

Thirty years young and getting stronger

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Walter McCann
President

Richmond is officially 30 this year, young as universities go, especially in a country that counts university age in the hundreds of years. We are part of a long tradition of higher education at the Hill campus, which has been home to advanced students since the 1840s.

From its birth as a place for US students to study abroad for a semester or year, the University changed rapidly. In less than a decade it became a two-year, then a four-year degree-granting institution. Given the glacial pace of change in higher education, this was hurricane speed. The first four-year graduates in 1980 were only a handful. Now we graduate several hundred students a year and the number will increase.

From the Hill, Richmond spread to Kensington and also to Italy. Its offerings have expanded to 24 Bachelor's and two Master's degrees. Both campuses house active summer terms. Recently the University has linked with Cisco, the leading supplier of Internet hardware and software, to create the Richmond Technology Center. The RTC offers non-credit IT courses and is linked to the degree program in Computing.

Richmond is accredited in the US by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, part of a nationwide system. In a typically innovative move, it was the first university in the UK to be accredited here as well as in the US. The Open University Validation Services accredits Richmond and validates all of its undergraduate degrees. This dual recognition contrasts sharply with a number of so-called 'American' universities abroad, which are not accredited and have tenuous connections with the US. Caveat emptor!

In 1994, Richmond and its founder, The American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS), took a bold step. The fledgling University had operated since its birth as a subsidiary of AIFS. With the blessing of its parent,



Richmond became an independent, not-for-profit educational institution, with the same charitable status as all of the notable independent universities in America. Among other things, this helps Richmond to raise needed funds, since US and UK taxpayers can now make tax-efficient donations to the University.

Richmond continues to work closely with AIFS as a 'partner' to educate US study abroad students, recruit degree students from the US and operate study centers in Florence and Rome.

A visit to the Hill campus will reveal the most visible sign of Richmond's academic and physical growth, the 20,000 sq/ft Cyril Taylor Library. Its pleasant study areas

provide students with traditional books and periodicals as well as access to worldwide information sources through its extensive computer network. Nothing portrays more visibly Richmond's transformation from 'the College' to 'the University' than this award-winning building.

This summer, Richmond's fifth President, Dr. Norman Smith, will arrive. My wife, Dr. Alba Ambert, and I will return to the US after nearly a decade in London. It has been a time of transformation and of professional satisfaction that comes from seeing plans realized and hopes fulfilled. We will miss London, surely, but mostly we will miss the University and its people.

Happy thirtieth, Richmond! And many, many more ■

Introducing Dr. Norman Smith, Richmond's fifth President

In November 2001, Sir Cyril Taylor, Chairman of Richmond's Board of Trustees and founder of the University, announced the appointment of Dr. Norman R. Smith as Richmond's fifth President. Dr. Smith will succeed Walter McCann, President since 1992, who retires this summer. Dr. Smith will move to London this summer with his wife, Dr. Susan Robinson, and his daughter Caroline.

Born and raised in Toronto, Canada, Dr. Smith received both his BS degree in Management and his MBA from Drexel University in Pennsylvania. He was awarded a Doctor of Education from Harvard University in the Philosophy of Education program in the Department of Teaching, Curriculum and Learning Environments; his dissertation was entitled 'Innovation in Education'. Dr. Smith's career in education has included teaching management and marketing and serving as Assistant Dean of Students at Drexel University, Dean of Student Affairs at Philadelphia University, and Assistant Dean at both Harvard Graduate School of Education and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. After serving as Executive Vice President at Moore College of Art, Dr. Smith was appointed President at Wagner College in Staten Island where he has served successfully for fourteen years.

In an interview with the newsletter editor, Dr. Smith said that 'Moving to London is a dream come true for Susan, Caroline and me.' He is attracted to the challenge of serving as Richmond's President because he is 'particularly drawn to the profoundly relevant academic theme that has evolved as Richmond's central theme...namely, globalism as it is now most commonly being called. The tragic international events that have launched the 21st century make it increasingly clear that the most able leaders in the coming decades will be those who have a broad-based understanding of the world including an appreciation for its diversity and a knowledge of the differences that exist in our shrinking globe. Through its curriculum, its location and its student body, Richmond is in the forefront of addressing this crucial issue and is, therefore, particularly well positioned to take a leadership position in higher education internationally.'

Dr. Smith brings to Richmond a history of financial and enrolment successes achieved for Wagner College in his 14 year tenure. They reflect many of the themes for his approach to developing Richmond. He describes that he is 'most interested in strengthening the University's enrollment and financial situation, which can be achieved in part by raising the visibility of the institution and its uniquely

compelling academic theme. In its present state, the University lacks the resources, both financial and physical, to be everything it should rightly aspire to be. I hope to help the University grow and thereby strengthen its operating position. I am very hopeful that I can build a foundation of giving for the University. At Wagner College, over \$80 million in giving was realized during my presidency that permitted the College to acquire additional campus land, build new buildings essential to a resident student culture, and to build an endowment that helped reduce tuition dependence. Most of this giving came from Trustees and alumni. I am hopeful that a comparable program of support can be launched at Richmond so that the University is able to operate on a 'level playing field' with other flourishing universities.'

Dr. Smith identified several areas that would develop Richmond significantly. 'First and foremost, the University would greatly benefit from scholarship funds established by alumni, friends and trustees of the University. Ideally, any academically promising student aspiring to earn a Richmond degree should be able to enroll. The only way this is possible is if the university reduces its dependency on tuition income to pay for the operating expenses of the university. This is made possible through endowed scholarships established from gifts to the University.'

'Additionally, I see the need for additional facilities that typically support a residential student population. Richmond could greatly improve its retention and graduation rate if facilities typical to a residential university existed. At the Richmond campus, there are too few evening and weekend common spaces that would, if they existed, greatly enhance the quality of student life. At Kensington, there are no common spaces accessible to Richmond students wishing to visit the Kensington campus in order to interact with upperclass students. Such facilities will be possible only through giving.'

Together with Dean Domzal, Dr. Smith will work to strengthen the business school. He is dreaming 'about a "bona fide business school" with the teaching facilities typical to first rate business programs (including technologically



advanced classrooms that enable faculty to teach via laptop computer). Part of the dream, in this very preliminary vision, is to find a benefactor who might be interested in establishing a namesake business school within the University that would include a stand-alone business school facility contiguous to the Kensington campus.'

Dr. Smith recognizes that 'the interest, support and advocacy' of Richmond's worldwide alumni are 'essential to the success of the university.' He hopes that by knowing more about what is going on at Richmond, alumni will 'want to help us achieve greater heights for the university. From recruiting students, to placing graduates, to investing in building a stronger university, alumni are essential.'

Dr. Smith's wife, Susan, grew up in Long Island, received her BA in Psychology from Skidmore College in upstate New York, and her masters and doctoral degrees in education from Columbia University in New York City and Harvard, where she was awarded her Ph.D. She has worked in educational research, taught in Manhattan, served as Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid at Philadelphia's Moore College of Art, and at Wagner College she served as Wagner's Associate Provost for Admissions. In 1999, she was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of Snug Harbor Cultural Center, an 830 acre waterfront facility that is home to twenty-eight arts and cultural organizations and several performance halls. With her interest and background in piano, clarinet, and dance - both classical ballet and modern dance - Dr. Robinson will undoubtedly find an artistic home in the rich cultural offerings of London. Their daughter Caroline will be 10 years old when they arrive in London and is excited about her new school in Richmond.

Richmond looks forward to welcoming our new President and his family into our worldwide and our London community ■

A notable graduation



BA graduates December 2001

Graduation in December, 2001 was an especially notable occasion for many reasons. Richmond awarded Honorary Degrees to three distinguished people. The Earl of Limerick, KBE, DL, Chancellor, London Guildhall University received a Doctor of Laws and in thanking the University wrote the following limerick (a humorous form of a five line poem with a rhyme-scheme aabba):

*'You've earned your awards - I'm impressed;
But, that said, be it quietly confessed
That, with no need to cram
For some dreaded exam.
Why, the Hon'rary degrees are the best.'*

Receiving a Doctor of Economics, John P. Morgridge, Chairman, Cisco Systems, Inc gave the graduates a valuable list of ten items of advice. The Rt. Hon. The Lord Woolf, Lord Chief Justice of England, was bestowed a Doctor of Laws and gave the graduation

address to graduates, parents, friends, faculty and staff.

Dean Jos Hackforth Jones, awarded eight prizes to students for their academic achievements in the School of Arts and Sciences. Dean Teresa Domzal awarded four prizes from the School of Business. Darlene Pattanasombat, a candidate for the MBA degree from the USA, achieved the highest grade point ever at Richmond!

The undergraduate farewell address given by Georgia Romain, Magna Cum Laude graduate in Psychology, reflected on Richmond's diversity. Mrs. Romain recollected her speech at her earlier graduation from the American Academy in Larnaca, Cyprus in which she praised the achievements at the time of those students who had 'defied the military regime in Greece with their lives, and fought for an ideal that at present, we are also trying to guard - Democracy, its institutions, values and freedoms'. She continued, 'If the death of several Greek students demonstrated to future



MBA graduates December 2001

generations that Democracy is indeed a priceless jewel worth fighting for, it has taken sixty-six unique, graduating Richmond students to convince me that the future of Democracy and indeed of humankind will thrive in unity and diversity - our University's motto!

She went on to point out Richmond's uniqueness. 'It is diversity that stretches the range of human potential, creativity and wisdom... that enhances experience... that promotes and sustains life... that makes Richmond so powerful, so variable so competitive and yes - so unique. It is Richmond that fosters a philosophy of tolerance and nurtures a racially and ethnically diverse pool of individuals... that opens up pathways to form lasting relationships by bridging the gap between diverse cultures and encouraging its students to experience life.'

Her words as well as those of President McCann reflect that 'Richmond is right for the times.' ■

Pacific House renamed Asa Briggs Hall

On the occasion of the Spring meeting of the Board of Trustees, Pacific House was renamed Asa Briggs Hall. The Board chose to honor Lord Briggs of Lewes for the many years of dedication to and support of Richmond. Since Spring 1978, Lord Briggs has served as Chairman of Richmond's Board of Academic Governors. He has provided invaluable leadership, experience and advice to the development of Richmond's academic program.

Lord Briggs is a pre-eminent writer and scholar having written more than forty books

and many articles. His books include, **BBC The First 50 Years - Collected Essays; Marx in London; Modern Europe 1789-1989; Social History of England; Study Abroad - A European and American Perspective; Power of Steam - Illustrated History; Victorian Cities; Wine for Sale - Victoria Wine and the Liquor Trade 1860-1984.**

He has served as Provost of Worcester College Oxford, Chancellor of the Open University and Vice Chancellor of Sussex University. Richmond is extremely fortunate and grateful for the many years of Lord Briggs' leadership. ■



From left to right **Walter McCann, President; Lord Briggs, Chairman, Board of Academic Governors; The Worshipful the Mayor of the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea, Counsellor Tony Holt; Sir Cyril Taylor, Chairman, Board of Trustees**

GEORGE BERGUNO RECEIVES AWARD

The School of Arts and Sciences is proud to announce that Assistant Professor of Psychology, Dr. George Berguno, has been made an Honorary Research Fellow at City University.

