

# Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2011 – 12th Season Daily Log + Drawing

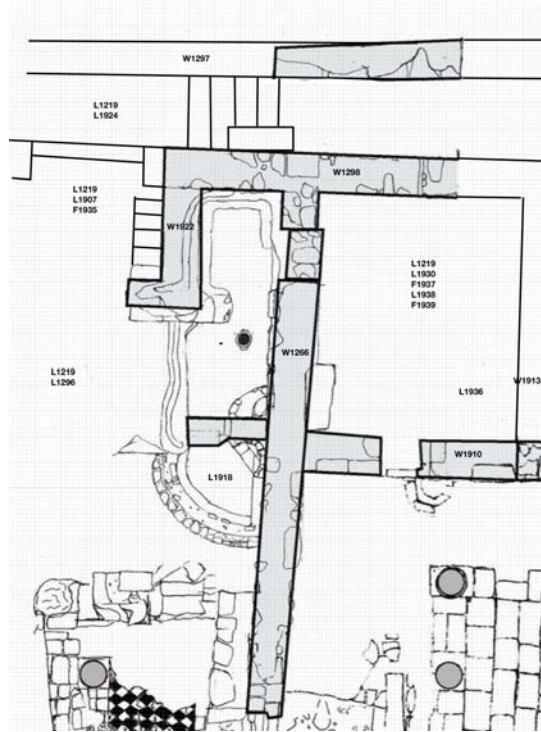
Date: 28 July 11 Area: NIP Manager: Schuler

Squares	XXYY0
Loci	1938
Baskets	2468
Walls	1386, 1888, 1892, 1251, 1252, 1923, 1926, 2007
Floors	

## 1) Northeast Zone

### a) Continued work in Square XXYY0

- (1) Basket = 2468
- (2) Starting elevation = 130.08 (top of channels), 129.84 (mosaic)
- (3) Ending elevation = 129.84
- (4) Conserve mosaic floor
- (5) Cleaned and covered mosaic with sand, textile, and earth.
- (6) A coined (#609) was recovered near the west entrance to the room during the cleaning process. It is a coin from 382 of Gratian, Valentinian II and Theodosius I (bust right on the obverse, on the reverse within a wreath: VOT/ X/ MVLT/ XX



## 2) Southwest Zone

### a) Continued work in Square G9.

- (1) Goal = Excavate NW room of alpha complex
- (2) Starting elevation = 128.78
- (3) Ending elevation = 128.78
- (4) Removed the remaining limestone blocks with the tractor.
- (5) Cleaned the alpha building for photos.
- (6) Documents the construction sequence of the walls in the alpha building:
  - (a) Outside walls on decumanus and cardo (W1251, W1888, W1886)
  - (b) Window wall (W1926) penetrates W1252
  - (c) North wall (W1252)
  - (d) Central north to south wall (W1923)
  - (e) East to west wall W1892 and North wall of G9 W2007
- ii) Note that the south face of W2007 is 3.4 m south of the north face of the wall of the alpha building as seen from the west (area of the basilica). Apparently W1286 is the north wall of the Alpha Building. If so, the space between W2007

and W1286 is 1.8m. It is hardly the space for a room, but may be a staircase, as may be indicated by some steps at the east end of the space.

- iii) A parallel wall runs next to it to the north and forms the south wall of the beta building complex. That buildings runs for 10.5 m on the west side (and perhaps further). The corresponding dimension on the east side is 12.5.

