu> for directions).

A Friday lunchtime program on Communicating Archaeology to the Public has been organized by our Outreach Education committee. This session will feature Neal Bierling showing and discussing Phoenix Data System's interactive video of the site of Petra in Jordan. He will explain how it was created and discuss how a similar panoramic video could be created for other sites.

Elementary and high school teachers will be able to learn about archaeology at our annual Teacher's Workshop, this year held at the University of Pennsylvania Museum. This day-long event on Saturday, Nov. 19 will focus on methods for teaching students about Near Eastern archaeology. For more information and to register, please contact Ellen Bedell at bedelle@theellisschool.org or tel. (412) 661-5992.

Program and Abstracts

The three following pages detail the academic program for the meeting. Complete listings including paper titles, and authors' and presiders' complete names and affiliations may be found on the Annual Meeting web page. The Abstract Book will be available via our Annual Meeting web page after September 15th and can also be obtained – along with the entire program – at the registration desk.

HOTEL RESERVATION FORM for ASOR Annual Meeting 2005

Group: American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR)
Meeting Dates: November 16-20, 2005
Group Rate: \$135.00 for a single, double, triple or quad room
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ASOR ANNUAL MEETING 2005 ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Wednesday–Thursday

Wednesday 16 November

7:00–8:30pm

Plenary Session

R. Hallote Presiding

*James Muhly (University of Pennsylvania, emeritus),
“The Mesopotamian Metals Project: Recent Discoveries”*

