

27th Annual Conference Scheduled for Oct. 7 & 8 in Athens **Association to Hold Conference Abroad for First Time**

At its Nov. 2, 2003, meeting, the Fulbright Association's Board of Directors voted unanimously to hold the Association's 27th annual conference in Athens in conjunction with the conference "Olympism and the Fulbright Spirit: Humanism in Action," organized by the Hellenic Association of Fulbright Scholars and an international alumni committee. Rita Panourgia, president of the Hellenic Association of Fulbright Scholars, and Anastasia Papaconstantiou, immediate past president, invited the collaboration by the two Associations in order to strengthen the global Fulbright network.

"Celebrating the Fulbright Ethos," the U.S. Fulbright Association annual conference, will feature new programs as well as sessions that occur annually, including the Selma Jeanne Cohen Fund lecture, meetings of the Association's task forces, and the annual business meeting. Please see www.fulbright.org/conference for registration information and the

U.S. conference schedule, which will flow into the Hellenic Association's conference to be held from Oct. 8 through 10. For information on that conference, please visit www.cc.uoa.gr/english/HIA/HIAWell.htm.



Anastasia Papaconstantiou (USA 2002), immediate past president, and Rita Panourgia (USA 1955), president, Hellenic Association of Fulbright Scholars.

Planning is being coordinated by the two Associations with the assistance of the U.S. Educational Foundation in Greece, which administers Fulbright exchanges between Greece and the United States. The 2004 Fulbright Prize will be awarded at a separate ceremony at a date to be determined.

"What was once only wishful thinking on our part has reached the point of being realized. It started with a pilot international conference in Delphi in 2000," said Dr. Papaconstantinou. "On that occasion, we expressed the wish to continue with the idea of a gathering of Fulbrighters every four years at an international,

interdisciplinary conference. At the U.S. Fulbright Association's 25th and 26th annual conferences, we advanced the initial idea to hold an international conference every four years in the country or region hosting the Olympic Games."

"The Fulbright Association is particularly pleased to have the opportunity to hold its 27th annual conference in conjunction with the Athens conference of the Hellenic Association of Fulbright Scholars," said Jane L. Anderson, executive director of the Association. "All partners hope alumni from throughout the world will attend the events in Athens to highlight the important role Fulbright alumni play worldwide in supporting Fulbright exchanges and to set the stage for future international Fulbright alumni programs."

For updates on the conferences, visit www.fulbright.org/conference.



Changing of the Evzone guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Athens. Photo by Fulbright Association Life Member John Serio (Greece 1993, Belgium 1998).

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Members Reconstitute Science & Environment Task Force

The Fulbright Association's Science and Environment Task Force (SETF), inactive for the past few years, was recently reorganized by a group of members interested in its potential. The effort to revitalize the SETF, led by Patricia Freeland (Turkey 1992), began at the Fulbright Association's 26th Annual Conference in Washington, D.C., in October 2003.

Ms. Freeland worked with the Association's national office to contact former members of the task force and solicit their ideas. There were many positive comments and interesting ideas offered, which were then considered by an ad hoc committee established by Ms. Freeland. The ad hoc committee also consulted reports of earlier task force members to set an agenda for the SETF.

Some of the areas in which the committee expressed interest are the exploration of issues regarding clinical medicine and research in international contexts; genetically modified plants (social and ethical aspects); sustainable development and technologies; marine biomedicine; the impact of the environment on human health and the impact of human behavior on the environment's health; the links among the environment, economic development, and quality of life; arid geomorphology and desertification; ground water availability and use; energy; computers and society; and engineering (applied aspects of science and environment).

The SETF will publish a periodic newsletter to serve as a forum whereby task force members can publicize work they are doing, either with colleagues in other countries or in the U.S. The newsletter will also be used to list

announcements for meetings and conferences related to science and the environment. The SETF is also in the process of establishing a speaker bank for task force members who are interested in speaking to local Fulbright Association chapters on environmental and science-related topics.

The SETF held its inaugural meeting in Arlington, Va., on May 7 to discuss future task force activities. Plans are also being made to hold several online chat sessions throughout the summer to give those outside of the Washington, D.C., area the opportunity to share their ideas and get involved with the task force. More information on the chat sessions will be posted on the SETF web site at www.fulbright.org/TF/SETF. The SETF has established an e-mail list to communicate with its members. To subscribe, please send an e-mail to SETF-subscribe@yahoo.com.

The SETF encourages all Fulbright Association members with an interest in the sciences or environmental issues to join. Task Force members are asked to contribute a nominal \$5 annual fee to help cover basic operating costs. The annual fee can be paid online with a credit card through the SETF's web site or can be included with your Fulbright Association membership dues when you renew your membership.

SETF Chair Patti Freeland encourages you to contact her at SETF@fulbright.org if you have any comments, questions, or suggestions. ♦

FY05 Federal Budget Update

As Congress adjourned for district and state work periods before the Memorial Day holiday, leaders had not yet come to agreement on a joint resolution on the Fiscal Year 2005 federal budget. The Senate leadership delayed consideration of the 2005 joint resolution, which was narrowly passed by the House of Representatives, in order to work on an impasse on a provision that would allow Congress to cut taxes without making offsetting cuts in spending.

In the budget resolution passed by the House, the figure for the International Affairs Account (Function 150), which includes Fulbright and other international exchanges, was \$29.3 billion or \$2.2 billion below President Bush's budget request and slightly less than the 2004 level of \$29.4 billion.

As Congress turns to the appropriations process, the Fulbright Association expects that Fulbright alumni and friends will need to contact their members of Congress to express their support for international education and for Fulbright exchanges to help bolster funding for these important programs. For more information and updates, please visit www.fulbright.org/advocacy.

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CALIFORNIA

California State University, Monterey Bay (CSUMB), has signed a memorandum of understanding with the University of Guadalajara for student and faculty exchanges and for sharing online programs. Faculty members from each university will also work together on research and publications. CSUMB has a record of promoting collaboration with Mexican institutions. More than 350 student visits to Mexico have been supported by the university's Institute for Mexican and Mexican-U.S. Studies and more than 40 students have been directly involved in field research in Mexico. The University of Guadalajara has 12 campuses throughout Mexico and is that nation's second largest university. For more information, please visit www.csUMB.edu/academic/centers/sb/sc/institute_mexico.



Dr. Block and her team prepare to tag a blue fin tuna.

