







# The Richmond honors program

**D**eveloping from a faculty initiative, the Richmond Honors Program was launched in Fall 1997 to provide enriched educational opportunities that encourage academically outstanding students to realize their full academic potential.

Each semester these students participate in a series of special courses, guest lecturers and activities, offered to stimulate, debate and expose them to a variety of academic ideas and issues relevant to the university experience. Core seminars bring first and second year students together in a multidisciplinary classroom, and honors sections of existing courses are offered as well. The capstone

course, London as Text, allows the student to pursue independent research on a topic relating to the major and using London as a primary resource. Consulting with faculty, students develop and present a project interpreting London from any disciplinary angle.

Students with a cumulative 3.4 gpa or higher are invited to join the program and are accorded special privileges through this membership as long as this gpa is maintained.

Since the program began four years ago, the membership has grown to its current level of 48 students or 5% of the undergraduate degree population. Students in the program come from over 20 countries.

In October, 2000, three honors students had their proposals accepted for presentation from over 1000 applicants at the National Collegiate Honors Council Conference in Washington, D.C. Muge Dolun (Environmental Studies) presented on an honors course 'Science meets Art-Chemical Communication', Indrani Raychaudhuri (Communications) on the 'Globalization of News', and Annie Wasko (Psychology) on 'The Borderless Body'.

A special volume of academic and personal writings is currently being edited by Honors students for publication this Spring ■

*For further information contact Dr. Sara Chetin, Advisor to the Honors Program.*

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## It's all relative

**S**ince the start of Richmond in 1972, the Richmond family has always included brothers, sisters and cousins of present or past students.

This year, we asked students to tell us if they have an alumni relative or if a member of their family is currently studying on campus. This is what we found.

### Current relatives studying on campus

**Nicolle Alcazar** Class of 2001  
and sister **Joyce Alcazar** Class of 2002

**Saria Al-Said** Class of 2003  
and sister **Taimura Al-Said** Class of 2005

**Marija Cankovic** Class of 2001  
and brother **Ilija Cankovic** Class of 2004

**Radoslava Milkova Hristova** Class of 2003  
and sister **Desislava Milkova Hristova** Class of 2001

**Bilyana Karadzova** Class of 2002  
and cousin **Ventsislav Milev** Class of 2003

**Juvantus Ojukwu** Class of 2004  
and brother **Chukwude Ferdinand Ojukwu**  
Class of 2001

**Anthony Ayke Okechukwu** Class of 2004  
and sister **Chioma Ani Michelle Okechukwu** Class of 2004

**Mohammad Asifur Rahman** Class of 2001  
and sister **Nahida Karim Rahman** Class of 2001

### Alumni relatives studying at Richmond

**Ayse Alibeyoglu** Class of 2004  
and brother **Umut Alibeyoglu** BS '98

**Saima Ejaz** Class of 2002  
and sister **Aisha Iftikhar Ejaz** BA '99

**Khaawla Farah** Class of 2004  
and cousins **Nadia Farah** BA '90, **Najat Farah** BA '92, and **Nawal Farah** BA '99

**Andrea Meucci** Class of 2001  
and brother **Francesco Meucci** BA '98

**Che Collins Fru** Class of 2004  
and brother **Nde William Fru**

**Adil Khan** Class of 2001  
and brother **Kamil Khan** BA '00 and cousin **Hassan Afridi**. And former students **Omar Hassan** and **Shahreyar Alam** related through marriage.

**Alex Legler** Class of 2003  
and brother **Peter Legler** BA '99

**Mavendra Mor (Monty)** Class of 2001  
and cousins **Anurag Jaipuria** BA '96, **Anuj Sanghi** BS '99, **Ruchirans Jaipuria** BA '00

**Jasmine Pancholia** Class of 2001  
and **Gopal** BA '96, **Chanda** BA '99, **Manoj**, and **Viral** BA '97

**Chanond Senadisai** Class of 2003  
and sister **Pinmook Sendisai** BA '00

These students join a tradition begun in the very early years of the University. Richmond values its family and the family connections in our student body and alumni ■

# Kensington's green initiative



**Chris Howell received his AA in 1996 and his BA degree in 1998 in Theater Arts and Studio Arts. He is a member of the Residence Life Staff.**

**D**id you know that the UK alone uses paper from 150,000,000 trees annually - a forest area larger than the size of Wales? Nowadays it is politically-correct to care about the environment. However RAIUL has taken major steps to put this principle into action by implementing an environmental program on the Kensington campus called 'The Green Initiative'.

Christopher Howell '98, who is now working as Resident Director in Atlantic House in the Kensington campus, launched a pilot recycling program in Atlantic House in the Fall of 1997. The result was so positive, that those students

assisting the trial program could not work fast enough to empty the bins full of recyclable materials.

Chris drafted a plan for the rest of the Kensington campus which was approved by President Walter McCann and the official Green Initiative program commenced in Fall 1999. As Howell states, 'I believe an environmental policy to be fundamental. This scheme is part of a global vision which will educate students on this issue and offer another facet to student life.' After graduation, 'green' habits learned at Richmond will be taken to home countries around the world. The program is lead by the Department of

Property Services, and recycling is collected by cleaning staff. Property Services offers the student job of 'Recycling Associate', to an environmentally-aware student each semester to promote the program and supervise on-campus to ensure that all is running smoothly.

