



1983 Class Notes Archives

Yearbook photos: Class of '83 in Terminale: [Click here](#)

----- From December 2012 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **Paola (Tettamanzi) Buckley** wrote: "I spent several days in Paris this summer and enjoyed a long visit with **Sabrina Birner ('83)**! We shared many memories, delicious food, lots of walking and had an all-around fabulous time!"

● **Felix Partow** wrote that he "and his band 'Big Dog Party' rocked out at Hedge Fund Rocktoberfest, a charity concert for *A Leg To Stand On*, which provides prosthetic devices and treatment to children with limb disabilities in developing countries. Reminiscent of the short-lived, but fondly remembered Lycee supergroup 'Nomad' (1982-1983). Press coverage at: <http://www.businessinsider.com/altso-hedge-fund-rocktoberfest-2012-10?op=1> When he is not rocking, Felix lives in NYC with his lovely wife and two adorable daughters."

● **Druce Vertes** wrote: "I launched a startup social news aggregator for financial market news at <http://www.linkfest.com> , which finds the most popular news stories on the Web, as determined by how often they are shared on Twitter, social media, blogs and the Web, as well as user votes. It's at a proof of concept stage, and I'd love to hear any feedback!"

● **Chris Brun ('71)** shared this update on **Matthieu Rougé** with us: " [Le Père] Matthieu Rouge has now left his parish at Sainte Clotilde [in Paris] and is spending a year in Madrid. I'm not sharing this as a question of religion but because he is an exceptional individual contributing to the development of the church, a theology master, and a human being having great interest in emerging countries. I would not be surprised to see him at a higher level in the next few years. He is only 46 years old. Here's a little story: When my dad passed away, Matthieu allowed gospel singers at the ceremony rather than the more conventional sad and boring music. He had a doubt as to the justification and potential feedback but went ahead with it anyway. He admitted that it was a great idea afterwards, which is proof of his ouverture d'esprit. Let's keep track of him."



TOP: Pavele Wesser Mitra ('83); BOTTOM: Henri-Frédéric Hibon ('83)



TOP: Luis Vaz Pinto ('83); MIDDLE: Sabrina Birner ('83); BOTTOM: Patricia (Miller) Hatesuer ('83)



TOP: Felix Partow ('83);
BOTTOM: Druce Vertes ('83)

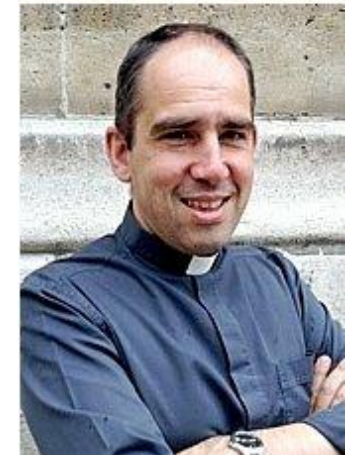
● **Pavelle (Wesser) Mitra** "holds a Master's degree from Teachers College - Columbia University in the field of English Education. Her teaching experience ranges from high school to adult education with a strong emphasis in English as a Second Language. She currently teaches English Composition at Southern Connecticut State University, and has been a writing tutor.... since 2007....." "Pavelle is from New York City but now lives with her family in Connecticut, where she teaches English. She's published stories in several e-zines, including DemonMinds, MicroHorror, and Short Humor." (<http://www.newhaven.edu/academics/29135/>) and (http://www.bewilderingstories.com/issue303/wesser_welcome.html)

