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OVERVIEW OF THE COLLEGE

St Antony's is a postgraduate college which specialises in the inter-disciplinary study of Europe, Russia and the other successor states of the former Soviet Union, the Middle East, Africa, Japan, South and Southeast Asia, China and Latin America. Fellows of the College are specialists in modern history, language and literature, politics, economics, anthropology, sociology and international relations. Visiting and Research Fellows, as well as Senior Associate Members, complement the Fellowship. Junior Members of the College are men and women working for higher degrees of the University.

The corporate designation of the College is 'The Warden and Fellows of St Antony's College in the University of Oxford'. Its foundation was made possible by a gift of the late Antonin Besse of Aden, a leading merchant of French nationality. Provisional arrangements for the foundation of the College were made by a decree passed by Congregation on 21 September 1948. On 30 May 1950 a further decree bestowed on the College the status of a New Foundation. Its main functions were then defined: '(a) to be a centre of advanced study and research in the fields of modern international history, philosophy, economics and politics; (b) to provide an international centre within the University where graduate students from all over the world can live and work together in close contact with senior members of the University who are specialists in their field; (c) to contribute to the general teaching of the University, especially in the fields of modern history and politics.'

In Michaelmas Term 1950 the College opened its doors on the Woodstock Road in a former Anglican convent built in the 1860s which had hitherto been used by the University as a graduate hostel. Today, many of the academic facilities, the Library and the administration of the College can be found in the old convent, now known as the Main Building. In 1970 the newly built Hilda Besse Building was opened. Named after the wife of the Founder, herself a benefactress of the College, the Besse Building houses the Hall, Common Rooms, Buttery and other rooms for College functions. In 1993 a new building was opened, housing a new Lecture Theatre as well as the Nissan Institute of Japanese Studies and the Bodleian Japanese Library. And in 2000, the College's 50th anniversary year, the Founder's Building, containing extra accommodation and teaching space and named in honour of Antonin Besse, was inaugurated by HRH The Princess Royal. Other College properties, both within and beyond the curtilage, include the centres for regional studies, student residences and the Warden's lodgings.

The original body of the College consisted of the Warden, the Sub-Warden, the Bursar and seven students. Soon, the College grew and became recognised by the University and beyond. On 1 April 1953 a Charter of Incorporation was granted, and the Statutes of the College were approved by the Queen in Council. On 2 October 1962 a Supplementary Charter was granted to enable the College to admit women as well as men. On 21 May 1963 a statute was passed in Congregation making the College a full College of the University, and this was approved by the Queen in Council on 20 December 1963. The body of the College consists of the Warden, the Bursar, some forty Fellows, about 300 students and, at any time, more than sixty Senior Members.

The name, St Antony's, was chosen for the group set up to create the new College, the St Antony's Foundation, and intended to allude to the name of the Founder. For many years there was some ambiguity about whether the patron saint was St Antony the Abbot (17 January) or St Antony of Padua (13 June). When in 1961 the College was persuaded by one of its members that St Antony the Abbot was more appropriate, it decided also that the College flag should be flown on both saints' days. Nine years earlier, in 1952, the College coat of arms had been designed in the colours of the Red Sea (Red) and desert sands (Gold) with mullets borrowed from Antonin Besse's trade mark and crosses of St Antony the Abbot: Or on a chevron between three tau crosses gules as many pierced mullets of the field.

THE FELLOWSHIP IN MICHAELMAS TERM 2007

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COLLEGE AFFAIRS

Report by the Acting Warden on the Academic Year 2006-7

The academic year 2006/7 was a transitional one for St Antony's following the retirement of the College's fourth Warden, Sir Marrack Goulding, at the end of September 2006 and the arrival of its fifth Warden, Professor Margaret MacMillan at the beginning of July 2007. As someone who had spent most of their adult life in the College as a student, Junior Research Fellow and Governing Body Fellow, it was a great privilege for me to serve as Acting Warden during this interim.

The College, the University and Area Studies

My brief for the year was to ensure continuity - and as smooth a transition as possible - between the Goulding and MacMillan eras. While he was too modest to make much of it himself in his previous College Record reports, the changes which took place during Marrack's time as Warden were dramatic. The almost-termly emergency meetings about funding - accompanied by alarming charts illustrating how many more years we could continue to draw down so heavily from our endowment - were replaced by discussions about how to spend our 'academic dividend'. Thanks in great part to the stewardship of our Bursar, Allan Taylor, the Holy Grail of a safe-take of 4.5% from our endowment has been reached and we currently actually produce a modest surplus at that rate. In the meanwhile, the goalposts have been moved and what was ten years ago considered a safe-take of 4.5% is now out of line; the College has now committed to drawing no more than 3.5% from its general endowment within five years.

The Goulding Era also saw the establishment of an in-house professional fundraising operation in the College. Following the retirements of Polly Friedhoff and Janet Collyer, the College appointed its first full-time Development Director, Emma Tracy. This expansion was in part due to the belief within the College that now was the time to build on the invaluable base that Polly and Janet had laid, in part because the College needs to be in a strong position to work with the University as it sets about launching its Campaign of Campaigns in the spring of 2008. The College has also appointed a dedicated Alumni and Public Relations Officer, Vanessa Hack as well as a full-time assistant, Katherine Mackay, to support both Emma and Vanessa in an expanded Development and Public Relations Office, though still situated at the top of a challenging set of stairs on the top floor of the old building.

There are other developments during the course of the year which bode well for the financial future of the College. Following a review of provision for graduate students across the collegiate university, the University announced a new initiative to increase prestigious full cost scholarships for graduate students. This is a further sign of the shift within the university from undergraduate to graduate teaching which of course fits well with the College's own agenda. Similarly, there is a shift within the University from teaching to research and a renewed commitment to area studies, both of which are trends which we at St Antony's welcome.

If the changes from undergraduates to graduates and from teaching to research are long-term and gradual, the development in area studies has been spectacular. In 2006, the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies (SIAS), the university department which includes a high proportion of the Fellows of St Antony's was among the recipients of grants of £5 million and £5.5 million from the UK government and research councils to boost Chinese and Russian and East European Studies respectively. In part related to the former of these awards, and in part from other funding flows, eleven (a whole football team!) new appointments in Chinese Studies, most of them permanent, will take up positions in Oxford in Michaelmas Term 2007. At the same time, the University has permitted the establishment of new Master's programmes in South Asian and Contemporary Indian Studies which is expected to presage expansion in staff numbers in that area. African Studies has expanded and strengthened across Oxford substantially in the last three years following the launch of a University Centre and the MSc in African Studies which has become among the most competitive courses to enter across the university. Modern Japanese Studies has also received a boost following a third endowment from the Nissan Motor Company in 2006 of £1.5 million which underpins all of its core activities, further funds for a new sociologist of Japan which it intends to appoint in 2007 and the establishment of a new Master's programme in Modern Japanese Studies, which will take in its first students in October of this year. It is expected these developments will lead to further posts and academic initiatives. The links between SIAS and the College have been very close since the former was established in 2004. I was the first Head of SIAS and the College collectively (and I personally) were delighted that William Beinart agreed to be Acting Head of Department during the period I was Acting Warden and oversaw major developments in the School during his tenure. Another department with which the College has close links is Development Studies, based at QEH, and the College is also very pleased that Valpy Fitzgerald has been appointed Head of Department there from October 2007.

While all of the developments in area studies described above are good news for St Antony's, they do not automatically always bring a direct benefit to the College. The reason for this is that the College, in bringing its finances under control, has decided that it will not increase the size of its Governing Body Fellowship unless the College costs of the post (around £10k a year, about half of which pays for the rent of a College room) are met in full by an external party for at least the first five years. As a result of this financial rectitude, many posts which would normally have come to the College (and which the College would have loved to have been associated with) have gone elsewhere and St Antony's no longer has on its Governing Body the majority of senior scholars within the University in many of the areas which it instituted, developed and maintained almost single-handedly over the past fifty years.

The reason that Governing Body Fellows cost the College money is because the funds that post holders bring to the university, through their teaching and research, are all kept by their university departments. A bold initiative announced during this past academic year seeks to change this so that those who pay the salary of the post holder will receive the income that that post holder earns. This initiative known by its acronym JRAM (Joint Resource Allocation Model) would bring University and College finances in line for the first time and would greatly benefit St Antony's which has effectively been cross-subsidising university activities in area studies over the past fifty years to a substantial degree: if

the College was to receive back the full amount of this cross-subsidy each year, it would equate to almost 50% of its current uncommitted endowment. The JRAM, however, has winners and losers, and it will be no surprise to anyone who knows Oxford that those Colleges which will lose out in the JRAM have been fighting a rearguard battle to mitigate their losses. While, as an anthropologist, I found watching this battle from close quarters fascinating, such battles do not, in my view, show the Collegiate University at its best. Indeed, with over two-thirds (mostly contract researchers in the sciences and medical departments) of those on the university's academic payroll no longer being members of any College, there is a real danger of the Colleges becoming increasingly peripheral to the real running of the University. In any case, while it remains to be seen exactly how the JRAM will come into play, it is almost certain that it will be implemented in some form in 2008.

If the discussions about the JRAM took up most of the second half of the academic year, the first half was dominated by the Congregation debates over governance reform. These events provided high drama (if not always clarity of argument) exacerbated of course by being played out in front of the media who presented it as a Titanic struggle between the forces of change and the forces of conservatism. When the governance proposals were decisively defeated - first in Congregation and then again in a postal vote - this was widely presented as a disaster for Oxford. I do not wish to go into the rights and wrongs of the proposals themselves (like many participants, I could sign up to some but not all of them and never understood why they had to be put forward as a single package), but simply point out that one of the problems for those preaching the need for change has been the publication of league tables which keep showing Oxford doing nationally and internationally better than ever: for the second straight year, it came top of the Guardian Newspaper University Rankings; last year, it secured more research funds than any other university in the UK by a significant margin; and in the Social Sciences (which of course includes most of those at the College) it was ranked top in the world in the THES University Rankings, beating Harvard for the first time. It has proved to be difficult to convince people of the need for change in the face of such good news, however much one preaches the dangers of complacency and hubris.

College Administration

Enough about finance and the University. As well as ensuring that the College was in a sound financial state for the arrival of the new Warden, the other part of my brief was to ensure that it was running smoothly administratively. This proved to be a far easier and more enjoyable job than perhaps it sounds as it meant I met almost all of those who work around the College and got to know just how dedicated they are. St Antony's is a large academic community with around 450 students; 40 Governing Body Fellows; 55 Emeritus, Honorary and Foundation Fellows; 100 Research Fellows, Visiting Fellows and Senior Associate Members; and 125 Senior Common Room Members. Many of the staff who work in the College work part-time but if one turns them into that basic denominator of people beloved of funding councils, Full Time Equivalents, they number around sixty. In short, St Antony's has grown to a community of over 800 people and yet in most ways it has managed to maintain the family-like environment that those who were here in the very earliest days of the College describe as the key aim of the College's first Warden, Bill Deakin.

The College is extraordinarily well served by a very dedicated staff – in the lodge, kitchens, hall, maintenance, accounts and IT offices, centres, libraries, housekeeping, development office, Warden’s office and all along the bursary corridor. The whole of this operation is overseen by our imperturbable Bursar. We took the opportunity during the course of the year, following the departure of Pauline Maclean, the Governing Body Clerk and the impending retirement next November of Jill Flitter, the College Secretary of re-organising the College Office. The College office is the first port of call for students with issues ranging from the pastoral to the bureaucratic and the job has become increasingly complex and demanding due to the growth in legislation surrounding the student experience as well as, of course, the growth in the number of students themselves. We have recently appointed Margaret Couling as our new College Registrar. Margaret comes from the LSE where she has been responsible for their admissions process and she will overlap for two months with Jill who has kindly agreed to pass on as much of her institutional memory and her incomparable list of institutional contacts to Margaret as possible.

The brunt of decision-making in the College falls on the Management Executive Team and I would like to formally thank my colleagues on the MET for their sterling support this year: Paul Collier (Sub Warden), Mark Rebick (Delegate for Finance and Library Fellow), David Johnson (Dean and Tutor for Admissions), Philip Robins (Senior Tutor), Allan Taylor (Bursar) and the successive JCR Presidents (Jaideep Gupte and Ricardo Borges de Castro). Jaideep and Ricardo have both been spectacularly good JCR Presidents and I have greatly enjoyed working with them and their executive teams. I also greatly enjoyed the Graduate Consultations which Philip and I did with every graduate student in residence during the course of the year; this reminded me what an extraordinarily interesting and diverse student body we have at the College and I do not think that there was a single consultation from which I did not learn something.

Building Plans

The effects of the College’s current financial and administrative stability can be seen most clearly in the fact that it is on the cusp of its biggest building programme since the 1960s. In Trinity Term, the Governing Body endorsed a Master Plan which will see the College develop around three large quads, two either side of the Hilda Besse Building and a third on the north side of Church Walk. The Master Plan has caught the imagination of the whole College community and a lot of work has already been undertaken this year in order to make it realizable. In particular, Governing Body discussed three major building projects within the context of the Master Plan, all of which are at a slightly different stage of development

One of these projects is virtually ready to start. The £1 million target needed for the refurbishment of the Russian library project was achieved at the very end of the Trinity Term and it is anticipated that the building work will get underway in the new academic year. Fundraising for this project involved a stressful but ultimately successful race against the clock; the Russian Centre’s Fundraising Advisory Committee was given just five months to raise £400K in order to secure a further £600K which had been offered on the basis of matching funds. This was managed with literally a day to spare and so many people deserve the College’s gratitude for their support that rather than list them here I will refer readers to the entry on the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre later in the Record.

A second project is virtually ready to apply for planning permission. The plans for the Middle East Centre extension designed by the world-famous architect, Zaha Hadid, were revealed to the College community for the first time at the Gaudy and will go for public consultation in September. The Middle East Centre extension is an extraordinarily beautiful, imaginative and challenging design and will certainly become a North Oxford landmark. For more details of the project, I again refer readers to the Middle East Centre's entry in the Record while wishing here to acknowledge the College's debt to Eugene Rogan, who has brilliantly steered the project, and our anonymous donor, who is funding it.

The building projects in both Russian and Middle East Studies are significant not only in a College context but also in a University-wide one. As mentioned in last year's Record, the University has recently purchased and is beginning to develop the old Radcliffe Infirmary Site as a centre for Humanities and Area Studies. This is good news for the College in the sense that the centre of gravity of the university is moving in its direction, but potentially problematic in that it might see the dissipation of the College's own strength in Area Studies. Indeed, we have already had one example of this danger in the move of the College's Africanists over this summer into a new University African Studies Centre up the Woodstock Road. In order to counteract these trends, the College has proposed to the University that the new developments at St Antony's should be seen as part of the University's developments on the old Radcliffe Infirmary Site and has even suggested that the latter be called the Woodstock Road Development to reflect this. This nomenclature is unlikely to be accepted (the current favourite nomenclature is Radcliffe Observatory Quarter or ROQ for short) but the University has welcomed the College's willingness to co-operate in the development of the site and there is no doubt that such co-operation will be good for the College's long-term future.

The third building project discussed by Governing Body this year is the new accommodation and administration building which we intend to put up along the Woodstock Road frontage. It has been challenging for the Governing Body to reconcile our need to use this important site to maximum advantage and at the same time to make a statement about the College and its location. Nevertheless, we will continue to work on the new accommodation building plans over the summer and intend to apply for planning permission in the autumn and begin the campaign to raise funds to build the building as soon as possible thereafter.

Arrivals, Awards, Promotions and Departures

While the end of the academic year saw the arrival of our new Warden, the beginning saw the arrival of one new Governing Body Fellow, Joe Foweraker, Professor of Latin American Politics who has moved to Oxford following a long and distinguished career at the University of Essex where he was Professor of Government. Joe has carried out extensive field work in Brazil, Spain and Mexico, and has published monographs on these three countries with Cambridge University Press. He has also published widely on social mobilization and citizenship rights in Latin America.

At its last meeting of the year, the College also elected a new Honorary Fellow, Sir Michael Llewellyn-Smith, the distinguished diplomat and scholar of modern Greece. Sir Michael was a doctoral student, at the College and his thesis became the well-known

book, *The Ionian Vision*, which to this day remains one of the best studies of modern Greek politics. Since then he has published books on Crete, modern Athens, the Olympic tradition, and the Greek statesman Elfetherios Venizelos. He has also, of course, been a very distinguished British diplomat who served in Moscow, Paris, Warsaw and Athens as well as London during a thirty-year career.

I am delighted to report that the quality of the current Governing Body Fellowship in the College has been recognized in a number of ways in the course of the year. Avi Shlaim was elected to a Fellowship of the British Academy. Four Fellows – Jane Caplan, Knick Harley, Jan Zielonka, Valpy Fitzgerald – were awarded the title of Professor in the University's biannual Titles of Distinction exercise and Nandini Gooptu was awarded the title of Reader. Among the Emeritus Fellows, Tapan Raychaudhuri was given one of India's highest honours, the Padma Bhushan; Alan Angell has received the status of the Gran Oficial of the Order of Bernardo O'Higgins from the Chilean Government; Roger Owen has been elected to the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

At the Governing Body Dinner in June, we said farewell to three departing fellows although only two were immediately leaving – Leslie Bethell and Ann Waswo. David Washbrook will leave at the end of this calendar year. It is hard to imagine the GB without each of our departing fellows, but without any of them it would be a very different place indeed.

Leslie Bethell joined the Governing Body in 1997 having previously been a Baring Senior Research Fellow at the College following a distinguished career at the University of London, where he was a former director of the Institute of Latin American Studies. Over the past decade, he has established in Oxford the most important centre for Brazilian studies outside Brazil. The Centre has brought to Oxford over a hundred prominent scholars, intellectuals and policymakers as Visiting Research Fellows and Associates. Its level of research activity has been prolific: over two hundred seminars, eighty workshops and conferences, twenty monographs and eighty research papers. Leslie has guided this on top, of course, of continuing his own scholarship on nineteenth and twentieth-century Latin American, especially Brazilian, political, social and cultural history, in particular his editorship of the definitive eleven-volume Cambridge History of Latin America. Talking to the SAMs from Brazil at the College this year has given me some idea of just how major a reputation Leslie enjoys in Brazil; personal friend of both the current and the immediate past president of Brazil - men of very different intellectual and political hues - he has put Brazilian Studies on the map not only in Oxford but also in the UK.

David Washbrook joined the College in 1993 from the University of Warwick as Reader in Modern South Asian History specialising in the history of Southern India between the eighteenth and twentieth centuries. He will leave us at the end of the calendar year to take up a Senior Research Fellowship at Trinity College Cambridge. In what is a much appreciated and quite characteristic selfless act, he has delayed his departure to Cambridge so that we can include him in the RAE and also persuade the History Faculty to advertise for a replacement. During this time at St Antony's, David has done a huge amount for the College. He has run the South Asian Studies programme within the Asian Studies Centre and has served on a large number of College committees, in particular he was Chair of the

old Property Committee and more recently has filled the joint role of Dean and Admissions Tutor on the Management Executive Team. In the last of these roles, he became one of the few people who understood the new graduate admissions system, and we were very grateful when he temporarily took on this role again this year when the current Admissions Tutor, David Johnson, was temporarily indisposed.

Ann Waswo has been in College the longest of this year's leaving Fellows. Indeed only two Fellows, Malcom Deas and Rosemary Thorp, who both retire next year, have been on the Governing Body longer. As a fellow Japanologist, I can attest personally to the huge esteem that Ann enjoys among her colleagues both here and in Japan and I join myself with the comments that Jenny Corbett made about Ann as a social historian at Ann's valedictory lecture at the end of May. I would only add that I have personally particularly enjoyed running a joint Japanese Studies Graduate Seminar with Ann over the past fifteen years where we have been able to trade insults about the historian's and the anthropologist's trade in front of our sometimes surprised graduate students. Ann's contribution to the College over the past twenty-five years has been enormous. She has served as head of the Asian Studies Centre and the Nissan Institute of Japanese Studies. She has been responsible for many carefully-worded College policies including those on sexual harassment and College attachments and she has overseen, as Sub-Warden, the complete rewriting of the College statutes which are currently before Privy Council for consideration. Ann has probably served on every committee that has existed during her time in the College and she is widely regarded as the repository of both process and practice within the Governing Body; I certainly have drawn heavily on her institutional knowledge during this past year, as I know Marrack did before me.

Note of Personal Thanks

It goes without saying that I feel very lucky to have been able to spend a year as Acting Warden in the College. Since I have spent most of my adult life in the College I have little with which to compare it, but I do believe that St Antony's is a unique institution.

In the course of a few months the College has hosted some of the most senior and famous individuals from around the world as well as within the UK. Amongst those who have given lectures or seminars at the College this year are: former Iranian President His Excellency Mr Seyed Mohammad Khatami; Italian Foreign Minister, Massimo D'Alema; Croatian Prime Minister, Ivo Sanader; His Royal Highness Prince Turki Al-Faisal, former Saudi Ambassador to the United States; His Excellency Dr Adnan Pachachi, former President of the Governing Council in Iraq in the wake of the American invasion; Nobel Laureate and one of the architects of the Northern Ireland peace process, the Rt Hon David Trimble; Palestinian leader and Honorary Fellow of the College, Hanan Ashrawi; Professor Lord Robert Skidelsky, the economic historian; His Excellency Judge Hisashi Owada, Japan's former senior diplomat and now a judge in the Hague. Our two Parliamentary Visiting Fellows this year, Paul Murphy and Charles Kennedy, together with Alex Pravda, organized a brilliant series of seminars around the topic of minorities; as in recent years, High Table on Tuesdays in Hilary Term was frequently the site of cross-party discussions more familiar to Westminster than Oxford. All of these events were stimulating and enjoyable. I particularly enjoyed those High Tables which included current students who were invited in recognition of outstanding academic or sporting success or for services they

had rendered the wider College community; this, I am delighted to report, has involved a large number of students and their successes and service are all detailed elsewhere in the Record. (Though in case it is not reported elsewhere, or else not reported properly, let me add here that the Annual Cricket Match against Nuffield saw the batting opened by the Acting Warden and the Steward, though their heroics were not enough to steer the team towards victory!) I also much enjoyed meeting Old Antonians who signed themselves in for the free High Table that they are allowed once a year; I would encourage as many people as possible to take advantage of this facility and can assure them a very warm welcome.

I would also like to extend a similarly warm welcome to Margaret MacMillan. Not only the College but indeed the whole University has been awaiting her arrival with keen anticipation and we are all very excited now to see her installed as the College's fifth Warden and wish her all the best in this role.

Roger Goodman

From the Bursar

The College's published accounts for 2005/6 showed a surplus of £287,000. This was another excellent result and our fourth successive year of surplus. It shows that the financial discipline which Governing Body imposed on itself and the College with the rolling five year plan is working. Even better our forecast for 2006/7 and budget for 2007/8 show that we should have surpluses in those two years too.

Although these good figures result from a disciplined approach to our finances there are two areas where we are increasing our expenditure. The first is maintenance of the College buildings. Each year we are increasing the amount we spend on this by 20%. We plan to do this for a five year period. As I write the physical evidence of this expenditure is very apparent with 64 and 66 Woodstock Road shrouded in scaffolding. It is important that the exteriors of our buildings are well-maintained and secure against all the Oxford weather can throw at us – and in the last two months it has thrown record amounts of rain at us. It is pleasing to be able to report that this time unlike the past we have not, at least so far, suffered any flooding or other damage. It is also important that the interiors are as well-decorated and smartly furnished as our resources will allow. Our increasing maintenance spend should improve the situation considerably.

Secondly we are increasing our academic expenditure. It has always been part of the thinking behind the five year plan that as the College's financial position improves we will increase such expenditure. As I have mentioned in previous reports this increased academic expenditure has been christened the Academic Dividend. We have to adopt a cautious approach to this. We have to pay back the loans we took out to finance the Founders' Building; that is £111K each year. Also for over twenty years the College reported deficits so we have to strengthen our Balance Sheet to make up for that over-spending. In 2006/7 our Academic Dividend expenditure has been the provision of College facilities for three non-stipendiary Junior Research Fellows, an additional £2,000 for student travel and research grants, a grant of £1,700 to the St Antony's International Review to

run a conference and money to enable the St Antony's/Palgrave series committee to hold book launches; a total of £10,000 additional academic expenditure. For 2007/8 Governing Body has declared an Academic Dividend consisting of College facilities for four non-stipendiary Junior Research Fellows, an additional £10,900 for student grants, £600 for grants to academic conferences and more money for book launches; this is a total for the year of £20,000 additional academic expenditure. The College is first and foremost an academic institution and it is right that as our financial situation improves we should increase our academic spending. Let's hope we can increase it even more in the future.

This would not, however, be a proper Bursar's report if it did not contain some warnings about the future. We have been very successful in increasing our income over the four years up to July 2006. The figures so far available for 2006/7 however suggest that that is not something we can continue indefinitely. This would not matter so much if expenditure was static. Despite our tight financial discipline costs continue to increase inexorably especially in the two areas where the College spends most, employment costs and maintenance. The former makes up more than half the College's costs. The combination of increments, cost of living increases, increases in employer's National Insurance and pension contributions and the cost of assimilating to the University's new pay spine are all inflationary pressures we have had to face in recent years. There is no sign of these pressures abating. So for the future we face the challenge of having to meet increasing costs while finding it more and more difficult to increase income.

A further challenge we have set ourselves is to reduce the amount we take each year from the General Endowment. Many years ago Governing Body decided that the College could take 4.5% from the General Endowment each year without reducing its real value. At that time it must have seemed a challenging target to make a surplus on that basis but as noted above we have now achieved that target for four years. All the current evidence indicates that maintaining the level of our take from the Endowment at 4.5% will endanger the future real value of our Endowment. Governing Body has therefore decided to reduce the figure to 3.5% over five years beginning with 2007/8. The budget for that year has therefore been prepared on the basis that the amount we take from the Endowment should be reduced to 4.3%. This means that we will have to be even more disciplined in our approach to our finances.

We could not have achieved all that we have without the College's staff. As usual there have been changes – many of the new arrivals have been mentioned in the Acting Warden's entry. As mentioned in my last report Pauline Maclean, our Governing Body Clerk since 2000 left in September 2006. Pauline joined the College at a particularly difficult time when there was no Bursar and we owe a lot to the way she brought her considerable organisational skills to bear on the College's procedures. Jenny Cable, my secretary and before that the Domestic Bursar's secretary, left in April to take up a post at Trinity.

In the Development Office, Franca Potts left to work at St Catherine's having carried us through a difficult time when she was on her own following Polly Friedhoff's and Janet Collyer's departures. At the European Studies Centre Ulli Parkinson left to go to the Ashmolean after more than four years of hard and devoted work. At the Middle East Centre Collette Caffrey left after more than three years committed service.

In the Domestic Bursary, David Whitaker, our Head Porter, left to take up the same post at St John's. He did a great job during his all too short time in the College. Valerie Briggs, Dorothy Greenwood and William Preston all retired from Housekeeping; Valerie had nearly 9 years service, Dorothy 17 and William nearly 6. Colin Champion also left that department. In the kitchen several junior members of staff moved on - Cicero Ailton, Robert Taylor, Orlando Cordeiro, Cristiane Dias Araujo and Luis Branca. We were particularly sorry to lose Maria Perez Lopez from the Stewarding Department through ill health and wish her a full and speedy recovery. I often feel that we do not appreciate those who work in the Domestic Bursary as much as we should. They operate in a pressured environment where if something is not done at the right time we all notice straightaway. Also our conference business which is becoming increasingly demanding is of vital financial importance to the College.

We thank all those who have left for the work they did for the College and wish them well for the future.

We are also very grateful to those who joined during the year and those who remained in post throughout the year. They are essential to the continuing functioning of the College.

As well as acknowledging the contribution of those who have left I would like to pay tribute to Stephen Eeley who has been our part-time Governing Body Clerk over the last year. He has come into the College whenever needed and turned his hand to much more than the Clerk's duties.

I have left the saddest news about departures until last. Jill Flitter, our College Secretary since 1986, retires in November. During my time at St Antony's a large number of Antonians have told of their gratitude for the way Mrs Flitter looked after them and helped them when they were in difficulty. She will be a hard act to follow and her retirement will mark the end of an era. As mentioned in the Acting Warden's report we will be merging the College Secretary's and the Governing Body Clerk's jobs into one new post called College Registrar and increasing the staff who deal with student administration. Although this reorganisation will improve the service we give to students it will not involve any increase in cost. Recruiting for the new positions is under way and we expect to have the new structure in place in Michaelmas Term.

I also referred briefly to Sir Marrack Goulding's retirement in my previous report. Now is the appropriate occasion for me to pay tribute to his leadership of the College. His conscientiousness was a particular lesson to us all. No document came from his office with any careless drafting. On many occasions when I left my office late I would notice that the lights were still on in his and when I arrived in the morning I would find e-mails he had sent me at a time when I had been asleep for many hours. He had a particular concern for our students and they very much appreciated the way he cared about their interests.

This is also the occasion for me to pay tribute to Professor Roger Goodman our Acting Warden for nine months. He had a very difficult task. He had to act as a caretaker; his role was not to make major changes but he had to ensure that it did not stagnate. He did this

with skill and brought to the job a detailed knowledge of the University.

Most recently we have welcomed Professor Margaret MacMillan to the Wardenship. I and my colleagues in the administration look forward to working for her over the coming years and to achieving with her even greater success for the College.

Last but certainly not least I want to mention the students. Working with them is one of the aspects of the job I enjoy most. I am grateful to Ricardo, the JCR President, his colleagues who work with him in the JCR and the whole student body for all they do to make the College the unique institution it is.

Allan Taylor

Junior Common Room

Busy! This is the word that best describes St Antony's Junior Common Room in 2007. Having inherited a sound financial situation and several successful programmes from the last executive – which was much appreciated! – the JCR was able to carry forward its agenda smoothly, but actively. The richness and diversity of interests and activities were a direct result of the uniqueness of our student body. The sociable environment around College contributed to welcoming the new students and to building a close community. In other words, it created a large and strong group of friends. The following paragraphs are just a small example of the fruits of such friendship.

On the JCR academic front the year has been remarkable so far. The JCR Writing Tutoring Service continued (with many thanks to our dedicated volunteers!) providing essential assistance to junior members of the college with regards to essay writing and revision. Additionally, exam review sessions took place during eighth week of Hilary term, and we sent student representatives to attend University Exam Consultations during the end of Trinity. Importantly, the JCR, along with the Bursar, the College Secretary and the Accountant, met with the University's Academic Registrar and the Head of the Student Administration Section to discuss fees liability for first year and continuing students and problems associated with University cards and contracts, which have been issues of great concern to the student body. On this subject, The VP Academic, Seth Anziska, has also reached out to colleagues in other colleges to discuss common concerns for graduates studying at Oxford. Seth Anziska and I will keep this high in our Michaelmas agenda.

Furthermore, the faculty lunch series continued with Professor Paul Collier discussing his new book *The Bottom Billion*, and Dr Nandini Gooptu exploring gender and South Asian politics. The feedback that I have received has been wonderful! Many thanks for the continued interest of Governing Body fellows in joining the JCR for these illuminating events.

Besides the faculty, the JCR got involved with other college members. For example, a closing session of the Visiting Parliamentary Fellows Seminar was held with Paul Murphy MP and Charles Kennedy MP to discuss "Britain after Blair." Moreover, the VP Academic

has arranged a trip to Parliament for 40 JCR members on Tuesday 23rd October (MT 07). The Rt Hon Paul Murphy will meet with college members after a full tour, and there will be an opportunity to attend question time in the House of Commons as well. Last but not the least, dates are being worked out for a visit to the Foreign Office, where Antonian alumnus Simon Chamberlin has agreed to host a small group of JCR members.

This year, two other relevant events took place. One, organized by the VP Welfare, Rebecca Steinfeld and VP Academic, Seth Anziska, commemorated the 40th anniversary of the Arab-Israeli war of June 1967. It took place on Tuesday of 7th Week in Trinity. The event was cosponsored by the Middle Eastern Centre, and included a film screening of “The Iron Wall” and a panel discussion on the future prospects for Israelis and Palestinians. The other event organized by me – the Ambassadorial Seminar – had the privilege to welcome the Mexican Ambassador Juan José Bremer de Martino to address the following two topics: 1) The actual state of the British-Mexican relations and prospects for the future; and 2) Experiences from the Ambassador’s years in Moscow, Berlin, Washington, and the United Kingdom. The event was held in collaboration with Oxford University Mexican Society. A special word of thanks is also due to Professors Alan Knight and Laurence Whitehead, and to my fellow colleagues Benito Miron and Aurelio Nuño. The JCR is currently working on other invitations to continue the Ambassadorial Seminar series next term.