Barbara A. Block, the Charles and Elizabeth Prothro professor of marine sciences at **Stanford University** who also directs the Tuna Research and Conservation Center, has pioneered the use of electronic tags to study the behavior of large migratory fishes, including tunas, sharks, and billfishes. She and her team of doctoral students, postdoctoral associates, and aquarium personnel have tagged highly migratory fishes throughout the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. This work has helped determine that Atlantic and Pacific bluefin

tuna undertake extensive migrations, traveling back and forth across entire ocean basins. Her findings have been critical in helping to craft international management schemes for tuna fisheries. Giant bluefins are the most valuable fish in the ocean, worth tens of thousands of dollars each in places like the Tokyo fish market, where they are sliced into the highest quality sashimi. Increasing pressure on the natural resource has led to controversy on how to allocate the bluefin quotas worldwide. Dr. Block's lecture "Hot Tuna: Electronic Tracking of Giant Bluefin Across the Open Sea" presented at a symposium on new approaches to marine conservation at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Seattle is based on her paper "New Approaches to Conserving Marine Animals in a Dynamic Ocean." For more information, please visit www.stanford.edu/dept/news/pr/2004/aaasblock218.html.

Doctors and medical students from the David Geffen School of Medicine at the **University of California, Los Angeles**, accompanied by physicians, nurse practitioners, and acupuncturists from Kaiser Permanente, spent ten days in April volunteering their time and expertise in Jamaica at a clinic, health fair, orphanage, and girl's shelter. The group donated 20 boxes of medicine and supplies to the clinic, enabling it to continue providing free medicine to its patients. The trip, an annual event for the group, is an academic exploration and practice of international medicine which helps the people of Jamaica and gives members of the group firsthand experience in working together.

According to Sanjeev Sriram, a

fourth-year medical student, "The culture of medicine in [the U.S.] is that you get trained separately and then you get thrown into the work environment together, and everybody just assumes that you'll work together just fine. I think one of the most eye-opening things about this experience...was just getting to know nurse practitioners and knowing how to better coordinate our skill levels."

For more information, please see www.dailybruin.ucla.edu/news/articles.asp?id=28914.

GEORGIA



Mary Robinson delivers keynote address at Emory University's 2004 commencement ceremonies.

Former President of Ireland Mary Robinson, the 1999 J. William Fulbright Prize for International Understanding laureate, delivered the keynote address at the 159th commencement of **Emory University** on May 10. Mrs. Robinson was also awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree. Her selection by the university highlights the deep ties between Emory and Ireland, including a newly launched Irish studies

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program and the university's extensive Irish literary collections, including a major portion of the archives of Nobel Prize-winning poet Seamus Heaney, who delivered last year's commencement address. A lifelong advocate of universal respect for fundamental rights and freedoms, Mrs. Robinson was the first woman to be elected as president in Ireland and served as president from 1990 to 1997, when she was named United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights from 1997 to 2002. She was a senator in Ireland for 20 years prior to becoming president. Currently Mrs. Robinson is the director of the Ethical Globalization Initiative, an organization that promotes human rights accountability in governance and in solving global challenges, like the Carter Center at Emory. For more information, please visit www.emory.edu/central/NEWS/Releases/commencement041078860442.html. Mrs. Robinson's Fulbright Prize address is available online at www.fulbright.org/prize.

NEVADA

University of Nevada, Reno, President John Lilley traveled to Tokyo to celebrate the university's 17-year partnership with the Nevada-California International Consortium, of which it is a founding member. The university has significantly increased the number of international students on campus and has added Japanese studies to its curriculum. Japan is the leading country of origin for foreign students in Nevada, and Japanese students represented 39 percent of the international population at the university last year, according to Dr. Susan

Bender, director of the office of international students and scholars.

"It is a privilege to celebrate the long and fruitful friendship Nevada has had with this consortium," said President Lilley during the consortium's opening ceremonies in Tokyo. "The collaboration is a prime example of the commitment this university has made to international education and exchange."

Shannon Ellis, vice president of student services, added, "Nevada's long history with this program has left a lasting mark on the university, and created important awareness for Nevada in Tokyo and beyond."

There are more than 1,000 University of Nevada alumni in Japan, and many are distinguished business and political leaders in their communities. The consortium was originally established as the Tokyo branch campus of the University of Nevada in 1988, and today it has expanded to a multinational program including numerous colleges and universities in Nevada, California, and other parts of the world.

During the celebration, Kazuko Hirota, managing director of the consortium, observed, "The University of Nevada will forever retain its status at the consortium as a recognized leader for global citizenship and as a provider of excellence in American education." For more information, please visit www.unr.edu/news/detail.asp?id=849.

NEW YORK

Fuel-cell experts from around the world will converge at **Rochester Institute of Technology** for two annual conferences in June focusing on emerging issues in fuel-

cell technology. The second International Conference on Fuel Cell Science, Engineering, and Technology from June 14 to 16 will highlight advances in fuel-cell systems and components for stationary, mobile, and portable power-generation applications. About 350 experts are expected for the conference, which will detail advances in design, analysis, optimization and manufacturing of macro, micro and novel fuel-cell systems and components. In conjunction with the conference on fuel cells, the second International Conference on Microchannels and Minichannels will be held June 17 to 19.

"Microchannels are used in many diverse applications including fuel cells, electronics cooling, bioengineering and MEMS—microelectromechanical—devices," says Satish Kandlikar, RIT professor of mechanical engineering and conference chair. "This emerging area will enable microminiaturization of many devices, from computers to space-bound systems. This will be a truly international conference." For more information, please visit www.rit.edu/~930www/webnews/viewstory.php?id=1213. ♦

The Fulbrighters' Newsletter highlights Fulbright alumni and international activities of institutional members in each issue. Institutional members are encouraged to send information on individuals and events that they would like to see in future editions by e-mail to newsletter@fulbright.org or by fax to (202) 347-6540.

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Greater New York Chapter Helps High School Students Embrace the World through Writing

Four years ago, the Greater New York Chapter of the Fulbright Association joined Sarah Lawrence College and the Yonkers Public Schools District in a project to promote international understanding through writing and to help high school students improve writing skills. Now there are twice as many students participating in the chapter's Youth Mentoring Initiative for International Understanding and the 2004-2005 program will expand to include student participation in Saturday Writing Workshops and a new component designed for teachers.

Rosalba C. Del Vecchio (Italy 1980), who initiated the program, takes great pleasure in the success of the project and is quick to credit fellow Greater New York Chapter members Alison Gardy (Mexico 1988), who serves on the Board of Directors of the national Fulbright Association, and Chapter President Elise Van Oss (Japan 1977), among others, and her colleagues in the Yonkers Public Schools and the faculty and administration of Sarah Lawrence.