● "DFDL Mekong is pleased to announce that **Henri-Frédéric Hibon** has joined DFDL's Regional Energy, Mining and Infrastructure, and M&A Practice Groups. Henri-Frédéric has twenty years' experience as a lawyer in international law firms and multinational corporations including Shearman & Sterling in New York and Rio Tinto Alcan in Paris. Prior to joining DFDL, he was managing a legal group in charge of mergers and acquisitions for Europe with Rio Tinto Alcan. His main area of expertise has been focused on Mergers and Acquisitions and will be utilized on a regional basis. At DFDL, Henri-Frédéric will be responsible for the continued expansion of the M&A Practice Group, as well as providing advice on energy, mining and infrastructure projects in the Southeast Asia region, with a special focus on Myanmar.....Henri-Frédéric holds an LL.M in Corporation Law, a Masters in International Affairs concentrating on International Banking & Finance, a Juris Doctorate equivalent as well as a Masters in Government equivalent. He is admitted to the New York State Bar." (<http://www.worldservicesgroup.com/releases.asp?action=press&pressid=3605>)

● **Patricia (Miller) Hatesuer** (Alsace International) "est en charge de la prospection et de l'accompagnement d'entreprises étrangères relevant du secteur de la santé, Pharma/Biotech, Technologies Médicales et hautes technologies, qui envisagent de s'implanter en Alsace. Elle assure également la promotion économique de l'Alsace sur la Grande-Bretagne et l'Israël.....Après une licence effectuée aux Etats-Unis (Amherst College) et un Magistère de Relations Internationales (Sorbonne, Paris I), Patricia travaille depuis les années '90 au sein de l'agence de développement économique à l'international de la région Alsace. Elle y a exercé des fonctions dans le domaine de l'export, du montage et de la coordination de projets européens et du suivi des marchés publics internationaux avant d'occuper ses fonctions actuelles." (alsace-international.eu)

● **Françoise Moës** est infirmière à la Clinique de la Présentation.

● **Isabelle Alexandre** "Chef Exécutif, Sofitel So Mauritius, a la particularité d'être la seule femme Chef de l'industrie hôtelière mauricienne. Isabelle Alexandre, chef du Sofitel So Mauritius, contribue à sa manière à faire de ce palace situé dans le sud de l'île Maurice, un lieu d'exception avec ses créations culinaires qui sont autant de clin d'œil à son long parcours. Cela fait un peu plus de 20 ans maintenant que ce chef de caractère promène son talent et sa curiosité infinie là où ses envies l'ont mené. Etats-Unis pendant cinq ans, au Portugal



TOP: Isabelle Alexandre ('83);
BOTTOM: Matthieu Rougé ('83)

pendant huit ans et au Sofitel So Mauritius depuis l'ouverture" (To access the full interview with her, click on link below) (<http://ilemaurice-tourisme.info/article.php?id=1165>)

● **Luis Vaz Pinto** "was appointed Deputy Global Head of Corporate Finance and Global Head of Equity Capital markets [at Société Générale] in April 2012..... Luis started his career in 1991 in London at Baring Securities as Head of Portuguese Sales and Research. In 1996, he joined Merrill Lynch where he spent 10 years, holding positions in Equity Syndicate, Mergers and Acquisitions and Corporate Finance. Notably, he was Head of ECM for France, Belgium and Iberia. In 2005, he joined JP Morgan where he was Head of Europe Middle East and Africa Equity Syndicate and Corporate Broking. Three years later, he joined Troika Dialog in Moscow, as Head of Syndicate and Corporate Broking. [He] graduated from INSEAD, as well as Bristol University (Engineering)." (sgcib.com)



TOP: Alexander Duff ('83);
BOTTOM: Françoise Moës ('83)

Videos of LFNy alumni on the internet:

● Le [Père Matthieu Rougé](#) discute le célibat sacerdotal.

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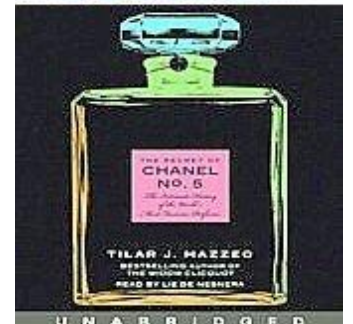
● "*THE SECRET OF CHANEL NO. 5: The Most Intimate History of the World's Most Famous Perfume*: Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel, [was] born in 1883.....Her signature product became Chanel No. 5, a fragrance still popular 90 years after its introduction. Although this audiobook offers no way to smell the scent, narrator **Liz de Nesnera's** native French transports listeners to the origin of the eponymous brand and the country in which Coco blossomed. De Nesnera's voice gives a delicacy to the story, a proper touch to a woman who began with few options and became one of the richest women of the twentieth century." (Click on link below to hear a sample of Liz's reading) (<http://www.audiofilemagazine.com/dbsearch/showreview.cfm?Num=61195>)

----- From November 2010 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **Eric Bernard** wrote: "I ran across some pictures from the 2003 class reunion in NYC and Paris. Brought some good memories back and I hope to be able to attend the next one...2013 maybe?"

