

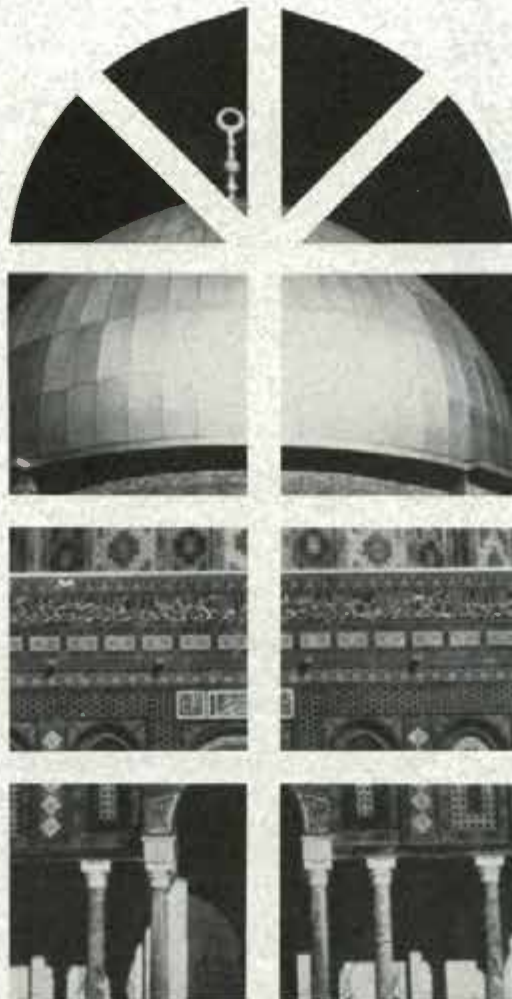
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ABOUT PRESENT AND UPCOMING
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UNDERSTANDING ABOUT AMERICAN
INTERESTS AND INVOLVEMENT IN THE
ARAB WORLD.

John Duke Anthony
President

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 23, 1990

Dear Students:

I was pleased to learn that you will be visiting Egypt, Jordan, and Tunisia as exchange students with the Malcolm H. Kerr Scholars Program. I know you're looking forward to meeting new people of various backgrounds and learning more about different cultures and traditions.

Our nation counts on young Americans like you to be our youth ambassadors of goodwill to the world. I hope that you'll pass along the greetings of the American people to those you meet in your travels.

You have my best wishes for a memorable and happy adventure.

Sincerely,

Students of the Malcolm H. Kerr
Scholars Program
Washington, D.C.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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For the National Council, 1990 was a year of expansion and innovation. We explored new countries, launched new programs, and reached more people than ever before. It was also a year of reaffirmation, in which the appropriateness of the Council's goals and the significance of its work were demonstrated after the events of August in ways that one could not have anticipated.

The Council's ongoing efforts to educate Americans about the Arab world took on special significance following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2. The more than 650 alumni of the Council's study visits to the Arab world — congressional leaders and their aides, world affairs council presidents, lieutenant governors, attorneys general, professors, young journalists, and high school students — became much needed and highly appreciated sources of information in their communities and among their colleagues. In addition, the 1,384 university student participants in the Model Leagues of Arab States, which the Council has sponsored since 1986, were of immense help in their classmates' efforts to understand and explain the positions of the Arab countries regarding the Kuwait crisis.

Throughout the course of a year, as many as 50 people a week visit the National Council's offices. That's 200 per month; 2,400 per year. In addition, Council staff members handle an average of 50 incoming calls a day and nearly as many pieces of correspondence. The total — more than 27,000 requests for information or educational services regarding the Arab world — is but a fraction of the additional numbers of people reached by one or more Council activities during the year. Through the numerous national, state, and local leaders who have participated in the Council's study abroad programs — and especially the educators, each one teaching an average of 300 students annually — the actual number reached is many thousands more.

Since August 1990, a record number of people, many of whom were contacting the National Council for the first time, have sought information and other resources. In the months after the invasion, requests for such assistance poured in to the Council's office from across the U.S. and abroad.

Fortunately, participants in the Council's ten State Committees on U.S.-Arab Relations were able to lend a hand. The Committees played an exceptional role in answering the public's need for information by organizing numerous Arab world-related educational activities at the grassroots level. They also awarded grants for such activities to local community institutions. Hundreds of these individuals served as sources of information and reference for local media and television stations. Virtually all have commented how their involvement in such activities was greatly assisted by the educational experiences they had had in the Arab world on one of the Council's programs.

In keeping with the goal of ensuring that the participants in the Council's programs and activities are able to share knowledge of the Arab world with their communities, the frequency with which they receive follow-up informational packets was increased. The Council's alumni have shared these bi-weekly packets of analytical articles, essays, facts, and figures with their colleagues and others in local libraries, religious institutions, and community centers. Moreover, in response to the flood of requests for knowledgeable

speakers, the Council has facilitated, through its Speakers Bureau, more speaking engagements than ever before — more than two per day.

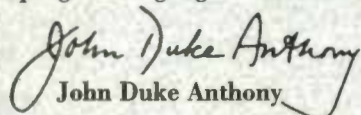
In 1990, the National Council found new avenues to broaden the scope of its activities in the Arab world and to enhance the effectiveness of its programs at home. For example, as a direct result of shared experiences during study visits to the region and a commitment to communicating these experiences to people in their home communities, Malone Fellows established two new state committees in California and Illinois. In addition, the Council organized its first study visit for alumni of the Malone Program. Fourteen past participants in the program spent nearly two weeks visiting Jordan, Israel, and the Occupied Territories. Participants were selected on the basis of their outstanding records of community and media educational activities since returning from their initial study visit to the Arab world. Another new development was the Summer Malone Program's first-ever study visit to Syria.

Two other programs for university students — the Model League of Arab States and the Summer Internship Programs — were expanded. The California and Texas Committees on U.S.-Arab Relations organized additional Models at Mills College in Oakland, California, and the University of Texas at Austin, drawing close to 200 new participants. The Summer Internship Program, which offers academic credit, more than doubled. Twenty-one university students were provided internships in companies and nonprofit organizations in Washington, D.C. and several Arab countries.

We remain firm in our conviction that firsthand cultural experiences in the Arab world have a profoundly educational, and often life-changing, impact on Americans. In keeping with this conviction, the National Council took a record number of 140 American leaders to the region in 1990. In 1991, we look forward to expanding the Council's internship programs in the Arab world for young journalists and in Washington, D.C. for university-level alumni of the Kerr Scholars Program.

1991 also promises to be a year in which the effectiveness of the Council's unique programs in dispelling stereotypes and misperceptions about the Arab people and America's role in the region becomes more important than ever before. The informational and educational follow-up through monthly mailings and the facilitation of public affairs programs, conferences, seminars, and media appearances across the country will play a critical part in helping the Council's grassroots friends teach others about America's important relationship with the Arab world. Through these friends and supporters, the message will reach an exponentially larger number of Americans than would otherwise have been possible.

At this decisive period in America's relationship with the Arab world, we urge you to help these endeavors to forge a strong, healthy, and mutually beneficial relationship between our two peoples. Please complete the enclosed form. Your contribution will go directly toward strengthening and expanding the programs highlighted in this *Review*.


John Duke Anthony
President

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Congressman Nick Rahall

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL: A PROFILE

The goals of the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations are multifaceted, yet interrelated. They are: to provide, and help other organizations provide, high quality educational programs on the many dimensions of America's ties to the Arab world; to share information and insight with the general public on issues of importance to U.S.-Arab relations; and, through an array of educational activities, to stimulate greater national awareness of the range of American interests and involvement in the region. These goals support our basic mission: to promote a more positive and mutually beneficial U.S.-Arab relationship.

The Council pursues these objectives primarily through three means: cross-cultural exchange programs, educational and public affairs activities at the local level, and curricula development from the precollegiate to the university level throughout the United States. We work closely with organizations which share these objectives. Whenever possible, the Council fosters projects in partnership with established institutions. Several approaches continue to support these ends, such as the awarding of small grants in support of teacher training and administration of a Speakers Bureau. In 1990, as in earlier years, the Council's most effective means of reaching Americans at the grassroots level was through collaborative efforts with civic, educational, and community groups throughout the United States.