Academically, the JCR could not be prouder of the work that our colleagues are developing in STAIR – St Antony’s International Review. The Journal held a very successful launch event at the Department of Politics and International Relations (DPIR) for its ‘Democratisation’ issue (Vol. 2, No. 2) on February 12th. It featured a conversation between Joseph Nye (Sultan of Oman Professor of International Relations at Harvard University and Visiting Professor in International Relations at the University of Oxford) and Sir Adam Roberts (Montague Burton Professor of International Relations and Fellow of Balliol College at the University of Oxford) on issues related to democracy and democratisation. The event drew over 150 people, including many faculty members from across the University. Furthermore, STAIR published its fifth issue (Vol. 3, No. 1) on the theme of ‘The Internet: Power and Governance in a Digitised World’, in 6th week of Trinity. The issue, as usual with STAIR, attracted high quality contributions.

Currently, work is underway on the next two issues of STAIR, which will focus on the themes of ‘Religion and World Order’ (Vol. 3, No. 2) and ‘The Politics of Human Trafficking’ (Vol. 4, No. 1). 42 abstracts were received for the Religion issue. A call for papers for the Trafficking issue was issued and was circulated very widely, both within Oxford and Britain, and around the world. I wish STAIR the best of luck for the coming year which will be one of growth for the Journal.

As was clear from Jaideep’s report in last year’s Record, apart from doing well academically, junior members excel in sports too. It was an intensive and memorable sports season. One that every Antonian can be proud of!

Seven members of the college won either full or half blues. Full blues for Justin duBois in swimming, and Eva Vivalt in fencing. Half blues for: Ted Alexander in real tennis;

Nadia Von Maltzahn in volleyball; Dan Koldyk in ice hockey; Tracy Fenwick in rowing; and, finally, Tim Winegard in ice hockey. This is an amazing record! They were all treated to a High Table and received modest prize money from the JCR. But, there is more: the Table Tennis Cuppers individual competitions 2007 finished with Alex Stummvoll being crowned Men's Champion! Congratulations Alex!

After suffering from bad river conditions with race cancelations in the beginning of the year, St Antony's boat club very much enjoyed its time on the river. Men's and women's boat club teams and a mixed non-boat club team entered the Teddy Hall relays in March. The mixed team managed to obtain fifth place overall in the mixed category and beat the men's boat club team. Furthermore, the men's boat club team won blades during the Summer Eights competition. Great job! The men's second boat was unlucky not to bump more often than the two they did get. The women's first boat had a number of difficulties and so rowed over on three days and was unfortunately bumped on the final day. The men's boat and a mixed boat with a few novices entered the Oriel Regatta as well. It was a fun and accomplished time for everyone rowing and, as a novice, I am looking forward to next year's competitions.

It was the first year that a combined Nuffield/St Antony's Cricket team was fielded in the league and, having been promoted to the giddy heights of the First XI 2nd division along with all the big colleges, the team had a great season, playing nine league games, winning four, losing three, with two being rained off. This meant that St Antony's cricket finished the season safely mid-league, a good result for the first year in such a high league, and considering that we are a post-graduate team playing against the young bucks. The record in Cuppers is less successful as the team went out in the first round. Another blemish was the Ashtray loss to Nuffield, although next year I am sure it will be very different!

The Men's Football team was somewhat weaker than in previous years, but as a result of clear determination and very hard work the team avoided relegation. Well done!

Additionally, a college pool tournament was held in 4th week of Hilary, in which Michiel Paris was the winner; St Antony's entered three running teams for the Teddy Hall relays on 7th March 2007; and a few College members competed in the Town and Gown 10km fun run on 21st May. Finally, our sports officer, Andrew Kerr, successfully organized the College sports day on Saturday 19th May. The participants enjoyed excellent weather, a tasty barbeque and good fun playing Frisbee, croquet and water balloon volleyball...

Life at St Antony's is not only about the 'mind' but also about the 'body'. We also know how to have fun and to enjoy ourselves! In other words, we party a lot! The social life of the college continued to be vibrant and reflected the diversity of the student body. Once again, our very own bar manager/social secretary Milos Damjanovic along with Mira Comara and Joe Rowsell – our other VIP social secretaries – put together a busy agenda for the year. Our bops were, as usual, popular and well attended. Besides dancing, several formal dinners were organised, reflecting a greater demand among students for such events. Following the dinners, the Late Bar also saw performances by music bands such

as The Agents of Jane, and Oxford Jazz Band. We also had exchange dinners organized with other colleges: St John's and Hertford Colleges. Aside from this, we hosted several successful Friday night events, including an African night and a Balkan night, neither of which have been organised in several years, and a successful Mexican night. Together, and with the generous support from the European Studies Centre, we organized a very successful party to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the European Union.

Trinity ended with the highlight of the year: the Summer Ball. Themed: "The spy who loved me – An evening of mystery and intrigue," it was a startling, fun and well attended event! We had 165 guests dining, and another 80 for the dancing. The night was sponsored by Brown's which provided £1000-worth of martinis and cocktails and also by other friends of St Antony's JCR such as On The Hoof in North Parade. The Ball ended with breakfast, soccer and survivors photos... (go to Facebook, it is all there!) The Ball Chair, Patrice Holderbach, and the Ball Committee deserve our highest appreciation for their hard work!

On the social side of St Antony's JCR, wine tasting is becoming a must as well! The Antonian Wine Tasting Society (AWTS) run by Lisa Welze has had an extremely successful year. With an average of 40 students per event, the focus has been not only on the development of wine tasting skills necessary for the appreciation of a broad range of wine styles, but also on learning the history and evolution of the wine trade in various regions of the world. Over the course of the year, we have learned to distinguish between grape varietals, regional terroir, and old versus new world wine characteristics. In Trinity term, the AWTS introduced a wine and cheese pairing course, presented by Harley Poulet of the Oxford Cheese Company. The Wine Society has been able to offer diversity to the social life of the College and has significantly improved the knowledge and wine tasting abilities of the student body.

Because the College is also our home the JCR dedicated its time and efforts to the welfare of our colleagues and to improve our common environment.

One of our main tasks this year was the Maintenance and Environment Survey. The survey was organized and conducted in Hilary 2007, by Rebecca Steinfeld, the VP Welfare, by Hart Feuer, our Environment Officer, and by Diarmuid Torney, the JCR Webmaster. The results from the survey were first analysed and then discussed with the College in Week 5 of Trinity 2007. The College expressed appreciation for the survey, and pledged to help improve the provision of the services highlighted as inadequate in the analysis. The JCR very much appreciates the College's goodwill in this regard and hopes that many of the necessary alterations will be carried out over the summer break.

Besides the Survey, the New Gym was a major undertaking by the JCR. In the first JCR General Meeting of Trinity term (24th April) the JCR resolved: "To move the gym equipment to the Carr Room"; "To make the current gym available for DPhil teaching space;" and "To endeavour to make adequate alternative arrangements in the Hilda Besse Building for existing Carr Room users." Following a former JCR decision, it was agreed that a weights circuit, a bench and a treadmill machine would be added to the current equipment. Throughout Trinity, further inquiries were made into housing the various activity groups

that may be relocated as a result of the JCR vote to move the current gym from its present location into the Carr Room. In 8th Week, I presented a proposal with alternative locations to current Carr Room users which was endorsed by the Governing Body. The paper was crafted with the full involvement of the College and with the consultation of the interested groups.

On the environment side, the year has been very successful and Hart Feuer's leadership has been outstanding! The new garden allotment behind 2 Church Walk and the African Studies Centre has been completed and is looking beautiful. Junior and senior fellows have been enjoying spring greens. The University gardeners have assisted the enterprise with compost and the neighbours have even offered tools. The site is looking more and more like a nice, quiet retreat off-College.

Excluding a few small hiccups with the roll-out of the city's new recycling program, St Antony's accommodations have all received the proper bins and can now additionally recycle plastic and cardboard. Yet, due attention is needed on this front during Michaelmas 2007, and the JCR will continue its role in college recycling which is a priority. Furthermore, a handful of accommodations with interested participants have joined the compost bin program and are now turning their kitchen waste into compost for our own garden allotment.

As active participants in society the members of the JCR have engaged in discussions and activities of common concern to our members. A new initiative was launched, the JCR Forum, having debated Fair Trade and Free Trade in its first meeting. Alastair Smith and Jonathan Dingel had an educated and helpful conversation on the topic, which was then opened to the audience. The event greatly contributed to our understanding of Fair Trade and the possible role of the JCR in it. We hope to continue the Forum next term.

Apart from Fair Trade, the JCR has devoted a substantial time to the issue of Socially Responsible Investment (SRI). The last JCR executive worked vigorously on a discussion paper outlining the need for a credible college SRI policy. The current JCR executive and Tom Harrison – the author of the SRI discussion paper – after meeting with a BlackRock representative along with the Bursar in London, on May 18, 2007, presented the JCR's SRI proposal to the MET on May 30, 2007. The proposal was debated and amended, and a recommendation was sent to GB. In Week 8 after a productive discussion, the Governing Body endorsed the proposal to create a Joint Committee composed by staff members, GB fellows and JCR members to further discuss and eventually draft a College SRI policy. I owe a word of thanks to Tom Harrison for his hard work on this project and to the Bursar for his essential contribution.

Additionally, the Social Action Coordinator, Emanuela Paoletti, organized a fundraising event in favour of UNICEF Sudan and invited two St Antony's alumni to talk about charitable initiatives and NGO activities either in Oxford or in the UK: Ahmed Al-Shahi, Research Fellow, St Antony's College, to talk about the Sudan project and Simon Heap from Plan International to talk about the activity of the organization he works for. Lastly, on June 20, Emanuela and Sara-Christine Gemson, the JCR Secretary, collected clothes to be given to a charity based in Oxford and to Oxfam.

On the whole, this has been a very successful and eventful year. Thanks to our experienced treasurer, Farid Boussaid, the JCR is in very good financial standing, even after some well spent funds with our Clubs and Societies in Hilary and Trinity, and the commitments already made for the New Gym and, yes, for our newest project: the renovation of the BUTTERY! This is a joint-venture with the College allowing the creation of a new 'space' with limited spending. Hopefully, the new students in Welcome Week 2007 will be greeted in a Late Bar with a fresh face. On the other hand, the Conferences in the Buttery will be more comfortable and better lit!

As far as I am concerned we have had a very productive year. This was a result of a cohesive JCR executive and a like-minded College team. The permanent collaboration and consultation with the Warden, the Bursar, and Domestic Bursar were fruitful and are much appreciated. To understand the importance of such exchanges, the return of "The Simpsons" to the Combined Common Room was only made possible after an agreement with the College to re-establish the TV connection! Furthermore, the termly meetings between the JCR and the College, initiated by Jaideep's executive, were indispensable to debate common issues and should be maintained. The systematic discussion of issues, such as the new College buildings, safety and security, maintenance and services – minuted by the JCR's 'memory keeper,' Sara-Christine Gemson – profited considerably from this forum.

Likewise, "The State of the College" address to the junior members, given by the Acting Warden, following a suggestion by the JCR, was another positive event to bring students and the College together. As Professor Roger Goodman is ending his Wardenship, I would like to express my gratitude for his leadership, support and good humour. It was a privilege to work closely with Professor Goodman.

Besides the needed 'formalities', the friendship and support that the JCR receives every year from the entire College staff in general, and from the Porters, the Scouts, and the maintenance staff in particular, makes our lives here more enjoyable.

To close this already very long account of JCR activities, I offer my full gratitude to an excellent group of people: Seth Anziska, Rebecca Steinfeld, Farid Boussaid, Sara Christine Gemson, Milos Damnjanovic, Joe Rowsell, Mira Comara, Myrto Stasinopoulou, Hart Feuer, Lindsey Richardson, Andrew Kerr, Iason Gabriel, Cleon Catsambis, Lisa Welze, James Cameron, Emanuela Paoletti, Diarmuid Torney, Ainsley Cameron, Alastair Smith, Thomas Isherwood, Atef Alshehri, Woo-Jung Jon, Naysan Rafati, Florian Nickels-Teske, and Patrice Holderbach. As members of the JCR Executive, and as JCR Officers and Representatives each and every one of my good friends named above gave many hours of their life to a common project: make St Antony's home. I was very lucky to be on their team!

Ricardo Borges de Castro

The Library

The College Library, comprising the Main Library and the library of the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre, together with the associated libraries of the Middle East Centre and the Latin American Centre, contain over 100,000 volumes, and subscribe to over 260 journals and newspapers, the collections reflecting the major disciplinary interests of the College.

The Main Library reading rooms occupy what were formerly the chapel, refectory and chapter house of the first Anglican convent, the Society of the Holy and Undivided Trinity. It holds the general collections in modern history, politics, international relations, economics and development studies, and the regional collections on Europe and Asia. The western language collections on Russia and the former USSR are also in the Main Library, while the Slavonic language material on these areas and the Eastern European countries are in the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre library.

Archival holdings at the College include an extensive collection at the Middle East Centre of private papers and photographs from diplomats, businessmen and others who worked or travelled in the Middle East. The Main Library's archives include a number of collections of private papers relating to twentieth century Europe, of particular importance being those of Sir John Wheeler-Bennett.

While the primary aim of the College Library as a whole is to serve the needs of members of the College, the area studies centres fulfil a wider role in providing facilities to all members of the University whose studies come within their orbit; they also, under certain conditions, admit other scholars. The Main Library also admits a number of researchers from outside the College to use its unique material, in particular those on the Third Reich and fascist Italy.

The conversion of our pre-1990 catalogues continues, and we have been delighted to be able to welcome Juliet Blackburn as an additional member of staff on the project; she will be working as a full-time retrocataloguer, albeit for a maximum of 18 months. Our search goes on for the funding we need to continue with the project thereafter.

We thank all those who have given books to the Main Library during the past year, including: Professor G. Best; Mrs I. Brooks; Professor A. H. Brown; Dr L. Carter; Center for Asia-Pacific Area Studies; Dr A. Deighton; G. Dünkelsbühler; Professor R. Florescu; Dr S. Gooptu; Sir Marrack Goulding; Dr V. Gounaris; Dr N. Hope; H.-H. M. Hsiao; Dr M. King; A. Kirk-Greene; Professor P. Kitromilides; Professor J. Loughlin; Sir Roderic Lyne; Luso-American Foundation; Dr P. Mangold; Mrs June Morris; Dr J.I. Múgica; Professor A.J. Nicholls; Nuffield College Library; Oxford Institute for Energy Studies; I. Pearson; Professor R. Pommerin; Professor R. Service; Dr H. Shukman; Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University; Toyo Bunko; Dr S. Tsang; Mrs J. Turnbull; Sir Brian Urquhart; Warsaw School of Economics; E. B. Weaver.

Rosamund Campbell

The St Antony's Series

This long-established series publishes manuscripts by authors who are members of the College or associated with it as students, visiting members, or in other ways. Jan Zielonka was general editor of the series up to December 2006 when William Beinart took over. While the editor and the committee play an important role in soliciting books and in making academic recommendations, the final decision on proposals is made by Palgrave/Macmillan who also generally require external reviewers and are increasingly guided by the commercial viability of books. This policy has significantly reduced the number of books published annually. The board meets once a year to consider broader strategies; editorial decisions are taken as individual manuscripts are received.

During the last academic year the board included William Beinart, Nandini Gooptu, Jane Caplan, Alex Pravda, Rosemary Thorp, Jan Zielonka and Rosemary Foot. Jill Lake handled the series at Palgrave/Macmillan and it is with regret that we note her retirement. She has been a strong supporter, and a highly efficient administrator, of the series.

We continue to have a good rate of submissions, mostly dealing with recent history and politics. About 20 proposals have been considered, and 6-7 are likely to go through to the contract stage. Some of those published during 2006 have sold sufficiently well to be considered for paperback publication. Middle Eastern volumes in the series, together with some others, were displayed at the fiftieth anniversary conference of the Middle East Centre.

The copies of books in the series that have previously been stored in the Warden's office are to be moved to the Senior Common Room.

The following books have been published recently:

Hakan Thörn: *Anti-Apartheid and the Emergence of a Global Civil Society*

Paul Chaisty: *Legislative Politics and Economic Power in Russia*

Valpy Fitzgerald, Frances Stewart and Rajesh Venugopal (eds): *Globalization, Violent Conflict and Self-Determination*

Lori Plotkin Boghardt: *Kuwait amid War, Peace and Revolution*

Cathy Gormley-Heenan: *Political Leadership and the Northern Ireland Peace Protest*

Ulf Schmidt: *Justice At Nuremburg*

Richard Clogg: *Bearing Gifts to Greeks*

Twelve further books are in production or contracted and should appear in the next couple of years.

William Beinart (General Editor)

SPECIAL ARTICLES

Dr Ann Waswo's farewell speech given at the Governing Body dinner

As I've been clearing out my room in the Nissan Institute in recent weeks, so that its rotting partition walls can be repaired before my successor's arrival in September, I have found myself pondering one question: How is it that I, a mild-mannered, fairly introverted American woman by the standards of my fellow countrymen, have acquired a reputation in St Antony's as an outspoken critic of the status quo and, in some quarters at least, as a hot-tempered feminist?

While accepting that some of the responsibility for this misperception of my character may lie at my door, I would like for the record to tell you how I was encouraged, indeed lured, into my first challenge of college policy by that politically shrewd, indeed positively Machiavellian now-retired member of GB – Archie Brown.

When I first came here in the icy winter of 1982, it was still college policy to hold occasional 'ladies nights', when persons of what was then known as the fairer sex could be invited to High Table. Archie was against this policy, and he orchestrated an assault on it at a GB meeting soon after my arrival. I'll raise the subject, he told me during a clandestine conversation, and then you just answer the question I ask. Okay, I said, pleased to be needed. Whether on the agenda or as AOB I don't recall, but Archie broached the subject and then said 'I wonder if I might ask our newly arrived American colleague what she thinks of this practice' and I dutifully replied 'Why, I find it retrograde and reprehensible.' The practice was declared null and void with a wave of Warden Carr's hand, and henceforth Fellows and SAMs were free to invite anybody of any gender anytime. So easy!

Emboldened by this experience, I soon began noticing other archaic practices in College: a ladies room on the ground floor of the Hilda Besse Building, a ladies boat crew on the river. It took a bit of time to get that nomenclature modernized, but modernized it eventually was. It may well be that I even paid for the 'women's room' sign on the door of the loo and, with help from others, installed it one dark night. I don't recall, but I do recall that help from other women, both senior and junior, was essential in both campaigns, and some of us decided at about that time to have the occasional lunch and dinner together. Four of the members of that plucky band are here tonight – Rosemary Thorp, Jenny Corbett, Susan McRae and myself – and so it is fitting that I say a few words about what some of our male colleagues regarded as a revolutionary feminist collective but we styled 'the Bath tub Ring' in view of the much less threatening, in fact positively homely character of many of our conversations: where to get a good haircut in Oxford, which one of us would host our next dinner, etc. Way back then in the early 1980s, lunch was on offer in the Buttery, and I well remember one occasion when a few of us were having lunch, and Malcolm Deas came up to us and said 'I expect you are plotting the destruction of the world as we know it' – or something along those lines. We were taken aback, I must say, but then it occurred to us that he like Alan Angell at about the same time might be lobbying for an invitation to one of our excellent dinners in the typically ham-fisted, counter-productive

way to which men seem prone. At any rate, we decided to have some Guest Nights, but that in the first instance we would invite women only. And so it transpired that the Warden's wife Sara Carr came to dinner at my place. This turned out to be a very pleasant but unexpectedly subversive event. The next day I encountered Raymond in college, and he immediately let it be known that we had 'ruined his marriage.' Why he felt this way soon became clear, when Sara's thank-you note arrived: 'I had forgotten how constrained one is in the company of men' she wrote, 'so it was a real pleasure to be in the company of women and able to speak freely.'

As it turned out, this was the last meeting of the Bathtub Ring – or maybe the last meeting was the 'sleepover' at Rosemary's house, which unfortunately I could not attend. At any rate, two of our founding members had left the country, our respective lives had become more complicated, and we no longer had the time.

I return now to that source of my undoing, Archie Brown. Just last week, at dessert on Tuesday night, he tried to inveigle me into yet another assault on college policy on this my last formal occasion to do so. The issue was the callous and uncaring way, reputedly unprecedented within Oxford, in which St Antony's treats its emeritus fellows by making them pay for their lunches. No way! I've learned a few things about politics over the past quarter of a century, and one of them is not to tackle anything in which one has too clearly identified a self-interest.

No, that issue – and in particular the ad hoc, ad hominem way the policy was decided some years ago – will find a place in the Oxford/Japan detective novel I plan to write in my retirement. Let me now say a few words about that novel.

Deterred by the demands of my day job, I haven't yet decided precisely who will be murdered, but there will be a murder: possibly of a Fellow, possibly of a potential benefactor – or maybe even the minister of higher education of the day. And the crime will be solved by a detection duo made up of a middle-aged Japanese woman on sabbatical in Oxford and the rebellious young son of an Oxford academic couple, she armed with a sensitivity to human relations and he with local knowledge.

The working title of this novel is 'Damaged Goods' but having googled that title recently and discovered over 10,000 entries, of which a good 40 or so were novels (starting with Upton Sinclair's novelization of a French play in the 1930s and ending with a potboiler about sex and violence in London due out in April) I have obviously got to come up with something else. Be that as it may, the idea of 'goods' will figure prominently, in both the concrete and the abstract sense of the word. Something tangible will be destroyed, but also something intangible.

The latter will be the collegiality and integrity of an Oxford college in the face of the relentless invasion of business-like 'audit culture' into academe. A once reasonably harmonious and mutually sustaining academic community will become increasingly riven by discord. There will be the grantsmen (and women) on the one hand, driven by metrics and FECs, and a harried band of scholarly soloists on the other, mostly in the humanities, who thirst after the freedom to think and to write books instead of articles. Someone will

crack.

Now it's going to be a fictionalized, anonymous Oxford college about which I write, but it must be acknowledged that St Antony's is the only Oxford college I really know anything about. And two features of St Antony's will feature at the outset in this novel – before the real rot sets in.

The first of these is a culture of poverty and self-denial among the Fellows. They might grumble at lunch about how cold it is in Hall or wonder why they can't have an electronic sign-in system for High Table just like Nuffield's, but they take no action. And when the Bursar offers up a modest sum for use as an academic dividend, they wouldn't dream of spending it on themselves. I gather this stance is not the product of recent hard times, but goes way back to the early years, certainly to Raymond's time as Warden. There is almost something charming about it, but of course it means that the working environment for Fellows gets shabbier and shabbier, and the gap between their stipends and allowances and those at many other colleges grows ever wider. This will prove a volatile situation when sizable monetary 'incentives' become available within the University for certain types of 'approved' academic output.

The second feature is that the Fellows will form a very decent, talented and congenial group of people, again at the outset of the novel. That is certainly my view of the place, and I know many share it. The interesting company is certainly one of the main reasons why I've enjoyed my quarter of a century here, and I do feel just a slight pang of conscience that I am going to have to invent tensions, demolish goodwill and motivate real hatreds in order to make my novel work.

Ann Waswo

Professor Anthony Nicholls' address at the Deakin Days Gaudy, 1 July 2006

A Walk in a Monastery Garden

Warden, Ladies and Gentlemen,

First of all I must apologise to those of you who may have been expecting some sort of archaeological or botanical experience as we all drift through the grounds of the old Anglican convent, nostalgically reviewing the remains of the vegetable garden or the old air raid shelters in which the gardener was reputed to cultivate mushrooms.

The fact is, that none of these romantic memorials survive, with the exception of the Convent building itself, and even that has been transformed internally. As for the rolling acres that used to surround it, they have vanished, leaving barely a wrack behind. The tennis courts have gone, a large chunk of the car park has disappeared, and you will search for the croquet lawn in vain. The latter loss is perhaps just as well, because those of you who have been following recent events in Britain will know that playing croquet has now become politically incorrect. Even the squash court, once described as the best- designed

piece of architecture in the College grounds, has disappeared. I always have considerable nostalgia when I think of the squash court, even though I myself have never actually held a squash racket. But it was once the focus of one of my favourite myths about St Antony's. During a radical spasm after the events of 1968, somebody in the Guardian newspaper accused the College of being a recruiting ground for spies. A rumour then started circulating that in the grounds of the College there was a windowless building from which grunts of pain could be heard. Obviously the chaps from MI6 were learning to withstand torture. But it was, of course, only the squash court, and the grunts were as likely to have been emitted by the young women of St Anne's, with whom we shared it, as by ourselves.

So why then am I talking about 'a monastery garden'? The reason for this curious designation is that when I was having my arm gently twisted to lead off these proceedings we were trying to find a catchy title, and I thought the association between a Victorian ballad ('In a Monastery Garden') and the architectural origins of the College somehow seemed appropriate. It just seemed like a good idea at the time – rather like starting the First World War.

What I am intending to do, in as short a space as I can get away with, is to reminisce in an anecdotal fashion about the golden era which we in this room represent, and then to make a few comments on Sir William Deakin's Wardenship. Sadly, Bill is no longer with us. But he did have a splendid innings, and was one of the reasons why this College had the unusual advantage of reaching its fiftieth anniversary with all four of its Wardens in remarkably good shape.

Ralf Dahrendorf once described the Deakin era as 'the campfire days' of the College. From what I read in the College history, some of the very early students might have been glad of a camp fire to reinforce the inadequate gas heaters provided in the nuns' cells in the old building. But by the time I arrived in January 1959 I was stunned to discover that I was in an institution blessed with central heating. Coming from the medieval grandeur of Merton, where I had been used to pulling the carpet over my bed during the winter months, this was a revelation, confirming my hope that I was joining a forward-looking institution. My own introduction to the College was not untypically casual. I had started an MPhil course in Modern History at Merton, but was finding myself rather isolated there. I had got to know a member of the MPhil group in the year ahead of me, Philip Windsor, and it became evident that his College, St Antony's, was bursting with people who might share my interests. I wrote to the tutor for admissions and was called for an interview. It turned out to be a gentlemanly chat with the charming Saul Rose, a man whose laid-back demeanour belied his alter ego as a high level apparatchik in the Labour Party and who later went on to become the Bursar of New College.

Being a typically insular Englishman, who had never set foot on what in those days was still referred to as 'the Continent', I was amazed, but also delighted, to find myself in such a relaxed international atmosphere. The President of the JCR was French, appropriately enough given the nationality of the founder, and there were several other French students, at least three German students, a sturdy representative of Luxemburg, and a Hungarian poet who had escaped from Soviet repression in 1956. Other countries represented were Israel and Lebanon, Japan and the United States. From the British Commonwealth there

were students from Canada, India, and South Africa. British students were also to be found, but they were, and have remained, a minority amongst the student body, a unique feature of our collegiate community. I quickly became friends with a remarkable Japanese colleague, Nobotoshi Hagihara, who was, I believe, at that time only the second representative of his country in the College, following in the footsteps of the redoubtable Professor Tsuzuki, who arrived in 1955. Nobotoshi became a respected biographer in Japan and remained a firm friend and a very loyal Antonian for the rest of his life. He liked playing tennis, but was not particularly good at it. For that reason he enjoyed playing against me, and at the end of most games he would put his arm round my shoulder and say ‘well Tony, old boy, you didn’t play very well, did you?’. But it was all good fun, which seemed to be a key characteristic of the College when I joined it.

So far as the old building was concerned, most of the fun was located on the ground floor. The Junior Common Room was the scene of lively debates. The more arcane the issue, particularly if it related to the JCR Constitution, the more passionate the arguments. There were also visiting speakers to address the St Antony’s society. In my time these included Julian Amery, a right-wing Conservative Minister who spoke up for British association with Europe [imagine that!]; Hugh Gaitskell, who told us about his visit to America, and the General Secretary of the Labour Party, Morgan Phillips, who ended his peroration with the confident assertion that Labour would win the forthcoming elections, which of course they did not.

On the same level as the JCR in the old building there was the buttery, a College bar of the old school, small and fuggy but also warm and cheerful. Despite its cramped dimensions it managed to house bar billiards and a dart board. There was also the famous picture modelled on that of ‘the Anatomy Lesson’. This depicted the Bursar, Peter Hailey, being cut open on the operating table to reveal a cascade of gold coins. He was being observed with sardonic pleasure by Bill Deakin, James Joll and other members of the Governing Body. Presiding over the buttery itself was, of course, the Steward, Fred Wheatley. For many of its student members he personified the College. Warm-hearted and irrepressible, Fred delighted in dishing up libations to the young gentlemen, as we all were in those days, and he was prepared to give advice on any topic from the world situation to the domestic problems facing the younger generation. He also spent happy hours bottling the College wine. To continue our tour of the ground floor, we should not forget the delights of the refectory, the College Dining Room where we were served our meals from the neighbouring kitchen – there being no nonsense about self-service. Breakfasts might include such culinary curiosities as a fried egg on a crumpet, but they were certainly nourishing. On Friday nights there was a students’ guest night complete with wine. From time to time the dining hall, with its mock Gothic pillars, was used for dances, and grandest of all, for the Summer Ball.

I was pressed into service as the Treasurer of the Summer Ball on one occasion and found myself hemmed in by a mass of tradition, even though the College was not yet ten years old. The College gardener played a role in this. He was a very large and intimidating person, who informed himself on world affairs by reading the Common Room newspapers before putting them on his bonfire – I remember that he was particularly upset when the Japanese Crown Prince married a Commoner. One morning as I was walking back to

my room in Winchester Road he stopped me and gave me a long lecture on the absolute necessity of including a bottle of champagne in the price of a Ball ticket. Without champagne the whole evening would be a disaster I was told, and I duly followed his instructions. But I then became aware of a snag, namely that the ball committee had to issue a large number of complimentary tickets to a list of senior friends of the College, which I assumed was drawn up by the Governing Body. Since they all got a bottle of champagne, and since the JCR had to meet the expense, this made something of a hole in our budget. The distribution of the champagne also cast a brief cloud over the proceedings at the Ball, since it was carried out by a large East European scout who bellowed menacingly at the guests: 'No ticket; No Champagne!'

Now it should not be thought that St Antony's men took their pleasures entirely indoors. The tennis courts were constantly in use, and the annual garden party also witnessed the finals of the College tennis tournament. This tradition pre-dated my generation of students by several years. I hoped that at least one holder of the tennis title would be with us today, but Gerhard Ritter, who had intended to be here, has been unable to come over. I can report, however, that he still plays tennis regularly in Berlin, where he now lives.

There was also the College cricket team. This could be seen as an attempt to spread the English way of life to more benighted parts of the World. In fact it was a hugely popular way of seeing the Oxfordshire countryside and enjoying rural hospitality in picturesque public houses. St Antony's was welcome to village teams because they could afterwards boast of beating an Oxford College. The only worry was that the St Antony's innings might not last until the pubs opened and the village players would then have to go back home to their families with their thirsts unslaked. By the time I arrived, there were enough seasoned cricketers to give a good account of themselves, and thus appease the village teams.

To return briefly to the Old Building, on the upper floors more serious business was conducted. Of particular importance to us students was the College Library, in those days only accessible through an external staircase. I am delighted that Anne Abley can be with us today, and to her and her successors in running the Library we all owe an immense debt. There was also a lecture room, now occupied by the Library of the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre, in which visitors of such distinction as President Senghor addressed us. It was also an important feature of the College that the administrative staff were much better known to us than would have been the case in larger institutions, even though for some time they were housed in a curious prefabricated structure on the College lawn.

I am nearly at the end of my anecdotal section; but you will have noticed that it has been what should now be described as a male chauvinist discourse. This is because during my time as a student here the college, like virtually all others, was a single-sex institution. But that was about to change. In November 1961 the College Governing Body took the decision to admit female graduate students. In this St Antony's was showing an admirably pioneering spirit, and for the next decade it was to be the only genuinely co-educational college in Oxford. The Governing Body had approved this change by a vote of eight votes to three, and I have no idea who the protagonists were. My guess is that the Sub-Warden, James Joll, who came to exert a great deal of influence on the domestic development of

the College, would have been strongly in favour; I do know that in the late 1950s Bill Deakin was not an enthusiast for the idea. He informed the *Oxford Mail* in February 1962 that ‘what the change will mean in practical terms is still a matter of policy’. But once enacted, he accepted its consequences without demur, and Mrs Deakin proved a source of support for newly arrived women students who were concerned about the Spartan character of the toilet paper or the lack of curtains in the showers.

And that brings me on to the subject of Bill and Pussy Deakin, and their legacy to St Antony’s. Most of us in this room were, in terms of our College membership, participants in the Deakin era. We all have our own memories of Bill. To those of us who knew him in the first decade of the College’s life he was an accessible and warm-hearted leader. I have the impression that later on, when his time was more and more taken up with trying to overcome the shortage of funds needed for the consolidation of St Antony’s, he became a somewhat more distant figure to incoming students, but in this I may be quite wrong, and I would appreciate any comments about that in our subsequent discussion.

