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Note from the Editor

You will notice that in this re-designed edition of the QM News we are bringing you a bumper edition by amalgamating the QM News with QM Scene, our alumni magazine. We feel that the stories in QM News are equally of interest to our graduates and we have therefore decided to bring both publications together, whilst maintaining a dedicated alumni section.

In this edition, we give you a fascinating insight into the developing field of forensic podiatry. Through cutting edge research carried out by William Kerr, lecturer in podiatry, we can see how his work will help to track down criminals by the forensic identification of their footprints at crime scenes.

We are also delighted to announce that QMUC is the lead partner in the development of a new centre which will revolutionise healthcare across Scotland. £2.45m, the largest grant that QMUC has ever received, will enable the University College to work in partnership with other universities and the NHS to establish the Centre for Integrated Healthcare Research. Specifically working in the areas of nursing, midwifery and the allied health professions the Centre will fill a major gap in Scotland's health research. This substantial funding is a major coup for Scotland as it is the largest research investment for these professions in the UK.

In the alumni pages, you will find graduate news in a bumper 'Classnotes' section as well as Annual Fund and International news, reunion details, and the Graduate's Association page.

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QMUC CONFER FOUR HONORARY DEGREES AT SUMMER CEREMONY

The doyenne of female broadcasters, one of the world's most influential occupational therapists, an internationally renowned linguist and the man who led one of the boldest and most accessible Royal Commissions received honorary degrees from Queen Margaret University College at its summer graduation ceremony.

On Friday 2 July 2004, the university college honoured one of the most popular, respected and enduring figures in the media, Joan Bakewell, whose journalistic and broadcasting career has spanned 50 years from the post war era. In the '60s, Ms Bakewell made her mark in the male dominated world of current affairs; in the '70s, she focused on religion and ethics and was a regular contributor to the Manchester Evening News, Punch, The Times and London News. In the '80s, she became the BBC's arts correspondent, and at the end of that decade she began to explore moral dilemmas across the world in Heart of the Matter. She is a founder of the National Campaign for the Arts, and was on the judging panel for the Booker Prize. In 1999, her own achievements in journalism and the arts were recognised with the award of a CBE.

left to right: Joan Bakewell CBE, Rosalyn Marshall, Vice Principal (Strategic Projects)



Over the past three decades, Dr Gary Kielhofner has had an enormous impact on our understanding of the factors that help disabled people to lead satisfying lives and, through his theory, The Model of Human Occupation, has transformed rehabilitation practice throughout the world. Based at the University of Illinois at Chicago at the Centre for Outcomes

Research and Education (which he founded and for which he has generated millions of dollars in research funding), he pioneered a participatory approach to occupational therapy that involves client and therapist working together to develop theory and practice - the scholarship of practice. Dr Kielhofner is a prolific writer who has received the highest academic honours in his field, but he has many diverse interests among them making his own furniture, playing a mean banjo and kayaking.



left to right: Professor Gary Kielhofner DrPH OTR/L FAOTA, Alan Gilloran, Dean of the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences

left to right: Professor the Lord Quirk of Bloomsbury KT CBE FBA, Professor Bill Hardcastle FBA



The university college also honoured the internationally renowned linguist and expert on the English language, Lord Randolph Quirk. He chaired the Government Committee of Inquiry into speech therapy services, whose Quirk Report of 1972 forms the cornerstone of the UK's current service. During a long and distinguished career, Lord Quirk has held chairs of English language at the universities of Durham and London, served as Vice-Chancellor of London; and has held many prestigious honorary posts such as President of the British Academy. His interest in the grammar of present-day English led to the first major compilation

of spoken and written English, the monumental Survey of English Usage. He was awarded a CBE in 1976, knighted in 1985 and raised to the peerage in 1994. He is currently a trustee of the Wolfson Foundation and, as a member of the House of Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology, he has been an active and influential spokesman on educational matters.

Sir Stewart Sutherland, elevated to the peerage in 2001 as Lord Sutherland of Houndwood, is best known throughout Scotland - and beyond - for his chairmanship of the Royal Commission on the Funding of the Long Term Care of the Elderly (1997-9), and for his astute but inspired leadership of the University of Edinburgh (1994-2002). Lord Sutherland's career has spanned posts in philosophy and in the history and philosophy of religion at the University College of North Wales, the University of Stirling and King's College London; as Principal and Vice-Chancellor of King's College, London and Edinburgh universities; as HM Chief Inspector of Schools; and as a notable scholar and author. He is a Fellow of the British Academy and the Royal Society of Edinburgh (of which he is currently president). His public service has involved him in diverse organisations from the Cabinet's Council for Science and Technology to the Hong Kong University Grants Council. In recognition of his major contributions to society in general and to education in particular, he was knighted in 1995 and appointed Knight of the Order of the Thistle in 2002.

left to right: Professor John Laver CBE, Deputy Principal, The Rt Hon the Lord Sutherland of Houndwood KT FBA PRSE



FIRST FORENSIC FOOTPRINT EXPERT HOT ON CRIMINALS' HEELS

Scotland's first footprint expert will be hot on the heels of criminals when he produces the findings of his ground-breaking research into forensic podiatry.

Through his PhD research, William Kerr, a podiatry lecturer at QMUC, is now able to give a description of a suspect's appearance by analysing their footprints.

For some time now, it has been possible to tell a person's height from a footprint. However, Kerr's initial findings will allow him to analyse a footprint and calculate both the height and now the weight of an individual to within two to three kilograms.

Forensic podiatry is the study of footprints and ridges on toes and soles of the feet. Kerr is one of only a few experts in the UK who are developing the science so that it can be used to provide evidence in legal proceedings.

His research has led him to work with a variety of experts including a tyre print expert in the States. Ernest Hamm, a retired FBI agent, has been helping Kerr in the techniques used to lift prints. Kerr has researched the way the FBI lift tyre prints and is using a similar technique to lift footprints. He has also been consulting with the Scottish police at their headquarters in Fettes, Edinburgh, and showing them the expertise which he has built up. In return they have involved him in the type of forensic work which they have recently carried out and which could benefit from his new research techniques.

Kerr uses the foot length and the area covered by the certain aspects of the footprint to produce an equation. This is then used to calculate the individual's height and weight. He explained: "No

two footprints in the world will have the same shape and the right foot is always different from the left – there is never a mirror image. The ridge patterns on certain areas of the feet are as identifiable as fingerprints and that's why footprinting is just as interesting and exacting a science as fingerprinting."

There are two aspects to Kerr's research. Firstly, he has been analysing the measurements of specific aspects of the footprint, for example, lengths and areas with establishment of indices. The second part of the research looks at the difference to the shape of the footprint when it has been influenced by weight. For the first time, Kerr's research will be able to identify, for example, the owner of a footprint even if they had been carrying a heavy rucksack while committing a crime.

Obviously, in countries such as India where many go barefoot, forensic podiatry has been a well used tool by the police, but there are now increasing amounts of crimes solved in the UK. Kerr has researched a wide variety of crimes where footprints have been identified.

A perpetual housebreaker was caught out by his unfortunate choice of socks after he had removed his shoes to tip toe around an Aberdeen house. He wore gloves so left no fingerprints, but was identified by his toe print due to the large hole in his sock. He was jailed for three years.

