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The mind is not a vessel to be filled but a fire to be kindled.
-- Plutarch

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ΣΥΝΕΔΡΙΑ - CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS

3RD NEW WORLD LUMINESCENCE DATING WORKSHOP

**Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
4-7th of July, 2004**

We would like to announce the 3rd New World Luminescence Dating Workshop, which will take place at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, 4 to 7th of July, 2004. The meeting should be of interest to luminescence dating specialists, geomorphologists, Quaternary geologists, archaeologists, and museum researchers. We are currently seeking funding to offset partial travel costs for students presenting papers.

Interested parties should contact the technical co-host, Mrs. P. Scallion, pscallio@dal.ca, with a request to be added to the mailing list for the first call for abstracts, which will be sent before the end of 2003.

32ND INTERNATIONAL GEOLOGICAL CONGRESS

Firenze, Italy, 20-28 August 2004

Dear colleagues,

As you may know, the deadline for applications (including abstract submission) to the GeoHost program, which provide funding for the participation at the 32nd International Geological Congress (Firenze, Italy, 20-28 August 2004) is fastly approaching:

NOVEMBER 30, 2003. For regular abstract submission, discount and regular Congress registration, and field-trip registration, see all the details in the Second Circular published in the Congress web page <http://www.32igc.org>

This message is therefore to draw your attention to the following events, sponsored by the INQUA Subcommittee on Paleoseismology, to be held within the 32IGC:

Topical Symposium T-11 "Geological Hazards: Assessment and Mitigation" Session 07 "Paleoseismology, Seismic hazard characterization and the Quaternary geological evidence for earthquake deformation and faulting" Conveners: Franck Audemard (FUNVISIS, Caracas; faudemard@funvisis.org.ve), Shmulik Marco (Tel Aviv University, Israel; shmulik@terra.tau.ac.il), and Alessandro Michetti (University of Insubria, Como; michetti@fis.unico.it).

Field Trip P65 "Basin and Range in the Central and Southern Apennines"

Field Trip Leader: Anna Maria Blumetti (SSN, Roma; annamaria.blumetti@protezionecivile.it).

Co-leaders: Leonello Serva and Luca Guerrieri (ANPA, Roma; guerrieri@apat.it), Franco Dramis (Roma 3 University; dramis@uniroma3.it), Bernardino Gentili and Emanuele Tondi (Camerino University; emanuele.tondi@unicam.it), Alessandro Michetti (Insubria University, Como)

Session T-11.07 is intended to document the evolution toward integrated studies of Quaternary geology in Paleoseismology, following the hypothesis that, once the local tectonic, geodynamic environment have been properly taken into account, the present geomorphic and geologic setting is a reliable indicator of the seismicity level of an area. Special attention will be put on the study of coseismic ground effects and their use as indicators of earthquake magnitude and macroseismic intensity. The papers presented in Session T-11.07 will provide inputs for the Subcommittee on Paleoseismicity meeting, to be held within the 32nd IGC, on the new INQUA intensity scale based on ground effects introduced during the XVI INQUA Congress in Reno.

We hope to attract scientists working in the broad fields of earthquake geology, especially those interested in cross-disciplinary studies on the relations between surface

processes, recent landscape evolution, earthquake ground effects, active tectonics, and seismic hazard assessment.

The field trip P65 will allow to review in the field the application of similar integrated landscape evolution models to the Apennines, and to explore the implications in term of understanding and mitigation of the associated seismic risk.

We look forwards to receive your contributions to these events!!!

many dear cheerings

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METAL 2004: TRIENNIAL METALS CONSERVATION CONFERENCE

METALS WORKING GROUP OF ICOM COMMITTEE FOR CONSERVATION

Canberra, Australia, 4th October - 8rd October 2004

First announcement and call for abstracts

At the mid-point between general sessions of the ICOM-CC Triennial conferences, metals conservators from around the world will meet in Canberra to discuss important professional issues and share recent research.

The current programme foresees five days of plenary sessions grouped according to the themes recently agreed by the Metals Working Group: Preventive Conservation of metals including storage problems and air pollutant damage and in-situ conservation of marine and terrestrial sites.

