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The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations is pleased to provide the sixth edition of the *Council Chronicle*, the Council's newsletter. The *Chronicle* seeks to keep the Council's supporters informed and updated by presenting news and special reports on the Council's year-round educational programs, events, and activities. For new readers interested in learning more about the Council's vision and mission, together with the ways and means it utilizes to pursue both, please visit the Council's Web site at www.ncusar.org.

About the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations

Founded in 1983, the National Council is an American educational, non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to improving American knowledge and understanding of the Arab world. It endeavors to do this through leadership development, people-to-people programs, academic seminars, an annual Arab-U.S. policymakers' conference, specialized publications, and the participation of American students and faculty in Arab world study abroad and Arabic language learning experiences as well as intensive year-round and summer university student internships, combined with an academic seminar in the nation's capital.

The Council's *vision* for the U.S.-Arab relationship is one that rests on a solid, enduring foundation of strategic, economic, political, commercial, and defense cooperation, strengthened continuously by exchanges of present and emerging leaders among Americans and Arabs alike.

The Council's *mission* is educational. It seeks to enhance American awareness and appreciation of the multi-faceted and innumerable benefits the United States has long derived from its relations with the Arab world.

In pursuit of its mission, the Council serves as a U.S.-Arab relations programmatic, informational, and human resources clearinghouse. In so doing, it provides cutting edge information and insight to national, state, and local grassroots organizations, media, and public policy research institutes, in addition to select community civic, religious, business, and professional associations.

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October 15 - 16, 2009

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Speakers at the 17th Annual Arab-U.S. Policymakers Conference included:



“Ambassadors Roundtable” – former U.S. Ambassadors to Saudi Arabia Wyche Fowler, Walter Cutler, and Robert Jordan (L - R)



*H.E. Sheikha Lubna Al Qasimi,
United Arab Emirates Minister for Foreign Trade*



*Mr. Daniel Levy,
Senior Fellow & Co-Director, Middle East Task Force, New America Foundation*



*Ms. Muna Abu Sulayman,
Managing Director, HRH Prince Awaleed Bin Talal Foundation*



*HRH Prince Turki Al Faisal Al Sa'ud,
Chairman, King Faisal Centre for Research and Islamic Studies, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; former Saudi Arabian Ambassador to the United Kingdom and the United States of America; former Director General, General Intelligence Directorate, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia*

Dr. Anthony Appointed Department of State Advisor

Dr. John Duke Anthony, founding President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations has been appointed to the Department of State's Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy (ACIEP). The appointment is for a two-year term. The ACIEP, which meets four times a year, is tasked with providing insight, guidance, and assistance to the Department's economic and foreign policy planning process.

The ACIEP provides policy advice on such issues as private sector development in Iraq and Afghanistan, economic sanctions policy, the downturn in international financial markets, the U.S.-China relationship, bilateral investment treaties, the U.S.-Canada-Mexico Security and Prosperity Partnership, the U.S.-European Union Transatlantic Economic Council, Africa and U.S. malaria policy, and public-private partnerships. It also advises on free trade agreements, of which in addition to one with Israel, four such agreements have been concluded between the United States and Arab countries, including ones with which the National Council has administered numerous cross-cultural educational programs, namely, the Kingdoms of Bahrain, Jordan, and Morocco, as well as the Sultanate of Oman. ACIEP membership consists of representatives of American organizations and institutions from business, labor, environment, academia, legal consultancies, and other public interest groups.