Thursday 17 November

8:30–10:30am

Reports on Current Excavations, ASOR-Affiliated

J. Ebeling Presiding

B. MacDonald, R. Dornemann, R. Tappy, S. Moore, J. Rose

Archaeology of Mesopotamia I

C. Gane Presiding

J. Evans, A. Baadsgaard, P. Zimmerman, Y. Rakic, C. Demos

Archaeology of Cyprus I – Theme: Ethnicity

D. Parks and A.-M. Knoblauch Presiding

A. Ammerman, B. Knapp, L. Hitchcock, D. Collard, S. Helft, M. Hasel

Arabia I – Theme: Archaeology and Epigraphy

D. Graf Presiding

M. Ibrahim, M. Maraqtan, G. Corbett, M. Khatatbeh

ETANA (Electronic Tools and Ancient Near Eastern Archives) Workshop I

J. Flanagan and D. Clark Presiding

10:45am–12:45pm

Archaeology and the Public

A. Killebrew and J. Greene Presiding

T. Davis, Z. Gal, M. Sevetoglu, R. Greenberg

Archaeology of Mesopotamia II

R. Zettler Presiding

E. Stone, A. McCarthy, J. Szuchman, S. Reed, J. Lawson

Archaeology of Cyprus II – Theme: Ethnicity

D. Parks and A.-M. Knoblauch Presiding

A. Gilboa, K. Chudzick, N. Blackwell, D. Parks, G.B. Bazemore

Arabia II – Theme: Petra and the Nabataeans

M. Ibrahim Presiding

J. Patrich, D. Graf, K. Prag, L.-A. Bedal, M. Haiman

Material Culture in Ottoman Syro-Palestine

(Bilad es-Sham) – Theme: Ottoman Period Ceramics

B. de Vries and Ø. LaBianca Presiding

M. Avissar, M. Abu Khalaf, B. Walker, R. Gabrieli, H. Salem

2:00–4:00pm

The Ethics of Collecting and Communicating the Near Eastern Past

Theme: The Obligation to Publish Archaeological Excavations

P. Gerstenblith, E. Herscher, and M. Kersel Presiding

M. Kersel, P. Flourentzos, J. Uziel, K. Sams, S. Paley

Science and Technology in the Ancient World

Theme: Measurement and Standards

M. Harpster Presiding

E. Levine, S. Pfann, A. Touwaide, F. Hocker

Archaeology of Syria I

M. Chavalas Presiding

B. Gürdil, S. Graff, G. Schwartz, R. Bates, K. McGeough

Ancient Mediterranean Trade

Theme: Trade During the Iron Age

B. Gittlen Presiding

D. Ben-Shlomo, I. Shai, A. Brody, J. Thareani-Sussely, J. Holladay, Jr.

4:00–6:00pm

Excavations at Tell Gezer in Retrospect and Prospect

L. Geraty Presiding

W. Dever, J. Seger, S. Ortiz, N. Dever

4:15–6:15pm

GIS (Geographic Information Systems), Remote Sensing and Archaeology

G. Christopherson Presiding

J. Pincus, S. Batiuk, S. Bubel, A. Sasson, M. Pincus

Archaeology of Syria II

B. Schmidt Presiding

K. Birney, J. Casana, K. Vansteenhuyse, H. Jackson

Individual Submissions I

Theme: Roman/Byzantine studies

TBA, Presiding

M. Cox, E. Christensen, C. Haunton, U. Leibner

7:00–8:30pm

Presidential Panel – Fakes and Forgeries in the Ancient World

L. Geraty Presiding

R. Atwood, Y. Goren, C. Rollston, R. Wittman, B. Magness-Gardiner

ASOR ANNUAL MEETING 2005 ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Friday

Friday 18 November

8:30–10:30am

Prehistoric Archaeology I

Theme: Paleolithic Archaeology in the Near East

A. Nowell Presiding

F. Biglari, G. Rollefson, A. Nowell, S. Shidrang, B. Schroeder

Theoretical and Anthropological Approaches to Near Eastern and Eastern Mediterranean Art and Archaeology I

Theme: Recognizing Identity in the Past

A. McCarthy and L. Hitchcock Presiding

E. Miller, A. Porter, L. Mazow, D. Counts, E. Regev

Archaeology of Religion and the Sacred

Y. Rowan and A. Cohen Presiding

B. Nakhai, J. Lev-Tov, J. Golden, S. Swiny, M. Bond, M. Rothman

Organic Approaches to Near Eastern Archaeology

Theme: Studies Relating to the Organic Components of Near Eastern Archaeological Sites

E. Maher Presiding

R. Shahack-Gross, O. Shamir, E. Stylianou, E. Maher

10:45am–12:45pm

Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology

D. Browning and D. Manor Presiding

Z. Lederman, D. Manor, S. Brooks, F. Brandfon, A. Maeir

Theoretical and Anthropological Approaches to Near Eastern and Eastern Mediterranean Art and Archaeology II

Theme: New Approaches to Old Problems

S. K. Costello Presiding

M. Rothman, Ø. LaBianca, A. Boutin, A. Faust

Archaeology of Jordan

B. Walker Presiding

R. Younker, T. Levy, E. van der Steen, S. Klassen, R. Brown

The Byzantine and Early Islamic Near East

Theme: Continuity and Change in Religious Buildings

D. Foran and A. Eger Presiding

S. Fine, M. Cassis, D. Whitcomb, G. Avni, D. Genequand

12:45–2:15pm

Outreach Education: Communicating Archaeology to the Public

G. London Presiding

Neal Bierling (Ada Christian School), "View Virtual Petra: A Model for your Site?"

2:00–4:00pm

Artifacts: The Inside Story

Theme: From Processing to Provenience

E. Friedman Presiding

R. Sternberg, S. Reich, R. Zettler, Y. Goren, A. Shugar

Archaeology of Israel

Theme: Large Scale Excavations from the Chalcolithic to the Iron Age

G. Avni Presiding

A. Gorzalczany, A. Golani, S. Bunimovitz, E. Kogan-Zehavi, Z. Greenhut

Problems in the Archaeology of Central Transjordan

A. Graham Presiding

J. Lawrence, K. Mattingly, C. Crawford, I. Berelov, H. Nur el-Din

The World of Women: Gender and Archaeology I

B. Nakhai Presiding

J. Peterson, M. Homan, D. Cassuto, L. Carroll

Workshop on Caesarea Maritima

K. Holum Presiding

K. Holum, B. Goodman, P. Lampinen, M. Fischer, A. Fradkin, M. Govaars

4:15–6:15pm

Ancient Inscriptions: Recent Discoveries, New Editions, and New Readings

C. Rollston and A. Azzoni Presiding

T. Musacchio, A. Azzoni, N. Franklin, A. Fink

Prehistoric Archaeology I

Theme: Neolithic Archaeology in the Near East

G. Rollefson Presiding

R. Dean, U. Avner, D. Cropper, G. Holdridge, C. Polglase

The World of Women: Gender and Archaeology II

R. Martin Presiding

C. Lilyquist, N. Fox, J. Green

Open to ASOR members and the Public:

An Evening of Mediterranean Digs & Delights

Banquet followed by a Lecture
by William Dever on
Stories of Great Archaeologists

Upper Egypt Gallery, Univ. of Pennsylvania Museum

see form on page 13

ASOR ANNUAL MEETING 2005 ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Saturday

Saturday 19 November

8:30–10:30am

Archaeology of Iran

J. Alvarez-Mon Presiding
M. Garrison, W. Henkelman, D. Potts, M. Root, M. Waters

Archaeology of Anatolia I

Theme: Current Work
J. Ross Presiding
S. Steadman, M. Rosenberg, L. Rainville, M.-H. Gates, L. Dodd

Egypt and Canaan I

J. Hoffmeier Presiding
D. Ilan, N. Blockman, C. Goullart, P. Saretta

Problems in Ceramic Typology

C. Bergoffen Presiding
S. Richard, E. Braun, L. Meiberg, C. Bergoffen, A. Karasik

9:00am–2:00pm

ETANA (Electronic Tools and Ancient Near Eastern Archives) Workshop II

J. Flanagan and D. Clark Presiding
E. Fox, L. Cantara, D. Edwards

10:45am–12:45pm

Maritime/Nautical Issues

Theme: Deep Water Archaeology, Technology, and Ethics
A. Brody and E. Marcus Presiding
H. Singh, J. Dix, R. Camilli, B. Bingham, B. Foley

Archaeology of Anatolia II

Theme: People and their Environment
S. Steadman Presiding
Y. Nishimura, A. Smith, N. Russell, M. Voigt, J. Yakar

Landscape Archaeology

B. Sidel Presiding
M. Peilstöcker, D. Henry, T. Estrup, J. Ur, S. Rosen, S. Gibson

Art and Artifacts of the Ancient Near East

M. Feldman Presiding
J. Cooper, A. Ayvazian, S. Scott, R. Martin, E. Friedland

2:00–4:00pm

The Persian Levant in Transition

R. Martin Presiding
S. Langin-Hooper, J. Nager, P. van Alfen, S. Wachsman

Reports on Current Excavations, non-ASOR Affiliated

S. Cohen Presiding
J. Blakely, C. Serhal, S. Münger, I. Sharon

Egypt and Canaan II

K. L. Younger, Jr. Presiding
J. Hoffmeier, J. Zorn, J. Crawford, Y. Gadot

Individual Submissions II

E. Bloch-Smith Presiding
S. Wolff, C. Whiting, R. Pedersen, J. Chadwick

4:15–6:15pm

Individual Submissions III

L. Mazow Presiding
J. Alvarez-Mon, S. Maras, E. Carter, I. Sarie'

Ancient Foods and Foodways

A. Leonard, Jr. Presiding
L. Allred, P. Betancourt, J. Ramsay, S. Stone, J. Tubb

Workshop on the Roman Aqaba Project

Theme: The Economic Implications of Material Cultural Evidence at Aila, a Roman Port on the Red Sea
S. T. Parker Presiding
J. W. Bethyon, J. D. Jones, E. Lapp, T. Parker, K. Holum

Academic sessions co-sponsored with ASOR at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature:

Saturday, 19 November — 9:00–11:30 am

S19-25: Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures

Theme: The Family in Ancient Israel: Perspectives from the Social Sciences and Archaeology
P. Dutcher-Walls Presiding
V. Matthews, D. Schloen, N. Steinberg, E. Bloch-Smith

Sunday, 20 November — 1:00–3:30 pm

S20-56: Biblical Lands and Peoples in Archaeology and Text

Theme: Jerusalem: The Second Temple Period and Beyond
D. Clark and K. Richards Presiding
J. Reed, M. Moreland, M. Steiner, J. Charlesworth

For other sessions at SBL that might be of interest to ASOR members, visit http://www.sbl-site.org/Congresses/Congresses_ProgramBook.aspx?MeetingId=4 and use the search function for a particular session or simply hit the "submit" button for the entire program.

