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SSEC Conference
Saturday
4 May 2013

SSEC Annual Conference -
“Church and Synagogue: the
Interaction between Jews &
Christians in Antiquity”
Welcome to the February 2013 Edition of the SSEC eNewsletter.

We have hosted a number of wonderful SSEC events since our last newsletter.

In October, our Coptic Night was held as a joint event with the Coptic Studies Society of Australia. Dr Malcolm Choat outlined *New Work on Monastic Archaeology in Egypt*.

Also in October, at our lunchtime event, Dr Jan Van Ginkel, Leiden University (and immediate past Research Fellow at ACU, also MQ ex honorary research associate) with his topic: *Early Syriac Historiography*.

The SSEC Christmas event was once again a very enjoyable & enlightening event. Dr Peter Brennan Research Fellow, Sydney University, spoke to *The Riddle of the Notitia Dignitatum: An Enigma Wrapped in a Mystery*.

In this newsletter, we also include a number of travel reports, from students whom the society has assisted in furthering their research overseas.

We are also putting together a very full calendar of activities/events for 2013 with some wonderful guest speakers, and we hope you will enjoy reading about them all.

Of particular interest is:
- our SSEC Conference in Sat 4 May 2013, details are on page 3.
- Dr Malcolm Choat on Thurs 7 March will be talking at our first SSEC event, read more on page 3.
- Also a number of international speakers - full details on our SSEC Calendar of Events page 10.

We hope to see you at our SSEC events, if you are new we will make you feel very welcome, if you have been along before, we will welcome you back.

Professor Alanna Nobbs
President SSEC
Conference 2013
Church & Synagogue: Interaction between Jews & Christians in Antiquity
Sat 4 May 2013

Our next SSEC conference will be held at Robert Menzies college on Sat 4 May 2013. Our Guest Speaker will be Professor James McLaren, Office of the Dean of Philosophy & Theology at the Australian Catholic University in Melbourne. His topic: The fire in Rome in 64 CE: a key moment in early Jewish-Christain relations?

Eight other Speakers include:
- Professor Laurence Welborn (Fordham /Macquarie Uni)
- Dr Rosalinde Kearsley (Macquarie Uni)
- Dr Chris Forbes (Macquarie Uni)
- Dr Brent Nongbri (Post Doctoral Fellow Macquarie Uni) & Mary Jane Cuyler (Post Graduate Student Sydney Uni)
- Dr Marianne Dacy (Sydney Uni), topic: Jewish Influences on early Church Liturgy
- Rev Dr Erica Mathieson
- Dr John Dickson topic: Teaching? Preserving oral tradition in the synagogue and the church

Full Conference Programme will be available by Mid March! This will include all topics, timetable and speakers’ biographies.

Did Jesus Have a wife?

Background: Some opinions on this topic have already been covered on the SSEC Facebook page.
- Peter Williams, Warden of Tyndale House Cambridge comments. “We asked Dr Simon Gathercole, an expert on apocryphal gospels and Senior Lecturer in New Testament in the University of Cambridge, for his comments. He concluded: “Harvard Professor Karen King, who is the person who has been entrusted with the text, has rightly warned us that this does not say anything about the historical Jesus. She is correct that “its possible date of composition in the second half of the second century, argues against its value as evidence for the life of the historical Jesus”. But she is also right that this is a fascinating discovery which offers us a window into debates about sex and marriage in the early church, and the way Jesus could be adapted to play a part in a particular debate. If it is genuine. Here is the link to the article

http://www.tyndale.cam.ac.uk/ReJesusWife

- John Dickson also wrote on this topic. He is the Founding Director of the Centre for Public Christianity and Honorary Fellow of the Department of Ancient History, Macquarie University. He also teaches on the historical Jesus for the Department of Jewish Studies at the University of Sydney.

http://www.abc.net.au/religion/articles/2012/09/22/3595850.htm

Report on Student Travel Grant by Jennifer Irving

From the 17th–18th October, I was invited to participate in the 13th Annual Humanities Postgraduate Conference at Curtin University, Perth. SSEC graciously allowed me to attend through the use of their student travel grant. The Conference
topic this year was ‘The Truth is Out There’ and this permitted for papers to be presented from a variety of standpoints and departments in the humanities sector.