Dr. Berguno teaches Psychology of Child Development, Introduction to Experimental Methods in Psychology, Theories of Self.

Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to the United Kingdom visits Richmond

On 15 January, Sir Cyril Taylor, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Walter McCann welcomed to Richmond's Hill campus, Ma Zhengang, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the United Kingdom. The Ambassador had come on the invitation of the University in order to develop an initiative for student recruitment between China and Richmond. The Ambassador visited classrooms, the Technology Center and residences before having lunch with members

of Richmond's administration and management. It is hoped to have Chinese students enroll as degree students in the future.

Alumni in the 1980's will remember the exchange that Richmond had with Beijing Language Institute that brought mature students to study at Richmond for a year. More than thirty teachers and students of English at BLI participated in this program. They lived on campus in Kensington and took upper division classes before returning home to implement their studies into their professional lives ■



From left to right **Andrew MacLeod, Cisco; Sir Cyril Taylor, Chairman, Board of Trustees; Ma Zhengang, Ambassador; Walter McCann President**

Richmond's conference on globalization

Michael Drane '02, is from USA. He majored in Political Science and minored in International Relations

In mid-November, Richmond was the center of discussion and debate on the world's hottest topic, globalization. Organized by a committee headed by Michael Drane '02 and Cassandra Pittman it is hoped that this first academic conference will put Richmond on the academic map with a number of leading universities which hold conferences on political, economic and cultural changes in the 21st century.

Globalization: A Threatening Opportunity was a two-session conference that focussed on the character and dynamics of globalization. Between sessions a video, produced by the anti-capitalist group Globalize Resistance, was shown documenting the G8 demonstrations in Genoa, Italy. A wide range of views on the subject of globalization was offered, with the pros and cons conveyed on the number of changes occurring globally. Describing

globalization as a series of processes, rather than a single force or phenomenon, allowed new light to be shed on the topic and provided students and speakers with more opportunity to discuss the subject in depth. Representatives from leading organizations and companies including The Body Shop, Globalize Resistance, and The Adam Smith Institute spoke. A diverse panel provided different perspectives and opinions, which fostered a spectacular debate and question and answer session. Members of the panel and audience took a close look at the growing disparity of wealth between the world's rich and poor, and focussed on the prospects of sustainable development. *Bookstalls*, the mobile political bookshop, provided literature for yet more thought. The conference inspired students to create a club as an ongoing forum for discussion and debate of these topics ■

Elliot Erwitt, renowned photographer, speaks on campus

Kristian Skeie '98 is from Norway. He majored in Studio Art

Elliott Erwitt, known to many through his internationally recognized photographic images, was in London last October. He was in England for the occasion of the launch of his book 'Snaps', the opening of an exhibition of his works at Hackelbury Fine Art in Kensington and for a talk he gave at the National Gallery. His exhibition in a local Kensington gallery, also called Snaps, featured amusing and interesting photographs of dogs. Thanks to Mary Robert and John Dickerson, Mr. Erwitt came to Richmond to give a talk and slide show to Richmond students.

Elliott Erwitt's photographs are legendary - images such as, Jackie Kennedy in a black veil at the funeral of John F. Kennedy, or Krushchev, leader of the USSR, banging his shoe on a table during a meeting with US President Richard Nixon, a Frenchman in a beret riding his bicycle down a tree lined avenue with a fresh baguette strapped to the back of his bicycle.

Elliott Erwitt is one of the early members of the Magnum Photo Agency, founded by Robert Capa, Henri Cartier-Bresson, David 'Chim' Seymour and George Rodger in 1947. Magnum Photo Agency is known for being the most 'exclusive' photo agency in the world. Another Magnum photographer, Marc Riboud, visited Richmond last year.

There was a large and very enthusiastic audience during a wonderful slide show showing old and new photographs from Elliott Erwitt's fifty year career. Throughout the talk students were able to ask questions of this great man. His presentation was followed by a book signing. A packed audience made it the talk of the term! ■

Open University Re-accreditation and Validation

Richmond is proud to announce that, after a 2 day visit to both campuses in February, The Open University recommended continuing accreditation for the University and continuing validation of the Humanities degrees without conditions.

Citing Richmond as a 'vibrant institution' they specifically mentioned that Richmond's 'students are a credit to the institution'.

Alumni profile

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The Richmond Newsletter plans to profile an alumnus/a each year 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.



Izumi Hayashi, BA 1981, majored in Literature as an undergraduate. She first came to Richmond in 1975 when there were only 250 students living on the Hill campus. There were no off campus students and Kensington had yet to be opened. Izumi remembers this time, 'it felt less like living away from home as people took such good care of us' - people such as Audra Longley, Daphne Butters, Bob Watson, Frank Dabell. She also remembers 'the wonderful teaching' she had from Michelle Cohen.

Izumi received an AA degree in modern languages in 1978 before continuing her studies in combined Humanities, Literature and Education at Froebel Institute in Roehampton. At Froebel Izumi realized she spoke English with more of an American accent, as all the other students were teachers who spoke with a British accent. She returned to Richmond as she missed the cohesive family feeling so apparent on campus. By then the Kensington campus had opened and she met a friend to this day, Deirdre Simpson, Associate Dean of Students and Dean of the Upper Division at the time. After completing her degree in July 1981 (the year of the Royal wedding, she recalls) she went to Michigan State University in the US in order to specialize in administration and teaching.

After graduation in 1985, Izumi returned to Japan as her parents had planned to open a school. Together they had recruited staff from London - some from Richmond - and in 1984

Prospera Language Institute was born in Shizuoka, Japan - an hour and a half bullet train ride from Tokyo.

The links between Prospera and Richmond continued as Bruce Davidson, Head of Richmond's Language Department, was appointed President of Prospera and served in that role for 5 years. Izumi began as Dean of Students and in 1989 was named Vice President. In 1992 she became President. In these years Prospera flourished, teaching humanities, languages, comparative cultures with Japan and other countries as well as secretarial skills and computing.

In the Summer of 1985 Izumi began a tradition that, after a short 3 year break, continues to this day. For a month in the summer she - and often with her brother in law Yukinobu, Vice President at Prospera, - has brought a group of Japanese students from Prospera to develop their English through language and culture classes offered at the Hill campus. Some of these Prospera students have later enrolled in Richmond as degree students and are now counted among our alumni.

In 1994 AIFS began a semester program at Prospera and Izumi was the main teacher of Japanese to these American students.

Throughout these years Izumi was regularly taking courses in teaching English as a second language. She continues to teach English once a week to 4-6 year old children. Izumi also frequently gives talks on teaching English to Japanese students. In addition to her very active professional life, Izumi is part of a strong family with her older sister Megumi, her younger sister Ikumi, her four nephews and her parents.

Recently Prospera was awarded the Pittman Teacher Training Qualification which allows Prospera to offer courses in teacher training. Izumi can be proud of all that she has accomplished to enable others to be able to make cultural and linguistic changes in a more informed and easy way. She has carried out Richmond's mission to prepare young men and women 'to exercise influence and to achieve success and personal fulfillment in an increasingly interdependent world: a world where the ability to understand other cultures and communicate effectively across national and cultural boundaries is as vital as traditional academic achievement.' ■

Guest alumnus in Senior Management seminar

Senior Management Seminar is offered to fourth-year students in order to examine complex issues, situations and problems encountered in day to day management. Change, growth, conflict and trends within an organization are analyzed, together with entrepreneurial and intra-preneurial factors which contribute to current business success.

Over the last twelve years that Yvonne Evans has taught this seminar, a major task for the students has been to find and carry out a probing interview with 'a successful business person'. The respondent has to be young and demonstrably successful in business terms. The students are expected to research some written sources, interview a successful person and both analyze and identify the skills, qualities and circumstances leading to that success. Two Richmond alumni actively participated in the Fall seminar - one as an interviewee and another came to class to discuss his work and the elements of success in it.

Mounir Srouji '80 runs his own jewelry business in London where he designs and sells his product to fashion designers and major department stores. A group of students arranged to interview Mounir to learn about his business and the successes that he has achieved. They made their presentation to the class at the end of term.

Earlier in the term, Kerry Martin '92 came to campus to speak in the Senior Seminar about his career and his ideas of success. Students asked questions about how he started, his reasons for moving from one job to another and his ideas on the elements of success.

Having alumni return to campus and speak to current students is a special and valuable resource - which encourages the students to see themselves in similar work situations in the future. Alumni willing and interested in talking to students, are asked to contact the Alumni Relations office at alumni@richmond.ac.uk ■



left Kerry Martin '92

right Senior Management students Hamechok Sing Som Boon, Candy Djuniardi, May Leng Kwok, Nada Bazarg, Uzma Amin, Hala Rassam

Faculty Publications 2001

Dominic Alessio - History

Appointed Reviews Editor of the British Review of New Zealand Studies (BRONZS) & Website Editor of the New Zealand Studies Association (NZSA). His reviews include:

- Roger Sheppard, *Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror: A Reader's Guide*.
- Utopian Studies. *Utopian Studies* 11, no. 2, (2000), 300-301.
- Nicolas Thomas & Dianas Losche, eds. *Double Vision: Art Histories and Colonial Histories in the Pacific*, 2000
- *Close Encounters of the Earliest Times: A Postcolonial Sighting of the First Aliens and Colony in Science Fiction 1881*. For the special edition of *ARIEL 2001: A Post-Colonial Odyssey*.
- Anne Maxwell, *Colonial Photography and Exhibitions: Representatives of the 'Native People and the Making of European Identities*. *Australian Studies*, 2001.
- Julius Vogel, *Anno Domini 2000 or Woman's Destiny*. *Kotare: New Zealand Notes and Queries*, 2001.
- 'Gender, Religion and Reform in Late Colonial New Zealand: Lotti Wilmot's New Zealand Beds (1881)'. *The British Review of New Zealand Studies*, 2001.

Marton Balazs - Computing

'A Genetic Algorithm using Species Conservation for Multimodal Function Optimisation', submitted to the *Journal of Evolutionary Computation*, 2001 (with Li Jianping, Geoffrey T. Parks and P. John Clarkson).

- 'An empirical Investigation of Elitism in Multiobjective Genetic Algorithms', accepted to the *Foundation of Computing and Decision Sciences Journal*, Special Issue *Evolutionary and Local Search Heuristics in Multiple Objective Optimization*, 2001 (with Geoffrey T. Parks, Li Jianping and Ian Miller).

George Berguno - Psychology

Papers: 'Children's understanding of pretence' accepted for publication by *British Journal of Developmental Psychology*.

