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RESULTS OF THE MEM INFORMATION SURVEY

As you will recall, the second annual meeting of MEM, held at Austin last November, considered the question of how to encourage the enhancement of the MEM newsletter. At the suggestion of Paul Chevedden, the annual meeting decided to survey all MEM members about their current work, recent publications and other news of interest to the general membership. On February 1st that survey was sent to everyone on MEM's general mailing list with the request that it be returned by March 15th. Over sixty members took the time to complete these forms and return them. As a result, the current issue of *al-'Uṣūr al-wuṣṭā* is the most substantive issue to date. At long last we seem to be coming closer to our objective of facilitating communication between Middle East medievalists. As imperfect as the current effort is, we feel that it represents a significant step forward. Hopefully members will send the editor announcements, brief communications, ideas, proposals, comments and other information of interest to members in the future without the need for a survey. Thank you for your assistance in returning your membership survey on time. We currently plan to repeat the survey each spring. If you have any material for the fall newsletter, please send it to the editor by October 1, 1991.

THIRD ANNUAL MEM MEETING SCHEDULED

The third annual meeting of MEM is currently scheduled for 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 23, 1991 in Washington, D.C. As usual, the annual meeting will be held in connection with the MESA conference. Further information concerning the annual meeting will be provided in the fall issue of the newsletter. Members wishing to add items to the agenda are requested to submit them in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer no later than October 1, 1991.

COMMUNICATIONS

The directors of the Late Antiquity and Early Islam Project have asked us to bring to the attention of MEM members a workshop on "Land Use and Settlement Patterns in the Byzantine and Early Islamic Near East" to be sponsored by the project. The workshop is scheduled to take place at the School of Oriental and African Studies in London between April 25-27, 1991. This is the second workshop sponsored by the project and will include papers by: Dr. Ghazi Bisheh (Amman), Dr. Wolfram Brandes (Berlin), Dr. Pierre-Louis Gatier (Lyon), Prof. Dr. Heinz Gaube (Tübingen), Dr. Geoffrey King (London), Dr. Henry MacAdam (Princeton), Professor Michael Morony (Los Angeles), Mr. Yehuda Nevo (Sde Boqer), Dr. Alistair Northedge (Tübingen), Dr. Mikhail Piotrovsky (Leningrad), Professor George Scanlon (Cairo), Professor Yoram Tsafrir (Jerusalem), Dr. Donald Whitcomb (Chicago) and Mr. Ali Zeyadeh (Bir Zayt). The charge for the workshop is £15.00. Please contact Dr. Geoffrey King, Dept. of Art and Archaeology, SOAS, Thornhaugh St., Russell Square, London WC1H 0XG, ENGLAND for further information concerning the workshop.

Ross Brann has asked us to announce that a workshop entitled "The Three Cultures of Medieval Spain in Perspective: A Remembrance of 1492," will be held at Cornell University on November 8, 1991. Papers will be presented by James T. Monroe, María Rosa Monocal, Ciriaco Arroyo, José Piedra and Ross Brann. For further information concerning this workshop please contact Dr. Brann, Department of Near Eastern Studies, 360 Rockefeller Hall, Ithaca, NY 14853-2502 for further information.

We are pleased to announce the publication of *Tāriḥ*, a new publication devoted to the history and culture of the ancient and Islamic Near East. *Tāriḥ* is published by the Annenberg Research Institute which welcomes the submission of articles for future volumes. Please contact Dr. Vera B. Moreen, Editor, *Tāriḥ*, The Annenberg Research Institute, 420 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106.

MEMBERS' NEWS (seminars, lectures, conferences and sources of funding)

SHUKRI B. ABED - "Toward Democratization in the Arab Nation-States," The Truman Institute, Hebrew University (January, 1991). "Nationalism," Karl Renner Institute, Vienna, Austria (January, 1991).

REUVEN AMITAI-PREISS - "Aims and Motivation of Ilkhanid Strategy," a paper delivered at the conference: "The Mongol Empire and its Legacy," London (March, 1991). Visiting fellow, Department of Near Eastern Studies, Princeton University (spring, 1991).

M.A.J. BEG - "The Persian Gulf Crisis," London School of Economics (February, 1991). Attended 33rd International Congress of Asian and North African Studies, Toronto (August, 1990).

