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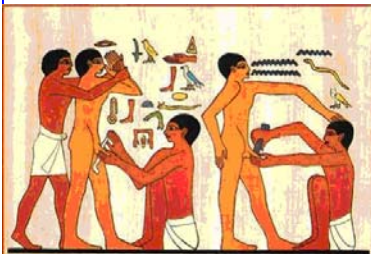
(All events are held at the Bohemian National Hall, 321 E 73 Str.)

• **Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 6:30 PM**

MEDICINE OF THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS

A slide lecture by Prof. Eugen Strouhal, PhD

in cooperation with the Czech Consulate NY



The lecture will explore the beginnings of scientific medicine in ancient Egyptian civilization. Thirteen ancient medical papyri recorded the level of the empiric knowledge of anatomy, patho-physiology and therapy. Prof. Strouhal will present the amazingly advanced surgical practices in ancient Egypt while the internal medicine and gynecology still relied mostly on religious rituals and remedies of plant, animal and mineral origin.

Prof. Strouhal is a leading expert on Egyptian medicine. He has degrees in medicine, archeology and anthropology. He worked for 24 years at the Naprstek Museum in Prague and now lectures paleo-pathology and history of medicine at Charles University Medical School and anthropology at West Bohemian University in Pilsen.

• **Monday, April 30, 2012 at 6:30 PM**

LATEST NEWS FROM THE PYRAMIDS: Czech research in Abusir

A slide lecture by Prof. Miroslav Bárta, PhD

in cooperation with the Czech Consulate NY

Abusir is one of the most important archaeological sites in Egypt. The Czech Archeological Institute worked here for more than 50 years. It contains royal tombs from the 5th dynasty (Old Kingdom), mastabas (tombs) of high officials, as well as shaft tombs from the Saite-Persian period.

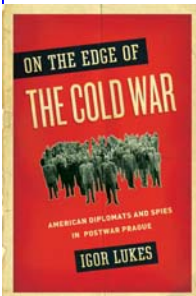
Prof. Bárta teaches at the Dept. of Egyptology at Charles University in Prague. He led the first satellite mapping of the pyramid fields of Abusir, Saqqara and Dahshur in 2002. In the years 2003-2004, he taught at University of Pennsylvania, and since 2010 he is the head of the Czech Archaeological concession at Abusir.



• **Monday, May 7, 2012 at 6:30 PM**

AMERICAN DIPLOMATS AND SPIES IN POSTWAR PRAGUE: Was the 1948 Communist Takeover Inevitable?

A lecture by Prof. Igor Lukes, PhD



Prof. Lukes will explore the communist conquest of Czechoslovakia from the perspective of American diplomats and intelligence officers who served in the U.S. Embassy from the spring of 1945 to 1949, as presented in his latest book *On the Edge of the Cold War: American Diplomats and Spies in Postwar Prague*, just published by Oxford University Press.

Prof. Lukes teaches history and international relations at Boston University. He has written about Europe between the world wars, the Cold War, intelligence, and contemporary developments in East Central Europe and Russia. His publications include Rudolf Slansky: His Trial and Trials and Czechoslovakia Between Stalin and Hitler: The Diplomacy of Edvard Benes in the 1930s. Lukes is also a frequent political commentator on Radio Prague and Czech Television.

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