"I think these documents speak for themselves," Ms. Del Vecchio said, referring to a letter from a teacher who wrote, "It is with great pride that I can send these exceptional writings to you. Our children grow by leaps and bounds in the skill of writing. Thank you for being a part of an organization that does encourage writing, respect writing, and bring such goodness out of young minds."

In 2004, from 20 to 25 students will be selected for full scholarships to the Sarah Lawrence College Summer Writers Workshop for

High School Students upon completion of a writing competition that takes place in each school between March 1 and May 10. Each school submits writing (essays, short stories, poems, etc.) from 10 to 15 students on themes of diversity, conflict resolution, or issues of global concern.

Members of the Board of Directors of the Greater New York Chapter read and evaluate the writing submitted. This year, they will select four scholarship award recipients from each Yonkers high school to participate in the workshop, which takes place on the Sarah Lawrence College Campus in Bronxville, N.Y., from July 5 through 9. The

Teachers whose classes participate in the program work closely with Sarah Lawrence College staff and Fulbright chapter members throughout the year to select appropriate writing tasks and topics. The recognition event honoring participants is held in the fall during International Education Week. The Greater New York Chapter's initiative and partnership with Sarah Lawrence



Alexis M. Finch and Rosalba C. Del Vecchio at the awards ceremony.

College has been made possible through a partnership grant from the Yonkers Public School district which will total \$20,000 for this year's program.

The Yonkers Chamber of Commerce, through its business outreach, is providing additional financial support to increase the number of students mentored by Fulbright alumni and Sarah Lawrence College faculty. The new Writing Across the Curriculum Project, a teachers' program to be guided by the New York State Education Department Professional Development Plan, will involve faculty from various disciplines at designated Yonkers schools who will work with faculty from Sarah Lawrence College, for a minimum of ten sessions, to develop a writing plan and a set of activities/strategies designed to emphasize writing across the curriculum. ♦



Yonkers Schools Superintendent Angelo Petrone and Deputy Superintendent Bernard Pierorazio with Yonkers high school students.

students are chosen based on their applications, writing samples, and participating teachers' recommendations.

Global Fulbright

In May, members of the **Fulbright Alumni Association in Belgium** toured the Gaume in southeast Belgium for their annual "national event." Organizers selected the Gaume for its distinctive architecture, landscape, history, folklore, and dialect.

The Association also reports that Fulbright alumnus Muhiddin Demiriz (Indiana University 1992) was the piano soloist at a concert on May 9 organized as a tribute to the Belgian royal family and the Belgian dynasty on the occasions of Europe's Commemoration Day, the enlargement of the European Union to include 10 new member states, and the 15th anniversary of the "Bruxelles-Capitale" region. For information on the association, please visit www.faab.be/.

Sharpe James, mayor of Newark, N.J., a city with a strong Brazilian community, spoke on sustainable development at the **sixth Annual Fulbright Alumni Seminar in Brasilia**. He also addressed audiences in Rio de Janeiro on the civil rights movement.

"Turning Points," an exhibition on Finnish-American academic exchanges, was jointly produced by the **ASLA-Fulbright Alumni Association** and the **Fulbright Center in Finland** to mark the Association's 50th anniversary last year. Former grantees provided material from their personal photo albums and archives for the exhibition. Designers from the university of Art and Design in Helsinki created the exhibition with the support of the U.S. embassy in Helsinki and private donations. The exhibition will be permanently displayed at the Fulbright Center in Finland. It will also tour at both Finnish and U.S. organizations. Please contact office@fulbright.fi if your organization would like to host the exhibition.

The Board of Directors of the

ASLA-Fulbright Alumni Association has initiated the Fulbright Buddy System. Buddies are Finnish Fulbright alumni and U.S. alumni living in Finland who want to offer hospitality and friendship to current U.S. Fulbrighters in Finland. All incoming Fulbright students, teachers, and lecturers were matched with a volunteer buddy based on region, common interest, or shared experience.



Steffen Schmuck-Soldan, Berlin chapter coordinator and lead conference organizer.

Six weeks before the historic accession of 10 new countries to the European Union on May 1, **Fulbright Alumni e.V. (German Fulbright Association)** organized a conference dealing with the importance of EU enlargement and its meaning for people in Europe and beyond. More than 80 Fulbright alumni, 350 current American Fulbrighters in Europe, and 33 speakers from the "old" and "new" European states came together for a weekend of intense discussion on topics such as security, education, health care, environmental politics, and the EU as a geopolitical counterweight to the United States. The alumni conference was held in conjunction with the 50th Annual Berlin Seminar organized for current Fulbright grantees and alumni by the **Fulbright Commission in Germany**.

The 2003 Edition of **Fulbright Alumni e.V.'s Frankly** includes extensive coverage of the 50th anniversary celebrations of the German-U.S. Fulbright Program and of the 25th anniversary of the U.S. Fulbright Association in 2002. The 48-page magazine also contains articles on the German association's 2002 Pow Wow and the international conferences in 2000 and 2004 organized by the Hellenic Association of Fulbright Scholars. For information on activities of the Fulbright Alumni e.V., please visit www.fulbright-alumni.de.

The 16th annual newsletter (December 2003) of the **Tokyo Garioa/Fulbright Alumni Association** featured coverage of Fulbright alumnus Masatoshi Koshiha (University of Rochester 1953), who was one of three 2002 Nobel Prize laureates in physics. The issue also reprinted the address of Sadako Ogata, the 2002 Fulbright Prize laureate.



Si Bennisseur Alaoui, Yassir Touhami-Chahdi, Ibrahim Berdouzi, Khalid Riffi Tamsamani, Moha Ennaji, Aicha Lemtouni, Hassan Mekouar, Najat Sebti.

The **Moroccan Fulbright Alumni Association (MFAA)** was officially created on Feb 28. A general assembly drew close to 130 Fulbright alumni from all over Morocco. The general assembly adopted the organization's

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constitution and elected 11 officers and directors: Hassan Mekouar (President); Mohamed Kalid Rifi Temçamani (Vice-President); Si Bennisseur Alaoui (Secretary General); Ibrahim Berdouzi (Vice-Secretary General); Najat Sebti (Treasurer); Yassir Touhami Chehdi (Vice-Treasurer); and board members Aicha Lemtouni, Moha Naji, Fatima Saddiki, Imane Lamrini, and Rida Oulamine. The MFAA board created committees on membership, website and information, conference and general assembly, by-laws, planning and development, public relations and fund-raising, and relations with other Fulbright associations in preparation for the next general assembly in September. The MFAA will strengthen the network of Moroccan alumni and visiting American scholars and will give Moroccan alumni opportunities to build on their Fulbright experiences through public service and support of the Fulbright program. The association aims to continue in the Fulbright spirit of increasing mutual understanding between the people of Morocco and peoples of other countries and to promote international cooperation for education and cultural enrichment.