ASOR ANNUAL MEETING 2005

Business Meetings

Wednesday

- 2:30-4:00pm Committee on Annual Meeting & Program (CAMP)
- 3:00-3:30pm Lindstrom Fellows Organizational Meeting
- 4:00-5:00pm Program Committee,
- 5:00-6:00pm Program Committee with New Section Chairs
- 6:00-7:00pm Regional Affiliations Committee
- 8:30-10:30pm Welcome Reception

Thursday

- 7:00-8:30am Bulletin of ASOR Editorial Board
- 7:00-8:30am Near Eastern Archaeology Editorial Board
- 7:00-8:30am Consultation of Dig Directors in Jordan
- 7:00-8:30am ASOR Saudi Arabia Committee
- 7:00-8:30am Outreach Education Committee
- 7:00-8:30am ASOR Student Interest Group Breakfast
- 10:45am-12:45pm Presidents, Chairs, and Directors Meeting
- 12:45-2:00pm Madaba Plains Project Reception
- 2:00-4:00pm ASOR Development Committee
- 2:00-4:00pm ASOR Baghdad Committee
- 6:00-7:00pm Gezer Project Reunion Reception
- 6:15-9:00pm ASOR Committee on Publications (COP)
- 8:30-10:00pm ASOR President's Reception

Friday

- 7:00-8:30am ASOR Membership Meeting
- 8:30-9:30am ASOR Membership Committees (combined)

- 8:30-10:30am ASOR Finance Committee
- 8:30-10:30am ASOR Damascus Committee
- 8:30-10:30am AIAR Fellowships Committee
- 9:30-10:30am ASOR Individual Membership Committee
- 9:30-10:30am ASOR Institutional Membership Committee
- 10:30am-12:00pm AIAR Executive Committee
- 12:30-1:30pm AIAR Board Luncheon
- 12:45-2:00pm Madaba Plains Project Staff Consultation
- 1:30-4:30pm AIAR Board of Trustees
- 2:00-6:00pm ACOR Board of Trustees
- 4:15-6:15pm ASOR Executive Committee
- 5:00-7:00pm AIAR Reception
- 5:00-7:00pm ACOR Reception
- 6:00-7:00pm CAARI Reception
- 8:00-10:00pm ASOR Committee on Archaeological Policy (CAP)

Saturday

- 7:00-8:30am ASOR Program Committee
- 7:00-8:30am ASOR Honors and Awards Committee
- 7:00-8:30am ASOR Lecture Series Committee
- 8:30-10:00am ASOR Academic Masterplanning Committee
- 8:30am-12:30pm Tel el-Hesi Board and Publications Committee
- 9:00am-4:00pm CAARI Board of Trustees
- 2:00-4:00pm ASOR Canada
- 4:00-7:00pm ASOR Board of Trustees

An Evening of Mediterranean Digs & Delights

Friday, 18 November, Upper Egypt Gallery, University of Pennsylvania Museum

7:30pm Dinner featuring Mediterranean Cuisine

8:30pm Lecture by Dr. William Dever

"Stories of Great Archaeologists and What Makes Them Tick"

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ASOR Mesopotamian Fellow Report 2004–2005

Domestic Architecture, Use of Space and Social Organization in Uruk Period Northern Mesopotamia

Sevil Baltali
(University of Virginia)

