



Richmond Hill

*It is my habit to walk a hill until it levels out
or until it thinks it has seen enough of sloth
and the way I map one foot flat in front of the other,
each step shorter, wider than the first, a platypus of sorts,
whose rhythm like its waddle I have borrowed since birth.*

*It is my habit to walk a hill until the sky falls near,
and one believes he's risen to the heavens
where the Queen's deer sprint through sprigs and thickets,
and night hawks graze above the Orchard House with such ascension,
heaven knows what royal robes the moon must wear.*

*I might sooner run downhill to find my level
because the road that rises up to meet me has no will
and bends to unimpede me like a gifting uncle,
wise and wiley but in matters of frailty, unskilled.
I might rather dash without much effort down Queens Road*

*or roll beyond the Terrace Green into the bole and heather
than know what stones the foot, like a naked mind, could repel.
Still it is my habit to hug a hill when it pretends to slope
at every lurch as if it grieved from the mind descending,
and pulls the eye back toward some higher view the road intended,*

*as when my breath searches for a swig of air,
there rises in the valley a column of smoke, high on the heath,
and racing, I rabble my thirst until the cinders slide and the eyes
tumble further to the Petersham meadow
where downridge a field edges past the bunchgrass into a cattle grove,*

*and there between the sparrowfall and woodsmoke like a rime
that winds along the center of a verse, the river bends
as is its habit when followed by so many feet as harrowed as mine.
And while it is not my nature to steal my way into the low roads
and fox lands where the marsh pine hugs the bracken,*

*I have followed bends until the journey's end surprises
and like the tern above the Gothic turrets on the Old Main rising
high into its lofty fields of sky, I have wandered the Thames
from Richmond Hill to Kensington for the order nature gives my mind,
and of the shorter roads have sought the longer one to climb.*

*And seeing the turn in the river wind to where all vision fails,
and knowing how one sole leathers thin without the other,
I would want to round a bend or scale a hill to learn one's nature
how each step must dream a continent to hurdle,
because it's simply force of habit, and habit frees my will.*

This poem was written for the occasion of the internationally recognized American poet, Dr. James Ragan, being awarded Doctor of Letters at Richmond's May 2001 graduation. Dr. Ragan read his poem at graduation and gave the original handwritten copy to Richmond, where it will be kept in 'The Artists Corner'.

A letter from the President

Walter McCann
President



People are often fooled by the regularity of university life. We open and close about the same time each year, offer similar courses, turn students into alumni. On the surface, things look pretty much the same year-on-year.

That is as it should be since universities are the carriers of tradition and stability in a society. But we are also agents of change, helping students to transform themselves into

contributing citizens, creating new knowledge and subtly changing ourselves to accomplish these tasks.

Sometimes the changes are obvious to the eye: Richmond's new Taylor Library; the Richmond Technology Center and Cisco Networking Academy. Refurbishment of bedrooms and showers at the Hill speeds up, so students will have better accommodation. In the Main Building also, the student common room is refurbished, a store added to it and an ATM (cash machine) arrives. The Hill grounds have benefited from additional care and have never looked better.

We have new Deans of Business and Arts & Sciences and several new members of the full-time faculty; other faculty and staff have left to pursue new opportunities elsewhere. A presidential search is underway as I edge closer to retirement and my return to the USA next summer.

Other changes are less evident, but perhaps more telling over time. Courses are added or dropped from the curriculum. The new core course, 'Rights, Choices and Values', moves from its trial stage into the heart of the Richmond experience as a required course for

new students. Evaluation of the new MBA program starts under the aegis of the new Dean. The innovative new Arts, Design and Media program (ADaM) is launched. So too is the Business School major in E-Commerce.

Of special interest to Richmond graduates, the Alumni Office has moved from its Young Street quarters to the former President's Office in Pacific House. Along with the coming, improved alumni pages on our new website (www.richmond.ac.uk), the Pacific House location provides better space and underlines our commitment to serving alumni.

Remember that we have a matching donation from an alum to enable us to complete the enhanced alumni section of the website. For each contribution from a graduate, the grant will double the amount until we reach the matching total from the two sources of £15,000. We need your help to help you help yourselves!

The new academic year will be a time of continuity and change. Whatever it brings, our commitment to students and alumni will remain at the center of our mission. Why not visit the University to see how we are both the same and a very different place? ■

MBA graduation ceremony

Since the start of the one year MBA program, students present themselves for graduation at the end of the fourth quarter in September. This fall, fifteen candidates representing fifteen different countries were presented for the degree at the ceremony held at The Royal Garden Hotel on 8 September. In her first official duty as Dean of the School of Business, Dr. Teresa Domzal, presented academic awards and made remarks about the qualities of an MBA graduate.

President McCann and members of the administration, faculty and graduates were piped in by Alan McIvor, Bagpipe Major and Director Scottish Educational Society of Rockford Pipe Ban. Selected to give the Welcome address, as the student with the highest grade point average, Margo Farrell emphasized the importance of teamwork experienced in the MBA program. She began her comments,

'Have you ever watched a flock of geese flying in their traditional 'V' formation, heading

South for the summer? And have you ever thought about why the geese always stick together? Two engineers learned that each bird, by flapping its wings, creates an uplift for the bird that follows. Together, the whole flock gains a 70% greater flying range than if they were journeying alone.'

She continued, 'And similar to geese, all of the MBA graduates in this room today have helped to lift each other up in one way or another over the past year. Since our first day of orientation, we have learned the value of teamwork. It is the ability to work together toward a common vision. It is the ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. And most importantly, teamwork is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.'

'If my experience at Richmond has taught me anything at all, it relates to the analogy of these flying geese. Because, thanks to the immense diversity of our graduating class, I have learned just how small the world really is and that, if we all stick together, we are

capable of achieving grand heights.'

After thanking family, friends and faculty for their support during the program, Margo ended with, 'Just remember the geese and the importance of working together and respecting others in both your personal and professional lives – and you will fly higher.' ■



Summer 2001 on campus at Richmond

After Spring semester closes and the graduation ceremony and ball are over, both Richmond and Kensington campuses take on a new rhythm for the summer. With the longer hours of sunshine and the warmer (and sometimes) sunny weather, it is the best time to be in England and at Richmond.

The University's two five week sessions of Summer School at the Hill campus are open to both Richmond students and those from other institutions. Up to 6 credits in each session can be earned towards the degree, and Richmond faculty teach courses from the regular curriculum. One course offered last summer was Studio Ceramics. The students made the first pots they had ever made, and none of them were arts majors. All of them took on ambitious and technically difficult first projects. **For information about Summer School 2002 contact enroll@richmond.ac.uk**

Richmond organizes special programs for other universities. For the past three summers, Western New England College in Springfield, MA has sent students under the leadership of Professor Ted Johnson-South to complete a 'cultures course' requirement. The two-week course, History of London, includes site visits and museum trips as well as a lecture on British Culture by Dr. Peter Leuner, formerly Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs at Richmond. Several WNEC students have returned for a full semester of study at Richmond.

Prospera Language Institute in Shizuoka, Japan is an institution with a long history of bringing students to study for the summer at Richmond. For more than 10 years, Izumi Hayashi, President of Prospera and Richmond alumna '81, has brought students to Richmond for an intensive month of English classes. Language and culture classes, as well as trips, are organized by Richmond faculty to enrich the students' cultural understanding and their knowledge and use of English.

About forty 16-18 year old American students from all over the USA came to Richmond Hill for a 4-week pre-college program in humanities. Organized by AIFS, the program comprised full time classes taught by Richmond faculty, day trips and cultural events. Students returned to the US with credit for college level courses to use when applying to university.

Not all programs this past summer were for students. Dr. Stephen R. Portch, Chancellor, Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, presented a workshop to members

of Richmond's administration. Entitled 'Thriving in Challenging Times: Using Tools, Discovering Techniques and Overcoming Terrors', participants identified key issues facing education globally and Richmond in particular. The group explored solutions through planning and focus to address these challenges and opportunities.