Dr. Anthony, a long-time specialist on the Arab world and a frequent visitor to the region, is also Adjunct Associate Professor of "Politics of the Arabian Peninsula" at the Center for Contemporary Arab Studies in the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University. Since 1971 until the present, he has been a consultant to the Department of State. He served as Chairman of the Department's Near East and North Africa Program, the lead U.S. agency responsible for training American diplomatic and defense personnel assigned to the Arab countries and the Middle East. He was also the founding Director of the Department's Advanced Arabian Peninsula Studies Program. Since 1974 until the present, he has also been a consultant to the Department of Defense, serving as Adjunct Professor on Arabian Peninsula Affairs at the Defense Institute for Security Assistance; Visiting Professor at the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School; regular lecturer at the National War College; Visiting Professor at the Defense Intelligence College; Chairman of the Saudi Arabia Studies Program for American armed forces officers assigned to the Office of Program Management for the Saudi Arabian National Guard Modernization Program; and ongoing lead escort for more than 130 armed services officers selected by the Commander of U.S. Central Command to participate in the National Council's cultural immersion programs in Egypt, Oman, Saudi Arabia, and Yemen. In addition, Dr. Anthony headed the area studies training program for Department of Treasury personnel assigned to the Saudi Arabian-U.S. Joint Commission on Economic Cooperation from the Commission's inception in 1975 until its completion in 1988. He is the only American to have been invited to each of the GCC's Ministerial and Heads of State Summits since the GCC's inception in 1981 and the only American to have served as an official observer for all four of Yemen's presidential and parliamentary elections. In 2000, on the occasion of his first official visit to the United States, His Majesty Muhammad VI, King of Morocco, knighted Dr. Anthony, presenting him with the Order of Quissam Alouite, Morocco's Highest Award for Excellence.

For additional information about the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations and Dr. Anthony see www.ncusar.org, and for additional information about the ACIEP see <http://www.state.gov/e/eeb/adcom/aciep/>



Model Arab League / Arab-U.S. Relations Youth Leadership Development Program 2008 - 2009 Academic Year

2008-09 marked the 26th year of the **National Council's flagship Arab-U.S. Student Leadership Development Program, the Model Arab League (MAL)**. The Models are similar in organization and format to the Model United Nations but focus instead on the League of Arab States, the world's oldest regional political organization, comprised of all 22 Arab states. Established in February 1945, the League is the world's only regional political organization that pre-dates the founding of the United Nations.

The Models provide American, Arab, and other students opportunities to put themselves in the foreign policy shoes of real-life Arab diplomats and foreign affairs practitioners. In the process, they unavoidably and inevitably come to realize how different these realities are in comparison to what they previously thought and assumed, based on what they had read and “learned” or not read and “not learned” before. Grappling with the international challenges of representing someone from a country other than their own, students learn about the Arab world and its peoples and are able to develop and apply analytical, organizational, and public speaking talents that would not be possible through academic courses, lectures, films, videos, briefings, blogs, or the Internet.

Educating and Training Tomorrow's Arab-U.S. Relations Leaders Today

The Models enable students to acquire and practice vital leadership skills that would be extraordinarily difficult to acquire by reading a book, watching television, or listening to a specialist. Students debate Arab national and regional defense, economic, political, social, and related issues along with matters pertaining to Palestinian affairs, human rights, justice, and the environment. As in real life public affairs debate, participants have no choice but to learn how to advocate their positions within prescribed requirements and processes, including tight time constraints. For example, in keeping with established rules of order and depending on the issue and procedural dynamic in play, the Models' Secretaries General, Assistant Secretaries General, and Standing Council Chairs (each of whom is elected by their peers), limit the respective debates to one minute, three minutes, and, a maximum of five minutes.

Practicing and Mastering the Arts of Defining Issues, Focused Debate, Consultation, Consensus, Cooperation, Compromise, Setting and Completing Agendas, Parliamentary Procedure, Mobilizing Coalitions, Time Management, Decision-Making, Resolution-Writing, and Leading Effectively

Few Americans have received comprehensive training or firsthand experience in practicing and mastering such public affairs leadership abilities. The students have to study and conduct research to prepare for the Models. Numerous participants in the Models benefit from assistance provided by faculty advisers the National Council has taken to the Arab world or others within the Council's network of supporters and volunteers. The time limitations placed on speaking for or in opposition to a measure being considered mirror those employed in the debate of public policy issues anywhere. The skill sets practiced and acquired in the course of debate are ones that will serve the students well regardless of the career they elect to pursue.