My recollection of him was that he had the gift of making those with whom he was talking not only feel that he was genuinely interested in their views, but that they should raise their own expectations in line with his infectious optimism. Although I did not trouble him very often, I didn’t hesitate to consult him about matters relating to my own future, and I always received constructive advice. My experience was shared by most of my contemporaries. In that respect Bill’s personal influence on us was powerful, and it contributed to our sense of community, which was one of the College’s most attractive features.

But I think it is important to remember how fragile our institution was in its early years. Bill had difficulty in getting the College started in the face of a University administration that was not overly concerned to speed things along. When the Hilda Besse building was opened in 1970 the former University Registrar, who had initially controlled the College endowment, remarked that it was a day he had hoped he would never see. Legal problems concerning the Irish Trustees, who for reasons of British tax policy had been given control of M. Besse’s generous endowment, meant that it took several years for the College to gain control of its own capital, years in which its endowment could have been invested more effectively than had actually been the case.

My chief recollection of Bill during the period between 1961 and 1968, when I was a Research Fellow in the College, is one of concentrated determination to overcome the financial difficulties that the College faced in the 1960s. The generous and far-sighted endowment by M. Besse had launched St Antony’s in fine style. However, it had soon become clear that to develop and sustain an international graduate college devoted to studying the problems of peace and security in the Twentieth Century would require a continuous financial effort. It is worth remembering how much the university environment in Oxford has changed over the last half century. The humanities and social sciences were overwhelmingly Anglo-centric in their programmes of study, and the main focus of the University’s teaching activities was on the undergraduate population. It is true that, before St Antony’s was set up, the Hebdomadal Council had already considered the desirability of establishing a college to cater mainly for graduate students. Nevertheless, the determination to combine graduate studies with a truly international, outward-looking

perspective was one which Bill himself developed at an early stage, a vision which he seems to have been able to communicate very effectively to the College's founder. His own interests were in the sphere of politics and contemporary history.

Here I think we should not forget the Churchill connection; Bill's own commitment to assisting Churchill in completing his history of the Second World War lasted well beyond his appointment as Warden of this College. It is documented both in Sir Martin Gilbert's monumental Churchill biography and in a more recent monograph by David Reynolds ('In Command of History'). The Cold War was the issue that dominated contemporary attitudes towards World affairs. Indeed, a few months before the College opened it had actually become a hot war, with the Soviet-inspired invasion of South Korea in the summer of 1950.

In Bill's own writings, for example *The Brutal Friendship* and his co-authored biography of the German Communist agent in Japan, Richard Sorge, he demonstrated his interest in the interaction between political leadership, ideology and international affairs. So although in the 1950s the College could display an interesting, if eclectic, mixture of academic disciplines, extending from nuclear physics to the history of medieval English agriculture, by the time Bill retired its clear profile as a graduate institution focusing on life outside the United Kingdom, with stress laid upon modern and contemporary history and politics; as well as economic, social and cultural issues of relevance to an understanding of the contemporary world, was well established.

Now of course, it could be argued that this development was itself conditioned in a way by the Cold War, since the institutions that might finance academic activity, especially in the United States, were at that time above all concerned with studies which might be relevant to the defence of what was then called the Free World. Some of the College's applications for support from the great American Foundations were indeed couched in such a way as to underline the benefits to be gained from a better understanding of, say, the Soviet Union or the political situation in parts of Asia. This undoubtedly helped develop the relevant centres of research in St Antony's. But Bill Deakin, and most of his Senior colleagues in those days - and I am particularly thinking of James Joll, John Wheeler-Bennett, David Footman, Max Hayward, Richard Storry, Harry Willets, Albert Hourani and Raymond Carr - were all themselves committed to the areas of scholarly investigation that would later characterise the College's main interests, and stamp it with what I believe is its unique character. Nor should we assume that it would have been impossible to raise money for other areas of research - nuclear physics being an obvious example - during the 1950s and thereafter if the consensus of opinion in the Governing Body had wanted to move in that direction.

If we take the Volkswagen Foundation in Germany as an example of a scholarly foundation with which the College worked very successfully for many years, it supported our programmes in modern and contemporary history, politics and economics, as well as funding fellowships for German scholars, including those from the former German Democratic Republic, interested in the non-European fields of study in which St Antony's specialised. Bill Deakin was the pioneer in establishing a relationship with the Foundation from the moment it was set up. The first fruits of this relationship were garnered in 1965.

But if one looks at the very broad fields of scientific research sponsored by that foundation one cannot argue that the activities supported by it at St Antony's were chosen simply in order to obtain funding. Bill himself had long been trying to find a way of bringing more Germans to Oxford after the suspension of the Rhodes Scholarships, and the first Volkswagen programme was aimed at providing support for both students and visiting professors in order to strengthen academic discourse between Oxford and Germany. In this way both donors and recipients were satisfied, and I think this was the case with most of the College's successful fundraising operations, whether they related to the Asia, Europe, Latin America, the Middle East or the Soviet Union.

The Volkswagen scheme was, of course, only one of the many projects for which Bill obtained financial support, and for which he scoured North and South America as well as Europe. When my wife was writing the College history in the 1990s I had the privilege of assisting her research in the archives of the Ford Foundation in New York. We were both immensely impressed by the determination with which Bill had stuck to his task of obtaining a major endowment from Ford which would put the college on a sound footing for the next few decades. He did this despite feeling that he was thereby neglecting his scholarly work as an historian, and when the Ford financing was finally agreed he felt he could at last relinquish his administrative burdens and devote himself to writing.

I think that we owe to his Wardenship the outward-looking, international quality of this College, which is still one of its unique characteristics, and which has in my humble opinion, brought considerable benefits to the University of Oxford.

But I have now said quite enough, and the time has come for others to let us have their views.

Thank you.

Anthony Nicholls

TEACHING AND RESEARCH

ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES

St Antony's specialises in the inter-disciplinary study of large regions of the world. Nonetheless, Fellows of the College are grounded in particular disciplines, and are members of different Faculties. Since the main entries in this Record are by regions, we thought it would be useful to give an indication of the distribution of subjects within the permanent active Fellowship of the College. Of course, many Fellows straddle several disciplines, and, indeed, regions. But the following list gives the primary disciplines of the College's Governing Body in Michaelmas Term 2007. The regional section under which the main biographical entry will be found is indicated in brackets after the name.

ANTHROPOLOGY

Dr Walter Armbrust (Middle Eastern Studies)
 Professor Robert Barnes (Asian Studies)
 Professor Roger Goodman (Asian Studies)
 Dr David Pratten (African Studies)

COMPARATIVE EDUCATION

Dr David Johnson (African Studies)

ECONOMICS

Professor Paul Collier (African Studies)
 Dr Jenny Corbett (Asian Studies)
 Professor Valpy FitzGerald (Latin American Studies)
 Dr Charles (Knick) Harley (European Studies)
 Dr Carol Leonard (Russian and Eurasian Studies)
 Dr Marcus Rebick (Asian Studies)
 Mrs Rosemary Thorp (Latin American Studies)

HISTORY

Professor William Beinart (African Studies)
 Professor Jane Caplan (European Studies)
 Professor Timothy Garton Ash (European Studies)
 Dr Nandini Gooptu (Asian Studies)
 Professor Alan Knight (Latin American Studies)
 Dr Sho Konishi (Asian Studies)
 Professor Margaret MacMillan
 Dr Eugene Rogan (Middle Eastern Studies)
 Professor Robert Service (Russian and Eurasian Studies)
 Dr Steve Tsang (Asian Studies)
 Dr David Washbrook (Asian Studies) – leaving at the end of Michaelmas term 2007

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Professor Rosemary Foot (Asian Studies)

Dr Kalypso Nicolaïdis (European Studies)

Dr Alex Pravda (Russian and Eurasian Studies)

Professor Avi Shlaim (Middle Eastern Studies)

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Dr Celia Kerslake (Middle Eastern Studies)

POLITICS

Dr Paul Chaisty (Russian and Eurasian Studies)

Mr Malcolm Deas (Latin American Studies)

Professor Joe Foweraker (Latin American Studies)

Dr Abdul Raufu Mustapha (African Studies)

Dr Ian Neary (Asian Studies)

Dr Philip Robins (Middle Eastern Studies)

Professor Vivienne Shue (Asian Studies)

Dr Michael Willis (Middle Eastern Studies)

Professor Jan Zielonka (European Studies)

SOCIOLOGY

Dr Rachel Murphy (Asian Studies)

AFRICAN STUDIES

The African Studies Centre

African Studies has flourished at St Antony's for many decades, initially through the location of the Rhodes Chair of Race Relations at the College. The chair was endowed in the 1950s to study race relations with specific reference to Southern Africa, and it has become an African Studies position. Supervisory, conference and seminar activities greatly expanded under Terence Ranger (1987-97), largely on southern and central Africa, and Tony Kirk-Greene, on West Africa and colonial policy. In 1993, the Centre for the Study of African Economies was established as a University ESRC research centre, linked to the college. Under the Directorship of Professor Paul Collier, it has attracted major research funding. The expansion of masters programmes in fields such as Development Studies, Economic and Social History, Forced Migration, Politics and International Relations, Geography, Economics for Development, and Anthropology has led to a rapid increase in the number of students at the college who focus on Africa. St Antony's has one of the largest concentrations of doctoral students working on Africa in the University.

In October 2004, a University African Studies Centre was launched, located at the College in 21 Winchester Road. The Centre is a unit, or sub-department, of the new School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies (SIAS), a full department in the Social Sciences Division. This represents a major initiative within the University to protect and develop Oxford's unique strengths in Area Studies. It has provided African Studies – working alongside other Centres - with a secure institutional base within the University and important opportunities. In October 2005 an MSc in African Studies was launched with 24 students from 10 countries. The new degree is the Centre's first dedicated teaching programme, which will also help to underpin its financial health.

During 2006-07 the Centre had four core staff: David Anderson, Director of the Centre, a Fellow of St Cross, and Professor of African Politics; William Beinart, Fellow of St Antony's, Rhodes Chair of Race Relations, and Chair of SIAS; Dr David Pratten, the Atiku Abubakar Fellow at St Antony's and University Lecturer in African Anthropology; and Dr H el ene Neveu Kringelbach, a temporary Departmental Lecturer in African Studies. In addition, two Research Fellows were attached to the Centre and St Antony's - Dr Kate Meagher holding a British Academy Research Fellowship, and Dr Christopher Low holding an ESRC Post-Doctoral research grant. Wanja Knighton continued as the first fulltime administrator and has contributed greatly to the consolidation of the Centre and the masters programme.

There are in addition three other College-based Africanists on Governing Body: Professor Paul Collier, Director of the Centre for the Study of African Economies; Dr Raufu Mustapha, Kirk-Greene Fellow and University Lecturer in African Politics, based at the Department of International Development; and Dr David Johnson, University Lecturer in Comparative Education. Terence Ranger and Tony Kirk-Greene, Emeritus Fellows, continued to participate in the Centre's activities.

The MSc programme in African Studies welcomed its second cohort in October 2006, the 30 students being spread between nine colleges across the University and St Antony's

taking nine. The quality of the students was again very high, and they participated fully and energetically in the many activities organized through the Centre over the year. The core teaching on the MSc was conducted by the Centre's staff, with important support from colleagues around the University including Dr Sloan Mahone (St Cross), Dr Jocelyn Alexander (Linacre), Dr Raufu Mustapha (St Antony's), Dr Karen Brown (Wellcome Unit), Dr Jan-Georg Deutsch (St Cross), Professor Peter Mitchell (St Hugh's), Dr Nic Cheeseman (New), Dr Lindsay Whitfield (University), and Dr Tony Lemon (Mansfield).

A number of scholars visited the Centre. John Githongo renewed his affiliation with the Centre, and with St Antony's, throughout the year. Professor Richard Waller joined us in Hilary and Trinity Terms from Bucknell University in Pennsylvania, as our North American Visiting Fellow with an attachment to St Antony's. Professor Waller contributed to the teaching programme on the MSc, and assisted several doctoral students, while also collaborating with Professor Anderson on a book project. This was the second year of this particular visiting programme, and once again it proved to be a considerable success. We will continue this scheme for a third year in 2007-08, and we are exploring means to extend and enhance the fund that supports this scheme. Dr Deborah Bryceson continued her affiliation to the Centre for her research on HIV/AIDS. Four visitors joined us from South Africa: Rosalie Kingwill (Rhodes University), researching land tenure in South Africa; and three Oppenheimer Visiting Fellows - Dr Cheryl-Ann Michael (University of the Western Cape), researching anti-apartheid autobiographies and slave narratives; Dr Peter Lekgoathi (University of the Witwatersrand) working on ethnicity and identity politics in Mpumalanga, and on vernacular broadcasting; and Professor Christopher Saunders (University of Cape Town), who continued his researches on the Cold War in southern Africa.

The weekly research seminar in African Studies was exceptionally well attended throughout the year, with audiences very rarely falling below 40. Highlights in Michaelmas Term included Stephanie Newell's (University of Sussex) splendid paper on 'Queering Imperial History in Nigeria', and Derek Peterson (Cambridge) on the intellectual lives of Mau Mau detainees. In Hilary Term Patricia Daley (Jesus) spoke about her research on political violence in Burundi, Jocelyn Alexander (Linacre) gave a paper on her new project on prisons and punishment in Zimbabwe, and David Anderson (St Cross) gave an excerpt from his Cold War history research project on 'Che Guevara's African Adventures'. Paul Nugent's (Edinburgh) talk on cross border trading in West Africa attracted a large crowd at the beginning of Trinity Term, and we had an interesting presentation from the journalist Misha Glenny, who spoke about the African parts of his forthcoming book on international crime.

The Centre hosted and sponsored a large number of workshops during the year, these being run by staff from many different departments across the University. Among these was a highly successful two-day meeting on popular politics and social movements in South Africa, before and after 1994, convened by William Beinart, Genevieve Klein, and Thula Simpson, a one-day workshop on 'Popular governance or criminalization?' This was developed as a seminar series in preparation for a publication. Kate Meagher organized a workshop on 'The informal economy and institutional change', a lively afternoon workshop on 'Youth in Colonial Africa' was run by Dr David Pratten, and a two-day

meeting co-ordinated by Dr Ike Okonte on the history and politics of the Biafran War. The Eighth Annual Researching Africa Day, convened by Stacey Hynd (St Cross) and Marcelle Dawson (St Antony's), attracted some 50 doctoral researchers as well as masters students. The annual Britain-Zimbabwe research meeting was again held in St Antony's at the end of Trinity Term, with support from the Centre.

The Oxford Africa Annual Lecture was delivered by Professor Carolyn Brown, of Rutgers University, towards the end of Trinity Term. Her topic was the legacy of slavery in the Oil Rivers region of southern Nigeria. Professor Brown combined her visit with research at Rhodes House, and so was able to participate in other seminars and workshops during her stay. Also in Trinity Term, the Centre sponsored a distinguished lecture by Professor Henrietta Moore, of the LSE, who filled the Nissan Lecture Theatre for her talk on female genital mutilation in Kenya.

The ORISHA scholarships, open to all students studying Africa, were held by Miles Tendi from Zimbabwe, working on ZANU PF's use of History and Susan Lautze from Canada working on conflict in Uganda. The Southern African Student Fund scholarship, a St Antony's fund, was held by Justin Pearce from South Africa, who gained a distinction in the MSc and has been awarded an ORISHA doctoral scholarship. The Callaway prize for the best writing on Africa was won by Christian Andreas in 2006 and Miles Tendi in 2007. The Kirkwood award went to Julian Brown. The Kirk-Greene prize for the best performance in the MSc, 2006-7 was won by Carolyn Vine and the Ranger prize, now awarded for the best MSc dissertation, by Kim Chakanetsa in 2006 and Marissa Doran in 2007.

As the year drew to its close two new members of staff had been recruited for October 2007, one a University Lecturer in Politics, in association with Jesus College, the other a second Departmental Lecturer in African Studies, thus bringing us up to a teaching staff of six. Arrangements were also underway to relocate the African Studies Centre and its staff to a single building at 92 Woodstock Road, a move that will be completed in early August. Further detail of the activities of the African Studies Centre can be viewed at our web site: www.africanstudies.ox.ac.uk.

The Centre for the Study of African Economies

The Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) is located partly with the University Department of Economics and partly in St Antony's College, at 21 Winchester Road, Oxford. Its mission is to apply modern research methods to Africa's economic problems. Research is both microeconomic, with a focus on the problems facing individual producers (farms and firms) in Africa, and macroeconomic. It ranges from studies on the assets and economic performance of agricultural market traders in Benin and Malawi, to the determinants of inflation in South Africa, and how the government and central bank can best reduce it. It has a strong focus on the constraints on investment in manufacturing, drawing upon surveys in Ghana, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Zambia, Kenya, Ethiopia, and Côte d'Ivoire.

The Centre not only conducts research but also trains doctoral students. Former stu-

dents are now employed in African universities and research institutions, as well as in the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

Results of the Centre's research are disseminated both in Africa and internationally. CSAE is home to the *Journal of African Economies*, which is widely circulated in Africa. Centre staff participate in a wide range of activities within Africa, including data collection for both households and firms, training and discussion with both the business and policy-making communities. The Centre collaborates closely with such organisations as the African Economic Research Consortium, the Economic Commission for Africa, and the African Development Bank. Together with these organisations, CSAE is building a body of informed opinion on economic policy within the continent. The Centre has a strong research reputation, which provides the basis for its increasing involvement in policy debates and other assistance to African governments and international organisations.

Details of the research programmes of the Centre can be found on the CSAE website at www.csaee.ox.ac.uk. A project on 'Sources of rising lifetime incomes in poor countries' is being conducted by Francis Teal. The objective of this research, which is also being funded by DFID, is to extend our understanding of how incomes change over the lifetime of individuals working in poor countries. While the initial focus of the research has been on Ghana and Tanzania, the work has been extended to Nigeria. Data collection has been completed for the first two rounds of both the Ghana and Tanzanian data. Research papers using the data to examine how learning occurs in poor countries and the relative value of vocational and general education have been presented during the year.

Paul Collier and Anke Hoeffler are managing a programme on 'Reducing the global incidence of civil war: A discussion of the available policy instruments'. Current research focuses on three issues. First, on the opportunities of global conflict prevention; second, the analysis of instruments aimed at shortening existing conflict; and third, on recommendations on how to design policies for post-conflict societies. Post-conflict periods are characterised by particularly high risks of renewed civil war, and the research to date suggests that the best opportunity for development policy is in the prevention of recurring war in post-conflict societies. The analysis of possible policy instruments in the reduction of the incidence of civil war is based on a global cost benefit analysis. The estimated cost of each policy instrument is compared with the benefits resulting from a reduction or shortening of wars.

The CSAE has continued its data work in Africa. In recent years the range of surveys undertaken by the Centre has been extended to include survey work on NGOs and coffee farmers in Uganda, panel labour market surveys in both Tanzania and Ghana, and surveys of Ghanaian cocoa farmers. The panel labour market surveys in Ghana and Tanzania are designed to capture movement between jobs so that the sources of lifetime earnings can be measured. The household data collection in Ethiopia is a panel that, for a subset of the sample, can trace households over the period from 1989 to 2004. It provides a unique, long-term panel data set to analyse the changes in socio-economic conditions and welfare over the last 15 years, and has informed rural development policy advice to the Ethiopian government and international agencies. The work on Ghana cocoa farms is one of the first

panel data sets on farmers in Africa that allows investigation of issues of the impact of liberalisation, the effects of migration and the determinants of labour and land productivities across the size range of farms.

The CSAE continues to participate in an extensive range of firm-level studies. In Ghana, seven rounds of a firm and labour market survey were carried out from 1992 to 2003, providing a dataset spanning twelve years from 1991 to 2002. A survey of Tanzanian firms was conducted in 2001 that followed up firms first interviewed in the early 1990s. This data allows an analysis of the impact of the reform programme in Tanzania on its manufacturing sector. During the current year a follow-up survey in Nigeria has been completed and a report submitted to UNIDO.

CSAE staff are available to discuss their work by phone or by email - contact details can be found on CSAE's website at <http://www.csae.ox.ac.uk/>.

The Centre also produces a Working Paper Series, operates a programme of lunch-time seminars on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during term, and runs workshops and conferences. Further information on these activities can be found on the CSAE's website. Key data sets which the Centre has been responsible for collecting are also available on the website.

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Activities and Publications of Fellows

PROFESSOR WILLIAM BEINART, Rhodes Professor of Race Relations, acted as chair of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies during the year, replacing Roger Goodman while he acted as College Warden. This proved to be an exciting but demanding post as the School, a full department of the Social Science Division, is expanding rapidly. He spent much of the year involved in the development of other Centres, particularly Chinese, Indian Studies and Latin American Studies within SIAS. He taught and supervised on the MSc in African Studies as well as a large group of doctoral students. A number of doctoral students gave papers at the St Antony's workshop on Popular Politics in South Africa in November 2006 and he is working with this group on an edited collection. He gave papers at the Communication University of China and the Academy of Social Sciences in Beijing, in Nanjing, at the Universities of Birmingham and Leiden, as well as presentations in Oxford. With Lotte Hughes he published *Environment and Empire* (OUP, 2007), a companion volume to the *Oxford History of the British Empire*. He is completing a book with Luvuyo Wotshela provisionally entitled *Prickly Pear in South Africa: the Social History of a Plant*, and worked as a consultant on a Discovery Channel documentary on South Africa.

PROFESSOR PAUL COLLIER, Sub-Warden, Professorial Fellow, and Director of the CSAE, had a busy year. His book, *The Bottom Billion: Why the Poorest Countries are Failing and What can be done about it*, was published by OUP in June 2007. The *New York Times* described it as 'the best book on international affairs so far this year'. The

book pulls together his research of recent years and is aimed at a wide audience. In December 2006 he gave an overview of the work in the Annual Public Lecture of the Royal Economics Society, which can be viewed on the Society's website. He also addressed the G20, the UN Peace-Building Commission, and technical workshops of the UN Security Council and the G8. During the year his work on Africa took him to the Cameroons, Kenya, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Tunisia and Zambia. He was a Professeur Invité at the Sorbonne and at CERDI, University of Auvergne, where he was awarded an honorary doctorate. He published papers in a wide range of journals and books, which are available from his website.

DR ANKE HOEFFLER is a research officer at the Centre for the Study of African Economies and a research fellow at St Antony's. Her main research interests are in the area of the economics of conflict and political economy. Her research is sponsored by the ESRC.

She has co-authored published work with Paul Collier including a chapter on Civil War in the new edition of the *Handbook of Defence Economics*. Her most recent paper (co-authored with Paul Collier and Måns Söderbom) is 'Post-Conflict Risks' in the *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, forthcoming.

MR ANTHONY KIRK-GREENE, Emeritus Fellow. After a spell of rest following his mini-stroke, Tony Kirk-Greene was able to resume attendance at the Thursday seminar in Michaelmas term 2006 – he calculates that he is now nearing his 1000th African seminar since coming to the College in 1967. Following the publication of *Symbol of Authority* in 2006, he has contributed to *African Research Documentation* and, on administration in Africa, to the *Yearbook of European Administration History* (Jahrbuch 18). He continues to write the *Bookshelf* column in the quarterly *Britain-Nigeria Association Newsletter* and remains Academic Consultant to the Radcliffe Press. Unable to travel frequently to London, he has resigned his post as Vice-President of the Royal African Society. He established a prize for the best students in the new MSc in African Studies. In 2004 the African Studies association named him as recipient of the biennial Distinguished Africanist Award.

DR CHRIS LOW, ESRC Postdoctoral Fellow. Over the last year he has carried out the majority of the fieldwork associated with his postdoctoral research which concerns the changing relationships between southern African Bushmen, animals and Bushman medicine. The research moves from early relationships with animals, as readable through Bushman rock art, some of which is thousands of years old, to current relationships which have been dictated largely by exclusion of Bushmen from 'traditional' game-rich resources. Earlier research on Bushmen emphasised how their day-to-day and ideational world was deeply informed and shaped by their relationships with animals. By taking a starting point in medicine, his investigation goes to the heart of the shifting role animals play and have played in Bushman cosmology, epistemology and ontology.

The research is framed at a comparative level across Bushmen in South Africa, Namibia and Botswana. Through predominantly interviews he has tried to establish, firstly, the possible constitution of a Bushman 'imaginative substrate' and, secondly, how such a phenomenon might vary with different historical circumstances. So far he has worked

with ≠Khomani and !Kǀo around the southern Kalahari, Nharo around the central region and Ju/'hoansi in the northern Kalahari.

Publications include a book based on his thesis entitled *Khoisan Medicine in History and Practice* (Köln: 2007); Elisabeth Hsu and Chris Low (eds), *Wind, Life, Health: Anthropological and historical Perspectives* (JRAI Special Issue, 2007) with an article 'Khoisan Wind: Hunting and Healing'; and 'Different Histories of Buchu: Euro-American Appropriation of San and Khoekhoe Knowledge of Buchu Plants', *Environment and History*, 13 (2007).

DR KATE MEAGHER, British Academy Post-Doctoral Fellow in African Studies, was awarded an Audrey Richards Prize from the Royal African Society/ASAUK for her 2004 DPhil thesis. She published two articles on informal manufacturing and economic un-governance in Nigeria, in *African Affairs* and in *Development and Change*. A third article on vigilantism and African civil society was published in *The Journal of Modern African Studies*. She presented a theoretical paper on Informal Economic Networks and Political Process at the Danish Institute of International Studies, and an empirical paper on the pitfalls of collective organization in the Nigerian informal economy at the Nordic African Institute in Sweden. She launched a new option course on Social Networks and the Informal Economy for the African Studies MSc and organized the third term African Studies Seminar on the theme of Informal Economies and Institutional Change. The series ended with a mini-workshop on Informality, Criminalization and Popular Economic Governance, organized in collaboration with the Oxford Islamic Centre, COMPAS and EXLEGI. The workshop brought in speakers from Denmark, Belgium and Canada to talk on issues of economic informality, state formation and vigilantism.

DR HELENE NEVEU KRINGELBACH, Departmental Lecturer in African Studies, spent most of her time this year in teaching and teaching preparation for the MSc in African Studies. She presented papers at the EASA (European Association of Social Anthropologists) biannual conference in Bristol in September 2006, at a conference on Senegalese literature and the arts organised by the University of Indiana, Bloomington, in April 2007 and at the Institute of Gender Studies' seminar series in Oxford. Field research in Senegal was partly conducted through contributing to the organisation of the 2007 edition of Dakar's biannual dance festival, Kaay Fecc. The book manuscript coming out of her DPhil research was further developed this year for publication with Berghahn, Oxford, with whom she is also co-editing a volume on the anthropology of dance with Dr Jonathan Skinner from Queens University Belfast. In addition, she has produced two articles: a review article due to appear in *African Arts*, and a contribution to the *Politique Africaine*, special issue on 'body politics'.

DR DAVID PRATTEN, University Lecturer in the Social Anthropology of Africa and Atiku Abubakar Fellow in African Studies, presented papers on youth and violence in Nigeria at the African Studies Association (USA), the African Studies Association (UK), and at the Universities of Lancaster, Edinburgh, Cambridge and Oxford. He convened a workshop on Youth in Colonial Africa held at St Antony's in Trinity Term. Publications included *The Man-Leopard Murders: History and Society in Colonial Nigeria* (Edinburgh University Press), *Global Vigilantes: Perspectives on Justice and Violence* (Hurst and Co,

edited with A. Sen), and a special issue of *Social Anthropology* (15:1) on the influence of Michel de Certeau's work on anthropology theory. He contributed a chapter on Nigerian youth gangs to the volume *Violence and Non-Violence in Africa* (Routledge, edited by P Ahluwalia, L Bethlehem and R Ginio). He has been preparing research proposals to study youth livelihoods in conjunction with the University of Uyo in Nigeria, and is currently editing a special issue of *Africa* on vigilantism in Nigeria and a volume of readings on youth in Africa.

PROFESSOR TERENCE RANGER, Emeritus Professor of Race Relations. Between September 18 and October 20 2006 he gave a Master Class at the University of Toronto on 'Religion and Power in Africa' and also gave several public lectures and seminars. On October 13-15 he took part in a conference on 'Narratives of Inflicted Suffering' at the University of Connecticut, delivering a paper on the contrast between responses to human rights abuses in Zimbabwe in the 1980s and the 2000s. On January 10 2007, he gave a seminar at the African Studies Centre, Edinburgh on city/state tensions in colonial Rhodesia. On February 15 2007, he delivered the inaugural memorial lecture for the Finnish anthropologist and founder of Helsinki development studies, Marja-Liisa Swantz, speaking on 'Expertise and Extremism' with reference to asylum applications in the UK. In March, he gave the closing summation to the 'Water and Power' conference in Edinburgh. In June 2007, he commented on the Death in African History workshop in Cambridge. Publications included 'Scotland Yard in the Bush: Medicine Murders, Child Witches and Deconstructing the Occult', *Africa*, 77, 2, 2007 and 'City versus State in Zimbabwe: Colonial Antecedents of the Current Crisis', *Journal of Eastern African Studies*, 1, 2.

ASIAN STUDIES

The Asian Studies Centre

Dr Mark Rebeck has continued as Director of the Centre this year. There have been several changes to the Management Committee. Dr David Faure left at the beginning of the academic year when he resigned his post at Oxford to take up a post at the University of Hong Kong, and the following have joined the Committee: Dr Evelyn Goh, Fellow of St Anne's College and University Lecturer in International Relations; Professor Polly O'Hanlon, Fellow of St Cross College and Professor of Indian History and Culture; and Dr Eva-Lotta Hedman, Senior Research Fellow at the Refugee Studies Centre.

The Centre and its associated Programmes have had a full year of activities. In Michaelmas Term Dr Mark Rebeck and Dr Nandini Gooptu organised a two-day conference entitled 'Globalisation and the Workplace in Asia'. Speakers and their topics were: Dr Geert de Neve (University of Sussex) on 'Global garment chains, local labour activism: new challenges to trade unionism in the Tirupur industrial cluster, South India'; Professor Dorothy Solinger (UC Irvine) on 'Workers' reactions: unions matter more than regimes'; Dr Supriya Roy Chowdhury (Bangalore) on 'Informality and the limits of activism'; Professor Marc Blecher (Oberlin College) on 'Globalisation and unionisation in China'; Professor Sarosh Kuruvilla (Cornell University) on 'Outsourcing in India'; Machiko Osawa (Japan's Women's University) on 'Globalisation and part-time work in Japan' (joint seminar with Nissan Institute for Japanese Studies); Dr Kun-chin Lin (National University of Singapore) on 'Explaining evolving wage structures in state-owned enterprises in China: evidence from the oil industry'; Jamie Cross (University of Sussex) on 'Labour relations and changing experiences of work at a European manufacturing unit inside a special economic zone in Andhra Pradesh – shifts from paternalism to professionalism in relations between managers and workers'; and Dr Nandini Gooptu on 'Globalisation, work and politics in Calcutta'.

At the end of Michaelmas Term Professor Vivienne Shue and Dr Ian Neary organised a one-day conference entitled 'Rivalry and Realpolitik: China-Japan Relations at the start of the Twenty-first Century'. This was a joint event with the Nissan Institute for Japanese Studies and the Contemporary China Studies Programme. Speakers and their topics were: Dr Christopher Hughes (LSE) on 'Japan in Chinese Nationalism: recent developments', Dr Caroline Rose (University of Leeds) on 'Reconciliation at the grassroots: transnational civil society in China and Japan and the prospects for reconciliation', Professor Hideo Ohashi (Senshu University) on 'Deepening economic interdependence in the paralyzed political relationship between Japan and China', Professor Daojiong Zha (People's University) on 'Energy anxiety in Sino-Japanese diplomacy: 1998 – 2006', Professor Qingguo Jia (Peking University) on 'China-Japan relations: time for a change' and Professor Akiko Takahara (Tokyo University) on 'Abe's October 2006 visit to China: causes, process and prospects for the future'. The following participants acted as discussants: Dr Shogo Suzuki (University of Cambridge), Dr Gudrun Wacker (Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik) and Professor Reinhard Drifte (Newcastle University). A number of other invited participants from Oxford and beyond also participated.

Three seminars were convened by Dr Mark Rebeck during Hilary Term: Professor Ami-

tav Acharya (Nanyang Technological University, Singapore) spoke on 'East Asia's arrested regionalism', Professor Daniel Bell (Tsinghua University, Beijing) on 'From Marx to Confucius: changing political discourses in China', and Professor Georg Miehe (University of Marburg) on 'The making of the Tibetan landscape: what can ecology contribute to the understanding of environmental changes in southwest China?'. In Trinity Term the ASC held a joint seminar with the Nissan Institute of Japanese Studies in which Dr Christopher Dent (University of Leeds) was the speaker: details are in the Nissan Institute section of the report.