The program is off to a flying start, with 730 bags of recyclable material collected in the Fall 1999 semester alone. By the end of Spring 2001, this total will be over 3,000 bags of paper, plastic and glass saved from the landfill and reused. Howell believes this is living proof of the principle that if we all say 'my part does help,' it will! ■

# President Putin and Russia's transition

## **Sandra Dennis**

**Sandra Dennis is from Germany.**

**She is a senior majoring in International Relations**

**O**n Thursday, 15 March 2001 many Richmond students attended a guest lecture by Dr. Peter Schulze entitled *Putin: Domestic Restoration and Rapprochement with Europe*. This lecture was held as a part of the University's 'Global Village' activities, and Richmond's students filled the room to hear the Director of the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung's Moscow Office discuss Russian President Vladimir Putin's first year in office.

Dr. Schulze discussed President Putin's efforts in restructuring Russian society and in continuing

economic reform, as well as changes in Russian foreign and security politics. He argued that while many reforms are still necessary, Russia's political transition period 'is over,' and its economic transformation is 'nearly over.' In the area of foreign and security policy Dr. Schulze described Russia's new military doctrine and new external security doctrine; in seeking its post-Soviet place in the world Russia is focusing heavily on developing its political and economic ties with the European Union.

After the lecture Dr. Schulze answered

questions from the audience on a variety of topics ranging from Russia's foreign relations with its Baltic neighbours, to its internal party politics, to its recent economic recovery in the last year. Lectures like the one given by Dr. Schulze continue to remind both faculty and students of the unique opportunities studying at Richmond provides - where else but Richmond would a German lecturer who lives in Moscow, come to discuss a Russian President with a group of international students at a university in London? ■

# Alumni profile

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**The Richmond Newsletter plans to profile an alumnus/a in each newsletter in order to develop and strengthen our unique network. Starting chronologically from the first graduating class, we will profile an alum whose life and work will interest the Richmond network. We start with the Class of 1980.**

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Photograph taken by Mary Robert



**M**ounir Srouji, BA '80, majored in Business Administration and Art as an undergraduate. Throughout his career he has combined his considerable creative talents with his business education. After Richmond he returned home to Amman, Jordan where he worked for the family business and also set up a leading business in ladies' hairdressing and make-up. Drawing on this experience and his design skills, in 1989 Mounir set up his own jewelry design business to sell directly to shops. In the eleven years since then, Mounir has been sought out to design collections for well-known UK fashion stylists and designers - among them Shakira

Caine and Caroline Charles.

In 1990, the first collection was snapped up by Harvey Nichols' London shop, where his jewelry continues to be sold today. Other London stores that carry Mounir's jewelry include Harrods, Fortnum and Mason, Selfridges, Fenwicks of Bond Street, Arabesk, Pickett and the Victoria and Albert Museum. Mounir also sells to European, Japanese and American retailers including Neiman Marcus, Isetan, Sazaby, The Ginza Boutique, and Waco.

Mounir works with gold, silver, semi-precious stones and cultured fresh water pearls. His work has been featured in leading fashion magazines and worn at premieres. His

Spring/Summer 2001 collection captures the beauty of natural elements - earth and sea - using nuggets of agate, calcite and peridot as well as amethyst, citrine, rose quartz, topaz and cultured pearls, aquamarine, moonstone and silver. Intertwined with silver or gold, this collection continues Mounir's tradition of creativity and innovation.

Mounir married Corinne in 1982 and they have two children - one getting ready for university next year and the second child preparing for O levels. Richmond wishes Mounir's Design many years of creativity and prosperity and his family success and happiness ■

# Alumni website

**R**ichmond is redesigning the University's web site. When the design for the front pages about the University are finalised, then plans for Alumni pages will begin. If you have ideas to suggest about a website for Richmond alumni, let the Alumni Relations Office know about your ideas for this important site.

Thanks go to Brandon Caneer, MBA '95 who has set up a website for MBA alumni. He and Deirdre Simpson, Director of Alumni Relations,

are co-administrating this site. Over 200 members are already members of the site where information about announcements, calendars, meetings, jobs, and reunions can all be posted. If you are an MBA alumnus/a and want information to join this important network, send an e-mail to the alumni office at [alumni@richmond.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@richmond.ac.uk) for more information and an invitation.

In February a poll conducted among the alumni registered on the site at the time, shows

that 25% joined in order to maintain contacts with friends from Richmond; 20% wanted to develop professional networking opportunities and 14% wanted to share business ideas. 14% wanted to know about Richmond news through the web site. Our web site will be a valuable tool to enable members of the Richmond community to stay in contact with each other ■

## Alumni online

Have you an e-mail address?

Does Richmond's Alumni Relations Office have your address?

Do you want e-mail addresses of Richmond alumni?

