

JOHN A.C.GREPPIN



Prof.Dr. J.A.C.Greppin was a distinguished linguist, expert in Indo-European linguistics and Armenian philology.

Dr.Greppin was born in April 2, 1937 in Rochester, New York. After graduating the University of Rochester he received his PhD at the University of California, Los Angeles in 1972. He taught Classical Greek and Latin at the Woodstock Country School in South Woodstock, Vermont. Later he moved to the Cleveland State University as professor (1975-2010, from 2011 - Emeritus) where continued his academic studies mostly devoted to Armenian linguistics. In 1974-1975 Dr.Greppin came to Armenia and worked at the Institute of Linguistics, Armenian Academy of Sciences as a visiting scholar. From this period onwards his academic interests mostly deal with Armenology. He is the author of 16 monographs, hundreds of articles, and reviews devoted to Armenian linguistics and medieval Armenian medicine.

Dr.Greppin was a person possessing with extremely active organizational skills. In 1979 and in subsequent years he organized International conferences dedicated to Armenian linguistics (Proceedings of the First International Conference of Armenian Linguistics (editor), Delmar, NY: Caravan Books 1980; Proceedings of the Fourth International Conference on Armenian Linguistics. Cleveland, Ohio, September 14-18, 1991, Delmar, New York: Caravan Books. 1992). He was the founder of two valuable periodicals – Annual of Armenian Linguistics (founded in 1980) and the Journal of Armenian Poetry and Criticism (RAFT, 1986). Still in late 1990s J.Greppin had initiated a new etymological dictionary of Armenian language which unfortunately he could not finish.

Dr.Greppin died in May 4, 2016 in Cleveland, at the age of 79.

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