I received a Mesopotamian fellowship from ASOR for 2004–2005. I held the award between July 25–October 10, 2004, and December, 2004. The Mesopotamian fellowship I received helped me conduct a large portion of my dissertation project. My dissertation research examines the social organization of early state societies in the context of cultural interactions in fourth-millennium BCE Mesopotamia. A major research problem concerning this period in Mesopotamian archaeology is the socio-cultural and economic effects of cultural contacts between northern and southern Mesopotamian societies. During this period northern Mesopotamian sites reveal the existence of Uruk-style southern material cultural elements along with local styles (ca. 3700–3100 BCE). The emerging states in southern Mesopotamia had an influence on northern societies; however, we do not yet know the nature of that influence because archaeological research to date has focused primarily on understanding the social organization of southern Mesopotamian state societies. As a result, we need detailed investigations of the material culture and social organization of northern Mesopotamian societies. In my dissertation project, I examine domestic architectural styles in four local sites in northern Mesopotamia (modern Turkey and Iraq) — Arslantepe, Hacinebi, Kazane and Tepe Gawra, all of which exhibit different degrees of contact with southern Mesopotamia.

The archaeological data for my dissertation are derived from my analyses of architecture and artifacts at the four sites, including their unpublished excavation records. The data were collected during 2002, 2003 and 2004. I was supported in this ongoing research by the Explorers Club, a University of Vir-

ginia Department of Anthropology dissertation grant, a Dumas Malone dissertation research grant and the American Schools of Oriental Research Mesopotamian fellowship. I collected my data by joining the excavations at the sites of Hacinebi, Arslantepe and Kazane. I have conducted archival analysis at the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago (studying excavation reports of Hacinebi), at the archives of University of Pennsylvania Museum (analyzing excavation reports of Tepe Gawra), and at the University of Rome, “La Sapienza” (working on field records of Arslantepe). I have also conducted excavations at the fourth-millennium levels of Kazane under the auspices of the University of Virginia.

The research consisted of artifact analysis at the site of Kazane, and library research at the American Institute of Archaeology in Turkey. In the months of August and September, I went to Urfa and stayed at the excavation house of Kazane.

Kazane Artifact Analysis

Kazane is a multi-period site located approximately four kilometers southeast of Şanlıurfa where the Anatolian foothills meet the northern steppe of Upper Mesopotamia (see map). The site has been excavated under the scientific directorship of Prof. Patricia Wattenmaker. For the purposes of my research, I concentrated on the late Chalcolithic periods of Kazane (fourth millennium BCE). The late Chalcolithic periods of Kazane were brought to light as a result of a site survey, and a step trench that was opened by Prof. Henry Wright at area H in 1994–1996 (Wattenmaker 1996; Wright 1997). During the excavation



Map Showing the Location of Kazane (Southeast Turkey).

season of 2002, I opened trenches extending the step trench of Prof. Wright to have a detailed idea about the nature of occupation, and to understand architectural styles and concepts used during the late Chalcolithic period.

This past season through the Mesopotamian fellowship I received, I was able to analyze the archaeological data that was excavated at area H during the 2002 season of Kazane. Most of the objects that were found during the excavations were housed at the archaeological depot of Kazane. A special selection of small objects has been stored at the Urfa Museum.

The artifact classes consisted of ceramics, lithics, small objects, faunal material and soil samples. During my Kazane season, the artifacts were described, recorded, drawn and photographed. The preliminary ceramic anal-

yses revealed several patterns. The most representative ceramic types included cooking wares, semi-fine wares and storage jars. The comparative study of Kazane late Chalcolithic-period ceramic assemblages and those of other northern Mesopotamian sites reveal clear parallels such as with Hacinebi and Kurban Höyük (Stein et al 1996; Pearce 2000; Algaze 1990; Pollock and Coursey 1995).

Overall, the artifact analyses that I conducted reveal several important results. During the fourth millennium BCE, Kazane was a local center that does not exhibit any sort of visible contact with the southern Uruk world. The artifact analyses also revealed that the remains of architectural structures that consist of floors and walls did have domestic function. In the courtyard areas there were activity areas such as small-scale metal production. Kazane was continuously occupied from Halaf to Middle Bronze Age levels and, in the third millennium BCE, we see the emergence of an urbanized city-state at Kazane (Wattenmaker 1998, 2000). These data suggest that northern Mesopotamian local societies were in their own independent trajectory of change towards state societies.