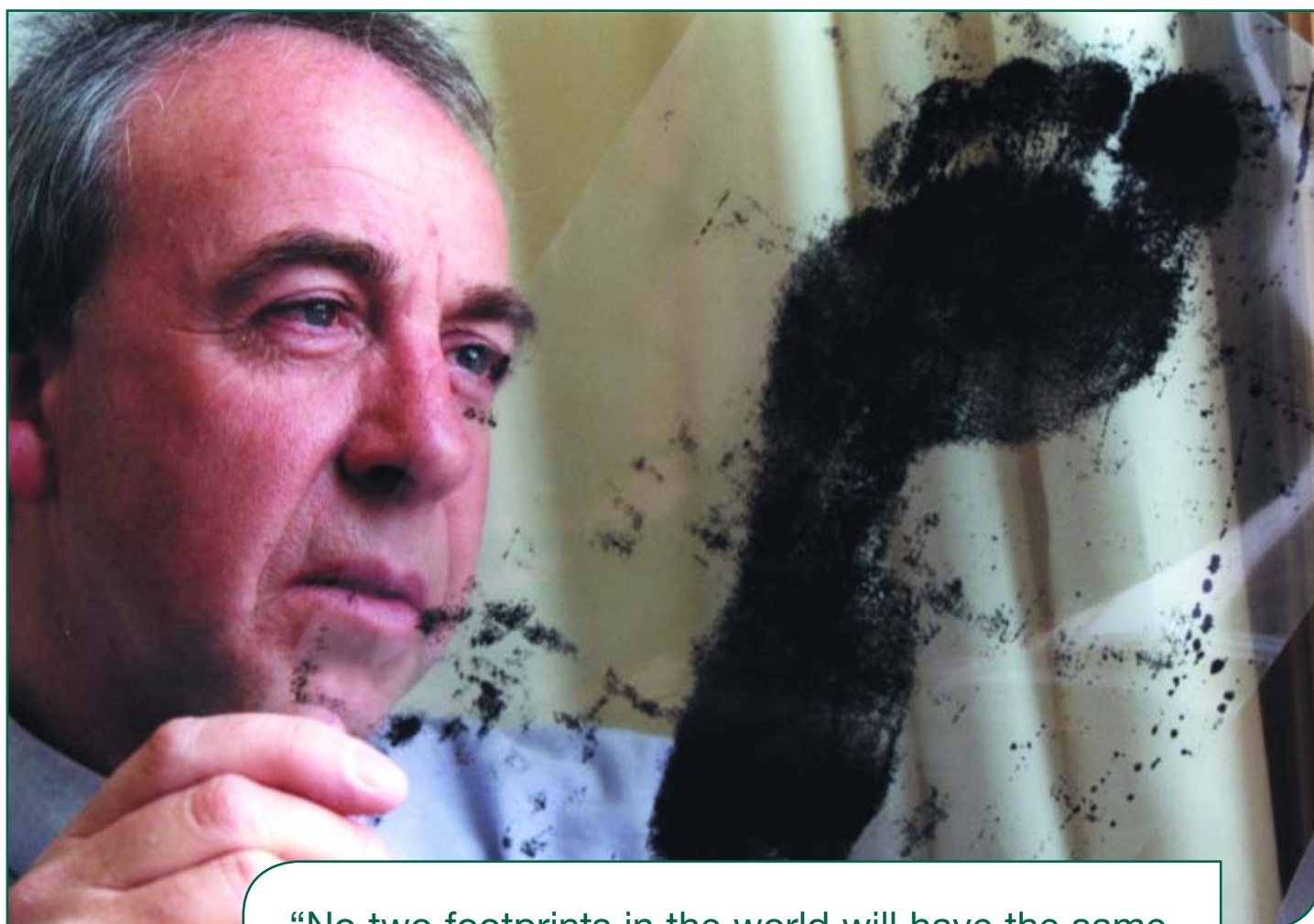
In 1990 an indecent sexual assault was carried out in a women's home in the Caymen Islands. When the police carried out a thorough examination of the premises a very clear barefoot impression was found near one of the

windows. Comparisons of this were made with an impression taken from a suspect and the similar characteristics between the two were used as part of the evidence. The suspect was subsequently found guilty and sentenced to four years imprisonment after which he was deported.

A serial housebreaker in 1998 broke into an old-folks' home hoping to carry out what he considered to be the perfect crime. He had previously been convicted on fingerprint evidence and on impressions left by his training shoes. So, on this occasion he decided to remove his trainers and put his socks on his hands to act as gloves. Unfortunately for him he left behind excellent toe impressions that were used by the prosecution as part of their evidence. He was found guilty and sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

Kerr's research is due to be published in January 2005 and there is little doubt that he will then be called on by the police to consult on crime scene investigations. With the advances in forensic podiatry into footprints and shoeprints, perpetrators will find it increasingly difficult to walk away Scott free from their crimes. According to Kerr, the only way to get off with leaving prints at the scene of a crime is to use someone else's shoes! Kerr explained: "It is impossible to tell from the shoeprint if someone else actually wore the owner's shoes to commit a crime."

He concluded: "Although this particular area of forensic science is in its infancy, as more research is carried out and more specialists become involved, it will become another important facility that can be used for identification purposes during crime scene investigations."



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NEW CENTRE TO REVOLUTIONISE HEALTHCARE RESEARCH ACROSS SCOTLAND

A grant of £2.45 million will allow a group of universities and NHS partners to establish a centre that will help to improve the health of the people of Scotland, as well as leading the way in Europe for healthcare research.

Specifically working in the areas of nursing, midwifery and the allied health professions (physiotherapy, radiography, podiatry, dietetics, art therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and nutrition) the new Centre for Integrated Healthcare Research will fill a major gap in Scotland's health research. This substantial funding is a major coup for Scotland as it is the largest research investment for these professions in the UK.

A collaborative project, the new Centre will bring healthcare specialists from QMUC, University of Edinburgh and Napier University to work in partnership with NHS Lothian, NHS Borders and NHS Lanarkshire.

Dr Marie Donaghy, Head of School of Health Sciences at the lead partner institution, Queen Margaret University College, explained: "Unlike the area of medicine - nursing, midwifery and the allied health professions have really suffered from a lack of investment in research. While there has been good examples of small-scale research undertaken in the NHS in recent years, the majority of research has tended to be specific to individual professions. However, in reality, people often need a range of coordinated health services to fully aid their recover. For example, if someone has suffered a stroke they may need the services of a speech therapist, a physiotherapist, an occupational therapist and nurses, in addition to

medical professions. There is very little interdisciplinary research that can be used to help these professionals work more effectively together to provide a full and coordinated service that will meet all of the patient's health needs."

Dr Donaghy continued: "This grant will allow the new Centre to pull together these professionals to conduct research which will relate to the delivery of integrated healthcare."

Aiming to change the research culture within these professions, the Centre will focus on the application of research to improve patient care, but, most importantly, its work will be informed at every stage by the opinion of people who actually use health services.

The Centre will also impact on the ongoing problem of staff recruitment and retention in both the NHS and higher education. Academics and health professionals will benefit from more cross-over career options between academia and the NHS and a vibrant research culture which it is hoped will develop across all these health areas. At the moment, it is difficult to attract nurses, midwives, and allied health professionals into research and there are few clinical/research opportunities. However, the new Centre will provide opportunities to attract more UK and international research funding thereby providing a wider variety of career pathways.

