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**The American Schools of Oriental Research**

1900-1901: American Schools of Oriental Research  
1902-1903: American Schools of Oriental Research  
1904-1905: American Schools of Oriental Research

**P. E. MacAllister**

1906-1907: American Schools of Oriental Research

**Joe D. Seger**

1908-1909: American Schools of Oriental Research

**R. Thomas Schaub**

1910-1911: American Schools of Oriental Research

**James Strange**

1912-1913: American Schools of Oriental Research

**Albert Leonard Jr.**

1914-1915: American Schools of Oriental Research

**David McCreery**

1916-1917: American Schools of Oriental Research

**Douglas Clark**

1918-1919: American Schools of Oriental Research

**Rudolph H. Dornemann**

1920-1921: American Schools of Oriental Research

**Billie Jean Collins**

1922-1923: American Schools of Oriental Research

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1924-1925: American Schools of Oriental Research

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1930-1931: American Schools of Oriental Research

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1934-1935: American Schools of Oriental Research

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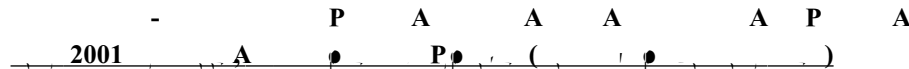
On January 8, 2001 Rebecca "Becky" MacAllister passed away in Indianapolis, Indiana at the age of 80 years after suffering congestive heart failure. We extend our condolences to P.E. MacAllister, Chairman of the ASOR Board, on the loss of his wife of 56 years. Becky was a nurse, mother, grandmother, avid traveler, gardener, shopper, and supporter of her husband in all his various activities. She was also a generous benefactor of ASOR and its programs. We are saddened by P.E.'s loss, and will miss Rebecca, as will her family and friends. Donations in memory of Mrs. MacAllister may be sent to the Christian Children's Fund, PO Box 26507, Richmond, VA 23261-6507. Condolences may be sent to Mr. P.E. MacAllister, 7515 East 30th Street, P.O. Box 1941, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

*A Scholar's Odyssey* (Society of Biblical Literature, 2000, ISBN: 0-88414-016-4), the autobiography of Cyrus H. Gordon, has been awarded the National Jewish Book Award of the Jewish Book Council in the category of Autobiography/Memoir.

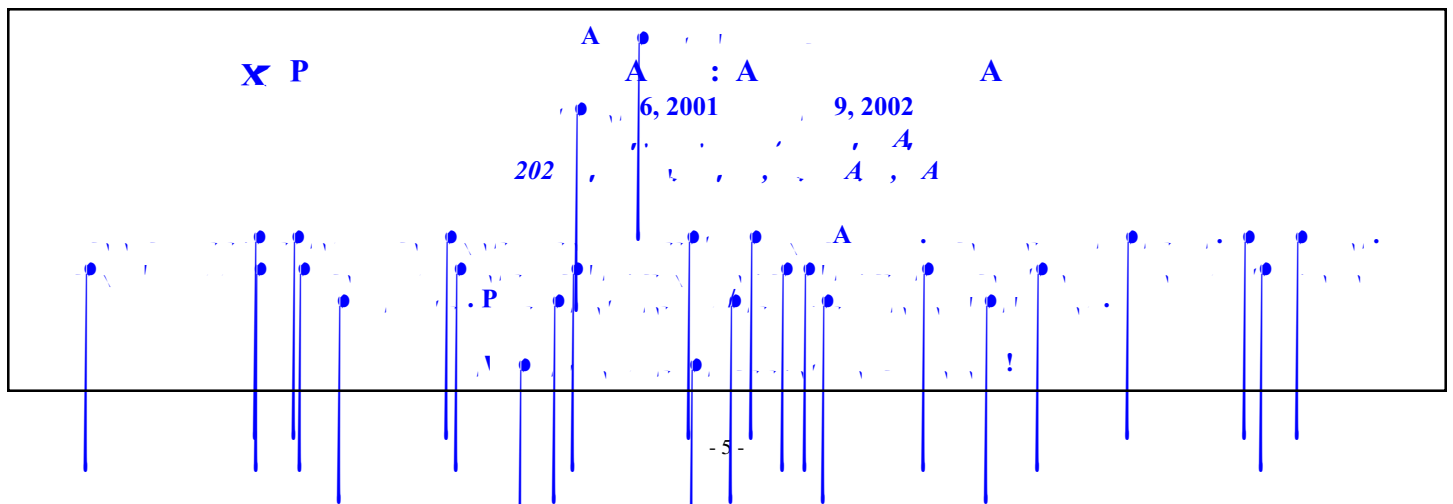
Cyrus Gordon, the nonagenarian linguist, biblical scholar, and provocative interpreter of the ancient Mediterranean world, provides in his book a rich portrayal of the individuals who he encountered over the years and the ideas that shaped his interpretations. Gordon writes, "I sought the truth wherever I found it and followed it wherever it led me." His achievements include his Ugaritic Grammar, which made Canaanite religious literature accessible to scholars; his pioneering emphasis on the connections between the ancient Greek and Hebrew worlds; and his decipherment of Linear A, which led to

