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As our nation and our world continue to be rocked by the pandemic, non-profit organizations have had to adjust to meet this new reality. The VSA and the Summer Schools Committee wisely decided to cancel all 2020 schools. The VSA cancelled the May 2020 Study Tour to Denver.

The Board of Directors of Alumni Association had scheduled the Annual Membership Meeting, which is required by our bylaws, to take place during the Denver trip. The VSA has now decided to hold their Membership Meeting via tele/web conference call. In light of the current situation and with the co-operation with the VSA, the Alumni Board has decided to hold our Membership Meeting with and immediately following the VSA meeting.

This is to notify you that the Annual Membership Meeting of the Alumni Association will be held via tele/web-conference on Wednesday, May 20 at 6:00pm EDT following the meeting of the VSA.

To join by computer:

https://zoom.us/j/540287879?pwd=Y2M2cGxvYll3VUh5d24vNVFiRnJxQT09

Meeting ID: 540 287 879 Password: 1966

To join by phone:

1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 540 287 879 Password: 1966

Included with this meeting notice is a draft Agenda for the meeting, notes of the 2019 Annual Meeting, a financial report, a membership report, a report on the status of the still scheduled Alumni trip to Lisbon in November, and a social media report.

Only the briefest summery report will be discussed on the call. It would be most helpful if those planning to attend the meeting would familiarize themselves with all of these documents and have any questions ready to present. There are no elections required this year and there are no significant issues requiring a vote of the membership.

Any comments or additions to the agenda should be directed to our Correspondence Secretary, Jeanne Solenski at jmsolensky@gmail.com by May 17th.

If you have not yet done so, please remember to renew your membership in the Alumni Association. Info available at: vsaalumni.org. Thanks for your support.

David Lamdin

President

Alumni Association of the Victorian Society Summer Schools Annual Meeting Agenda May 20, 2020 via tele/web Conference Call

Notice sent May 10, 2020......Establish Quorum (Those present constitute a quorum)

- 1. Notes of 2019 meeting (see pages 10 -14)
- 2. Old Business....none

Officer Reports:

- 3. <u>Membership Secretary's Report:</u> Sara Durkacs (page 3)
- 4. <u>Alumni Study Tour to Lisbon</u>: John Martine (page 3)
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- 6. <u>Acting Treasurer's Report:</u> David Lamdin (page 7).
- 7. <u>President's Report:</u> David Lamdin (pages 8 9)
- 8. Motion to Accept the 2019 Notes and the 2020 Officers reports
- 9. New Business
- 10. Motion to Adjourn

2020 Membership Report

by Secretary Sara Durkacs

Sara Durkacs, Membership Secretary, reports that the Alumni Association has 206 Households registered as dues-paying members which means about 260 individual members. Follow-up efforts to get membership renewals continues into 2020.

2020: 206 Households + 50 = 266 Total membership

2019: 177 Households + 57 = 234 Total membership

2018: 147 Households + 53 = 200 Total membership

2020 Lisbon Study Tour By John Martine

As with most of you, I too have been "sheltering-in-place" and attempting along with my partners to maintain and operate as smoothly as possible, a 51-person architectural practice in two offices over the past five weeks. A challenge to be sure, but then all of us are experiencing challenges of one sort or another these days during the current Covid-19 crisis.

I have been in constant contact with Hannah Sigur, my co-tour planner, trying to gauge the situation there in Lisbon as well as here in the US. Hannah and her husband Chris are currently in lockdown as we are here.

News from Portugal reaching us here in the US is almost non-existent, but according to some reports, the situation is not as dire as in bordering Spain. I have attached a link Hannah sent to give you a better picture of the current status there. Latest report from today is that some businesses are opening up like hair salons, barbers, etc.

Our starting date of November 5 is six plus months in the future and as we are aware, the situation on this crisis, changes on a daily basis. Because of that, it is hard to predict what the next few months will bring as far as lifting of travel restrictions, etc. Since we do have some time in our favor, Hannah and I believe we should wait till the end of June to make a decision of either following through with our original plans or postponing till Spring [March] of 2021. I would need to first confirm hotel accommodations if we decide to move to Spring 2021. A June decision to continue would still give you several months [4] to make travel arrangements.

https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/apr/19/swift-action-kept-portugalscoronavirus-crisis-in-check-says-minister?CMP=share_btn_link

2020 VSA Alumni Association Social Media Report

by James Russiello

The social media accounts that the VSA and the Alumni Association currently keep active were set up around October 2012 by James Russiello. All these accounts have either been made inactive or their credentials have been shared to other officers in the VSA and Alumni Association.