My presentation was entitled ‘How to Fake a Moonlanding’ and focused on the mythological and psychological truths presented in Lucian of Samosata’s True History. Lucian, writing in the second century AD was influenced not only by Greek and Roman traditions and mythologies but those that appear in the biblical traditions.

The presentation looked at where Lucian’s claims of fact and fiction originated and the ideological basis behind the journey involved.

The conference was a great opportunity and I would like to express my thanks to SSEC for their support.

Opportunity for Student Study

Ancient India & Iran Trust

We have received information about a great opportunity for students to receive assistance in studying through the Ancient India & Iran Trust which is a Registered Charity no: 276295

23 Brooklands Avenue, Cambridge CB2 8BG
Website: http://www.indiran.org/

This Trust regularly offers bursaries for students interested in undertaking research in Pre-Islamic Central Asian languages, religions and archaeology at the Trust. It has a library & other resources in Cambridge UK. We recommend this to you if you are a student seeking assistance for further study in this area. For more details contact the Trust’s administrator Dr Anna Collar at info@indiran.org

Donated funding leads to new position at Macquarie University

“The Program for the Archaeology of Ancient Israel has secured funding for a Lecturer to commence in the second half of 2013, and an international search for candidates is now underway”, according to Program Director Dr Gil Davis. The successful applicant will teach a new first year course entitled The Archaeology of Ancient Israel and the Near East which will cover the periods from first settlement all the way through to Roman conquest. He or she will also teach into other archaeological courses, supervise postgraduate students, and assist the Director in attracting students to study at Macquarie.

“We expect the Program to be very popular, especially given our link with Tel Aviv University, and the exciting opportunities to participate in fabulous new excavations uncovering the past. Who wouldn’t want to play at being Indiana Jones in the Holy Land?” Gil said.

Tyndale Travel Grant 2013

As this goes to print (January 2013), Julien Ogereau (Macquarie PhD student) is currently undertaking his studies at Tyndale House in Cambridge UK.

In July 2012, he received advice that his application for a Macquarie/Tyndale scholarship was accepted. At that time Julien said: “I am delighted of course, and I wanted to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to you and the staff at Tyndale House for enabling me to stay at the library next January. This will go a long way in assisting me in the completion of my thesis. For this, I am really grateful”.

The Tyndale house Travel Grant for 2013 was made available by an anonymous donor from SSEC. We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks once again to this generous donor.

No doubt we will hear more from Julien Ogereau in future SSEC newsletters about his learning experience at Tyndale House.

Background

Tyndale House & the Tyndale Fellowship for Biblical and Theological Research, at Cambridge, is renowned for it’s biblical / historical library. By special arrangement with Tyndale House, renewed recently by agreement between the President of SSEC and the warden of Tyndale House, SSEC is able to sponsor annually a PhD student from Macquarie University, to spend up to six weeks at Tyndale House.
They will receive airfare, accommodation, and user privileges eg desk space, use of both libraries - Tyndale House library and also the Cambridge University Library.

The appropriate Macquarie Uni student is selected by merit and relevance to the field of Early Christianity.

**SSEC Travel Grant 2014**

The Tyndale Travel Grant scholarship for 2014 has been generously funded by the Ruys Family. Robin Ruys and her late husband Jan Ruys (who died in 2010) have been members of SSEC since 1995. They have supported SSEC in a number of ways over the years.

Robin has generously donated this SSEC travel grant for 2014, in memory of her husband Jan Ruys. On behalf of all SSEC members and the Macquarie Student (to be announced) we wish to extend our sincere thanks for this.

