COMMUNICATIONS

From the Editors

The editors of Nestor wish our readers the happiest of holidays and all the best in the New Year.

Grants and Fellowships

On 1 February 2017 applications are due for the Michael Ventris Memorial Award for Mycenaean Studies of up to £2000, to be awarded to scholars who have obtained a doctorate within the past eight years or postgraduate students about to complete the doctorate in the field of Mycenaean civilization or kindred subjects, to promote research in (1) Linear B and other Bronze Age scripts of the Aegean and Cyprus and their historical and cultural connections, or (2) all other aspects of the Bronze Age of the Aegean and Cyprus. Applications (6 pages maximum) should be sent by email, ideally as a PDF attachment to the Classics Manager, Valerie James, Institute of Classical Studies, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU. Further information, including detailed application instructions, is available at http://www.icls.sas.ac.uk/awards/prizes.

Calls for Papers

On 15 December 2016 proposals for sessions and workshops are due for the 2017 Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR 2017), to be held on 15-18 November 2017 in Boston, MA. On 9 January-15 February 2017 proposals for papers will be open, and from 9 January-1 August 2017 proposals for posters will be open. Further information is available at http://www.asor.org/am/2017/sessions.html.

On 15 December 2016 abstracts (150 words in English) are due for an international conference entitled South by Southeast: The History and Archaeology of the Southeast of Crete, from Myrtos to Kato Zakros, to be held on 1-2 July 2017 in Pacheia Ammos, Crete. This conference aims to promote a holistic and diachronic discussion of the available archaeological and historical information from all periods about this vibrant region, its role in the major coastal and maritime networks of East Crete, and its unique culture, as well as its current interpretations. Abstracts should be sent to southbysoutheast2017@gmail.com.
On 31 December 2016 abstracts and registration are due for the **13th International Congress of Thracology. Ancient Thrace: Myth and Reality**, to be held on 3-7 September 2017 in Kazanlak, Bulgaria. On 31 March 2017 transfer of the conference fee is due. Contributions concerning any aspects of and approaches to Thracian antiquity are welcome, including Thracian and related history, archaeology, art, culture, language, religion, numismatics, epigraphy, and interdisciplinary studies in a time-span ranging from the Bronze Age to Late Antiquity. The congress languages will be English, German and French. Further information is available at [http://www.thracology2017.com/en/index.php](http://www.thracology2017.com/en/index.php).

On 15 January 2017 paper titles and abstracts (ca. 250 words) are due for an international conference entitled **Dynamics and Organisation of Textile Production in Past Societies in Europe and the Mediterranean**, to be held on 21-22 June 2017 at the Polish Academy of Sciences, Łódź, Poland. Abstracts should be submitted to a.ulanowska@uw.edu.pl; siennicka@hum.ku.dk; m.grupa@wp.pl. Further information is available at [http://iaepan.vot.pl/osrodkiwszystkie/osrodek-etnologii-i-antropologii-wspolczesnosci/78-pl/instytut/aktualnosci-instytutu/1562-konferencja-tekstylna](http://iaepan.vot.pl/osrodkiwszystkie/osrodek-etnologii-i-antropologii-wspolczesnosci/78-pl/instytut/aktualnosci-instytutu/1562-konferencja-tekstylna).

On 15 March 2017 proposals for panels are due for the **19th International Congress of Classical Archaeology (XIXth ICCA)**, to be held on 22-26 May 2018 in Bonn and Cologne; the calls for papers and workshops, and registration will open on 1 May 2017. The primary theme will be “Archaeology and Economy in the Ancient World.” Further information is available at [http://www.aiac2018.de/](http://www.aiac2018.de/). Panels concerning Greco-Roman civilization and their neighbouring cultures from the Aegean Bronze Age to the end of Late Antiquity are invited for the following sessions:
- The human factor: demography, nutrition, health, epidemics
- The impact of natural environmental factors on ancient economy: climate, landscape
- Systems of production: land use, industry, technology, artistic production
- System of extraction: mining, pollution, technology
- Distribution: trade and exchange, monetarization, credit, networks, transport, infrastructure (e.g. ports)
- Consumption: daily and luxury consumption, conspicuous consumption, waste, recycling, diet
- Economy of cult: investment, religious and ritual consumption, economics of death
- The role of the city in the ancient economy: urban infrastructure, relations between town and country
- The military economy at war and peace
- Economy of knowledge: education, innovation, literacy
- Methodology: survey archaeology, natural sciences, quantification
- Other topics outside the main theme of the conference are open to suggestions

