

### Thomas A. Holland

**Thomas A. Holland** completed his research for the first and major portion of the final publication of the Tell es-Sweyhat archaeological expedition to Syria at the beginning of this year. The two volume report, text and plates, was submitted to the Director and Publications Committee on 20 January 2000 for publication by the Oriental Institute. The final studies on the Bronze Age occupational remains for most of the site are now complete and will appear in the forthcoming volume. A good portion of the Roman remains from area I, especially those in trenches IA1 and IA2, were presented in last year's *Annual Report*. The research that was also needed to clarify both the Bronze Age and Hellenistic periods in the area V step trench was undertaken this year and is presented in this report (see separate report).

Holland's biographical entry entitled "Kathleen Mary Kenyon; 1906–1978" appeared this year in the *Encyclopedia of Archaeology: The Great Archaeologists*, edited by Tim Murray. In June, Holland received and corrected the proofs of the article he submitted last year for Winfried Orthmann's festschrift volume that is entitled "Third Millennium Wall Paintings at Tell es-Sweyhat, Syria." The expected publication date of this volume is 16 August 2000, the date of Orthmann's sixty-fifth birthday.

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