The U.S. Department of State has reestablished the Fulbright program with Iraq following a 14-year suspension. The first group of Iraqi Fulbrighters, 23 students and two scholars, arrived in the U.S. on Feb. 1. The group participated in a week-long orientation in Washington, D.C., meeting with State Department officials and President Bush.

"Meeting the 21st century challenges that confront our countries and our international community will require an unprecedented degree of cooperation among nations and among leaders in every field," said Secretary of State Colin Powell, speaking to the Iraqi Fulbrighters. "As has been true in the past, I have no doubt that in the future, Fulbrighters like you, from across the globe, can be counted upon to serve your countries and to serve the world that we all inhabit."

The 19 men and six women will take master’s level classes in fields such as public administration, law, journalism, English, public health, and communications. Prior to beginning their studies, the Fulbrighters will participate in special pre-academic training programs at Indiana University, University of Arizona, University of California-Santa Cruz, and University of Oregon to refine their English language skills, to learn about the United States, its society, values, and institutions, and to be introduced to U.S. academic culture.

"It was just like someone handing you the keys of your future gates and making you the only one in charge of your own promotion," wrote one of the Fulbrighters in an e-mail message. "I am not going to miss this chance. I will make history. I will get a master's degree and return to my country to teach and build a perfect generation."

A nationwide recruitment campaign was mounted to attract qualified Iraqi applicants following the October 2003 announcement of the reestablishment of the Fulbright program with Iraq. Information and applications were distributed through 18 provincial centers, on the Internet, and through Iraqi universities. Nearly 400 applications were received for 25 (continued on page 24)
Members Elect President, Directors

R. Fenton-May was elected by members to serve as president of the Fulbright Association in 2004. Dr. Fenton-May has served on the Association’s board of directors since 1998 and has been a leader in the Georgia Chapter of the Fulbright Association, most recently as chapter president.

Private investor R. Fenton-May was previously director of operations development at The Coca-Cola Company, where he also served as president, Coca-Cola China Ltd., Hong Kong; vice president and president, Coca-Cola Central Pacific Ltd., Hong Kong; and technical manager, Coca-Cola Holding B.V., Amsterdam, Netherlands; chairman of the North American Development Committee of the University of Edinburgh; and on the boards of the Anti-Prejudice Consortium (Atlanta) and of L&E International, a China-focused investment company.

Board Class of 2005

Directors elected for the term Jan. 1, 2003, to Dec. 31, 2005, are Mark Brzezinski and Wadie Said (first term) and Patti Rosenfeld, Linda H. Scanlan, and Anthony Viscusi (second term).

Mark P. Brzezinski

A former director of Southeast European affairs at the National Security Council at the White House, Mark F. Brzezinski is a partner in the Washington, D.C., office of the law firm of McGuireWoods LLP, where he manages the international law practice. He served at the White House on the National Security Council, first as a director for Russian, Ukrainian, and Eurasian affairs and then as director of Southeast Eurasian affairs. Mr. Brzezinski is also an award-winning author and noted speaker. He wrote The Struggle for Constitutionalism in Poland in 1998, and his work has been featured in The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Washington Times, Los Angeles Times, and Wall Street Journal Europe. A member of the Washington Board of the Council on Foreign Relations, he has also served on the advisory board of the American Bar Association’s Central and East European Law Initiative. Mr. Brzezinski received his bachelor’s degree in government/political studies from Dartmouth College and earned his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law, where he served as an editor of the Virginia Law Review. Mr. Brzezinski was a Fulbright scholar at the Polish Constitutional Court. He earned his doctorate in political science from Oxford University.

