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Chaplain and Fellow 1978-2005 Emeritus Fellow 2005-2015

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### Editor's Notes

Inside this edition, you will find a factual account of the year – Fellows' news, academic results, College reports and news of staff departures, most notably Mrs Elizabeth Crawford, Domestic Bursar, after more than 28 years' service to the College, and Dr Anne Knowland, Senior Tutor, after eleven years. Many readers will also be aware of the sad news of the death in January this year of Emeritus Fellow Bill Sykes, former Chaplain of Univ (1978-2005). You will find a tribute to Bill on p.62. The final pages of this year's edition feature obituaries of Old Members that we have also sadly lost from our community in the last twelve months, and an official record of our 'lost' Old Members.

My thanks go to all contributors to this edition and several members of staff without whom this publication could not have been produced. Dr Robin Darwall-Smith has continued to provide invaluable support and advice, particularly in the gathering of obituaries for this edition. Thanks also to Frances Lawrence in the Development Office for her sterling work gathering information on our 'lost' Old Members, to Ian Boutle and Sally Stubbs in the Academic Office, and to Marion Hawtree, for their help with the collation of the Fellows' listings and academic results. Finally, a huge thank you to my colleagues in the Development Office, particularly Josephine Glover (2012, History), for her tremendous work compiling the information for this issue, and to our 'in-house' designer Rob Moss.

If you have any comments about this issue, please do get in touch.

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# Master's Notes

Every June the Senior Tutor sends a survey questionnaire to our departing finalists, asking them to reflect on their time at Univ. Most respond, mainly positively. One question asks them which aspects of College life they will in later years remember with the most pleasure. The most common answers are: their tutors (and tutorials); the friends they made; and special College events. I was reminded of the lasting influence of the tutorial fellowship at the weekend events we held in October to celebrate George Cawkwell's 95th birthday and in November to unveil a



portrait of Helen Cooper on the 35th anniversary of the admission of women. Both were memorably warm occasions, attended by a throng of Old Members whose lives had been transformed by two of Univ's most notable tutors. The memorial service in the summer for Bill Sykes, who died unexpectedly in January, was a celebration too; over five hundred Old Members came to salute a man who devoted kindness and understanding to Univ students down the generations.

But the year was far from a festival of nostalgia. The College took a number of decisions that will shape its future for decades ahead. It committed itself to offering College accommodation to all undergraduates for the whole period of their studies (and for all graduates in their first year). From this October Freshers and Finalists will have rooms on the main site, with most second-years accommodated together at 'Stavs' in North Oxford or houses acquired nearby. We wondered how many 3rd and 4th year undergraduates would opt for independent living; given the choice only 12% preferred the Cowley Road experience to the comforts and convenience of College.

If there was to be a change this was the right year to make it. Many of our 2nd year undergraduates were housed in North Oxford while the Goodhart Building was taken out of commission for a complete refit. New Goodhart has emerged from its year-old chrysalis of cladding and scaffolding with twelve more study-bedrooms, kitchens off every staircase, access for the disabled, efficient use of energy and a more attractive external finish. The project was difficult to manage, particularly the abatement of noise and disruption during examinations and conferences in the neighbouring Examinations Schools and the satisfying of local planners that the voltaic roof panels did not spoil the view of Oxford rooftops from the top of St Mary's Church tower.

The change of accommodation policy was one of the steps taken by the College to address its disappointing position in the Norrington Table over the last few years. This year Univ was in 21st place, a marginal improvement on the previous two years, but still well below its performance in the 1980s and 1990s when the College was consistently in the top ten. It will take another two years or so for the range of steps we have adopted to make a difference. In the meantime we were delighted at stellar results in some subjects,

a clean sweep of Firsts among our four Masters of Physics and two Experimental Psychology finalists and six Firsts among our seven Chemistry finalists.

Progress on the acquisition of the Fairfield residential home and grounds abutting our Staverton Road site has been frustratingly slow without ever giving us cause for alarm. The mill of planning consultations for the College's development of the site once acquired grinds small, understandably in the light of the local community's concern at some recent University buildings. We have worked hard to assure nearby householders that the College will continue to be good neighbours. Final approval from Oxford council eventually arrived in October.

The delay in taking our schemes forward at the expanded Staverton Road site has at least given the College breathing space to plan its occupancy of 10 Merton Street, which will return to College use after a long lease to the Faculty of Philosophy and latterly the Blavatnik School of Government. The three ample floors will enable the College to meet some pressing demands. The building includes a lecture theatre, a large seminar room, break-out rooms for group work (long wanted by our undergraduates) and, particularly welcome, a significant expansion of library space for open-access books, stacks, and study desks. It will also provide offices for some of our administrative departments, releasing rooms at the heart of the College for student accommodation.

The renewal of the Goodhart Building, the purchase of Fairfield, the foregoing of rental income from 10 Merton Street and the refurbishment costs together amount to a capital cost of almost £20m. This has been largely met from the College's reserves, which have steadily grown under Frank Marshall's careful stewardship. To strengthen our long-term financial position, the College took advantage of exceptionally propitious market conditions to issue a bond for £40m over 50 years, on the very favourable terms of 3.06% and the lightest of covenants. Univ is the first Oxford College to have taken this step. The FT reported that no other educational institution had borrowed at such advantageous rates and quoted the broker of the deal: "There's very little else an investor can buy with such a high credit quality. In the case of University College, investors would compare this to gilts". In the world of Estates Bursars compliments come no handsomer than that.

Frank Marshall has been at pains to scotch any dreams Governing Body might have of a spending spree. The £40m will be invested, not spent down, and the accumulated surpluses over coverage of the bond interest payments will be set aside to meet new capital requirements as they emerge in the 2020s and 2030s. We are grateful to a number of Old Members who nudged us into taking the plunge.

Our Old Members have once again supported the College generously with their time, advice and financial support in ever larger numbers. Fully 35% of our Old Members responded to the Annual Appeal – a new record – and contributed £1.2m, also a record. Altogether the College received over £4m in gifts large and small, many of the former for graduate scholarships, which have been at the forefront of our fund-raising efforts in the past three years. The happy result is the permanent College endowment of twenty eight fully-funded graduate scholarships, with good prospects of more to come; four years ago we could only offer seven. The Senior Tutor reports a marked growth in the number and quality of applications for graduate places. One of the pleasures of being Master is the opportunity to meet Old Members, to hear views on the College past and future, and to learn of the ways in which Univ influenced their lives long after College was well behind

them. This year I met many Old Members at College events in Oxford and London, and further afield in Paris, Hong Kong, and the two coasts of the United States. The active engagement with the College's welfare shown by so many of our alumni is enormously

encouraging and greatly appreciated.

It was gratifying that Old Members could see for themselves that Univ flourishes across a range of activities. On a sunny Eights' Week Saturday we cheered the Women's 1st Boat, which won blades, and the week before members of the William of Durham Club enjoyed a lively production of *The Real Thing*, by Tom Stoppard, directed by Will Yeldham. A notable feature of the year was the series of concerts and recitals – to which Old Members are invited – that brought Univ students and professionals together under the energetic direction of our new Director of Music, Giles Underwood; particularly memorable was the programme of songs from *Twelfth Night* accompanied by commentary from our eminent Shakespearian, Professor Tiffany Stern. It was as well that only a few Old Members came to the crowded Election Night Special in the Hall, where The Master's street cred as a political pundit was left in shreds by his confident pre-exit poll prediction of a hung parliament and minority Labour Government.

More change has been afoot this year than for some time and it is paralleled by the departure of some established figures in the College. Professor Sujoy Mukerji, our senior Tutorial Fellow in Economics for 16 years, is moving to Queen Mary London to head its new School of Economics and Finance. He has been a model undergraduate tutor, as an impromptu leaving party organised by his former PPE students, a wonderfully convivial evening, amply testified. Dr Anne Knowland, our Senior Tutor since 2004 has retired; the College has benefited immeasurably from her commitment to academic standards and to our students' academic welfare and to her representation of the College's interests

in its unceasing negotiations with the University.

The College is equally in debt to Elizabeth Crawford, who has retired as Domestic Bursar after 28 years. At Univ we have come to take a professionally managed college for granted, thanks to her mastery of a staggering range of responsibilities, from building projects to catering and accommodation, and from data protection to equality obligations, all of them subjects of increasing complex legal compliance. When we advertised for a new Domestic Bursar we realised that we could not realistically expect her successor to take as full a set of duties. Further appreciations appear later in the College Record (pp19-21).

Sir Ivor Crewe



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# Newly Elected Fellows

#### Senior Tutor

DR ANDREW BELL has been recently appointed to the position of Senior Tutor following Dr Anne Knowland's departure. Andrew is an Old Member of Univ (1993, History) and spent some time as a Tutor for Admissions at Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge. He took up his post on 1 October 2015.

#### Domestic Bursar

**SQUADRON LEADER ANGELA UNSWORTH MBE** joined Univ on 20 July 2015 as the College's new Domestic Bursar. Squadron Leader Unsworth was awarded the MBE in 2014 in recognition of her outstanding commitment to improving the services and support to all personnel and their families at RAF Linton-on-Ouse.

#### Special Supernumerary Fellows

Univ has welcomed new Special Supernumerary Fellows in 2015, including PROFESSOR TAO DONG (Medicine – Immunology), DR INE JACOBS (Classics), DR EMILY JONES (Associate Professor at the Blavatnik School of Government and Deputy Director of the Global Economic Governance Programme), PROFESSOR PETER NORREYS (Physics – Inertial Fusion Science), and PROFESSOR NICOLA SIBSON (Medicine – Neuroimaging).

#### **Tutorial Fellows**

PROFESSOR MICHAEL BARNES has joined Univ as one of our new Physics Tutorial Fellows. Professor Barnes has been an Associate Professor of Physics in the Rudolf Peierls Centre for Theoretical Physics at the University of Oxford since October 2014. He received his BS in Physics and Mathematics from the University of Arkansas in 2003 and his PhD in Physics from the University of Maryland in 2008. Dr Barnes' primary research interest is magnetised plasma turbulence, with an emphasis on turbulent transport in magnetic confinement fusion devices.

PROFESSOR CAROLINE TERQUEM has joined as a Tutorial Fellow in Physics in association with her academic-related (research) post in the Department of Physics (Astrophysics Sub-Department). Professor Terquem's research interests include the dynamics of extrasolar planets, planet formation, accretion discs and astrophysical fluid dynamics. Professor Terquem completed her PhD at the Université Joseph Fourier in Grenoble, France. She was previously Professor at Université Pierre et Marie Curie / Institut d'Astrophysique de Paris / Ecole Polytechnique.

#### Junior Research Fellows

DR PAULA KOELEMEIJER joins Univ this year as our new Junior Research Fellow in Earth Sciences. Paula graduated with a BA in Earth Sciences from Utrecht University in 2008 and obtained her Masters degree in Geophysics at Utrecht in 2010, specialising in seismology. She received her PhD in seismology from the University of Cambridge in 2014, where her research investigated the long-wavelength structure of the lowermost mantle using Earth's free oscillations. She was previously a Postdoctoral Fellow and a member of the Computational Seismology group at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) in Zurich.

DR JOSEPH LACEY recently joined the College as the new Junior Research Fellow in Politics. Joseph completed his PhD in the Department of Political and Social Sciences at the European University Institute, with supervision by Rainer Bauböck and external co-supervision by Philippe Van Parijs. During the 2013-2014 academic year, he was a Visiting Student Research Collaborator at Princeton University's Department of Politics, with the support of a Fulbright Schuman Award. His work explores democratic legitimacy in multilingual federal states and sits at the crossroads between democratic theory, EU studies and comparative politics.

DR WILL POTTER has been appointed as a Junior Research Fellow in Physics. His broad research interests are accretion discs, black hole jets and dark energy. He is currently investigating the physical reason for the cyclic flaring behaviour in accretion discs surrounding stellar mass black holes. He is also interested in understanding the physical mechanism responsible for jet production from black holes. He has developed a relativistic fluid model to calculate the emission from blazar jets and to determine their properties.

DR SARAH SHORTALL joins Univ as the new Sanderson Junior Research Fellow in Modern European History, specialising in the intellectual, cultural, and political history of Modern Europe. Dr Shortall's work focuses in particular on the role of religion in public life. She recently completed her PhD at Harvard University. Her research extends to the politics of the body, the theory and practice of historical writing, the role of premodernity in the modern imagination, and the intersection between religion and empire.

### Fellows' News

#### The Master

In September, THE MASTER undertook at the invitation of Don Mathieson (Law, 1959) on behalf of the New Zealand Rhodes Scholars Association an academic tour of New Zealand, where he lectured on the British political scene at four universities. He chaired an enquiry on behalf of the Hong Kong University Grants Committee on the case for awarding university title to the Hong Kong Institute of Education. He stepped down after six years from his positions on the governing bodies of the School of Oriental and African Studies and the University of the Arts London. He became Chair of Trustees of the Higher Education Policy Institute.

#### The Fellows

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS HALMI has been awarded a two-year Leverhulme Trust Major Research Fellowship to complete a book, *History's Form*, which is contracted with OUP. The fellowship began in September, after Professor Halmi's two-year term as the English Faculty's first Director of Graduate Admissions ended. In July 2014 Professor Halmi was elected advisory board chair of the North American Society for the Study of Romanticism, and in December he was interviewed on the *Oxford Art Blog* about the poet and artist William Blake in connection with the Ashmolean Museum's exhibition *William Blake: Apprentice and Master*.

**PROFESSOR SOPHOCLES MAVROEIDIS** has been awarded a prestigious ERC Consolidator grant, given to researchers who are within 7 to 12 years from completion of their DPhil. The total amount of funding is €1.3 million. His research project is entitled *New Approaches to the Identification of Macroeconomic Models* and will run for a period of five years starting on 1 September 2015.

PROFESSOR TOM POVEY published *Professor Povey's Perplexing Problems: Pre-University Physics and Maths Puzzles with Solutions* in May 2015. The work includes 109 of Professor Povey's favourite physics and maths problems and aims at providing students applying for selective universities with problems to test their mathematical creativity. The book bridges the gap between pre- and post-university level maths and physics and is ideal for students applying to top universities. Professor Povey and Isis Innovation also won the 2014 Green Apple Award for environmental best practice in Science and Technology for their work on the Flare Pan.

PROFESSOR TIFFANY STERN has recently published research on an outrageously slapstick 1710 adaption of *Hamlet* entitled *Der Bestrafte Brudermord (Fratricide Revenged)*. Her outstanding research has resulted in a revival of the play, which was performed at the Globe Theatre in London on 31 May.

PROFESSOR YEE WHYE TEH was awarded a European Research Council Consolidator Fellowship, allowing him to focus on his research, working with a group of students to develop machine learning techniques for analysing and deriving understanding from complex datasets.

PROFESSOR BAREND J TER HAAR presented a number of workshops around the world in 2015. These included: *The invention of Confucianism in the nineteenth century* (Leiden), *Giving believers back their voice: agency and heresy in late imperial China* (Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences at the University of Hong Kong) and *Heresy* (Harvard University).

PROFESSOR NICK YEUNG was interviewed on *The Human Zoo*, BBC Radio 4 on 2 March discussing multi-tasking and how humans switch attention between tasks.

PROFESSOR OLIVER ZIMMER was invited by Swiss Radio SRF to comment on the controversy engulfing Switzerland over the commemoration of a series of historical events. The dates in question are 1315 (Battle of Morgarten), 1515 (Battle of Marignano) and 1815 (Congress of Vienna). Professor Zimmer has also been awarded a Guest Fellowship by the trustees of the Historisches Kolleg. Founded in 1980, the Kolleg is an international institute of advanced historical research located in the heart of Munich, just a stone's throw from the city's main archives and libraries. The fellowship will enable him to live and work at the Kolleg for six months from October 2015. In addition to this, Professor Zimmer has been awarded a Major Research Fellowship by The Leverhulme Trust to work on other upcoming publications.

#### Junior Research Fellows

DR ANDREI SORIN-ILLIE received one of five IBRO Alumni Awards for the Best Poster at the 9th IBRO World Congress 7-11 July, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. IBRO is the International Brain Research Organization, its main mission is to promote neuroscience research all over the world and among many other things, they organise a World Congress every four years, attracting more than 2,000 participants.

**DR JAMES KOLASINSKI** was invited to visit the RIKEN Brain Science Institute in Tokyo for their Summer Programme entitled *Sculpting Neural Networks and Behaviour*. Dr Kolasinski is a clinical neuroscientist undertaking research on the contribution of 'neuroplasticity' to restoration of brain function after a stroke.

#### **Emeritus Fellows**

PROFESSOR MICHAEL COLLINS represented the Vice Chancellor at the Inauguration of the new President at the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) in October 2014, during the period that he held an appointment there as a Visiting Associate. He also won the Vet Men 70 division for both the half marathon and for the 5km in the Oxfordshire County Championships this year.

PROFESSOR HARTMUT POGGE VON STRANDMANN attended a number of international conferences on the outbreak of the First World War; these took place in Germany, Britain and twice in Belgrade in Serbia. In the wake of the 100th anniversary the topic has not lost any of its attractions to authors who want to publish new accounts. Amazingly, new sources have been discovered, and the emphasis of interpretation seems to have shifted to the "Europeanization" of the international situation in 1914. In one

of these books Oxford and especially Balliol College and All Souls are blamed for the outbreak of the war. There is no end to the debate and Professor Pogge von Strandmann has contributed to ongoing research as editor of an upcoming work on the pre-war period.

PROFESSOR DAVID SOSKICE was a keynote speaker at the recent Department of Politics and International Relations Alumni Event Political Economy in Times of Crisis.

MR ALEXANDER MURRAY published *Conscience and Authority in the Medieval Church* this year. The work contains five essays, each exploring the dynamic relationship between private conscience and public authority in Medieval Europe. A copy of the work has been kindly donated to the Univ library.

#### Supernumerary Fellows

DR STEPHEN GOLDING served on the Medical Practices Subcommittee for the 16th report of COMARE (The Committee on Medical Aspects of Radiation in the Environment) on patient radiation dose issues resulting from the use of CT in the UK. The report appears on the COMARE pages of the Gov.uk website. In January 2014, Dr Golding gave an address to the Alpine Club of Great Britain with previously unknown material on the Everest pioneer George Mallory, which has emerged from his work on the history of the Chalet.

#### Special Supernumerary Fellows

PROFESSOR DANIEL FREEMAN has been awarded a prestigious NHS National Institute of Health Research (NIHR) Research Professorship. NIHR Research Professorships fund leaders in the early part of their careers to lead research, to promote effective translation of research from 'bench to bedside' and 'campus to clinic' and to strengthen research leadership at the highest academic levels. This five-year award will support Professor Freeman in developing an efficacious new treatment for persecutory delusions seen in severe mental disorders.

DR LEIGH FLETCHER was awarded one of three 'Interdisciplinary Scientist (IDS)' positions to help shape the European Space Agency's first mission to the Jupiter system, the Jupiter Icy Moons Explorer (JUICE), scheduled for launch in 2023. Leigh is leaving Univ after five years at the College for a Senior Lecturer position in the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Leicester. Leigh graduated with a DPhil in Planetary Physics from Jesus College, Oxford (2007) and spent two years working as a NASA Postdoctoral Fellow at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California, where he investigated Saturn's atmosphere from the Cassini-Huygens spacecraft. He then returned to Oxford for the Glasstone fellowship (2009-2012).

PROFESSOR TAMSIN MATHER has been awarded the Science of Risk prize after publishing a research paper earlier this year in *Nature Communications* on volcanoes. Research for the paper was led by Tamsin and DPhil alumna Dr Juliet Biggs (2003, Geology), and Dr Susanna Ebmeier (Linacre, 2012), her former DPhil student. The paper surveyed data for 500 volcanoes worldwide. Professor Mather and Susanna Ebmeier recently featured in a YouTube video released by NASA on their scientific collaboration with colleagues in Oxford's Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Planetary Physics (AOPP) and NASA Goddard Space Flight Center scientist Andrew Sayer.

DR TOM SMITH led experiments on parabolic 'zero-G' aircraft flights with NASA in Houston, USA, as part of his work in aerospace medicine and physiology. The experiments took place in February 2014 and Dr Smith presented the study at the International Congress of Aviation and Space Medicine, held in Oxford in September.

#### Junior Research Fellows

DR STEPHEN BERNARD produced *The Letter of John Dryden*, which will be published by the Clarendon Press at Oxford University Press in 2019. Dr Bernard has also published *The Literary Correspondences of the Tonsons* (Clarendon Press, 2015). The Master and Fellows held a reception to celebrate this on 30 April. Dr Bernard, in association with the Centre for the Study of the Book (Bodleian Library) and the Yale Center for the Book, convened a conference called *Marginal Malone* on Friday 26 June. He has published four scholarly articles and numerous reviews in the *TLS*, the *Review of English Studies* and *Notes & Queries*. Dr Bernard will be leaving Univ this year.

#### Former Fellows and Junior Research Fellows

Earth Scientist and Seismologist DR ARWEN DEUSS, a former JRF at Univ, has won the Ammodo KNAW Award 2015 for Natural Sciences. Deuss is Associate Professor of Seismology at Utrecht University.

#### Honorary Fellows

PROFESSOR CHRISTOPHER PELLING published Twelve Voices from Greece and Rome: Ancient Ideas for Modern Times, with Professor Maria Wyke of UCL in October 2014 (Oxford University Press). He was one of the guests on Melvyn Bragg's In Our Time on BBC Radio 4 in October 2014, talking about Julius Caesar. Professor Pelling retires from his position as Regius Chair of Greek this year. In order to commemorate Professor Pelling's long career, Rhiannon Ash (1986, Classics) co-edited a Festschrift in June 2015 entitled Fame and Infamy. The work consists of a collection of essays honouring the breadth of Professor Pelling's interests in ancient historiography.

#### Lecturers

PROFESSOR DANIEL GRIMLEY has been awarded an AHRC (Arts & Humanities Research Council) Leadership Fellowship for the 2015/16 academic year. Daniel is Principal Investigator of the interdisciplinary Leverhulme Network Hearing Landscape Critically.

DR MATTHEW CHEUNG SALISBURY published *The Secular Liturgical Office in Late Medieval England* in February 2015. The work is a study of medieval service books for the daily round of prayer and rites they contain. Dr Salisbury was also elected as a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society.

