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Professor John Gloster MD	1922-2011	Mrs Margery Gloster	
Mr Donald James Reid FRCS	1930-	Dr Helen Mander	
Professor Henry Bower Kedward	1923-	Professor Miriam Kedward	
Dr Nellie T. Adjaye FRCPCH	1946-	Dr Robert Adjaye	Read testimonial
Mrs Christine Medford	1939-2010	Dr Graeme Jenkins	
Sardar Gurdev Singh PhD	1939-	Mrs Veena Singh	
Dr John A. Ritchie FRCGP	1912-1986	Professor Jean Crabtree	
Professor Jean E. Crabtree FRCPath	1953-		
Professor Sir Alan Moncrieff CBE	1901-1971	Dr Brian Webb	
Dr Jayanti Kumar Ghosh FRSPH (LOND)	1938-		Read testimonial
Dr Vanessa Lloyd-Davies MBE (MIL) MBBS	1960-2005	Mr and Mrs Lloyd-Davies	
Dr G.R. Naidoo MBBCH	1922-1999	Dr R.S. Naidoo	
Mrs Akhtar Imam MPHIL	1917-2009	Dr Nilufar Imam	Read testimonial
Mr Ghassan Salem Hanna FRCS	1949-2009	Mrs Wafa Hanna	
Dr G.I.M. Ross FRCPATH	1919-2008	Mrs Freda Ross	
Professor John D. Pickard FMedSci	1946-		
Mr Thomas Carmody	1934-2007	Dr Elizabeth Carmody	
Mr Lawrence William 'Laurie' Plewes CBE	1908-1991	Mr J.L. Plewes	
Professor Prakash Sarvotham Shetty FRCP		Dr Nandini Shetty	
Professor Richard Johanson FRCOG	1957-2002	Mrs Charlotte Johanson	
Dr Vidya Madan LSMF	1928-2005	Dr Veena Bajaj (nee Madan)	Read testimonial
Dr Biman D. Dutta	1937-	Dr R. Dutta (daughter) and Mr B. Dutta (son)	
Mr Michael Ah-Moye FRCOG		Mr Andrew Glew	
Professor James S. Robson FRCP	1921-2010	Dr Mary Macdonald	
Dr Rashida Makhdum MBBS	1925-2007	Dr Arshad Makhdum	
Mr Mark Hannaford FRGS	1965-	Mr David Weil	
Mr David Philip Boynton BSc	1952-2012	Mrs Judith Boynton	
Dr E.W. 'Will' Witherspoon MBCHB	1925-2012	Mary Paul	
Dr J.W. Bland FFSRH	1935-	Mrs Stephanie Ramsey	
Professor Kenneth W.W.H. Walton MD	1919-2008	Cynthia Walton	
Mr Richard Emlyn Jenkins	1905-1977	Dr G. Jenkins	
Professor D. Murray Walker Oam FRCPATH	1939-	Mrs Susan Walker	
Mrs Abbie Watson RGN	1929-2012	Mr John Watson	
Dr Gordon E. Catton FRCPC			
Dr Sam Peltz RCP&S (Ireland)	1932-2014	Nicky Burns	Read testimonial
Professor Sameh Marcos FRCR	1949		
Dr John Lee MD	1937-2014		Read testimonial