The grant, which is provided by The Scottish Higher Education Funding Council, the Scottish Executive Health Department, NHS Scotland and The Chief Scientist Office will support the research work of the Centre in three main areas:

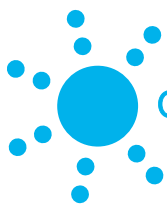
- Maximising recovery from acute illness and trauma
- Early years and parenting
- Improving the management of enduring conditions

Professor Beth Alder, Director of Research in the Faculty of Health and Life Sciences at Napier University said: "These main programmes of research relate to the Scottish Executive's healthcare priorities of mental health, cardiovascular disease and stroke, cancer, older people and public/child health and reflect the expertise across the institutions involved in the Centre."

However, even though its research will be firmly based in tackling Scotland's health problems, there will be an international recruitment drive to attract a director to lead the project.

Dr Heather Cubie, Director of Research and Development at NHS Lothian - University Hospitals Division, stated: "This will be an extremely exciting and dynamic project to be involved in. Recognising the international nature of healthcare, we will be publicising the director's post internationally as we search for a high calibre individual with a strong research track record who can take this project from inception and develop it into an international centre of excellence within five to seven years."

Dr Cubie concluded: "The Centre will help to shape the future of nursing, midwifery and the allied health profession by bringing together a critical mass of expert researchers to investigate common and complex issues leading to significant improvements in the provision of Scottish healthcare."



Centre for Integrated Healthcare Research



JOINT DIRECTORS TO LEAD COPA

Two outstanding appointments have been made for the Directorship of the Royal Bank of Scotland Centre for the Older Person's Agenda (COPA). The post will be shared by two of Scotland's foremost authorities in this field: Professor Alan Gilloran and Ms Maureen O'Neill. Professor Gilloran (who will continue as Dean of QMUC's Faculty of Health & Social Sciences), will have responsibility for the development of academic research. Ms O'Neill, who is currently Director of Age Concern, Scotland, will oversee practice development and policy formulation, and will manage the Centre.



**The Royal Bank
of Scotland**

RESEARCHERS AIM TO THROW NEW LIGHT ON ASPERGER'S SYNDROME

A major new study into prosody - not what you say but how you say it - in children with one of the most frequent variants of autism is to go ahead following an announcement of £178,000 funding from the Economic and Social Research Council to an Edinburgh research team.

Led by Professor Fiona Gibbon, Head of Speech and Language Sciences at QMUC, the two-year project aims to throw new light on the prosodic abilities of children with Asperger's Syndrome. The results of the project will also help children with other communication disorders.

Just as punctuation helps us to understand a sentence or paragraph, prosody helps us to understand more easily the meaning behind what someone is saying through inflection - raising your voice at the end of a sentence to sound questioning - emphasis and tone of voice. Children with Asperger's Syndrome may have unusual sounding speech, which may be monotonous, exaggerated or sing-song. Their unusual speech is one of a number of reasons why these children are often socially isolated.

Asperger's is a type of autism that affects from three to six people in every thousand. It is a lifelong condition characterised by social and communication difficulties. Although most children with Asperger's have average or above average intelligence and are in mainstream education, they fail to grasp the basic rules that govern social interaction, such as choosing suitable topics for conversation. They can also have difficulty understanding some aspects of language. For example, they find it difficult to understand jokes and they interpret very literally phrases like "he is too big for his boots" and "I

got out of the wrong side of the bed this morning", which are used in everyday speech.

Partnered by the University of Edinburgh and the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, the QMUC team will also collaborate with Oxford University's Experimental Psychology Laboratory. The project will involve 40 children with Asperger's Syndrome between 6-13 years and 50 control children who have typical language development.

"By providing a better understanding of the role of prosody in language development, this research will help speech and language therapists and other professionals to develop better diagnostic procedures and intervention strategies for prosodic difficulties in children with Asperger's, and also in children with other communication or language impairment disorders, which will help them achieve and maintain a better quality of life," said Professor Gibbon.



PROFESSOR HARDCASTLE BECOMES FELLOW OF THE BRITISH ACADEMY

Bill Hardcastle, Professor of Speech Sciences at QMUC, recently became a Fellow of the British Academy.

The British Academy is the National Academy for the Humanities and Social Sciences. Professor Hardcastle was elected to the position by his peers in recognition of his contribution to Linguistics.

On 1 July 2004, this prestigious title was awarded to 35 academics, mostly from leading British research institutions, including Oxford and Cambridge. Professor Hardcastle was one of only two to gain the title from a new university and one of only three to receive the title in Scotland.

Professor Hardcastle is now the second Fellow of the British Academy at QMUC - the other, Professor John Laver, also received the title in 1990 for his contribution to Linguistics.

Professor Hardcastle said:

"I am very honoured and privileged to have been elected. As a new academician, I intend to play my part in promoting, maintaining and representing advanced research and will take every opportunity to raise the profile of QMUC and the excellent research its staff are doing".



ALUMNI WELCOME



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Welcome to our newly designed 'QM News', which includes your dedicated alumni section. The new format allows us to bringer you a bigger and (we hope!) better product incorporating the latest news from QMUC whilst keeping you in touch with your former classmates, staff and friends. Don't forget you can keep in touch online too at www.qmuc.ac.uk/visitors/alumni.

Thank you to everyone who responded to our first graduate questionnaire in January, we had thousands of responses. This has enabled us to update your details and avoid sending the magazine to old addresses. We have also greatly enjoyed reading your news and hearing how much you enjoyed your time here and the positive impact it has had upon your lives - even engineering a few weddings along the way! There is an extra large 'Classnotes' in this issue but if you don't appear this time around, we will try and include your news in a future edition.

As usual, the Graduate's Association page updates you on their activities and holiday home in Gullane. Having spent a few days at Madras Lodge, I can highly recommend it for a seaside break.

I hope you enjoy the magazine and look out for our next issue in November.

Joanne Finnie
Development & Alumni Manager

REUNION NEWS

Diploma 1 & III 1960-1961

Dorothy McLauchlan (nee Coutts) is trying to make contact with former classmates from Diploma 1 & III class of 1960-61 for a reunion and would love to hear from anyone in her class. Tel: 01764 652 688.

HND in Institutional Management, 1974-1977

Anne Turnbull (nee Thompson) is organising a 30 year reunion. If you would like further details contact her at anne@annet81.freeserve.co.uk

BSc Dietetics 1994

Heather Nunn is organising a 10 year class reunion for the 1994 BSc Dietetics class on Saturday 25 September 04, contact her at h.nunn@btinternet.com

Diploma in Physiotherapy, 1984

The reunion date is 18 September 2004. Contact: Valerie Peat, 30 Meggetland Terrace Edinburgh EH14 1AR or e-mail valeriepeat@aol.com

Diploma in Hotel, Catering and Institutional Management 1988-1991

Message from Sandra Black (nee Owen); "Calling the intellectuals (of which there were not many so don't all rush at once) to help me organise the class 13 year reunion in September/October 2004. Hope to hear from you soon and look forward to counting your grey hairs. Contact me at Sandraowen@ukf.net."

