In honor of Professor Wadie Jwaideh’s remarkable service to Indiana University as founder, Professor and Chair of the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, and Professor of History, we are pleased to present the fourth annual

Wadie Jwaideh Memorial Lecture
in Arabic and Islamic Studies

Sunday, October, 16, 2005, at 7:30 pm
Whittenberger Auditorium

”Roots of Shiite Power in Iraq”

Presented by
Professor Juan Cole
Professor of History,
University of Michigan

A tribute to Prof. Jwaideh will be given by Kadhim Shaaban
A reception will follow in the University Club.

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*Thank you!*
Professor Juan Cole, an accomplished scholar of modern Middle Eastern and South Asian history, teaches in the Department of History at the University of Michigan. Since September 11, 2001, Professor Cole has given numerous press and media interviews on the "War on Terrorism" and more recently on the Iraq War. He writes extensively on modern Islamic movements in Egypt, the Persian Gulf, and South Asia, and runs the award-winning internet blog "Informed Comment" (www.juancole.com), a forum for discussions of Middle East politics and the policies of the current US Administration.

In his lecture tonight Professor Cole will address the following questions: What explains the rise of the religious Shiite parties in modern Iraq that are increasingly capturing power in the country? What are the underpinnings of the ghetto movement of radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr? Of the massively organized and ominously named Supreme Council for Islamic Revolution in Iraq, which won 9 of 18 provinces in the January elections? Of the secretive Dawa Party, which now holds the office of prime minister, and which has cells all over the south? How do these parties interact with the authority of the Grand Ayatollah Sistani, the highest spiritual authority of the community? The fate of Iraq depends on the answers to these questions.
Professor Wadie Elias Jwaideh had a long and distinguished career both within and outside of Indiana University. He received the degree of Licentiate in Law from the University of Baghdad in 1942. In 1960, he received his PhD from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University. During this time, he also held a lecturer position in Arabic at Johns Hopkins University.

His dissertation entitled “A History of the Kurdish Nationalist Movement” is the most comprehensive study ever made into the Kurdish question. This work established him as one of the world’s leading experts on the Kurds. It will be published in English in the spring of 2006 by Syracuse University Press.

Dr. Jwaideh joined the faculty of Indiana University in 1960 and became the founder and chairman of the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Literature and Professor of History until his retirement.

In 1972, Professor Jwaideh was given the Lieber Memorial Award for Distinguished Teaching. A number of his colleagues and former students contributed articles for a Festschrift in his honor. Dr. Robert Olsen edited this book, entitled Islamic and Middle Eastern Society (Amana Books, 1987).

After his retirement from IU in 1985, Dr. Jwaideh accepted an appointment as Adjunct Professor of History at the University of California at San Diego, where he taught until 1990.