HESHBONITES CELEBRATE 15 YEAR REUNION

A contingent of former Heshbon volunteers and staff personnel celebrated a 15 year reunion on July 15. Exactly 15 years before on the 15th of July 1968 the first season of excavation at Heshbon began.

The gathering began at 4:00 p.m. with a tour of the new home of the museum. In addition, Heshbon scrapbooks, cartoons, objects and other memorabilia provided a reminder of the Heshbon seasons. Sten LaBianca, chairman of the Behavioral Science department at Andrews University and a core staff member at Heshbon suggested the reunion and invited those who attended to a salad supper at the LaBianca home at 5:30 p.m. Before the supper began each person present shared their memories and connection with the Heshbon dig.

Along with the reminiscing, new friends were made and for those interested canoe rides on the St. Joseph river were available.
HORN MUSEUM SPONSORS "ARCHAEOLOGY BOWL"

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Archaeologist Nelson Glueck's first visit to Tell Hesban in Jordan the Institute of Archaeology and Horn Archaeological Museum sponsored an "Archaeology Bowl." This quiz program was patterned after the popular "College Bowl" and was held in the Campus Center Lounge at Andrews University on Monday, May 23rd. Dr. Malcolm Russell, Professor of History at Andrews, ably served as Quizmaster for the event.

Volunteers, both students and faculty, formed teams to represent the following campus units: College of Arts & Sciences, College of Technology, School of Business, School of Graduate Studies, Seminary, Academy, Academic Administration, and Staff. The winning team was from the School of Graduate Studies. Team members were: Robert Johnston, professor of theology at the seminary; Gary Land, professor of history; Edward Oke, a graduate student teaching at Bethel College; and Keith Lockhart, a graduate student at Andrews. Members of the winning team received a book on biblical archaeology as a gift from the University Bookstore, a replica of a Byzantine lamp from the museum and a potsherd from the pool of Heshbon mentioned in the Song of Solomon. Second place went to the Andrews Academy team. All members of the remaining seven teams received prizes.

The teams were faced with a wide range of questions including ones on Andrews’ involvement in archaeology, the Heshbon dig, geography of the Holy Land, famous archaeological findings and facts, holdings of the Horn Museum, and other related questions. In addition to commemorating the 50th anniversary of the first visit to Heshbon by Glueck, the Bowl was also a way of educating the Andrews community on what we are doing in the archaeology department and to highlight the museum since it was not open this year due to our relocation. The response to Archaeology Bowl was very favorable and consideration is being given to continuing the program next year. For a sampling of the questions from the "Archaeology Bowl" see page 3. "TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE."

-M. Bogdanovic

MINISTER OF EDUCATION VISITS MUSEUM

The Horn Archaeological Museum was favored by a visit from long time friend and supporter Dr. Elizabeth E. Platt. During her fortnight vacation to the Berrien Springs area Dr. Platt visited with friends and also helped prepare some photograph albums of the past Heshbon digs. Presently "E" is Minister of Education at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield in the state of New Jersey.

MUSEUM STAFF MEMBERS AWARDED DEGREES

On June 5 three museum staff members achieved new educational levels as follows: Bjørnar Storfjell, assistant curator, PhD in Old Testament Studies with an emphasis in Archaeology; Colin House, student staff member, MA in Archaeology and History of Antiquity; David Merling, student staff member, MDiv. Both House and Merling immediately began work on the PhD in Archaeology.
MUSEUM FRIEND PROMOTED TO PROFESSOR

Recently Dr. Abraham Terian was promoted to the teaching position of "Professor" at Andrews University. Dr. Terian serves as a Numismatic consultant to the Horn Museum in addition to being a specialist in New Testament Archaeology.

Terian was born in Jaffa, Israel, on April 19, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Hagop Terzibashian of Jerusalem. He grew up in the Armenian St. James Monastery in the Old City of Jerusalem, where he received his early education and worked as a printer. For six years he was a professional tourist-guide in the Holy Land (1961-66).

