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## Homecoming 2007 Weekend

Exciting plans are in the making for the Homecoming 2007 Weekend. Look for the pull-out brochure in the centre of this magazine and check out the website:

[www.dundee.ac.uk/homecoming2007](http://www.dundee.ac.uk/homecoming2007)

A more comprehensive brochure will follow during Summer 2006. Why not contact those special friends from your university days and plan a fantastic reunion?

## Welcome Class of 2005

The Alumni Relations Office would like to extend a warm welcome to the class of 2005. Did you know that members of your Dundee alumni family are living and working around the globe? Our country groups continue to grow with new additions in Japan and Cyprus this year. See the list of groups and organisers on page 37. You may have several moves before settling to your first position or you may be taking a gap year, please keep in touch and remember that our Careers Department can help with your job search or with CV advice.

**Medical Alumni** - a date for your diaries: 6/7 September 2007 Dinner to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Faculty of Medicine. Further details later.

## 2005 Telephone Campaign

The 2005 Alumni Telephone Campaign was again a big success. I hope those of you who were called enjoyed speaking to our student callers. Where possible we try to match our students and alumni by faculty which results in more meaningful conversations. Thank you for your very kind donations to the Annual Fund. You are making a big difference to our students in genuine financial hardship.

## Dundee-Reunited.com

More than 1000 of our alumni registered on our on-line community, Dundee-Reunited.com last year. We're sorry for the interruption in this service. We aim to be up and running again as soon as possible in 2006.

## Helping your University

Alumni of all ages are contacting us to ask if they can help their University as ambassadors, recruiters, making legacies or in providing scholarships.

**Your influence, your position in Industry or the Service sector and your fondness for the University of Dundee are a powerful combination. Please consider how you can help.**

We look forward to welcoming you back in 2007.

**Dianne Pemberton-Pigott • Head of Alumni Relations  
Project Manager: Homecoming 2007 Weekend**

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# Message from the Principal

**As I write this, the winter sun is adding a golden filigree to the glorious campus roofscape of cupolas, flat roofs, gables... and tower cranes; the brooding waters of the Tay are crested in white and a snow storm is gathering in the Angus skies. Students in groups of twos and threes are emerging from buildings in earnest, and not so earnest, conversation and DUSA is the usual hive of action.**



from left: Sir Alan Langlands, Professor Geoff Ward (Deputy Principal) and Professor Germaine Greer

Much of that scene will be familiar to you from your student days. What may be less familiar is the transforming campus as the University's £200 million redevelopment programme is taking shape. Over the last year we have opened the Queen Mother Building with its signature "signal towers", doubled the size of the Wellcome Trust Biocentre with the opening of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research; advanced the construction of new central campus student residences where Belmont used to be; started work on a new "research hotel" – the Clinical Research Centre at Ninewells and on a cutting edge academic complex at the Hawkhill.

We have also embarked on a programme of refashioning the interiors of the listed buildings around the Geddes Quadrangle and College Green. Truly Dundee is developing a campus suitable for 21st century learning and research blending old with new.

But the real value of buildings is in the attraction of the highest quality staff and students and for that, reputation is vital.

We were very proud to be named in the 2005 Times league tables as first in the UK for teaching quality.

Recent weeks have seen a further accolade of awards – one of four shortlisted for the UK University of the Year in the new THES awards; voted the best scientific workplace in Europe for the second successive year; and, to top it all, winner of one of the most prestigious awards in higher education – The Queen's Anniversary Prize. This will be awarded at Buckingham Palace in February 2006 for Dundee's work in drug discovery directed by Sir Philip Cohen and Professor Pete Downes.

Other highlights of the year have included Dundee being named as the world's first UNESCO water law centre - and the first UNESCO centre in the UK; our first graduation ceremony in Eritrea where 18 senior nursing professionals who have been distance learning, completed their degrees; an excellent record of success from Duncan of Jordanstone College in research proposals to the newly formed Arts and Humanities Research Council; and sound practical engagement with initiatives in the city by those in education and social work as well as members of the Geddes Institute.

Our postgraduate and continuing professional development programmes are growing and advancing rapidly and we hope the University will be your first choice for CPD in the future.

We were delighted to welcome back alumnus Lord George Robertson to deliver a thought provoking annual lecture for the Institute for Transatlantic, European and American Studies.

We hope you too will return to the University and this year's Dundee Reunited includes a brochure for Homecoming 2007 – a rich programme of events which we hope you will enjoy.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all those of you who agreed to speak to student callers during the telephone campaign and who have given to the Annual Fund. This is already working to the great benefit of students – providing a range of assistance including hardship bursaries and access scholarships. Your support for the next generation of students is much appreciated.

Finally, we are very sad to lose our Chancellor Sir James Black who has brought so much to the University over his 13 years of office. His inspirational presence, his passion for science and for education, his wisdom and above all his kindness and humanity have kept the University true and on course. We have been greatly honoured by his Chancellorship. A new Chancellor will be installed by graduation 2006.

I wish you well for the year ahead.

**Alan Langlands**  
**Principal and Vice Chancellor**

## Dundee named best for teaching ...

**The University was named top in the United Kingdom for teaching quality in the most recent university league tables, published in The Times Higher Education Supplement and The Times.**

"The University of Dundee is delighted to be named by the Times Higher Education Supplement as top in the UK for teaching quality," said Professor James Calderhead, Vice-Principal of the University.

"The University of Dundee is developing a reputation for innovative courses that are well taught in an attractive environment with excellent prospects of graduate employment."

The University has achieved a strong position across the board in the league tables, finishing in the top 25 in the UK overall.

## ... and the best place to work in Europe

**The University of Dundee was named the best place to work in Europe for the second year running in an international poll of scientists.**

Dundee has been rated extremely highly in each of the three years the poll has been running in the highly respected magazine The Scientist. In 2003 Dundee was placed second best in Europe, before claiming top spot in 2004 and 2005.

The 2005 survey in The Scientist magazine rates Dundee fourth outside the United States, behind only the Weizmann Institute of Science in Israel, and the Universities of Toronto and Alberta in Canada.

The results of the survey were taken from the responses of more than 2600 academics around the world. They rated relationships with their peers, a sense of accomplishment in their work, and access to research resources as the ingredients that make for a great workplace.

## Dundee International Book Prize 2007

**The Dundee International Book Prize 2007 has been launched with an aim to discover exciting new writers and give them the platform they need to break into the book world. The Prize is for an unpublished novel on any theme and in any genre.**

The winning author will receive prize money of £10,000 and join the three previous Dundee Book Prize winners in seeing their work published.

More information about the Dundee International Book Prize 2007 is available at [www.dundeebookprize.com](http://www.dundeebookprize.com)



**Above: 2005 Dundee Book Prize winner Malcolm Archibald with acclaimed writer and 2005 Prize judge Ian Rankin. Malcolm graduated from the University with a first class honours degree in history in 2001. He received the £6,000 cash prize for his first novel, entitled 'Whales for the Wizard', which has been published by Polygon.**

## Spin Out

**A new company which aims to tap into a (Euro) 70 billion market has been created in Dundee as a cross-border "spin-out" from the Universities of Dundee and Surrey.**

Quantum Filament Technologies will build on joint research findings from the two universities to develop radical new technologies in the field of flat panel displays, which are becoming ubiquitous in devices from mobile phones and digital cameras to home cinema.

In total, the University has created thirteen spin-out companies, nine of them since 1999, including Cyclacel, named the most promising spin-out venture in Scotland, CXR Biosciences, Star Dundee and Calico Jack.

The Incubator Unit at the University of Dundee is designed to encourage new business start-ups, and is home to a number of new businesses.

## Civil Engineering scoops £1.3m

**Researchers in the Division of Civil Engineering were awarded a grant of £1.3 million, the largest in the Division's history, to lead a research project that aims to answer one of modern urban planning's great unsolved questions – how to measure sustainability.**

"This grant reinforces the Division's reputation as the pre-eminent department for Civil Engineering research in any Scottish university," said Malcolm Horner, Deputy Principal and Professor of Engineering Management at the University of Dundee. The Division already holds the highest research rating in its field in Scotland.

## Queen's Anniversary Prize for drug discovery

**The University recently won a prestigious Queen's Anniversary Prize for Higher Education for its work in drug discovery.**

The award recognises the work of the Division of Signal Transduction Therapy (DSTT) - a unique consortium bringing together the research expertise of 12 research teams based in the School of Life Sciences and its associated Medical Research Council Protein Phosphorylation Unit, with six leading rivals from the pharmaceutical industry to drive the development of new drugs combating major diseases including cancer and diabetes.

Co-director of the DSTT, Professor Peter Downes said, "Scientists at the DSTT are no strangers to international awards but The Queen's Anniversary Prize is a particular honour and one of which we - and all our partners in the consortium - feel immensely proud.

"The Division of Signal Transduction Therapy has enhanced drug discovery programmes against diabetes, cancer and inflammatory diseases, contributing to the research and development pipelines of several of the world's largest pharmaceutical companies.

"It has stimulated biotechnology in the region by training scientists with knowledge of the needs of the commercial sector. Several of these staff helped to establish Upstate Inc., a company selling specialised reagents to the pharmaceutical industry, which was recently acquired by the Serologicals Corporation for \$205 million.

"The Queen's Anniversary Prize acknowledges Dundee's success as a global player in signal transduction research and its innovative approach to knowledge transfer. More than anything it is recognition for the efforts, dedication and commitment of all of the staff of the Division of Signal Transduction Therapy."

The Queen's Anniversary Prizes are awarded biennially to institutions of higher and further education for work of exceptional quality and of broad benefit either nationally or internationally. They form part of the honours system and constitute the highest honour in UK higher and further education. The awards will be presented by The Queen at Buckingham Palace in February 2006.

## Engineering trio say goodbye after more than a century of combined service

**The Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences has bid farewell to three academics who retired after working at the University for a combined total of 115 years.**

Professor Sandy Fitzgerald, Harris Professor of Physics and former Head of the Electronic Engineering and Physics Division, Dr Robin Vaughan, former director of the Centre for Remote Sensing and Environmental Monitoring, and lecturer Dr David Thompson retired in November 2005.

## The 2006 Aspect Prize to be launched this Spring

Formerly the Kennox Prize, the Aspect Prize is one of the largest prizes for painting in the UK. The prize winner will receive £10,000 and have their work exhibited at a London gallery. Three runners up will also receive £2,000 each and be invited to exhibit with the first place winner in London.

Entries are open to all artists living in Scotland who have not had a commercial solo exhibition in London in the past six years. The closing date for submissions is mid June 2006 and the winner will be announced later that month. More details are available on the website: [www.theaspectprize.com](http://www.theaspectprize.com) or by calling Julie Monegar on 0207 170 9666.

## University of Dundee honorary degrees



**The University of Dundee conferred honorary degrees on eight outstanding individuals at the 2005 summer graduation ceremonies including two Nobel prize-winning scientists, a comedian, a pioneer in the struggle against AIDS in Africa, a leading psychologist, the man who coined the term 'lateral thinking', a founder of clinical pharmacology and a leading climate expert.**

Among those to be honoured were Scotland's most distinguished living scientist, Sir James Black, comedian and former Rector of the University, Fred MacAulay and, Noerine Kaleeba, founder of The Aids Support Organisation in Uganda.

