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1988 Class Notes Archives





TOP: Assia Bedjaoui ('88); **BOTTOM: Ramy** Rakotomalala ('88)

• Assia Bedjaoui (LSY: 6eme in 1982) shared this with us: "The LFNY was a memorable experience, even if it was a long time ago from 1979 to 1982 ! As an international lawyer, I worked 15 years for UNESCO in Paris in the Culture Sector where I was in charge of safeguarding cultural heritage, through the international UNESCO Conventions, Committees and worldwide projects. I then studied Communication linked to Culture and Tourism. I am now creating my Bed and Breakfast in the historic Marais district, right next to the Picasso Museum in the heart of Paris. My B & B is called *Parc Royal Marais* and will open next Spring 2016, most probably in April. The website address is http://parcroyalmarais.com/en/ [click on link below]. You can also follow me on Facebook : https://www.facebook.com/parcroyalmarais/"

• Ramy Rakotomalala (LSY: Terminale in 1988) told us that she "is a licensed Realtor at Exclusive Properties Sotheby's International Realty in New York. Ramy was raised in a diplomatic community in various countries and is an avid traveler. A Bachelor's degree in International Marketing from Baruch College and a Masters degree in Marketing from St. John's University have secured her positions in sales and project management in various industries such as hospitality, Internet Technology, high-end luxury products and mortgage banking."

TOP: Liliane Bwakira Rutayisire ('88); BOTTOM: Nathalie Fabri ('88)

• Jonathan Gomez-Trochez (LSY: Terminale in 1998) "is a manager in the Global Immigration practice of Ernst & Young LLP in Canada. He has more than four years of experience serving and advising mid- to large-size corporate clients in various industries across several continents on business immigration issues. Jonathan's primary focus is on developing and delivering immigration compliance and advisory services to help clients manage their short-term business traveler populations Jonathan holds a JD degree from Brooklyn Law School and a BA degree in Political Theory from Princeton University. He is a fluent speaker of French and Spanish." (https://webforms.ev.com/EL/en/Our-people/Jonathan-Gomez-Trochez)

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(Click **HERE** to access her web page at Sotheby's)







TOP: Anya (Chenaux -Repond) Dupraz ('88); BOTTOM: David Schulhof ('88)

• Gersende Rambourg (LSY: 3eme in 1985) "is a French journalist born in Canada and raised in NYC. She works for AFP (Agence France-Presse), a global news agency. She is currently based in Paris as general news editor, focusing on the judiciary and educational matters. She previously wrote food and fashion features, after taking a year off to go to cooking school and working as a line cook in different Parisian restaurants. Gersende also worked as a reporter in Washington DC from the fall of 2001 to 2006, covering the Pentagon during the beginning of the Iraq war and then the judiciary, focusing on enemy combatant stories, Guantanamo and the Moussaoui trial. She has also done extensive reporting in Beijing during the 2008 Olympics, Cyprus, and covered French politics, covering Prime Minister Dominique de Villepin in 2006-2007." (http://www.womens-forum.com/speakers/gersende-rambourg/241)

• Sébastien Desnault (LSY : 8eme in 1980) : « Diplômé de l'université Paris Ouest en économétrie, sciences politiques, de l'Institut Français du Pétrole et après des premières expériences chez GFI, Saint Gobain et Atos Odyssée, Sébastien a participé au lancement d'Equinox Consulting en 2004. Spécialisé dans la gestion des risques et les systèmes d'information, il réalise des missions d'accompagnement des directions des risques des institutions financières sur des sujets liés à la prise en compte des évolutions réglementaires et à l'implémentation des dispositifs de suivi des risques. Il co-leade la practice Finance et Risques Management d'Equinox-Cognizant et se concentre plus particulièrement sur l'animation et le développement des offres Risques, notamment sur les sujets liés aux risques de crédit (dispositifs des risques, aspects réglementaires, aspects quantitatifs et systèmes d'information). »

(http://www.equinox-cognizant.com/qui-sommes-nous/les-associes/)

• Anya Chenaux-Repond Dupraz (LSY: Terminale in 1988) : « Je suis née à Cologne en Allemagne et – mes parents étant voyageurs – j'ai vécu en France, en Turquie, au Japon et aux Etats-Unis pour m'installer ensuite à Genève où j'ai fait des études de lettres, linguistique et littérature comparée. Tous ces voyages m'ont ouvert l'esprit et ils ont véritablement éveillé en moi un intérêt approfondi pour les langues et la compréhension interculturelle. Je suis parfaitement bilingue du fait que l'allemand est ma langue maternelle et que j'ai suivi ma scolarité dans des écoles françaises pour une large part. Après mes études, j'ai enseigné le français et l'allemand à l'Ecole-club Migros de Genève. En 2000, je me suis installée à Bâle et, depuis, je me consacre entièrement à la traduction. J'ai trouvé ma voie et j'aime ce que je fais: traduire des mots certes, mais surtout un message. » (<u>http://www.chenauxrepond.ch/fr/a-propos</u>)

• David Schulhof (*LSY: 9eme in 1979*) "joined IM Global in December 2014 as President of IM Global Music. Previously, Schulhof was a Managing Director at G2 Investment Group, an offshoot of New York private equity firm Guggenheim Partners, focusing on the firm's media investments. Prior to G2, Schulhof was Co-Founder and CEO of Evergreen Copyrights which between 2005 and 2010 pursued an aggressive global acquisition strategy, acquiring 26 music and music-publishing catalogs, and signing dozens of international songwriters and composers Before launching Evergreen, Schulhof was Vice President of Motion Picture Music at







TOP: Khalil Houri ('88); MIDDLE: Nicholas Sadron ('88); BOTTOM: Rodrigo Herrera Vegas ('88)

Miramax and Dimension films, overseeing music, music publishing, music supervision and soundtracks for the Studio. Prior to joining Miramax, Schulhof was a lawyer at the law offices of Pryor Cashman Sherman and Flynn, representing film, music and TV clients. He began his career at Interscope Records and graduated from the NYU School of Law and Georgetown University."

