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PAUL WINEMAN GIVES FELLOWSHIP TO JACKSON SCHOOL FOR STUDY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

PAUL R. Wineman has contributed a gift of \$12,500 to The Jackson School of International Studies to establish the Paul Wineman Fellowship for study abroad at Yarmouk University in Jordan. The fellowship is open to graduate and undergraduates with a strong interest in the Arab world, who expect to pursue a career in business activity related to the Middle East upon graduation.

Mr. Wineman, who graduated from the University of Washington with a BA in Communications and has built a long and fascinating career tied to the Middle East. He was commissioned into the US Army in 1960 and was posted to Iran where he served as Officer-in-Charge of the Armed Forces Radio and Television Station in Teheran. In 1962, he returned to the US for a year of intensive language training in Persian at the US Army Language School in Monterey, and was then set back to Iran where he served as the US Army Airborne-Special Forces Advisor to the Imperial Iranian Army. For the next two years, Wineman, then a Captain, was the sole US Army advisor to the Imperial Iranian Army.



Paul Wineman

Wineman left the Army in 1965 to obtain a masters degree in Middle Eastern Studies from the American University in Beirut. After graduating from AUB, Wineman returned to Teheran to serve as General Manager of Television in Iran. A year later, he became a contract supervisor overseeing the operation and maintenance of the Saudi Arabian television network. Wineman's ever-present business acumen led him quickly upward and by 1973 he was the Regional Director, Middle East for United Aircraft International (later to become United Technologies Corp.), a

position he held until 1976.

In 1976, Wineman returned to Los Angeles and formed his own consulting firm, Paul R. Wineman & Associates, Inc., which advises the defense and aerospace industry on how to successfully market and win sales throughout the Middle East. Since 1981, Wineman has also been conducting seminars domestically and internationally on how to win sales and engage in negotiations.

As part of this new fellowship, Mr. Wineman has agreed to serve as a mentor to the awardee, offering his guidance and significant business-related expertise to enrich the recipient's travel and study experience.*

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New Staff at the Middle East Center



Felicia Hecker, assistant director (left) and Mimi Heggelund, outreach coordinator (right), at the Middle East Center

CHARLOTTE Albright, the Middle East Center's associate director for nearly twenty years, resigned last spring and has been replaced by two new staff members this fall, Mimi Heggelund, who is the Center's outreach coordinator and Felicia Hecker, the Center's assistant director.

Mimi Heggelund earned her doctorate degree in Education from the University of Washington and brings over ten years of education-related experience to the Center. Born and raised in the Middle East, she came to the United States to complete high school and pursue a college degree. Over the years, she has been involved in teaching, staff training, project evaluation, technical assistance, and curriculum development. She has worked with teachers and administrators in the State of Washington documenting and formatting teaching practices. Heggelund

will handle the Center's K-12 outreach and will coordinate teacher training workshops.

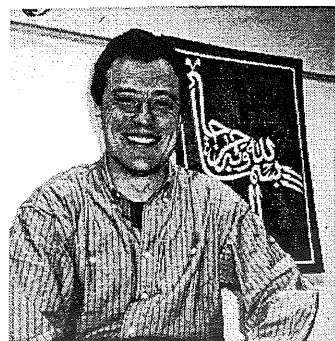
Felicia Hecker has been the director of the Near East Publications program at the University of Washington since 1984. She developed the program's award-winning publication series and has cultivated and encouraged the work of young scholars of the Middle East. Most recently Hecker, ran the Jackson School's series on Freedom of Expression, supported by a grant from the Jackson Foundation, which included such eminent speakers as the Turkish novelist, Orhan Pamuk, and the Palestinian human rights activist, Eyad El-Sarraj. She is a Fellow of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland, with strong academic interests in the historical exchanges between the Middle East and China. She will handle the administration of the Center.*

MARK WEGNER

Visiting Costigan Lecturer in Middle East History

MARK Wegner is the Costigan Lecturer in Middle Eastern History this Winter and Spring term in the Department of History.

Wegner was an undergraduate in history at Yale University and did his graduate work in the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations at the University of Chicago. He has taught at the University of Chicago and at Loyola University of



Mark Wegner

Chicago. His dissertation titled "The Debate Over the Revival of the Caliphate in Egypt, 1922-26," examines the relationship between the medieval theory of the caliphate and the movement to revive the caliphate in Egypt in the 1920s.