- 'Bilingualism' submitted to the *Developmental Psychology (USA)*.
- 'Children's experience of loneliness at school and it's relation to bullying & the quality of teacher interventions' submitted to *British Journal of Medical Psychology*.

Will Brooker - Communications

The Audience Studies Reader, co-edited with Deborah Jermyn London, Routledge, forthcoming October 2002.

- *Using The Force: Creativity, Community and Star Wars Audiences* London, Continuum, forthcoming March 2002.
- Chapter 'Rescuing Strange Days: Fan Response to a Commercial and Critical Failure', in Deborah Jermyn & Sean Redmond (eds) *Kathryn Bigelow: Hollywood Transgressor* London, Wallflower Press, forthcoming 2002.
- Chapter 'Straight Readings' in David Lavery & Angela Hague (eds) *Teleparody: Predicting/ Preventing the TV Discourse of Tomorrow* London, Wallflower Press, forthcoming 2002.
- Journal Article proposing how to critically analyze and teach computer and video games - published by the refereed online journal of cult media, 'Intensities, www.cult-media.com', November 2001.

Michèle Cohen - Humanities

'Without Polish, the Rough Diamond does not Shine: Changing Ideals of Education and the Construction of the Gentleman in Eighteenth-Century England', in W. Gobel, S. Schabio and M. Windish (eds) *Engendering Images of Man in the Eighteenth century*, *Wissenschaftlicher Verlag, Trier*, 2001.

- 'The Grand Tour: Language, National Identity and Masculinity', *Changing English: Studies in Reading and Culture*, Vol 8, No 2, pp. 129-141, 2001.
- 'French Conversation or Glittering Gibberish? Learning French in Eighteenth-Century England' in N. Glaisyer and S. Pennell (eds), *Expertise Constructed: Didactic Literature in the British Atlantic World, 1500-1800*, forthcoming.
- 'Masculinity before 1800' entry for *The Readers Guide to British History Fitzroy and Dearborn*, forthcoming.
- 'Public/Private debate in the eighteenth century' chapter in progress for a book edited by Professor Richard Aldrich Co-organiser of the 'Gender and Enlightenment Colloquium on Enlightened Masculinities' for June 2002.

Parvis Dabir-Alai - Economics

'Urban Petty Trading', *Readers' Guide to the Social Sciences*, Edited by Jonathan Michie (Birkbeck College) Fitzroy & Dearborn.

Jos Hackforth-Jones - Art History

Conference convenor at Tate Britain in April 2002 titled 'Occidents will Happen', exploring indigenous responses to Orientalism.

Exhibition for 2004/5 National Portrait Gallery, 'London's Complexions: The Visual Representation of Non-European visitors to London'.

Laura Lengel & Alice Tomic - Communications

Commissioned by Sage Publications to co-write a book on *Computer, Mediated Communication*.

James Morley - Psychology

Appointed to the Editorial Board of the *International Journal: 'Phenomenology and Cognitive Science'* in August 2001.

Final manuscript for a book on 'Imagination and Psychopathology' to be published by MIT Press.

Mary Robert - Lens Media

Exhibition in the Fifth Congress of the Americas at the Universidad de Los Americas in Chilula, Mexico in October 2001, 'Soured Sweet', portraits of an Istanbul community of Turkish transsexuals.

Wathek Talebaoui - Mathematics

Paper entitled 'Spinorial solution of the Dirac equation' to the *Journal of Mathematical Physics*.

Eva Tshauridu - Business

Articles McKenna, Richard J. & Tshauridu, Eva E. 'Must Managers Leave ethics at home?' *Economics and moral anomy in business organizations*, *Reason in practice*, 1(3), 67-76.

- Tshauridu, Eva E. 'Mermaids and ethics' in *Commemorative Issue of Selected conference Papers 1998-2000 Women in Leadership*, pp 295-303.
- Tshauridu, Eva E. & Walker, Elizabeth 'Idealism, gender and business decisions', *Journal of the Australian and New Zealand Academy of Management*, 7(1), 53-62.

Former faculty

Donald McCrory - Languages

'No Ordinary Man' *The Life and Times of Miguel de Cervantes*, Peter Owen 2002.

Ann Saunders - History

'St Pauls: The Story of the Cathedral', Collins and Brown, 2001.

Richmond sends two representatives to Honors Conference in Chicago

Aleksandra Kordecka is from Poland. She is majoring in International Relations

Two candidates for a BA degree in May 2002 were selected to represent Richmond at the 36th National Conference of the National Collegiate Honors Council held in October 2001 in Chicago, IL. The conference brought together many representatives from Honor Societies at numerous American universities to exchange experiences of their programs, present examples of their honors research work, and to learn from other honors students and tutors attending the conference.

For Aleksandra Kordecka (International Relations) and Jessica Lawrence (Sociology), the scope and prominence of the event were initially overwhelming. Cultural experiences with fellow students from America included comments, 'I love your British accent' - especially good for a Polish student! And initial and hopeful conversations dying at the mention of the word London in answer to 'where are you from?' It was difficult to fight the misconceptions of Europe that were deeply rooted in the minds of our student colleagues. Comments such as 'European society is not a consumerist society' left us explaining and interpreting in order to enlighten them and to alter their views. Exploring Chicago, America's windy city, was an amazing opportunity.

Many ideas about honors programs were exchanged, as was much information about how other American universities operate. Richmond's representatives came away from the experience greatly appreciating Richmond's diversity, and with the knowledge that Richmond's honors program provides excellent learning opportunities, without restraints or requiring political correctness, while at the same time maximizing the benefit of studying in London ■



left Jessica Lawrence enjoying Chicago autumn on campus
right Aleksandra Kordecka preparing her presentation on the environment

Richmond reunions around the world



Opportunities to relive Richmond days, to see old friends and to discover new ones through the Richmond alumni network blossomed in seven cities of the world in the last six months.

1 September, New York City MBA alumni reunited in the Oak Room at the Plaza Hotel. David Liew '99, Heidi Hoover '00, Brittany Unis '98, Brooke D'Argenio '99, Jamie Luangaphay '99, Cheryl Stafford '99

2 November, Kuwait Five alums met in the British Tea Room of the Sheraton to treasure Richmond memories. They want to organize a reunion in Bahrain or Kuwait. Huda Radhi BA '97, MSc '00, May Al Babtain '96, Dalal Al Nassar '94, Dalia Al Ghanim '95, Nusaiba Ben Shaibah '99

3 November, Mumbai On the occasion of the visit of Rick Doyle, Graduate Admissions, to Mumbai, local alums met for dinner together. *Back row* Runit Jain '99, Niraj Shah MBA '94, Aparna Khatau MBA '94, Shapoor Mistry '85, Meenakshi Ahuja '99 and her husband, Ajinkya Patil MBA '94, Dinesh Joshi MBA '93 and his wife. *Front row* Tina Jain (wife of Runit), Rahat Madhok '96, MBA '00, Mohit Lalvani '86-88, Meena Lakhiani '00, Reshma Lalvani MBA '97.

4 + 5 November, London MBA alums gathered in Bertie's Bar at the Royal Garden Hotel to meet the new Dean of the School of Business, Dr. Teresa Domzal. Faculty who joined the group

included Robert Mulligan and Debbie McLean. Alumni attending (not in photo) included Ash Sahgal '95, Juan Enrique '97, Kamal Allabouch, Lee Alley, Maria Jicheva and Chelsea Orth '99, and Andre Jichev '00.

David Barker '97 with Dr. Teresa Domzal David Reames '01, Martha Hernandez Chaves '01, Debbie McLean, Lecturer and Trustee

November, New York City MBA alumni took the opportunity of the visit of Dhruba Sen to do what they enjoyed most during their Richmond student days - that is to go to a bar and drink!!! David Liew '99, Brittany Unis '98, Lourdes Pichardo '99, Brooke D'Argenio '99, Pam Irving '98, Heidi Hoover '00, Wini Anandan '98-'99, Ka-Wai Siu '00, Cheryl Stafford '99, Tara Hodgens '95 took over half of the circular bar in the Metropolitan Hotel for drinks and dinner.

6 + 7 December, London Another unofficial reunion took place at the exhibition 'Blurred', an eclectic collection of digital artwork by Suzan Tokcan. John Pearson had assisted Suzan with the exhibition and was present for the evening as were Mary Robert, John Dickerson, John Fraser and Deirdre Simpson.

John Pearson, Suzan Tokcan '87, Danla Tokcan '97, John Fraser, Communications Professor / Caroline (Briggs) Verzier Ambrosi '88, Gadah 'Cat' Abbas '88, Gareth Jones

8 February, New Delhi Vikram Jain generously hosted a dinner at his home with his family on the occasion of the visit of Erich McElroy, Admissions. Alumni from different years had a wonderful time meeting and networking in the comfort of Vikram's home.

Vikram Jain '88 with guests Erich McElroy, Vipul Agarwal MBA '95, Vikash Aggarwal '89, Mohit Bajoria '95, Sharad Bhalla MBA '93, Nitesh Jain '94, Prashant Khosla MBA '95

9 February, Mumbai A few days later Erich McElroy was in Mumbai, and Dinesh Joshi organized a reunion there at Frangipanni. Erich McElroy, Dinesh Joshi '93, Rurit Jain '99, Rahat Madhok '96, MBA '00, Aparna Khatau MBA '94

10 February, Paris Alumni met at Le Balzar with Deirdre Simpson and her husband Mark. Susan Holst came to Paris for the dinner from the South of France, Marie Coumoul came with a friend, François, and Jacqueline Hezghia came from a parent meeting at her school.

Susan Holst '97, Deirdre Simpson, François (guest), Marie Coumoul MBA '00, Jacqueline Hezghia Castro '83

11 February, Cairo Alums gathered at La Bodega with Julie Williams, Director Undergraduate Admissions. Karim Abdel Messih organized the evening. Other alums present (not in photo) included Tarek Abdel Rahim '99.

Karim Abdel Messih '97, Julie Williams, Adib Rachid '93, Sherif Abdel-Kader '86 & his wife Howaida, Nelly Senyonga '87, Noha Abdel Aziz '85-'87, Ashraf Shenouda '82.