In Kensington, while MBA students were enrolled in classes or internships during their 10-week summer quarter of the year long program, Study Abroad Students joined the 12-week International Internship Program. They enrolled alongside other US Study Abroad students in the Richmond International Summer School which offers courses in 3-week modules and students earn credits to transfer to their US University.

For the past seven years, Richmond's Internship Office has hosted medical students from the University of Texas-Houston Health Science Program to participate in the Comparative Healthcare Internship Program, a joint, eight-week program between the two institutions.

This summer, seven students participated in the program from five different schools - Public Health, Dentistry, Nursing, Medical and Graduate Studies. Accompanied by faculty members, the students took a series of seminars provided by the preceptors from their workplaces which included The London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, Guy's Hospital, Camden & Islington Health Authority, Imperial College and St Bartholomew's Hospital. Projects carried out included subject matter as varied as BSE (popularly known as Mad Cow disease), cancer and gene therapy.

After the programme ended this summer, one student was married in Dunoon Castle, Scotland. A summer in London and at Richmond results in many enriching experiences! ■



Win Vichaidit - Studio Ceramics Summer School



Western New England College students with their professor



University of Texas - Houston Health Science Program participants

Alumni working at Richmond

We are pleased to have the alumni listed below as colleagues

Yilka Abate Kassa '00,
IT Department

Babalola Alausa '99,
Richmond Technology Centre

Venka Bwerinofa '01,
Resident Director

Chris Howell '98,
Resident Director

Aneta Ioncheva '99,
Resident Director

Sara Mehdipour '00,
Resident Director

Nevena Momchilova '98/'00,
Assistant to Director of Residence Life

Miki Nemoto '93,
Administrative Assistant Student Affairs

Indrani Raychaudhuri '01,
Resident Director

Sophia Shaikh '01,
Administrative Assistant Admissions

Kristian Skeie '98,
Center for New Media Support Analyst

Kathryn Spellman '94,
Faculty member in Social Sciences

Two new Deans for Richmond's schools



Dr. Jos Hackforth-Jones **Dr. Teresa Domzal**

This autumn, Richmond welcomes two new Deans for the School of Arts and Sciences and for the School of Business. Dr. Jos Hackforth-Jones moved from the position of Director of MA Programme and Principal Lecturer to Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, and Dr. Teresa Domzal joined Richmond from her position as the Dean of School of Business at George Mason University, Virginia, USA. We introduce each Dean to the global Richmond community.

Dr. Jos Hackforth-Jones came to England from Australia in the mid 1970's as an overseas graduate student to study at the Courtauld Institute of Art. When Jos joined the Richmond art faculty in 1992, she was already committed to international education as a result of her university experience in Australia and the UK. Her early years at Richmond enabled her to rethink her pedagogy as an art historian working in an international environment. In 1995, she was awarded a Senior Research Fellowship at the Australian National University to spend a year examining intercultural education in the visual arts across art history, theory and studio art. This resulted in a book, 'Towards an Intercultural Education in the Visual Arts'. Books, exhibition catalogs, articles, lectures, conference papers and consultancies are all a part of the new Dean's rich professional and academic background.

During her sabbatical in Spring 2001 in Australia, Jos initiated and researched a project 'London's complexions: The visual representation of non Europeans visiting London circa 1750-1850'. This involves the participation of international scholars and will culminate in a publication and exhibition at London's National Portrait Gallery. Jos mentioned that, increasingly in her professional travels and conferences, more people in the field recognize Richmond, as an international and intercultural university.

In response to a question about the School of Arts and Sciences, Jos said that 'The

pedagogy of the School enables students to talk openly in class and to share and exchange experiences and to think reflectively about cultural, social and political issues in relation to their own experience.' After recently focussing on the MA program, Jos is pleased that in her new role as Dean she will work with and on behalf of graduate and undergraduate students. She is looking forward to working with faculty to implement a strategic plan for the School over the next two years.

Dean Hackforth-Jones noted that 'Open University validation was good for our students to have this dual recognition of degrees, as both systems are highly regarded and represent Richmond's unique transcultural identity. The contact with External Examiners who are colleagues in the field, enriches and enhances the experience for faculty and for course offerings.'

Although early in her tenure as Dean, Jos is looking forward to more contact with both students and faculty across the school and also with alumni. She says, 'It is crucial for alumni to keep in touch with Richmond so that we know where they are and can meet up whenever faculty travel, and alumni can come to campus to talk to students as well.' In addition to this new role, Jos is also teaching three classes this Fall and working with Tate Britain as conference convenor for an international conference in April 2002 entitled 'Occidents will happen' - exploring ways which Orientalist visual culture is affected and challenged by the inclusion of indigenous artists and patrons.

Dr. Teresa Domzal comes to London from Fairfax, Virginia, near Washington D.C. where she served as Dean of the School of Management at George Mason University since 1997. She joined George Mason University as an assistant professor of marketing and advertising. During her tenure there, she served as department chair, Associate Dean, and then Dean. She was a visiting professor at Bond University in Australia, and has guest lectured at Erasmus University, University of Odense, and the Copenhagen School of Management. She was a visiting professor at both Ted Bates and Lintas/Worldwide advertising agencies. And, she has worked with Eastman Kodak, Marriott International, and the Department of Defense as a consultant and lecturer on organizational change, integrated marketing communication and global advertising strategy.

Her academic research interests include post-modern consumer culture and advertising. Her research appears in the International Journal of Advertising, Journal of Current Issues and Research in Advertising, Journal of Advertising, Journal of Advertising Research, Journal of International Consumer Marketing, and Journal of Consumer Marketing.

Dean Domzal heard about Richmond while travelling through South America where she met Richmond alumni - Ana Petermann-Sims '00 in Chile, and Lucia Manzitti '98 in Buenos Aires. They each spoke fondly and enthusiastically of their experiences at Richmond. Upon returning from that trip, Dean Domzal saw the job announcement for a Dean of the Business School, and applied. She says, 'Having attended a small liberal arts university as an undergraduate, I know the value of an education from a small private university. I liked the Richmond philosophy of having roots in a liberal arts education, even if students want to study business. Having a broad view of the world is extremely valuable for someone working in today's global business environment.'

Teresa says that 'The exciting part of joining Richmond University and the School of Business is its unique position in the marketplace. Richmond has probably the best location in the world for an American University abroad. Having a background in marketing, I see great opportunity to build the Richmond brand worldwide, because it is such a unique university.'

For the immediate future, she sees her role as helping 'the faculty in the School of Business to enhance the curriculum, both MBA and undergraduate. Providing a curriculum to prepare students to work in an ever changing business environment requires a faculty to keep courses current, and dynamic. Having Open University validation and Middle States Accreditation require our curricula to be systematically reviewed and improved - and that should reassure students that they are receiving a quality education.'

Dean Domzal commented that 'Richmond is one of London's best kept secrets. I'd like to build on the reputation of Richmond so that more people know who we are and what we stand for as a University - because we have a unique market position.' ■

New University Web Site
Richmond announces its new and enhanced website to be found at
www.richmond.ac.uk

New developments on hill campus

At the Hill campus, the Taylor Library begins its second year of existence. Students and faculty greatly enjoy this new building for work and study.

