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GERMAN CROONERS AND IRISH FIDDLERS TO LEAD SPRINGTIME REVIVAL
—from the desk of Terry Williams, Senior Coordinator, E. Desmond Lee
Global Ethnic Collaborative and international Performing Arts Series Coordinator

The Center's International Performing Arts Series welcomes two splendid musical troupes to campus in March and April 2002. The 8:00 p.m. performances are held in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. For individual tickets, ($7-$15) or group rates call 314-516-7299.

The vocal jazz sextet, Hudson Shad, performing March 13, hails from Chicago but their music spans the decades and is inspired by the German group, Comedian Harmonists. Formed in Berlin in 1929, the Comedian Harmonists set out to create their own style based on American a cappella and by 1935 were Europe's top selling vocal ensemble. The polished, funny, imaginative way in which Hudson Shad presents their music makes their performances very special.

The Irish group, Killenora Céilí Band, performing April 4, can trace its roots back to the late 1800s, when music was an important feature of life in rural Ireland. Killenora boasted a fine brass band, which gradually evolved into a dance band. Its story is the story of Irish music itself—from village parties in the early 1900s down to their current international profile in the new millennium—each new generation slotting seamlessly into the groove of their forebears.

The Killenora features fiddles, flutes, banjo, and squeezeboxes, with one of the tightest rhythm sections in the world. The visual impact of ten musicians exuberantly driving the dancers on is what sets them apart and makes them unique.

They usually wind up the night's exertions with a turbo-charged ten-minute set, inducing strangled whoops of appreciation from energetic dancers.

Top left: The music of the vocal jazz sextet, Hudson Shad, spans the decades and is inspired by the German group, Comedian Harmonists, formed in 1929 Berlin. Top Middle: The Killenora features fiddles, flutes, banjo, and squeezeboxes, with one of the tightest rhythm sections in the world.

U.S. POLICY IN EAST ASIA

How has U.S. policy towards East Asia been shaped by the study of China and Japan in America's universities? Two of the world's leading experts on the region will address this question at a colloquium to be held 1:00-5:00 p.m. in room 331 of the Social Science and Business Building at UM-St. Louis on Saturday, February 9, 2002. Akira Iriye, Charles Warren Professor of American History and Tu Wei-ming, Professor of Chinese History and Philosophy and of Confucian Studies, both at Harvard University, will be the featured speakers for the Colloquium in East Asian Studies sponsored by the Joint Center for East Asian Studies of UM-St. Louis and Washington University. For reservations for the free colloquium call 314-516-5793. For information on preparatory reading contact Kathy Cochrane at 314-516-5801 or e-mail cochrane@umsl.edu.

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**ARCHAEOLOGIST TO GUIDE INTERDISCIPLINARY EXPANSION OF GREEK STUDIES**

Michael B. Cosmopoulos, professor of classics and founding director of the Centre for Hellenic Civilization at the University of Manitoba, Canada, has been named the Hellenic Government-Karacas Family Foundation Professor of Greek Studies in the Department of Anthropology and Center for International Studies at UM-St. Louis.

Cosmopoulos is the author of ten books and more than 76 articles and scholarly papers that interpret the social, political and cultural history of ancient Greece through archaeology.

In winter semester, 2002 Cosmopoulos will offer the course *Introduction to Greek Culture and the Honors College class. The Archaeology of Religion—an overview of mythology, religion and the archaeological evidence behind them.*

Cosmopoulos’ research and teaching have been recognized by awards, grants and fellowships from the Republic of Greece, the Canadian government, the University of Manitoba, the Onassis Foundation, Washington University, (where he earned his Ph.D. in art history and archaeology), and the University of Athens, (where he earned his BA in archaeology and history). He also studied art at the University of Sorbonne-Paris IV (D.E.U.G.) and holds a Diploma in Underwater Archaeology from the Council of Europe.

Cosmopoulos’ work is motivated by a profound belief in Hellenism as a philosophy and way of life that is “vital to the preservation of our humanity.” At his October 10 inaugural lecture at UM-St. Louis, he explained, “In Hellenism, humanity is the measure of all things and self-knowledge the major element of our humanity.”