The next reunions in Dubai, New York and London bring other alumni together and will be featured in the Summer newsletter. Contact the Alumni office if you would like to help organize a reunion locally ■

Richmond's family links

Throughout Richmond's 30 year history, several members of the same families have studied on campus. We asked our current students to tell us of family members currently studying or who had studied at Richmond. This year family links at Richmond include:

- Ahlam Ali Shueib** and sister **Tamader Ali Shueib** Class of 2002
- Marija Cankovic** Class of 2003 and brother **Ilija Cankovic** Class of 2004
- Nabil Chaoui** Class of 2004 and alumna sister **Yasmina Chaoui** BSc '99 MBA to be awarded 2002, and alumnus brother **Mohammed Amine Chaoui** BA '95
- Fatima Iftikhar Ejaz** Class of 2004 and alumnae sisters **Aisha Ejaz** BA '99 and **Saima Ejaz** Class of 2002
- Ayman El-Mashad** Class of 2004 and alumni cousins **Iman Toema** '85 and **Osama Toema** BA '88
- Ravini Jinadasa** Class of 2004 and alumna sister **Niagara Jinadasa** BA '98
- Saad Khediri** MBA Class of 2002 and brother **Mourad Khediri** BS '95
- Leena Lalwani** Class of 2002 and cousin **Meenu Lakhiani** '00
- Chabala Beverly Musonda** Class of 2005 and alumnus father **Brian Musonda** MBA '01
- Reem Zainalabedin** Class of 2002 and sisters **Muna** Class of 2002 and alumna **Sarah** '99 ■

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Participating in Senior Management Seminar
Kerry Martin '92
Mounir Srouji '80

Assisting in the Alumni Office
Michelle Egmund Hoeg '98
Chelsea Orth '99

Arranging Reunions in local areas
Rahat Madhok '96 & MBA '00 - Mumbai
Brittany Unis '98 - New York,
Heidi Hoover '00 - New York
Huda Radhi '97 & '00 - Kuwait,
Vikram Jain '88 - New Delhi
Kerim Abdel Messih '97 - Cairo,
Dinesh Joshi '93 - Mumbai

Serving as committee member to organize a London reunion

Abigail Athaide '94
Suzy Mouganie Azar '86
Claudine Hakim '87
Maria Jicheva '99
Roger Piepenstock '94

Assisting Admissions in Education Fairs
Bertan Tanacar '01 - British Council Istanbul
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Maria Jicheva '99 - MBA Top University Tour London
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Flashnotes

October 1972 - April 2002

1971-72

● **Marsha (Siler) Antista** (Study Abroad) is on the faculty at the FSU School of Nursing. She is in touch with 3 Richmond friends; Alice Oliver Parrot, Maureen McGann and Donna Shanklin.

1977-78

● **Tim Rigdon** (Study Abroad) writes that the cover of the Fall newsletter 'brought back immediate memories of my time on the Hill - and was also a reminder of how long it has been since I've been in touch with any of my former classmates. It was a time in my life that laid the groundwork for who and what I am today.'

1978

● **Steve Fisher** (Study Abroad) is living in Richmond, VA where he is writing songs, singing and playing in a band, Circuit Riders. He is working on his second CD for Planetary Records and the original music is a blend of folk, rock and country music.

1979

● **Gurhan Icoz** (AA) writes that she is happy to have found the Richmond web site and 'how nice it is recalling good old days. I had wonderful days - worth remembering always.'

1980

● **Sami Abuzeid** has been working in Marriott Hotels since 1981. He is now area general manager in Virginia. Sami visited the Kensington campus a year ago and noticed many new developments. He saw Ray Hilditch in one of his hotels in Fall 2001, and Peter Leuner when he was attending a conference.

● **Murray Wikol** (Study Abroad) is living in Bloomfield Hills, MI and is working as Account Manager for Ariba based in California. Murray is married to the sister of a Richmond Study Abroad alumna, and has 3 daughters.

1981-82

● **Leah Cutter** (Study Abroad) is married to an astronomer and living in Tucson, AZ where she writes novels. Her two previous books have sold well and her third novel will be published later this year.

1981

● **Talip Apaydin** is living and working in Istanbul, Turkey.

● **Hunc Hunca** (AA) is Chairman of the Board of Hunca Cosmetics in Istanbul, Turkey.

● **Rachel (Morgan) Moran** has been living in Baltimore with her husband and two children. Rachel has taught English as a second language at different universities for nearly 20 years.

● **Ann (Oroussoff) Jordan** works for headhunters Heidrick and Struggles in London, where she has both regional responsibility for Central and Eastern Europe, Turkey, South Africa and Israel as well as a corporate role.

● **Rev. Dr. Diane C. Samuels** after Richmond, Diane received her B.A. degree from Alfred University, Alfred, NY in 1983. In 1986 she received a Master of Divinity, from The Divinity School, Harvard University and in 1999 a Ph.D. in History from State University of New York at Stony Brook, LI, NY. Diane is currently serving as Pastor in Woodridge United Church of Christ in Rhode Island, USA. Diane is soon to be installed as the Senior Pastor of Mt. Sinai Congregational Church, Long Island, New York, USA.

1982

● **Helen Oroussoff** (AA) is working for Veuve Clicquot.

● **Ashraf Shenouda** attended the reunion in Cairo in February on the occasion of the visit of Julie Williams, Richmond's Director Admissions.

1983-1984

● **Julie Justice** (Study Abroad) After living more than 8 years in Tokyo, Julie returned to the US in 1998. She is living in Los Angeles with her husband and daughter. Julie works for Geomarkets providing market infra strategy services for new technology companies doing business overseas.

1983

● **Harvey Brown** (Study Abroad) graduated from law school in May 2002 after 4 years. He misses his old friends, and Spring '83 flatmates, Mehmet and Ercan.

● **Sawsan (El-Himani) Asfari** dropped into the Alumni Office in March. Sawsan has four children - 18, 15 and twins 6 years old. She is a freelance journalist.

● **Jacqueline (Hezghia) Castro** is living and working in Paris where she assists her husband in his business and also teaches English. Jacqueline has three children - Deborah 16 years, Dina 14 years, David 9 years.

● **Mufit Turan** has worked for many years for a Japanese trading company, Kanematsu Corporation. Now he is running his own trading company in

Turkey together with Richmond alums Haluk Sanli '80 and Mustafa Turhan Guler. Mufti has a 10 year old son; Mustafa has a 2 year old daughter and Haluk has a son 4 and a daughter 2 years old.

1984

● **Huda (Mouzuzhi) Ali Gumma** received her MA from King's College, and then returned to Libya where she taught at Alfateh University. She is married with six children and is living in Glasgow. She is working on a Ph.D. in English-Arabic translation of childrens' literature at Herriot-Watt University, Edinburgh.

● **Anita (t'Hart) van der Linden** writes that she is helping her husband who has his own accounting firm. It reminds her of the days of accounting classes with Mark Schaeffer.

● **Tracey Anne Williams** is living in Avignon, France, where she juggles a dual career with family. Tracey is a bilingual radio announcer/dj with the southern France motorway system; she works with Radio Traffic 107.7 FM covering a zone from Brittany down to Spain, across to Aix-en-Provence and up to Lyon. She is busiest in touristic times Apr/May - Sept/Oct. Tracey also runs her own translation business and works in luxury renovations of real estate in the Alpilles/St Remy de Provence, and Provencal regions.

1985-87

● **Noha Abdel Aziz** is Managing Editor of **Cleo**, Egypt's English language, modern life style monthly magazine. Noha attended the reunion in Cairo.

1985

● **Don Cavett** writes that he is President of IP Teleservices in Dallas, Texas. He provides telephone services for education and businesses in which revenue is generated and services are money saving.

● **Abdallah Dardari** has just returned to the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Syria as the Assistant Resident Representative after four years with the Arab Monetary Fund in Abu Dhabi. He is doing a Ph.D. in Middle Eastern Studies at Exeter University on 'Trade Liberalization impact on Poverty in Syria'. He has three children, two daughters Sirin 11, Sima 7 and a son, Abdulrazzak. Abdallah is married to Reem Akkad, a painter, who recently held her first solo exhibition in Abu Dhabi about Old Damascus and its Mosques. All the proceeds were donated to UNICEF. In December Abdallah visited Richmond as a consultant to a group of business people in Syria planning to establish the first private university there. He saw changes and developments on campus, and felt very old standing next to freshmen and sophomores! Contact him at abdallah.dardari@undp.org.

● **Rodolfo Del Rosario** says hello to classmates from 1981 to 1985. He has settled permanently in the Philippines and regularly sees Ricardo Floirendo '84 and Ramon Jose Cruz '83. Rodolfo is happily married with two kids (a boy and a girl). He would love to hear from his friends at rgdelro@skynet.net.

● **Barbara (Devaney) Pattengill** completes a Masters in Psychology in May '02 with a concentration in Expressive Arts Therapy (using the arts as a therapeutic modality). Barbara has been doing an internship at a community mental health center in San Francisco. She also has been working in social services for the past 10 years.

● **Gesthimani Merodoulaki** is working in adult mental health services in the NHS. Manya completed a second MSc in Psychological Counselling and is a Chartered Counselling Psychologist with the British Psychological Society. After working in the Peak district, Manya has been promoted to work in Grantham.

● **Michael Watton** (Study Abroad) is living in Milwaukee, WI and is interested in being in touch with Ruth (Hurwitz) Pisano '88.

1986

● **Sherif Abdel-Kader** is a Senior Manager at Anderson Business Consulting in Cairo. He attended the reunion in February.

● **Claudia (Botero) Espinal** is a part time English teacher in her son's school in Medellin, Colombia where she will be teaching pre-kindergarten and 2nd grade.

● **Ricardo Duran** is running a group of family companies dealing with the customs agency, medical products, jewelry, conferences, seminars, software, restaurants, art and education. He lives between Venezuela and Madrid. He would like to be in touch with class members of 1986.

● **Ramzi Haddad** writes that he has moved to Pennsylvania and plans to be married later this year.

● **Martha Kavanaugh** has moved from Buffalo to Manhattan where she is working at the Insitute of International Education. She manages the Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Awards Program for the North American competition which recognizes second year undergraduates for academic excellence and global leadership potential.

● **Ammar Omeiri** writes that he is Vice President of National Consulting Bureau in Safat, Kuwait.

1987

● **Carla Chalouhi** lives and works in Paris where she directs her own business which sources and sells luxury products to large department stores.

● **Nelly Senyonga** is working as Executive Director at Middle East MediCare in Cairo. She attended the reunion in Cairo in February.

● **Suzan Tokcan** gave an exhibition of her work in the gallery at John Brown Publishing in London during December. Called 'Blurred', the exhibition included digital images on metallic foil, digitally manipulated photographs, hand painted photographs with digital effects and video. Alums Caroline Briggs Verzier Ambrosi '88, Gadah 'Cat' Abbas '88, and Damla Tocan '97 came to support the artist. *see photo 6, page 7.*

● **David Watters** has been living and working in South Australia for almost two years. He was married in Summer 2001.

1988

● **Vikram Jain** is frequently in London as a result of contracts with John Lewis to produce furniture for their retail stores. Vikram's one time trading company is now a full scale production company. He hosted the New Delhi alumni reunion in his home in February.

● **Yiannis Makris** is running his own business specializing in FMCG's under 'Private Label'. They act as suppliers and consultants for 'Own Brands' marketing, categorizing to all supermarket chains in Greece. See their website at www.ammbrands.com.

● **Asim Masood** was recently promoted to Officer Grade 1 at Bolan Bank Limited. Asim asks all alums residing in Pakistan to get in touch with him at asim7281@hotmail.com or telephone 5893180, for the purpose of arranging an alumni reunion.