his controversial conclusion that the Minoans of ancient Crete were Semites. His book describes archaeological digs in the 1930s, code-breaking during World War II, and scholarly triumphs and travails throughout the decades. "I recommend the book," writes Jack M. Sasson of Vanderbilt University, "especially to those who, longing for the romance that archeology is still capable of evoking in us, allow themselves to be swept by a life of deeds and imagination." "How refreshing it is to listen to a master storyteller recount with such rigorous honesty and deep insight his uphill quest for truth in an academic world full of jealousy and pettiness," adds Meir Lubetski, Baruch College.

National Jewish Book Award winners were announced February 27 in New York.



- Artzy, Michal (Department of Maritime Civilizations, University of Haifa, Israel)  
The Final Publication of the Excavations of Tel Nami: 1986 – 1992, Israel.
- Beyhum, Amélie (Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts)  
The Industrial Role of Sarepta (Sarafand, Lebanon) During the Late Bronze Age and Iron Age.
- Bietak, Manfred (Institute of Egyptology, Vienna, Austria)  
Scarabs from Middle Bronze to Late Bronze Age Contexts in Canaan and the Levant, Israel.
- Greenberg, Raphael (Institute of Archaeology, Tel Aviv University, Israel)  
The Publication of the Excavations at Tel Bet Yerah (Khirbet Al-Karak), Israel.
- Oren, Eliezer (Department of Bible and Near Eastern Studies, Ben-Gurion University, Israel)  
The Publication of Tel Sera': The Bronze Age Strata (Area A), Israel.
- Smith, R. R. R. (University of Oxford, UK and Co-Director of the New York University Excavations at Aphrodisias)  
The Publication of Roman Sculpture from Aphrodisias in Caria, SW Turkey.
- Van Beek, Gus and Rowan, Yorke (National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC)  
The Publication of Volumes I – III of the Smithsonian Institution Excavations at Tell Jemmeh, Israel.



## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO ASOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Nominations will be accepted through October 25, 2001, by the Nominations Committee for the following positions on the **Board of Trustees**. Candidates must be members of ASOR in good standing, willing to serve a three-year working term and to attend both fall and spring meetings. A one-paragraph biography should accompany the nomination.

## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS**

Nominations for the Chair of the Committee on Publications (COP) for a three year term from July 1, 2002 will be accepted through October 25, 2001 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.

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## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR ASOR COMMITTEES

Nominations will also be accepted through October 25, 2001  
by the Nominations Committee for the following committee positions:

### AGENDA COMMITTEE

Agenda Committee candidates must be members of ASOR in good standing who are willing to serve a two year working term.

- One (1) Agenda Committee member from the institutional members to be elected by representatives of Founding, Consortium and Advisory ("Corporate") Members, to serve July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2004.
- One (1) Agenda Committee member from the individual members to be elected by individual voting members, to serve July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2004.

Current members of the Agenda Committee:

EX OFFICIO  
Joe Seger, Chair  
James Strange  
Rudolph Dornemann

Class of 2003  
Michael Hasel (Inst)  
Beth Nakhai (Ind)

Class of 2004  
Jodi Magness (Inst)  
David Merling (Ind)

### NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Nominations Committee candidates must be members of ASOR in good standing who are willing to serve a two year working term upon appointment of the Chairperson to the Board of Trustees.