SEEGER A. BONEBAKKER - Presentations at the Union Européenne des Arabisants, Utrecht (September, 1990). Appointed member of a committee of four instituted by the Dutch Ministry of Education to maintain and enhance non-Western studies, which in recent years have suffered from budget cuts.

ROSS BRANN - "Constructions of Exile: A Comparison of Abraham ibn Ezra and Abu'l-Baqa' ar-Rundi on Exile from Spain," 2nd International Sephardic Studies Conference, State University of New York, Binghamton (April, 1991). "Representations of Muslims and Jews in Judeh al-Harizi's *Tahkemoni*," Wayne State University International Conference on the Jews of Islamic Lands (1990).

SAM I. GELLENS - NEH/Council for Basic Education Summer Research Grant, 1990.

McGUIRE GIBSON - Planning a symposium on social organization in both pre-Islamic and Islamic Middle East with a focus on Iraq.

WILLIAM E. GOHLMAN - Numerous lectures on the Gulf Crisis.

AXEL HAVEMANN - "Social Movements in the Middle Ages," Lectures at Würzburg University (January, 1991).

CAROLE HILLENBRAND - Lecture on the Seljuks of Rüm, Cambridge University (November, 1990). Lecture on al-Ghazali, Oxford and Exeter (November, 1990).

D.E.P. JACKSON - "Two Pre-Islamic Poems and an Undergraduate," BSME Conference, Leeds (1987). "Arabic Scholarship in the Middle Ages," St. Andrews (1990).

WADAD KADI - "Biographical Dictionaries: Inner Structure and Cultural Significance," Conference on the Book in the Islamic World, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. (November, 1990). "Early Islamic State Ideology," Princeton Mellon Seminar (April, 1991).

IRA LAPIDUS - "Islamic Societies as a World System," University of Arizona (February, 1989), "Nationalism, Socialism and Islamic Revival in Egypt," University of Arizona (February, 1989). "Islam in the Ottoman Era," Special Studies Program, University of California, Berkeley (February, 1989), "Clan, Clientele and Sect: The Community Structure of Middle Eastern Cities," Conference on Urbanism in Islam, Tokyo Institute of Oriental Studies, Tokyo (October, 1989). "The Historic Culture and Modern States in the Middle East," Hoover Institution, Stanford, California (April, 1990). "Post-modern Islam," Rockefeller Study and Conference Center, Bellagio, Italy (June, 1990).

JULIE SCOTT MEISAMI - "The Theme of the Journey in Nizami's *Haft Paykar*," 4th Middle East Literary Seminar, Duke University (March, 1990). "Structure and Symbolism in a Qasida of Nasir-i Khusraw," BRISMES-AFEMAM Meeting, Paris (July, 1990). "Arabic Mujun Poetry: The Literary Dimension," Union Européenne des Arabisants meeting, Utrecht (September, 1990). "Hafiz in English: Translation and Authority," 5th Middle East Literary Seminar, Princeton University (March, 1991). "Mujun Between Sociology and Literature," Arabic Seminar, Columbia University, (March, 1990). National Endowment for the Humanities Translation Grant (1989-91), to translate Nizami, *Haft Paykar*.

VERA B. MOREEN - "A Dialogue Between God and Satan in Shāhin's *Bereshit Nāmah* (14th Century)," presented at the Association for Jewish Studies, Boston (1989) and at the Second International Conference on Jewish Contacts with Persian Culture, Jerusalem (July, 1990). "The Legend of Adam in the Judaeo-Persian Epic *Bereshit Nāmah* (14th Century)," presented at the American Academy for Jewish Research, New York (December, 1989).

VALERIA FIORANI PIACENTINI - Prosecution of the research project in Makran (Balochistan)/Pakistan carried on by the Italian Historical, Ecological and Archaeological Mission (January-March and December, 1990). Opening lecture at the Exeter Seminar for Arab Gulf Studies (July, 1990). "From Jahiliyyah to Early Islamic Times," Jerusalem Symposium.

DAVID S. POWERS - National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for University Teachers (fall, 1991).

