IN MEMORIAM

Marion E. Cowan

This past year we were greatly saddened by the death of Marion Cowan, a true friend and longtime supporter of the Oriental Institute, who passed away in March 2007. Although she had a special fondness for ancient Egypt and the Epigraphic Survey, Marion's warm-hearted, generous, and intellectually curious presence was felt across the Institute's many programs and projects. Her love of other cultures led her to travel the world and to build an extensive personal library, much of which was devoted to the study of the ancient Near East.

Marion was a familiar face at the Institute's Members' Lecture series, making the trip from her home on the North Shore of Chicago to Hyde Park faithfully to hear lectures on a regular basis. She was a member of the Oriental Institute's Visiting Committee from 2002 until the time of her death. On behalf of all of us at the Oriental Institute, we would like to extend our deep sympathy to the many friends and family she leaves behind. Her friendship enriched us all, and we will miss her thoughtful advice and counsel.