Dr. Anthony with an award-winning Model Arab League delegation from the United States Military Academy at West Point at the 2009 National University Model Arab League in the nation's capital



Student delegates cast their votes on a resolution during the Summit Session of the 2009 National Model



(L to R) Dr. Anthony; H.E. Samir Shakir M. Sumaida'ie, Ambassador of the Republic of Iraq to the United States; and award-winning Model Arab League student delegates from Converse College at the 2009 National Model



(L to R) National Council Malone Fellow and Model Arab League Faculty Adviser Linda Pappas Funsch, National Council Vice President for Programs Dr. James A. Winship, and a Hood College Model Arab League student delegate at the 2009 National Model at Georgetown University

From November 2008 through April 2009, the National Council sponsored and administered 12 Model Arab Leagues in 11 U.S. cities for 2,000 students in 200 high schools and universities. University Models were held in Boston, Massachusetts at Northeastern University; Allendale, Michigan at Grand Valley State University; Oxford, Ohio at Miami University; Denver, Colorado at Metropolitan State College; Spartanburg, South Carolina at Converse College; Washington, D.C. at Georgetown University; Houston, Texas at the University of St. Thomas; Denton, Texas at the University of North Texas; Berkeley, California at the University of California at Berkeley; and Missoula, Montana at the University of Montana. High School Models were held in Atlanta, Georgia at The Marist School, and in Washington, D.C. at Georgetown University.



A student raises a point of parliamentary procedure in the Social Affairs Council at the 2009 National High School Model Arab League



Georgetown University served as the host site for the 2009 National Model Arab League for university students March 26-28, and for high school students April 17-18



Student delegates introduce a draft resolution to the Political Affairs Council at the 2009 National High School Model



Delegates cast their votes on a draft resolution in the Council on Environmental Affairs at the National University Model



H.E. Dr. Hussein Hassouna, Ambassador of the League of Arab States to the United States, addresses student delegates at the 2009 National University Model



Student delegates discuss a draft resolution they intend to introduce to the Council on Economic Affairs at the 2009 National University Model

The National Council sponsored and administered the 2009 National University Model Arab League at the Georgetown University Conference Center in Washington, D.C. March 26-28. Keynote speakers for the Opening Session were H.E. Dr. Hussein Hassouna, Ambassador of the League of Arab States to the United States; HRH Abdulaziz bin Talal bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, and the Council's Dr. Anthony. H.E. Samir Shakir M. Sumaida'ie, Ambassador of the Republic of Iraq to the United States, gave the Keynote Speech for the Closing Session. Receiving "Outstanding Delegation" awards were Mercer University (Macon, Georgia), representing Lebanon; Converse College (Spartanburg, South Carolina), representing Egypt; Northeastern University (Boston, Massachusetts), representing Iraq; the University California, Santa Barbara, representing the UAE; the United States Military Academy (at West Point, New York), representing Bahrain; and Northwestern University (Evanston, Illinois), representing Jordan.



HRH Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Keynote Speaker from the Opening Session of the 2009 National University Model, with Model Arab League student delegates from Kennesaw State University (Kennesaw, Georgia)



Anthony Kutayli, National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations Consultant, speaks to students during the 2009 National High School Model Arab League at Georgetown University



*Ambassador of the Republic of Iraq to the United States
H.E. Samir Shakir M. Sumaida'ie
addresses the 2009 National Model Arab League*



*Student delegates deliberate in the Arab Court of Justice, a
simulated international court that adjudicates disputes
between Arab League member states, during the 2009
National University Model*



*Faculty advisors, many of whom are alumni of the National
Council's Malone Fellowship in Arab and Islamic Studies
Program, gather with Council Model Arab League
Coordinator Megan Geissler (center) for a group picture at the
2009 National University Model*



*Georgetown University School of Foreign Service Center for
Contemporary Arab Studies Academic Coordinator Jenna
Beveridge addresses student delegates at the 2009 National
High School Model Arab League at Georgetown University*

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Converse Wins at Southeast Model

The Southeast Model Arab League, held March 13-15 at Converse College, brought together more than 210 delegates from five states to represent 21 Arab countries. Events began Friday evening with the keynote speech by ILL Kristi Paris Butler, an intelligence officer dealing with Middle East military threat assessment, stationed at Shaw Air Force Base in Sumter, South Carolina. Lt. Butler, a three-year member and former head delegate on the Converse Model Arab League delegation, spoke about how her years in the Model Arab League program shaped her interests and skills that led to her present position. During her undergraduate years, Lt. Butler spent a summer studying Arabic at the Arabic Language Institute in Fez (ALIF), Morocco, and after graduation she taught English at ALIF for a year.