LUTZ RICHTER-BERNBURG - Delivered paper at MESA, San Antonio, Texas (November, 1990). Delivered paper at the symposium on Greek medical texts in Near Eastern transmission, Istituto italiano per gli studi filosofici, Naples (November, 1990).

KARIN C. RYDING - "Case/Mood Syncretism in Medieval Arabic Grammar," Georgetown Round Table on languages and linguistics pre-session (April, 1991). Members of MEM may be interested in the al-Khalil Circle, a study group devoted to exploration of the genesis and development of medieval Arabic grammatical theory. It is named after al-Khalil ibn Ahmad (d. 791), the first major Arabic grammarian and lexicographer, author of the *Kitāb al-'ayn* and *al-Jumal fi al-naḥw*, teacher of Sibawayhi, and founder of the Basran school of grammar. On March 1, 1991 Kees Versteegh, University of Nijmegen, The Netherlands, delivered a guest lecture to the al-Khalil Circle on "Early Arabic Grammatical Terminology."

NOHA SADEK - A Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Fellowship (1990-92).

PAULA SANDERS - "Claiming the Past: the Rise of Hafizi Historiography in late Fatimid Egypt," AOS, Berkeley. NEH summer stipend for a project on Fatimid historiography (1991).

ELIZABETH SAVAGE - "Land Use and Settlement Patterns in the Byzantine and Early Islamic Near East," a workshop of the Late Antiquity and Early Islam project, SOAS (April, 1991).

IRFAN A. SHAHID - "The Arabic Book in Pre-Islamic Arabia," Library of Congress Conference on the Book in the Islamic World, Washington, D.C. (November, 1990). "Byzantine Civilization and the Islamic World," a lecture given in Washington, D.C. on the fortieth anniversary of Dumbarton Oaks, (November, 1990). "Ghassanid and Umayyad Structures: a case of *Byzance après Byzance*," a symposium at Lyons, France (September, 1990).

YEDIDA K. STILLMAN - Invited (together with N.A. Stillman) to participate in a mini-seminar on Morocco sponsored by the departments of Anthropology, History and the Middle East Center at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City (May, 1990). Participated in a colloquium entitled: "Costume as Cultural Statement: The Aesthetics, Economics and Politics of Islamic Dress," sponsored by the Anthropology Department at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City (May, 1990). "Material Culture as an Educational Vehicle: Comparing Views from the U.S. and Israel," Conference on Sephardic and Oriental Jewry in Modern Times, Tel Aviv (January, 1991).

MARIA EVA SUBTELNY - "The Symbiosis of Turk and Tajik in Central Asia," John M. Olin Seminar in Critical Issues, Harvard University (February, 1991).

MARINA A. TOLMACHEVA - "Cultural Perceptions of the Islamic Frontier in Arabic Geographic Literature," 33rd International Congress of Asian and North African Studies, Toronto (August, 1990). Delivered seven talks on Islam and the Middle East to universities, community colleges and civic groups in Washington, Idaho and Oregon (October, 1990 - February, 1991). Received tenure and promotion to Associate Professor, Department of History, Washington State University (spring, 1990). "Geography and Cosmology in Swahili Texts," Columbia University History of Science Group Annual Meeting (April, 1991).

DANIEL MARTIN VARISCO - "Interpreting Medieval Yemeni Almanacs in the History of Science and Agriculture," Columbia University Seminar in Arabic Studies (January, 1991).

KEITH WEISSMAN - Received Ph.D. in Islamic History from the University of Chicago (December, 1990).

BRANNON WHEELER - "The Values of Animals," 4th Annual Middle East History and Theory Ensemble, University of Chicago (spring, 1991). Taught various courses on Islamic civilization and religion at the University of Chicago (winter, 1990 and spring, 1991).

WORK IN PROGRESS

SHUKRI B. ABED - "Tolerance and Persecution in Muslim Spain." "The Relevance of Democratization Process to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict," co-authored with Edy Kaufman of the Truman Institute. "The Concept of *'ilm* [knowledge/science] in Islam."

REUVEN AMITAI-PREISS - "Ayn Jālūt Revisited." "The Mongols and Karak in Trans-Jordan." "Ghazan, Islam and the Yasa: A view from the Mamluk Sultanate."

STEPHEN ALBUM - "Coinage and Monetary Policy in Muzaffarid Iran," a doctoral dissertation at UC Berkeley.

