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PROFESSOR KANAWATI WITH THE FIRST HIEROGLYPHS CLASS
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

An enthusiastic group of eighty participated in the first course of hieroglyphs organised by the University of Queensland and Friends of Antiquity, in April. This must be one of the largest hieroglyphs classes to be held anywhere in the world.

Professor Kanawati reports that the participants were extremely keen and always prepared their homework, despite the pressure of classes being offered every day for seven days. Candidates had the option to attend day (9-11am) or evening (7-9pm).

A 'follow-up' course will hopefully be held in the near future.

TOUR OF EGYPTIAN COLLECTIONS IN EUROPEAN MUSEUMS, MARCH 1997

A 3-weeks tour will visit the rich, Egyptian collections in Rijksmuseum (Amsterdam), Kestner (Hanover), Pelizaeus Museum (Hildesheim), Bode Museum (Potsdam), Charlottenberg Museum (Amarna Collection), Egyptian Museum (Munich), Kunsthistorisches Museum (Vienna), Egyptian Museum (Turin), Egyptian Museum (Florence), Egyptian Collection (Bologna), Egyptian Collection (Vatican Museum, Rome).

The tour will depart Sydney by K.L.M. on Saturday 22 March, 1997. Sufficient free time has been arranged to enable participants to follow up other personal interests in the cities and to attend Easter in Europe. For enquiries and proposed Itinerary contact Joan Beck.

COST: \$6,500. Closing date MONDAY, 7 OCTOBER, 1996.

The tour will be led by Dr Boyo Ockinga who will also give a One-Day series of illustrated lectures as an introduction to the tour, on SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER. COST: \$50 (see Courses for Second Semester). Tour members attend free of charge.

N.B. Due to the latest incident in Cairo, members are reluctant to undertake the previously advertised tour of Egypt. The present tour of Europe has been arranged which will provide the opportunity for people to see some of the best European Collections.

COURSES FOR SECOND SEMESTER

INTRODUCTION TO EGYPTIAN HIEROGLYPHS: Professor Naguib Kanawati will conduct an 8-weeks course from 7-9pm each TUESDAY, commencing 23 July in C4A 312. COST: \$70 (members \$65).

HUMAN EVOLUTION: Mr Paul Bently will conduct a 9-weeks course from 7-9pm each MONDAY, commencing 5 August in X5B 138. COST: \$100 (members \$90).

ANCIENT EGYPTIAN LIVES: Ms Rodna Siebels will conduct an 8-weeks course from 7-9pm each WEDNESDAY, commencing 7 August in W6B 286. COST: \$70 (members \$65).

BURIED FOR ETERNITY: A TWO-DAY CONFERENCE will be held from 10am to 5pm on SATURDAY 21 and SUNDAY 22 September in Mason Theatre (E7B). COST: \$50 (pensioners and students \$40).

EGYPTIAN CURIOSITIES: Ms Rodna Siebels will conduct an 8-weeks course from 7-9pm each WEDNESDAY, commencing 9 October in C5A 301. COST: \$70 (members \$65).

ANCIENT EGYPT IN EUROPEAN MUSEUMS: Dr Ockinga will hold a ONE-DAY series of illustrated talks on SATURDAY 19 October from 9.30am to 4pm in W6B 315. COST: \$50 (members of Tour Group free).

M.A. EGYPTOLOGY GRADUATION

In the Graduation ceremony held on Monday 22 April, 1996, nine graduates received their degree of M.A. in Egyptology. They were: S. Binder, M. Hampson, R. Luhrs, G. Mackinnon, S. Moore, M. Ouzounis, E. Sefton, A. Spurway and V. Stockford. We offer them our warmest congratulations.

NEW LECTURER IN EGYPTOLOGY

Dr E. Christiana Köhler has been appointed as the new lecturer in Egyptology at Macquarie University.

Dr Köhler received her PhD from Heidelberg University and held a Research Fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania. She has extensive experience in archaeological fieldwork in Egypt at Buto in the Delta and Abydos in Upper Egypt. She is conversant in all periods of ancient Egypt and her main research interest is in the Pre-dynastic and early Dynastic periods and in Egyptian ceramics. She will commence teaching at Macquarie in the second semester.

Members of the Foundation will have the opportunity to hear reports on her excavations in the Conference *BURIED FOR ETERNITY*, on 21 and 22 September.

COACH TOUR TO CANBERRA

The Activities Committee organised a most enjoyable Coach Tour to Canberra on Saturday, 18 May, to view the Turner Exhibition. Forty-two members and friends left the University at 7am and returned at 8pm. The return trip was enlivened by videos of Alexander the Great and Sinuhe the Egyptian which were well timed, finishing as we entered the gates of the University.

VISIT TO NICHOLSON MUSEUM, UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

A visit to the Nicholson Museum has been planned for SUNDAY 18 August from 1-4pm. The cost will be \$10, which includes afternoon tea. Please make cheque payable to the 'ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE' and forward to

Ms Dianne Herbert
E7A, Room 118
Macquarie University 2109 Phone: 850 7312

CONFERENCE - *BURIED FOR ETERNITY*

The two-day Conference will be held in the Mason Theatre, E7B, Macquarie University on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 September from 10am to 5 pm. The program will include 'A Day on an Egyptian Dig'.

COST: \$50 (pensioners and students \$40).

Our Visiting Fellow, Dr J. Van Dijk will give two lectures and the program will include speakers from Macquarie University and Monash University.

Refreshments will be available on both days at a reasonable cost. The new A.C.E. Egyptian Mugs will be on sale at \$10 each, the purchase of which includes unlimited coffee/tea during the Conference. Also on sale will be the A.C.E. gift cards, with line drawings of some of the scenes from the Macquarie excavations in Egypt.

A.C.E. VISITING FELLOW, 1996

The A.C.E. Visiting Fellow for 1996 will be Dr Jacobus Van Dijk of the Groningen University, Holland. Dr Van Dijk has been working with Professor Geoffrey Martin (our Visiting Fellow, 1995) at the excavation conducted by the Egypt Exploration Society/Leiden expeditions, at Saqqara.

Dr Van Dijk will give a general overview of the New Kingdom necropolis at Saqqara, the history of the site and of the excavations and compare them with those at Thebes. He will also speak on the great tombs of the late Eighteenth Dynasty (Horemheb, Maya, Iniuia and Pay/Raia) and some small tombs and burials of the lower strata of society at Saqqara. These are mainly of the Ramesside period.

Dr Van Dijk will also visit Brisbane, Melbourne and Adelaide during September to give lectures on the following dates:

Melbourne	(Dates to be advised)	Contact: Dr Colin Hope, Monash University, (03) 9905 3262
Adelaide	11-14 September	Contact: Mr Michael O'Donoghue, University of South Australia, (08) 302 6691.
Brisbane	27-28 September	Contact: Mrs Lorraine Millard, University of Queensland, (07) 369 0860.

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANTS FOR JOAN BECK

Joan would like to thank all those members who have volunteered to assist with the work of the Foundation/A.C.E. Gary and Helen Dibley have been helping each Monday, Janet Gale each Tuesday and Margaret Hordiewicz each Thursday. Other members who have also volunteered to be available if needed. Thank you all very much, I certainly appreciate your assistance.

ALL ENQUIRIES: MISS JOAN BECK - (02) 850 8848