● **Gladys (Mensah) Burdin** nous écrit: "Je vis à Abidjan, en Côte d'Ivoire depuis 1983. Je suis médecin spécialiste en Imagerie Médicale et exerce en privé depuis onze ans. Je suis mariée à Jacques Burdin, cardiologue et nous avons deux filles de 12 et 9 ans."

● "**Karine Silla** fait ses premier pas au cinéma dans *Sanguine* de Christian François en 1988 aux côtés de Clémentine Célarié. Elle alterne entre cinéma et télévision, notamment avec *Les Cordier, Juge Et Flic* où elle obtient un rôle récurrent durant 16 épisodes. En 2000 et 2002, elle tourne dans *Epouse-moi* et *Peau D'Ange* (dont elle signe le scénario) en compagnie de son mari Vincent Perez. L'année suivante elle décroche un petit



TOP: Philippe Saint Gilles ('83);
BOTTOM: Audiobook 'read' by Liz de Nesnera ('83)

rôle dans la comédie *Moi César, 10 Ans 1/2, 1m39*. Amanda Sthers lui offre de jouer aux côtés de Carole Bouquet et Pierre Arditi dans *Je Vais Te Manquer* en 2009."

(<http://www.commeaucinema.com/cannes/personne/karine-silla,135702>)



----- From December 2009 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **PLANNED REUNION IN PARIS:** Françoise Moës nous écrit: "Nous avons pu voir sur le site des anciens élèves du Lycée les photos des retrouvailles à NY et à Paris en 2003. Entretemps, Facebook a permis à certains d'entre nous de se retrouver et, aussi, a suscité une volonté d'organiser une soirée de nouvelles retrouvailles le 26 décembre à 19h30, au Café du Commerce, 51 rue du Commerce, 75015 Paris. Vous pouvez me contacter à l'adresse suivante: francoisemoes@yahoo.fr."

● **Nicolas Boillot** wrote: "Nicolas Boillot's branding, advertising and public relations firm, Hart-Boillot (www.hbagency.com) has weathered the economic storm and is expanding with a new office opening in Texas in January 2010. Check out the new video on the agency's home page. And if you're ever in Massachusetts, please give Nicolas a call. When he's not working, flying, writing or spending time with his wife and four-year-old son, he's delighted to see old friends (and/or give them scenic flights over Cape Cod)."

----- From January 2009 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **Charles Lwanga Yonke** sent us this 'brief update':

"-Still living in Bakersfield, CA, where I have been for close to 20 years now, after graduating from UC Berkeley.

-Married to my college sweetheart Debra – no kids.

-Working as Information Quality Process Manager for Aera Energy LLC, an affiliate of Royal Dutch Shell and ExxonMobil.

In my free time that is becoming so scarce, I am among other things:

-A member of the Advisory Council of the International Association for Information and Data Quality (IAIDQ), a professional organization I helped create in 2004 (www.iaidq.org)

-President of the Board of Directors of New Advances for People with Disabilities, a non-profit serving 800+ clients in Kern County, CA. (www.napd-bak.org)

-An avid collector of African art

-Cherishing great memories of my four years with you all at the lycée.

Looking forward to our next class reunion! Please keep in touch via email (available through AALFNY) or via Linked In. Best wishes for a great new-year 2009! "

----- From July 2008 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● For news of Alexandra Ehrlich, [click here](#).



