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The EIF proudly announces that it's most recent publication is now available: The Ancient Solar Observatories of Rapa Nui: The Archaeoastronomy of Easter Island by William Liller. This fascinating exploration of the island's solar observatories is based on the early research by the late archaeologist, William Mulloy. Sixty pages, over 30 illustrations, index and glossary. All proceeds benefit the Easter Island Foundation. Price $14, plus $3 shipping and handling ($4.50 for overseas orders). VISA and Master Card accepted. The Ancient Solar Observatories of Rapa Nui is available from the Easter Island Foundation 666 Dead Cat Alley Woodland, CA 95695

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Houston, Texas. People gathered at Rice University's Fondren Library to hear Dr. Georgia Lee talk about the history and archaeology of Easter Island. More than fifty participants, including Chilean Consulate Jorge Norambuena, attended the April lecture and reception that followed. Rosa Gorman and Nubia Carvajal, representing Casa de Chile, assisted as hostesses for the evening. LanChile Airlines generously donated a round-trip ticket from Santiago to Easter Island as part of a silent auction held during the reception. Other auction items were donated by Rosa Gorman and Monica Monsalves. The LanChile ticket was purchased by Paraguayan rancher Rhett Butler in heavy bidding. Rapanuiphiles swamped the gift table for EIF mugs, t-shirts, recent publications and other paraphernalia. EIF is grateful to Sheri Roane and Carol Radney for their help with the reception, Gabriel Covarrubias of LanChile Airlines, and to all who helped make the evening a success.

Barbara Hinton, President

The possibility of the Viña del Mar branch of the William Mulloy Library moving into badly-needed larger quarters is actively under investigation. The city mayor's office has given the go-ahead for a study to be made of the feasibility of rehabilitating two small houses behind the Fonck Museum where the Library is currently housed in one-half of a small office. The houses, formerly a garage and a servant's quarters, have been used for many years by the City's Departamento de Tránsito. An architectural study is now underway.

William Liller, CEO

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