● **Maryam Samiy** is working as Head of Recruitment in Shell Iran, where she is responsible for hiring and training. She recruited Dariush Ameli Fall '86 and is in touch with Homa Taherian '85-'88. Maryam has a 5 year old daughter named Natasha.

● **Salvatore Testa** (Study Abroad) dropped into the Alumni Office when he was in London in March. He is working as Client Service Manager on Pension Plans at Mellon Bank in Boston. Salvatore remembers still the kindness of a Richmond degree student who gave him a phone card to call home the second day he was in London. He would love to hear from him and from Randi Romano '89.

1989

● **Heather Brackin** moved back to Japan in April 2000 after living in Belgium for 9 years working at an Interior Design company for 3 years, then at ANA, a Japanese airline company. Heather is married, and working in translation and interpreting, teaching English and also making jewelry in Tokyo.

● **Michael Foster** married Melak in 1990 and after spending a year in the US, they have been in the Middle East for 10 years - in Yemen, Saudi Arabia and UAE. Michael and Melak have two daughters - Suraya and Janan. Michael is General Manager for FedEx Supply Chain Services, UK Ltd branch of the Middle East, Turkey and Africa. Melak is a freelance writer in local and regional publications.

● **Dongill Lee** stopped by the Richmond stand in Seoul, Korea and met Tim Maugherman. Dr. Lee is Director of Training in Foreign Language Training and Testing Center at Hankuk University of Foreign Studies in Seoul. *see photo*



● **Mattias Sundstrom** is working for Credit Suisse First Boston where he is an analyst for equity strategy which he enjoys. He and his wife have a 2 year old daughter.

1990-91

● **Freddie Habib Mahmud** writes from Kuala Lumpur where he is setting up the framework for a trading company. Freddie will be keeping an office in KL as most of the product sources are there. The main operations will be in Toronto, Canada. He saw Johnnie Lalwani '93 in November on his way to Dubai and met Sereni Linggi-Smith '00 and her husband in KL.

1990

● **Andrew Ackaa** has completed a Masters degree at the University of East London in Art in Architecture. Andrew is living and working in Nigeria.

● **Nael (Ahmed) El-Koshairy** writes that he has a one and half year old son and is working as the Financial Projections Manager for Cemex Egypt, the third largest Cement producer worldwide. *see photo*



● **Diana (Ayoub Agha) Abdi** is living in Austin, Texas with her husband and two children - Dania 8, Kareem 6. Diana expected another child in January 2001.

● **Lara Baladi** is working in Cairo as a photographer.

● **Mary (Flowers) Curtin** dropped by the alumni office to update her information. She is married and living in Maryland.

● **Joseph Licata** (Study Abroad-Intern) has founded a law firm named Rossillo & Licata, LLP with offices in Garden City and New York City. Joseph resides in Syosset, New York with his wife, Annette. Joseph was an intern with Simon Coombs, a former Member of Parliament from Swindon. His e-mail address is JJLESQ7@aol.com.

● **Richard McCarthy** visited faculty friends in Kensington in November. He is Executive Director of Economics Institute at Loyola University and runs local farmers' markets. Richard is married and has a 4 year old daughter.

● **Waleed Morshed** has been working in Dhaka as a technical marketing expert in the IT industry for almost 8 years. He plans to set up an IT consultancy cum integrated solution firm.

● **Bard Stermasi** (Study Abroad) bumped into Alla Rosenzweig '90, another Richmond intern, in New York City. Bard has been working at the Federal Reserve Bank for 4 years. He plans to be married in the Fall.

● **Alla (Rosenzweig) Weisberg** (Study Abroad) has a 2 year old son. She is working in Manhattan at Citibank in Private Banking, financing real estate, hedge funds, and art (among other things). She interned at Citibank London in Summer 1990.

1991-95

● **Charles Bouri** after working as head of GM Cement Factory with 900 people, the biggest in Albania, Charles has returned to Richmond to complete his degree.

1991

● **Kelly (Doyle) Mitchell** was married in March '01 and moved to Northern California with husband Todd Mitchell. Heather (Kosko) Ferrie '91 and her husband attended the wedding from New York. *see photo*



● **Christian Hvidbo** dropped into the Alumni Office when in London on business. Christian has a new position as the Regional Services Manager for Europe, Middle East, Africa at Shell International in the Netherlands.

● **Sioe-Lin (Kwik) van Aartsen-Kwik** was married to Herman van Aartsen on 8 May, 2001 in a small village called Brummen, and the smallest town near the IJssel called Bronkhorst. In September, 2001 Sioe-Lin was awarded a Beauciatian degree and she may start a beauty salon in Fall 2002. Sioe-Lin and Herman were expecting their first child. *see photo*



● **Bassam Oueida** is living in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. He is married and has a daughter and a son.

● **Priscilla (Priddy) Canciani** is working for Carillion Services in Brentford and also studying Italian. Her brother Sam '93 is in Ghana.

● **Saadia Rahman** (MBA '94) is working for ABN AMRO in Amsterdam in IT Services and Support.

● **John Staikos** continues to live in Florida with his second wife Elisa and two daughters. John and Elisa teach at a preparatory school in Boca Raton. John is the Art and Photography teacher in the middle and upper school. They return to Europe and Mexico to visit friends and family.

● **Sherin Wassif** is currently living in Cairo, Egypt. Married seven years ago she now has a 5 year old daughter Miriam. Sherin is in touch with Rokhsan Fallah '91 and Soha Osman '93 and would love to hear from other Richmond alums. 'I miss the good old days at Richmond, they have left wonderful memories that are always with me.'

1992-93

● **Shari Havourd** (Study Abroad) has moved to Los Angeles after several years working in marketing at Chorion in London. In December, Shari successfully ran in a marathon in Hawaii. She is embarking on a new career in the culinary arts and is attending the California School of Culinary Arts.

1992

● **Luis Daniel Gutierrez** has moved to the San Francisco Bay Area where he is an artist using his diagnosis and symptoms of Multiple Sclerosis for a series of artwork called 'This-Ability'. He plans to show the work all over the world. 'My thinking on the matter is that the only way to beat this disease is to make connections to people everywhere. The disease knows no boundaries, why should artwork concerning it respect national borders?' He has had exhibitions in Long Beach, Ca, San Francisco, Ca, in Arizona and one planned for Berlin, Germany in 2002. His web site is <http://www.luisdanielgutierrez.com>.

● **Antonio Pintos** sent a message that 'New York life and marriage didn't work. Back in UK. Worked in the City for an asset management company but quit after just over 1 year and started own business.'

● **Ramon Pozo** is working in a finance company owned by the Spanish Government and Reuters that analyses company balance sheets.

1993

● **Sophia (Abu Bakar) Needleman** (MBA) and her husband Brian MBA '93 have had another boy, Caleb Ahmad.

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● **Radek Brnak** has sold his company in Prague and is working on investments there. He is in touch with Matt Starr '99 and Elisa Echevarria '92 who are in London.

● **Marta Gil** is living in Madrid where she is working at Financial Times. Marta has a year old daughter, Elena. *see photo*



● **Jeanne LeFlore** is living and working in Houston, TX. where she works for Estée Lauder cosmetics. Jeanne is in contact with Tal Ostrowiak '92, Sybil Zanger '93, Lydia De Annexy-Hilton '94 and Panos Lykidis '93. They all met in Summer 2000 in Los Angeles for a reunion. She also hears from Marwan El-Halabi '92 and would like to hear from Ipek Akalin '93.

● **Nicolas Mitri** has returned to Kuwait from working in Saudi Arabia. He was selected from 200 candidates to be Account Executive at British Airways.

● **Adib Rachid** is Senior Financial Analyst at Merck Sharp and Dohm in Cairo. He attended the Cairo reunion.

● **Osman Saeed** is CEO of an engineering firm.

● **Aziz Sattar** completed a Graduate Diploma of the Malaysian Insurance Institute in Dec 2001 and received the award for the Top Overall Student. Aziz has three more papers to sit to achieve the Associate of the Chartered Insurance Institute. Aziz is balancing a heavy work schedule with his studies. He plans to be in London in June for work and holiday.

● **Nevene (Tazziz Kaddoura) Barakat** writes that she misses 'everybody at Richmond College where I spent the best years of my life, and I enjoyed a wonderful experience. I am married and have a beautiful daughter called Dina, now two.' Nevene lives in California and recently was on vacation in Las Vegas.

● **Burak Yakupoglu** is working at Albakom Metal Company in Turkey.

● **Sybil (Zanger) Berman** is married and living in Southern California, where she and her husband are lawyers. Sybil practices insurance defense and they live in Los Angeles. She is in touch with Tal Ostrowiak '92, Panos Lykidis '93 and Jeanne LeFlore '93.

● **Georges Ziade** left his job as a credit analyst at Banque Audi, Beirut, Lebanon in November 2001 to join Gulf Bank as a relationship manager in the credit department in Kuwait. He met Nicolas Mitri, May '93.

1994-96

● **Fabrice Ferrer** (MBA) is involved in property, estates investments and home decoration in Paris.

1994

● **Mario De Bilio** (MBA) worked for 5 years in the BA Executive Club and then moved to Mothercare.com as Community Manager. He is now Marketing Manager at Hutchison 3G, one of the telecom companies launching Third Generation Mobile services in the UK towards the end of 2002. Mario was married to Denise in September, 2001.

● **Umberto Golfetto** (MBA) has a baby girl, Serena, born in Treviso on 20 February, 2002.

● **Wendy Pacofsky** (Study Abroad-Intern) is still running Outdoor Travel Adventures, a specialized adventure agency, with her partner Roseann. The business is growing wonderfully and establishing a great reputation.

● **Roger Piepenstock** (MBA) is planning to be married in Norwich in early autumn.

● **Alison Rubin** after working at Huron University as Dean of Students, Alison returned to the US before coming back to Richmond to be the Interim Director of Residence life during Allison Cole-Stutz's maternity leave.

● **Osman Saeed** writes that he is busy working for an engineering firm where he is CEO. In addition he has started two other companies and is involved in ventures spanning Europe, Middle East and Asia. He is in touch with Anwar Khan '95 and Ash Saghal '94 & MBA '95.

● **Sandesh Sharda** (MBA) is living and working in Virginia, USA for Oracle Corporation, the second largest software company in the world. Sandesh is implementing Oracle Financials System for US Department of Transportation in Washington D.C. Sandesh is married with a boy 4 and a girl four months. *see photo*



● **Nicholas Skarentzos** has moved from London to Athens, Greece. He is currently holding the position of the Executive Director of IAA, The 'Defence Analyses Institute', a think tank operating mainly in the service of the Ministry of Defence of the Hellenic Republic. He is also a member of the cabinet of the Ministry of Defence, as counsellor and liaising officer for international relations.

● **Matt Starr** and Elisa Echevarria '92 are living in London. Matt is working at J.P. Morgan Chase.