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Dr Christopher J.G. Ware MRCPsych	1955-2006	Mrs Gwladus Ware	
Dr Matthew J. Barnard	1962-	Dr Penelope Barnard	
Mr Albert Panzeri	1957-		
Mr Michael A. Nee BDS	1943-2011	Dr and Mrs Patrick and Ann Boland	
Dr Mike Lowe FRCPsych		Dr Marie Murphy	Read testimonial
Dr Rex C. Bennett	1937-2011	Dr Rex C. Bennett	Read testimonial
Professor Gerald 'Charlie' Westbury OBE FRCS		Dr Clive Harmer	
Professor Vernon Min-Sen Oh FRCP	1948-		
Dr Elizabeth Ann Taylor PhD	1954-	Professor Vernon M.S. Oh	
Dr Katharina D. Dalton	1916-2004	Mrs Praveena Dalton	
Dr Michael John Thomson Dalton MRCGP	1941-2011	Mrs Praveena Dalton	Read testimonial
Dr Max Williams FRACP	1940-	Mrs Lynn Williams	
Mrs Frances Rita Owen SRN	1926-2011	Dr Amanda Owen	
Dr Charles Suckling FRS	1920-	Reverend Dr Keith Suckling	Read testimonial
Dr Nicol Thin OBE	1935-2010	Mrs Ann Thin	
Dr Robin Eliot Irvine CBE	1920-2002	Simon and Patricia Walsh	Read testimonial
Sir John David Nunes Nabarro FRCP	1915-1998	Dr Julia P. Ellis	Read testimonial
Mrs Marion McMillan	1944-2011	Surgeon Commodore Grant McMillan	
Mr Rumi Kapadia FRCS	1939-		
Dr Neil Stuart Ian Gordon FRACS	1952-		
Sir John Chalstrey FRCS	1931-	Dr Susan Chalstrey	
Dr Barry L. Chapman FRACP	1936-		
Dr Anupam Dasgupta FRCP	1934-	Dr Aban Dasgupta	
Professor Tony Atkinson	1945-2011	Mr Max Atkinson	Read testimonial
Mrs Margaret Dangoor RGN MA	1939-	RSM Section for Patient Safety	
Dr Ronald William Ware DIH	1924-2009	Mrs Gwladus Ware	
Professor Frederick V. Flynn FRCPATH	1924-2011	Dr David Flynn	
Mr Denis Dooley FRCS	1913-2010	Mr Michael Dooley	
Bernard and Rosalind Williams		Professor John Williams	
Dr Jisma Joseph MCRPCH	1980-2012	Dr Gilbert Hla	Read testimonial
DR J.N. Blau MD	1928-2010	Mrs Jill Blau	
Dr Stephen D. Shappell FACC	1939-		
Professor Graham Tansley Layer DM			
The Right Honourable Lord Pitt of Hampstead MBCHB	1913-1994		Read testimonial
Professor Phyllis Pitt-Miller FRCA	1944-	The Miller Family	Read testimonial
Emeritus Professor David S. Berman PhD	1929-2005		
Professor Silvia Cimino	1976-	Mr Luca Cerniglia	Read testimonial
Professor Hermann Druckrey MD	1904-1994	Dr Henk Tennekes	
George K York MD	1950-2021		
Dr Ellen M Goudsmit			

Panel 21 - Testimonials

Dr Nellie T. Adjaye FRCPCH

Dr Nellie Adjaye (nee Annan) qualified in 1971 from the Royal Free Medical School, University of London. Her postgraduate medical training took her through various disciplines and specialties round the country until she finally settled into general and paediatric neonatology at St Mary's Hospital, Manchester. Thereafter she took up appointment in Child Neurology at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children, then Queen Charlotte's Hospital London for further Neonatal experience.

Having obtained an MSc degree in Community Paediatrics from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Nellie took up an appointment as a Senior Registrar/Lecturer in Community Paediatrics at St. Mary's Hospital at Praed Street, London instructing the undergraduates. Nellie was one of the first few Paediatricians to be trained in that new subspecialty under the late Professor Oppe and the late Dr Shelagh Tyrrell. She made a very good impact in that medical school during the period of six years she spent there.

In 1987 Nellie became the first Consultant Community Paediatrician in Maidstone, Kent, with responsibility for children with neuro-disability and developmental delay whilst also holding the portfolio as the Named Doctor for Safeguarding Children in the Area - a pioneering role she held till her retirement in Sept 2011. Nellie's dedication to paediatrics and medicine in general is total and unwavering and that was amply demonstrated as a panel member of the Laming Inquiry that looked into the death of Victoria Climbié and whose recommendations were incorporated into the New Children Act 2004.

Believing that well informed mothers are more likely to provide the optimum care for their children with chronic or handicapping conditions, she always spent long periods in her consultations explaining conditions to her patients. Nellie carried this philosophy to her other interest of sickle cell disease. She spearheaded the first selective neonatal screening program for haemoglobinopathies in St Mary's Paddington, counselling and educating the parents of children who have been picked up as positive on screening. Nellie joined The Sickle Cell Society and was appointed an Honorary Medical Advisor. She has been behind the scenes while the society campaigned for improved services over the last 30 years, and now neonatal screening is the normal practice in all maternity units in the NHS.

Dr Nellie Adjaye, for over forty years you have provided unbroken and quality service to paediatrics, medicine and humanity and for these we honour you.