Diagnosis including examination of artefacts, study of corrosion mechanisms, research on the original surface and construction of replicas for study purposes. Improving conservation treatments covering mechanical, chemical, electrolytic, plasma and laser treatments as well as monitoring of the treatment, protection of artefacts after treatment. Conservation of composite artefacts including metal/metal, metal/organic composites and case studies covering ethnographic artefacts, scientific instruments and industrial heritage.

We ask you to use the attached form to help us to plan our conference so it will be as useful and interesting as possible. We propose to arrange roundtables on specific topics within the 4 defined themes and workshops (see attached form) before or after the metals conference. In addition conservation students and natural science PhD students with a subject related to metal conservation will have the opportunity to submit papers during a “students session”. There will be opportunities for laboratory visits or relaxation in Canberra and Sydney during the weekends adjoining the conference.

Canberra is Australia’s largest inland city of 300,000 people, well known as an example of a twentieth century ‘garden city’ set in a distinctive Australian landscape. As the national capital, Canberra includes the National Museum of Australia and the National Gallery of Australia who are both helping to organise this conference. Canberra is 300km south west of Sydney and is easily reached by air(1 hour), road (3 hrs) and rail travel. The city has many places to visit including the surrounding bushland and mountains, some Aboriginal sites and colonial-era villages.

Please fill out the attached form and send your expression of interest to attend the conference and for submission of abstract by e-mail (preferred), fax or post to: David Hallam d.hallam@nma.gov.au , Senior Conservator (Technology and Research), National Museum of Australia, GPO Box 1901, Canberra, Australia
Tel +61 2 6208 5153, Fax +61 2 6208 5299
Further information will be posted at <http://rsc.anu.edu.au/~hallam/metals2004> or website.

Expressions of interest in attending Metal 2004 and Call for Abstracts

I am interested in attending the Metal 2004 conference in Canberra

Please add me to your mailing list

My contact details are:

Name: (Mr/Ms/Dr/Prof) (family name) (first name)

Postal address:

Country:

E-mail:

Tel(please include country and city code)

Fax:(please include country and city code)

I am interested in the following proposed workshops and visits:
(tick box)

Laser techniques for metals conservation (there would be an extra charge to attend due to costs of arranging equipment)

Techniques and materials in Sculpture Conservation

Understanding atmospheric corrosion

Use of electrolytic techniques in conservation

Large Technology Object conservation

Maritime Conservation

Low cost solutions in Collections Management relevant to metals collections including packing, storage and transport

I am interested in submitting a paper for the Metal 2004 conference.

My paper relates to the * theme: (tick box)

I am sending a 500 word abstract by :

Or 'my abstract is attached'.

Timetable for papers for the conference
Call for abstracts: April 2003
Abstracts sent to...: 20 December 2003
Abstracts chosen and notified by 01 February 2004
Papers completed given to the editors: 30 June 2004
Papers prints ready: 15 September 2004
Publication ready: 03 October 2004

The conference languages are *, but we will make every attempt to assist presenters for whom English is a second language. If you require assistance with translation please contact David Hallam as soon as possible.

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34TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ARCHAEOLOGY - SECOND CIRCULAR

Dear colleagues,

The 34th International Symposium on Archaeology will be held in Zaragoza (Spain) next May 2004. New information (**2nd circular**) about the meeting, as well as the registration form, is now available at the web site: <http://www.archaeology2004.info>

We would like to remember you that the deadline for abstract submission is **December 1, 2003** and that only communications with, at least, one author fully inscribed in the meeting will be included in the final program.

We apologize if you receive this mail more than once. Several mailing lists have been used and perhaps you are in some of them.