Other recipients were Baroness Susan Greenfield, one of the UK's leading authorities on brain function and disorders, Professor Sir Alasdair Breckenridge, one of the founding fathers of modern clinical pharmacology in the UK, Professor Julian Hunt, one of the world's foremost fluid dynamicists, Nobel Prize (Physiology or Medicine) winning scientist Sir John Sulston, and Dr Edward de Bono, widely regarded as a leading international authority in conceptual and creative thinking.

pictured above, from left: Former Deputy Principal Peter Howie and University Chancellor Sir James Black.

## £11m awarded for cancer research

**Cancer Research UK awarded £11 million to fund the work of seven Dundee-based principal investigators and their teams.**

Three of the research grants, totalling over £8M, were awarded to researchers at the Cancer Research UK Molecular Pharmacology Unit. Their work is focused on the factors involved in the uptake, metabolism and detoxification of chemicals. Such studies are important in understanding the causes of cancer and its prevention, as well as determining the activity of anticancer drugs.

The remaining four research grants were awarded to scientists based in the School of Life Sciences.

Professor Julian Blow and Dr Jason Swedlow were awarded funds to study the controls that are in place when cells multiply, Dr Neil Perkins was granted funding to investigate the role of the NF- $\kappa$ B family of molecules in cancer, and Professor David Lilley and his team were allocated funds to research the structure, folding and function of our cells' genetic material or DNA.

## Drug screening project nets £1.5 million

**A new facility based at the University which will allow drug targets discovered in Scottish universities to be tested against up to 100,000 chemicals was awarded almost £1.5 million from the Scottish Higher Education Funding Council.**

The Scottish Facility for Compound Screening and Library Synthesis is a joint project between the Universities of Dundee, Glasgow and St Andrews. The facility will be housed within the new £20 million Centre for Interdisciplinary Research, which is leading the project.

The compound screening facility will allow drug targets against infectious diseases, cancer, diabetes and allergy to be tested against up to 100,000 chemicals.

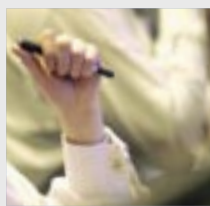
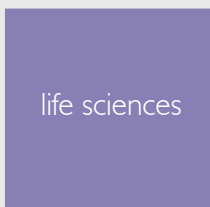
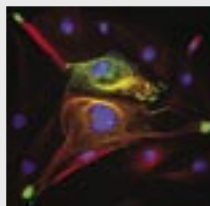
The handful of so-called 'hit' chemicals found from these screens will be commercialised as research tools and/or used as the starting point for developing new medicines.

## Dundee life scientists share £12m proteomics technology grant

**Ten scientists based in the three major Scottish Life Sciences Centres of Dundee, Edinburgh and Glasgow scooped the UK's Interdisciplinary Research Collaboration in Proteomic Technology (IRColl) grant.**

Three of the ten scientists, Professor Paul Crocker, Professor Angus Lamond and Dr Nick Morrice are based in the University of Dundee's School of Life Sciences.

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# Africa

Focus on

**At the 2005 G8 Summit in Scotland, British Prime Minister Tony Blair made Africa a priority. The agreement reached by the G8 leaders on development in Africa included steps to eradicate extreme poverty, combat disease and improve access to education.**

The University of Dundee has, for many years, established a reputation for its contribution to assisting developing countries in tackling many of the issues they face. Many well established practical and relevant programmes are already in place while newer programmes are starting to have an impact.

## Healthcare Education

Innovative schemes for the training of nurses and other health professionals in the developing world have been successfully pioneered by the University. Over the past 30 years, many African doctors have attended courses at the Centre for Medical Education, while on-site courses have been run throughout the continent.

In Kenya a major distance education programme between the University and Kenya Medical Training College – the largest producer of nurses in Kenya – has been enabling nurses to develop their professional learning since 1996.

In 2005 the University graduated its first cohort of nurses in Eritrea. The Eritrean nurses earned the Bachelor of Nursing Degree through study on a Distance Learning programme delivered by the University (see story page 11).

IVIMEDS, the International Virtual Medical School, is a Dundee based initiative and worldwide partnership of leading medical schools and institutions that share e-learning expertise to improve the education, training and development of health professionals in developing countries and across the world.

## Energy, Water, Mining, Law and Education

The University of Dundee based UNESCO International Centre for Water Law, Policy and Science is the first in the world to develop legal frameworks to address problems related to the management of the world's water resources – one of the biggest issues facing African nations (see story page 12).

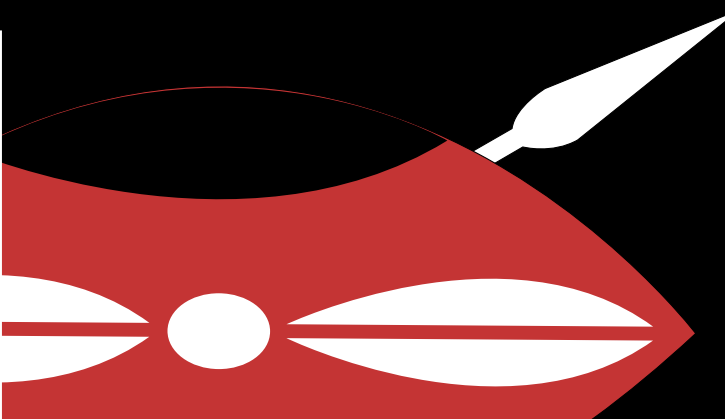
CEPMLP, the University's Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law & Policy, is the leading graduate school worldwide in the field of natural resources, energy and environmental law and policy. 45% of the Centre's students come from the African continent and it was awarded the Queen's Award for Enterprise 2004 for its international dimension. CEPMLP courses were recently approved for Energy Institute membership; the EI is the leading professional body for the energy industries.

## Scholarship

In 1998 following the genocide in Rwanda the University pioneered the first "mercy scholarship" for Rwandan women, designed to help the country address the poverty of skills and start the process of rebuilding its future (see story page 10). Since then the scheme has extended to a number of other Scottish education institutions.

## Tropical Disease Research

Dundee is internationally recognised for research on tropical diseases including malaria, Chagas disease, leishmaniasis and African sleeping sickness. A team of six scientists at the School of Life Sciences were recently awarded funding worth £8.1 million to develop a programme to discover new drugs for treating these deadly diseases (see story page 12).



## Helping Rwandan women rebuild a nation

**Zula Muwa is a woman on a mission – to literally help rebuild a country ravaged by genocide. Zula is one of a dozen Rwandan women studying for Masters Degrees in Scotland on a scheme led by the University of Dundee. She spoke to Roddy Isles.**

Zula Muwa is used to being a long way from home. She has spent much of her life away from Rwanda, having grown up in exile in Uganda. It was only in 1994 she was able to go back to her home country, in the weeks following the end of the genocide which saw 800,000 people killed in the space of 100 days.

Zula has since spent more time away from Rwanda. She studied for a degree in civil engineering in India and, after a further two years at home, is on her travels again, this time to Scotland studying for a Masters in Construction and Enterprise Management.

Zula is one of twelve women to join the Rotary University Scholarship Scheme Rwanda (RUSSR) this year, each of them studying for a Masters degree in Scotland. The scheme is led by Dundee University and supported by the universities at Edinburgh, Glasgow Caledonian, St Andrews, Stirling, Heriot Watt, Abertay, Strathclyde, Aberdeen and Glasgow. The universities waive courses fees for the women, while their living costs are met by the Rwandan government. Each student is assigned a host counsellor from Rotary International.

“Without the Government in Rwanda giving us this kind of help, and without the help of the universities and Rotary, coming here just wouldn’t have been possible, because in comparison living here is expensive for us,” said Zula.

“But it is very important for us to be here. I miss being in Rwanda – I miss the sun! – but here I can learn many things which can help me and help Rwanda.

“After I got my degree I worked as a quantity surveyor on construction projects in Rwanda. There are a lot of big rebuilding projects going on inside the country. The problem for the country, I think, is that a lot of this work is being done by foreign companies, which for Rwanda is very expensive. When I finish my studies here I will go back and get a job in Rwanda. I want to see how I can help develop the construction industry there.

“What the country is trying to do is rebuild itself and be able to do more of this itself.

“While I am here I am learning about new technologies, new techniques, new methods, that can be applied back home. For me even the health and safety programmes I have been exposed to here are very useful, because those are the kind of things that are mostly not followed in Rwanda. I have found that very interesting and I think it will be of much help. It could reduce accidents, which has all sorts of other benefits as well.”



Rwanda has had to rebuild from the ground up, and do so with a vast chunk of the population missing as a result of the genocide. Education, and particularly the education of women, has been identified as the key to the country's future.

“The country wasn’t very developed before the war, and then everything was completely disrupted or destroyed in the war,” said Zula.

“Now everything has changed. Rwanda is a different country. One thing which is making a big difference is that from kindergarten on, kids are learning French and English. Before they would only have spoken their native language right through school, but now they are doing much more. That broadens the understanding, it makes it easier to read books and to interact with foreign people and learn more.

“Education has become the key for Rwanda.”

Women make up the majority of the population in post-genocide Rwanda, and they have had to take on roles far outside the traditions of being wives and mothers. Women are now prominent in every walk of life, from government on down, and are a prime force in driving Rwanda on.

“Women are very hard workers!” said Zula “Also, when there are so many women who are role models then others get motivated to do the same.”

## New nursing graduates a ray of hope for war torn Eritrea



The women who attend the RUSSR scheme are all working in key areas for the country's development, selected by Rwandan Minister of Education, Professor Romain Murenzi. The subjects being covered by this year's students in Scotland include engineering, information technology, finance, food technology, international law, public health and midwifery.

The effects of the programme are already being seen. Although there are only a dozen students engaged in the scheme this year, the ongoing effect of giving Rwandan women this expert knowledge should grow and grow. Dr Anita Asiimwe, a previous RUSSR student who specialised in public health strategies when she attended Dundee in 2003/04, is now playing a leading role in one of the major research agencies dealing with HIV in Rwanda.

It is all contributing to a country that is recovering from unimaginable horror, and is now on the rise. Rwanda has been reconstructing and developing in impressive manner, satisfying the international requirements for transparency and good governance, enabling it to become one of the first 17 countries to have qualified for debt cancellation.

Outside help is being met with the determination that the country can also do plenty to help itself and move on.

"Right now it is peaceful and things are going well," said Zula. "I think people are motivated to see our country doing well and leading the other countries around us. There is a sense of pride now in Rwanda, the country is moving onwards."

**In November 2005, University Principal Sir Alan Langlands visited Asmara, the capital of Eritrea, for the graduation of the first cohort of nurses to earn the Bachelor of Nursing degree through study on a Distance Learning programme delivered by the University.**

Sir Alan told the University's eighteen new graduates they represented an outstanding example of how partnership between the western world and Africa can effect real change.

"Earlier this year Scotland played host to the G8 Summit when many pledges were made by well off nations, including the UK, to the future of Africa," said Sir Alan.

"Some of those pledges may take a long and tortuous journey to translate into reality. This initiative we are here to celebrate today is real. It is now. And it is happening. It is the best kind of example of what can be achieved by simply sharing vital knowledge, experience and expertise between world neighbours.

"In its small but significant way it will alleviate suffering and improve health. This year you are 18 graduates - professionals in advanced nursing studies. If each of you helps spread this expertise throughout your country then the impact for Eritrea can be tremendous."

