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Past Conferences

The 54th annual meeting of the Society for American Archaeology was held in Atlanta, Georgia, April 5-9, 1989. Presentations of interest to Nestor readers included: Alexandra Kalogirou, "The fourth millennium in the Aegean"; Haskel Greenfield, "The socio-economic transformation of Southeastern Europe in the fourth millennium"; Susan A. Gregg, "The 'secondary colonization' of Europe: The Alpine foreland in the fourth millennium"; Peter Bogucki, "The Neolithic mosaic on the North European plain, 4000-3000 B.C."; David Anthony, "From ethnicity to ecology: The transformation of boundaries in the Copper Age of the Southwestern U.S.S.R."; Stanton Green and Marek Zvebil, "Farming an island: The development of agricultural society in prehistoric Ireland"; Peter Rowley-Conwy, "The Danish-South Swedish coastal region in the fourth millennium B.C."; Brian Hesse and Paula Wapnish, "The animal world of ancient Canaan: zoo-ideology and zoo-politics"; Paul E. Buck, "Formation processes of Old Kingdom deposits at Kom el-Hisn, Egypt"; Ruth Tringham, "Households with faces: The problem of gender in the prehistoric architectural record"; Susan Pollock, "Women in a men's world: Images of Sumerian women"; Geoffrey A. Clark, John Lindly and Nancy R. Coinman, "Continuity or replacement? Middle and Upper Paleolithic adaptations in the Levant"; Ofer Bar-Yosef and Lilianne Meignen, "Levantine Mousterian variability in the light of new dates from Qafzeh and Kebara Cave"; Marcel Otte, "The significance of industrial variability in the European Middle Paleolithic"; Daniel Evett, "Modeling Mesolithic plant food consumption: The case from Italy"; Margaret Glass, "The horse in Neolithic Central Europe"; Christopher Polglase, "Competing sources, resource availability and utilization at the end of long-distance obsidian exchange routes"; Gary Shaffer and Sandro Bonardi, "Stentinello rock features from Calabria, Italy"; Christopher Hoffman, "The beginnings of metallurgy in the Western Mediterranean"; Douglass W. Bailey, "Investigating value socially in the prehistory of Northeastern Bulgaria"; Robert M. Ehrenreich and Massimo Vidale, "Metallurgical workshops: Production in the foothill settlements of Northeastern Italy"; Matthew L. Murray, "Iron Age transformations: Settlement pattern analysis and the changing socio-cultural organization of space in Southern Germany"; Gary Webster, "Elite majorities and the emergence of

stratification in prehistoric Europe"; Bonnie Magness-Gardiner, "Urban-rural relations in the second millennium B.C. Levant: The textual evidence"; Glenn M. Schwartz, "Excavations at Tell Raqa'i: A small rural site of Early Urban Northern Mesopotamia"; Ilene M. Nicholas and Elizabeth Henrickson, "Functional analysis of Al-Qesir, an Early Bronze Age Transjordanian site"; Steven E. Falconer, Mary C. Metzger and Patricia L. Fall, "Early village life in the Jordan Valley: A study of rural social and economic complexity"; Lisa Kealhofer, J.R. Richards, and B.J. Baker, "Mortuary ritual and spatial patterning: The northern cemetery, Abydos, Egypt"; Dianna Bolt, "Neolithic cemeteries in Southwestern Asia"; Frank Hole, "Patterns of adaptation in the Jezireh"; Joy McCarriston, "Environment, farming, and mobility in the Khabur drainage"; Melinda Zeder and Elizabeth Myler, "Animal utilization at Umm Qseir"; James Blackman, "Obsidian exchange during the Halaf and Uruk in the Khabur drainage"; Thomas E. Davidson, "The Halaf-Ubaid transition in the Wadi Dara area"; Gregory Johnson, "Umm Qseir in Syria and Late Uruk in Greater Mesopotamia"; Timothy Kaiser, "Production as meaning: pottery making in Neolithic Southeast Europe"; Alan Simmons, "Pygmy hippos and early human adaptations in the Eastern Mediterranean"; Zeidan Kafafi, Alan Simmons, and Gary Rollefson, "Wadi Shu'eib, a major Neolithic center in Western Jordan"; Robert C. Henrickson, "Not-so-urban renewal: Neighborhood development and succession in a Bronze Age Iranian town".

Future Conferences

The Ninth Colloquium of the Groupe de Contact Interuniversitaire Belge D'Etudes Pheniciennes et Punique/Interuniversitaire Contactgroep voor Fenicische en Punische Studies will take place in Liège, Belgium, on November 15-18, 1989. The title of the colloquium will be "Phoinikeia Grammata. Function and Diffusion of Writing in the Ancient Mediterranean." For further information, please write to the organizers, Cl. Baurain, C. Bonnet, and V. Krings:

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Exhibitions

The Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County has announced a forthcoming exhibition, "The First Egyptians," which focuses on Egyptian life before the Pharaohs and traces the region's development from small chiefdoms into the world's first nation-state between 4000 B.C. and 2700 B.C. The exhibition will be open from April 22 through July 23 at which time it will travel to the Witte Museum in San Antonio, and finally to the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C. The guest curator for the exhibition is Dr. Michael Allen Hoffman, a research professor at the University of South Carolina who has participated in recent excavations at Hierakanopolis.

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The Kelsey Museum in Ann Arbor, Michigan, has announced a new permanent exhibit which will remain on view indefinitely. Its title is "Egyptian Mummies: From Ancient Cult to Modern Science." The life-sized x-ray of the mummy of King Ramses II will be featured, along with displays of dog and cat mummies and x-ray studies of the mummies of several other Egyptian pharaohs.

Erratum

Nestor 15:6, entry §880517 should read "Dissertation, Linacre College, Oxford, 1983."

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