Wadie E. Said

An assistant federal defender at the office of the Federal Public Defender in the Middle District of Florida, Wadie E. Said received his juris doctor degree from the Columbia University School of Law, where he served as an editor of the Columbia Human Rights Law Review. While in law school, he studied at the University of London School of Oriental and African Studies. He earned his bachelor of arts degree in history from Princeton University. Mr. Said was a Fulbright fellow at the Center for Arabic Study Abroad in Cairo in 1994-95, where he received advanced language training in Arabic literature. Mr. Said was law clerk for Chief Judge Charles P. Sifton of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York and served as a summer associate with Milbank Tweed Hadley and McCloy. He has been an intern with the Columbia Human Rights Internship/Palestine Peace Project, an advocate for the Democracy and Workers’ Rights Center, and a translator for the United Nations Economic Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). He is an author of several studies on the legal status of Palestinian refugees. Prior to joining the Federal Public Defender’s office, Mr. Said was a litigation associate at Debevoise and Plimpton in New York City. He is a member of the New York State Bar.

Board Class of 2006

Directors elected for the term Jan. 1, 2004, to Dec. 31, 2006, are Yvonne Scruggs-Leffwich and Suzanne Elise Siskel (first term) and Miguel A. Bretos, Marilyn Berg Callander, Todd Flynn, Alison L. Gurdy and Philip A. Odeen (second term).

Edward J. Blakely and Dolores Rinke were re-elected to the board for a one year term from Jan. 1, 2004, to Dec. 31, 2004.

Yvonne Scruggs-Leffwich

is currently senior professor, National Labor College of the George Meany Center for Labor Studies. Formerly, as executive director and chief operating officer of the Black Leadership Forum, she has also served on the Ford Foundation’s Board Class of 2006.

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E-Advocacy Tools at www.fulbright.org/advocacy

The Fulbright Association’s web site is home to a comprehensive advocacy section powered by the leading provider of Internet advocacy tools. Features enable Association members and supporters to better connect with their members of Congress and the media in support of the Fulbright program.

Please visit the site today to take a look at the options available to you and let your congressional delegation know what the Fulbright experience has meant to you and to your community. Go to www.fulbright.org/advocacy or from the Association’s home page click on “Advocacy.”

Action Alerts
This section posts Fulbright Association action alerts with updated information on the status of legislation affecting the Fulbright Program. Please make sure that you are also signed up for the Fulbright Association’s e-mail list so that you receive all the alerts.

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Use this tool to find easily biographical and contact information (including e-mail) on your members of Congress. Just input your ZIP code and hit enter!

Issues & Legislation
See current legislation affecting the Fulbright Program. You can also search for other major legislation currently before Congress.

Background Information
Here you will find links to the web sites of government agencies and nonprofit organizations dealing with the Fulbright program or international exchanges.

Advocacy Manual
Available to download in PDF format, the Fulbright Association Advocacy Manual is an excellent resource for anyone interested in advocating on behalf of the Fulbright program. This manual outlines the federal budgetary process as it relates to the Fulbright program, provides tips for communicating with Congress, contains sample talking points, and more.

Guide to the Media
Locate contact information for media outlets in your area. Search the database for newspapers, television stations, radio stations, and magazines. You can easily search by state, ZIP code, name of the reporter, or by the name of the organization.

Other Features
Congress Today allows you to find view the daily schedules of the House and Senate. You can also search for Committee hearings.

State Dept. Exchanges Budget Update
President Bush requested $345.346 million for educational and cultural exchange programs in his Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 budget, released on Feb. 2. While the FY 2004 budget request also set funding at this level, Congress appropriated $320 million for FY ’04 for exchange programs administered by the State Department’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA).

ECA’s academic exchange programs received an appropriation of $190 million in FY ’04 and President Bush has requested $192.1 million for FY ’05. In addition to the Fulbright program for students, teachers and scholars, ECA’s academic exchange programs include Humphrey fellowships; the Gilman undergraduate study abroad program; English language programming abroad; overseas educational advising centers; American overseas research centers; and U.S. studies programs designed to promote better foreign understanding of the United States.