Co-Secretaries General Anne Fagge and Anna Owens then convened the 23rd Southeast Model plenary session. With computer technology that linked each council through gmail

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*ABOVE: Student delegates at the 2009 West Coast Model Arab
League at the University of California, Berkeley
pose for a group picture*

*LEFT: Cover of the latest issue of Converse College Professor,
National Council Malone Fellows in Arab and Islamic Studies
Alumnus, and Model Arab League Advisor Dr. Joe Dunn's
Carolinian Committee on U.S.-Arab Relations
NEWSLINES newsletter*

Malone Fellowship in Arab and Islamic Studies Program

Annual Cultural Immersion Study Visit to Oman

A delegation of U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) officers, academics, and business representatives participated this year in the National Council's Seventh Annual Cultural Immersion Program in Oman. The delegation was led by Council President Dr. Anthony and Council Board Member John Mulholland. Whereas many of the Council's programs in other Arab countries examine policymaking issues and topics related to economic and social development, the Council's programs in Oman for the past seven years have focused mainly on cultural and anthropological themes. As such, the program takes place primarily in half a dozen regions outside the capital of Muscat, where delegation members experience firsthand the dynamics of one of the Arab world's most demographically, geographically, economically, and socially diverse countries. The program provides context, background, and perspective related to a broad range of dynamics that influence Oman's national development processes as well as its domestic and foreign policy objectives.

Before departure for Oman the Malone Fellow delegation participated in a two-day orientation program that featured Dr. Anthony; Malone Fellow Alumna Linda Pappas Funsch of Hood College in Frederick, Maryland; Dr. Peter Bechtold, Chairman emeritus, Near East and North Africa Studies, Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Department of State; Dr. Hussein Ibish, Senior Fellow, American Task Force on Palestine; Dr. Kenneth Katzman, Senior Gulf Specialist, Near East Affairs, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Mr. Andrew MacDonald, Desk Officer for Oman and Yemen, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, U.S. Department of State; Mr. Tyler Hoffman, International Trade Specialist and Country Officer for Oman, Office of the Middle East, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce; The Hon. Frances D. Cook, U.S. Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, 1995-1999; and The Hon. Molly Williamson, Energy Consultant, Immediate Past Senior Adviser to the U.S. Secretary of Energy, and former U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Defense, and State.



During their visit to the Sultanate, the Malone Fellows had afternoon tea with Dr. and Mrs. Donald and Eloise Bosch at their home near Muscat. The Bosches provided many years of service as medical doctor and teacher for thousands of Omanis.



Malone Fellows spend two days and a night sailing on a traditional Arab dhow to, through, and from the Hormuz Strait, the world's most strategically vital waterway.



The inland fortress and traditional walled settlement of Bahla, presently under restoration, has been designated by the United Nations as a World Heritage Site.



Upon arrival in Oman, the delegation members participated in meetings and briefings by officials at the U.S. embassy and Omani government ministries. They experienced a “sundowner” – a late afternoon and early evening sail from Muscat eastwards around the country’s Indian Ocean coast. They visited two of Oman’s world class cultural and historical museums in Muttrah, the commercial center of the capital territory. They had afternoon tea with Americans Dr. Donald Bosch and Mrs. Eloise Bosch, legends in their own lifetime for having long served as one of the few Western doctors and elementary school teachers in the country prior to 1970. In addition, the Fellows spent time along the country’s coasts, in its mountains, camped out under a moonlit sky in a desert outpost deep in the vast Sharqiyyah Sands, where they attended the weekly camel races among members of the Al-Harthy and other tribes from throughout eastern Arabia. Still further into the interior, they visited remote villages, hilltop hamlets, and little known farm sites tucked beneath groves of trees clinging to hillsides. They sailed for most of two days and a night aboard a traditional wooden Arab dhow, where they slept in the open under the stars and swam and snorkeled offshore famed Telegraph Island. They also anchored and went ashore in hard-to-reach coves and inlets amongst Oman’s Norwegian-like fjords amongst cliffs that drop straight down into the sea in areas adjacent to and all the way around the internationally vital Strait of Hormuz. In so doing, the participants were able to take the measure of the country’s fisher folk, boat builders, weavers, potters, local councilmen and women, school children at study and play, the faithful at prayer, and some of Oman’s multi-ethnic and religious rituals in addition to learning from wizened sentries who, in Bahla, Jabrin, Nizwa, Qabil, and Sur, guided the participants through the architectural mazes and defense mechanisms integral to some of the country’s more than 400 centuries-old forts. Through mountains, deserts, wadis, and the sea, the experience unfolded along the shores and inland reaches of the Indian Ocean, the Gulf of Oman, the Arabian Sea, and other storied places, all alongside an extraordinary Omani guide who personified Oman’s long history of residence and interaction within Arabia as well as Central and East Africa.

