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President's Report

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Patrizio Pensabene, 1995, *Le vie del marmo—i blocchi di cava di Roma e di Ostia: il fenomeno del marmo nella Roma antica*, Ministero per i beni Culturali e Ambientali, Soprintendenza Archeologica di Ostia, Itinerari Ostiensi 7, 429 pp.

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D. R. Mitchell and M. S. Shackley, 1995, "Classic period Hohokam obsidian studies in southern Arizona" *Journal of Field Archaeology* 22 # 3.

O. Williams-Thorpe, M.C. Jones, A.G. Tindle, and R.S.Thorpe, 1996, "Magnetic susceptibility variations at Mons Claudianus and in Roman columns: a method of provenancing to within a single quarry" *Archaeometry* 38, 15-41. Systematic variations in granodiorite quarries were related to some columns in and near Rome. Later reuse was shown.

Calendar

(* = new items or information)

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June 23-25. *1st European Meeting on Phytoliths Research*. Madrid, Spain. Contact: Jordi Juan-Tresserras, SERP/Universitat de Barcelona, Facultat Geografia e Historia, Baldiri i Reixac s/n, E-08028 Barcelona, Spain. fax: 343-564-0800 e-mail: juan@trivium.gh.ub.es

Aug 04-14. *30th International Geological Congress*, Beijing. Contact Secretariat, 30th International Geological Congress, PO Box 823, Beijing 100037, P.R. China. Tel. 86 1 8327772, fax 86 1 8328928.

Aug 25-30. *International Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works*, 16th Int. Congress. IIC, Buckingham Street, London, WC2N 6BA, UK. tel. 171 839 5975, fax 171 976 1564.

Sep. 02-04. *International Conference on Cathodoluminescence and Related Techniques in Geosciences & Geomaterials*. Contact International Conference on Cathodoluminescence, Dr. Maurice Pagel, CREGU, BP 23,

54501 Vandoeuvre lès Nancy Cedex France. Tel. 33 83 44 1900, fax 44 0029, e-mail pagel@cregu.cnrs-nancy.fr. Information in this Newsletter.

*Sep. 07-11. *Seventh Nordic Conference on the Applications of Scientific Methods in Archaeology*, Savonlinna. Contact Ari Siirinen, Dept. of Archaeology, P.O.Box 13 (Meritullinkatu 1 A4) 00014 University of Helsinki, Finland.

Sep 08-14. *XIII Congress International Union of Prehistoric and Protohistoric Sciences*, Forli, Italy. Contact Secretariat of the Congress, Casa Saffi, via S. Marchesi 12, 47100 Forli, Italy. tel. 39 543.35725, fax 39 543.35805.

Oct. 28-31. *Geological Society of America*, Annual meeting, Denver. Contact Vanessa George, GSA 3300 Penrose Place, Boulder, CO 80301, tel. 303-447-2020, fax -1133.

Nov 06-09. *Third Symposium on Archaeometry*, Athens, Greece. Contact Eleni Aloupi, 41 M. Moussourou St., 116 36 Athens, Greece. fax: 301-752-3030 e-mail: thetis@netor.gr.

*Dec. 02-06. *Materials Research Society*, Fall meeting, Boston. Contact Materials Research Society, 9800 McKnight Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237 U.S.A. Tel: 412-367-3003; Fax: 412-367-4373.

Dec 27-30. *98th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America*, New York City. Abstract deadline 22 March. Contact Shelley Griffin, AIA, 656 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02215. fax: 617-353-6550 e-mail: aia@bu.edu

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*April 07-11. *Materials Research Society*, Spring meeting, San Francisco. Contact Materials Research Society, 9800 McKnight Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237 U.S.A. Tel: 412-367-3003; Fax: 412-367-4373.

June 23-27. *Engineering Geology and the Environment*, Athens. International Symposium sponsored by the International Association of Engineering Geology. Information in this newsletter.

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