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On July 1 the ASOR Publications Program officially moved into its new offices in the Luce Center for the Study of Religion on the Emory University Campus, in Atlanta, Georgia. For the past three years, the Publications Office has been located in the Middle Eastern Studies Department of Emory University. ASOR is grateful to the Department and its Chairman, Gordon Newby, for their generous support during this prolonged period of transition.

Please take note of our new address: Suite 330, 825 Houston Mill Road, Atlanta, GA 30329. The telephone and fax numbers and e-mail address remain the same.

New Editors for Near Eastern Archaeology

ASOR Publications is very pleased to announce the appointment of Brian Hesse and Paula Wapnish of the University of Alabama as joint editors of *Near Eastern Archaeology*, effective January 1, 1999 for a three year renewable term.

Paula Wapnish received her Ph.D. in Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures from Columbia University. She has written extensively on faunal remains from all parts of the Near East. She has worked as Research Collaborator and Research Associate at the Smithsonian Institute, and was co-investigator for the Philistine Pastoral Production Project, a National Science Foundation project. Currently she is a Lecturer in the Department of History and a Research Associate in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Alabama, Birmingham. She also serves as Research Associate at the Harvard Semitic Museum. Her excavation experience includes one season as square super-





A view of the Luce Center on Emory Campus, new home to ASOR's Publications program.

Brian and Paula will be working closely with outgoing editor, David Hopkins, to make the transition a smooth one. Hopkins will be completing ten years with the journal in December. Under his editorship, the journal has prospered, undergone a facelift, a name change and an increase in circulation. David Hopkins's dedication and professionalism will be missed, but we are confident the journal will thrive under the new editorship.

BASOR Paper to be Upgraded

Fans of *BAO* will be pleased to know that ASOR's premier scholarly journal on archaeology will be printed on better quality paper beginning with the August issue (*BAO* 311). This change means that illustrations will no longer be visible through the page, good news for authors as well as readers.

JCS Catches Up

The *JCS* will be caught up this year. Volume 48 (1996) is in final proofs and will appear before the start of the school year. Volume 49 (1997) is being typeset, and volume 50 (1998), a special issue honoring Hans G. GYterbock, is being copyedited. Manuscripts are already being solicited for volume 51 (1999).

Coming This Fall

Our book editors have been working hard to solicit quality manuscripts for publication with ASOR. Some of the new titles that ASOR will be featuring this Fall are:

Albert Leonard, Jr., *Excavations at Tell Fara, Syria, 1957-1967*, ASOR Annual 54. (Nancy Lapp series editor)

Kathryn E. Slanski, *The Excavations at Tell Fara, Syria, 1957-1967*, ASOR Books 3. (Victor Matthews series editor)

Clayton Miles Lehmann and Kenneth G. Holum, *The Excavations at Tell Fara, Syria, 1957-1967*, Archaeological Reports 5 (Gloria London series editor)

Tomis Kapitan, ed., *The Excavations at Tell Fara, Syria, 1957-1967*, ASOR Books 4 (Victor Matthews, series editor).

Money Matters

The response to the *ASOR* subscription drive has not disappointed. Three hundred new subscribers have

Dr. H. Keith Beebe, Old Testament Scholar Dies at 77 after Distinguished International Career

Professor H. Keith Beebe died suddenly, July 13, 1998, of complications following heart surgery. Dr. Beebe was emeritus professor at Occidental College, where he held the David B. & Mary H. Gamble Chair of Religion. A graduate of Occidental College, he was a member of the American Society of Old Testament Study.

During the spring the Committee on Annual Meeting and Program continued its research and dialogue concerning future prospects and options for ASOR Annual Meetings. Following discussions in the Membership and Board of Trustees meetings in Napa last November, arrangements were made for the meeting this coming November 18-22 in Orlando. I can now also report that for 1999 plans have been made to meet on November 16-21 at the Boston Marriott Cambridge, in Cambridge, MA. Moreover, in conjunction with the Centennial Committee, plans for meetings and programs during our centennial year 2000 are beginning to mature. Accordingly CAMP now enjoys at least a bit of breathing space in which to determine the future course of annual meeting activities. However, since each of the potential meeting partners under consideration is itself already engaged in planning venues for 2001 and beyond, the window is a very narrow one and the search for a long term solution remains urgent.

With the transition of CAMP leadership this Spring, and with Victor Matthews having taken office as new CAMP Chair this July, it seems appropriate at this juncture to present an interim report on the results of discussions conducted by CAMP liaison committees with the parent societies of ASOR regarding potential annual meeting arrangements. It should be stressed that the following outline reports represent the "state of the dialogue" as understood by ASOR. Each is subject to correction and updating as communication with sister societies is continued.

1. SBL — SBL meets with AAR via Joint Ventures and numbers 7000 or more participants annually. Meetings includes a major book fair and job placement service. The meetings are scheduled in November the week before Thanksgiving.