Eritrea is a poor country, still emerging from the impact of 30 years' bloody war with neighbouring Ethiopia. The students represented many branches of nursing and midwifery, including community and public health and also mental health. Some had been barefoot doctors in the war years.

The Distance Learning Centre in the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Nursing was contracted in June 2003 by the Ministry of Health in Eritrea with the prime objective of enabling senior Eritrean nurses to graduate in advanced nursing studies, thus bringing a greater level of much-needed expertise to the country. Despite the distance learning mode of delivery, the contract includes some face-to-face teaching, delivered in the capital city Asmara.

"All of the students were qualified nurse teachers and a secondary objective for the project has been the enhancement of nursing education overall in Eritrea, nurses being the most significant group of health care clinicians throughout a country which is predominantly rural," said Dr Elizabeth Rogerson, Head of the Distance Learning Centre (Nursing and Palliative Care) at the University of Dundee and Head of Education and Development for the International Virtual Nursing School (IVINURS).

"We are hoping now that these eighteen graduates will have the opportunity to progress on to our postgraduate Master of Nursing degree."

A second cohort of 34 nurses is now studying on the programme.

## £8.1 million awarded for tropical diseases drug design research

**A team of six scientists at the School of Life Sciences was awarded £8.1 million from the Wellcome Trust for an ambitious new project to help discover new drugs for treating some of the world's most neglected tropical diseases, including African sleeping sickness, Chagas' disease and leishmaniasis.**

No vaccines exist to prevent these debilitating and often lethal infections, which affect millions of the world's poorest people and attract little or no interest from pharmaceutical companies.

Many of the drugs that are available have serious side effects and would not meet current standards for safety and efficacy. Others are either too expensive for widespread use or becoming less effective because of resistance.

Professor Mike Ferguson, Professor Alan Fairlamb, Professor Bill Hunter, Professor Ian Gilbert, Professor Julie Frearson and Dr Daan van Aalten are hoping to translate basic research discoveries into candidate drugs ready for clinical trials.

The gap between basic research in academic laboratories and applied research in the drug industry has widened considerably in this area over the last decade.



from left: Professor Alan Fairlamb,  
Professor Mike Ferguson

The Dundee team aim to bridge this gap by embarking on a programme to exploit 'drug targets' already discovered in their basic research by adding industry-style compound screening and medicinal chemistry.

The £8.1 million grant will allow them to add a team of 16 scientists to their existing 60 and to span all the disciplines needed to go from biology to drug design, synthesis and testing. The new activities will be housed in the newly completed Centre for Interdisciplinary Research.

Professor Ferguson said, "We are delighted with the enthusiasm, good-will and financial support we have received from the University and the Wellcome Trust to get this underway. This initiative will have a major impact on those suffering from these appalling diseases."

## UNESCO Centre of Excellence tackles water law

**The University has become home to the UK's first UNESCO Centre of Excellence, after the United Nation's agency granted the much sought after status to the International Water Law Research Institute – now the International Centre for Water, Law, Policy and Science.**

It is the first United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) Centre in the world to develop legal frameworks to help address the pressing problems related to the management of the world's water resources.

Access to water and sanitation has been identified by the UN as one of the key Millennium Development Goals and a key factor in developing international security. The new centre has attracted £900,000 of Scottish Executive funding over the next five years to help with development.

The award of UNESCO status to the Dundee centre was welcomed by Scotland's Deputy First Minister Nicol Stephen, who said, "Clean water is fundamental - no matter what country you live in. Dundee University's new centre of excellence means that the city - and Scotland - now has the opportunity to help improve health and save lives in many developing countries."

University Principal Sir Alan Langlands said, "UNESCO status will enhance the opportunity for Dundee to assist states around the world in developing sound water laws and policies, contributing to regional peace and security. Robust and fair water agreements are vital for peace, and it is crucial that nations work together to tackle the world's water problems."



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# Top tourism award for wilderness lovers



**A friendship initiated on the university golf team and a shared love of adventure and wild places has driven two Dundee graduates to reach great heights ... literally!**

Neil Birnie (Law) and Paul Easto (town planning) have taken the road less travelled since graduating from Dundee in 1995.

After a few years working in their degree professions, Neil in environmental law and policy at the EU in Brussels and as an Edinburgh lawyer and Paul as a property consultant and surveyor in London, the pair returned to Scotland and turned to nature.

Originally from Kent, Paul had grown to love the hills and wild nature of Scotland during his time at Dundee and spent much time volunteering with a youth development charity taking young people out in the hills.

Neil had been taken out in the hills by his father, a biologist and guide with more than 35 years experience, for as long as he can remember.



The pair, who were both recipients of university golf bursaries, left their day jobs and set up, along with Neil's father, Gordon, an adventure and touring company called Wilderness Scotland, offering a wide range of holidays from walking the winter mountains of Kintail and sea-kayaking in the Summer Isles to mountain biking on the Isle of Skye or snow-holing in the Cairngorms.

Wilderness Scotland is now the leading tour operator in Scotland and was named 2005 Tourism Business of the Year by the national tourism body, Visit Scotland.

"Paul and I are both passionate about the natural environment and besides organising what we hope are superb adventure holidays, our mission is to inspire our clients to the value of wild places in Scotland and throughout the world," Neil said. "Wilderness Scotland was borne out of a strong passion and belief in the positive benefits of ecotourism for our natural environment and the local communities with whom we work."

Following the success of their business in Scotland, Neil and Paul are now going global with trips planned to more than 18 countries including Kenya, Alaska, Mongolia and New Zealand. They also plan to soon launch Wild Light, a venture involving photographers Colin Prior and Niall Benvie (Geography, 1993), that will offer photographic holidays.

Neil and Paul have generously offered all Dundee graduates five per cent off any of their Wilderness Scotland and Wilderness Journeys (overseas) tours in 2006 and 2007. More information about the tours can be found at [www.wildernessscotland.com](http://www.wildernessscotland.com) and [www.wildernessjourneys.co.uk](http://www.wildernessjourneys.co.uk) For information on Wild Light go to [www.wild-light.co.uk](http://www.wild-light.co.uk)

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# Clever man, big heart A life in medicine

**From laying down his gown to protect the Queen from Dundee puddles to running an African hospital ward that had a single doctor for 10,000 patients, 1956 graduate Neil Buist has led a fascinating life. Half a century since graduating, Dr Buist (above) tells Elaine Mulcahy of his life in medicine.**

In 1955 Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II visited Dundee to rename University College, Dundee and associated Schools of St Andrews University as Queen's College Dundee (see 'A brief history of Dundee'). It rained, and in an act of good will, some students, including Neil, laid down their gowns for her to step on.

A year later, Neil Buist graduated with a degree in Medicine before going on to work as a house physician in Arbroath Infirmary and Edinburgh Royal Hospital for Sick Children. This was followed by two years as Regimental Medical Officer to various military units in the Far East.

After his time in military service, Neil returned to Dundee where he worked as a house physician in paediatrics and a lecturer in child health. Four years later, he was awarded a two year fellowship at the University of Colorado in Denver.

"In Denver I was trained to do a job that would not exist in Scotland for another 15 years or so. Along with too many others, I fell into the brain drain and was recruited to run a Metabolic Centre in Portland, Oregon," he said.

Dundee's loss was America's gain.

Over the next thirty years the Centre became the largest programme of its kind in the US, covering five States and a geographic area larger than Western Europe.

Along with another Scot, Aberdeen graduate Dr Nancy Kennaway, Neil led a laboratory that discovered at least eight new diseases and researched into more than 50 of the 300 disorders known at that time.

The Dundee graduate and his colleagues were especially renowned for their work in newborn screening and discovered, "in the course of a single afternoon", the cause of several hundreds of deaths in premature infants – a preservative that was used in intra-venous fluids.

It is in Oregon at the Oregon Health & Science University that Neil has been based for the majority of his life since leaving Dundee, although his expertise and desire to help sick children has taken him much further.

Since the 1980s Neil has travelled to many war torn, poverty stricken and devastated areas to treat the sick and help feed the starving. His introduction to emergency relief work occurred in 1980 when he ran a French-speaking ward on the borders of Thailand and Kampuchea during the huge exodus of refugees from the Pol Pot regime. "In 1985 there was even more terrible starvation in Ethiopia with millions exiting into the Sudan," Neil said. "I found myself in charge of a border hospital with 10,000 patients, myself and three nurses where there were 10 to 20 people dying every day. We managed to reduce this to one to two deaths by giving every single person a big dose of Vitamin A."

Neil's contributions to medicine and international relief have not stopped, or it seems even slowed, since he retired in 1996 (after which he was replaced by four people!).

In 2002 he was asked to help get medical programmes restarted in battle scarred Mazar-e-Sharif. A year later he travelled to the Highlands of Ethiopia to set up an emergency feeding programme for extremely malnourished children. Since then he has worked in Thailand and set up a paediatric programme on the tsunami-devastated East Coast of Sri Lanka.

As well as all this, Neil has recently invented a device capable of measuring and recording how well infants suck, which could have great potential for breast feeding mothers and understanding problems in infant feeding. So significant is the invention that the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in the US has just awarded US\$750,000 to help develop his research in this area.

We hope that Dr Neil Buist will continue his good work and medical research for many years to come. Coming from a family that has a well established 100 year connection with the University, Neil has maintained a strong relationship with the place where he graduated fifty years ago.



In 1994 he established the Buist Scholarship Fund to enable paediatricians from developing countries to come to Dundee and acquire skills in research which can then be taken back to their home countries.

In recent years the Fund has awarded scholarships to students coming to the Division of Maternal and Child Health Sciences for training in aspects of lung function. Dr Xowi Mwimbi from Malawi and Dr Gibson Sijumbila from Lusaka both went on to be awarded Wellcome Trust Fellowships on completion of their scholarships.

Currently the Fund is supporting research by Dr Nisha Battacharyain in India with supervision from Dundee by Dr Somnath Mukhopadhyay.

a brief history  
of dundee...

**1881**

University College, Dundee is founded and associated with the University of St Andrews

**1955**

Queen's College Dundee is founded following a Royal Commission investigation into the constitutional relationship between the University of St Andrews and University College, Dundee. Queen's College Dundee was to include the different constituent elements of the University of St Andrews in Dundee: University College, the Medical School, the Dental School and Dundee School of Economics.

**1967**

Queen's College Dundee becomes the University of Dundee and independent from St Andrews

**2007**

The University of Dundee celebrates its 40th anniversary

pictured left:  
Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II  
on a visit to Dundee in 1955



# colour *on the* *high seas*

When P & O's newest cruise ship took to the seas last April (2005), 1987 Design graduate, Nicola Elstone (below), knew its passengers would experience more than the tranquillity and adventure that a cruise trip offers - they would also get to enjoy a vast array of Britain's finest artwork.



Nicola is a co-founder of Elstone Hayes Associates, an art consultancy that designs the interiors and selects the artwork and sculptures for cruise ships. In the sixteen years she has worked as a cruise ship art consultant, Nicola has worked on twentyfour vessels that have travelled all over the globe, presenting British art and design to a massive international audience.

Nicola graduated from Dundee in 1987 with a BA (Hons) in Design, specialising in illustration and printmaking. After graduating she ran her own business for three years, selling her own prints to different corporations and art consultancies.

It was soon after, while working with a London-based art consultancy company called London Contemporary Art, that she established her flair for cruise ship interior design management and discovered a niche market where her skills were sought after.