ANNUAL FUND NEWS

Thank you to all of you who continue to support the QMUC Annual Fund and exceptional student projects which otherwise would not happen. This year, you have helped students, such as Maria Giatsi (Phd Occupational Therapy), present her first paper at a conference. With increasing financial burdens on students, a small award from the Annual Fund can make a real difference, enabling a project or practical placement to go ahead.

Please consider supporting the Annual Fund. A donation, even £2 a month, will make an enormous difference to students today. Alternatively, you may wish to plan further ahead and consider a legacy gift to QMUC. If you would like further information please contact Joanne Finnie, Development & Alumni Manager on 0131 317 3359, jfinnie@qmuc.ac.uk or return the back of the address form and we will send you more details.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

QM Comes to Call

Staff from the International Office will be visiting the following cities and countries over the next year and would be delighted to meet with our graduates, please email international@qmuc.ac.uk to find out the exact dates and venues.

2004

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| September | Taipei and Kaohsiung, Taiwan |
| October | Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya, Japan |
| November | Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai and Chandigarh, India |
| December | Dubai, Jordan, Bahrain and Kathmandu, Nepal |

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Name: Jennifer McGonigle (nee Fowler)

Course: Communication Studies

Graduated: 1994

Current Job: Founder and Director of Fashion Business

1. Why did you choose QM?

QM offered a friendly environment in which I felt comfortable and I was able to carry on working part time in the fashion industry while studying. This helped me build on my contacts and my reputation in the industry prior to graduation and seeking full time employment.

2. How has your degree course influenced your career?

I was given a fantastic opportunity to spend my 2nd year at New York State University, probably one of the most influential years of my life. The people and the environment made a huge impression on my outlook towards my future career and fuelled my drive to succeed.

3. How did you get to where you are today?

Hard work, ambition, determination and enthusiasm! I have always set myself goals and had long-term plans. I knew exactly what I didn't want to do or be! While studying at QM I worked part time in fashion stores in Edinburgh. This experience was crucial as it began my reputation in the industry and got me mixing in the right circles. I truly believe a degree and work experience goes hand in hand. After graduating I got a fantastic grounding in marketing for Levi Strauss UK. I was sent on training and development courses. When I didn't feel challenged anymore I set up my own business as a fashion agent in Scotland. Over the last 4 years I have launched

and built up kids/youth brand Ollie and run the Scottish division for the brands Bench and Hooch.

4. Describe a normal day at work

In for 8am, brief the team. Liaise with factories in the Far East regarding product and ensure all the import documents are correct. Meet with the designers to run through next season collections and colour palettes. Read trade press. Meet the marketing team on photo shoots – locations, models, product and props. Make phone call deals to retailers - sell, sell, sell! Kick our sales team up the backside and get them out there!

5. What ambition would you most like to achieve?

I would like to have a globally recognised clothing brand or Europe would do!

6. Any advice for new graduates?

Always show enthusiasm. Get some work experience in your chosen field. Follow up any letters with a phone call. Speak to the decision maker direct and use your persuasive powers.



QMUCGA NEWSLETTER

by Graduates' Association President, Pat Denzler

President's Report

I have been delighted to be the Graduates' Association President for the past two years and have been privileged to attend many QMUC events. We are looking for a successor to fill my role and welcome volunteers for the Committee. Meetings are fun – at our January get-together over mulled wine, Anne Scagell regaled us with tales of the Christmas market in Prato and dinner with QM Graduate, Moira Macfarlane, the British Consul General in Florence.

Social Programme

The lunches have been a great success with members from across the UK catching up with friends at Howie's in Waterloo Place, on the last Saturday of the month with an "r". The next lunch is in September. Liz Brash reports that 40 people enjoyed a stimulating wine tasting event with Master of Wine, Rose Murray Brown, where they learned some new wine descriptions to baffle and impress!

Madras Lodge

Margaret Wyatt has streamlined the booking procedure and can e-mail availability or contact her by telephone for last minute bookings. The Madras Lodge team has upgraded and improved the property and the booking cost now includes heating. Visit our website www.qmucga.org.uk or contact margaret10@blueyonder.co.uk

Membership & E-mail

Regular details of our meetings are sent out to those on e-mail, please send Mary Cursiter an e-mail to register. New e-mail members enter the draw for a free bottle of wine. If you would like to be on the mailing list for local events please contact Mary.

AGM 2004

The booking form and agenda for this year's AGM at the main campus on 12th June are enclosed. I urge you to come for a fine lunch and update on the latest developments at QMUC.

Special plea from the President

We are seeking members for the committee and your help is appreciated, contact me on denzler@qmucga.org.uk.

With best wishes to you for a relaxing summer.



Enjoying a hot toddy and mince pies at the Georgian House, Edinburgh



Graduates' Association members at the March networking lunch

Rose Murray Brown, Master of Wine, leading tasting in the Wine Evening at QMUC in April



QMUCGA DIARY DATES & CONTACTS

Networking Lunches

Last Saturday of the month
September 2004 to April 2005
(not December)

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QMUC Graduates' Association

All graduates, present and former staff of QMUC are eligible for 'life' membership of 40 years.

Cost:

£25 in graduation year, £30 for others

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AGM 2004

Saturday 12th June 2004
Conference Suite, QMUC, Corstorphine
10.30am coffee

11am AGM

12.45pm Lunch

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Visit our website on www.qmucga.org

We have had an overwhelming response to our graduate questionnaire when we asked you to tell us your news, thank you to everyone who responded. If your item does not appear on these pages (listed by graduation year), please be assured that we will publish it in a future issue.

1926

Miss Anne Beard, Housekeeper Catering. I trained with all Scottish girls who had just left the HM Forces. My mother and aunt both took the Teachers training course at AC.

1936

Mrs Rosemund Berry (nee Gregory), Diploma 1. At A.C. high standards were expected of us from our very first day. I now live in Poole – just reaching my 90 years.

1939

Mrs Irene Thompson OBE (nee Laird), Diploma 1. Married in March '42 and was a supply teacher before joining Y.W.C.A welfare and serving in South East Asia Command, returning in '46. Four children (1 son & 3 daughters), now have 9 grandchildren & 5 great grandchildren. Still drive a sports car & am a Co-Director of family fun.

1940

Miss Alice Barrowman, Diploma 1. Taught in Scotland, England, Canada and Australia, finishing as Grade I Lecturer at Larnook Teachers College in Melbourne. Have written the book 'The Will To Do', available from some Scottish libraries.

1941

Mrs Margaret Hendry (nee Gair), Diploma. Worked part-time in Dalry Primary School until 1980, has three children and five grandchildren.

1942

Mrs Olive Broad (nee Plevin), Diploma Home Economics. Taught Domestic Science and after marrying and having a family, Home Economics until retired in 1980. Now visits relatives in the US every year.

Mrs Margaret Ann Clayton (nee Maughan),

Diploma in Household Management & Canteen Management, Dip Institutional Management (1944) & Dip in Dietetics (1946). Atholl Crescent training & expertise has been invaluable throughout my life - hospital work, marriage, bringing up children & coping with grandchildren.

1943

Mrs Jean Millar (nee Gordon), Diploma 1. Over 60 years on, four of us from our class are still in touch, five of us met in 1991, 50 years after meeting at AC.

1944

Mrs Patricia Edwards (nee Williams), Diploma in Household & Institutional Management. Attended the 125th reunion in June 2000.