● **Gilles Tan** (MBA) writes that he is celebrating his fifth year at Deutsche Bank, spent between Singapore and Switzerland and various stints in worldwide locations.

His artist wife specializes in painting and mixed-media and hopes to exhibit in Geneva this summer. Mehnaz has already had solo and group shows in India and Pakistan.

● **Cherise Thomson** writes from NYC, where she has been living and working freelance for the past three years.

● **Simla Turker** is living in Istanbul working in Mutlu Battery Factory, a family business.

● **Mikael Wegelius** (MBA) and his wife Lena Maria Riska MBA '94 have 5 year old twins, Elise and Martin. *see photo*



● **Selim Yazici** has moved back to London to work as divisional manager at Beko (UK) after working six years in Istanbul.

● **Kayo Yoshida** is living in Los Angeles, CA.

● **Salman Zaheer** (MBA) has been working in Faysal Bank Ltd in Karachi in the Corporate Banking Group. He is Assistant Vice President. Salman was married in 1996 and has a son of 3 years.

1995-96

● **John Grimbail** (Study Abroad) is living in Brooklyn, N.Y. and would like to be in touch with alumni from his time.

● **Matthew Kolodny** (Study Abroad) has been accepted into the Richmond MBA program for the Fall. Matt has been working at US Airways in Virginia.

1995-99

● **Sinnel Sandoval** is an arts educator in New York City with the Robin Hood Foundation. Sinnel is also a translator and event coordinator for the NY Film Festival, NY Havana Film Festival and the Anthology Film Archives. He has shown films at the Havana International Film Festival for Latin American Cinema and the IFC short film series in NY. He plans to finish his post graduate degree in Havana, Cuba.

1995

● **Vipul Agarwal** (MBA) is exporting Carpets from India to Europe and America and comes to London quite often. Vipul is in touch with many Delhi alumni.

● **Sulaiman Barakat** is working in Kuwait City in Kuwait Petroleum International Headquarters after being in Italy for 2 years working for Q8. Sulaiman is in the Strategy Department. He was married in April 2001 and is the happy father of a baby girl.

● **Scott Brunton** (MBA) works at IKEA Head Office in Sweden as an internal development consultant on a two year contract after which he will return to Asia.

● **May Chiranand** (MBA) is an attorney in Missouri.

● **Jonah Cohen** studied for one semester at Richmond before completing his undergraduate degree at SOAS. He is currently working on a Ph.D. in Philosophy of Religion at SOAS. He is interested in contacting students from Spring 1995.

● **Stefan Gross** (MBA) has switched jobs and is now Business Process Manager for European Transaction Bank, a subsidiary of Deutsche Bank.

● **Marcus Hedenskog** started working for Bloomberg Financial Markets, after completing his MSc in East Asian Economics at University of Sheffield. Marcus joined Boehringer-Ingelheim, a German pharmaceutical company in Osaka, Japan in 1999, and in January 2002 was appointed Head of Controlling. Marcus lives in Ashiya in the Hyogo area.

● **Vania (Kani) Turk** is currently working in the Consulate of Belize in Beirut. She is also teaching at a University affiliated with the University of Hawaii. She received her MBA for LAU in Lebanon.

Vania has been married for 3 years to Elle Turk. She misses Richmond and said, 'Learning at Richmond has really enriched my social life, academic status and work experience.' Vania would like to be in touch with her Richmond friends at vaniatürk@hotmail.com. *see photo*



● **Anwar Khan** has started his own software company in Peshawar. He travels to London often and sees alumni friends Ashvin Sahgal '94, MBA '95, Abigail Athaide '95, Suparna Malhotra '97, Sarkis Chirkinian '95.

● **Mourad Khediri** is living and working in London. He works for an internet based financial software producer irDynamics Ltd. He helped to organise a talk on campus about the stock market in the Fall semester.

● **Wilson Mashika** is working part-time in Richmond's IT department.

● **Laurence Moriette** is living in London where she is getting an MA in Psychotherapy at Regents College. Laurence is doing her clinical placement working towards a UK chartered psychotherapy qualification.

● **Laura Palomino** (MBA) is working with Nomura in London, but spends most of her working time in Spain. She saw Gretchen Colon '95 at her engagement party in Buenos Aires.

● **Armin Pruessner** (Study Abroad) since studying at Richmond, Armin completed a BS and MS both in Applied Mathematics at George Washington University and University of Maryland. Although he was offered a research post at Imperial College in computer science, he is working with GAMS, a small international software company in Washington, D.C.

● **Nora Rodriguez** still lives in London and works for Transport for London. Nora is interested in hearing from old friends especially Dayann Montufar, study abroad student, spring '94. Her e-mail is norarodriguez@streetmanagement.org.uk.

● **Kasem Woramahakun** is running his own business, 'Krungthep Antiques' located in the heart of Bangkok, in the business area of Silom Road. *see photo*



1996-98

● **Alexander Chandra** is in his third year at the Centre for Southeast Asian Studies (International and Political Department) of Hull University. His research subject is ASEAN Regional Integration Arrangement.

1996

● **Ravi Bhatia** (MBA) completed his M.Phil at Cambridge. He is working in Amsterdam for Nuon, the largest Dutch energy trader.

● **Nicholas Gerolymatos** is working as Business Director in Gerolymatos Group of Companies, dealing with over the counter products in health and beauty. Nikos was married in July 2001 to Sonya, his long time girlfriend. The best man was George Makropoulos '92.

● **Karen Goundiam** is still planning her wedding (apologies from Newsletter Editor). She is living and working in Montreal for the Cirque du Soleil, an entertainment company famous for their shows Saltimbanco, Alegri, Dralion, O.

● **Fakhruddin Hussain** is studying for an MBA in the Management Centre at Bradford University. He was married in September 2001.

● **Lena Komileva** is working as a credit analyst at Dresdner Kleinwort Benson.

● **Alexandre Mathieu-Safyurtlu** (MBA '99) stopped by the Alumni office in March to celebrate getting British nationality.

● **Fabrice Rimblot** is married to Richmond graduate Anna Kipiani '97, and they are living in the UK.

● **Linda (Sakr) Halabi** married her childhood sweetheart Aboudi Halabi in December 2001 in Dubai. Husam Al Jabi '98, Soni Pokradas '97 and her husband Prakash Lakhiani '93 and Burhan Kamal '97 attended the wedding and Carine '99 and Patricia '00 Nasr were bridesmaids. Linda is living in London and working as a Psychotherapist at NAFSIYAT, an intercultural therapy center for ethnic minorities. *see photo*



● **Madeline Schneider** (MBA) is still working for Bear Stearns in midtown Manhattan.

● **Sandra Secades** writes that she had a baby girl called Ana in November 2001.

● **Fredrick Skold** has moved back to Sweden from London and is working in investment banking for Danske Bank as a portfolio manager/fund manager. He manages funds in the Nordic region for anyone wanting to expose their investments to the Nordic area.

● **Rula Sukkar** is European Sales Manager at the Royal Garden Hotel in Kensington High Street. She ran into John Hough and Deirdre Simpson in the hotel during an MBA reunion there.

1997-99

● **Filippo Tamburini** is working in New York City in research for television news programs.

1997

● **Karima Abdel Messih** organized a reunion in Cairo on the occasion of the visit of Julie Williams, Director of Admissions.

● **Dana Ammouri** is currently Marketing Co-ordinator at Superior Vision Services, Inc., a national managed health care company specializing in vision in Southern California. Dana is doing her MBA with a concentration in Marketing, and will graduate in November 2003.

● **Zubin Bali** (MBA) dropped into the Alumni Office when he was in London on holiday in January. Zubin has moved from HSBC Mumbai to HSBC Delhi where he heads up Trade Services for Northern India.

● **Rajeev Bhatia** is working as Director Duty Free with Bhatia Traders, a family company. They manage nine duty free operations in UAE and Africa. Rajeev married Sheetal four years ago.

● **Jasmine (Bodmer) von Spee** was married to Emanuel in June 2001. They are living in Paris, where Jasmine is running her own business as a consultant in ergonomics working especially on automotive projects. Jasmine is also writing a book - an 'ergonomic guidebook' about how to make things easy for an immigrant to settle in Paris. Her book describes the procedures and things to know in a simple and systematic way. She would love to hear from Richmond friends. *see photo*



● **Sharad Gulyani** (MBA) is in the business of setting up bars and restaurants in Delhi. His first venture is up and running.

● **Shanu (Hathiramani) Mahtani** married Prakash Mahtani in December 2001 in India. Alumni attending the wedding were Nisha Parbhoo '99, Kanchan Mirpuri, Nikita Melwani '96, Pallavi Agarwal '98. Shanu lives in Dubai, where she designs and sells jewelry. *see photo*



● **Misty (Hickman) Hanvey** (MBA) and her husband Robert '97 have a 1 year old son called Jude. *see photo*



● **Susan Holst** is living in the south of France. Susan traveled all the way to Paris for the reunion on 14 February.

● **Michael Holze** (MBA) is living and working in Pforzheim, Germany.

● **Nitin Jain** (MBA) is currently Director in a family company (manufacturing automotive components for OEM's) primarily responsible for Purchasing, Production & New product developments.

● **Aiman Kaissouni** has received his MBA in November 2001. Thanks to Richmond's strong alumni network, Laurent de Posson '98 had recently contacted him.

● **Atif Kharwa** worked for Eagle Star International in financial services before going to Canada to complete his American CPA exams in May 2001.

● **Anne Mbuguje** is living in Rabat, Morocco where she owns an import-export company. 'I miss the years spent in Richmond, where I met great friends and wonderful teachers.'

● **Rasim Narin** stopped by the Alumni Office in February with his wife. Rasim travels a lot for his work in BYS Holding Company of which Onur Celikel '98 is a partner. Rasim arranges import and export of food and construction materials dealing with Mexico, Middle East, North Africa, East Africa, Argentina, China and US. They work with the UN Food agreement and the World Food Program.

● **Alexander Reeh** (MBA) writes that, after working for two years at Goldman Sachs on the Capital Markets trading floor in marketing, he has changed jobs and is now working in marketing in Schroders Asset Managers.

● **John Regan** (Study Abroad-Intern) has been accepted into the US Foreign Service. He begins training in April. In July he will take the bar exam to qualify as a lawyer.

● **Naznin Todiwala** is working as a systems technologist with Sun Microsystems in Dubai and would like to get in touch with Andres Mejia-Butterfield '96.

● **Benjavan Waewsri** (MBA '99) is busy working at two jobs - one in real estate and the other writing and translating books. Benjavan attended an Education Fair held by the British Council at Le Meridien in Bangkok in January. *see photo*



1999

● **Rashad Abduljawad** (MBA) is living and working in Tripoli where he works in the construction/real estate business. Rashad also runs a family business in Accounts Auditing.