Alumni Association on Facebook

The Alumni Association Facebook page remains "a group for VSA summer school scholars to keep in touch and share their experiences with each other," as an Education category FB page. The Admins for the Alumni Association FB page are James Russiello, David A. Lamdin, and Richard Guy Wilson.

The VSA and Alumni Assoc. have always had separate Facebook pages. Daily content for the VSA FB page (https://www.facebook.com/pg/vicsocamerica) is still generated by Stacey Swigart. The primary contact for "Alumni Association of the Victorian Society Summer Schools 1" (https://www.facebook.com/pg/vsaalumni) is dalamdin@aol.com.

Events between Alumni Association and the national VSA have continued to be shared to increase the reach of the events notice. This has included the three event pages for the summer schools, and one recruitment event in NYC.

From Jan 1, 2019 to Dec 31, 2019, there were 78 posts. 26 of these posts were links based (Reach average of 102, and an engagement average of 10), 42 were individual photo based (Reach average of 16, and an engagement average of 4), and 10 were status updates (Reach average of 32, and an engagement average of 64)

There were 48 posts from Jan to March, 14 post from April to June, 11 posts from July to September, and 5 posts from October to December.

The most popular posts by engagement were as follows:

1/24/19: LINK https://www.arch.virginia.edu/news/richard-guy-wilson-selected-as-2019-society-ofarchitectural-historians-fellow?fbclid=IwAR0d1_J1qn2J7eRdp62ErhDqJmiT1KhNPzZy-QltTRYN1GG-oiBb_as0Z1o (Reach 330, Engagement 37)

7/11/19 LINK Elberon, the high-profile Gilded Age resort you've never heard of...Where McKim, Mead & White got its start https://www.curbed.com/2017/7/13/15964280/elberon-history-gilded-agenewport-mckim?fbclid=IwAR1Obb4UTmPK8uPDEd-NgER69gzMv8Uz6waX_n8jj_IQWHxGWkta2Km1IaA (Reach 118, Engagement 31)

7/11/19 LINK The Meaning Of 'Ophelia' By John Everett Millais https://theculturetrip.com/europe/united-kingdom/england/london/articles/the-meaning-of-ophelia-by-john-everett-millais/ (Reach 119, Engagement 21) 2/18/19 PHOTO Reception at The New School University Center, 63 Fifth Avenue, New York City, in support of the 2019 Victorian Society in America Summer Schools following lectures by Richard Guy Wilson, Director of the Newport Summer School, and Paul Miller, Curator at The Preservation Society of Newport County. Photograph by James Russiello, co-sponsored by the Alumni Association of the Victorian Society in America Summer Schools. #VSAAlumni #VSASummerSchools #vsasummerschool #VSANewport #VSALondon #VicSocAmerica ()

3/12/19 LINK https://www.arch.virginia.edu/events/rgw-symposium-fall-2019? (Reach 330, Engagement 37)

11/21/2019 LINK https://www.apartmenttherapy.com/victorian-modern-style-the-new-trend-in-decorating-246618?fbclid=IwAR0HSp97EUn-

_s9TbrvYvuUEZ4V8_BE3Eh5AxGEgZ7bsVevrUFTHDKSPcgM (Reach 140, Engagement 16)

The Alumni Association has continued to be a presence on Facebook to help spread work of VSASS related events and to help publicly notify and disseminate VSASS related information, all maintained by volunteers without dedicating set hours to this page's maintenance.

Recommendations for the FB page: Outside of direct emails and the website, Facebook remains the Alumni Associations most visible presence to non-active members. With David Lamdin's regularly emailed pdf newsletters, it might be advisable to share newsletter content via Facebook. Also, it would be good to have more moderators attached to the page to produce additional content.

Alumni Association on Instagram (@VicSocAmerica)

On December 11, 2019, the Instagram credentials of @VicSocAmerica, which has 1200 posts and 1144 followers, were shared with the VSA Summer Schools Administrator at her request and at the request of the national.