The National Council's Board of Directors and Advisory Board remain a highly diverse group. They include specialists from corporations, foundations, international affairs institutions, and academia. They also include former high-ranking government officials who are themselves either the directors or board members of prominent organizations active in the field of U.S.-Arab relations. In May 1983, the National Council was established as an American nonprofit educational organization. Shortly thereafter, it was granted tax-exempt public charity status in accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Council has no affiliation with the United States government or any government. It is funded solely by corporate, foundation, professional association, and individual donations. The National Council's offices are located in the nation's capital.

As the National Council is not a membership organization, its constituency consists largely of the people in the U.S. and the Arab world who have hosted, supported, or participated in one or more of its programs during the past eight years. This includes the members of other organizations whose directors have either requested assistance in connection with a new activity or with whom we have generated a joint project. More often than not, those who have become familiar with the National Council through participation in a leadership study visit, teacher training workshop, or Model Arab League, through assistance in the form of information or resources, or in a host of other ways, form an ongoing partnership with the National Council. Together, we enhance our mutual efforts to educate others about the Arab world and the U.S.-Arab relationship. In this way, the number of Americans seeking, like us, to contribute to the national dialogue on U.S. relations with the Arab world steadily increases.

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*Ambassador Salah
Bassiouny, Director, Center
for Middle East Studies,
Cairo*

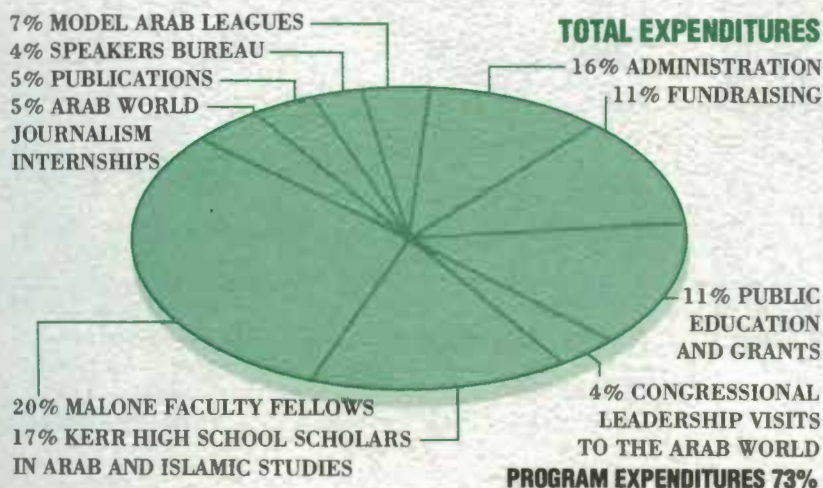
INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

As in previous years, we continued to rely heavily on the guidance and counsel of the Board of Directors and Advisory Board. The Advisory Board is chaired by The Honorable J. William Fulbright and comprises 40 distinguished Americans who are dedicated, experienced, and exceptionally active in the field of U.S.-Arab relations.

In 1990, the National Council's full-time staff increased from 11 to 15. Volunteers and interns also assisted in accommodating a rapidly growing volume of requests for educational assistance and in administering several of the Council's expanding programs. Volunteers Mrs. Diana Dajani, Mrs. Joan DeRosso, and Mr. Dayton Mak assisted with logistical and editorial tasks. They helped coordinate various aspects of the Council's grassroots activities and its follow-up support to alumni of its study abroad programs as well as to educational groups operating at the regional, state, and local levels. Mr. Ghassan Masri-Zada rendered an immensely valuable service by translating the Council's 1989 *Annual Review* into Arabic.

The ten State Committees on U.S.-Arab Relations are an outgrowth of the National Council's intensive involvement in individual communities. The first committee, the Oregon Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations, was founded in 1987. In 1990, two new state committee affiliates, the California Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations and the Illinois Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations, joined the eight existing committees. The Committees' purpose is to enable participants to initiate, conduct, and award grants for educational activities in their communities which increase public knowledge of Arab culture, civilization, and contemporary affairs.

The State Committees demonstrate that a local organization can be more cost-effective and efficient and reach constituencies that are at once larger and more diversified than would be possible if the National Council were to act alone. The Council supports the Committees through co-sponsorship of activities, frequent consultation, information and resources, and a broad range of Speakers Bureau services. Committee representatives convene twice a year to plan how best to fulfill their and the National Council's joint educational mission.



National Council Board members (L to R): Mr. Jean AbiNader, President of the National U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce, Dr. John Duke Anthony, President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Council, Mr. John Sarpa, Vice President of Hadid Development Company, and Dr. Peter Gubser, President of American Near East Refugee Aid, Inc. (ANERA). Mr. Ron Cathell, Executive Director of the National Council joins the group (far R). Board member Mr. Les Janka, Vice President of Neill and Company, is pictured above.



Mr. Les Janka



Members of the National Council's staff are (L to R, back row) Mr. Robert Gassner, Ms. Alison Richards, Ms. Linda Chu, Mrs. Ellen Marwitz, Ms. Cindy Malvicini, Mr. Douglas Savage, Ms. Becky Fish, (front row) Ms. Gail Johnson, Dr. Erika Alin, Ms. Andrea Lorenz, Ms. Julie Flowers, Ms. Soni Gerlach, and Mr. Keith Kroell.

CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP VISITS

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H.E. Shaikh Saud bin Nasir Al-Sabah, Kuwait's Ambassador to the U.S., delivers one of three National Council-sponsored briefings on Capitol Hill addressing the Kuwait crisis. The second briefing was presented by Xenel Industries Executive Director Mr. Abdullah A. Alireza, from Saudi Arabia, who discussed the effects of the crisis on bilateral trade relations and international business in the region. The third was given by the National Defense University's Dr. Phebe Marr, who analyzed the situation in Iraq.

The National Council arranged two Congressional Leadership Visits to the Gulf region in 1990. The visits provided a much needed opportunity for the policymakers to examine U.S. interests in the region and discuss bilateral relationships with leaders of the countries visited.

Six defense and foreign policy advisors visited the Sultanate of Oman and the United Arab Emirates, and five senatorial chiefs of staff and legislative directors visited Saudi Arabia and the UAE. In all three countries, the delegations met with the American ambassadors, government officials, private sector leaders, and the American business community for discussions on a variety of issues of mutual concern. In addition, they visited cultural and historical sites.

With the onset of the Kuwait crisis, alumni of the National Council's Congressional Leadership Visits requested that we increase the frequency with which we provide them information on Arab affairs. Accordingly, the Council sponsored a series of briefings on Capitol Hill for congressional staff members and also provided them every three weeks with packets of information and analysis either overlooked or downplayed by the media.

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H.H. Shaikh Nahyan bin Mubarak Al-Nahyan, Chancellor of the UAE National University, and U.S. Embassy officials in Abu Dhabi were among the many educational, business, and government leaders who received the delegation of six U.S. Congressional foreign policy and defense advisors during their National Council-organized visit to the UAE and Oman.

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A senatorial chief-of-staff listens as Saudi Arabia's Deputy Minister of Commerce, Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Zamil, discusses the commercial and economic relationship between the U.S. and Saudi Arabia.

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Members of the National Council-organized Congressional Leadership Visit to Oman meet with the Sultanate's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, H.E. Yusuf Alawi, to discuss strategic and related foreign policy issues in the U.S.-Oman relationship.

MALCOLM H. KERR HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARS PROGRAM IN ARAB AND ISLAMIC STUDIES

In keeping with an emphasis on addressing the educational needs of students and educators at the precollegiate level, we continue to introduce Arab and Islamic culture to an age group which ordinarily has few opportunities to study such subjects firsthand.

In 1984, with this objective in mind, the National Council established a high school cross-cultural exchange program in Egypt in cooperation with the American University in Cairo (AUC). The program was named in honor of the late Dr. Malcolm H. Kerr (1931 – 1984), President of the American University of Beirut and a member of the Council's Advisory Board at the time of his death in January 1984.

The Kerr Scholars comprise an American mosaic, representing every major religious persuasion as well as various ethnic groups. Not surprisingly, the annual nomination and selection process for the Kerr Scholar awards has become highly competitive. Each year, finalists are determined on the basis of scholastic achievement, extracurricular activities, demonstrated leadership potential, and an essay dealing with a specific challenge to the U.S.-Arab relationship. Numerous National Merit Scholars and an impressive number of valedictorians, class presidents, and other student leaders have been among the winning candidates. For the sixth consecutive year, the President of the United States wrote a letter of congratulations to the winners.