Of the $345 million the administration requested for FY ’05 ECA programs, significant funding is targeted for programs with the Muslim world. The budget proposal identifies $25 million for the Partnerships for Learning (P4L) and the Youths Exchange and Study (YES) programs, both focused on the Muslim world. Supporting budget documents state, “New public diplomacy efforts including the Partnerships for Learning (P4L) and Youth Exchange Study (YES) programs have been created to reach a younger and more diverse audience through academic and professional exchange programs. In 2005, the P4L and the YES programs, funded at $61 million, will focus more on youth of the Muslim world, specifically targeting non-traditional, (continued on page 24)

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who received grants for study and research abroad for the 2003-04 academic year. Fulbright recipients and their Fulbright countries are: Christopher Anderson (Chile), Michael Guentert (Israel), Kathryn Stepp (Germany), Carrie Strickland (Norway), Jeffrey Thompson (Argentina), Carolyn Walsh (Germany), and Joseph Wolpin (Russia). Tom J. Clees, associate professor in the Department of Special Education, received a Fulbright grant to conduct research at Mary Immaculate College in Ireland on variables affecting the successful post-school transition of individuals with special needs. For more information, please visit www.uga.edu/oie/attachments/Global_Connections_Fall_2003.pdf.

IDAHO

Idaho State University (ISU) graduate Jared Steadman was awarded a Fulbright grant to Austria in 2003. Steadman, who graduated in December 2002, will conduct research in the field of political science at the University of Vienna. In 2000, Brett Rawlin, also a German major, became the first ISU student to receive a Fulbright fellowship. He also studied at the University of Freiburg in Germany. For more information, please visit www.isu.edu/news/releases/Global_Connections_Fall_2003.pdf.

MARYLAND

The Department of Music at the University of Maryland Baltimore County hosted a five-day festival, Music of Japan Today 2003, with performances of traditional and contemporary Japanese music and dance. The event featured performers from the Japanese National Symphony Orchestra, the Tokyo Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra, and ensemble Ruckus. The festival was presented in cooperation with the Embassy of Japan, with additional support from the Japan Foundation and the Musical Instrument Museum. For more information, please visit www.umbc.edu/NewsEvents/releases/article.php?news_id=764.

MISSISSIPPI

Both faculty members and students at the University of Mississippi (UM) have recently participated in the Fulbright program. The university has also welcomed visiting Fulbright scholars. English Professor Anne Fischer-Wirth is on a Fulbright to Sweden where she is teaching American and Southern literature as well as environmental and creative writing. Jay Watson, also of the English Department, is in Finland teaching American studies for the University of Turku and Abo Akademi University. Professor Watson will also give several readings at the Turku Book Festival. For more information, please visit www.dartmouth.edu/~news/releases/2003/09/19k.html.

NEW YORK

Paul P. Kantor, a political science professor at Fordham University, served as a Fulbright senior specialist this past summer at the Universities of Milano-Bicocca and Bari in Italy. He lectured on the impact of globalization on local politics. The subject is also the basis of his book Cities in the International Marketplace: The Political Economy of Urban Development in North America and Western Europe (Princeton, 2002).

For the academic year 2002-03, New York University (NYU) ranked second in the nation among colleges and universities for the number of foreign students hosted. According to Open Doors 2003, a report published by the Institute of International Education, the report also states that during the 2002-03 academic year, 153 U.S. colleges and universities hosted 1,000 or more international students, three more than the previous year. Of those campuses, 29 hosted more than 3,000 international students each. NYU’s foreign student population numbered 5,454 in 2002-03. Please visit http://opendoors.iienetwork.org for more information.

Kudos

Congratulations to the following Institutional Members for being recognized as “Most Internationalized” in Internationalizing the Campus 2003, a report from NAFSA: Association of International Educators:

Dickinson College
San Diego State University
Yale University

The following Institutional Members were also highlighted for noteworthy programs:

Middlebury College
St. Olaf College
Tufts-The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy
University of Pittsburgh

The Internationalizing the Campus 2003 report can be found online at www.nafsa.org/content/whatsnew/press/releases/IntlCampus41010.htm.
Current Fulbright Grantees Now Connected to Fulbright Alumni Community

Seeking to enrich the experience of Fulbrighters during their grant period, the Fulbright Association, assisted by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, has created a mentoring program for currently selected U.S. Fulbright grantees.