1945

Miss Cecily Brash, Diploma 1. As I am now 80 years old, my life and career details come under the heading of Ancient History! I still have vivid memories though of life at 'Atholl Crescent' and am in touch with ex students.

Mrs Irene Morton (nee Miller), Diploma 1. Still in touch with 3 other 'old students', 59 years after leaving college. We are all 'Melvin House' students.

1946

Culpin, Helen (nee Dilworth), Diploma 1. A group of ex AC friends meets twice a year in North West England. We have lunch together & enjoy reminiscing and getting news updates on family & friends.

1947

Mrs Margaret Bruce (nee Goodfellow), Diploma in Household Management and Diploma in Institutional Management ('47). A wonderful training and in those days of A.C. a lot of fun!! I am still close friends with my cookery partner Pam Jarrett (Jagger)

1948

Mrs Margaret Walker (nee Towler), Diploma 3. We hope there will be at least 10 of us to meeting for a 60th reunion in Edinburgh on May 22nd. Unfortunately we cannot trace some of our colleagues but if they hear about our proposed reunion and would like to join in would they contact me through QMUC please?

1949

Mrs Rachel Wightman (nee Webster Swinnerton), Diploma 1. Married John Douglas Wightman in 1952, two sons, Matthew and Timothy.

1950

Mrs Sheila Lowit (nee O'Neill), Diploma 3. We had our 50th reunion a few years ago.

1951

Mrs Jean Teesdale (nee Lindsay), Diploma 3. After living in Somerset for nearly 30 years my husband and I moved up to Campeltown, Argyle in 2000.

1952

Mrs Stephanie Jones, Certificate in Plain Class Cookery. I always find The News interesting and still have a soft spot for Edinburgh.

1953

Mrs Jean Illingworth (nee Smellie), Diploma in Institutional Management, Diploma in Dietetics ('55). Married Bob 1956 and have 4 sons, all married, with 11 grandchildren aged 7 – 20 who all live locally. Worked as a Dietician until retirement in 1989, specialising in Diabetes.

Miss Monica Macpherson, Diploma III. After retiring from teaching Home Economics I undertook a course of study with the Open University, graduated BA (Hons) in 1996.

1954

Mrs Edith Margaret Phillips (nee Pooley),

Diploma 1. Over the last eight years, a group of us has met six times. The years roll away as we reminisce about our AC days and bring ourselves up to date with recent happenings. Our next reunion is scheduled to take place in Bath in November 2004.

1955

Mrs Mary Askew, Diploma 1, Married to Derek, worked as a teacher and latterly ran a bookshop. Has two daughters and recently became a Grandmother. Now living in Church Stretton, Shropshire.

Elinor, Carruthers (nee Shoolbread),

Dressmaking Certificate and Household Institutional Management ('57). Married with three married grown up daughters, four grandsons and one granddaughter.

Mrs Catherine MacPherson (nee Leitch),

Diploma 3. I greatly appreciate receiving QM Scene and feel proud of the way AC has developed into Queen Margaret University College, with the widely diverse disciplines that it offers.

1956

Mrs Margaret Sheperd (Baron), Diploma 1. Obtained BA in Geography at Cambridge University, followed by a PhD study on economic and social change in rural Cumbria 1840-1895. My book on this subject 'From Hellgill to Bridge End' was published by the University Hertfordshire Press in December 2003.

Mrs Frederica Graham-Brown (nee Stileman),

Housekeeper Matron Diploma. I married Rev Francis Gordon Brown and we have retired to Hemel Hempstead.

Mrs Shona Hamilton (Douglas Bruce), Diploma

1. Married Doug in 1970, daughters Annie and Emma. Now retired to our hometown of Carnoustie.

1959

Mrs Fiona Haig (nee Frost), Diploma in Household Management. Currently studying City & Guilds Photography & Digital Imaging, a shock to my quietly subsidised retired little grey cells! Spent New Year 2003 in the Antarctic & Christmas 2003 in the Arctic.

1960

Mrs Gwendoline Anderson (nee Roberts), Diploma 1. Married, 4 sons aged from 26-31 years. In a 1st year city & Guilds Creative Embroidery, loving it. I call it 'my day release'.

Mrs Phyllis Anne Elizabeth Henderson (nee White),

Diploma 3. Taught at Ainslie Park Secondary & Montrose Academy. Married, brought up family, went into Tourist industry then went back to teaching at Grantown Grammar before taking up position as HoD (APT) at Kingussie High until retirement in '02. Now enjoying freedom!

1961

Mrs Elizabeth Frost (nee Ingue), Diploma in Institutional Management. I was so fortunate to

have the opportunity to graduate from such a marvellous institution, especially as I am very dyslexic. For the first time in my academic life I found that I could succeed and was the first student in 15 years to gain a distinction. I have had a wonderful, successful life since then. Currently working as freelance florist, teacher & demonstrator.

1962

Mrs Maybel Buchanan (nee Rae), Diploma in Institutional Management. I was a staff member at Atholl Crescent for 2 years after I graduated, then I married and had my family. I am now widowed and live in the central belt of Scotland, where I am a Community Councillor.

1963

Mrs Alison Rennie (nee Austin), Domestic Science Diploma. I lectured at Robert Gordons Institute of Technology (now R.G.U.) until 1974 when I left to have my family. Completed a City & Guilds course in Creative Embroidery in 1990 and tutored this course for 12 years – it was a pity it took me 20 years to find my niche!

1964

Mrs Michele Abson (nee Bent), Diploma 1 and Diploma 3 (1965). I've come to an end of a varied career – first in school teaching and then in FE colleges where I eventually ran the Home Economics Department. I returned to school teaching and was Head of Dept. In March 1993, I became a Practice Manager for a G.P. – much more rewarding (though not financially!).

1965

Mrs Evelyn Mellor (nee Struthers), Certificate in Institutional Management. My catering career spanned 36 years, before retiring in 2002. I held many interesting posts in the UK before moving to Hong Kong with my husband in 1981. I worked in the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in the School of Hotel & Tourism Management.

1966

Shaw, Katherine (nee Gardiner), Diploma 3. Organised many class reunions in the past but not this year's on 8 May 2004.

Mrs Elizabeth Taylor (nee Bielska), Domestic Science Diploma. My year group meet every 5 years. I'd be interested in contacting Margareta Pachico Fitzsimmons (Fitzie) from Dundee.

1968

Mrs Jane Cantova (nee Swanston), Diploma 3. Fully integrated into Swiss life. Husband retired and I teach English as a foreign language. Son, 16, going into mechanical engineering, is very practical with his hands and shows amazing skills with the sewing machine!

Miss Eileen Corkery, Diploma 2. I took a degree in English and Geography and taught these subjects for many years and gave needlework classes to adults. I became Principal eight years ago and the teacher training I received at AC was an excellent preparation for my career.

Mrs Christine Smeaton (nee Payne), Diploma in

Institutional Management. Returned to full-time employment 18 months ago managing the catering & housekeeping teams at our local hospice. One daughter, 1 grandson and another expected. Now re-married to Tom and have 2 stepdaughters, 1 stepson.

Mrs Fiona Davies (nee Shiels), Domestic Science with Food Nutrition. Spent 2 years with VSO in Malawi (1969-71), now working with The Open Door charity. I have been happily married for 29 years and have 2 daughters.

