



<p>Thursday 21</p>	<p>10.15 for 10.30</p>	<p><i>The mystical world of gods of ancient Egypt comes to the Rijksmuseum van Oudheden in Leiden. For this outstanding exhibition, numerous treasures have been assembled from other museums, in the Netherlands and abroad, as well as from the RMO's own collection. Many imposing sculptures of gods and goddesses, magic papyri, gold jewellery, and richly painted mummy cases - all come together to demonstrate the enormous influence of the gods on Ancient Egyptian life.</i></p> <p><u>Details:</u> <u>Venue:</u> National Museum of Antiquities (RMO) <u>Meet</u> at 10.15 inside the Museum entrance. <u>Entrance fee:</u> €12.50 (free with MuseumCard). Guided tour (one hour approx): €7.50 per person</p> <p>If you would like to join this visit, please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the Club, or contact Deppy at activitiesbch@gmail.com.</p>	
<p>Friday 22</p>	<p>10.45</p> <p>12.00</p>	<p><i>This month the Readers' Discussion Group will be led by Gaia, who will introduce W. Somerset Maugham's novel of 1925, The Painted Veil. Somerset Maugham's unhappy childhood and subsequent medical training provided some of the background used in <i>The Painted Veil</i>, his eleventh novel. The story concerns self-centred Kitty, her marriage to Walter, an affair in Hong Kong, and the situation that takes her to cholera-ridden mainland China with her husband. Here, Walter's selfless commitment to helping cholera victims contrasts with Kitty's previously shallow existence. With the support of French nuns there, Kitty herself undergoes a transformation.</i></p> <p>Improve your Bridge with John Macfarlane</p> <p>Mahjong</p>	
<p>Friday 29</p>	<p>10.45</p> <p>12.00</p>	<p><i>With five Fridays in March, we have a bonus: an edition of the Club's own "Antiques Roadshow". The theme is Preferably Dutch – with an emphasis on a memento, heirloom, or antique "find" with a Dutch provenance. Everyone is welcome, particularly if you can bring a piece to describe while it is passed around the table. Our experts, Jenny van Hengel with her laptop, and John Macfarlane with years of knowledge from collecting antiques, will be on hand to provide further insights and information.</i></p> <p>Improve your Bridge with John Macfarlane</p> <p>Mahjong</p>	