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Scott Branting continues to serve as the director of the Center for Ancient Middle Eastern Landscapes (CAMEL) and co-director of the Kerkenes Dağ archaeological project in central Turkey. Reports for both of these endeavors appear in separate sections of the *Annual Report*. He also remains involved in the publication phase of the MASS project, is co-director of the SHULGI project with Argonne National Laboratory, and continues to oversee the acquisition of the Integrated Database for the Oriental Institute. During this year, in partnership with Wendy Ennes of the Education Department, he developed the Science of Archaeology Outreach Program for the sixth-grade class of Claremont Academy in Chicago. He also served as a committee

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member for the Archaeological Institute of America (AIA) and as a delegate to the American Research Institute in Turkey (ARIT).

During the year, papers were presented at the seventh International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE), Northwestern's Institute on Complex Systems (NICO), and the South Suburban Archaeological Society. Grants were received from the Chicago Public Schools Museum Connections Program and the U.S. Department of Education, in addition to a University of Chicago capital request awarded to the Institute to fund the purchase of the KEMu software that will run the Integrated Database. Two works appeared in publication: "Simulating Movement, Communication and Flows of Knowledge at Kerkenes Dağ" in *The Knowledge Economy and Technological Capabilities*, and "Kerkenes 2008" in *Kazı Sonuçları Toplantısı*. Several others are in the process of publication, including "Seven Solutions for Seven Problems with Least Cost Pathways" in *Archaeological Approaches to Least Cost Analysis*. Additionally, an article written by Eti Bonn-Muller entitled "Layers of the Past" that showcases the work of CAMEL appeared in the May/June issue of *Archaeology*.