She moved from selling her own work to developing concepts and themes for cruise ship interiors and working with other artists and craftspeople to create her ideas.

“My role is really like that of an art director, but instead of directing designers to produce work I direct artists and craftsmen and women to produce work,” she said.

After securing her first big cruise ship contract in 1994, to procure artwork for an entire vessel, Nicola founded the Marine Department of London Contemporary Art and went on to develop the concepts and themes for a further nine ships.

Just 15 years after graduating, Nicola, along with colleagues Eric Mouzourides and Frank Symeou, launched Elstone Hayes Associates. Soon after its launch, the company secured the contract to procure, coordinate and manage the entire artwork programme for P&O’s newest and largest ship, ‘Arcadia’. Nicola has ensured that passengers on Arcadia will get to enjoy some of Britain’s finest art and design, including the work of many top Scottish artists such as Dame Elizabeth Blackadder, Archie Dunbar McIntosh, Charles MacQueen, Christine Woodside, Marj Bond and Leon Morrocco, the son of former Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art and Design lecturer Alberto Morrocco.

Nicola believes that her success as an art director comes from her own early experience as an artist, which has left her with an inbuilt ability to understand and appreciate the artist’s mind.

“Throughout my whole working career an insight knowledge of how artists work as well as an understanding of all the different mediums available has been invaluable, and certainly without a degree in the arts this understanding and common ground that I share with the artists I work with would not be possible,” she said.

opposite page, clockwise from top left:

Aft pool by George Cutts;

Dame Elizabeth Blackadder at work;

Blackadder work in progress;

this page, left:

Andrew Logan at work;

Cosmic Egg by Andrew Logan



# Steering NATO through troubled times

**George Robertson – now Lord Robertson – graduated from the University of Dundee in 1968 and went on to become Minister of Defence before leading NATO, the greatest military alliance the world has ever seen. Here, Lord Robertson tells another Dundee graduate, Jack McKeown (English with German, 2000), about steering NATO through the most troubled period of its history, and ‘The War on Terror’.**

Lord George Robertson is one of the University’s most famous graduates. As the first and only person in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation’s 56 year history to have invoked Article Five of the NATO charter, which states that an attack on one member country is an attack on all, his impact on the world has been significant.

## **A black sheep’s rise to “super policeman”**

Born George Islay MacNeill Robertson in Port Ellen, Isle of Islay, in 1946, Lord Robertson was the son, grandson and brother of policemen. When I jokingly suggest he must have been the black sheep of the family for not following in their footsteps, Lord Robertson laughs.

“It’s funny you should say that,” he said, “I said exactly the same thing to President Putin of Russia when I was with NATO – that I was the aberration in the family – and he said, no, you’re the super policeman.”

Lord Robertson’s political life started at the age of 14, campaigning against the presence of American nuclear submarines in the Clyde. He studied economics at the University of Dundee and graduated in 1968, a year after the University split from St Andrews.

“I was among the first graduates ever to receive a degree from the University of Dundee,” he said. “That year you had the choice which university to take your degree from and I chose to be a Dundee graduate.”

Lord Robertson looks back on his time in Dundee with fondness. “I spent most of my time in politics and much less studying, so I was lucky to come away with a degree at all,” he said. “It was a remarkable time, and Dundee was quite a political place during that period – both the City and the University. It was the time of Vietnam and there were great issues that united people.”

## **Striving for world peace**

After a year as a member of the Scottish National Party, Lord Robertson joined the Labour Party and began his steady rise through the ranks, eventually becoming Minister of Defence in Tony Blair’s Cabinet.

“I wanted to create a safer, better world but gradually I began to find a lot of the slogans that were thrown about very unhelpful. ‘Ban the Bomb’ was one – as if you could un-invent a technology that had already been created.

“I became more interested in finding real solutions to achieve world peace. When I became Defence Secretary I reduced the level of Britain’s nuclear deterrent to the bare minimum. I reduced the number of warheads on submarines, took their targeting away, and reduced stockpiles. On my watch, the British nuclear deterrent was reduced to what it should be – a very last resort.”

## **September 11, 2001 and the ‘War on Terror’**

Lord Robertson left the Cabinet in 1999 when he was asked to become NATO’s Secretary General. In this role he saw the organisation through the most difficult period in its history – the aftermath of September 11, 2001.

Just a few days after the hijacked planes flew into the World Trade Centre and Pentagon, Lord Robertson succeeded in getting NATO to invoke Article Five of the organisation’s charter.

The next few weeks saw tensions rise as the Taliban came under fire for sheltering Osama Bin Laden. This was the beginning of Bush’s ‘War on Terror,’ which would escalate with the invasion of Afghanistan and the war on Iraq. During preparations for the war NATO hit a crisis which threatened its very existence when, for weeks, France, Germany and Belgium blocked efforts for the alliance to send defence units to Turkey.

“NATO was on the verge of collapse. At the end of the day if we’d refused to defend a member, we would be left with no credibility. During that time I made countless flights and phone calls to heads of state and senior officials.



photo courtesy of NATO



Jack McKeown graduated from the University of Dundee in 2000 with a degree in English with German. In 2002 he was taken on by D.C. Thomson & Co, first as a reporter, then as a features writer for Dundee's best known newspaper, The Courier.

"I was twisting arms, cajoling, persuading... and eventually we got an agreement."

"My personal opinion on Iraq is that we were misled by Tony Blair, who I feel lied to the nation about his reasons for going to war. More than two years on, no weapons of mass destruction have been found, and most agree they probably never existed.

Lord Robertson's opinion differs somewhat from my own. While admitting the government was probably wrong in its case for war, he believes facing up to Saddam was not only the right thing to do but was inevitable.

"We would have had to face up to Saddam eventually, and I think even Saddam himself may have believed he had those weapons. Although it turned out he didn't have chemical or biological weapons, he had ambitions to get them," he said.

However, the failure to win peace and the continuously climbing numbers of military casualties has meant many of those who initially supported the war have lost their faith.

"There was a plan for afterwards but probably the wrong one. It is very difficult to predict the aftermath of the conflict," Lord Robertson said.

#### Looking to the future

Having stepped back from the forefront of world politics, Lord Robertson is now deputy chairman at telecom giant Cable & Wireless.

"I'm still only 59 so I'm not hanging up my hat yet. Being with Cable & Wireless is an exciting new challenge. I'm also on the board of directors of the Weir Group and Smith Group, and chairman of the British Russia Round Table," he said.

"I didn't want to be simply going around being known as 'the former NATO Secretary General' appearing on Newsnight and the Today Programme criticising other people and their decisions. I want to be carrying on and continuing to do things myself."

pictured left: Meeting between Lord Robertson and Russian President, Vladimir Putin in October 2001. above: Lord Robertson and US President George Bush at the White House.

## America, Europe and Transatlantic Relations in Unique Institute

**Are we condemned to lead our lives at the mercy of American corporations such as Microsoft, McDonalds and Coca Cola? Should the West lead the world in dealing with international terrorism? How have gypsies and migrants helped to shape Europe?**

These are just some of the issues being explored at the University's Institute for Transatlantic, European and American Studies (ITEAS).

Founded in 2003, ITEAS offers both undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, including an MSc in Contemporary European Studies, a postgraduate programme in Transatlantic Studies and plans for a postgraduate programme in American Studies currently underway.

Transatlantic Studies is one of the University's newest programmes, and recognises the need for study and understanding of the international challenges that face us in the twenty-first century, such as the relationship between the United States and Europe and the emergence of China as a new super power.

The significance of the Institute was highlighted recently when University of Dundee alumnus and ITEAS patron, Lord Robertson presented the third ITEAS annual lecture entitled 'The Future of Transatlantic Relations'.

Information on undergraduate and postgraduate courses being offered and more general information about ITEAS, including contact details, are available at [www.dundee.ac.uk/ITEAS](http://www.dundee.ac.uk/ITEAS)

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# reunite *in* Dundee

# 2007

In celebration of our 40th anniversary, the University will hold the **Reunite in Dundee Homecoming** weekend on the **15-17 June 2007**. All Dundee alumni are invited and welcome to come and join in the celebrations. A variety of events and activities for all the family will be taking place throughout the weekend. More information will be available in the Summer 2006 brochure.

# reunite *in* Dundee

15-17 June **2007**

## friday

### Registration

**Spit-Roast Barbecue:** (limited to 1000 tickets)  
5:30 pm - 8pm on the Campus Green outside DUSA.  
£12 Adult • £5 children under 12

**Ceilidh:** 8:30 - midnight

## saturday

**Key note Lectures** from the faculties.

**Dinner & Dance** in Caird Hall (limited to 1000 tickets)  
Welcome by the Lord Provost.  
£30 per person. A pay bar will be available.

## sunday

### All denomination service

10:30am at the Chaplaincy

### Goodbye coffee and pastries on the Green

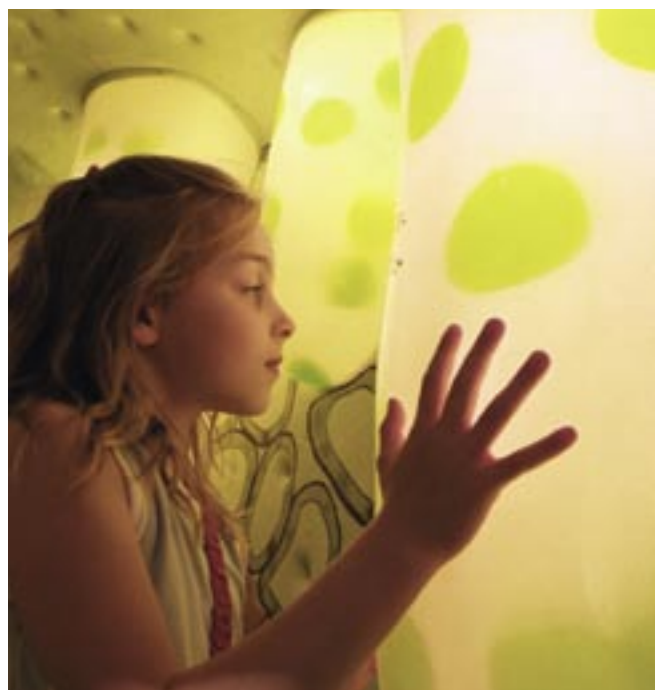
11:30 am (for those who must depart early)

### Picnic Lunch at Glamis Castle Gardens

1pm

## golf at Carnoustie

Play the Championship course just 3 weeks before The Open. Compete for the Gary Player Alumni Cup or just simply have a fun game of golf with friends. All 3 courses will be available. More info at [www.dundee.ac.uk/homecoming2007/golf](http://www.dundee.ac.uk/homecoming2007/golf) Click on the "golf" link after 16 June 2006 to book directly with Carnoustie Golf Links .



## family programme

### Botanic Gardens

- Nature Walks for all ages
- Rain Forest Trail
- Face painting

[www.dundee.ac.uk/botanics/](http://www.dundee.ac.uk/botanics/)

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Payment for accommodation must be made at time of booking and booking enquiries should be made to [enquiries-dundee@sanctuary-housing.co.uk](mailto:enquiries-dundee@sanctuary-housing.co.uk) quoting "Homecoming Alumni 2007" or by calling **01382 573111**.



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

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To assist us in ensuring that the right-sized venue is chosen please tick if interested in attending the following events.