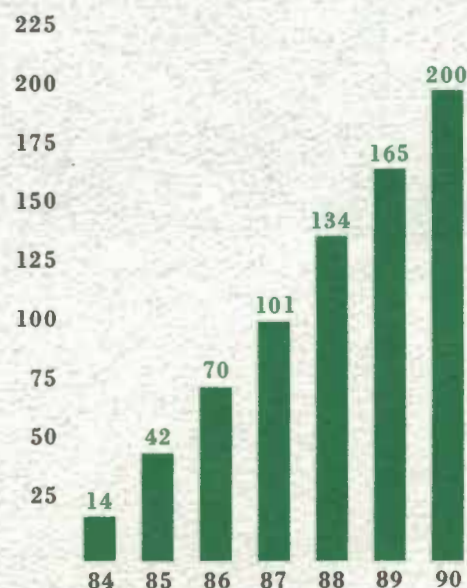
The predeparture orientation program for the Kerr Scholars in Washington, D.C. this year was extended by several days. In addition to intensive sessions on Arab and Islamic studies topics, the new multicomponent program, "Washington Week," introduced the Scholars to the viewpoints and activities of some of America's most prominent specialists on a variety of national and international issues. The expanded itinerary included visits to the Pentagon, the Supreme Court, the Washington Islamic Center, and a shelter for the homeless. In addition, the program included a briefing on crime in America by the president of the Criminal Justice Foundation and meetings for the Scholars with their congressional representatives.

In 1990, the National Selection Committee chose 35 high school juniors and seniors from 24 cities to participate in Summer Arab and Islamic studies programs in Egypt, Jordan, and Tunisia, bringing the number of Kerr Scholar Alumni to 200. A continuing follow-up feature of the program is the Scholars' commitment to provide 20 hours of local educational service related to their study visit experience. In this way, they develop valuable public speaking skills in the course of sharing what they learned in the Arab world with many diverse groups in their communities, including local primary and secondary school classes, churches, mosques, synagogues, and a broad range of civic associations. In this way, too, we're helping to prepare the next generation of America's leaders to be part of an increasingly interdependent U.S.-Arab relationship.

“THERE ARE NO PROGRAMS WITHIN MY STATE THAT WOULD ALLOW THE KIND OF DEPTH, INTENSITY, AND BREADTH OF STUDY AS THE MALCOLM KERR SCHOLARS PROGRAM. THERE IS A ‘MULTIPLIER EFFECT’ FROM THESE GAINS AS WE SHARE OUR BROADENED VIEWPOINTS AT OUR UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTIONS.”

Darin Weyhrich
(Egypt, '86)

CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF
KERR HIGH SCHOOL
SCHOLARS



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In Jordan, Kerr High School Scholar Tamara Smith (R) is pictured with a member of the family with whom she spent the Islamic holiday, Eid Al-Adha.

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"THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ORGANIZED AN AMAZING TRIP FOR US WHICH INCLUDED EVERYTHING FROM LESSONS IN THE LANGUAGE TO MEETINGS WITH PARLIAMENT MEMBERS TO DISCUSS THE POLITICS OF THE ARAB COUNTRIES."

*Lisa Beauvois
(Jordan, '90)*

In their university studies, many of the Kerr Scholars select Middle East studies as their undergraduate field of concentration. Although it is only in the last two years that the Scholars have begun graduating from their universities, it is significant that already two have been awarded Fulbright Fellowships to study in the Arab world, two have participated in U.S. State Department Internships, several have worked on their congressional representatives' staffs, and one is a U.S. Foreign Service officer. Virtually all of the alumni have become exceptionally active in the field of public affairs.

IN-COUNTRY ACTIVITIES

In Egypt, Kerr Scholars studied Arabic, Islam, economic and social development in Egypt and the Arab world, Egyptian foreign policy, Islamic art, and the numerous cultural facets of Cairo. They also visited the Suez Canal, Alexandria, Rosetta, and Luxor. Special events included a tour of the Palestine Red Crescent Society Hospital and a day-long visit to the Port Fuad Camp for Girls.

In Jordan, the Scholars studied Arabic, Jordanian economic development, family and society in Jordan, and the effects of the Palestinian Intifada. The Scholars' most memorable experiences included homestays with families during the Islamic holiday of Eid Al-Adha, trips to Petra, Aqaba, and the Dead Sea, a visit to a Palestinian refugee camp, and a meeting with Her Majesty Queen Noor.

In Tunisia, the Scholars studied Arabic, participated in seminars, and attended slide-illustrated lectures on a range of Arab and Islamic cultural themes. They also learned about Islamic movements, family planning, and Tunisian traditions and social customs. Highlights included a visit to the U.S. Peace Corps training site and a ten-day tour of southern Tunisia.

Special thanks are extended to the American University in Cairo for facilitating the Egypt Program, the Arab Cultural Association for arranging the Jordan Program, and the Center for Maghrebi Studies in Tunis (CEMAT) for coordinating the Tunisia Program.

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Kerr Scholars Kimberly Gamble and Oona Hathaway (front row, third and fourth from L) make new friends at the Port Fuad Camp for Girls in Egypt.

KERR ALUMNI INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

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The National Council's Kerr Alumni Internship Program, which was established in 1986, expanded significantly in 1990. A total of 22 students (a 55% increase over 1989) took advantage of the opportunity the National Council provided to expand their understanding of the Arab world and gain career-related experience, both in the international arena of Washington, D.C. and the Arab world itself.

The program has included Arab world internships since 1988. This year, eight Kerr Alumni participated in the program in Cairo. One intern worked with AT&T, where he researched demographic data and coordinated production and implementation of a new personnel information system for AT&T employees. Seven interns worked at the Palestine Red Crescent Society Hospital, teaching English to victims of the Intifada and the hospital staff, producing a public affairs video for the hospital, and assisting with patients at the Ein Shams Rehabilitation Center. 1990 was the first year the hospital hosted National Council interns. In addition, two 1990 Kerr Scholars to Jordan participated in internships at the Queen Noor Foundation in Amman following their Summer Program.

The National Council's Internship Program in Washington, D.C., which provides a professional work experience in the field of U.S.-Arab affairs, expanded to include not only Kerr Scholar Alumni but also students nominated by Malone Fellow Alumni and outstanding participants in the Model Arab League Program. In 1990, five Kerr Alumni worked at the National Council's offices. The Arab American Institute, the National U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce, American Near East Refugee Aid, Inc. (ANERA), the Center for Contemporary Arab Studies at Georgetown University, and the Johns Hopkins' School of Advanced International Studies also hosted Summer interns.

An enriching feature of the program was a series of lectures by some of America's leading Middle East specialists. Each intern was required to submit a research paper at the end of the internship as part of the overall requirement for receiving academic credit at their universities.

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A victim of the Intifada recovering at the Palestine Red Crescent Society Hospital in Egypt finds a new friend in National Council intern Wallace Sanders.

"THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, THROUGH THE KERR PROGRAM AND THE ALUMNI SUMMER INTERNSHIPS, HAS IMPACTED SIGNIFICANTLY ON OUR LIVES THROUGH OUR SON HUGH. HE HAS COMMITTED HIS COLLEGE EDUCATION TO NEAR EASTERN LANGUAGES AND CIVILIZATIONS AND HOPES TO PURSUE THIS FIELD IN A GRADUATE PROGRAM. BECAUSE OF THIS AND THE GREAT NEED TO EDUCATE THE AMERICAN PUBLIC ABOUT THE ARAB WORLD, WE WANT TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO YOUR PROGRAM."

Hubert and Maria Galford, Hurricane, WV

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Kerr Scholar Alumni and other outstanding university students recommended by Malone Fellow Alumni participated in the National Council's work-study internship program in Washington, D.C. Dr. Anthony is shown here with Nicholas Cowell, Ron Wolfe, Jr., Holly Daniel, Andy Eichfeld, Andrew Harris, and Judy Hummel (L to R).

MODEL LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES PROGRAM

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"THE MODEL ARAB LEAGUE NOT ONLY PROVIDES THE KIND OF IMMEDIATE INVOLVEMENT THAT CANNOT BE DUPLICATED IN THE CLASSROOM. IT ALSO PROVIDES AN INVALUABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS TO MEET AND INTERACT WITH OTHER STUDENTS WHO SHARE THEIR INTERESTS IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS."

Dr. James Gillespie, Notre Dame College, Malone Fellow and Faculty Advisor to the Midwest Model Arab League



Members of the delegation representing Palestine don traditional Palestinian dress during the 1990 Midwest Model Arab League at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Nearly 600 college and university students took part in the National Council's five Model Arab Leagues. Shown here are some of the more than 100 proud student delegates to the Southeast Model League of Arab States, held in Savannah, Georgia.