DR LAURA VARNAM was part of a distinguished panel of Daphne du Maurier experts who discussed film, theatre and television adaptations of du Maurier's novels at Fowey Festival in May. Dr Varnam also led a reading group discussion of du Maurier's novel *Jamaica Inn* at the festival.

# Recognition of Distinction 2015

The individuals below have been awarded the title of Professor by the University's *Recognition of Distinction* competition. The awards are considered under three criteria: research, teaching, and good citizenship.

# PROFESSOR JOHN WHEATER PROFESSOR CAROLINE TERQUEM

The University's *Recognition of Distinction* exercise is held on an annual basis.

# Leaving Fellows and Staff



# MRS ELIZABETH CRAWFORD 1986-2015

Just last week I heard a colleague speak of the importance to him of support that he had received from his boss. Knowing how to help, and doing it unobtrusively, is one of Elizabeth Crawford's many skills. There have been many times when it was Elizabeth who was first to see what could be most helpful to a student or colleague under pressure, and who did what needed to be done herself, or allowed someone else to think that it was their idea. Much of Elizabeth's legacy at Univ is visible in the physical and governance structures

in which she has played an important role. Neither less significant, nor less tangible, is the impact that she has had on the lives of many students and colleagues, albeit usually behind the scenes. We have much for which to be grateful to Mrs Crawford.

Dr Andrew Gregory

Elizabeth Crawford (then Mansell) became Domestic Bursar of the College in December 1986. She was the second full-time Domestic Bursar, Admiral Gretton had been the first and the College had then reverted for a time to the traditional system of sounding out fellows to find one willing to "volunteer". When Elizabeth was appointed , the Estates Bursar and the Senior Tutor were tutorial fellows and a Development Fellow was far in the future.

Elizabeth was appointed a Fellow in 1991, the fifth woman Fellow of Univ, and the second in a permanent position (after Professor Helen Cooper's appointment, there were three women term Fellows).

Elizabeth has been long enough and effectively enough in office that the history of the College on the Domus side is very much the history of her work.

Her initial years in post took place when the College was still under the long shadow of the financial difficulties of 1973-4 and the consequent need to conserve cash and keep costs to a minimum. Rebuilding the College's finances was then the primary requirement and aspirations in many areas had to be limited. The Domestic Bursar is always located in the uncomfortable place where expectations meet the realities of the College's scope to provide. Elizabeth found a way through that, and at that time, as later, was a "safe pair of hands". I asked one Emeritus Fellow about this period and he commented on the lack of stories of colourful dramas, the lack of drama being an indication of how she worked.

Eating together brings people to College from around the University. When Elizabeth arrived, the catering was in the hands of an external company, an arrangement that was increasingly felt to be unsatisfactory. One of the curiosities of that time was that while a main course was understandably thought to consist of meat, potato, and a vegetable, tinned spaghetti was believed to qualify as a vegetable. Five a Day was some way off. Today, the food in College hits what is generally acknowledged to be a high standard, produced by our own talented chef and capable kitchen team. The standard offering in Hall includes plenty of fresh fruit and vegetables and is complemented by the availability

in the Buttery of smoothies and other contemporary delights. I lack figures for earlier periods, but the scale of the College catering now is imposing – some 3,300 meals per week, or almost 27,000 per term.

Accommodation is another area that has been the subject of significant change during her term. Some years before she arrived, it was still acceptable for a WC to be located two quads away from a room. The College moved on to facilities on each staircase, but until recently that was as far as it went. On the Main Site, there were obvious difficulties with the size, configuration, and conservation of historic rooms. Yet, not all Main Site rooms were historic and Stavertonia dates largely from the 1970s. Univ, having had a comparatively strong and competitive accommodation stock in the 1970s, after the development of Stavertonia, came to lag behind in more recent years. There were perhaps two reasons for this.

The first was that giving up space, say to create en suite facilities, clashed with the need to maximise the number of rooms that could be provided and therefore students admitted. In the absence of a new supply of rooms, improved quality could mean fewer places to offer. In time this difficulty was eased by the acquisition of some additional premises and by supplementing them with blocks of rooms rented in by Elizabeth for the College.

The second reason was financial. The rebuilding of the College's finances was not accomplished until the mid-1990s. Thereafter, with generous benefactions from supporters of the College, it became possible to take a larger view again. Elizabeth was to the fore in appreciating the new possibilities for the College.

On the catering side, rooms were converted in Stavertonia to provide kitchens for the residents. Some Old Members will recall the miracles of ingenuity required to



produce Robert Carrier dishes on a one-ring Baby Belling. The current generation has proper kitchens available to them in Stavertonia, and, increasingly, on the Main Site, complementing the Hall with a flexible alternative that is much prized by students, especially those whose home cooking could not readily be replicated in Hall.

The central facility, Kitchen and Buttery, was given a major overhaul in 2008/9. This £4m project in the heart of the College had major logistical challenges, and was conceived and realised highly successfully by Elizabeth. One detail was that she negotiated an arrangement with another college who delivered meals daily to us, allowing Univ to manage without the usual expensive temporary kitchen. The saving from this was equivalent to the cost of the elegant first-floor extension of the Buttery, the Butler Room.

The other major project for which Elizabeth has been responsible is the complete refurbishment of the Goodhart Building. At the time of writing, this is nearing completion. This £6m project is again in the heart of the College, with all the logistical and other challenges that are involved. The standard of the rooms is high. The stock of rooms on the Main Site with en suite facilities goes up from 2 to 59. The residents will have the benefit of kitchens. The standard of the new facilities not only allows Univ to catch up and be competitive locally and internationally, but also to anticipate needs for some time to come.

Elizabeth's work made a very significant contribution to the College in many different ways over a long period of time. She developed a wide range of experience and deployed it readily as the need arose. As a sample: she was a prime mover in the early stages of collective marketing of conference trade by colleges; she was a successful chair of the Domestic Bursars' Committee; she arranged for Corpus to share Univ's sports ground; she became a publican (the College bar has to have a person who is the license holder); she undertook a wide variety of tasks (for example, data protection officer) needing a good citizen who was also a safe pair of hands; as a very experienced officer, she made available to others her well-developed problem-solving skills.

Elizabeth was a very successful Domestic Bursar and College officer. After 28 years we can say with confidence that the original appointment committee did a good job.

Frank Marshall



#### DR ANNE KNOWLAND 2004-2015

Anne Knowland's tenure as Senior Tutor has seen the role developing significantly as the complexity of the academic environment has increased over the last ten years. Anne consistently balances the needs of the College and those of the individual, whether student or Fellow, and steers discussions or negotiations expertly towards sound conclusions. Anne has represented the College on various University committees and Divisional Boards and brought her breadth of insight to both the University and the College. Her championing of student support that the College has in place, recognised with some

envy by many others, testifies to her empathy and understanding of the impact that the intensity of studying at Oxford can have and her determination that all our students should be empowered to achieve their best at Univ. Anne has always been a terrific colleague, a delight to work with and a great sense of humour.

Mrs Elizabeth Crawford

Dr Anne Knowland was appointed Senior Tutor in 2004 in succession to Clare Drury the College's first full-time professional Senior Tutor, who died prematurely after only four years in the post. The original appointment of a Senior Tutor from outside the tutorial fellowship of the College was innovative – Univ was the first college to take this step – but inevitably controversial. The concern was that a Senior Tutor without personal experience of the academic life of a college tutor would find it difficult to grasp the complexities of relations between the College, Departments and the central University and the nuances of the tutorial relationship. These concerns soon dissipated and by the time the College searched for a new Senior Tutor it knew that it needed to find someone with wide ranging administrative experience of the Oxford 'system', an ability to engage with undergraduates and an absolute commitment to the highest academic standards.

Anne fitted the bill and the College was not to be disappointed. She arrived with almost twenty years of experience as a University administrator under her belt, having served as the first Divisional Secretary of the new Mathematics and Physical Sciences Board and before that as the Departmental Secretary of the Oriental Institute. She had earned a doctorate in English at Oxford, after a first degree in her native Belgium, and already had a sense of college undergraduate teaching through her husband John, who was a Fellow of Pembroke and later at Brasenose. All of this stood her in good stead for the following eleven years.

The academic environment in which Oxford colleges operate has changed almost out of recognition over the past fifteen years or so. For better or worse (in effect, for better and worse), informal, individual and idiosyncratic modes of conducting business, untrammelled by written standards and protocols, have gone. The recruitment of Fellows is subject to an Oxford-wide protocol for joint University-College appointments and the recruitment of undergraduates is subject to the detailed procedures of a 'Common Framework of Admissions' agreed by all the colleges. The College must comply with new statutes that regulate visas for the appointment of non-EU citizens, access for the disabled, a duty to promote equality, and measures to counter extremism and terrorism,

to name but some. Anne was redoubtable in her mastery of these bundles of rules and of keeping the College out of trouble.

Over the course of her eleven years Anne established a small, professional Academic Office and managed some necessary but difficult changes with great success. She oversaw a near-seamless transition from an older generation of Fellows reaching retirement in history, chemistry, law and latterly physics to a younger generation without the awkward hiatus that so often mars such evolutions. She initiated a wholescale overhaul of the College's regulations on academic discipline, appeals and intermission, persuading the JCR and Governing Body that she had struck the right balance between academic standards and the fair and sensitive treatment of undergraduates finding themselves in academic difficulties. She pioneered the establishment of a Schools Liaison Office with a full-time officer and ambitious outreach program, which proved a model for other colleges, and with the aid of the Old Members Trust, designed a programme of targeted financial support for students from low-income households which is among the most generous of any Oxford college.

When Anne applied for the post of Senior Tutor she explained that, while she was perfectly happy in the job she had, she missed the interaction with students and was looking for an opportunity to influence the academic development of undergraduates. This wasn't a sop to the appointment committee; she meant it. From the start she was absolutely committed to the academic welfare of Univ students. This is not an easy feat to bring off: like a good parent one has to find the right balance between sympathy and strictness, devotion and detachment; but her version of tough love helped large numbers of our students who found themselves in academic difficulties at some point in their years at the College. There are many Univ students who were saved from a disappointing degree by the efforts of Anne, alongside the welfare team.

Tough love was also what Anne gave to the people in her office. She demanded as much of them as she did of herself and led by example, not least by working ferociously hard. If something needed to be done, it needed to be done immediately, or preferably yesterday. There was no back burner in the Academic Office on which dishes could be left to simmer and stew: all the rings on the stove were on full power. She was never known to miss a deadline and her capacity to write crystal clear papers on complex issues at very short notice was legendary.

Anne's years as Senior Tutor at Univ was a period of relentlessly expanding external intrusions on the way we provided for our students. She managed these pressures with skill and aplomb, cushioning the Fellowship from their full impact, and initiated changes of her own that made the College a better place in which to study, learn and teach.

Sir Ivor Crewe

### PROFESSOR SUJOY MUKERJI

The Schroder Family Fellow in Economics 1999-2015 Fellow Librarian 2003-2004 Professor of Economics 2006-2015

It is almost standard practice to say, on the departure of a long-standing fellow, that he or she will be a 'hard act to follow.' In the case of Sujoy Mukerji, that phrase has not been used since he announced his departure for Queen Mary's last term. Instead the consensus among current and past students is that he is quite unique, and essentially irreplaceable. He came to Univ in 1999, having been a Lecturer at Southampton for four years, and a Visiting Professor at the University of Pennsylvania in 1994-5. He was educated at the Presidency College in Calcutta (his home town), the Delhi School of Economics and at Yale where he obtained his doctorate.

Professor Mukerji has been described as one of the best and most original theorists of his generation, making important contributions to subtle and difficult questions at the foundations of game theory. But here it is his role as a Tutorial Fellow which I want to concentrate on.

Sujoy already had a formidable reputation as an inspirational teacher when he was appointed to what is now the Schroder Family Tutorial Fellowship in Economics, in association with an Associate Professorship in (micro) Economics. What he did not have on his cv, however, was experience of the tutorial system. If for that reason he was seen by some as a 'risky appointment', they need not have worried. He quickly redefined the concept of the tutorial system, modernizing it and using it in a way that reconciled the needs of undergraduates with the demands of an international research career.

Sujoy could be a trifle intimidating to Freshers, but it did not take them long to realize that behind the occasional gruff expression, especially when dealing with an underprepared undergraduate, there was a tutor with exceptional dedication to his students. As was emphasized again and again in student feedback forms and especially post-Finals questionnaires, Sujoy's approach as a teacher is quite unique. He sets extremely high standards and does not take prisoners! Tutorial will go for as long as it takes for students to understand the fundamental principles. He cares deeply not just about current students and their learning, but about their intellectual development. Results in micro-economics have been simply outstanding. Many PPE-ists have gone on to do graduate work and many others are doing extremely well in the City. In the male-dominated environment of economics, he has been spectacularly successful at helping young women achieve their optimum potential both academically and professionally.

The testimonies at the informal farewell supper on 15 May organized by a large number of former and current students highlighted why Sujoy has such a big following. As one guest wrote:

"I think an important part of what makes him such an excellent teacher is how much he cares about his students. It feels that he spends a great deal of time thinking about his students, and is always considering what is the right approach to motivate them to achieve their potential at any particular moment in time. This care extends beyond the time when he is your tutor – five years after leaving Oxford, Sujoy is still supporting me and guiding me in my academic decisions. I feel very lucky to have been taught by him and to have benefited from his wisdom and guidance over the past nine years."

Sujoy has also been an outstanding supervisor of research students, and has been extremely good at selecting and training the next generation of graduate teachers. He was always a team player and a loyal colleague.

Sujoy will be deeply missed, but will no doubt keep in touch both with the College and with his many devoted former pupils. It has been a privilege to me as Senior Tutor to have had him as a colleague.

Dr Anne Knowland

#### DR LEIGH FLETCHER

Supernumerary Fellow in Physics 2009-2015

#### ASHWINI VASANTHAJUMAR

Fellow in Politics and International Relations 2013-2015

#### KRISTIANA DAHL

Academic Support Administrator 2013-2015

#### JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWS

#### DR STEPHEN BERNARD

British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow in English 2012-15

#### DR ANDREI-SORIN ILIE

Junior Research Fellow in Medical Sciences 2012-2015

#### DR LESLIE THEIBERT

Sanderson Junior Research Fellow in History 2012-2015





### Academic Results and Distinctions

#### Undergraduate Degrees

In the Schools of 2015, results were:

 Class I
 35

 Class II i
 70

 Class II ii
 8

 Class III
 2

The College was placed 21st in the Norrington Table.

The details of the Firsts are as follows:

Cell and Systems Biology

Henry Owen

Chemistry (M. Chem.) George Woodward Kamonwad Ngamchuea

Oliver Crossley Philip Welch Sally Bovill Selina Badiani

Earth Sciences (M. Sc.)

Fergus McNab

Engineering Science (M. Eng.)

Philip Ball Daniel Burdett Mátyás Kinde John Martin

English Language and Literature

Joseph Allan Melissa Sidnell

Experimental Psychology Gabriela Shorney Toledano

Verity Smith

History Angus Smith David Cowan Gregory (Max) Shock History and Politics Matthew Robson Paulina Ivanova

Jurisprudence Phoenix Kushner

Literae Humaniores Harriet Hamblin Hector Penny

Mathematics (M. Maths) Matthew Haughton

Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry

(M. Bioch.)

Muhammad Imtiaz Aleksandar Ivanov

Music

Polly Gamble

Oriental Studies Ellen Jones

Physics (BA. Phys.) Rachael Martin

Physics (M. Phys.) David Buckley Eleanor Hawtin Ryan MacDonald Elliot Reynolds

**PPE** 

Odette Chalaby

The following student achieved a Distinction in his Diploma course:

Diploma in Legal Studies Louis Tran Van Lieu

In the first Public Examinations there were 28 Firsts or Distinctions in Prelims/ Moderations in 2014/15:

Chemistry (M. Chem.)

Andrew Gair

Christophe Diederichs

Earth Sciences (M. Sc.)

Holly Unwin

Engineering Science (M. Eng.)

Iain Dunn Ka Long Au

Ryan Kai Shun Yeung

Samuel Graham

English Language and Literature

Benjamin Norbury

History

Eleanor Brown Harrison Edmonds

History & Politics

Cara Pacitti

Jurisprudence Emma Gillett

Rose Lynch

Yui San Anson Cheung

Zhichao Mao Zi Xiang Tan Literae Humaniores William Christofi

Mathematics (M. Maths.)

Aashraya Jha Bryony Richards Helen Zha

Physics (BA. Phys.) Brian Jian Jiunn Khor

Physics (M. Phys.)

Ziyan Li

**PPE** 

Alexios Andriopoulos Benjamin Evans Johanna Schiele Paloma Vince

Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics

Frederick Waxman Julian Moehlen

#### Postgraduate Degrees

The following members of the College were awarded a D Phil during the last academic year for these theses:

Lucy Ambrose The Roles Played by Transcriptional Regulators PPARa,

HIF-1α, and SIRT1 in the Control of Cardiac Metabolism

Julia Barrott Reconstructing North-West African Palaeoclimate from

Speleothem Geochemistry: Past Climate Variability and

Implications for Human History

Alun Meirion Biffin Quantum Magnets with Strong Spin-Orbit Interaction

Probed via Neutron and X-ray Scattering

Annika Sophie Boldt Metacognition in decision making

Honor Alexis Brabazon 'The Master's Tools': Bolivia's Landless Peasant Movement,

the International Legal Turn, and the Possibilities and Perils of Law-Based Resistance to Neoliberalism

Helen Anna Browncross The Role of the Primate Frontopolar Cortex in Mnemonic

and Choice Behaviour

Vittoria Bussi Derived Symplectic Structures in Generalized Donaldson-

Thomas Theory and Categorification

Mark Geoffrey Forrest

Catherall

Modelling the Role of Nitric Oxide in Cerebral

Autoregulation

Ken Chatfield On-the-fly Visual Category Search in Web-scale Image

Collections

Michael Fiebig Characterisation of the Transcriptomes of Leishmania

mexicana Promastigotes and Amastigotes

Elisabeth Angela Helga

Menaka Guruswamy

Forster

The Invention of the New Culture Movement in 1919

Designing Enduring Constitutionalism: Constitution-

Making in India, Pakistan and Nepal

Catriona Mairi Kerr Paediatric Flexible Flatfoot: A New Stance: Beyond Static

Assessment

Florian Klein Additive Higher Representation Theory

Hsiang-Shang Ko

Analysis and Synthesis of Inductive Families

Teresa Marie Kyrke-Smith Ice-stream Dynamics: The Coupled Flow of Ice Sheets and

Subglacial Hydrology

Inbar Levy Behavioural Analysis of Civil Procedure Rules

Kevin Xinye Liu Molecular Mechanisms of OXR1 Function

Margreet Jacoba Luth Emotions in Court: Should the criminal justice process be

concerned with the offender's inner feelings?

Erin Neal Maglaque Venetian Humanism in the Mediterranean World: Writing Empire from the Margins Benjamin Marc Martill Cold War at the Centre: Liberalism and the Politics of Euratlantic Strategy, 1945-1990 David Antoine Menassa Magnetoencephalography and Neuropathological Studies of Autism Spectrum Disorders and the Comorbidity with Epilepsy Carlotta Maria Minnella Imperfect Socializers: International Institutions in Multilateral Counter-Terrorist Cooperation Lyle William Murray The impact of HIV-1 disease and its treatment on Mycobacterium tuberculosis-specific immunity Tristen Naylor Closure Games: The Politics of Clubs in International Society Braden Gregory O'Neill Examining the Role of Health Literacy in Online Health Information John Nicholas Reid Slavery in Early Mesopotamia from Late Uruk until the Fall of Babylon in the Longue Duree Paul Allen Roberts Mathematical Models of the Retina in Health and Disease Evgenia Rouka Investigation of Binding Preferences and Identification of Novel Binding Partners for the SH3 Domains of the Multifunctional Adaptor Protein CD2AP A Lipid Fusion Based Method for the Single Molecule Study Aidan Niall Russell of ATP Synthase Mitra Thomas Optimization of Endwall Film-Cooling in Axial Turbines Andreas Johannes Tischbirek Essays on Unconventional Monetary Policy and Long-Term Government Debt Adam Philip Tucker Local Moment Phases in Quantum Impurity Problems When there is not enough evidence, and when evidence Daniel Ljubomir Vujcich is not enough: an analysis of policy-making to reduce the prevalence of Australian Indigenous smoking Steven Benjamin Wagner British Intelligence and Policy in the Palestine Mandate,

1919-1939

Christian Wehrenfennig Ultrafast Spectroscopy of Charge Separation, Transport and

Recombination Processes in Functional Materials for Thin-

Film Photovoltaics

Julianne Rose Weis Women and Childbirth in Haile Selassie's Ethiopia

Evan Mehaffey Wilson The Sea Officers: Gentility and Professionalism in the Royal

Navy, 1775-1815

The following members of the College were awarded an MPhil during the last academic year for these theses:

Mikolaj Barczentewicz Unconstitutional Constitutional Change

Edwina Lucia Naomi Penge The Particularisation of Error within the 'Culture of Fact',

1600-1650

The following members of the College passed examinations in taught postgraduate degrees in the summer of 2015:

Master of Public Policy

Tatianna Mello Pereira da Silva

Lucy Edwardes Jones (Russian & East

Alexander Goddard (Law and Finance)

Hendrik Kaju (Theoretical Chemistry)

Amanda Rojek (Global Health Science)

Hong Ming Chan (Philosophy of Physics)

Rong Rong (Applied Statistics)

Timothy McMinn

Master of Science

Master of Studies

Emma Bates (English)

European Studies)

Manjit Nath

Teresa Phiri

#### Bachelor of Philosophy

James Kirkpatrick

Katherine Elizabeth Robertson

#### Magister Juris

Dmitry Krasikov

Ruixuan Li

Cordt-Magnus van Geuns-Rosch

#### Master of Philosophy

James Bridges (Economics)
Paul Cheston (Economics)

Katherine Crofts-Gibbons (Russian &

East European Studies)

Clement de Rivas (Russian & East

European Studies)

Oliver Ditthardt (Russian & East

European Studies)

Alexander Dyzenhaus (Politics)

Alexander Lynchehaun (Economics)

Aarne Rissanen (Economics) Oren Schneorson (Economics) Robert Kalonian (Modern British and European History) Harry Pasek (US History)

Corrina Readioff (English) Eleanor Swire (Greek and/or Latin

William Hakim (Chinese Studies)

Languages and Literature)

Magdalena Walczak (Medieval History)

The academic results for the following candidates reached the Editor after the 2014 Record had gone to print, so we would like to draw your attention to them here.