M.A.J. BEG - "Founders of Islamic History: a study of the *Ṣaḥābah* (Companions of Muhammad) in the Middle East (632-718 A.D.)." "Interaction between the Mongols and the Muslims during the 13th and 14th Centuries A.D."

SEEGER A. BONEBAKKER - History of Arabic literary theory, Arabic poetry and Islamic scholarship.

ROSS BRANN - *Judeo-Islamic Polemics in Muslim Spain: The Case of Ibn Hazm and Samuel the Nagid*, with David Powers. "*Mahāsīn ahl al-jazīra*: Muslim and Jewish Attitudes on the Superiority of Andalusians."

OLIVIA REMIE CONSTABLE - "Muslim Spain and Mediterranean Slavery," a paper delivered at the Conference on Christianity and its Discontents, UCLA (January, 1991) currently in revision for publication. "At the Edge of the West: International Trade and Traders in Muslim Spain (1000-1250)," a dissertation (Princeton, 1989) in preparation for publication. "Push it or Perish: Comparative Legislation on Shipwreck, Ship-Hire and Jettison in Spain and the Medieval Mediterranean World," a paper to be delivered at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association (December, 1991).

MICHAEL A. COOK - A monograph on *al-amr bi'l-ma'rūf* and articles on Sa'ūdi and early Islamic topics.

ELTON L. DANIEL - A translation of Bal'ami's *Tārīkh*.

McGUIRE GIBSON - Study of a pottery and glass making complex at an unidentified 'Abbasid site east of Nippur, Iraq (interrupted by the recent war).

WILLIAM E. GOHLMAN - A study of Ibn Sinā's writings on ethics.

DAVID DOUGLAS HALDANE - "Arab Ships and Seamanship: A.D. 570-1171," a doctoral dissertation in progress.

WILLIAM J. HAMBLIN - A history of medieval Islamic warfare.

AXEL HAVEMANN - Forms and functions of historiography in Lebanon and Syria, especially during the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries (a habilitation thesis).

CAROLE HILLENBRAND - A book on Islam and the Crusades (for Edinburgh University Press) and a book on al-Ghazālī (for the Islamic Texts Society, Cambridge).

R. STEPHEN HUMPHREYS - Continuing research on Ibn 'Asākir as a source for early Islamic Damascus. Intention this summer is to focus on biographies of the Rashidun/Umayyad era. NEH funding will continue for this project through the summer of 1991.

D.E.P. JACKSON - Translation of *Da'ā'im al-Islām* of Qadi Nu'mān. Continuing work on a book with the provisional title: *Arabic Scholarship, its Eastern and Western Sources* for Edinburgh University Press.

WADAD KADI - A book on state and statecraft in early Islam and an edition of volume 6 of al-Balādhurī's *Ansāb al-ashraf* (to be published in the Bibliotheca Islamica series).

ELLA LANDAU-TASSERON - Continuing to work on early Muslim historiography.

KALUS LUDVIK - Continuing work on *Corpus d'inscriptions arabes et persanes en Chine* (with Chen da-Sheng).

JULIE SCOTT MEISAMI - Editor (with R. Ostle), *New Comparison 12 (Summer 1991): Middle Eastern Literatures*. Co-editing (with Paul Starkey) *Companion to Arabic Literature* (to be published by Routledge). Continuing research on medieval Muslim rhetorical historiography. A contribution to the Festschrift for Professor Ewald Wagner.

VERA B. MOREEN - An anthology of Judaeo-Persian literature for Yale University Press.

LINDA S. NORTHRUP - Publication of a dissertation on the Mamluk Sultan al-Mansūr Qalāwūn and an article on "Ayyubids to Mamluks: Change and Continuity."

F.E. PETERS - Continuing to work on *Mecca and the Hajj: The View from Within* (to be published by Princeton University Press, 1992).

CARL F. PETRY - *Protectors or Praetorians: The Last Mamluk Sultans and Egypt's Decline as a Great Power* (currently under consideration for publication).

VALERIA FIORANI PIACENTINI - A research project on "Military Thought in the Islamic World" c/o Ce. Mi.S.S. A UNESCO project on the Silk Route: Genoa and Genoese.