"The Fulbright alumni community can share a wealth of knowledge with current grantees," said Fulbright Association Director of Membership Development Marshall Ellis. "The new e-membership program gives current Fulbright grantees access to this knowledge base in order to enhance their Fulbright grant experience. We believe that connecting current grantees with the alumni community will enrich their experience, thus furthering the Fulbright program's goal of increasing mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries."

The membership depends on current grantees maintaining a valid e-mail address to take advantage of the benefits, which are electronic. Grantees are e-mailed solely through electronic means; membership communications are distributed electronically, with the exception of announcements of books and other publications, which are mailed, where possible, free of charge to the host country of the Fulbright scholar. Proactive communications are sent to grantees to encourage participation, and the opportunity exists for correspondent study abroad to establish emerging alumni communities in host countries.

Fulbright grantees who have previously received a Fulbright grant are eligible for the e-membership. For more information on the Fulbright Association's e-membership program for current Fulbright grantees, please contact Marshall Ellis at (202) 347-5543 or marshall.ellis@fulbright.org.

Fulbright scholars are eligible for the special, free e-membership during the time of their grant, allowing them to take advantage of the features of the Fulbright Association's online community to connect with each other and with alumni who have been in their host countries and elsewhere.

Grantees will be informed by the Fulbright Association in late Sept. 1 each year about their free e-membership and information necessary to register for the Association's online community. Grantees who have previously received a Fulbright grant are not eligible for the e-membership.

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Fulbright Association Web Site and Online Community Update

The Fulbright Association's revamped web site and online community for Fulbrighters launched in April 2003 are experiencing great success. The secure, password-protected online community provides many tools to facilitate lifelong interaction among alumni and current participants, a goal outlined in the Association's mission statement. Features of the online community include an online directory with information on more than 50,000 former Fulbrighters, a calendar of Association and chapter events, message boards, alumni notes, and a chat room. A career center and mentoring service are also part of the online community and can be helpful to Fulbrighters looking for professional advice, searching for a job, or searching for an employee. Access to the online community is a membership benefit.

Nearly 5,900 Fulbrighters have registered for the online community with more than 500 posting photographs in their online directory listings. The Alumni Notes section has almost 100 updates on Fulbrighters, ranging from announcements of books published to job promotions. The Mentoring Service has proved to be a popular feature among younger alumni, current Fulbrighters, and those transitioning to new careers. Individuals can search the mentor postings for a mentor and create a "mentee" posting explaining what they are looking for in a mentor. Members interested in serving as a mentor are encouraged to create a "mentor" posting. Fulbright Association members are asked to register for the online community to take advantage of the services available. To get started, please go to www.fulbright.org/register.
In October 2003, Cyprus named Fulbright alumnus Euripides L. Evripides ambassador to the United States. Ambassador Evripides was a Fulbright scholar at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University where he earned a master's degree in public administration in 1984. Ambassador Evripides concurrently serves as non-resident ambassador to Brazil and high commissioner of Cyprus to Canada, Guyana, Jamaica, the Bahamas and Barbados. He also serves as permanent representative to the International Civil Aviation Organization, permanent observer to the Organization of American States, and as the official representative of Cyprus to the World Bank and International Monetary Fund.

The ASLA-Fulbright Alumni Association (Finand) celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2003 and held several events to mark the anniversary including a concert by the Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra in Finlandia Hall on November 20, 2003. Chief Commissioner of Cyprus to Canada, Raymond M. Jefferson, one of the most well-known Finnish Fulbright scholars, conducted the concert. The concert program included Ludwig van Beethoven’s Leonore III overture; Karl Szymanowski’s Violin Concerto 1; and Jean Sibelius’ Symphony 3. For more information, please visit www.fulbright-alumni.net.