Emerging from the rugged and harsh terrain of Greece, Hellenism teaches resourcefulness, a balancing between life’s permanence and change, a celebration of life in the face of death and the defeat of chaos with order and reason. “A civilized passion for life,” he calls it.

Much of his research is based on excavations he has directed at ancient sites in Greece and the Ukraine. May 26-June 15, 2002, Cosmopoulos will conduct UM-St. Louis’ first archaeological expedition to Greece, *Greece 2002: An Archaeological Odyssey.* Open to students and members of the community, the program will include fieldwork in Klaaini, (a Late Bronze Age site in the Peloponnesse), travel to major museums and archaeological sites, and lectures on Greek civilization.

In Canada, Cosmopoulos has been a leader in the movement demanding the restitution to Greece of the Parthenon Marbles, sculptures that were removed by Great Britain in the 1800s. Greece petitioned for their return in 1981, April 26-28, 2002, Cosmopoulos will convene at UM-St. Louis an International Conference on the Restitution of the Parthenon Marbles.

Describing his vision for the Greek studies program, he said, “This Professorship is the fruit of the dreams, the hopes, and the passion of many St. Louisans, who have put their hearts and souls into securing the preservation of Hellenic Studies. I will do everything in my power to ensure that our children and our children’s children will not miss the opportunity to be steeped in the humanistic values of Hellenism.”

For information about upcoming events, contact Cosmopoulos at cosmopoulos@umsl.edu or through the Anthropology Department at 314-516-6241.

**COMING EVENTS**

**Cyprus and the European Union**

*January 30, 2002*

André Garoulamatos, Chairperson, Greek Studies

Simon Fraser University, Vancouver

**Voices from the Earth: The Ancient Oracle at Delphi—Of Rocks And Oracles: Geophysics And The Sanctuary Of Delphi**

*February 27, 2002*

John Hale, University of Louisville, Kentucky
PROFESSOR BRINGS SOUTH AFRICA EXPERIENCE TO NEW COURSES ON HIGHER EDUCATION

A fifteen-year collaboration between the University of Missouri and the University of the Western Cape (UWC) in South Africa has brought to UM-St. Louis a South African scholar of international stature, Cecil Abrahams, now a Distinguished Professor of Higher Education and International Studies at the UM-St. Louis College of Education, and leading institution in the battle against apartheid in South Africa, UWC brought Abrahams from Canada, where he had been living in exile since 1963.

Ironically, it was Abrahams’s political activism that set him on the road to Canada and what would become a life-long passion for literature and a career in higher education. Though he is now one of the world’s leading interpreters of African literature, Abrahams had determined at an early age that he would become a lawyer to defend those arrested in the struggle against apartheid.

Labeled as “political” by the government and unable to study law, he won a fellowship to study in Canada. Later, the South African government refused to let him return.

In Canada, where he earned his M.A. and Ph.D., he not only became an expert on British literature, but also was also instrumental in introducing the university-level study of Canadian, African and Caribbean literature. He has shared that expertise, as well as his own short stories and poetry, worldwide. He is the author of three books, over 120 articles and reviews and the editor of several literary collections.

Abrahams has also been a leader in Canadian higher education, serving as dean of the humanities faculty at Brock University and acting president and academic vice-president and provost at Acadia University.

Abrahams’ research focuses on South Africa’s literature of resistance, in particular the work of Alex La Guma, a writer of fiction and a political activist. At La Guma’s request, Abrahams is finishing the author’s last novel, “The Crowns of Battle.”

Abrahams is also working on a novel about living in exile, which reflects the experience of the large South African population in the U.S. and Canada. He says that the book is a “coming to grips with my own exile...with the notion of being uprooted.” Abrahams always planned to return someday. “I thought South Africa would need people like me,” he said.

And so it did. In 1995, when he returned to lead UWC, Abrahams found a country “so alive with optimism that it seemed like every problem would be overcome quickly.”

But now he sees a society that is returning to “racial, ethnic, segregated thinking.” People are “stuck in the past,” in the need to continue blaming apartheid, and the country’s “leaders are not able to move people to the next stage.” At UWC,

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In winter semester 2002, Distinguished Professor of Higher Education and International Studies Cecil Abrahams, is teaching “International Higher Education” and “Gender and Ethnicity in Higher Education” at UM-St. Louis.