The following candidates achieved Firsts in their subjects in 2013/14:

### **Experimental Psychology**

Erik Ohrling

Elizabeth Worster

### Modern Languages

Timothy Moyo

James Martin obtained a Distinction in his Modern Languages Prelims in 2013/14.

# University Prizes and Other Awards

The Editor lists here all prizes awarded by the University, the College, or other sources which had been reported to her when the *Record* went to press. Any further prizes awarded this year will be reported in next year's issue.

## University Prizes 2014

The following awards were made in 2014, but news of them failed to arrive in time for inclusion in last year's *Record*:

Chris Kennell was awarded the Institution of Mechanical Engineers Best

Project Certificate.

Henry Owen received a Congratulatory Letter for his performance in

Part I Exams.

Leon Musolff was awarded the *Hicks-Webb Medley Prize* for best overall

performance in Economics papers (shared).

Elliot Reynolds received a Commendation for Practical work in Part B of

his Physics examination.

Gregory Young received a Commendation for his performance in the

Medical Sociology paper.

### University Prizes 2015

Dora Amos has been awarded the Cardiology Essay Prize for an essay

relating to cardiology; with particular credit for original research, or innovative views with structured arguments.

Niamh Broderick was awarded a Gibbs Book Prize for Chemistry.

Daniel Burdett was awarded the Frederic Barnes Waldron "Best Student"

Award, based on his final year project by the Institution

of Mechanical Engineers.

Ciara Jane Burgess has received a Gibbs Prize for her BA Group Project

Presentation.

Sam Cornish was awarded a *Gibbs Prize* for Earth Sciences.

Iain Dunn was awarded a Gibbs Prize (Proxime Accessit) for best

performance in the Preliminary Examination in

Engineering Science.

Liam Eagle was awarded a Gibbs Prize for excellent performance in

his Practical Work for the Preliminary Examination in

Engineering Science.

Daniel Fess was awarded a Gibbs Prize for Mathematics.

Alexander Goddard has been jointly awarded the *MLF Prize*, the course

prize for the MSc in Law and Finance core course, First

Principles of Financial Economics (FPFE).

William Hakim has been awarded the *Humphrey Ko Prize* for the best

thesis for the MSt in Chinese Studies.

Ellen Jones has been awarded the Arthur Lenman Senior Memorial

*Prize* for first class performance for the FHS Egyptology

degree (shared).

Phoenix Kushner has been awarded the *D'Souza Prize* for best overall

performance in Second BA known as the BA in

Jurisprudence with Senior Status.

John Martin has been awarded the Ronald Victor Janson Prize for the

best project in Electronic Communications.

Rachael Louise Martin has received the *Scott Prize* for her performance in the

BA Examination.

Henry Owen has received a *Gibbs Prize* for his excellent performance

in the Honour School of Cell and Systems Biology.

Chloe Ransom has received a Gibbs Prize for her Practical Work in Part

B of the MPhys Examination.

Catherine Scanlon has been jointly awarded the *Iversen Prize* for the top

Performance in Part I Psychology Examinations.

Shaun Wei Tang has been jointly awarded the BP Prize for best Chemical

Engineering Part B Project.

Oliver Vince has been jointly awarded the BP Prize for best Chemical

Engineering Part B Project.

Frederick Waxman has been awarded the Susan Mary Rouse Memorial

Prize (Proxime Accessit) for best overall performance in 'Introduction to Psychology' in PPL Preliminary

Examinations.

George Woodward received the *Chemistry Part II Thesis Prize* (joint runner-up).

Mengying Xue has received the *Metaswitch Prize* for 2015 for her Group

Design Practicals.

### College Prizes 2014

The following awards were made in 2014, but news of them failed to arrive in time for inclusion in last year's *Record*.

Ari Aparikyan was jointly awarded the *Mathematics College Prize* for first

class marks in Mathematics FHS Part A.

Emma Bates was awarded the Stephen Boyd Memorial Prize, given to

the best finalist undergraduate in English.

Rebecca Carter was jointly awarded the *Peter Rowley Prize* for the

best performance in the Land Law paper in FHS

Jurisprudence.

Stephanie Chan was jointly awarded the Mathematics College Prize for first

class marks in Mathematics FHS Part A.

Adrien Ellis was jointly awarded the *Nathan Prize* for his outstanding

performance in Mathematics Prelims.

Hannah Farley was awarded the *Cridland Prize*, given to the best all

round medical student who participated most fully in activities (other than sports) outside the field of medicine.

Daniel Fess was jointly awarded the Mathematics College Prize for first

class marks in Mathematics FHS Part A, with special

commendation for top mark in the University.

Eng Keat Hng was jointly awarded the Mathematics College Prize for first

class marks in Mathematics FHS Part A.

Lukas Kobis was jointly awarded the *Nathan Prize* for his outstanding

performance in Mathematics Prelims.

Jessica Macready was awarded the Cunningham Prize for the best

performance in 1st BM Part II.

Esther Mak was jointly awarded the Hogan Lovells Academic Prize for

the highest marks in Law Mods.

James Martin was awarded the Helen and Peter Dean Prize for

outstanding performance in public examinations.

Claudia Martinez Madrid was jointly awarded the Hogan Lovells Academic Prize for

the highest marks in Law Mods.

Jan Mikolajczak was jointly awarded the Mathematics College Prize for first

class marks in Mathematics FHS Part A.

Leon Mussolf was awarded the Gerald Meier Prize, given to the best

finalist undergraduate in Economics. He also received the *Harold Wilson Prize* for the best performance in

PPE Finals.

Xinchi Qiu was awarded the Nathan Prize for outstanding

performance in Mathematics FHS Part B.

Lewis Ruks was jointly awarded the *Nathan Prize* for outstanding

performance in Mathematics Prelims.

Patrick Tomison was awarded the Alan Urbach Memorial Prize for the

highest mark in the Jurisprudence paper in FHS. He was also jointly awarded the *Peter Rowley Prize* for the best performance in the Land Law paper in FHS

Jurisprudence.

Xiaoyi Zhang was jointly awarded the Mathematics College Prize for first

class marks in Mathematics FHS Part A.

### College Prizes 2015

Ari Aparikyan has been awarded a Mathematics College Prize based on

Part A examination results.

Odette Chalaby has been awarded the Harold Wilson Prize for the best

performance in PPE Finals.

Stephanie Chan has been awarded a Mathematics College Prize, based on

Part A examination results.

Robert Conway has been awarded the Cunningham Prize for the best

performance in 1st BM Part 2.

David Cowan has been awarded the Frederick H Bradley Prize for the

best thesis in his History Finals.

Adrien Ellis has been awarded a Mathematics College Prize based on

Part A examination results.

Daniel Fess was awarded the *Nathan Prize* for outstanding

performance in public examinations.

Harriet Hamblin has been awarded the Sourvinou-Inwood Prize for the

best Archaeology paper in Greats, CAAH, Mods

or Schools.

Eng Keat Hng has been awarded a Mathematics College Prize based on

Part A examination results.

Aashraya Jha has been awarded the Nathan Prize for outstanding

performance in public examinations.

Tommy Jolowicz has been awarded the Cawkwell Prize, given to the best

Classicist in the judgment of the two Fellows in charge of

Classical studies (B Allan and L Kallet).

Emma-Leigh Knight has been awarded the Wallis Budge Prize for outstanding

performance in collections in Coptic.

Lukas Kobis has been awarded a Mathematics College Prize based on

Part A examination results.

Phoenix Kushner has been awarded the Peter Rowley Prize for the

best performance in the Land Law paper in FHS

Jurisprudence.

Sian McGibbon has been awarded the Alan Urbach Memorial Prize for the

highest mark in the Jurisprudence paper in FHS.

has been awarded a Mathematics College Prize based on Jan Mikolajczak

Part A examination results.

Edward Penington has been awarded the Gerald Meier Prize, given to the

best finalist undergraduate in Economics.

Kit Rees has been awarded the Helen and Peter Dean Prize for

outstanding performance in public examinations.

has been awarded the Kramer Prize for her major Abigail Reeves

contribution to College life.

Bryony Richards has been awarded the Nathan Prize for outstanding

performance in public examinations.

Gregory (Max) Shock has been awarded the Frederick H Bradley Prize for

outstanding performance in History Finals.

Melissa Sidnell has been awarded the Stephen Boyd Memorial Prize, given

to the best finalist undergraduate in English.

Gregory Young has been awarded the *Cridland Prize*, given to the best all round medical student based on First BM Parts 1 and 2.

Helen Zha has been awarded a Mathematics College Prize based on

Part A examination results.

# Scholarships and Exhibitions

The following undergraduates were elected scholars and exhibitioners for the academic year 2014/15:

### **Biochemistry**

#### **Scholars**

Pablo Baeza Centurion Universidad Autonoma de Madrid, Spain

Adam Evans Westminster School
Glen-Oliver Gowers Caterham School

Khadeesh bin Imtiaz Roots Montessori & High School

Aleksandar Ivanov High School of Natural Sciences and Math, Sofia Philipp Lorenz Freiherr-vom-Stein-Gymnasium Kleve, Germany

Exhibitioners

Zhai Gen Tan Tunku Abdul Rahman College, Malaysia

#### **Biomedical Sciences**

**Scholars** 

Henry Owen Peter Symonds College, Winchester Yajing Xu Gymnasium Korschenbroich, Germany

### Chemistry

#### Scholars

Harrison Barrett Uppingham School

Sally Bovill Brighton Hove & Sussex 6th Form College

Niamh Broderick Moate Community School, County Westmeath, Ireland

Oliver Crossley
Sebastian Murphy
Kamonwad Ngamchuea
Geve Panahy
Nicholas Ramsbottom
Jonathan Taylor
William Brookes School
Sir John Lawes School
Concord College
Winchester College
Birkenhead School
King Edward VI College

Haozhi Zhang Shenzhen College of Intl Education

#### Classics

#### **Scholars**

Amelia Gall (Waddington) Tormead School
Hugh Moorhead Eton College
Hector Penny (Waddington) Westminster School
Vannevar Taylor Radley College

#### **Exhibitioners**

Tommy Jolowicz Delia Lockey Wellington College

North London Collegiate School

### Computer Science

**Scholars** 

Ari Aparikyan Josh Hannah Robert College, Istanbul

Runshaw College

#### Earth Sciences

Scholars

Thomas Breithaupt Sam Cornish Bishop Veseys Grammar School

Stokesley School Horsforth School

Jacob Morgan
Exhibitioners

Elizabeth Bowker

Yuqian Gan Fergus McNab Hulme Grammar School

Cambridge International Centre of Shanghai

Firrhill High School

### Engineering

Scholars

Philip Ball Daniel Burdett (Weir)

Kingston Grammar School South Bromsgrove High School Dauntseys School

Nicholas Chimento Daisy Hutchison

The Stephen Perse Sixth Form College, Cambridge

Matyas Kinde John Martin Oliver Vince Szent Istvan University, Hungary Calday Grange Grammar School

Katherine Weld Sebastian Wiseman Carre's Grammar School St Mary's School, Ascot

Sebastian Wiseman Eltham College

Exhibitioners

Shaun Tang Kolej Tuanku Ja'afar, Malaysia

English

**Scholars** 

Joseph Allan

Shivani Kochhar

Shrewsbury School

North London Collegiate School

Will Yeldham Highgate School

#### Exhibitioners

Eshani Bhatt Haberdashers Askes Girls School

Ben Lomas Perse School

### **Experimental Psychology**

**Scholars** 

Verity Smith Brighton and Hove High School

Exhibitioners

Gabriela Shorney Toledano Howells School, Cardiff Rebecca Wedge-Roberts Greenhead College

### History

#### **Scholars**

Beatrice Allen School of St Helen & St Katharine
Sarah Boyd (Stiebel) South Wilts Grammar School
Thomas Grand Carisbrooke High School

Grace Mallon Alleyns School

Priya Shah (Stiebel) North London Collegiate School Gregory (Max) Shock (Burn) Dr Challoner's Grammar School

Exhibitioners

David Cowan George Heriot's School

### **History & Politics**

#### **Scholars**

Clara Hilger Colchester Royal Grammar School

Paulina Ivanova European School, Oxford

Matthew Robson British School in The Netherlands

### Law (Jurisprudence)

#### **Scholars**

Esther Mak St Paul's Co-Educational College

Claudia Martinez Madrid
Sian McGibbon
Aloha College, Marbella
Winstanley College

Laura Ruxandu Colegiul National Dimitrie Cantemir, Romania

#### Exhibitioners

Louis Grandjouan Ecole Active Bilingue J Manuel

Phoenix Kushner London School of Economics and Political Science

Charles Smye King Edward VI Five Ways School

#### **Mathematics**

#### **Scholars**

Yik Tung Chan Badminton School

Adrien Ellis Ressun Lukio Upper Secondary School
Daniel Fess Watford Grammar School for Boys

Matthew Haughton Lycee International, Saint-Germain-en-Laye

Eng Keat Hng Hwa Chong Junior College

Chun Pong Lau Carmel Secondary School, Hong Kong

Lewis Ruks Runshaw College

Xiaoyi Zhang Marymount International School

### Mathematics & Computer Science

#### **Scholars**

Lukas Kobis Spezialschulteil Albert Schweitzev Gymnasium,

Germany

Jan Mikolajczak Pechersk School International, Ukraine

### Mathematics & Statistics

#### **Scholars**

Xinchi Qiu AGC Senior College of New Zealand

### Medicine (pre-clinical)

#### **Scholars**

Jessica Macready Newquay Tretherras School

Exhibitioners

Hannah Farley Ipswich School

Greg Young St Mary's RC High School, Blackpool

### Modern Languages

**Scholars** 

Aliza Dee Kings School, Worcester
Anya Emmons University College School
James Martin Manchester Grammar School

Exhibitioners

Kit Rees Repton School

Music

Exhibitioners

Seung-Eon Yoo Wilsons School

**Oriental Studies** 

**Scholars** 

Julian Gray Norton Knatchbull School Ellen Jones Kingston Grammar School

**Physics** 

**Scholars** 

David Buckley John Leggott College
Eleanor Hawtin Queen Mary's College
Chris Hazell Redland Green School
Amy Hughes Christleton High School

Aravinth Kulanthaivelu Queen Elizabeth Grammar School

Ryan MacDonald
Rachael Martin
Chloe Ransom
Aidan Reynolds

Bilborough College
John Leggott College
Collingwood College
Thomas Telford School

Elliot Reynolds Shrewsbury Sixth Form College

Exhibitioners

Alex McCormick King Edward VI Camp Hill Boys School

Ben Wallis Portsmouth Grammar School

Physics & Philosophy

Scholars

Anne Laube International School Dusseldorf

## Philosophy, Politics and Economics

#### **Scholars**

Gabriela Caldwell-Jones Rugby High School
Tom Gourd Magdalen College School

Hugo Lu Reading School

Victoria Olive (Gladstone)
Edward Penington
Shabano Soomro

Parkstone Grammar School
Melbourne C E GR School
Central Newcastle High School

#### **Exhibitioners**

Tanveer Bhatti Lampton School Odette Chalaby Westminster School

Tim Cross Bishop Wordsworth School

## Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics

#### **Exhibitioners**

Polly Rylands-Richey Worthing Sixth Form College

Catherine Scanlon The College Preparatory School, California

# Travel Scholarships

The following students were awarded Scholarships for travel in the summer vacation 2015:

## Master's Scholarships for travel to the USA

Glen Oliver Gowers Gregory (Max) Shock Julian Moehlen Owen Nanlohy Oliver Vince Alexandra Wilson

## Master's Scholarships for travel to Canada

Sam Cornish

## Master's Scholarships for travel to Hong Kong and the University of Peking

Zhi Chao (Ryan) Mao Zi Xiang (Warren) Tan

### David & Lois Sykes Scholarships for travel to mainland China

Eamon Byrne Helen Sou

### Roger Short Scholarships for travel to Turkey

David Astley Jeffrey Hawke Stuart Perrett

### Brewster Scholarships for travel in the UK

Lise Butler Robert Kalonian Tse-Wei (Jacob) Wang



# From the Chaplain

It has been a great pleasure to be back in the chapel building again this year. New lighting, together with a larger number of candles than before, shows the carefully cleaned woodwork and beautifully painted walls to great effect. The subtle but effective illumination that they provide enhances the beauty of the space for its primary purpose of worship, as well as for quiet enjoyment, and its increasing use as a performance venue. The work, of course, is ongoing, and I am grateful to my colleagues in the Works Department for the commitment and skill that they bring to maintaining, conserving and enhancing not only the chapel but also the other College buildings. Now that we have also cleaned some of the monuments in the ante-chapel we will want to clean the rest, as well as the two on the north wall of the chapel itself. Work on the organ is also ongoing.



The chapel choir continues to flourish. They enjoyed a very successful visit to Belfast and Dublin during the Easter vacation, and I was very glad to join them for the southern part of their tour, where they sang Evensong and gave a concert in St Patrick's Cathedral, while also managing to avail themselves of Irish hospitality and culture of different kinds. As always, we were sorry to say goodbye to a large number of choir leavers, all of whom we wish well for the future: Charlotte Baker, Sally Bovill, Emma Callanan, Lewis Coenen-Rowe, Rebecca Collins, Thomas Grand, Thierry Hirsch (organ scholar), Corinna Readioff, Nora Rouast, and Polly Rylands-Richey.

Former choir members joined current members to sing at the memorial service for Bill Sykes in the University Church (on which see elsewhere in the Record) and also provided a choir for a gaudy in Univ. We hope to have similar choirs at future gaudies, and are also planning a special Evensong in which we will invite former choir members (and others) to join the current choir in a musical celebration of the life of the chapel; more details will follow, along with a date for our inaugural recital on the organ.

Our regular pattern of worship has stayed the same, with Choral Evensong or an occasional Sung Eucharist on Sunday evenings, and daily prayer on midweek mornings, with special occasions such as the Advent and Christmas Carol Services. In addition we have had joint services with other chapels for Ash Wednesday (at the University Church) and for Ascension Day (at Wadham), as well as our now annual joint Evensong with Teddy Hall. We have received two visiting preachers this year: the Revd Dr Brian Creak (1960) and the Revd Kevin Davies (1980).

Dr Andrew Gregory

### From the Librarian



In the coming year the Univ Library will see a much needed expansion as 10 Merton Street is returned to College use. The last significant increase in space took place in the early 1990s when the ground floor of the Library was converted from book-stacks to the current reading room. The extra space will not only provide more shelves for our growing collections, but also allow us to cater for students' changing working patterns by offering different kinds of study space. As well as the traditional silent areas, students will have the option of working together in small groups, creating a studious buzz.

In Michaelmas term the Library instituted two annual workshops for our undergraduate Historians and English students. The Exploring Historic Collections session, run in collaboration with the Archivist, had a strong interactive element and allowed Historians to engage closely with

concrete evidence from the past in the form of Univ's rare books and archives. Our 1st and 2nd year English students learnt about book production from Gutenberg's time, and had the chance to set metal type and print a keepsake using a small hand press.

The Library continues to collaborate with other College departments. This year, in collaboration with the Development Office the Library team curated an exhibition of three medieval copies of Magna Carta and put on displays of our modern treasures at the St Cuthbert's Day Feast and the 1996-1999 Gaudy. The Library team also worked with Univ's Access Officer to devise a quiz and activity for visiting school students.

The Univ Treasures page of our website, now two years old, continues to showcase items from our historic collections. Highlights of the past year include a series of three articles about Univ's links with King Alfred, our adopted patron, and a commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War.

A generous donation from Oxford University Press in the 1990s allowed us to double our conservation time from the start of 2015. The Oxford Conservation Consortium have, amongst other things, framed a poster relating to an Oscar Wilde forgery, rehinged a set of scrap-books containing correspondence, and begun repairs on several of our earliest printed books.

Gifts from Old Members include a copy of John Spelman's 1678 edition of *The Life of King Alfred* with a chequered past. The volume, donated by Sir David Edward, formed part of Univ's collections until it was donated to the Red Cross in 1942 to help raise money for the war effort. We are very pleased to have it back.

Thanks once again go to our graduate helpers Faissal Bakkali Taheri, Corrina Readioff, Robert Kalonian, Lily Muller, and Louis Grandjouan, who between them ensured that the Library functioned for another year.

Elizabeth Adams

### Books donated by Old Members

The following Old Members of the College presented copies of their books to the Library this year:

Sir David Edward, KCMG, Spelman, Life of King Alfred (Aelfredi Magni Anglorum regis

QC, FRSE (1953) invictissimi vita) (Oxford: Sheldonian Theatre, 1678)

William Fforde (1975)

Menaggio & Cadenabbia Golf Club: the player's view

(Beckenham, 2014)

Paul Gambaccini (1970) Opera CDs (about 200)

Simon Gladdish (1975) Cookies of fortune and fate (Gladpress, 2015)

Yumiko Hada (1989) Universities in the UK: from elitism to dynamism

(Toshindo, 2014)

Theodora Suk Fong Jim Sharing with the Gods (OUP, 2014)

(2003)

Adil Jussawalla (1960) Maps for a mortal moon (Aleph Book Co., 2014)

Dr Tony Lurcock (1962) No particular hurry: British travellers in Finland 1830-1917

(CB Editions, 2013)

Reggie Oliver (1971) Flowers of the sea (Tartarus Press, 2013)

Tolek Petch (1987) Legal implications of the euro zone crisis (Kluwer Law

International, 2014)

William Tydeman (1956) Bawdy plays of bygone days (Self-published, 2015)

Jamie Wemyss Jacobite Attainders and Forfeitures (Self-published, 2014)

(formerly Neidpath, 1966)

Rajiva Wijesinha (1971)

Asian liberal perspectives promoting democracy, equity,

pluralism (Orient International Book House, 2012)

## From the Director of Music

Since the last edition of the *Record*, music at Univ has thrived on a number of fronts; The Chapel Choir continues to surpass itself; UCMS has staged some exciting events; the first Mendl-Schrama prize was awarded; and The Martlet Ensemble has completed its first year in residence.

On its return to Univ after a term in All Souls Chapel due to our own Chapel's renovation, the Choir has been performing its regular duties. The refurbishment of the Walker organ is still ongoing, but we have more than made do with the portable Collins box organ purchased earlier in the year. This has enabled us to explore earlier repertoire and has added a quieter, more contemplative



air to our services. The concert for George Cawkwell's 95th birthday celebrations at the end of October was capped by the first performance of a new commission by Matthew Martin.