In 1990, the National Council organized five regional Model Leagues of Arab States in cooperation with the League of Arab States Information Office and with the generous support of the National U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce and the host universities. For the seventh year in succession, the Council facilitated the National Model Arab League at the American University in Washington, D.C. The Council also organized the Southeast Model in Savannah, Georgia, in cooperation with Savannah State College and the Foreign Language and Culture Center, and the Midwest Model in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in cooperation with Calvin College. Two new Models, the Southwest Model in Austin, Texas and the West Coast Model in Oakland, California, were organized in cooperation with the University of Texas at Austin and Mills College, respectively. A sixth model, the Northwest Model, was organized by participants of the National Council's Washington Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations and held at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma.

The Model League of Arab States Program has expanded fivefold in the past three years. In 1990 alone, more than 540 students and 82 faculty advisors from 61 American universities participated.

The Models simulate Arab League Summits and are similar in structure and operation to the activities of the Model United Nations. Delegations of five students each, with the guidance of faculty advisors, study and subsequently represent one of the 21 Arab League countries. Each delegate represents an Arab country on one of the League's five standing committees — Economic, Legal, Political, Social, and Palestinian Affairs. Students are aided in their research by cultural and educational attaches at the various Arab embassies and consulates, researchers at the Arab League's Permanent Mission to the United Nations, and an informal advisory board of former U.S. ambassadors, diplomats, and country specialists.

The Models provide students with a unique opportunity to participate in a dynamic three-day exercise in international relations. Through role-playing, the participants not only study and learn about the position, structure, and role of an important international body. They also familiarize themselves with the background, context, and salient features of a particular Arab country's foreign policies. In the process, student delegates gain practical experience in parliamentary procedure and debating skills. Students and faculty alike find the Models not only intellectually challenging and personally

rewarding, but an extraordinarily valuable educational experience, one unmatched by traditional learning methods.

For 1991, the National Council is pleased to announce that arrangements have been renewed for all six of the aforementioned Model Leagues of Arab States and that a seventh Model, the Rocky Mountain Model, will be held at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

JOSEPH J. MALONE FACULTY FELLOWS PROGRAM IN ARAB AND ISLAMIC STUDIES

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The Joseph J. Malone Faculty Fellows Program in Arab and Islamic Studies remains the only one of its kind for American professors that combines an intensive academic component with an in-country cultural experience. Named in honor of the late Dr. Joseph J. Malone (1924 - 1983), a distinguished Arabist and founding member of the National Council's Advisory Board, the program was established in the Summer of 1984 in Egypt at the American University in Cairo.

The Malone Program has since included separate seasonal study visits to nine Arab countries: Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, and Yemen. Major factors in the success of the program are its intense semester-equivalent format; its low cost to the participants; and its certain, immediate, and long-lasting benefits to the professors, their students and colleagues, and to civic groups and media in their home communities. Its success is also based on the impressive number of other Americans reached directly as a result of the program — a minimum of 300 people annually per Malone Fellow.

In 1990, the National Council's Winter, Spring, and Summer Programs, combined with the first annual Malone Alumni Program, enabled a total of seven separate delegations of Malone Faculty Fellows — more than 100 altogether — to visit the Arab world. Each delegation consisted of 12 to 16 professors in the humanities and behavioral and social sciences who hailed from California, Georgia, Illinois, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

The 1990 Summer predeparture orientation program for Malone Fellows, in addition to its focus on Arab and Islamic studies, incorporated a new feature, "Resource Day." The Fellows were introduced to Washington, D.C.-based associations that provide educational resources and materials on the Middle East and North Africa and also to organizations that provide grants for study and research in the Arab world. The program was hosted by Ambassador Walter Cutler, President of the Meridian House International Visitors Center. Representatives of sixteen organizations made presentations and provided the Fellows a broad range of materials describing available programs and opportunities.

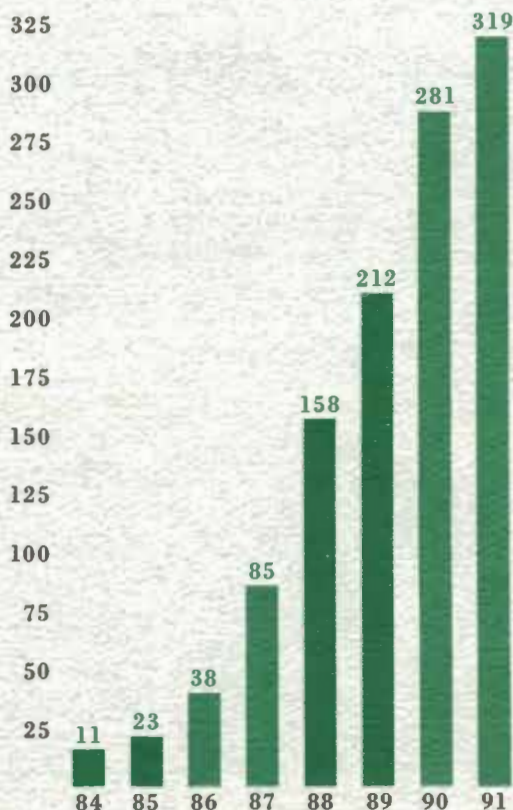
Another unique aspect of two of this year's three Summer Malone Programs was the experience of visiting more than one Arab country. Previously, Fellows have visited two Arab countries only during the Winter and Spring Programs. This year, one Summer group visited Egypt and Iraq, and another, Jordan and Syria, the latter for the first time. While our Tunisia Program remained the same, we hope in the future to link it with a study visit to Algeria.

Although each country's program offered unique experiences to the Malone Fellows, certain features were common to all the programs. The Fellows met with government officials, U.S. ambassadors, private sector

"THE VALUE OF THE STUDY VISIT TO BAHRAIN AND SAUDI ARABIA CANNOT BE MEASURED IN MATERIAL TERMS. IT HAS CHANGED MY ENTIRE PERSPECTIVE ON THE ARAB WORLD. THANK YOU FOR THE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME."

*Dr. Byron Augustin,
Malone Fellow*

**CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF
MALONE FACULTY FELLOWS**



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At a luncheon with members of the American Businessmen's Association in Al-Khobar, the National Council's Malone Fellows discuss the private sector dimension of the U.S.-Saudi Arabian relationship.

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UNIVERSITY



Humanities and social science professors from California, South Carolina, and West Virginia meet with Dr. Abdallatif Al-Faraidy (second from L), Vice President of King Faisal University in Dammam, to discuss contemporary trends in Saudi Arabian higher education.

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H.E. Dr. Ali Fakhro, Bahrain's Minister of Education, explains his country's educational strategies for the 1990s during a meeting with the National Council's Malone Fellows.

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Syria's Foreign Minister, H.E. Farouk Sharaa (front row, C), meets with the first Malone Fellows delegation to Syria to discuss U.S.-Syria relations.

leaders, and university professors for discussions on issues of mutual interest and concern. In addition, Fellows visited sites of historical and cultural significance and traveled from the capital cities to small towns and rural villages where they met additional Arabs from all walks of life.

In addition to the American Ambassador and Public or Cultural Affairs Officer in each of the host countries, the National Council wishes to extend special thanks to the following for their assistance in facilitating and coordinating the Malone

Programs: The Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Information, the University of Bahrain, and the Arabian Gulf University (Bahrain Program); the American University in Cairo's Assistant Provost for Special Academic Programs, Dr. John Swanson (Egypt Program); the Arab Historians Association (Iraq Program); the Arab Cultural Association and Mrs. Khawla Abu Odeh (Jordan Program); the Ministry of Higher Education, King Abdulaziz University in Jeddah, King Saud University in Riyadh, King Faisal University in Dammam, King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals in Dhahran, the Council of Saudi Chambers of Commerce and Industry, the American Business Associations in Dhahran, Jeddah, and Riyadh, and Saudi Aramco (Saudi Arabia Program); Aleppo University and the University of Damascus (Syria Program); the Center for Maghrebi Studies in Tunis (CEMAT) and Mme. Jeanne Mrad (Tunisia Program); and the University of Al Ain, the Arab Cultural Center, and the Bureau for Documentation and Research (United Arab Emirates Program).

FOLLOW-UP AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

To help Malone Fellows build upon the knowledge they acquire during their study visits, the National Council assists them in organizing follow-up academic seminars and community public affairs events. At such meetings, panel discussions on cultural topics and contemporary regional affairs are conducted, techniques and resources for improving instruction about the Arab and Islamic worlds are discussed and demonstrated, and future group activities are planned.