**Wanted Donors: Early Christianity Papyri Research**

The study of early Christianity, including the New Testament is a core area of research in the Ancient History Department at Macquarie University among academic staff and PhD candidates. The focus has been on the study of papyri relating to early Christianity, and on the earliest Biblical manuscripts, including new archaeological discoveries in the sands of Egypt. Macquarie already has over 700 documents from Egypt and even one of the earliest fragments of the New Testament!

**Key exploration areas:**

1) How did we get our Bible? Why were some texts included in the New Testament canon, but others left out?
2) Can we have confidence in the New Testament texts as we have them today?
3) How did the early Christians live? What challenges faced them in embracing their new faith?

**Goals:**

To foster & support study and research into the New Testament in its ancient historical context; to build up resources for study (papyri, books, inscriptions); and to encourage interested members of the public to be involved and to learn.

The following article, by **Dr Don Barker**, is a recent outcome of this important research on Biblical papyri. We are seeking your support to continue this valuable work. If you feel that you can assist with this special donation, either anonymously or perhaps in memory of someone, please contact Professor Alanna Nobbs on (02) 9850 8844, or by email at Alanna.Nobbs@mq.edu.au click here for the Papyri Research Donation Form.

**SSEC articles**

**Early Christian Book Production**

by Dr Don Barker

**Codex/Roll Format**

It has long been recognised that the codex was the preferred method of book production for early Christian literature and in particular those books that had either an important part to play in the corporate life of the churches or an individual.

As may be observed, the unabridged tables confirms this observation. Of the Greek Old Testament, 87.2% are in the codex format; for New Testament books, 96.9%; for non-canonical literature, 68.7%. However we need to keep in mind that even though the Christian books were produced in the codex format it was not a distinctively Christian feature. S. Emmel rightly observes that the oldest extant Christian codices are no older than the oldest extant non-Christian codices (second century), which should caution us in crediting Christianity with its invention or its initial popularisation. The first evidence of the use of the codex format for classical literature is found in the later part of the first century in Martial, the Roman poet who advises readers who wish to carry his poems on a journey to purchase “those that parchment confines in small pages” (Epigr.1.2: *quos artat brevibus membrana tabellis*) so that they can be held in one hand. He also mentions *pugillaribus membranis* in the context of well-known authors’ works being available in such format. By this phrase he no doubt means small parchment codices. Therefore at least by the time of Martial it was a well-known fact that booksellers were producing books in the codex format for the travelling public. The evidence from Egypt clearly shows that in the first century and certainly in the second and third centuries classical works as well as...
other literary genre such as grammatical, lexical and medical books were being produced in the codex format and even though they constitute a very small percentage of books compared to the vast majority in the roll format nevertheless the codex format was beginning to be used. As to why early Christians use the codex format with such enthusiasm is open to speculation and no conclusive answer appears to be forthcoming. While the codex has obvious advantages, as the evidence seems to suggest, it is the almost universal preference for it amongst Christian communities that is intriguing and is made even more so when we consider that the construction of a codex requires specialty skills, such as the knowledge of how to fashion and plan quires, sew bindings, craft and attach covers. It would appear that a powerful driving force must have been behind the decision to adopt the codex format over and against the roll format, which was still being used for serious works of literature. Could it have been an initial concern by the orthodox to protect or contain the contents of collections such as the letters of Paul and the four orthodox gospels?