● **Ghaleb Al-Katheeri** is happy to have found the initial alumni web pages. Ghaleb and the General Manager will visit Aberdeen and Norway later this year for ADDCAP - Abu Dhabi Drilling Chemicals and Products where Ghaleb is Sales and Contracts Officer. The company is a subsidiary of Abu Dhabi oil company.

● **Jad Allaf** writes that, after graduation he trained in investment banking in Lebanon and completed an MSc at Middlesex University in corporate finance. He worked for Deloitte & Touche in Saudi Arabia and has since moved to Jeddah to work as an analyst in business advisory services for Ernst and Young.

● **Sara Arif** gave birth to a baby boy, Rawan, in February. *see photo*



● **Cliff Atkinson** (MBA) after three years in San Francisco, has moved to Los Angeles, where he works in a strategy design company, helping companies distill their strategy into a single visual image.

● **Oguzhan Aydin** writes, 'I married Ozlem a year ago and wish all my friends a great year.' Oguzhan is working in the industrial and medical x-ray film market and also with marble.

● **Kimeo Carr** (MBA) is living as a Peace Corps Volunteer in a small town with lots of greenery called Sefrou just outside of Fes, Morocco. Kimeo is writing a grant to get a computer for the local artisan delegation to build them a website. He also works with two cooperatives - one that makes silk buttons for djallabas and another that makes traditional Moroccan clothing.

● **Onur Celikel** is in London with his wife Ceren Bozkur '97.

● **Kate De Cesare** is planning her wedding in Malta on 7 June, 2003. She would love to hear from her alumni friends at kdecesare@yahoo.com.

● **Helder do Vale** is working at the World Bank as a trade consultant on a Brazilian Service liberalization project. In the Spring he began a new assignment on trade issues in South East Europe. In September he plans to start a Ph.D. in International Economics at the University of Barcelona.

● **Nseobong Isip** is currently in Abuja, Nigeria working in the media as a tv production reporter/researcher. Nseobong makes documentaries on Living-fashion, health, entertainment, social activities and socialites. She was invited by Radio Nigeria to produce a radio program of her own design which she hopes to make her career. She is also involved in print media

working on a project to write a series of books on self-improvement to be published by June 2002.

● **Sheena Jones** (MBA) participated in the Chicago marathon last Fall and completed the course. This was her first marathon.

● **Goobi Kyazze** travelled around the US after Richmond's graduation and, after a brief stint back in Paris, returned to London to start his career. He is working as a consultant for lastminute.com. He spent last summer visiting his parents and was lucky enough to survive the attacks in New York. While there, he met Sinned Sandoval '98. Goobi hopes to move to New York in fall 2002 to complete a Masters degree. His e-mail is gkyazze@lastminute.com or kyazze@hotmail.com.

● **Karen Markusen** (Study Abroad) has moved to Pocatello, ID.

● **Christian Massler** (MBA) has been working with Price Waterhouse Coopers in the Financial Services area in Frankfurt, Germany.

● **Jennifer Miquel** is working as Project Officer for DWS German Foundation for World Population in their Brussels Office.

● **Olutayo Oladunni** writes 'I see that the Richmond Hill library has been successfully completed - congratulations to the college. A lot has changed since I was there. It's nice to know that there are improvements both socially and academically at the Richmond & Kensington campuses.' Olutayo is currently completing her MS in Industrial Engineering at the University of Oklahoma and working part time for the Oklahoma County - Engineering Department. During Christmas she met fellow alumni: Folarin Familusi '97, Ronke Akinyelure '99 and Toyin Ismail '99. Olutayo is in contact with the Olowoniyi brothers '98 and '99 and the Nasreddin brothers '00. She would like to find Haithem Ataya '98.

● **Georgui Pirinski** was married on 29 December, 2001 in Sri Lanka to Diana from Bulgaria. Radoslav Iliel '99 was best man. *see photo*



● **Sunanda Santwan** is living and working in London as a Montessori teacher.

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● **Justin Lurie** (Study Abroad) graduated from the University of Michigan and is now doing a Masters in International Business in Sydney, Australia.

1999

● **Tarek Abdel Rahim** is Chief Operating Officer of TAG, Technology Advisory Group, in Cairo. Tarek attended the reunion in Cairo in February.

● **Senanu Arkutu** met Sara Chetin before leaving the UK for Lome, Togo where she is doing an internship with The Centre for African Family Studies. The head offices are in Nairobi, Kenya (anglophone) and Lome (francophone) and the website - www.cafs.org. CAFS helps countries in Sub-Saharan Africa build their capacity for coping with population and development (primarily reproductive health) problems. They provide technical assistance in population projects and also teach short reproductive health courses to professionals on demand. Senanu is an intern working on a project funded by the Lucille Packard Foundation (USA) which wants to build capacity by setting up an internship programme within CAFS, to train university leavers of African origin. Senanu chose Lome to improve her French. She lives with house help Charlotte and puppy Maya.

● **Nusaiba Ben-Shaibah** has been working for over a year as a news editor for Kuwait News Agency (KUNA). She is the first woman in this role. She writes that 'Richmond made its students understand the world with an international perspective which cannot be achieved elsewhere.' Nusaiba was married on 28 December, 2000 to Khaled Ali, a graduate from Alabama University, who has been working as a news editor in Kuwait News Agency. They met at Kuwait University.

● **Jennifer Brown** is currently living in San Luis Potosi, Mexico teaching at the Tecnologico de Monterrey (campus San Luis). She is teaching Society and Development in Mexico, and an introductory international relations course at university level, as well as English at high school level.

● **Giorgio Bruttini** (MBA) is currently living in New Rochelle, New York and is working in a consulting firm focussed on the financial services industry. He is business development manager and works with Chris Mills '99. Giorgio recently married Linnette Curiel from Venezuela. *see photo*



● **Vito Bugini** (MBA) is working as Business Development Manager for The Character Group Plc. He is living in greater London.

● **Francisco Dolz-Utrera** completed his internship in Citibank, London as a Marketing Assistant, and returned to Spain where he joined BBVA for two years. He is now working in Morgan Stanley as a Financial Adviser.

● **Christian Foltin** (MBA '01) started a new job as E-Downstream Marketing Manager for Northern Europe with GE in GEMS in Burnham. He has replaced the person who hired him for his internship!

● **Louise Friman Varre** is working in marketing communications for a medical devices company in Berlin where she

also lives. Previously Louise worked in PR and conference organisation in London and before that in Milan. Peter Legler '99 visited her in the Fall from Frankfurt where he is working for Lehman Brothers.

● **Brooke Gates (MA)** dropped into the Alumni Office when she was in London in March. Brooke and her husband have recently moved houses in Richmond, VA.

● **Helen Germanos** is completing a full time MBA program at Webster University (London Campus).

● **Julie Hunsicker** received a distinction for her Masters degree work. Julie is working in Nigeria as an intern with Catholic Relief Services where she is attached to the Justice and Peace Program and works with human rights. She has visited prisons where the charity funds lawyers to bring people to trial who have been waiting in prison for a long time. Julie met Rebecca Hallam '90 at a conference.

● **Maria Jicheva (MBA)** works as an intercultural training consultant for Coghill and Beery in London. Maria travels a great deal for her job and in Louisville, KY met Brandon Caneer '95 for a drink. *see photo*



● **Monica Kachali** has been working for J. P. Morgan since graduation. In February, Monica hoped to start her Masters in Marketing Communications at the University of Westminster.

● **Eric Merrill (Study Abroad)** is participating in the Northeast AIDSride, a four day bike race over 350 miles from Bear Mountain, NY to Boston in June. He hopes to raise over \$2,000 for the charity from supporters.

● **Petra Olsson** gave birth to a baby girl in early December, 2001.

● **Rachel (Robertson) Brister** is currently working in administration for Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC), a not-for-profit hospital in Orange County, California serving all infants, children, and adolescents in the community. Rachel was married on 27 April, 2002 to Brent Bradley Brister, whom she met in California.

● **Anuj Sanghi** is working with Anderson in the Technology Risk Consulting Division in the UK. Anuj completed his Masters at the London School of Economics.

● **Peter Stackliff** is currently enrolled at Pace University Graduate program taking a dual major in Financial Management and International Economics. He plans to graduate in May 2003. Peter is pleased with the preparation he gained from Richmond used at work and in graduate studies. He arrived for class at WTC minutes after the first plane impacted the building and escaped the aftermath of the second hit by running uptown.

● **William Ugglia** worked for the marketing department of Compass

Group plc, a British multinational, and has now joined an IT consultancy firm set up by his brother, Alexander '00, in Madrid.

● **Ivan Vatchkov** completed his MSc in Finance & Accounting at LSE and works as an equity analyst at Deutsche Bank.

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● **Mohammed Aliyu (MBA)** writes that he is working in Nigeria with the Bureau of Public Enterprises, handling the Federal Government's Privatisation programme. Mohammed works with the 'Core Team unit' in the Planning and Monitoring department. He reports that he is 'having a ball while sleeping in the office at times in order to meet deadlines.'

● **Fidan Aslan (MBA)** has set up a new company in the logistics sector in Turkey. Fidan has recently moved to Prague to take on the responsibility for finance in a yarn factory. She plans to take a language course to develop her Czech. Fidan would like to hear from alumni in Prague and all her friends.

● **Lauren Becker (Study Abroad)** is living in Atlanta where she works for Arthur Andersen as a financial analyst. She writes that 'I really enjoy my job and I couldn't have gotten any luckier.'

● **William Catanzaro (MBA)** reports that he is working for L.J. Melody in Fairfield, CT. Bill is a senior analyst in charge of underwriting and presenting commercial real estate deals for financing. L.J. Melody & company, a CB Richard Ellis company (in the UK, CB Hillier Parker), is one of the largest real estate investment banking firms in the U.S. Through its limited partnership, GEMSA Loan Services (General Electric & L.J. Melody) it maintains a loan servicing portfolio with over 7,000 loans totaling \$52 billion. Bill and his wife have had another daughter, Alexandra, 18 months ago.

● **Marie Coumoul (MBA)** has left GE where she continued to work after her internship there. Marie has been hired by Sodexo Alliance in France as an internal auditor. Marie will travel all over the world 50% of her time.

● **Nabil El-Sahli** is working as a graphic designer in Jeddah Saudi Arabia at Alireza Darcy. *see photo*



● **Veronica Eulate** is in Sydney, Australia studying for an MA in Social Work and Social Policy.

● **Maria Fabregas** is living and working in Madrid. Maria moved to Spain originally with Marlborough Gallery to develop a sculptor project. She is now working for Mr. Flower designing accessories for the Inditex Group (Zara, Maximo Dutti, Pull and Bear etc).

● **Rodrigo Franco** recently moved from Luxembourg and is now living in the UK.

● **Konstantinos Gus Galanakis** is working in his father's business, Elvictor, dealing with ship and crew management, crew manning, and marine travel. He is taking an MBA at Louisville University and will graduate in April 2003 when he intends to come to London. Konstantinos would like to be in touch with his Richmond friends. He sends his best regards to all the Richmond community. His e-mail is congalanakis@elvictor.gr or konsgal@hotmail.com.