DAVID S. POWERS - Continuing work on: *Discovering the Law: Muftis and Worldly Interpretation in Muslim Societies* (co-edited with Brinkley Messick and Khalid Masud).

LUTZ RICHTER-BERNBURG - Working on a translation and annotation of al-Ṭabari's *History* (the Sasanians).

EVERETT K. ROWSON - Continuing work on a critical edition and annotated translation of al-'Utbi, *Tārikh al-Yamīni*. Also working on a critical edition and annotated translation of the pseudo-Aristotle's *Kitāb al-Tuffāḥa (Liberdepomo)*.

KARIN C. RYDING - A translation, with introduction and commentary, of the *Kitāb al-jumal fi l-naḥw*, by al-Khalil ibn Ahmad. This may be the earliest extant text on Arabic morphosyntactic theory. Estimated date of completion is mid-1991. A summer grant (1991) from Georgetown University to do a comparative study of language as described by a medieval Arabic alchemist (Jabir ibn Hayyan) and a medieval grammarian and lexicographer (al-Khalil ibn Ahmad). This study will have particular reference to phonosymbolism: mystical, mathematical and magical meaning attributed to consonant phonemes in the Arabic tradition, with investigation of the relevance of set theory and permutation operations to modification of meaning.

NOHA SADEK - A study of the historical mosques of Zabid (Yemen). Additional studies of the function of space in the Rasulid Madrasa and the painted domes of Ta'izz.

PAULA SANDERS - A series of articles on various aspects of Fatimid historiography. This summer will be devoted to work on an article entitled: "The Mamluk View of Fatimid History."

ELIZABETH SAVAGE - Editing Nicholas Lowick's *Catalogue of 'Abbāsīd Coinage*, RNS (forthcoming, 1992). Editing *The Long-distance Trade in Slaves Across the Sahara*, the proceedings of a Rockefeller Foundation workshop (Bellagio, Italy - December, 1988) to be published by Frank Cass (forthcoming, 1992).

WARREN C. SCHULTZ - Continuing work on a dissertation dealing with Mamluk history (University of Chicago).

IRFAN A. SHAHID - Continuing work on a two volume work entitled: *Islam and Poetry*. Also working on *Byzantium and the Arabs in the Sixth Century*. This is the fourth volume of the series being published by Dumbarton Oaks. The last volume, *Byzantium and the Arabs in the Fifth Century*, appeared in 1989.

YEDIDA K. STILLMAN - Working on the *Encyclopedic Dictionary of Arab Dress* to be published by Brill. MEM members are kindly invited to forward any references they may come across on Islamic costume.

CHRISTOPHER S. TAYLOR - Revising a doctoral dissertation, *The Cult of the Saints in Late Medieval Egypt*, (Princeton, 1989) for publication as a monograph. Preparing an article on the role of cemeteries in the social economy of urban space in medieval Cairo.

MARINA A. TOLMACHEVA - Editing Swahili-Arabic texts of the *Pate Chronicle* under an NEH grant administered by Michigan State University for the Association for Publication of African Historical Sources. Also revising for publication a paper entitled: "Ptolemaic Influence on Arab Geography." Also revising an article entitled: "Ibn Battuta on Women's Travel in the Dar al-Islam."

DANIEL MARTIN VARISCO - Preparing a paper for MESA on the symbolic significance of Muhammad's genealogy in early Islam. Working to complete an edition and translation of an anonymous 14th century Yemeni agricultural almanac.

KEITH WEISSMAN - Beginning study of the urban renewal of Cairo in the latter half of the 19th century.

NEGUIN YAVARI - Completing a dissertation entitled: "A Political Biography of Nizam al-Mulk." This work will focus on his links with Sufi and Shi'i dignitaries in the eleventh century (Columbia University).

RECENT AND PLANNED FIELDWORK

McGUIRE GIBSON - Excavation of Area M at Nippur, Iraq (1988). An Ilkhanid/Post-Ilkhanid site. Preliminary report submitted to *Sumer* (January, 1989). Excavation (with E.J. Keall, C. Ciuk and J. Armstrong) of Area WG at Nippur Iraq (1989). A Parthian, Sasanian, early Islamic and early Abbasid site. Report in preparation.