(http://www.imglobalfilm.com/executives/david-schulhof)







TOP: Jonathan Gomez Trochez ('88); MIDDLE: Gersende Rambourg ('88); BOTTOM: Sébastien Desnault ('88)

• Liliane Bwakira-Rutayisire (*LSY: 2nde in 1986*) is a co-founder & Managing Member of K2I Global Markets, LLC. "She is multilingual with over 14 years spent working on issues surrounding global investors and investment decisions, including more than ten years of Wall Street capital markets experience..... Liliane was Senior Corporate Governance Specialist at the New York Stock Exchange and subsequently held the position of Principal Analyst before joining Business Solutions – NYSE at the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority in June 2010. Prior to joining the Stock Exchange in 2005, Liliane was a Global Index Manager in Portfolio Services at Standard & Poor's in New York since 2000 and previously served as an Economist at the United Nations Development Programme. A committed philanthropist and woman of strong faith, she has volunteered tirelessly with organizations such as God's Love We Deliver and has served on the Advisory Board of Agahozo Shalom Youth Village in New York [helping to] to educate and empower orphaned and vulnerable youth in Rwanda. Liliane holds a Master of International Affairs, International Finance and Business, from Columbia University and a Master of Science, Mineral Economics, from Michigan Technological University. She also holds an undergraduate degree in Economics from l'Université du BurundiShe now lives in South Florida with her husband and two daughters."

(http://k2iglobalmarkets.com/our-team)

• **Carole Dupeyron** (*LSY: Terminale in 1988*) " is an unusual artist; after graduating from business studies (Columbia University 92 - HEC 94), she realised that her attraction to painting was too strong to have a traditional career. She studied drawing and painting in New York, where she lived for 7 years, and London, where she lived for 13 years. That was going to influence her work over the next decade: pure lines, plain colours and the extensive use of lights are reminiscent of some of her favorite skyscrapers. She now works in her studio in Paris where she lives with her husband and her three children." (http://www.caroledupeyron.com/bio.html)

(To view her artistic creations, click HERE)

• Nathalie Fabri (LSY: 10eme in 1978) "was born to Belgian parents who traveled extensively around the world, and who collected many works of art. Within the walls of her homes, she was influenced by books and paintings that came from Africa, the Middle East and Haiti. Her early memories of wanting to be an artist stemmed from observing the colors in these paintings. Painting vibrant colors, she has developed her unique style by painting urban landscapes with emphases on Victorian houses in San Francisco and street scenes in Montreal. She has sold her art to patrons around the world and specializes in commissions of "House Portraits". Nathalie also illustrates children's books in bright watercolors. She is currently working on her 4th





TOP: Grégoire Poux-Guillaume ('88); BOTTOM: Jemima Rellie ('88)

book. Nathalie spends her time between her homes in San Francisco and Montreal." (<u>http://www.fabrikations.com/about.html</u>) (To view her artistic creations, click **HERE**)



TOP: Carole (Devèze)

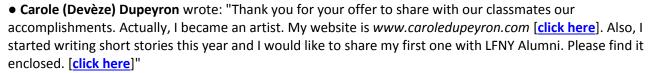
Dupeyron ('88); BOTTOM:

Alexander Marin ('88)

• Khalil Houri (LSY: 1ere in 1987) "is an American artist of Lebanese origin. He was raised in Lebanon, Greece and France before settling in New York in 1981. He attended Boston University after graduating high school from the French Lycee of New York. He is interested in languages, Arabic, English, French, Spanish and Greek. After several years in a successful restaurant business, he decided to change perspective and focus on his artistic interest. His creations express his involvement in spirituality and Zen living. He is currently residing in New York City after a three years stay in France where he started developing his series of Buddha images." (http://khalilbuddha.webs.com/)

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

- <u>Nicholas Sadron</u> (*LSY: 10eme in 1978*) promotes Innovation at the Silicon Valley, Baltics Global Entrepreneurship Week.
- Rodrigo Herrera Vegas (LSY: 6eme in 1982) talks about renewable energy.
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• "Based in Miami, **Alexander Marin** runs Sony Pictures Television's (SPT's) content distribution across all platforms and windows in Latin America and the Caribbean." (<u>http://www.todotvnews.com/scripts/templates/estilo_nota.asp?nota=33566</u>)

• Grégoire Poux-Guillaume "joined Alstom in January 2003 as Vice President Strategy. He was then successively head of Alstom Power's Hydro turnkey power plant activities and head of its Environmental Control Systems activities. In July 2011, he was appointed President of Alstom Grid and Executive Vice-President of Alstom. Grégoire began his career in 1993 with Total Exploration & Production as a drilling engineer, before becoming successively Offshore Drilling Supervisor and head of Drilling R&D. In 1999, he joined McKinsey & Company and subsequently worked as a private equity investor. He was a Senior Managing Director at CVC Capital Partners from 2009 until rejoining Alstom in 2011. Grégoire is a graduate of *Ecole Centrale* Paris and Harvard Business School."