Best regards,

Josefina Pérez-Arantegui (chairperson)
Mario Vendrell (inscription and abstract handling)
ARCHAEOLOGY 2004 Zaragoza (Spain)
<http://www.archaeology2004.info>



HITTITES, GREEKS AND THEIR
NEIGHBORS IN ANCIENT ANATOLIA
AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
CROSS-CULTURAL INTERACTION
MICHAEL C. CARLOS MUSEUM

Emory University, Sept. 17–19, 2004

CALL FOR PAPERS

Cross-cultural interaction in ancient Anatolia between indigenous groups, such as the Hattians, Indo-Europeans, including Hittites and Greeks, and Near Eastern cultures, particularly the Hurrians, resulted in a unique environment in which Anatolian peoples interacted with, and reacted to, one another in different ways. These cultural “interfaces” occurred on many levels, including political, economic, religious, literary, architectural and iconographic. The rich and varied archives, inscriptions and archaeological remains of ancient Anatolia, North Syria and nearby islands offer much material for study and discussion.

Emory University will host a multi-disciplinary international conference on Sept. 17–19 2004 at the Michael C. Carlos Museum on the mechanisms and results of interaction between the peoples and cultures of ancient Anatolia. The aim is to encourage dialogue among archeologists, historians and philologists in the Classical, Near Eastern and Anatolian traditions.

The conference seeks papers (30 minutes in length) especially on adaptation and change or continuity of culture over time and space, and on the construction of ethnic identities in the multi-cultural area of Anatolia. Textual, archaeological, art historical, anthropological and philological approaches will be considered. Papers dealing with the second millennium through the sixth century B.C. are welcome.

Keynote speaker: Walter Burkert, Emeritus Professor for Classical Philology, University of Zürich. Invited speakers include Calvert Watkins, Itamar Singer and Stefano de Martino.

Abstracts (up to 400 words), should be emailed by attachment to Billie Jean Collins (bcollin@emory.edu), Ian Rutherford (i.c.rutherford@reading.ac.uk) and Mary R. Bachvarova (mbachvar@willamette.edu) by March 21, 2004. Please provide name, email and regular mail address, title of paper and university affiliation in a separate file. If an email submission is impossible, please post typed abstract and cover page to Billie Jean Collins, Department of Middle Eastern and Southeast Asian Studies, Emory University, S312 Callaway Center, Atlanta, GA 30322.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCIENCES OF THE AMERICAS

**Sept. 23rd - 26th, 2004, Tucson, Arizona USS
Arizona Memorial Union**

Announcement and Call for Papers and Posters

The organizing committee of the Inaugural Archaeological Science of the Americas Symposium is pleased to solicit papers and posters to be presented between September 23 and 26, 2004 on the campus of the University of Arizona. This event is intended to encourage regular and sustained collaboration between archaeologists, conservation scientists, natural scientists, and contract researchers engaged in the development of archaeological science in the Americas. This unique meeting will be hosted by graduate students in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Arizona. The Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT) Program in Archaeological Sciences at the University of Arizona will co-sponsor this event. Researchers at all levels of experience and training are invited to participate. A special invitation is extended to colleagues from Canada, Mexico, Central America, and South America.

Abstracts for posters and 20-25 minute oral presentations should be limited to 250 words or less and should clearly address how developing methodologies in interdisciplinary archaeological science can be employed to address larger anthropological issues. Sessions will explore seven major topics in the field of archaeological science: 1) Catastrophes and Cultural Reaction, 2) Geoarchaeology, 3) Conservation Studies and Ephemeral Remains, 4) Spatial Analysis and Remote Sensing, 5) Chronometry, 6) Human-Environmental Interaction, and 7) Material Culture Studies. Applicants may choose the session in which they wish to present their work, but are encouraged to discuss how their research in archaeological science bridges and reaches beyond topic headings.

Monthly updates regarding conference-sponsored award competitions, lectures, workshops, fieldtrips, and social events will be available online as planning proceeds. Contact information for participant housing will also be posted on the site.

The deadline for submission of abstracts for posters and presentations is January 31, 2004. Possible presenters will be notified of their acceptance by March 1, 2004 and a final program will be delivered to participants by June 1, 2004. Registration fees are \$40 for professionals and \$30 for students. Checks are to be made out to the University of Arizona Foundation. Please note that none of the application fee is tax deductible.

For more information, please visit our website or contact one of the organizing committee members directly:

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Kanani Paraso (paraso@email.arizona.edu), or
AJ Vonarx (ajvonarx@email.arizona.edu).