The Irish Fulbright Alumni Association hosted its Eighth Annual Fulbright Scholars and Alumni Dinner in June 2003. The event, attended by more than 100 Fulbright alumni, current Fulbrighters, and heads of academic institutions throughout Ireland, was the 14th Irish Fulbright grantee for 2003-04.

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Journalist, Educator, Fulbright Scholar to Foster International Communications through Gift to Fulbright Association

Linda S. Scanlan

Influenced by the Selma Jeanne Cohen Lecture for International Scholarship on Dance, Linda S. Scanlan has included the Fulbright Association in her planned giving. Ms. Scanlan has made a bequest to the Fulbright Association through a 457 deferred giving plan for Virginia that Virginia makes available to state employees. The bequest will support a lecture in the area of international scholarship.

Ms. Scanlan taught at Norfolk State University for 17 years and chaired the Department of Journalism for six years, after having worked at five daily newspapers. Now a freelance writer and public relations consultant, she received her master’s degree in journalism from Columbia University and a master’s degree in international communications.

Ms. Scanlan helped found the Public Relations Society of America’s media network in 1991. She became a life member of the Fulbright Association upon returning from her Fulbright experience in Bulgaria. With colleagues on the chapter board, she has developed grant proposals for the chapter grant program funded by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State and administered by the Fulbright Association.

Now serving her second, three-year term on the Fulbright Association’s Southeast Virginia Chapter, Ms. Scanlan currently serves as its secretary. She has emphasized providing enriching experiences and practical help to Fulbrighters from around the world who are studying and working at institutions in Virginia. With colleagues on the chapter board, she has developed grant proposals for the chapter grant program funded by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State and administered by the Fulbright Association.

Ms. Scanlan is also a leader in the Public Relations Society of America, a member of the chapter board, and past chair of the chapter board. She was honored with a Fulbright Public Relations Medallion. Her interest and expertise in various international communications issues has led to consultations with the former United States Information Agency and with the Agency for International Development. Ms. Scanlan has held seminars and workshops on public relations and journalism throughout Eastern Europe. She is also an active member of the United Nations Women’s Foundation.

On behalf of Fulbrighters around the world, the Fulbright Association thanks Ms. Scanlan for her vision, dedication, and generosity.

Pamela S. Tucker

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Linda S. Scanlan

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Chapter Events

Through the Fulbright Occasional Lecturer Program, the Alabama Chapter invited Dr. Jyotsna Bapat (USA 2002), a Fulbright scholar from India, to speak at Miles College, an historically black college in Birmingham. Dr. Bapat, a scholar in residence at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn., spoke on "Global Issues: Impact of Multinational Organizations on National Identities."

Tony Redhouse, a member of the Navajo Nations, and the Black Horse Dancers, performed for visiting Fulbrighters and members of the Arizona Chapter. The dancers, known for telling stories through performance, began with an eagle dance and concluded with a hoop dance.

The Florida Chapter arranged for visiting Fulbrighters to have a special tour of Ybor City and the Ybor City Museum. The tour was narrated by Gary Morrow (Italy 1981). Ybor City was formed circa 1880 by immigrants from Cuba, Italy, and Spain, who were employed in the area’s cigar factories.

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In observance of the 60th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Hawaii Chapter made arrangements for visiting Fulbright scholars, students, and teachers to visit related sites and to attend lectures and briefings. The sites included the Arizona Memorial and Museum, the Battleship Missouri, Schofield Barracks, Hickam Air Force Base, and Fort DeRussy, all key factors in the war.

The Chicago Chapter hosted its third annual Spring Luncheon, attended by visiting Fulbrighters, Chicago area alumni, and members of the Wisconsin Chapter. William J. Bauer, senior judge of the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, spoke on ways the American legal system enhances international cooperation.

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Orleans, a history and demonstration of jazz, and a short history of Jazz Fest. Following the presentations, the group proceeded to the fairgrounds for a full day of music and southern Louisiana cuisine. The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State provided funding for this event.