Interested in Family programme? yes  no

If "yes", please tick

Sport Friday  Saturday  Sunday

Botanic Gardens Friday  Saturday  Sunday

Sensation Friday  Saturday  Sunday

## friday

### 5:30 - 8:00pm Spit-Roast Barbecue outside DUSA

Cost • £12 per adult / £5 children (under 12)

\_\_\_\_\_ adults @ £12. Total £ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ children @ £5. Total £ \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary requirements \_\_\_\_\_

### 8:30pm Ceilidh in Bonar Hall

Cost • £10

\_\_\_\_\_ attending @ £10. Total £ \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodation and golf must be booked separately. Golf bookings will not be accepted before 16 June 2006. All other bookings (this form and accommodation) may be booked from 6 March 2006 onwards.

## saturday

8:00pm Welcome by the Lord Provost and Vice Chancellor

8:15 pm Dinner, Entertainment and Dancing

2:00 am Carriages

\_\_\_\_\_ attending @ £30 Total £ \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary requirements \_\_\_\_\_

## sunday

10:30 am Chaplaincy • All Denomination Service

Might attend  Definitely will not attend

11:30 am For those who must depart early:

Goodbye coffee and pastries on the Green

Might attend  Definitely will not attend

1pm Picnic Lunch at Glamis Castle Gardens

Sandwich picnic provided at £5

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# reunion 2006

at the union

## Invitation to **Graduates' Council** **Annual Event & Discovery Lecture 2006**

**24 June 2006**

Students' Union • DUSA  
Airlie Place • Dundee



### programme

1pm – 3pm  
Dundee Students' Union Building,  
Airlie Place, Dundee

Registration and Coffee

Brief Presentations from Convener of  
Graduates' Council Business Committee,  
Principal of University of Dundee and  
GC Court Assessors

Statutory GC business

Afternoon Tea and tour of revamped DUSA

3pm  
Bonar Hall  
Discovery Lecture  
Edwina Currie

4pm  
Drinks Reception hosted by  
Lord Provost of Dundee

Lies, Damned Lies and Politicians –  
Why do Politicians Lie?

**Edwina Currie**

Writer, Broadcaster & Politician

Admission to the **2006 Discovery Lecture** will be by ticket only. Please ensure your request reaches us by **30th May**.

To reserve your tickets please contact:

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All alumni are invited to attend the Graduation Ball. Tickets available from DUSA.

**TICKET ONLY**

## welcome back

Last year's new look, 'Reunion at the Union', was such a success that we are repeating the format this year. Feedback was positive and the innovation of holding the first part of the meeting in the Union was popular. There was a record attendance, and graduates availed themselves of guided tours of the Union building, which was a revelation and drew some favourable comments. The Discovery Lecture, which comprised the second part of the event, was ably delivered by Germaine Greer: her lecture was thought-provoking, very entertaining and enjoyed by a capacity audience.



left to right: Bailie John Corrigan (alumnus & City Representative), Brian Cairns (Convener of Graduates' Council Business Committee), Professor Germaine Greer, Principal Sir Alan Langlands, Professor Geoff Ward (Deputy Principal)

The speaker for this year's Discovery Lecture is writer, broadcaster and politician, **Edwina Currie**, and I am sure she will be equally as entertaining. Her lecture is entitled "*Lies, Damned Lies and Politicians – Why do Politicians Lie?*" I'm sure we would all like to hear her answer to that highly topical question. Not to be missed! Demand will be high so please remember to apply for your tickets early, contact Barbara at [alumni@dundee.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@dundee.ac.uk)

Since the Annual Event last June, I am pleased to report that Graduates' Council Business Committee has made good progress on a number of developments designed to make Graduates' Council a more effective and useful organisation for the university and graduates.

At an 'away day' last May, a number of topics were discussed which highlighted the need for: broadening the scope of Graduates' Council representation and activities; creating a more identifiable role for Graduates' Council, and helping to increase its profile by giving it a corporate identity. The outcome of the exercise was an action plan and a need to consider revised terms of reference for Graduates' Council addressing:



- A new structure for Graduates' Council which would acknowledge a wider geographical sphere of interest. This will include setting up regional advisory boards for which remits and proposals are being drawn up
- Amendment of governance instruments
- Development of a corporate identity for Graduates' Council
- Identification of an area for fundraising activity
- Creation of a database of alumni who are able to assist the Careers Service and Student Recruitment

The above was discussed and approved at the last full meeting of the Graduates' Council Business Committee in December 2005. The help of all graduates is invited and it is hoped that we can enlist your assistance during 2006 and that our combined efforts will result in a Graduates' Council better placed to contribute to the continuing success of the university as it approaches its 40th Anniversary in 2007.

We look forward to welcoming you back to the University this summer and if you would like to find out how you can help the University, in any capacity, please get in touch. Visit [www.dundee.ac.uk/externalrelations/alumni/gradcouncil.htm](http://www.dundee.ac.uk/externalrelations/alumni/gradcouncil.htm) for further information on this and other events, details of Graduates' Council Business Committee members and Council business.

Copies of this year's agenda and the minutes of the 2005 Annual Meeting can be downloaded from the website or contact the Alumni Office on **01382 384822**, email [alumni@dundee.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@dundee.ac.uk)

**Brian Cairns • Convener of Graduates' Council Business Committee**



## join us

Three vacancies will exist on the Business Committee, and nominations are now invited for candidates for the normal three year period of office. Further details and application forms can be obtained from the Alumni Relations Office.

The election will take place at the meeting in accordance with Graduates' Council Regulations (Ordinance 20).

"Elections for the Business Committee shall be held at the annual meeting of the Council. The Secretary shall invite nominations in the press notices for the annual meeting as well as in the papers issued therefor. Nominations may be made by a proposer and seconder in writing accompanied by the candidate's consent in writing and shall reach the Secretary before the hour of the annual meeting. Nominations duly proposed and seconded of persons present may also be made at the meeting. The election shall be by ballot on voting papers provided at the meeting. In the event of a tie the elections shall be decided by the drawing of lots".

There is a vacancy for Graduates' Council Assessor to the University Court, effective July 2007. The election for this vacancy will take place at the Annual Meeting in 2007. Applications to be received by the University Secretary by 31 December 2006. Further details and application forms can be obtained from the Alumni Relations Office.

## business committee members



Member	Expiry of Office
Professor Ann Burchell	2007
Leanne Bibby (President DUSA)	ex-officio
Chris Bustin	2007
Brian Cairns (Convener of Business Committee)	2006
David M Gauld	2006
Brian Gegan	2006
Maurice Golden	2006
Sir Alan Langlands (Principal)	ex-officio
Charles Lovatt	2008
Alistair B Main	co-opted
Chris McDonald	2007
John Milligan (Chairman of Court)	ex-officio
Fraser Millar	2008
Hazel Stewart	co-opted
Eric Sanderson (Court Assessor)	ex-officio
William O Wilson (Court Assessor)	ex-officio
Dr Frank A Zwolinski	2008

## newly elected members



from left: Fraser Millar, Charles Lovatt, Hazel Stewart, Frank Zwolinski, Eric Sanderson (Court Assessor)

## graduates' council fund

### The fund needs your support. Can you help?

The Fund continues to assist graduates and undergraduates with funding for worthwhile projects where there are no other sources of funding available. A wide range of applications for funding were successful over the last year and Graduates' Council is pleased to be able to help.

Typical of the kind of request received is the application of Andrea Bloomfield: this 2nd year medical student has a particular interest in infectious diseases and third world medical care and she successfully applied to the organisation, 'Volunteer Projects Abroad' for a place on a six week medical project in Ghana. The project is concerned with providing palliative care for patients with AIDS and advanced HIV infection, work-shadowing hospital consultants and will provide Andrea with the opportunity to study conditions and diseases first-hand in this part of the world. The experience will relate well to her degree course and be of lasting value to her in personal development terms.

Andrea is from a single parent family and her mother is in receipt of disability benefit and unable to help her financially. Her lecturers speak very highly of her and she finished top student (out of 189 students) in Molecular Science and comfortably in the top 10 in the six first year modules she took. The Fund Board agreed to award Andrea £1000 towards the cost of her project which commences on 01 July 2006. We wish her well and look forward to learning of the outcome and her experiences on her return.

Other awards made during the last year:

- Dundee University Debating Union - £450 to attend Championships in Berlin in March 2006.
- Dundee University Big Band - £450 for their tour to Dublin in April 2006.
- Professor Gerda Siann - £300 for travel to Rwanda re Scholarships.

Our thanks to all who have donated to the Graduates' Council Fund. To make a donation please contact the Alumni Relations Office – see details on page 25.

The past number of years have seen significant changes to the Dundee campus as the University embarks on an ambitious building programme to transform it into the "most vibrant and dynamic" city centre campus in Scotland.

## Architecture a stunning mix of old and new in campus development masterplan



With more than £200 million earmarked for construction projects over a five year period the latest phase of the University's development has been described as an "exceptional and exciting time" by David Yule, Director of Campus Services.

Projects recently completed include the £20m plus Centre for Interdisciplinary Research (CIR) building -home to some of the world's top scientists - and the striking Page and Park-designed Queen Mother building which houses the University's Department of Applied Computing.

Work is also now underway to renovate the three historic buildings at The Old Technical Institute, the Old Medical School and the Carnelley building on College Green to accommodate the Life Sciences Teaching Unit and the new offices for the Faculty of Education and Social Work.

Two more historic buildings are also undergoing a make-over. The Carnegie Building is being renovated to accommodate the Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy while the Peters building – home to the UK's first UNESCO Centre of Excellence – is also being upgraded. Both buildings form part of the Geddes quadrangle – the historic heart of the campus.

According to Capital Projects and Development Manager Colin McNally the integration of existing buildings with new developments is an important part of the regeneration of the campus.



"We want to maintain the historic integrity of the campus at the same time as providing top quality facilities fit for the 21st century. To do that we need to make the most of the many fine historic buildings we already have and integrate them with our new-build projects."

Part of the upgrade of University facilities is the £6m improvement of the IT infrastructure which is also underway. The Netcomms project is designed to make the University's computer systems faster and more reliable.



New build work planned for early 2006 includes the new £15m teaching block for the Faculty of Education and Social Work which will also provide state of the art teaching spaces for the University as a whole.

By spring work should also be on site at the corner of old Hawkhill where an extension to the sports centre designed by award winning architects firm Nicol Russell Studios is planned.

Work on the £5.5m library extension is also due on site in spring. Designed by London firm Austin-Smith: Lord the extension will give the library the capability to open 24 hours a day and promote elearning with the provision of extra space for computer facilities.

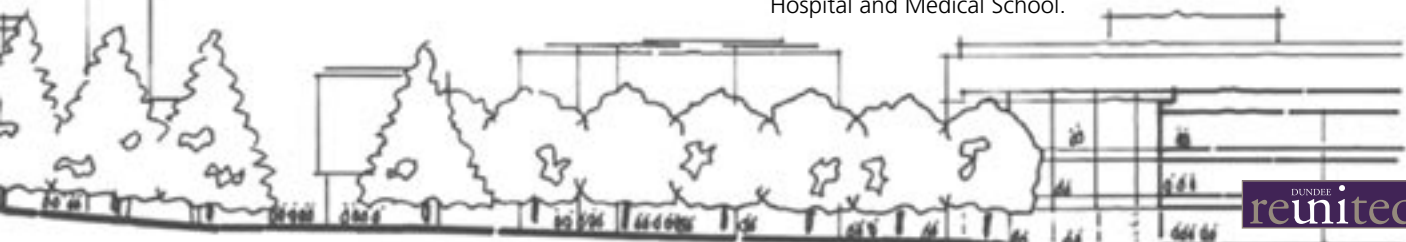


Still at the planning stages is the Campus Green project described by David Yule as "one of the most exciting projects to date."

