

McGUIRE GIBSON

McGuire Gibson continues to collaborate with Tony Wilkinson, John Christensen, Steve Cole, and a group of students in a modeling project, funded by a Collaborative Grant from the University and Argonne National Laboratory. He also continues the collaboration with the University of Ghent on a corpus of second millennium pottery and a project for the understanding of the history of the Babylonian alluvial plain. In July, he participated in a conference in Ghent, which was devoted to a discussion of a revised chronology for Mesopotamia that grew out of archaeological and textual work related to the pottery corpus. The publication of that conference, which he helped to edit, has already appeared. He is also a member of the editorial board of the Belgian journal, *Akkadica*. A long-standing research interest in the ancient city of Kish has involved him in planning by The Field Museum to computerize the catalog of objects from Kish and Jemdet Nasr that are housed in that museum. During the year, he gave lectures on Hamoukar as an early state to a variety of audiences in Chicago, Damascus, and Baghdad. He gave a day-long set of four lectures related to Babylon at the Smithsonian Institution in June 2001. He continues to serve on the boards of the Council of American Overseas Research Centers and the American Institute for Yemeni Studies.