The **Fulbright Alumni Association of Nepal (FAAN)** hosted U.S. Ambassador Michael E. Malinowski at an informal get-together on March 4. FAAN elected new officers at its Annual General Meeting last December. Now serving on the FAAN Executive Committee are Ananta Raj Poudyal, president; Damber Narayan Yadav, vice president; Madan Mohan Das, general secretary; Mukesh Kumar Chalise, secretary; Ram Bhakta Amatya and members Damodar P. Gautam, Rajesh Khanal, Deepak

Rajbhandary, Abin Bhakta Pradhan; Suman Basnet; and Jharna Joshi.

The **Fulbright Alumni Association of Nigeria** and the **U.S. Embassy in Nigeria** have invited university faculty to form committees to increase awareness of HIV/AIDS on the country's university campuses. Prizes of N300,000, N200,000, and N100,000 will be awarded to the committees with the best HIV/AIDS activities. To be considered for the awards, participants need to form a committee of faculty and students to conduct activities to roll back HIV/AIDS; record all activities from December 2003 to September 2004; and submit the committee's report of activities and results as well as required supporting documents to the U.S. Embassy in Nigeria. Awards will be announced on WorldAIDS Day (Dec. 1) 2004 at the Fulbright Association of Nigeria annual conference. For more information, please see the February 2004 edition of Crossroads magazine at <http://usembassy.state.gov/nigeria/wwwhcros.html>.



Panamanian Fulbrighters with "El Lirio" community children.

The **Fulbright Alumni Association of Norway** currently reports more than 700 members. Any person who has completed a period of study assisted by a Fulbright grant may become a member of the Association, which organizes social events, such as Thanksgiving dinners and family picnics, as well as lectures and other programs. The Association publishes a newsletter and welcomes contributions for publication. It has established a stipend fund to support Norwegian students in the U.S., and association membership fees are in part used to support this fund. For information, please see www.fulbright.no.

The **Fulbright Alumni Association of Panamá** seeks to contribute to the social development of the country. Its members hope to give back to their society skills and knowledge gained while on their Fulbright grants. The Association organized a holiday toy drive for "El Lirio" community children, who come from predominantly single parent households. The Association also participated in the production of the play "Sueño de una Noche de Verano," which adapts Shakespeare's comedy to a Panamanian beat. For a welcoming message to international Fulbrighters from the Panamanian

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Planned Giving Profile Former Fulbright Association President Highlights Importance of Planned Giving and Provides Bequest for Association

Ronald J. Ross, M.D., F.A.C.R., a pioneering Fulbright Association leader, was one of the first Fulbright alumni to include the Fulbright

Association in his will and to educate the Association's board and staff about the growing importance of planned giving.

Dr. Ross, who was elected to the Association's Board of Directors in 1994, served as Association president in 1998 and in 1999 and as treasurer in 1995. He was among a small group of visionaries who inspired the Association to undertake the Fund

for the 21st Century Campaign to create a \$2 million endowment to help provide more stable funding for Association operations. After his term as president and director ended in 1999, he continued his service as chair of the 21st Century Fund drive and initiated the first Fulbright Lifetime Achievement Medal Dinner in October 2000. That event, in honor of Arlene Alda and Barbara and Richard Debs, helped the Association achieve its \$2 million campaign goal by year-end 2000.

"I think planned giving is one of the most important tools nonprofit organizations have at their disposal to assure their future vitality," said Dr. Ross. "I'm pleased to be profiled as a planned giver in *The Fulbrighters'*

Newsletter to help inspire Fulbright alumni to include the Association in their estate plans. The Fulbright alumni universe is very diverse in

terms of age, occupation, and Fulbright experience. Planned giving is an excellent way for any alumnus/a to give back to the Fulbright Program by supporting the Association's critical work in advocacy and enrichment."

Dr. Ross was selected as a Fulbright scholar in 1964. On his Fulbright grant to Sweden, he served as a

fellow in radiology at the Karolinska Sjukhuset in Stockholm. As do so many other Fulbrighters, he found the experience transforming.

His service orientation and his philanthropic beliefs led Dr. Ross to become a founder of the Fulbright Association's Northeast Ohio Chapter, whose board he served as a director from 1990 to 1996. He was the president of the Northeast Ohio Chapter from 1992 to 1994.

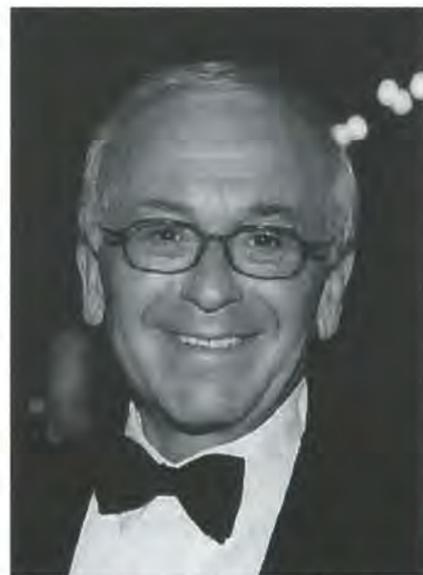
"As Fulbright alumni, we share a serious obligation—to make sure that the Fulbright Program has an organized, active constituency so that future generations will have the opportunity to participate in Fulbright exchanges," Dr. Ross said. "From my 12-year experience as a Fulbright Association

volunteer—first as a local chapter member and president, then as a national board member and officer—I know that Fulbright exchanges need the support of all who have benefited in the past. I also know that we act most effectively as Fulbright alumni when we act together."

This sense of community service also motivated Dr. Ross to serve as the founder and benefactor of the Meridia Health Foundation, which supports health care outreach to residents in areas served by the Meridia Health System. Dr. Ross was Director of Radiology at Hillcrest Hospital Cleveland Clinic Health System and is now Director Emeritus.

In addition to helping the Association, Dr. Ross currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Cleveland Clinic and on the National Board of Governors of the Alumni Association of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, where he earned the M.D. degree in 1960. An internationally acclaimed clinician, researcher, and educator, Dr. Ross is credited with many groundbreaking firsts during 40 years in medical practice, including introducing the world's first MRI scanner in a clinical setting in 1981. Throughout his distinguished career, Dr. Ross has received many honors, including election as a fellow of the American College of Radiology, the award of the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique in France, and listing in *Who's Who in America*.