Comparative Study of Architecture

The second part of my dissertation research in Turkey consisted of library-based analyses of domestic architecture from late Chalcolithic sites located in northern Mesopotamia. The analyses for this section of my research program included a construction of stylistic architectural typology based on five vari-

ables: technological construction, morphology, decorative elements, use of space and location within a site.

Through a diachronic study of architectural forms and function at the late Chalcolithic periods of Kazane, Arslantepe, Hacinebi and Tepe Gawra, first I defined basic architectural types before contacts intensified with southern Mesopotamian Uruk polities, and second, I analyzed changes in architectural concepts during the period of intensified contacts. I compared the architectural types that are seen in the above mentioned case sites with other published sites such as Norşuntepe (Turkey), Hasssek Höyük (Turkey), Habuba Kabira (Syria) and Tell Qalinj Agha (Iraq).

I have almost completed the analysis of Arslantepe, Hacinebi, Kazane and Tepe Gawra. The directors of the excavation at Hacinebi (Prof. Gil Stein) and Arslantepe (Prof. Marcella Frangipane) have been advising me regarding the analyses of architecture, and have kindly provided the information I need for the project.

The results of this dissertation project will be published as a book, and will contribute to the archaeology and architectural history of the ancient Near East in two general ways. It will be the first systematic comparative study of domestic architecture to incorporate investigation of both elite and of non-elite structures in this period in the ancient Near East. The focus on domestic architecture will inform us about the effects of interactions between northern and southern Mesopotamia not only in the religious and administrative sphere, but in the

society overall. Secondly, the results of the comparative analysis will offer a nuanced understanding of the relationship between culture contact and social organization in ancient Mesopotamia at the site-specific and regional levels in this pivotal era of state formation. The ASOR Mesopotamian Fellowship has made it possible for me to realize this ambitious project.

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In other news from the Board Meeting, the Trustees:

- * heard reports from Chair P.E. MacAllister and President Lawrence T. Geraty, as well as the Executive Director, officers, committee chairs and overseas center directors.
- * received the auditors, who provided a thorough report on the FY04 records (published in the spring issue of the ASOR *Newsletter*).
- * approved a new standing committee to advance the academic vision of ASOR, the Academic Master Planning Committee.
- * listened to a report by Pauline Yu, President of the American Council of Learned Societies, to which ASOR belongs.

- * heard from the newly reconstituted Membership Committee an update on efforts to enhance and enlarge Institutional and Individual memberships.
- * affirmed a membership category, already in the ASOR By-laws, of Advisory Members, or for companies interested in supporting the work of ASOR.
- * voted an ASOR Investment Policy, brought by the ASOR Investment Committee.
- * heard from the Executive Director that the basic legal documents of ASOR - Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Manual of Policies and Procedures - are undergoing a review for updating and consistency.
- * affirmed a proposal for ASOR's relationship with the Society of Biblical Literature in the future, which has been sent to the ASOR membership for responses.

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One or more awards for one or two months of residency at ACOR during the period of June 1, 2006 through May 31, 2007. Open to graduate students of any nationality participating in an archaeological project or a research project in Jordan. The award includes room and board at ACOR and a monthly stipend of \$400. This fellowship may be combined with the Groot or Harrell Fellowships.

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CAORC, NEH, Kress, Mellon, and Bikai Fellows will reside at the ACOR facility in Amman while conducting their research.

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ASOR's Development Program in Motion

David Rosenstein

Since the spring Board meeting, the focus of the Development Committee has been to follow through on its stated intention to lay a solid foundation for future ASOR Development efforts by concentrating on the fundamentals. Our extensive research of development firms lead us to select the firm of Schultz and Williams (S&W) of Philadelphia who are now hard at work at their assigned task, which is to have an actionable Development plan in place as quickly as possible.