Aimed at providing a focal point for the campus as a whole and creating a more collegiate feel, the ambitious project includes plans for more flexible leisure space, multi-purpose terraced lawns and themed areas where different aspects of university life can be brought together.

"The aim is to create the best city centre campus in Scotland," said David.

Other work planned includes a £15m purpose-built facility at Smalls Wynd to create a central hub for student services and a £3.5m sports pavilion complete with social areas and changing facilities at Riverside Drive. Meanwhile work is already underway at the £8.8m clinical research centre at Ninewells Hospital and Medical School.



**Diabetes is a rapidly growing epidemic which has become one of the world's greatest health problems. The World Health Organisation estimates the disease may be related to around four million deaths every year.**

# Leading the way <sup>in</sup> **Diabetes Research**

At the University of Dundee work is being carried out on almost every aspect of the disease from the cell to the community, from laboratory and genetic research, to finding the best diets and healthy lifestyle advice to manage and prevent diabetes.

Professor Andrew Morris, Chair of Diabetic Medicine at the University and Scotland's Leading Clinician for diabetes, doesn't have to look very far to see how the problem of diabetes is growing in the world today. Healthcare professionals in Tayside hold what he calls "better information and knowledge of the statistics of our diabetes population than anywhere else in Europe."

And those statistics make for alarming reading, even in a culture where tackling the disease has been a matter of priority.

"In 1997 we had 7500 people in Tayside with diabetes. In 2004 it was 13900, a 79 per cent increase in the space of seven years. Part of that can be attributed to more effective methods of identification of the disease, but it still represents a clear indication of a worrying trend of a rising number of people who suffer from diabetes," said Professor Morris.

"That sort of rise is mirrored across the UK, and we see it in a global context as well. On the international stage the biggest problems are emerging in India and China, countries where there has been a great deal of urbanisation, where people have increasingly developed a 'Western' lifestyle."

That 'Western' lifestyle is one that has proved an unfortunate breeding ground for Type 2 diabetes, the most prevalent type of the disease. The lack of exercise and poor diets which characterise many societies provide a backdrop for the increase in diabetes.

The challenge of bringing this epidemic under control, of finding the best ways to manage and prevent the disease, and to ultimately find a cure for diabetes, is being met head on at Dundee.

"We have 27 groups working across the University with an interest in diabetes, and spread across that a genuine team of international stars," said Professor Morris.

"And it literally does involve almost every area of the University. We have researchers working in the School of Life Sciences looking at cells, we have clinicians working in the Medical School with patients.

"Researchers in the Sports Institute are exploring the best ways of delivering the fitness advice to people with diabetes, an area which can vastly impact on prevention and control of the disease. In Duncan of Jordanstone College people in the School of Television and Imaging are working on new imaging techniques which could be hugely significant for patient information and education.

"It is almost serendipity that here in Dundee we have a critical mass of enthusiastic – and mostly young – people who have research interests that span numerous disciplines, but who all have links with diabetes. It is a great opportunity!

"The impact of these colleagues working closely together has been considerable. It is not only great fun, but it also widens our horizons and gives us greater opportunities to explore new ideas. It exposes both researchers and clinicians to new skills and new techniques. It allows us to address important clinical questions head on – and hopefully helps us work together to find the answers as well. We can raise the questions and take them back between the clinic and the lab. Or indeed between the clinic and the design studio or wherever else that is appropriate in the University."

This cross-disciplinary exchange of ideas has already brought significant results. Professor Morris cites findings made at Dundee on the drug Metformin, commonly prescribed to diabetes sufferers, which showed it may have a significant impact in preventing cancer tumours.

"The findings we made on Metformin are a prime example of the benefit this collaborative environment we have in Dundee brings," he said. "Following fundamental observations made in the lab, we were able to take it and test it at a population level and see if it was actually plausible. And it ultimately led us into a new area of research inquiry that wasn't there before.

"All of that came about because very strong links have been established, in this case between three disciplines which normally wouldn't be working this closely together. We had Professor Dario Alessi who made this initial finding working at the cellular level in the laboratory, myself as a clinician and Josie Evans, who is an epidemiologist, all working very closely together. And then Professor of Surgery, Bob Steele, got involved further down the line.

"Our unique set-up allows us to do this. We are helped by the fact that Dundee is a great size to achieve something like this - it isn't too big and people know who each other are and work with them closely. We can make very quick and easy connections. It also encourages an attitude of 'just get on and do it' and that has been the way things have worked. There is a real spirit here that we can get things done."

That has been aided by the University not only encouraging strong links between its own Faculties, but also developing close bonds with the local health authority and the general public.

"There is a superb collaboration between the University and the National Health Service in Tayside, and that has earned Tayside the reputation of having arguably the premier health system in Scotland," explained Professor Morris.

"The NHS and local general practitioners have been fantastic ambassadors for diabetes and have created a research culture in the clinical environment. This has proved to be hugely successful.

"But the people who genuinely deserve the most credit are the general public in Tayside and north-east Fife, who have given tremendous support to everything we have tried to achieve here.

"A recent example was a large study we had which was funded by the Wellcome Trust, who are the largest charitable trust in the world. In twelve months we recruited 5000 people in Tayside and Fife, which for a study like this is absolutely remarkable. Normally you could be looking at much, much longer to be able to find those sorts of numbers, but the work that has been done here over time has made it possible. And that has a huge effect. Our track record in this study, and with other major projects here in Dundee, resulted in Dundee being chosen to co-ordinate Generation Scotland, a massive project which will be working with 50,000 family members across Scotland, and will establish an international resource for the genetics of diabetes.

"This is the kind of study we require if we are going to reap the benefits of mapping the human genome, so to get the public support like we have is massively important.

"I think a key thing which stands out is that we have had tremendous support even from people who do not have diabetes. These are people who are essential to include in any large-scale study but who are often very hard to find, but we haven't had that problem at all."

The help of the wider population is going to be vital in helping drive on research. Professor Morris is determined that Dundee will continue to lead the way, and play a key role in defeating diabetes.

"The key challenge of the 21st Century is not only to define the best treatments for people with diabetes but is to look upstream to prevent it occurring," he said. "We have to look extremely hard at how we can work with the general population to prevent the disease.

"That needn't be hard – 150 minutes of modest exercise and a modest change to the diet can prevent new onset diabetes by a rate of 58 per cent.

"What we are saying is, let's do that in Dundee and Tayside, and lead the way in the UK and internationally!"

## Diabetes Research Campaign

**The Diabetes Research Campaign aims to raise £3m in order to bring together world class doctors and life scientists in a holistic approach to developing more effective treatments for patients with diabetes.**

**Funds raised will pay for:**

- Research equipment and specialists in laboratories and clinical care centres to explore new treatments and accelerate new drug development
- Research databases enabling doctors and nurses to track pre-genetic disposition to diabetes, thereby developing preventative measures and more targeted cares in centres in Perth, Angus and Dundee.

The public appeal will be led by Michael Archibald, a retired Perthshire businessman, himself a Type II diabetic. The campaign was officially launched in January 2006.

Please consider supporting our campaign by encouraging your company to start a payroll giving scheme. There are enormous benefits to small charitable appeals and to companies through payroll giving.



Just £10 a month donated to the appeal will cost the donor only £7.80 per month and could be worth as much as £20 to us as the government has instituted a matched scheme for the first six months of your donations. See [www.payrollgivinggrants.org.uk](http://www.payrollgivinggrants.org.uk) for further details on how easy it is to set up a payroll giving scheme.

For further information please contact either Joan Concannon, on [j.concannon@dundee.ac.uk](mailto:j.concannon@dundee.ac.uk) or Michael Archibald on [Archibald@surefish.co.uk](mailto:Archibald@surefish.co.uk)

## Looking to the future

**The University of Dundee has had some significant successes in the past few years with fundraising - £3.5m for the completion of the Centre for Inter-Disciplinary Research and £3m for The Institute for Cardiovascular Research (TICR) and a number of smaller donations towards breast cancer research, skin cancer research, diabetes and the new Queen Mother Building.**

The University has reached a high point in its reputation internationally with several major prizes being awarded to its academics, as well as accolades from respected league tables for its teaching (top in quality in the UK, The Times), Sunday Times Scottish University of the Year and shortlisted for Higher Education Institution of the Year in 2005 by The Times Higher Education Supplement. Press coverage on the University has increased by 33% much of it focussed on our research excellence. The University is now preparing itself for its next phase of strategic development and it promises to be a very exciting time.

As part of these strategic plans, the University is proud to announce the creation of The International Development Group who will advise and assist the University in its future strategic fundraising. John Milligan, Chair of Court, will lead this new group and he will be working alongside David Dodd, CEO of Serologicals (who recently took over Upstate in Dundee and who work closely with the School of Life Sciences) and Lesley Knox, Chair of The Alliance Trust and Lord Robertson of Port Ellen, one of the first graduates of the University.

The University operates in a highly competitive environment with a stable student base. 70% of students graduate into the professions, 30% with arts and sciences degrees, and there is a growing postgraduate community. The priority now is to use the progress that has been made as a springboard to position the University in Scotland, the UK and internationally as a leader in education and research and an engine for economic, social and cultural development.

The International Development Group will support the University in forging private sector links, developing its international reach and increasing income from private and philanthropic sources. The initial focus will be on raising endowment funding for professorial chairs, student scholarships and academic infrastructure in three areas; diabetes, cancer and tropical diseases. The group will be supported by the External Relations team and by academic experts as required.

The University celebrates its 40th anniversary in 2007. The challenge is to maintain and enhance Dundee's reputation for education and research and, conscious of the challenges and opportunities presented by the globalisation of higher education, to promote the University's international reputation by embracing the transfer of staff, students and ideas across both national and industry boundaries.

**Joan Concannon • Director of External Relations**

## update

### New ambassador for Iraq

**Building the relationship between the UK and Iraq and deepening engagement of the European Union in Iraq's political and economic reconstruction are now more important than ever. As Britain's new Ambassador to Iraq, His Excellency Mr William Patey (MA Modern History, 1975) has the task of driving this process forward.**

Formerly the British Ambassador to Sudan, Mr Patey took up the appointment of British Ambassador to Iraq in June 2005.

### Mobile phone games venture pays off for computing grads

**2003 Applied Computing graduates Brian McNicoll, Stuart Reid and Stuart Anderson are celebrating the success of a business venture started while still at University.**

Together the three are Dynamo Games, developers of games and other applications for the mobile phone (cellphone) market. The idea for the business came to them late in their university studies, and it is one they have pushed on from a base in the University's Business Incubator.

From such relatively modest surroundings they have moved on to the awards stage and been feted at the giant E3 games fair in Los Angeles. Closer to home they won the Global Potential Award at the UK final of the Shell LiveWIRE Young Entrepreneur Of The Year Awards and the Prince's Scottish Youth Business Trust named them "Best Technology Business". All of this created enough of a splash for national TV network Channel 4 to come knocking on their doors to film a short feature on the company.

Their first game, Championship Manager for mobile phones, instantly appeared at the top of sales charts, offering further confirmation that Dynamo has generated a winner.