Upon returning to their communities, Malone Fellows share their firsthand experiences and newfound knowledge in a variety of ways. Virtually all Fellows enhance their teaching syllabi. Many also establish new courses on the Arab world, thereby enriching the international affairs curricula and the educational outreach resources of their universities. Others create slide shows for precollegiate and university educators using slides they took while in the Arab world. Still others organize student delegations from their universities to participate in the Model Arab Leagues and use the National Council's Speakers Bureau to bring to their campuses, communities, and media well-known specialists on the Arab and Islamic worlds. Almost all share their experience with the community through speaking to groups, appearing on television or radio, or publishing articles or editorials in newspapers and magazines. Assisting the Fellows in these educational activities through the provision of regular informational

mailings is an important feature of the Council's year-round work.

In addition, more and more Fellows have begun to examine their state's curricular guidelines and textbooks to determine how best to introduce units on the Arab world to local public school educators. As a result, in 1990, 54 Fellows organized teacher training institutes or scholarly conferences on U.S.-Arab affairs. These events involved hundreds of precollegiate educators, and the students reached through them numbered in the thousands.

MALONE ALUMNI PROGRAM

In August 1990, the National Council conducted its first study visit for past participants in its Malone Program. The visit of nearly two weeks to Jordan, Israel, and the Occupied Territories provided a second opportunity for 14 Malone Fellow Alumni to broaden their knowledge and understanding of the region. The Fellows hailed from Alabama, California, Kansas, Idaho, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Texas, and Wisconsin.

The Malone Alumni met with Israeli, Jordanian, and Palestinian government representatives and community leaders of varying viewpoints. The opportunity to engage in dialogue on a range of divergent opinions and perspectives was an important feature of the program. Memorable experiences included visits to Israeli kibbutzim and settlements in the Occupied Territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. The group also met with UN Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) officials in the course of visiting several Palestinian refugee camps.

Immediately upon their return, the 14 professors made a profound impact on their communities. Six of them were interviewed on a total of 19 different radio and television programs about their impressions of the Israeli-Palestinian situation. The programs were broadcast in California, Kansas, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, and Wisconsin. In addition, the Fellows were featured in front page interviews appearing in newspapers in California, Idaho, Kansas, Ohio, and Texas. With the addition of their students (an average of 300 per professor) to community audiences eager for firsthand information on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, this group of Malone Alumni, even before they had been back a month, shared what they learned with an average of one thousand people each.



In the United Arab Emirates, Malone Fellow Dr. Carol Delaney (R) discusses data collection in the Arab world with Dr. Mohammed Morsey Abdullah, Director of the Center for Documentation and Research, and Dr. Frauke Heard-Bey, historian and author.



H.R.H. Prince Muhammad Al Fahd (second row, fourth from R), Emir of Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province, hosts a discussion on U.S.-Saudi Arabia relations with a delegation of Malone Faculty Fellows during their visit to the Kingdom.



While in Syria, Malone Fellows are shown land being farmed according to an experimental development plan by the International Center for Agricultural Research in Dry Areas (ICARDA).



During the National Council's first Malone Program in Syria, professors meet with Shaikh Ahmed Kaftaro, the Grand Mufti of Damascus.



1990 Malone Fellows and Kerr Scholars to Tunisia visit the League of Arab States headquarters in Tunis.

THE JOE ALEX MORRIS, JR. JOURNALISM INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

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"THIS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM IS IDEAL FOR RECENTLY GRADUATED JOURNALISM STUDENTS BECAUSE ONE PRACTICES JOURNALISM PROFESSIONALLY WHILE CONTINUING TO LEARN ABOUT THE HISTORY, POLITICS, AND CULTURE OF THE ARAB WORLD."

*Ms. Charlotte Hale
(The Star, Amman,
Jordan '90)*

Since its inception in 1987, the National Council's Morris Journalism Internship Program has made an important contribution to the American media's understanding of the Arab world. Through the professional work experience provided by this program, young American journalists learn firsthand about Arab culture, society, and contemporary regional developments. The internships afford recent graduates of American journalism and mass communication schools a unique opportunity to live and work with their Arab counterparts as reporters and editors for the first three months of their post-graduate professional careers. The program is named in honor of Joe Alex Morris, Jr., the *Los Angeles Times'* award-winning correspondent who was killed accidentally in 1979 while covering the Iranian revolution.

When Morris Interns return to take positions at newspapers across America, they often assume the role of resident regional specialist for their newspapers. More importantly, they are in a better position to provide their editors with background on the Arab world, judge accurate from inaccurate information, and avoid the kinds of stereotyping of Arabs that often appears in the media.

In 1990, seven interns were placed at English-language newspapers and magazines in Arab countries. *Arab News* in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, hosted a masters degree graduate of the University of Missouri. *Gulf News* in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates, hosted a graduate of Ohio University. *Cairo Today* in Cairo, Egypt, hosted three interns: a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Texas at Austin, a masters degree graduate of Columbia University, and a masters degree graduate of the University of Illinois at Urbana. *The Star* in Amman, Jordan, hosted a graduate of Boston University. *Kuwait Times* in Kuwait City hosted a graduate of Ohio State University until shortly after the Iraqi invasion on August 2. Ten days later, the intern was the only Westerner to escape in a convoy of cars to the Saudi Arabian border. She completed her internship with *Khaleej (Gulf) Times* in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates.

The fourth year of the Morris Journalism Internship Program brings the total number of participants to 24. Six former interns have since taken up positions with regional newspapers or, in the tradition of Morris himself, as reporters on assignment in the region for U.S.-based publications. Special thanks are extended to each of the host newspapers, *The Los Angeles Times*, Mobil Oil Corporation, and the Middle East Outreach Fund for their support of the program.



Morris Journalism Interns Ms. Juli Klyce and Mr. Aldo Svaldi, and National Council Executive Director Mr. Ron Cathell listen as veteran journalist Mr. Don Shannon (R), of the *Los Angeles Times*, briefs the interns prior to their departure for assignment with *Kuwait Times*, in Kuwait City, Kuwait, and *Arab News* in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, respectively.



Mr. Peter Sisler, shown here during his 1989 internship with *Arab News* in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, continues to report from the Middle East on assignment for the *Washington Times*.

GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL

In addition to its Model Leagues of Arab States Program, the National Council, in cooperation with a prominent U.S. corporate support group, serves as the leading U.S. organization educating Americans about the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC). The GCC is comprised of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates. As in previous years, Dr. Anthony was invited to observe the GCC's annual Heads of State Summit.

The National Council remains in close communication with U.S. ambassadors to the GCC countries, the ambassadors to the U.S. from the GCC states, the GCC Secretariat in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and a broad range of U.S. government officials, private sector leaders, and media representatives who deal with U.S.-GCC affairs on an ongoing basis. Each delegation of congressional leaders and Malone Fellows visiting Saudi Arabia meets with officials at the GCC headquarters.

At the 1990 Middle East Studies Association (MESA) Conference, at which he presented a paper entitled "The Decisive Decade: GCC Summitry in the 1980s," Dr. Anthony was elected president of the Society for Gulf Arab Studies.

U.S.-GCC CORPORATE COOPERATION COMMITTEE, INC.

In 1990, the National Council continued to work closely with the U.S.-GCC Corporate Cooperation Committee, which seeks to strengthen the U.S.-GCC private sector relationship. Formed in 1986, the Committee is comprised of Rockwell International Corporation, which chairs the Committee; AT&T and Mobil Oil Corporation which serve as vice-chairs; Allied-Signal Aerospace Company; Bankers Trust Company; Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Inc.; FMC Corporation; Harris Corporation; Hughes Aircraft Company; The M. W. Kellogg Company; Lockheed Corporation; and The Parsons Corporation. The National Council serves as the Committee's Secretariat. The Committee was incorporated in March, at which time it also applied for 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status with the IRS.