On behalf of Fulbrighters throughout the world, the Fulbright Association thanks Dr. Ross for his vision in furthering Fulbright ideals, for his leadership, and for his service. ♦



Ronald J. Ross, M.D., F.A.C.R., at the inaugural Fulbright Lifetime Achievement Medal Dinner.

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Chapter Enrichment,



Arizona Chapter President Carol Bender (Japan 1997) in front of ruins at the Casa Grande National Monument.

Orange County California Chapter President Richard Drake (Scotland 1979, China 1986) and other alumni spoke about their Fulbright experiences, showed slides, and took questions at the California Council for the Social Studies (CCSS) conference. They also distributed material on the Fulbright Teacher and Administrator Exchange Program.

The **Colorado Chapter** organized a visit to the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. Following a social meeting, members and visiting Fulbrighters viewed the IMAX film on Lewis and Clark and then toured the Machu Picchu exhibit. Before this tour, the chapter arranged for alumni and visiting Fulbrighters to attend the National Western Stock Show and Wild West Show.



Ghanaian dancers demonstrate a traditional dance at a National Capital Area Chapter event at the Embassy of Ghana.

The Embassy of Ghana hosted the **National Capital Area Chapter's** annual embassy event for visiting Fulbrighters and alumni, coordinated by past chapter president and national board member Jenny Johnson (Nigeria 1977, Hungary 2003, and Brazil 2003) and by Doreen Ackom, the embassy's public affairs officer. At the door, guests

were greeted by drumming which lasted the entire evening and by the colorful display of Ghanaian arts and crafts in the embassy atrium. According to Chapter President Rosemary Hoffmann (Austria 1965), the embassy staff outdid itself in creating a festive atmosphere and offering an exhilarating evening of cultural stimulation. Acting Ambassador Isaac Aggrey welcomed guests and invited them to the elaborate dinner buffet of Ghanaian dishes. After dinner, a small troupe of Ghanaian dancers and musicians entertained the audience.

The **DC Metro Area Young Alumni Group of the National Capital Area Chapter** met socially and shared experiences with visiting Fulbrighters and compared notes on their experiences.

Recent Fulbright Program alumnus Stephen Althouse (Belgium 2003) talked about his Fulbright experience and the art he created while in Belgium at the Barry University gallery where his art was on display. The lecture was followed by a reception where **South Florida Chapter** members and their guests discussed the work with the artist.



German Fulbrighters Sebastian Leibold, Christoph Elbert, Nader Razouk, and Florian Zickfeld on the ferry to Cumberland Island.

The **Georgia Chapter** organized a visit to Savannah and Cumberland

Programs & Outreach

Island for alumni and visiting Fulbrighters with support from an enrichment grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. The first day in Savannah included an aquarium tour at the University of Georgia's Marine Life Extension on Skidaway Island. After dinner there was a presentation on coastal Georgia with local musical entertainment. The following day, members of the group took a ferry to Cumberland Island where they were met by tour guides. While walking in the marine forest and on the seashore, the Fulbrighters learned about the Georgia coastal island ecosystem, marine and wildlife, local history, and earlier Native American culture. They also toured the ruins of the old Carnegie estate plantation. The trip concluded with tours of Savannah's historical district and homes and a presentation at the Savannah College of Art and Design by Gene Friedman (United Kingdom 1991), director of security.

The **Chicago Chapter** in conjunction with the International Visitors Center of Chicago held a Spring Luncheon for Fulbrighters at the Chicago Historical Society. After lunch, an Abraham Lincoln impersonator, deemed by participants to be "a dead ringer," delivered one of Lincoln's speeches and took questions from the audience. After the performance, attendees toured the Historical Society, which features exhibits about Lincoln and local history.

Members of the **Massachusetts Chapter** enjoyed an afternoon of music performed by visiting Fulbrighters Yoko Saikachi, Japan; Fida Musallam, Jordan; Panayota Chaloulakou, Greece; Alex Edmans,



Visiting Fulbrighters Anneloes Hesen from the Netherlands and Lefteris Kordis from Greece perform at the Massachusetts Chapter's Fulbright Afternoon of Music at Harvard's Eliot Library.

United Kingdom; Mariana Caram, Argentina; Leticia Prieto, Spain; Fadi Skeiker, Syria; Anneloes Hesen, Netherlands; Miguel Carballo, Costa Rica; Panos Terzakis, Greece; and Lefteris Kordis, Greece, who coordinated the program of traditional, popular, and classical music from various cultures. The performance was held at the library of Harvard University's Eliot House. This event was supported by an enrichment grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

The annual Tour of Detroit organized by the **Southeast Michigan Chapter** included a guided bus tour to various landmarks, monuments, and neighborhoods led by Al Saperstein (Norway 1987) and his wife Harriett, both of whom are experts on the Motor City. At lunch at the Detroit Institute of Arts, two Wayne State professors, Bob Sinclair (Austria 1963, 1976, 1993, Germany 1972) and Mike Smith, spoke of Detroit's past, present, and future. Following lunch, the group viewed exhibits at the Institute and at the African American Museum nearby. This

event was supported by an enrichment grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

The **Minnesota Chapter** and the Minnesota Journalism Center of the University of Minnesota sponsored "A Conversation with Aaron Brown – World Events and the Media." Mr. Brown, CNN's NewsNight anchor, spoke about U.S. media to visiting Fulbrighters. Following his remarks, he took questions for nearly an hour and attended a reception in his honor. This event was supported by an enrichment grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

Members of the **Missouri Chapter** met for the Three Flags Ceremony, a national signature event and part of the Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial and commemoration of the Louisiana Purchase. Representatives of the governments of Spain, France, and the United States attended, and Fulbright visiting scholars and their families joined in the celebration at the Arch grounds and the St. Louis Riverfront to view the flag raisings, the issuing of the newly minted nickel commemorating these events, and era re-enactments, parades, and musical entertainment. This event was supported by an enrichment grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural

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Chapter Enrichment, Programs & Outreach (cont'd.)

William J. Connell (Italy 1985), La Motta Chair in Italian Studies and director of the Alberto Italian Studies Institute at Seton Hall University, spoke about his Fulbright experience to members of the **New Jersey Chapter** and visiting Fulbrighters. The Honorable Dr. Mauro Lorenzini, Vice Consul of Italy, Newark, was the guest of honor.