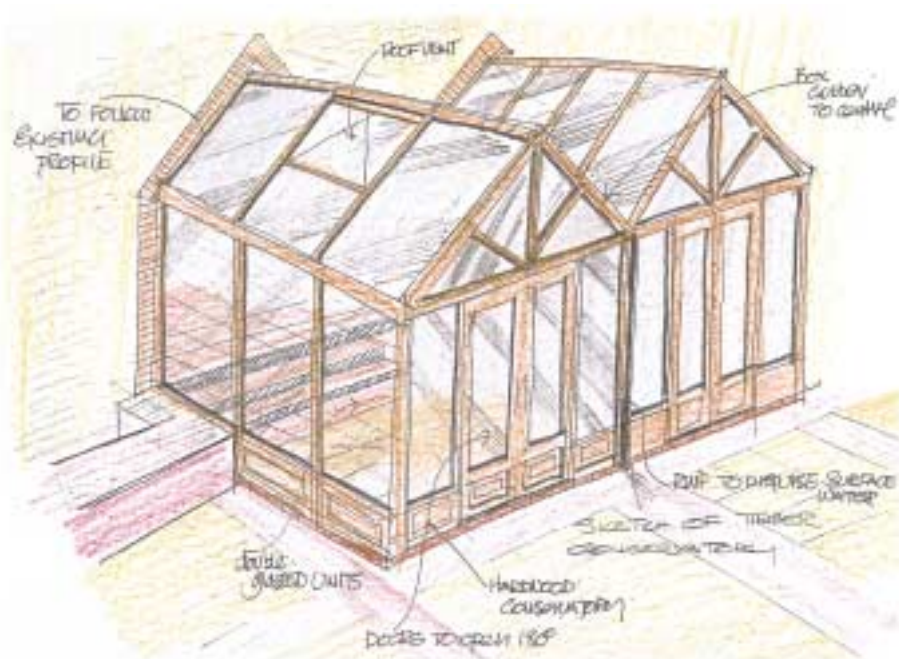
This Fall, the University opened a state of the art Fitness Center. Open daily for student and faculty use, the center is located in the basement of the main building in the former computer lab where the gym in the 1980's was located.

As part of an ongoing plan for campus refurbishment, the university proposes to redevelop the courtyard area adjacent to the common room with a conservatory and screening to hide the air conditioning plant.



Designed to follow the existing profile of the main building, the conservatory will lead off the recently refurbished common room. It will provide a student café where smoking will be allowed and students will be able to mix and mingle easily together.

Based on a hard wood frame with double glazed panels, there will be opening roof vents for ventilation and space heating for the winter months. The proposed budget for this redevelopment is £30,000. ■



Grahamstown, South Africa Music Festival

As Director of Sponsorship at Standard Bank of South Africa, Lyndon Barends, MBA '97 was directly involved in the Arts Festival held in Grahamstown in July, 2001. Professor Stanley Glasser, a Richmond Academic Governor and composer, was invited as composer-in-residence this summer. No less than ten of Professor Glasser's compositions were performed and/or discussed. He also

gave lectures, held masterclasses in composition with people from South Africa as well as Argentina, Sweden and Slovakia.

Standard Bank of South Africa supports this arts festival which includes theater, films, exhibitions, lectures, jazz concerts, pop and folk music. People from all over the world attend as participants or visitors, which Professor Glasser found especially enriching.

In addition to performances of his own works, Professor Glasser was able to listen to a number of local choirs, to discuss their music with their conductors and to collect research material for future compositions. He noted that South African choirs display a high standard of performance including a rich and wide ranging repertoire. He hopes to return another year to this culturally rich arts festival.

Do you know anyone to recommend to study at Richmond?

Please send their contact information to Admissions Office at enroll@richmond.ac.uk

or give this e-mail address to your friend

Refer them to Richmond's new and improved website

www.richmond.ac.uk

Volunteer leaders needed for local alumni chapters

- Would you like to have Richmond alumni events in your city?
- Do you know how many Richmond alumni there are in your area?
- Would you like to have a local Richmond Alumni Chapter in your city?
- Have you the time and interest to volunteer to start a local alumni group?

Guidelines for setting up an Alumni Chapter are available from:

alumni@richmond.ac.uk

Donation to support new alumni web pages

A generous member of Richmond's Alumni has offered a \$15,000 matching donation to underpin the costs for developing web pages for alumni. Every donation given to support the alumni web pages, will be matched or doubled up to the equivalent of \$15,000. The web page costs include the design of the pages and the purchase of a suitable database to support the needs for alumni users to update their own information and to search worldwide for alumni friends and colleagues.

After much research and conversations with alumni, a plan has been drawn up for the web pages as part of the University's new and enhanced web site to be found at www.richmond.ac.uk. Although currently under construction, the Alumni pages will offer a variety of interactive services. By clicking on the Alumni button, the opening page of the alumni site will show buttons for:

The Alumni Directory to enable alumni to update their own contact information and to search by class, country and career for alumni friends.

Alumni Services to include a Bulletin Board and Chat Room facility, a link with a London newspaper, Richmond merchandise, polls and advertisements from Alumni companies, the opportunity to share a memory about someone at Richmond.

Alumni Chapters and Reunions to contain information about alumni groups and reunions in cities around the world.

Business/Career Networking gives the opportunity for business networking, posting CVs, and seeking candidates for jobs.

Supporting Richmond to include all the opportunities to assist Richmond from serving as an Alumni Representative to making donations.

Richmond News and Events to include the

newsletter and a calendar for alumni to know about interesting events on campus.

Please enable us to match this donation by making a donation - large or small - to complete the alumni web pages, in order that we may help alumni to be easily in touch with one another. Now more than ever, it is important to be in contact with friends around the world. Our alumni web pages aim to enable you to do just that. **Use the enclosed form to make your donation.** Mail to: The President, Richmond, The American International University in London, Queens Road, Richmond upon Thames TW10 6JP ■



STOP PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

Professor **Alex Seago** has been appointed to the Editorial Board of 'American Studies', a leading journal in the US on the topic.

Richmond relaunches Alumni Representatives

After more than ten years of a program of Parent and Alumni Representatives, Richmond is re-launching this program and asking for new alumni volunteers. Richmond is very grateful to the those who have served in this role in the past.

In order to enhance and develop the multi-national Richmond community, alumni are invited to serve as Alumni Representatives in their local communities. Two outreach programs have been designated for alumni assistance:

- **Admissions and Recruitment**
- **Alumni and Fundraising**

The purpose of each role is to serve as a representative of Richmond worldwide to individuals with the potential for interest in Richmond, and to liaise regularly with respective offices of the university in London.

Admissions and Recruitment

Working with the London Admissions Office, the Alumni Admissions Representative will assist in the following areas:

- Refer and contact families and prospective students considering university education in London to Richmond.
- Assist Richmond representatives when in town with local information and serve at the Richmond booth at an educational fair
- Host informal sessions for prospective students and parents and/or welcome evenings for newly accepted students and families, or sponsor pre-departure events for new Richmond students.
- Conduct student interviews with applicants on behalf of the Admissions Office.
- Permit a photo, name, contact e-mail and phone to be placed on Richmond's web site and in recruiting materials.

Alumni and Fundraising

As local alumni chapters develop, this role may expand. Working with the Alumni Relations Office, the Alumni Representative will assist the University in the following areas:

- Host informal sessions for new alumni to help with issues such as returning home, settling in

to a new area, careers and local networking.

- Provide Class Notes information for the Richmond Newsletter by contacting alumni.
- Assist Richmond personnel when visiting the country, with local information and by setting up a local alumni event.
- Assist with raising funds for the University.
- Assist in developing a local Alumni Chapter.
- Liaise regularly with the London Alumni Relations office to provide important, constructive perspective and ideas.

Current Alumni Representatives of the re-launched program are:

For Colombia (in Medellin) - Claudia Botero '86

For Pakistan (in Karachi) - Asim Masood '88

Alumni interested in serving as a volunteer Representative in their community

are asked to complete the form enclosed with the newsletter or to notify the alumni relations office of their interest in one or both aspects of this role at alumni@richmond.ac.uk ■

Richmond's Annual Fund 2001-2002

As other universities in the UK and US, each year Richmond launches its Annual Fund. Increasingly tuition charges do not cover all the actual costs of educating a student or ensuring that the educational program is powerful and up to date.