By Dr Robert Adjaye (26 September 2011)

Congratulations Dr Nellie Adjaye! You are on the Queen of England's New Year Honours List for 2013 and thus to be awarded a Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE). We love you, and appreciate you madam. God bless you!

By Jeffrey Owusu (16 January 2013)

Dr Jayanti Kumar Ghosh FRSPH (LOND)

Dr Jayanti Kumar Ghosh is known as Dr Joe Ghosh by his patients and friends. He was chairman of medical staff committee of Blyth Community Hospital at Northumberland and met Princess Royal on his capacity as chairman. He was also chairman of South Northumberland BMA (Blyth & Morpeth). He qualified from famous NRS Medical College of Calcutta with certificate of honours in anatomy and pharmacology.

He is the youngest son of famous lawyer and politician of Malda District in India, Ramesh Chandra Ghosh, who was imprisoned by the British during independence movement and was associate of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.

Dr Jayanti Kumar Ghosh was a College Scholarship holder at NRS Medical College, also known as NilRaran Sarkar Medical College of Calcutta University. Dr Ghosh was a Senior Partner of Bondicar Medical Group at Blyth Health Centre Northumberland England. He was Chairman of Blyth Lions' Club and involved with several charitable activities.

By Robin (18 January 2011)

Mrs Akhtar Imam MPHIL

Celebration of the Glorious Life of our mother, Mrs Akhtar Imam.

Mrs Akhtar Imam was born in old city of Dhaka (now in Bangladesh) on 30th of December 1917, during the British Raj and the year of the Russian revolution. Her family was conservative Muslims who valued education within the code of religion and unlike her peers; she graduated with honours in Philosophy from Bethune College, University of Calcutta (now Kolkata), India and was awarded "Gangamoni Devi Gold Medal" in 1937.

In spite of adverse and critical comments, particularly the conservative Muslim society, of that era failed to sway the 25-year-old prematurely widowed, with three young daughters under the age of five to nurture alone, from her determined and chosen path. She remained resolute and undaunted by the enormous challenges ahead. Her indomitable courage, vision and mission propelled her towards her future development. Self-confidence, extraordinary academic talent and her determination fuelled her great heights of achievements. She certainly became a legend in her lifetime due to the fruition of her enterprising and leadership talents. Very few people, across the globe, even to this day, will be able to emulate her multitasking ability and qualities.

Her professional life began at Eden Girls School & College in Dhaka, initially as assistant teacher to lecturer and finally Professor from mid 1940s to February 1956. The emphasis on education encouraged her to gain masters in Philosophy from University of Dhaka in 1945, whilst teaching and being a devoted mother to her three young daughters. She was awarded of the only annual scholarship, from the Muslim Education Foundation, competing against men and women across undivided India (pre-1947) to pursue postgraduate studies in the UK. The extremely generous and well-deserved award was a testament to her extraordinary academic merit. As a result of which she gained her M.Phil. in Philosophy from University of London in 1952, under the tutelage of Professor A.J. Ayer and Dr S.V. Keeling. Very interestingly, as a devoted single parent, she ensured that her three precious daughters accompanied her to London in 1950 – they were very privileged to have experienced such exceptional opportunity.

Her insatiable thirst to enhance her knowledge, she undertook work as a Research Fellow at the Department of Philosophy of University of Nottingham under Professor Hampshire between 1963 and 1965.

On 1st of March 1956, she became the first woman Professor and Head of the Department of Philosophy in the famed Dhaka College for Boys. Her fortune favoured further and she was appointed by special invitation to the newly created prestigious post of the first permanent provost of the first Woman's Hall (later renamed Ruquayyah Hall) of the University of Dhaka and Reader in the Department of Philosophy from 1st of September 1956. It is noteworthy that she had already been appointed as part-time lecturer and was the first woman teacher at the same Department of Philosophy from 1953.

Perhaps one of the most rewarding features of her life as an educationist was the appreciation international dissemination of ethics and moral philosophy, by her past students.

Her enthusiasm and passion for promoting education and particularly study of Philosophy was highly appreciated and in 1968 she was elected the first woman General President of the Pakistan Philosophical Congress at its 15th session. After liberation of East Pakistan and birth of Bangladesh in 1971, she was the first convener of the Presidium of the Bangladesh Philosophical Society and later member of the Bangladesh Philosophical Congress.

