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COMMUNICATIONS

Past Events:

On October 8, 1985, Thomas G. Palaima spoke to the Archaeological Institute of America, Chicago Society, on "The First European Bureaucrats: Scribes at Work in the Mycenaean Palaces."

The New York University Institute of Fine Arts and the Cyprus Archaeological Research Institute held a colloquium under the direction of Dr. S. Swiny, "Cyprus: 9000 Years of Civilization," on November 16, 1985.

The University of London Institute of Classical Studies, Mycenaean Seminar sponsored the following talks: October 16: Vronwy Hankey "Pyrgos, Crete. The Communal Tomb in Late Minoan I"; November 13: W.-D. Niemeier, "The Change from Minoan Thalassocracy to Mycenaean Expansion".

Upcoming Events:

The following lectures are scheduled for the Mycenaean Seminar of the University of London Institute of Classical Studies: December 4: Silvia Damiani Indelicato, "Minoan Town Planning - a New Approach"; January 15: Carol G. Thomas, "The Voice of the Inarticulate: the Products of a Non-Literate Society"; February 19: John Cherry, "The Emergence of Minoan Palatial Societies: Some Aspects of the Problem"; April 23: J.A. Macgillivray, "The End of the Old Palaces in Crete"; May 21 (to be confirmed): A. Bartoňek, "The Relative and Absolute Chronology of Early Greek Phonological Changes".

Among the conferences planned for the British School at Athens' Centenary Celebrations in 1986 are: February 1, University of Manchester, "Cyprus: New Finds, New Treasures" (further information from the Enrollment Secretary, Department of Extra-Mural Studies, The University, Manchester M13 9PL); February 8, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, "Hollow Lakedaimon: Current Perspectives in Spartan History and Archaeology" (further information from Dr. A. Spawforth, Department of Classics, The University, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7RU); April 10-12, University College of North Wales, Bangor, "Ancient Mining and Metallurgy" (further information from Dr. J. Ellis Jones, Department of Classics, University College of North Wales, Bangor, Gwynedd LL57 2DG); April 14-18, University of Manchester, "Problems in Greek Prehistory" (further information from Dr. E.B. French, Ashburne Hall, Old Hall Lane, Manchester M14 6HP); August 28-30, University of Cambridge, "Future Directions in Greek Archaeology" (further information from Professor A.C. Renfrew, Department of Archaeology, Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3DZ;); November 14-16, University of Oxford, "Art and Archaeology in Greece" (further information from R.T. Rowley, Esq., Department of Extra Mural Studies, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JA).

A symposium, "Western Cyprus: Connections," is planned for March 21-22, 1986, at Brock University. Interested parties may contact Dr. David Rupp, Chairman, Department of Classics, Brock University, St. Catherines, Ontario L2S 3A1, Canada.

A second "Seminar on Pottery from Mycenae" is planned to study and discuss the published pottery from Mycenae in the summer of 1986. As before, the seminar will be held in the Leonardo at Nauplion, Greece. The proposed dates are August 5-7 inclusive. Those attending will have to find their own accommodation and pay a small amount to cover xeroxed handouts and coffee. While any student of Aegean Prehistory would be welcome, preference in case of heavy demand will go to those who are actively engaged in publishing Mycenaean pottery from other sites. If you would like to be kept informed of the project, please write to Dr. Elizabeth French, Ashburne Hall, Old Hall Lane, Manchester M14 6HP, England.

Dr. French also announces the publication of Greece Untrodden written by Alan J.B. Wace and illustrated by Electra Megaw. This book, privately printed and not generally available, is being offered for sale at £2.50 plus postage (UK 30p, Europe 50p, US 50p) for the benefit of the Centenary Appeal of the British School of Archaeology at Athens. For further information or to order the book, contact Dr. French at Ashburne Hall, Old Hall Lane, Manchester M14 6HP, England.

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