

François Gaudard

After a very interesting and productive season with the Epigraphic Survey in Luxor, under the leadership of W. Raymond Johnson, **François Gaudard** returned to the Oriental Institute to work

INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH

as a Research Associate with Professor Janet Johnson on the Chicago Demotic Dictionary. It means a lot to him to have the opportunity to take part again in this project.

From 2005 through 2007, Gaudard collaborated with Rodolphe Kasser, Marvin Meyer, and Gregor Wurst on the publication of two books, namely, *The Gospel of Judas from Codex Tchacos* (National Geographic: Washington, D.C., 2006), and the critical edition of the entire codex Tchacos: *The Gospel of Judas together with the Letter of Peter to Philip, James, and a Book of Allogenes from Codex Tchacos* (National Geographic: Washington, D.C., 2007). Gaudard, along with Marvin Meyer, prepared the translation from Coptic into English of the four tractates of Codex Tchacos. He also served as a member of the National Geographic Society's *Codex Advisory Board*.

During the summer of 2006, for the seventh time, Gaudard taught the University of Chicago's intensive summer course "Ancient Egyptian Language, Culture, and History." This course, taught for credit, integrated classroom instruction with an introduction to Egyptological resources, museum experience, and the preparation of a research paper. The students had the opportunity to explore the archaeology, history, geography, religion and literature of the ancient Egyptians and began the study of Middle Egyptian. Gaudard took advantage of the resources of the Oriental Institute and is grateful to Professor Janet Johnson, Emily Teeter, Laura D'Alessandro, Geoff Emberling, Ray Johnson, Ray Tindel, John Sanders, and Tom Urban, who all contributed to the success of the course.

For the week-long seminar "The World in the Time of Tutankhamun" presented by the Oriental Institute, Gaudard delivered a lecture entitled "The Monuments of Tutankhamun," which focused on what we would know about this pharaoh if his tomb had not been discovered, including a presentation of the work of the Epigraphic Survey in Luxor (26 July).

As part of the Oriental Institute's docent training, Gaudard also spoke on the New Kingdom and the mortuary temple of Ramesses III at Medinet Habu (7 October). He also attended the 58th Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, which took place in Toledo, Ohio, from April 20 to 22, 2007.