On 20 April 2017 abstracts (300 words maximum) and short speaker biographies (100 words maximum) in either Greek or English are due for oral presentations (15 minutes) at the **4th Symposium of Greek Gastronomy: Known, forgotten and lost grains**, to be held on 29-30 July 2017 in Chania, Crete; on 20 April 2017 abstracts (70 words maximum) and speaker biographies (100 words maximum) in either Greek or English are due for posters. Proposals are invited from academics, independent scholars, and professionals in the fields of humanities and social sciences (such as archaeology, ethnoarchaeology, anthropology, sociology, history, cross-cultural studies, education, ethics, women studies, literature, philology, etc.), ethnobotanologists, botanologists, grain growers, bakers, artisans, brewers, cooks and chefs, artists and activists, journalists and writers, in the form of oral and poster
presentations, literary reflections, pieces of art, performances and interactive experiments relating to the theme of the Symposium. Further information is available at https://greekgastronomy.wordpress.com/2016/09/01/known-forgotten-and-lost-grains-4th-symposium-of-greek-gastronomy-call-for-papers/. Topics will include but are not limited to:

Early human grain consumption  
History of floury grains  
Bread, beer, and other uses of grains  
Forgotten and lost grain crops  
Cultivation, grain processing, bread-making and gender  
Grain choices and social class  
Cultural differences in processing and consumption  
Grains, bread, feast and famine  
Cereal grains and politics  
Grain prices: scarcity and abundance  
Grain trade and market efficiency  
Grains, bread, city and country connections  
History of technology, environmental history and grains  
How grains became a standardized commodity  
Trends in grain / bread consumption through history  
Leavened and unleavened: Christian identity and self-definition  
Grains, farming, eating and their influence on art and literature

**Future Lectures and Conferences**

The program of the Minoan Seminar has been announced for 2016-2017. Unless otherwise stated, all seminars begin at 6:30 pm at the Archaeological Society, 22 Panepistimiou, Athens; those planning to attend should inform the secretary@minoanseminar.gr. Further information is available at http://www.minoanseminar.gr/.

25 November 2016: P. Tomkins, “Making p(a)laces, stabilising the social. Understanding the emergence of the Minoan palaces during the Cretan Early Bronze Age”

3 March 2017: M. Marthari, “Investigating the outskirts of the prehistoric town at Akrotiri, Thera: a rich LC I/LM IA building complex at the site of Raos”

31 March 2017: C. MacDonald and L. Girella, “North and South. Central Crete from the later Protopalatial into the earlier Neopalatial periods”

26 May 2017: E. Hatzaki: “Rus in Urbe: Late Bronze Age Knossos”

On 20-21 December 2016 the 2nd Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology Conference in Greece (CAA-GR 2016) will be held at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. Further information is available at http://www.caa-gr.org/2016/. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:

A. Argyriou and A. Sarris, “Geoinformatic approaches to assess the landform characteristics of Minoan settlements and characterize the water management planning in Bronze Age Crete”

Θ. Αγγελοπούλου and Γ. Βαβουρανάκης, “Μοντελοποίηση των ανασκαφικών συγκεκριμένων: εννοιολογική αρχιτεκτονική και συμβατότητα στην τεκμηρίωση προϊστορικών θέσεων”

C. Papadopoulos, Y. Hamilakis, N. Kyparissi-Apostolika, and M. Diaz-Guardamino, “Digital engagements with clay: computational imaging and 3D printing for the study, interpretation and dissemination of the Neolithic figurines from Koutroulou Magoula, Greece”
On 4-6 January 2017 the 2017 Annual Conference of the British Association for Near Eastern Archaeology (BANEA 2017) will be held in Glasgow. Further information is available at http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/humanities/research/archaeologyresearch/projects/banea2017/. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:
A. Jacobs, “The Many Dimensions of Plain Ware Pottery in Late Bronze Age Cyprus: an examination of a potters’ community at Alassa”

Past Lectures and Conferences
On 3-5 November 2016 a conference entitled Ιστορικό και πολιτιστικό τοπίο: παρεμβάσεις και διαχείριση, πρόσληψη και μετασχηματισμοί was held in Athens. Further information is available at http://www.piop.gr/el/Activities/ekdiloseis-mouseia/IA_diimerida_perivallontos_2016.aspx. Papers of interest to Nestor readers included:
Δ. Μυλωνά, “Βιωμένα θαλασσινά τοπία της προϊστορίας: μια αρχαιολογική προσέγγιση”
Λ. Καραλή, “Θαλασσινά τοπία: Οι ακτές και ο κόσμος της θάλασσας μέσα από τα αρχαιοπεριβαλλοντικά κατάλοιπα”

On 10-12 November 2016 the Δο Τοπικό Συνέδριο Λακωνικών Σπουδών was held in Sparta. Further information is available at http://www.laconialive.gr/4ο-τοπικό-συνέδριο-λακωνικών-σπουδών-δ/. Papers of interest to Nestor readers included:
Α. Μπάνου, “Η Λακωνία υπό το φως των εξελίξεων της μυκηναϊκής αρχαιολογίας: Ερευνητικές υποθέσεις και προοπτικές”