At our first organizational meeting with S&W, held in Boston on July 12, we reiterated our earlier conversations regarding ASOR's immediate needs and conveyed the sense of the Board that ASOR was not interested in another "feasibility" study, but rather in taking action as quickly as possible. And while S&W certainly has a "learning curve" in regards to ASOR, and has been at work only one month, they are mov-

ing on a number of fronts including but not limited to: conducting internal interviews to get to know the various parts of ASOR and its 'stake holders'; establishing a Development Task Force comprised of some staff, Trustees and ASOR operating committee chairs; working on a Case Statement; and planning marketing for the Annual Meeting.

On Monday August 8, the first meeting of the Development Task Force took place in Boston. Members of the Task Force who could not physically be present joined the meeting by teleconference. This session was a seminal event in ASOR's development efforts as this group of ASOR leaders has now drawn together to work on and participate in structuring common plans for the future. Watch for updates as they happen!

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

MASSACHUSETTS ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH, OCTOBER 2005

Archaeological Institute of America (AIA),
American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR) and
International Center for East Asian Archaeology and
Cultural History (ICEAACH)

October 5

Digging into the Past: Teachers Workshop and Hands-On Learning on the Practice and Promise of Archaeology, Worcester Art Museum, 55 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA 01609, 9:00am-5:00pm. Event fee: \$75.00 (includes admission to the museum).

October 6

An Iranian Nexus of trade and Commerce at 2500 B.C. (Sperry Hall, Harvard Divinity School, 45 Francis Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138) 5:00pm-6:00pm. Event fee: Free, 6:00pm reception at the Semitic Museum.
Sponsoring Organizations: Harvard Semitic Museum and American Schools of Oriental Research. For more information: Dena Davis, (617) 495-4631, davis4@fas.harvard.edu, www.fas.harvard.edu/~semitic

October 14

Archaeology Open House. AIA and ASOR, 656 Beacon Street (5th and 6th floors) and ICEAACH, 650 Beacon Street (5th floor), Boston, MA 02215, 2:00-6:00pm. Event fee: Free

October 18

Making Silent Sentinels Speak: The Archaeology of China's Buried Armies of Clay. Newton Free Library, 330 Homer Street, Newton, MA 02459. 7:30-9:00pm. Event fee: Free.

October 20

Herod's Innovative Architecture, between Rome and the Levant, Gamble Auditorium Mount Holyoke College, 50 College Street, South Hadley, MA 01075. 4:30-6:30pm. Event fee: Free.

October 21

Herod's Innovative Architecture, between Rome and the Levant, Conference Auditorium George Sherman Union (2nd Floor), 775 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215. 6:30-9:30pm. Event fee: Free.

October 24

Fakes, Forgeries and Scandal: How Artifact Counterfeiting Impacts Archaeology, Mezzanine Conference Room, Boston Public Library, 700 Boylston Street, Copley Square, Boston, MA 02116. 6:00-9:00pm. Event fee: Free.

For more information, visit the
AIA website at www.archaeological.org.

C O N F E R E N C E C A L E N D A R

September 5–9, 2005

Sixth International Congress of Hittitology. Università di Roma - La Sapienza. Contact: rita.francia@tin.it.

September 29–October 1, 2005

A conference on **The World of Achaemenid Persia** will be held in the Clore Education Centre, British Museum, Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3DG. It is organized by The British Museum and the Iran Heritage Foundation. The conference coincides with the forthcoming exhibition *Forgotten Empire: the World of Ancient Persia* which will also be held at the British Museum (8 September 2005–8 January 2006). Inquire at info@iranheritage.org or visit <http://www.iranheritage.org/achaemenidconference/>.

November 15–19, 2005

The 9th Conference of the International Committee for the Conservation of Mosaics (ICCM) will be held in Tunisia. Deadline for submission of abstracts is Nov. 15, 2004. Contact: Demetrios Michaelides, Archaeological Research Unit, University of Cyprus, Kallipoleos 75, NICOSIA 1678. Email: dmichael@spidernet.com.cy

November 16–19, 2005

ASOR Annual Meeting, Hyatt Regency, Penn's Landing, Philadelphia, PA.