The Copying Process and Social Context

Under this heading is included; the training of the copyists, his/her skill in forming letters and the type of book that is produced. Scholarly opinion at the present locates the production of Christian literature within the documentary context as evidenced by leaving spaces between words or groups of words, enlarged initial letters, ekthesis, numbers written with ciphers. Roberts (Manuscript, Society and Belief in Early Christian Egypt, London, The British Academy, 1979,15) in his observations of biblical and ‘non-biblical’ second century codices states that in none of them can be traced the work of a professional calligrapher or the rapid hand of the private scholar. Roberts came to the conclusion that for Christianity in Egypt we may picture relatively humble and amateur beginnings, ‘books published for a secret society… composed not so much of the intellectuals or the wealthy as of ordinary men of the middle or lower middle classes’ Eric G. Turner (The Typology of the Early Codex, 37 ) made similar observations labelling the handwriting as ‘often of an informal and workaday type, fairly quickly written, serviceable rather than beautiful … their status is second-class in comparison with contemporary papyrus roll. After surveying the writing styles in the early Christian papyri, K. Haines-Eitzen, states that:

...there are no second and third century Christian papyri that exhibit the highly calligraphic features of the best literary hands… whose strict bilinearity, regularity and formality suggest a highly trained scribe specializing in the art of copying books.

She further argues that the scribes who produced Christian books in the second and third centuries were trained in a general way to be multifunctional, that is, their style of writing betrays a documentary
influence yet they write in such a way to achieve legibility.

The above sentiments have been echoed by other scholars in recent times. Harry Gamble, (Books and Readers in the Early Church) continues in the same vein, drawing a sharp distinction between the elegance of the Graeco-Jewish writings and the non-professional hands of early Christian books. Alan. Millard, Reading and Writing in the Time of Jesus (2001, 69-73) comments regarding the early Christian texts that the handwriting is less professional than literary rolls: they are more like secretarial copies. Millard concludes that the Christian books in second and third centuries are distinguished by outward shape and style of writing: they do not look like the products of the standard Greek scriptoria but followed their own conventions. A similar position has been taken by both Bart Ehrman, 'The text as Window: New Testament Manuscripts and the Social History of Early Christianity’ and Loveday Alexander, ‘Ancient Book Production and the Circulation of the Gospels’ in ed. R. Bauckham, The Gospels for all Christians. However, G. Stanton, 'The Early reception of Matthew’s Gospel' in The Gospel of Matthew In Current Study, argues that these conclusions concerning the socio economic status of the early Christians must be modified because of the elegant handwriting found in recently published papyri of the Gospel of Matthew as well as the Gospel of John. So that ‘The communities for which they were made must have been reasonably wealthy, perhaps with a higher degree of literacy than has usually been supposed’, To his list we may add, PSI 2. 124, PBerl. 11765, P.Oxy. 1780, PMed inv. 69.24 and PAnt. 1.12 all showing a high degree of skill and expertise. If all these New Testament papyri manuscripts can be located in the pre Constantine period of early Christianity in Egypt then Stanton’s conclusions must be taken into consideration. Perhaps his conclusion should be modified. It may be that within a poor Christian community a patron bore the cost of a high quality book or even a low quality one. Nor are we able with confidence to jump from deluxe copies to higher literacy rates within the Christian communities as the evidence suggests that within these communities readers were used. However, whatever may have been the financial support for such deluxe copies and their subsequent use, they must be taken into account in our understanding of early Christian book production and the socio economic makeup of the early Christian Churches.

Comparing apples with apples
In the past the production of early Christian codices have been compared to literary rolls, and the conclusion that has been arrived at is that the early Christian book production was not as polished, and in the words of Roberts as mentioned above, ‘relatively humble and amateur’, however when we compare non Christian codices with Christian codices firstly we are able to observe that both Christian and secular codices are produced in the same varying degree of quality from high quality to low quality. Secondly we can observe that as with some Christian codices and unlike roll books reading aids are used. We may also observe that what has been called documentary tendencies are also found scattered in the secular codices such as the suspended nu at the end of a line, enlarged initial letters and spacing between words. It would appear that a very tentative conclusion could be drawn, that within the construction of the codex book, secular or Christian, there was a wide divergence in production methods. Perhaps this was dictated by the buyer’s preference and or ability to pay and not on some unique religious grounds. In other words the same considerations seem to apply both to Christian and non-Christian literary works that were produced in the codex format.