AFRICAN STUDIES LECTURE SERIES, 2000-2001
Center for International Studies, UM-St. Louis African & Afro-American Studies Program, Washington University

SOUTH AFRICA’S TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION: SUCCESSES AND FAILURES

Cecil Abrahams
Distinguished Professor of Higher Education and International Studies, UM-St. Louis Former Rector and Vice-Chancellor, University of the Western Cape, South Africa

Wednesday, February 13, 2002
4:00-5:30 p.m.
Washington University

Information: 314-935-5690
VISITING PROFESSOR TO OFFER JAPANESE VIEWS OF GLOBALIZATION

As a Visiting International Professor in history in winter 2002, Dr. Masato Kimura, will challenge his students to understand both American and Japanese views in his history course U.S.-Japanese Diplomatic History: The Tangled History of the World's Oddest Alliance? The class will focus on both the possibilities and the limitations of cooperation between the two countries in the latter half of the 20th century.

Kimura will also teach the Honors College class Japan and the United States in the Age of Globalization: Creative Opportunity? Students will examine how the U.S. and Japan perceive "globalization" differently and discuss how to strengthen cooperation in fields such as democracy, capitalism, environment and terrorism. For information about his courses, contact Kimura at 314-516-5701.

The author and editor of eight books on U.S.-Japan relations and Japanese diplomatic and economic history, Kimura is currently a Research Associate at the Reischauer Institute at Harvard University. With degrees in political science and economics from Keio University, Kimura has taught at Toyo Eiwa Women's University (professor of International relations) and Kanto Gakuen University (associate professor of diplomatic history).

He is one of the guiding forces behind the Shibusawa Seminar on Japanese Studies, an international scholarly meeting, sponsored by the Shibusawa Eiichi Memorial Foundation and the International House of Japan, which examines the major challenges facing contemporary Japan. The book Challenges for Japan: Democracy, Business and Aging, a publication of the October 2001 seminar hosted by the UM-St. Louis Center for International Studies, included Kimura's article, Establishment of a New Ethic for Japanese Business.

PALESTINIAN-ISRAELI RECONCILIATION

Constructing group interventions for reconciliation between Palestinians and Israelis is the primary research topic being explored by Dr. Julia Chaitin, the 2001-02 Theodore Lentz Post-Doctoral Fellow in Peace and Conflict Resolution Research at UM-St. Louis. Chaitin "aims to learn how Palestinians, who are refugees, and Jewish Israelis, who were once refugees, understand the meaning that the ongoing conflict between the two peoples has had on their lives, their sense of identity and perception of the other."

Chaitin is hosted by the Center for International Studies and is teaching Middle Eastern politics in winter semester 2002 for the Department of Political Science. The Lentz Peace Research Association, St. Louis, supports the post-doctoral fellowship.

Chaitin completed her Ph.D. in social psychology and has taught at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. In addition, she has held post-doctoral fellowships at Tel Aviv University and in the Peace Research Institute of the Middle East, Beit Jala, PNA. While raised in the US, Chaitin has lived in Israel for many years and been a member of Kibbutz Urim since 1973.

"...this is the first time for Japanese business to face global society as one of the main actors."

—Masato Kimura, Establishment of a New Ethic for Japanese Business

U.S. POLICY IN EAST ASIA

Continued from cover

At a time when East Asia is emerging as a powerful force in world culture, Tu Wei-ming has devoted his career to reconfiguring a contemporary, critical version of Confucian humanism for this period which he has called Confucianism's "third epoch." His books include Confucian Thought: Selfhood as Creative Transformation; Confucian Traditions in East Asian Modernity; and Confucianism and Human Rights. Tu is currently interpreting Confucian ethics as a spiritual resource for the emerging global community.

