The editors of Nestor welcome Assistant Editor Sarah Lima.

Museum Announcements and Special Exhibitions
From 21 October 2004 through 17 January 2005 an exhibition entitled Le royaume d’Ougarit: Aux origines de l’alphabet will be on display at the Musée des Beaux-Arts de Lyon, 20 place des Terreaux, 69001 Lyon, organized by the musée des Beaux-Arts de Lyon and the Maison de l’Orient et de la Méditerranée, Lyon with the participation of the musée du Louvre, the Department of Antiquities and museums of Syria, and the Mission archéologique de Ras Shamra-Ougarit. This retrospective of 75 years of Franco-Syrian research presents approximately 300 objects illustrative of life in the kingdom of Ugarit. Further information is available at http://www.mom.fr/Actualites/Expositions/Ougarit.html. For information about a colloquium in conjunction with this exhibit, see below, Future Conferences and Lectures.

Grants and Fellowships
At least one month before the meeting at which the paper will be presented, applications are due for the second President’s Award ($500) made by CAARI from graduate students speaking on topics significantly related to Cypriot archaeology, art, or history at the ASOR Annual Meeting in San Antonio (17-20 November 2004) or the AIA Meeting in Boston (6-9 January 2005). The primary evaluation will be made based on the presentation. Application form, a sheet of suggestions on presentation, and further information can be obtained from David Detrich at ddeetr@aol.com.

On 15 November 2004 applications must be postmarked for the following fellowship to the American School of Classical Studies at Athens (ASCSA) for the academic year 2005–2006:
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowships for 2005-2006: for postdoctoral scholars and professionals in relevant fields, U.S. citizens or foreign nationals who have lived in the U.S. for the three years immediately preceding the application deadline; two to four fellowships; five to ten months in duration coinciding with the ASCSA’s academic year, September to June; up to $17,500 for a five-month project and up to $35,000 for a ten-month project.

On 1 December 2004, 1 April 2005, and 1 September 2005 applications are due for:
Wiener Laboratory Research Associateships: for well-defined research projects at the laboratory; up to $5,000.
On 31 December 2004 applications are due for:
CAORC Multi-Country Research Fellowships: for PhD candidates and senior scholars whose research has regional significance and requires travel to several countries, at least one of which hosts an American overseas research center; up to $9,000. Applications are available at http://www.caorc.org.

On 15 January 2005 applications are due for both membership to ASCSA and for the following fellowships for which students and scholars of Aegean prehistory may be eligible:

Regular Program Membership: for graduate students in classical studies and ancient Mediterranean studies and related fields, including history of art, anthropology, and prehistory, who preferably have completed at least one year of graduate work; up to 13 predoctoral fellowships; $8,840 plus room at Loring Hall on the grounds of ASCSA, board, and waiver of ASCSA fees.

Student Associate Membership: for the same group of students as Regular Membership, who typically are advanced students planning to pursue independent research projects, and who do not wish to commit to the full Regular Program.

Summer Sessions Membership: for graduate and undergraduate students and for high school and college teachers. The fee of $2,950 includes tuition to these two six-week sessions that explore the sites and museums in Greece, travel within Greece, room, and partial board. Scholarships are available.

The Jacob Hirsch: for a PhD candidate or a recent PhD from the U.S. or Israel whose dissertation or research project requires a lengthy residence in Greece; $8,840 plus room, board, and waiver of ASCSA fees.

Wiener Laboratory Fellowships: for graduate students or postdoctoral scholars working on well defined projects in skeletal, faunal, geoarchaeological, or environmental studies; four fellowships; $15,500 to $25,000.

Wiener Laboratory Travel Grants for Archaeological Science Research in Greece: for graduate students or postdoctoral scholars from North American institutions working on projects in archaeological science in Greece; travel grants of $1,500.

Mellon (East European) Research Fellowships: for scholars from Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, and Slovakia in any field of classical studies or post-classical studies; three fellowships.

Solow Summer Research Fellowships 2005: for senior (postdoctoral) scholars working towards publication of material from sites excavated by or under the auspices of ASCSA; up to three months; up to $1,500 per month.