Editors’ Note The Society places no restriction on the intellectual content of papers and articles, and takes no position on their conclusion.
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Electronic Newsletter
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Macquarie Ancient Languages School (MALS) – The dates for our winter school are Monday 1 July to Friday 5 July 2013, morning and afternoon sessions in a range of ancient languages including Greek, Latin, Classical Hebrew, Egyptian Hieroglyphs and others. The full program will be available on the website by mid May. For enquiries please email: mals@mq.edu.au. Website: http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/faculties_and_departments/faculty_of_arts/department_of_ancient_history/macquarie_ancient_languages_school/

Ancient History Teachers Conference - Our annual conference will be held on campus at Robert Menzies College on Saturday 23 March 2013. *** Note change of venue *** For registrations and enquiries please email: ahistconted@mq.edu.au. Full program available on website from mid January. Cut-off date for registration is Monday 18 March 2013. Website: http://mq.edu.au/about_us/faculties_and_departments/faculty_of_arts/department_of_ancient_history/conferences/

Macquarie Studies of Religion Teachers’ Conference - The Department of Ancient History’s inaugural conference on the Studies of Religion HSC syllabus will be held on campus at Robert Menzies College on Friday 22 February 2013. For registrations and enquiries please email: ahistconted@mq.edu.au. Cut-off date for registration is Monday 18 February 2013. Full program available on website from mid January. Website: http://mq.edu.au/about_us/faculties_and_departments/faculty_of_arts/department_of_ancient_history/conferences/

Continuing Education Programme - Cost $220 per unit. The full list of units is available on the website: http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/faculties_and_departments/faculty_of_arts/department_of_ancient_history/community_teaching_programs. Cut-off date for applications is 18 February 2013. For enquiries please email: ahistconted@mq.edu.au.

Centre for the History of Christian Thought and Experience - runs seminars fortnightly on Thursdays at 6.00 pm. For further information contact A/Prof Stuart Piggin 9850 8816, or email: stuart.piggin@mq.edu.au.

Macquarie Ancient History Association (MAHA) – For enquiries 9850 9965, 9850 8833, or email: ancienthistory@mq.edu.au website: www.ancienthistory.com.au/news.php

Postgraduate Coursework opportunities – Macquarie offers opportunities in Ancient History, Egyptology, Coptic Studies, Early Christian and Jewish Studies, Late Antiquity and Art and Architecture. For information see the Ancient History Department website: www.anchist.mq.edu.au. For further details contact the Ancient History office at email: ancienthistory@mq.edu.au or 9850 8833.

Face to Face with the New Testament - is an exciting and informative seminar for groups of 15 or more to explore the earliest surviving N.T. manuscripts and their relevance for the reliability of the text and history of the New Testament. This seminar can be held at your local school, church or community club. Contact Dr Don Barker on 9850 9962 or email: don.barker@mq.edu.au
more non-ssec events

Macquarie Asian Historical Research Society (MAHRS) – For enquiries email: lyndon.arden-wong@mahrs.org or website: http://www.mahrs.org. See the MAHRS website for venue and other associated details. Of particular interest to SSEC members are the first and second scheduled seminars:

- Terence Porter (MQ BA Hons.) “Kukai and the Eastward transmission of the Buddhist World” on Tue 12 March at 6pm
- and Dr. Edward Bridge (MQ PhD) “Early Christianity, Eastern or Western?” on Tue 9 April at 6pm.

For regularly updated news from the broad field of Asian historical studies see the MAHRS website or visit “The Macquarie Asian Historical Research Society (MAHRS)” Facebook page: www.facebook.com/MAHRS.org

The Australian Centre for Egyptology & the Rundle Foundation Dates for your Diary

- Mini Conference to be held at Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club 1pm on Sunday early in May. (Note: date has changed - TBA)
- Annual Conference to be held at Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club on Saturday 10th August 9.30 for 10 am (booking essential)
- Annual Dinner to be held at Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club on Saturday 12th October. 6.30 for 7pm (booking essential)