Previously on August 27, 2018, the credentials were shared with VSA Director Cindy Casey, VSA Business Manager Sue Verzella, and VSA President Kevin Rose. Cindy remains the primary content creator for that account. Since the account was shared, Cindy has posted twelve images, including some beautiful photos from San Francisco, and the annual board meeting at Philadelphia.

In late January, James Russiello on behalf of the Alumni Association, shared the "Happy Birthday, John Ruskin" RGW lecture notice for the VSASS recruitment event on Feb 6, 2020 at the New School University Center in New York.

The VicSocAmerica Instagram account is shared jointly with the Alumni Association and the national VSA, as agreed upon when the credentials were shared, and both groups have continued to use the account and intend to continue using it.

Other shared Social Media Accounts

VSA and Alumni Assoc. share Twitter (https://twitter.com/VicSocAmerica) and the other social media accounts, such as YouTube (https://www.youtube.com/user/VicSocAmerica), and Pinterest (https://www.pinterest.com/vicsocamerica/). The credentials for these accounts were transferred to the VSA's designer Wendy Midgett on Feb 25, 2014. The Alumni Association has not made postings on these sites this year.

Inactive Social Media Accounts The VSA had an account with LinkedIn (https://www.linkedin.com/company/the-victorian-society-inamerica) but this does not appear to be active anymore. An account on Tumblr also appears to have been deleted (http://www.vicsocamerica.tumblr.com/)

Finally, it appears that the VSA Flickr page is still active. After Verizon announced that it would be shutting down all Flickr accounts with over 1,000 files, I had emailed for a non-profit exemption. I have not heard back but it appears that the VSA Flickr page is still active (https://www.flickr.com/photos/vicsocamerica/sets/). However, the last postings to this were in 2017. The photos uploaded are nearly exclusively taken by James Russiello. These photos uploaded to Flickr consisted of both VSA and Alumni Association content.

	Main Acct	Ditteburgh Act	TOTAL
BALANCE 1/4/2100		Pittsburgh Act	-
	\$49,692	\$30,340	\$80,032
Transfer \$10,000 to Pittsburgh	-\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
	\$39,692	\$40,340	\$80,032
2019 INCOME Membership Dues	\$10,428	\$0	\$10,428
Donations to our AA Scholarship Funds	\$7,412	\$0	\$7,412
Events (Annual Meeting)	\$1,620	\$0	\$1,620
Investment	\$0	\$0	\$0
Advertisements	\$0	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous	\$3	\$0	\$3
Merchandise sales	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buttrick Challenge	\$54,455	\$0	\$54,455
2019 TOTAL INCOME	\$73,918	\$0	\$73,918
2019 EXPENSES Membership solicitation	\$182	\$0	\$182
Scholarship donations to VSA National	\$0	\$23,000	\$23,000
Events (SS Receptions)	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
Events (Annual Dinner)	\$1,650	\$0	\$1,650
Member communications	\$0	\$0	\$0
Gnosis Membership Software	\$1,115	\$0	\$1,115
Website Maintenance .	\$490	\$0	\$490
Donations: VSA Annual Chapter Dues	\$100	\$0	\$100
Advertising	\$0	\$0	\$0
SS Recruitment meetings	\$0	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous	\$207	\$0	\$207
Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bank Charges	\$74	\$150	\$224
Lisbon Trip Planning	\$0	\$4,280	\$4,280
2019 TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,818	\$27,430	\$32,248
2019 NET INCOME	\$69,100	\$10,000	\$79,100
12/31/2019 BALANCE	\$108,791	\$12,910	\$121,701
(BOTH BANK BALANCES)			·
End of 2012			\$35,273
End of 2013		\$20,507	\$39,250
End of 2014		\$38,352	\$58,952
End of year 2015	•	•	\$42,481
End of year 2016	\$18,810	\$42,364	\$61,173
End of year 2017	\$33,090	\$17,364	\$50,454
End of year 2018	\$49,692	\$30,340	\$80,032
End of year 2019	\$108,791	\$12,910	\$121,701
Note: Excluding Buttrick our 12/31/2019 balance would be			
Buttrick CD	\$45,000		
Buttrick Cash	\$9,455		
Main account CD	\$25,000		
Main Account Cash	\$29,336	* • • • • • •	
Pittsburgh Account Cash		\$12,910	
ALUMNI ASSOC BALANCE as of 12/31/2019	\$108,791	\$12,910	\$121,701

2020 Treasurer's Report of 12/31/2019 Financial Status

Tangible assets: laptop and software Purchased 1/25/2018 for \$459 plus tax and shipping charges

2020 President's Report

2019 was a very, very active year for the Alumni Association. Of most significance, the VSA approved the establishment of an endowment fund for the Alumni Assoc. Jim Buttrick proposed a fund-raising program for the endowment fund. Jim will match up to \$100,000 in donations to the endowment fund.