On 21 February 2005 applications are due for:

School Advanced Fellowships: for students who have completed the Regular Program or one year as a Student Associate Member; $8,840 plus room at Loring Hall on the grounds of ASCSA, board, and waiver of ASCSA fees.

There is no deadline for application for Senior Associate Membership for postdoctoral scholars with suitable research projects. Application should be made to the Director in Athens.

Detailed information and applications are available from the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, 6-8 Charlton Street, Princeton, NJ 08540; telephone: (609) 683-0800; fax: (609) 924-0578; e-mail: ascsa@ascsa.org; web-site: http://www.ascsa.edu.gr/.

On 1 January 2005 applications are due for the Margo Tytus Visiting Scholars Program in the fields of archaeology, history, or philology at the University of Cincinnati, Classics Department, tenable during the academic year from 1 October 2005 through 31 May 2006. Tytus Fellows will ordinarily be at least five years beyond receipt of the PhD, and will come to Cincinnati to pursue their own research. The minimum and maximum terms for Long Term Fellows are one academic quarter (two and a half months) to one academic year; Short Term Fellows will reside in Cincinnati for one to two months. Both categories of Tytus Fellows will receive housing, a transportation allowance, and office space; a monthly stipend of $1,000 is additionally provided for Long Term
Calls for Papers
On 15 November 2004 abstracts (ca. 300 words) are due for a conference entitled Seeing the Past: Building knowledge of the past and present through acts of seeing, to be hosted by the Archaeology Center at Stanford University on 5-6 February 2005. Paper presentations will be limited to 5-10 minute ‘provocative statements’ intended to stimulate discussion; the papers will have been pre-circulated and posted on the conference web-site, and will subsequently be published in Stanford’s Archaeology Journal. The first major objective will be to explore how different media present different pasts in the present, including (but not limited to) such topics as GIS and Digital rendering of sites and monuments, visual modeling, the commercialization and packaging of the past, the past through photography or other media, how modern sites are used (i.e. heritage and tourism), and how the past is represented in museums; the second major objective will be to explore how past peoples used visual culture to understand their past and present, including (but not limited to) such topics as temporal and spatial development of settlements and cemeteries, rock art, textual and artistic representations, monumentality, spatial re-use, ritualized architecture, and landscape studies. The conference seeks to enable productive dialogue across a range of disciplines including anthropological sciences, architecture, art and design history, classics, cultural and social anthropology, biology, cultural studies, education, film studies, dramatic and performance studies, fine art, geography, geology and earth sciences, history, literary studies, museum studies, photography, psychology, sociology, and visual culture. Abstracts should be sent to Stanford Archaeological Center, Stanford University, Building 60, Main Quad, Stanford, CA 94305-2170, or by e-mail to seeingthepast@yahoo.com.

Future Lectures and Conferences
On 30 October – 3 November 2004 an international workshop on Middle Helladic Pottery and Synchronisms will be sponsored in Salzburg by SCIEM 2000. Further information is available at http://www.uni-salzburg.at/arc/. The program will be:
J. Rutter, ‘Reconceptualizing the Middle Helladic ‘Type Site’ from a Ceramic Perspective: Is ‘Bigger’ Really ‘Better’?’
W. Gauß and R. Smetana, “Aegina Kolonna, the Ceramic Sequence of the SCIEM 2000 project”
G. Touchais, “Coarse Ware at Middle Helladic Aspis, Argos: Local Production and Imports”
A. Philippa-Touchais, “Matt Painted Aeginetan pottery at Middle Helladic Aspis, Argos”
M. Lindblom, “An Early Mycenaean feasting assemblage at Lerna VI with special emphasis on its Aeginetan component”
J. Rambach, “The excavation of two MH I-burial mounds at the site of Kastroulia near Ellinika (ancient Thouria) in Messenia”
K. Sarri, “Aeginetan matt-painted Pottery in Boeotia”
J. Maran, “Emulation of Outside Traditions in the Middle Bronze Age Mattpainted Pottery of Coastal Thessaly”
B. Horejs, “Transition from MBA to LBA in Macedonia and its Synchronism with the ‘Helladic World’”
A. Van de Moortel, “Middle Minoan Pottery Chronology and Regional Diversity in Central Crete”
C. Knappett, “Middle Minoan I-II pottery in central and east Crete”
L. Girella, “Toward a definition of Middle Minoan III ceramic sequence in South-Central Crete: returning to MM IIIA and IIIB traditional division?”
N. Momigliano, “Kamares or not Kamares? This is the question… SE Aegean Light-on-Dark and Dark-on-Light wares of the early neopalatial period”