The tour to Ireland was well received in both Northern Ireland and the Republic. One of the preparations for this trip was a concert of Lenten music at the end of Hilary term, including the little heard *Seven Last Words from the Cross* by Heinrich Schütz.

We were sad to say farewell to some of our number this year, but we wish them all well for the future. We lost our Organ Scholar, Thierry Hirsch; Choral Scholars, Charlotte Baker, Rebecca Collins, Thomas Grand, Polly Rylands-Richey, Nora Rouast; Choral Bursar, Emma Callanan; Volunteers, Sally Bovill, William Christofi, Lewis Coenen-Rowe, Corinna Readioff, Grace McGee, Charlotte Herbert.

UCMS has been putting on events all year, notably a concert of Schubert songs, a WW1 anniversary concert, and recitals of all kinds in both the Master's Lodgings and the Hall. It has staged Open Mic nights in the Bar, and supported a recital of piano duets by Julian Jacobson and Mariko Brown. The annual UCMS dinner was a huge success, and played host to Old Member Paul Gambaccini. He was able to sum up the role music plays in all our lives, succinctly and with humility. His message of inclusivity and the power of music to touch us all has resonated with what Univ has set out to achieve on an individual and college-wide basis. We are also enormously grateful to Paul for his gift to the College of over 200 CD box sets of operas and symphonies which are in the Library for all students to listen to and enjoy.

The Martlet Ensemble was set up by the Director of Music at the beginning of the year to provide a regular, professional source of music-making in Univ. Its multiple roles include the coaching and mentoring of our own students. To that end, we have seen three wonderful concerts by the professional wing and two by students performing music by Purcell, Bruhns, Locke and Bach.

The other major innovation this year has been the first awarding of the Mendl-Schrama Music Prize. This was set up by Mrs Heleen Mendl-Schrama in memory of her husband, His Honour James H E Mendl (1948, Law). It provides meaningful financial support for Univ singers and/or keyboard players, and this year was won jointly by Christopher Breeze (baritone) and Seung-Eon Yoo (piano). We are looking forward to their prize recital in the coming term.

This year also saw the first in a collaborative project between musicians and the English department at Univ. Tiffany Stern and The Director of Music hosted an evening of *Twelfth Night* songs, with Prof Stern giving an enlightening review of the role of music in this most musical of Shakespeare's plays. Other projects in the pipeline include recitals of Shelley settings and another Shakespeare event.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank some of those who are instrumental in facilitating and supporting music at Univ; Andrew Gregory, William Roth and the Development Office team, The Domestic Bursary team, and The Master and Lady Crewe. I look forward to seeing many of you at musical events in the year to come.

Giles Underwood

# From the Development Director

2014-2015 was a successful year for College fundraising. Univ received £4.11 million in new gifts and pledges for the fiscal year ending 31 July 2015. This result represents an 18% increase over 2013-14's totals and is the third best fundraising year in the College's modern history. Eight Old Members made gifts and pledges of £100,000+ in support of the key priorities of College in 2014-15, up from five in 2013-14.

A key philanthropic initiative for College was again postgraduate scholarship endowment. The College is in the midst of a five year, £8 million 'mini-campaign' responding



to the £10m anonymous benefaction that initiated the Oxford-Radcliffe postgraduate Scholarships in 2013. Former JCR and WCR members have eagerly responded to this particular drive and the match funding that the Oxford-Radcliffe benefaction and the University have put on offer. In 2014-15, the College received more than £1.9 million in directed donations for endowed postgraduate studentships. By the end of 2014-15, Univ has raised approximately £4.2 million overall against its £8m 'mini-campaign' target. This year's generosity allowed for the completion of three fully funded scholarships, including a scholarship in honour of Emeritus Fellow George Cawkwell and another scholarship in Economics. As a result of this year's donations for postgraduate scholarships the College has received an additional £1,000,000 in endowment support from the University's matching scheme and have unlocked £1,000,000 from the Oxford-Radcliffe benefaction's challenge fund.

On behalf of the College, I want to express my appreciation to Honorary Fellows Sir John Swire (1948), Paul Chellgren (1966), Michael Fischer (1968), Tim Tacchi (1973). They, along with David Booth (1950), Peter Dean (1954), William Bernhard (1956), David Sykes (1963), Torrey Whitman (1965), Crispian Collins (1966), Andrew White (1968), Maurice Allen (1974), Bruns Grayson (1974), Mark Yallop (1978), Kevin Scollan (1978), Mark Foster (1979), John Crompton (1981), John Cummins (1981), Jonathan Penkin (1990), Tom Moore (1998), and friends of Univ, Gareth and Susan Capner deserve our praise and thanks for their generous new commitments to College in 2014-15. Your loyal care and leadership example is deeply valued.

#### Annual Fund

I am pleased to share with you that the College again sponsored a record breaking annual fund drive in 2014-15. Old Members from across the globe and the generations stepped forward and contributed new gifts and pledges providing just under £1,150,000 in support. This figure is an all-time high for the College and reflects a 4% increase in overall funds secured. A major factor in the growth in funds raised was the broadening participation of Old Members in giving this past year. With more than 2,475 donations in all, 35.59% of Old Members made gifts to Univ in 2014-15. Our steady growth in Old Member contributors is impressive and we are enormously grateful for their care and generosity.

OMs from around the world and varying circumstances caringly responded in record numbers to our callers and appeals this year. I wish to thank all of you who contributed this year, especially the many of you who accepted our students' calls and gave to our two telethons. I wish to thank publicly two anonymous Old Members whose extraordinary generosity allowed the student calling programme to continue its unique matching programme for new and increased donations to Univ. I am again grateful to our regional Society Secretaries, Robert Grant in Canada and Stuart McCulloch in Australia. Their willingness to dedicate time and energy to our fundraising efforts in their countries makes a valuable difference. Honorary Fellow Paul Chellgren (1966) and his leadership of AFUCO (the American Friends of University College) warrants particular recognition. For nearly three and a half decades, Paul's leadership of AFUCO has proven vital for College fundraising. AFUCO received almost \$950,000 in donations this past year. This is a wonderful sum and we thank Paul for maintaining and improving the good work of AFUCO over such a long sustained period.

The Golden Anniversary tradition in College entered its second decade with a decided bang with the Class of 1964's Golden Anniversary campaign. 64 members of the Class contributed special gifts to the College totalling £166,106. We thank those contributors whose generosity set a new Golden Anniversary record for funds raised and number of donors.

From the 50th anniversary Class to the College's recent Leavers, I would like to thank those 40 leavers who kindly made their first donations to College. Many of these contributions qualified them for membership in the College's new Annual Fund leadership group, the 1249 Society. We appreciate their loyalty.

#### **Events**

The College hosted more than 50 events for Old Members last year. I mention this because that figure does not take into account the countless number of 'mini-reunions' and independent gatherings of alumni that go on all the time as Old Members reconnect and maintain those lasting friendships made while in College. The College's ability to sponsor a wider palate of activities to engage Old Members in various parts of the world is directly related to the increasing number of Old Members who serve as event hosts. Old Members spanning eight different decades attended College sponsored gatherings in 2014-15. Please see below some highlights from this year's events:

In September, the Master hosted an Alumni Day reception for more than 70 Old Members featuring drinks in the Master's Garden and a student piano recital delivered by Clara Hilger (2013) in the Lodgings.

More than 90 Old Members under the age of 35 joined in the inaugural Young Univ event held at the National Portrait Gallery. Honorary Fellow Sandy Nairne (1971), the Gallery's outgoing Director, hosted the event and enthralled the capacity crowd with his views on the NPG.

The College welcomed back more than 160 OMs for the 1992-1995 Gaudy, where the Mary Dunhill Fellow in Physiology, Keith Dorrington, delivered a thoughtful talk recounting the 350 years of Hypoxia research in Oxford. The enjoyable weekend was capped by an animated meal and toast delivered by Simon Johnson (1994).

Just before Michaelmas Term commenced, the College hosted the Class of 1953/1954 Moot again. Led craftily by C P Nobes (1953), the attendees celebrated and engaged in an incisive Q&A session with the Master.

54 OMs and their spouses/partners came back to College to celebrate their Golden Anniversary and honour the Class of 1964. An expanded weekend programme of activities delighted those who made it back to the College. I single out for particular merit the confident and thorough leadership of Richard Powles, Roger Potter, and Peter Cockburn and recognise the thoughtful exertions of the rest of the Class of 1964 Golden Anniversary Committee including Timothy Walker, Paul Cole, Robert Boyd, Neil Macdonald, and Colin Campbell. Their efforts created a special reunion weekend.

The Univ Society Peripatetic Golf Association reconvened for its Autumn Meeting at the Stratford-on-Avon Golf Club in Stratford-on-Avon thanks to the hospitality of host David Mills (1962).

The Chapel became a concert venue in October as Director of Music, Giles Underwood introduced the College's new artists in residence, the Martlet Ensemble. These professional musicians offered up five distinct concerts throughout the year to the joy of those who enjoy live music performed in intimate surroundings.

At the end of October Univ organised 'Georgefest', a two day celebration of Emeritus Fellow George Cawkwell's 95th birthday and 65th anniversary as a Fellow of the College. The weekend featured a concert by the Chapel Choir and talks and speeches by Edward Enfield (1948), Lord Robin Butler (1957), Honorary Fellow Chris Pelling, Cawkwell Classics Fellow Lisa Kallet, Peter Anderson (1980), and Abigail Graham (1984). The weekend's honouree closed out the weekend delivering his own thoughtful remarks (without notes, one must add).

In November, Univ took time out to recognise 35 Years of Women at Univ with a two day celebration called *Breaking Through and Leading the Way*. The programme featured a formal lecture delivered by the College's first female Fellow and newest Honorary Fellow, Helen Cooper, and a panel discussion featuring Univ novelists Amanda Brookfield (1979), Alison Mercer (1991), and Anna Lawrence Pietroni (1991). The weekend's highlight was the formal display in the Hall of a commissioned portrait of Professor Cooper.

At the end of November, the Master chaired the College's Annual Seminar celebrating its 10th anniversary, once again held at The Royal Society in London. The UK's sustained place in the EU was discussed at length before a full room of Old Members. We thank panellists Mark Blythe (1961), Martin Westlake (1976), Rhodri Thompson (1979), Anand Menon (1984) and Shazia Azim (1993) for their time and thoughtful commentary on this important topic.

The hectic 2014 events programme was brought to an end with a series of Advent and Carols services in College. Multiple services filled the Chapel to capacity. Thankfully we had enough mulled wine for the post service receptions in the Hall.

Hilary Term 2015 began with a lively Dinosaurs and Cassandrians dinner for members of UCBC. February saw 75 Old Members assemble at the Oxford and Cambridge Club to participate in the 11th Annual Univ Society London Dinner. William Shawcross (1965), CVO, Chairman of the Charities Commission, offered a fascinating perspective on the threats posed by extremist organisations within the UK charity sector.

The inauguration of a new trophy, the Veterans Challenge Cup, in memory of Emeritus Fellow and Chaplain Bill Sykes, highlighted the OMs Football Day's spirited competition between 80 Old Members and the current College squads.

The Young Univ Committee hosted its second event, a Wine Tasting session, led by Gabby Stone, née Savage (2003). The under-35 event brought together more than 40 OMs who appreciated Gabby's excellent tutorial.

In March Kat Jing (Gigi) Woo (1992) kindly hosted the Univ Society Asia's drinks reception for our OMs based in Hong Kong. The event featured the Run Run Shaw Professor of Chinese Studies, Univ Fellow Barend ter Haar, who spoke on 'What is tea and why did we start drinking it?'

To recognise the 800th anniversary of Magna Carta, the College's Eldon Society sponsored a programme including talks on the place of that document historically and as a living treatise among legal professionals today. Univ's Professor of Jurisprudence John Gardner and Emeritus Fellow of History Alexander Murray delivered their views and Librarian Elizabeth Adams was able to lift from the Bodleian Library's archives two of Univ's oldest manuscripts, a 13th Century and a 14th Century copy of the Magna Carta for attendees to view. The OMs who attended felt it was an afternoon that fittingly recognised the continuing impact of this unique legal document.

In March, the College held a two-day symposium honouring the 300-year medical legacy at Univ of Dr John Radcliffe. College Fellow Dr Stephen Golding set the proceedings in motion by describing the unique professional life of John Radcliffe. His informative talk was followed by a series of presentations spanning a wide range of contemporary medical topics featuring OMs Bill Cookson (1987), Trish Greenhalgh (1980), and College Fellows, Daniel Freeman and Tom Smith.

Univ also welcomed back the Classes of 1996-1999 for their Gaudy. The good weather only matched the good spirits that every one of the 176 attendees possessed upon their return to College. The Master's tea, tours of College, and the impressive strains of the alumni 'scratch' choir only primed the gathered OMs for the main event: formal dinner in Hall. The Master shared his views on the current College and what knowledge he had on the history of the assembled classes. Hattie Franklin (1997) gamely fought a faulty sound system to end the formal proceedings with the College toast.

After the Gaudy, the Master and the Development Director were off to America. Alexander Zaslavsky (1992) and Christopher Mammen (1993) hosted alumni receptions on both coasts featuring OMs Rebecca Mead (1985) who spoke about her unique relationship with George Eliot's *Middlemarch* and Ed Hieatt (1995) who discussed how the ways that computer code is created affects all of us. We thank Sasha and Chris for hosting these regional events in such appropriate venues.

John Hyde (1970) kindly hosted the USPGA Spring Golf Event at Studley Wood Golf Club in Oxfordshire, where Eric Cooper (1964) earned blue ribbon honours topping a talented group of gritty Old Members.

The 11th edition of the annual Roger Short Memorial Fund dinner officially welcomed three more Roger Short Travel Scholars (David Astley, Jeffrey Hawke, and Stuart Perret) to the programme's growing community (now topping 57 members). The presence of the Turkish Ambassador to the UK, His Excellency Abdurrahman Bilgic, gave the occasion a special feel this year as he delivered the keynote remarks. We thank Victoria Short for coming back to College again and Mrs Anna Morgan and her husband Richard for their meticulous attention to detail in ensuring all had a memorable evening.

The William of Durham Society held its annual luncheon, and heard a series of insightful presentations on former Master William Beveridge and his place in the British political pantheon. Michael Ward (1968) and History Tutor Benjamin Jackson were more than up to the task of analysing Beveridge the political force in his own time, while the College Archivist Robin Darwall-Smith critically rated Beveridge on his Mastership from a College viewpoint. After a reflective lunch, the Univ Players offered a riveting version of Tom Stoppard's 1982 drama *The Real Thing*.

Young Univ hosted its third event of the year with a London Pub Take Over at the New Rose Pub in Islington. More than 60 OMs joined in the festivities on Election

Night, after they voted of course!

The 2015 Access Lecture was delivered provocatively by Sir Anthony Seldon, Master of Wellington College. His remarks focused on improving social mobility within the British educational system.

The Master's reception at the Univ Boathouse on the final day of Summer VIIIs was held in splendid conditions both for athletes and spectators. More than 120 OMs and their guests joined in and watched the W1 earn blades. This year's edition of the Summer VIIIs Saturday also saw the College's new 1249 Society hold its first welcome event honouring those charter members of this leadership giving recognition vehicle. Minesh Shah (2004) provided an eloquent assessment of why giving to College is both important and personally rewarding.

The Hall was filled with music and insight when Director of Music Giles Underwood and Professor Tiffany Stern, the College's Beaverbrook and Bouverie Tutorial Fellow in English delighted a mixed audience of Old Members and students as they examined the role of the fool in Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*.

The Univ Society Europe held its biennial dinner in Paris in June. The dinner was held in beautiful surroundings at the Army Club on a lovely Summer evening. Ariadne Plaitakis (1995) hosted this gathering and Sara Fyson (1998) spoke of her work with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development.

The second annual Leavers' fundraising reception was hosted by the Master on a temperate day in the Master's Garden. Between drinks and reflections on the past few years, the Leavers heard from Robert Natzler (2011) on what being a Univ Old Member entails.

The College welcomed new trustees Anne Tse (1984) and Kevin Warburton (2003) while bidding a farewell to long time trustees Janet Williams (1979) and Ian Maclennan (1983) at the OMT meeting and dinner in June. The Trustees, the Master, and the College gratefully acknowledged Ian and Janet's selfless service and thoughtful stewardship of the Trust and its School and Student Access Committee (SSAC).

More than 525 Old Members filled to capacity the University Church to participate in the College's public memorial service for the late Bill Sykes, Emeritus Fellow and College Chaplain. The Master's Garden was awash with Old Members who came back to College after the service in order to remininisce with friends and share their memories of this special man and his meaningful impact on their lives.

A country walk led by Oliver Watts (2008), Hugh Upcott-Gill (2008), and Matthew Beer (2008), brought out Young Univ's hearty and hale and served to round out 2014-15.

#### Communications

The College's semi-annual magazine, *The Martlet*, firmly established itself in 2014-15. Its issues featured stories on Old Members in medicine, teaching, literature, banking, law, and industrial science. The Announcements section has quickly become a reader favourite and seems to be ever expanding. Keep your notices and updates on your accomplishments coming. Do not be modest!

In the past year, the College furthered its use of digital communications and video to engage Old Members. The College website is full of interesting stories about students, Fellows, and Old Members. Nearly 40% of Old Members regularly read stories in the bi-monthly E-newsletter, a leading vehicle for keeping up to date on the College, its students, and other Old Members. Beyond these digital vehicles, I strongly encourage you to check out the College's Facebook page and Twitter channels as the College is making an increasing effort to post a regular flow of news and interesting comment there.

Short films featuring the College's celebrations of the 35th Anniversary of Women in Univ, the 95th Birthday of George Cawkwell, the Election Night Special, and the memorial service of Emeritus Fellow and Chaplain, Bill Sykes hopefully showed the College and its values at its best and allowed Old Members from far and wide to feel a part of these special occasions. The College's year end Annual Fund film featuring Percy, the College's tortoise, was a mini internet sensation bringing in substantial donations and hopefully creating some smiles along the way.

#### **Thanks**

I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the University College Development Board and the North American Campaign Committee, led by Mark Yallop (1978) and Alastair Tedford (1977) respectively. I want also to thank the members of the Old Members Trust (OMT), outgoing chairman Ian Graham-Bryce (1954) and incoming chairman John Cummins (1981). The trustees of the OMT and the members of its subcommittees allow the College to lead Oxford in its financial commitments to students in the form of access and financial aid. Finally, I wish to thank the members of the new Young Univ Committee led by Jon Bishop (2003) and Fabienne Morris (2004) for their work to expand our specific outreach with Old Members under the age of 35. These committees have become essential volunteers who thoughtfully raise the College's profile, enhance our engagement of Old Members, and raise vital resources for College. We thank all the members of these committees for their personal commitments of time, expertise, and funds to the College's Development efforts.

Once again I want to acknowledge the excellent, unrivalled support that I receive from my College colleagues. The Master, Senior Tutor, Domestic Bursar, Estates Bursar, Chaplain, and other key staff members along with our Development Committee Fellows are indispensable associates deeply committed to College. Thanks must also go out to the 2014-15 student calling team. It is not an easy job to speak to Old Members you do not know, but this year's callers served with distinction. Their ability to be enthusiastic, genuine, articulate, and good listeners definitely came through as they forged new links with our Old Members and raised £400,000 for College through their conversations.

I am fortunate to work with dedicated and skilled colleagues in the Development Office. Their consistent attention to and care for our Old Members is special and fortunate. This year our Annual Fund was successfully steered by Ms Ruth Lindley, who resolutely stepped in as a one-year maternity cover. The Class of 1965 Golden Anniversary Committee paid Ruth the best compliment by making her an honorary member of their Class, a tribute I cannot surpass.

Thank you to our Old Members for all your continued interest in and care for the College. We hope that you will continue your support, or make 2015-16 the year you reengage with Univ. There are many exciting things going on involving the College, its students, Fellows, and Old Members. I trust that in coming year you will join us at a regional or main site event or virtually online. It would be great to see you. All the best from Kybald House!

William Roth

### The Chalet

### 2015 Chalet Reading Party, 5 to 15 July

All Chalet parties have a unique character but our single 2015 party was made particularly memorable by the celebration of a wedding on the Chalet lawn on Saturday 11 July. There is no record of any such previous event. James and Jen Grice, facing the challenge of an Anglo-American marriage that attracted guests from both sides of the Atlantic, chose to marry in New York but to use the Chalet for a second celebration, largely for



European family and friends, as a mark of their affection for this very special place. It was particularly heart-warming to welcome back, among a guest list of over 60, a large number of previous chaletites and also to have chance to show the Chalet to members of both families.

The day was blessed by the finest Chalet weather. The ceremony was conducted by the Master, demonstrating once again that he could have chosen any one of a number of careers, after which there was a champagne reception. The event was memorable from

many angles, not least for quite the highest standard of dress ever seen at a Chalet party but principally for the joy of sharing in the happiness of James and Jen in their life together. This was a day that will live in the memory for a very long time.

After this it seems somewhat prosaic to revert to the party's usual activities but in fact this was an excellent party. The unusually hot weather threatened our water supply but did not preclude the usual walks. This year saw a return to the valley of the Berard under Mont Buet and on the last walking day most of the party measured up to the challenge of the Jonction. There were three pre-breakfast runs to the village for croissants, all with impressive ascent times. Exploring a newly cleared track behind the Chalet, KLD discovered a new route down to the village and celebrated by returning in a personal best time. An attempt to perform *A Midsummer Night's Dream* after a tiring walking day is probably best glossed over. This year SJG abandoned traditional readings of the Urquhart Memoir in favour of giving previews of sections of his forthcoming history of the Chalet.

Univ continues to manage the fabric of the Chalet on behalf of our sister colleges. This year's achievements were the installation of a de-greasing tank to "green" up our waste disposal, a drying frame in the scullery and the final steel installations to bring the kitchen up to modern catering standard.

Special thanks go to Ben Hall, our Bursar, and Jack Matthews for much DIY. Tom Smith, our junior Univ Trustee, was able to be with us at the beginning and also Grey Johnston. We had the pleasure of the company of Anna Sander, the Balliol Archivist, for the later part of our stay and a visit from the parents of Alex Dickens, a New College leader. These were ten very full days, highly enjoyable and utterly memorable.

