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BAD NEWS, GOOD NEWS FOR JACKSON SCHOOL OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Last year the Outreach Program at the Jackson School of International Studies received special funding from the State legislature through the Office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to work with teachers in Washington State on ways to improve teaching about international studies. With that funding we offered programming that, in quantity and quality, outshone anything we had been able to do previously. Among our most visible accomplishments were the inauguration of a newsletter, International Studies: The Jackson School Newsletter for K-12 Educators, which shared information about schools in our state that are currently doing an excellent job in the area of international studies, and included reviews of texts, teaching materials, and audiovisual reviews, and a calendar of events. The moving force behind the Newsletter and most of the coordinated activities we undertook was our outreach program assistant, Betsy Goolian. We also ran two series of Saturday workshops and created an advisory committee made up of some of the sharpest teachers and administrators in the region to help us plan our activities.

Unfortunately, in the field of education (as in other life endeavors), just because you are doing something right, does not mean you will be rewarded. The State legislature removed us from the 1991-93 budget even though the Governor and SPI had requested that funding for the Jackson School Outreach Programs be continued. We can only hope for better times in the future. Meanwhile, much of what we achieved last year will have to remain a monument to what can be done when things go right. It is with great regret that we announce that this year we cannot publish The International Studies Newsletter and, what's worse, Betsy Goolian is no longer an employee of the University.

The good news is that the regional area studies programs at the Jackson School, particularly the Canadian Studies, East Asia, Middle East, South Asia, and Southeast Asia Centers, will continue to provide all kinds of programming for the general public, including workshops for teachers. The Calendar of Upcoming Events in this newsletter will give you an idea of what's in store.

Also in the Good News category is the appointment of Professor Nicholas R. Lardy to be the new Director of the Jackson School of International Studies. Professor Lardy, a specialist in China's economic reform, served as the Chair of the China Regional Studies Program for five years. Prior to joining the faculty at the Jackson School in 1983, he was a member of the faculty of the Department of Economics at Yale University. Professor Jack Dull, who served ably as Acting-Director of the Jackson School during the last two years, will return to his positions in the Department of History and International Studies. We thank him for his tireless efforts for the Jackson School on our behalf.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES IN STATE FALL IN-SERVICE DAYS

The outreach coordinators from the Jackson School will take part in two fall in-service days in Washington State.

October 11, 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

The annual Washington State Council for the Social Studies fall in-service day "Alternative Historical Perspectives on the Quincentennial of Columbus and the Bill of Rights" will take place at Chinook Middle School, 2001-98th N.E., Bellevue, WA 98006. Jackson School session offerings are as follows:

"The Search for the East: The Development of Maps and Trade Routes." Maureen Terada, South Asia Program; and Charlotte Albright, Middle East Program

"Travel Study Abroad Programs--What They Are and How to Find Them." Mary Bernson, East Asia Program

"Columbus Discovered America, But He Didn't Discover Canada." Michael Bittner, Canada Studies Program

Of course, there will be many other excellent presenters, a keynote speech, and lunch as a part of the day's program. To register send a check for \$35 made out to WSCSS to Nancy Rubesch, P.O. Box 2062, Gig Harbor, WA 98335.

November 14

ESD 171 North Central/Okanagan is sponsoring an in-service day in Wenatchee for social studies teachers in that region. Among many presentations that day will be three from the Jackson School:

Teaching About Contemporary Japan: New Issues, New Resources, Mary Hammond Bernson, East Asia Program

Teaching About Iran from the Cultural Perspective, Charlotte F. Albright, Middle East Program

Resources for Studying Women and Family in South Asia, Maureen Haley Terada, South Asia Program

For further information, location, and times, contact Kathy Klock ESD Social Studies Coordinator at (509) 664-0358.



DR. ELENA BONNER TO SPEAK AT THE UW

On November 19, 1991, the Jackson School will initiate the Andrei Sakharov Memorial Lecture on Human Rights. Dr. Elena Bonner, widow of Andrei Sakharov, will give the inaugural address. The lecture will be held in Meany Hall at 7:30 p.m. Overflow seating will be available in Kane 210 and 220. The event is open to the general public. For more information, call 685-3877.