Arrangements for ASOR possible at this time would be similar to those at the 1996 meeting in New Orleans:

- a. Registration would be handled through Joint Ventures with reduced rate of \$85 available to those who are members of SBL or AAR. Other ASOR members would pay the full rate of \$120. None of this registration money would be credited to ASOR.
- b. All persons duly registered through Joint Ventures would be eligible for contracted room rates for the conference. Room rates are expected to run from \$90-\$120.
- c. ASOR program materials would be processed through the SBL system with participants required to meet all requisites and deadlines as per SBL. Sessions would be merged into the SBL schedule. Any separate presentation of ASOR program sessions in the SBL publications would incur a per page publication charge. (ASOR would be free to publish its own program summary e.g. in its Newsletter.)
- d. ASOR would be required to pay for audio-visual equipment setups according to the Joint Ventures contract with the hotels.
- e. Rooms used for ASOR program sections would be provided by Joint Ventures without charge.
- f. ASOR would be required to pay room use fees for all other rooms used for meetings by its committees and Board, and for rooms used by the Boards and committees of overseas

Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research

The Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research is a widely circulated English-language academic journal in ancient Near Eastern studies. Founded in 1909 by the American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR), a consortium of research and educational institutions, BASOR serves as a forum for scholars worldwide. Subject areas include archaeology, history, anthropology, literature, philology, and epigraphy. The journal publishes technical reports of original research, preliminary reports of ASOR-sponsored excavations, reviews of current scholarship in the field, research notes, and book reviews.

Published quarterly in February, May, August, and November.

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Journal of Cuneiform Studies

Founded in 1947 by the Baghdad School of the American Schools of Oriental Research, the Journal of Cuneiform Studies (JCS) presents technical and general articles on the history and languages of the ancient Mesopotamian and Anatolian literate cultures. Articles appear in English, French, and German.

Published once a year.

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Published four times each year in March, June, September, and December.

Editor: David Hopkins, Wesley Theological Seminary

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American Schools of Oriental Research Newsletter

Intended as a means of communicating news to members of the American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR) and others interested in ASOR's activities in the Middle East, the Newsletter presents brief summaries of research work done under ASOR auspices and reports on the various activities of ASOR's overseas centers in Amman, Jerusalem, and Nicosia. The Newsletter also contains announcements of scholarly seminars, fellowship opportunities and other news of interest to ASOR members. The Newsletter is also the vehicle for disseminating information on the ASOR Annual Meeting.

Published quarterly in March, June, September, and December.

Editor: Billie Jean, Collins, Emory University

Individual Subscription Price..... \$20.00
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Included in all ASOR membership categories. Persons over 65, handicapped, or unemployed may deduct 20%. Add \$5 if address is outside the U.S.

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<i>Newsletter of the American Schools or Oriental Research</i>	\$20	\$25	\$5	\$ _____



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For five days in March (19-23), CAARI hosted its most ambitious event ever—the international conference, “Engendering Aphrodite: Women and Society in Ancient Cyprus.” Thirty-five speakers from twelve different countries delivered papers on a range of subjects treating a diversity of gender issues. The chronological range covered by the speakers extended from the Neolithic through the Medieval periods. The papers were organized into six different thematic sessions: 1) Gender and Social Organization from the Neolithic through the Bronze Age; 2) Gender and Social Organization from the Iron Age through the Medieval Period; 3) Gender, Identity and Ethnicity; 4) Gender, Technology and Material Culture; 5) Gender and the Goddess; and 6) Engendering Cypriot Archaeology: Critical Views. A variety of theoretical and methodological perspectives were reflected in the papers, exemplifying how a diversity of approaches can contribute to establishing the nature of gender roles and assessing how societal norms evolved over time. Within each session, the subject of individual papers varied, however broad themes included: an analysis of female participation in religious cults as well as burial and death rituals, childbirth, and various aspects of domestic life from a diachronic perspective; an appraisal of the involvement of women in technological developments which confirmed the key roles women played in pottery manufacture and textile production; an examination of the rich figurative tradition in Cypriot art which allowed for an exploration of questions involving personal identity and social status; and an investigation into the cults and symbols associated with Aphrodite in Cyprus which resulted in a recognition of the development of the cult of the goddess influenced from cultural sources beyond the island. After the conclusion of three days of paper sessions, the final day of the conference had special events planned. In the morning, a panel discussion was held at CAARI which treated equity issues in contemporary archaeology. Panelists included professionals whose expertise encompassed institutional administration, academia, antiquities administration, and publishing. Later that day, a fieldtrip took conference participants to a luncheon at the Paphos harbor and afterwards to the Roman mosaics in Kato Paphos and the Sanctuary of Aphrodite at Palaepaphos.

The conference proceedings will be published, and it is anticipated that they will appear as CAARI Monograph 2 as part of the ASOR Archaeological Reports series.

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On 11 July, CAARI will hold its annual summer archaeological workshop, and this year’s event will be the 16th in the series. Traditionally, the workshop is a day-long event at which international as well as Cypriot archaeological teams present short reports outlining the results of their season’s research. The workshop is designed as a forum for foreign scholars to meet with their Cypriot colleagues in order to pose questions, discuss research strategies, present new ideas, and reflect together on issues of common concern. In the evening, CAARI will host an outdoor reception in the institute garden for participants and attendees. Any ASOR members whose travels bring them to Cyprus at this time are most welcome to attend both the workshop and the reception.



