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Financial Times Survey 2003

A hearty "thank you" to the full-time **Smith MBA 1999** class members who responded to the recent *Financial Times* survey. With your response in hand, we look forward to FT's annual survey results in January 2003. We couldn't continue our "ascent to the top" without your support. Many thanks!

December Commencement Ceremony

The Smith School's winter commencement ceremony is Sunday, December 22, 2002, 4 p.m., at the brand-new **Comcast Center** in College Park. Come hear **Jay H. Nussbaum**, executive vice president for managed services, **BearingPoint, Inc.** (formerly KPMG Consulting, Inc.), deliver the graduation speech. An alumnus of the University of Maryland (1966), Nussbaum serves on the advisory board of the University of Maryland. Also, **Chuck Carr** (Smith 1985), partner at **Deloitte & Touche, LLP**, and the newly elected president of Smith's alumni board of directors, will welcome the graduates to join the school's alumni chapter. All alumni are encouraged to attend.

Giving Back to Smith

The clock is ticking for 2002 year-end contributions. Why not consider these giving opportunities:

1. **Clocktower Club** membership
2. **Take a Seat, Leave a Legacy** campaign.
1. **Charitable Gift Annuity**—a gift that keeps on giving high returns.
2. The **Michael Scott Lamana & Eric Cranford Memorial MBA Fellowship Fund** at <https://advancement.usmd.edu/OnlineGiving/umdm.html>.
3. The **Corporate Matching Gift** lets you double your dollars. Visit <http://www.matchinggifts.com/umdm/>
4. **Securities** can be given at: <http://www.inform.umd.edu/CampusInfo/Departments/InstAdv/philanthropy/securities.html>.



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Making an investment in the future of the Smith School reaps profitable dividends. Contact us today to support the Smith School of Business at 301.405.9459.

Terrapin Pride Day

Save the date! February 18, 2003, is **Terrapin Pride Day** in Annapolis to address alumni concerns, especially the state's budget cuts and their impact at your alma mater. Team up with **Robert Ramos '88**, chair of the **alumni advocates committee**, to support higher education.

Terp Alumni Network

What's free and exclusive for University of Maryland Alumni Association members? The **Terp Alumni Network**, an online information directory that allows your fellow alumni to contact you directly for career opportunities, personal updates, and just about anything. Keeping in touch will benefit all alumni, so sign up today.

Happy Holidays!

Thanks very much, Smith alumni, for making 2002 a banner year. Your participation in our outreach programs and networking events has strengthened the alumni body and the Smith School. We look forward to your continued support in 2003 and beyond. **Happy Holidays!**

Questions or comments about *Smith Newslink*? E-mail us at alumni@rhsmith.umd.edu.