Highlights of the Committee's activities in 1990 include:

- ♦ hosting a luncheon program for GCC officials Dr. Abdullah Al-Mulla and Dr. Abdelkarim Al-Hamadi who spoke on U.S.-GCC economic cooperation;
- ♦ hosting a reception to commemorate the ninth anniversary of the founding of the Gulf Cooperation Council;
- ♦ assisting American corporate leaders from the GCC countries in their U.S. visit to heighten public awareness of the importance of U.S. business interests in the Gulf;
- ♦ hosting Mr. Abdullah Alireza of Xenel Industries in Saudi Arabia, Mr. Jean AbiNader of the National U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Karl Reiner of the Commerce Department at a roundtable discussion on the implications of the Kuwait crisis for American business in the Gulf;
- ♦ organizing media and public speaking engagements in Washington, D.C. for GCC Secretary-General H.E. Abdulla Bishara regarding the GCC's reaction to the Kuwait crisis;
- ♦ hosting Saudi Arabian Deputy Minister of Commerce Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Zamil and members of the Saudi Arabian Friendship Delegation for a roundtable discussion on the Kuwait crisis in Washington, D.C. Dr. Al-Zamil also spoke to Rockwell International executives at their headquarters in Dallas, Texas, addressing Saudi Arabia and the GCC countries' view of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.
- ♦ preparing ideas for media reports and analyses, and accompanying lists of contacts in GCC countries, for American television networks and newspapers.

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"IT IS MORE OBVIOUS THAN EVER THAT YOUR EXCELLENT ORGANIZATION IS AGGRESSIVELY PURSUING THE IMPORTANT AGENDA OF STRETCHING THE MINDS OF POLICYMAKERS TO ACCOMMODATE THE CONCEPT OF A MORE ENLIGHTENED VIEW OF THE ARAB WORLD."

*Mr. Raymond Marvin,
former Executive Director,
National Association of
Attorneys General*



At a reception commemorating the ninth anniversary of the Gulf Cooperation Council, U.S.-GCC Corporate Cooperation Committee Chairman Mr. T. David Shepherd of Rockwell International (C) is flanked (L to R) by Kuwaiti First Secretary Mr. Ali Al-Sabah, UAE Ambassador H.E. Abdallah Al-Nahyan, Bahraini Ambassador H.E. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi, and Qatari Ambassador H.E. Hamad Al-Kawari.

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*Dr. Marilyn Emplainscourt,
Director, Alabama
Committee*

ALABAMA COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Alabama Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations was founded in 1988. Dr. Marilyn Emplainscourt, Program Coordinator of the Capstone International Program at the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, is the Director and Dr. Kenneth Campbell, Professor of Education at Auburn University, is the Deputy Director. The Committee's 1990 activities included awarding five grants, organizing delegations for the Southeast Model Arab Leagues, publishing three newsletters, and distributing more than 50 independent mailings on U.S.-Arab affairs to 70 individuals who, as members of other organizations, have helped to broaden the Committee's statewide impact.

The Committee awarded grants to and coordinated activities with the following Alabama institutions: The Alabama Geographic Alliance, Birmingham Southern College, the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, the University of Montevallo, the University of Southern Alabama in Mobile, and Birmingham Southern College.



*Dr. Mario Pascale,
Director, California
Committee*

CALIFORNIA COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The California Committee was founded in 1990. Dr. Mario Pascale, a Malone Fellow and independent educational consultant, is the Director, and Mrs. Ann Kerr, Director of UCLA's Fulbright Program, is the Deputy Director. The participants conducted three Committee meetings plus three educational seminars and organized two delegations to the West Coast Model Arab League. Through these activities, the Committee has developed a network of more than 150 concerned individuals, all of whom are involved in various aspects of U.S.-Arab affairs in different parts of the state.

The Committee coordinated activities with the following California institutions: The California Council for the Social Studies, Mills College in Oakland, the University of California at Los Angeles, and the Rand Corporation.



*Dr. Robert Claxton,
Director, Georgia
Committee*

GEORGIA COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Georgia Committee was founded in 1989. Dr. Robert Claxton, Professor of History at West Georgia College, is the Director, and Dr. Ray Gonzalez, Professor of Political Science at Columbus College, is the Deputy Director. The Committee's 1990 activities included awarding three grants, organizing two delegations to the Southeast Model Arab League, publishing three newsletters, and distributing more than ten independent packets of clippings and Arab world-related information to 250 individuals who are active in forums other than the Committee.

The Committee awarded grants to and coordinated activities with the following Georgia institutions: The American Friends Service Committee, Armstrong State College, Columbus College, Dalton College, Emory University, the Foreign Language and Cultural Center, the Georgia World History Association, Savannah State College, the Savannah World Affairs Council, and Winthrop College.

ILLINOIS COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Illinois Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations was founded in 1990. Dr. Barbara Speicher, Assistant Professor of Communication at DePaul University, is the Director. Dr. Robert Seibert, Professor of Political Science at Knox College, Dr. John Faust, Professor of Political Science at Eastern Illinois University, Dr. James Krokhar, Professor of History at DePaul University, and Dr. Ralph Radloff, Professor of Religion at Augustana College, are the Deputy Directors. The Committee's 1990 activities included organizing three delegations to participate in the Midwest Model Arab League and publishing and distributing a newsletter and two independent informational packets to 340 individuals, most of whom, like the Committee's participants, are professional and community leaders.

The Committee coordinated activities with the following Illinois institutions: The Chicago Geographic Association, De Paul University, Knox College, the Political Science Association, and the University of Chicago's Middle East Center.

INDIANA COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Indiana Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations was founded in 1987. Dr. Barry Johnston, Associate Dean of Indiana University at Bloomington, is the Director and Dr. Charles Barber, Chairman of the Department of Political Science at the University of Southern Indiana, is the Deputy Director. The Committee's 1990 activities included awarding three grants, organizing three delegations to participate in the Midwest Model Arab League, and distributing a newsletter to 125 other individuals engaged in international affairs work.

The Committee awarded grants to and coordinated activities with the following Indiana institutions: Indiana University at Bloomington's Middle East Studies Center, Notre Dame University, Saint Joseph's College, and the University of Southern Indiana.

MICHIGAN COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Michigan Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations was founded in 1988. Dr. Ronald Stockton, Chairman of the Political Science Department at the University of Michigan, Dearborn, is the Director, and Dr. James Goode, Assistant Professor of History at Grand Valley State College, is the Deputy Director. The Committee's 1990 activities included awarding three grants, nominating a Dearborn Kerr Scholar alumna for a National Council Summer internship, organizing four delegations to participate in the Midwest Model Arab League, and distributing informational materials on the Kuwait crisis to 60 individuals active in various aspects of U.S.-Arab affairs.

The Committee awarded grants to and coordinated activities with the following Michigan institutions: Albion College, the American Arab Heritage Council, the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS), the Chrysler Foundation, the Detroit Committee on Foreign Relations, the Detroit Presbytery, General Motors, Grand Valley State



*Dr. Barbara Speicher,
Director, Illinois
Committee*



*Dr. Barry Johnston,
Director, Indiana
Committee*



*Dr. Ronald Stockton,
Director, Michigan
Committee*

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*Dr. David Sorenson,
Director, Ohio
Committee*

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*The Rev. Dan Simmons,
Director, Oregon
Committee*

College, Forest Hills Northern High School, the Institute for Global Education in Grand Rapids, Mercy Corps International, and the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor's Center for Near Eastern and North African Studies.

OHIO COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Ohio Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations was founded in 1989. Dr. David Sorenson, Chairman of the Political Science Department at Denison University, is the Director. Dr. James Gillespie, Chairman of the Department of History and Political Science at Notre Dame College, and Dr. Michael Fuller, Professor of Teacher Education at Miami University, are the Deputy Directors. The Committee's 1990 activities included awarding five grants, organizing six delegations to participate in the Midwest Model Arab League, nominating three university students for National Council Summer internships, and distributing two newsletters to 330 other educational and civic leaders.

The Committee awarded grants to and coordinated activities with the following Ohio institutions: Case Western Reserve, the Cleveland World Affairs Council, the Dayton World Affairs Council, the Jewish Community Federation of Greater Cleveland, John Carroll University, Maryknoll Seminary, Notre Dame College, the University of Dayton, and Wright State University.

OREGON COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Oregon Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations was founded in 1987. Former Governor Victor Atiyeh is the Chairman, and The Reverend Dan Simmons of Portland is the Director. The Committee's 1990 activities included awarding three grants, organizing three delegations to participate in the Pacific Northwest Model Arab League and one to participate in the West Coast Model Arab League, and nominating a University of Oregon student for a National Council Summer internship.

The Committee awarded grants to and coordinated activities with the following Oregon institutions: the Arab American Anti-Discrimination Committee, Christ Covenant Church, the Ecumenical Ministry of Oregon, the Episcopal Cathedral, the Episcopal Church of Portland, George Fox College, the Greater Portland Association of Clergy, Lewis and Clark College, Lincoln High School, Portland State University, the University of Oregon, and Willamette University.

