

In 1990-91 **Richard H. Beal** spent most of his time writing first drafts of articles for the Chicago Hittite Dictionary: words beginning ša- and ši-. In addition he also spent a considerable amount of time transliterating Hittite texts from a newly published volume 60 in the series of *Keilschrifturkunde aus Boğazköi*. Aside from work for the Hittite Dictionary, he has written a review for the *Journal of the American Oriental Society* of Albertine Hagenbüchner's *Die Korrespondenz der Hethiter*, an edition and translation of most Hittite letters. For the same journal he has also written a review of Christel Rüster and Erich Neu's *Hethitisches Zeichenlexikon*, a much needed list of Hittite signs with their various possible shapes, phonetic values, and logographic meanings. The eagerly awaited appearance this summer of a volume of letters and administrative texts from the Hittite northern frontier post at the site of Maşat Höyük is finally allowing the completion of his book on the organization of the Hittite army. A summary of this as well as a discussion of Hittite tactics and strategy will appear in the book *Civilizations of the Ancient Near East*, edited by Jack Sasson, to be published by Scribner's. Finally, in 1990 he and his wife toured the Soviet Union, with the highlight being one week in Uzbekistan, and spent six and a half weeks in 1991 thoroughly seeing and photographing Morocco.