Wegner harbors ambitions of writing an Arabic grammar some day. In the meantime, he fills his free time with swimming, bridge, basketball, and the companionship of Thorin, his German shepherd dog.*

The Middle East Center and Montana State University Initiate Arabic Distance Learning Program

Seven Midwestern Institutions of Higher Education Will Benefit

THE Middle East Center has entered into an agreement with Montana State University at Bozeman to provide the Arabic language training expertise and Arab culture instruction for a four-year program of study, which will be offered at seven colleges and universities across the upper Midwest. The program is designed so that students receive two years of Arabic language instruction and culture courses at their subscribing institutions via interactive video airing from the University of Washington

campus. The Center and the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilization will provide weekly instruction, which will be augmented by on-site TA's, who will be trained in intensive workshops at the University of Washington each summer.

During their junior year, students will attend Al Akhawayn University in Morocco, where they will continue their intensive training in Arabic and Arab culture.

This new program will open up the world of Arab culture to

students in a large geographical region across the upper Midwest, who have not had the opportunity to study Arabic or Arab society. The corresponding institutions, are: Montana State University-Billings, Billings, MT; University of Montana, Missoula, MT; Carroll College, Helena, MT; Rocky Mountain College, Billings, MT; South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD; University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND; and Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID.*

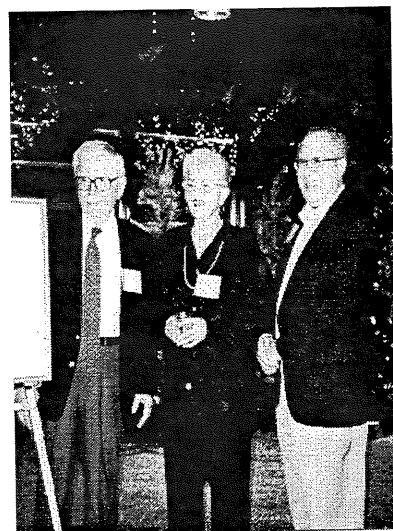
Professor Farhat Ziadeh Honored

As Mentor to Young Scholars and Distinguished Naturalized Citizen

FARHAT Ziadeh, professor emeritus, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilization and former director of the Middle East Center, was honored at this year's Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association in San Francisco with the Association's Mentoring Award. The award was presented in recognition of Professor Ziadeh's more than forty years of valuable and unstinting support of students and young scholars in the field of Middle Eastern studies. When the presentation was announced, those in the audience whose lives and careers had been affected by Professor Ziadeh were asked to stand. Fully one-third of the

audience rose to their feet. Professor Ziadeh is the second recipient of this distinguished award, following Professor Jacob Horowitz of Columbia University.

Professor Ziadeh was also recognized this past summer in Seattle where he received the "Spirit of Liberty" award presented by US House Representative, Jim McDermott. The award, sponsored by the Seattle-based Ethnic Heritage Council, is given annually to a naturalized citizen who has made outstanding contributions to the United States while maintaining his or her ethnic and cultural heritage.*



Left to right: Farhat Ziadeh, Suad Ziadeh, and Jere Bacharach at the MESA meeting in San Francisco, November 1997.

THE TEACHERS' CORNER

The Iranian Revolution: A Bitter Taste of Triumph

*Outstanding Video Project Produced by Bainbridge High School Students for
Washington State History Day Project*

Note: With this issue of the Middle East Center Newsletter, we are inaugurating a new feature page devoted to K-12 activities. The page is edited by Mimi Heggelund.

STUDENTS at Bainbridge High School participating in Washington State History Day 1997 produced a video titled *The Iranian Revolution: A Bitter Taste of Triumph*. Under the supervision of their teacher, Loanne Atkinson, students Samar Al-Bulushi, Ben Atkinson, Cari Crane, and Peter Freeman aimed to portray accurately the history of twentieth century Iran, its triumphs and its tragedies, through the eyes of the Iranian people.

Students were required to define a historical question, locate source material, analyze information, and present it in an effective manner. They interviewed Shahla Faryar, who worked for the Shah's government and Farman Farmaian, an Iranian author living in Los Angeles, who recounted the hopes and desires of the Iranian people. The video incorporates

footage from news sources and still pictures. Accompanying the video are a short text, list of specialists in the field, and bibliography. The video can be used in classes that deal with Middle East issues, Middle East leaders, Islam or Islamic fundamentalism, Western influence in the Middle East, or as a model for student projects.

The Middle East Center has developed a timeline of Iranian history to accompany the video. In addition, the Center Resource Library has several books, videos, and materials to support instructional units on Iran and the Middle East.

For more information on Iran, e-mail Persia@Persia.NetOnline or use the following on-line resources:

[<www.yahoo.com/regional/countries/iran>](http://www.yahoo.com/regional/countries/iran)
(This source provides additional links to Islamic Architecture in Isfahan, Persian Carpet Gallery, Persian Poetry and Art, and Persian Literature).