Akira Iriye is one of America's foremost interpreters of U.S.-Japan relations. His books include Asia and Japan in the Global Context: The Globalizing of America; Cultural Internationalism; and World Order and Partnership: The United States and Japan, 1951-2001, co-edited with Robert A. Wampler. Iriye's work focuses on globalization, which he believes is driving an increasingly nationalistic response worldwide. In a recent interview with Asahi Shimbun Asia Network, Iriye concluded, "It is time citizens took the initiative to develop a shared history."
AN AMERICAN EDUCATION IN KUWAIT
—from the desk of Richard Bowes, GUST Liaison Office Coordinator

Students in Kuwait will soon be able to receive an American education without leaving home. Dr. Joel Glassman, associate chancellor for academic affairs and director of the Center for International Studies at UM-St. Louis and Dr. Abdul-Rahman Al-Muhailan, Chairman of the Kuwait Establishment for Educational Services Company (EIAS), recently announced a cooperative arrangement that will create Kuwait’s first independent private university.

The Gulf University of Science and Technology (GUST) will provide students in Kuwait with a unique educational opportunity. The American style curriculum will include several baccalaureate degree programs. Among these programs, a University Transfer Program will enable students to transfer to the University of Missouri-St. Louis. In addition, non-degree seeking students will be able to develop specific vocational skills in GUST’s Career Program. All courses will be taught in English and will be open to students of all nationalities.

Beginning in the spring of 2002, GUST plans to offer pre-university courses concentrating on English language, mathematics and computers. These courses will provide graduating high school students the skills needed to succeed at the university level. The Center is also designing a summer workshop for Kuwaiti students that will offer an introduction to American culture and study at UM-St. Louis.

Although this is a new project, the Center does have experience with this kind of collaboration. In 1996, the Center helped establish the Modern College of Business and Science (MCBS) in the Sultanate of Oman. To date, more than 40 MCBS students have studied at UM-St. Louis. As with the Oman project, the Center will assist GUST with staff recruitment, student transfers/student recruitment and will continuously evaluate and monitor the quality of GUST’s courses and graduates.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT NEWS
—from the desk of Chris Sullivan, International Student and Scholar Advisor

Sandy Crawshaw, who started her work as the first nonresident alien (NRA) tax specialist at UM-St. Louis last January, has developed two new methods for accessing information about nonresident alien taxation. Many of the documents and forms necessary for students and scholars to comply with federal regulations are on the Office of International Student Services (ISS) web site at http://www.umsl.edu/services/intstu. Crawshaw has also produced a brochure Understanding Nonresident Alien Taxation: A Guide for Nonresidents. For a copy contact her at 314-516-7298 or e-mail: scrawshaw@umsl.edu. Crawshaw’s role is to help international students, research scholars and visitors who come to UM-St. Louis ensure that they are in compliance with federal tax law. She also serves as a resource to help departments employing foreign students and scholars make sure that employment and tax documentation is complete. Contact Crawshaw for information on the January 23, 2002 Immigration and Tax Workshop for faculty and staff.

Health care can be expensive in the U.S. without insurance. For the past three years UM-St. Louis has required international students to carry adequate health insurance. Even a relatively minor accident can be financially devastating without health insurance. People who come from countries where health care is nationalized don’t always recognize the importance of buying health insurance in the US. For this reason, ISS explains the American health care system to international students and scholars. The Office also works closely with the insurance company to identify covered students and with health care providers who may have questions about the coverage available to students. For information call 314-516-5229 or e-mail: iss@umsl.edu.

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At UM-St. Louis, there are now twenty countries represented by more than fifteen students, compared to only three countries in 1990. Altogether, 115 countries are represented.
NEW EUROPEAN SUMMER STUDY PROGRAMS
—from the desk of Pam Yates, Study Abroad Coordinator

From the Gaeltacht in the west of Ireland to the ancient ruins of Ikklaina in Pylos in Greece, UM-St. Louis will launch three new study abroad options for Europe for summer 2002. These three programs in Ireland, Austria and Greece can be taken for credit, offer a wide range of academic and travel activities and will be led by distinguished UM-St. Louis faculty members.

In Ireland, students can study Irish culture and humanities at National University of Ireland-Galway from June 27-July 27. Accompanied by Jefferson Smurfit Corporation Professor in Irish Studies and Associate Professor of English, Eamonn Wall, students will have an opportunity to experience additional seminars, lectures and guided tours related to the music, language and people of Ireland.