- One (1) recommended trustee from the Institutional Members of the Board of Trustees to be elected by member representatives of Founding, Consortium and Advisory ("Corporate") Members, to serve July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2004.
- One (1) recommended trustee from the Individual Members of the Board of Trustees to be elected by individual voting members, to serve July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2004.

Current members of the Nominations Committee:

EX OFFICIO  
J. Seger  
P.E. MacAllister

Randall Younker (Board), Chair

Class of 2003  
William Dever (inst)  
Jeff Blakely (Ind)

Class of 2004  
Jodi Magness (Inst)  
Oded Borowski (Ind)

## OFFICERS NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE FORMED

A Special Nominating Committee appointed by the chair of the Board of ASOR, P.E. MacAllister, and the Board of Directors, is at work to fill the positions of ASOR officers for 2002–2005. Officers of ASOR are appointed by vote of the Board of Directors upon the recommendations of the Special Nominating Committee. The following incumbents were eligible for reelection and all have agreed to serve another term: P. E. MacAllister, Chair of the Board, R. Thomas Schaub, Vice President, and James Strange, Secretary. The committee is pursuing the search for a president of ASOR to succeed Joe Seger, whose two-term limit expires June 30, 2002. ASOR members who wish to submit nominations for the office of ASOR president for the 2002–2005 term may do so by sending a message to the committee via Walter E. Rast, chair of the Special Nominating Committee (wrast@cybersol.com).

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The Nominations Committee will review all nominations received and select slates for election at the Annual Meeting in November. The ballots will be mailed to corporate and individual voting members by October, 31, 2001, and should be brought to the November Meeting. Instructions will be included for absentee ballots.

Please send 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.

AGENDA ITEMS: If you have an item you would like to include on the agenda of the ASOR Membership meeting in November, please send it to the ASOR Administrative Office and it will be passed along to the agenda committee.

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A P . . . . . : \$30,000 award.

The stipend is \$14,200 plus \$15,800 for room and half-board for appointee and spouse at the Institute. Open to post-doctoral scholars in Near Eastern archaeology, geography, history, and Biblical studies. U.S. citizens are eligible for entire award. Non-U.S. citizens may apply but, by U.S. law, are only eligible for non-governmental funds (totalling \$15,000). Residence at the Institute is required. Appointment: 10 months. The professorship period should be continuous, without frequent trips outside the country. Application deadline: October 12, 2001.





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**A** : One or more three- to six-month fellowships for pre-doctoral students completing dissertation research in an art historical topic. History of art is defined to include: art history, archaeology, architectural history, and in some cases classical studies. Applicants must be Ph.D. candidates and U.S. citizens or foreign nationals who have matriculated at U.S. institutions. The maximum award for six months is \$14,000. Subject to funding.

**A** : Six or more two- to six-month fellowships for pre-doctoral students and post-doctoral scholars. Fields of study include all areas of the humanities and the natural and social sciences. Topics should contribute to scholarship in Near Eastern studies. U.S. citizenship required. Maximum award is \$17,000. Subject to funding. Normally fellowship funds are available after September 1st of each cycle; this year, however, some funds may be available for research during the summer prior to September 2002. Questions should be directed to the ACOR office in Boston.

**A** : Two or more two- to six-month fellowships for post-doctoral scholars pursuing research or publication projects in the natural and social sciences, humanities, and associated disciplines relating to the Near East. U.S. citizenship required. Maximum award is \$25,000. Subject to funding.

**( )** : One four-month fellowship for scholars who have a PhD or equivalent. Fields of research include: modern and classical languages, linguistics, literature, history, jurisprudence, philosophy, archaeology, comparative religion, ethics, and the history, criticism, and theory of the arts. Social and political scientists are encouraged to apply. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or foreign nationals living in the U.S. three years immediately preceding the application deadline. Maximum award is \$20,000.

**( )** : Three awards, each of \$1,500 or more, to support beginners in archaeological fieldwork who have been accepted as staff members on archaeological projects with ASOR/CAP affiliation in Jordan. Open to undergraduate and graduate students. U.S. or Canadian citizenship required.

**( )** : One award of \$1,500 to support a graduate student for participation in an ACOR-approved archaeological research project, which has passed an academic review process. Senior project staff whose expenses are being borne largely by the project are ineligible. Open to enrolled graduate students of any nationality.

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**P** : One or more awards for one or two months of residency at ACOR. 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.

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