Why are Americans Really so Crazy about Sports?" the alumni provided the visiting Fulbrighters a hands-on introduction to bowling. This program was made possible by a Mentoring, Outreach, and Enrichment grant from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State.

Visiting Fulbrighters and their families pose with members of the Southeast Michigan Chapter in front of a Diego Rivera mural at the Detroit Institute of Art during a "Tour of Detroit" organized by the Chapter.

The Central New York Chapter hosted a luncheon for international Fulbrighters and Andrew Wiese and the Rev. Father Darius from Sudan. After the luncheon, the Fulbrighters attended "The Wars of Our Fathers Are Not Ours," a program at Syracuse University on the cultural heritage of Sudanese refugees in New York State. The program was spearheaded by Felicia Faye McMahon (Germany 1995), who has been working with the "Lost Boys," a group of young refugees who performed traditional songs and dances for the program. The "Lost Boys" are the male children of the displaced tribes from the Sudan. Starting in the late 1980s, thousands of Sudanese boys trekked to Ethiopia to flee their country's civil war. They remained in camps in Ethiopia with HIV/AIDS, the problems and challenges of India’s caste system, clean water, sanitation, and the spread of disease. On his Fulbright, Dr. Trigg was guest lecturer in public health assigned to the Department of Community Medicine at the Kasturba Medical College of the Manipal Academy of Higher Education in Karnataka in southern India.

Three "Lost Boys" demonstrate traditional Sudanese dances.

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With the Central New York Chapter and Fulbright alumni and visiting Fulbrighters at the Chapter’s Annual Welcoming Reception in the Fall. The reception, co-hosted by Northeastern University’s International Student and Scholar Institute, drew over 200 people.

The Southeast Michigan Chapter organized a "Sport in America" event that brought visiting Fulbrighters and alumni together at a local bowling alley. After listening to the lecture "The History and Sociology of Sport in American Life: Phebe Beckell (India 1991) hosted members of the New Mexico Chapter for an event featuring Bruce Trigg (India 2000), a pediatrician. His presentation, including slides, covered his work with HIV/AIDS, the problems and challenges of India’s caste system, clean water, sanitation, and the spread of disease. On his Fulbright, Dr. Trigg was guest lecturer in public health assigned to the Department of Community Medicine at the Kasturba Medical College of the Manipal Academy of Higher Education in Karnataka in southern India.

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New York Chapter

Members of the newly formed Eastern New York Chapter share a meal at the chapter’s inaugural event in 2003.

Alison Gardy (Mexico 1988), a director of the Fulbright Association and a past president of the Greater New York Chapter, gave the keynote speech on the Youth Mentoring Writing Initiative Reception and Award Ceremony at Sarah Lawrence College. Twenty-one Yonkers High School students won sponsorships organized by the chapter to attend the Sarah Lawrence College High School Summer Writers Workshop. The students read from their work, which included themes of diversity, conflict resolution, and global issues. This program was made possible through a grant from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the Department of State.

The Spring meeting of the Western New York/Northwestern Pennsylvania Chapter at Buffalo State College featured presentations by Fulbrighters. Ann Colley (Poland 1995) of Buffalo State College spoke on her work with libraries in Ukraine. Dalia Marcinekiewiczevi, a visiting Fulbright scholar from Lithuania, discussed her research in women’s studies. Lynn Yasi, a visiting Fulbright student from the Philippines, described her studies in art conservation. Christina Zawierucha, a Fulbright-Hays recipient, gave an audio-visual presentation on her experience in India. Chapter President Ted Schwalbe (Bulgaria 1997, Swaziland 2002), Buffalo State College Provost Gary Marotta, and Chapter Vice President for Advocacy Jenn Gounard (USA 1964, Germany 1985) welcomed Fulbrighters.