Most of his higher education was pursued in the United States where he is a naturalized citizen. He is a graduate of Loma Linda University, California (B.A. in History and Biblical Languages, 1970), Andrews University, Michigan (M.A. in Archaeology and History of Antiquity, 1971), and the University of Basel, Switzerland (Dr. theol. in New Testament, 1979). In the course of his graduate studies he attended Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion, Los Angeles School (1970), and Drew University, New Jersey (1971-72). His dissertation, Philonis Alexandrini De Animalibus: The Armenian Text with an Introduction, Translation, and Commentary, was completed under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Bo Reicke.

Since 1975 he serves on the Faculty of Andrews University, currently as Professor of Intertestamental and Early Christian Literatures. He holds membership in a number of learned societies, including the Society of Biblical Literature, the American Philological Association, the Association for Jewish Studies, and the Society for Armenian Studies. He is listed in several national and international biographies.

Dr. Terian is married to the former Saara Mirjam Kärkkäinen of Finland and has three children: Ari Isaac, Satu Ruth, and Sonja Esther.

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. A broken piece of pottery with writing on it is called a(n) _____?

2. What famous archaeological site in Great Britain has been interpreted as an ancient astronomical observatory?

3. At the end of the 18th century a trilingual inscription was found near the westernmost mouth of the Nile River. Ultimately it led to the decipherment of Egyptian hieroglyphic writing. What is this inscription called?

4. Name two rivers that gave rise to the geographical designation "Mesopotamia."

5. What president of the United States was an early active archaeologist?

6. A beetle-shaped amulet found wherever Egyptian influence went is known as a(n) _____?

7. A slab or pillar of stone used for a monumental inscription or as a gravestone is called a(n) _____?

8. About how many cuneiform tablets may be found in the Horn Archaeological Museum?

9. The Dead Sea Scrolls were probably produced by a group of Essenes who lived on their own. What is the modern name of their site?

10. For the last two years Andrews University has been trying to get back into the field to excavate at a new site in Jordan. Name the site.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

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CHICAGO FIELD TRIP TO SEE VATICAN ART EXHIBIT

On Monday, October 10, 1983, the Institute of Archaeology and the Horn Archaeological Museum will sponsor a field trip to the Art Institute of Chicago for a special group viewing of THE VATICAN COLLECTIONS: THE PAPACY AND ART.

The Art Institute of Chicago is one of only three American museums to present the exhibition which opened last spring at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, and following the Chicago engagement will move on to its next and last stop in San Francisco. For the first time in history the American public will have the unique opportunity to view art treasures collected by the Vatican since the fourth century A.D. A total of 237 works of art and artifacts drawn from the Vatican's several museums, the Vatican library, and St. Peter's Basilica will be arranged in the galleries to reflect the evolution of the various collections. Among the priceless objects to be included are sculpture, paintings, and tapestries.

A chartered bus will leave the Andrews University campus at 1:30 p.m. (Michigan time) arriving in Chicago in time to give all participants several hours of free time in the downtown area for shopping, sightseeing, dining, and visiting the other galleries and gift shop at the Art Institute. At 6:15 p.m. (Chicago time) our group will enter the Michigan Avenue entrance to the Art Institute where the evening program will open with a short audio-visual presentation followed at 7:00 by the private tour and viewing of the exhibit, lasting approximately one and one half hours. The bus will return to the Andrews University campus at around 11:30 p.m. (Michigan time).

Cost for transportation and the tour will be $15. for university students and Horn Museum members, and $17.50 for all others. Each participant will be responsible for his/her meals. Just 49 spaces are available on the bus, so we urge anyone interested in joining the group to contact the Institute of Archaeology no later than the first week in October. Call (616) 471-3273 for reservations and further details.

-Bea Bogdanovich

AN ALABASTER BOTTLE FROM PALESTINE

Recently, an anonymous donor made an unusual gift to the Museum. He asked the Museum to sell three alabaster bottles, which are at least 2,000 years old, for over $500 each. The amount exceeding $500 will be a gift to the Museum. So, if you wish to own an authentic and extremely rare item from the Bible Lands and Bible times, send your sealed bid to the Curator of the Museum, at the Newsletter address. The three highest bidders will each receive a bottle with a certificate of authenticity. The chipped bottles are 5-8 inches tall and 1 1/2 inches in diameter. Bids will be received through October.

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