Through April 15, 2020, the Alumni Association has raised **\$57,355** which will be matched by Jim. We have received pledges of additional support to help meet the challenge grant. We purchased a CD for \$45,000 to be earning some interest on that money until the end of 2020 when the campaign ends. We got a 7month CD with a 2.1% interest rate.

We have received donations from 55 individuals as well as one donation from the Metropolitan Washington, DC Chapter. Many thanks to Sue Verzella and Sara Durkacs for helping to keep track of donations.

The Buttrick Challenge runs through 12/31/2020. Donations, which must be received by 12/31/2020, are still needed to help us reach the \$100,000 goal.

In January 2019, the Alumni Board approved a budget for 2019 as well as authorized a donation of \$23,000 to the VSA for 2019 Summer School scholarships.

The Alumni Association supported recruitment events in San Francisco and New York City as well as events for Summer Schools students in Newport and London.

The president of the Alumni Association attended the VSA Board meeting in Washington, DC and the Summer School Committee (SSC) meeting in NYC.

The Alumni Assoc conducted a very successful Annual Meeting in Philadelphia on May 24, 2019 with about two dozen members in attendance. We suffered a \$30 loss on the event. However, we do not consider this to be a fund-raising event so much as an organizational building event which must be held in accord with our bylaws.

In 2019, the Alumni Association continued with the digital eNewsletter replacing the paper Annual Newsletter. Great savings have been achieved by eliminating the need to purchase graphic design work, printing, and postal mailing. The eNewsletter costs nothing to produce and distribute and has been very well received. It is distributed to a much wider audience than was possible with postal mailings. The eNewsletter is sent to some 750 current and former members of the Alumni Association, VSA Board members, and SSC members.

The Alumni Board approved an increase in the expected donation amount for Alumni trips from \$300 to \$400. The planned trip to Lisbon in November 2020 is sold out. Many thanks to John Martine for his ongoing efforts in planning what is sure to be an amazing trip for Alumni.

Unfortunately, we were not able to make much progress on getting the Alumni website integrated into the VSA website. We will renew efforts on this project in 2020. In February 2020, the Alumni Board approved a 2020 Budget which included a donation of from \$20,000 to \$23,000 for 2020 scholarships according to the need. With the cancellation of the 2020 schools, there was no need for scholarships. However, the Alumni Board recognized the fixed costs which still apply to the 2020 schools. These costs include advertising, printing and mailing of brochures, compensation for school directors and administrators for the work they already performed in planning the 2020 schools, etc. The Alumni Board decided that it was in keeping with the mission of the Alumni Association to support the maintenance of the schools in addition to the funding of scholarships. Accordingly, the Alumni Board authorized a donation of \$16,000 to the VSA Summer School Committee to help with the expected \$35,000 to \$40,000 fixed cost of the 2020 schools.

Alumni Association of the Victorian Society Summer Schools Draft Annual Meeting Notes May 24, 2019 Philadelphia, PA

(Notice of the AA Annual Mtg was sent to all members via the VSA Brochure and by an email and pmail notifications.) Having established that a quorum existed with over 20 Alumni members present, the meeting opened at the home of George Poulin and Keith Roeckle with a presentation by George Poulin (London 2004) who talked about the history of their Civil War era home.



Kevin Rose, VSA President (Newport 2012) expressed his appreciation for the Alumni Association's consistent, significant, and long-standing support of the VSA and the Summer Schools. He noted that the VSA was still in the process of developing the new VSA website (https://victoriansociety.org/) and that plans were to fully integrate the Alumni website with the VSA website.

The following Alumni Association Board members in attendance were introduced and thanked for their volunteer efforts to keep the Alumni Association's organization functioning: Bob Chapman, Vice-President (London 1999, Newport 2005, Chicago 2015); Jeanne Solensky, Correspondence Secretary (Newport 2007, London 2012); Sara Durckas, Membership Secretary (Newport 2016); John Martine, Director of the Alumni Study Tour Program (London 1979 and 2013, Newport 2007, Chicago 2016); and David Lamdin, President (Newport 2015, London 2017, Chicago 2018).

