

ASOR plans at least 27 excavation grants for summer 2008: Last summer (2007) ASOR awarded over \$36,000 in grants and fellowships for excavations and dig participants. This summer (2008), ASOR hopes to award over \$50,000 in grants and fellowships (for a total of at least 27 fellowships).

Heritage Fellowships: we anticipate 13–15 fellowships totaling at least \$26,000. These fellowships are funded directly from contributions from our Heritage members. Some of the awards are designated by the donors, and some of the awards are open to participants or excavation directors. Unless the donor specifies otherwise, these grants are limited to ASOR–affiliated excavations or participants at ASOR–affiliated excavations. Grant support will normally be between \$1,000 and \$2,000. Deadline for applications is March 20, 2008. Details can be found at <http://www.asor.org/heritage.htm>.

Platt Fellowships: we anticipate 11 scholarships of \$1,200 each for excavation participants (either volunteers or staff members who do not receive travel support). Applicants must be ASOR members (or students enrolled at ASOR member schools). While we encourage applicants to participate in ASOR–affiliated digs, the fellowships are open to applicants to participate in any excavation in the eastern Mediterranean. Deadline for applications is March 20, 2008. Details can be found at <http://www.asor.org/platt.htm>.

Harris Grants: The Harris Endowment provides modest grants to worthy field projects, particularly to newer and smaller projects, to help them get started; and to discrete components of larger projects that can be completed with an award. The Endowment also provides support for off–season research, analysis and publications. Most grants fall into the range of \$500–\$1,500. A total of \$6,000 will be awarded for 2008.

Applications must be from ASOR–affiliated projects. Deadline for applications is March 1, 2008. Details can be found at <http://www.asor.org/capharris.html>.

Reminder: deadline for submitting abstracts for paper proposals for the 2008 annual meeting is March 1, 2008. We will be strictly enforcing the deadlines this year, so please submit your paper proposal on time. Details can be found in the 2008 Call For Papers: <http://www.asor.org/AM/2008call.htm>.

Registration and hotel reservations for 2008 annual meeting is now open. Please go to the Annual Meeting webpage for details on registration for the annual meeting and for details hotel reservations. Please remember that you must register for the annual meeting and make your hotel reservation separately. Links for both registrations and reservations are found on ASOR's annual meeting webpage: <http://www.asor.org/AM/am.html>.