We look forward to hearing from you and meeting you in Tucson in September 2004!

ΘΕΣΕΙΣ ΕΡΓΑΣΙΑΣ/ΥΠΟΤΡΟΦΙΕΣ –
JOB VACANCIES/FELLOWSHIPS

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF
TECHNOLOGY POSITION VACANCY,
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCIENTIST

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology, College of Liberal Arts, Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), invites applications for a tenure track assistant/associate professor in archaeological science to initiate an archaeological science program. RIT is a dynamic university of applied technology, with significant resources in materials science, remote sensing, imaging, and other relevant archaeological science disciplines. Preference will be given to candidates with expertise in archaeological materials science from an anthropological perspective, but others fields of archaeological science will be considered. Candidates should have a Ph.D. and a strong record in teaching and research. An ability to teach cultural anthropology/archaeology expected. Applications should include a statement of teaching and research interests, c.v., and names of three references with contact information. Send applications by December 15, 2003, to Professor Murli Sinha, Chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, College of Liberal Arts, Rochester Institute of Technology, 92 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623-5604.

The College of Liberal Arts and RIT encourage applications from candidates who will enhance diversity in all its aspects.

WORCESTERSHIRE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT AND ARCHAEOLOGY SERVICE ARCHAEOLOGIST (ENVIRONMENTAL) - JOB ADVERT

Local Government Scale 3: £13,581 to £14,532 (Job Evaluation pending)

We are an outward-looking Service with a long tradition of providing in-house and external environmental specialist services. We are currently undergoing a period of expansion and are looking for staff for the following post (application deadline 30 November 2003).

ARCHAEOLOGIST (ENVIRONMENTAL)

Environmental archaeology is an important area of our work. As well as providing an in-house specialist expertise, we have a long tradition of providing an environmental archaeology service for external contractors. We would also like to expand the range of work covered to meet increasing demand. In addition, as well as fieldwork projects, environmental archaeology increasingly forms a part of education and research projects.

This post involves on-site sampling and processing of environmental samples, through to identification work and the preparation of reports for smaller watching briefs and evaluations. Some participation in general fieldwork duties will be required.

You will have a degree in archaeology, or an environmental science, and/or an equivalent qualification, and three months' experience in this field. You will have experience of analysing at least one category of environmental remains (preferably plant macrofossils or pollen), and have experience of other classes of environmental remains. You will need to be well-organised, good at working to deadlines and keen to work as part of a team.

For informal discussion contact Liz Pearson (telephone 01905 855495 or email lpearson@worcestershire.gov.uk)

To apply: job descriptions and application forms are available from: Administrator, Worcestershire County Council Historic Environment and Archaeology Service, Woodbury, University College Worcester, Henwick Grove, Worcester WR2 6AJ. Alternatively phone Maureen uyt den Bogaard on 01905 855455, or email mbogaard@worcestershire.gov.uk.

2004-2005 FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN CYPRUS

THE CYPRUS AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE in Nicosia, Cyprus, welcomes applications for:

THE STUART SWINY AND HELENA WILDE SWINY FELLOWSHIP:

One grant of \$750 to a graduate student of any nationality enrolled in a U.S. college or university to pursue a research project associated with an ongoing field project in Cyprus. The grant is to be used to fund a period of research time in residence at CAARI and to help defray costs of travel. Residence at CAARI is required.

THE ANITA CECIL O DONOVAN FELLOWSHIPS:

One grant of \$750 to a graduate student of any nationality enrolled in a college or university of any country to pursue research on a joint project or independent research relevant to the archaeology of Cyprus. The grant is to be used to fund a period of research time in residence at CAARI and to help defray costs of travel. Residence at CAARI is required.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Project statement, expected schedule of work, budget, curriculum vitae, and two letters of recommendation. Each CAARI applicant will be considered for both fellowships.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 2, 2004.

INFORMATION AND SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS:

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Boston, MA 02215
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Email: caari@bu.edu

FULBRIGHT RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS:

Fulbright Scholars Program for post-doctoral research in Cyprus.

