Mark Lehner


In January 1996 Lehner spent a week in Cairo assisting the Giza Inspectorate to map the area in front of the Khafre Valley Temple where Zahi Hawass had directed a project to remove the modern stone and cement stage and to clear the ancient entrance ramps to the Valley Temple, remains of mudbrick walls and platforms, and other ancient features.

On March 9 Lehner participated in a symposium at the Cleveland Museum of Art in conjunction with the exhibit “Pharaohs, Treasures of Egyptian Art from the Louvre,” along with Lanny Bell, Lawrence Berman, Betsy Bryan, and James Harrell. Lehner’s lecture was entitled “On the Face of the Sphinx.”
At the end of March Lehner was in residence at the University of Chicago teaching a course in Egyptian Archaeology and a seminar in Old Kingdom ceramics. In conjunction with the seminar, the Koch-Ludwig Giza Project contributed funds to help make it possible for students to use the Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) facilities in the Geophysical Sciences Department of the University of Chicago. The SEM laboratory is under the direction of Dr. Andrew Davis who tutored Ms. Justine Way and Ms. Elizabeth Friedman in use of the facilities to examine thin sections and analyze other ceramic samples from Giza and Anatolia. On June 6 Lehner spoke to the members of the Breasted Society on his work at Giza. Janet and Robert Helman graciously hosted the event.