Send your e-mail address(es) to

**[alumni@richmond.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@richmond.ac.uk)**

New e-mail directory to be published in time for Summer newsletter

**Let us send you an e-mail directory. Tell us where you are.**

## Richmond is proud to announce recent faculty publications

### **Laura Lengel**

Editor Culture and Technology  
in the New Europe

### **Will Brooker**

Batman Unmasked

### **Mohammed Adda & S. Niar**

Thread Synchronisation & Scheduling in a Pipelined  
Multithread Processor

&

Présentation d'un gestionnaire dynamique des flots  
pour l'exploitation du parallélisme de boucle

# Richmond at London School of Economics

An unofficial reunion of Richmond alumni and Alex Seago, Chair Humanities and Social Sciences, took place in the evening of 15 February, 2001. Dr. Seago gave a lecture entitled Globalization, Americanization and Popular Music based on a paper he is currently collaborating on with Maria Garcia (University of Surrey, Roehampton Institute,

Dance Therapy). In the audience were no less than seven Richmond alumni - all currently students at LSE or SOAS!

Richmond alums in attendance were: Senanu Joy Ama Arkutu '99 (reading Population Studies at LSE), Zeynep Orhun '00 (LSE, Development Management), Jennifer Leigh Brown '99 (SOAS - Latin American

Studies), Julie Hunsicker '99 (SOAS, International Law), Ane Bodil Lublinkhof '99 (LSE, Gender & Development), Jai Motwane '99 (LSE, World Political Economy), Emmanuelle Laura Versmessen '99 (LSE, Criminology)

After the lecture the real reunion began in local bars ■

## London Alumni make plans

Last year in November and December, over six hundred of Richmond's London alumni were invited to two informal receptions on campus for local alumni. The receptions enabled alumni attending to network with each other and also to meet with some of the Richmond faculty who were present as well as the Alumni Relations staff, in order to discuss ideas for developing opportunities for London alumni. Overwhelmingly those who attended asked for a web site and more opportunities to contact and to meet each other locally.

In January a working party of alumni volunteers began to meet with Deirdre Simpson, Director Alumni Relations, to discuss how to establish a local London group for all Richmond alumni living and working in the region. The Guidelines for Alumni Chapters were drawn up and reviewed. Before proceeding more specifically, the working group decided to survey the London Alumni to ask if they wanted a local chapter and what sorts of activities they would prefer. The results of this survey said that 95% of those responding wanted to have a local alumni chapter! The responses went on to say that, 86% wanted graduating class reunions, 82% wanted evenings with speakers on professionally helpful topics, 77% wanted social events at which to meet and network with each other, 59% wanted to meet occasionally with

Richmond faculty and administration and 59% wanted alumni events to be both social and professionally useful.

In response to how many times a year people would attend a London event, 27% expressed a wish for events three times a year and 23% for four times a year. Spring and Fall were selected as the best times of the year to plan a local alumni gathering.

The working party is now seeking volunteers to work on a committee to plan a reunion in London and to identify volunteers to set up a leadership group for the local chapter. Any alumnus/a living in London who is interested in volunteering to assist in leading the local group should send an e-mail to

**alumni@richmond.ac.uk**. Or contact any of the following members of the working party:

Sharif Abder-Rahman  
Rasha Al Mubarak BA '95  
Raja Assili BA '85  
Reema Fraitis BA '94  
Claudine Hakim BA '87  
Barry Holloway MBA '98  
Aima Hermeling MBA '96  
Herbert Hove BA '93  
Nicholas Latrou BA '91  
Andei Jichev MBA '00  
Maria Jicheva MBA '99  
Anthony F.E. Lopez-Vito BA '98  
Seema Melwani BA '94  
Laura Palomino MBA '95

## Briefing notes in economics

The December/January issue of Briefing Notes in Economics edited by Parviz Dabir-Alai includes articles by Richmond faculty

'The Political Economy of a British Stakeholder Society' by Sabine Spangelberg

Book Review of 'Irrational Exuberance' by Robert Shiller written by Ivan Cohen

Available on [www.richmond.ac.uk/bne/Stakeholder.pdf](http://www.richmond.ac.uk/bne/Stakeholder.pdf)

## 1980

● **Mehmet Civelek** has been working since his graduation from Richmond, for Sabanci Group in Istanbul, Turkey. As Executive Vice President of Human Resources, he and his team are responsible for the whole group of about 30,000 people.

## 1981

● **Behzad Aghili** is President/CEO of NEO Management in California, where he lives with his wife and two sons, Shervin 13 and Yashar 11 years old.

● **Izumi Hayashi** is President of Prospera Language Institute in Shizuoka, Japan. She will bring a group of students to Richmond Hill campus again this summer for a special programme in English language. Prospera students have been coming to Richmond in the Summer for more than 15 years.

## 1982

● **Bassam Audeh** travels a great deal for business and because his office is situated in Cyprus and his family in UK.

● **Lofti Benjemaa** has two children, 9 and 10 years old. He is making jeans and other textile articles that he exports to France. He would like to get in touch with Kaled El Berir.

● **Sukru Diyab** writes that he is to become Honorary Consul of the Philippines for Mersin and SE Turkey. He plans to visit Richmond this year and would like to hear from Khoe Poo Siong and Souhad Maayeh '84.

## 1983

● **Marie (Christensen) Brown** received her MLS in 1991 and was married the same year. She has a 4 year old daughter and juggles freelance work.