For information contact:

Council for International Exchange of Scholars
3007 Tilden Street NW, Suite 5 M
Washington, DC 20008-3009
Telephone: 202-686-7877

Fulbright Student Program for pre-doctoral research in Cyprus.

For information contact:

Fulbright Student Program
Institute of International Education
809 U.N. Plaza
New York, NY 10017-3580
Telephone: 212-883-8200

The CYPRUS AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE (CAARI) in Nicosia, Cyprus, welcomes scholars and students specializing in archaeology, history, and culture of Cyprus. CAARI is located in central Nicosia close to the Cyprus Museum, major libraries, and the main business and commercial district. In addition to hostel accommodation for a total of twelve residents, the institute has excellent research facilities in the form of a 10,000 volume library, comprehensive map and artifact collections, archival material, and facilities for internet use, digital scanning, and photography. For further information on CAARI see: <<http://www.caari.org>>

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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY **POSITION VACANCY**

Center for Archaeological Investigations Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Visiting Scholar in Archaeology 2004 – 2005

POSITION: The Center for Archaeological Investigations Visiting Scholar Program offers support for a motivated scholar to organize and conduct the CAI's 2005 Visiting Scholar Conference, to result in an edited volume of selected papers. The Visiting Scholar may assemble and edit the conference volume while in residence at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. The successful candidate may also be expected to pursue her/his own research during the period of the award, to teach one seminar in her/his specialty, and to interact productively with colleagues and students in the Center and the Department of Anthropology at SIUC. The Visiting Scholar position is an 11-month term faculty appointment with full fringe benefits and clerical and computing support. The salary can be structured to extend a half-time sabbatical for a senior scholar interested in pursuing independent research and writing during an academic year at SIUC.

REQUIREMENTS: A Ph.D. degree in anthropology or related discipline with a specialization in archaeology is required. The Ph.D. degree must be completed by the beginning of the appointment: August 16, 2004. The CAI Visiting Scholar is selected on the basis of a short proposal outlining the nature and structure of the scholar's intended conference, and on the strength of her/his curriculum vitae and references.

PROPOSALS: The CAI encourages proposals on a wide range of methodological and theoretical themes. Especially attractive are proposals for conferences that link archaeology with other anthropological subdisciplines and/or other scientific fields. Applicants should give particular thought to the organization of the conference, from initial selection of conference participants through the eventual structure of the edited proceedings volume.

APPLICATIONS AND INQUIRIES: A conference proposal of no more than five single-spaced pages, a vita, and the names, addresses, and telephone/fax numbers of three references must be submitted for consideration by the CAI no later than February 1, 2004. Pre-submission inquiries regarding the suitability of potential topics and the form of proposals are encouraged. SIUC is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer that strives to enhance its ability to develop a diverse faculty and staff and to increase its potential to serve a diverse student population. All applications are welcomed and encouraged and will receive consideration. Previous Visiting Scholar

Conferences - 2003 Leadership in Mississippian Society 1993 Geographic Information Systems

2002 Biomolecular Archaeology 1992 Paleonutrition

2001 Hunter-Gatherer Societies 1991 From Bones to Behavior

2000 The Dynamics of Power 1990 The Future of the Past

1999 Archaeometry 1989 New Directions in Archaeology
1998 Fleeting Identities: Perishables 1988 Between Bands and States
1997 Hierarchies, Behavioral Ecology 1987 The Historiography of Archaeology
1996 Material Symbols & Economy 1986 Emergent Horticultural Economics
1995 Contact & Culture Change 1985 Eastern Archaic Subsistence Systems
1994 Archaeological Demography

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University Carbondale - Carbondale, Illinois 62901-4527 Telephone: 618-453-5031 -
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DIRECTOR SMITHSONIAN CENTER FOR MATERIALS RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

The Smithsonian Institution is seeking a Director to lead its comprehensive conservation and preservation science research and education center, the Smithsonian Center for Materials Research and Education (SCMRE). The mission of SCMRE is to increase and disseminate scientific knowledge that improves preservation and conservation of museum collections and related material, with an emphasis on the collections of the Smithsonian Institution's museums. Furthermore, the Center staff formulates and conducts research, training and education programs in conservation and scientific studies of collections to serve national and international needs of museums. The Center serves as a source of technical information, advice and assistance both to the Smithsonian and other institutions on matters of collection conservation and preservation. For a more detailed description of the Center's programs access <[URL:http://www.si.edu/scmre](http://www.si.edu/scmre)>.