Those students interested in the southern part of Europe can satisfy their sense of adventure and academic curiosity on an archaeological dig at the site of Ikklaina, in Pylos, located in the same areas made famous in sagas of the Trojan War. In addition to archaeological field studies, this program offers classes on Greek culture and civilization. Archaeologist Michael Cosmopoulos, Hellenic Government-Karakas Family Foundation Professor in Greek Studies and professor of anthropology, will conduct this expedition from May 26-June 15.

Distinguished Professor of Business Administration David Ricks and Ms. Gertraud Wild will lead a study tour in art and business in Vienna, Austria form June 30-July 14. The program offers the option of two additional weeks of accommodation and independent travel. Business students will examine international business issues on site in cooperation with faculty from the Business School at the University of Vienna. Wild will teach art from the Gothic period to the postmodern period through a combination of lectures and fieldtrips to the outstanding museums and architectural sites of Vienna.

Many of the long-standing exchange partnerships of the University also offer summer options, and a great new addition is the summer German language program at Stuttgart University, May 21 to June 28. With new offerings, UM-St. Louis students can now choose from ten different summer study abroad programs. For information and applications, please contact Pamyla Yates at 314-516-6497 or e-mail: pam.yates@umsl.edu or call Carol Cradock at 314-516-6983 or e-mail: ccradock@umsl.edu.
Greece 2002—An Archaeological Odyssey
May 26-June 15, 2002

Cost: Travel cost of $990 does not include transatlantic airfare or tuition fees. $200 deposit due by April 1, 2001.

For information: Contact Professor Michael Cosmopoulos at 314-516-6241 or e-mail cosmopoulos@umsl.edu or visit our website at www.center-for-international-studies.org and click on “Greece 2002.”

Archaeological Fieldwork
The Iklaina Archaeological Project investigates the emergence of complex society and statehood in Mycenaean (c. 1600-1100 BC) Greece, an era famous from such mythic sagas as the Trojan War. Students will learn the theoretical and methodological principles of archaeological survey and gain field experience in related disciplines.

Classes
Evening lectures on Greek culture, political history, literature, philosophy, art, mythology, archaeology and society will be held in a beautiful hotel in the picturesque coastal town of Pylos, in the southwest part of Peloponnesse. Optional six hours of academic credit in anthropology.

Galway, Ireland
June 27-July 27, 2002

Cost: $2550 includes tuition, bed and breakfast and all course-related travel and fees but not transatlantic airfare.

For information contact Dr. Eamonn Wall at 314-516-5589 or e-mail: walle@mss.umsl.edu or visit our website at www.center-for-international-studies.org and click on “Galway, Ireland.”

Courses and Credits
The summer program will be operated by the Center for International Studies, UM-St. Louis and the Irish Studies Program at the National University of Ireland-Galway. Students will take two courses from the following selection for a total of six credits. Teaching will be by means of lectures, seminars, dramatic performances, guided tours, and informed contact with the music, language, and people of Ireland. Faculty will be drawn from the NUI-Galway campus and from the world of literature and theater.

• Representing Ireland: Literature and Film
• The Archaeological Heritage of Ireland
• Irish History
• Irish Society
• Gaelic Culture and Literature

Location
The program will be held on the campus of NUI-Galway in the heart of Galway City, the largest and most vibrant city in the West of Ireland, which hosts both a Film and Arts Festival each summer, is a center of Irish traditional music, and offers a lively social scene. Students will stay in Corrib Village, the on-campus housing unit of the University.

Instructor
Dr. Michael B. Cosmopoulos, Hellenic Government-Karakas Family Foundation Professor in Greek Studies, Center for International Studies and Department of Anthropology
GERMAN CULTURE CENTER NEWS
— from the desk of Larry Marsh, Coordinator

This has been a busy Fall for the German Culture Center. In late September twenty area German teachers attended a workshop at the GCC presented by Peter Bimmel of Holland. Bimmel's interesting and entertaining presentation focused on effective strategies for the teaching of language.

The GCC also participated in German-American Day on October 6 at the Kulturvereinhalle in South St. Louis. Over 450 attended this annual event and many stopped by the GCC table. Fifteen German-American organizations had displays tracing their heritage in St. Louis.