● **James Yeats-Brown** is a proud father of a second child, Felix, 1 year old. James provides digital stills photography for Channel 4's website coverage of the Chelsea, Hampton Court and Tatton Park Flower Shows. He sees Tom Moulton '82 regularly on the tennis court and last summer renewed a link with Robin (Telerico) McCool in London.

## 1984

● **Sharif Abder Rahman** remarried in Jordan in December, 2000 and held a reception in London.

● **Liliana Gebhardt** is living in Glasgow, Scotland and wants to hear from other alums.

● **Rudy Habesch** was in London in March for the first time since 1993. He took his wife Lina to St Albans Grove and to Builders! As it was Spring Break, many faculty were away. Rudy sees alums Mazen Kawar '84, Nevin Dajani '83, Adnan Khleif '78 and Shukri Sakhel '82 in Amman. He would love to get in contact with Vivian Day Stroh '84.

● **Anita t'Hart** and her husband have just built a new house for themselves

and their two children 8 years and 10 years. *see photo*



## 1985

● **Lamis (Kuzbari) Al-Abed** comes to London to see her family. She contacts Hulya and Ingi Soufrakis. At a wedding last summer in Beirut hotel Phonecia-Intercontinental, she met Mona Kashoggi and her husband Ahmad Abou-Khadra.

● **Relinde deGreef** has been an English and History teacher at The Bishop's School in LaJolla, CA.

● **Barbara Devaney** is currently a full time MA student in Psychology at California Institute for Integral Studies. She saw Beth Lieb '84 at the International Expressive Arts Therapy conference.

● **Jan Larsson** is working in European equity sales for Bear Stearns International in London.

● **George Lemos** has two children, a boy 2 1/2 and a 9 month old girl. In addition to his role as Director of G. Lemos Brothers Co. Ltd, George reports that he has been executive producer of short films, has developed scripts and written both lyrics for musicians and scripts for comedy acts as well as articles in English for a Greek newspaper.

## 1986

● **Suzanne (Mouganie) Azar** is working in London and is an active supporter of having a London Alumni Chapter.

● **Adelita (Khoury) Billips** would like to hear from her classmates. She is working in the computer department of State Farm Insurance in Nebraska.

● **Claudia Botero** has volunteered to help Admissions to recruit students from Medellin, Colombia.

● **Hani Madanat** is owner manager of Coombe Residential. He has two daughters, one 4 years old and another almost a year old. He saw Jan Larsson '85.

● **Thomas Oomen** is working in Kuwait. He would like to hear from others from the class of '86.

## 1987

● **Claudine Hakim** is Deputy Head at Schiller Academy in London.

● **Jon Mided** works for CLMP Software Research, in London

developing bespoke web sites integrated with Java servlet technology for eCommerce clients.

## 1988

● **Kerim Oner** writes that he would like to have more alumni gatherings in Turkey and thanks Fatih Kaya '96 for arranging the reunion last summer.

## 1989

● **Yousef Abou Baker** is working in Dubai, UAE as a TV producer for Lowe Lintas, advertising agency based in Dubai since 1992. He is in touch with Rami Yasin '88, Nibal Baidas '90, Gulbin Turgut '89, Habib Wehbe '80 and Fadia Shammam (Bawab) '88.

● **Davey Bakhshi** was married in San Francisco in July, 2000 to Paula Maria Silva from Boston, MA. They honeymooned in Alaska. Richmond alums who attended the wedding included Tatu (Danny) Huhananti '90 from Helsinki, Willard Grevson (Study abroad '88 - '89), from Nebraska, Ajay Bajaj '88 from Toronto. They live in Boston MA and Norwich UK. Davey set up on his own 5 years ago and is responsible for assisting companies create synergies by establishing external working alliances and strategic partnerships with the aim of raising capital and overseeing company flotation. He is involved in projects in the US and UK. *see photo*



● **Paula Alves de Souza** is Second Secretary at the Brazilian Embassy in Washington D.C. where she is in charge of domestic politics and congressional affairs.

● **Hala Khammar** lives in West London keeping herself very busy with a two and a half year old girl and a five month old boy.

● **Fadi Malas** has taken Richmond interns as Chairman of Arachnea, a software development company.

● **Cem Tokus** is Vice President at Alaaddin Beach Hotel in Alanya, Turkey.

## 1990

● **John Berg** met for dinner with other alums in Malmo, Sweden and Erin McGuigan from Admissions, when she was in town at a recruitment fair. John is MD of two companies.

● **Cynthia Hsiung** was married last

# Flashnotes

October 1980 - October 2000

June and gave birth in November to a boy, Pearson Phoenix Langston (Pearce for short).

● **Kamal Bhanji Jogia** has a second child, a son, born June, 2000. He reports that he travels extensively and would welcome alums passing through East Africa.

● **Kimberly McIntosh-Little** was married in June, 1997 the same year she joined the Navy. In 1999 she obtained a Nursing Home Administration license and a year ago her son was born. *see photo*



● **Bora Sayimer** appreciates the skills his graduate studies gave him for his personal life as the MBA has helped him to advance higher and quicker to General Manager in shipping and leasing.

## 1991

● **Nikos Archimandritis** is Managing Director of Krotiri S.A. which has created Panorama Village in Paros. This new development of holiday homes, includes tennis courts and swimming pool and is located 150 m from the beach.

