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After a flurry of editing and layout work in the fall, Carol Meyer completed a long-term project, *Glass from Quseir al-Qadim and the Indian Ocean Trade*, Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization, No. 53, which appeared in March 1993. This is the final report on the Roman and Mamluk glass excavated at Quseir al-Qadim, as well as a study of the glass trade around the western Indian Ocean. A similar but shorter study is under way, a chapter on the Sasanian and early Islamic glass from Nippur for a forthcoming volume on the Nippur excavations in the series Oriental Institute Publications. A report on the 1992 archaeological survey at Bir Umm Fawakhir in the Eastern Desert of Egypt was written and has been accepted by the *Annual of the American Schools of Oriental Research*. In January Meyer returned to Bir Umm Fawakhir to direct a second season of survey work (see separate report, pp. 21–28). With the assistance of the Oriental Institute Computer Laboratory, she is now finishing a computer-aided version of the site map for the report on the 1993 season. Briefer projects included writing an entry on Bir Umm Fawakhir for *The Archaeology of Ancient Egypt: An Encyclopedia*, delivering a paper on Fawakhir at the American Research Center in Egypt meeting in Baltimore, and attending a meeting of The Society of Woman Geographers in Washington, D.C. to help set up guidelines for their new museum and archives. Projects initiated include a contribution to a *Festschrift* with the working title, “The Ptolemaic Tank Trade: Elephants from East Africa,” a paper on the geological context of Bir Umm Fawakhir to be delivered by a co-author at the Egyptian-Italian conference on Geophysical Sciences in Mediterranean Archaeology in Cairo, and an invitation to chair a session on Medieval Islamic glass at the meeting of the Association Internationale pour l’Histoire du Verre in Copenhagen next year.