

Newsletter

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The quarterly newsletter of ECEB aims to present the main cultural activities and events that were organized during the past three months. It also highlights the latest news and announcements that could be of interest to the academic community.

ECEB participates in celebrating International Women's Day at the Egyptian Embassy



The Egyptian Embassy in Washington hosted a vibrant event celebrating International Women's Day on March 7th in partnership with the Association of Spouses of African Ambassadors (ASAA). The event emphasized the shared commitment to championing women's rights and fostering cross-cultural exchange.

The cultural attaché, Dr. Heba Saad, participated in the event as a guest speaker and presented a lecture titled "Fashion, Hairstyles, and Headdresses of Medieval and Modern Women: Insights from Egypt".

The lecture highlighted the main features of women's clothes in Egypt and their development through the ages. It showcased the rich heritage that clothes reflect through the varied fashions, artistic production, and skillful execution of clothes, headdresses, and accessories.

The event was attended by more than 200 guests of ambassadors' spouses, diplomats, processors, and women of the American and Egyptian communities.





RAMADAN KAREEM FAMILY EVENT

On the 9th of March, ECEB organized a family event titled “Ramadan Kareem” celebrating the beginning of Ramadan. The event started with a lecture by Dr. Heba Saad, the Cultural Attaché, presenting an overview of the traditions related to Ramadan, their origin, and significance. The lecture highlighted both the tangible and intangible heritage of the month including practices, traditional food and drinks, songs, and varied customs and traditions. Guests engaged in discussions about the sustainability of the traditions and practices and enjoyed the charming songs or Ramadan.



During the event, children participated in an engaging workshop and enjoyed preparing “Fanous Ramadan”, decorative crescents, and decorations for Ramadan.



Engaging Children's Activities

By the end of the event, the children gathered around the author of children's stories; Karen Leggett, and listened intently to her enjoyable stories about Ramadan.





On February 2nd, ECEB welcomed a visit of a group of students from Washington Global Public School to complement their study of ancient Egypt and its civilization. The students were interested in learning about Egypt and discussing its ancient history and language. The cultural attaché, Dr. Heba Saad, presented an overview of Egypt's history and invited the students to learn about the hieroglyphic script. The students wrote their names in cartouch and were thrilled with the stories and books they took back home.



Washington Global Public School Visits ECEB

St. Anthony Catholic School Visits ECEB

On the 29th of February, ECEB welcomed a visit of a group of students and their teacher from St. Anthony Catholic School. The students learned about the discovery of the Rosetta Stone and the decoding of its text that opened the gate to explore the hidden mysteries of ancient Egypt.

Dr. Heba Saad, the cultural attaché, taught the students to write their names in hieroglyphics and accompanied them on a tour of the museum of ECEB.



ECEB Book Club

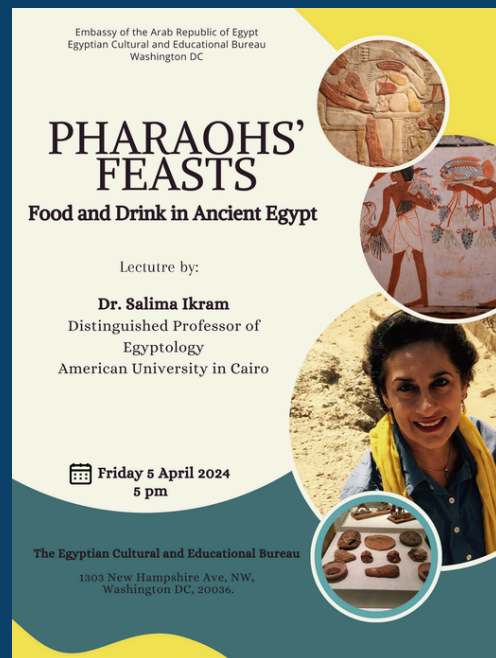


The Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureau organized the third meeting of the book club on 28 February. The book club aims to present the Egyptian culture through reading and discussing Egyptian books of various fields. Echoing the birth anniversary of Ahmed Zewil in February, the members discussed Zewil's book, "The Era of Science" which narrates the life story of Zewil and his endeavor till he received the Nobel Prize.



Pharaohs' Feasts Food and Drink in Ancient Egypt

On the 5th of April, ECEB organized a lecture titled "Pharaohs' Feasts: Food and Drink in Ancient Egypt". The lecture was presented by Dr. Salima Ikram, the Distinguished Professor of Egyptology at the American University in Cairo who discussed the diet in ancient Egypt and the types of food prepared and consumed by various social classes. The lecture highlighted the archeological evidence and scenes of ancient Egypt's tombs and temples featuring food and drink.



A group of MA students from SAIS of Johns Hopkins University visited ECEB on 13 March. The visit aimed to learn more about Egypt, and its relationship with the US in the fields of education, research, and policy.

The students visited the museum and enjoyed the discussion about bilateral relations between Egypt and the United States.

MA Students from the School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins at ECEB



Educational Committee of WECAA

Washington Educational Cultural Attache Association established an educational committee that aims to strengthen the educational relations between the United States and different countries. The Cultural Attache, Dr. Heba Saad, is one of the committee members who presented the vision, aims, and role of the committee during the WECAA meeting on 15 March.



Sawiris Penn Scholars visit ECEB



ECEB welcomed a group of Egyptian students studying at Pennsylvania University through Sawiris Scholars Exchange Program on 22nd March. The students presented their work and discussed the impact of the exchange program on their career.



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Latest News

Signing MOU between Western University for Health Sciences and the Arab Academy for Science and Technology.

Upcoming Events

- Passport DC event: Around the World Tour
- Book Club Meeting: the works of Yousif Edris
- Cultural Event: Traditional Egyptian Food
- Lecture: Prof. Betsy Bryan speaks about the ancient Egyptian civilization

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