TOP: Louise Alexandra Ehrlich ('83); BOTTOM: Michel Bénéat ('83)



TOP: Jean-Marie Gervais ('83); BOTTOM: Colette Dartnall ('83)



from TOP to BOTTOM: Kim Brice ('83); Jules Antoine Goffre ('83); Sophie Golstein ('83); Jerome Pineau ('83)

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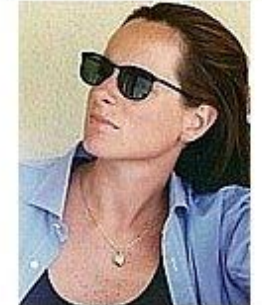
● **Jérôme Pineau** wrote: "Well I'm still married to **Veronique Harbin** (we met in 1982 at the Lycee and have been together ever since -- she's class of '83 as well) and we're now living in Irvine, CA (yes, next to those lovely recent fires). We moved from the east coast in 2002. I'm a software architect and she's a financial controller."

● **Paola (Tettamanzi) Buckley** wrote: "I live in Dallas, Texas with my husband Jim and our five children. I am a Lecturer in French and Italian at Southern Methodist University and would love to hear from my former classmates! If you're ever in the Lone Star State, please contact me at [email address available upon request] and we'll fire up the grill! See y'all soon, ya hear!"

● **Jules Antoine Goffre**: "Leader of the European Supply Management practice at A.T. Kearney. Jules has held this position at A.T. Kearney since 2002, and has led, managed and executed numerous strategic sourcing and procurement transformation projects, resulting in time-to-market, cost reduction and service level improvement for clients across a number of industries. Jules Goffre speaks regularly at conferences and is a frequent author on the topics of procurement organisation, risk management and value-based sourcing. Together with Tom Slaight, also of A.T. Kearney, he is co-author of chapter six in the 7th edition of the Supply Management Handbook, published by the Institute for Supply Management, entitled, "Strategic Sourcing: Where did it come from? What has it accomplished? Where is it going?" He is also the founding member of A.T. Kearney's CPO Club. The CPO Club was founded in May 2004, the objective being to develop a forum for building a unique and powerful group of European thought leaders in procurement and supply chain management." (From: *European Leaders In Procurement Blog*, blog.europeanleaders.net)

----- From June 2007 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **Liz de Nesnera** wrote: "As many of you know (as it was published two years ago in this newsletter!) I am the founder of CaregiversCommunity.com, a website dedicated to the proposition that Caregivers deserve to have a life beyond caregiving. (I've been a caregiver for 12+ years...and Maman just turned 90!!!) But, what I'm including today, is that beyond my caregiving duties, I decided to take my own advice and get back to one my other loves: Voice-Over! I have been involved in the voice recording industry for over 15 years, from being a Copywriter & Production Director at a Radio station to working in a Voice-recording studio, and now have been doing voice-over work for about the past 18 months on a consistent basis! I love getting in front of the mic and getting people's messages across...of course in English ET en Français! You can check out my voice-over website [by [clicking here](#)]. If any Lycée alum needs voice-work done (phone system, website, corporate narration...whatever!) give me a call or send me an email."



TOP: Marianne Piris ('83); MIDDLE: Elisabeth Labouret ('83); BOTTOM: Alexandra Ehrlich ('83)

● **Géraldine Bergé** was the script supervisor for the 2006 movie 'The Hills Have Eyes', a "new and exceedingly nasty version of Wes Craven's 1977 cult shocker...."



TOP: Karine Silla ('83);
BOTTOM: David Rubinger ('83)

● "Dr. **Alessandra Guariglia** is an Associate Professor and Reader in Economics. She joined the University of Nottingham in July 2003. Her research interests are in the areas of applied econometrics and macroeconomics. Currently, the focus of her research is on firms' behavior under imperfect capital markets; the economics of transition in Eastern Europe (including Russia) and China; and the determinants of household saving and consumption decisions. She has published a range of papers including articles in *Economica*, the *Oxford Economic Papers*, the *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, the *Econometrics Journal*, and the *Journal of Banking and Finance*." (*University of Nottingham, nottingham.ac.uk*)

----- From December 2006 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **BIRTHS/NAISSANCES: Nicolas Boillot** ('83) informed us that he "and his wife Jennifer welcomed their first child, Samuel, in February 2006."