● **Lynne Berens** moved to Austin, TX a few years ago to see what it was like. She has now moved back to California where she grew up to work in Training, Consulting and Publishing. She says hello to Ursula Treibitz and Christine Mullen '90.

● **Lynn Cunningham** is a third year P.H.D student at University of Chicago.

# Classmates

October 1980 - October 2000

● **Natalia (Ortega) Gil-Fournier** is in the process of setting up a vineyard in Mendoza, Argentina with her husband and brother. They hope to have an excellent wine in about 5 years time. *see photo*



● **Arsallan Agha Khan** frequently travels to London for business and would like his Richmond friends living in London to e-mail him at [arsallan@hotmail.com](mailto:arsallan@hotmail.com).

● **Martin Munyaradzi** is working on his MS in Computer Information Systems in Omaha, NE.

● **Wahyd Vannoni** works for Kingstree Group which trains executives in communications skills. He used his experience to teach two sessions of COMM 400 students this Spring.

● **Sherin Wassie** was married six years ago and has a 4 year old daughter. She would like to hear from Richmond friends especially Rokhsan Fallah '91.

## 1992

● **Juan Del Rio Nieto** created TuDistrito in 1996, a Yellow Page Company in Malaga, Spain. Juan is Managing Director with over 400 employees.

● **Hanan Freij** is living in Amman, Jordan with her husband and three daughters - Noor 5 years, Farah 3 years, Iman 7 months.

● **Eliza Gerolymatos** was awarded her MA from City University in Museum

and Gallery Management in 1996 and is working in the Center of Hellenic Tradition in Athens.

● **Antonios Hassouris** is currently working on his M.Phil/Ph.D in Child Psychology in 1997 from University of Glasgow. He was appointed Director of Child Services at Katheris Rehabilitation Center in Piraeus. In the evenings, he maintains his private practice and, with a colleague, has developed a new method of writing for the visually impaired independent of braille. He received a medal of Merit from the Greek Association for Parents with disabled children.

● **Christopher Miller** is working for Ben and Jerrys in Burlington, VT, in the co-founders' office supporting them in national socio-political campaigns.

● **Anders Nilsson** joined Joakim Anjou '93 for dinner in Malmo with Erin McGuigan in November, 2000. He is setting up his own business - an Application Service Provider targeting service companies with a niched portfolio of offerings.

● **Naouel Saidi** regularly sees Tula Beyli '93 and her baby and Najat Farah '92 who was married last year, as was Talal Naroun '93.

● **Yosuko Watanabe** married Haruko Ito '91 in Japan in 1997. *see photo*



● **Emin Guven Yilmaz** has a second son born 11 months ago. He would like to hear from Joakim Anjou '93.

## 1993

● **Sophia Abu-Bakar** (MBA) wrote that she is living and working in Brunei with her husband Brian Needleman (MBA) '93 and her two year old son Izad Jordan.

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● **Ipek Akalin** moved back to Luxembourg with her husband and their 2 year old daughter. She wants to hear from her Richmond friends. Please contact her at: [ipek\\_akalin@lefoyer.lu](mailto:ipek_akalin@lefoyer.lu).

● **Rajesh Galot** is moving to London this Spring to set up operations and marketing office for his business in textiles, apparel and distilling. His son is nearly 2 years old.

● **Rutendo Kambarami** has two children - a girl and a boy and is working in a non-governmental organisation in Harare, Zimbabwe.

● **Jean Pierre Kebbe** is a partner and Managing Director of S.S. International, importers of tools and hardware for construction, mechanical, electrical and electronic power, plumbing and grinding. His wife is Natalie Gebara '93.

● **Aziz Sattar** organised a reunion dinner in Kuala Lumpur for alumni to meet Alan Mclvor, VP Enrolment when he was in Malaysia recruiting students. He is currently studying for EIDMIL in insurance at Malaysian Insurance Institute and Chartered Insurance Institute UK.

● **Kathryn Spellman** completed her Ph.D in Politics and Sociology at the University of London in June, 2000. She lectures part time at Richmond.

● **Bhushan Tirathrai** and his brother Vijay '88 met Alan Mclvor, Vice President for Enrolment Services, in Kuala Lumpur at an alumni reunion dinner organised by Aziz Sattar '93. *see photo*



● **Esther Tung** is engaged to her high school classmate and will be married on 14 July, 2001 in Sheffield.

● **Sajjad Virani** wishes to get in touch with other alumni especially Tusekile Kibonde '95 and Beatrice (Mumba) Renson '97.

● **Georges Ziade** has completed an MBA in Banking and Finance at Lebanese American University, Byblos, Lebanon. He is engaged and plans to be married in 2001.

## 1994

● **Santiago Brockman** dropped by the Alumni Office with news that after he completes his MBA degree in The Rotterdam School of Management, The Netherlands this Spring, he will begin working at Roland Berger and Partners, an international strategy consultants, in Sao Paolo, Brazil.

● **Mimi Choon-Quinones** gave birth in December, 2000 to twin girls - Faith

and Hope. She is living in New Jersey and is looking forward to seeing other alumni at a reunion.