Meeting Notes from the May 18, 2018 Alumni Association Annual Meeting were distributed. Bob Chapman made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Notes and accept the report. The motion was seconded by Cindy Casey. The motion was approved unanimously.

Membership Secretary Sara Durkacs reported as follows:

For the calendar year ending 12/31/2019, the Alumni Association raised the amount of its membership dues after nearly a decade. An "Early Bird Renewal" campaign appeal to current (2018) and lapsed (2000–2017) members was launched November 2018. Members were encouraged to renew by December 31 at the 2018 rate. The Early Bird deadline was then extended to January 15, 2019. Lapsed and current members received multiple direct mail and e-appeals.

Level	2018 Dues	2019 Dues	
Young Professional	s \$25	\$30	
Under 35 .I			
Household	\$75		
Supporter*	\$100	\$125 *Members at this level and	
Sponsor*	\$250	\$300 above will be acknowledged Benefactor*	
\$500	\$600 ir	n our E-Newsletter & Journal	

To date, there are 222 current member households of which 62% responded to the Early Bird Renewal Appeal (113 are at the Household level and above). The Association received 42 additional donations for specific scholarship funds from

34 donors as add-ons to the appeal. For the next renewal cycle, we will continue this best practice of appealing to our members before the year end.

John Simonelli made a motion to accept the Membership Secretary's report. The motion was seconded by Kevin Rose; and the motion passed unanimously.

Social Media Committee Chair James Russiello reported as follows:

Update on the "Alumni Association of the Victorian Society Summer Schools 1" Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/vsaalumni):

The alumni Facebook page achieved very modest gains this year.

The alumni Facebook page posted relevant and interesting 19th century related news items. These posts averaged to just under 100 views, and the more popular posts (generally about RGW or UVA) had high engagement factors.

There were two paid posts (promotions) this past year (both \$20 privately paid).

One was a photo post honoring a longtime board member and had a high engagement rate (nearly 1,000), and the other linked to a Wall Street Journal article and had a relatively low engagement rate.

It is recommended that the VSA Summer School Administrator actively promote the alumni page as a venue to share and keep in contact with each summer school class and the alumni network at large.

Traditionally, the most significant period of gain in "likes" for the alumni page is the period between April and late May of each year, the period between acceptances and the program's start.

This year, there has been no noticeable uptick in "likes" possibly indicating that no additional notice was given, or that the smaller class sizes for all three schools may have migrated onto other social media platforms, like Instagram or Twitter. At present, the VSA Alumni shares an Instagram account with the national VSA (IG: VicSocAmerica); however, sharing this account with the national VSA is new this year and no new content has yet been posted.

Both Instagram and Facebook accounts would benefit from solicitations for current summer school class shareable photos and previous years' photos.

Note: We have already acted on this report strongly urging the Summer Schools Directors to encourage students to post information about their Summer Schools experiences on the Alumni Facebook page.

Acting Treasurer David Lamdin discussed the Alumni's Financial situation as of 12/31/2018 as described in the report which was distributed. In response to an inquiry from John Simonelli, it was noted that the 12/31/2018 balance of \$80,032.37 did not reflect the \$23,000 donation for 2019 Summer Schools scholarships.

John Simonelli made a motion to accept the Acting Treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Bob Chapman; and the motion passed unanimously.

President David Lamdin reported that:

1. The \$100,000 Buttrick Challenge Grant. The Alumni Board and the VSA Board approved the establishment of an AA Endowment Fund and that fundraising activities have included several electronic solicitations as well as postal mail letters.

2. The Alumni Board approved the concept of full integration of the Alumni website with the VSA website and that the Alumni was in negations with the VSA to accomplish this.

3. The Alumni Board approved an increase in required donation fee for AA trips to \$400 after many, many years at the \$300 level.

4. The Alumni Board decided on a two-tiered approach to publications including publication of an annual Journal and periodic digital newsletters. Last fall's Alumni Journal was very, well received. However, the cost in terms of money and manpower was just overwhelming. At present, plans call for a suspension of the Journal this year. The digital newsletter has also been very well received. We will continue with periodic publication of this Newsletter this year.