November 19–22, 2005

Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Philadelphia, PA. Contact: www.sbl-site.org/congresses/.

November 19–21, 2005

Arms and Armour through the Ages (from the Bronze Age to Late Antiquity). The Institute of Classical Archaeology of Trnava University and Institute of Archaeology of the Selcuk University at Konya <http://klasarch.truni.sk> or klasarch@truni.sk. The symposium will focus on political, religious and technical aspects of weapons and warfare as well as on topics concerning militaria in the cult, in the literary sources and in the arts. All papers will be published in our journal *Anodos 4/2005*. Modra-Harmónia (ca. 25 km from Bratislava, Slovakia). Symposium languages: English, German, French. The Symposium is jointly organised by the Institute of Classical Archaeology of Trnava University and the Institute of Archaeology of the Selcuk University at Konya (Turkey). Contact: Pavol Hnila, pavol.hnila@student.uni-tuebingen.de.

November 30–December 4, 2005

American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. Contact: www.aaanet.org/mtgs/mtgs.htm.

January 5–8, 2006

The **107th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America** will take place in Montréal, Quebec. A preliminary version of the program is available online. Any additional questions concerning submissions should be directed to 2006annualmeeting@aia.bu.edu.

March 17–20, 2006

American Oriental Society Annual Meeting, Red Lion Hotel, Seattle, WA. Fifth Avenue, 1415 5th Avenue Seattle, WA 98101. Contact: <http://www.umich.edu/~aos/>.

March 26–30, 2006

A symposium entitled **Archaeological Chemistry: Analytical Techniques and Archaeological Interpretation** is being organized by members of the Archaeometry Lab at MURR. The symposium will be held at the American Chemical Society meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. In the past, most of these archaeological chemistry symposia have resulted in a very high quality symposium volume. We plan to produce the same. And, we hope that many of our colleagues in Archaeological Chemistry will choose to participate by describing their most up to date research in the symposium. We are currently applying to different funding sources to assist students and faculty cover a portion of their travel costs. If you

are interested in participating and would like to be added to our mailing list, please send your contact information (email address and potential research topic) to: Michael D. Glascock (glascockm@missouri.edu), Robert J. Speakman (speakmanr@missouri.edu) or Rachel S. Popelka (rsp89f@mizzou.edu).

March 31–April 1, 2006

An international conference to be held at the British Museum on the theme of **Transanatolia: Connecting East with West in the Archaeology of Ancient Anatolia** seeks to bring together academics to explore the similarity and diversity of cultures across Anatolia in the Neolithic through to the Bronze Age and examine Anatolia's position as the physical and cultural bridge between continents. Papers are invited on the following subjects: Geography and trade routes across Anatolia; Recent research and excavations in Central Anatolia; Inter-regional relationships and exchange patterns; Cultural and theoretical divides between East and West Anatolia. It is expected that the proceedings of this conference will be published. Please send proposals for papers, in the form of a 200 word abstract, to the organisers: Dr Alan M. Greaves (greaves@liv.ac.uk); Dr Alexandra Fletcher (airving@thebritishmuseum.ac.uk). Note: This conference is scheduled to complement ICAANE in Madrid (03–08.04.06).

April 3–8, 2006

The Fifth International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE) will be held at the Universidad Autónoma in Madrid, Spain. For information, email 5icaane@uam.es.

April 20–22, 2006

The Archaeology Department of the University of Durham will host the International Conference on the Ubaid, **"The Ubaid Expansion? Cultural Meaning, Identity and Integration in the Lead-up to Urbanism."** Inquire of Dr. Robert Carter at ubaid.conference@durham.ac.uk for information and to register.

July 2–6, 2006

The International Conference of the Society of Biblical Literature will convene in Edinburgh, Scotland. Visit the SBL website at: http://www.sbl-site.org/congresses/Congresses_InternationalMeeting.aspx?MeetingId=10.

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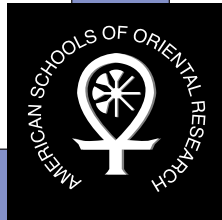
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