● **Nicolas Boillot** informed us that his wife "Jennifer is a commercial real estate lawyer at Sullivan & Worcester in Boston, and that he still runs the advertising, PR and graphic design firm, Hart-Boillot. While Nicolas' company continues to grow (www.hartboillot.com), he maintains the hope to eventually be writing full-time for film and television. He completed another movie script in 2006, and plans to start looking for an agent now that he has a substantial body of work. If anyone comes to Boston, Nicolas would love to get together."

● Congratulations to **Druce Vertes** who recently completed the NY Marathon in a very respectable time of 5 1/2 hours.

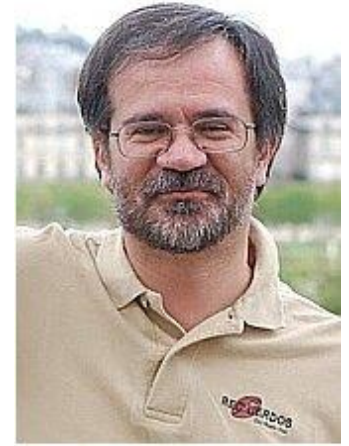
● **Marc Brice** wrote: "After spending six years as the East Coast and Midwest Manager working for Maison Louis Latour, a French winery located in Burgundy, I decided to open my own E store importing ladies Handbags from Paris. I would love to hear from some of my old friends."

● **Père Matthieu Rougé** ('83) est Curé de Sainte-Clotilde (Paris), Directeur du Service Pastoral d'Études Politiques, et Professeur de Théologie à l'Ecole Cathédrale.

● **Sophie Golstein** wrote: "Would love to link up with former alumni who were in Terminale and Premiere in 1982-83. Please get in touch either on (*email address available upon request*) or LinkedIn"

----- From February 2006 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **Liz de Nesnera** shared this touching update with us: "Well, I guess if there ever was a time for me to share,



TOP: Max Godoy ('83);
BOTTOM: Véronique (Harbin) Pineau ('83)



TOP: Eric Bernard ('83);
BOTTOM: Françoise Moës ('83)

it's now. A lot changed for me in 2005. On May 24th, after 9 years (well – OK, technically a week shy of 9 years, but who's counting :-)) I got laid off from my job as Senior Project Manger and Sound Engineer. It was unexpected, but actually an amazing blessing. It allowed me to really fly towards my dreams!

August 1st, I officially started my new venture: [CaregiversCommunity.com](http://www.caregiverscommunity.com). I won't go into my whole caregiving story here (you can get all the details at: <http://www.caregiverscommunity.com/aboutus.html>) but I am the primary caregiver to my mom who had a hemorrhagic stroke 11 years ago and is now wheelchair bound. I also took care of my dad, who had Alzheimer's, until his death in 2003.

My mission in life right now is to get the word out to family caregivers on the importance of their taking time for themselves. I've gotten amazing support from caregivers (both family & "professional") and have been booked to speak at several caregivers events. You can see my upcoming Calendar of Events at: <http://www.caregiverscommunity.com/events.html>

I decided that as a caregiver for the past 11 years, it was time for me to take that experience and help other caregivers. To give caregivers permission to be more than just caregivers. To help them realize that having a life, having fun and having guilt-free joy is essential to their being an effective caregiver as well!

I was also accepted to be the Northern NJ volunteer representative for the National Family Caregivers Association's Caregiver Community Action Network (NFCA CCAN for short!). This has also allowed me to meet a great bunch of people who are working to get the word out on the important contributions caregivers are making. I have also been asked to be a member of the Board of the newly formed Caregivers of NJ.