(http://www.alstom.com/about-us/corporate-governance/executive-committee/Gregoire-Poux-Guillaume/)





TOP: Marwan Elaraby ('88); BOTTOM: Liliane Bwakira Rutayisire ('88)





TOP: Jean-François Barsoum ('88); BOTTOM: Sandra J. Vrejan ('88)

• *Friday,9 April 2010*: "Her Majesty The Queen has appointed **Jemima Rellie** to the new position of Director of Publishing and New Media at the Royal Collection. *[Currently Director of Content and Audiences]* Ms Rellie joins the Royal Collection in May from the Getty Conservation Institute in Los Angeles, where she had been Assistant Director, Communications and Information Resources since 2007. In 2001 she was appointed Tate's first Head of Digital Programmes.

As the Director of Publishing and New Media, Jemima Rellie will be responsible for the Royal Collection's Publishing and Education sections, Photographic Services and Collections Information Management.....

At the Getty Conservation Institute, Jemima Rellie managed the dissemination of research through publishing, public programmes and online resources. Previously she established the award-winning Tate Online, creating digital content for all Tate sites and collections. Before joining Tate, Jemima worked in art-book publishing at Phaidon and Macmillan, and in commercial new media development. She was a Trustee of the 24-Hour Museum and sits on the advisory committees of several cultural bodies, including Museums and the Web, and CHArt (Computers and the History of Art). Jemima has an MA in Art History from Leeds University....." (<u>http://www.royalcollection.org.uk/press-release/appointment-of-director-of-publishing-and-new-media</u>)

• Jean-François Barsoum told us that he "has been back in Montreal for the past 10 years, with his wife Naomi Goldapple and three girls (Amélie 12, Chloé 10 and Cassandre 6). He's in his 19th year at IBM and is looking after the Smart Cities and University collaborative research projects in Quebec. He's up to a brown belt in karate but isn't quite sure he'll ever make it to black -- should have started earlier! Feel free to contact him at *jean-francois@barsoum.ca*"

Editor's Note: Son travail « consiste à aider les organismes de transport, les villes, les gouvernements et les autres intervenants à concevoir et mettre en œuvre des stratégies destinées à rendre les villes plus intelligentes.....En 1998, il a fondé la Communauté verte IBM où les conseillers et les autres employés de la multinationale peuvent concevoir l'avenir écologique de l'entreprise.....En 2008, Jean-François a été invité par la Fondation Al Gore (le Projet climatique, maintenant le Projet de la réalité climatique) à devenir Ambassadeur du climat. Il siège au conseil d'administration de l'organisation canadienne d'Al Gore depuis 2011.....Jean-François détient une maîtrise en administration des affaires de l'Université McGill ainsi qu'un baccalauréat spécialisé en sociologie de l'University of Western Ontario qui lui a décerné la Faculty Medal en 1992, la plus haute distinction pour un étudiant de premier cycle. Depuis qu'il est entré chez IBM, il a poursuivi sa formation à l'université de Boston et à l'Institut de la Banque Mondiale..... » (*http://productivite.lesaffaires.com/ambassadeur/jean-françois-barsoum*)

• Sandra J. Vrejan "is a partner in Morgan Lewis's Business and Finance Practice. She represents lenders and borrowers in a broad range of domestic and international commercial finance transactions, secured and unsecured transactions, and financial restructurings. Ms. Vrejan serves a diverse client base, including lending and financial institutions, investment funds, borrowers, emerging growth, and public and private companies across a range of industries..... Ms. Vrejan also has been cited by President Bill Clinton for her pro bono accomplishments in political asylum cases. Prior to joining Morgan Lewis, She was a partner in the banking





TOP: Assia Bedjaoui ('88); BOTTOM: Frank Tjepkema ('88)



Charles-Henry Choël ('88) and family

and leveraged finance group of an international law firm. After graduating from law school, Ms. Vrejan clerked for Judge James B. Haines, Jr. of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine. She received her J.D. from Hofstra University School of Law in 1995 and her B.A. from Boston University in 1990. Ms. Vrejan is fluent in French, Spanish, and English...." (<u>http://www.morganlewis.com/index.cfm/personID/bbf82efa-967b-4ecb-bd0e-02c5970e7c83/fromSearch/0/fuseaction/people.viewBio</u>)

• Marwan Elaraby wrote and told us that he "recently re-joined Shearman & Sterling LLP as Managing Partner - Middle East. He is based in Dubai."

