

### Janet H. Johnson

**Janet H. Johnson** had a leave of absence from her teaching responsibilities during the last academic year and very much enjoyed being able to work extensively on the Demotic Dictionary Project. She gave a report on the project at the International Demotic Conference held in Copenhagen in August 1999. For a report on the Demotic Dictionary, see the section on Philology. She was invited to speak on *Women's Rights in Ancient Egypt* as the tenth annual W. Kendrick Pritchett lecture for the Graduate Group in Ancient History and Mediterranean Archaeology, University of California, Berkeley, in November 1998, and as the 1999 William F. Albright Lecture at Johns Hopkins University in April 1999. Her article "Women, Wealth, and Work in Egyptian Society of the Ptolemaic Period" appeared in the *Studies Dedicated to the Memory of Jan Quaegebeur* and her articles on the history and textual sources of Late period Egypt appeared in the new *Encyclopedia of the Archaeology of Ancient Egypt*. She continued to serve on the Board of Governors of the American Research Center in Egypt and as Chairman of the Committee for the Annual Egyptological Bibliography. She held preliminary meetings with Terry Wilfong and Janet Richards, from the University of Michigan, concerning the implementation of the Mellon Foundation grant for Less Commonly Taught Languages, under which they will develop an annotated electronic reading book for Middle Egyptian. Although she enjoyed having the opportunity to work intensively on the Demotic Dictionary, she missed teaching and looks forward to the resumption of classes in fall 1999.

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