The Southeast Asian Seminar which was started last year has continued with a series in all three terms normally on a fortnightly basis with Dr Eva-Lotta Hedman as convenor. In Michaelmas Term speakers and their topics were: Dr Andrew Walker (Australian National University) on 'The festival, the abbot and the son of the Buddha: modern Thai community in Chiang Mai province' and Dr Carlo Bonura (University of Puget Sound) on 'Muslim politics without the political? An examination of anthropologies of Muslim civil society in Southeast Asia'. One of the seminars was replaced by a one-day workshop organised by Dr Eva-Lotta Hedman and the Refugee Studies Centre with ASC support and entitled 'Dynamics of conflict and displacement in West Papua, Indonesia'. The morning and afternoon sessions were chaired by Dr Peter Carey (Trinity) and Professor Robert Barnes. In Hilary Term speakers and their topics were: Dr Caroline Hughes (University of Birmingham) on 'Transnational networks and political contention in Cambodia'; Dr Michael Charney (SOAS) on 'European and indigenous learning in 19th century Burma'; Dr Ruth Barnes (Ashmolean Museum) on 'Indian textiles for island taste: Gujarati fabrics in Indonesia'; and Dr Peter Carey on 'Timor's third tide of blood: the origins of Timor-Leste's post-independence sectarian violence'. Also in Hilary Term the ASC hosted a two-day workshop organised by Dr Eva-Lotta Hedman and the Refugee Studies Centre and entitled 'Representation and displacement'. In Trinity Term seminars featured work-in-progress by Oxford graduate students: Palin Ngaotherppitak spoke on 'A "new" ASEAN? Myanmar and the regional politics of human rights and democracy in Southeast Asia'; Sara Gonzalez on 'Dynamics of conflict and displacement in the 2006 Dili crisis in Timor Leste'; and Juliet Bedford on 'Gombak and its patients: provision of healthcare to the Orang Asli in Peninsular Malaysia'. Also in Trinity Term the ASC supported a one-day workshop in honour of Professor Mary Turnbull, convened by Dr Emma Reisz (Jesus College) and P.J. Thum (Hertford), and entitled 'Narrating the Nation: Thirty Years of *A History of Singapore*'.

The South Asian Studies Programme

The South Asian History Seminar convened by the Director of the Programme, Dr David Washbrook, continued on a weekly basis through most of Hilary and Trinity Terms, following Dr Washbrook's leave in Michaelmas Term. In Hilary Term speakers and their topics were: Professor Polly O'Hanlon (St Cross) on 'What is "modern" in the early modern? Problems and perspectives in the social history of early modern India'; Dr Prashant Kidambi (University of Leicester) on 'Consumption, domestic economy and the idea of the middle class in late colonial Bombay'; Professor Michael Fisher (Oberlin College, USA) on 'DO Dyce Sombre (1808-51): first Indian MP and "rootless cosmopolitan"'; Dr Nicholas Owen (The Queen's College) on 'Reporting the civil disobedience movement

(1930-32) in Britain'; Nandini Chatterjee (University of Cambridge) on 'State, Christianity and the public sphere in India, 1830-1950: personal law'; Dr Sarmila Bose (Reuters Institute, Green College) on 'Memories in conflict: the 1971 war in South Asia'. In the last two weeks PRS presentations were given: Agnes Thambynayagam and Colin Ganley (both St Antony's) spoke on 'The impact of the Portuguese and Dutch on culture and society in Sri Lanka' and 'The foundation of Bombay, 1660-1700' respectively; Vikhar Sayeed (St Hugh's) spoke on 'The British and their Indian Muslim subjects: international dimensions of an imperial relationship in the early 20th century'; and James Sutherland (The Queen's College) on 'The impact of the military and frontier warfare on British attitudes to the North-West Frontier during the 19th century'.

Trinity Term started with a PRS presentation by Ian Desai (Merton) who spoke on 'Gandhi the Inmate'; Dr Dilip Menon (Delhi University and Magdalene College, Cambridge) then spoke on 'Self-serving narratives: religion, history and identity in *fin de siècle* South India', Anastasia Norton-Piliavsky (Wolfson) on 'The Moghia Commission and its discontents: notes on policing and politicking in nineteenth-century North India'; Dr Sangeeta Dasgupta (Visvabarathi University and St Antony's) on 'From description to definition: locating the Oraon "tribe" in nineteenth century Chotanagpur'; and Dr Hayden Bellenoit (Bowdoin College and St Antony's) on 'Aesthetics, environment and education in colonial North India c1840-1940'.

Also in Trinity Term, jointly with the Faculty of Oriental Studies, Professor O'Hanlon, Professor Christopher Minkowski and Dr David Washbrook organised a two-day Oxford Early Modern South Asia Workshop entitled 'Ideas in Circulation'. Professor Sanjay Subrahmanyam (UCLA) spoke on 'Texts, readers and circulation in Mughal India: the "Middle Class" revisited'; Dr Allison Busch (Columbia) on 'New networks of culture in early modern India'; Dr Jeevan Deol (SOAS) on 'Some initial thoughts on texts, collections, patrons and scribes in pre-modern Punjab'; Dr Imre Bangha (Oriental Institute) on 'The two Anandghans: emerging Hindi canons and scribal transmission in the eighteenth century'; Dr Jonardon Ganeri (Liverpool) on 'Upanisadic ideas in circulation in the 1650s'; Dr Nile Green (Manchester) on 'Writing Sufis, reading saints: the uses of books in a late Mughal lodge'; Professor V Narayana Rao (Wisconsin) on 'Poems that travel: literary public space in early modern south India'; Dr David Taylor (Oriental Institute) on 'The censorship and production of Syriac manuscripts: Latinisation and the Jesuits on the Malabar coast, 16th – 18th centuries'; Dr Kapil Raj (EHES, Paris) on 'Managing the contact zone: Mughal statecraft in the making of linguistics and cartography in late 18th century Calcutta'; the three convenors on 'Maratha Brahman diasporas and circulation in early modern India'; Dr Dominik Wujastyk (UCL) on 'The teacher, the pandit, his mother and her brothers: the physician Laksmana Pandita and his circle, Varanasi c1600'; and Professor Sheldon Pollock (Columbia) on 'The circulation of forms of knowledge in early modern South Asia'.

The Taiwan Studies Programme

The Programme has continued under the Directorship of Dr Steve Tsang with its schedule of one high profile seminar each term and a major international conference in Trinity Term. It also sponsored two Fellows of St Antony's to visit Taiwan where they gave public

lectures.

In Michaelmas Term Dr Douglas Paal (Director of the American Institute in Taiwan, 2002-2006) spoke on the subject of 'Reflections on Taiwan and its relations with China and the United States'. In Hilary Term Dr Ramon Myers (Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University) spoke on 'Taiwan's ideological and institutional changes in the 1950s: the origins of Taiwan's political and economic transformation'. In Trinity Term Professor Michael Hsin-huang Hsiao (Executive Director of the Centre for Asia-Pacific Studies at Academia Sinica, Taipei) delivered a paper on 'Challenges to Taiwan's new democracy and the rise of a new national identity'.

The two-day conference in June was entitled 'Taiwan's Search for Democratic Partners'. On the first day Professor Steven Goldstein (Smith College) spoke on 'Taiwan's place in the world: soft power versus realpolitik', Dr Chia-lung Lin (DPP) on 'Democratisation, identity politics and Taiwan's diplomatic grand strategy', Professor Dennis Hickey (Missouri State University) on 'Democratic partner or benign protector: basis of US-Taiwan relations', Professor Gregory Noble (University of Tokyo) on 'Japan: democratic partnership or colonial legacy?', and Professor Wen-cheng Lin (Taiwan Foundation for Democracy) on 'ASEAN: the limits of democratic appeal?'. On day two Professor Masako Ikegami (Stockholm University) spoke on 'EU: does Taiwan fit into a framework of progressive foreign policy?', Professor Elizabeth Freund Larus (University of Mary Washington) on 'Retaining the smaller diplomatic allies: soft power versus hard cash' and Professor Chu-cheng Ming (National Taiwan University) on 'Beyond the Chen Shui-bian administration: long-term prospect for Taiwanese diplomacy'. The following participants acted as discussants: Dr Michael Kao (Taipei Representative, Brussels), Professor Gunter Schubert (University of Tübingen), Dr Philip Towle (University of Cambridge), Professor Yuen-foong Khong (Nuffield), Rod Wye (FCO) and Dr Eugene Kogan (Ankara University). Chairs of sessions were Dr Steve Tsang, Professor Gunter Schubert, Dr Jonathan Eyal (RUSI), Dr Joanne Chang (Deputy National Security Adviser, Taiwan), Professor Rosemary Foot, Commander Don Braswell (St Antony's and US Navy) and Dr Evelyn Goh (St Anne's).

Under the sponsorship of the Programme Dr Philip Robins (Fellow) visited Taipei and gave three lectures. They were on 'British Foreign Policy in the Middle East' at Shih Chien University (private institution), 'What Prospects for Democracy in the Middle East?' at the Institute of Political Science at Academia Sinica (IPSAS) and 'Iraq and the Prospects for Regional Order in the Middle East' at National Chengchi University. Dr David Johnson also visited Taipei with some support from the Programme. He gave a public lecture on evaluating the impact of national reforms in education. He was a guest of the National Taiwan Normal University and made important links in developing a research project on the relationship between English language policy and economic development in Taiwan.

The Nissan Institute of Japanese Studies

The second half of our 25th anniversary celebrations began with a conference at which we welcomed back to Oxford, 37 men and women who have completed doctorates with

us over the first quarter century of our institution's existence. The focal event was a dinner held for all the participants. This began with a piano recital from Mark Rebick, the second movement from Mozart's Sonata in F Major, and concluded with a speech from our former director Arthur Stockwin and a monologue "The Battle of the Black and White Rice Cakes (Inoue Hisashi)" performed by Marguerite Wells. It was not all fun though. Over the two days of the conference we heard papers on academic themes from many of our former students and presentations from existing fellows of the Institute on Japanese studies in Oxford past, present and future.

During the Michaelmas term there were two further anniversary lectures. One was provided jointly by Mr Tadao Takahashi and Mr Colin Dodge both senior executives with the Nissan Motor Co. who spoke about 'The Nissan Production Way (NPW) in Japan and the UK'. This was the second of the Nissan executive lecture series. The final special lecture was given by Professor Roderick MacFarquhar of Harvard University who played a key role in securing the initial benefaction from the Nissan Motor Company in the late 1970s. His topic was 'Conflicts in the Post-Confucian World: China and Japan in the 21st century'.

The seminar series ran on Friday evenings in Michaelmas and Trinity terms and on Thursday afternoons during Hilary term. The list of seminar speakers appears below. During late 2006 we were approached by representatives of the film director Suo Masayuki, who had an international hit with his film 'Shall We Dance' in the mid 1990s. His new film was about to premier in Japan and, as they did not have a distribution arrangement in this country, we were asked if we would like to host its UK premier in the Nissan lecture theatre. If we did, the director would happily visit Oxford to attend the screening and answer questions. This was a most intriguing proposal. So, on Friday 26th January Mr Suo accompanied by Kennedy Taylor an Oxford graduate now resident in California, plus representatives of the various Japanese media companies who had supported the making of the film, visited the Institute for the premiere of *Sore-demo Boku wa Yatte inai* (I just didn't do it). Afterwards they experienced a High Table dinner.

Back at the academic chalk face our main purpose over the last twelve months has been to prepare for the intake of the first cohort of students on to our Master's programme in modern Japanese studies that will commence in October 2007. During the course of the year we have produced posters, leaflets and course descriptions which have been widely distributed. At the time of writing we are quietly confident that we will have sufficient students to start us off. As the MSc and MPhil programmes evolve and, we hope, attract a steady and growing stream of students from across the world, the texture of life within the Nissan Institute will change significantly.

Ann Waswo has contributed significantly and in countless ways to the development of the Institute since her arrival more than 25 years ago. More than any other single person she is responsible for the way the Institute building looks – still new after more than fifteen years. At the end of this year she will retire. Although she has plans to spend more time in her house in France she will continue to contribute to life in the Institute. For the foreseeable future she will share a research office in the Institute with Arthur Stockwin. In her place we have appointed Dr Sho Konishi, currently teaching Japanese history at the

University of Illinois. He will join us in August.

This academic year we have had several academic visitors who have spent time with us. Professor Hiroki Yamaji from the National Institute of Multimedia Education has spent the whole year attached to the Institute. Professor Kyoko Inagaki, a sociologist working in the Faculty of Education, Kyoto University was with us for Michaelmas term. Professor Yoshiko Ito too was only with us for Michaelmas term working on personal social services in the UK, but she liked us so much that she will return for a month later this summer. Professor David Willis from Soai University in Osaka was here from October to March and not only gave a formal presentation in the seminar series (see below) but also helped out in numerous ways with teaching and supervision. Professor Masako Oi currently an associate professor at Kochi Junior College joined us in April and will stay with us until March 2008. Finally Professor Mohammad Reza Sarkar Arani from University of Allame Tabatabai, Tehran currently based in the Nichibunken in Kyoto spent three weeks in the institute in April-May. We are grateful to all these visitors for the contributions they have made to the life of the institute and college.

Seminars

Michaelmas Term 2006: David Willis, 'Japan metamorphosis: transformation in the cultural borderlands of Japan'; Anthony Woodiwiss, 'Human Rights in Asia: Learning from Japan'; Machiko Osawa, 'Globalization and the growth of non-standard work arrangements in Japan'; Christopher Madeley, 'Kaishinsha, DAT, Nissan and the British Motor Vehicle Industry, 1912-1986'; Toshihiro Minohara, 'Crossing the Rubicon: The Rationale behind Japan's Decision for War in November 1941'; Mika Ko, 'Representing Okinawa: Contesting Images in Contemporary "Japanese" Cinema'; James R. Bartholomew, 'Japan and the Politics of the Nobel Prize'.

Hilary Term 2007: Munenori Hanawa, 'An evaluation of the Koizumi Administration from an economists point of view'; Pauline Chakmakjian, 'Freemasons in Japan'; Ekaterina Korobtseva, 'Imagining ideal environment for the child'; Simon James, 'The Kuril Islands – a video *Chishima: Frontiers of San Francisco*'; John Carpenter, 'The Art of "Scattered Writing": Chirashigaki and Heian Calligraphy'; Rachel Cosijns-Plump, 'The Japanese Mainstream Media's International News Reporting'; Angels Trias I Valls, 'Discriminate Exchanges: 'town making' and the politics of inclusion in a Japanese rural town'.

Trinity Term 2007: Shinichi Goto, 'The Evolution of the Japanese Financial System: Lessons from the Non-Performing Loan Problem'; Christopher M. Dent, 'Japan and Free Trade Agreements in East Asia and the Asia-Pacific'; Professor Carol Gluck, 'After the shipwreck: New Horizons for History-writing'; Ann Waswo, 'Hearing voices: reflections of a social historian of modern Japan'.

The following book was published during the year in the Nissan Institute/Routledge Japanese Studies Series: Kimie Hara, *Cold War Frontiers in the Asia-Pacific: Divided Territories in the San Francisco System*. Two more books will be out shortly.

Jane Baker remains the Institute Secretary, and Izumi Tytler continues as Librarian of the Bodleian Japanese Library. Kaori Nishizawa is the Nissan Instructor of Japanese.

Activities and Publications of Fellows

PROFESSOR R.H. BARNES, Faculty Fellow and Professor of Social Anthropology, served on the Economic and Social Research Council's Virtual College. He was Affiliated Fellow of the International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, The Netherlands 10 – 17 July 2006 and 15 March – 15 April 2007 while working on a project titled, *Documentation pertaining to the political history of Nusa Tenggara Timur* in the Nationaal Archief, the Hague, and the Koninklijk Instituut voor Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde, Leiden.

PROFESSOR LOUIS CHA (Honorary Fellow) who was honoured with an honorary DLitt by the University of Cambridge earned a Master of Philosophy in Oriental Studies at Cambridge, in fulfilment of a long standing desire from his childhood.

DR JENNY CORBETT, Faculty Fellow and Reader in the Economy of Japan, is a specialist on the Japanese economy. Most of her research has been on current macro-economic policy issues in Japan and in Japanese banking and finance but she has also written on financial systems in economies in transition and on the Asian financial crisis of 1997. Her current research interests include the liberalisation of trade in financial services in the Asia Pacific region and the appropriate policy design for closer financial integration in the region. Part of that research appeared as a jointly authored (with Gordon de Brouwer) book chapter entitled, 'A New Financial Market Structure for East Asia: How to Promote Regional Financial Market Integration' in Yung Chul Park, Takatoshi Ito, and Yunjong Wang (eds), *A New Financial Market Structure for East Asia* (Edward Elgar, 2005). Since August 2005 she has been dividing her time between the Australian National University and the College, spending Trinity Terms in Oxford. In Australia she is Executive Director of the Australia-Japan Research Centre which focuses on the economic interaction between Australia and Japan and their strategic interests in the Asia Pacific region. Reflecting that re-engagement with Australia-Japan relations, and after a steep learning curve, she wrote 'Democratic Partnership', Chapter 2, in *Australia-Japan; Friendship and Prosperity*, Sydney: Focus Publishing for Australia-Japan Year of Exchange, which will appear in 2007. In June 2006 she attended PAFTAD 31 on the theme of Multinational corporations and the rise of a network economy in the Pacific Rim which was held in Guadalajara, Mexico. In September 2006, she again co-organised the annual conference in Tokyo on the Japanese economy run by the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), the European Institute for Japanese Studies (EIJS) at Stockholm University, the Centre for International Research on the Japanese Economy (CIRJE) at Tokyo University and the Australia-Japan Research Centre. She maintains her position on the editorial board of the *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* and is also a Research Fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (London) and a Research Associate of the Centre on Japanese Economy and Business at Columbia University (New York).

PROFESSOR ROSEMARY FOOT is the Sir John Swire Senior Research Fellow in the International Relations of East Asia. From August to November 2006 she was on research leave, mostly based in Singapore as the Visiting S Rajaratnam Professor of Strategic Stud-

ies at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies. She gave a number of papers in Singapore, the Philippines and Australia on aspects of China's foreign policy and on the security ideologies of Southeast Asian states. In December 2006, she visited Beijing and among other things helped John Swire and Sons Ltd with the selection of two Chinese academics who will come as Senior Associate Members of St Antony's. In January 2007 she returned to Oxford, and has since given various presentations at conferences and workshops in Geneva, Chicago, Berkeley and Washington DC. Publications this year include 'Human Rights in Conflict', *Survival*, 48:3 (Autumn 2006), and 'The United Nations, Counter Terrorism, and Human Rights: Institutional Adaptation and Embedded Ideas', *Human Rights Quarterly*, 29:2 (May 2007). She continues to research on the sustainability of the human rights norm in an anti-terrorist era, on US-China relations, and on China's policy towards the Asia-Pacific. This summer she will work on a short monograph provisionally entitled *The Framing of Security Threats in a Counter-Terrorist Era: the US Security Agenda and Southeast Asian Responses*.

ADRIAN FU continued as Foundation Fellow and was appointed a director of HSBC Private Bank Holdings (Suisse) Ltd in the course of the year.

PROFESSOR ROGER GOODMAN, Professorial Fellow and Nissan Professor of Modern Japanese Studies, was Acting Warden from October 2006 to June 2007 before returning to his position as Head of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies. On the academic front, he saw the publication of a Special Issue of *Oxford Development Studies*, which he co-edited with Sarah Harper, on *Ageing in Asia: Asia's Position in the New Global Demography* and which will be republished by Routledge as a book later in the year. He also saw the publication of a number of articles, including: 'The Concept of *Kokusaika* and Japanese Educational Reform', in *Globalization, Societies and Education*, 5/1; 'New Research Trends in the Anthropology and Sociology of Japan', in *Japan Aktuell*, 3; 'Thoughts on the relationship between anthropological theory, methods and the study of Japanese society', in Joy Hendry and Dixon Wong (eds), *Dismantling the East-West Dichotomy: Views from Japanese Anthropology* (Routledge, London). During the course of the year he delivered among other talks the Marius Jansen Memorial Lectures for 2007 at Princeton University; he was the Keynote speaker at the Annual Conference of the German Association for Social Science Research on Japan (VSJF) in Hamburg; and he was the Annual Dinner Speaker at the Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies at Harvard University. In 2007, Professor Goodman was elected to the Harvard University Board of Overseers (Committee to Visit International and Area Studies Centers) and became the first European to be elected to the Board of Trustees of the Society for Japanese Studies in the United States which runs *The Journal of Japanese Studies* of which he remains a co-editor. He also remains on the Editorial Board of the following journals: *European Journal of East Asian Studies*; *Japan Aktuell*, *Journal of Current Japanese Affairs*; *Japanese Studies*; *Journal of East Asian Social Policy*; *Journal of Asian Public Policy*. He continues as a member of the ESRC's Postdoctoral Research Panel.

DR NANDINI GOOPTU, Faculty Fellow and University Reader in South Asian Studies, continues her research on the social and political consequences of economic restructuring, globalisation, transformation of the experience of work, and urban labour market changes in India, and in particular their implications for the development of an entrepreneurial

culture and youth identity, and their impact on urban social relations, political ideologies, democratic politics and governance. Her research covers a number of different urban workplaces and occupational groups: working class men, women and youth affected by unemployment, industrial retrenchment and 'casual' deployment of labour; government employees, who not only face a contraction of public employment with fiscal adjustments in state spending, but also confront at work a radical reorientation of the role and functions of the state; workers in the burgeoning urban retail sector, that has been at the heart of India's spectacular consumer revolution and middle class economic mobility in recent decades. Based on this research, she gave a keynote speech in October, entitled 'Work, Politics and Social Identity under Globalization', at the inaugural session of the South Asian Studies in the North Network (SASIN), on 'Cross-tradition approaches to studying South Asia', held at the University of Manchester. Also in October, with Mark Rebeck, she jointly convened an international conference at St Antony's on 'Globalisation and the Workplace in Asia', at which she presented a paper. A paper entitled 'Economic Liberalisation, Work and Democracy', was published in *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 42, No. 21, May 26 - June 01, 2007. She presented seminar papers at the School of Oriental and African Studies, London, and at the University of Leeds. A paper based on research done in previous years will be published in September in *Oxford Development Studies*, entitled, ' "Rights to Stop the Wrong": Cultural change and collective mobilisation: The case of Kolkata sex workers'. She continues to convene the Contemporary South Asia seminar at the Department of International Development (Queen Elizabeth House), and in Trinity Term, she organised a workshop at QEH on 'Caste, Politics and the Economy in India'. She has been invited to join the advisory committee of the International Institute of Social History in Amsterdam. She is co-editing (with Professor Douglas Peers, University of Calgary) the India volume of the *Oxford History of the British Empire*.

DR ERIC HOTUNG, Foundation Fellow, continued to devote much of his time and energy to philanthropic work, focusing his attention in particular on the needy in China last year. Through his Hotung Institute for International Studies, he co-organized and co-hosted with the Chinese Institute for International Strategic Studies a major international conference on 'Information Security: China and the World' in Beijing. He himself gave the opening address focusing on the impact of globalization in information security in China and beyond.

DR IAN NEARY, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in the Politics of Japan, began academic year 2006/7 in Sarajevo. The Peace Support Operations Training Centre (PSOTC) is located on a NATO base just outside that city and runs courses training the newly created army of Bosnia Herzegovina. Funded mainly, though not exclusively, by the British government, the main programme operated by the PSOTC is for middle ranking officers, lasts three months and provides them with a variety of courses ranging from an introduction to international relations to aspects of battle field strategy. Ian Neary's contribution to this programme is to provide teaching as part of the first half of the programme which gives students an overview of recent developments in each part of the world, in his case classes on Japan and the Korean peninsula. He taught his part of this programme for the first time in September 2006, repeated it in April 2007 and is committed to giving the lectures again in September 2007. The programme will last until 2014. Returning home the main new feature of his life has been to take over from Ann Waswo as

director of the Nissan Institute. Some aspects of this have been relatively straightforward, but not all. Fortunately Ann has still been at hand to assist with the finances and Jane has been able to keep the building running. In terms of academic activity, in late 2006 he was appointed an honorary fellow of the Human Rights Centre, Essex University and visited Colchester in May to present a paper on national human rights institutions in East Asia. This was an elaboration of a paper that he presented to the ISA conference held in Chicago in early March. In turn this followed making a presentation on Matsumoto Jiichiro in the 1950s at the Reischauer Institute in Harvard University. Work continues on the biography of Matsumoto which hopefully will be complete by the next time he has to write one of these reports.

PROFESSOR TAPAN RAYCHAUDHURI, Emeritus Fellow, was awarded Padma Bhushan by the President of India. Vidyasagar University, West Bengal, gave him the DLitt degree *honoris causa* and the Mayor of Kolkata organised a civic reception in his honour on behalf of the city. His memoirs (in Bengali), serialised in the fortnightly magazine, *Desh*, have been published in hard cover in 2007.

DR MARCUS REBICK, Faculty Fellow and Nissan Lecturer in the Economy of Japan, is Director of Asian Studies at St Antony's College. He has begun work on the subject of poverty in Japan, and written a paper, 'Savings and the Poverty of Elderly Women in Japan' as part of a group project organised in Japan. He organised a two-day workshop 'Globalisation and the Workplace in Asia', which brought together a number of scholars on labour in China, India and Japan from Oxford and from overseas. He is a member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* and continues to serve as editor of the *Nissan Institute Occasional Papers Series*.

PROFESSOR VIVIENNE SHUE, Leverhulme Professor of Contemporary Chinese Studies and Director of the Contemporary China Studies Programme, has this year published an article in *Modern China* on state-led charity and modernity in Tianjin ('The Quality of Mercy', October 2006), and a book co-edited with Professor Christine Wong (*Paying for Progress in China*, Routledge) which explores a number of systemic problems in contemporary China's fiscal policy and how these have tended to contribute to, rather than curb, certain deepening patterns of social inequality. She gave the keynote address, on 'The Making of Chinese Modernity' at the annual meeting of the British Association for Chinese Studies, which was held in Oxford, and participated in an international conference on 'The Chinese County Party-State' held in Taiyuan, the capital of Shanxi Province, during September. She co-organized a workshop (with Dr Ian Neary) on 'China-Japan Relations at the Start of the 21st Century' held in College during December; co-convened (with Dr Tao Ran) and chaired a Colloquium on 'Governing Population Growth in China' during February; and organized and chaired a panel on public finance and inequality in China at the Association for Asian Studies annual meeting in Boston during March. She continued to serve on the Executive Committee of *The China Quarterly*, on the European Fellowships Committee of the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation, and she was honoured this year to be invited also to join the Humanities and Social Sciences Panel of the Research Grants Council for Hong Kong. She served as a consultant to the British Museum for the planning of its upcoming exhibition on 'China Past and Present' and was appointed to chair the management committee of Oxford's new, university-wide China Centre, which

looks forward to celebrating, at its official launch very early next year, the arrival in Oxford in autumn 2007 of some ten new faculty members and senior researchers working in various disciplines and branches of Chinese studies.

PROFESSOR JAA STOCKWIN, Emeritus Fellow, in September 2006 lectured to Hōsei University students at CIE Oxford, on the topic: 'Blair and Koizumi as Political Leaders: Parallels and Contrasts'. Also in September, he gave the Japan Society Lecture at the School of Asian and African Studies in London, on: 'Koizumi and his Political Legacy'. These lectures were given as the innovative Japanese Prime Minister was about to make way for his successor. At the Nissan Institute 25th Anniversary Conference towards the end of the same month, he gave some reminiscences of the Institute's first quarter century. In October he lectured at the Japanese Department of the National University of Singapore (which was coincidentally also celebrating 25 years since its establishment), on the topic: 'Politics, Japan and the Politics of Japan: Studying at an Intersection of Disciplines'. In November he spoke at International House (I-House) in Tokyo, at a Symposium in memory of the late Frank Langdon, of the University of British Columbia. His address, based in part on 40 years of correspondence with him, was entitled: 'Frank Langdon's Life and Achievements'. A day later he lectured at the I-House Academy, on: 'The Koizumi Legacy and the Future of Japan: A View from Europe'. In February and March 2007 he participated for the second year running in a panel to select recipients for the Daiwa Scholarships for intensive study and work placement in Japan. In March he attended an international workshop at the University of Sheffield (organised by the recently formed White Rose East Asia Centre) and commented on papers relating to economic globalisation, and social exclusion. At the annual conference of the British Association of Japanese Studies, held at the University of East Anglia, later in March, he presented a paper entitled: 'From Koizumi to Abe: Same Bed, Different Dreams'. In April he spoke on Japanese electoral systems and party politics in a seminar at Daiwa House in London. This was part of a series entitled: 'People and Politics in the UK and Japan'. At the end of March he delivered to the publisher (Blackwell) the manuscript of the fourth edition of *Governing Japan*. Its new subtitle is: *Divided Politics in a Resurgent Economy*. His collection of letters from the First World War, published in English in 2005, was brought out in a Dutch language edition, under the title: *Een Liefde in Brieven: Een Briefwisseling uit de Eerste Wereldoorlog*. A Spanish language edition is being prepared.

DR STEVE TSANG (Antonian), Louis Cha Senior Research Fellow and University Reader in Politics, mainly devoted himself to running the Pluscarden Programme for the Study of Global Terrorism and Intelligence, and the Taiwan Studies Programme last year. In the course of the year he gave the following special lectures, seminars or conference papers: 'UK, the EU and regional security of the Asia-Pacific' at the RUSI Taiwan Roundtable; 'Dealing with a rising China' at the China's Development: Challenge or opportunity for the world conference hosted by the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation and the China Centre for Contemporary World Studies in Beijing; 'Understanding the Status Quo: Perception and Reality' at the RUSI Managing the Status Quo in the Taiwan Strait conference; 'Ten Years of the SAR: A golden decade or a missed opportunity?' at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge; 'China and the World, 1945-91' at the Department of Politics and International Relations, Oxford University; 'Re-evaluating Chiang Kai-shek', at the Oriental Faculty, Cambridge University; 'In Search of Good Governance: The Administrative Officers of

Hong Kong, 1862-1997' at the Asia Institute, University of Toronto; 'How Britain and the EU should deal with the rise of China' at the Princeton-Harvard China and the World Program, Princeton University; 'Balancing human rights against security needs in the era of global terrorism' at the Department of Government and Public Administration, Chinese University of Hong Kong; 'Taiwan's presidential election and Beijing's Olympics (2008): What to expect' at the Cabinet Office; 'China's View of its Place in the World' at the Strategic Studies Lecture of the United Kingdom Maritime Battle Staff'; and 'China's Place in East Asia' at the China, Japan and Regional Leadership in East Asia Conference, University of Leeds. He also gave the keynote speech 'Security Challenges in Asia' at the East Asia Quinquartite Conference at the Ministry of Defence. In addition he assessed a candidate for the Kludge Prize at the invitation of the Library of Congress, and evaluated the Cantonese broadcasting for Radio Free Asia. His main publications in the academic year include: *Intelligence and Human Rights in the Era of Global Terrorism* (ed), (Praeger); 'Democratization in a Chinese community: Lessons from Taiwan', in Robert Ash and Megan Greene (eds), *Taiwan in the 21st Century: Aspects and limitations of a developmental model* (Routledge); 'Looking East: The Rise of China' in David Held and David Mephram (eds), *Progressive Foreign Policy: New Directions for the UK* (Polity Press); 'Stopping global terrorism and protecting rights', in Steve Tsang (ed) *Intelligence and Human Rights in the Era of Global Terrorism*, (Praeger); 'Who Wins in Iraq 5: China', *Foreign Policy*, March/April 2007; and 'Putting the People First', *Time*, 18 June 2007. A paperback edition of his *A Modern History of Hong Kong* (IB Tauris) was also released in the course of the year.

DR DAVID WASHBROOK, Reader in Modern South Asian History and Director of the South Asian Studies Programme, was on leave in Michaelmas Term, during which he spent time in India presenting papers at Loyola College, Chennai, Kannada University, Hampi and Mangalore University. In Trinity Term he co-organised a two-day Oxford Early Modern South Asia workshop with Professor Polly O'Hanlon and Professor Christopher Minkowski entitled 'Ideas in Circulation'. His publications during the year include 'India in the early modern world economy: modes of production, reproduction and exchange', *Journal of Global History*, 2 (2007) and 'Towards a history of the present' in D Chakrabarty, (ed) *From the Colonial to the Postcolonial*, (OUP Delhi).

DR ANN WASWO, Faculty Fellow and Nissan Lecturer in Modern Japanese History, was co-organizer and co-chair of the Institute's 25th anniversary conference in September 2006. She handed over the directorship of the Institute to Ian Neary in October, but will continue to compile the annual statement of Benefaction income and expenditure for another year or so, until she can figure out a way of explaining precisely how to do it. She had absolutely no publications during the year but continued to facilitate the publication records of others as Senior Editor of *Japan Forum*. She spent three weeks in Tokyo in April, doing preliminary research on the Meiji Civil Code, in particular the social impact of its provisions relating to the family, inheritance and succession. While in Tokyo, she was treated to a wonderful pre-retirement lunch by four of her former DPhil students – Harumi Goto-Shibata, Junko Tomaru, Yuki Honjo (all St Antony's) and Mariko Iijima (Merton) – and to a very pleasant dinner by a group of Antonians based in the Kanto region. She gave a Nissan seminar in May on 'Hearing voices: reflections of a social historian of modern Japan'. Her valedictory remarks at the Governing Body dinner in June

are reprinted elsewhere in this edition of the *College Record*.