Editor's Note: Marwan "is based in [Shearman & Sterling's] Abu Dhabi office where he serves as Managing Partner of our Middle East practice. He previously served as Managing Director at Citadel Capital, one of the leading private equity firms in the Middle East and Africa. Marwan also served as Executive Director in EFG-Hermes' investment banking group, where he worked as an investment banker advising clients on numerous capital markets and M&A transactions in the Middle East. In recent years Marwan has focused on sourcing and executing investments in a variety of sectors, with a particular emphasis on energy. A regular speaker at conferences, Marwan first joined the firm in 1995 and became a partner in 2004." (*http://www.shearman.com/en/people/e/elaraby-marwan*)





Sandrine (Pettit) Moussally ('88) and her children • Jean Durand-Ruel is "Director of MENA Operations at SI Capital Partners. Jean worked for over eight years at Mazars in Paris.....He was subsequently appointed as director of the Mazars office in Budapest.....providing services to major international companies such as BNP Paribas, Danone and Bouygues. He later joined lveco Fiat, serving as CFO of the financial companies operating in the CEE region.Jean has a degree in Fiscal and Private Law from the Pantheon-Assas University in Paris. He has a DESCF in Accounting & Finance and studied the history of art at l'Ecole du Louvre." (<u>http://www.si-cp.com/advisory.html</u>)

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

• Jean-Francois Barsoum on IBM's Social Media Analysis of Traffic in Five Canadian Cities

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

In Memoriam: • Marc Meltzer († December 12, 2012)







TOP: Georges Pigault ('88); MIDDLE: Shawn Fields Rodriguez ('88); BOTTOM: Cyrill Rothermundt ('88)

• Sandrine (Pettit) Moussally nous écrit: "Quelques nouvelles d'une ancienne du LFNY : nous avons accueilli l'arrivée d'Olivier le 13 février 2012, qui rejoint sa sœur et ses 4 frères... Mais cette fois c'est bien le dernier !"

• Laurence Meneboo-Guiheux "assure le suivi juridique de France Télécom SA et de filiales (françaises et internationales) du groupe. Dans ce cadre, elle organise les Conseils d'Administration et Assemblées

Générales et participe à la réalisation du rapport annuel, des résolutions, des convocations, des avis et des procès-verbaux." (http://www.comundi.fr/formateur/30990/laurence-meneboo-guiheux.html)





TOP: Olivier Lengignon ('88); BOTTOM: Alexandra Cavignaux ('88)

• "Neopost..... provider of mailing and shipping solutions, has promoted **Olivier Lengignon** to Vice President of Marketing..... In his new role, Lengignon is responsible for the conceptualization and implementation of market strategy and achieving marketing targets..... [He] graduated from the Business School in Strasbourg, France and has a Postgraduate degree in International Business from the University of Strasbourg and Manchester. In 2001, Lengignon joined Neopost Group in France as an International Product Manager. He was promoted in 2003 to Mailing Systems Strategic Marketing Manager. In 2004, he joined Neopost, Inc. as Marketing Operations Director." (*parcelindustry.com /*)

• Georges Pigault is Vice President at Liberty International Underwriters (LIU). He "has focused on professional liability coverage for more than a decade and now oversees LIU's A&E Professional Liability product... [and is] responsible for..... operations in New York, Chicago, and San Francisco. In addition to being multilingual, Georges has been involved with U.S. and international risks for over fifteen years." (<u>http://www.liu-</u>

usa.com/omapps/ContentServer?pagename=LIUUSA/Views/Main&ft=5&cid=1139967114676&fid=3237827903256&In=en)

• Shawn Fields Rodriguez is a Spanish language teacher on the Modern Languages Faculty of the Nightingale-Bamford School.

"..... A marketing professional in consumer brands for the bulk of her career, [she] shifted her focus to education four years ago and has been working as an education marketing consultant and a substitute teacher in New York since then. Ms. Fields received her BA in Italian from Boston University and her MBA from the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University, where she was a recipient of a Fuqua Fellowship and a Dean's Recognition Award." (*nightingale.org*)

• Alexandra Cavignaux is a translator-terminologist at the Ministère de l'économie, de l'industrie et de l'emploi.

• Charles Thiemele "founded DAMALEX SA in 2007 after a career in finance in Europe & the US. He began his career as an Auditor at ANDERSEN in Paris and later joined GENERAL ELECTRIC in the US where he spent six years as a Manager in charge of Business Development..... In 2005, Charles joined SAHARA ENERGY as Managing Director of the Geneva office..... He has a recognized experience on the oil and energy trading industry and on deal structuring in the Oil & Gas sector. His other skills include internal and external financial audit as well as M&A Advisory. Charles holds a B. Eng. from POLYTECHNIQUE Montreal (CANADA) and a M.Sc. Entrepreneurship from HEC School of Management, Paris." (http://www.damalex.com/en/team.html)





TOP: Grégoire Poux-Guillaume ('88); BOTTOM: Florence Nida ('88)

---- From December 2011 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• Charles-Henry Choël wrote: "Just a quick message to say that I have recently relocated to Shanghai with my wife *Raphaëlle (Janoray) Choël ('94)* and our twin girls Ines and Penelope, and that we enjoy it very much. The girls are not yet three years old but are already much better in Chinese than me. My wife as well but that goes without saying, as I lose track of how many languages she now speaks."





• Solan Schwab informed us that "in August 2010 [he] joined General Re Corporation (a Berkshire Hathaway company) in a senior legal role."