1970

Mrs Alison Morag Ross (nee Cameron), Diploma in Domestic Science with Food & Nutrition. Worked as a Home Economics teacher before marrying Tom and setting up our business 'Tour Organisers', now has global connections.

1973

Mrs Elizabeth Brautaset (nee Mohr), BSc in Physiotherapy. I have my own practice in Oslo, but currently not working as my husband is ambassador for Norway here in London. Daughter Kristin will qualify as a physiotherapist from QMUC this summer.

1975

Mrs Lesley Gallacher (nee Wearmouth), Diploma in Dietetics & Catering. Married with 3 children. Have lived in the south for 28 years and work occasionally for local GP.

1976

Mrs Helen Margaret Cameron (nee Millar), Diploma Domestic Science & Diploma Secondary Education. I gained my Ski Leader qualification and work part-time for Glen Shee Chairlift Company. Married to Ken, no children, but I am lucky enough to be stepmother and step-grandmother to Ken's children, which is a great joy.

Mrs Carrie O'Regan (nee Overell), Diploma in Domestic Science with Dress & Design. We arranged a visit to the College on our 25 years following graduation and I have it in my diary to as a similar thing when you move to the new campus, we wouldn't wait another 25 years!

1977

Mrs Margaret Williamson (nee Toynbee), Diploma Home Economics. Married in 1978 & had two children. Teacher since 1980 in various Edinburgh High Schools and external moderator for SCOTVEC/SQA.

1978

Mrs Rosie Wallace (nee Fraser), Diploma Speech Therapy. I am now working in the private sector as a speech and language therapist & dyslexia assessor and tutor.

1981

Mrs Margaret Paxton (nee Smith), BA Home Economics. Lives near Brussels with husband and two sons and works as a Business Manager of a British school. Currently studying for a qualification in School Business Management.

Mrs Sheelagh Rusby (nee Halliday), BA Home

Economics. Married to Paul, happily living on a farm at Parton, Castle Douglas.

Mr Colin Salter Diploma in Drama. The mobile disco I run now is a direct link to my time at QMC, when I was president of Radio Claudine - (when I should probably have been learning something else)! Celebrating 25 years in the entertainment industry, all thanks to my QMC Diploma in Drama. (Still playing the same records, too...)

1982

Mrs Julie Hooper (nee Vaughan), Diploma in Physiotherapy, BSc (Hons) Health Studies ('94). Moved to London & specialised in the treatment of neurological patients. Married Ian in 1988 & we have 2 children. I completed a PhD at the University of Edinburgh in 2001 & now teach physiotherapy at QMUC.

Mrs Julie Mackenzie-Dewhirst (nee Mackenzie), Diploma in Occupational Therapy. Married with 2 children. Still working in Mental Health. Currently involved with developing services within Primary Care. Would love to hear from old mates Gilly Cruickshank and Maureen Reid.

Mrs Isobel Roast (nee Scott), BA Home Economics. QMC had prepared me well and I was fortunate enough to land a job with British Midland where I met my husband to be. Two children followed and a career break before my PG Cert of Education. Thank you QMC. I'm now working full-time as a reception teacher in England and love it!!

Mrs Gillian Scott (nee Helliwell), BSc Speech Pathology & Therapy. I am married to Graeme, we have 2 children.

1983

Mrs Gillian Jordan (nee McGregor), BA Home Economics. Married Joe Jordan, 2 children. Working at Dundee University. Met up in 2002 with Rachel Keleher (nee Wells) and Fiona Baird (nee Morrison) in New York to celebrate our 40ths and going back this year with all the children!

Mrs Elizabeth Nicoll (nee Matheson), BA Home Economics. Married with 3 children, 2 girls and one boy. Work as H.E. teacher but also volunteers for Girlguiding Scotland.

Mrs Marion F Wiebe (nee Kirkpatrick), Diploma in Physiotherapy. I moved to Canada in 1984, married in 1986 and have 2 children. Have worked in acute/rehab and LTC. Am presently in Home Care and love it.

1984

Baroness Bronwen Hawke (nee James), BA Home Economics. Married to Lord Edward Hawke, 1 son & 1 daughter. Live in Cheshire, running a big house on a small budget. Thank goodness for QMC training!

Ms Lucy Hurst-Brown, BSc Speech Pathology & Therapy. Working for a charity in London that provides services for adults with learning disabilities.

Mrs Sarah McCormack (nee Cuthbertson), Diploma in Occupational Therapy. Married in '89. Worked in Australia and NZ 1 year, as an OT for 10 years in Mental Health and University research. Now full-time Mum to 3 children and doing small contract upholstery work from home.

Mrs Sue Vlissidis (nee Callow), BSc Speech Pathology & Therapy. Qualified as a Solicitor whilst bringing up 3 children. Now working in conveyancing dept of a firm in Cheshire.

1985

Mr David Nimmo, HND Hotel, Catering & Institutional Management. Married in 1989 to Heidi, 3 children.

Mr Andrew Walker, HND Hotel, Catering & Institutional Management. Married to Lucy, triplet sons aged six. Now living in Cheshire, I have returned to the yachting industry, Lucy runs our catering business in Manchester.

1986

Mrs Donna Marquardt (nee McCulloch), BA Communication Studies. Completed a PGCE and taught in the UK, then taught ESL in Brunei before moving to Germany where I now live with husband Stefan and our 2 daughters. I miss Scottish people a lot, but not the weather!

Mrs Jane McLaren (nee Porter), HND Hotel, Catering & Institutional Management. Worked as a Camp America counsellor in NY State then worked in the Civil Service until I had my children. Now help to run husband's farm (I knew that accounting would come in useful!), we have 3 sons and a Dalmatian dog!

Ms Anne Sibbald, Diploma in Podiatry and BSc in Podiatry ('88). Trying to organise a 20 year class reunion for class of '86 in Podiatry in 2006!

1987

Mrs Christine Donaldson (nee Will), BA Home Economics. I have worked at the Edinburgh Woollen Mill Head Office for 17 years and am now a Senior Buyer, responsible for all the accessory ranges for all 280 stores. Married to Alan, 2 daughters and live in Carlisle.

1988

Ms Jennifer Gerrie, BA Nursing Studies. Busy studying for my MSc Health Studies at University of Abertay and looking after my 2 daughters and living with my long-term (and long suffering!) partner Dougie.

Mrs Kirsty Roed (nee Arbuthnott), Diploma in Physiotherapy. Worked as a physiotherapist and as a lecturer. I have been fortunate to work with some fantastic people at several Paralympic & Commonwealth games. Achieved an MSc in Sports Medicine from Dublin University in '94 and a PG Diploma in Manual Therapy from GCU in 2003. Now married to Peter & expecting our first child in August.

Ms Susan Stockton, BA Nursing. Currently in final year of an MSc in Nursing distance learning course with the RCN Institute.

1989

Mrs Janet Burgon (nee Maciver), BA Nursing Studies. Married to James and have two children. Completed midwifery registration and mental nurse registration.

Mrs Elizabeth Farthing (nee Butler), Diploma in Podiatric Medicine. Worked in chiropody, then spent a year in Palestine. Now working as an Outdoor Education Instructor in the Lake District with my husband and expecting our first child.

Mr Graham MacGregor, Diploma Drama. Recently returned to QMUC to study for a B.A Acting (conversion course).