ISRAELI AMBASSADOR TO SPEAK

The World Affairs Council, the City Club, and the Jackson School of International Studies, UW will co-host a reception and dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. for the Israeli Ambassador to the U.S., His Excellency Zalman Shoval, on October 15, at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers. The ambassador will speak on the topic "The Quest for a New Middle East Order: An Israeli Perspective." The public is welcome to attend. The cost for evening will be \$45 for the general public and \$40 for people affiliated with a co-sponsoring organization. Pre-registration by October 11 is necessary. To register, call Julie Sandri at the World Affairs Council, (206) 682-6986.

BELLEVUE PANEL DISCUSSION SLATED ON MIDDLE EAST

You are invited to attend a free panel discussion on the Middle East, which will take place 7:00 p.m., October 10, 1991, at Bellevue High School Performing Arts Center, 416 Kilmarnock Street, Bellevue (off Bellevue Way, one block south of Main Street). The topic and participants will be:

THE UNITED STATES IN THE MIDDLE EAST: THE NEW WORLD ORDER?

Moderator: Jean Carpenter, League of Women Voters

Panelists:

Professor Walter Andrews, Near Eastern Lang. and Civ., UW

Professor Jere Bacharach, History, UW

Professor Daniel Chiot, Sociology and International
Studies, UW

Dr. Jim Trombold, Board of Directors, Washington Physicians
for Social Responsibility

Panelists remarks will take only a part of the time, leaving ample time for your questions and comments.

Cosponsors: American Association of University Women, Redmond
Kirkland Branch

League of Women Voters of Lake Washington East

United Nations Association, Seattle Chapter

For additional information, contact Walter Andrews at 885-5525.

DRAGONS, HEROES, AND LOVERS EXHIBIT CONTINUES

The Wing Luke Museum exhibit of modern Central Asian art in the traditional style of manuscript painting continues until October 20. Featured are the paintings of the talented young Uzbek artist, Shah Mahmud Muhamedjanov. The museum is located at 407 Seventh Ave. S. in Seattle. Telephone: (206) 623-5124.

NAFSA TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING IN VANCOUVER, B.C.

NAFSA: Association of International Educators, (the organization of professionals who deal with foreign students who want to study in the U.S. and U.S. students who want to study overseas) will hold its annual meeting from October 30-November 2 in Vancouver, B.C. The theme of this year's conference is "Crossing Borders: Shared Concerns, Unique Perspectives, Creative Approaches." Areas of discussion during the conference will include new U.S. government regulations for foreign students and scholars, study-abroad programs, host family and community volunteer issues, the recruitment and admission of international students at the post-secondary level, ESL programs and administration, international programs administration and management, cross-cultural issues, and public and institutional advocacy for international education.

Registration for the conference will begin in September. For registration materials, contact Sandy Soohoo-Refaei, International Programs Officer, Linfield College, McMinnville, OR 97128 (503)472-4121.

SEATTLE PUBLIC LIBRARY/WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL OFFER LUNCH DISCUSSION SERIES

A series of lunch time discussions will be cosponsored by the Seattle Public Library and World Affairs Council. The discussants will be people from around the world visiting the U.S. on tours arranged by USIS. On November 22, a group of people from the Middle East will be the speakers discussing "The Aftermath of the Gulf War and Its Effect on the Region's Countries." This and the other lunch time events are FREE and will take place in the Downtown Branch of the library in the Third Floor Auditorium. For further information on this and other parts of the series, contact the World Affairs Council at (206) 682-6986.

TIME TO APPLY FOR SUMMER STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

Applications are now (or will soon be) available from the Department of Education for full-time teachers and administrators who would like to embark on a summer study abroad program in summer, 1992. Next summer teachers can apply to travel to Kenya; Tanzania; India; a combined tour of Taiwan, Hong Kong, and the People's Republic of China; Japan (for Japanese language teachers only); Korea; a combined tour of Mexico and Guatemala; Brazil; Poland; Czechoslovakia; and a combined tour of Morocco and Tunisia. For further information and an application, call Linda Byrd-Johnson at (202) 708-8294. The application deadline is November 25, 1991.