The Malone Fellow delegation explored half a dozen regions outside the capital of Muscat, experiencing firsthand the dynamics of one of the Arab world's most demographically, geographically, economically, and socially diverse countries.



The Indian Ocean port of Sur, home to craftsmen of Oman's famous traditional wooden sailing dhows and its merchant captains of the sea who sail to and from the Gulf, Africa, India, Pakistan, and lands further east



One of the National Council's U.S. Central Command Malone Fellows with the delegation's Omani guide during the delegation's stay in the Sharqiyyah Sands



National Council Malone Fellows share tea and dates with their Omani hosts at a settlement deep in the Sultanate's interior.



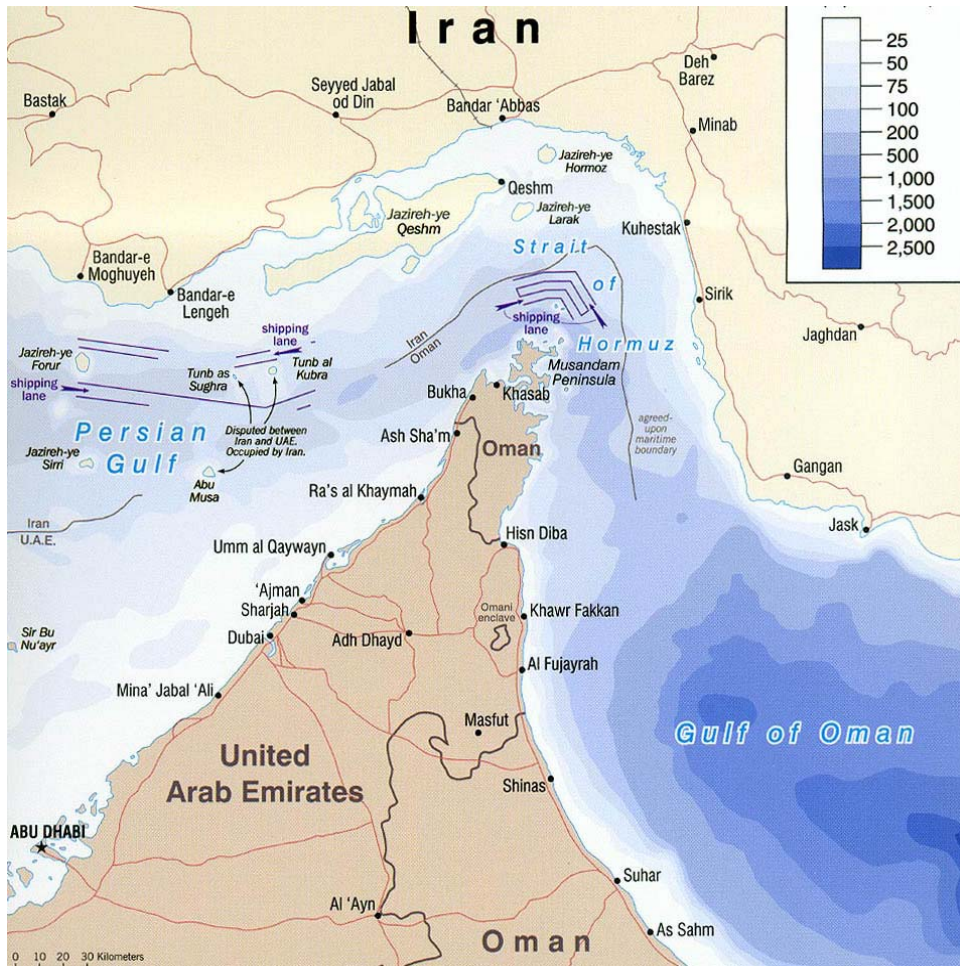
A view from atop the centuries-old fort adjacent to the Grand Mosque in Nizwa, historical capital of the former Ibadhi Imamate of Oman in the Sultanate's interior. A center of scholarly learning and traditional education, Nizwa has long been closely linked historically to Ibadhi communities in Algeria, Libya, East Africa, and elsewhere.