In October the German Culture Center sponsored two major exhibits. "Deutsche Werbung" was shown in the Mercantile Library in the University's Thomas Jefferson Library. This exhibit traced the history of German advertising from the 1870s to the present day. Hundreds viewed the extensive collection of advertising images during the two-week display. Over sixty attended a reception on October 15, which featured a discussion of German history, art and culture by Professor Keith Holz, visiting professor of art history at UM-St. Louis.

Art was also the topic for an exhibition at the Honors College entitled "Günter Grass: On Drawing and Writing." The Nobel prize-winning author is also a fine illustrator, and this exhibit traced his literary and artistic history.

The GCC also helped with Deutsch Country Days, an annual event that was held on a lovely late October weekend at Luxenhaus Farm in Marthasville. Seven UM-St. Louis students from Germany volunteered as greeters dressed in 19th century costumes.

The Missouri Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German held its Fall Conference at the GCC. Richard Jones, German teacher from Ritenour High School and GCC Coordinator Larry Marsh presented workshops on the use of music in the German classroom. Twenty attended the morning programs and over fifty attended an afternoon concert in J.C. Penney Auditorium by the Arianna Quartet, a critically acclaimed ensemble in residence at UM-St. Louis.

In early November, the GCC presented two programs featuring three prize-winning young authors from Germany. The literary trio of Maike Wetzel, Tobias Hülswardt and David Wagner presented a morning session in English at the Honors College.

Lincoln's German-American Supporters
Wolf Fuhrig
January 20, 2002 * 3:00 p.m.  
Millennium Student Center  
R.S.V.P. 314-516-6620
REBECCA FLOTRON FORRISTAL WINS TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Rebecca Flotron Forristal (exchange student to Copenhagen, 1978; BA, Political Science, 1980) has received numerous awards for teaching geography and social studies in the Rockwood School District (MO). Last year she was named Rockwood Valley Teacher of the Year, Rockwood Middle School Teacher of the Year, and awarded the 2000 Emerson Company Excellence in Teaching Award. She was one of 24 teachers selected nationwide for inclusion in an excellence in teaching social studies video library for staff development which was funded by the Annenberg Foundation and taped by WGBH-TV. In May 2001, she received a Distinguished Alumni Award from the UM-St. Louis Department of Political Science.

Becky said, “I always wanted to see the world and then when I got to go on the study abroad program to Copenhagen I knew it was for me. Each day I would embark on a new journey. The ideas and practices of the social welfare state discussed in class came to life daily as I lived among the Danes. I got the European bug and have been back three times since.”

One of the most memorable experiences was in the south of France. With two girlfriends, Becky rented a small houseboat and traveled the Canal du Midi, stopping to visit small towns along the way. When they approached the Mediterranean, they tied up the boat and walked to the sea.

More recently, Becky and her mother visited her grandfather’s home place outside Vienna. It was an emotional trip. “Meeting relatives and hearing stories told in the village about the world wars and present-day refugees from Yugoslavia was eye-opening.”

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diverse people. “I enjoy sharing my love for traveling and learning about diverse cultures. I hope someday to visit China and Tanzania.” Becky and her husband Michael live near New Haven, Missouri in a farmhouse they renovated, where they love being able to see all the wildlife and commune with nature.

