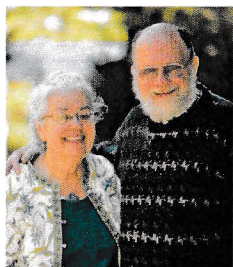


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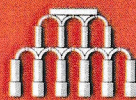
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logical features, including Classical Mythology, the Ancient Family, and Africa in the Ancient World. In 1984 he founded the Western Illinois Society of the Archaeological Institute of America, which, since its inception, has hosted hundreds of archaeological lectures at Monmouth. His wife, Anne, has been a loyal supporter of archaeology and over the years has hosted countless speakers.



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### 7:30 PM NOV 13

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Allison L.C. Emmerson, Associate Professor of Classical Studies at Tulane University, is a Roman archaeologist who specializes in the study of cities. She is particularly interested in the “marginal” aspects of ancient urbanism, not only literal city edges and the activities they attracted, such as waste management and the treatment of the dead, but also the people who have been marginalized both in ancient life and in modern reconstructions of it, including women, the enslaved, and the sub-elite. She pursues related questions particularly through her excavation, the Pompeii I.14 Project, which examines life in

the city prior to the catastrophic eruption of 79 CE. Her first sole-authored book, *Life and Death in the Roman Suburb*, was published by Oxford University Press in 2020 and was awarded the Archaeological Institute of America’s James R. Wiseman Book Award in 2022. She was field director of the University of Cincinnati’s excavations at Pompeii and co-authored the first volume of the final publication of that work: *The Porta Stabia Neighborhood at Pompeii (Vol. 1): Structure, Stratigraphy, and Space* (Oxford, 2023). Emmerson is a Fellow of the American Academy in Rome and of the American Council of Learned Societies, and she has been awarded the highest honor in teaching given at Tulane.

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