On 23-25 November 2016 an international archaeological symposium entitled Kültürlerin Bağlantısı: Başlangıçından Roma Dönemi Sonuna kadar Eski Yakın Doğu Ticaret ve Bölgelерarasi İlişkiler. Connecting Cultures: Trade and Interconnections in the Ancient Near East from the Beginning until the End of the Roman Period was held in Lefkoşa/Nicosia. Further information is available at http://www.arkeo.hacettepe.edu.tr/belgeler/finalprogram.pdf. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:
C. M. Erek, “İlk Sonuçlara Göre Kuzey Kıbrıs Türk Cumhuriyeti’ndeki Prehistorik Dönem İzleri”
K. Özłelik, “Denizli’deki Yontmataş Buluntuarlar Işığında Anadolu’nun Paleolitik Kültürlerine Yeni Bir Bakış”
Ö. Çevik, “Networking Neolithic Ulucak in Local, Regional and Inter-Regional Contexts”
R. Tuncel, “Unity and Divergence in the Chalcolithic of Western Anatolia”
V. Şahoğlu, “The Early Bronze Age Anatolian Trade Network and its Role on the Transformation of Anatolian and Aegean Communities”
M. Cultraro, “Connecting and disconnecting cultures in the Early Bronze Age: the case of the Northern Aegean”
On 23-27 November 2016 the 8th International Conference on PPN Chipped and Ground Stone Industries of the Near East: Near Eastern Lithic Technologies on the Move - Interactions and Contexts in the Neolithic Traditions was held at the University of Cyprus in Nicosia. Further information is available at https://www.ucy.ac.cy/aru/documents/Conferences/CypPPN8_Program.pdf. Papers and posters of interest to Nestor readers included:
A. H. Simmons, "No Chipped Stone is an Island: A Reimagining of the Role of Early Cypriot Lithic Assemblages within the Neolithic World"
F. Briois, “Introduction, adaptation and development of the first Pre Pottery Neolithic communities in Cyprus: The contribution of lithic industries in the Amathus area”
C. McCartney, “Lithic contexts at the site of Ayia Varvara Asprokremnos, evidence for specialization”
A. McCarthy, "Intercommunity feasting in the Neolithic: a stone lined pit oven from Prasteio Mesorotsos, Cyprus”
J. Robitaille, “The ground stone industry of Klimonas. Comparisons with the Near East”
R. Kolvet, “Ground stone artifacts from Ais Giorkis, an unusual upland Cypro-PPNB settlement”
J. Robitaille and F. Briois, "Stone retouchers at Klimonas, Cyprus”
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C. McCartney and P. Anderson, “Accessing the origins of threshing in Cyprus”
S. Murphy, P. Bikoulis, and S. T. Stewart, "Early lithic finds and Bayesian Allocation Models in the Tremithos Valley, Cyprus”
P. Croft “Early Neolithic Kissonerga Mylouthkia”
J.-D. Vigne, “To what extent insularity has played a role in the Cypruss Neolithic transition?”
A. Le Brun, "Khirokitia on the move?”
B. Milić and B. Horejs, "An addendum to the PPNB interaction sphere - pressure blade making from the 7th millennium BC Çukuriçi Höyük in western Anatolia"

D. Guilbeau and C. Perlès, "Please help us find the origins of Greek and Italian Early Neolithic lever pressure-flaking!"

D. Guilbeau, "Stones from the earliest Neolithic occupation in Northern Aegean (Uğurlu, Gökçeada Island, ca 6600 cal BC)"

A. Vinet, "Techno-functional study of the glossy flint blades from Çatalhöyük-West"

On 1 December 2016 the following lectures were delivered to the Aegean Seminar in Zagreb; further information is available from Helena Tomas at htomashffzg.hr:

- A. Gyucha, "From the Aegean to the Carpathian Basin: Patterns of Sedentism in the Neolithic"
- D. Riebe, "From the Aegean to the Carpathian Basin: The Exploitation and Exchange of Obsidian in Prehistory"

On 1-2 December 2016 an international workshop for early career scholars entitled Mortuary Variability and Social Diversity in Ancient Greece was held at the Netherlands Institute at Athens. Further information is available at http://www.nia.gr/images/Program_web.jpg. Papers and posters of interest to Nestor readers included:

- E. Panagiotopoulou, “Protogeometric Thessaly: an integrated study of burial practices and isotope analysis of human remains”
- A. Alexandridou, “Equal in death: the social implications of funerary inclusivity in Late Geometric Attica and beyond”

On 1-2 December 2016 the 5th International Postgraduate Conference Perspectives on Classical Archaeology 2016: New Directions in Classical Archaeology (PeClA 2016) was held at the Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic. Further information is available at http://ukar.ff.cuni.cz/en/pecla2016_eng. Papers and posters of interest to Nestor readers included:

- U. Berndt, "Navigating the Gap Between Modern Theory and Ancient Sources: Two Examples from Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age Sanctuaries in Greece"
- M. Smišek, “The Impact of Volcanic Eruptions on the Civilizations of the Mediterranean during the Bronze Age”
- F. Franković, “Boys and Girls for the Minotaur – Leaping over Gender in the Late Bronze Age Aegean”

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