[<www.hyperhistory.com>](http://www.hyperhistory.com)
(At this site there are links to historical maps and Today's Events from CNN).*

Summer Workshops on Ancient Egypt Planned by Seattle Art Museum and the Middle East Center

IN October 1998, a major exhibition titled *Searching for Ancient Egypt* is coming to Seattle. The exhibition of artifacts from the University of Pennsylvania's world-renowned Egyptian collection, will be held at the Seattle Art Museum.

The Middle East Center is collaborating with the Seattle Art Museum in developing a series of two-day K-12 teacher workshops. The workshops will be designed to

familiarize teachers with the exhibit, to engage them in the experience of archeological excavations, and to provide them with instructional resources and materials.

In future issues of the *Newsletter*, we will be highlighting these workshops. For preliminary information, call Mimi Heggelund at the Center, 206-543-4227.*



Statue of Amun, from the exhibit

New Acquisitions in the Center's Resource Library

Resources may be borrowed from the Middle East Center free of charge by contacting the Middle East Center <mimih@u.washington.edu> or <fhecker@u.washington.edu>, or by telephoning the Center at 206-543-4227. The Center also publishes a video guide of its holding, which is available free upon request.

NEW VIDEOS

But I Who Write: A Conversation with Orhan Pamuk. VHS, 59 min., color, 1997. Produced by the Jackson School as part of the Freedom of Expression Series. Professor Walter Andrews interviews prominent Turkish novelist, Orhan Pamuk.

Checkpoint: The Palestinians after Oslo. VHS, 58 min., color, 1997. Directed by Tom Wright and produced by Therese Saliba. A critical look at the Oslo peace agreement and its aftermath.

Egypt: Gift of the Nile. VHS, 22 min., color. Explores the impact of the Nile on the development of Egyptian civilization. Suitable for grades 5-7.

Tales from the Tomb: Lost Sons of the Pharaoh. VHS, 40 min., color, 1997. Produced by ABC, narrated by Hugh Downs. Kent Weeks' discovery of KV-5, tomb of the sons of the Ramses.

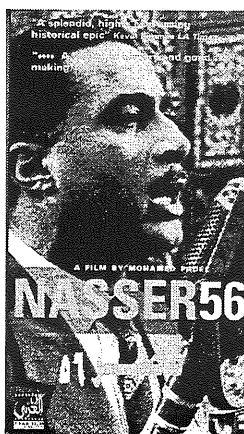
Nasser 56. VHS, b/w., 140 min., 1996. Directed by Mohamed Fadel, screenplay by Mahfouz Abd Al Rahman. A docu-drama of Gamal Abdel Nasser's nationalization of the Suez

Canal in 1956. Uses vintage newsreel footage.

Speaking Truth to Power: A Conversation with Eyad El-Sarraj. VHS, 59 min., color, 1997. Produced as part of the Jackson School's Freedom of Expression Series. Palestinian human rights activist and psychiatrist, Dr. Eyad El Sarraj is interviewed by Professors Joel Migdal and Ellis Goldberg.

Terrorism and the Kebab. VHS, 155 min., color, 1992. Directed by Sherif Arafa. A study in the absurdities of modern Egyptian bureaucracy.

Iraq. VHS, 15 min., color. CBS "60 Minutes," reporter Leslie Stahl in Iraq. Aired May 12, 1996.



NOMADISM *Subject of a One-Day Workshop*

A workshop specifically targeted at K-9 teachers will be held on February 7, from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the UW campus is Thomson Hall, room 101 (see p. 7 for registration form). The workshop is part of the MOSAICs series sponsored by the Washington State Council for the Social Sciences and the Jackson School's outreach team. The schedule for the workshop is:

8:45-9:15: Coffee, tea, welcomes

9:15-10:15: "Nomadism in Central Asia: Traditions and Adaptation" (Dan Waugh, UW, Professor, History)

10:30-11:15: "Nomad Crafts: Constructing Small-Scale Yurts" (Claudia Olmstead, UW graduate student)

11:30-12:15: "Teaching about Refugees: The New Nomads," (Morrie Schneider & David Bennett, Overlake School)

12:15-1:30: Persian lunch catered by Shamshiri Restaurant and viewing of a film "The Romany Trail"

1:30-2:15: "Nomads of Iran" with slides (Manouchehr Shiva, UW, Anthropology)

2:15-2:30: break

2:30-3:30: Demonstration:

Music, dance, and folklore of nomads along the Silk Road, Ilse Cirtautas (UW, Near Eastern Languages & Civilization) and graduate students from Kirghizstan and Uzbekistan.*

BRENDA PIERCE: *Former Student, Now Works for the National Council on US-Arab Relations*

BRENDA Pierce, who received her BA in International Studies with a Middle East specialization in the spring of 1997, now works for the National Council on US-Arab Relations (NCUSAR) where she is the State Regional Committee Coordinator. From her office in Washington, D.C., Pierce oversees the activities of sixteen committees across the country that promote and further understanding of the Arab world through teacher training workshops, seminars, and cultural events.