● **Sunil Dave** is living and working in Gujarat which recently experienced a serious earthquake. He says the relief work is in full swing, but there will be a lot of rebuilding needed over the next few years. He is in touch with Dinesh Joshi '93 and Ahis Dutt-Choudhury '94.

● **William Ruffler** spent 9 months in Portland, Oregon, and now he has returned to the same company, TAS Software in Surrey. He is engaged to be married in October, 2001.

● **Marlene (Sinclair) Stahl** also met Erin McGuigan in Malmo. She is working as a Senior Recruiter for Profice Sverige AB, one of Sweden's largest recruitment agencies.

● **Per Stahl** has taken a position since November, 2000 as Nordic Management Accountant for Van den Bergh Foods. He attended the reunion dinner in Malmo when Erin Maguigan was visiting Sweden for recruitment.

● **Gilles Tan** is working in Geneva, Switzerland as an Account Manager with Deutsche Bank Private Banking. He travels to Asia-from Pakistan to the Philippines and from Taiwan to Australia.

● **Jeffrey Wolfe** (MBA) and his wife Jeannie Knecht '94 have bought a new home on a golf course in Salt Lake City, Utah. Each is involved in property.

## 1995

● **Rania Abdin** sends her regards to all of the Class of '95. She is now working as a volunteer for an advocacy organisation for people with learning difficulties. She had a period of 2 1/2 years out of work due to an accident.

● **Onadeko Adesola** is working in media in Television Center. She reports that she has contacted Aisha Ahmed '96 who has a 1 year old son.

● **Rasha Al-Mubarak** was married in London in June, 2000 and is now living in London. She is a member of the London alumni group currently working with Alumni Relations to develop a local Alumni Chapter.

● **Alain Beauvais** (MBA) joined Creative Challenges Inc in 1999, an international multi media company specializing in e-ventures and web informations system development.

● **Slobodan Brkic** is working for UNDP in Belgrade.

● **Rohit Dhawan** is now working for Accenture (formerly Anderson Consulting) in London after four years working with Citibank. He married Anu, a medical doctor, and they are expecting a child this Spring.

● **Cindy (Corliss) Godwin** (MBA) met Sue Price, and fellow MBA '95 alums Joanne Sullivan and Amber Barnard in London last November. Cindy was married in April, 2000. Recently she was Chair of Covent Garden Business Forum.

● **Fredrik Gran** has joined Accenture (Anderson Consulting) in Stockholm, Sweden from Ernst and Young.

● **Anna Grund** is working in London at Surfby.

# Flashnotes

October 1980 - October 2000

- **Tim Heffernan** (Study Abroad) proposed to Rachel Maxwell '95 (Study Abroad) on the steps of Atlantic House where they had met as students. Tim is an Account Director at KCSA PR in New York City. Rachel works in Health Insurance Plan also in New York.
- **Laura Palomino** (MBA) has been working at Nomura, London since July, 2000. She is a Senior Executive in the marketing department of NAM UK. Laura has also been part of the working committee for a London alumni chapter.
- **Mazen Queider** is working as a financial analyst for Arab Bank PLC in Amman, Jordan.
- **Martina Rejler** is working in Goteborg, Sweden as Manager SEB Contact Center, SEB Personal Banking, Channel Management.
- **Amit Thadani** is now an Assistant Vice President at Merrill Lynch who sponsored him. In November he was awarded an MSc with Distinction in Finance from Birkbeck College, (University of London).
- **William Tuttle** (MBA) flies over 100,00 miles a year for I.P.A. Will is married and has a 3 year old son. *see photo*



- **Leigh Warren** is currently working on an MA in Peacekeeping Operations at George Mason University.
- **Joanne Wuwer-Saukas** is living in Columbia, MD.

## 1996

- **Brandon Bakshi** is an Associate Director at BMI - a performing rights organisation - where he signs new pop and dance acts to the company. He has bought a flat in London and will be here for the foreseeable future.
- **Mimi Gorani** is applying for an MA in International Relations after working in London as an HR assistant for Transport for London Street Management.
- **Emilis Gustainis** (MBA) after a career including Auditor at Price Waterhouse, Deputy Director of Investment Banking Division of Lithuanian bank, he is now Vice Minister of Environment in Lithuania,

responsible for EU integration and related investments in the environmental sector.

- **Aima (Akhenebiri) Hermeling** (MBA) was married 1 April, 2000 to Mark and they live in Bromley, Kent. She says hello to fellow MBA alums Patrick Oates '96 and Ginger Denslow '97.
- **Anuraag Jaipuria** reports that his brother Rudi graduated from Richmond in May '00. He is in touch with Simi and Nishi Ruprah '87, who has a baby boy Adhiraja.
- **Gopal Pancholia** married Sunita in Bombay in December, 2000. Alumni at the wedding include Wedding Rajeev Bhatia '97, Vikram Sathyanathan (BA '96 / MBA '97) and Amit Karani '98.
- **Katie Rayhawk** (Study Abroad) was married in September in St Louis, MO. *see photo. From left to right Larissa Myslik, Katy Brown, Bride - Katie Rayhawk, Kathy Reding, Christine Kim and Matt Kolodny.*



- **Silke Schultz** joined Deutsche Bank AG in Frankfurt in 1997 and is now Director of People, Strategy and Measurement in the HR division. Silke is an alumni representative in Germany.
- **Rawadee Tre-Atthaboon** has completed an MSc in Management at University of Surrey in 1998.