• Danielle (Tin-Aung) Gooding nous écrit: « Ma fille Chloé a 4 ans et l'autre, Sabrina, a 14 mois. Nous sommes une famille entourée de tennis. Mon mari est Australien et il est coach de tennis, et moi, j'organise les tournois en Amérique pour les joueurs qui commencent leur carrière professionnelle. *Patricia Zwerling ('88)* travaille avec moi cet été au US Open. »

• **Grégoire Poux-Guillaume** "is a Managing Director with CVC Capital Partners, a global private equity firm with \$32 billion under management. He was previously with Alstom, which he joined as Head of Strategy before running its Hydro Plants business. He was most recently in charge of Alstom Power's Environmental activities, including its post-combustion carbon capture efforts. Greg also worked for McKinsey and started his career as a drilling engineer and offshore supervisor for Total. He is a mechanical engineer and holds an MBA from Harvard Business School." (.ftconferences.com)



TOP: Tamara Benveniste ('88); BOTTOM: Youssef Benhaddouch ('88)

• "Grégoire Ganter created *Lea's Alphabets* after the birth of his first daughter in May of 2003. He captures individual letters and images along his travels and assembles them into themed images. New York city features prominently in his collages, but he also uses images from his travels throughout the United States and Europe...." (<u>http://www.gregoireganter.com/leas_alphabets/index.html</u>)

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



Patrick Vincent

Patrick Vincent ('88) and his latest book

• Elsa Basanisi-Bolard wrote: "Hello everyone ! Such good memories of everyone, so much time since then. I live in Paris, got married in '98 and I'm the happiest mother of Chiara (7 1/2), Sixtine (6) and Leo (2 1/2). After the Lycée, I studied international relations and economics and finally graduated from HEC in '93. I am now Head of Business Intelligence at France Telecom. I would love to see all of you again, maybe in 2113 for our 25 years after the Bac ?"





TOP: Grégoire Ganter ('88); BOTTOM: Danielle (Tin-Aung) Gooding ('88)

• "Originally from the canton of Vaud, **Patrick Vincent** grew up in Great Britain and the United States, where he received a Bachelor's degree in International Relations from Georgetown University, and a Ph.D in Comparative Literature from the University of California at Davis. Before being appointed to the chair of English and American literature at the University of Neuchâtel, he taught at UC Davis and at the University of Fribourg, and was also a visiting lecturer in Comparative Literature at Neuchâtel.

Patrick Vincent's current research interests include: Wordsworth and British Romantic Culture; Thoreau and American Romantic Culture; European and American Cultural Relations in the Romantic period; the Poetess and 19th Century Women's Poetry; 20th Century American Poetry; Switzerland in Anglo-American literature; Literature and Political Theory (in particular Republicanism); Natural History, Landscape and Travel Writing." (<u>http://www2.unine.ch/Jahia/site/anglais/op/edit/pid/15365</u>)

(Click here for the publisher's write-up on Patrick's latest book)

• "Sandra J. Vrejan is a partner in Morgan Lewis's Business and Finance Practice. Ms. Vrejan focuses her practice on a broad range of domestic and international commercial finance, secured transactions, and financial restructurings. She represents lenders and borrowers with a variety of secured, unsecured, and syndicated transactions, and has represented creditors and debtors in workouts and restructurings....... Ms. Vrejan also has been cited by President Bill Clinton for her pro bono accomplishments in political asylum cases....... After graduating from law school, Ms. Vrejan clerked for Judge James B. Haines, Jr. of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine. She received her J.D. from Hofstra University School of Law in 1995 and her B.A. from Boston University in 1990. Ms. Vrejan is fluent in French, Spanish, and English." (http://www.morganlewis.com/index.cfm/personID/bbf82efa-967b-4ecb-bd0e-

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





Lisa Gelobter ('88) & Hilaire de Berc ('88)



TOP: Charles Amoakon Thiemele ('88) BOTTOM: Virginia Mennesson ('88)

• Isabelle (Tin-Aung) Bourke wrote: "I have wonderful memories of the Lycee (1977-1979). I moved back to NY from London and Brussels four years ago and currently work for LVMH. I have stayed in touch with *Alexandra Sperling* who lives in Hawaii. My twin sister *Danielle* lives in Westchester. I walk by the new Lycee building every morning on my way to work. So funny to see the kids in the familiar uniform. I remember friendships, sleepovers and birthday parties with many at the Lycee: *Lisa Gelobter, Nathalie Pochat, Patricia Zwerling, Amaryllis Beirne Keyt, Eric Guillon, Marwan, Youssef, Hania*."

• "Shawn Fields recently started substitute teaching Spanish and French at the Nightingale-Bamford school. She is also enjoying reconnecting with many Lycee classmates through Facebook."

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

WEDDINGS/MARIAGES

• Patricia (Zwerling) Potter wrote: "I wanted to let you know that I was married on May 17th of this year! I married David Potter, an attorney in NYC. *Delphina (Carriglio) Jackson* ('88) was my matron of honor. Unbelievable, to think we have been friends for all these years."



• "Dr. **Marie [Cabaud] Meaney** received her doctorate and an M. Phil. in Modern Languages from the University of Oxford. She also obtained an M. Phil. in philosophy from the International Academy of Philosophy in Liechtenstein and a D.E.U.G. from the Sorbonne in Paris. Dr. Meaney is a specialist on the French philosopher and mystic Simone Weil. Currently, she is an Arthur J. Ennis Teaching Fellow at the University of Villanova in Philadelphia." (*hli.org*)

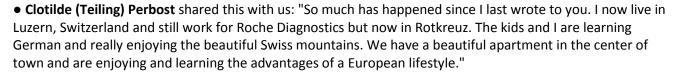
• Sibylle (Giraud) Lesay nous informe qu'elle est mariée à Guillaume Lesay et qu'ils ont trois enfants --Hector (2001), Seraphine (2002, Isaure(2004). Elle est architecte DLPG depuis 8 ans dans le groupe LVMH. Elle est aussi actuellement membre du comité de gestion du Lycee Pierre Loti a Istanbul, en charge de la renovation des batiments.

