

Table of Contents

Preface	11
----------------------	----

I. Tribute to Fred Wendorf

• Romuald Schild Fred Wendorf, Jr. 31 July 1924 – 15 July 2015. The Founder of the Combined Prehistoric Expedition and for Several Decades its Guiding Spirit	15
• Scott Wendorf, Elizabeth Alexander and Anna Christine Bednar The Combined Prehistoric Expedition Foundation: a Model for Private Support of Archaeological Research	27
• Gail Wendorf and Jacek Kabaciński Fred Wendorf's Life in Sixteen Photos.....	35

II. The Nile Valley

• Ahmed Hammid Nassr Early Stone Age Tools Variability in the Nile Basin: a New Investigation in the Eastern Desert of Lower Atbara River, Sudan	47
• Sandro Salvatori, Donatella Usai and Andrea Zerboni New Evidence from the Prehistoric Sites at Al Khiday and Al Jamrab, Cen- tral Sudan	71
• Kimball M. Banks, Donatella Usai, J. Signe Snortland, Linda Scott Cum- mings and Maria C. Gatto Food for Thought: the Late Paleolithic of WK26 Site, Wadi Kubbaniya, Egypt	95
• Annett Dittrich Between Two Rivers – Early Holocene Landscapes on Mogratt Island (Sudan)	109
• Elena A.A. Garcea and Giulia D'Ercole What Do We See When We See a Decoration? An Overview on the Pottery from Sai Island and Esh Shaheinab	153
• Mohammed Alfatih Hayati The Technical Characteristics of the Mesolithic Pottery in El Goz Sites (Central Sudan)	183

• Lenka Varadinová, Ladislav Varadin, Lenka Lisá, Jan Pacina and Petr Pokorný Exploration of the Site of Sphinx (SBK.W-60), Jebel Sabaloka (West Bank): Findings of the 2014 Campaign	193
• Attila Király Digital Data and Holocene Lithic Industries in the Sudanese Nile Valley: a Case Study	207
• Louis Chaix and Jacques Reinold Animals in Neolithic Graves: Kadruka and Kadada (Northern and Central Sudan)	233
• Hassan Mustafa Alkhidir Jebel El-Khazna – a Late Prehistoric Site in the Fifth Cataract Area	251
• Agnieszka Mączyńska On the Transition Between the Neolithic and Chalcolithic in Lower Egypt and the Origins of the Lower Egyptian Culture: a Pottery Study	261
• Dorian Vanhulle Preliminary Observations on Some Naqadian Boat Models. A Glimpse of a Discrete Ideological Process in Pre-pharaonic Arts	289
• Ulrich Hartung Emetery U at Umm el-Qaab and the Funeral Landscape of the Abydos Re- gion in the 4 th Millennium BC	313
• Taichi Kuronuma Goods Placement in Predynastic Burials: A Case Study from the Cemeter- ies in the Naqada Region	339
• Grazia A. Di Pietro Investigating Intra- and Inter-site Variability of Late Predynastic – Protody- nastic Settlements of Egypt	365
• Wojciech Ejsmond Gebelein in the Predynastic Period: Capital or Provincial Centre? Review of Evidence	387
• Robert Kuhn A Wooden Statue and Early Bronze Objects? A Critical Review of Tomb 1052 in the Necropolis of Abusir el-Mepeq	407
• Natalia Małecka-Drozd The Old Kingdom Upcountry Settlement Architecture in the Nile Delta – the case of the 3 rd -4 th Dynasty Building at Tell el-Murra	419
• Marek Chłodnicki and Krzysztof Grzymalski Kerma Culture in Letti Basin (Dongola Reach)	437

- Maira Torcia
Towards Upper Egypt: Items and Cultural Elements on Trade Routes 451
- Bashier Negood Hassan
The Nile as the Main Traffic Artery in the Ancient Sudan 469
- Ikram Madani, Petr Pokorný, Yahia F. Tahir, Hamad M. Hamdeen and Adéla Pokorná
Vegetation Mounds in El-Ga'ab Depression (Sudan): Their Significance in Archaeology and Archeobotany 473

III. Oases and the Desert

- Michał Kobusiewicz, Przemysław Bobrowski, Maciej Jórdeczka and Marek Chłodnicki
Gebel Karaiweb and Bir Nurayet (Sudan). The Oldest Settlement in the Red Sea Mountains 483
- Agnieszka Czekaj-Zastawny, Joel D. Irish, Jacek Kabaciński and Jakub Mugaj
The Neolithic Settlements by a Paleo-lake of Gebel Ramlah, Western Desert of Egypt 515
- Hebatallah A. A. Ibrahim
Neolithic Aspects of the Western Desert and its Possible Role During the Following Time Periods in Egypt 539
- Maria Lityńska-Zajac and Krystyna Wasylkowa
The Role of *Ziziphus* in the Economy of Neolithic Nomadic Societies of the Sahara (S Egypt) 551
- Friederike Jesse, Hubert Berke, Nader El-Hassanin and Nadja Pöllath
First Insights into the Prehistory of Selima Oasis, Northern Sudan – Excavations at Site SOP 1024 561
- Simon Holdaway, Rebecca Phillipps, Joshua Emmitt, Willeke Wendrich
E29G1 Revisited: the Current State of the Surface Archaeology of Western Regions of the Fayum North Shore, Egypt 583
- Noriyuki Shirai
New Light on *The Desert Fayum*: Restudying Gertrude Caton-Thompson's Fayum Lithic Collections in London 603
- Friederike Jesse and Mirosław Masojć
Early to Mid-Holocene Pottery from Two Sites in the Bayuda Desert, Sudan 621
- Alain Anselin
Archaeology of the *Images* and the *Words* of the Ancient Egyptian World: from Pools of Gone Saharan Cultures to Current Sociological Parallels 635

• Miroslav Bárta	
The Birth of Supernatural. On the Genesis of Some Later Ancient Egyptian Concepts	669
• Paweł Lech Polkowski	
A Giraffe's Tale. On Enigmatic Composition from Site 04/08 in the Central Dakhleh Oasis, Egypt	687
• András Zboray	
The Petroglyphs of Jebel Uweinat. Many Questions and a Few Answers	707
List of volume contributors	735