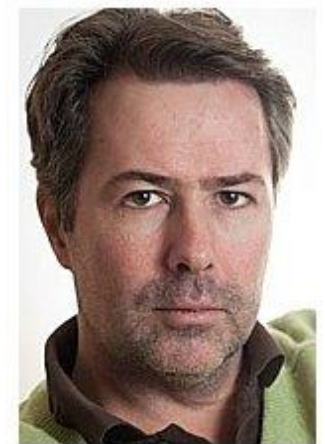
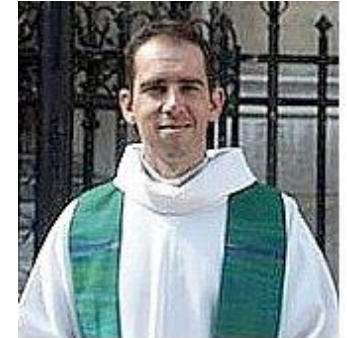
On top of all that I also wrote an e-book (a PLAY-book as opposed to a "work"-book) which can be downloaded as an electronic e-book or bought as a printed copy <http://www.caregiverscommunity.com/cooltools.html>

Bref, if there are any LFNY'ers who are caregivers or who know of any one who could use some support, my website is a great place to start! It has been an exciting six months! All the best, Liz de Nesnera"

-----From June 2005 AALFNY Newsletter-----

● **Dominique Olbert**, '83 and her husband Stefan Stamm are happy to announce the birth of their new baby girl, Aimée Elena Stamm. She was born in Germany on May 30th, 2005, 50cm long and weighing 3.15 kilos. She joins her sister, Galadriel Valentina Stamm, who is now 14 months old.

● Nancy (Kleinman) Shaw ('67) wrote to tell us that in Central Park "Enter the park at 94th Street and Central Park West and follow the walk to the RIGHT. The plaque commemorating **Jenny Kleinman ('83)** and my father



TOP: Péré Matthieu Rougé ('83);
BOTTOM: Stéphane Desnault ('83)

is on the second bench to the RIGHT of the entrance to Safari Playground."

----- From December 2002 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- Click on the links for news of the Class of 1983's [reunion held in New York](#) the week-end of Aug. 1 -3 and [Retrouvailles à Paris](#), held on October 4th, 2003. Many thanks to **Druce Vertes** and **Sabrina Birner** for organizing those events.





**TOP: Liz de Nesnera ('83);
MIDDLE: Novinyo Serge
Amega ('83) ; BOTTOM:
Pascale Garrow ('83)**



----- From November/December 2001 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Alejandro Perez** lives in Madrid and works as a civil engineer.
- **Paola (Tettamanzi) Buckley** writes: "I have been living in Dallas for 2 months with my husband and four children (2 boys & 2 girls, ages 16 mos - 7 years). Before Dallas we lived in Annapolis, MD and most recently in Lancaster, PA where I started a pre-school French program for children ages 3-6. I am also in touch with Sabrina Birner '83 and we are actively discussing the possibility of a 20 year reunion...Last week at when I took our 3 year old daughter Julia to ballet, I had an incredible encounter...with a former LFNY student whose oldest daughter is also enrolled in ballet! The French woman who runs the ballet school introduced us, and we all started speaking French. At this point, Nathalie (Villa) Simon '82 looks at me and tells me how familiar I look. One question led to another, and we soon discovered that we both were at the Lycée in the same class for three years! Nathalie was in NY in 4ème, 3ème and 2nde. We quickly started reminiscing about friends and teachers and are thrilled to have found each other here in Dallas. If any Lycée alum are coming through Dallas, please give me a call as I would love to hear from you!"



**TOP: Druce Vertes ('83);
MIDDLE: Alessandra Guariglia
('83); BOTTOM: Nicolas
Boillot ('83) & family**

----- From July/August 2001 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Philippe Saint-Gilles** writes: "After thirteen years in NYC, working in the film industry, I am now residing in Paris with my wife and two baby daughters."

----- From February/March 2001 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Sabrina Birner** writes : 'I am living in Paris, where I have my own business as a consultant, managing international energy and environment projects. Of course, there's much more to say than that. Feel free to get in touch.'