E. Hatzaki, “The MM IIIB to LM IA Sequence at Knossos in the Context of Crete and the South Aegean”

P. Pavúk, “What can Troy tell us about the MH Period in the southern Aegean?”

V. Şahoğlu, “Çesme – Bağlarası: A New Settlement in Western Anatolia”

M. Cultraro, “MBA on the islands of the Northern Aegean and the synchronisms with Mainland Greece”

D. Matsas, “Middle Bronze Age Pottery from Samothrace”

J. Overbeck and D. M. Crego, “Kea and Aegina in the Middle Bronze Age”

I. Nikolakopoulou, “The Cyclades, Aegina and the Mainland in the Middle Bronze Age”

On 4-7 November 2004 a conference entitled The Lustrous Wares of LB Cyprus and the Eastern Mediterranean will be sponsored in Vienna by SCIEM 2000. Further information is available at http://www.nhm-wien.ac.at/sciem2000/index.html. The program will be:

M. Bietak, “Introductory note: The Meaning of the Lustrous Wares for the Chronology of the 2nd Millennium B.C.”

R. S. Merrillees, “When did Red Lustrous Wheel-Made Ware First Occur in the Levant?”

A. South and L. Steel, “Red Lustrous Wheelmade Ware from Kalavasos”

L. Crewe, “Contextualising the Lustrous Wares at Enkomi: settlement and mortuary deposition during LCI–LCIIB”

K, Eriksson, “Using Cypriot Red Lustrous Wheel-made Ware to establish Cultural and Chronological Synchronisms during the Late Bronze Age”

E. Kozał, “Comparative Analysis of the Distribution Patterns of RLW-m Ware and Mycenaean Pottery in the Eastern Mediterranean: An Indication for the Origin of RLW-m Ware?”

C. Knappett, “Trading and using RLW-m ware in Anatolia and Cyprus: evidence from Petrography, Neutron Activation, and Residue analysis”

V. Steele, “Organic residue analysis of Red Lustrous Wheelmade Ware from five sites in the Eastern Mediterranean”

D. P. Mielke, “Red Lustrous Wheelmade Ware from Hittite Contexts”

M. Arzty, “The Origin(s) of the Red Lustrous Ware? – Again!”

P. Åström, “The Chronology of BLWM Ware in Cyprus”

P. Fischer, Black and Red Lustrous Wheel-made Wares from Tell el-Ajjul”

E. Yannai and A. Gorzalczany, “New Data on the Grey and Black Lustrous Wheel Made Ware in the Light of New Petrographic Analysis – Typology, Provenance, Chronology and Distribution”

K. Eriksson, “A Rare Species: Provisional Observations on the Chronological Significance of White Lustrous Ware”

I. Hein, “The significance of the Lustrous Ware finds from Tell el-Dab’a/Ezbet Helmi (Eastern Nile Delta, Egypt)”

C. Bergoffen, “Base Ring as a Lustrous ware: Observations on some Base Ring I vessels from Alalakh”

A. Caubet, “Brownish Burnished Ware from Meskene/Emar”

P. Pavúk, “Anatolian Gray Ware in Anatolia, Cyprus and Levant”

On 25-27 November 2004 an international colloquium will be held entitled Recherches à Ougarit, royaume syrien du IIe millénaire at the musée des Beaux-Arts de Lyon (25-26) and the musée du Louvre, in conjunction with the exposition “Le royaume d’Ougarit: Aux origines de l’alphabet” (see above, Museum Announcements and Special Exhibitions.) Further information is available at http://www.louvre.fr/francais/audito/20042005/colloque/ougarit.htm. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:
E. Dar daillon, “Échanges de matières premières (minerais) avec le monde égéen” (Lyon)
C. Sauvage, “Réglementations commerciales et maritimes à Ougarit au Bronze récent” (Lyon)
C. Pulak, “Les découvertes de l’épave d’Uluburun” (Paris)

Past Lectures and Conferences
On 6 October 2004 Y. Duhoux presented a lecture to the University Complutense of Madrid (Spain) entitled Lenguas y escrituras cretomicénicas.