## 1997

- **Tatyane Amaral** (MBA) lives in Brazil, got married and had twins. They are now 2 years old.
- **Lyndon Barends** (MBA) Director, Group Sponsorships Standard Bank of South Africa, came to campus in March and gave a lecture to Michael Sleemans' courses in Ethics & Legal Environment and in Business Management. *see photo*



- **David Barker** (MBA) is working at Nortel Networks in London. He met Michelle Davies (MBA) '96 in London and Ginger Denslow '97 in Houston, TX.
- **Rajeev Bhatia** has returned to UAE to work in a family business. He writes that he misses his Richmond friends. He regularly meets with Ammir Sayed '97 and Gopal Pancholia '96.
- **Jasmine Bodmer** is in charge of an ergonomics (her graduate degree subject) database that helps architects and designers to set up guidelines in car comfort, posture, visibility and accessibility.
- **Robert Buckalew** has just returned from working in Seoul, South Korea where he was a language teacher. He has recently opened a new business on the internet with his best friend in the US.
- **Kelly Graber** is partnering a dotcom, a website for professors to be launched later this year as AcademicGateway.com. Max Cignetti '99 is working with her.
- **Yasemin Gurkan** writes that she is to be married in April, 2001 and will move to Los Angeles for a few years.

- **Elango Ramasamy** (MBA) reports that the course work in MBA finance helps him a lot in his textile business in Coimbatore, India.
- **Margot (Schley) Smallman** plans to be in London in October this year and is looking forward to seeing Ellen Frantzen '96 and Deema Pharaon Buheiny '96.
- **Dennis Vleugels** is doing an internship at the Center for European Security Studies in Groningen. He completed a LL.M. Master of Law in International Law and the Law of International Organizations.

## 1998

- **Michelle (Kai) Murad** married her Richmond sweetheart in August, 2000 and she and Mohammed '97 are living in Dubai, UAE. *see photo*



- **Ghaleb AlKatheeri** is travelling a lot for his work at Abu Dhabi Drilling Chemicals and Products. Ltd as a Sales and Contracts officer.
- **Helder do Vale** is completing his MA in International Relations at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD, and an MA in Political Science at American University. He is doing an internship at the UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.
- **Shahi Hamad** completed his MA in Sociology/Anthropology at School of Oriental and African Studies at London University in September, 2000. He attended the engagement of Yacer Qureshi '95 to Nancy Barakat in Cairo, Egypt. Also there was Heba Shams Majeed '98.
- **Barry Holloway** (MBA) was married on 9 September, 2000 in Kent to Sarah, a lecturer at London College of Fashion.
- **James McKeown** (MBA) is working for AIG, the largest financial services and insurance provider in the

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world. He is Quality Assurance Manager for all new technologies. James also teaches computer science at a local New Jersey college part time.

- **Francesco Meucci** is working as a political and institutional analyst at Unicredit Banca Mobiliare in Milano. He has an MA in International Relations from Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale.
- **Casey Ryan** works for Staff and Line based in Paris; their US subsidiary is EarlyVista.
- **Sunanda Santwan** completed a MSc in Child Development at the Institute of Education (University of London) and is now working at a Montessori kindergarten in Zurich and studying to become a Montessori teacher. She plans to move back to London next year.
- **Kanako Tsunoda** is working in Tokyo at ViewNet Systems as a translator and secretary.
- **Alavia Valika** (MBA) married Abbas Gilani from New York in January, 2001 in Karachi, Pakistan. They will be moving to New York in May, 2001. Best Wishes from, Reshma Lalvani MBA '98, Komal (Kapadia) Choksi MBA '98, Vikram Sathyanathan BA '96, MBA '97, Gopal Pancholia '97, Bharti Zinzuwadia MBA '97 and Sidharth Jain MBA '98. see photo



## 1999

- **Carlos Andres Angel** (MBA) has a new position in SURATEP as Director of Special Businesses.
- **Jo-Kate (Goodman) Collier** (MA) is working at Hart Galleries, an auction house dealing in antiques and fine art. She has been accepted in the PhD. Programme in University of Texas-Austin.
- **Max Cignetti** After returning to Argentina, moved to Washington D.C. to work for an internet company. He works with Kelly Graber '97.
- **Colleen Egan** (MA) is a Development Associate at Independent Curators International in New York City.
- **Marissa Gianni** (MA) is working as a research consultant at Arloop.com.
- **Christina Gumilang** is currently studying for an MA in IT at Queen Mary's College.
- **Anar Khamzayeva** completed her MA in International Affairs/International Politics from the School of International Service at American University in Silver Spring, MD.
- **Tiffany Lee** (MA) is working as a Junior Associate at Jeanne Collins & Associates, who specialise in innovative PR solutions for cultural institutions, education, government, corporate and foundation clients nationally and internationally. Tiffany's firm worked on the opening of the Queen Elizabeth II Great Court in the British Museum, the Nordic Center in America and an exhibition in Amiens, France and many other projects.
- **Shannon Maley** (MA) is Manager of Cataloging at the Museum of Television and Radio.
- **Chelsea Orth** (MBA) is now working for Pacer International Telecoms, a networking company based in Miami with offices in Guildford, Surrey. She will be Manager of EMEA Project Operations.
- **Paula Plaza** is now a part-time Information Assistant with UNICEF in London after receiving her MA from Roehampton Institute.
- **Maria Ranten** recently travelled in Vietnam and Malaysia. She is working as an Account Manager at Itinerary Systems IS AB, an IT company dealing with mobile internets in Malmo, Sweden. She frequently travels to London on business.
- **Clara Rosselli** is Assistant to a Member of the Argentinian Parliament who represents foreign affairs. She is organizing a conference on recent talks in London about the Falkland Islands.
- **Cheryl Stafford** (MBA) has moved to New York with Deepgroup in order to facilitate the expansion of their North American presence. She is pleased to have survived the process of finding an apartment in New York and is very happy in her East Village abode!