Members of the **New Mexico Chapter** attended a concert by the Santa Fe Pro Musica featuring the virtuoso recorder artist Marion Verbruggen with accompaniment by Joel Becktell on cello. Joel, son of chapter vice president Phoebe Becktell (India 1991), shared with members a discussion of baroque instruments, especially the cello, as compared to modern instruments.



Eastern New York Chapter Board Member Reinhard Mayer (Germany 1964) and Avi Bauer, a former student.

The newly formed **Eastern New York Chapter** organized a reception, dinner, and panel program designed to present information about the Fulbright Programs in general and specific information about applying for a K-12 Fulbright Teacher Exchange. The event was co-sponsored by the College of Rose whose president, Mark Sullivan, welcomed guests. This event was organized by chapter members Penny Axelrod (Slovenia 1998) and Jeanine Lossi

(Czech Republic 1999).

At the request of visiting Fulbrighters, the **Central New York Chapter** arranged a reception at the home of Paula Bobrowski (Japan 1995), who lives near Syracuse University. The informal gathering featured a strolling minstrel and opportunities to share experiences and forge new friendships.

The **Western New York and Northwestern Pennsylvania Chapter** organized "International Exchanges and Their Impact" at Gannon University in Erie, Pa. The program sought to inform faculty, administrators, students, and professionals of the various Fulbright programs and to encourage applications. Several recent Fulbright program alumni shared their experiences and displayed items from the countries where they had had their grants.

Guthrie, Oklahoma's territorial capital, was the destination for visiting Fulbrighters and members of the **North Central Oklahoma Chapter**. The group toured the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple, lunched at the Blue Bell Saloon, toured the Oklahoma Territorial Museum, took a trolley ride through Guthrie, had dinner at Granny Had One, and attended "Fiddle Fest" at the Double-Stop Music Hall. The program was funded by a grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

Oregon/SW Washington Chapter members hosted a luncheon at Portland State University in January for visiting Fulbright scholars, students, and teachers and their families. Barbara Tint (India 2003), director of the International and Intercultural Conflict Resolution Program at Portland State University, gave the keynote speech about her

recent Fulbright experience to India, Indian viewpoints on several global issues, and her work with conflict resolution. Several other chapter members and visitors shared information on their Fulbright experiences.



Members of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter in Altoona.

The **Central Pennsylvania Chapter** arranged for visiting Fulbrighters and members a day trip to Altoona, a bustling community, located in the heart of the Southern Allegheny Mountains, which played an integral role in the development of the American railroad system. The trip featured a visit to the Altoona Railroaders Museum; lunch at the historic US Hotel in the adjoining community of Holidaysburg, located on the canal that predated the railroad as the primary transportation route across the state; a stop at the Penn State Altoona campus; and an evening at the Blair County Ballpark to watch a game of the Altoona Curve minor league baseball team. The event was funded by an enrichment grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

Members and visiting Fulbrighters listened to live American jazz at Zanzibar Blue in Philadelphia over brunch organized by the **Philadelphia/Delaware Valley Chapter**. Following

brunch, the group toured the Barnes Collection in Merion, Pa. The Barnes Foundation collection includes Impressionist and Post-Impressionist art; Greek, Roman and Egyptian antiquities; Chinese painting; African sculpture; retablos from New Mexico; Native American works; and American decorative arts. It juxtaposes objects from different cultures, periods, and media to encourage viewing art from different perspectives. The event was funded by an enrichment grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

Robin Le Blanc (Japan 1991, 2002), who teaches in the Politics Department at Washington and Lee University, served as keynote speaker at a dinner meeting of the **Blue Ridge Virginia Chapter**. She spoke on "Salad and Cigarettes for Breakfast: The Challenges and Rewards of Seeing Japan through Participant-Observer Research." Among the guests were Washington and Lee undergraduates who had been selected to receive Fulbright grants upon graduation. One student is headed for Australia to work on the mathematical modeling of wild plant populations and the other to Iceland to study ice cores to gain understanding of global climate change.



Members of the Greater Puget Sound Chapter at Snake River.

A trip to Snake River and Hells Canyon organized by **Greater Puget Sound Chapter** gave visiting Fulbrighters and alumni the

opportunity to observe wild life, to examine the area's ancient petroglyphs, and to learn about the geology and history of the river. The chapter arranged car pools from Spokane and Seattle for alumni and visiting Fulbrighters to meet at a bus depot in Pullman for the trip to the landing dock in Clarkston, Wash., where a jet boat took the group down the Snake River. After a catered lunch overlooking the river, the group heard lectures about the river. The event was funded by an enrichment grant from the Dept. of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.



Wisconsin Chapter members at the International Education Conference.

The **Wisconsin Chapter** adopted the theme of storytelling for its 2003-04 academic year programs which began last fall with a reception for visiting Fulbrighters and alumni that featured a Wisconsin storyteller. A group of visiting Fulbright scholars and students were then invited to spend a day at the Wisconsin Heights Public School District to exchange stories with students in the middle and high schools. The year of events ended with an invitation to the same group to participate in "Storytelling as Universal Curriculum: Fulbright Scholars Share their Stories" as part of the second annual International Education Conference held at the Pyle Center on the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus in March. This event was supported by an enrichment grant from the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. ♦

Life Member Organizes Outreach at Ohio Community Fair

Fulbright Association life member Susan L. English (Cote d'Ivoire 1987) organized the first Fulbright booth at the Wooster (Ohio) Ethnic Fair, part of a community effort that promotes opportunities for learning and understanding of racial, ethnic, and cultural diversities.

She and fellow Fulbright alumni Donald L. Palmquist (Denmark 1990), also an Association life member, and Paul Gustafson (Malaysia 1971) discussed the impact of the Fulbright program with young people and with researchers, professors, teachers, artists and professionals and encouraged them to look into Fulbright opportunities.

The alumni also informed community members about visiting Fulbrighters in their area. Peter Svetnik, a visiting Fulbright teacher from Hungary, shared his family's experiences in Ohio.

"I met people who had never heard of the Fulbright program, and people with misconceptions about it. I discovered people who would like to apply for a Fulbright grant, and researchers who frequently host visiting Fulbright graduate students," Dr. English said. "Many took Fulbright literature. The remaining brochures are now available at the public library, public school districts across three counties, and colleges and universities in our area."

"I would recommend this kind of activity to other chapters of the Fulbright Association," Dr. English said. "It was a great way for Fulbrighters to get the word out to the public in general. My wish is for the eight-year-old girl I met to someday go through college, remember our conversation, and apply for a Fulbright grant."

