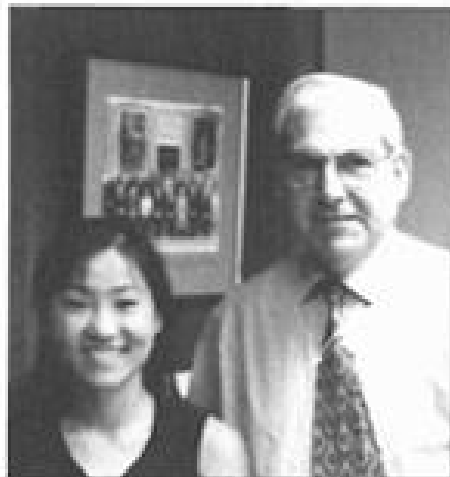


# Staff exchange from Singapore to Australia

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I was seconded to Thomas Davis & Co, in Sydney last August for two months. Being my first trip to Australia, there was much anticipation on the surprises awaiting me. Contrary to my expectation, the Australian environment is similar to Singapore, both culturally and in the workplace. During my secondment, I was very much involved in the audits of trust & property funds as well as a couple of other proprietary companies. Much care was given on the part of Thomas Davis & Co to make sure I was part of an audit team in every audit assignment.



**Clarissa Lee with Ray Martin  
at the offices of Thomas  
Davis & Co in Sydney**

Besides audit and accounting work, I was also involved in preparing tax returns. This gave me a more complete picture of the Australian accounting and tax reporting system.

Aside from work, I spent my weekends exploring Sydney. Besides a few trips to the suburbs, including the Blue Mountains and Hunter Valley for wine tasting, the weekend flea markets were tempting with the array of products at irresistible prices. Any trip to Sydney would not be complete without visiting the beautiful beaches, especially the famous Bondi Beach.

I am very grateful to both Tan Leng Cheo & Partners and Thomas Davis & Co for giving me the opportunity to broaden my horizons and gain further international experience. I would especially like to thank Mr Ray Martin who made the secondment possible, and to all the partners and staff of Thomas Davis & Co for making me feel most welcome.

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