• Nagi Hatoum is a doctor, engineer and inventor, and is CEO of Biotele L.L.C.



TOP: Geraldine (Struye) Van De Graaf ('88); BOTTOM: Guillaume Bouisset ('88)

• Aida (Wane) Neary wrote that she "is still leaving in Newport, RI with her husband Tim. She is now the international student advisor at Salve Regina University, helping to facilitate the transition for international students coming to study in the U.S.. In an interesting coincidence, she will be meeting the staff of the French-American school of Rhode Island at a friend's party this summer. The big news, however, is that Aida and Tim are expecting their first child in early December!"



----- From December 2007 AALFNY Newsletter -----



Pascal Besson ('88) & Elsa (Basanisi) Bolard ('88)

• Hooray for the Class of 1988, soon to celebrate its 20th Anniversary! **Marie-Christine Lowenstein** wrote in asking about a reunion. We are pleased to say that the ball is now rolling. Anyone interested in helping should write in and let us know.

• Elsa (Basanisi) Bolard wrote: "Hello everyone! Such good memories of everyone, so much time since then. I live in Paris, got married in '98 and I'm the happiest mother of Chiara (7 1/2), Sixtine (6) and Leo (2 1/2). After the Lycée, I studied international relations and economics and finally graduated from HEC in '93. I am now Head of Business Intelligence at France Telecom. I would love to see all of you again, maybe in 2008 for our 20

year anniversary of the Bac?"

• Marie-Christine Loewenstein wrote: "Hello 1988 classmates! Do you realize that we have almost reached 20 years since our graduation day? Isn't that unbelievable? Unfortunately we are a bit late to organize a big *retrouvailles* class reunion but we should nevertheless think of doing such thing 'one day'. In the meantime, we are lucky enough to have the Alumni Association which does a great job, but also "Facebook". Don't forget it! Alors....à vos ordinateurs les amis et à nos retrouvailles prochainement!"



TOP: Adil Karam (left) & Alexander Marin; BOTTOM: Sandra Vrejan

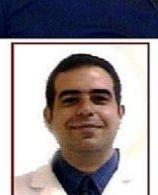
• Nathalie (Pochat) Richard nous écrit qu'elle "habite au Connecticut avec som mari et ont une fille (Megan) de 9 ans. Nathalie est Directrice des Ressources Humaines pour une Biotech dans la region de New Haven. Son frere, *Thierry Pochat ('85)*, habite à New York et est Policier avec le NYPD."

• Samantha Sherman wrote: "I left Cahill Gordon & Rendel LLP in July. After a month of hiking, surfing and whitewater rafting out west, I returned to New York and joined Kornstein Veisz Wexler & Pollard, LLP where I am an associate."

• "Amaury de Barros Conti, born in 1970, joined Austin, Calvert & Flavin, Inc. in 2004 as the firm's Head Trader. Mr. Conti brings over five years of institutional trading experience from a San Antonio based mutual fund company. Prior to that he was a trading assistant with Banque National de Paris in New York City. Mr. Conti received his undergraduate degree in Aviation Technology/Management from the Florida Institute of Technology and his Master of Business Administration degree in Financial Management from St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Conti holds a Series 7 license and is an Affiliate of the Market Technicians Association. He is originally from Belgium." (From Austin, Calvert & Flavin, Inc; .auscal.com)

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hoping to get married."



TOP: Laure Irrmann ('88); BOTTOM: Nagi Hatoum ('88)

• From **Shawn Fields**: "After two and a half years in London, I moved back to NY in September just in time for the birth of my second child, Milo Jack, who was born on December 8th. He joined big sister Marina Cecilia who turns 2 on June 13th. I keep in touch with a number of Lycee grads including *Valerie Picard*, *Samantha Sherman, Tamara Benveniste* and *Alexander Marin*. My brother *Ian* (class of 1992) and his wife Chelsey are just about to welcome their first child in July."

• Aymen Bourjini wrote: "Hello everyone. I keep such fond memories of everyone and the times I have spent

in the lycee. I often think of all the friends I've had during those years. I am still living in Manhattan for most of

the year. I have lost touch of so many of you guys...Wow, how time goes by quickly....I am finally engaged and

• "Designer Stéphane Pagani is founder and creative director of PaganiStudio, a lighting fixture design studio

based in New York. Pagani designs contemporary lighting collections and exclusive custom lighting fixtures for high end residential and commercial projects......Stéphane Pagani is originally from St. Paul de Vence, France and was university educated in the United States. Stéphane's architectural background has given him an appreciation for site specific projects. Using light and occasionally movement, Stéphane designs to create an emotion that suits the space and its intended function." (http://www.paganistudio.com/pages/about.html)





TOP: Antoine Hollande ('88): **BOTTOM: Adrienne** Ribalaigua Mischler ('88)

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- BIRTHS/NAISSANCES: --Amaury de Barros Conti --Sandrine (Pettit) Moussally (See Milestones section for further details.)
- Amaury de Barros Conti wrote: "Would love to hear back from Eric Henault, Nicolas Boulgaris, Charles-Henri Choel."
- Charles Henry Choel informed us that he has moved to Tokyo as MD of GL Trade Tokyo.
- -----From February 2006 AALFNY Newsletter-----
- BIRTHS/NAISSANCES: Shawn Fields-Rodriguez
- WEDDINGS/MARIAGES: Whitney Postman-Caucheteux

• Samantha Sherman wrote: "After eight years in California, six in Washington, DC, and one in South Texas, I have finally come back home. I am an attorney at Cahill Gordon in Manhattan, and would love to hear from my former classmates."