Marshall Ellis, the Fulbright Association's director of membership development, collected Council for International Exchange of Scholars, Institute of International Education, and Department of State materials and identified area Fulbright alumni and visiting Fulbrighters for Dr. English. ♦

Books & Publications

James M. Aton (Indonesia 1989, China 1997) and Robert S. McPherson have written *River Flowing From the Sunrise: An Environmental History of the Lower San Juan* (USU Press, 2000). The book was a finalist for the Utah Book Award and won the Pacific Coast Division of the American Historical Association's Norris and Carol Hundley Award for "best book on any historical subject." Dr. Aton is professor of English at Southern Utah University in Cedar City, Utah. He was recently named a Fulbright senior specialist.

The Edwin Mellen Press has published *The Significance of White Supremacy in the Canadian Metropolis of Toronto* by Fulbright Association life member **Joe T. Darden** (Canada 1997), a professor of geography at Michigan State University.



Ron du Bois and Alhaja, master potter, Dada Compound, Ilorin, Nigeria, 1988.

In April, ceramicstoday.com's *This Week in Focus* featured *A Saga of Synchronicity*, an article by Fulbright Association life member

Fulbright Alumni

Ron du Bois (South Korea 1973, India 1979, Nigeria 1987) about the making of a documentary film on African ceramics. The article draws on Dr. Du Bois's Fulbright experience in Nigeria.

Claudia Gitelman (Brazil 1988) has compiled and edited a new book entitled *Liebe Hanya: Mary Wigman's Letters to Hanya Holm*. The book was published by the University of Wisconsin Press.

Christopher Harper (Poland 2001) has published on the Internet a series of short movies he made while in Poland on a Fulbright scholar grant. The videos can be accessed at www.ithaca.edu/faculty/charper/movies.htm.

A sixth edition of *Managing Cultural Differences: Global Leadership Strategies for the 21st Century* by **Philip R. Harris** (India 1962), Robert T. Moran, and Sarah V. Moran, has been published by Butterworth-Heinemann. Dr. Harris is president of Harris International, Ltd., in La Jolla, Calif.

Arsis Press has recently published two choral settings by **Elizabeth Lauer** (Germany 1955). *Sigh No More, Ladies*, set for three-part a capella treble chorus, and *Fear No More...*, set for a six-part mixed a capella chorus, drawn on works of Shakespeare. They were composed by Mrs. Lauer while on her Fulbright student grant in Hamburg. These works for chorus have also been released on a Capstone CD, recorded by the Kent Singers and conducted by Marguerite Mullee.

Robert Lima (Peru 1976), president of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the Fulbright Association,

has had two books published recently. *Tracking the Minotaur: Poems*, his fifth poetry collection, was issued by 1st Books Library in Bloomington, Ind. *The Dramatic World of Valle-Inclán*, a critical study and the ninth book he has written on the Spanish author, was released by Boydell & Brewer, Ltd., in the United Kingdom.

Fulbright Association life member **John Logue** (Denmark 1962) and **Eric S. Einhorn** (Denmark 1968, 1977) have written *Modern Welfare States: Scandinavian Politics and Policy in the Global Age* (Praeger, 2003). This new edition of their 1989 classic focuses on how economic globalization and European Union membership have affected the "Scandinavian model" of providing inclusive and universal welfare programs based on carefully managed capitalist, market economies.

AuthorHouse has published *Transylvania and Hungary*, a novel by **Daniel Marder** (Yugoslavia 1967, 1988). The novel tells the story of two visiting professors, a young Englishman and a retired American, as they travel through Transylvania and highlights the intermingling of peoples from the forests and towns of the area.

June McDaniel has completed two books based on research undertaken while on a Fulbright scholar grant to West Bengal, India, in 1993-94. *Making Virtuous Daughters and Wives: An Introduction to Women's Brata Rituals in Bengali Folk Religion* was published by the State University of New York Press in 2003. *Offering Flowers, Feeding Skulls: Popular Goddess Worship in*

Achievements

West Bengal was published by Oxford University Press this year.

Fulbright Association life member **Douglas J. McMillan** (Germany 1954), emeritus professor of English at East Carolina University, has had the second edition of his book *Regular Life: Monastic, Canonical, and Mendicant Rules* published by Medieval Institute Publications, Kalamazoo, Mich. This revised and considerably expanded edition of his 1997 publication of commentary on, and selections from, religious rules of life was done with Daniel Marcel La Corte.

"Sketches of Spain," an article by **Gema Nieto Nieto**, a 2002 visiting Fulbright student from Spain, was published in the February 2004 issue of *The Manhattan School of Music News Bulletin*.

The Soviets, the Munich Crisis, and the Coming of World War II is a new book by **Hugh Ragsdale**, a Fulbright scholar in 1981 at the Soviet Academy of Sciences (now known as the Russian Academy of Sciences) in Moscow.

Mark Edward Schlesinger (Sweden 2002) has edited "EPD Congress 2003" and "EPD Congress 2004," collections of papers on the extraction and processing of non-ferrous metals presented at Minerals, Metals, and Materials Society American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers Annual Meetings.

Seven Stories Press of New York has published *Information War: American Propaganda, Free Speech and Opinion Control Since 9/11* by **Nancy Snow** (Germany 1984), a

Fulbright Association life member, and the second edition of her first book, *Propaganda, Inc.: Selling America's Culture to the World*. An assistant professor of communications at the University of Southern Fullerton, adjunct professor at the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Southern California, and senior research fellow in the Center on Public Diplomacy, Dr. Snow also edits an online source on American persuasion, influence, and propaganda at www.nancysnow.com.

Translating Orients: Between Ideology and Utopia, a literary study by Fulbright Association life member **Timothy Weiss** (Tunisia 1988, Algeria 1993, Morocco 1994), was published this year by the University of Toronto Press.

Pendragon Press, New York, has published *New Music of the Nordic Countries* by **John D. White** (Iceland 1996, Austria 2003). Dr. White's latest work results from his Fulbright in Reykjavik researching

new music of Iceland. Dr. White, his wife, and his son are all Fulbright alumni. Marjorie A. White has had two Fulbright grants, the first to Finland in 1994 and the second to Iceland in 1999. Son David E. White was a Fulbright fellow in Iceland in 1993.

Ira Wolinsky (Greece 1999) has edited *Nutrition in Pharmacy Practice*, published recently by the American Pharmaceutical Association, and *Nutritional Concerns of Women*, published by CRC.

