

SPOTLIGHT ON NEWNHAM US ALUMNAE

• FASCINATING FOOD

Patricia Ault Gadsby (N'66 Modern Languages) writes: 'I'm an editor and writer, and the magazine I've been associated with the longest is Discover, which covers science for the general public. I joined Discover in the mid-80s, as a senior editor for Biology and Medicine. This may surprise my Newnham contemporaries who probably remember me -- if they remember me at all -- as a Modern Linguist, tennis player and foreign service brat who gave dinner parties. But perhaps it's not such a stretch. My growing-up years in tropical Asia imprinted me with an abiding fascination with the natural world. Talking to scientists doesn't faze me -- I married one, David Gadsby (Trinity '66, now at Rockefeller University in New York). I tackle writing about science much the way I tackled Hegel and Proust, as a translation job -- take something bundled in a foreign language and open it up to another kind of readership in a language that's familiar and clear and easy on the ear.



Patricia Gadsby at Cambridge



Patricia Gadsby today.

These days I divide my time between New York and Woods Hole, on Cape Cod, where David has a second lab. I'm still a contributing editor for Discover, but I've narrowed my focus tremendously: what can science tell us about food and eating? I've written about the origin and genetics of chocolate, the micro-organisms in sourdough, our senses of taste and smell, the diet of the Inuit (one of the world's oldest and fast disappearing) and the chemistry of fish smells. It keeps me off the streets -- and when I'm lucky it takes me to the forests of the Amazon, the shores of Buzzards Bay and some really good restaurants in Paris.'

Read Patricia on chocolate at <http://www.discover.com/issues/aug-02/features/featchocolate/>

• ROUND TRIP NEW YORK TO NEWNHAM



Left to right: Marion Turnbull (N '98 Nat. Sci., now a genetic counselor in Colchester), Marina Barinova and Kate Marsh (N'98 Nat. Sci. now at University College London studying medicine)

Marina Barinova (N'98, Economics) came to Newnham through the Columbia-Cambridge University Study Abroad Program. She read Part II Economics and on returning to New York joined Morgan Stanley (Operations Department) becoming involved in the bank's risk management and anti-money-laundering activities.

She sent photos of a visit she made back to Cambridge this summer (on our website) and writes: "Every time I return I receive a warm welcome from my Newnham friends. This year I arrived on the wings of soccer fever and though neither the US nor England made it to the Final I got to support both teams with my friends at my side".

- **PHILOSOPHY AND [FAKING] FUR**

Catharine Roth (N'67 Classics) is an adjunct teacher of philosophy for the Community Colleges of Spokane, WA, her husband's hometown, to which they moved after his retirement from the US Air Force in 1998. She is self-deprecating about her teaching claiming they 'let her' teach philosophy (in spite of her Harvard PhD. in classics and decades of teaching experience). She has translated and annotated a variety of Greek and Latin texts and is Managing Editor of the Suda Online Project (a massive 10th century Byzantine Greek encyclopedia). Greg and Catharine are involved in a variety of Scottish heritage organizations including St. Andrew's Society and Spokane Highland Games. Around 1812, local (often Scottish) fur traders who were following in the footsteps of David Thompson, the famous explorer of the Canadian Rockies and Columbia River, set up a trading post of the NorthWest Company called Spokane House. Catharine sent this picture of her husband, Greg, and herself in period fur trader costume from a historical re-enactment of the traders' activities. She has a son, who is a research assistant and graduate student at U.C. Davis and a daughter working as an attorney for the US Senate. Both are planning weddings for 2007.



Greg and Catharine re-enact the North West Company fur trade near Spokane circa 1812.

- **INTRODUCING THE US COMMITTEE MEMBERS: ANNA IVEY**



Anna Ivey at ease.

Anna Ivey spent a year reading History at Newnham as an undergraduate visiting from Columbia University in 1992-1993. Under the guidance of Dr. Gill Sutherland as her Director of Studies, she focused on the French Revolution and was awarded the Newnham History Prize. She has fond memories of the Seeley History Library, but to this day wonders whether there is any truth to the legend that it was inadvertently built facing the wrong direction, with all those space-age windows capturing so little sunlight. Just a myth? She welcomes any definitive answers to this question that perplexes her still.

After college, she attended law school and joined the Corporate Group at the Los Angeles law firm Irell & Manella, representing clients such as Disney, AOL Time Warner, Williams-Sonoma, Hewlett-Packard, CSFB and Mattel in mergers and acquisitions, securities law, and public and private financings. She later joined the Entertainment Finance Group at Gipson Hoffman & Pancione, also in Los Angeles. There, she worked on the financing of major motion pictures starring actors such as Samuel L. Jackson, Paul Newman, Bruce Willis, Kevin Spacey and Renee Zellweger. Missing the university setting, she left legal practice behind to work at the University of Chicago and Stanford University. Today, she is an author, speaker, consultant and blogger about college and graduate school admissions and also about education and career choices facing young adults.

Anna has been a member of Newnham's US Committee for several years. She now compensates for the chill of Seeley by living in hot, humid, and relentlessly sunny Orlando, Florida, where she is eager to hear from other Florida-based alumnae.