Visiting Fellows and Other Attachments in Asian Studies

DR RUTH BARNES is a Senior Common Room Member and a member of the Asian Studies Centre Management Committee. She is Curator of textiles at the Ashmolean Museum, where she has worked in the Department of Eastern Art since 1990. Currently she is lead curator for three new galleries in the Museum, which will open in late 2009. She has carried out extensive field research on art and material culture in eastern Indonesia. Her current research is on aspects of the pre-European Indian Ocean trade network; she also retains, though, a particular research interest in eastern Indonesia. In 2006/07 she was an Affiliated Fellow at the International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS) in Leiden.

PROFESSOR JUDITH BROWN, Beit Professor of Commonwealth History, is a Professorial Fellow at Balliol College and member of the Asian Studies Centre Management Committee. She is a Governor of Bath Spa University and SOAS, London University; and also of Sherborne School for Girls, Dorset. As a member of the Scholars' Council at the Kluge Centre, Library of Congress, she visited Washington in September 2006. She continues to be a Trustee of the Charles Wallace (India) Trust. She is also an advisor to an American global project on religions in diaspora situations and this spring went to a meeting of the project in London. In April 2006 she lectured in Santa Barbara at Westmont College and also met students from the UCSB campus: again the themes centred on the impact of the south Asian diaspora on Great Britain. In September 2006 CUP published her latest book, *Global South Asians. Introducing the Modern Diaspora*. The book was also published in India and she went to India to launch it in collaboration with the British Council in Delhi, Calcutta and Mumbai. This year she has been working on a new edition for OUP of *The Essential Works of Mahatma Gandhi*, due for publication in the spring of 2008. (These were originally edited by Professor Raghavan Iyer but have required total reselection with new notes and a new introduction.) She is also preparing a set of endowed lectures to be given at Notre Dame in April 2008.

DR PETER CAREY is Laithwaite Fellow of Trinity College and a member of the Asian Studies Centre Management Committee. He has completed a 700-page biography of the Indonesian national hero, Prince Dipanagara (1785-1855), which will be published by the Koninklijk Instituut voor Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde (KITLV) Press in Leiden this December under the title: *The Power of Prophecy: Prince Dipanagara and the End of an Old Order in Java, 1785-1855*. The work represents 35 years of research and writing by Dr Carey on early nineteenth-century Java and the life and times of Dipanagara. In collaboration with Pat Walsh, the former Executive Director of the Commission for Reception, Truth and Reconciliation in Dili, East Timor (2002-5), he has written a chapter on 'The Security Council and the Question of East Timor, 1975-99', for a volume edited by Professor Vaughan Lowe, Professor Sir Adam Roberts, Jennifer Walsh and Dominik Zaum entitled *The Security Council and War*. This will be published by OUP in 2008. His chapter on East Timor in the *Handbook on Counter-insurgency and Terrorism*, which has been edited by Andrew Tan, will shortly be published by the Elgar Press in Malvern.

DR SANGEETA DASGUPTA is Agatha Harrison Memorial Fellow, 2005-2007, and

is permanently employed as Senior Lecturer, Visva Bharati, Santiniketan. She has been working on the project 'Between forests and fields: Reading a tribal movement in colonial India' where she analyses the Tana Bhagat movement among the Oraon 'tribe' in Chhotanagpur, Jharkhand, India, in the period between 1914 and 1947. This project is moving towards completion and the manuscript will be completed by the end of the year. Dr Dasgupta has also been co-editing with Dr Daniel Rycroft, University of East Anglia, a collection of essays entitled, *Becoming Adivasi: Indigenous Pasts and the Politics of Belonging*. This was given to the publishers (OUP, New Delhi) in August before her return to India after the completion of her term at St Antony's. She has published 'Recasting the Oraons and the tribe: A study of Sarat Chandra Roy's Anthropology' in Satish Deshpande, Nandini Sundar and Patricia Uberoi, eds, *Anthropology in the East: The Indian Foundations of a Global Discipline*, Permanent Black, and has sent out for publication the paper, 'From description to definition: Locating the Oraon tribe in nineteenth century Chhotanagpur, Jharkhand'. During the year she has presented papers at Rabindra Bharati University in Kolkata, SOAS, University of Sussex and St Antony's.

DR EVELYN GOH is University Lecturer in International Relations, Fellow of St Anne's College and a member of the Asian Studies Centre Management Committee. Her research interests are Asian security, Sino-American relations, and international relations theory. Her publications during the past year include *Developing the Mekong: Regionalism and Regional Security in China-Southeast Asia Relations*, Adelphi Paper 387 (IISS); and *Rethinking Security Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific* (MIT Press).

DR EVA-LOTTA E HEDMAN is Senior Research Fellow at the Refugee Studies Centre, Department of International Development, and during this year has become a member of the Asian Studies Centre Management Committee. Her research has examined the politics of civil society, social movements and democratization in Southeast Asia. Her current work remains focused on Southeast Asia, with particular emphasis on the dynamics of conflict, violence and internal displacement in the region. Related publications include *Conflict, Violence and Displacement in Indonesia*, ed (Cornell University SEAP Publications, forthcoming 2007), as well as RSC Working Papers and articles in *Forced Migration Review*. Dr Hedman is also researching a book on the politics of refuge and governmentality in Malaysia. She is the author of *In the Name of Civil Society: From Free Election Movements to People Power in the Philippines* (University of Hawaii Press; Ateneo de Manila University Press, Philippine edition). Her publications also include articles in refereed journals (*Indonesia, Modern Asian Studies, South East Asia Research, Government and Opposition, Human Rights Law Review, Forced Migration Review*), and numerous chapters in edited volumes. She serves on the Editorial Board of *Government and Opposition*.

PROFESSOR POLLY O'HANLON is Professor of Indian History and Culture in the Faculty of Oriental Studies, Fellow of St Cross College and member of the Asian Studies Centre Management Committee. She took up the post in January 2007, coming from Clare College in Cambridge. Her major research interests at present are in the history and culture of early modern India, with a particular focus on the service and scribal communities who provided the administrative and intellectual skills that underpinned both the Mughal empire and the very successful regional states of the period. She is interested also in the

comparative study of these communities: how do they differ from scribal and intellectual elites in the world's other early modern empires? With Christopher Minkowski at Balliol College and David Washbrook at St Antony's she held a successful two-day conference on these themes at St Antony's College in May. Also in May she delivered her inaugural lecture which was entitled 'Cultures of the body in the making of modern India'. Her publications this year include articles on changing understandings of masculinity at the Mughal court and on bodily cultivation among early modern India's military peoples. She is pursuing these themes as part of a larger research project on early modern India carried out with David Washbrook and Christopher Minkowski.

PROFESSOR JANICE STARGARDT is a Member of the Management Committee of the Asian Studies Centre, St Antony's College. She is Professorial Research Fellow in Asian Historical Archaeology and Geography in the Department of Geography, University of Cambridge and Fellow, Tutor and Director of Studies in Geography and Archaeology, Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge. Concurrently, she is Director of the Cambridge Project on Ancient Civilisation in South East Asia and UK Representative on the International Expert Group on Remote Sensing Archaeology, co-chaired by UNESCO and the Chinese Academy of Science. During 2006-7, she carried out fieldwork in Andhra Pradesh and Burma on early Buddhism and in Thailand on early maritime trade. She lectured on this research at the post-graduate Field Training School in Archaeology of Burma and at the Department of Archaeology of Silpakorn University, Bangkok. She organised the final workshop of the British Academy Project on *Relics and Relic Worship in the Early Buddhism of India and Burma*, which she has coordinated since 2002. She is now editing a volume of its select research papers. With two research papers of her own in press, she also continued to peer-review articles for *Antiquity*, *Science* and *Current Anthropology*.

EUROPEAN STUDIES

The European Studies Centre

The European Studies Centre organised a number of important events in 2006-2007 including a conference on the anniversary of the events of 1956 convened by Jane Caplan and the culminating conference for Civil Resistance and Power Politics programme, coordinated by Thomas Davies, Timothy Garton Ash and Adam Roberts. The Centre's annual lecture was given by Massimo d'Alema, foreign minister of Italy, an event coordinated by Julie Adams and which involved an unprecedented VIP parade from St Antony's to Trinity College thanks to the hospitality of Ivor and Elizabeth Roberts. The cooperation with the Italian embassy extended to the organisation of a UK-Italian seminar on the two country's media ("The Trust Business") in cooperation with John Lloyd from the Reuters institute and under the intellectual leadership of Gianfranco Pasquino, this year's Monte Dei Pasque Fellow at the Centre.

The d'Alema visit was part of the Centre's series of events *to celebrate the 50th anniversary* of the EU culminating in a day of conference and partying for both graduate and undergraduate students. The event was organised in cooperation with Steve Weatherill and Paolisa Nebbia at the law school, the European Affairs Society and other student societies, with the special support of the Europeam, the invaluable guiding spirit and hands of her doctoral student Lars Hoffmann and the firm patience of our domestic bursar. The college JCR greatly contributed and thanks to Ricardo Borges de Castro, the EU flag was raised over college grounds, a first in Oxford history. In this context, the Centre initiated a new cooperation with the representation of the European Commission in London which we hope to strengthen in the years to come.

2006-2007 also saw a number of (hopefully) *long term innovations for the Centre: a new Michaelmas ESC core seminar* convened by the Centre's steering committee (with guest speakers this year including Loukas Tsoukalis, Jan Zielonka, Graham Avery, Baskin Oran, Shirley Williams, Dave Armstrong, Stephen Wall, Anand Menon, Julian Mishi, Vernon Bogdanor, Stephen Weatherill, Paul Craig, Charles Powell, Katrin Auel, John Loughlin). The second innovation, was to launch the new *Chancellor's seminar*, whereby Chris Patten invites a guest for a conversation. This year guests were Mario Monti and Fritz Bolkestein, both former EU Commissioners and Ivo Sanader, prime minister of Croatia. Having become patron of the ESC, the Chancellor participated in many of our events throughout the year. So did our acting warden, Roger Goodman, whose support to the Centre was invaluable this year. The Centre also produced its first brochure under the leadership of Timothy Garton Ash.

The Centre's various programmes were also very active this year. SEESOX celebrated its 5th year (see Othon Anastasakis) including through the launch of a book on Venizelos with the participation of our new warden, Margaret MacMillan. The European Commission sponsored RAMSES network on the Euro-Med coordinated by JRF Dimitar Bechev (in collaboration with the Middle East Centre) organised *inter alia* a conference in Aix-en-Provence on 'Conflict, Borders and Memory in the Mediterranean'. Kerem Oktem and Tariq Ramadan also laid the groundwork for a programme on 'Europe's Muslim Neighborhood' and organised its first workshop in cooperation with the Reuters institute. The

Centre also continued its collaboration with the the Maison Francaise, including through a series of seminar on French politics. Leila Vignal, this year's Deakin fellow, co-organised a pan-University working group on WTO reform and the role of the EU in cooperation with the Global Trade Governance programme (part of GEG at DPIR). Last but not least, Franziska Brantner, the Centre's latest recruit as research associate, along with Hartmut Mayer, Andrew Hurrell and Kalypso Nicolaïdis coordinated the launching of the new programme 'Rethinking Europe in a Non European World' (RENEW), working in cooperation with other regional centres at St Antony's and the Centre for International Studies at the DPIR.

Thankfully the ESC welcomed in May a new highly spirited administrator Anne-Laure Guillermain, who it is hoped will remain to support the team and all its projects for the years to come.

Activities and Publications of the Fellows

DR OTHON ANASTASAKIS is Research Fellow and Director of South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX). Apart from his duties as Director of SEESOX he conducted his own research on Balkan-EU politics, Greek foreign policy, democratisation in South East Europe, Greek-Turkish relations. During the academic year 2006-07 he was invited to address conferences organised by the Chatham House and the EBRD on 'Transition in Central and Eastern Europe' in London; by the European Commission and the Joint Vienna Institute on 'Economic Governance and Sustained growth in the Balkans' in Vienna; by the Istanbul Policy Centre on 'EU-Turkish relations' in Athens and Istanbul. He delivered public lectures at the University of Birmingham and the London School of Economics.

His publications included 'Power and Interdependence: Uncertainties of the Greek-Turkish Rapprochement' in the *Harvard International Review* Vol XXVIII, No 4, Winter 2007, pp. 14-17; 'EU and the Western Balkans: The Challenges of the Pre-accession Process' in *The EU and Romania: Accession and Beyond* edited by David Phinnemore, The Federal Trust 2006, pp. 165-173; 'The limits of the EU's transformative power; The test with the Western Balkans' in the *Mesogeios* (forthcoming 2007). He contributed with annual reports on the Balkan countries for the *Annual Register: A Record of World Events 2006*, and with articles on 'Modern Greece: a short history' and 'Serbia, Montenegro and Kosovo at a Crossroads' for *Regional Surveys of the World: Central and South East Europe 2007* (Europa Publications). He co-edited a SEESOX publication with Kalypso Nicolaïdis and Kerem Oktem on 'Cyprus and the European Union: Getting Past No'.

He co-convened with Renée Hirschon, a seminar series 'Political Leadership in Greece and South East Europe' in Hilary 2007; a panel discussion on the Greek statesman Eleftherios Venizelos in Trinity 2007; with Ellie Vasta (from COMPAS) a workshop on migration to the EU in Hilary 2007; with Dimitar Bechev and Max Watson a workshop on 'Reform in the Western Balkans', in Michaelmas 2006.

He cooperated with Middle East Technical University on a project related to migration in Europe and with Kostanz University on a project related to crime and corruption in

South East Europe, both funded by the European Commission 6th Framework. Finally, he was engaged in fundraising for South East European Studies at Oxford.

PROFESSOR JANE CAPLAN is a Professor of Modern European History, a title awarded in the University's recognition of distinction exercise this year. She was also appointed Emeritus Professor at Bryn Mawr College in 2006. Among her Oxford University activities, she has continued to act as convenor of the MPhil in Modern European History and as a member of the Steering Committee of the Modern European History Research Centre, and participated in MEHRC-sponsored projects on 'Europeanization' (with the Humboldt University, Berlin) and 'Political Violence in 20th-century Europe' (with a consortium including the Universities of Edinburgh and Amsterdam). She co-organized (with Professor Catriona Kelly of New College) a conference held at the European Studies Centre in November 2006, commemorating the 50th anniversary of 1956, which included panels on Suez, the Secret Speech and its aftermath, and the relationship between memory and history in contemporary history. She has taken over the coordination of the visiting Stifterverband Fellowship in German History at St Antony's, and collaborated with this year's fellow, Professor Sylvia Paletschek, on her seminar series in Hilary Term on 'Popular Historiographies in the 19th and 20th centuries'. She is executive editor of the proceedings of these seminars, which are published as *New German Historical Perspectives*; the first volume in the new series, *Historical Concepts in Eastern and Western Europe*, edited by Manfred Hildermeier, appeared in June 2007.

Among invited lectures and papers this year she gave a keynote lecture on 'Illegibility. Reading and Insecurity in 19th-century Law and Government' at a conference organized by the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies in Delhi; a paper on 'Gender and Genocide' at the Political Violence workshop in Edinburgh; and a paper on 'Women in the Early Concentration Camps', at the Royal Holloway/Imperial War Museum seminars on the history of the Holocaust. She also spoke at a roundtable in the 'Histories of the Aftermath' conference at the University of San Diego in February 2007, and was the respondent to this year's Harmsworth Professor, Professor Linda Kerber, following her lecture on 'The Stateless as the Citizen's Other'. Publications include a contribution to a roundtable discussion on the *Historikerstreit* after 20 years, published in *German History*, and an essay 'Contemporary History. Reflections from Britain and Germany', published in *History Workshop Journal*.

MR RICHARD CLOGG (Emeritus Fellow) gave a paper on the British School during the First War at a conference in Athens in October 2006 on 'Scholars, Travels, Archives: the Contribution of the British School at Athens to Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies'. Publications include the Polish translation of his 'Concise History of Greece' and a study of the short-lived and troubled Greek College established at the beginning of the 18th century at Gloucester Hall, on the site of the present Worcester College, in the March/April 2007 edition of 'Odyssey'. In an interesting manifestation of globalization his 'Concise History of Greece' was re-printed (in English) by the Shanghai Foreign Language Education Press with a bilingual Chinese/English cover.

DR THOMAS DAVIES, Junior Research Fellow, has spent this academic year working on two main themes: civil resistance and transnational civil society. As the Research

Associate for the European Studies Centre's Project on Civil Resistance and Power Politics, he co-organised and presented in the closing panel of the landmark Conference on Civil Resistance and Power Politics held at St Antony's College in March 2007 (further details of this event are provided in the separate section below). Dr Davies has also been working on the manuscript for his first book, *The Possibilities of Transnational Activism: The Campaign for Disarmament between the Two World Wars*, which will be published in October 2007. This book is based on Dr Davies' doctoral thesis, which was awarded the British International Studies Association's British International History Group Prize in December 2006. Dr Davies' second book on the historical evolution of transnational civil society is also in progress, and in preparing this volume he has presented his research into 'The Rise and Fall of Transnational Civil Society' at the 2006 British International Studies Association Conference, Oxford University's Departments of Politics and Sociology, and the international conference on Civil Rights, Liberties and Disobedience at Loughborough University. Over the last academic year, Dr Davies has also presented on globalisation, transnational civil society and civil resistance at conferences and seminars held at Tufts University in Boston, the University of Helsinki, the American International University in London and Jesus College, Oxford.

PROFESSOR TIMOTHY GARTON ASH is Professor of European Studies, Isaiah Berlin Professorial Fellow and Honorary Chair of the European Studies Centre. This year his own research has focussed on the troubled quest for a stronger European identity to sustain the political project of the European Union; on the position of Muslims in Europe and Europe's relations with the Islamic world; and, more broadly, on the question of how free societies cope with growing diversity. In this connection he published 'Europe's True Stories' in *Prospect*, February 2007. The essay was translated into a number of European languages and he worked with an impressively polyglot and cosmopolitan group of students at Oxford to stimulate a Europe-wide discussion on a specially created website, www.europeanstory.net. On the position of Muslims in Europe he published 'Islam in Europe' in *New York Review of Books*, 5 October, 2006, which also helped to stimulate a lively debate. Returning to one of his earlier themes, the Stasi, he discussed the credibility and broader historical significance of the film *The Lives of Others* in 'The Stasi on our Minds', *New York Review of Books*, 31 May, 2007.

He spoke on these and related subjects in Venice and Rome (both for the Aspen Institute), Warsaw (Tischner Debates, at Warsaw University), Cairo (American University of Cairo), Davos (World Economic Forum), London (IISS), Sao Paulo (Instituto Fernando Henrique Cardoso), Rio de Janeiro (CEBRI) and Porto Alegre (Frontiers of Contemporary Thought series). He spent the long vacation period, as usual, at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University, where he is a Senior Fellow.

In Oxford, he was deeply engaged in the organisation of a major international conference on Civil Resistance and Power Politics, the central event of the research project of the same name, based jointly at the European Studies Centre and the Centre for International Studies. He is co-editing the resulting multi-author volume with Adam Roberts and Thomas Davies, due for publication by OUP in 2008. He also chairs the European Studies at Oxford consortium, which attempts to stimulate cooperation between all the different parts of the University engaged in European Studies, and is much involved in the

newly established Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism. As well as encouraging the study of journalism at Oxford, he continued to practice it, in his weekly column in the *Guardian*, an international version of which is widely syndicated in Europe, Asia and the Americas. For more detail, see www.timothygartonash.com.

He was delighted this year to hand over executive responsibility as Director of the Centre to Kalypso Nicolaidis, while continuing to remain fully involved in its work. He also oversaw the preparation of a brochure – ably edited by Richard Davy - marking the thirtieth anniversary of the Centre and chronicling some of what we have done in the last five years. If anyone would like a copy, they should email our Administrator, Anne-Laure Guillermain, on european.studies@sant.ox.ac.uk.

PROFESSOR KNICK HARLEY is Professor of Economic History. His ongoing research involves the British industrial revolution and the international economy of the nineteenth century. During the past year he has presented a paper entitled ‘Cotton Textiles and the Industrial Revolution: Competing Models and Evidence of Prices and Profits’ at the annual meeting of the Economic History Society in Exeter at the end of March and in the University’s Seminar in Economic and Social History. His current research continues to focus on the Industrial Revolution and nineteenth century globalization. He is currently focusing on the impact of late nineteenth century frontier expansion within the globalization that occurred before the First World War.

PROFESSOR TONY NICHOLLS (Emeritus Fellow) continued his work on Anglo-German relations since 1945. He chaired a session at a conference on ‘The Weekly paper *Die Zeit* and the Bonn Republic’ held in Hamburg in March 2007 and organised by the Forschungsstelle für Zeitgeschichte in Hamburg and the University of Nottingham. In July 2007 he attended the celebrations for the 550th anniversary of the University of Freiburg, and gave a lecture on the situation of British universities at a conference organised by the History Faculty of Freiburg University on ‘Die Universität - Einst und Heute - Internationales Symposium zur Reformdebatte’. The Conference was organised by Professor Bernd Martin (OA).

DR KALYPSO NICOLAIDIS. In addition to her usual professional duties (MPhil and DPhil teaching and administration, etc) Dr Nicolaidis started the year with a new double hat: Director of the European Studies Centre for St Antony’s and Director of Research Training for the Department of Politics and International Relations. In the latter capacity, she crafted a new core course on research design and methods for the MPhil in IR and contributed to launching a new IR core research seminar that will henceforth bring faculty and doctoral students together every week for one or two terms around research papers.

As director of the ESC she maintained the innovations introduced by Timothy Garton Ash, including the organisation of the *annual ESC lecture* and introduced a number of innovations for the Centre, including a Michaelmas ESC core seminar and the Chancellor’s seminar, (see Centre summary). She coordinated many of the Centre’s events, including the celebrations of the 50th anniversary of the EU. Dr Nicolaidis also contributed to the 50th anniversary narrative outside London speaking for Canadian, Australian and Japanese media, the UACES conference in London, the Festival of Europe and the Heinrich

Böll Foundation in Brussels.

Dr Nicolaïdis also continued her involvement in various on-going or *new programmes* and projects under the purview of the Centre, as co-chair of SEESOX (see Othon Anastasakis), as Oxford representative of RAMSES (see Dimitar Bechev) as co-convenor of 'Europe's Muslim Neighborhood' (see Kerem Oktem), of the WTO/EU working group (see Lelia Vignal), and of the new RENEW programme (see Franciska Brantner). With Dimitar and other colleagues, she also conducted a study for the European Parliament on the status of non EU members and the new neighborhood policy.

Finally, Dr Nicolaïdis travelled abroad to *promote the Centre, inter-University cooperation and her own research*. She gave the keynote speech on Europe at the German Green Congress in Berlin at the beginning of the year. She co-convened with Renaud Dehousse the joint doctoral seminar between Sciences-Po and the DPIR, with the support of the European Research Group and took part as an invited guest speaker in a joint doctoral seminar organised by the Universities of Fribourg and Geneva. She visited and spoke at the Instituto Elcano and Instituto de Empresa in Madrid - to promote the creation of Spanish fellowship at the ESC - the European University Institute in Florence, the Maison Méditerranéenne des Sciences de l'Homme in Aix, IFRI in Paris, Harvard's WCFIA annual conference at Talloires as a member of their advisory board and ELIAMEP's annual conference at Napfion. She spoke three times at the European Commission: on 'free vs fair trade' for the first DG-trade away-day; at the launch of the 'Master Class in Communication' with Margo Wallstrom; and in January through the teaching of a one week course for high level EU officials on 'European Governance, Global Governance: The Theory and Practice of Europe as a Model,' (with the help of doctoral students Franziska Brantner and Christian Burckhardt). She also undertook a trip to Turkey with Chris Patten and Kerem Oktem to promote Oxford's and St Antony's current and planned action-research on Turkey and the EU.

Unsurprisingly, *publications* suffered this year - a year of writing-in-the-making (including two edited volumes with Kerem Oktem, Othon Anastasakis and Dimitar Bechev). *Inter alia*, two pieces published in the May issue of the *Journal of European Public Policy* ('Trusting the Poles? Constructing Europe through Mutual Recognition' and 'Mutual Recognition on Trial: the Liberalisation of Services in the EU' with Susanne Schmidt) will constitute a building block for her upcoming book on mutual recognition.

DR DAVID RECHTER, Research Fellow in Modern Jewish History, University Research Lecturer in Oriental Studies and Fellow in Modern Jewish History at the Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, was on sabbatical throughout the academic year. During Michaelmas term, he wrote an article on Jewish national autonomy in the Austrian Empire, to be published later this year, while for the remainder of the year he continued work on his book on the history of Habsburg Bukovina Jewry. He gave a public lecture and faculty seminar at the University of Florida, in Gainesville, Florida, delivered a lecture on his current research at the University of Southampton and presented a paper at a conference on Jewish politics in eastern and central Europe at the Centre for the Study of the Culture and History of East European Jews in Vilnius, Lithuania. He published 'The Jewish Left in Habsburg Austria' and 'Otto Bauer' (in Hebrew) in Yirmiyahou Yovel and

David Shaham, eds, *New Jewish Time: Jewish Culture in a Secular Age – An Encyclopaedic View* (Keter).

PROFESSOR JAN ZIELONKA is Ralf Dahrendorf Fellow in European Politics. Last year he had a sabbatical leave (Trinity and Hilary terms). Before his departure he contributed to an MPhil core course in European Politics and Society at the Department of Politics and International Relations. In his research he tried to comprehend the evolving nature of the European Union. The Polish translation of his book, *Europe as Empire. The Nature of the Enlarged European Union* (OUP 2006) has been published in March 2007. He also published: *Democracy and Political Culture in Eastern Europe* (London: Routledge, 2007), Hans-Dieter Klingemann and Dieter Fuchs, co-editors, 'The Quality of Democracy After Joining the European Union', *East European Politics and Societies*, 21:1 (Winter 2007), 'Plurilateral Governance in the Enlarged European Union,' *Journal of Common Market Studies*, 45:1 (March 2007) 'Europa als Empire,' *Blätter für deutsche und internationale Politik*, 03/2007. More information can be found on his website: <http://users.ox.ac.uk/~polff0040/>.

Associate Members and Visiting Fellows

DR DIMITAR BECHEV continued his work as a coordinator of the research project on borders and conflicts in the Mediterranean under the RAMSES2 consortium (EU 6th Framework Programme). He co-convened a conference on imperial legacy (Ljubljana, 13-14 October, 2006) and a workshop on memory and conflict (Aix-en-Provence, 4-7, June). Together with Kalypso Nicolaïdis, Dr Bechev is now editing a volume containing papers from those conference. In January 2007, the RAMSES consortium endorsed a new research project entitled 'Agents of Change in the Mediterranean' which will be run jointly by Oxford and the Free University of Berlin over the next academic year. On 21 May, 2007, Dr Bechev organised a pilot roundtable at the European Studies Centre examining the notion of European transformative power from the perspective of the countries in the southern Mediterranean.

Dr Bechev has been involved as a principal researcher in a policy paper commissioned by the European Parliament which analyses the instruments and institutional frameworks in the EU for dealing with the countries in the southern and eastern neighborhood. Parallel to that, he continued to work on the politics of EU enlargement in South East Europe. His article 'The Successful Laggards: Bulgaria and Romania's EU Accession' (co-written with Gergana Noutcheva) will appear in *East European Politics and Societies*. He also co-edited with Kerem Oktem a special section on transnationalism in the December 2006 issue of the *Journal of Southeast European and Black Sea Studies* and authored an introductory piece entitled '(Trans)Nationalism in Southeast Europe: Constructing, Transcending and Reinforcing Borders'.

DR FRANZISKA BRANTNER is a Research Associate. Her primary task was to coordinate the launch of the new research programme 'Rethinking Europe in a non-European world', organizing a first two-day workshop in February, and several working-level brainstorming and preparation sessions among researchers in Oxford. Furthermore, she participated in formulating the current conceptual framework of the programme and preparing

funding applications. In addition, in the framework of RAMSES2, Franziska Brantner prepared and organized a two-day workshop in June on 'Gender, Conflict and Memory in the Mediterranean' with high-level participation from across the Mediterranean. Finally, she contributed to the study commissioned by the European Parliament on the EU's neighborhoods and undertook a research trip to Israel and Palestine in May 2007, feeding into the global report expected for September 2007.

DR KEREM OKTEM holds a DPhil (2006) from the School of Geography at the University of Oxford. He is a Research Fellow working with South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX) and its associated Programme on Contemporary Studies (PCT). Since he joined SEESOX, he has concentrated on questions of conflict and memory in Turkey, South East Europe and the Mediterranean, on the impact of historical conflicts on inter-regional relations and on Turkey-EU relations. He is a founder member of the inter-university Project of Armenian and Turkish Studies (PATS) that aims at creating a network of scholars and decision-makers committed to the inter-disciplinary study of Turkish-Armenian interactions. Together with Kalypso Nicolaïdis, he has recently commenced a research project on the politics and foreign policy implications of Islam and Muslims in Europe called *Europe's Muslim Neighbourhoods*. In addition to a number of articles in *Middle East Report Online* and the *Journal of South East European and Black Sea Studies* published last year, he is co-editor of the book *The Long Shadow of Europe, Greeks and Turks in the era of Postnationalism*, which is scheduled for publication by Brill in Spring 2008.

South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX)

2006/07 was South East European Studies at Oxford's fifth year in operation as part of the European Studies Centre; this has been a particularly busy and productive year with numerous activities, research projects and visiting scholars in Oxford.

During the academic year 2006/7, the College granted associations to the following scholars of South East European matters: Dr Alina Mungiu Pippidi, Director of the Romanian Academic Society, a well known scholar on Balkan politics; Dr Fotios Moustakis, Senior Lecturer at the Britannia Royal Naval College and the University of Exeter, expert on Greek security matters; Dr Max Watson, currently working for the European Commission, in his second year as Senior Associate Member with an interest on the political economy of South East Europe; Dr Kerem Oktem, a scholar on contemporary Turkey, as SAM for the second running year; Dr Dimitar Bechev, as Junior Research Fellow in charge of the RAMSES² project on the Mediterranean; Baskin Oran, Professor of International Relations, University of Ankara, was a visiting scholar and SAM through the Programme on Contemporary Turkey. Elizabeth Roberts a scholar of the Balkans and expert on Montenegro, and wife of the new President of Trinity College, Sir Ivor Roberts, became a new member of the SEESOX Steering Committee.

During Michaelmas 2006, SEESOX and its Programme on Contemporary Turkey organised a seminar series entitled 'Nationalism, underdevelopment, citizenship: The EU and minority policies in Turkey' with Professor Baskin Oran. Other well attended events during the first term included one delivered by Prof John B Allcock (University

of Bradford) entitled 'The War Crimes Tribunal in The Hague and its Reception in the post-Yugoslav States', and one delivered by Prof Vladimir Gligorov (Vienna Institute for International Economics) entitled 'The Balkan Endgame and Economic Transformation'. The second lecture was part of a two-day workshop on 'Reform in the Western Balkans' convened by Othon Anastasakis, Dimitar Bechev and Max Watson with invited academics and policy makers interested in the political and economic reform and European integration of the Western Balkans.

During Hilary 2007, SEESOX hosted a very successful seminar series on 'Conceptualising Political Leadership in Greece and South East Europe', convened by Dr Othon Anastasakis, and Dr Renée Hirschon. This included eight invited speakers from different disciplines who gave lectures on theoretical and practical aspects of leadership in Greece and the region. Other one-off lectures and panel discussions during Hilary included a roundtable discussion on 'The Anatomy of Turkish-Russian Relations' with Suat Kiniklioglu (Director of Marshall Fund, Turkey), Constantine Filis (Director of the Russia and Eurasia Centre, Institute of International Relations, Athens) and Nazrin Mehdiyeva (Oxford Analytica, Eurasian Affairs analyst). Ben Crampton, currently working with the office of Solana in Kosovo gave a very informative lecture on 'Kosovo: The Status Process and After'. In February, SEESOX, in collaboration with COMPAS of Oxford, held a two-day workshop on 'Migration to the European Union: challenges, rights and opportunities' convened by Othon Anastasakis and Ellie Vasta. This was part of an international project called GLOMIG under the FP6 co-ordinated by METU University, Ankara. The workshop was preceded by a very well attended panel seminar on 'Migration and the dual crisis of national identity and the welfare state: A European Dilemma' its speakers including Professors Carl-Ulrik Schierup and Stephen Castle, well-known international experts on migration.