## 2000

- **Andrew Bomani** is taking an MA in Politics and Mass Media at Liverpool

University, UK. He enjoys the change from London.

- **Jonathan Fenton** (MBA) has started a Leadership Program with United Technologies, CT.
- **Shannon Freeman** (MA) is living in Atlanta, GA, where she is currently teaching English at Holy Innocents' Episcopal School. In Fall she will teach art/art history, and in October will marry John Dugan, head coach of a professional soccer team.
- **Ozlem Gunduz** (MBA) has joined Schroders Salomon Smith Barney-Citibank Global Corporate and Investment Banking as a Management Associate at Structured Trade Finance Department in London.
- **Herbie Hove** meets often with Nick (Rasta), Jeff, KK, Eugene and Kunjal. Herbie is serving on the London committee to start a local chapter.
- **Amin Kamel** (MBA) is working in his own company 'algeriecom' that is an Internet service and access provider.
- **Souhail Khallock** (MBA) has moved back to Rabat, Morocco. He left Ernst & Young for a position as Relationship Manager at Citibank, Morocco.
- **Matthew Kolodny** (Study Abroad) reports that he has recently been promoted to Senior Analyst-Product Development at US Airways. He works in corporate headquarters in Virginia.
- **Rahat Madhok** (MBA) is working in an analysis and advisory role at Radisson Edwardian Hotels, London's largest privately owned hotel chain, as a result of her MBA internship.
- **Chikondi Matenda** is currently applying to graduate schools in London in Marketing Communications.
- **Anya Moers** moved to Milan in January, 2001 where she is learning Italian and working at Christie's part-time in the Modern and Contemporary Department. She is in touch with Solana Iribarren '00 who was married in Argentina in March, 2001, and Antonia von Boch '00 who is travelling in South America and hopes to do graduate work in the US.
- **Sizwe Nkonde** (MBA) has been hired as Brand Support Manager for BP CapeTown and he is responsible to apply the BP 'look' to petrol station forecourts all over South Africa. see photo



- **Sara O'Neil** (MBA) is working for a minor league baseball team in California.
- **Zeynep Orhun** is working on an MSc in Development Management at LSE.
- **Elizabeth Parham** (MA) notices and misses the difference in the contemporary art scene in London as compared with Seattle, OR. She is currently doing web support for Cobalt Group while applications and decisions are made for gallery jobs in California.
- **Huda Radhi** (MSc) has joined TAIB Bank in Bahrain as an executive trainee in private banking. She recently met Raha Al Saadi '97 and Karim Abd Al Messeih in London and Nushaiba Bin Shaiba in Bahrain. She sends her regards to the undergraduate class of '97 and to the graduate class of '99.
- **David Reames** (MBA) is working for Lehman Brothers in London with the Chief Strategy Officer, as a result of his Internship.
- **Vera Rebanova** came to the December graduation in Church Hall as she is studying for an MSc degree in Politics of the World Economy at London School of Economics.
- **Nina Roman** has been hired as an International Management Trainee for World Cancer Research Fund International, Washington D.C. After a two year training program, she plans to return to London.
- **Natalie Rosamund** (MA) has been working at The Museum Company while she awaits news from museums.
- **Melissa Roush** has begun her law course at Baylor Law School in Texas.
- **Ka-wai Siu** (MBA) dropped into the alumni office when she was in London on business from American Express where she is Senior Manager of Strategic Planning for US Corporate Travel.
- **Florencia Spangaro** is at SOAS for an MSc in International and Comparative Law.
- **Liudmila Velichko** (MBA) is working in Moscow for an international company that develops and provides special software for telecommunications companies where she is managing the finance of an enterprise project. She would like to hear from Richmond friends.
- **Konrad Werpachowski** is completing his MBA in Leeds University, UK. He has been offered a job at the German Federal Printing House in Berlin.
- **Jessica Wright** (MA) is studying for an MS in Museum Education at Bank Street College in New York City. Jessica has also been student teaching in a NYC public school. This January she began a museum internship at Cooper Hewitt National Design Museum.
- **Thomas Zaubi** (MBA) is employed in Sales and Marketing at Hitec-O in Stavanger, Norway. They manufacture and design simulators, 3D animation and multi media programs. He and his wife have an 8 month old daughter.