# Junior Common Room

The year was a busy one. As a JCR, we celebrated flying the rainbow flag, continued to campaign for Univ to build on its commitment to the Living Wage by achieving full accreditation, and began to look at ways that suspended status students could be given greater support. I am confident that the JCR's gentle but committed activism will continue to see successes (I am particularly hopeful for accreditation in the very near future and I'm sure the JCR would welcome any encouragement from Old Members in this regard). Special mention should go to



Harrison Edmonds, who made an appearance on *Newsnight* to discuss sub fusc, making various BNOC lists in the process.

We have also had an appropriate amount of fun. The Welcome Week committee worked hard to ensure that the Freshers enjoyed ghost tours, football barbecues and the much-beloved toga bop. Our Entz reps, Aaron Simons and Louie Mackee continued to serve us a steady diet of bops, College nights-out, paint balling and more throughout the year. Lauren Gordon led the committee that put together a fantastic 'Not-a-Ball' event, setting the bar very high for Univ Ball 2016. Luckily, our ball president, Chloe Hall, comes to the task with a wealth of experience and an excellent team behind her.

Arts at Univ continue to go from strength to strength. Victory in drama cuppers signalled that the matriculants of 2014 were particularly arty. With the creative types already at Univ they gave us Master's Lodgings concerts, open-mic nights, a universally-acclaimed garden play and a diverse Arts week. Particular thanks should go to creative type-in-chief, Will Yeldham for his direction of the garden play and management of Arts week.

Each member of the JCR executive has contributed to our community. Vicky Olive has managed to find time between all the rowing to be an incredibly efficient VP/Secretary and has been a great help in a number of ways. VP/Treasurer, Louis Grandjouan has helped ease access to everything from barbecues to sports funding. He has represented the JCR adeptly on College committees. Welfare officers Arthur Wolstenholme and Beth MacKenzie have been a source of support to many and immersed themselves in college statute reform for the good of students. Alex Wilson's passion for access work and championing of diversity and inclusiveness in Univ has made her an excellent Access and Equal Opportunities officer. Angus Smith judiciously completed the yearly academic report and has been a committed advocate to the College and University on academic matters. Jonny Taylor and GK Koffler are masters of Excel and very effective Hall and Accommodation officers.

Agatha-Christie Onwuzuruike will navigate the next year with calm and compassion. I can hand the presidency over, confident that she knows exactly what she's doing, and I am excited to see where she and the new committee take us.

Joshua Richards President, Junior Common Room

## Weir Common Room

The Weir Common Room has continued to thrive over this past year, thanks to enthusiastic members and a dynamic committee. It started strong in September 2014 with our now traditional -1 Week Meet & Greet activities, including daily lunch, afternoon tea and pub nights for graduates arriving at College. Welcome Week followed with an even busier programme of induction sessions and social events around Oxford.

The stage was set for a very entertaining year and our team of Social Secretaries certainly did not disappoint. Thursday Grad Bar Night was one of our most popular

weekly gatherings, along with our Sunday Socials. Highlights of this year's calendar included a day-trip to our sister college in Cambridge, Trinity Hall, exchange dinners around Oxford, and a very animated ceilidh in hall.

Thanks to our vice-president and duo of welfare officers, WCR members had the chance to relax with weekly yoga in the common room, develop rock-climbing skills and discover the neighbouring villages of Iffley and Binsey. Welfare events were further improved by initiatives from our new group of peer supporters, including pizza and movie nights, Spongecake Saturdays, and a surprising (and surprisingly well-attended) puppy play day in the Master's Garden.

On the academic front, James Kirkpatrick and Amanda Rojek convened another successful series of Martlet talks in the Master's Lodgings, showcasing WCR members' fascinating research in subjects as varied as Law, Philosophy, Engineering and Medical Sciences. This year also saw the launch of the Graduate Mentor Scheme, a project led by former WCR President Simon Mee. Graduates are now making use of their expertise and further contribute to College life by assisting undergraduates with extra study skills sessions in targeted fields.

Julia Brouard and the Univ Feminism Forum seized the opportunity to mark the 35th anniversary of women at Univ. They were instrumental in the organisation of a great weekend of celebrations, including a formal dinner and talks, to complement the unveiling of the portrait of Helen Cooper in hall.

Finally, Trinity Term saw the completion of a long-awaited project: the refurbishment of our common room. It is now a beautifully cosy and functional place, perfect for all types of WCR events and gatherings from quiet tea breaks to vibrant bops. We will certainly make the most of it for years to come, starting with Welcome Week 2015!

Léticia Villeneuve President, Weir Common Room

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# Former Fellows and JRFs

THE REVEREND WILLIAM (BILL) GEORGE DAVID SYKES (Fellow and Chaplain; 1978–2005) died on 17 January 2015 aged 75. Bill had been spending the Christmas holidays as usual in Switzerland, where he was taken ill, and his condition worsened on his return to England.

As Chaplain of Univ for over a quarter of a century, Bill touched the lives of many members of the College, irrespective of belief or creed. No better sign of the affection in which he was held could be seen than at his memorial service held in the University Church on 26 June, when the church was packed with people who wished to remember him and celebrate his life and work.

Two addresses were given at this service, respectively by Dr Leslie Mitchell, Emeritus Fellow in History, and Dr Steven Parissien (1978). They are reproduced here with the speakers' kind permission.

#### Dr Leslie Mitchell's address:

On one occasion, Bill Sykes was introduced to the Queen Mother. When she heard his name, she was rather startled and said, "Good Heavens, what were your parents thinking of?" What they were thinking of was that the Yorkshire Sykeses had had many Williams among their number, probably before Charles Dickens put pen to paper. Bill, I think, was and remained Yorkshire. Born in Huddersfield and with his first ministry in Bradford, he was apple-cheeked, straight-forward and no frills. Mercifully, the study of the Law at Balliol College did little to change him. He had common sense in bucketfuls and a deep love of most sports, at nearly all of which he was highly, and competitively, proficient. At squash, men a hundred years younger than he would regularly be run into the ground. This was the Bill of very non-C. of E. low-slung, brightly coloured sports cars.

His humour, too, I think, had a North Country edge. He loved the comedy of Al Read and Victoria Wood—Lancashire both I know, but forgiven for that—who observed human foibles and saw the funny side. In the same vein—and perhaps as a concession to the South—he much admired Tony Hancock. A tale of College life might well be prefaced by the humming of the theme-tune to *Hancock's Half Hour*. He was also a mimic of real quality, picking up on the idiosyncrasies of speech as revealing the character of the speaker. His Lady Maud was magnificent, his Archbishop Ramsay superb, and his George Cawkwell a tour de force. I should add quickly that he greatly admired all these people. Best of all, for me, was his Lord Henry d'Ascoigne, the bibulous old bore of a priest from *Kind Hearts and Coronets*. No wonder young people found Bill so approachable, and perhaps those from Yorkshire and the North were immediately on the same wave-length.

If Yorkshire produced him, certain experiences as a young man solidified his character. Before going to Oxford, he was forced to do National Service. He found himself as a very junior officer in the King Edward VII's Own Gurkha Rifles fighting the Communist insurgency in Malaysia. Combat taught him lessons he never forgot. Above all, he acquired a bottomless respect for the Gurkha soldiers he commanded. He saw in them the courage and loyalty that makes men proud. He also saw the trust that one man

might have in another. These qualities were so prized, that, throughout his life, he never lost touch with Nepal and its people. He knew enough of their language to be able to surprise the Nepali community in Oxford in supermarkets. He generously contributed to the support of Gurkha families in Nepal, and he never missed a regimental reunion. It is certainly no coincidence that his main legacy to the College was his Gurkha Kukri. This weapon must be seen to symbolize the proper responses to challenges and dangers; respect, fortitude, selflessness.

From Nepal, Bill went to Nigeria, at a time when that country was being torn apart by civil war over the attempt by the province of Biafra to break away and secure its independence. Here, Bill had an exciting time of it. Running humanitarian supplies across front lines involved encounters with road-blocks manned by nervous and inexperienced soldiers. And he saw the kind of suffering that only civil wars can bring. This experience must have tested faith, but he saw people endure, survive and regroup. In his view, the capacity to endure and a willingness not to ask for too much became part of the prescription for navigating one's way through three score years and ten.

Having seen combat at first hand on two continents, Bill was ideally suited for university life. For some years, he was chaplain to University College London, a difficult parish for any priest, since it had been founded specifically to promote an exclusively secular agenda. He made a great success of it, and in 1978, he was appointed at Univ, which became his life until his retirement in 2005.

What sort of Churchmanship did Bill bring to Oxford? In his letter applying for the job of chaplain, Bill tried to answer this question himself; "As for Churchmanship", he wrote, "whilst valuing the Anglo-Catholic and Evangelical positions, I regard myself as in the Middle". I should add that he went on to say "Although an older applicant, I have some valuable experience behind me and feel that I could be of service to Univ: besides I'm still young at heart". So let's call him Broad Church, the sort of priest a previous generation would have called "a sky-pilot" vicar, who just happened to be there when the fighter planes took off, and who just happened to be there when they returned.

Certainly, he was a clergyman with absolutely no interest in Church politics or appointments. The forms of Church structure didn't matter very much, and nor did personalities or promotions. This 'quietism' carried over into secular life. He rarely spoke at Governing Body Meetings in College, and then only when invited to comment on the progress of a particular undergraduate. He never voted on an issue, as far as I remember. Apparently, he took the same passive, observing stance in meetings of College Chaplains, about several of whom he had doubts. No politician then, and no theologian either. I never heard him talk about Church history, patristics or the niceties of doctrine. Indeed, he was occasionally rebuked by the more Evangelical undergraduate for not showing more enthusiasm in one or more of these areas.

What then did Bill mean by describing himself as being "in the Middle" of the Church of England. Quite simply, it meant being a pastor, and a pastor was one who saw need and went out to meet it. He knew that living was a messy business, and he went out of his way to impress this point on the many, many couples he married. Bill claimed to have three wedding addresses in his repertoire. I only ever heard one. Central to it was an injunction to bride and groom always to remember that each had a spiritual and an earthy side to them. "Earthy" indeed was a favourite adjective. People were hopelessly fallible. Judging them was an unhelpful waste of time. Bill thought that too

many Churchmen talked too much about sin. That made them and their congregations miserable, when in fact knowing the simple and, for Bill, beautiful simplicity of the Christian message should have been productive of the purest kind of pleasure. He would surely have approved Sydney Smith's observation that it was the purpose of the Church of England "to provide sensible views for sensible people" and that "it was wrong to ask people to be more religious than they can reasonably be".

So, totally non-judgmental, no one accepted people as Bill accepted people. If he was wanted, he was there. Confidences were held and problems resolved long before they turned septic. The Chapel was, of course, the centre of his Ministry, and the establishment of its choir will be one of his long-term legacies, but it was by no means the only scene of operations. Bill could be found on the touchline and on the towpath. He attended nearly every dinner and every concert. Before the Freshers came up, Bill knew their faces and their names. Every summer, he led reading and walking parties to the Chalet in the French Alps. For undergraduates, graduates, staff and Fellows, Bill was a quiet and immediate presence. He took on their concerns and brought consolation and practical help. All responded to his crystal-clear integrity. Over the years, he dealt with every conceivable peccadillo and misdemeanour with the possible exception of murder, and that a lesser man might have been driven to committing when faced with the dealings of an academic community.

Of course, his proudest boast would be the invention of Reflection Groups. He might spend twenty hours a week on these. In spite of their name, these were no exercises in Buchmanite self-flagellation. Rather, members of Univ, alone, in pairs, or in groups would be offered a hot drink, a Hob Nob biscuit, and the chance to reflect on the great questions of life. Meditation would be assisted by perusing quotations from those who had pondered these matters in the past. As many of you will know, these selections were gathered up into several books. Astonishing numbers of Univ men and women gratefully took up the offer to join one of these groups, and many of them have spoken of their experiences in them as seminal. It was a technique with wide application. Texans on summer schools found a spirituality in Oxford, which they had not perhaps anticipated. In retirement, Bill lead groups of older people along the same paths.

Being everywhere and knowing everyone, Bill was much admired and the object of great affection. Last Christmas, he announced that he had dramatically cut down his Christmas card list, and would only be sending about 250 cards this year. It seemed that every Saturday between April and October, he would be marrying someone from the College. Here I should record that, when taking bride and groom through the marriage service, he disliked references to "the dreadful day of Judgment". He got round it by assuring the couple that, at that point in the service, he would mumble incoherently. When he was not marrying the Univ Community, he was christening its children or burying its dead. Many people in this congregation will always owe him a debt for one of these services. Crucially too, when graduates left the College to become Old Members, they did not remove themselves from Bill's care.

Towards the beginning of this address, I asked the question "What sort of Churchmanship did Bill exemplify?" A reasonable answer to that question might go as follows. Bill saw Univ as his parish and everyone in the College were his parishioners. It was his job to alleviate pain and distress in their lives, and to promote an acceptance of difficulties as only running parallel to a glorious and improbable joy. So, where should we look for Bill's memorial? Well, let's follow the example of Christopher Wren. He was,

you will remember, buried in the middle of his greatest achievement, St Paul's Cathedral. The epitaph on his tomb reads "Si monumentum requiris, circumspice"—"If you want a monument, look around you"; in other words look at the Cathedral. So, if you want a memorial to Bill, look around you, at the members of this congregation, whose lives he so profoundly touched and influenced. We are, I think, Bill's memorial, a man for whom the practice of his religion was a self-sufficiency.



#### Dr Steven Parissien's Address:

As you all know, Bill was a joyful and a modest man. He was happy in his skin; fully aware of, and comfortable with, his talents and his parameters. And he was wholly without pretention.

Perhaps most significantly, whilst Bill, more than many of us, realised how difficult life could be – his service in the army and his past chaplaincies had taught him that – he steadfastly refused to take himself very seriously.

Dave Whitlam relates how Bill's chapel sermons would, on occasions, go on a little too long, and Bill would begin to repeat some of the same phrases he had used earlier. In which case they already made a pre-arranged pact: with an overt nod of his head, Dave would shift his gaze dramatically down to the choir stalls in front, at which signal Bill would swiftly wrap things up.

In a similar vein, when, having returned to Univ as a graduate, I broke both my legs and turned up to sing at the Christmas carol service on crutches, Bill suggested that, in the midst of his sermon, I should theatrically toss my crutches away and publicly thank the Chaplain for my miraculous deliverance. Sadly, on this occasion I ducked the challenge.

Bill was very well read, but never boasted of it, nor ever sought to label himself as a theologian. His Christianity was not just Broad Church; it embraced every faith, belief, opinion and attitude. Everyone's welfare was his concern, whether or not they believed, or came to chapel. His reflection groups were not arid cockpits for arcane theological debate, but lifeboats for the lost, the distressed, the puzzled or simply the curious.

And Bill deliberately chose to interpret his role at the College in the broadest of senses, reaching out to everyone as a friend and a listener, and seamlessly combining the roles of college companion and impartial observer.

Bill's room thus swiftly became a safe haven in a sea of competition and stress, a refuge to which many of us turned when things were not going well – or even if they were going well; a source of crumpets and sympathy.

Once upon a time, indeed, Bill's room also contained a unique library – many of whose books concealed caches of gin, hidden there so that College secretary Gwynne Ovenstone, who rarely touched anything else, could easily locate appropriate refreshment after the liturgical demands of Evensong. Bill thought of everyone.

Bill was also a man of action, when it was necessary, who could cheerfully dismiss conventions or risks if they stood in the way of achieving something helpful or valuable. When students needed help – as they did almost every day – he acted swiftly and decisively, as well as thoughtfully and compassionately. When my year came up at the same time as Bill, in 1978, to our surprise those of us who had previously sung in church found that Univ had, astonishingly, not hosted a Chapel Choir for over a decade. Peter Brown and I accordingly trooped across to staircase 9 to see Bill; to enlist his support is re-creating a choir. Neither of us knew Bill well at the time – although he, of course, had already memorised all of our names, as was his endearingly professional and hugely impressive habit – and we were uncertain if our appeal would work. Even if it did, we both thought that re-establishing a choir would take a term or two, or even a year. However, Bill's reaction was hugely enthusiastic, and he immediately sprang into action. Two weeks later we were singing in the chapel.

In a similar vein, Bill didn't just talk about publishing; he actually threw himself into it wholeheartedly, ensuring that his books became great popular as well as critical successes. Over the years he published many inspirational and highly accessible anthologies, from 1986's Visions of Faith to 2012's A Yet More Excellent Way, producing far more titles – and winning far larger audiences – than many of his academic colleagues. Compassionate and gentle as he was, Bill could never be described as a mild-mannered preacher. His prowess on the hockey field – and the rugby pitch, and the tennis court – has often been remarked upon. Whilst playing for the Univ Hockey team, though, Bill displayed the enviable gift of being able to foul an opposing player, often comprehensively demolishing his ankles in the process, only to then help the player up with an expression full of such concern and care that the felled player found himself apologising to Bill, rather than the other way round. Calm and collegial in the quad or in the chapel, on the sports field Bill was determinedly, though always engagingly, competitive. He was, in a literal as well as a metaphorical sense, the best sort of muscular Christian.

Bill's rumbustious sporting nature was of course reflected in the cars he bought. Not for him a pious saloon or donnish estate. Down the years, he could be seen at the wheel of a series of racy, rakish sports models, culminating in his deep-throated MGC, which sounded like a Ferrari, was alarmingly low-slung, and which could accelerate from 0 to 60 quicker than, to paraphrase one of Bill's favourite Yorkshire expressions, manure falling off a garden implement.

Most importantly, Bill defined the College. For years he was Univ's moral heart, and an essential component – indeed, perhaps the essential component – in establishing and maintaining the College's unusual equanimity and consistent academic pre-eminence. When dons were reluctant or unwilling to engage with their students' concerns, worries or demons, Bill was always there to listen, to counsel, and if necessary to take supportive action. He was our backstop, our wicket-keeper, and our guide.

Then, and since, envious friends from other colleges have often observed that Bill was unique, and that there was no-one elsewhere in the university who fulfilled such an invaluable role as he.

In many senses, indeed, Bill was Univ. More than anyone else, he helped to make the College a friendly and caring place, one that was consequently able to achieve great academic and sporting success – but whose accomplishments were never attained at the expense of the morale or cohesion of our College community.

Univ has lost an inspiration; we have all lost a friend. And the gap Bill leaves is immense.



PROFESSOR CHRISTINE TEMPLE (Weir Junior Research Fellow; 1984-1986) died on 22 October 2014 aged 56. This obituary appeared on the website of the University of Essex:

"It is with great sadness that the Department of Psychology informs you of the death of Emeritus Professor Christine Temple, who died at St Helena Hospice in Colchester on the 22nd of October. Professor Christine Temple was awarded a Taylor Thomson Bursary by the University of St Andrews and graduated with a First Class honours degree in Psychology, also incorporating two years of study in pure mathematics. Awarded an EAP scholarship to the University of California, she studied at UCLA, graduating with MA

Cognitive Psychology. Returning to the UK for her doctoral work at the University of Oxford, Prof Temple was supported by a Medical Research Council Studentship, and supervised by Prof John Marshall and Dr Freda Newcomb, whose innovative studies of gunshot injured war veterans contributed substantially to the development of the field of cognitive neuropsychology. Awarded a Weir Research Fellowship, at University College, Oxford, Prof Temple's studies of children with developmental disorders, at the MRC Neuropsychology Unit, broadened to incorporate studies of language, literacy and arithmetical disorders. After moving to the University of London, she was progressively Lecturer, Senior Lecturer and Reader in Neuropsychology. She was the youngest recipient in the UK to be awarded a Personal Research Award from the Wolfson Foundation. Professor Christine Temple established the Developmental Neuropsychology Unit that conducts research into developmental and acquired neuropsychological disorders in children. Research grant support has come from the ESRC, Welcome Trust, Nuffield Foundation, Leverhulme Trust, Child Growth Foundation, and the Universities of London and Essex. The Unit moved to Essex, upon Professor Temple's appointment to the Foundation Chair of Psychology and Head of Department. Professor Temple led the development of the department and its research base. From 2004–10, Professor Temple had two three year terms as Pro-Vice Chancellor (Resources) and Pro Vice-Chancellor (Science and Engineering)."

Christine was only our second woman JRF, and left happy memories behind her. *The Record* of 1986 said on her departure: "As a specialist in disordered minds, she has always claimed to find the Senior Common Room particularly interesting. We will miss her wit and good humour."

# Honorary Fellows

DR JOHN ROBERT EVANS, CC OOnt (University of Toronto) died on 13 February 2015 aged 85. John came up to Univ as a Canadian Rhodes Scholar in 1953 to read medicine and was elected an Honorary Fellow of the College in 1991. John was a great supporter and benefactor of the College, but in addition his twin sons Mark and Michael, and son Tim, came up here in 1982 and 1984 respectively, as did his grandson Matthew in 2009. The following obituary to John appeared in the *Toronto Star*:



Playing football for the University of Toronto in the 1950s, John Evans would line up at right tackle, where opponents often confused him for all-Canadian left tackle Fraser Mustard.

When Evans had his jaw broken during a game, he knew the other team had really targeted Mustard, but he didn't begrudge the only other med-school student on the team. In fact, the two became close friends, studying together on train rides to away games—locking themselves in the bathroom for peace—and going on to found McMaster University's Medical School together.

Throughout his life, Evans brought a doctor's compassion for patients to every relationship he had, building up a broad network of friends and supporters. A true renaissance man, his polyvalence extended beyond medicine and athletics, taking him to the heights of academia, business and technology.

Following complications with Parkinson's disease, Evans passed away in Toronto Friday morning. He was 85.

"Few people had the breadth of experience he had, not to mention the impact," said Torstar president David Holland, who sat on the board of the Star's parent company while Evans was chair from 1993–2005. "It didn't matter who you were, he treated you really well. He was just that kind of person."

Evans' remarkable amount of positive energy made him a natural collaborator. By bringing people together he was able to forge unlikely alliances and revolutionize orthodoxies in pedagogy and biotechnology.

John Robert Evans was born in Toronto in 1929, the youngest of seven children. Both his parents died before he was 10 and he was raised by his older siblings. A gifted student, he attended the prestigious University of Toronto Schools and then U of T, before being named a Rhodes Scholar and becoming certified as a cardiologist at Oxford University.

As a young man, he had a keen sense of adventure—hitchhiking through post-war Italy—and civic duty, working on an ambulance crew in New York City.