Trinity term included three book launches and various panel discussions on contemporary and historical regional matters: a book launch and debate on Montenegro inspired by Elizabeth Roberts' book *The Realm of the Black Mountain: A History of Montenegro*; a panel discussion on Albania inspired by the book of Mirela Bogdani and John Loughlin, both of them Oxford scholars, entitled *Albania and the European Union: The Tumultuous Journey towards Integration and Accession*; a panel discussion around the book *Eleftherios Venezelos: The Trials of a Statesman*, edited by Paschalis Kitromilides which included among others as speakers, the editor of the book, the new Warden of St Antony's Margaret Macmillan, and Sir Michael Llewellyn-Smith. Other panel discussions included a debate on Greek foreign policy with invited speaker the spokesman for the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and discussants Dr Alexander Kazamias and Dr Othon Anastasakis entitled 'Greek foreign policy challenges and opportunities in a changing geopolitical environment'; a panel on Bulgaria and Romania entitled 'In at Last? Bulgaria and Romania's accession to the EU', with Oxford scholars Dimitar Bechev, Sorin Moisa, Alina Mungiu-Pippidi. Among the highlights of Trinity was the appearance of the Croatian Prime Minister who was the guest of the Chancellor's seminar and who joined the Chancellor of Oxford, Lord Patten to discuss Europe at the Nissan theatre. This event was jointly organised with the European Studies Centre. Another important visitor in May was the Bulgarian Commission for consumer protection, Ms Meglena Kuneva, who met and discussed with scholars of European studies and students of South

East European studies. Finally, SEESOX in cooperation with the Greek society in Oxford co-organised the visit of the European Ombudsman, Professor Nikiforos Diamandouros who gave a talk on 'European Democracy and the role of the Ombudsman'. The academic year ended with the annual Oxford Symposium on Transnationalism convened by Dimitar Bechev and Kerem Oktem which took place between 6-8 July and invited young doctoral and post-doctoral scholars of South East European matters.

SEESOX publications for 2006-7 have included three workshop reports: *Cyprus and Accession: Getting past No*, a report based on a workshop on Cyprus (organised by SEESOX in March 2006), with contributions from some of the workshop participants; *Political and Economic Developments in the Balkans* based on the December workshop on the Western Balkan reform. Other publications in cooperation with the RAMSES programme on the Mediterranean included *Beware the Turks are coming! Reproducing Turkish Nationalism(s) through the press coverage of football games* by Emre Gökalp; *The Role of the Greek Press in Greek-Turkish Rapprochement: The Coverage of the Annan Plan for the Settlement of the Cyprus Conflict* by Nikos Panagiotou; *Confirming the Challenging Touristic Representations of the Mediterranean: Migrant Workers in Crete* by Ramona Lenz.

During the academic year 2006-07, SEESOX continued to be a partner of two international partnerships-projects funded by the European Commission 6th Framework programme; the first on *Crime and Culture in South East Europe*, co-ordinated by the University of Kostanz, and the second on *Migration in South East Europe*, co-ordinated by Middle East Technical University in Ankara.

SEESOX has been involved in intense fundraising and was awarded grants from the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Leventis Foundation, the Foreign Commonwealth Office, NATO and the Tsakopoulos Foundation.

Throughout the year, SEESOX scholars travelled extensively in the UK and abroad to deliver lectures and papers. In May 2007, Lord Patten, Kalypso Nicolaïdis and Kerem Oktem visited Ankara and Istanbul for a series of lectures at METU University and Sabanci University, and meetings with prominent Turks with a view to strengthen links and cooperation with Turkish academics and universities. In June, most of the SEESOX researchers attended and presented papers a conference on 'memory in the Mediterranean', part of the RAMSES project, which took place in Aix-en-Provence.

The SEESOX administrator, Julie Adams, assisted the organisation of all these activities and visits.

Project on Civil Resistance and Power Politics

The main activity of the Project on Civil Resistance and Power Politics this academic year was the landmark international conference on Civil Resistance and Power Politics held at St Antony's College from 15 to 18 March 2007. This conference brought together a unique combination of leading scholars, senior government policymakers and prominent participants in civil resistance movements from around the world to provide an unprec-

edented examination of the interconnections between civil resistance and power politics.

The conference debates were without exception well attended, lively and productive. Issues that were especially illuminated include the nature of civil resistance, the reasons for using civil resistance, the interaction between the methods of civil resistance and external conditions, the interrelationship between nonviolent and violent methods, the role of external actors, the nature of success and failure, and the contribution of civil resistance to liberal outcomes such as democratic governance.

Key paper-givers and respondents included Stephen Bosworth, Judith Brown, Richard English, Mkhuseleli Jack, Mary Kaldor, Mark Kramer, Monika MacDonagh-Pajerová, Doug McAdam, Michael McFaul, Lucy Nusseibeh, Janusz Reykowski, Gene Sharp, Wang Juntao, and the principal investigators Adam Roberts and Timothy Garton Ash. The Chancellor of the University and Patron of the European Studies Centre, Chris Patten, spoke vividly of his experiences in responding to civil resistance in the former Yugoslavia while he was a European Commissioner.

The conference received an overwhelmingly positive response from its 186 participants, and elicited a favorable reaction in the international press in Edward Mortimer's article, 'The Politics of Peaceful Change' published in the *International Herald Tribune* on 22 March, 2007. The conference was funded by eight organizations: details of these, together with a full report and the final programme, can be obtained from the conference website at: <http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/esc/esc-civil-resistance.shtml>. Two books based on the papers presented at the conference will appear in due course, and other follow up activity is planned.

For further information on the Project on Civil Resistance and Power Politics, please contact the Project's Research Associate, Dr Thomas Davies (email: thomas.davies2@politics.ox.ac.uk).

The Stifterverband Visiting Fellowship

PROFESSOR DR SYLVIA PALETSCHEK is Professor in Modern History at the University of Freiburg (Germany) and Stifterverband Fellow at the European Studies Centre for 2006/07. Her research subjects are Women's and Gender History, History of Universities, and Popular Presentations of History. She ran a seminar at the ESC on 'Popular Historiographies in the 19th and 20th Century' in Hilary term 2007. Her publications include 'The Invention of Humboldt and the Impact of National Socialism: The German University Idea in the First Half of the 20th Century', in: M Szöllösi-Janze (ed), *National Socialism and the Sciences in the Third Reich* (Oxford: Berg 2001, S.37-58). She has also written the following books: *Frauen und Dissens. Frauen im Deutschkatholizismus und in den freien Gemeinden 1841-1852* (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck and Ruprecht 1990); *Die permanente Erfindung einer Tradition* (Stuttgart: Steiner 2001); S Paletschek and B Pietrow-Ennker, eds, *Women's Emancipation Movements in the 19th Century: A European Perspective* (Stanford: Stanford University Press 2004); and S Paletschek and S Schraut, eds, *Gender and Memory Culture in Europe. Female Representations in Historical Perspective* (Chicago: Chicago University Press, forthcoming 2007).

The Monte dei Paschi di Siena Visiting Fellowship

PROFESSOR GIANFRANCO PASQUINO. As Monte dei Paschi Visiting Fellow in the Hilary and Trinity terms of 2006-2007 has devoted much of his time to studying predominant parties, that is, parties winning three or more democratic elections and governing alone. He has also co-organised a workshop on 'The Trust Business: Politics and Economics of the Mass Media in Italy and the UK' where he presented a preliminary analysis of the data from research into 'Media consumption and interpersonal trust in Italy', conducted with Donatella Campus and Cristian Vaccari.

In May 2007, the third edition of his book on the analysis of Italian institutions: *Le istituzioni di Arlecchino*, came out (also available on the web: www.ScriptaWeb.it) containing two new chapters, written at St Antony's. Among his other publications in this period, two articles deserve to be mentioned: 'The Five Faces of Silvio Berlusconi: The Knight of Anti-politics', *Modern Italy*, 12, 1, 2007 and 'Parlamento e governo nell'Italia repubblicana', *Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*, XXXVII, 1, 2007 and an edited book *Strumenti della democrazia* (Il Mulino 2007). In addition to an introduction and a chapter of his assessing whether there are new theories of democracy (the answer being "no"), the book contains chapters written by colleagues and young scholars on the referendum, on primary elections, on e-democracy, on deliberative democracy, and on political communication.

In addition to attending several workshops in Oxford and teaching two classes in the course on Government and Politics in Western Europe for Oxford undergraduates in Politics, Professor Pasquino was invited, in April, to give a lecture on the 'Italian political and institutional transition' and to teach one class on 'Government Formation and Dissolution in European Parliamentary Democracies' to the Center for Political and Social Studies of Barcelona.

At present, Pasquino is also working on a major enterprise: a research on the 'Quality of Democracy: Concepts and Indicators' conducted with several Italian colleagues. The overall aim is to clarify the meaning and the content of the quality of democracy and to find indicators susceptible of being measured with some precision. The research group has already produced several papers and will probably have a book-length manuscript by Summer 2008.

Finally, while in Oxford, he continued to be a guest commentator in a very popular Italian radio talk show called *Zapping*. At the end of June 2007, he has returned to his permanent position as professor of Political Science at the University of Bologna. He also teaches at the Bologna Center of the Johns Hopkins University.

The Deakin Visiting Fellowship

DR LEILA VIGNAL was Deakin Fellow for 2006-2007. After the successful viva of her doctoral thesis in Geography, on the 10th of October 2006, she engaged in post-doctoral research aimed, on the one hand, on the analysis of the Euro-mediterranean space and, on the other hand, on the impacts and perceptions of the Euromed partnership and policies on EU southern partners, with a special focus on Egypt. In the context of this research,

she has been part of a collective research team at the ESC, aimed at the production of a report commissioned by the European Parliament on the European Neighborhood Policy. She has also been part of the reflection regarding a new research project of the Centre (the RENEW project), and is a member of the RAMSES network.

As for collective activities, she launched in October 2006 a seminar on the role of the EU in WTO reform. Four sessions have taken place at the ESC during the academic year. A fifth one is scheduled for the end of September 2007, and a public session should take place in November 2007.

She has also organized the visits of two French geographers working on Europe, in cooperation with the Maison Française d'Oxford and the Department of Geography. Professor Jacques Lévy delivered two lectures in October 2006. Dr Serge Weber, as a Visiting Fellow, came for two weeks in February 2007, attended a conference organised by SEESOX and COMPASS, and gave a lunch seminar at the ESC.

Other Visiting Fellows

FRANZISKA BRANTNER's primary task was to coordinate the launch of the new research programme 'Rethinking Europe in a non-European world', organizing a first two-day workshop in February, and several working-level brainstorming and preparation session among researchers in Oxford. Furthermore, she participated in formulating the current conceptual framework of the programme and preparing funding applications. In addition, in the framework of RAMSES2, Franziska Brantner prepared and organized a two-day workshop in June on 'Gender, Conflict and Memory in the Mediterranean' with high-level participation from across the Mediterranean. Finally, she contributed to the study commissioned by the European Parliament on the EU's neighbourhoods and undertook a research trip to Israel and Palestine in May 2007, feeding into the global report expected for September 2007.

PROFESSOR JOHN LOUGHLIN is European Studies Centre Visiting Fellow 2006/7. In January 2007, he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society. He launched his book on France at a seminar at the Maison Française d'Oxford in June 2007 and one on Albania at St Antony's College in the presence of the Albanian Ambassador to the UK. He organized an international research conference *Reconfiguring the State: Trends in Territorial Governance*, at St Antony's in November 2006. This was part of an ongoing international research project, funded by the Swedish Science Council, on territorial governance in unitary and federal states. Loughlin has a standing contract with the Department of Communities and Local Government. In 2007, to conduct research on 'International Lessons in Regional and Local Governance' and within the framework of this contract, he conducted a study of responses of Irish, England and Swedish local authorities to the recent enlargement of the EU to include East and Central European countries. He was Visiting Professor at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques, Aix-en-Provence and at the University of Umeå, Sweden. He chaired an expert group of UN-Habitat, which was responsible for drawing up a set of guidelines on effective decentralization. This was approved by the governing council of UN-Habitat in April 2007. These guidelines are meant to cover all the countries of the UN. He is also a member of the Committee of Independent Experts on

Regional and Local Democracy of the Council of Europe. He is a member of the European Observatory on Local Finances of the Franco-Belgian Bank DEXIA.

He has published the following books: *Subnational Government: the French Experience* (Macmillan Palgrave, 2007); (with Mirela Bogdani): *Albania and the European Union* (I B Tauris, 2007); (edited with David Hanley): *Spanish Political Parties* (Wales University Press, 2006); (edited with Kris Deschouwer): *Territorial Governance in the 21st Century* (Brussels: The Royal Flemish Academy of Belgium for Arts and Sciences, 2007).

He has written the following articles: ‘Refaire l’Union: la Dévolution au Royaume-Uni’, *Projet*, n° 297, mars 2007; and ‘La vision européenne du rôle des régions et de l’autonomie régionale’, *Pouvoirs locaux* (juin-août, 2006).

In addition, he has written the following chapters in books and Encyclopaedia entries: ‘Les nationalismes britannique et français face aux défis de l’eupéanisation et de la mondialisation’, in A Gagnon, A Lecours et G Nootens (eds), *Les nationalismes majoritaires: identité, mémoire, pouvoir* (Montréal: Québec Amérique, 2007); ‘Decentralization’ in *Encyclopedia of Governance* (Thousand Oaks, Ca. and London: Sage, 2006); ‘Sub-state Regionalism’ in *Encyclopedia of Governance* (Thousand Oaks, Ca. and London: Sage, 2006); ‘Intergovernmental Relations’ in *Encyclopedia of Governance* (Thousand Oaks, Ca. and London: Sage, 2006).

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

The Latin American Centre

It has been a year of change and reshaping at the LAC, with interesting possibilities. An important concern during the year has been to protect Brazilian Studies, given a hiatus in the external funding for the Centre for Brazilian Studies, and Leslie Bethell's retirement, after ten remarkable years building up a unique Centre for the study of Brazil. At the time of going to press the uncertainties are still not resolved, and we do not know whether the CBS can resume its usual high level of activity. Meantime 'Plan B' is well on course, with Tim Power the new director of the 'Brazil Studies Programme' within the LAC. Building all activity on Brazil into a strong research network across the university will be a key priority for both the LAC and for Brazilian Studies.

Mexican Studies have also evolved, and been strengthened institutionally by a fuller integration into the LAC. We welcome Monica Serrano from El Colegio de Mexico for Michaelmas 2007 and again in Michaelmas 2008, to work with Laurence Whitehead in taking forward the study of Mexico, and the building of a University-wide research network.

We welcomed Joe Foweraker last time as the successor to Alan Angell: he has had a busy year working with the current director to manage these changes, and will take over as Director in August 2007. Rosemary Thorp is stepping down as Director, having held the post in rotation for the third and final time.

The student field is also changing, with a growing interest in comparing Latin America with other parts of the world, and tackling issues such as the importance of China. Thirteen students achieved MScs this year and three the MPhil. The Latin American Society, a student-led initiative, has continued its active programme, including hosting the Bolivian ambassador.

Our associates, research fellows and visitors continue as a source of strength and sometimes a vital teaching resource. John Crabtree, Eduardo Posada and Ame Berges in particular have continued an important and much valued role as teachers on our masters programmes, as well as a source of excellent initiatives in terms of workshops and seminars. Maria Amparo Grau has been this year's Andres Bello Fellow; we have enjoyed having a lawyer interested in interacting with social scientists. Other visitors for seminars have included several speakers on Bolivia, not surprisingly – George Gray Molina on political economy, and Cesar Navarro, the leader of the MAS in the Chamber of Deputies.

Change has also been the theme among our staff. Susannah Bartholomew has spent her first year with us as administrator and has survived even the rigours of the examination process. We find her commitment and determination impressive and we're pleased to have her join the team. Elvira fortunately does not change, since she makes the Centre the friendly place it is and has learnt to manage us all with skill. We're grateful to both of them and to the library staff, Nathalie and Laura, as always, for another very good year.

Centre for Brazilian Studies

The Centre, now in its tenth year, supported another full academic programme of research projects, lectures, seminars, workshops and conferences, and publications. Twenty seminars and two round tables were held during the year. There were five one-day research workshops: *Financial liberalisation and economic performance: the experience of Brazil and other emerging countries*; *State politics and institutions in comparative perspective: lessons from Brazil*; *The judiciary and economic development in Brazil and other emerging countries*; *Courting justice: the role of constitutional courts in Brazil, India and South Africa in protecting rights*; and *Democracy and citizen distrust of public institutions: Brazil in comparative perspective*. A one-day conference on *Graciliano Ramos*, in association with the Modern Languages Faculty, the sub-Faculty of Portuguese and the Cameos Institute, was held at St Peter's College. The Centre co-sponsored a three-day conference held at Oriel College on *Climate change and the fate of the Amazon*, in association with the Environmental Change Institute, Oxford University Centre for the Environment and the James Martin 21st Century School.

Thirteen Visiting Research Fellows and Visiting Research Associates were invited to the Centre during the year for periods of two to twelve months (see below).

The Centre provided desks for two Oxford DPhil students – in International Relations and Literature – and one Recognised Student, a doctoral student in International Relations at the University of Brasilia.

As regards publications, one CBS book is currently in press: Oliver Marshall, *Guia de fontes. O Brasil nos arquivos britânicos e irlandeses*, a revised and expanded edition in Portuguese of his *Brazil in British and Irish archives* published by the Centre in 2002. A revised and expanded edition of Lucia Nagib (ed), *The New Brazilian Cinema* (CBS and I B Tauris, 2003) was published in Japanese in Tokyo (2006). Leslie Bethell and José Murilo de Carvalho (eds), *Joaquim Nabuco e os abolitionistas ingleses* is forthcoming, Ismail Xavier (ed), *Glauber Rocha: Writings on cinema* (trans Stephanie Dennison) in preparation. Books published or to be published from papers presented at workshops and conferences organized by the Centre include: Jurandir Malerba (ed), *A independência brasileira: novas dimensões* (Rio de Janeiro: Editora Fundação Getúlio Vargas, 2006); Rory M. Miller and Liz Crolley (eds), *Football in the Americas: fútbol, futebol, soccer* (London: Institute for the Study of the Americas, 2007); Jairo Nicolau and Timothy J Power (eds), *Instituições representativas no Brasil: balanço e reforma* (Editora UFMG, Belo Horizonte, forthcoming); Miguel Carter (ed), *Challenging social inequality: the Landless Rural Workers' Movement (MST) and agrarian reform in Brazil* (Duke University Press, forthcoming; in Portuguese, Editora da UNESP, forthcoming); and Philip Arestis and Luiz Fernando de Paula (eds), *Financial liberalization and economic performance in emerging countries* (Palgrave/ Macmillan, forthcoming). The Centre also sponsored the publication of a special bi-lingual issue of *Arte e Ensaios*, the journal of the Escola de Belas Artes, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (EBA/UFRJ), edited by Michael Asbury, Glória Ferreira and Guilherme Bueno, on Transnational correspondence (Brazilian and British contemporary artists).

Ten CBS working papers are published on-line: www.brazil.ox.ac.uk.

The Centre has compiled a list of doctoral theses on Brazil in the social sciences, life and environmental sciences and humanities completed in British universities from 1960 to 2004. A supplementary list of doctoral theses completed in 2005 has been added. Both are available online: www.brazil.ox.ac.uk.

Professor Edward Riedinger, Head of the Latin American Collection at Ohio State University Library and Visiting Research Associate at the Center in 2006-7, provided this online guide to electronic research resources for Brazilian Studies world-wide: BRAZweb. It was regularly updated by means of an OXlatlist newsletter which includes electronic resources for Latin American studies in general. Available online: www.brazil.ox.ac.uk.

Activities and Publications of the Fellows

DR AME ROSA BERGES is Research Fellow at St Antony's and currently lecturing in the Economics of Latin America. She lectures, supervises and examines for the different graduate programmes at the Latin American Centre, as well as for the MSc in Economics for Development and the MPhil in Development Studies at the Department for International Development (Queen Elizabeth House). She also convenes a seminar series on contemporary issues in Latin American Economics during Hilary term. Under the direction of Rosemary Thorp and Valpy FitzGerald, she set up the Oxford Latin American Economic History Database (OxLAD), an online databank of comparative long-run statistics for 20 countries in Latin America covering the whole of the 20th century. The OxLAD project served as the statistical basis for several co-authored working papers, one of which was published in the Nov 2005 edition of the *Economic History Review*, and for a forthcoming book on long run patterns of growth and welfare in Latin America to be published by the Oxford University Press. Future research plans include the expansion of the online databank to include indicators of economic and social inequality, and contributions to the expanded edition of Rosemary Thorp's book *Poverty and Exclusion: An Economic History of Latin America in the Twentieth Century*.

PROFESSOR LESLIE BETHELL, Professorial Fellow and Director of the Centre for Brazilian Studies since its establishment in 1997, devoted the year mainly to the academic programme of the Centre and to alternative strategies for securing the future of the Centre after his retirement in September 2007. He made four visits to Brazil. He completed the editing of the final volume of *The Cambridge History of Latin America (volume IX: Brazil since 1930)*, in which he is the author (or co-author) of five of the eight chapters, and (with José Murilo de Carvalho) the editing of the correspondence of Joaquim Nabuco with the British and Foreign Anti-Slavery Society. He also contributed papers at research workshops on the 'new Left' in Latin America at the Wilson Center in Washington DC and Britain's 'informal empire' in Latin America, with special reference to Brazil, at the University of Bristol.

MR MALCOLM DEAS, University Lecturer in Politics and Government of Latin America, writes: Some exciting "firsts" towards the close of my Oxford career: in March I was the first member of the Faculty of Politics to recite Arthur Hugh Clough's ever-moving "Say not the struggle nought availeth" at an altitude of over 8,000 feet above sea-level, part of my lecture at the end of the academic year in Ciencias políticas at the ever-

hospitable Universidad de los Andes. On my return I was contemplating the blank sheet on which the Faculty wished me to make my entries for its much-consulted – several million hits on Google - “esteem index”, and thought of putting that in, but then I was taken out to dinner by the President and Vice-President of the Federal Reserve Board of Dallas, Texas, and the Vice-President said to me, “Malcolm, you are not esteemed, you are revered”, so at that I decided to leave the page blank, and my morale rose for a full twenty minutes. The phrase “academic dividend”, which I coined some twenty years ago in the vain hope that the College might so manage its affairs that one day it would have some money to spend on an academic initiative, seems now to have entered into quasi-official use. This is welcome though the sum is as yet meagre, and some of it must be spent on yet another Journal of International Relations. At school the two classes I remember as particularly depressing were biology and current affairs, the one in its elementary stages, amoebas and that sort of thing, so lifeless, the other so ephemeral ... But I digress: I have been back in Colombia for several stays, and was also able to return to Buenos Aires and see again Ezequiel Gallo, and Frances and Klaus, Natalio Botana and Juan Carlos Torre and Ana Maria. Jaime Bermúdez is currently Colombian Ambassador in Argentina, and had arranged a reception. The only person who did not make it was me, as the world’s last surviving Stalinist airline, Air France, stranded me for 24 hours in Charles de Gaulle airport. All the same, the party I was assured went well, and we later had lunch. In the Latin American Centre I miss old friends, but Nathalie Thomas has taken on the Library most agreeably, and the arrival of Miguel Torrens in the University Library System has ended a couple of years of not so benign neglect.

PROFESSOR VALPY FITZGERALD is University Reader in International Economics and Finance and Professorial Fellow. During the academic year 2006-7 he has continued to work with Ame Berges and Pablo Astorga on their project on the long-run economic history of Latin America. He presented work in progress to seminars in Oxford and the Universidad Carlos III in Madrid. A book contract has been signed with the Oxford University Press, with delivery in late 2007 and thus - presumably - publication in 2008. He has been working on a new methodology for simulating income distribution in the leading six regional economies over the 1880-2000 period using a methodology derived from Kuznets’ pioneering work and data from the OxLAD database (this database is available via the LAC and Bodleian websites)

Professor Fitzgerald has also been looking at issues of fiscal sustainability, debt crises and trade openness over the long run and also in the present. He addressed the Argentine Ministerio de Economía in Buenos Aires on debt management in December 2006. He helped Rosemary Thorp organize a workshop conference at the LAC in June on ‘Modern Markets and Traditional Politics?’ at the LAC, and presented a paper entitled ‘Fiscal strategy and the social contract in Latin America’.

Professor Fitzgerald’s doctoral students working on Latin American topics include: Alejandro De La Fuente (poverty in Mexico), Arturo Grigsby (aid dependency in Nicaragua), Martin Johnson (Brazil and the WTO) and Roberto Velez Grajales (income distribution in Mexico). During the academic year four more were successfully examined: Michael Bouzigard (missionaries in the Caribbean), Pilar Blanco (financial liberalization in Latin America), Rachel Carrell (economic management in Ecuador) and Juan Yermo (pensions

in Chile).

In October 2007 Professor Fitzgerald is to become head of the Department of International Development (Queen Elizabeth House). More details can be found on: www.valpyfitzgerald.com.

JOE FOWERAKER, Professor of Latin American Politics and Fellow, has done his best to survive his first year at Oxford. If finally successful in this endeavour it will be owing in no small part to the warm welcome proffered by his fellow Fellows. Probably no amount of prior warning can adequately anticipate the singularities of the 'Oxford system' (if such it is), and so avoid feeling flummoxed (as he did on more than one occasion). Yet he has enjoyed the diversity of academic demands, and has begun to gather together some threads of research in the form of seminar and conference papers. He looks forward – or perhaps he simply 'looks ahead' - to taking up the directorship of the Latin American Centre next year.

ALAN KNIGHT writes: I completed my third (and final) year as Director of Graduate Studies in the LAC, as well as 'super-assessor' in the Modern History finals examinations. With a sabbatical on the horizon (MT 2007), there is actually the possibility of doing some research. During the year, I gave papers in Mexico City (on the presidency of Lázaro Cárdenas), at the University of Salamanca (Church-State conflict in Mexico), at the Universidad Iberoamericana in Mexico City (the Myth of the Mexican Revolution), at Bristol University (British informal empire in C19 Latin America), at the LAC (Mexican anticlericalism), at UNAM, Mexico City (the political culture of revolutionary Mexico), at the University of Chicago (the Myth again), and at the University of Utrecht (narco violence in modern Mexico). However, the highlight of the year was being invited – by personal letter - to the launch of HRH the Prince of Wales' new business-and-the-environment project at Clarence House, where I mingled with HRH, the PM, the archbishop of London, a phalanx of green-ish, gong-seeking CEOs and a huge flat-screen image of Al Gore. A pity that the invitation was sent to the wrong Alan Knight (it turns out I have a namesake who, *inter alia*, is the Independent Sustainable Development Advisor to Fortnum and Mason and sits on the technical advisory panel for Duchy Originals). Perhaps HRH should shift a few good men from the egg-boiling roster to admin and secretarial services.

ROSEMARY THORP finishes her most recent term as Director of the Latin American Centre in September 2007. She also continues at Queen Elizabeth House, where she has taken part in the creation and successful first three years of a DFID-funded initiative, the Centre for Research on Inequality, Human Security and Ethnicity (CRISE). She is leading the regional team for Latin America, where the case studies are Bolivia, Guatemala and Peru. Several working papers are already on the CRISE web site and articles have been published in the 40th anniversary issue of the *Bulletin of Latin American Research* and in *World Development*. She has been more than somewhat involved with both academic and Oxfam hats in interesting controversies over mining in Peru. She now looks forward to two terms' sabbatical, when with the CRISE Latin American team, she will be preparing various books. She will retire in September 2008.

Visiting Fellows and other Senior Members associated with the Centres

DR PERSIO ARIDA, Instituto de Estudos de Política Econômica, (Casa das Garças), Rio de Janeiro, continued as a Visiting Research Fellow from October 2006 to June 2007. He carried out research on 'Interest rates in Brazil' and 'Domestic savings and external dependence: policy proposals for Brazil'.

DR FRANCISCO DE ASSIS COSTA was a CNPq Visiting Research Fellow from January to June 2007. He is Adjunct Professor, Núcleo de Altos Estudos Amazônicos, Universidade Federal do Pará and carried out research on 'The political economy of the agrarian sector in Amazonia'.

PROFESSOR MANUEL CESÁRIO was a Visiting Research Associate from October to December 2006. He is a Senior Researcher at the South-western Amazonia Observatory for Collective Health and Environment (OASCA), Universidade Federal do Acre. He researched on 'Linkages between socio-environmental change and disease emergence in Amazonia'.

JOHN CRABTREE has continued his work on the politics of contemporary Bolivia and Peru. With Laurence Whitehead, he is co-editor of a book of essays on controversies in Bolivian politics, which is due to be published in early 2008 by Pittsburgh University Press under the title *Evo Morales' Bolivia: Unresolved Tensions*. The book will also be published in Spanish translation by Plural Editores, La Paz. It brings together many of the papers presented at the conference jointly organised by Nuffield College and the Latin American Centre in 2006. He has also published a chapter entitled 'Patterns of Protest: the Genesis of a New Politics in Bolivia' in Franziska Bopp/Georg Ismar (eds) *Bolivien: Neue Wege und alte Gegensätze* WVB, Berlin. He is currently involved in researching the impact of reforms to the party/electoral systems in Peru on recent electoral activity there. He continues to take an active part in the teaching programme of the Latin American Centre.

PROFESSOR SANDRA MARIA FRANCO BUENAFUENTE, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Universidade Federal de Roraima, was a Visiting Research Associate from April to September 2007. She carried out research on 'Environment and international commerce: the exploitation of natural resources in the Brazilian Amazon'.

MARIA AMPARO GRAU was the 2006-2007 Andrés Bello Fellow. She is a Lecturer in Administrative Law at Universidad Central de Venezuela and Universidad Católica Andrés Bello in Caracas. During her stay, she carried out research on the comparative study of the Venezuelan Juridical Regime on Hydrocarbons. She wrote a paper about 'The Juridical Regime of Hydrocarbons in Venezuela.' She gave a seminar and wrote a seminar paper about 'Separation of Powers and Presidential Legislation'. She also attended several seminars in The Latin American Centre, Law Faculty and throughout the University.

DR JOÃO ROBERTO MARTINS was a Visiting Research Associate from October 2006 to March 2007. He is Associate Professor of Political Science, Universidade Federal de São Carlos, Sao Paulo, and carried out research on 'The armed forces, technology and society'.

PROFESSOR JOSÉ MURILO DE CARVALHO was the third Machado de Assis Visiting Professor of Brazilian Literature, funded by the Academia Brasileira de Letras, from January to March 2007. He is Professor of History, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro and a member of the Academia. He carried out research on 'Social and political thought in Brazil, with an emphasis on the 19th century' and (with Professor Bethell) Joaquim Nabuco and British abolitionists. He gave a series of eight seminars on 'The historical context of Brazilian literature' at the Faculty of Modern Languages.

MR ALEXANDRE NINA was a Visiting Research Associate from September to December 2006. Mr Nina is a Brazilian diplomat who has since joined the Brazilian delegation at the UN in New York. He carried out research on 'The political economy of aid'.

DR JOSÉ AUGUSTO PÁDUA, Associate Professor of History, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro was a Visiting Research Associate from April 2007 to September 2007. His field of research was 'Environmental history: Brazil and Africa'.

DR LUIZ FERNANDO DE PAULA, Associate Professor of Economics, Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, was a CNPq Visiting Research Fellow from September to December 2006. He carried out research on 'Financial liberalization; the recent experience of the BRIC countries'.

DR TÂNIA PELLEGRINI, Associate Professor, Universidade Federal de São Carlos, São Paulo, was a Visiting Research Associate from October 2006 to March 2007. She carried out research on 'Realism in contemporary Brazilian fiction'.

DR EDUARDO POSADA-CARBO is a Research Associate at the Centre. His single author book, *La nación soñada. Violencia, Liberalismo y Democracia en Colombia* was published by Norma in Bogotá. He participated in a round table to discuss his book, organized by the Escuela de Gobierno Alberto Lleras Camargo of the Universidad de los Andes in Bogotá in January 2007. He also published 'Colombia Hews to the Path of Change', *Journal of Democracy* (October 2006), and 'Language and Politics: On the Colombian "Establishment"', *Latin American Research Review*, 42:2, June 2007. He coordinated a dossier on 'Del caudillismo al neopopulismo', for *Revista de Occidente* (Madrid: Spain), published in October 2006, and wrote an essay on 'Democracy' for the second edition of the *Encyclopedia of Latin American History and Culture*.

He has continued his work towards the completion of two single author books: *The Politics of Language in the Colombian Conflict* (to be published by the University of Notre Dame Press), and *The History of Elections in Colombia, 1830-1930*. He is also working on a general history of Colombia for One World Publications in Oxford.