1990

Miss Helen Fordyce, BA Applied Consumer Studies. Currently working for the Scottish Refugee Council and expecting first baby in September.

Dr. Caroline Ruxton, BSc(Hons) Dietetics. One son born 2000 and started own business 2003.

Mrs Lesley-Anne Sommerville, BA Communication Studies. I must have been the longest serving 'student' at QMC! Following a postgraduate course, I've pursued a career in Human Resources, now a Director at TrinityMirror. Married to Stuart and have two daughters.

1991

Ms Kirsty Archer, HND Hotel, Catering and Institutional Management. Joined Police Force in August 1991, took a 2 year career break in 2001, now Acting Sergeant on a team of 20 PC's.

Mrs Claire Birkwood (nee Hughes), HND in Hotel, Catering & Institutional Management. Married fellow student Stuart (same degree/year) in 1995. Son Josh was born in 2003, 7 weeks early on a trip to our hometown Newcastle!

1991

Mrs Heidi Bowcher (nee Bates), BSc in Occupational Therapy. I started my NHS career at the Royal Free Hospital, London. Now married to Adrian and settled with 2-year-old son Charlie. I still remember QMC & Edinburgh very richly.

Mrs Eleanor Brown-Nevin (nee Brown), BA Applied Consumer Studies. Son, Thomas was born September 2003.

Mrs Louise Philip (nee Allen), BA Nursing Studies. Married to Mark and now full-time Mum to our 3 children, still work occasionally at the Sick Kids in Aberdeen.

1992

Mrs Lesley Devlin (nee McDiarmid), BA Applied Consumer Studies. Married in 1996 to Paul, had a baby daughter, and am expecting 2nd baby in May 2004. Have worked with mothercare since 2002.

Mr John Reid, BSc in Applied Food Science & Marketing. Have worked for last 4 years at Park Cakes firstly as a senior development technologist and now as a plant process technologist. Married and have a 7-year-old son.

Ms Ruth Wolseley, BA Hospitality, Enterprise, Tourism. Worked for Disney and a travel company before studying Midwifery. I have been qualified 18 months & now work at the RVI in Newcastle.

1993

Mrs Kathryn Brechin (nee Ritchie), BA(Hons) Nursing Studies. Married in 1999, gave birth to baby Stuart in Sept '03. After 10yrs nursing in London, I'm planning to move back to Scotland to be near family and friends.

Mr Tony Brewerton, BA Hospitality Enterprise with Tourism. I did an MSc Information Systems Management in 2001, now working for Diageo in Amsterdam managing a service team - sending over 2m cases of alcohol all over the world. QMC taught me how to serve it in a restaurant/bar (and how to drink it!) and now I make the stuff!

Ms Jennifer Fowler, BA Communication Studies. Started up own business 2002 after working for Levi Strauss & Co as Brand Manager. Ollie is a children's wear clothing brand, stocked by dept stores and mail order catalogues, now exporting to Holland, France & Belgium.

Mrs Marie Stirling (nee MacCuish), BSc in Podiatry. Baby Emily born September 2003.

1994

Mrs Julie Boertien (nee Hogg), BA Information Management. Married to Tony and we have a little girl and are expecting another baby in July.

Mrs Linsey Clarke (nee McMichael), BSc Hons Speech Pathology and Therapy. Married Rob, first baby due in April 2004. Recently moved to new job at Southampton General Hospital and living in Winchester.

Miss Kausar Parveen, MSc International Health. I got a high profile job with the Canadian International Development Agency to develop Pakistan Nursing Council to create a Nursing Registration system. Recently been appointed 1st Principal of the College of Nursing. Please pass on my love & best wishes to my classmates.

1995

Ms Pamela Blackwood, BA Retail Business. Married Derek Jones in April 2001. Work as a Corporate Banking Manager for Bank of Scotland, living in Arundel, West Sussex. Would like to hear from Emma Saunders who has gone to New Zealand.

Mrs Claire Ebbinghaus (nee Thomson), BSc(Hons) Physiotherapy. Gave birth to baby boy Patrick on 14th August 2003.

Mrs Rosemary Harvey (nee Barr), BA Hospitality & Tourism. Married and have a daughter of 9 months.

Mrs Alison Rae (nee Mather), BSc Applied Food Science with Marketing. Achieved BSc (Hons) Environmental Health then worked for Aberdeen City Council then Angus Council. Married Malcolm in October '01. Would love to hear about Michelle in Donegal and Louise in Halifax!

1996

Ms Leanne Archibald, BA(Hons) Applied Consumer Studies. Did Post Grad in Human Resources at RGU. Then worked in HR for Bechtel in London and US. Met future husband and married on 30th birthday last year in N.Y.C, now living on west coast, 'traditional' wedding reception in Scotland in September.

Ms Marlis Bunyan, BSc(Hons) Health Studies. Studying at QMUC gave me the impetus to continue professionally and develop my academic studies further. Now hold a research and Training Fellowship from CSO and working towards a PhD - lifelong learning in the true sense!

Miss Emma Peters, BA (Hons) Nursing Studies. Would appreciate hearing from any fellow nurses on emmapeters44@hotmail.com

1997

Ms Lynda Anderson, BSc(Hons) Social Sciences & Health Promotion. In November '03 I graduated with CertHE in Community Education, enabling me to further my career in pastoral care in my church as well as setting up courses in parenting.

Sister Dolly Rozario, MSc in International Health Study. I am Nun Sister for Associates of Mary Queen of Apostles. We run 14 dispensaries and 4 maternity centres, all charitable, most of the patients are poor and needy.

Mrs Louise Wellington (nee Gilchrist), BSc(Hons) Nursing Studies. Worked in Leeds then moved back home to get married and got at job at the RIE. Now working at the WGH in H.DU. Travelled to Asia, Australia, NZ. Had a boy (Callum) on New Years Day 2003.

1998

Ms Martina Glennon, BA(Hons) Information Management. Got married last year in Las Vegas - expecting first baby in September!

Mr I Haji Md. BSc in Applied Human Nutrition, now working as a community dietician. My experiences in Edinburgh were really wonderful. My wife is expecting our second child soon. I would love to get in touch with my QM friends.

Mrs Amanda Milner (nee Lusby), BSc(Hons) in Speech Pathology & Therapy. I worked as a Speech & Language Therapist for 3 years, then for Disney Cruise Line running the Childrens Nursery travelling from Florida to Bahamas. I am now preparing to buy a day nursery in Yorkshire.

Mrs Kirsty Niblock (nee Douglas), BSc in Nursing. Married in Mauritius Sept 28th '02. 1st baby due July'04.

Ms Katherine Shannon, BA(Hons) in Applied Consumer Studies. I followed a career in the Fashion Industry. Currently working for a handbag/accessories supplier on product development. I'm working towards the Chartered Institute of Marketing Certification.

1999

Ms Ellita Chatipwa, MSc in International Health. I work for Family Health International which

provides programme support in HIV/AIDS prevention and care to local NGO's.

Mr Hamish Dick, BA Communication Studies. Doing a PGCE at the University of Aberdeen to become a probation teacher then I will be fully qualified, teaching in the North of Scotland.

Ms Victoria Fleming, BA Acting. Worked extensively in theatre and have appeared on a BBC advert and an episode of Coronation Street.