Designed to provide the university with funds for designated projects, the Annual Fund relies on support from Alumni and Friends of the University. It allows the donor to support current projects that directly benefit students. It is also an opportunity for donors to assist in the continuity and development of Richmond. Generous donors are recognized appropriately on campus.

In September, in a debate on BBC Radio 4 about the future of university funding in the UK, Professor Andrew Oswald noted that studies show that average life-time income is enhanced by about £400,000 as a result of a university degree.

This year the University has designated the following as Annual Fund projects for which we are asking Alumni and Friends of the University to donate:

- **Alumni web pages - to match the alumnus/a \$15,000 donation**
- **Student conservatory at the Hill campus**
- **Scholarships**
- **Other**

As universities develop, become stronger and are better known, both the education of its current students and the reputation of its alumni are enhanced. So your help now will help you both now and later.

Please use the enclosed form or contact The President at Richmond to make a donation - large or small - to this year's Annual Fund. Your donation will enable Richmond to offer more opportunities to its students and, therefore, to the international community. Now more than ever, the mission and opportunities available at Richmond are right for our times. ■

Barbara Barnard retires

Alumni will be sorry to learn that Barbara Barnard, Administrative Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, retired from the University on 31 July after nearly twelve years of faithful service.

Few of us who work at Richmond can honestly say that they have personally interacted with every graduating senior over the past twelve years - Barbara is the one exception. In addition to a myriad of jobs and responsibilities in the Department of Student Affairs, Barbara has been the University's graduation coordinator. Planning and overseeing two graduation ceremonies a year is a big job, and Barbara made it all happen - with style and grace - two adjectives, which describe everything about her.

But more than anything, Barbara Barnard will be remembered, especially by students, as the warm and always cheerful person on the 'front line'. Barbara's philosophy was simple but effective: There is a solution to every

problem. A familiar phrase often heard when speaking to a distressed student went, 'Just give me a moment while I make a quick phone call.' Whatever the problem or complaint, Barbara took care of it - quickly, with no fuss and no hassle. Thank you, Barbara, you made a big difference for so many students.

'Barbara has been a cornerstone and an anchor in the Department for more than a decade', says O'Connell. 'Her poise and personal charm coupled with good judgement, good humor and quality work will be greatly missed.' As one graduate wrote in her Senior Exit Survey, 'Barbara Barnard was the most helpful person while I was a student at Richmond. I could always count on her when I needed help or assistance.'

The entire Richmond community, past and present, wishes Barbara continued success and a happy retirement. You have left your mark, Barbara, and you will be missed by all.



Barbara Barnard at her retirement party with colleagues John O'Connell, John Pecusen and Alex Seago

Alumni wishing to send messages to Barbara Barnard should send them to alumni@richmond.ac.uk and they will be compiled and passed on to her. Such a valued member of our community is never forgotten. ■

Alumni Relations on the move



The University's commitment to our alumni is reflected in two recent actions. In August, the Alumni Relations Office moved from the School of Business in Thackeray House in Young Street to Pacific House in Ansdell Street. Located in the spacious former office of the President, on the third floor, the new Alumni Relations Office has space for small alumni meetings and gatherings.

In September 1999, Deirdre Simpson was appointed part-time Director of Alumni Relations. She became full-time Director in January, 2001.

Many alumni will remember Deirdre (and her white dog) from 1979 when she came to Richmond as Associate Dean of Students and Dean of the Upper Division. In 1986 she became Director of Career Apprenticeships (later International Internships) and Advisor to US Study Abroad students. Her work with Alumni is an opportunity to build strong links with Richmond alumni all over the world. She is eager to develop more services for alumni, and needs their help and support to do so.

Alumni with messages and news for the newsletter or with questions should contact Deirdre Simpson at alumni@richmond.ac.uk ■

MBA reunion with former Dean

MBA students in London reunited on the evening of 3 July at W8 (once Scribes) for drinks with Clive Bateson, Dean School of Business 1995-1998. In the Spring Clive had been teaching at Auburn University in Alabama and returned to London in June to resume his consulting work. He is now living in Prague.

In the evening of an unusually hot summer day in London, the air conditioning of the downstairs bar was very welcome. Faculty in attendance included Associate Dean John Hough, Director of the MBA Program Robert Leppard, Debbie McLean, Robert Mulligan, Dhruva Sen, Nick Wilkinson.

Alumni from the first MBA graduates in 1993 were well represented by Hugo Thistlethwayte, working in acquisitions in Savills in London. Ravi Bhatia '96 came fresh from his successful completion of an M.Phil in Indian Politics with his brother. Parul Mandavia '96 came from Nomura and Manfredi Bargioni '97 from Citibank. Even with her wedding less than a week away, Yasmin Bidari '98 came with her fiancé Nick Wilkinson. Raja Halabi '98 came with Dipa Patel '98, who had just completed her thesis for a degree in computing. Maria Jicheva '99 came with her husband Andrei Jichev '00. Kamal Allabouch '99 came from his work in a bank, and Roman Da Silva '99 and Saurabh Vyas '99 work together in Citibank. Samantha Lock '00 came from Heinz, where she is Senior Brand Manager until her return to Colombia in the Fall.

Alumni networked with each other and talked with faculty and each other about memories of their MBA studies. ■



From left to right
Clive Bateson
Maria Jicheva '99
Hugo Thistlethwayte '93



From left to right
Samantha Lock '96
Ravi Bhatia '96
Deirdre Simpson

Spring Newsletter Feature

Families at Holiday Time

The University Newsletter plans a feature for the Spring 2002 Newsletter on Alumni families around the globe at holiday time.

Please send a photo of you and your family celebrating a recent holiday - Diwali, Hannukah, Eid, Al-Hijra, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year etc. Remember to identify the holiday and the people in the photo.

Mail or e-mail your photos by 15 March, 2002 to:
alumni@richmond.ac.uk

Flashnotes

October 1974 - October 2001

1978-82

● **Robert Aalders** visited Richmond in the summer with his wife. He is working in Geneva, Switzerland as a marketing director with Automotive Group International Inc. They sell agricultural machinery and equipment to the Middle East, Central and Eastern Europe, Russia and countries in Asia. He would like to get in touch with Richmond friends from 1978-82.

1978-79

● **Nancy Mitchner** has been accepted in the Masters program in Visual Impairment. She has a 13 year old daughter and is eager to reconnect with fellow Richmond students from '78-'79.

1980

● **Khatija Taskean Khan** continues to work for ABNAMRO in Geneva. She mentioned that she has found her alumni friends and contacts very helpful to her in her career. She visited Laila (Mistry) Jehangir '80 in London in September.

1981

● **Roger Zouein** lives in New Jersey with his wife and two children - Julia aged 4 and Jonathon aged 3. Roger works for Sealed Air Corporation, a packaging company with operations in over 50 countries. He manages Treasury Operations in Asia Pacific and Latin America, so he travels frequently.

1982

● **Bassam Audeh** is living in Datchet, UK and commuting to work in Cyprus. He and his wife have four children - Christopher 14, Annabel 12, Rosalie 8 and Alexander 3.

● **Sukru Diyab** is interested in developing business activities with alumni trading in fruit, vegetables and confectionery products. He is also active in shipping, chartering, brokering, forwarding and warehousing in Mersin. Shukru is also Honorary Consul for the Philippines.

● **Sjahnany Ghany Aziz** is pleased to receive the Richmond newsletters. He is working in Bandung, Indonesia as Sales Manager for Jebson and Jessens, a telecommunications company. Sjahnany is married with two children.

● **Mounir Hantas** is still working in Dhahran with another company that has a joint venture with a UK company, Wylam Defense System. Mounir has three children - Tarah 13 years, Salam 11 years and Jana 19 months. He would like to hear from his Richmond friends from 1979 -1983.