During the Spring term in 2007, he was a Visiting Fellow at the Helen Kellogg Institute of International Studies, University of Notre Dame, where he gave a seminar paper on 'The Origins of Democracy in Latin America, 1800-1860s'. During his visit he also worked with Professor J. Samuel Valenzuela in putting together a project for a conference 'On the Origins of Democracy in the Americas, 1770s-1870s', which will be held at the Kellogg in September 2008. In February 2007, he was invited again by the Instituto

de Historia - CSIC - and Fundación Mapfre Tavera in Madrid (Spain), to lecture at their Master in Historia del Mundo Hispánico, where he taught a course on the subject 'Entre el pactismo y la revolución liberal: del movimiento juntero en España y América a las guerras civiles. Caudillos, héroes y movilización popular'. With Malcolm Deas, he co-organized a Liberty Fund Colloquium on 'Liberty and Democracy in Benjamin Constant, Alexis de Tocqueville, and James Bryce', held in Cartagena in January 2007.

He was invited to address the National Federation of Coffee Growers, at their 80th anniversary in Medellín, where he delivered a lecture on 'Café y Democracia'.

DR TIMOTHY POWER, University Lecturer in Brazilian Studies (and Fellow of St Cross College), as the outgoing President, chaired the Eighth International Congress of the Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA), held at Vanderbilt University from 13-16 October 2006. During the academic year, he gave presentations on the 2006 Brazilian elections at Emory University, the University of London, Chatham House, the University of East Anglia, the U.S. Department of State, and the Royal College of Defence Studies. With Mala Htun, he published 'Gender, parties, and support for equal rights in the Brazilian Congress' in *Latin American Politics and Society*, 48/4 (Winter 2006) and, with Wendy Hunter, 'Rewarding Lula: Executive power, social policy, and the Brazilian elections of 2006' in *Latin American Politics and Society*, 49/1 (March 2007).

PROFESSOR EDWARD T. RIEDINGER, Professor and Head of the Latin America, Hispanic, Spanish and Portuguese Library Collection, Ohio State University was a Visiting Research Associate from October to December 2006 and from April to June 2007. He carried out research on 'Brazilian modernism, 1922-1960'.

DR JAIRO SADDI was a CNPq Visiting Research Fellow from October 2006 to February 2007. He is Director of the Legal Centre, IBMEC, São Paulo and carried out research on 'The judiciary, the economy and the law'.

PROFESSOR OSCAR VILHENA VIEIRA was the third Sergio Vieira de Mello Visiting Fellow in Human Rights, funded by the Ford Foundation Brazil, from January to March 2007. He is Professor of Law, Fundação Getúlio Vargas, São Paulo; Legal Director, Conectas Human Rights, São Paulo and Associate Professor of Human Rights and Constitutional Law, Pontifícia Universidade Católica, São Paulo. He carried out research on 'Inequality and the subversion of the rule of law in Brazil' and 'Constitutional Courts in Brazil, India and South Africa'.

MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

The Middle East Centre

The Middle East Centre celebrates its fiftieth anniversary in 2007. The year has been marked by important new benefactions, by the unveiling of our new building plans, by commemorative publications, and a College Gaudy reuniting five decades of Middle East Antonians.

The Gaudy, held over the weekend of 29 June – 1 July, was the high point of the Centre's Golden Jubilee celebrations. Nearly 150 Antonians, friends and family returned to College in the course of the weekend. Honorary Fellow Hanan Ashrawi came from Ramallah to give the opening keynote address to a packed Nissan Lecture Theatre. This was followed by a reception and a dinner in Hall attended by past archivists, librarians and secretaries. Four of our Emeritus Fellows then regaled us with tales of the early years of the Centre in an after-dinner panel.

The programme was relentless over the next two days, with panels starting at 9 am sharp. Derek Hopwood chaired a plenary session examining the Hourani legacy, with presentations by Afaf Marsot, Butros Abu Manneh and Amikam Nachmani. After morning coffee, four concurrent panels examined the Middle East by its regions. Homa Katouzian chaired a panel on Iran that brought together Fariba Adelkhah, Shahla Haeri and Mohamad Tavakoli. Roger Owen chaired a panel on Israel, with presentations by Kais Firro, Shany Payes and Gabi Piterberg. Michael Willis convened a session on North Africa, with presentations by Angel Foster, Avi Spiegel and Jean-Claude Vatin. Turkey was addressed in a panel chaired by Celia Kerslake, with papers by David Logan, Nuray Mert and Bahri Yilmaz.

After lunch, three concurrent sessions addressed seminal themes in Middle Eastern studies. Walter Armbrust chaired a panel on culture, with contributions from Margot Badran, Marilyn Booth, James Onley and Robin Ostle. Ron Nettler chaired a panel on Islam with presentations by Ahmed Al-Shahi, Bernard Haykel and Andrea Nusse. Robert Mabro led a discussion on oil with contributions from Raad Alkadiri and Kevin Rosser. Honorary Fellow Tom Friedman and Patrick Seale brought the day's intellectual feast to a close with an assessment of the legacies of Tony Blair and George Bush in the Middle East, only three days after Tony Blair stood down as Prime Minister.

Dinner on Saturday night began with an informal handover ceremony as Acting Warden Roger Goodman came to the end of his term, and welcomed Margaret MacMillan, who assumed her duties on 1 July. The Centre was delighted to welcome many of its benefactors back to the College to share in the evening's excitement. Eugene Rogan took the opportunity of his "State of the Middle East Centre" address to express the Centre Fellows' gratitude to all our generous supporters, named and anonymous. He was delighted to announce the creation of a new endowed scholarship fund established by Honorary Fellow Foulath Hadid and signed into existence in a champagne celebration in the Middle East Centre by Margaret MacMillan that very day.

Scholarships were the theme of the Gaudy fundraising drive, and as he came to the

end of the address Dr Rogan had the pleasure of announcing that, through the remarkable generosity of our old members, some £130,000 were raised. Of this sum, £100,000 went towards the endowment of the new Hadid Scholarship, another £12,500 went towards the Albert Hourani Fund (which supports the Hourani Fellowship, now held by Walter Armbrust), and a full £14,000 were given for scholarships. We hope that the Gaudy fundraising campaign will mark the beginning of Antonian support for an annual Hourani Scholarship. In 2008, the Centre will advertise three doctoral scholarships – the Pachachi, the Hadid and the Hourani – of £7,500, trebling our support for our outstanding doctoral students. Given that the Pachachi Studentship attracted 21 applicants in 2006-07 with funding for only one scholarship, the need for this assistance could not be more compelling.

Dr Rogan took the opportunity to celebrate the Centre's fruitful partnership with the Moroccan British Society, our most generous benefactor to date, and the successes of our collaboration to promote greater knowledge of Morocco and its Mediterranean neighbours. In the current academic year, the MBS sponsored our first Moroccan Visiting Scholar, Professor Mohammad Kenbib, who joined the Centre in Michaelmas, giving lectures on a wide range of topics in the modern history of Morocco and of its Jewish community, in Oxford, Cambridge, Manchester and London. The MBS continues to give generous support to the Centre Library in expanding our resources on Morocco, and to help the Centre bring some of the finest Moroccan thinkers to take part in our activities.

Dr Rogan announced the creation of a new visiting fellowship in Lebanese studies funded by the Centre for Lebanese Studies, and the election of Dr Sofia Shwayri as the first Centre for Lebanese Studies Visiting Fellow for the 2007-08 academic year. We were very pleased to have Mr and Mrs George Asseily representing the Governors of the Centre for Lebanese Studies with us for dinner.

Dr Rogan also announced a new research fellowship in Israel studies, in partnership with the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies. Dr Raffaella del Sarto will take up her three-year fellowship at the Middle East Centre in October.

As Dr Rogan came to the end of his address, he invited Ken Bostock and Jim Heverin of Zaha Hadid Architects to take to the podium and unveil the plans for the new Middle East Centre building. This was the first public exhibition of the plans, for which a brilliant model had been commissioned. In a dramatic power-point presentation, the architects took the assembled Antonians through the building room by room – from the 130-seat lecture theatre, to the gallery and reception area, to the state of the art library and archival facilities built to the highest professional standards. It was a vision of where the Middle East Centre is headed as it enters its second half-century, made possible through the generous support of a remarkable benefactor.

The Gaudy concluded on Sunday with two panels addressing the most compelling issues facing the region today. Foulath Hadid convened a panel on the situation in Iraq, with presentations by Raad Alkadiri, Ali Allawi, Joseph Sassoon and Peter Sluglett. Avi Shlaim's panel on Palestine and Israel brought Ilan Pappé, Rashid Khalidi and Ahmad Khalidi, and marked the formal end of a most successful gaudy.

To mark the fiftieth anniversary celebrations, Eugene Rogan compiled and edited a jubilee book, entitled *The Middle East Centre, 1957 – 2007: A Book of Record*. The book combines historical essays on the Centre and its activities with a complete list of every senior member of the Centre, and every masters and doctoral student to work on the Middle East from the 1950s to present. All present at the Gaudy received a copy of the book, which may be purchased from either the Development Office or the Middle East Centre.

Photographs, sound files and texts of some of the panel presentations have been posted to the College web site at: www.sant.ox.ac.uk/antonians/gaudy2007.shtml.

The Gaudy was but the culmination of a year of great events.

On Friday, 3 November, the Centre welcomed former Iranian President Seyed Mohammad Khatami, who addressed the College on the subject ‘Religion and the Promotion of Democracy.’ Mr Khatami met with students and members of the Oxford Iranian community in a warm reception following his lecture, before dining with the Acting Warden and Fellows at High Table.

On 15 November, the Centre welcomed Dr Adnan Pachachi, former president of the interim Governing Council of Iraq, who gave a sobering account of ‘Iraq at the Crossroads,’ in a session organized and chaired by Mr Foulath Hadid.

On 17 November, the distinguished Arab novelist al-Tayyib Salih returned to Oxford to take part in a conversation with Ahmed Al-Shahi, co-hosted by the Maison Française d’Oxford, as part of their Mediterranean Authors’ series.

On 7 February, the Centre was honoured to welcome HRH Prince Turki Al-Faisal back to St Antony’s, to deliver the Fourth King Abdul Aziz Ibn Saud Lecture. As the Saudi Ambassador to London, Prince Turki had attended the first two King Abdul Aziz Lectures, and only missed the third to take up his new embassy in the United States. Prince Turki spoke on ‘Saudi Constitutional Reform, from Abdul Aziz to Abdullah.’

The 32nd George Antonius Lecture was delivered on 7 June by author and journalist Robert Fisk, entitled ‘Collapse in Iraq: The Way Out.’ The Centre was delighted to welcome back both Soraya Antonius and our anonymous benefactor for the occasion, which attracted an audience well in excess of fire regulations. Fisk signed copies of his recent book, *The Great War for Civilization*, in a reception before retiring for dinner with Fellows and friends in the Hall.

Transcripts of most of these talks, along with photographs of the occasions, have been posted to the Centre website.

The Friday seminars remained our distinguished speakers series. In Michaelmas term we marked the 90th anniversary of the Arab Revolt with two lectures on TE Lawrence, by Isaiah Friedman and by James Barr. Charles Glass spoke on America and Israel in the 2006 conflicts in Lebanon and Gaza; Moroccan visiting scholar Mohamed Kenbib spoke

on the Moroccan Jewish community in the 19th and 20th centuries; Ahmad Khalidi spoke on his recent book on Palestinian security, and Avi Shlaim gave an advanced reading from his forthcoming book on King Hussein of Jordan and his special relationship with Israel. Sara Roy gave a trenchant analysis of the politics of Gaza in a special seminar.

In Hilary Term, a distinguished group of speakers examined America's role in the Middle East. Khaled Hroub examined the rise and fall of America's democratisation project for the Middle East. Sir Jeremy Greenstock looked at Iraq, Iran and their global implications. Ali Allawi examined America in Iraq. Christopher Prentice discussed Britain, America and the Middle East. Avi Shlaim gave a critique of American and Israeli policies. Beshare Doumani shared his concerns for academic freedom in the United States after the 9/11 attacks. Walter Armbrust concluded the season with an analysis of anti-American expression in Egyptian comedy.

In Trinity Term, Walter Armbrust organized a screening of Iranian film 'Sounds of Silence', and Michael Willis hosted Doris Gray who spoke on women in Morocco and Moroccan women in France.

The Centre co-hosted a number of important lectures with other Oxford departments. In October we co-hosted French scholar of political Islam, Olivier Roy, with the Maison Française d'Oxford. In December we joined with the Refugee Studies Centre and Queen Elizabeth House to welcome Jeff Halper of the Israel Committee Against House Demolitions, and in March we collaborated with Refugee Studies and the Department of Politics and International Relations to host UNRWA Commissioner-General Karen Koning AbuZayd, who spoke on 'Palestine Refugees: realities and possibilities.' Along with the Oxford-Ramallah Friendship Association, we welcomed the Mayor of Ramallah, Ms Janet Mikhail, also in March. In May, we co-hosted a lecture by Dr Nazila Ghanea entitled 'Human Rights and Minorities in Iran: A focus on the Baha'is' with the Oxford University Baha'i Society. The Centre also-co-hosted a panel discussion with the St Antony's Junior Common Room on the fortieth anniversary of the June 1967 War.

The Centre helped organize a number of important conferences in the course of the year.

Through the Centre for Political Ideologies, Walter Armbrust co-organized a conference with Lucie Ryzova (St John's) and Ronald Nettle (Mansfield) on the social and cultural history of Egypt in the interwar period entitled 'The Formation of National Culture in Egypt: Social, Cultural and Intellectual Trajectories.' The conference took place on January 12-13 in the Manor Road Building in Oxford, and was highly successful. Fifteen papers were presented by participants from the US, Europe, and the Middle East.

Foundation Fellow Dr Serra Kirdar and Eugene Rogan co-organized an international conference in February marking the publication of the Fourth Arab Human Development Report on the empowerment of women. Entitled 'Women of the Arab World: Setting their Agenda,' the conference brought together a remarkable group of women who drew on their own experiences to discuss strategies for the empowerment of women in the region as a whole. The conference was launched by keynote speaker, Dr Rima Khalaf Hunaidi,

who chaired the Advisory Board of the Arab Human Development Report, and spoke on the latest report, *The Rise of Women in the Arab World*. Conference speakers came from a wide range of professions, and from across North Africa and the Middle East: veteran journalist Randa Habib, literary critic Shereen Abou el-Naga, Olympic gold medallist Nawal El Moutawakel, UAE Minister of Economy Sheikha Lubna bin Khalid Al Qasimi, Kuwaiti Ambassador Nabeela al-Mulla, and prize-winning film director Moufida Tlatli. Their presentations have been transcribed and posted to the Centre's web site.

In March, the Centre's Sudan Programme held an international conference co-organized by Ahmed Al-Shahi and Bona Malwal on 'Professional Young Sudanese Women and Their Role in the Future of Their Country' held at St Antony's College. Speakers and participants were from Sudan the Sudanese diaspora in the UK.

Walter Armbrust and Eugene Rogan co-organized a high level workshop on higher education in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia with the Aafaq Project (Strategic Plan for Higher Education in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia), held in London in May 2007. The workshop, attended by HE the Minister of Higher Education, Dr Khalid Al-Ankary, the Rector of King Fahd University HE Dr Khaled Al-Sultan, the President of King Abdulaziz University HE Dr Usama Tayeb, and the Rector of King Saud University, Dr Abdullah Al-Othman, drew over 100 leading international specialists in tertiary education reform.

The Walter Zander Prize for the best performance in the MPhil examination was awarded to Alex Bienert (Worcester).

The Ali Pachachi Doctoral Studentship for 2007-08 was awarded to Avi Spiegel.

The Centre said goodbye to Collette Caffrey in April, after three years' service as Centre Administrator. Collette will be missed by all for her warmth and generosity, but we wish her well in her new life in London. In June we welcomed the new Administrator, Julia Cook. Mastan Ebtehaj continues to serve as Librarian, Debbie Usher as Archivist, and Susan Godfrey as Housekeeper.

Middle East Centre Archive

During the past year 86 readers have made 261 visits to the Middle East Centre Archive and consulted 1023 items. The archivist, Debbie Usher, has answered 690 enquiries and supplied 3443 photocopies, 321 electronic images of documents and 36 electronic images of photographs and 13 photographic prints. In addition she has catalogued the British Syrian Schools Association, Lorraine Gould, Robert Hamilton, Charles Hepworth, Frank Jones, Helen Lotbinière, Aubrey Mellor, Desmond Morton and Edward Wells Collection. More detailed catalogues were also prepared for Iltyd Clayton, Sir Milne Cheetham, Foster Turner and William Yale Collections. Due to this year's cataloguing, nine new collections are now open totalling seven boxes, one file and ten items.

Work in the Archive this year has been marked by a more intense use of the Archive by a smaller number of researchers. Whilst only 86 readers have visited the Archive, as compared 103 readers in the academic year 2005-2006, the number of visits rose from 207

to 261 and the number of items (ie a box or file) consulted jumped from 614 to 1023.

The Archive has also seen a significant improvement to its physical surroundings due to refurbishment of the corridor and reading room in September – October 2006. The refurbishment included redecoration, insulation of pipes, improved lighting, better control of heating through new radiator valves and the installation of a new hard surface flooring. Visitors to the Archive are thus welcomed by a much brighter and well cared for entrance and reading room. Improved insulation and hard surface flooring also benefit the preservation of the collection by reducing changes in temperature and relative humidity as well as by removing fabric that pests such as carpet beetle can live in.

Work on the Philby Project has progressed well with the completion of the copying of the Philby Photographic Collection and the continued microfilming of the Philby Iraq section and business papers. Work has also commenced on the copying of non-Philby papers and photographs that are relevant to Saudi history. Non-Philby material copied so far includes the Sir George Rendel Photograph Album of 185 photographs of Rendel's visit to Saudi Arabia in 1937, an album of 26 photographs of the Hajj before 1914 from the Sir Humphrey Bowman Collection as well as papers relating to Saudi Arabia in the Sir Reader Bullard and Harold Dickson Collections. The Archive is grateful to Lady Bullard for permission to copy the Saudi related material in the Sir Reader Bullard papers.

The Palestine Police Oral History Project that commenced in February 2006 has continued with the addition of another five interviews of former British Palestine Policeman plus a talk by Mr Martin Duchesne about his service given at a seminar on the Palestine Police. In addition two sessions have been recorded in which Mr Roy Rodrick and Mr Martin Duchesne answered questions from students about their service in the Palestine Police. The interviewing of former Arab and Jewish members of the British Mandate Palestine Police still living in the Middle East, supported by funding from the Council for British Research in the Levant, has also commenced. The Archive has thus far received 9 Hebrew interviews and 13 Arabic interviews.

The Archive has continued to benefit from its membership of the Oxford Conservation Consortium (OCC). Conservation work has been carried out on business papers in the Philby Collection, a map in the Rowlatt Collection, 9 oversize photographs in the Bini Malcolm Collection and a substantial amount of work on the Palestine Police Service Record cards. The OCC has also been providing advice on a proposed autumn funding bid to the National Manuscripts Conservation Trust for funds to re-box and re-folder in Archival materials the entire Jerusalem and East Mission Collection which constitutes the Archive's largest collection.

Linked to preservation and also to improved access has been continued work in digitising the Archive's photographic collections. The digitisation of the Violet Dickson Collection of 1520 images has been completed. Photographs from the following collections have also been digitised: Bowman (26 images), Faraday (57 images), Hainge (52 images), Monckton (45 images), Morton (83 images), Rendel (185 images) and Rodrick (160 images).

To make sure that digitisation work is carried out correctly the archivist attended a Technical Advisory Service for Images (TASI) training course on image capture in February 2007. This gave instruction on calculating resolution in scanning for different outputs (such as print or online delivery) as well as calibrating monitors and correcting colour in reprographics work. As a direct result of the training course the Archive has purchased the full version of Adobe Photoshop and a Macbeth Colour chart. The quality of reprographics work that the Archive can offer has thus been considerably enhanced.

The archivist has also attended an Art Libraries Society (ARLIS) workshop on digitisation in May 2007. This examined case studies in digitisation at the National Gallery and Birkbeck College as well as Image Management System software for picture libraries. Whilst the MEC Archive is not currently able to afford the professional Image Management System software used in picture libraries there is much that can be accomplished within our current resources. For example the Archive's first online photo galleries have been created for the Monckton Collection (magic lantern slides of Palestine and Transjordan in the 1920s) and the Scholes Collection (albumen prints of Persia in the 1890s).

In addition to the creation of online photo galleries the development of the Archive's webpage has continued with the addition of another 30 catalogues as PDF files. This brings the total number of Guides and catalogues available online to 142. *A History of the Middle East Centre Archive: 1961-2007* has also been made available online. This was written as part of the Middle East Centre's 50th Anniversary *Book of Record* and constitutes the first detailed history of the Archive charting its remarkable founding and development.

Lastly new accessions to the Archive have continued to be abundant in both quantity and quality. Notable new accessions include the Bini Malcolm and Charles Butt Photographic Collections, as well as growth in the Oman Archive with the addition of the Edward Ashley, Alex Lamond and Charles Hepworth Collections. The Helen Lotbinière Collection includes material relating to Antonin Besse, the founder of St Antony's College. The Archive is grateful to the Jerusalem and Middle East Trust Ltd for changing the status of the Jerusalem and East Mission Collection from a loan to a gift and also to Lady Bullard for gifting the Sir Reader Bullard Collection to the College.

New Accessions

Ashley, Edward – Papers and photo albums relating to Edward Ashley's service in Sultan's Armed Forces (Oman), 1970-1990

Bullard, Sir Reader – Additional papers relating to Sir Reader Bullard's diplomatic service in the Middle East including TS and printed articles, correspondence and newspaper clippings, 1914-1969

Butt, Charles – Additional papers and 24 boxes of colour slides (c10,000 items) predominantly covering Oman but also including images of the Gulf States, Iraq, Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Cyprus, Sudan and Turkey, 1960s-1980s

Cannings, Victor – Additional photographs relating to Victor Canning's service in the

Palestine Police, 1940s

Gould, Lorraine – Photocopy of TS letters written by Lorraine Gould to her mother commenting on the causes and progress of an uprising against King Amanullah Khan (Afghanistan). The letters also describe fighting in Kabul and an evacuation by plane to Peshawar, 1928

Hepworth, Charles – Papers relating to Charles Hepworth's service in 1971 in the Sultan's Armed Forces (Oman), 1935-2006

Jerusalem and East Mission – Additional papers, books and photographs, 1896-1970s

Lamond, Alex – Papers relating to Alex Lamond's service in the Sultan's Armed Forces (Oman), 1970s

Lotbinière, Helen – Scrapbook containing TS extracts from letters, diary entries, photographs and latter accounts by Helen de Lotbinière describing the struggle to join her husband in Aden and her life and work in Aden from Oct 1939-Mar 1941

Malcolm, Bini – Over 885 colour slides, with some negatives and black and white prints of Yemen, 1960s

Mellor, Aubrey Rollo Ibbetson – Papers relating to his service in the Egyptian Civil Service from 1919-1930

Morton, Desmond – Papers and photographs relating to Desmond Morton's service in the Palestine Police, 1941-2005

PPOCA – Additional Palestine Police papers and PPOCA newsletters, 1940s-2007

Ramirez, Rosalind – papers relating to her service as governess to King Faisal II of Iraq, 1946-1999

Wyse, Brenda – Papers relating to Brenda Wyse's army service in Palestine, including a guide map of Jerusalem, Palestine Colloquial Arabic booklet, postcards and a Jerusalem and East Mission annual report and Ad Clerum letter 1940s-1960s

English Oral History Interviews of the following former Palestine Policemen: Duchesne, Green, Hainge, Leadbeater, Owen, Rodrick.

Arabic Oral History Interviews of the former Palestine Policemen: Abdul Ghani Daghra, Abdul Rauf Zuhd, Abdulmajid Abdulaziz, Ahmad Badr, Asa'd Saed, Atallah Samandar, Fahmi Qasis, Farah Qasem, Khames Yosef, Mahmud Zaben, Said Samhan, Tawfiq Hus-sien Omar, Yosef Samara.

Hebrew Oral History Interviews of the former Palestine Policemen: Avraham Alog, Moshe (Max) Balhorn, Mordechai Bitman, Nahum Buchman, Al Ghadir, Menachem

Gishri, Michael (Max) Moshenberg, David Shmueli, Dov Yaroni.

The Middle East Centre Library

Following a series of meetings held between the Middle East Library and Oxford University Library Service (OULS), it was decided that the Middle East Library's acquisition budget would be incorporated into the Oriental department. As a result, an annual sum of £10,000 was allocated to the Library to acquire books and continue with its annual journal subscriptions. In return, it was agreed, all books were to be purchased by the Library would be stamped as the property of OULS.

Over the course of the last two years, 2005-2007, the book collection has been expanded by a total of 1201 volumes, including purchased and donated titles.

The Librarian would like to take this opportunity to express her gratitude to all of those whom with their donations in kind helped the Library to grow even stronger. Out of 1201 volumes a total of 341 have been donated by the following:

94 volumes were donated by the individuals, students and the Centre's Fellows.

The late Sir Denis Wright bequeathed 136 volumes from his private collection. The Library was delighted to be able to add such valuable works, such as historic travellers' account of the region, to its holdings.

The Moroccan British Society (MBS) has, over the course of last year and half, donated 90 books in both French and Arabic languages, making a major contribution to the Library's holdings on North African. The MBS donation is of particular value for two reasons: books published in Morocco are not widely distributed outside of the country; and, in recent years, major gaps have emerged in the Library's collection on North Africa due to the lack of funding. The Librarian sincerely hopes that the MBS will continue their support for many years to come.

The Library is grateful for a collection of 21 books that was received from Christopher Gandy.

All the books received from donors have been duly marked to reflect the source of the contribution.

The library continued to order books in Arabic from two vendors based in the Middle East, Leila books in Cairo and Suleiman in Beirut. Also, the library is delighted to announce the addition of yet another rare Arabic magazine, *Akhir Sa'ah*, to its serials collection. The holding is of a near complete run and covers issues published from 1954 to 1970. The journal was acquired by Dr Walter Armbrust, fellow of the Centre, on one of his research trips to Egypt.

Book purchase from Iran was, until recently, a sporadic venture, constrained by a shortage of funding and the difficulty of finding a stable contact within the book trade in Iran

over the years since the 1979 Iranian revolution. In December 2006, the Librarian, during her holiday trip to Iran, was introduced to Akhtaran, one of the leading publishers and book vendors in Iran. The terms and conditions of Library acquisitions were negotiated to find a way in which it would be possible to actively receive books from Iran. In an experimental attempt, the first consignment of 119 books of recent publications has been just arrived, with success. The newly published books will give a boost to this somewhat neglected section of the collection. The Librarian will continue in further developing and enriching the Persian holdings, by adding the latest publications, to the satisfaction of the students and the scholars alike.

Recently, the Library has ventured a “non-traditional” way of purchasing books in European languages, by exploiting the on-line ordering system. The on-line order has proven to be efficient and cost effective, compared with the traditional way of placing orders directly with the publishers.

The Library continued to grow both in its holdings and the membership. The College record of 1995-96 reported that 155 readers had registered with the Library for that academic year. By contrast, the number in 2006-07 has almost doubled, with over 300 postgraduates, undergraduates from various disciplines (including PPE, Modern History, American and Modern History, Economic and Management, Modern Languages, Theology, Modern History and politics), Bodleian reader card holders, visiting scholars and students from other universities from around the world.

The growth of the Library has inevitably led to an increase in the work load on the Librarian. In the absence of an employed assistant, the library has continued to benefit from the students help, who work on an hourly basis. Two students have been particularly helpful to the Librarian: Nadia von Maltzahn and Naysan Rafati. In September 2006, they helped the Librarian to re-shelf the stacks to alleviate the existing space problem. Thanks to their hard work, a number of misplaced volumes and missing books were discovered. The re-shelving has made the stacks a more conducive environment for readers to browse. Moreover, on the Librarian’s request they both put in some extra hours to relieve her from her daily routine work in order to reduce a huge cataloguing backlog, especially those in Arabic language.

In the last three years the University has gone through a process of selecting a suitable library system to migrate from the existing system (Geac Advance) to a more up-to-date and durable one. Eventually, in 2006 the VTLS (Virtua) was announced as the succeeding system. The Library Management System (LMS) implementation team, accordingly, organised a series of training courses in cataloguing, acquisition, circulation, OPAC etc. Over the long vacation (summer 2006) the Librarian attended the training programme. Activation of LMS, originally planned for 1 September 2006, has been delayed to September 2007.

The Librarian attended termly meetings of the Area Studies Group (ASG) and Committee for Library Provision in Oriental Studies (COLPOS) to represent the interests of modern Middle Eastern studies by actively contributing to the currently discussed issues within the relevant circles.

During the current academic year, the Librarian held a special meeting with the OULS subject specialists, Isabel Holowaty and Mark Janes, to draw a coordinated acquisition policy between the Middle East Library and the OULS libraries. The policy has emphasised and underlined the subject as well as area coverage of each library to avoid duplications and at the same time filling gaps if and when it is necessary. Furthermore, it was decided that the Middle East Library and Social Studies Library should co-ordinate their efforts in covering materials suggested on the relevant reading lists.

On the request of Lesley Forbes, the keeper of the Oriental Books, and Alice Keller, Head of Collection Management, the Librarian has submitted two reports accompanied by list of books purchased by the OULS money.

Melcom International, the European association of Middle East Librarians, which was established 1979, held its 29th annual conference in Bosnia, hosted by the Bosnic Institute in Sarajevo. The Librarian attended the conference, and continues to serve as the association's treasurer.

At the Melcom International conference in Istanbul (2006), the Librarian offered to transfer the association's website from its German-based host to a server based in the University of Oxford through St Antony's College. The site was officially launched in January 2007: <http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/mec/melcom-intl.shtml>. The Librarian would like to extend the thanks of all Melcom International board members to Debbie Usher, the Middle East Centre Archivist, for all her efforts to transfer data from the previous site and to set up the new site for Melcom International. The web page has since been actively used by the board members in communicating with and disseminating information amongst Melcom International members worldwide.

Furthermore, the Librarian has used her contacts within the university accounts department in transferring the Melcom International account from Postbank in the Netherlands to the University of Oxford, from 2006.

Finally, the Librarian attended the summer meeting of Melcom UK, held at the Exeter University in July 2006. As the Melcom UK representative, she reported to the meeting on the outcome of the Melcom International 28th annual conference held in Istanbul.

Activities and Publications of the Fellows

DR WALTER ARMBRUST was on sabbatical in Michaelmas Term 2006. In the course of the year, the on-line journal that he edits, *Transnational Broadcasting Studies*, underwent a change in title to *Arab Media and Society* – www.arabmediasociety.org. As the new title suggests, the journal now covers a greater variety of media, but with a tighter geographical focus. George Weyman (MPhil, 2006) is the managing editor of the journal, and was the primary agent in making the transition.

In Hilary Term Dr Armbrust became the Course Director for the taught courses in Modern Middle Eastern Studies, taking over from Dr Kerslake. The MPhil in MMES remains the largest graduate course in Oriental Studies with 28 ongoing students.

Dr Armbrust was co-organizer (with Lucie Ryzova and Ronald Nettler) of a conference on social and cultural history of Egypt in the interwar period titled 'The Formation of National Culture in Egypt: Social, Cultural and Intellectual Trajectories.' The conference took place on January 12-13 in the Manor Road Building in Oxford, and was highly successful. Fifteen papers were presented by participants from the US, Europe, and the Middle East. Dr Armbrust's contribution was an analysis of 1930s Egyptian cinema, titled 'Long Live Patriarchy: Love in the Time of Abd al-Wahhab.' There are plans to publish the papers in the journal *Maghreb Review*.

His book chapter, 'Celebratory Ramadan and Hyperpiety in a Mexican Standoff: Counterhegemony in the Crossfire,' in John Chalcraft and Yaseen Noorani eds, *Counterhegemony in the Colony and Postcolony* is now in press with Palgrave. A chapter entitled 'Cinema and Television in the Arabic-speaking World' is in press in Robert Hefner ed, *Muslims and Modernity: Culture and Society Since 1800. New Cambridge History of Islam* (Vol. 6. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press). His essay, 'New Media and Old Agendas: The Internet in the Middle East and Middle Eastern Studies,' was accepted for publication in the new 'Question and Pensées' section of the *International Journal of Middle East Studies* and will appear in an upcoming volume. Dr Armbrust also worked on the preliminary stages of an edited volume to be titled *Arab Media*, which he is co-editing with Kai Hafez (University of Erfurt, SAM 2005). This will be a substantial and comprehensive work summarizing the state of the art in Arab media studies. They have received a contract for the publication from Continuum Publishers.

