

Easter Island Foundation News

• The President of the Easter Island Foundation is pleased to announce that two Rapanuiphiles have joined the EIF Board of Directors: David Brookman of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Christopher Stevenson, Ph.D., of Columbus, Ohio. Brookman is a long-time Easter Island fan. Stevenson is well-known for his years of archaeological field work on Easter Island.

• In June the highly capable and diligent Librarian of the Mulloy Library in Viña del Mar, Ana Betty Haoa Rapa-hango, was promoted to the position of Director of the Library together with a corresponding increase in salary. She thus takes over many of the responsibilities for the operation of the Library and will play an important role in the integration of her library with the library that we hope will open before much longer on Easter Island. It will be remembered that she is also the co-author of the recently published *Speak Rapanui! / ¡Hable Rapanui!* (with Liller), and she has also translated from English to Spanish other texts that will be published under the aegis of the Easter Island Foundation/Fundacion Rapa Nui. Our congratulations and thanks, Betty.

• We have been assured by our Chilean attorney that soon the EIF will be officially registered in Chile as a non-profit organization, thereby making it possible for us to solicit contributions from Chileans without paying the 18% value-added tax (IVA) and to receive books from overseas without paying the hefty duty now imposed on books.

• Former president of the Foundation, Dr Joan Seaver Kurze, will be the guest curator of an exhibit of contemporary Rapa Nui wood carvings which will be shown at the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology, University of New Mexico, during the South Seas Symposium in August 1997. In preparation is a book/catalog to accompany the exhibit. It is hoped that woodcarvers from the island will be at the meeting and will demonstrate their techniques of carving.



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