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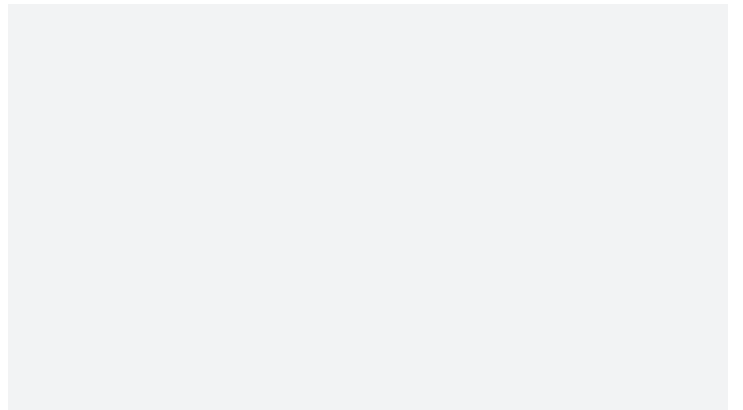
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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS AND PUBLICATIONS CHAIR

Chair of the Committee on Publications

Nominations for the Chair of the Committee on Publications (COP) for a three year term from July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2002 will be accepted through September 15, 1998 by the Nominations Committee. The COP Chair oversees ASOR publications activities and serves ex officio as a voting member of the Board of Trustees and of the Executive Committee. The COP Chair is elected by the Membership.

The Current Chair of COP is A. Leonard. He is eligible for reelection for a second term.

ASOR Officers

The following ASOR officer positions are up for election by the Board of Trustees for terms from July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2002. Chairman of the Board, President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers are elected by the Board of Trustees, but members are invited to submit nominations to the Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee will review the nominations and present a slate (one name for each office) to the Board. Officers are normally chosen from among current Board members. Those currently holding officer positions (Chairman P. E. MacAllister, President J. Seger and Secretary J. Ross) are eligible for re-election.

For positions other than those of officers the Nominations Committee will review all nominations received and prepare slates for election by the respective Member constituencies at the Annual Members Meeting in November. Ballots will be mailed to the Institutional and Individual voting members by October 31, 1998 and should be brought to the November Meeting. Instructions will be included for absentee voting.

Please send all nominations to Randall W. Younker, Chairperson, ASOR Nominations Committee, Institute of Archaeology, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104, Tel. 616-471-3273, Fax: 616-471-3619 or e-mail: younker@andrews.edu.

ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

If you have an item you would like to have included on the Members Meeting agenda, please send it to the Boston ASOR Office. It will be passed along to the agenda committee for consideration.

ASOR Awards Committee Solicits Nominations for 1998

The first ASOR Awards annual presentation was one of the highlights of the ASOR Annual meeting in Napa last November. The ASOR Committee on Honors and Awards now invites all ASOR members to submit nominations for candidates who they believe would be deserving of one of the awards. The next presentation will take place at the 1998 ASOR Annual meeting in Orlando, Florida, in November. The Awards categories are the following:

The Richard Scheuer Medal ~ This is the most prestigious award which honors an individual who has provided truly outstanding, long term support and service contributions to ASOR. (given only as appropriate)

The Charles U. Harris Service Award ~ This award is given in recognition of long term and/or special service as an ASOR officer or Trustee. (one annual award)

The P. E. MacAllister Field Archaeology Award ~ This award honors an archaeologist who, during his/her career, has made outstanding contributions to ancient Near Eastern and Eastern Mediterranean archaeology. (one annual award)

The G. Ernest Wright Award ~ This award is given to the editor/author of the most substantial volume(s) dealing with archaeological material, excavation reports and material culture from the ancient Near East and eastern Mediterranean. This work must be the result of original research published within the past two years. (one annual award)

The Frank Moore Cross Award ~ This award is presented to the editor/author of the most substantial volume(s) related to ancient Near Eastern and eastern Mediterranean epigraphy, text and/ or tradition. This work must be the result of original research published during the past two years. (one annual award)

The W. F. Albright Award ~ This award honors an individual who has shown special support or made outstanding service contributions to one of the overseas centers ACOR, AIAR, CAARI, or to one of the overseas committees- the Baghdad committee and the Damascus committee. (given as appropriate)

ASOR Membership Service Award ~ This award recognizes individuals who have made special contributions on behalf of the ASOR membership through committee, editorial, or office services. (maximum three annual awards)

Nominations should be made in writing, before October 1, 1998. Please send a letter in support of the candidate, specifying the award category. Include complete contact information such as postal address, phone, fax, and e-mail for both the sponsor and nominee. Send all completed nominations to Lydie Shufro, ASOR Honors & Awards Committee Chair, 885 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10021-0325; Fax 212 737-4984; e-mail lshufro@pipeline.com.

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