She gained international recognition as evident from the invitations she had received from UNESCO, in 1953

to attend an international conference in New Delhi; the American State Department to visit educational institutions of distinction in 1959; British Council to visit various eminent UK educational establishments in 1962.

In further recognition of her achievement of her life and contributions to society as an educationist, social trendsetter and author from the Government of Bangladesh had conferred upon her the prestigious national award- Ruquayyaah Padak-2002.

Her keen literary interest culminated in becoming the President of the Bangladesh Women Writers Association for three years. During her life time she wrote numerous essays varying from critical observations of social practices to witty articles; her autobiography, in three volumes (the first has been translated into English), as well as twelve other books, mostly in her mother tongue Bengali and also a few in English.

In February 1991, she felt passionately the absence of organisations for professional woman over age fifty and this motivated her to establish her beloved HEMANTIKA to engage members actively in social, educational, cultural support group. It was her boundless energy, leadership and intense fundraising that finally culminated in the dream creation of an Oasis for Hemantika's own bungalow, in the outskirts of Dhaka. She was elected Life President of this organisation and on the strength of her goodwill and legacy it is flourishing to this day.

Sadly in June 2009 the glow of her life was finally extinguished at the age of 91. Although physically frail towards the end, mentally she remained highly spirited, dynamic and productive; her last book was published in late 2008. She conducted herself with greatest of dignity and decorum, wit, displayed tremendous sense of humour and inspiration to others. Perhaps this was what attracted a constant stream of visitors. Both women and men of all ages would flock to her rambling residence which was her sanctuary. She lived independently supported by a team of loyal staff. Discussions revolved around ethical and moral dilemmas such as surrogacy and euthanasia amongst other issues affecting the future of the fast-changing world. All her life she was furiously independent which was her pride and remained so to the end.

By Dr Nilufar Imam (8 September 2011)

I was lucky to marry Mrs. Imam's eldest daughter who posted the tribute above. I remember our first meeting when I visited her home. She had a very fair complexion, upright frame with considerable poise and grace. She had her head covered by her sari as a Muslim aristocratic lady would. She made me very welcome. Later on in life she became my second mother and friend. I miss very much sitting with her listening to her witty comments and discussing the politics and the literature of the day. She had a tremendous sense of humour. Bangladesh and the world will be the poorer without her.

By Dr M. Karim (20 January 2012)

Dr Vidya Madan LSMF

I choose to honour my eldest sister, as she was an exceptional human being, both during her life and during death. It was due to her inspiration that I and many others - including fourth generation doctors - are in the family.

She was born in the days of conservative India, at the height of the freedom movement in the Mianwali district, now in Pakistan. In those days women in the family were not actively encouraged to pursue higher education. Our parents named her Vidya, meaning knowledge, and she was true to her name until her death. We all lovingly called her Bhanjee (respected sister)

Inspired by our father, Dr Ram Bhaj Madan, she followed in his footsteps to study medicine, qualifying with merits and awards for her exceptional qualities, from Christian Medical College, Ludhiana, India in 1954, at a time when the family was in turmoil after being uprooted during the partition following the freedom movement – while also being actively involved in social work and looking after her seven younger siblings.

She was an ardent believer in women's education and believed it is the greatest gift you can give to a child, as it opens the door to knowledge and a better life, and is a route out of poverty and social system as she believed it put poor women at a disadvantage.

She was offered numerous opportunities, which she declined in favour of working among the poor. She worked in various rural dispensaries, among the poor and underprivileged. She worked tirelessly on health promotion and awareness.

She worked at RBTB Hospital in Kingsway Camp, Delhi, with great dedication and distinction, treating the poor and destitute suffering from tuberculosis for over two decades, before finally retiring in 1986. After retirement she continued to remain a mentor for the all of her family and friends.

In 2004 she was diagnosed with metastatic pancreatic cancer, and the only treatment option was palliative. Even during her own illness, she was thinking of ways in which she could help others. She felt a lot needed to be done in field of cancer for early diagnosis and treatment, and with this in mind; she expressed her wish that her body be donated to the All India Institute of Medical Education and Research for the purpose of research. She finally said 'adieu' to this world on the morning of 2nd November 2005.

It is hoped that her mortal remains will inspire and ignite the young minds in the field of cancer research, and if future generations can reap the benefits of her selfless act, we feel she will live on in our hearts forever.