We are seeking an accomplished scholar, conservator and/or scientist to provide leadership to the Center in the development, conduct and review of basic research programs and projects in conservation and preservation science research. The director is responsible for shaping a strategic vision for the Center and for articulating that vision within the Smithsonian Institution and to potential donors, government agencies, national and international museums, and the general public. Applicants should possess a record of achievement in conservation or preservation research and management experience at a level that includes planning, goal setting, grant writing, budget formulation and supervision of a technical staff. Applications from women, minority, or disabled candidates are welcomed. For a complete application package and instructions please access <[URL:http://www.si.edu/ohr](http://www.si.edu/ohr)> and retrieve announcement number EX-03-06.

The Smithsonian Institution is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

POSTDOCTORAL POSITION AT NOSAMS

The National Ocean Sciences Accelerator Mass Spectrometry Facility has a postdoctoral position available immediately. Duties include helping in the design and implementation of a novel ^{14}C -AMS system which will accommodate the newly developed NOSAMS gas ion source. Details about NOSAMS and the position can be found at <http://www.nosams.whoi.edu/>.

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MUSEUM DIRECTOR, MUSEUM OF THE ORIENTAL INSTITUTE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The University of Chicago's Oriental Institute is an internationally recognized research center for studying the archaeological and textual record of the ancient Near East. A primary unit within the Institute is its Museum, which houses over 126,000 registered objects from across the Near East. We seek applicants for the position of Museum Director, who reports to the Director of the Oriental Institute and interacts regularly with the Institute's research faculty, who serve as its governing board. Candidates must have academic experience in a Near Eastern field of specialty, ideally in one of the areas covered by the Oriental Institute's collections (Egypt, Nubia, Mesopotamia, Syria-Palestine, Anatolia, Iran) and have demonstrated experience in curatorial duties, exhibit development, and grant writing. The Museum of the Oriental Institute is in the midst of a multi-year reinstallation process that will provide the right candidate with the opportunity to have a direct impact on the Museum's collections, gallery design, and future exhibits. We seek candidates with demonstrated leadership and project management skills to manage a staff of over twenty, with administrative responsibility for subunits such as registration, conservation, and public education. To apply for this position, please go to <http://jobs.uchicago.edu>, create a profile and apply for requisition #066208 by December 31, 2003. Women, minorities, and junior and senior applicants are encouraged to apply. The University of Chicago is an Affirmative Action / Equal Opportunity Employer.

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TASK 4 - VALIDATION CASE COLLECTION

Dear colleagues,

Herewith attached you will find the form for the collection of the Task 4 data: the validation cases. At the meeting in Lisbon we decide to give pressure to this collection of data, for a strategic demonstration of the end-users interest in our activity. We decided to send the maximum possible number of forms by the 1st December to Roxana Radvan, for the web site. I ask particularly the national delegates to make efforts for this collection of data.

Please try to do it as soon as possible.

Thank you so much to everybody,

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ARTWORK CONSERVATION BY LASER

Task 4

**Examples for conservation projects where surfaces of artworks and monuments
have been cleaned by laser**

Origin of information:

Localisation:

Object:

Problems:

Aim of conservation:

Conservation:

Cleaning:

Laser cleaning in detail:

Kind and operative parameters of the laser:

Conservator-restorer working with the laser:

Scientific analyses because of laser cleaning:

Conservation carried out under the supervision of:

Publications:

Picture:



ΝΕΕΣ ΕΚΔΟΣΕΙΣ – NEW PUBLICATIONS

NEW CRETAN MAGAZINE

A new magazine called "Krtiko Panorama" was published at the beginning of October and will appear every 2 months. The first issue includes - The Minoan boat being built in the Neoria at Chania, the cave of the Cretan Elephant (*Elephas Chaniensis*) at Vamos and New Light on the most ancient communication system in Europe (the Soroi of Pediada).