It was through one of the NCUSAR activities, the Model Arab League competition held at Shoreline Community College in 1995, that Pierce first became seriously interested in pursuing a career that would result in advancing an appreciation of Arab culture in the US. From that



*Brenda Pierce at the
Middle East Center*

experience, Pierce went on to participate in the Summer in Syria study program sponsored by NCUSAR, which significantly strengthened her understanding of Arab culture. In 1997, she was a delegate on the UW's Middle East

Center-sponsored team to the Model Arab League, which won the outstanding delegation award.

Pierce maintains a busy travel schedule in her new position where she visits regional committees and heads up NCUSAR activities at the local level. She also assists with the NCUSAR's Malone Fellowship Program, which offers teachers and community leaders the opportunity to travel in the Arab world, meet high-ranking government officials, businessmen, and academics, and gain a deeper understanding of their host country.

Pierce is anxious to be of help to all teachers, students, and people generally interested in the Arab world through NCUSAR's varied programs. She can be contacted by telephone at: 202-293-0801 or she can be reached by email:

<brenda@ncusar.org>.*

REGIONAL MIDDLE EAST SEMINAR

Plan to Attend Saturday, February 28

The Middle East Center will be hosting the Annual Regional Seminar on the Middle East on Saturday, February 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Thomson Hall 317, UW campus, Seattle. The seminar is primarily convened to provide faculty who teach about the Middle East and Central Asia at regional colleges and universities an opportunity to meet and exchange ideas and current research.

The tentative program includes the following presentations:

- "Internet Sources on Women and Islam" (Janet Ann French, Washington State University)
- "Challenging Structure with Light: Investigating the Ottoman Mosque" (Alison Snyder, University of Oregon)
- "Fulbright-Hays Faculty Tour of Jordan '97" (David McCreery, Willamette University)
- "Exploration of the Caucasus and Central Asia" (Dan Waugh and Frith Maier, UW)
- "Introduction to Model Arab League, Malone Fellowships" (Jim Jory, Shoreline Com. College)

REGISTRATION FORM

Yes, I plan to attend the Regional Seminar

Regular Registration Fee \$15.00

Student Registration Fee 5.00

Dinner at Shamshiri Persian Restaurant 15.00

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to the Near East Studies Council.

Deadline is February 20, 1998.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

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NOMADISM MOSAIC

FEBRUARY 7, 1998

Contact: Kurt Engelmann, 206-543-4852
Russian, East European & Central Asian Center,
Middle East Center, and South Asian Center

SOUTHEAST ASIA MOSAIC

MARCH 7, 1998

Contact: Maureen Jackson, 206-543-9606
Southeast Asia Center

FESTIVAL MOSAIC

APRIL 4, 1998

Contact: Mary Bernson, 206-543-1921
East Asia Center

SOUTH ASIA MOSAIC

MAY 2, 1998

Contact Keith Snodgrass, 206-543-4800
South Asia Center

All workshops will take place in 101 Thomson Hall, University of Washington, Seattle. Each workshop costs \$35 and includes lunch and all materials, with clock hours available at no additional charge. Special discount: \$30/each for two or more MOSAICS. Pre-registration is required. To register, make check payable to WSCSS and send, with this completed form, to: Outreach Programs, Jackson School of International Studies, Box 353650, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195-3650. Please call the appropriate contact above for additional information.

Name: _____

Phone (hm and school): _____

Address: _____

School/District: _____

Grades/subjects taught: _____

Workshop(s) registering for: _____

CALENDAR OF SELECTED UP-COMING EVENTS

February 7

Nomads Mosaic (*see inside for details and registration, pp. 5, 7*)

February 18

"Israel and the Middle East Peace Process," Joel Migdal (JSIS International Updates Series), Walker-Ames Rm., Kane Hall, 5:30-8:00 p.m. \$20 registration for dinner and lecture, call 206-543-6811 for details.

February 28

Regional Middle East Seminar (*see inside for details, p. 6*)

March 5-7

Integrating Islamic Studies into the Liberal Arts Curricula Workshop, 206-543-3920 for details.

April 1

"Post-Invasion Kuwait," Brannon Wheeler (JSIS International Updates Series), Walker-Ames Rm., Kane Hall, 5:30-8:00 p.m., \$20 registration for dinner and lecture, call 206-543-4227 for details.

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