**LOOKING AHEAD: A CALENDAR OF UPCOMING JACKSON SCHOOL
OUTREACH AND MIDDLE EAST-RELATED EVENTS IN WINTER AND SPRING,
1992**

You will receive more detail about these events in later mailings, but mark your calendars now if you are interested in attending!

January 11 **SECOND SATURDAYS:** Refugees. Coordinator, Charlotte Albright.
Location: UW campus.

January 18 **Mosaic:** East Asia. Coordinator, Mary Bernson. Location: UW campus.

February 1 **SPORTS IN CANADA.** Sponsored by the Canadian Studies Program. For information contact Michael Bittner. Location: UW campus

February 8 **SECOND SATURDAYS:** Health Care Systems. Coordinator, Michael Bittner.
Location: UW campus.

February 22 or 29 **MOSAIC:** S.E. Asia (Maureen Terada is contact)

March 7 **REGIONAL MIDDLE EAST SEMINAR**--annual seminar for scholars in the Northwest specializing in Middle Eastern studies. Sponsors: Middle East Centers at UW and Portland State University. Location: UW campus

March 14 **SECOND SATURDAYS:** World Population Growth. Coordinator, Mary Bernson. Location: UW campus.

March 21 **MOSAIC:** Canada (Michael Bittner is contact)

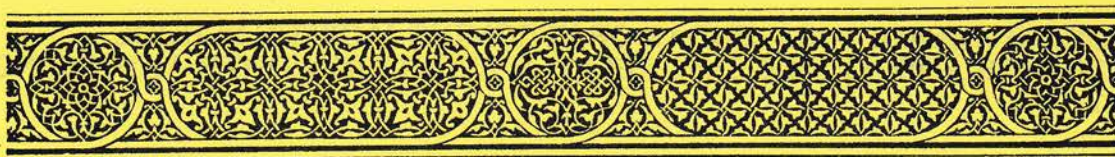
March 26-28 **National Council for the Social Studies REGIONAL CONFERENCE.** Jackson School Outreach Personnel will present panel on International Studies Outreach in the Pacific Northwest. Location: UW campus.

April 11 **SECOND SATURDAYS:** Democracy Issues. Coordinator, Maureen Terada. Location: UW campus.

April 11-13 **Seminar on DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENTS AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST** sponsored by the Jackson Foundation, the Jackson School, and the Middle East Center. Speakers will include the former Prime Minister of Turkey, Bulent Ecevit. For information contact C. Albright. Location: UW campus.

April 23-26 **American Research Center in Egypt** will hold its annual meeting in Seattle.

May 9 **SECOND SATURDAYS:** Global Environmental Problems. Coordinator, Charlotte Albright. Location: UW campus.



NEW MATERIALS FROM THE MERC

You may borrow these materials from the Middle East Resource Center free of charge by writing to the Center c/o the return address, or by calling (206) 543-4227.

Audiovisual Materials:

The Ancient Egyptians. (The Western Tradition Series) Lecture about life and beliefs in Pharaonic Egypt illustrated with pictures of artifacts, wall paintings, and buildings from that period. Level: High school and older.

The Arming of Iraq. 1/2" videocassette, color, 58 min. Films Inc. Discusses the arms build up in Iraq (and who provided the arms) prior to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in 1990. Secondary level.

The Art of Persia. 1/2" videocassette, color, 22 min. Nyman Productions. Shows production process for several Persian crafts: block printing of cloth, manufacture of inlaid chests and boxes, production of mosaic tile friezes (such as appear in mosques), and painting of miniatures are demonstrated. The film footage was originally shot in 1947. General audience appeal.

Children of Fire. Filmed by Mai Masri and Jean Khalil Chamoun. 1/2" videocassette, color, A film about the Intifada and Israeli occupation and the effect of these harsh realities on the people, particularly the children, of Nablus, a city in the West Bank. High school and adult.