The latter is an account of some of the important work of Nikos Panagiotakis in the Pediada region which will also appear in the proceedings of Knossos. Palace, City, State - the centenary conference of the BSA held in Herakleion in 2000.

The magazine is in Greek and can be bought everywhere in Greece, but there is also a New York office for anyone interested:

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The latest issue (Winter 2003) of the society's Bulletin is now available on-line at
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KERKENES 2003 REPORT ONLINE

Dear colleagues,

The Preliminary Report for the 2003 season at Kerkenes is on the Kerkenes Main page under NEW at: <http://www.metu.edu.tr/home/wwwkerk/index.html>

Direct links are:

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THE MINOS...

EPA

The Minos, a tentative reconstruction of what the ships with which the Minoan Cretans ruled the Aegean 3,500 years ago may have looked like, is blessed by an Orthodox priest during its launch yesterday in the harbor of Hania. The 17-meter wooden vessel, which was built over the past 12 months in the western Cretan town with the sort of tools Bronze Age Cretans would have used, will sail its maiden voyage to Athens on June 5.

Please visit the site:

http://www.ekathimerini.com/4dcgi/w_articles_politics_100010_02/12/2003_36950

The New York Times

ON THE WEB

SCIENCE

SCIENTISTS UNEARTH URBAN CENTER MORE ANCIENT THAN PLATO

By JOHN NOBLE WILFORD

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Digging on a coastal plain at the Gulf of Corinth three years ago, archaeologists came upon some ruins of Helike, a Greek city destroyed by earthquake in Plato's time. A search for the rest of Helike has now turned up something even more ancient, rare and inviting.

The archaeologists say they have uncovered the stone foundations, cobbled streets and pottery of a well-preserved 4,500-year-old urban center, one of the few Early Bronze Age communities ever found on the Greek mainland.

Preliminary investigation at the prehistoric site, the researchers say, reveals that this was a prosperous town at the time pre-Homeric Troy enjoyed one of its richest periods. The new-found ruins yielded a tall cylindrical cup in the style of graceful cups known from Troy, suggesting a wider Trojan influence than previously established.

The discovery of the ancient town, name unknown and its existence unsuspected, was described in recent interviews with members of the excavating team that came upon its traces in 2001. Further explorations last summer confirmed their assessment of what they had found.

The ruins were uncovered a few hundred feet from the earlier discovery among vineyards and orchards 26 miles east of the modern port city of Patras. The ceramics enabled archaeologists to date the Bronze Age site there at 2600 to 2300 B.C.

Dr. Dora Katsonopoulou, an archaeologist and co-director of the Helike excavation, said last week that "it was clear from the very beginning that we had made a significant discovery."

In interviews by e-mail and telephone from Athens, Dr. Katsonopoulou said the remains were undisturbed by later occupations of the site and "so offers the great and rare opportunity to us to study and reconstruct everyday life and economy of one of the most important periods of the Early Bronze Age."

In 2000, after 12 years of searching, Dr. Katsonopoulou announced the discovery of buried ruins of Helike (pronounced huh-LEE-kee) known to Homer, Plato and other writers in antiquity. The city was destroyed in 373 B.C. by an earthquake followed by a towering tidal wave. Its disappearance beneath the sea is said to have inspired Plato's story of the legendary Atlantis.

It was while looking for the center of Helike, as yet undiscovered, that archaeologists drilled holes elsewhere on the coastal plain and reached deposits of bone, shell, charcoal and pottery. They dug trenches and in 2001 happened on evidence of the earlier town.

"We were looking for a Classical Pompeii and we found a Bronze Age Pompeii," said Dr. Steven Soter of the American Museum of Natural History, the other excavation leader.

The trenches exposed stone walls of buildings flanking paved streets. Pottery, mostly intact, lay all around. There were clay jars, cooking pots, tankards and kraters, wide bowls used for mixing wine and water. Their distinctive styles were the big surprise.