ALUMNI UPDATE

—from the desk of Bob Baumann, Assistant Director

Ninotschka BARATAS AGUILA (BS, Public Policy & Administration, 1998) and Brian MOELLERING (BS, Economics, 1997) are the parents of Karolina who was born in December 2000. Nina has passed exams to be certified to teach English and German. She is now busy learning Italian. Brian is Sales Manager for the Middle East, Southern Europe and Africa for Pearson Education and is based in Milan, Italy. Recently he started Duke University’s Cross Continent MBA program in Frankfurt. Brian travels widely in the region and enjoys the opportunities to learn about other cultures. • Gemma DE ANDRES (MBA, 1997, and exchange student from Autonomous University, Madrid, 1996-97) handles equity sales to national and international investors for Iberascuities, Madrid, a job that takes her to London frequently. Also, she serves as an analyst and commentator on the equity market on radio and TV in Madrid. • Leslie DESAIYERES (BS, Business Administration and BS, Economics, 1997, and exchange student from University of Antwerp, 1995-97) and Erwan ALLANIC (MBA, 1999 and MS in MIS, 2000) were married in May in Belgium. They now live in northern California. • Silvia CALASTRI (exchange student from University of Bologna, 1995-96) married Italo Ricapito in May 2001. They are living near Bologna. • Christalla ELINA (exchange student from Universite Jean Moulin, 1993-1995 and Ph.D., Political Science, 2000) and her husband Boyd ANDERSON (MA, Economics, 1997) have recently moved to Cyprus. Christalla is an assistant professor of politics and a researcher in the Center for Applied Research at Cyprus College. Boyd works for Moody’s in their headquarters for Southern Europe, Middle East, North and South Africa. • Dmitry ALIMOV (sponsored student from Saratov State Aerospace University, Russia, 1994-1995 and BS, Business Administration (Finance)) has been named Vice President of the Sputnik Group and Sputnik Technology Ventures in Moscow, Russia. Recently, his CFA designation (Chartered Financial Analyst) was confirmed. In his spare time he has kept busy travelling and learning Spanish. • Raymond B. BLOOM, an undergraduate majoring in political science, served as UM-St. Louis representative to the US Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference in April 2001, in Annapolis. The timely theme was: “Terrorism: Old Conflicts in New Clothing.” His participation in the conference was sponsored by the Center for International Studies. • Miwako OTAKE (exchange student from Toyo University Jr. College, Japan, 1998-2001, and BA, Sociology, 2001) graduated from UM-St. Louis in May 2001. She has returned to Japan and is working there. • Daniela FALK (exchange student from the University of Stuttgart, 1995-1996) works for DaimlerChrysler in Stuttgart. She is responsible for cost control for the new 3-door A class model that will be launched in 2004. • Christopher FOLLIS (East Asian studies certificate, 1999) completed his MBA at Webster University in August 2001. • Rod MILAM (BA, Mass Communication, 2000) recently served as a Foreign Teaching Staff Member, Aeon Language School, Yokohama, Japan. He reports amazement at how expensive it is to live in Japan. • Silvia LACALLE (Exchange student from Autonomous University of Madrid, 1984-1985, MBA, 2000, and MS in MIS, 2001) has taken a position as an auditor, Internal Audit Services at Aheuser-Busch Companies in St. Louis. • Allen E. DANIEL (Graduate Certificate in International Studies, May 2001) is currently pursuing his M.Ed. in Counseling at UM-St. Louis.

Ibdillilah Ishak reported on the following alumni in Malaysia:

Ibdillilah ISHAK (BS, Business Administration (Marketing), 1999) is helping to run family businesses including ones in IT, H.R., consulting, land consulting and development, an industrial plant in Brunei, and a fish paste manufacturer for South Korea. • Azhamez Al Hij Alias, BS, MIS, 1999 is an Associate Consultant, S.A.P. Division for Telti Computers. • Ahmad Nur Misuari YAHYA, BS, MIS, 2003 is a System Engineer Executive, Networking Division. • Shafizul MOHD SALLEH (BS, Business Administration (Marketing), 2000) is helping to run a family owned car parts manufacturing business. • Ku Istan Sahalia KU ISHAK, BS, MIS, 1999 is an Executive in the I.T. Division for Shell Services International. • Effandy ALI (BS, Business Administration (Management and International Business), 2000) is Executive Director, Zalco Motors (Ford Dealer), and Zalco Niaga, an insurance company. • Sharifah Khaliah SYED ATTAS (BS, Business Administration (Management and Marketing), 2000) is pursuing a masters degree at Universiti Putra Malaysia. • Khair Bazlan ABDUL AZIZ (BS, Business Administration (Marketing), 2001) is an Executive in the Training Division, Perodua (Malaysia’s second largest car manufacturer). • Norshida ALI (BS, Business Administration (Marketing and Management), 1999) is an Account Manager at Qualimax. • Nurhamy A. MAJID, BS, Business Administration (Marketing) is a Marketing Executive, Maxis Communications (one of Malaysia’s leading telecommunication companies). • Azril Azam ABDUL RAHIM (BS, MIS, 1999) is a Senior Software Engineer, Sapura Devices.
UN TOWN HALL MEETING AT UM-ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, Missouri
October 11, 2001: One month to a day after the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington D.C., United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan spoke to the American people via satellite as part of a national Town Hall meeting. UM-St. Louis was one of nine sites around the U.S. where people gathered to discuss the impact of the attacks and the role of the UN in the global fight against terrorism.