CAROLE HILLENBRAND - Crusader sites in Jerusalem (summer, 1990).

VERA B. MOREEN - Travel to the U.S.S.R. (Oriental Institute, Leningrad) between May 21-June 12, 1991 to research Judaeo-Persian manuscripts.

BETH E. PHILLIPS - Cairo, Egypt (1989-90 and January, 1991) doctoral research dealing mainly with unedited works of 15th century Mamluk chroniclers as found in the Dār al-Kuttub. Research involves a larger study of the *iqta'* and the political structure of the Mamluk Sultanate (University of Utah).

VALERIA FIORANI PIACENTINI - Continuing work in Makran, Pakistan (since 1986).

NOHA SADEK - Field work planned (April-May, 1991) in Yemen to conduct study of the mosques of Zabid.

IRFAN A. SHAHID - Field work in Jordan planned for the academic year 1992-1993.

MARIA EVA SUBTELNY - Senior Exchange Scholar, Academy of Sciences of the USSR (Institutes of Oriental Studies, Leningrad and Tashkent), spring, 1991.

DANIEL MARTIN VARISCO - Fulbright Islamic Civilization Grant to work at the Arab Gulf States Folklore Centre at Doha, Qatar to work on a history of the Arabic almanac genre (1989-90).

NEGUIN YAVARI - Doctoral research conducted in Iran, Syria and Turkey (1989-90).

RECENT OR FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

SHUKRI B. ABED - *Aristotelian Logic and the Arabic Language in Alfarabi*, SUNY Press, 1991. *The Political Regime. A Translation into Hebrew of Alfarabi's al-Siyasah al-madaniyyah*, forthcoming.

REUVEN AMITAI-PREISS - "The Remaking of the Military Elite of Mamlūk Egypt by al-Nāṣir Muḥammad b. Qalāwūn," *Studia Islamica*, 72 (1990): 145-163. "In the Aftermath of 'Ayn Jālūt: The Beginnings of the Mamlūk-Ilkhānid Cold War," *Al-Masāq, Studia Arabo-Islamica Mediterranea*, 3 (1990): 1-21.

ADEL ALLOUCHE - "Tegüder's Ultimatum to Qalāwūn," *IJMES*, 22:4 (1990): 437-446. "A Study of Ibn Baṭṭūṭah's Account of His 726/1326 Journey Through Syria and Arabia," *Journal of Semitic Studies*, 35:2 (1990): 283-299.

DAVID AYALON - "Baḥrī Mamlūks - Inadequate Names for Two Reigns of the Mamlūk Sultanate," *Tārīḥ*, 1 (1990): 3-53.

M.A.J. BEG - "Religious Art of Islamic Civilization: An Overview," *Dialogue and Alliance*, 3:2 (1989).

JONATHAN P. BERKEY - *The Transmission of Knowledge in Medieval Cairo: A Social History of Islamic Education*, (Princeton: Princeton University Press (projected November, 1991). "Women and Islamic

Education in the Mamluk Period," in *Shifting Boundaries:...* eds. N. Keddie and B. Baron, (New Haven: Yale University Press, forthcoming).

SEGER A. BONEBAKKER - *Nihil Obstat in Story Telling. Manuscripts of Commentaries on the Poet Mutanabbī*, Union Européenne des Arabisants, 1990.

ROSS BRANN - *The Compunctious Poet: Cultural Ambiguity and Hebrew Poetry in Muslim Spain*, (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, January, 1991. "Representations of Muslims and Jews in Judah al-Harizi's *Tahkemoni*, *Princeton Papers in Near Eastern Studies*, ed. B. Lewis and C. Issawi (forthcoming, 1991).

OLIVIA REMIE CONSTABLE - "Genoa and Spain in the 12th and 13th Centuries: Notarial Evidence for a Shift in Patterns of Trade," *Journal of European Economic History* (in press). "Muslim Merchants in Andalusi International Trade," *Islamic Civilization in Medieval Spain*, ed. S. Jayyusi, Columbia University Press, (in press). A review of *The Adventures of Ibn Battuta: A Muslim Traveler of the 14th Century*, Ross E. Dunn, Berkeley, 1989, *Envoi* (forthcoming).