More games and applications are in the pipeline. As well as producing a football game, they also produced a mobile-friendly first-aid guide for the Red Cross, where cellphone users can access advice on up to 21 essential topics ranging from burns and bleeding to choking and broken bones.

"We all graduated in the summer of 2003, all with degrees in Applied Computing. We had started thinking about setting up our own business while we were still in our final year at the University. So we got together and started to seriously think about what the three of us wanted to do," said Brian.

"So we got a business plan together, and with a lot of help and guidance from John McKenzie in Research and Innovation Services at the University, we set up Dynamo. And, fingers crossed, it's all going very well so far."



### Prestigious scholarship for portrait artist

**2004 Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art and Design graduate, Simon Reekie, received one of only six prestigious Fulbright postgraduate scholarships awarded in the UK in 2005.**

Worth US\$45,000, it was the first time a Dundee graduate received the scholarship, which enabled Simon to spend a year of postgraduate study in the US.

above: *Mother* by Simon Reekie

### Queen's Award for TV Design

**A television design and branding company co-founded by Dundee alumnus Graham McCallum (Design, 1965) has been awarded the Queen's Award for Enterprise - the UK's most prestigious award for business performance - for its achievements as a leading exporter of British television.**

Called Kemistry, the company has specialised in the strategy, creation and production of on-air branding for television channels and programmes all over the world since it was founded in 1997.

Kemistry was awarded in the category of International Trade.

### Alumni Affinity card



The University of Dundee Credit Card is available to all alumni of the University and has been designed to support the University while providing great value with attractive rates and benefits.

For more information about the University of Dundee Credit Card, call **0800 028 2440** and quote **31BOUBHV**.

## Exhibition celebrates the fine art of print making



1990 Arts graduate and co-founder of the Canada-based Maritime and Atlantic Printmakers Society (MAAPS), Peter MacWhirter is embarking on coordinating the first of its kind Canadian-International Printmaking Exhibition.

Peter plans to take the exhibition, which celebrates cultural diversity through traditional and contemporary fine art printmaking, to Halifax, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver in Canada before heading overseas to Tokyo, Seoul and Beijing.

Artists from Canada, China, Japan, Korea, UK and USA will display their work in the exhibition.

The First MAAPS International Biennial Exhibition will be held at The Pier 21 Heritage Museum, Halifax, Canada, in November 2006 before it goes on tour. More details can be found at [www.maaps.ca](http://www.maaps.ca) This website will be fully developed through 2006 and beyond.

## Tayforth University Officer Training Corps

**Former members of the Tayforth UOTC can stay in touch through the Tayforth UOTC Regimental Association which covers the Universities of Dundee, Abertay, St. Andrews and Stirling.**

In the past year Tayforth UOTC has said farewell to retiring Adjutant Captain Mike Rowney and welcomed a new president, Major Alan Robertson, who took office in June.

Contact the Honourable Secretary at HQ Tayforth UOTC, Park Wynd, Dundee DD1 5HG or call 01382 225981 or email [tayforthnews@uwclub.net](mailto:tayforthnews@uwclub.net) for more information. You can also check out the website: [www.army.mod.uk/tayforth/](http://www.army.mod.uk/tayforth/). An annual subscription to the Tayforth UOTC newsletter is £5.

## Architecture links continue to build

**More than 20 years ago, two Dundee graduates, Bruce Hare and Glen Craig joined Edinburgh-based architecture firm, jmarchitects. Under Bruce's leadership, the practice expanded considerably, opening offices in London, Leeds and Glasgow.**

The link with Dundee has also continued to grow. Several Dundee graduates have worked in senior positions with the practice, which in turn supports the training and employment of Dundee students and recently established the Jim Collier Prize for Urban Design, annually gifted by the practice to the School of Architecture.



## ALUMNI TRAVEL PROGRAMME 2007

### Cruising in Burgundy

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**1933**

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**1969**

**Andrew J Isherwood, BSc (Eng)** is a Project Manager with Taylor Woodrow Developments Ltd in Edinburgh.

**1970**

**Ian W Brooksbank, LLB** has been working since 2000 as a self-employed business consultant.

**Neelam Bahl, BSc**, our Group Organiser for Southern India, fondly remembers her time at the University and sends her best wishes for the New Year to Alumni Relations and all her former lecturers.

**1971**

**Peter G McLaren, PhD** is Director of The Centre for Advanced Power Research, an Institute within Florida State University.

**1972**

**Roger Walker, MA** is a freelance broadcaster and journalist working for the BBC and commercial sector.

**Peter E May, BDS** is a dentist in Winnipeg.

**1973**

**Alex Neil, MA** is an MSP in the Scottish Parliament.

**1974**

**Patricia McQuade, MA** has been, for more than 10 years, Head Teacher of Greenbank High School, a girls' comprehensive school in Southport, close to Royal Birkdale Golf Club.

**Graham S Morton, BSc (Eng)** is a Senior Mechanical Engineer with Health Safety & Engineering Consultants in Leicestershire.

**1975**

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**1976**

**David P Gradwell, BSc and MBChB** 1981 is employed by the Ministry of Defence as a Consultant Adviser in Aviation Medicine.

**Rosalyn A Marshall, BSc** is employed by Queen Margaret University College as Vice Principal (Strategic Projects).

**1978**

**Susan H Lawrence, MA** is the well known Food Writer and Author of cookery books.

**1979**

**Chan K Wong, MSc and PhD** 1983 is an Associate with Ove Arup and Partners Ltd in Kowloon.

**1980**

**Anne S McMillan, BDS** is Chair of Oral Rehabilitation in the Faculty of Dentistry of the University of Hong Kong.

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**1981**

**Iyad A Barghouthi, BSc (Eng)** is Managing Director of Schmidlin LLC in Abudhabi.

**Andrew L Miller, BSc and PhD** 1987 is an Associate Professor in the Department of Biology of Hong Kong University of Science & Technology in Kowloon.

**Shing (Peter) K Ngai, BSc (Eng)** has been working for the past 3 years or so with Ove Arup & Partners Ltd in Kowloon as a Project Manager.

**1982**

**Judith C Drummond, BDS** is a Dental Practitioner in Edinburgh.

**Sikander J Khan, BArch** is Managing Director of Al Bannai Consultants in Kuwait.

**Alexander McNaughton, BAdmin** is Company Director of AIM Recruitment in Edinburgh, responsible for the recruitment of Accountancy, Finance and Investment Staff.

**1983**

**King-yin (Victor) Lo, BSc (Eng)** is employed by Hong Kong SAR Government and is working as a Senior Engineer in the Water Supplies Department.

**Chuen (Frankie) S Yu, BSc (Eng)** has been Director of Brington Engineering Limited in Kowloon for a number of years.

**1985**

**Gillian F Gray, MA** is a self-employed Consultant, working in Edinburgh.

**Chak (Wallace) S Lau, MBChB and Doctor of Medicine** 1993 is a Professor of Medicine at the University of Hong Kong.

**Ian D Waddell, BSc and PhD** 1989 is a Director of AstraZeneca: Pharmaceutical Division, based in Cheshire.

**1986**

**Michalakis Pirillos, MSc** is a Systems Analyst with Cyprus Telecom.

**1987**

**Mark Becher, MA** was formerly Deputy President of DUSA in 1985/86 and is currently Headmaster of The Compass School in Haddington, East Lothian.

**Christopher M Buchan, LLB and Dip Legal Practice** 1988 returned 3 years ago from Hong Kong to Edinburgh where he is a Director of Moray Consultants Ltd.

**Peter Swift, BArch** is a Director with The Dewjoc Partnership, Architects in their Newcastle upon Tyne office.

**Adrian J McCarroll, BArch and MSc** 1992 is living in Hong Kong with wife, Jessica and children, Alexandra and Zac. Adrian is Founder and Managing Director of Original Vision Ltd in Wanchai.

**David H Cook, MBChB** is working with International SOS as a Medical Director EMEA II.

**Juan M Mendez, MSc and PhD** 1990 works in Quality Control/Engineering Management at MDS - PRAD Technologies in Prince Edward Island, Canada.

**1988**

**Yin (Sammy) N Chan, PhD** is a Director of Wong & Cheng Consulting Engineers Ltd in Kowloon.

**Alexander S Douglas, LLB and Dip Legal Practice** 1989 is a Solicitor and Partner of Purdie & Co in Edinburgh.

**John W Lynd, LLB and Dip Legal Practice** 1990 is working as an Attorney in Houston with Beirne Maynard & Parsons LLP.

**1989**

**Stewart A White, BSc and PhD** 1994 is now teaching in Glasgow University's Institute of Biomedical and Life Sciences - Department of Environmental & Evolutionary Biology.

**Jinsong Wang, PhD** is working with Fyfe (Hong Kong) Ltd in the position of General Manager.

**1990**

**Georgios Bobolos, MSc** is working in the telecommunications and electronics industry as the Greece Area Manager for INTRACOM, SA in Peania.

**Konstantinos Tzelepis, MSc** is also with INTRACOM, SA in Peania as an Account Manager.

**Duncan J Anderson, MA** is with Lloyds Register of Shipping in Aberdeen in the Human Resources Department.

**Pau Lau, LLB** is the proprietor of law firm, Lau Pau & Co. in Hong Kong.

**Shona M Johnston (nee Brown), BA (Des)** is teaching in Tiree High School.

**1991**

**Carol Peacock, BA (Fine Art)** is currently employed by Glasgow College of Nautical Studies, Learner Services Department, assisting students with various learning needs. She also works part-time, scribing, with Paisley University and teaching Fine Art at John Wheatley College.

**Sarah J Baxter, LLB** is an Associate Director of Munro Consulting Ltd.

**1992**

**Helen Leason, MSc** is working as a QA Engineer with Leica Geosystems Geospatial Imaging in Georgia USA.

**Fiona Wallace, MA** currently teaches oceanography to grade 11 students at Cole Harbour District High School in Nova Scotia, Canada. She is also attending Mount Saint Vincent University in Halifax, studying for a Masters Degree in Educational Psychology, on a part time basis.

**Michael A Kane, LLB and Dip Legal Practice** 1993 is a Partner with Bell & Scott LLP in Edinburgh.

**Shaun O McCabe, BArch** is working in Manchester as an Associate with Comprehensive Design.

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**Graham (Sam) J Salmon, BSc T&RP** is working with Ken Parke Planning Consultants in Dorset. **Ken is a fellow-graduate (BSc T&RP 1992).**

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**Chun (Stanley) W So, MBA** is working in Hong Kong with Sun Hung Kai Properties Ltd as a Property and Facility Manager.

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**1994**

**Judith Durnan, MA** is teaching English in Tynecastle High School.

**Craig J Fraser, BAcc** is now working with Scott & Paterson Ltd in Edinburgh.

# where are they now?

**Heather A Millar, Cert. Child Prot. Studies** is working in Social Work with City of Edinburgh Council.

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## 1995

**Craig A Fergusson, BSc and PhD 1999** is a Consultant with Vanguard Strategy in London.

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**Pamela E Price, BSc** started work in January this year as a Senior Regulatory Consultant with Kendle International Limited which is a Contract Research Organisation for the Pharmaceutical Industry based in Ely, Cambridgeshire.