Exhibitions & Performances

The Collection of Latin American Architecture at Tulane University Library and the Jesuit Cultural Centers at the University of the Philippines are currently displaying more than 600 photographs by **Richard Ahlborn** (Philippines 1958). Dr. Ahlborn is curator emeritus of the Department of Cultural History at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History.

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Ana L. Cervantes

Agua y Piedra: Música Reciente de México, by **Ana L. Cervantes** (Mexico 1999), was released in May by ProDisc as part of its Clásicos Mexicanos series. The disc, which is her second CD, features music of seven Mexican composers and represents two generations of Mexican music. The idea for the disc took shape while Ms. Cervantes was on her Fulbright grant.

In June, Centaur Records will release J.S. Bach's *Concertos for One, Three, and Four Harpsichords*, a CD by Con Gioia Early Music Ensemble directed by **Preethi de Silva** (Germany 1995). Prof. de Silva, who teaches music at Scripps College, is the soloist in two concertos with one harpsichord and the lead soloist in the others. Con Gioia Early Music Ensemble, founded by Prof. de Silva in 1982, performs on period instruments to audiences throughout southern California.

Fulbright Association life member **Leslie Friedman** (India 1983) performed the solo concert "Heroic, Beloved" for the Women of Achievement Awards ceremony hosted by the Women's Center of Lakeland Community College this spring. Dr. Friedman was the inaugural lecturer under the Selma Jeanne Cohen Fund for International Scholarship on Dance in 2000 at the Fulbright Association's 23rd annual conference.

Pattee Library at Penn State University has mounted "The Poetic World of Robert Lima," a retrospective on the career of **Robert Lima** (Peru 1976). The exhibition is on display through August 20. Dr. Lima currently serves as president of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the Fulbright Association.

Honors & Appointments

Fulbright Association life member **Raj Aggarwal** (Singapore 1983) received a 2004 Distinguished Scholar Award as part of the University Research Council's 10th annual Celebration of Scholarship at Kent State University. Dr. Aggarwal, Firestone chair in finance at Kent State University, is a fellow of the Academy of International Business and has written 12 books and more than 50 scholarly papers in leading journals.

Jean Gounard (USA 1964, Germany 1985), director of International Student Affairs for Buffalo State College, has been named by French Republic President Jacques Chirac to receive recognition for distinguished merit as a chevalier (knight) in the National Order of Merit, one of two French national

orders. Dr. Gounard is past president of the Western New York and Northwestern Pennsylvania Chapter of the Fulbright Association.

The Pond God and Other Stories (Front Street, 2003), the first book of children's poetry by **Samuel Jay Keyser** (United Kingdom 1956, 1971), received a 2004 Lee Bennett Hopkins honor award and was selected as a Brodart GEM for Winter 2004. The Lee Bennett Hopkins Award is jointly administered by Penn State University's College of Education, University Libraries, and the Pennsylvania Center for the Book.

Fulbright Association life member **Thomas Oakland** (Brazil 1988) received the 2003 American Psychological Association Award for Distinguished Contributions to the Advancement of Psychology Internationally. He also received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Indiana University's College of Education. Dr. Oakland is professor of educational psychology at the University of Florida and holds honorary faculty appointments in the departments of psychology at the Iberoamerican University of Costa Rica and the University of Hong

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Spouse/Guests must preregister and prepay if they wish to attend conference events.

_____ **Conference Registration—Spouse/Guest Rate, \$125**

_____ **TOTAL DUE**

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ for all conference fees. Please return completed form and check to:
Fulbright Association, 666 11th St., NW, Suite 525, Washington, DC 20001

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hotel reservations must be made on or before Aug. 31 to receive the special room rate of €115 for a single or €120 for a double room. Tax and buffet breakfast are included. For reservations, please call Amphitriton Holidays at (202) 872-9878 or (800) 424-2471. All reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card or by pre-paying for the first night's room and tax. **To receive our special rate, please identify your affiliation with the Fulbright Association.** For more information on the Royal Olympic Hotel, please visit www.royalolympic.com. **Reservations must be made directly through Amphitriton Holidays in order to obtain the special discounted rate.**

HOTEL-ROOM SHARING

If you would like to share a hotel room with another conference participant, please inform Amphitriton Holidays when you contact them to make your reservations. Amphitriton will try to match you with another conference-goer looking for a roommate; however, they cannot guarantee a match.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION CANCELLATION POLICY

Those who cancel on or before Aug. 31 will be eligible for a full refund. Those who cancel on or before Sept. 15 will be eligible for a refund minus a \$75 administrative fee. No refunds will be issued for cancellations received after Sept 15.

All cancellation requests must be submitted in writing to the Fulbright Association.

Alumni Achievements

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Kong. Dr. Oakland created and serves as president of the International Foundation for Children's Education.

The Vermont State College Board of Trustees recently named **Margaret Ottum** (Iceland 1996) professor emeritas. Prof. Ottum retired as a full professor from Johnson State College in 2002 after 20 years of service. She continues to be involved in the college and recently assisted with the development of the Professor Margaret G. Ottum Environmental Scholarship, a \$500 award for an upper class environmental major. A life member of the Fulbright Association, Prof. Ottum is past president of the Vermont Chapter.

Veronika Soul is profiled in the 58th Edition of *Marquis Who's Who in America, 2004*. Ms. Soul was a Fulbright senior scholar to the West Bank and Israel in 1997 where she worked on a video project on Palestinian writers.

Job Changes

Fulbright Association life member **Charles H. Miller** (Israel 1979, Germany 1994) has returned to St. Mary's University, San Antonio, as professor of theology following a two-year term as rector at Ratisbonne Pontifical Institute, Jerusalem, where he addressed academic and financial problems facing that institution.

Renaissance Learning has named **Arthur Stellar** (Argentina 2000) chief education officer, a newly created position. Dr. Stellar will lead the development of two of the company's products designed to enable educators to personalize instruction and to ensure student success in new ways. ♦

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Global Fulbright Network

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alumni, please visit www.fulbrightpanama.org.

The **Polish Fulbright Alumni Association** convened the conference "Memory and Forgetfulness - Individualism and Togetherness in Democratic Society" and its fifth General Meeting in Katowice in March.

The **Third All-Russian Fulbright Alumni Conference** was held in St. Petersburg in October 2003. Participants explored the theme, "30 Years of the Fulbright Program in Russia: The Impact of International Exchanges on National Histories." Among other topics, the conference explored ways of promoting responsibility and openness in a changing cultural and social context. For more information on the St. Petersburg conference and the first and second all-Russian Fulbright alumni conferences in Moscow and Yaroslavl, please visit www.prof.msu.ru/Fulbright/index.html. ♦

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