● **Thomas Moulton** is working for Dominique Villas as a Tour Operator and is now married and has 3 boys.

1983-85

● **Iyad Madanat** stopped by the Richmond table at an education expo in Muscat last Spring. Since Richmond, Iyad has completed his BSc in Communications and Electronics in Jordan and an MSc/DIC in Communications and Digital Signal Processing at Imperial College, London. Initially he returned to Jordan to work, and a year ago went to Oman to manage a sister company that works with Omantel in building their GSM network in Oman. In 1999 he married a Lebanese lady and they hope to visit Richmond in September.

1983

● **Melissa Myers** wrote from NYC where she works as Executive Assistant to the General Counsel of HSBC Securities - in midtown Manhattan. Melissa lives in Greenwich Village. She wrote about the current levels of security in New York, the concern for others being shown and the patriotism that has resulted from events there in September.

● **Pinar Okaldas** has left Tyco electronics, the US company for which she worked in Istanbul for 11 years, to found her own business in Izmir. She provides medical consultancy, assistance services and referrals to Turkish clients needing medical attention in the UK. They represent BUPA, The London Clinic and Harley Street specialists in Turkey. They also deal with US and UK pharmaceutical companies.

● **Nassif Saleh** has two sons aged 11 and 9 years. His wife is qualified in interior design and textile creation. Nassif is working for Saleh Shipping in Beirut which has been active for more than 50 years.

● **James Yeats-Brown** was on campus this fall at the opening of the new term in his capacity as professional photographer. He took pictures of orientation and opening events.

1984

● **Jane (Karume) Matu** is raising her three children, 9, 8 and 6 years alone as her husband sadly died. She has returned to her career in the hotel industry in Nairobi.

- **Tracy (Richardson) Clement** (AA) is currently employed as an adjunct faculty member at Maine Technical Colleges teaching undergraduate business and computer courses. She is also home schooling her two daughters ages 8 and 6 and is very active in the community. Tracy is currently serving her second term as President of the Millinocket Memorial Library and is raising funds to improve the library service for the community. She would love to hear from alumni; her e-mail address is tclement@ainop.com
- **Rudy Habesch** writes that his wife Lina gave birth to their third child, a daughter, on 24 July. Her name is Reina.
- **Mehmet Mizanoglu** has an 8 month old son called Sam. See photo



- **David Billington Smith** is living and working with Citibank in Singapore.

1985

- **Dimitris Blatsios** reports that he and his wife, Melina, have a 10 year old daughter, Antigone. He is leaving his job as Director of Sales and Supply Chain at Johnson and Johnson in Greece.
- **Cindy Karam** owns her own computer consultancy in Toronto, Canada. They place instructors to teach Microsoft applications to clients in Canada, USA and in London.

1986

- **Martha Kavanaugh** has been teaching at the college level in Buffalo, NY and acting as the Director of Education for an organization that forges study-abroad links in Ireland. She is in charge of forging links with other EU universities for upstate New York university students.
- **Jean (Muerhoff) Schweda** has just built her third and final house with her husband. Her 4 year old twins have started school and Jean is hoping to finalize her dissertation before the end of the year. She is currently setting up a private practice as a psychotherapist, specializing in sports psychology.
- **Farzana (Sakez) Atash** is working at the New England Institute of Technology as Assistant to the Director of Enrolment Management. She is also an instructor to Freshmen and working on her Masters degree in Adult Education at the University of Rhode Island. She has two children, Ali 9 and Sara 6.
- **Ammar Omeiri** is working in Kuwait as a Finance Manager for the National Consulting Bureau. She is married with three children - one boy Ghassan, is almost 6, Lyan her youngest child is 5 months old. She is in contact with George Ghaleb '86 in Beirut and Raja Assili '85 in London.

- **George Ghaleb** and his wife of more than 5 years have a 4 year old son Elias and they are expecting another baby in September. George's wife, Samar, is the sister-in-law of Hani Madanat '86. George is running his own business in real estate development and is also studying for his MBA. He has plans for further education after this. See photo



1987

- **Claudine Hakim** went to Ghana and Beirut this summer and saw George Ghaleb '86 and his family. Claudine was featured in a September issue of 'The American' in an article and photo about Schiller Academy where she is Deputy Head.
- **Feras Saghir** has been working for Oracle Corporation as a Managing Principal for the past 5 years. Norman Elias '87 also works there. In 1997 Feras married Ghadeer Alsamman, and they are living in Virginia near Washington, D.C.

1988-89

- **David Wall** has started his own company in Dallas, Texas and hopes to expand to Houston eventually. The Meadows Group markets petroleum products and chemicals to companies in Texas, Louisiana and Mexico.

1988

- **Ruth Hurwitz** worked for Details Magazine as Assistant Political Editor after receiving her MA in Media Studies from the New School for Social Research. She married Nick Pisano in 1992, and moved to Connecticut, where she worked as a producer for a local TV talk show. After a period working for World Learning, Ruth joined Council on International Educational Exchange in NYC. She has two daughters - 5 and 2 years old and now works part time for the Council. She is in touch with many Richmond friends.
- **Brian Roberts** writes that his Richmond internship with the Lawn Tennis Association was the springboard to his career in sports marketing. He is working in Buenos Aires as Events Operations Manager at IMG, the largest sports marketing company in the world. Brian is married and has two sons - Marc 2 years and Tommy 4 months old. He wants to be in touch with Richmond mates from 1988 and 1989.

1989-90

- **Ghassan M. Oueida** writes from Egypt where he is Chief Executive Office of OrasInvest Holding, a partnership between Orascom Technologies in Egypt and Investcom in Lebanon.

1989

- **Sandra (Moreau) Barlowe** is working as a freelance event organizer for the French/American Chamber of Commerce in Miami/Ft Lauderdale in Florida. Sandra is interested in getting a Florida alumni chapter going.
- **Maisoon (Mukhlis) Gharbawi** was married in September and had a honeymoon in Mauritius. She continues to work in Hammersmith in a publishing company.
- **Nabil Bazzari** became an Associate of the Chartered Insurance Institute of London. A year ago he moved to UAE, where he opened the regional office of the London company of Cogent. Nabil is General Manager of Cogent Middle East and is interested in seeing local Richmond alumni.
- **Gulbin Turgut** continues to work in the pharmaceutical business in Istanbul. She has been working in the cosmetics division for the last 7 years. She would like to hear from Fadla Bawab '88.

1990

- **Kris Barone** is a cardiothoracic surgical nurse in New Rochelle Hospital Medical Center. They were ready to deal with emergencies from New York in September, but there were not enough survivors.
- **Heather Barr** is a staff attorney with the Urban Justice Center/Mental Health Project in New York City. Heather lives and works in downtown Manhattan.
- **Allison Kumble** has been working as a financial advisor for 8 years with Morgan Stanley in Miami Beach, Florida. A former Richmond Study Abroad student is one of her clients. They met through the Richmond Alumni Directory.
- **Osama Matalaka** is working for the UN in Layout to the south of Morocco in the Sahara. The team is trying to have a referendum for self determination to be carried out by the Sahrawi people. Osama has a three year old daughter, and he lives between home in Amman and the Western Sahara.

1991

- **Lauren (Levy) Fischione** writes that after Richmond, she received a degree in Occupational Therapy and a Masters in Counseling. She went on to work as a therapist in a geriatric psychiatric hospital. She later went to work with male convicted felons suffering from substance abuse disorders. Now that she and her husband Mark have a 2 year old son called Armand, Lauren is volunteering her skills in the community in Arizona where they live.
- **Marija Bacic** was in London in September for the birth of her niece. Returning home to South Africa, Maria and her husband found that they are expecting a baby boy, to join Katarina, in Spring 2002.
- **Christian Hvidbo** writes that he and his wife and two children - Mateo 4 years old and Chiara 9 months old - moved this summer. Christian has a new job as Regional Shared Services

Manager for Shell International B.V. in The Netherlands. He hopes to hear from his Richmond friends.