• Tessa (Haspil) Corgan shared this with us: "My husband and I just finished the last phase of our move to Miami, Florida this November 2005. The move was prompted by the birth of our twins Emily Anne and Nicholas Bjorn in April 2005. All I can say is thank God for big sister Bianca Mona then age 6, little mother extraordinaire! After six years, I left my Assistant Professor in Emergency Medicine position at UMDNJ/University Hospital to take on the more challenging position of stay-at-home- mom. For those who knew me well this is indeed a challenge. I would love to hear from any of my classmates especially now that I have so much extra time on my hands. Would particularly like to speak to Valerie Picard."



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Below: Whitney Postman

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Marie Cabaud Meaney

Marie (Cabaud) Meaney ('88) and her book • **Charles-Henri Choël** shared this with us: "I got married in 2001 to **Raphaëlle Janoray**, also an alumni from LFNY but 6 classes under mine. It goes without saying that we did not know each other then! We met many years later as neighours in a Paris building. I lived on the 5th Floor rue Saint Georges and she lived with her parents on the 4th Floor. And one day of 1997 she started taking the elevator one floor higher...."

• **Patrick Vincent** wrote: "I got married two years ago to a feisty Spaniard and moved to the small lakeside town of Neuchâtel in Switzerland with good skiing and sailing, and where I am professor of British and American literature at the university. My wife Sonia and I are expecting our first child this summer!"

• Stéphane Lumiére wrote: "I have joined Oscar Gruss & Son as a Research Analyst concentrating on Special Situations Research. I still live in Manhattan and I would be interested in meeting up with some of my old classmates."

• Sandrine (Pettit) Moussally nous a ecrit: "Ma première connexion sur le site du LFNY est très récent, voici donc quelques nouvelles...des 20 dernières années. J'ai quitté le LFNY à la fin de ma 1ère, en 1986, pour retourner en France, à Paris. C'est là que j'ai fait mes études de médecine. Depuis 2002, je suis médecin du travail, mais je travaille seulement à temps partiel. Je me suis mariée en 1995 avec Christian que j'ai rencontré pendant mes études (il est chirurgien dentiste). Nous avons 4 enfants : Guillaume (8 ans 1/2), Elise (6 ans), Victor (4ans 1/2) et Léo-Paul (20 mois), ce qui en soit est une occupation à temps plein!"

• Marie-Christine Loewenstein shared this with us: "Everything is going well here in Brussels. Still married with Damien (we will celebrate our 5th. wedding anniversary this coming 3rd of june), the twins DIEGO and ELIOTT are now 3 1/2 years old and they are the happy big brothers of a little boy called AURIAN borned on the 17th. of March 2005. The house is now full of men! I am still keeping in touch with *Marine Bickert* ('89) and *Carole Devèze* (who came to visit me here last year) and I am still dreaming of a "réunion de classe promo 1988" in New York City. Would that be possible at all one day? Bises to all."

-----From November 2004 AALFNY Newsletter-----





TOP: Jean-Francois Barsoum ('88); BOTTOM: Benoit Barthe ('88)

• Whitney Postman wrote: "The professional update: Earlier this year I moved to the Washington DC area for

• Shawn Fields and her husband Jorge Rodriguez relocated to London from New York in May 2004. Shawn is

a job as a post-doctoral fellow at National Institutes of Health, where I am involved in research on brain and language using imaging techniques such as fMRI, with special emphasis on the neural basis of language recovery in post-stroke aphasia. The personal update: The attached photo of me was taken in August at the Indonesian Embassy in DC. As a doctoral student I'd done some linguistic research in Indonesia. Yet despite my

overall greater interest in that Southeast Asian country and its people, I find myself dating a lovely French man from Amiens, also a post-doc at NIH....Affectueusement, Whitney"

• Nicolas Boulgaris is "back in the world of Private banking after graduating from INSEAD. Our second child, Catherine was born in January."

• And this from Aida(Wane) Neary: "I got married in June of this year to a wonderful man, Tim Neary, and after nine wonderful years in Chicago, we moved to Texas where my husband got a job teaching History at Stephen F. Austin State University. After two months of doing nothing, I got a job at the university as the assistant to the Board of Regents. So after five months of marriage, Tim and I find ourselves on oppposite sides of university life (academia vs. administration)."

-----From Winter 2003-2004 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• Births/Naissances: Nicolas Boulgaris '88 and his wife, Ursina, have the great pleasure of announcing the birth of their son Philippe, in March.

• Alexandra (Cavignaux) Ansaldi writes: "The two years I spent at the Lycée and in NYC were unforgettable. I've been living in Paris for almost 10 years now; I got married last year to a philosophy professor. I work now as a translator-terminologist (French, English, Russian and Italian) for the French Ministry of Economy, Finance and Industry in Paris."

- For information about Janine Trèves, see Patricia (Hesse) Khosrosian '66.
- Isabelle (Périssé) Guludec writes: "My husband Marc and I have a little boy born October 9, 2001; his name is Keenan Jean Marc."
- From Charles Thiemele: "I am in beautiful Wisconsin working as an M&A professional for GE Medical."