Dervishes, Lovers of God. (In the Footsteps of Abraham series). 1/2" videocassette, color, 27 min. Landmark Films, Inc. A look at Muslim mystics, called sufis in the Middle East and dervishes in English. They seek a closer spiritual union with God through various rites including the performance of music and dance. High school and older.

Faces of Arafat. 1/2" videocassette, color, 57 min. Films Inc. Profiles Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the PLO, and discusses options for the Palestinians in the Middle East. Secondary level.

The Islamic Tradition. (Religion in Human Culture Series). 1/2" videocassette, color, approx. 30 min. Discusses basic precepts of Islam. Secondary level.

A Jeweler's Eye: Islamic Arts of the Book from the Vever Collection. Produced by the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, Smithsonian Institution. 1989. A slide set, slide descriptions and activities from the museum exhibit of the same name. Slides with activities usable for elementary age, slides by themselves for older audience.

The Jewish Tradition. (Religion in Human Culture Series) 1/2" videocassette, color, approx. 30 min. Discusses basic precepts of Judaism. Secondary level.

The New Persia. 1/2" videocassette, color, 22 min. Nyman Productions. This program should actually be entitled "The Old Persia" since it is really an art historical program and deals with the architectural characteristics of some of Iran's most famous mosques. The film footage was originally shot in 1947. General audience appeal.

Turning. 1/2" videocassette, color, about 50 min. Produced by Diane Cilento. Distributed by the Beshara Foundation, San Francisco. Film examines the history of human concept of self and humankind's relation to nature and to various conceptions of god. The program begins with a look at the culture of the people who lived in atal Hyk (in what is today Turkey) about 7000 B.C. and continues down to modern Turks and a performance of Mevlevi dervishes Konya, Turkey.

Under A Crescent Moon. 1/2" videocassette, color, 52 min. Landmark Films Inc. Filmed in Kano, an Islamic city in northern Nigeria. Long sequence covering events of Eid el-Fitr, the celebration at the end of Ramadan, the month of fasting. Secondary level and older.

Ways of Faith. (The Arabs: A Living History Series) 1/2" videocassette, color, 50 min. Landmark Films, Inc. Concerns Muslims who travel to Umduban, Sudan, to seek guidance and blessings from an elderly religious teacher.

Weaving a Persian Rug. 1/2" videocassette, color, 20 min. Nyman Productions. A fascinating film showing--from the wool on the sheep's back to the rug on your living room floor--how a Persian rug is produced. Originally filmed in 1947. All ages.

Women of South Lebanon. Film by Jean K. Chamoun and Mai Masri. 1/2" videocassette, color, 67 min. Program about the lives of Muslim women under Israeli occupation in south Lebanon. High School and adult.

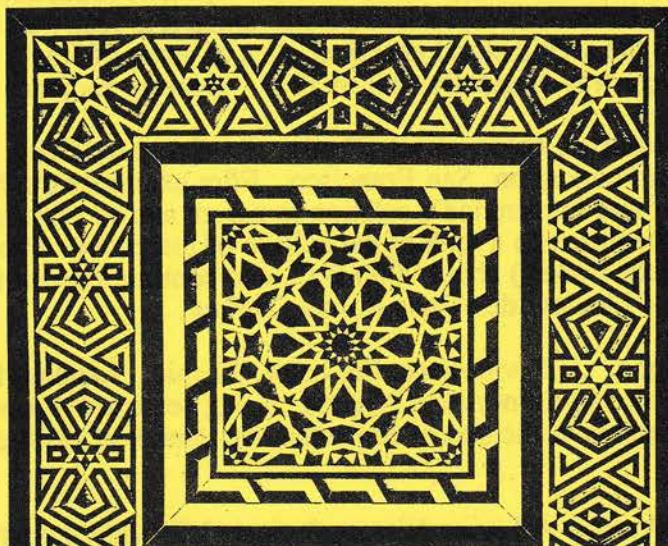
Books:

Arab America Today: A Demographic Profile of Arab Americans. John Zogby. Washington, D.C.: Arab American Institute, 1990. Statistics on Arab Americans: where they originally came from, where they live in the U.S., what jobs they do, etc.