Omani craftswomen at work producing some of the Sultanate's traditional wares at a site in the town of Bahla.



The waterfront of Muscat, capital of Oman and one of Arabia's most historically fabled ports.



STRAIT OF HORMUZ & THE MUSANDAM PENINSULA



Schoolboys take a break from their studies at a school in a remote cove among the mountain ranges of the Musandam Peninsula (map above), a promontory that juts eastward from Oman and the United Arab Emirates to the western reaches of the Hormuz Strait, through which 20 percent of the world's internationally traded oil transits daily.



OMAN

Maps courtesy of the University of Texas Libraries, The University of Texas at Austin.

Malone Fellowship in Arab and Islamic Studies Program U.S. Energy Delegation Visit to Qatar and Saudi Arabia

The National Council, with sponsorship assistance from Qatar Airways and Saudi Aramco, escorted a delegation of Malone Fellow U.S. energy executives to Qatar and the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia April 23-30. The program's pre-departure orientation program featured the Qatar and Saudi Arabia Desk Officers from the U.S. Department of State; the Political Counselor and Director of Congressional and Political Affairs at the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia; the President of the U.S.-Qatar Business Council; Saudi Arabia's Deputy Minister for Foreign Trade, Deputy Minister for Industry, and Assistant Director General for Foreign Trade; Advisor and Group Chief Economist for The Saudi British Bank; a former Deputy Assistant Secretary at the U.S. Departments of Commerce, Defense, and State, as well as Senior Advisor to the U.S. Department of Energy; and the President of International Energy Associates, Inc. who was previously U.S. representative to the International Energy Agency in Paris as well as Senior Adviser to a GCC country's Ministry of Petroleum.

In Qatar, the delegation visited ExxonMobil's Ras Laffan LNG Facility; Qatar's "Energy City;" the new American-Qatar Chamber of Commerce; Qatar Airways' facilities; Qatar Petroleum Company's new marketing agency for its gas, petroleum, and gas-to-liquids exports; Qatar's internationally renowned Islamic Museum; the U.S. Embassy; the offices of *Aljazeera*; and Khawr al-Udayd, the country's southeastern desert border area that intersects with the boundaries of Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. In Saudi Arabia, the delegation visited Saudi Aramco's headquarters and Heritage Gallery; the Company's Exploration & Petroleum Engineering Center, Oil Supply Planning & Scheduling Center, and its Ras Tanura Refinery and Terminal; and the U.S. Consulate General in Dhahran. Throughout the visit, the delegation met with corporate representatives, technicians, managers, analysts, scientists, and diplomats in the forefront of the U.S.-Arab energy relationship.



The National Council Malone Fellows delegation of U.S. corporate energy representatives visiting Saudi Aramco facilities in the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia



The corporate energy executives' pre-departure orientation program featured speakers from the government, business, and academic communities. Pictured here are officials of Saudi Arabia's Ministry for Foreign Trade, Ministry of Industry, and the Saudi British Bank.



The Malone Fellows energy delegation explored the Qatari capital's traditional market and the country's world famous Museum of Islamic Art (below)



Construction cranes fill the Doha sky amid Qatar's extensive economic development and infrastructure expansion



View from the Museum of Islamic Art in Doha, Qatar



Malone Fellow energy leaders take to the desert in four-wheel drive vehicles to visit the border region adjacent to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates and to experience a traditional dinner in a tent.