- **Natalia Ortega** reports that they will start to sell their wines shortly. A new young Argentinean wine will be available as a table wine. They are expanding both their grape varieties and their vineyards. They are looking for distributors. Interested parties should e-mail her at nortega@bodegasofournier.com
- **Bassam Oueida** is CEO of Saudi Inteltec in Saudi Arabia.

1992-93

- **Francesca (Ebrahimi) Amery** has been living in Tokyo for 8 years, where she owns an antique gallery dealing with pieces from Tibet, China, Burma, Nepal. She and her husband, Saladin, have had their first baby, Dechen, now almost a year old. See photo



1992-96

- **Dingani Banda** is studying CIMA (Chartered Institute of Management Accountants) in Zambia.

1992

- **Najat Farah** is a Senior Marketing Officer at Emirates Telecommunication Corp. Last year she married Jamal Bakr, and in June 2001 gave birth to twin girls - Sara and Ameera. See photo



- **Shaffin Jamal** (MBA '94) is living in Tanzania where he manages a business that has interests in banking, insurance and hotels in Tanzania. In September he had a reunion in Dubai with Richmond friends Niraj Makhija BA' 92, MBA '94, Kamal Adnani '94, Prakash Lakhiani '93, Jitesh Asnani '94, Hemant Patel '94, Sunil Jetwani '93.
- **Kerry Martin** is running his own financial consultancy in London. FTC handles business from large and small companies and is based in The City. Kerry attended the wedding of Yasmin Bidari MBA '98 and Nick Wilkinson in Richmond in July.

1993

● **Esther (Tung) O'Neile** was married in the summer. She is working as Senior Assistant Manager at The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi in Bahrain. *See photo*



● **Haitham Arabi El-Eter** is working for SHUAA Capital, a regional investment bank in Dubai, as Head of Asset Management Arab Equities. He is also the fund manager for Arab Gateway Fund, an offshore open-ended fund that invests in the MENA region. Currently he is residing in Dubai. He married two years ago and his son was born in June.

● **Erica Karlsen** has been living and working in Spain for over two years. She is working for a Spanish software company in Madrid and would love to hear from old Richmond friends, especially Marta Gil '93, Radek Brnak '93, Johnny Lalwani '93. Her e-mail address is ericak@meta4.com *See photo*



● **Jean-Pierre Kebbe** sent a photograph of his son Sam and wife Natalie Gebbara '93 after returning from a business trip to the Far East. *See photo*



● **Aziz Sattar** is continuing night school classes and is half-way towards becoming an Associate of the Chartered Insurance Institute (UK).

● **Clemens Schlettwein** is married to Gemma Knowles '93, and they are running a Foundation for the Protection of Animals outside Barcelona. They also attended Nick Wilkinson and Yasmin Bidari's '98 wedding in July.

● **Nicola Schwartz** launched the Pocko Collection this autumn together

with Inigo Asis '94 and Olga Norman. The Collection is a series of 96 pocket-sized visual books that merge art, design, photography, fashion and music. The books will be released in sets of four every 6 months. The first set arrived in the London shops in October.

1994-95

● **Matthew Wainwright** is working at Knight Securities in The City. He attended Yasmin Bidari '98 and Nick Wilkinson's wedding.

1994

● **Joshua Flicker** is doing an MA at Goldsmiths College, London.

● **Ibrahim Garda** is based in Saudi Arabia as the Senior Finance Consultant for a large management and finance consultancy.

● **Eunice Mabo** opened a secretarial services bureau in Zambia earlier this year. She reports that it is going well.

● **Hadiza Magoro** has been living in Johannesburg for 6 years. She sees Tshedi - whose son is Hadiza's god son and is in touch with Rutendo and Lami, both of whom have children.

● **Malcolm McKay** continues to live and work in the Bahamas. Check out the website www.ironplanet.com where he works. They routinely break records of online sales of used heavy equipment. He plans to go to Iran with his partner in property next year.

● **Emanuele Pontiggia** (MBA) is married and living in Bergamo, Italy. He is MD of La Tecnica, a company that buys and sells commercial products. He hopes to come to the next MBA reunion in London.

● **Wendy Trammell** is living in Connecticut and met Erica Karlsen '93 in London last August. *See photo left*

1995-96

● **Joanne Sullivan** (MBA) was in London on a business trip and reported that she is Divisional Finance Manager at Parkexel in Waltham, MA. She travels a lot to Germany, France and to the UK office as well. Joanne reports that she uses the information in Business Policy every day in her work.

1995

● **Muge (Gorgulu) Dedeoglu** married Gokhan in July at Kurucesme Divan in Istanbul and the 550 guests included many Richmond friends. Muge is working with her brother looking for franchises from the US and UK, as well as working in the family business of insurance and electronics. *See photo*



● **Tanya (Reeves) Clements** (MBA) started a new job with the Marketing Division of Wells Fargo in California where she lives.

● **Scott Brunton** (MBA) has moved from China to Sweden where he is working as an internal development consultant at IKEA's head office on a two year contract. He will return to Asia afterwards.

● **Umbreen David** has moved back to the UK and is living in Harrow.

● **Rohit Dhawan** (MBA) writes that he and his wife had a baby girl in May. Her name is Anika and everyone is doing well. *See photo*



● **Chie Iguchi-Kawai** spent two months this summer in Malaysia, where she interviewed nearly 80 companies as part of the field research for her PhD at the University of Reading. Her topic is 'Linkages between transnational corporations of different nationalities and local Malaysian firms'.

● **Ashvin Sahgal** (MBA), together with his wife, has started his own marketing company ATS Marketing Limited in London. He met Anwar Khan '95 in the Builders Arms in August.

● **Kathryn Spellman** presented a paper as part of a panel at the Middle East in London conference at SOAS entitled 'Researching the Middle East in London: issues of identity, gender, religion and culture'. Kathryn has also been selected for a Fellowship in the Summer Institute on Public Spheres and Muslim Identities in Berlin in July and Dartmouth, N.H. for August.

● **Marta Srnec** is working for Bloomberg in Belgrade.

● **William Tuttle** (MBA) writes that he left very early in the morning from Washington D.C. for New York City on September 11. He was not in downtown NYC. He and his wife are expecting another baby to join their 3 year old son.

● **Kasem Woramahakun** is working in her own antiques business in Bangkok.

1996-97

● **John Haffner** (Study Abroad) is applying to law school in the US. He has been living and working in New Orleans, Louisiana.

1996

● **Aimalohi (Akhenebiri) Hermeling** (MBA) is now a credit risk analyst at Société Générale Securities in London, having previously worked at CCF.

● **Cristiana Camcam** is working as a Sales Assistant in the London office of a Korean multinational company, Kolon International Corporation.

● **Katherine Coleman** is a paralegal

working in Charleston, South Carolina. She is hoping to go to law school.

● **Michelle Davies** (MBA) was married in August to Greg Coyle and they plan to continue to live in Chicago. Since graduating from Richmond, Michelle has been an organization change management consultant, first with Ernst and Young and now with IBM.

● **Aiman El-Kaissouni** writes that he is finishing an MBA in marketing at Maastricht School of Management. He adds that his 'Richmond years were the greatest - the people, the life, the experiences...and the education, of course!' He would like to hear from Laurent de Posson '98 and Ida Charlotte Botnevik '96. The photo is of Aiman and his girlfriend, who is the sister of current Richmond student, Wassem El-Tanahy. *See photo*



● **Shahid Akbar Faruki** (MBA) is still looking after overall operations of Faruki Pulp mills. He has initiated work to establish a buying house in collaboration with Scandinavian and North American partners for sourcing and marketing of fibres ranging from pulp/paper to textiles. Shahid is interested in starting an alumni group in Lahore.