-----From Winter 2002/2003 AALFNY Newsletter------





Samantha Sherman ('88) & Charles Henry Choel ('88)

• Aida Wane writes: "After leaving the Lycée I went to Allegheny for college. I graduated in '91 and lived in 3 different African countries until settling back in the States in 1995. I'm now a Chicagoan working for an educational publisher. Thanks for the great work in helping us reconnect."

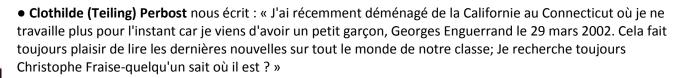






TOP: Florence (Nida) Minard ('88); MIDDLE: Amaury de Barros Conti ('88); BOTTOM: Khalil Houri, Adil Karam, Gersende Rambourg

• Virginia Mennesson writes: "It's great to have found this site at last! I have been living in London for the last 8 years and work for the Financial Services Authority (the main regulating body for the financial industry in the UK) as a Policy Adviser. I have not been back to NY since I left the Lycée to study law in France and the UK. I have fond memories of my 2 years in NY (those endless runs around Central Park in gym class!) I hope to hear from other alumni soon!"





• Amaury de Barros Conti writes: "Thank you for all the news and work you guys are putting together! Just wanted to update some of my info. I just finished my MBA in Financial Management at St. Marys' University here in San Antonio, Texas this semester. Just celebrated my fourth wedding anniversary, no kids yet, and still work at US Global Investors as an Institutional Trader. Next is the CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst) exam, and possibly starting a family... I last heard from Aida Wane '88 about 6 months ago, and she was in Chicago. My brother Thibaut '93 is currently applying to graduate school and looks forward to starting next fall.»

• Marie-Christine Loewenstein writes: "So happy to have found this site. Such excellent memories of my 4 years at the Lycée! I got married in 2000 to Damien Vanden Dael and gave birth to 2 great little guys (real twins) in September 2001: Diego and Eliott. I live in Brussels and my sister Anne Loewenstein '90 also. I have been working at Ferrero (chocolate company which produces Nutella, Rocher, Kinder, Tic Tac) for 8 years and I am product manager for a series of products (all except Kinder Line) for the Benelux."

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

• Raoul Jacquand writes: "After leaving NY in 1985, I spent the next 12 years in France to complete my studies and start my professional life with Nortel Networks. I got married in 1994 and we now have 2 boys, respectively 2 years old and 6-months old. Since 1997 we have been living in Munich, Germany, where we experience the benefits of being centrally located at the heart of Europe. Though the telecom sector is going through some difficult times, I enjoy my work as a wireless systems engineering manager."

• Hania Abrous, according to her sister Leila '89, is a CPA certified accountant/auditor and manager with KPMG Pete Marwick in Luxembourg. • Nicolas Boulgaris left his job in Private Banking, and is currently participating in the MBA program at INSEAD (Fontainebleau, France).





TOP: Shawn Fields ('88) and family; BOTTOM: Abstract ceiling fixtures by Stephane Pagani ('88) at the Clodagh showroom

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

• Amaury de Barros Conti is married since 1997 and lives in San Antonio, Texas. He works as a senior trader at US Global Funds.

• Clotilde (Teiling) Perbost writes: "I live in the Silicon Valley (CA), and work for Agilent Technologies doing Research on DNA Chips. I am married and have Camille (2 yrs), who shall go to the Lycée Français de Sunnyvale in a year. I'd love to hear from Christophe Fraise, Charles- Henri Joel '88. Thank you "Roger Sanit" (that's Roger Liwer '68) for finding me!"

• Janine (Treves) Habar: Currently living in Paris with husband and 18 month old daughter Zoe. She works for Berghahn Books on a part-time basis, editing manuscripts for publication in the humanities and social sciences. She writes: "I recently checked out the Lycée website and was impressed with its contents (and sad to learn about the sale of that beautiful building in which I spent so many years of my childhood). But we must all adapt to the times, mustn't we?"

Liliane Kankindi Bwakira a quitté à la fin de la seconde pour finir dans un autre lycée francais en Afrique.
Elle est de retour à NY où elle fait un "grad. program" et travaille à Standard & Poor's.
Shawn Fields became engaged to Jorge Rodriguez on March 16th, 2001.

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

• Patrick Vincent writes: "After living seven years in California, I recently returned to Switzerland where I teach English and American literature at the University of Fribourg and ski every weekend. I'd love to hear from Alexander Marin and others from '88 who seem particularly silent....»

• Nadia Abbadi Altomare is living in the heart of the city of Boston where she completed her MBA and never left. Recently married; directs the Patient & Physician Services Department of a biotech firm which will go public sometime this year.

-----From November/December 2000 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• Thomas Bérard only spent one semester at the Lycée, but it was enough to make a lasting impression. He sends greetings from Ridgefield, CT.

- Nicolas Boulgaris was married last year. He works in a private bank in Geneva.
- Anita Masson (Quéré) was married two years ago and is now the proud mother of a 10-month-old baby girl,

Clara. She lives in Paris with her husband, Laurent, and works for the German high-fashion company, Escada, where she puts into practice her language skills acquired at the Lycée.
Laurence Meneboo Guiheux est avocate à Paris et a un petit garçon.

-----From March 2000 AALFNY Newsletter-----

- Bertrand Desbois est professeur d'art plastique et habite à Issy-les-Moulineaux.
- Tessa Haspil Corgan espère terminer sa résidence en médecine de l'urgence en Juin '00.