On 21-23 October 2004 a conference entitled Fiscality in Mycenaean and Near Eastern Archives was held in Naples. Further information is available from Massimo Perna, Soprintendenza Archivistica per la Campania, Istituto Universitario Suor Orsola Benincasa, via F. Crispi 72, 80121 Napoli, Italia; e-mail: massimo-perna@rdm-web.com. Papers of interest to Nestor readers included:
J.-P. Olivier, “De ‘l’empire’ mycénien et de sa nécessaire fiscalité”
M. Perna, “Per una rilettura di alcuni documenti ‘fiscali’ in lineare B”
C. Varias Garcia, “Significant Presences and Absences in the Mycenaean Fiscal Vocabulary from Mainland Greece”
M. Jasink, “Mycenaean Fiscal Vocabulary: Oral or Written Tradition?”
P. Carlier, “Réflexions sur la bureaucratie mycénienne”
A. Karnava, “Indications of Minoan Fiscality”
J. Zurbach, “L’impôt pesant sur la terre dans le royaume de Pylos”
C. W. Shelmerdine, “Differential Compensation and the Status of Mycenaean Workers”
J. Killen, “Conscription and Corvée in the Mycenaean Archives”
J. Bennet, “Texts at a Distance: the Ideology and Pragmatics of Tax Collection in the Pylos Polity”
M. Marazzi, “Il cosiddetto ‘regime delle offerte cultuali’: mondo ittita e miceneo a confronto”
R. Thompson, “Some thoughts on the mo-ro-qa”
L. M. Bendall, “Fiscality and Mycenaean Religion”
S. Lupack, “Deities and Religious Personnel as Collectors”
E. Scafa, “L’economia palaziale micenea fra accumulazione e bancarotta”
P. Negri-Scafa, “Modelli e forme di fiscalità nel Vicino Oriente Antico del II millennio a.C.”
E. Kyriakidis, “Fiscality of Place Names”

On 28-31 October 2004 an international conference entitled The Archaeology of World Megalithic Cultures with a theme session on EuroMediterranean Megalithic Cultures, 5000-1300 B.C. was held in Rhodes, Greece, organized by the University of the Aegean, Department of Mediterranean Studies, Laboratory of Archaeology. Further information is available at http://www.rhodes.aegean.gr/maa_journal/. Papers of interest to Nestor readers included:
E. Mantzourani and G. Vavouranakis, “Megalithic versus status: the architectural design and masonry of the ‘villas’ in East Crete”
H. Koutelakis, “Cyclops and megalithic constructions”
I. Liritzis, A. Vafiadou, and R. Temple, “Nuclear dating of megalithic masonry”
S. Beckmann, “War or peace? Studying Minoan megalithic mountain-side ruins in the area of Agios Nikolaos, Crete”
A. Nikolis, “The role of the palm and other trees in the iconography of the Mycenaean religion”
R. Fairbridge, “Fitted masonry of 13th century BC of Mycenaean Greece and 13th century AD Cuzco of Inca Peru”

Electronic News and Notices
The website entitled Paléomed, at http://geophiles.net/paleomed/index.htm has papers and information about the geoarchaeology and paleoclimatology of the Lower Acheron River Valley,
Lake Gramousti, and the Rezina Marsh in Epirus, Lake Kournas on Crete, Delos and Mykonos, and Potamia and Gialias on Cyprus.

The Central Anatolian Neolithic e-Workshop Project (CANeW) has announced a change in their URL from http://canew.net to http://www.canew.org. Of particular interest to Nestor readers is an expanded C¹⁴ database covering the Aegean region, including Eastern Greece, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Bulgaria, and Western Turkey, with a timespan between 10,000 and 5,500 cal BC. This database is intended to contribute to discussions of neolithization and of the interaction between Anatolia and Southeast Europe. All C¹⁴ tables, both Aegean and the Anatolian, have been expanded to include an extra column providing the cal BC 1 sigma ranges, allowing quick monitoring of the ages and life-spans of the sites.

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