TEXAS COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Texas Committee was founded in 1989. Dr. Ann Bragdon, former Professor of Anthropology at the University of Houston, and the Director in 1990, was succeeded at the end of the year by Dr. Byron Augustin, Professor of Geography at Southwest Texas State University. Dr. James David Martin, Associate Professor of Political Science at Midwestern State University, is the Deputy Director. The Committee's 1990 activities included awarding

eight grants and distributing a newsletter to 200 other individuals with interests in the U.S.-Arab relationship.

The Committee also played a role in organizing, administering, and participating in the first annual Southwest Model Arab League Program at the University of Texas at Austin. Committee participants organized eight of the delegations.

The Committee coordinated activities with the following Texas institutions: Exxon Company USA, the Institute for International Education (Southern Region), the National Association of Business Economists, Southwest Texas State University, the Texas Association of Middle East Scholars (TAMES). The Committee awarded grants to the Houston Independent School District, the Middle East Studies Association (MESA's) Annual Convention in San Antonio, Rothko Chapel, the University of Texas at Austin, and the Texas Geographic Alliance.

WASHINGTON COMMITTEE ON U.S.-ARAB RELATIONS

The Washington Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations was founded in 1987. Mr. Ray Stewart, of The Boeing Corporation, is the Director. The Committee's 1990 activities included awarding three grants, hosting the Third Annual "Doing Business in the Arab World" Conference, and supporting and organizing the Pacific Northwest Model Arab League at Pacific Lutheran University. The Committee also distributed two newsletters to 1,000 individuals who are keen to keep abreast of developments in the Arab world.

The Committee awarded grants to and coordinated activities with the following Washington institutions: The Arab Film Festival, Pacific Lutheran University, the Pacific U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce, the University of Washington Henry Jackson School of International Studies' Middle East Center, the U.S. Department of Commerce International Trade Administration, the University of Washington, and the Washington State Department of Trade and Economic Development.



*Dr. Ann Bragdon,
Director, Texas
Committee*



*Mr. Ray Stewart,
Director, Washington
Committee*

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"IT IS INDEED VERY HEARTENING TO KNOW THAT MY EFFORTS HAVE PLAYED SOME SMALL PART IN SPREADING UNDERSTANDING OF ARAB AND ISLAMIC CULTURE BETWEEN OUR NATIONS. I WAS GLAD TO MEET SUCH A FINE GROUP OF PEOPLE."

*Mr. Abdullah Alireza,
Executive Director, Xenel
Industries, Jeddah, Saudi
Arabia*

GRANTS

A distinctive feature of the National Council's organizational structure since its establishment in 1983 has been its ability to provide modest grants and related project and informational assistance to institutions which might not otherwise be able to offer educational programs on Arab and Islamic affairs. This feature, unique among nonprofit institutions in the field of U.S.-Arab relations, has enabled us to support new projects

either in concert with or independently implemented by other organizations. In this way, the Council assures the implementation of a significantly greater number of activities than might otherwise have been possible.

In 1990, the National Council awarded 47 grants to a broad range of American educational institutions in 22 states and the District of Columbia. The number of grants awarded was 20 percent higher than any previous year, bringing to 232 the total number awarded since 1983. Illustrative of the multiplier effect of the National Council's Arab world study visit alumni and participants in other Council-organized programs throughout the U.S., 33 of 1990's grants were awarded by the Council's ten state committee affiliates. Twelve were awarded for secondary school teacher training workshops. The majority of the grants supported programs involving educators who, in turn, reached thousands of students, colleagues, and community members.



The National Council awarded East Tennessee State University a grant in support of a five-day teacher training workshop on "The Middle East and the Islamic World." The workshop involved more than 50 educators who were addressed by, *inter al.*, Profs. John Woods (L) and Jerrold Fix (second from L).



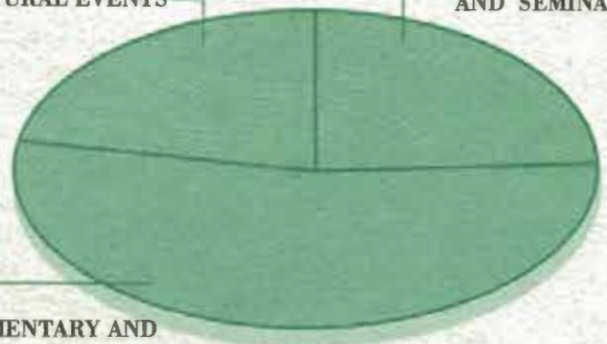
A director of a three-week Summer Institute on Islamic Studies held at Northeastern Illinois University, made possible in part by a grant from the National Council, presents a certificate of participation to an Illinois secondary school teacher.

GRANTS

21% CULTURAL EVENTS

24% CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

55% ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER TRAINING



S P E A K E R S B U R E A U A N D M E D I A

Since its founding in 1983, the National Council's Speakers Bureau has provided to audiences across the United States speakers who are exceptionally qualified to address a broad range of U.S.-Arab relations topics. In the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, it is no surprise that the Speakers Bureau was especially active in 1990.

The Bureau assists educational, business, government, religious, civic, and community groups in obtaining speakers for events as varied as lectures and panels at seminars, conferences, teacher training workshops, meetings of professional associations, annual conventions, adult education classes, and radio and television talk shows. In addition, these individuals provide newspaper interviews, deliver commencement addresses, and serve as narrators for film and slide show presentations. The Bureau administers both single-event requests and entire speaking tours covering various aspects of the U.S.-Arab relationship.

As in previous years, Dr. Anthony assumed a key role in the Speakers Bureau in the course of fulfilling nearly a hundred speaking engagements and an equal number of media interviews. In connection with these activities, the National Council was able to strengthen and expand its cooperation with civic, educational, and international affairs institutions in California, Colorado, Florida, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, D.C. He was also asked again to teach a ten-week course entitled "Strategic Issues of the Arabian Peninsula and Gulf States" at the Defense Intelligence College and to serve as a regular lecturer at several other U.S. foreign affairs and defense service institutes.

Dr. Anthony and Executive Director Ron Cathell were both exceptionally active in providing U.S. Government officials and the media with background information and contextual analyses on various aspects of the Kuwait crisis. Their combined interviews and briefings numbered more than 200. Throughout the crisis, congressional leaders and representatives of the Departments of Commerce, Defense, and State, and the Voice of America, as well as the ABC, CBS, CNN, NBC, and PBS television networks and several prominent newspapers and radio programs were in frequent contact with the National Council for information and insight on the Arab world.



While on a National Council Speakers Bureau tour of several midwestern states in the Fall, Dr. Anthony (L) was interviewed by Mr. Don Marsh on the popular St. Louis television show "St. Louis This Week."



The National Council coordinated a U.S. speaking tour for Mr. Bernard Mills (L), Executive Director of the Council for the Advancement of Arab-British Understanding (CAABU) in London, pictured here with the National Council's Executive Director, Mr. Ron Cathell.



Gulf Cooperation Council Secretary-General Abdulla Bishara was interviewed on Cable News Network (CNN) regarding the GCC's reaction to the Kuwait crisis. The National Council's Speakers Bureau arranged the interview during the Secretary-General's visit to Washington, D.C. in October.

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Then Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Edward Gnehm, at a meeting of the U.S.-GCC Corporate Cooperation Committee in February, addressed the relationship between U.S. foreign policy and American corporate interests in the Gulf countries.



Prof. Elizabeth Fernea lectured at a National Council-sponsored conference for educators on "The Arab and Islamic World" in June at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

INTER-ORGANIZATIONAL COOPERATION

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**"WE COMMEND YOU ON THE
FINE AND IMPORTANT WORK
YOU ARE DOING IN THIS VITAL
FIELD."**

First City Bancorporation

The National Council's work with other organizations in 1990 was amply rewarded by the proliferation of a broad range of U.S.-Arab relations educational activities. In the process, the Council developed working relationships with dozens of new organizations and consolidated and broadened its existing ties with several hundred institutions and thousands of individuals in 48 of the 50 states.

The National Council's relationships with these individuals and organizations proved invaluable in fostering a more cost-effective allocation of resources and in helping to avoid duplication of effort in promoting better U.S.-Arab understanding. More importantly, education about the Arab and Islamic worlds was brought to thousands of Americans in communities which otherwise would not have had such opportunities. In this context, the Council was able to strengthen and expand its activities in the Pacific Northwest, West Coast, the Midwest, the Southwest, the South, and the North Central States.