● **Ivana Gogova** continues to work at London Bridge, an online legal publisher. She hopes to begin an MSc program in the Fall.

● **Eva Gordon-Smith (MBA)** is living in Prague where she has been appointed Director of Executive Education in the Czech Management Center - a contact for people seeking business links with the Czech Republic. The Czech Management Center keeps a database of all companies, Czech and International, based in the Republic.

● **Magdalene Gorecki** had a photography show in a gallery in Oak Park, Illinois. She plans to take an MSc in Fine Art in Art Education at graduate school and hopes to return to London to be an art history professor. Magdalene is living with her Richmond friend, Heather Carlson Fall '98.

● **Pascal Gugger** has passed his MSc in War Studies at Kings College London. Pascal is planning to start a Ph.D. probably in Switzerland.

● **Shahbaa (Hamad) Shahi** is working as Brand Coordinator in Dubai Media City. She plans to change jobs.

● **Nick Horodincea (Study Abroad)** is living and working in Houston where he is working for Shell Trading Gas and Power Company. He was in Hawaii with Habitat for Humanity and volunteered to build a house to help someone in need.

● **Kiran Kaur (MBA)** completed her MBA at Richmond, and then took a specialised course in Purchasing in France. She worked with Siemens in Munich before travelling around Europe for a year and learning about the culture and people. She is living and working in Malaysia.

● **Brian Kennedy (MBA)** has started a new job as a Financial Analyst for Mcclier Corp - an Aecom company. Mcclier is an architecture/design and construction firm based in Chicago. Brian works with the controller and the CFO as the only analyst while the finance/accounting department restructures.

● **Souhail Khallock (MBA)** is living in Casablanca where he has taken a new position at the first and only loan securitization company in Morocco (Maghreb Titrisation). Souhail enjoys arranging mortgage backed securities funds or trusts and managing the structuring part of refinancing vehicles.

● **Zafreen Khan** has been accepted at New York University for an MA in Speech and Interpersonal Communication from January 2002.

● **Samantha Lock (MBA)** has returned to Bogota, Colombia from London. She is working as Marketing

Manager for Colombia for Tetra Pak. She will be married in early summer.

● **Kalina Nikolova (MBA)** is finance manager in El Kable, a power cable company in Larnaca, Cyprus.

● **Michiko Okubo** is on Guam as a teacher in a local secondary school. As tourism there has reduced since September 11, her other job as a photographer has been put on hold. Michiko plans to do a 2 year degree in Education in politics or sociology.

● **Elizabeth Parham (MA)** writes that she has got a job in 'an upwardly mobile museum institution'. She is working as the Assistant to the Director of External Affairs and the CFO of the Seattle Art Museum in sunny Seattle. She has realized that a job one likes can make all the difference, and she plans on staying with SAM for (hopefully) many productive years.

● **Ana Petermann-Sims (MBA)** moved to Boston, MA in the Fall where she is working at the Institute for Latin American Business at Babson College. She is enjoying the city and the people.

● **Branimira Radoslavova** was in Seattle (until the end of March) where she completed part of her Masters programme in European Studies with Transatlantic track (home institution: University of Bath, UK).

● **Nathalie Rosamund (MA)** has moved into her own house in Reseda, CA.

● **Melissa Roush** would be happy to give advice to anyone interested in legal studies in the US. She writes that 'I have learnt a lot in the application process and the first year that I wish someone would have told me, I would love to help others to make the idea of law not so scary.'

● **Kawai Siu (MBA)** continues to work for American Express in Performance Measurement. Since September 11, they have had to relocate to Parsippany, N.J. necessitating a 2 hour commute!

● **Carmen Spangaro** has been working in E-business for Citibank for more than a year. Carmen is also taking an Introduction to PR course at Birbeck University before deciding to do a full time MA in PR. She is also taking Italian and doing volunteer work!

● **Liudmila Velichko (MBA)** was in London this Spring for training. She continues to work as an Account Manager for Protek Flagship in Moscow. They provide software solutions for telco enterprises.

● **Konrad Werpachowski** has completed an MBA at Leeds Metropolitan University in September 2001 since leaving Richmond. Now he is living in Berlin where he works for the German Federal Security Printing Office (Bundesdruckerei) on a joint project with the Fraunhofer Institute aimed to introduce biometric security controls at major European border crossings. He recently started writing his Ph.D. at the Warsaw Institute for Organisation and Management in Industry (Poland).

● **Lucius Wirz (MBA)** has left Pixelpark and Basel for Zurich where he is Associate Director in Private Banking, Business Development, e-business for UBS.

Flashnotes

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- **Jamal Al-Mussawi** is currently living in Dallas, TX with his wife Irina. He is considering taking a graduate degree in Development Studies - perhaps in the UK.
- **Nouna Andersson** is enjoying her MA studies at City University in International Journalism. She says that City's international mix of students reminds her of Richmond. She sees Nadia and Sasha Damouni '01 who are also on the course. Nouna is doing an internship in 'The Independent' as a member of the web site team, production team and sub editor of the Sports section this Spring.
- **Pooja Barooah** (MBA) has been hired as Manager, Direct Marketing at Radisson Edwardian Hotels. Pooja completed an internship with them in the Fall.
- **Richard Barnett** is working for a State Representative on legislative matters in Polk County, Florida.
- **Natacha Coombes-Leaure** is working as Assistant Communications Officer for Ciel Textile in Mauritius. Contact her at natachacl@yahoo.co.uk.
- **Rafael Despradel** has been working at the European Union in Brussels in the DG-Development since July and at the Embassy of the Dominican Republic to the Kingdoms of Belgium, the Netherlands, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, and Mission to the European Union. He divides life between Brussels and Geneva (to attend WTO matters) for work and Brussels, London and Paris for his personal life. He is involved with 1) ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (Cape Town, March 2002) 2) Ibero American Presidential Summit (Madrid, May 2002).
- **Lisa (Dublin-Green) Young-Harry** (MBA) was married in September in Nigeria to her childhood sweetheart. She is working as a consultant for Barclays Bank, London.
- **Muge Dolun** is studying at Harvard's Kennedy School of International Relations. Muge has had a

book review published in the December/January issue No. 51 of 'Briefing Notes in Economics' found at www.richmond.ac.uk/bne/

- **Jarina Ghising** (MBA) is currently studying for an M.Phil in Human Resources.
- **Danika (Holm) Yeager** (MBA) writes that she has been working at Colonial Pipeline Company since April 2001. They are the largest pipeline company in the US. Danika is looking forward to having her second child to keep her son Bear company. *see photo*



- **Andrew Kai** completed a TEFL qualification before he left London, and he is now a qualified teacher of English as a second language. He is hoping to teach overseas in the future.
- **Fella Khelifi** is doing a post graduate degree in Business at American Intercontinental University in London.
- **Eleanor Mallory** is currently working at Princeton University's library in New Jersey. She plans to do a MFA at Sarah Lawrence College in the Fall.
- **Ruth (McMenemy) Girvin** (MBA) is back working for the Royal Bank of Scotland, where she is Assistant Manager in Ayr.
- **Moulishree (Mohta) Gani** (MBA) is married and living in Calcutta where she works for Tata tea which took over Tetley GB. Molly is working on the Tetley team - launching the Tetley brand nationwide in January 2002. Before working for Tata Tea, Molly did her internship with Harrods tea department and before that she worked as a tea taster and blender in an export company.
- **Jasmine (Pancholia) Karani** is married Amit Karani on 8 July 2001. *see photo*



- **Asifur Mohammad Rahman** returned to Bangladesh where he did a three month internship with Standard Chartered Bank and worked in the family business. After seven months at home, which gave him a lot of useful experience in the business arena, he has returned to London.
- **Indrani Raychaudhuri** is back in New Delhi, India with her family and is working for Taylor Nelson Sofres (the 4th largest market research company in the world) - coordinating their Marketing &

Public Relations activities for their India offices. Indrani misses the Richmond people with whom she was associated.

- **Bertan Tanacar** helped out Rick Doyle in Admissions at the Richmond booth at the British Council Fair in Istanbul in the autumn.
- **Miriam Thaler** has been accepted in the graduate program of HSBC. The program lasts 2 years and Miriam will rotate through three departments. She lives in Canary Wharf, London.
- **Carolina Velez** married Alejandro in September, 2001. Carolina is working as an Associate for ING Barings in Mexico City. *see photo*



IN MEMORIAM

- **Dr. Lewis Cetta**



The Richmond community learned over the Christmas holidays of the death of Dr. Lewis Cetta on 16 January, 2001. Members of the Richmond family from 1977 until 1994 will remember Dr. Cetta as a very special teacher and individual. His classes opened students' minds to new ideas and new ways of thinking. They challenged students' thinking, assumptions, creativity and cultural foundations. Many alumni will remember his courses in Greek Myth and Legend, The Modern European Mind, Romantic Poets and Art of the Cinema and Modern Drama - many of which are still regularly taught at Richmond to this day.

Dr. Cetta completed his undergraduate degree at Wesleyan University, CT and his Ph.D. at Syracuse University, NY. His dissertation was on Jean Genet. After teaching in the Richmond program in Florence, Dr. Cetta retired early to fulfill a lifelong dream of living in Italy. After living in Florence, he moved to Rome and lived in Trastevere where he was never happier. He kept a pied a terre in London so that he could visit his friends and enjoy London culture for a few months each year. Dr. Cetta was also close to his family in the USA and regularly spent time visiting them in Connecticut. It was there that he went

after suffering a stroke in Italy. He died there more than a year ago surrounded by his family.

Many of his Richmond family have fond memories of Dr. Lewis Cetta. His spirit, his elegant style and wit will be missed by many students and faculty. Our thoughts and prayers go to his family and friends.

Anyone wishing to send messages to Dr. Cetta's family can do so via alumni@richmond.ac.uk.

1999

- **Namvua Mbura**



Chiyedza Makamba '99 (left) with Namvua.

Namvua touched many people's lives in different ways during her short life. She made a lasting impression on those whom she met. Her honesty, dedication to work and studies were second to none. She believed that 'what men do, women can do better' and she did just that. Her friends were ecstatic when she won the Business Award at graduation. She deserved it and inspired others to reach higher.

After completing an MA in Women's studies at Bristol University in Summer 2001, Namvua had planned to return home to Tanzania, but she fell ill and died in hospital in London two months later. Namvua had achieved so much of what she set out to do - academic success, job offers for after her studies, rich and deep friendships with people, concern for and involvement with others. She was a model for many of her Richmond friends. She brought happiness to people around her. One Richmond friend who was deeply saddened by Namvua's death wrote a message to her, 'You are a special person. You are missed and loved. Rest in peace and watch over us.'

Our deepest sympathies are sent to her family and all her friends.

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