For further information please contact the ACE office on (02) 9850 8848 or email: egypt@mq.edu.au or website: http://www.egyptology.mq.edu.au/egyptology/index.html

COMPUTER APPLICATIONS AND QUANTITATIVE METHODS IN ARCHAEOLOGY (CAA)

The CAA2013 PERTH conference ‘Across Space and Time’ will be held at the University of Western Australia Club from Monday 25 - Thursday 28 March 2013. Workshops will be held on Monday 25 March on campus. CAA is the premier international conference for all aspects of computing, quantitative methods and digital applications in Archaeology. With a history going back to 1972, CAA encourages participation from scholars, specialists and experts in the fields of archaeology, history, cultural heritage, digital scholarship, GIS, mathematics, semantic web, informatics and members of other disciplines that complement & extend the interests of CAA.

SSEC is a sponsor of this event.

For further information about this exciting interdisciplinary conference see the website: http://caa2013.org.

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1) Book Now for the SSEC Conference
Registration form (payment form) has now been placed on the SSEC website. Register now!!

2) Renew your SSEC membership for 2013 - Due Now

3) Early Christian Papyri Research - Donors Wanted

### SSEC Calendar of Events - 2013

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<td>Conference <em>Curtain Raiser</em> with Professor James McLaren (ACU Melbourne), Topic: <em>Jewish actions against the followers of Jesus: reassessing the evidence within the context of the Roman Empire</em> &amp; A/Prof Louise Hitchcock (Melbourne Uni), Topic TBA. Kosher style supper after - Bookings requested for catering purposes RSVP to <a href="mailto:SSEC@mq.edu.au">SSEC@mq.edu.au</a></td>
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<td>In conjunction with Sir Asher Joel Foundation, Rev Dr James Harding (University of Otago NZ) Topic: <em>Surpassing the Love of Two Women: on the Reception of David &amp; Jonathan</em></td>
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<td>Late July &amp; into Early August</td>
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<td>Special Events: A feast of distinguished international scholars. SNTS conference in Perth 23-27 July 2013 brings <em>World Renown New Testament Scholars</em> to Australia. SSEC is planning for them to speak to us shortly afterwards.</td>
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| Four Dates TBA | 7:05 pm | • Professor Judith Lieu (Cambridge)  
• Professor John S. Kloppenborg (University of Toronto)  
• Professor Dr Cilliers Breytenbach (Humboldt University, Berlin)  
• Professor Laurence Welborn (Fordham University / Macquarie University) | W6A 308 | $5/$8 |
| Late Sept TBA | 7:05 pm | Professor Dr Claudia Rapp (Vienna University) Topic: TBA | W6A 308 | $5/$8 |
| Oct TBA Lunchtime |  | Eric and Carol Meyers Day - Two events on the same day  
• Professor Eric Meyers (Duke University) - Topic: *possibly Digging in the Holy Land*  
• Professor Carol L Meyers and Prof Eric Meyers (Duke University) - Topic: TBA (possibly *Discoveries in Archaeology*) | W6A 308 | No charge during Lunchtime - Donation appreciated |
| October TBA 7:05pm |  | • Professor Carol L Meyers and Prof Eric Meyers (Duke University) - Topic: TBA (possibly *Discoveries in Archaeology*) | Museum of Ancient Cultures XSB 321 | $5/$8 |
| 3 December | Tues 7:05pm | Dr Don Barker, Topic: *Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.* | Museum of Ancient Cultures XSB 321 | $5/$8 |

TBA = To Be Advised. Note: that these are provisional dates. Many of our international speakers are travelling to Australia to attend conferences &/ or other universities & have yet to confirm their travel arrangements. Please check the SSEC website closer to the dates. 

Note: Macquarie University enforces parking charges up to 8:00pm daily. Parking charges are $6 for 1 hour, $10 for 3 hours, $20 all day. (rates for 2013) As seminars start at 7:05pm, attendees need only pay for one hour.

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