This has been a very exciting year for the Suq. The Ur exhibition enabled us to do one of the things I have always wanted to do since I started at the Suq many years ago. We commissioned an excellent goldsmith and artisan, Anne van der Meulen, to create some gold pieces uniquely for the Suq in the likeness of the gold leaves and coils from the University of Pennsylvania’s Mesopotamian collection. We incorporated these pieces into earrings and necklaces which we sold in the Suq and on the Internet.

The excitement of the Ur show was surpassed only by a surprising and extremely generous donation by Visiting Committee Member Robert G. Schloerb in honor of his wife Mary, making it possible for the Suq to purchase a computerized cash register/inventory system known as POS (point of sale). With this state-of-the-art system we will be able to reduce our many hours of hand-generated inventory and track our sales with ease.

Many thanks to all of our volunteers who perform such a wonderful service to our customers and who have been such a pleasure to work with all of these years. Thanks to Florence Ovadia who continues to come up with wonderful displays, Georgie Maynard who replenishes our stock, Norma van der Meulen who designs and makes original jewelry for us, and to our student staff: Christian Hess, Holly Warren, Jennifer Westerfeld, Emily Shavers, Adrian Degifis, Kirsten Welman, and Meg Dorman.

Docents — Loyal Regulars

Maria Ahlstrom  Peggy Grant  Rochelle Rossin
Muriel Brauer  Ruth Hyman  Jane Thain
Patty Dunkel  Agnethe Rattenborg  Norma van der Meulen

Docents — Loyal Extras

Barbara Baird  Janet Helman  Jo Jackson  Felicia Whitcomb

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