Arabian Oasis City: The Transformation of 'Unayzah. Soraya Altorki and Donald Cole. Austin: University of Texas Press, 1989. Chronicles the social and economic changes that have taken place in a smaller Saudi Arabian town since oil money began to change that country.

Iranian Cities: Formation and Development. Masoud Kheirabadi. Austin: University of Texas Press, 1991. Kheirabadi discusses the physical environment of Iran and the trade, history, religion, and sociopolitical structures that affect the appearance of cities in Iran. Lots of interesting photographs, line drawings, and maps.

"Islamic Revival in the Arab World," Arab World Almanac. Vol. 2, No. 3, Spring, 1991. Discusses Islam, reasons for Islamic revival, differences in perspective between Islamic revivalists and radical activists. Gives less plan and suggested activities.



Middle East Studies Association/Middle East Outreach Council Text Evaluation Project.

Elizabeth Barlow, Evaluations Coordinator. Ann Arbor: Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies, 1991. Fifty-eight current textbooks in Geography, World History, and American History were evaluated by a team of experts--high school teachers and Middle East scholars--for the accuracy and balance of coverage of the Middle East.

DEFINITELY WORTH A LOOK IF YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT IS PLANNING TO ACQUIRE NEW SOCIAL SCIENCE TEXTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. The Middle East Center has a copy for loan. Also available for purchase.

Oman: A Report. Claud Morris. London: Morris International Associates Ltd., 1991. A glowing report on the progress Oman has made in education, health care, and building a modern infrastructure since the present ruler, Sultan Qaboos, took over leadership in the 1970's.

"Palestinians Living under Military Occupation in the West Bank and Gaza Strip--Possible Socioeconomic and Political Factors Related to Ill Health," Master's Thesis by Karen Young, Seattle: University of Washington, 1991.

A Political Economy of the Middle East: State, Class, and Economic Development. Alan Richards and John Waterbury. Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1990. A systematic political economy analysis of the Middle East that delves into the ways socioeconomic factors shape and constrain public policy the ways development issues affect political outcomes. College level.

They Dare to Speak Out. Paul Findley. Chicago: Lawrence Hill Books, 1985. Catalogs the impact of AIPAC and other pro-Israeli groups on U.S. politics. Adult.

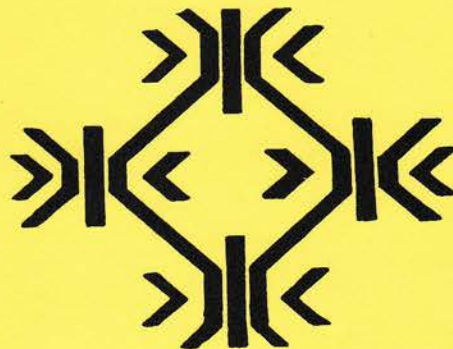
Books for Use in the K-12 Classroom:

Children of Egypt. Matti A. Pitkanen. Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Books, Inc., 1991.
Beautiful pictures illustrate information about Egypt and its children. Elementary level.

Count Your Way Through the Arab World. Jim Haskins. Illustrations by Dana Gustafson.
Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Books, Inc., 1991. Counts one through ten using short articles telling about the Arab world. The number eight, for instance, tells eight different ways to say cousin in Arabic. Elementary level.

An Introduction to Islamic History. A Teacher's Resource Book for Grades 7-12. Los Angeles: Minaret Publishing House, Islamic Center of Southern California, 1991. A huge collection of information, lessons, and teaching materials on Islam and the Muslim world. May be duplicated for classroom use.

Opposing Viewpoints Pamphlets. San Diego: Greenhaven Press, 1989. A series of booklets (100-250 pp. each) presenting both sides of the following issues:
Does Israel treat the Palestinians fairly?
Historical debate: Is a homeland for the Jews necessary?
What is Israel's international role?
Should the U.S. support Israel?
What is the future of Israel?
Is peace possible in the Middle East?
Why is the Middle East a conflict area?
Are Palestinian rights being ignored?
What role should the U.S. play in the Middle East?
How has Islamic fundamentalism affect the Middle East?





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