THE U.S. TASK FORCE ON THE KUWAIT CRISIS

The National Council joined six other organizations in forming a task force to coordinate several levels of response to the Kuwait crisis. Led by the National U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce, the Task Force enabled the organizations to cooperate on joint projects and share resources. The Task Force was effective in reaching many American audiences, including the media, ecumenical groups, human rights organizations, elected leaders, the business community, university professors and students, and public affairs and civic organizations. In conjunction with the Task Force, the Council completed two major projects: preparation for the American media of a series of reliable informational and analytical mailings, and co-coordination of a nation-wide speaking tour for the Saudi Arabian Friendship Delegation.

THE SAUDI ARABIAN FRIENDSHIP DELEGATION

In November, a delegation of 11 senior-level Saudi Arabian business and educational leaders, headed by Deputy Minister of Commerce Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Zamil, and cosponsored by the National U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce, visited eight American cities in 12 days. The purpose of the visit was to learn Americans' perceptions of the Kuwait crisis, to explain their and other Gulf Arabs' views on the crisis, and thereby to create greater understanding between Americans and those Arabs most directly affected by the conflict. In every city visited, delegation members addressed the media and numerous public affairs groups and were hosted at receptions and informal gatherings by alumni of the National Council's study visits to the Arab world.

SOCIETY FOR GULF ARAB STUDIES

In 1987, a group of American scholars specializing in the Arabian Peninsula and the Gulf Arab countries commenced preparations for forming a Society for Gulf Arab Studies (SGAS). As a result of meetings in 1988 and 1989, members of the preparatory committee drafted and adopted a constitution

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Saudi Friendship Delegation members Mr. Abdallah Dabbagh, Dr. Abdullah Masry, Dr. Mohammad Mulla, and Dr. Abdulaziz Al-Jarbou participated in numerous roundtable discussions during their speaking engagements in more than 15 cities in the United States and Canada. They left their audiences with a better understanding of the views of Saudi Arabians and other Gulf Arabs regarding the Kuwait crisis.

and contacted numerous additional scholars interested in joining. In 1990, the Society, with its membership expanded to include Gulf Arab scholars, became an affiliate of the Middle East Studies Association (MESA).

At its annual meeting, SGAS members elected Dr. Anthony to be the Society's president. SGAS seeks to increase academic and general public awareness of the six Gulf Cooperation Council countries and Iraq. More specifically, it seeks to promote scholarly research, educational exchanges, and institutional linkages between American academicians and research centers that focus on the Gulf Arab countries.

Since SGAS' inception, the National Council has cooperated closely with Dr. Malcolm Peck, of the International Visitors Program Service, Dr. Joseph Overton, of Morgan State University, Dr. Emile Nakhleh, of Mount St. Mary's College, Mr. Steven Dorr, educational consultant, Dr. David E. Long, of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Dr. Phebe Marr, of the National Defense University, and Drs. Joseph E. Kechichian and John E. Peterson, and Mr. Brooks Wrampelmeier, independent authors and consultants.

WASHINGTON, D.C. EPISCOPAL DIOCESE COMMISSION ON MIDDLE EAST PEACE

The National Council continued its involvement with the Washington, D.C. Episcopal Diocese Commission on Middle East Peace during 1990. Dr. Anthony, a member of the Commission's Board, spoke about the Kuwait crisis to several community groups organized and sponsored by the Commission.

PUBLICATIONS

The National Council's publications address various aspects of the overall U.S.-Arab relationship. The *National Council Reports Series* focuses on issues of concern to U.S.-Arab relations that, in the Council's view, have been either ignored or misrepresented by the American media. The *Occasional Papers Series* discusses specific aspects of the multifaceted relationship between the U.S. and the Arab world. The *Gulf Cooperation Council Reports Series* focuses on the GCC and its relations with the United States.

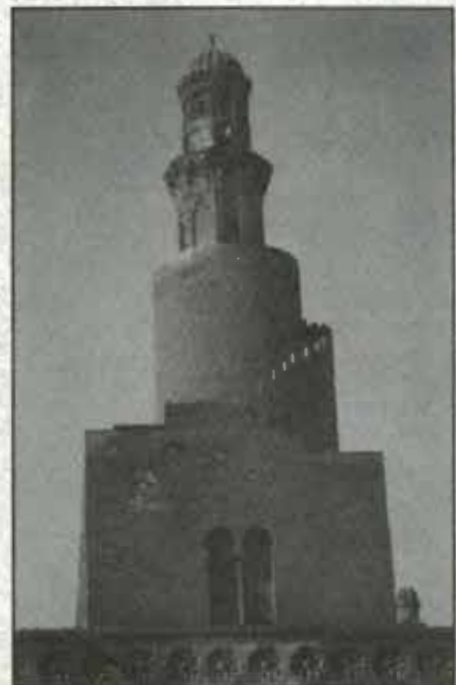
The quarterly *President's Report* reviews the National Council's activities and news and includes a regular feature in which the Council's president analyzes the impact of major events over the previous three months on the U.S.-Arab relationship.

The *Malone Messenger* is a newsletter by and for alumni of the Malone Faculty Fellows Program in Arab and Islamic Studies. The *Messenger* is devoted to enhancing greater awareness among university educators of contemporary trends in Arab culture and society; Islamic theology, institutions, and practices; contemporary regional affairs; the national development processes in individual Arab countries; and the range of American interests and involvement in the Arab world.

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"I AM VERY HAPPY THAT EVERYONE ENJOYED THEIR VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA. SUCH VISITS PROMOTE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND FURTHER ENHANCE AVENUES OF COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES."

H.E. Hisham Nazer,
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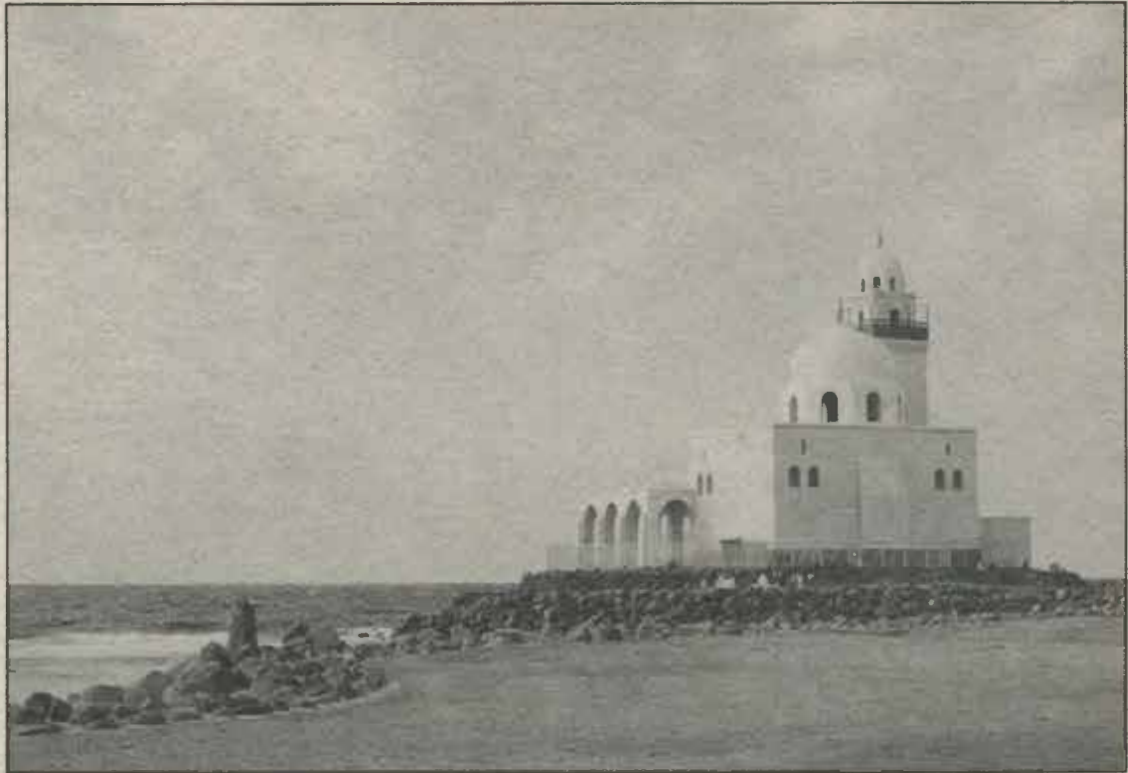
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