I would also like to pay tribute to my sister, Prof (Dr) Mira Madan, for her tremendous contributions in preparing this page, but who sadly died suddenly in August, before attending the Unveiling Ceremony in October 2011. Her last tribute to our sister was:

'jab tak suraj chand rahega
bhanjee tere naam rahega'

(As long as sun and moon exist dearest sister you will always be remembered)

By Dr Veena Madan, youngest sister (14 October 2011)

My wife Annuradha Ahuja and I had the good fortune to be blessed and inspired by Dr Vidya Madan. May her soul rest in peace.

By Anil Ahuja (27 October 2011)

It was a great feeling to know a selfless and inspiring persona like Dr Vidya Madan.

By Dr Ashish Rohatgi (7 November 2011)

During her lifetime she inspired me to become a doctor and unknowingly inculcated her selfless nature towards the needy. I hope to carry the torch forward.

By Dr Anshul Grover (7 November 2011)

Dr Sam Peltz RCP&S (Ireland)

Sam Peltz will be remembered for his warmth, his wit, his wisdom and his integrity.

An award-winning student, he qualified in 1957 and worked tirelessly both in the NHS and also in private practice until his death in 2014.

He was a dedicated physician, and was interested in everyone he met. His natural ease and great humour made him extremely popular.

He taught general medicine at Middlesex Hospital and also travelled extensively, lecturing on cholesterol related illness. He was delighted when in 2010 he was invited to give the Lord Jackobovitz Memorial Lecture for medical ethics on surrogacy and Jewish law.

Sam somehow found time for his many interests, particularly music, cars and sport. He loved rugby and cricket (he was a member of the MCC), and a lifetime supporter of Arsenal football club.

A devoted husband, father and grandfather, he was adored by all who knew him – an extremely kind, warm and gentle man.

By Nicola Burns

Dr John Lee MD

Born in South Africa in 1937, he graduated from the University of the Witwatersrand Medical School in 1960 and subsequently worked at Baragwanath Hospital in Soweto, Addington Hospital, Durban and Brooklyn Chest Hospital, Cape Town.

While in Cape Town he developed an abiding interest in epidemiology and travelled to London to study at the School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, graduating with a Diploma in Public Health in 1966.

He subsequently worked at the Central Public Health Laboratory on salmonella food poisoning caused through animal feedstuffs. He presented an MD thesis on this topic through Wits University and it was accepted in 1973.

Work for the Medical Research Council followed and consultant posts with Kingston and Richmond and Hereford health authorities.

As well as making a significant contribution to the first annual report for Hereford following Acheson, he pursued further research interests, in particular the effect of stress, the sympathetic nervous system and catecholamines in coronary heart disease. Articles were published in public health journals and presented at conferences.

He was elected Fellow of the Faculty of Community Medicine in 2006.

Work was always a motivation even after retirement but it was interspersed with a love of sport, particularly tennis and rugby, bridge and owning a golden retriever who required plenty of exercise in the Herefordshire countryside. He fulfilled his desire to travel all five continents as well as well returning regularly to visit family in South Africa.

By anonymous

Panel 23 - Testimonials

Dr Mike Lowe FRCPsych

Mike was a consultant general adult psychiatrist in the Thurrock sector of south Essex until his retirement from clinical work in 2006. He became Trust Medical Director in 1999. During his career Mike was involved in a wide range of commitments.

During his career Mike was a true leader whose support was of inestimable value to his colleagues in their work and development. In his leadership and managerial role, he valued all his colleagues and perceived the range of potential development in doctors of all grades of seniority and mentored and encouraged them in their development.

Mike was and is an exemplar of dedication to all the best and highest traditional values of the NHS.

By Marie Murphy (9 November 2011)

I met Dr Lowe in South Africa in 2000 when I answered an advert for a locum job in South Essex and went to an interview with him. I am grateful to him for believing in me as a young consultant and for offering me the job, which meant that I could relocate to England and pursue my dreams of working there. Dr Lowe encouraged and mentored me to become a substantive consultant and through his leadership and example guided me as a clinical director. I am exceedingly grateful to have had the benefit of his wisdom throughout my career!

Dr Llewellyn Lewis (16 January 2012)

Dr Rex C. Bennett

An Australian anaesthetist and teacher dedicated to neural blockade and the management of pain. Sadly missed by his wife and daughter.