● **Amitsu Huang** (MBA) is working in Montreal, Canada as Project Coordinator at SunGuard EMS - BrokenWare, a software company.

● **Huma Masood** (MBA) is working in Manchester, New Hampshire at CMI as Operations Manager.

● **Andres Mejia-Butterfield** is working in Winchester with NTL as a Business Analyst in the telecommunications market.

● **Burak Orakcioglu** is working in the Communications Department of Altana AG, a pharmaceutical and chemical company in Bad Homburg, Germany.

● **Silke Schultz** married Rainer, a professor at Humboldt University on 14 July. She is still working for Deutsche Bank in Berlin where she is responsible for the recruitment of graduates.

● **Shannon Waters** got a BA in Psychology from Texas A&M and is working as a Training Coordinator at Rental Systems (Rentsys). She lives in College Station, Texas.

● **Milena (Grozeva) Thorp** writes that she has married Christopher '96, and they are living and working in Spain and Bulgaria. Milena is working in fashion and hopes to be in London during Fall Fashion Week. They are also involved in import-export activities.

1997

- **Farhana Alhabshi** (MBA) saw Reshma Lalvani MBA '97 in Kuala Lumpur when she was there in early summer.
- **Hayat Al-Khan** was married in Spring 1999 and has an 8 month old son.
- **Kamal Allabouch** (MBA) is an investment banker at one of the major investment banks in London. He came to the MBA reunion with Clive Bateson in the summer.
- **Shua'a Al-Muftah** writes that she is still living in Doha, Qatar.
- **Federico Alvarez** has opened a second Ruby Tuesday restaurant in Honduras and recently had a second daughter, Carolina.
- **Lyndon Barends** (MBA) was appointed as the new CEO to head up the National Olympic Committee for South Africa by the Minister of Sport in September.
- **Ahmad Burhan Kamal** is currently working in Dubai where he has started a small low voltage electro-mechanical company. They have the exclusive agency for Philips Broad Band Networks. Recently they completed a truly web-enabled Smart Home using IBM technology. He is engaged to Arij Baidas, the sister of Nibal Baidas Christofides '90. They plan to marry in Spring 2002.
- **Amit Karani** was married in India this summer. Gopal Pancholia '98 attended the wedding.
- **Rasim Narin** was married in September, 2001, and twelve Richmond alums attended the wedding in South Turkey. He hopes to keep in touch with his football friends from Richmond.
- **Filippo Pedotti** has been working as a Client Advisor for UBS since receiving his MA in International Business from Webster University in Irvine, California. He travels three times a year to North America (US and Canada) to work with clients. He is currently in Switzerland and hopes to work with the bank overseas in the future.
- **Huda Radhi** (MSC '00) writes that she and some alums had a reunion with Noaf Ahmadi '97, Khalil Hazim, Karim Abdel Messeh '97, Essa Bin Hindi, Hayat Al-Khan '97 in September and remembered 'the unique environment and wonderful memories' of Richmond.
- **Fredrik Skold** writes that he has returned to Sweden where he is Portfolio Manager/Fund Manager for Danske Bank. Most of the funds are located in the Nordic region. He is willing to help alums wanting to expose their investments to the Nordic area. He would like to hear from his Richmond friends.

1998

- **Katrin Abrahamian** has been living and working in Florida until this summer when she moved to Greece.

- **Yasmin (Bidari) Wilkinson** (MBA) was married to Nick this summer. Many MBA alumni and faculty attended the ceremony in Richmond Park. *See photo*



- **Polina Botchoukova** spent the summer in an internship in Moscow as a finance specialist in a newly set up joint venture between a Russian plant in Vladimir and a Belgian based chemicals company where Polina used to work. In Fall she returned to Yale School of Management where she will complete her MBA in May 2002 with a double concentration in finance and strategy. Polina writes, 'Much like Richmond, Yale has the wonderful atmosphere of a small community.'
- **Maryanne Christiansen** writes that after 3 years in management, she has recently completed a course in massage therapy. She returns to London twice a year to visit friends and family.
- **Kathryn De Cesare** worked in London after receiving her Masters degree in Marketing Communications. Kate has now returned to Malta where she is Theatre Director for IMAX (she wrote her thesis about IMAX in Malta). She recently became engaged to Andrea. *See photo*



- **Helder Do Vale** was awarded an MA degree in International Relations by The John Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies in May 2001.
- **Barry Holloway** (MBA) has been appointed Head of Marketing at uSwitch. Barry was featured in an interview printed in 'Marketing', 30 August, 2001. In the interview, he thanks John Hough for his influence and for teaching him about the importance of consumer behavior. He mentions that his biggest mistake was 'not getting out of large corporations sooner.'

- **Sheena Jones** (MBA) came to Yasmin Bidari's '98 wedding to Nick Wilkinson. She met Kimeo Carr '98 and Princess Brown '97. *See photo*



- **James McKeown** (MBA) writes that he recently bought a new residence in Montclair, NJ and that he is Quality Assurance Manager for AIGCS. He tests new software systems that come through his department.
- **Trevor Milton** is in New York City at the New School for Social Research working on his MA in Sociology. He has been working in the social service field since he left Richmond. Trevor is enjoying the chance to DJ and to write.
- **Adeniyi Olowoniyi** completed an MA in Computer Resources at Webster University this summer and is now working for an IT/Telecommunications company in Nigeria.
- **Jitesh Puri** (MBA '00) reports that he is working as a Quantity Surveyor for Alandale Group, a UK construction company.
- **Patrick Ryan** is working for Ruesch International in Boston as an Account Executive. They specialize in foreign exchange services for multi-national corporations and have offices in London, Zurich and Prague, as well as in several locations in the US.
- **Lourdes (Pichardo) Manent** (MBA) is now working as a Portfolio Administrator at Whippoorwill Associates Inc, a hedge fund. She has two daughters.
- **Kristian Skeie**, currently working as Support Analyst at Richmond's Center for New Media, was married in Norway this summer to Victoria Jemtland '01. *See photo*



- **Alavia (Valika) Gilani** (MBA) is living in Hoboken, NJ with her husband Abbas.

1999

- **Marco Amaral Pereira** is living in Barcelona where he is working as an artist.
- **Jennifer Brown** recently passed her MA in Latin American Studies at the Latin American Institute in London.

- **Theresa Campbell** was married in August in Dominica and Melissa Roush '00 attended. Her husband works as an analyst programmer at HSBC. Theresa is working as an Administrative Assistant in the Dominica High Commission in London while working on a Masters degree in International Studies at the School for Oriental and African Studies. *See photo*



- **Ana Canizares** is working as an Editor for LOFT Publications in Barcelona. Recently she has edited three books titled New York Apartments, London Apartments and Cool Hotels.
- **Syed Gardezi** has completed his MBA at Canterbury Business School. He is living in London.
- **Julie Hunsicker** has completed her MA degree in International and Comparative Legal Studies at SOAS. During research in The Congo for her degree, she discovered a position in Nigeria, and is now working in Lagos for Catholic Relief Services. They are conducting a program in Justice and Peace building and also alleviating AIDS.
- **Keziban Ismael** (MBA) is working with The Options Group. Her work involves research in credit derivatives. She became engaged to Alkan and hopes to be married in September 2002. She met David Liew '99 in September when he was in London.
- **Jonas Jonhede** is working as Senior Associate Mergers and Acquisitions in Robert Stephens International in London. He attended the May graduation.
- **Adriana Kalova** worked for Solvay for almost a year before moving to New York City in January to start her MBA at Pace University - Lubin School of Business - located two blocks from the WTC. Adriana is a Graduate Assistant in the Management department. She is doing a double concentration in Financial Management & International Economics, and hopes to complete the degree in Fall 2002. Peter Stackliff '99, who is also at Pace, was walking to class on 11 September, minutes after the first crash into the WTC building. He was able to walk uptown to safety.
- **Anar Khamzayeva** is working in the Center for Foreign Policy and Analysis in Almaty, Kazakhstan.
- **Asel Khamzayeva** is also in Almaty where she is working for the National Atomic Company Kazatomprom in the Economy and Commerce department as a chief specialist in the uranium market.