Ms Rose Nimmo, PG Dip Art Therapy. I hope everyone I knew at QMUC is doing well. I'm now very involved in music. I sing in 2 bands, both called Rosy Blue. We play regularly in pubs, hotels and blues & jazz festivals.

Mr Andrew Ralton, BA in Tourism Management. Have worked at Scotways since '01, theoretical knowledge gained from studying has proven useful in work. I enjoyed my time at QMUC and look forward to hearing about the latest developments.

2000

Mrs Susanna Coan (nee Gibbs), PG Dip Art Therapy. Married Richard on 16.03.02.

Ms Emma Lowes, BA Retail Business. Studied for an MA in Human Resource Management in London. Now back in Shetland, working as a Personnel Officer, overseeing all graduate recruitment into Shetland Island's Council. It always brings a smile to my face to see fellow graduates of QMUC applying for positions within the SIC.

Ms Molly Johnson, BA Acting. Just been cast in next series of Murphy's Law, playing an undercover cop posing as a hooker. Have bought my own flat in SW London and living with Billyboy.

Ms Judith MacLellan, BA Applied Psychology & Applied Sociology, got married 12/3/04.

Ms Susan Mills, BSc Occupational Therapy (conversion course) (also Diploma Occupational Therapy '82). Married in 2001 to Ian Beven, Australian, expecting first baby.

Ms Rebecca Sleeman, BA Acting. Living in London. Working for CBBC as the voice of a cartoon presenter 'Nelly-Nut'. Previously spent a year with Dundee Rep ensemble and toured with 'Girls Night Out'.

2001

Mrs Fiona Eckford, MSc in Physiotherapy. Gave birth to 2nd child, Grace, on 25 August 2003.

Ms Christine Hobbs, BA(Hons) Combined Studies. Enjoying working in promotions for Budweiser. Big thanks to QMUC & all my lecturers for helping me get where I am today!

Mrs Morven Leader (nee MacInnes), BSc(Hons) Nursing. Married in September 2001.

Ms Rhona Livingstone, BA(Hons) Hospitality & Tourism Management. Getting married 18th

December 2004.

Ms Jennifer Lunan, BSc(Hons) Physiotherapy. Volunteering in Cambodia for six months with Outreach International, to treat landmine victims and teach rehabilitation principles to Cambodian Therapists.

Ms Amy Pattenden, BSc(Hons) Speech Pathology & Language Therapy. Just returned from Australia, New Zealand & Fiji, now back in Kent working as a Speech & Language Therapist for North Bexley Sure Start.

2002

Ms Jennifer Bell, BA(Hons) Retail Business and Consumer Studies. Will marry Andrew Campbell on 21/8/04.

Mr Graeme Kemp, MA Media & Cultural Studies. Worked at West Lothian College, moved to New College, Wellington, in Shropshire. The MA in Media & Cultural Studies proved invaluable in getting a post, teaching Media & Film studies. I miss Scotland and QMUC!

Mrs Amelia Short, BSc Occupational Therapy. I started Uni with a 2 year old and my second baby was born 3 weeks before year 2 started, but managed to graduate on time. I married my husband in 2002 and found a great job with Fife council which I love. I wouldn't change anything about my time at Uni, it was truly life changing and enhancing.

Mr Thomas Thornton, BA Media & Cultural Studies. Using my knowledge of TV & Films to write scripts in my spare time, a sitcom and a drama. Hopefully they should be finished sometime soon. Thanks QMUC!

Ms Michelle Wood, BSc(Hons) Nursing. Living with partner of 7 yrs and expecting 1st baby in September.

2003

Miss Rabha Al-Suleimany, MSc Medical Science in Human Nutrition. Working in the MoH(HQ) in Oman, thanks to QMUC I am now able to advocate healthy eating concepts back home. I also intend to come back one day for a visit or as a student!

Ms Julie Brown, MSc in Nursing, BSc in Nursing Studies ('98). Married in July 2002 and had a little boy called Liam in September 2003.

Ms Katrina Dodds, BSc (Hons) in Dietetics. Currently studying Medicine at Glasgow University.

Look out for your item or news on your friends or former classmates in another bumper Classnotes in the next edition. If you would like to submit news, please e-mail it to jfinnie@qmuc.ac.uk or contact the Development Office.

OUTLINE PLANNING CONSENT FOR SCOTLAND'S NEW UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

In May, the planning committee of East Lothian Council backed their officers' recommendation and declared themselves 'minded to grant' planning permission for Scotland's first University campus of the 21st Century. The application will now be considered by the Scottish Executive. QMUC, in association with architects Dyer Associates, will now prepare detailed plans for the 35 acre site at Craighall. Over 4000 staff and students will relocate from existing campuses at Corstorphine and Leith in 2007. The £multi million development will largely be financed by a deal with property developers Persimmon, which will inherit the prime residential site at Corstorphine. Other cash will be raised from the sale of the Leith campus and the new Development Office fundraising campaign.

QMUC is estimated to bring a £32 million boost to the local community alone, and £90 million to the Scottish Economy as a whole. Employment attributable to QMUC, including direct employment, is around 1200 and there will be around 500 jobs on site during the construction phase.

Commenting on the news QMUC Principal Professor Anthony Cohen said: "We are of course delighted at the news. We have worked extremely hard to produce an exciting design fit for purpose and which is sensitive to, and will enhance, the local area. We received very few objections to the scheme but we paid careful attention to the comments made and will be making some alterations to the original masterplan as a direct result. Sustainability is a high priority for this

development and we will create an academic and social environment which will be an asset to the community and provide state of the art facilities for our students, staff and visitors. This is a very exciting time. We look forward to playing a vital role in East Lothian as higher education providers and through our constructive relationships with business, health and the arts."

As well as academic buildings the campus at Craighall will also contain student accommodation, sports and leisure facilities and social spaces including landscaped parkland and cafes. Local residents will be encouraged to use the facilities at QMUC, especially the high tech Learning Resource Centre, which will form the entrance to the site.

TOP RATING FOR INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW

Excellent news from the QAA: the outcome of the recent Enhancement-led Institutional Review received a judgement of 'broad confidence', the most positive of the three standards used by the QAA. This gives QMUC every reason to be confident as it prepares to submit its application for university title. Congratulations to all who were involved in the preparation and presentation of the Review.

GATEWAY TO SHOWCASE SCOTTISH THEATRE TALENT

In May, the Scottish Arts Council announced its support and funding for

an exciting and inspired initiative to showcase Scottish theatre during the Edinburgh Festival - Scotland's Theatre Gateway. This initiative, potentially worth £135,000 over three years to QMUC, will be a golden opportunity for The Gateway Theatre to develop its reputation in an international context as well as broadening the existing international profile of the companies it showcases.

Festival 2004 will see Scotland's Theatre Gateway showcase three already internationally acclaimed Scottish theatre companies: Catherine Wheels' enchanting revival of the children's piece, 'Martha'; Theatre Cryptic's provocative 'Each and Every Inch'; and Theatre Babel's 10th anniversary new production of 'Macbeth'. There will also be an

exhibition, 'Invisible', by Scottish photographer Douglas McBride in the foyer.

Paul Gudgin, Director of the Edinburgh Festival Fringe said "The Fringe is the world's largest artistic showcase, packed with international media and promoters, and to have a venue dedicated to the best Scotland's theatre community has to offer is an enormous opportunity for this country to sell itself internationally."

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