By Mrs Judith Bennett & Miss Fahlea Bennett (27 October 2011)

Dr Michael John Thomson Dalton MRCGP

Our dear Dr Dalton.

You never refused a call. You always found the time to listen. Because you were passionate, about your work, and cared deeply about your patients, we trusted and respected and loved you.

Your advice and recommendations were truthful, kind and reassuring. You were my GP in childhood and beyond.

You celebrated at my wedding, and sung "congratulations" when I became pregnant with my two children. You continued to care when we moved to Cheshunt. Imagine our disbelief, and amusement, when you once arrived, in the early hours of a Sunday morning, to attend to my father, dressed in your pyjamas topped with an overcoat! Such dedication. we were truly grateful.

A truly honourable man, family friend.

Your name is said often with reverence, because you are sorely missed.

N bheidh a leithid arÃ‰ ann. (His likes will never be here again) Irish Gaelic

By Mrs Denise Patrick nee Tappin (3 February 2014)

Dr Charles Suckling FRS

I had the pleasure of working with Charles Suckling on the first pilot production of Halothane which was referred to as Fluothane at that time (1956). I recall his witnessing one of the first clinical trials and being impressed with the much-reduced post-operative effects compared to Diethyl ether. I understand it is no longer in use because of environmental issues.

By Mr James A. Profitt (28 November 2017)

Dr Robin Eliot Irvine CBE

Bobby Irvine was a pioneering and immensely talented geriatrician who made a real improvement to the care of the elderly, not only in Hastings and Bexhill where he practised but internationally through lecturing and writing. His children have inscribed his name both to honour his memory and in devotion to a much-loved father.

By Irvine Family (29 October 2011)

Sir John David Nunes Nabarro FRCP

I was amazed he chose me as his houseman but he inspired me into endocrinology even though he told me that I was the worst houseman he'd ever had! His ability to handle his NHS and Private Practice while still running a high-level research group was second to none. When once I asked him how it was possible to do clinical medicine AND research (implying that I didn't think it was possible), he replied: "Some of us like to try" and he did prove it to be possible.

He was a very hard task master but set a supreme example and still managed to be a doting father. I enjoyed working for him enormously and envied his energy and application.

By Peter Sonksen (11 September 2011)

My first post-qualification job was HP to Arthur Willcox and I too was very stimulated by Nab (he had the other half of the 3rd medical floor). He was the first consultant I had come across who treated patients with such care and consideration - especially a woman who had been an in-patient under his care for a long time while he investigated her. Once, on a ward round, I was amazed when he insisted that she had a hairdresser to do her hair and someone to give her a facial to remove the extraneous hair she had on her chin and lips; thoughtfulness I had never experienced from a consultant before. He was so gentle and kind to her that it had a major impact on me, a very junior first year houseman, which I have never forgotten.

I got to know his wife, Joan, as well and was invited to their house in Hampstead. My wife and I were delighted when they sent us a wedding present of 2 LPs of Joan Sutherland, which introduced us to opera in a big way. We kept in contact intermittently for many years. I look back with pleasure at having known him, as a caring and a distinguished physician.

By John Montgomery Tomlinson (14 September 2011)

At the end of two weeks as student locum HP in 1961 (Peter Sonksen's summer holiday) I was delighted and flattered to be invited to be Nab's HP when I could qualify. He explained that as he was the most junior medical consultant at the Middlesex and he got the last pick, so it would mean that I must apply for his job and his job alone - not the usual "done" thing.

For the whole six months he taught constantly, but best time was when John Ledingham had a fortnight's honeymoon, as then I referred directly to the boss. I hadn't expected the phone calls about his in-patients, nor a late Saturday night visit to see an emergency admission about whom I had asked his advice - an excellent preparation for later consultancy! Of course, I had to stay to hold the fort when John and Joan

drove to Wales for the Ledingham-Maliphant wedding, but he offered to take my wife with them, and on return we all went out for supper at the Spaghetti House - the human touch, continued for the rest of his time whenever we met.

By Robert Hall (15 September 2011)

Nabs coming to The Middlesex was great for junior doctors. Presenting a patient of his to him on Tuesday afternoons was quite a challenge. Working for him as a registrar was a real education and one learnt to work long hours. He made it possible for me to start clinical research and go to America and get a job back at The Middlesex. He encouraged so many people to go into endocrinology and have cause to be grateful to him. What an example he set.