## 1996

**Olufunsho T Lawal, LLM** is a Director of Maine Oil and Gas Limited in Nigeria.

**Philip A McKenna, BEng and PhD 2003** is working as a Chartered Engineer in Glasgow with Scott Wilson Scotland Ltd.

**Georgina V White, BSc T&RP** is a Property Manager with Shepherds in Edinburgh.

**Justin L Anderson, MA** is a Partner of publishing organisation, Touch / Press in Edinburgh.

**Robin A Smith, MA** is Head of Music with Radio Student 107 FM.

**Alan J Harrison, MA** has his own company, **Pictish Tours**, tel. 01738 710038, web <http://pictones.taclaytiles.co.uk>

## 1997

**Elaine D Andersen, BEng** is a Business Development Director with Vetco Gray Inc in Houston, Texas.

**Dushinka L Daniel (nee Xavier), MA** is teaching in Sir James Barrie Primary School, London.

**Mark A Rice, MA Hotel & Catering Mgmt** is working for Belfast Institute for Further & Higher Education as a lecturer.

**David G Sayers, LLB and Dip Leg Prac 1998** is an Advocate.

**Jennifer R Woods, MA and MPhil 2001** has completed a doctorate and is now working as a Lecturer in the Applied Social Science Department of Canterbury Christ Church University.

## 1998

**Heather J Stevenson, MA** is a teacher of English in Braes High School in Falkirk.

**Markos Galanis, MSc** is Managing Director of a Private Medical Centre in Greece.

**Gabrielle Y Miller, LLB and Dip Leg Prac 1999** is currently working as a Solicitor in Dundee North Law Centre.

**Laura H Webster, MBChB** is a GP in Carnoustie Health Centre.

**Diep Lan N Phan, LLM** in Resources Law & Policy has recently moved to Frasers Law Company in Ho Chi Minh City.

## 1999

**Fakhria Diari, PhD** Congratulations on her appointment to the Upper House of Parliament in Bahrain by His Majesty the King of Bahrain, Shaik Hamad Bin Essa Al Khalifa, in November 2002.

**Harriet G Rowan-Crawford, BDes** is working in Edinburgh with John Lewis Plc.

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**Ruth O'Riordan, MA in Food & Welfare Studies** is employed by University of Dundee as a Careers Advisor.

## 2000

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**Geraldine K Cowan, MA and Dip Public Health 2003** is with Dumfries & Galloway Constabulary, working as a Police Constable.

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**Lynsey Guest, MA Hotel & Catering Mgmt** is Front Office Manager with the Ramada Jarvis International Hotel in St Albans.

**Konstantinia Karpouzi, Master of Public Health** is working as a Clinical Research Nurse in the Academy of Athens Foundation of Biomedical Research in Greece.

## 2001

**Gary J McDonald, BEd** is now teaching in Harmony Elementary School, Georgia, USA.

**Ruth E MacPherson, MBChB** is now a Clinical Radiology Registrar with Lothian NHS Trust.

**Konstantinos Papadakis, BAcc** is employed by Ernst & Young as a Senior Auditor.

**Phillip E Taylor, BSc T&RP** is with Rapleys Ltd in London as a Senior Planner.

## 2002

**Angelique Stephanou, PhD** is a Researcher for Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique in France.

**Mark A Greenhowe, Dip Nursing** is employed by NHS Tayside as a Staff Nurse in Ninewells Hospital, Dundee.

**Loveena Sreedharan, MBChB** is a Surgical Senior House Officer with Gateshead NHS Trust.

**Neil P Mallon, BSc** is working with Smiths Detection Watford Ltd as a Biotechnologist.

## 2003

**George Ftikas, MBA** is an Executive Search Consultant for Manpower Inc in Athens.

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## 2004

**Jenny G Singers, BSc** is a Medical Sales rep with Yamanouchi Pharmaceutical Co Ltd.

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**Joanne M Parish, MB & BS** is now a PRHO at Sunderland Royal Hospital.

## 2005

**Chacko (John) Manakkalathil, Master of Orthopaedic Surgery** was one of our student callers on the 2004 Alumni Telephone Campaign and has now returned to Kerala, India after completing his studies (pictured below).



**Maree J Thom, MSc** is working with Tayside Institute of Child Health, University of Dundee, as a Research Technician.

**Debra Murchie, BNursing** is a Senior Staff Nurse with Perth & Kinross Healthcare NHS Trust, working in Perth Royal Infirmary.

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## International Recruitment Officer Visits Cyprus

**Chris Bustin (EU Liaison Officer) met with alumni in Cyprus during his recruitment visit in October 2005.**

from left to right:

Michalis Pirillos, IT with Cyprus Telecommunication Authority; Gordon Craig, Dundee University Director Of Admissions & Student Recruitment; Nicolas Georgiou, Group Internal Auditor, Hellenic Bank; Vassos Vassiliou, Building Contractor; Antonis Kanaris, Computer Consumables (having his own company); Aimee Matthew, Project Officer, & Chris Bustin, EU Liaison Officer, (both Admissions & Student Recruitment); Vassilios Messaritis, Lecturer, Cyprus Higher Technical Institute



## Alumni Group In Southern India

**Group Organiser for Southern India, Vasanth Veerappan arranged a reunion in Kodaikanal in April 2005.**

from left to right: Pathi V Raja & Subbiah Babu (both Master Orthopaedic Surgery 2004), Mokkalasamy Vanasekar & Chakkiath Vincent (both Master Orthopaedic Surgery 2000), Vasanth K Veerappan (MBA 2000)



## new group organisers needed

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## 1974 graduation year

**John Davies, BSc 1973, MSc 1975 and wife, Nicola (nee Hargreaves), MA 1974 meet up with a group of friends from 1974 graduation year on a regular basis. The most recent 'mini-reunion' was held in Dundee at the end of April 2005.**

left to right: Dot Gibson, Irene McCombe (1974), Dave Longley (1974, standing), Kath Longley (nee Hand 1974), Sheila Oliver (1974), Nicola Davies (nee Hargreaves 1974), Pat McQuade (nee Robley 1974), right back row: Rob Lowenthal, Mike Hoare (1974), Andy Jameson (1974) right front row: John Davies (1974), Brian Gibson (1973)



## 1950 MBChB

**A group of 12 from the above class attended a reunion in New Hall, St Andrews in June 2005.**

front row:  
Drs Ruth Y Golder, James D Macgregor, Helen M Harriman, Robert A Yorston, Marie Carrie and Mary R Kerr  
back row:  
Drs Alexander R Mackenzie, Alexander A Brand, Thomas G Sprunt, David M G Myles, William M Anderson and Martin Kingsley.

## future reunions

### 20th Anniversary Reunion of 1986 B.A. Courses

Bob Holmes is keen to arrange a 20 year reunion of the above in Dundee, Summer 2006. If you are interested in finding out more about this event, please contact Bob by email: [bobholmes@gmail.com](mailto:bobholmes@gmail.com)

### Reunion of 1992 Town & Regional Planners

For further information on this reunion, planned for 2006, please contact:  
Ian Viveash - [ian.viveash@uniqema.com](mailto:ian.viveash@uniqema.com)

### Reunion of 1996 Biochemistry Class

For further information on this reunion, planned for June 2006. Please contact:  
Alison Milne - [a.m.milne@dundee.ac.uk](mailto:a.m.milne@dundee.ac.uk) OR  
Mhairi Towler - [m.towler@dundee.ac.uk](mailto:m.towler@dundee.ac.uk)

Proposed format (dependent on numbers): Dinner dance or a less formal restaurant dinner followed by pub crawl.

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## BIRTHS

**Nick Willhoft, PhD 1995** - congratulations to Nick and Catherine on the birth of their daughter, Megan Lucy, in New Jersey on 20 March 2005.



**Chijioke Nwaozuzu, MBA 2004** and Daisy are the proud parents of a baby boy (a brother for Brian), Justin Chidoziri, who was born on Saturday, 27 August 2005.

**Susan E Ford (nee Bryce), LLB 2001** and **Mark Ford, MBChB 2002** now have two beautiful daughters, Eilish Amanda, born in 2004 and the latest addition to the family, Rhianna who was born on 17 November 2005.

## DEATHS

Neil N Anderson	BAcc 1992	2003
Priscilla (Cilla) R Anderson	MA 1986	04/2003
Ronald E Bibby	BMedSc 1972, BDS 1974, MMedSc 1977	22/05/2005
John D Broatch	PhD 1942	10/07/2004
Kenneth Cairney	Bachelor of Nursing, 1998	23/05/2005
Donald Cameron	BSc 1935	10/2004
James G Campbell	Dip Design 1979	26/04/2005
Malcolm R Douglas	MA 1971	Date unknown
James D Duncan	Dip Eng 1978, MSc 1981	24/03/2005
Simon H W Fleming	MA 1973	22/12/2003
Thomas F Froehlich	BAdmin 1987	10/09/2005
William Greig	BSc 1951	16/04/2005
Sir Douglas Hardie	Honorary Graduate 1992	07/2005
Jonathan Minshall	BSc 1971, PhD 1975	13/03/2000
Michael J Sinclair	LLB 1972	1992
Shona A Strang	BDS 1990	09/2004
Baroness Jean C Strange	MA 1951	03/2005
Hugh Williams	BSc Arch 2004	18/06/2005

## MARRIAGES

**Pauline Thomson (nee Lockhart), MBChB 1998** was married to David in February 2003 and is now working as a Medical Advisor for ATOS Origin Medical Services.

**Susan Earley, BSc 1978** and Fred Adilz were married on 26 March 2005.

**Medagoda Ananda Deshapriya, PhD 2004** was married to Dinali on 15 June 2005 in Galle Face Hotel, Colombo, Sri Lanka.



Apologies for an incorrect photo in last year's magazine. This is the photo that should have appeared:

**Paul Gorman, MA 1996** and **Helen Robinson, LLB 1996** were married on 19 November 2004.



## MARRIAGES continued

**Jason Norris, BSc 1999**, who is employed by the University as a Liaison Officer in Admissions & Student Recruitment, married **Elinor M Phin, BAcc 2001** on Saturday 7 May 2005 at Logie & St John's Cross Church, Dundee.



**Elizabeth J Stanwell (nee Nutbrown), BSc 2002** and **Brendan J Stanwell, BSc 2002** were married in Market Rasen, Lincolnshire on 28 August 2004. They were attended by bridesmaids - **Louise Murray, BSc 2003** and **Miliea Anis, BSc 2002** and best man – **Ian Arad BSc 2002**. The photograph is courtesy of **Ghislaine Muir, BSc 2003**.

**M Yolanda Díez-Andino, MA 1999** was Overseas Convener for the University of Dundee whilst she was studying here and is now our Alumni Group Organiser for Spain. She met her husband, Juan José Becerra, whom she married on 18th June 2005, when he attended one of the International Meetings which she had arranged during her time as Overseas Convener. Juan was formerly President of the International Student Association at University of Abertay.



# 2005 graduation souvenir

In celebration of the class of 2005, these pages provide an overview of some of the images that were captured during graduation week of 2005.

As a graduate of the University, you are now a member of our worldwide community of alumni. Please check out our website, [www.dundee.ac.uk/externalrelations/alumni](http://www.dundee.ac.uk/externalrelations/alumni), and please keep in touch with the alumni office.

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The Alumni Relations Office is here to help you stay in touch with your former classmates, to find lost friends, to help with reunions and to maintain your contact with the University of Dundee from wherever you are in the world.

To contact us email [alumni@dundee.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@dundee.ac.uk) or call **(01382) 344822**

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