ELTON L. DANIEL - "Manuscripts and Editions of Bal'ami's *Tarjamah-i Tārih-i Ṭabarī*," *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society*, no. 2 (1990): 282-321. *Al-Ghazzālī's Alchemy of Happiness*, M.E. Sharpe, (forthcoming).

SAM I. GELLENS - Articles on "*majlis*," *majlis al-shura*," and "*'ulama*," *Encyclopedia of the Modern Middle East*, Macmillan. "World Music Cultures in the History Classroom," *Teachers in Independent Schools Bulletin*, (Winter, 1990-91): 11-12. "Conversion to Islam in the Medieval Period," *Coptic Encyclopedia*, Macmillan.

WILLIAM J. HAMBLIN - "Neoplatonism and the Medieval Mediterranean Magical Traditions," *INCOGNITO*. "After Hattin; Saladin's Strategy in the Reconquest of Palestine," in *Horns of Hattin*.

AXEL HAVEMANN - "Non-Urban Rebels in Urban Society: The Case of Fatimid Damascus," *Proceeding of the 5th International Conference on the History of Bilād al-Shām*, Amman (forthcoming).

CAROLE HILLENBRAND - *A Muslim Principality in Crusader Times: the Early Ayyubid State*, (Leiden: Nederlands Historisch-Archaeologisch Instituut te Istanbul, 1990).

R. STEPHEN HUMPHREYS - *Islamic History: A Framework for Inquiry*, revised edition, (Princeton: Princeton University Press, projected for July, 1991).

D.E.P. JACKSON - *Pappus of Alexandria: the Introduction to Mechanics (Arabic Version)*, Springer (forthcoming).

WADAD KADI - "Early Islamic State Letters: The Question of Authenticity," in *Late Antiquity and Early Islam*, (Princeton: Darwin Press, projected 1991). "The Impact of the Qur'ān on Arabic Literature: The Case of 'Abd al-Ḥamid's Epistolography," in *Approaches to the Qur'ān*, SOAS, (projected 1991). "The Limitations of Qur'ānic Usage in Early Islamic Poetry," in *Festschrift E. Wagner*, Wiesbaden, (forthcoming).

ELLA LANDAU-TASSERON - "On the Reconstruction of Lost Sources," in *History and Historiography in the Early Medieval Near East*, ed. Lawrence Conrad, (projected 1991). "Zaydi Imams as Restorers of Religion," *IJMES*, 1990. "Sayf b. 'Umar in Medieval and Modern Scholarship," *Der Islam*, 1990. "Banū Murra," *El²*.

IRA M. LAPIDUS - *A History of Islamic Societies*, Cambridge University Press, 1988. *Islam, Politics and Social Movements*, ed. (with Edmund Burke), University of California Press, 1988. "Muslim Cities as Plural Societies: The Politics of Intermediary Bodies," *Proceedings of the International Conference on Urbanism in Islam*, Tokyo, vol. 1 (1989): 135-164.

KALUS LUDVIK - *Inscriptions arabes des îles de Bahrain; Contribution à l'histoire de Bahrain entre les XIe et XVIIe siècles*, Geuthner, 1990. "La mosquée al-Khamis à Bahrain, II. Les inscriptions," *Archéologie islamique*, I (1990): 53-73.

JULIE SCOTT MEISAMI - "Unsquaring the Circle: Rereading a Poem by al-Mu'tamid ibn 'Abbad," *Arabica*, 35 (1988): 293-310. "Fitnah or Azadah? Nizami's Ethical Poetic," *Edebiyat*, 1:2 (1988). "Mas'udi on Love and the Fall of the Barmakids," *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society*, (1989): 252-277. "Dynastic History and Ideals of Kingship in Bayhaqi's *Tarikh-i Mas'udi*," *Edebiyat*, 3:1 (1989) (in press). "Medieval Ghaznavid Panegyrics: Some Political Implications," *Iran*, 28 (1990): 31-44. "Medieval Persian Panegyric: Ethical Values and Rhetorical Strategies," in *Courtly Literature: Culture and Context*, ed. Keith Busby and Erik Cooper (Amsterdam: Benjamins, 1990): 439-458. "The Grand Design: Medieval Persian Poetic Microcosms,"

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