By Jeffrey O'Riordan (2 October 2011)

Professor Tony Atkinson

A great man and an innovative scientist. He is sorely missed.

By Nick Rodgers (5 October 2011)

Dr Jisma Joseph MCRPCH

Jisma was my registrar during my first job and she was always smiling and had an infectious laugh... such a gorgeous person, inside and out. Rest in peace Jisma.

By Stephanie Walden (nee Twigg) (7 August 2013)

The Right Honourable Lord Pitt of Hampstead MBCHB

Lord Pitt was the Grenadian Island Scholar of 1932 and graduated from Edinburgh University in 1938. After returning to the Caribbean setting up a practice in San Fernando, Trinidad he returned to London in 1947 and set up a practice at 200 Gower Street which also served as the Headquarters of the Anti-Apartheid Movement.

He became a Councillor of the London County Council (L.C.C.) and Deputy Chairman and Chairman of the Greater London Council (G.L.C.) as well as Chairman of the Campaign Against Racial Discrimination (CARD), Shelter and President of the African-Caribbean Medical Society. He was made a life Peer in 1975 and in 1985 President of the British Medical Association, which he described as his most valued honour.

By Professor Phyllis Pitt-Miller (27 May 2013)

Lord David Pitt. A simple West Indian arrives on British soil to start a medical family practice. This amazing doctor is to become the first black Peer of Britain, and the first black President of the British Medical Association. His achievements speak for themselves. A highly motivated, brilliant, ethical and eloquent man who had many talents.

He led the path for persons of minority races in the UK to note that achievement to great heights is possible once hard work, commitment and strict ethical principles are observed. We stand in awe and in admiration.

By Dr Alan Patrick (8 July 2014)

Professor Phyllis Pitt-Miller FRCA

Professor Phyllis Pitt-Miller was born in San Fernando, Trinidad in 1944 but migrated to the United Kingdom at the age of four. The first born of a general practitioner, Phyllis always admired her father Lord David Pitt's

work and developed her own passion for becoming a doctor of medicine. Her journey to that end led her to Edinburgh and the Caribbean where she eventually made her home in the twin island state of Trinidad and Tobago as an anaesthetist.

Her illustrious career which spans over four decades has included positions such as Senior House Officer in Anaesthetics at St Bartholomew's, London and Head of Department of Anaesthetics and Intensive Care at the Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex, Mount Hope, Trinidad. She has also served as Senior Lecturer then Professor of Clinical Anaesthesia & Intensive Care and as the first female Dean of the Faculty of Medical Sciences at The University of the West Indies, St Augustine Campus for eight years. She has dedicated her life's work to the public health care system and her contribution to Medicine was recognised by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago in 1994, awarding her the country's second highest national award, the Chaconia Gold Medal for Long and Meritorious Service to Medicine.

Professor Phyllis Pitt-Miller can be found most days at home in her library researching topics such as cost-effective anaesthesia for renal transplantation and gender issues in medicine while 'jamming' Steelpan music in the background.

By Tanya Miller-Clark (26 August 2013)

A truly brilliant researcher who quickly rose through the University ranks to become the Dean of the Trinidad branch of the University of the West Indies School of Medicine at a relatively young age. Her relaxed and caring manner, her attention to detail and her ability to listen to the comments of her colleagues and to act on them, endeared to us all. She is admired as a caring, ethical, distinguished colleague who was destined to achieve great heights and to inspire those under her care to follow. She has created from small beginnings, a department which has produced many graduates and of which the university must be very proud.

By Dr Alan Patrick (8 July 2014)

Professor Silvia Cimino

Professor Silvia Cimino, born 1st April 1976, is an Associate Member of the Italian Psychotherapy Association for Infants, Adolescents and Family (AIPPI); Candidate of the Italian Association of Psychoanalysis (AIPsi/ IPA); Professor at the Department of Dynamic and Clinical Psychology at "Sapienza" - University of Rome.

Over the last twenty years, she has been working as a clinician and a researcher in paediatric hospitals, schools, and private associations, devoting herself to helping young patients overcome small and big difficulties. She is always open to learning from others, while continuously willing to give support and guidance to those less experienced. She has the gift of bringing together passion, enthusiasm and clinical expertise and she is a spring of inspiration for everyone who knows her.

By anonymous