5. The Alumni donated \$23,000 for 2019 VSA Summer Schools Scholarships. Scholarships will be awarded in the names of Gavin Stamp, Gwen Kock, Paul Duchscherer, John Martine, and Carole Chapman. In the future, we will have a Paul Duchscherer Scholarship endorsed

by John Matrine and Sibyl Groff and we will eliminate those two funds as separate funds. We are also working with the Summer School Committee on possible new ways to handle acknowledgements from scholarship recipients to donors to replace the traditional postcards which have been effectively used for many years.

6. A report on 2018 Alumni Activities was distributed.

David Vespa made a motion to accept the President's report. The motion was seconded by Jim Buttrick; and the motion passed unanimously.

Alumni Tours

John Martine noted that he was working on an Alumni Tour of Lisbon, Portugal in the fall of 2020 with the possibility of another tour in 2021. Details to follow, but he noted that the Northern Ireland Alumni Tour of 2018 raised about \$13,000 for Summer Schools scholarships.

John then made a presentation on behalf of Sibyl Groff who was not able to be present because of a recent eye surgery. John read from a very enthusiastic message from Sibyl concerning the \$100,000 Buttrick Challenge:

Dear Alumni

To Red Nose day and giving. How appropriate that the Alumni are having their annual meeting today. Red Nose, a worldwide charity raises money to ameliorate homelessness by providing food and support to children.

This is timely as our caring alumnus, Jim Buttrick is giving the Alumni a challenge grant of \$100,000 so that there will be more available for scholarships, programs

The funds will establish an endowment fund from which a percentage will be available each year, where needed.

Most of you know Jim, who went to Newport 1999, London 2000 and many alumni study tours. Jim is involved with finance and is an architectural historian. His tours of Jamestown, Rhode Island are legendary.

The Alumni must match his Challenge Grant. Please advise how much you might pledge. The challenge continues to December2020 so there is always time to think about and change your gift.

I, Sibyl, have been involved with the VSSS since 1978 and witnessed the recognition and development of our summer schools. As we know, many of our students and alumni have careers that are not that remunerative but challenging and educational. This fund is a testimony to the VSSS.

Kindly think about colleagues that you may have taken to one of the VSA lectures, tours or events. I have been pleasantly surprised to find that some of my non-Victorian friends

contribute to the Alumni. Fellow students who are not members of the Alumni should be contacted.

Think about how much you have learned, the friends you have made, the private places you have seen and the joy this has brought to you. The Alumni of the VSSS is so important in my life. When I wrote my Gothamtide Book a few years ago everyone that helped me was from the VSA.

To the Victorious Victorians, Jim Buttrick and the Alumni!

Cheers, Sibyl

There being no new business to discuss, John Simonelli made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by John McHugh; the motion passed unanimously; and all were invited to partake in a delicious dinner.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION of the VICTORIAN SOCIETY SUMMER SCHOOLS

\$100,000 BUTTRICK CHALLENGE GRANT

The Alumni Association is very excited to announce the creation of an Endowment Fund to support the VSA Summer Schools. We received a very generous matching grant from Jim Buttrick (Newport 1999, London 2000). Jim will donate a total of up to \$100,000 to match dollar-for-dollar donations large or small to the Endowment Fund. These donations must be "new" money received before December 31, 2020. The Endowment Funds will be separately invested for the long term with a small percentage of the value of the fund used each year as needed for summer schools scholarships and operations.

As a supporter of the VSA, you understand the importance that the Schools have played in the lives of those fortunate enough to attend. Students consistently report on how the schools have enriched their lives with the connections made, the first-rate lecturers, and a broadened appreciation of the built environment. The Endowment Fund will provide an ongoing income stream to make the Summer Schools stronger and be our legacy for future Victorians. Please consider a generous contribution.



For additional information contact: David Lamdin 703-243-2350 <u>dalamdin@aol.com</u>

Prof. Richard Guy Wilson with students at the Newport Summer School

Please complete and return the form below to help meet the Buttrick Challenge

I, _____, am including a check for \$_____ payable to the "Alumni Association". Memo: for the Buttrick Challenge Grant. AND/OR

I, _____, pledge \$_____ to the Alumni Association for the Buttrick Challenge Grant to be paid before December 31, 2020.

Send to: Alumni Association, VSA 24 Wilkins Ave 1st Floor Haddonfield, NJ 08033

As a 501 c (3) organizations, donations to the Alumni Association are deductible as provided by law.