When he was only 35, he was asked to start a new medical school in Hamilton and rather than replicating the other schools around the country, he created an entirely new model. Instead of having students learn anatomy by rote, he introduced them to real patients in their first semester and had them research diagnosis and treatment.

"He was the driving force behind a remarkable revolution in medical education," said John Kelton, the current Dean of the Michael G. DeGroote Medical School at McMaster University. "He was just decades ahead of others in education."

The "McMaster model" is now hailed as one of the greatest innovations in medicine and widely imitated around the world.

Shortly afterward, Evan's *alma mater* came calling and he returned to U of T as its president.

"Dr. Evans' legacy extends beyond U of T and will endure for generations. He made a profound impact on the advancement of Canadian medical education and higher education, on Canada's capacity for world-leading research and innovation, and on public policy and philanthropy in Canada and abroad," said U of T's current president Meric Gertler in a statement.

In 1978, Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau's popularity was tanking and there were open musings about Evans becoming his successor. Coaxed into running in a by-election in Rosedale, Evans suffered one of the few setbacks in his life when he was defeated, along with 13 of the 15 Liberals running in by elections that night.

He then turned his focus outside the country's borders and moved to Washington, D.C. to set up the World Bank's Population, Health, and Nutrition branch, pushing the institution into the previously overlooked field of public health. Later he was tapped to become chairman of the Rockefeller Foundation, the first Canadian to head the quintessentially American institution.

Upon his return to Canada in the 1990s, he became chair of Allelix, one of Canada's first biotechnology companies, and took it public. He later chaired Torstar and Alcan Aluminum at the same time.

"The Star was a big part of his life," said his daughter, Gill. "He enjoyed his time there...and he met some incredible people through the Star."

Recognizing his abilities and his contacts across the spectrum of medicine, business and philanthropy, then Prime Minister Jean Chrétien asked Evans to establish the Canadian Foundation for Innovation. Shortly afterward he was tasked with setting up an innovation hub in Toronto, which later came to be known as MaRS.

Then U of T President Rob Prichard, who was a first year undergraduate in 1972 when he first met Evans, recalled when the former president walked into his office to ask for his support for MaRS.

"Will I support John Evans? Well, that's a pretty short conversation. Yes sir!" he said. "Evans was the most gifted and talented person of his generation who made extensive contributions to medical education, public health, higher education, innovation, governance and public service both in Canada and internationally," Prichard said. "He spent his entire life serving, using his abundant talent to make the world better."

Dr. Evans is a member of the Canadian Business Hall of Fame, the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame as well as U of T's Sports Hall of Fame. He is a Companion of the Order of Canada, Member of the Order of Ontario, Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Canada, Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (London), Master of the American College of Physicians and Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

Evans and his wife, Gay, raised six children, including twins Mike and Mark, who won gold for Canada in rowing at the 1984 Olympic Games, Gill, Derek, Willa and Tim, who now heads the public health division at the World Bank his father founded.

SUE HAMMERSON died on 15 May 2014 aged 99. Sue came to know Univ through Lord Goodman, our Master from 1976–86, whom she met thanks to their shared interest in and support for English National Opera, and in 1979 she generously gave the College shares in the Hammerson Property and Investment Trust Ltd., in order to support Brian Loughman's post as a tutorial Fellow. She was elected to an Honorary Fellowship in 1987—the first woman Honorary Fellow of Univ. The following tribute was delivered at her funeral by Rabbi Dame Julia Neuberger. We are very grateful to Sue's daughter, Patricia Beecham, for providing it:



Sue Hammerson died on Thursday at the ripe old age of 99, a couple of months short of her 100th birthday.

Her parents were Jack and Susannah Waterman, both born in Holland, who arrived in London—as did so many others from Holland and Germany, as well as from Russia and Poland and Eastern Europe more generally—in the early years of the 20th Century. They met and married here, and on the 11 August 1914, Jack and Susannah Waterman welcomed their youngest child into the world, just as the First World War was beginning. She was born Sarah, but she was always known as Sue, and she and the only other surviving child, Maurice, remained very close all their lives. When she was 19, she met "the man of her dreams", as Patricia described him, Lew Hammerson, at the Hillside Tennis Club. Sue and Lew were married on 6 March 1938. Their three children, David, Patricia and Peter were born three, five and seven years later respectively. She was a devoted and loving wife and mother and they had 20 blissfully happy years together.

But tragedy struck. Her beloved Lew died in 1958 at the shockingly young age of 42. Sue was shocked and distraught. But she was also a real trooper, a coper. After the immense shock of losing her husband so young, and having to reorganise her life as a single parent with three teenage children, she picked herself up, dusted herself down and threw herself into her future life of what was to be an endless quest to look after people less fortunate than herself. And that's, of course, how most of us, beyond her family, remember her. In 1959, just a year after Lew's death, she started to raise funds for the Old People's Home to be built in his memory, Hammerson House. She did this with charm, grace, fortitude and huge strength of purpose. In 1961, the foundation stone of Hammerson was laid by the then Lord Mayor of London, Sir Bernard Waley-Cohen. She'd have been delighted to know, as she so remembered that day, that some of his children and grandchildren are members of her beloved West London Synagogue. The Home opened its doors in July 1962 and welcomed its first resident straight away. Sue stayed closely involved. She organised legendary fundraising dinners for the home, she visited, she checked, she kept a keen eye. And all this whilst she was doing a myriad of other things. For she was an enormously hospitable woman, as well as a deeply generous one. Her legendary hospitality was known far beyond the UK for the fabulous barbecue parties she hosted at her home in Lancaster House for an amazing twelve hundred people.

She gave generously to all charities and almost never refused a request for a donation, large or small. She was the Treasurer and a President of Queen Mary's London Needlework Guild, where she worked tirelessly and used to have tea twice a year with

Her Majesty the Queen Mother. She—together with Lew—was a significant benefactor of Norwood, Ravenswood, Jewish Care, and of course Nightingale House. Amongst other causes, she was also a very generous benefactor of the Royal Academy of Arts, the National Theatre, Glyndebourne, the ENO, the Barbican Arts Centre, the Royal Opera House, the Royal Albert Hall, not to mention a number of educational and medical research establishments and trusts! She was astonishing.

She was awarded the OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in 1981 for her services to charity, and in 2009 she was awarded the CBE in the New Year's Honours List for her services to the Arts. In 1982, she was also the proud recipient of the Freedom of the City of London, and she became an Officer of the Order of St. John that year as well. She raised and donated a substantial amount of money for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, and, in recognition of all she'd done, the Duke of Edinburgh invited her to the Palace to present the Awards with him. To add to that, she was a member of the Gardeners' Livery Company and the United Wards Club, as well as an Honorary Member of the Estates Golfing Society which her late husband Lew had founded just before he died.

Hers was an immensely full and active and generous life, making a huge difference to countless people, benefitting innumerable institutions great and small, Jewish and non-Jewish. But, apart from all that, the special loves of her life, beyond family and friends, who remained important to her till the end, were music and all the fine arts. For over 40 years she attended the opera at Verona. She was always dressed immaculately, despite 40 degrees of searing heat, in a long gown and beautiful jewels. She travelled extensively to all corners of the world and would never refuse an invitation to a party, whether it was a family wedding in New Zealand or a Bar Mitzvah in Los Angeles. She was always the brightest, most dazzling and glamorous guest at any party. And certainly as a child I just remember seeing her very occasionally and being bowled over by her astonishing elegance and presence. She was indomitable! For her 90th birthday, she took the family, and a dozen of her closest friends, for an unforgettable 7-day party to Lake Garda. And on the actual night of her birthday she was dancing until well past midnight!

But it wasn't all parties. She remained immensely close to her one surviving brother Maurice, and when Maurice's wife died, he went to live in Hammerson House. She went there in her wheelchair every Sunday, week in week out, to have lunch with him. That was the kind of woman she was. She loved her family—and they loved her—and she had carers for a long time at the end, and they too grew to love her, and she was devoted to the wonderful Zelia, who has been with her for 33 years. She was loveable, kind and always had a smile. Even in these last few years she had days of being alert and recognising family and friends, and she showed affection to one and all.

Her warmth and the charm of her smile were infectious. And that remained to the end. Her eyes sparkled as they had done earlier in life, and you could see how she had been when a little younger—utterly gregarious, loving people, loving partying, and loving showing hospitality to all comers. She never had a bad word to say about anybody and the doors of her home were always open to welcome everyone. She was an inspiration to all who came into contact with her and her enormous contribution to society—and to the Jewish community in particular—will be a lasting legacy. What she has done in her long life is a fitting memorial to her. It is what she would want to be remembered for, and she will be. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends. But her life was a brilliant

one, and one which, despite her early widowhood, she used to full advantage. She has without doubt left this world a better place than when she came into it, and she will be remembered for her righteous deeds—her works are her memorial. May she rest in peace.

PROFESSOR MARTIN LITCHFIELD WEST died suddenly on 13 July 2015 aged 77. News of this tremendous loss reached us just as the *Record* was being prepared for publication. Martin read Classics at Balliol, and was a Junior Research Fellow at St. John's College, before coming to Univ in 1963 to work alongside Freddie Wells in his last years. In 1974 Martin left us to become Professor of Greek at Bedford College, London (later Royal Holloway and



Bedford New College), but in 1991 he returned to Oxford as a Senior Research Fellow at All Souls, retiring in 2004. He was elected an Honorary Fellow of Univ in 2001.

Throughout his life Martin published extensively on many aspects of ancient Greek language, literature, and even music. In particular, he produced major editions of the works of Hesiod, and of many of the fragments of early Greek verse which are all that survive from that time. He also served as Editor of Liddell and Scott's Greek-English Lexicon from 1965–81. In 2000 he had produced a new edition of the *Iliad*, and was working on a new edition of the *Odyssey*. He also took an interest in the early history of Zoroastrianism.

Undoubtedly Martin was one of the most significant scholars in any discipline to have been a Fellow of this College, and his work was recognised when he was appointed to the Order of Merit in the New Year's Honours List of 2014. He is one of only three members of Univ who have so far been thus honoured.

Martin was a regular visitor to Univ, regularly attending College feasts, and he will be much missed by his friends, colleagues, and former pupils.

A full tribute to Martin will appear in next year's issue of the Record. For now, Professor Christopher Pelling, Martin's successor as Classics Fellow at Univ, writes:

"Martin West has been a colossus of classical scholarship. His first book, a commentary on Hesiod's Theogony (1966), already showed a staggering grasp of Near Eastern mythology and literature as well as Greek, and that eye to the Near East has continued to be a hallmark of his work: his East Face of Helicon (1997) magisterially brought together the arguments for eastern influence and his Indo-European Poetry and Myth (2007) the implications for the culture that they inherited. But his work has many other hallmarks too: classic works on Greek music, metre, and textual criticism; standard editions of Homer, Aeschylus, and the iambic and elegiac poets; penetrating and controversial analyses of how the Homeric poems were put together. His work often shows the same dry and whacky sense of humour as the man himself, particularly in the prefaces to his fifteen books: this is after all a man who wrote the minutes of his final Univ governing body meeting in elegant verse. He was a worthy recipient of the Balzan Prize for Classical Antiquity (2000), the Kenyon Medal of the British Academy (2002), and finally the signal honour in the 2014 New Year's Honours List of the Order of Merit. He and his productions will leave a lasting impact on anyone who has encountered them. Our deepest sympathy goes to Stephanie and their children."

## Old Members

The Old Members Obituaries section of this issue of *The Record* is substantially longer than usual. This is because Frances Lawrence, who in spite of officially being retired, still comes and helps out in the Development Office, has been searching for our 'lost' Old Members. Sadly, Frances found more than once that an Old Member was now lost for ever, but it has meant that we have been able at last officially to record their passing. We are very grateful to Frances and to Dr Robin Darwall-Smith, College Archivist, for all their help in bringing a conclusion to so many unfinished stories.

#### 1934

ALAN ERIC PHILLIPS (St. Dunstan's Catford) died on 24 November 2014 aged 99. Alan had read History st Univ, where he became a scholar. Having achieved a First in his Finals, Alan worked for the *Financial Times*, and then *The Times*. He later became a civil servant, working for the Ministry of Works and then the Department of the Environment.



#### 1936

LAURENCE PICKFORD (King's School, Chester) died on 12 December 2014, just six days before his 97th birthday. He came up to read Classics at Univ, but went down in 1939 to join the British Army. Having served as a Captain in the RA, he came back to Univ in January 1946 to complete his degree, getting a Distinction in a special war course. He then taught Classics and English at Rose Hill Preparatory School, and eventually became Principal of Ashbrooke House Preparatory School, before he retired in 1989. He was very proud of his MA (Oxon) and had many happy memories of his Oxford days. He had memorised and was able to recite the Grace said in Hall, and used to perform this for the family on special occasions, the last one being for his diamond wedding anniversary.

RICHARD HERON WALLER (Rugby) died in 2005 aged 87. He read Geography at Univ. At the start of the Second World War, he was serving with the Indian Army on the North West frontier, but in 1941 he trained as a pilot, and was badly wounded in 1944. After the war, he worked for the British Council and then the United Nations, being based in Rome for a while. In 1961 he qualified as a teacher, and taught in Uganda and India. From 1970-2 he worked for the WWF on Project Tiger, and then worked as a freelance leader of wildlife conservation tours in India, Ethiopia and Zimbabwe. In later years he ran an organic smallholding in Chagford, Devon.

## 1937

WILLIAM COURTNEY HAMILTON PRENTICE (Swarthmore College) died on 28 July 2013 shortly before his 98th birthday. He came up to Univ as a Rhodes Scholar to read English, and then returned to the USA, where he studied Psychology at Harvard. Having worked in the National Defense Research Committee during the Second World War, he had a variety of teaching posts, including at the University of Vermont, the College

of William & Mary, and Johns Hopkins University, before returning to Swarthmore College, where he served as Dean from 1956-62. He was then President of Wheaton College, Norton MA, from 1962-75, and then President of the Bryant & Stratton Business Institute (now Bryant & Stratton College) from 1974-84. He was awarded honorary degrees from Swarthmore, Stonehill, Wheaton, and Hartwick Colleges, and South-eastern Massachusetts University. He served on the Board of Managers of Swarthmore College from 1978–82 and was a Trustee at Hartwick College from 1980-89. He also published extensively on psychology.

#### 1938

HIS HONOUR JUDGE EVELYN FAITHFULL MONIER-WILLIAMS (Charterhouse). As this year's *Record* was being prepared for publication, the sad news arrived that Evelyn Monier-Williams died on 30 June 2015 aged 95. A full obituary will appear in the next issue.

#### 1939

DONALD HARDWICK BURROW (Denstone) died on 25 September 2003 aged 82. Having come up to Univ in 1939, he went down for war service the following summer. He served in the army during the war, and decided to remain in it at its end, choosing not to resume his university career. He became an officer in the Royal Northumberland Fusiliers, and later worked as a farmer in South Africa, where he died. He was also a keen cricketer, playing for Northumberland in 1947.

## 1940

DOUGLAS WILLIAM BRAVEY (Christ's Hospital) died in 1999 aged 78. He came up to Univ to read Chemistry, but left in 1942 to join up, working with the Ministry of Supplies. He did not return after the war to complete his course, and lost touch with the College in later life.

## 1941

ALWYN HARRY FOX (Roundhay School, Leeds) died on 23 December 2002 aged 79. He came up to Univ to read Chemistry, and therefore remained in Oxford throughout the war. Having worked for a while for the Wool Industries Research Association in Leeds, he then moved to the USA, where he worked in the Departments of Chemistry at Cornell University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He later returned to Britain, spending his last years in Eastbourne.

BASIL WILLIAM HAINING (Wirral GS) died on 15 January 2010 aged 86. He served in the war as a Flight Lieutenant with the RAFVR, and then returned to Univ to read History. He then had a varied career as a Personnel Manager, working for Pfizer and Alfred Bird & Sons, before becoming Vice-President (Personnel) of American Express.

#### 1942

JOHN CHALIE SKRINE AINLEY-WALKER (Shrewsbury) died on 12 December 2014 aged 90. He was the son of Ernest Ainley-Walker, who had been Univ's first Fellow in Medicine, and he followed his father in reading Medicine himself, eventually becoming a consultant anaesthetist. He became a Fellow both of the Royal College of Anaesthetists and of the Royal College of Surgeons.

STEFAN GAVELL (ORIGINALLY GAWEL) (Krakow University) died on 7 August 2013 aged 97. Having studied at Krakow before the war, Stefan served in the Polish Air Force. On the invasion of Poland, he made his way to France via the Middle East, where he



joined the French Air Force, and then, on the fall of France, escaped to Britain and joined the RAF. He was wounded in action, and released from military service, after which he came up to Univ to read PPE, staying on after his Finals to read for a B Litt. He was JCR President in 1944/5 (the first non-native English speaker to be elected to this post). He later emigrated to the USA, where he worked for the United Nations for thirty years, mainly for the Food and Agriculture Organization, in the USA and Italy. He also established the Quo-Vadis Gavell Family Foundation, which provides scholarships and medical assistance for children in Poland.

JOHN STUART JACKSON (Manchester GS) died on 29 September 2014 aged 90. Having come up briefly during the war, he became a captain in the army, before returning to Univ to read History. He worked for the Yorkshire Rural Community Council and then the Community Council of Lancashire, of which he later became Director.

CHRISTOPHER (KIT) BERKELEY WYNN PARRY (Eton) died on 24 February 2015 aged 90. Kit Wynn Parry read Medicine at Univ during the Second World War, and then specialised in rehabilitation, working with injured servicemen at RAF Chessington and RAF Headley Court. During this time he expanded the range of treatable conditions from simple fractures to head injuries and severe neurological damage. He was awarded an MBE for this work in 1954. In 1975 he left the RAF, and became director of rehabilitation at the National Orthopaedic Hospital at Stanmore, where he remained until his retirement

Kit, however, had another life: he had a lifelong love of music, and became friends with the conductor Sir Charles Mackerras. Through this friendship, he began to advise professional musicians about their injuries, especially to their hands. Among the musicians whom he helped were the guitarist John Williams and the pianist Alfred Brendel. This work culminated in the publication of his book *The Musician's Hand* in 1998.



On his retirement, he helped establish the British Association of Performing Arts Medicine (BAPAM), which set up clinics all over the country. From their work, he was able to show that, from a study of more than 1,000 musicians, almost 40% suffered some sort of pain. He also played an important role in the development of the Royal College of Music's Centre for Performance Science. In honour of his work with musicians, Kit was made an honorary member of the Royal College of Music in 2011. His cousin Lord Moynihan came up to Univ in 1974.

#### 1943

KENNETH FRANK BAINTON (Devonport High School) died in 2003 in his mideighties. Having read Physics at Univ, he went on to work in the GEC Research Laboratories at Wembley and then became a Senior Experimental Officer at AERE Harwell.

WILLIAM DONALD MERRISON BROWN (Wakefield GS) died in 1991 in Dorset aged 67. He came up to Univ as a Freeston Scholar, and having served in Burma, India, and Thailand during the war, returned to Oxford to read Classics. He later taught in a prep school.

WILLIAM JOHN EALES (Laymer High School) died in 1978 aged 53. He came up to Univ as a Navy cadet, and having served as a lieutenant in the RNVR, he returned to read English. Under the name Jonathan Eales he published two novels, *The Lighted Room* (1960) and *A Cup of Kindness* (1961).

JOHN DAVID FRANCIS MARSH (Wellington College) died on 25 March 2015 aged 90. Sadly, news of John's death reached us just as this *Record* was being published; we will therefore include a fuller tribute to John in next year's issue.

JOHN STANLEY KEATES (Wallasey GS) died on 10 September 1999 aged 73. Having served in the war as a Leading Seaman in the navy, he came back to Univ to read Geography. He first worked in publishing as a cartographic editor for OUP and for Penguin, where he edited the *Penguin Atlas of the World*, but in 1960 he was appointed a Lecturer in Geography at the University of Glasgow, where he remained until his retirement in 1991. There he played a leading role in establishing the study of cartography as a subject of study, both as a researcher and a teacher. In particular, his two major books, *Cartographic Design and Production* (1973) and *Understanding Maps* (1982) won him an international reputation in the field. He was awarded an OBE in 1979, and received the British Cartographic Society Gold Medal in 1988.

NORMAN EATON STEVENSON (Wakefield GS) died in 2000. He served in the war in the RNVR, before returning to Univ, first to read Modern Languages and then Geography. He later became the senior Geography master at Southchurch High School in Southend-on-Sea.

#### 1944

WILLIAM (BILL) GEORGE DEWHURST (King's College, Taunton) died on 28 April 2001 aged 74. He read Anatomy and Physiology at Univ, and then completed his medical training in London. Having served with the RAMC during the Korean War, he developed an interest in psychiatry and moved to the Maudsley Hospital. In 1969 he moved to the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Alberta. He was appointed chair there in 1975, a position he held until his retirement in 1990. In Canada, Bill continued to carry out research in neurochemistry, and served variously as President of the Alberta Psychiatric Association, the Canadian Psychiatric Association and the Canadian College of Neuropsychopharmacology (CCNP). In 1993, he received the CCNP Medal.

ROBERT GEORGE OTTER (Marlborough) died on 11 February 2015 aged 89, following a fall. Robert, also known as Bob or Robin, came up to Univ as a Navy cadet during the war, before serving as a Sub-Lieutenant in the Far East on a mine-sweeper. He returned to Oxford in 1947 to read Chemistry, staying on for a further year to study on the Colonial Course. He then worked for the Colonial Service in Kenya during the 1950s, where he was mentioned in despatches during the Mao Mao struggles, and married the High Commissioner's daughter. In 1962 he returned to England, and worked as a solicitor in



Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, where he lived for the rest of his life, devoting himself to many local causes. In particular, he was a Friend of Tewkesbury Abbey, where he regularly worshipped, a governor of at least two local schools, one of the founders of the Gloucester Cattle Society and a member of the Rare Breeds Survival Trust. He and his wife also joined the Military and Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem. (We are very grateful to Robert's daughter Lisette for supplying the information for this obituary.)

#### 1945

ALAN MORTON PRESTON (Marlborough) died in May 2005 around the time of his 78th birthday. He read Agriculture at Univ, and became an Agricultural Adviser for J. Bibby & Sons, Liverpool.

JEFFREY RICHARD WILKINS (Ashby-de-la-Zouch GS) died in 1977 aged around 50. He read Chemistry at Univ, but lost touch with us on going down.