Classnotes

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1999

- **David Liew** (MBA) has been based in New York since Spring of this year. He met fellow MBA alums Heidi Hoover '00, Jamie Luangaphay '99 and Ka-Wai Siu '00.
- **Gaurav Munjal** is in San Francisco studying full time for an MBA.
- **Chelsea Orth** (MBA) is working for Pacer, a London telecoms company, out of the Delray Beach Florida office. She commutes frequently between UK and US. In May, Chelsea and Magnus became engaged. They hope to be married next summer in Miami.
- **Rachel Robertson** is living in California and plans to be married in Spring 2002.
- **Clara Rosselli** has left her job in Congress and is working with the wine industry in Argentina. Clara's work covers every aspect of the business.
- **Kazue Takizawa** is working for Bloomberg in the fixed income Bond Team in the Global Date Department in Tokyo. The team provides in depth coverage of domestic and international debt markets and tracks over 60 governments and their agencies, as well as 50 domestic corporate markets.
- **Sam Yeow** is married to Angela and lives in Singapore where he is working at MediCorp Press Ltd as an Account Manager.
- **Ali Abdulkader** is a web design teacher at Ice Net, in Yemen.

2000

- **Lola Akinkugbe** (MBA) is working for Bank of America Asset Management Group as an Analyst. She is on a 3 year rotational program between different business segments.
- **Bruno Amaral Pereira** is working in Barcelona at Sixis Monographics, a design studio specializing in graphics for print, broadcast and special events. They work with many TV channels in Spain. Bruno works with video production, post production, special effects and motion graphics.
- **Augustine Amusu** started working

for PentaHact as a Network Analyst overseeing the corporate wide area network (WAN) which includes 18 local area networks (LAN). He is currently undertaking the CISCO certification training at Richmond's Technology Center, while working on a remote access project. This summer he became engaged to his long-term university sweetheart Michelle Egmund-Hoeg '98. He sends his greetings to the Class of December 2000.

- **Yesheshwini Anandan** (MBA) is working with The Capital Markets Company in New York. She was married in August in Cortland Manor, N.Y.
- **Alexandra Armas** (MBA) is currently playing professional golf and spends most of the time on the road.
- **Samat Balkenov** (MBA) has recently changed jobs, moved from Astana, and is now Relationship Manager for Citibank, in Almaty, Kazakhstan.
- **Joanna (Bond) Walker** (MBA) recently married and continues to work at Carlson Marketing Group in London. See photo



- **Emilio Carro** started studying for a Masters degree in Human Resources this Fall. He hopes to complete the degree in 2002.
- **Yi-Chei (Vivian) Chu** is completing her MA at London College of Printing. This summer, as part of her degree, she worked with a doctor at Guys Hospital to create a CD-Rom and books for ADHD - hyperactive patients.
- **Marie Coumoul** (MBA) writes that she has returned to headquarters for a new rotation at General Electric after being expatriated to Germany.
- **Rafael Despradel** has been in Brussels, where this summer he began to work for the Embassy of the Dominican Republic to the Kingdom of Belgium and the European Union. He began his MA studies part-time this fall and continues to work at the Embassy in development.
- **Beatriz Gil Galera** writes that she started working in September 2000 for PLANETA 2010, an audio visual production and distribution company now located in Madrid.
- **Eva Gordon-Smith** (MBA) has moved to Prague where she is working as a consultant.
- **Ozgur Gurleyen** (MSc) left the Royal Institute for International Affairs for a new position in Vodafone Group

Plc. He is working in R & D as part of the graduate scheme. Ozgur is also working on his PhD in Cryptography at the University of Surrey.

- **John Peter Heinrich** (MBA) visited Matt Joy in London last May. John Peter is living and working in California.
- **Ruchirans Jaipuria** writes that he works for KMBC, a soft drink company that manufactures and distributes Pepsi Cola all over India. He is head of a bottling unit in Vizag in Andhra Pradesh, and he shuttles between New Delhi and Vizag for his work. He enjoys his marketing work more than finance.
- **Dan Kerin** (MBA) was in London in August on his way to Olga Shevchenko's '00 wedding in Prague. Dan is working on GM Pontiac's Grand Am national account as an Assistant Account/Advertising Manager with D'Arcy Masius Benton & Bowles.
- **Samantha Lock** (MBA) has left Heinz and London and has returned home to Bogota.
- **Atiporn Lorthong** is writing her dissertation for her Masters degree in the Sociology of Development at Essex University. She plans to continue her studies at LSE in gender and social policy.
- **Roger Martinez** is now in the Lebanon completing research for Summit Communications. He has seen Jad Allaf '98, Fayeze Ramzaani '98 and Adi Bitar '00 in Jordan.
- **Manizha Mohib** (MBA) dropped into the alumni office just after it moved to say goodbye and to leave her address in Ontario, Canada.
- **Christian Moskal** (MBA) is working as Manager, Technology Services in the Detroit Regional Chamber in Detroit, MI.
- **Zeynep Orhun** was in San Francisco this summer and visited with Monica Racela '99. Zeynep is working on his dissertation about privatization in Turkey at LSE. He says that coming to Richmond was 'the best decision.'
- **Vera Rebanova** has passed the Politics of the World Economy MSc at LSE with Merit. She is the first International Relations/Political Science student at LSE to have passed with Merit. In September, Vera starts a job with Reuters which will take her to Geneva, Chicago and hopefully Tokyo - ending up in London in 2 years time!
- **Natalie Rosamund** (MA) is teaching English to international students in California. She hopes to return to England in the future.
- **Alistair Round** (MBA) has, since January, been the Business Unit Manager of the Commercial and Consumer PC Division in Eastern Europe for Compaq. He is based out of Munich. He works with a team of 5 Product Managers.
- **Melissa Roush** is in the top 10% of her law class at Baylor University.
- **Akira Saito** completed work on his MSc in Information Systems at the University of Surrey in September. He has been living in Richmond during his studies.

- **Florencia Spangaro** is completing an internship in the Press Department of the Argentinian Embassy in London.
- **David Swales** is employed by HSBC Holdings PLC. David was hired for the fast track executive program for international managers and his first project has been in Seoul to design, produce and launch the corporate web site for Korea.
- **Danae Tuley** is working on her MA at the University of Ghana in Legon. She will be there for the year.
- **Jessica Wright** (MA) is getting her Masters degree in Museum Education while working part-time at the Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum and the Museum of Modern Art. Jessica is in touch with several MA alums. She writes that her year in London at Richmond 'was the best year of her life.'
- **Nadia Damouni** has begun graduate work for a Masters in International Journalism at City University in London.
- **Sasha Damouni** is also at City University working for her Masters degree in International Journalism.

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- **Chi-chi Mgbenwelu** has recently moved to New York with HSBC. She is living in Richmond Hill and would like to hear from alums in the New York area. Her e-mail is cmgbenwelu@hotmail.com
- **David Reames** (MBA) is working as an analyst in the Strategy Department at Lehman Brothers in London, where he did his internship. He saw Alistair Round '00 this Fall in Munich.
- **Toshea Uriyo** has been accepted to do an MSc in Globalization, Development and Transition at Westminster University.
- **Thomas Zaubi** (MBA) has sent a photo of his wedding with his wife Rebecca and daughter Helenah. See photo



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- **Jean Weber** (Study Abroad) is reported by Frederic Gesten as having died in US recently due to illness. Our sympathies go to her family and friends.

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- **Ingeborg Lariby** continues to be among the missing in the World Trade Center. Our thoughts and prayers go to her family and friends.