QATAR



SAUDI ARABIA

Dr. Anthony on U.S. Public Television's *"This is America" with Dennis Wholey*

National Council President & CEO Dr. John Duke Anthony appeared in two episodes of Public Television's *This is America with Dennis Wholey* that aired across the U.S. in April. Dr. Anthony was featured in a session that included HM Queen Noor, former First Lady of Jordan and widow of the late Jordanian King Hussein; Ambassador Wendy Chamberlin, President, Middle East Institute; George Washington University Islamic Scholar Dr. Sayyed Hossein Nasr; *Al-Arabiya Television* Chief Washington Correspondent Hisham Melham; and Laila Al-Qatami, former Communications Director, Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee now with the UAE Ministry of Presidential Affairs' Center for Documentation and Research and lecturer at the UAE National University.



The two half-hour programs focused on "Arab Identity, Culture and Values." The speakers discussed public diplomacy between America and the Arab world in a historical context, the changing face of U.S.-Arab relations, and cultural issues that continue to challenge mutual knowledge, understanding, and respect. Streaming video of the programs is available through the *This is America with Dennis Wholey* Web site and the National Council's Web site: www.ncusar.org.

Dr. Anthony Keynotes University of Montana Conference



Dr. John Duke Anthony delivered the keynote address to an international conference on "New Avenues for U.S. Middle East Policy," March 4-5 at The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center at the University of Montana. The two-day symposium brought together leading scholars and foreign affairs practitioners from the Middle East and the United States to discuss U.S. policies. In addition to his keynote address on "America's Changing Interests in the Middle East: Implications for U.S. Policy," Dr. Anthony also addressed a session on "U.S.-Iran Relations and Their Implications for GCC Countries." Other conference speakers included Georgetown University Center for Contemporary Arab Studies (CCAS) Director Dr. Michael C. Hudson and CCAS Professors Drs. Rochelle A. Davis, Samer Shehata, and Nouredin Jebnoun; prominent University of Montana Professor Dr. Mehrdad Khia; Retired Ambassador and Montana World Affairs Council President Mark Johnson; Brigadier General Russell Howard (USA, Ret.); University of Texas at Austin Professor Clement M. Henry; Dr. Marvin G. Weinbaum from the Middle East Institute; Mr. Hekmat Karzai (brother of Afghanistan President Hamid Kharzai) from the Center for Conflict and Peace Studies in Kabul, Afghanistan; Fordham University Professor John P. Entelis; and University of New England Professor Dr. Ali Ahmida.

President's Educational Services and Publications

National Council President Dr. Anthony continues to serve as an Adjunct Professor at the Center for Contemporary Arab Studies in the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University, where he teaches a course on "Politics of the Arabian Peninsula." This is the first such semester-long course of its kind known to be offered at any of America's 3,800 universities. During the Fall 2008 semester, he co-taught the course with HRH Prince Turki Al Faisal Al Sa'ud, Chairman of the Center for Islamic Studies and Research at the King Faisal Foundation in Riyadh and former longstanding Director-General of Saudi Arabia's General Intelligence Directorate as well as Saudi Arabian Ambassador to the United Kingdom, Ireland, and the United States.

Dr. Anthony's recent publications and media appearances include:

- "An American Ambassador's Farewell to Saudi Arabia," a report appearing in *Saudi-U.S. Relations Information Service* (www.saudi-us-relations.org), January 15, 2009
- "On the Eve of the GCC Summit," on the occasion of the 2008 Annual GCC Ministerial and Heads of State Summit in Muscat, Oman, in *Saudi-U.S. Relations Information Service*, (www.saudi-us-relations.org), December 28, 2008
- "Arab Identity, Culture, and Values," for *This is America with Dennis Wholey* (<http://www.thisisamerica.net/>), U.S. Public Broadcasting, April, 2009
- Three separate "Interviews on Prospects for Arab-U.S. Relations in the Obama Administration;" "Prospects for Arab-Israeli Peace," and "Prospects for Saudi Arabia-U.S. Relations" for *KSATV* in the winter and early spring 2009
- Essay on "Gulf-U.S. Relations 2008" for the *2008-2009 Gulf Yearbook* of the Dubai, UAE-based Gulf Research Center
- "War With Iran: Regional Reactions and Requirements," *Middle East Policy*, Volume XV, Number 3 (Fall 2008)
- Biographical essays on (1) United Arab Emirates (UAE) President and Ruler of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi HH Shaikh Khalifa bin Zayed; (2) UAE Vice-President and Ruler of the Emirate of Dubai HH Shaikh Rashid bin Muhammad Al-Maktoum; (3) UAE Deputy Supreme Commander of Armed Forces and Crown Prince of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi HH Shaikh Muhammad bin Zayed Al-Nahyan; (4) Ambassador of Saudi Arabia to the United States HE Adel A. Al-Jubair; and (5) Kingdom Holding Chairman HRH Prince Alwaleed bin Talal bin Abdalaziz Al Sa'ud, in Michael R. Fischbach, editor, *Biographical Encyclopedia on the Modern Middle East* (Farmington Hills, Michigan: Thomson Gale, 2008)
- Essays on "Boom in the Gulf," "Oman," and "Qatar" in *Encyclopedia Britannica Yearbook* (Chicago: Encyclopedia Britannica, 2008)

Dr. Anthony also recently addressed the membership and supporters of the following organizations:

- The Gulf Research Center and the Saudi Arabian Institute for Diplomatic Studies' 2009 Gulf Forum, on "U.S. Gulf Policies in the Obama Administration," Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- The U.S. National War College's Classes of 2008 and 2009, separate lectures on "Saudi Arabia" and "Qatar"
- The Defense Institute for Security Assistance Management, U.S. Department of Defense, on "The Arabian Peninsula in Regional and World Affairs"
- The 2009 National University & National High School Model Arab Leagues in Washington, DC, on "Educating and Training Tomorrow's Arab-U.S. Relations Leaders Today: Contexts and Challenges"
- The Center for Naval Analyses, U.S. Department of Defense, on "Challenges for the Obama Administration in Arabia and the Gulf"
- The Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on "New Directions and Old Dilemmas for the Obama Administration: The Changing Nature of U.S. Interests in the Arab World and the Stubborn Realities of American Politics"
- The United Arab Emirates Ministry of Presidential Affairs' Center for Documentation and Research (CDR) in Abu Dhabi, on "The UAE as An Example in Political Engineering"
- The Washington, DC premier of the documentary *HOME-The Aramco Brats' Story*
- Reception Honoring Ms. Judith Morrison in Commemoration of the Lives of the Late Joseph J. Malone and Lois F. Malone, on "Joe and Lois Malone: In Memoriam"

National Council is Bequeathed the Dr. Joseph and Lois Malone Collection of Islamic and Pre-Islamic Pottery

The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations recently received, from the family of the late Lois F. Malone, the Dr. Joseph and Lois Malone Collection of Islamic and Pre-Islamic Pottery to be displayed on permanent exhibition at the National Council's office. Ms. Judith Morrison, a sister of Mrs. Malone and former longtime staffer on the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, presented the collection to the Council on behalf of Mrs. Malone's family in her capacity as executor of Mrs. Malone's estate.

Marking the occasion was a dinner in honor of Mrs. Morrison hosted by 20 of the late Dr. Joseph J. Malone and Mrs. Malone's friends and colleagues. Also present were former students of Prof. Malone from his years of teaching and chairing the American University in Beirut's Department of History and his courses on Middle Eastern History at the National War College in Washington, DC.



*Dr. Joseph J. Malone (1924-1983),
educator, historian, and author.*



*Ms. Judith Morrison, sister of Mrs. Malone, at a dinner in
honor of the bequest of the Dr. Joseph and Lois Malone
Collection of Islamic and Pre-Islamic Pottery to the National
Council on U.S.-Arab Relations.*



*Item from the Dr. Joseph and Lois Malone Collection of
Islamic and Pre-Islamic Pottery*



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