The Philadelphia/Delaware Valley Chapter hosted its annual dinner banquet at Evviva Restaurant in Narberth. Arthur Klingerhoff spoke about the politics of maps. Dr. Klingerhoff, recipient of Fulbright grants to Israel in 1982 and to China in 1992, is professor of political science at Rutgers University. He has written several books on a variety of international political issues.

Brown University President and 2002 Fulbright Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Ruth J. Simmons (France 1967, Germany 1981) hosted a reception at the President’s House for members of the Rhode Island Chapter. Members were joined by visiting Fulbrighters and their families.

At the Vermont Chapter November event, members named Alfred Rosa (Italy 1973) president emeritus of the chapter and recognized his contributions to founding and sustaining the chapter for the past ten years. Nga Phuong Nguyen, a visiting Fulbright scholar from Vietnam National University in Hanoi, spoke. Dr. Nguyen was at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst from Oct. 2002 to June 2003.

The Southeast Virginia Chapter arranged for visiting Fulbrighters to conduct a wine tasting at a day-long trip to Washington’s wine country in Spring 2003.

Virginia Fine Arts Museum in Richmond. A highlight of the visit was a guided walk through the museum’s extensive collection of work by Russian jeweler Faberge. The visit, which the week after Easter, featured several of the famed eggs commissioned by Nicholas II, last tsar of Russia. Tracy Tuten Ryan (Korea 2001), a faculty member at Virginia Commonwealth University, arranged for an event supported by an enrichment grant from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State.

With support of a grant from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the Department of State, the Greater Puget Sound Chapter organized a day long trip to a Cinco de Mayo festival and a tour of Washington’s wine country. The visit to Sunnyside for the Cinco de Mayo festival was an opportunity to experience a small town festival and to sample Mexican food. The trip took the group through Snoqualmie Pass over the Cascade Mountains down to the wine region of Yakima Valley. Washington is the second largest wine producing state in the United States.

In Memoriam

The Fulbright Association joins Southeast Michigan Chapter members in mourning the death of Eugene D. Perle, professor of urbanology at Wayne State University and long a mainstay of the chapter. Dr. Perle had been a principal designer of the chapter’s urban immersion experience, comprised of an annual bus tour of Detroit and lectures on the city’s history. Dr. Perle’s death followed upon another grievous loss to the chapter: Diane Peters, a lawyer who had been the chapter advocacy chair, died in 2002.
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Exhibitions & Performances

New paintings by Pat Adams (France 1956) were exhibited by Zabriskie Gallery, New York City, last spring. The catalogue included works in oil, acrylic, giclée, shell, enamel, and isobutyl methacrylate on paper.

The Silvermine Guild of Art organized the “Spirit of Hope,” a 40-year retrospective of the art work of Fulbright Association life member Suzanne Benton. Ms. Benton performed “Mask Time” at the opening of the exhibition last March.

The Pleiades Gallery hosted “Cascading Waters,” a solo art exhibition featuring the work of Hilda Green Demsky (The Netherlands 1992). Ms. Demsky was also recently awarded four painting residencies to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond, Va., for her contributions to strengthening Bay Area communities by making productive connections between cultures and nonprofits at a special awards luncheon in November 2003.

Janice McCoart (Bulgaria 2001) organized a contemporary Bulgarian Art Exhibition as part of a Marymount (Va.) University Celebrates Bulgaria program. The exhibition featured artists Dimitar Finkov, Christo Kostov, Tsvetomir Assenov, and Anna Boyadgieva. Nevi Mitseva served as curator. Dr. McCoart chairs the Department of Fine and Applied Arts at the university.


Reed Gratz (Austria 1991-92, The Netherlands 2001) performed a solo piano recital at the home of the U.S. ambassador to The Netherlands on the occasion of a dinner honoring Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands’ Provincial Commissioners. Dr. Gratz was introduced by the ambassador and given the opportunity to discuss the importance of the Fulbright program and share a few of his Fulbright experiences with the audience. At the time, Dr. Gratz was on a Fulbright distinguished chairs program grant as the 2001 Wilt Whitman distinguished chair of American culture studies at Leiden University teaching classes in American music and jazz history.