## 1946

CHRISTOPHER BRYAN HOLDEN BARFORD (Dover College) died on 16 January 2015 shortly before his 90th birthday. He read PPE. During the war he had served as a sub-lieutenant in the RNVR. He worked for BEA from the 1950s to the 1970s, but from 1982 became a National Trust Administrator.



ALISTAIR MATTHEW STEPHEN (South African College School: University of Cape Town) died on 8 November 2014 aged 92. He came up to Univ as a Rhodes Scholar to read Chemistry, but also captained the College's Cricket team. He returned to South Africa to become a Lecturer at the University of Cape Town in 1951, and was appointed Professor of Organic Chemistry there in 1962. On his retirement in 1987, he was appointed an Emeritus Professor and Life Fellow there.



DESMOND HARPER TAYLOR (Peter Symonds School and King's College, University of Durham) died in 1999 aged 76. He came to Univ to study for a Colonial Course. He later worked as an Administrative Secretary in the Department of Agriculture at Basutoland, and in 1974 became the Director of Community and Rural Development in Lesotho. He was awarded an MBE in 1961 and an OBE in 1974.

#### 1947

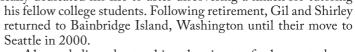
OLIVER CECIL CRONSHAW (Clifton) died on 7 July 2014 aged 92. Having served in the RAF during the Second World War, and been awarded a DFC he came up to Univ to read History. On leaving Univ he worked for ICI until his retirement in 1983.

GILBERT PIERCE HAIGHT (Stanford and Princeton) died on 27 April 2015 aged 92. He came up to Univ as a Rhodes Scholar to read Politics. This is a shortened obituary from the *New York Times* of 30 April 2015:

Known to family and friends as "Gil", Dr. Haight spent his professional life as a professor of chemistry, exploring and perfecting the delivery of scientific education to college students in a career that spanned the globe.

Born in Seattle on June 8, 1922, Haight spent his early years on Bainbridge Island. The grandson of island pioneer Warren Gazzam, young Gil grew up in his grandfather's house, "Alabama", on the west side of Bainbridge Island. Gazzam. Gil's father, Gilbert P. Haight, Sr., was an attorney; his mother, Ruth Gazzam Haight, was a Christian Science practitioner.

Gil graduated from Bainbridge High School in 1939, attended Stanford University as an undergraduate, then Princeton University where he received his PhD in chemistry in 1946. Haight worked on the Manhattan Project during the war as part of his PhD research. His avowed interest in chemistry originated in order to avoid becoming a teacher, which he ironically dedicated his life to after discovering a knack for tutoring



Always dedicated to teaching chemistry to freshman students, Haight ultimately pioneered the blending of multimedia and television into lectures and labs. He also mixed humour and explosive demonstrations as part of his famous Christmas lectures.

Haight was both a scientist and a very funny man, mixing humour into his teachings and daily life. A master of puns, he was happiest when eliciting an extended groan from those in his company. When he wasn't teaching, he could most often be found on the tennis court where his unorthodox game drove his opponents crazy.

He will be fondly remembered.

MARTIN OSBERT MACONACHIE (Winchester) died on 10 April 2014 aged 89. Having served in the Coldstream Guards Armoured Division, and been wounded in Europe, he read PPE at Univ for one year before transferring to a Colonial Service training course. He went to Nigeria in 1948, becoming District Officer in the Northern Region (Benue Plateau and Kano Provinces), and Senior Assistant Secretary in the office of the Premier of the Northern Region in 1958-60 and of the Prime Minister of the Federation in 1960-2. He resigned in 1962 and joined the Security Service (MI5). He served in the counter-subversion, counter-espionage and personnel management branches, and was awarded a CBE in 1984. In 1985 he resigned as a Senior Assistant Director to look after his seriously ill wife Evelyne, who died in November. For the next 11 years he worked for charities for blind and partially sighted people. He was a reader and editor for the Talking Newspaper Association of the UK at its headquarters in Heathfield, and organiser of the Bexhill branch of the East Sussex Association for the Blind. He was also Chairman of the Association for four of those years. In 1995 he married his second wife Vera, who was registered blind and whom he had met whilst swimming with a group of E.S.A.B. swimmers. They retired to Eastbourne where she died in 2005. He is survived by Simon and Amanda, the son and daughter of his first marriage. His father Sir Richard Maconachie came up to Univ in 1903. (We are very grateful to Martin's daughter Amanda for providing the information for this obituary.)

TIMOTHY DACRES OLIVIER (Harrow) died at Salisbury in September 1971 aged 46. He came up to read PPE, but went down after a couple of terms to become a farmer.

ANDREW BRIAN PORTER (Diocesan College, Rondebosch) died on 2 April 2015 aged 86. He read English at Univ, while also serving as our Organ Scholar, before enjoying a career as one of the most eminent music critics of his generation. The following obituary by Garry Humphreys appeared in the *Independent* on 10 April 2015:

"Music critic" seems a wholly inadequate term with which to describe Andrew Porter, who has died in London aged 86. He called himself a "writer on music"—which encompassed reviews, articles, librettos, opera translations, and much more.



In *The New Yorker* magazine—where Porter was music critic from 1972–92—Alex Ross, author of *The Rest is Noise*, called him "the most formidable classical-music critic of the late 20th century." He goes on to say that "pace George Bernard Shaw and Virgil Thomson, [he] may have been the finest practitioner of this unsystematic art in the history of the English language". Thomson himself, the American composer and critic, once said of Porter, "Never before has *The New Yorker* had access through music to so distinguished a mind."

His elegant style, profound erudition and comprehensive knowledge of matters both musical and non-musical made him an awe-inspiring figure who was able to discuss a work in its musical, historical and social context—a discussion that often occupied so large a part of his writing that a comment on the actual performance and its performers was sometimes almost a footnote at the end.

"Musicians delight in sharing their discoveries and enthusiasm," Porter once wrote; "performers champion works they love. And one of the rewards of a music critic's life is being able to share delight with more than an immediate circle of acquaintances."

Andrew Brian Porter was born in Cape Town, South Africa, where his father was a dentist. His English mother had considered becoming a professional singer, but gave up the idea on marriage. While still at school in Rondebosch, he was enlisted by the conductor and composer Albert Coates—who had worked with Skryabin and had been a disciple of Arthur Nikisch—to accompany rehearsals and play continuo in Bach's *B minor Mass*. In 1947 he came to England to study English at Oxford, and was organ scholar of University College. In 1949 he contributed music criticism to the (then) *Manchester Guardian* and, in 1951, to *The Times*.

On settling in London, he came under the influence of Desmond Shawe-Taylor, music critic of *The New Statesman*, and often deputised for him, and Alec Robertson, who invited him to broadcast on the BBC Third Programme. From his time at Oxford onwards, he spent his vacations abroad, listening to operas in Germany, France, Austria and Italy—a habit that continued throughout his life.

In 1952 he was invited to join the *Financial Times* as its first music critic and he stayed for 20 years. As well as this, he was, from 1960-7, editor of *The Musical Times*, a period which his successor, Stanley Sadie, called "one of the journal's finest hours. During this period of Andrew Porter's editorship it has increased not only in its size and circulation, but also in its influence, its literacy, and its adventurousness".

He also wrote regularly for *Opera* magazine—becoming associate editor, then a member of the editorial board—and for *Gramophone*.

In 1972 Porter began his 20-year stint with *The New Yorker* and was able in due course to publish, between 1974 and 1991, five volumes of his writings for it. He preferred praise to blame, always looking to find the best in people, but did not mince his words, on one occasion referring to a performance by the revered pianist Vladimir Horowitz as "grotesque", and of Schumann's *Carnaval* as "clattery and eccentric". He concluded: "*The Book of the Piano* says of Horowitz that 'even at his most provocative and controversial, he compels his critics to suspend judgment, listen, and marvel.' Not this time."

On another occasion, a man with more than a passing resemblance to Porter was beaten up in the lobby of La Scala, Milan, by supporters of the Turkish soprano Leyla Gencer, in revenge for some adverse criticism Porter had written of her. "I'm not Andrew Porter! I'm not Andrew Porter!" the unfortunate lookalike protested.

Perhaps rather unfashionably for the time, Porter thought that opera should be sung in the language of the audience. His written prose had a musical quality which served him well for his English-singing translations of operas, of which there were more than 30—from the original French, German and Italian—the most widely celebrated of which is perhaps Wagner's *Ring* cycle, triumphantly performed and recorded by the English National Opera, conducted by Reginald Goodall. He also translated Schoenberg's *Pierrot Lunaire*. "I always try to translate in a way that sings," he told an interviewer in 1988.

He also discovered in the Paris Opéra library the original full version of Verdi's *Don Carlos*, by his own account adding about an hour of music that had been deleted by the composer, after rehearsals for the premiere in 1867 had indicated that it would be far too long. The excised passages had been bodily cut from the autograph and from the conducting score, but finding intact choral and orchestral parts allowed the missing material—long thought lost—to be reassembled.

Although the core of his musical interests was 18th- and 19th-century opera, his knowledge was all-encompassing: Boulez, Birtwistle, Philip Glass, Roger Sessions and Elliott Carter at various times preoccupied him, and he wrote original librettos for *The Tempest* (John Eaton, 1985) and *The Song of Majnun* (Bright Sheng, 1992).

He tried his hand at directing operas—by Handel, Mozart and Verdi. He had an appreciation of everything visual. Reserved and private, but acutely observant, Porter spent hours watching the wildlife at his Italian country home.

He is survived by his younger sister, Sheila.

#### 1948

CHARLES PETER SHERIDAN DENCHFIELD (Bexhill County School) died on 6 January 2015 aged 88. Having served in the army during the war (he later became a member of the Hon. Artillery Company), he came up to Univ to read History. He then had a career in industry, working as sales manager for the United Glass Bottle Manufacturers, and then as a sales director for Index Printers, before finally working for Ben Johnson & Co. He also served as Chairman of the Central London Branch of the Institute of Marketing.

**PETER EDWIN TUCKER** (The Blue School, Wells) died on 12 September 2014 aged 88. He read English at Univ, before becoming a professional librarian. Having worked at the University Libraries at Liverpool and Leeds, he then became the first Librarian at the University of Warwick in 1963, and stayed here until his retirement in 1989.

#### 1949

ANSON SEATON YVON DE VILLERAY BABER (Wesley College, Belize) died on 20 February 2008 aged 80. He came up to Univ as a Colonial Scholar to read Law. Having returned to Belize, he then migrated to the USA, where he remained for the rest of his life. He held posts at St. Louis University and McKendree College, Illinois.

WALTER PATRICK JACKSON (Huddersfield College) died on 7 November 2014 aged 85. Pat Jackson read History at Univ, having done his National Service in the RAF. After working for John Lewis from 1952-67, he joined the Civil Service, first at the Department of Environment and Transport, and then at the Department of Transport, where he served as Under-Secretary. He was appointed a CB in 1987. In retirement, he wrote four biographies; The Last of the Whigs: a life of Lord Hartington (1994); Education Act Forster (1997); Harcourt and Son (2004); and Morley of Blackburn (2012). He also edited the diaries of Lewis Harcourt and wrote articles and entries for the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography. He donated copies of all his books to the College Library and was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society in 2001. He was married to Kate (who died with him) and is survived by

his daughter Katharine and his son Robert (1977). We are grateful to Robert for supplying the information for this tribute.

His Univ contemporary and friend Kim Medley (1949) writes: "It was a great privilege to have been a friend of Pat. He was a man of enormous character who made his life by his own effort. He came to Univ through ability and scholarship. Articulate and opinionated, he was prominent in all the hard fought and friendly arguments that took place across the scholars' table. He was an enthusiast for music, the arts and the good things of life and this made him a wonderful companion. After Oxford he rose rapidly through the John Lewis Partnership before going to try and keep the Ministry of Transport in some sort of order. I am sure, however, that he considered his four biographies of Victorian statesmen as the major work of his life. Conceived in retirement, these are splendid books, meticulously researched and beautifully written. I am also sure that he would say he owed most in his life to Kate, his partner for 68 years, and to his two children. He will be missed by all those who have had the good fortune to know him."

HENRY JAMES NEWDIGATE (University of Stellenbosch) died on 22 November 2014 aged 86. He came up to Univ as a Rhodes Scholar to read Jurisprudence, being awarded a BCL in 1951. He then returned to South Africa where he worked as an Attorney in Bloemfontein.

MICHAEL CAPELLEN TINNE (Eton) died on 27 May 2015, not long before his 86th birthday. He read Modern Languages at Univ. He was one of several members of the Tinne family to come up to Univ, namely his father Christopher (1910), his uncle John (1896), his cousins Derek (1927; known as Dirk), Patrick (1929) and John (1931), his grandfather John (1863), and his great-uncle James (1866). He worked in the motor industry for many years, being made a member of the Society of Motor Manufacturers in 1962. In 1984 he moved to California to work for a security firm, and spent the rest of his life there.

Michael's daughters have written this tribute: "Michael's college years at Univ were interrupted by World War II. He never returned to college but his stories and friendships from Univ lived on throughout his life. As one dear friend said: 'He was both deeply old-fashioned and delightfully open to new ideas, experiences, and inventions—the very best of old England and California'. He met up with his school friends in Ireland



every summer and laughed about old England and dazzling California. He spent his working life in the automotive business, and was especially fond of the MG and the Mini. In his later years he immersed himself in church and loved Jesus with his whole heart. He was active in all four of his daughter's lives and was the best 'Grandpadaddy' to his 11 grandchildren. Mike was the life of any party he attended, and was always finding the best in everyone and everything. He attended church wherever he happened to be, and we all loved hearing his voice in the church choir. He always looked so happy when he sang and it was a joy to see. On his last day, a small group of church friends visited his hospital room with a guitar and Mike sang worship to the Lord. A few hours later he entered into heaven, and the worship became even sweeter. Thank you Jesus for our dad."

MICHAEL WALKER (Bryanston) died on 30 November 2014 aged 84. Mike's daughter Vanessa Bull has kindly provided this obituary for the *Record*:

Mike was born on the 11th of March 1930, in London. His mother was Dutch, and his father Scottish. Mike enjoyed playing the cello and rugby, and went to Bryanston School, in Dorset, with a music exhibition. After completing his National Service in Malaysia, he went up to University College, Oxford, to read History. He continued playing rugby. He was



rewarded with victory over Cambridge and his Blue, and he also toured Japan with the University Team.

After graduating he continued to enjoy his rugby: he played for Richmond, and thus began a long and happy association with Twickenham. He also gained an International Cap playing for Scotland against France, at the Parc des Princes.

Mike married Lea Wilkinson (LMH Oxford) in Yorkshire in 1957, and their subsequent 57 years of marriage together was one of Mike's greatest triumphs.

Mike worked for Alcan Aluminium from 1953-85. After stints in Birmingham and Wales, he worked as Director of Personnel in the UK Corporate Office in London, from 1966-77. From 1977-85, he was Director of Personnel for Europe, Africa and Middle East located at the Alcan Regional Office in Geneva, Switzerland.

From 1985-8 Mike worked independently for IMS Walker and Lossius Associates, providing management consultancy services to multi-national companies. From 1989-95 Mike set up, and worked for Walker and Dawson Associates, providing consultancy to multinational clients in General Management, Personnel and Organisation Development and Programme design and development.

After over 20 years of enjoying everything that was Geneva, Mike and Lea returned to England in 1995, and settled in Nunney, Somerset. Mike lived his life in accordance with the optimistic Scottish Rugby Union motto "Non sine Gloria". However Mike and Lea's Oxford University motto "Dominus Illuminatio Mea"—"The Lord is my Light"—is probably more appropriate: it certainly shone on them both and, no doubt, will keep on shining.

Mike was survived by his wife Lea, two children Christopher and Vanessa and three grandchildren.

#### 1950

**DAVID IAN AITKEN** (Marlborough) died in September 2013 aged 83. He read Medicine at Univ, and went on to practice as a GP in Swanage, Dorset.

JAMES (JIM) PEARSON CAIRNS (Universities of Toronto and Columbia) died on 2 March 2010 aged 76. Jim first attended Galt Collegiate Institute, winning a scholarship to the University of Toronto. His time there was interrupted by serving in the war in the Royal Canadian Air Force as a wireless mechanic. After receiving an MA from Columbia University, he came up to Univ on a Beaver Club Scholarship to read PPE, but had to withdraw after a year in order to recover from tuberculosis. He then completed

a doctorate at Johns Hopkins University, and in 1960 joined the faculty of the Royal Military College at Kingston, Ontario, where among his other duties he served for twelve years as Dean of Arts. He retired in 1990 as Professor Emeritus. He was also a keen chess player.

PAUL STAMFORD THIRSK (Nautical School, Hull) died on 2 August 1996 aged 77. During the war he joined the navy, and served as a submariner, rising to the rank of submarine commander. He came up to Univ as a mature student, in his early thirties, to study the Colonial Service Course. He held various posts in Nigeria and Northern Rhodesia, and in 1966 was appointed deputy Governor of British Guiana, just before its independence.

#### 1951

VERYAN HERBERT (Westminster) died on 15 February 2014, aged 83. Veryan's death was reported in last year's *Record*. We are now very grateful to Christopher Bell for

supplying the following tribute:

"Veryan came up to his father's old college in 1951 deciding, after initial uncertainty, to read PPE, though it does appear that academic studies featured surprisingly little in the next few years. Instead, he was quick to immerse himself in the thriving theatre scene, drawing on some months studying stage management at the Old Vic School, in between school and Oxford. That was how we met. I was at Oriel, for a year or so Theatre Editor of *Isis* and quickly began to see Veryan's name in a variety of programmes; productions for Univ with his contemporary, Patrick Dromgoole, for the O.U.D.S, the E.T.C. and collection of college productions. In those far-off days, undergraduate actors needed "acting leaves" from their college: no such limits applied back stage.

"In 1953 Veryan and I agreed that the Edinburgh Fringe, minute but already attracting attention, needed an Oxford company. Some thirty of us rashly pooled our money and an historic but run-down building on Edinburgh's Royal Mile was found. Under Veryan's direction casts, producers, designers for a double bill and a late-night revue were transported to Riddles Court, where we not only performed but slept, cooked

and somehow existed for a month.

"The Oxford Theatre Group was both a critical and box office success and became a fixture at the Fringe for many years to come. After Veryan came down – a pass degree I'm told – he worked for a time in theatre and we always kept very much in touch. Organised, studiedly enigmatic, drily humorous and widely read, he clearly enjoyed his full, if rather detached four years at Univ."

## 1952

THOMPSON MORGAN CLARKE (Harvard) died on 29 February 2012 aged 83. Thompson Clarke read Philosophy at Oxford, as a Frederick Sheldon Travelling Fellow. After doing military service in the US Army, he became Assistant Professor of Philosophy at the University of Chicago in 1957. In the following year he moved to Berkeley in 1958, where he was appointed a regular member of the department in 1960. He remained at Berkeley as a Professor of Philosophy until his retirement in 1987.

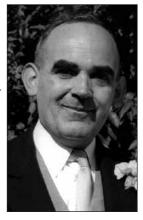
#### 1953

FRANCIS JOHN CHATTERLEY (Wolverhampton Grammar School) died on 3 November 2012 aged 82. He came to Univ from Cambridge to study for a DPhil. in Genetics, but lost touch with the College on going down.

JOHN EVANS An obituary to John is included among the Honorary Fellows on p.69 above.

ALAN EDWARD HOLMANS (Cranbrook) died on 27 March 2015 aged 80. Alan read PPE at Univ, graduating with a First in 1956. He then studied for a DPhil at Nuffield College. This included a year (1957-8) spent as a Fulbright Scholar at Yale University, where he developed a lifelong interest in American history and politics.

After leaving Oxford, Alan took a post in the Department of Politics and Economics at Glasgow University, while working during the vacations as a part-time economic consultant to the Treasury. He joined the Treasury full time in 1965. In 1968 he joined the Ministry of Housing and Local Government, which became part of the Department of the Environment in 1970. He retired from the Department of the Environment in 1994 as Chief Housing Economist, and immediately took up a post as Senior Research Fellow in the Department of Land Economy,



Cambridge University. He held this post until 2009, retiring on his 75th birthday, but continued with consultancy work thereafter.

Alan became known as one of the leading experts in housing economics, advising several Governments, and was awarded the CBE in the Birthday Honours list of 1989 in recognition of his contribution to this field. He wrote several books and research reports, notably his seminal assessments of housing demand and need in England and Wales (the latest of which was finished just before his death).

Alan always looked back on his time at Oxford with fondness and was a regular at College reunions. In addition to his work interests, he was a keen follower of cricket and horse racing. Alan is survived by Stephanie, his wife of 47 years, his son Peter and daughter Elizabeth and his grand-daughter Grace. (We are very grateful to Alan's son Peter for writing this obituary for the *Record*.)

WILLIAM ARNOLD THOMPSON (Manchester GS) died in August 2014 aged 78. Having read PPE at Univ, William became a schoolmaster, teaching at Stand Grammar School, Whitefield, and then at Manchester Grammar School. In 1968 he was appointed a Lecturer in Philosophy at Chorley College of Education, and then in 1973 he became a Lecturer in the Philosophy of Education at the Department of Educational Research at Lancaster University. In the 1980s he emigrated to Australia, to work first as an Advisor in Study Skills at the University of Western Australia, and then as a Lecturer in Philosophy at Murdoch University.



ROBERT WILLIAM TUNSTALL (Gresham's) died in 2005 aged 71. He read English, but went down after a year.

#### 1954

HOWARD LEROY GREENBERGER (University of Pittsburgh and New York University Law School) died on 5 July 2011 just before his 82nd birthday. He came to Univ as a Fulbright Scholar to read Law. Having practised for a while as a lawyer in Pittsburgh, he joined the New York University School of Law faculty in 1961, where he remained until his retirement in 2001. His main research interests were international law and comparative procedure. He also established the Howard Greenberger Award for Outstanding Achievement in Comparative Law, given annually to a graduating student.

CERI LOUGHER HOPKINS (Barry Grammar School) died on 20 November 2012 aged 78. He read Zoology at Univ, and then worked as an assistant warden at the Flatford Mill Field Centre. In 1966 he emigrated to New Zealand, where he worked as a fishery biologist with the New Zealand Marine Department.

