## Alumni

"The contacts I made...the skills I honed at HBS - analyzing the world around me, assessing opportunities, and planning effective strategies and actions for tapping them - can be applied to any realm. That's been the lasting value of my years there."

Graduates of Harvard Business School find at their fingertips the world's most powerful alumni network: over 60,000 business leaders in over 130 countries who are extremely loyal to their classmates as well as to the institution.

HBS alumni currently comprise about $20 \%$ of the top three officers of Fortune 500 companies. You'll find them heading up leading organizations such as The United Way, Intuit, Levi Strauss, FAO Schwartz, Bain \& Company, Staples, Northwest Airlines, and Merck \& Co.

HBS alumni are also a diverse group: more than a third describe themselves as being selfemployed or active in entrepreneurial ventures, while a significant number are involved in non-traditional business activities.

To keep the Alumni Network robust and vibrant, and help graduates build lifelong connections, HBS provides a host of career management services. Through these programs and services, the School serves as a "home base" for our alums as they make their journey through life.

The Alumni Network also circles the globe: nearly half the School's alumni clubs and associations are outside the US. These clubs sponsor continuing education programs with visiting faculty, conduct seminars on career strategy, and offer a host of social events throughout the year. The Global Alumni Conference, a yearly event that brings alumni together to network and discuss business issues, is another opportunity for graduates to reconnect with the School and with each other. Conferences in the past have been held in Berlin, Cape Town, Chicago and Hong Kong.

What all this means is that no matter your interest, you'll find an alum who can help you take the first steps on - or continue with - your professional adventure.