The program began with a statement by U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell, recognizing the critical role the United Nations has agreed to play in combating terrorism. President Bush and Congress have recently reinforced U.S. relations with the UN. On September 21, the Senate confirmed a new U.S. Ambassador to the UN, John Negroponte, after the position had been vacant for eight months. And on October 11, the House released $582 million in back dues owed to the United Nations.

In his opening remarks, Annan declared the September 11 attacks were not just an attack on the citizens of the United States, but also on the very ideals of democracy, freedom, and basic human rights. Within thirty hours of the attacks, the General Assembly and Security Council passed a resolution in support of action against the terrorists and those who harbor them. And again, on September 28, the Security Council took unprecedented action, approving a wide-ranging resolution targeting the financing, training and movement of terrorists.

A St. Louis meeting participant asked if the UN battle against AIDS would now have to take a back seat to the response to terrorism. The Secretary-General reaffirmed his commitment to humanitarian programs, stressing the need to alleviate desperation, "the root cause of terrorism."

The program concluded with a local panel discussion that was led by St. Louis radio personality Danilo Türk, UN Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs. The national Town Hall meeting was organized by the Better World Campaign, the League of Women Voters, the United Nations Association of the U.S.A. and its St. Louis chapter, and the United Nations Foundation.

HUMAN RIGHTS LECTURE

UN Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs
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HUMANITARIAN CRISES—WHEN SHOULD THE WORLD INTERVENE?
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For the third year in a row, the Center for International Studies is partnering with the Jewish Community Relations Council and the America-Israel Chamber of Commerce of St. Louis to produce a series of lectures that focus on the state of Israel. The 2001-2002 lectures, Israel at 54, began with Moshe Ram, Consul General of Israel to the Midwest Region, speaking on A Democracy Facing Terrorism and will continue with Peter Raven, director of the Missouri Botanical Garden, speaking on The Ecology of Israel. Raven’s talk will be held on March 14, 2002 at the UM-St. Louis Millennium Student Center. The program receives funding from Tricorbraun, a division of Kranson Industries. For information contact Terry Williams at 314-516-6495 or e-mail twilliams@umsl.edu
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For 35 years the Japan America Society (JAS) of St. Louis has provided leadership in building ties across the Pacific and within the local community between Japanese and American peoples, cultures and business interests. For the past year the Society has been headquartered at the Center for International Studies at UM-St. Louis, with Center Director Joel Glassman serving as the Society's executive director.

The partnership of the Society and the Center has proved a happy one. JAS members benefit from the University's organizational support and programs. The University benefits by offering JAS activities to campus audiences and from a growing relationship with a very important segment of the community's population.

The Society's annual activities include the Missouri Botanical Garden's Japanese Festival, a golf tournament fundraiser and a dinner program. In the past year the Society also sponsored the documentary film, After America, After Japan and discussed with producer Regge Life the shock of returning to one's home culture. JAS supported performances by the Tonda Bunraku Puppet Theatre and Shizumi Dance Theater, events included in the Center's International Performing Arts Series. Proceeds from many of the events benefit the Japanese Language School for Children, an important resource for Japanese employees temporarily assigned to the St. Louis area.

A highlight of the year was the September visit of Japanese members of the A50 Caravan. In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the signing of the peace treaty ending World War II, a group of Japanese citizens from all walks of life visited the U.S. to express their country's gratitude for America's post-war support. Said Masayuki Tadokoro, a professor of international relations from the National Defense Academy in Yokosuka, "A sustainable peace is only possible by transforming former enemies into friends."

Helping to make the Japan America Society-Center for International Studies partnership a real "partnership that produces" is Yoshiaki Shibusawa, the Society's development director and part-time development officer at UM-St. Louis. Mr. Shibusawa brings to his role wide experience in international business, an interest in almost every subject, a love of golf and, most importantly, an enthusiasm to support of Japan.

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For the Society’s mission—bringing together the Pacific neighbors. Through his work, the Society has enhanced its corporate membership and raised increased funds for the Language School for Children. Yoshi represents the best of two worlds—Japanese and American.

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