Ten works by June Julian (The Netherlands 1990) were included in the Icarus 2002-2003” exhibit at Galeria Tuset in Barcelona, Spain.

The Albert Schweitzer International University awarded Grethe Stea Birkvadet (USA 1968) its Medal for Science and Peace in October 2002. Dr. Birkvadet, who holds doctor of medicine and doctor of philosophy degrees, is affiliated with the Department of Cardiology of the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York City.

Fulbright Association life member Vctor D. Cha (Korea 1991, 1997) was named in Fall 2002 as the D. S. Song-Korea Foundation Endowed Chair in Korean studies at Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service. His book Alignment Despite Antagonism: The United States-Korea-Japan Security Triangle (Stanford University Press) received the 2000 Masayoshi Ohira Foundation Book Prize for best book on Asia.

Justin Chen (Germany 2003) was awarded the David W. Miller Award for Student Journalists by the Higher Education in October 2003. Mr. Chen received the award for two articles he wrote for The Yale Herald while he was a student at the university.


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On Jan. 27, 2003, Rep. Sam Farr (CA-17) rose in the U.S. House of Representatives to honor Fulbright Association life member Hisashi Kajikuri (USA 1954) on the occasion of Dr. Kajikuri’s receipt of the Monterey County Physician of the Year award. Farr’s remarks in the Congressional Record note that Dr. Kajikuri began his career as an intern for a U.S. military hospital and later received a Fulbright fellowship to research heart valve autographs at the University of Indiana. Dr. Kajikuri became a U.S. citizen in 1967 and began a practice in Monterey, where he spent his second Fulbright.

For his contributions to health care, his talents as an educator, his concern for patients, his professional competence, and his work with young physicians.

The National League of American Pen Women awarded first prize in its 2002 National Composition Competition to "A Bouquet of Bagatelles" by Elizabeth Laufer (Germany 1955). Her choral work, "Four Seasonal Settings," won second prize in the category. Ms. Laufer was also chosen through a competitive process to write a work for the 2002 Connecticut State Music Teachers Association convention.

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writing, a guest faculty post at the School of Mass Communications of the University of South Florida, in 2003. Mr. Waddle is executive editor and vice president/news of The Anniston (Ala.) Star and Consolidated Publishing Co. At the University of South Florida, he taught a mass communications class in editorial and commentary writing and gave a lecture to the university community.

Lectures


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FY ’05 Budget Update
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English speaking youth.”

According to Alliance for International Educational and Cultural Exchange conversations with State Department sources, the $61 million figure quoted in budget documents includes a total of $36 million reprogrammed in earlier years, plus $25 million in the FY ’05 request.

President Bush’s overall State Department budget would provide $3.626 billion for ongoing State Department operations, a net increase of $86 million over the estimated FY ‘04 level, in order to “sustain current diplomatic and consular operations and enable the Department to meet new requirements in the post-September 11 environment including staffing for U.S. embassies in Baghdad and Kabul. It also supports additional Foreign Service positions overseas to enhance the security of U.S. borders in the visa adjudication process.”

The FY ’05 budget request can be found online at www.state.gov/m/rrm/rls/iaf/2005.

Iraqi Fulbrighters
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available grants. Two binational committees reviewed the applications. The final selection of grantees was made by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board in Dec. 2003.

“When [the Iraqi grantees] finish their particular programs, in the summer and in the fall, they will be placed at academically-appropriate universities around the country,” said Tom Farrell (Pakistan 1976), deputy assistant secretary of state for educational and cultural affairs, “because we want them to both understand the full range of the United States, the diversity and the variety of the United States, and we want as many different Americans to experience the really valuable mutual understanding that people-to-people relationships can bring.”

Currently, the Iraqi Fulbright program is only operating one-way exchanges—bringing Iraqis to the United States. The Department of State is evaluating the situation in Iraq, but has made no final determination on when Americans will be able to apply for Fulbright grants to Iraq.