PETER CHARLES ERNEST WATSON (Hove CGS) died on 4 December 2014 aged 78. He read English at Univ, before becoming a schoolmaster. He was first an Assistant Master at Leeds Modern School, before becoming head of the English Department at Ecclesfield Grammar School in 1965. He later become Senior Lecturer at the Bedford College of Education, and then in 1970 Head of English at Wyndham School in Cumbria. In 1990, after his retirement from teaching, Peter served as a local councillor, and founded a local newspaper, *Egremont Today*, now known as *Egremont2Day*. Thanks to his dedication to his local community, Peter was frequently nicknamed "Mr. Egremont".

THE RT HON ALAN JOHN WILLIAMS (Cardiff High School and Cardiff College of Technology) died on 21 December 2014 aged 84. He read PPE at Univ. The following obituary by Tam Dalyell appeared in the *Independent* on 23 December 2014:

For 41 years Alan Williams was my close parliamentary colleague and friend. From 1964 until 2010 he represented Swansea West, succeeding me as Father of the House in 2005. Until 1990 he was one of the workhorses of Labour's front bench, and from then until his retirement he was a workhorse of Parliament, serving as a pivotal member of the Public Accounts Committee, the oldest and most effective of the Select Committees since it commands all the resources of the National Audit Office.



The son of a miner, Emlyn, in later life he would express irritation when, as a Labour right-winger he was harangued by left-wing extremists in the PLP and his constituency, pointing out that his working-class credentials were as impeccable, and often more impeccable, than their own; in the politically turbulent 1980s he could not abide Tony Benn.

Winning a bursary to Cardiff High School, he progressed to the Cardiff College of Technology and thence to University College, Oxford. A major influence was Sir John

Hicks, Professor of Political Economy and expert on budgetary reform and the trade cycle, and his wife Ursula, an authority on public finance.

Embarking on National Service at 25, Williams was commissioned into the RAF. Within months of demobilisation he was chosen as candidate for Poole, losing by 11,371 votes. Working as a lecturer in the Welsh College of Advanced Technology, his energetic campaign in deepest-blue Dorset qualified him to be selected as a candidate for Swansea West, then held by Conservative whip Hugh Rees. The Labour gain of 2,637 votes was crucial to Harold Wilson's wafer-thin majority in October 1944.

Unusually, the occasion Alan Williams chose for his maiden speech in February 1965 was a censure motion. He made a good early joke: "My favourite recollection of the House so far is that, within the first five minutes of my sitting on one of these benches I turned to one of the largest standing members of my Party and said to him, looking at the Government benches, 'After 13 years it must be wonderful to be sitting on this side.' He replied, 'It is wonderful. The sun gets in your eyes on the other side.'"

Piling statistic on statistic, he proceeded to savage what the Tory government had done to industry and housing in Wales. Winding up, the Deputy Prime Minister George Brown referred to Williams's "very distinguished debut."

I recall two other heavyweight speeches, the first, on 26 January 1966, on grants to universities and colleges, the second, on 28 February 1966, on leasehold reform. Williams started by declaring his interest as a lease-holder, and it was clear he knew what he was talking about.

When Ted Short was promoted from Chief Whip to Postmaster General, he chose as his PPS Williams, who was soon on the ministerial ladder. He first worked for the mercurial George Brown and then the ice-cool Michael Stewart at the ill-fated Department of Economic Affairs. Years later he told me that he had learned that it was a hopeless nonsense to suppose that a rival department could be set up to challenge the Treasury.

The last two years of the second Wilson government were spent working reasonably well—but only reasonably—with Tony Benn. "He was very imaginative, but I did detect signs of incipient lunacy!" he told me.

Few ministers can have replied to as many late-night Adjournment Debates as Williams. He took trouble to seek out back-benchers to make sure that any promise he had made to the floor of the House was implemented.

A Party loyalist in the tempestuous arguments about Common Market entry, Williams thrived as Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection under Wilson (1974-6) and Minister of State for Industry under Callaghan (1976-9), with whom he was particularly close. In the Thatcher years he did thankless front-bench service on Industry, the Civil Service and Consumer Affairs, and as deputy shadow Leader of the House. "They've made me a dogsbody," he told me.

After 20 years as a constant presence on the Front Bench, his chances of promotion to the Cabinet rank he deserved evaporated when Neil Kinnock became leader. There was a widespread view in the PLP that if we had to have a Welshman, we would have done better with John Morris, Denzil Davies, Ted Rowland or Alan Williams.

But Williams had expressed his disdain for Kinnock, partly because he had declined the offer of a junior ministerial post from Jim Callaghan; Williams was contemptuous of a colleague who aspired to lead the Party and did not want to allow his reputation with the Left to be spoiled by accepting the responsibilities of office. Like many others, he felt Kinnock was putting personal ambition, being the "darling of the left", before Labour's best interests.

In 1966, when I came off the Public Accounts committee to become a founding member of the Science and Technology Select Committee, John Boyd-Carpenter, chairman of the PAC, asked me, "Which young Labour member should I ask your whips to give me as your replacement?" My immediate suggestion was Alan Williams. However, he served only briefly until he joined the Government.

He returned to the PAC 23 years later after Kinnock had made it clear that he had no ministerial future. The PAC is always chaired by a senior member of the Opposition, and from 1990 Williams worked with Robert Sheldon, who told me that he hugely valued the pertinence and concision with which Williams questioned accounting officers and Civil Service mandarins. "Alan Williams," he told me, "is the very antithesis of a Welsh windbag!"

William's last service was in the unglamorous position of chairman of the Public Accounts Commission, which since 1983 has overseen the National Audit Office, examining its estimates and appointing non-executive directors from outside. Those who think that politicians are simply in it for themselves should consider Alan Williams's contribution. He enhanced the profession of politics.

#### 1955



GEOFFREY STEPHEN HINDLEY (Kingswood School, Bath) died on 13 September 2014 aged 79. Geoffrey came up to Univ. to read History. For a while he taught English and European Culture at the University of Le Havre, but he then became a freelance writer, writing some fifty-five books including Saladin, The Crusades and A Brief History of The Anglo Saxons. His book Magna Carta has a second edition in 2015.

Vivian Craddock Williams, Economics Director of

Trocontinental Development has kindly provided this tribute:

Geoffrey used his scholarship to improve the world, largely by reminding his friends of lost Anglo-Saxon values, and not allowing his friends to get away with the slightest mistakes or misconceptions. Despite – or perhaps because of – his encyclopaedic knowledge, Geoffrey would not parade it as other Oxford minds tend to, but would typically display key elements of his ignorance on vital subjects, such as the average projection of Gothic mullions, or the correct positioning of a French adverb.

This led to the sort of dialogue his best friends adored, in which they would attempt to dislodge Geoffrey's questions as misplaced, to receive a gentle goring in return, as part

of a fusillade of rebuttals and always kindly advisory corrections.

Apart from these usually unrecorded distinctions, Geoffrey achieved a variety of publishing triumphs, including monographs on the various editions of the Magna Carta, a perceptive novel on *Black Dynasty* – perceptive because he researched it personally among African Americans when he was visiting professor at the University of Florida.

Univ men will recognize and relish Geoffrey's contributions to *The Encyclopaedia Britannica*, *The Encyclopaedia of the Arts* and the English edition of *The Larousse Encyclopaedia of Music*.

In 1987, he and his wife Diana moved to Normandy, where they ran English Courses for globally-aspirant students, while he lectured on European Civilisation at Le Havre University. Visits were encouraged by frequent libations of his own Calvados distillation.

They moved in 2001 to Peterborough where he guided tourists and other visitors around the amazing Cathedral, and continued his work as Co-President with Jean Gimpel of the Society for the History of Mediaeval Technology and Science. Evidence of his work for the SHMTS survives even in Uganda as part of that country's introduction of renewable energy devices.

#### 1956

ROBERT TYDD CHAPMAN (Ottershaw) died on 25 January 2015 aged 78. Having read Law at Univ, he qualified as a solicitor. He worked throughout his career for Clyde & Co., first of all in London, and then moving to their Guildford office in the early 1970s.

MICHAEL ANTHONY (TONY) GRIFFITHS (St. John's School, Leatherhead) died on 29 January 2015 aged 77. Tony Griffiths was born on 21 May 1937 in Peking where his father was chaplain to the British Legation. He spent the war years in Vancouver with his mother and elder brother, separated from his father who was interned in a Japanese camp in the Philippines. In 1945 the family was reunited in the UK. Tony was educated at King Henry VIII School in Coventry and at St John's School in Leatherhead before coming up to University College in 1956 to read Classics. While at Oxford he gained a half blue at fives. He became secretary, and then captain, of the team.

After graduation he taught for some years in preparatory schools and then briefly at Blundell's and Rugby. In 1969 he became a Classics master at Newcastle Royal Grammar School and remained at that school until his retirement in 2002. He was for some years head of the Classics department. He also ran the RGS Cadet Force for over 15 years, reaching the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. His service was recognised by the award of the MBE in the New Year's Honours List for 2003.

Tony was a keen walker and mountaineer. He was President of the Northumberland Mountaineering Club for six years and climbed in northern England, Scotland and the Alps. A long term project to climb all of the Scottish Monros fell just short of completion.

He managed about 250 peaks before old age and ill health forced him to call a halt.

In 2008 he was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease. In 2012 he had to move to permanent residential care in Newcastle. He passed away peacefully on 29 January 2015 in the Dementia Care bungalow where he had lived for over two years. He is survived by Nicola and Becky, the two daughters of his first marriage, and by his second wife Kay with whom he had enjoyed a long and happy marriage. (We are very grateful to Tony's brother Tim (1966) for writing this obituary.)



JOHN EDWARD TRAYHERN (King Edward's Birmingham) died on 15 August 2014 aged 78. He read History. He went on to become a schoolmaster, holding posts at King George V School, Southport, and Cheshunt Grammar School, before serving as Headmaster of Pewsey Vale Comprehensive School in 1975-84, and of Brimsham Green School from 1984-90.

#### 1957

THOMAS KENNETH RYMES (University of Manitoba and McGill) died on 14 May 2011 aged 78. He came to Univ for a year to do research in Economics. Having spent time teaching and studying at various universities in Britain and Australia, he returned to Canada in 1958 to join the Central Research and Development Staff of the then Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In 1963 he joined the Department of Economics at Carleton University there, where he spent the rest of his career, eventually becoming Distinguished Research Professor of Economics. His research interests and areas of expertise included capital theory, monetary and banking theory, and the measurement of total factor productivity, the work of John Maynard Keynes, and the history of economic thought.

THOMAS EDWIN PAUL WILLIAMS (Caterham) died on 11 February 2015 aged 78. His brother Hugh, who came up to Univ in 1956, has kindly supplied this obituary: "My brother Paul Williams came up to Univ to read Modern History in 1957 from Caterham School via National Service in the Royal Artillery. His main recollection of army life on Salisbury Plain was during the Suez crisis when they had to paint all their vehicles yellow and a few weeks later paint them all green again. On going down from Univ Paul served with Moral Re-Armament



mainly in India and in Wales. His Indian colleagues said that Paul's quiet, gentle manner went down well in India because, as one put it, 'he was prepared to sit under the mango tree and wait for the mangoes to fall'.

"In 1971 Paul married Elizabeth Warrington and they settled in Cardiff where their two daughters Rachel and Rosemary were born. After a further spell in India they returned to Wales, this time to Bangor in 1982. It was a period of fervent Welsh nationalism which occasionally turned violent. Paul was anxious to find a more constructive role for this national feeling and he initiated a series of Dialogues involving political, civic, educational and church figures. The outcome was a decision to twin Wales with one of the Least Developed Countries. They settled on Lesotho because it was of similar size, was mountainous with lots of sheep and had numerous choirs—a perfect fit! Furthermore, like Wales it was not fully autonomous. Dolen Cymru was unique in that it linked schools, hospitals, churches, and even ambulance and fire services. Paul was National Secretary until 2004, when he and Elizabeth left Bangor and moved to Burbage in Leicestershire where he died after a long illness.

"He is survived by Elizabeth, their two married daughters and four grandchildren."

#### 1958

JOHN RAY CHARTER (Queen's Royal College, Trinidad and Trinity Hall, Cambridge) died on 26 February 2015 aged 83. He came up to Univ to read for the Colonial Course, and worked for a while for the Colonial Service in the Forestry Service of Nigeria. In later years he became an academic, working in the Department of Animal and Plant Sciences at the University of Sheffield.

JORDAN HOWARD SOBEL (University of Illinois) died on 26 March 2010 aged 80. Jordan came up to Univ as a Fulbright Scholar to do postgraduate research in Philosophy. Having taught at the University of California at Los Angeles, he became a Professor of Philosophy at the University of Toronto, where he spent the rest of his working life. He also enjoyed close links with the University of Uppsala, where he was a Visiting Professor, and from where he received an honorary doctorate in 2003. His main interest was in the philosophy of religion, his last major work being *Logic and Theism: arguments for and against belief in God* (2004). A festschrift in his honour was published by the University of Uppsala in 2009.

GEOFFREY WILLIAM HOPE STEVENSON (Harrow) died on 3 December 2014 aged 76. He read PPE at Univ, and qualified as a Chartered Accountant with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. He subsequently worked for Air Products, before being appointed Chief Accountant of Harrow in 1983 and Finance Bursar of the School in 1987. Several members of his family have been associated with Univ: his uncle, George Hope Stevenson (known as "Hope" within his family), was Ancient History Fellow here from 1906 to 1949, while his father Willie Stevenson came up in 1929, his cousin Kenneth Anderson in 1950, his brother Sir Hugh Stevenson in 1961, his niece Katherine Green (neé Ellis) in 1984 and his nephew Joe Stevenson in 1989.

#### 1960

JAMES (JIM) MARTIN HILLIER (Chislehurst and Sidcup GS) died on 10 August 2014 aged 73. Having read History at Univ, he became an Assistant Lecturer at the South East London Day College. He then devoted himself to Film Studies, first working at the British Film Institute, and then at the Department of Film Studies at the University of Reading, of which he was a member from 1979 until his retirement in 2005, serving as Head of Department there from 1996-2001. He published extensively, and was one of the pioneers of film education in Britain.

## 1965

CHAPLIN (CHAP) BRADFORD BARNES (Choate School, Yale College, and Yale Law School) died on 20 July 2014 aged 73. Having read Law as a postgraduate at Univ, Chap returned to the US, and worked as an attorney. However, this was only part of his life: like his father, Chap took a keen interest in ornithology and in conservation. He was a member of the Audubon Society, where he headed its international programme, and worked with various federal agencies, such as the White House Council on Environmental

Quality (CEQ). In 1982-5 he was involved in the Conference on the Long-Term Worldwide Biological Consequences of Nuclear War, working alongside the astrophysicist Carl Sagan and other eminent biologists, physicists and climatologists, to discuss the phenomenon of nuclear winter.

From 1985 Chap lived in Watch Hill, Rhode Island, where he worked as a lawyer, but also helped found a local conservation and historical preservation organisation, the Watch Hill Conservancy. He even wrote a history of his adopted town, *Watch Hill Through Time*. His work was recognised when towards the end of his life he received a Gubernatorial Citation



from the Governor of Rhode Island, and he was appointed the first Distinguished Senior Fellow of the University of Rhode Island Coastal Institute, in recognition, in the Governor's words, of his "work to protect and preserve the natural and cultural resources of Watch Hill...an historically important, ecologically significant, and beautiful corner of the Ocean State."

#### 1967

**GRAHAM NEWMAN** (Bellevue Boy's School, Bradford) died on 3 February 2014 aged 65. Nick Evans (1965) has kindly provided the *Record* with this obituary:

Graham had a stroke at work and died a few days later, on 3 February 2014. After a variety of training posts, and developing his practical interests in surgery, he found fulfilment in the relative independence (in those days) of general practice, working at Sarisbury near Southampton for more than thirty years. He was devoted to medicine, and general practice of the traditional sort, the application of science to an intimate knowledge of the lives of patients and their families, built up over time. Tributes at his funeral recorded his unstinting efforts for his patients, more than seven hundred of whom had come to the surgery that morning to remember him.

Graham came up from Bradford Grammar School. His Yorkshire characteristics of tenacity and forthrightness were evident then, and remained undiminished. At that time medicine at Oxford with the clinical course at the Radcliffe Infirmary lasted six and a half years, happily prolonging College connections, which in Graham's case gave new insights into Univ life through stints as relief night porter in the time of Bill Clinton. He made many lifelong friends in College, and in the University, especially through his daring and expertise in climbing, skiing, and sailing, all of which he continued to pursue to almost hazardous extremes. Typically, he made a cross-channel day return in a twelve foot dinghy.

Hard work, demanding holiday trips, and fun with his children, left little time for the mildly irritating trivia of everyday life, but always plenty for his friends.

He is survived by his four children.

#### 1972

ALAN JOHN PETFORD (William Hulme's GS, Oldham) died in February 2015 from lung cancer aged 61. Dr. Leslie Mitchell has kindly provided this obituary: "From a tutorial point of view, Alan Petford fitted exactly into a category that used to be called 'the good Commoner'. At admissions time, once the Scholars and Exhibitioners had been decided, there was then a search for the interested and conscientious candidate, with a love of the subject and a willingness to benefit from College life. Alan fitted this prescription perfectly. Quiet-spoken and reflective, he was a very worthwhile pupil.

"Almost inevitably, he opted to become a schoolmaster, teaching first at Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Blackburn, before becoming successively Head of History at Hipperholme Grammar



School and Lancaster Royal Grammar School. While generally on the left in opinion, he was yet a great defender of the grammar-school tradition which had formed him. After his untimely passing, pupils recorded their deep sense of gratitude to this tweed-jacketed figure, who led them off to look at misericords in local churches, who was 'passionate about his subject', and who always seemed to be followed by 'a cloud of chalk dust'. In 2001, Alan became an extra-mural lecturer in local history studies at Leeds University, also offering his services to the local Workers' Educational Association.

"Alan, never missing a Gaudy, remembered his Univ days with affection, and the College remembers a very nice man."

## 1985

**DAVID ANTHONY COX** (Abbeydale Grange School, Sheffield) died in November 2014 aged 48. He read Law at Univ., and then practised as a solicitor.

## 1987

LISA JAYNE MURPHY (St. Edward's, Liverpool) died on 10 September 2014, after struggling with a rare and aggressive form of cancer. Chantal Noel (1987) has kindly provided this obituary:

Born in Liverpool on 10 February 1969, Lisa was educated at Bellerive Girls High School and St. Edwards College, Liverpool before coming up to Univ in 1987 to study English under Dr Roy Park and Dr Helen Cooper.

Outgoing, popular and passionate about her subject, Lisa was just as committed to college life, competing in the women's rugby and rowing teams as well as appearing in a number of productions with the Univ Players and appearing at any number of student parties up in shared rooms or down in beer cellars.



She made a good number of lifelong friends at Univ from all walks of life, approaching everything and everyone with an open mind and a characteristically wide grin, encircled in the loudest possible shade of red.

On graduating from Univ, Lisa pursued her joint interests in language and education, gaining a Masters in Linguistics at Manchester University as well as her teaching qualifications. Following a teaching post in Athens, further posts followed at Stoneyhurst College, Stockport Girls' Grammar and Seal Road Secondary School in Liverpool before she assumed the role of Head of Primary Education in the Faculty of Education at John Moores University, Liverpool. During this time, Lisa embarked on her doctoral research into free education, focussing on the Free School Movement of the 1970s to explore the effects of freedom-based educational philosophy and curriculum theology on the life chances of the individual. So very Lisa. She also published a number of academic papers on key issues in childhood and youth learning. Serious about her work, Lisa wore her knowledge lightly and her friends down South were delighted when in 2013, she came back down to live in London with her partner, Euan, on her appointment as Principal Lecturer and Head of Initial Teacher Education at London South Bank University, a position which brought together her interest in curriculum and language development and alternative forms of education and which also gave some old friends the chance to wind the clock back. Passionate about equality and diversity, Lisa loved a personal challenge as much as she herself loved to challenge the norm, and this was evidenced by her most recent work for South Bank in which she travelled to Kurdistan with a team of educational experts from the UK to work with the Kurdish Ministry of Education to design a school inspection framework for Kurdish Schools.

Lisa was spirited and spiritual, and whilst she loved to travel she always had one foot on home turf in Liverpool, where she is survived by her parents Wilf and Margaret Murphy, her siblings and extended family, and fragments of a novel which she always wanted to find time to complete. She is much missed.

## 1990

CYRUS STEPHAN RASTOMJEE (Imperial College London) died suddenly in August 2014 aged 47. Stephan Rastomjee had been studying at Imperial for his Ph.D. there, and came to Univ as a visiting Graduate Student to finish his thesis. He later went onto a post at the Fritz Haber Institute in Berlin.

## Staff

CHRIS SCULLY (chef de partie at Univ) died on 9 October 2014. Mrs Elizabeth Crawford, former Domestic Bursar writes: "He was very ill and, late last year, took early retirement from his job as chef de partie in the kitchen. The kitchen brigade and the Hall staff were sad to lose such a wonderful colleague. Chris was a delightful person to have in the College, always professional, always helpful and ready to respond to any last minute request (of which there are many) and was very popular with his colleagues. The Head Chef and Sous Chefs are particularly sad to lose not only a work colleague but a close friend too."

# Degree Ceremonies

Old Members wishing to supplicate for Degrees should contact Harry Pasek in the Development Office for information and an application form on +44 (0)1865 276670 e-mail: development@univ.ox.ac.uk.

From Michaelmas 2015 current students on undergraduate or graduate taught courses have up to the end of January 2016 to book a graduation date in 2016 via the University's Degree Conferrals Office section of E-vision. From the start of February 2016, Old Members will be able to apply, via Harry Pasek, to take up any spaces which the current students have not booked.

## Dates for 2016/2017

Saturday 23 January 2016 (in absentia only).

Saturday 14 May 2016, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday 16 July 2016, 11.00 a.m.

Saturday 23 July 2016, 4.30 p.m.

Saturday 12 November 2016, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday 13 May 2017, 2.30 p.m.

Each graduand will be allocated three guest tickets for the Sheldonian. The College will be offering hospitality to graduands and their guests at a College Reception (drinks and canapés) following each degree ceremony. There is a small charge for each guest attending the College reception, payable in advance. The Head Porter, Bob Maskell, will arrange gown hire and should be contacted in good time to discuss what is needed. His email address is robert.maskell@univ.ox.ac.uk.

#### Please note

For information about the University's degree ceremonies see this link:

http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/graduation/ceremonies/

The College can present in absentia candidates at any degree ceremony.

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