Dr. Soter, a planetary scientist drawn to Helike research by his interest in earthquakes, recalled standing at the top of the deep trench where Dr. Katsonopoulou was working.

"Dora looked up and said, 'These pots are prehistoric, more than 2,000 years older than the city we had been excavating,' " Dr. Soter said. "She was amazed. All of us were amazed."

Dr. Katsonopoulou submitted a formal report on the findings to the Greek Ministry of Culture yesterday. An article on excavations at both the Classical and prehistoric sites at Helike is scheduled for publication in the January issue of *Archaeology*, the magazine of the Archaeological Institute of America.

As the digging continued, archaeologists found luxury items like gold and silver clothing ornaments and the "depas" cup in the Trojan style. Heinrich Schliemann, excavating the ruins of Troy in the 19th century, was the first to describe such cups and associate them with nobility.

Although one of the two loop handles on the Helike cup is missing, the vessel's cylindrical shape and remaining handle are almost identical to that of a Trojan depas drinking cup displayed at the recent exhibition "Art of the First Cities: The Third Millennium B.C. From the Mediterranean to the Indus" at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

The excavators have circulated a picture of the cup to what they say is a limited number of recipients, but Dr. Katsonopoulou refused to release the picture for publication now, pending a more formal announcement in a professional journal.

At its height, the Bronze Age town at Helike was a contemporary of an ascendant Troy, as revealed in its ruins from the third millennium B.C., known to archaeologists as Troy II and III.

Schliemann recovered substantial treasures of gold and bronze from these layers and mistakenly concluded that these were remains of the later Troy of the 13th century B.C., the city of Priam and Hector, besieged by the Greek forces of Agamemnon and the warrior Achilles in a war memorialized in "The Iliad" of Homer.

Dr. John E. Coleman, an archaeologist and professor of classics at Cornell, called the new site an exciting find.

"It's not just a little farmstead," Dr. Coleman, who has visited the ruins twice, said in a telephone interview. "It has the look of a settlement that may be planned, with buildings aligned to a system of streets, which is pretty rare for that period. And the depas cup is very important because it suggests international contacts."

Dr. Helmut Brückner, a geologist and geographer at the University of Marburg in Germany who has inspected the dig, said the excavators have "indeed found a site with many excellent artifacts and well-preserved Bronze Age walls."

In an interview by e-mail, Dr. Brückner said that the age and artifacts of the Bronze Age Helike suggested possible trading relations with Troy, though "this is not yet established." The geology of the site, he said, indicated that it was a coastal town and "at the time had a strategic importance" in shipping.

The size and population of the Bronze Age town cannot be estimated until more extensive exploration is conducted, the discoverers said. It could have been a town of a few hundred or more people, and might have extended over an area of as much as 10 acres. So far, no human skeletal remains have been found.

Next year, the research team plans an extensive seismic survey of the plain using techniques from oil exploration. Seismic signals reflected off solid buried objects should produce a map of the city wall, building foundations and other structures of the entire city.

Dr. Katsonopoulou believes the town was probably a well-organized regional center of some wealth, judging by the excavated luxury goods. It probably controlled sea trade in the area and was run by a ruler in a hierarchy-based society.

In any case, other researchers say, the site could lead to important insights about a period in Greece that is little known to archaeologists.

An examination of the stone walls and the sediments covering the Bronze Age ruins, Dr. Soter said, showed that the early town had met the same fate as its Classical successor. Abrupt dips in some walls indicated destruction by earthquake. And the presence of sea urchin spines and other marine organisms in the clay, he said, strongly suggested that after the earthquake and land subsidence, the town ruins sank into a lagoon or the sea itself.

With subsequent changes in the shoreline, the town ruins now lie buried about a half-mile inland, on a river delta that is increasingly being developed by builders of vacation homes. The World Monuments Fund recently included Helike on its 2004 list of the 100 most endangered cultural sites.

Please visit the site:

<http://www.nytimes.com/2003/12/02/science/02BRON.html?pagewanted=1&ei=5062&en=0f5751ee905bff9f&ex=1070946000&partner=GOOGLE>