Dr Armbrust participated in several conferences. He presented 'Mass Media and Popular Culture in the Middle East' at Academic Perspectives on the Middle East: Commonalities, Differences and Impacts, a conference sponsored by the London Middle East Institute and SOAS, on March 13th and 14th, 2007. He attended the Al-Jazeera Forum in Doha, Qatar, on March 31-April 2nd, 2007. Dr Armbrust presented a paper on the theme of 'The Internet, State Management and Spaces of Self-fashioning,' at a workshop entitled Beyond Media Censorship: Speech and State in the Middle East and North Africa, on April 20th at the Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania. Finally, on May 19-20, 2007, Dr Armbrust was a discussant at the International Workshop on Higher Education in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia: Towards Excellence, organized by Project Aafaq (The Future Plan for University Education in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia), in London.

DR MUSTAFA BADAWI is Emeritus Fellow. He was invited to give the keynote speech on the Lebanese poet Khalil Hawi at an international conference to be held in Beirut in June 2007, but declined on grounds of poor health. His publications include a full review of Paul Starkey: 'Modern Arabic Literature' (Edinburgh 2003 in *Journal of Islamic Studies* Vol.18, No. 2 (Oxford 2007)). Still to appear: 'A Turning Point in Arabic East/West Fiction: a study of the Egyptian novelist Baha' Tahir's *Love in Exile*.

DR DEREK HOPWOOD, Emeritus Fellow, played a major role in the organization of the Centre's 50th Anniversary Gaudy. He contributed several essays to the jubilee book prepared for the Gaudy, convened a panel on the Hourani Legacy, and contributed to the Emeritus Fellows' after-dinner panel.

DR CJ KERSLAKE, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in Turkish, presented a paper entitled 'A contrastive study of apposition in English and Turkish' at the 13th International Conference on Turkish Linguistics, held in Uppsala, Sweden, in August 2006. She began a new collaboration with Dr Aslı Göksel (Boğaziçi University, Istanbul), on a simpler version of their 2005 grammar, this one to be entitled *Turkish: An Essential Grammar*, and again commissioned by Routledge. With the very able assistance of former MPhil student Elizabeth Angell she continued to collaborate with Dr Philip Robins, and latterly Dr Kerem Öktem, on preparing for publication the papers presented to the Programme on Contemporary Turkey's 2004 conference 'Turkey's Engagement with Modernity'. In May 2007 she participated in the First International Symposium of Translators and Publishers of Turkish Literature, held at Boğaziçi University, Istanbul. Two articles of hers appeared in print: 'A contrastive study of the distribution of relative clauses in Turkish and English written texts' in Semiramis Yağcıoğlu and Aysen Cem Değer (eds), *Advances in Turkish Linguistics* (Izmir: Dokuz Eylül Yayınları, 2006), 179-191; and 'Alternative subordination strategies in Turkish' in Jochen Rehbein, Christiane Hohenstein and Lukas Pietsch (eds), *Connectivity in Grammar and Discourse* (Amsterdam and Philadelphia: John Benjamins, 2007), 231-258.

PROFESSOR GEOFFREY LEWIS, Emeritus Fellow. Apart from trying to clear my desk, much time is spent on my memoirs, which are unlikely to be published. I have given a few lectures, three in particular. The Anglo-Turkish Society asked me how I came to teach myself Turkish. Then the British Council invited me to come to Ankara for five days to speak for an hour on Turkey's belonging to Europe. A car and driver were available outside the Ankara Hilton, and my longest trip was to Hattusha, the vast excavation area of the Hittite capital. The third, the brief one, was in Oxford, at University College on 25 April, Anzac Day, to tell about the extraordinary Day I attended in Istanbul in 1960. For my dear colleagues, being emeritus can be fun.

MR ROBERT MABRO continued as Emeritus Fellow.

DR PHILIP ROBINS, Faculty Fellow and Lecturer in the Politics of the Middle East, continued to serve as Senior Tutor in the college and as an *ex officio* member of the Management Executive Team. He completed his British Academy research project into Turkey and illicit drugs. He published 'The Opium Crisis and the Iraq War: Historical Parallels in Turkey-US Relations' in the March 2007 edition of *Mediterranean Politics*. Two further papers are being prepared for publication as a result of the BA project. Dr Robins published two retrospectives on the outgoing Turkish government. His 'Turkish foreign policy since 2002: between a "post-Islamist" government and a Kemalist state' was published in the March 2007 edition of *International Affairs*. He published *Between the EU and the Middle East: Turkish Foreign Policy Under the AKP Government, 2002-2007* for the Milan-based think tank, the ISPI. Philip Robins gave a number of lectures and talks in the course of the last session. These included: presentations on British foreign policy, Iraq and the regional order, and prospects for democratisation in the Middle East during a short lecture tour in Taiwan in December; taking part in a policy briefing at the Transatlantic Institute in Brussels; participation in a policy forum at the Atlantic Council in Washington DC; and giving a paper on public policy at a Turkish university in Bandırma. He also presented a paper at an academic conference on Iraq at Haifa University in March.

DR EUGENE ROGAN, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in the Modern History of the Middle East, continued as Director of the Middle East Centre. He was named Distinguished Visiting Professor in History at the American University of Cairo, where he gave a series of lectures in October 2006 on the Middle East in the interwar years. He made good progress on the Palestine Police Oral History Project, with new interviews from British, Arab and Jewish former servicemen from the final years of the British Mandate in Palestine. While the work in Israel and the West Bank supported by the Council on British Research in the Levant Grant has now been completed, the work among Palestinian camp residents in Lebanon has been disrupted by the summer war of 2006 and current troubles in Lebanon. The CBRL has given a six-month extension for this work to be completed. He convened an international conference at the Centre on the theme of the Fourth Arab Human Development Report, on the empowerment of women in the Middle East, with Foundation Fellow Serra Kirdar in February 2007. He was co-convenor of a major conference on Saudi tertiary education reform, organized with the Aafaq Project of Saudi Arabia, held in London in May 2007. He attended a meeting with the Moroccan British Society in Rabat in September 2006, and took part in the Academic Advisory Board of the Aga Khan University's Institute for the Study of Muslim Civilizations in Chantilly, France, in February 2007. He attended the annual meeting of the Middle East Studies Association in Boston in November 2006, and took part in the Seventh Doha Forum on Democracy, Free Trade and Development in March 2007. He was interviewed by the BBC for a documentary on images of the Middle East in the 1920s from the photographic archive of Albert Kahn, by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation for a program on Gertrude Bell, and by al-Jazeera for a documentary marking the 90th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration.

PROFESSOR AVI SHLAIM, Professor of International Relations, returned to active duty after a three-year British Academy Research Professorship. As the Director of the Middle East Centre never tires of reminding him, he was on leave for six out of the last twelve years. During his leave he completed a biography of King Hussein of Jordan which is due to be published by Penguin Books in November. He taught three graduate courses and served as Director of Graduate Admissions in International Relations. He gave talks on: 'The Lebanon conflict and its ramifications for the Middle East,' Oxford Economic Forecasting, St Anne's College; 'Israel's War in Gaza and Lebanon,' Middle East Centre, St Antony's College; 'Israeli Perspective,' Suez: 50 Years On – conference held at UCL; 'Sir Anthony Nutting and the Suez Saga,' Remembering 1956 – conference held by the European Studies Centre, St Antony's College; 'Collusion Revisited: King Hussein's Special Relationship with Israel,' MEC and University of Toronto; 'The History and Historiography of the Arab-Israeli Conflict,' Queen Mary, London; 'Israel: The Strategy of the Iron wall Revisited,' University of Zurich, Switzerland and Brunel University and Munk Centre, University of Toronto; 'America, Israel, and the Middle East,' MEC and Trinity College, University of Toronto; 'Tony Blair, Iraq, and Palestine,' Labour Party, Oxford; 'Israel and the Palestinians: The Strategy of the Iron Wall,' Oxford Palestine Solidarity Campaign. He was 'In conversation with Robert Fisk on the Middle East' – four public events in the second week of October: two in London, one in Birmingham, and one in Bristol; in conversation with Martin Woollacott on 'Suez and Iraq,' Arab Cultural Society, Oxford; and a participant in a MEC round-table on '40 Years On: Assessing the Legacy of the June 1967 War and the Future of Israel and the Palestinians.' In his capacity as a 'hack-

ademic' he published articles in the *Guardian* and in the *International Herald Tribune*.

DR MICHAEL WILLIS has continued to develop events and studies associated with the King Mohamed VI Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies, which he holds. He was on sabbatical leave during Michaelmas Term but hosted during the latter half of the term the first Visiting Moroccan Scholar to St Antony's, Dr Mohamed Kenbib from Mohamed V University in Rabat. An eminent historian who is a noted specialist on the Jewish community in Morocco, Dr Kenbib gave a number of lectures during his time at Oxford including ones at the Middle East Centre and at the Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies at Yarnton Manor. He also gave guest lectures at Cambridge and Manchester Universities and to a meeting of the Sephardic Jewish community in London. Michael Willis has presented papers at a number of different conferences and institutions this year. In November he presented a paper on the lessons of Algeria's democratic experience at the American Middle East Studies Association (MESA) annual meeting in Boston. In February he spoke at a seminar organised by the Italian Ministry of Defence on scenarios for the Maghreb in 2030. In March he travelled to Algiers where he spoke to a conference organised by an Algerian Islamic party and attended by representatives of Islamist parties across the North African and Middle Eastern region which evaluated the participation of Islamist political parties in government. He also spoke at a conference at the University of Southern Denmark in Odense in April organised around the theme of Europe's legacy in the Mediterranean. In May he contributed a paper on Jihadism in Morocco to the Middle East Study Group held at the Middle East Centre. He has also continued to contribute to the activities of the RAMSES Mediterranean programme at the European Studies Centre, contributing a paper on the Maghreb to a roundtable on southern Mediterranean perceptions of Europe and chairing a session of a conference held in June at Aix-en-Provence University on History and Memory in the Mediterranean. In September he travelled with Eugene Rogan to Rabat where they had meetings with the Moroccan British Society. He travelled to Morocco again in April where he gave a lecture on Morocco's Autonomy Plan for the Western Sahara at Al Akhawayn University. He also had meetings with officials from the British Embassy in Rabat and from the Moroccan British Society. Other activities he has been involved in this year include contributing, alongside Dr Mohamed Kenbib, to a BBC documentary on Moroccan history and giving an interview on the Algerian legislative elections to BBC World Television. He also helped re-establish the North Africa Forum which held its second meeting in Oxford in June. He has continued work on his book on the comparative politics of Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco and has two articles appearing later this year in edited books on the Maghreb including one on the Islamist movement in Morocco.

Other Middle East Centre Attachments

DR AHMED AL-SHAHI, Research Fellow. In August he read a paper on 'Pluralism and Governance: The Necessity for Consociational Democracy in Sudan' to the Project for Democracy Studies in the Arab World, St Catherine's College, Oxford. In October he gave a talk on 'The Conflict in Darfur and the Prospect for Conflict Resolution' to the Annual Dinner Meeting of the Annual Register, London. In November he attended and gave a paper on 'Observations On the Arabs/Muslims in Europe' to the International Workshop on 'Islam and Citizenship in Europe' organized by the Department of Politics, Institutions

and History, University of Bologna, Italy. He gave a paper on 'Governance and Plurality in Sudan' to the conference on 'Sudan: Building on the Peace Process in the South' Middle East Programme and Good Governance Group, Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House, London. He chaired and conducted 'A Conversation with Al-Tayyib Salih' in cooperation with the Maison Francaise d'Oxford Festival of Mediterranean Literature. In December he gave a talk on 'Two Texts from Darfur' at the Arabic Text Seminars, Oriental Institute, Oxford. In January he took part in a meeting on 'Does Multi-culturalism Work?' as part of series of seminar on 'How can Democracies cope with Minorities' organized by the Visiting Parliamentary Fellow Seminar, St Antony's College. In March he co-organized with Bona Malwal the conference on 'Professional Young Sudanese Women and Their Role in the Future of Their Country' organized by the 'The Sudan Programme' and held at St Antony's College. Speakers and participants were from Sudan the Sudanese diaspora in the UK. In May he gave a talk on 'The Sudan Programme and Its Link with St Antony's College', to the students of the College.

He contributed to the supervision of postgraduate students and is continuing with his research on the anthropology of northern Sudan, Muslims in Europe and the work of Peter Lienhardt in the Gulf Shaikhdoms.

He published 'Sudan' in *The Annual Register of World Events* (vol.248, Keesing's Worldwide, LLC, USA, 2007) and 'Al-dimoqratiya al-tawafiqiya fi al-Sudan' in *Al-Mustaqbal Al-Arabi* (Centre for Arab Unity Studies, No.334, December 2006, Beirut, Lebanon).

FOULATH HADID, Honorary Fellow, gave a series of lectures in the US on the history of the struggle for democracy in Iraq and on the current problem of determining the future for America in Iraq. His lectures drew large audiences due to the currency of the topic and, given the strength of feelings provoked by the subject, proved to be an immeasurable and rare experience. The questions following the lectures were particularly poignant, with questions from mothers and fathers whose children were in the armed forces either operating in Iraq, war casualties or killed in action. Hadid published an article in the *Oxford Forum* in which he distilled his findings from his US lectures. His article has been widely distributed by think tanks close to the Foreign Office and was published in Arabic in the leading Arabic newspaper *Al-Hayat*. He also published an article on the current situation in Iraq in the *International Herald Tribune*. He also debated the future of America in Iraq with Dr Eugene Rogan at the Middle East Centre, with each taking an opposing view of the war and the implications of the surge in troop levels.

DR HOMA KATOUIAN, Iranian Heritage Foundation Research Fellow, continued his editorship of *Iranian Studies*, Journal of the International Society for Iranian Studies, of which five more issues were published from September 2006 to June 2007, the frequency of publication having been increased from four to five per year from this, the fortieth anniversary of the journal's publication. Likewise, he continued to act as joint editor of the book series in Iranian studies published by Routledge of Taylor and Francis group on behalf of the International Society for Iranian Studies. He presented a paper entitled 'Poetry of the Constitutional Revolution' to the conference of the Iran Heritage Foundation and University of Oxford on the centenary of the Iranian Constitutional Revolution

in July 2006; and a paper entitled 'Sa'di's Love poetry' to the Sixth Biennial Conference of the International Society for Iranian Studies held at the University of London in August 2006. In March 2007 he delivered the annual Lambton Lecture to the Middle East Centre of the University of Durham.

In October 2006, Katouzian's study of Sa'di, the great Persian classic, was published in the 'Makers of the Muslim World Series' of the Oxford Oneworld publishers under the title, *Sa'di, the Poet of Life, Love and Compassion*. In July 2006, IB Tauris published the paperback edition of his *State and Society in Iran, the Eclipse of the Qajars and the Rise of the Pahlavis*. In the same month, the collection of his twenty Persian essays on Sa'di was published in Tehran by Nashr-e Markaz publishers. In April 2007, Routledge published the paperback edition of his *Iranian History and Politics, the Dialectic of State and Society*. He continued his quarterly articles on Sa'di's literature in Persian, regularly published in *Iranshenasi*, a journal of Iranian culture, history and letters published in Washington: 'Sa'di on Separation', spring 2006; 'Sa'di, a Summing-up', summer 2006. His chapter on 'Ahmad Kasravi on the Revolt of Sheikh Mohammad Khiyabani' appeared in *Iran and the First World War*, ed, Touraj Atabaki (London and New York: IB Tauris, 2006).

DR SERRA KIRDAR, Foundation Fellow, established a new foundation based in Dubai to promote the empowerment of women in the Arab world. The Muthabara Foundation plans to organize a number of academic exchanges and workshops in its first year. One of the Foundation's first activities was the international conference co-hosted by Muthabara and the Middle East Centre marking the publication of the *Fourth Arab Human Development Report: Towards the Rise of Women in the Arab World*. The conference, 'Women of the Arab World: Setting their Agenda,' was held at St Antony's in February 2007 and attracted some of the most accomplished Arab women in a wide range of fields, who spoke to large audiences. She gave a number of lectures in the UAE on women's education, most recently at the Dubai Businesswomen and Leaders Forum on International Women's Day in March 2007. She was also interviewed by several UAE newspapers on the future emerging role of UAE women. Her article, 'Development of Women's Education in the Arab World,' was published in Rosarii Griffin, ed, *Education in the Muslim World: Different Perspectives* (Didcot: Symposium, 2006).

PROFESSOR W ROGER LOUIS, Honorary Fellow, holds the Kerr Chair in English History and Culture at the University of Texas, where he is also Distinguished Teaching Professor and Director of British Studies. A past President of the American Historical Association, he is Founding Director of the AHA's National History Center in Washington. He is also Chairman of the US State Department's Historical Advisory Committee. With Steven Ashton he has recently edited *British Documents on the End of Empire: the Labour Government, 1964-1970*. His Britannia series remains in progress: *Adventures with Britannia, More Adventures with Britannia, Still More Adventures with Britannia, and Yet More Adventures with Britannia*. The volume in press - would you believe it? - is *Penultimate Adventures with Britannia*. He continues to draft chapters for *British Imperialism in the Revolutionary Middle East* (the sequel to *The British Empire in the Middle East*). In September 2006 he published his collected essays: *Ends of British Imperialism: The Scramble for Empire, Suez, and Decolonization*.

PROFESSOR HOSSEIN MODARRESSI continued as Golestaneh Visiting Fellow.

DR TARIQ RAMADAN, Research Fellow, spent the academic year 2006-2007 working on his book *Radical Reform, Ethics and Liberation*, to be published by Oxford University Press (spring 2008). A book launch was held at the Middle East Centre to celebrate the publication of his biography of the Prophet Muhammad, *The Messenger* (Penguin, 2007). He gave numerous lectures in Europe, Canada, Asia and Africa on various topics such as Islamic theology and law, comparative philosophy, interfaith dialogue, dialogue of civilizations, radicalisation and extremism, the situation in the Middle East and Muslims in the West. He wrote articles for a number of international newspapers, including his *Manifesto for a new "We"* (posted to his website www.tariqramadan.com). He gave tutorials for Masters students during the Trinity term at the Middle East Centre around Islam and contemporary issues (Islamic trends and traditions, Political Islam, Women, Human Rights, etc.).

RUSSIAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES

The Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre

The quiet at the end of the north corridor in the main College building has disguised a flurry of activity over the past year. Centre members have been publishing eagerly. A burst of fundraising has been sustained. The Centre gained the award of two junior research fellowships under the government-sponsored CEELBAS scheme; it also acquired two visiting fellows. The Monday seminar series have been well-attended, lively and creative. As usual, our emeritus fellows have proved that retirement is an enabler of research production.

It is important early in this report, however, to mention a very sad event. Paul Bergne, a Senior Associate Member, died in April 2007, and his benign personality and scholarly tutelage of the study of the Caspian and Central Asia made him an irreplaceable Centre member. Right to the end he was setting up talks and inviting visitors. My last working contact with him was a phone call from a train. Paul was travelling from Oxford to London and had just heard there was a chance that Nursultan Nazarbaev, President of Kazakhstan, would be visiting the United Kingdom. If the Centre wanted him to speak at the College, it would have to act fast. Paul himself could not arrange things since he was entering hospital in a few hours. As it happened, the presidential visit did not take place but this was not for want of trying on Paul's part. Typically he made light of his medical condition at the time. It was also in character that he had put himself about to keep the College as a focus for public events connected with Kazakhstan and the rest of central Asia. He is sorely missed in every way. Alex Pravda's obituary can be found at the end of this College Record.

Fundraising has been a priority for the Centre as we seek to renovate the Russian library in the College. This has been the centrepiece (no pun intended) of our 50th anniversary campaign to expand and modernise the Centre. The ultimate intention is to place the Centre on a self-financed basis, to establish research fellowships and student-ships and to secure our coverage of the many countries of the former USSR. A switch of tactics at the December 2006 Campaign Committee yielded rapid results. By May 2007 we had raised £400,000 and, at the time of writing, have reason to believe this will be complemented by a substantial private grant that will bring us up to one million pounds and be sufficient to allow us to bring in the builders. The Centre is hugely beholden to the Campaign Committee members, both new and old, for their financial acumen and practical participation. It was they who played the largest role in developing the fresh methods that have proved successful.

The second big change in our affairs has been the winning of two Junior Research Fellowships under the national scheme to strengthen postgraduate work on Russia and Eastern Europe. The Fellowships were awarded to Dr Robert Pyrah and Dr Charles Walker. Dr Pyrah is working on cultural change in western Ukraine, Dr Walker social inequalities in education and labour markets in selected countries of our region. Thirdly, we have welcomed back our former students Dr Julie Newton and Dr Tina Podplatnik as Visiting Fellows. Dr Newton is a specialist on Russia-EU relations, Dr Podplatnik on the political economy of post-communist Russia. These additions to our strength as a centre

have widened the range of our expertise and are already having a positive effect on our intellectual intercourse.

Dr Vladislav Kovalëv came from the Moscow Institute for Regional Economic Studies as a Senior Associate Member for Trinity Term; his research topic was 'Changing Corporate Governance in Russia: New Roles for International Actors'. Dr Alexey Gromyko spent a month with us as a Senior Visitor under the auspices of the British Academy exchange scheme: his topic was the development of New Labour in the United Kingdom. Dr Shamil Yenikeeff has stayed with us as a Senior Associate Member while conducting his research on the politics of energy in the Russian Federation.

Meanwhile the four Governing Body Fellows have pursued their interests in politics, regional economics, international relations and history. The Centre is one of the least bureaucratic of academic bodies, and independence of thought and action is customarily respected. Dr Carol Leonard, through her advisory work on the Kazakhstan banking system, was able to channel some of her fees to the Centre's fundraising campaign. Governing Body Fellows come together most frequently at the Monday evening seminar series. This year they have also had the pleasure of the outstanding Friday evening seminar series organised by our Hayward Fellow, Dr Elena Katz, who joined us from UCL. Students too have made an impact. Russian, Ukrainian and Georgian studies in the University have been enhanced by the various undergraduate societies whose enthusiasm and dedication are much appreciated.

There were several visiting speakers over the year (outside the Monday and Hayward seminar series). Professor Andrei Zdravosmyslov (Institute of Sociology of the Russian Academic of Sciences, Moscow) gave a seminar on the impact of the past on post-communist society in Russia (February 2007); Dr Aleksei Chernyshov, Duma deputy and political scientist, spoke on the Russian political scene from Gorbachëv to Putin (May 2007); Professor Natalia Boytsun, Deputy Minister of the Economy of Ukraine, spoke on Ukraine's foreign economic activity; Dr Svetlana Stephenson (London Metropolitan University) spoke on violent youth on Moscow streets (June 2007); Professor Mikhail Ilyin, Dr Elena Meleshkina and Dr Olga Malinova from MGIMO gave a colloquium on general developments in Russian politics (June 2007).

The high point in the year's sequence of talks was reached with the Elliott Lecture given this year by Lord Skidelsky. The title was 'Russia's Role in the Future Government of the World'. Robert Skidelsky is one of Britain's outstanding economic historians and intellectual biographers. He also plays a vigorous part in the country's political life with a deserved reputation for independence of outlook. In recent years he has given much time to analysing contemporary Russia and assisting its movement towards universal civic rights, market economics and democracy. He comes from a family which helped to build the Trans-Siberian railway at the beginning of the twentieth century, and it would be hard to think of a more appropriate choice as the Elliott Lecturer. The entire evening was a splendid intellectual feast. Lord Skidelsky's text, which he delivered with characteristic ebullience, will appear on the Centre's website.

Book accessions and periodical subscriptions (25 journals and magazines and 9 news-

papers), as previously, make it essential to reconstruct the library. The Centre Secretary and Librarian, Jackie Willcox, would like to thank the following for their donations to the library during the year: Sir Bryan Cartledge, Vasilii Galin, Andrei Ganin, Dr Alexey Gromyko, Nadiya Kravets, Galina Kruglik, Demian Kudriavtsev, Dr Judith Pallot, Slavic Research Center (Hokkaido University). This has been a very busy year indeed and Jackie herself is to be thanked for doing both her jobs with exemplary efficiency and cheerfulness while simultaneously ensuring that the Centre as a whole operated in a co-ordinated fashion.

Our region has recently pressed itself on the world's attention more insistently than in the previous decade. Most of the reasons have been untoward. There has even been a return to what is ludicrously over-stated as a new Cold War. What is clear is that all the countries of the former Soviet Union are still going through their post-communist transformation in their various profound ways. This is a process that is going to take many more years. There is no End of History. Nor, of course, was there ever likely to be one. The premiership of Mr Tony Blair started with an exaggerated faith in Russian leaders such as Vladimir Putin. Disillusionment set in only very recently. The government is currently cognisant of the need to support 'area studies' in the universities. This is a welcome spasm which alas, if past precedents are anything to go by, will abate until the next time a world crisis catches ministers off guard. All the more reason to make sure there will be no end to the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre as regional questions of counter-terrorism, territorial security, energy supplies, inter-ethnic conflicts, social justice, economic development and political and civil rights continue to affect the rest of the globe.

Activities and publications of Fellows

PROFESSOR ARCHIE BROWN, Emeritus Fellow and Emeritus Professor of Politics, continued to supervise three doctoral students and to be a member of the Russian Centre Fundraising Campaign Committee. In Michaelmas Term he gave papers at St Antony's and at LSE and took part in a round-table at the School of Slavonic Studies, University College, London, as well as chairing a panel at the AAASS annual conference in Washington, DC. He presented a paper on Soviet foreign policy in the Gorbachev era at a March 2007 conference in the Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, DC, which will become a chapter in the *Cambridge History of the Cold War*, Volume 3. In May he delivered the City of Aberdeen Gorbachev Lecture. Professor Brown's latest book, *Seven Years that Changed the World: Perestroika in Perspective*, was published by Oxford University Press in April. His other publications this academic year were: 'The Gorbachev Era' in Ronald G. Suny (ed), *The Cambridge History of Russia, Volume III: The Twentieth Century* (Cambridge University Press, 2006); 'The End of the Cold War' in O.M. Zdravomyslova (ed), *Gorbachevskie chteniya* (Gorbachev Foundation, Moscow, 2006); 'Perestroika and the End of the Cold War' in *Cold War History*, Vol. 7, No. 1, February 2007; 'Gorbachev, Lenin, and the Break with Leninism' in *Demokratizatsiya*, Vol. 15, No. 2, May 2007; and entries on 'Mikhail Suslov', 'Real Socialism', 'Perestroika', 'Mikhail Gorbachev', 'Eduard Shevardnadze', 'Aleksandr Yakovlev', 'New Thinking' and 'The August 1991 Coup in the USSR' for Silvio Pons and Robert Service (eds), *Dizionario del comunismo nel XX secolo* (Enaudi, Turin, 2006). He also wrote an Introduction to the Japanese edition

of his Oxford University Press book, *The Gorbachev Factor*. Professor Brown, who spent two weeks researching at the National Security Archive in Washington, is currently writing a book, *The Rise and Fall of Communism*, for publishers in five countries, including Jonathan Cape in London and HarperCollins, New York. He was re-elected in May for a five-year period to the Editorial Board of the *British Journal of Political Science* and he continues to be a member of the Editorial Board of *Post-Soviet Affairs* (Berkeley) and the *Journal of Cold War Studies* (Harvard) as well as of the International Advisory Boards of *Polis* (Moscow) and *Communist and Post-Communist Studies* (UCLA). In addition he became a member of the Advisory Board of the book series, *Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics and Society*, of which the General Editor is Andreas Umland.

DR PAUL CHAISTY, University Lecturer in Russian Politics. In Michaelmas term, he co-chaired a weekly seminar entitled 'Russia and Eurasia: Domestic and International Politics', and throughout the academic year taught undergraduate and postgraduate courses on Russian, post-communist and comparative politics. He continued to research Russian legislative and party politics. In this academic year, his work has mainly centred on the analysis of voting behaviour in the Russian State Duma, with particular attention being paid to the influence of party and private interests on voting in the area of economic policy. This research, which was made possible with funding from the British Academy, is currently being prepared for publication. Other research that was published (or accepted for publication) this year includes, 'Za i protiv mazhoritarizma dlya rossiiskikh zakonodatelei' ('The Pros and Cons of Putin's Majoritarianism for Russia's Lawmakers'), *Sravnitel'noe konstitutsionnoe obozrenie*, 4(57), 2006; 'The Legislative Effects of Presidential Partisan Powers: The Case of Putin's Russia', *Government and Opposition* (forthcoming); and, reviews for the journals *Slavonic and East European Review*, *Slavic Review* and *Europe-Asia Studies*. Dr Chaisty also co-edited one volume for a series on modern Russian history and politics: *Russkii sbornik: issledovaniya po istorii Rossii*. This Russian-language publication includes research by scholars from many different countries. In May, Dr Chaisty presented his research at the Irish Association of Russian and East European Studies, University of Limerick. The theme of the conference was the presidency of Vladimir Putin, and Dr Chaisty spoke on the topic of 'Putin and the Parliament.'

PROFESSOR MICHAEL KASER, Emeritus Fellow, continued as Honorary Professor at Birmingham University's European Research Institute, as Associate Fellow of Templeton College, Oxford, and as Associate of the Centre for Euro-Asian Studies of Reading University. In July 2007 after twenty years' service, he retired as General Editor of the International Economic Association, having seen 56 conference volumes through to publication. In Oxford he examined a DPhil thesis and a paper in the MPhil, supervised a doctoral student and as in previous years was Examiner for the Pavry and Winchester Prizes. He contributed a paper to the College seminar series 'Communisation in eastern Europe 1949-53' (May) and the Opening Address to the European Association for Comparative Economic Studies (University of Brighton, September), published as 'Harmony and Discord in Transition Strategies' in *EACES Newsletter*, no. 46 (2007), pp. 3-10. He also read papers to a College conference on 'Europe in the Non-European World' (February), to a conference in Worcester College on the 1956 crises in Hungary and Poland (November) and to the Oxford United Nations Association on 'A UN Staff-Member at the Interface

of the Cold War, 1951-63' (May). He continued on the committees of the Europaeum (also assisting in studentship selection), concerning which he gave evidence to an Inter-University Review Committee (February); of the Pluscarden Programme, participating in its annual conference in December; of SEESOX (see p68); of the Oxford Intelligence Group at Nuffield College (October, December and May); and of the FIRS Programme on Kazakhstan (see p106), delivering a paper on the labour market to the latter's annual conference (February). He lectured to visiting students of the California Baptist University (July). He continued as Honorary Treasurer of the Oxford Energy Policy Club (meetings in September, November and May); he participated in conferences on Civil Resistance (St Antony's, March), of the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (Cambridge, March), and chaired the Opening Session of the Council for East European Language-Based Studies (London, March). He continued as Honorary Treasurer of the Oxford Energy Policy Club, participating in its bi-annual meetings in the College. He read the Lesson at the Memorial Service for Iverach McDonald, former SAM (April) and assisted in the arrangements for the annual St Antony's Day Service (January). Elsewhere, he participated in a conference of Birmingham's Institute for German Studies (London, October). He continued at the University of London on the Editorial Boards of the *Slavonic and East European Review* (School of Slavonic and East European Studies) and of *Central Asian Survey* (School of Oriental and African Studies); on the Advisory Board of the *Annual Register*; as Honorary Vice-President of the British Association of Former UN Civil Servants; and concluded twenty years as Trustee of the Foundation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park (January). He published 'Resources for Russian Education: Soviet Strategies in Historical Context' in a Special Issue 'Making Education Soviet 1917-1953', *History of Education*, vol. 35, no. 4-5 (July-September), pp. 561-83; 'Introduction' in Alessandro Roselli (ed), *Italy and Albania: Financial Relations in the Fascist Period* (London: I. B. Tauris), pp. xi-xiii; 'East Germany's Economic Transition in Comparative Perspective', in Jens Hölscher (ed), *Germany's Economic Performance: From Unification to Euroization* (Basingstoke: Palgrave), pp. 229-39; and 'Albania: Economy' in *Central and South-Eastern Europe 2007*, 7th edn (London: Routledge), pp. 69-75. He contributed entries on the OSCE and EBRD to *The Annual Register 2005* (Bethesda, Md: Keesing's Worldwide), pp. 377-81; and on 'Turkmenistan: Economy' to *Regional Surveys of the World. Eastern Europe, Russia and Central Asia 2007*, 7th edn (London: Routledge), pp. 499-503. A paper which originally appeared in French in 1966, 'The Debate on the Law of Value in the USSR 1941-1953' was requested for a volume in English (to be published 2008): he took the opportunity to revise and update it. He has also sent for publication 'The Political Economy of Albania's Transition to the Market', in D. Bezemer (ed), *On Eagle's Wings: The Albanian Economy in the 1990s* (New York: NovaScience) and two chapters, 'Economic and Social Development in Soviet Central Asia' and 'The Post-Soviet Central Asian Economies', in *The Cambridge History of Inner Asia: The Modern Age* (Cambridge University Press).

DR ELENA M. KATZ, Max Hayward Fellow 2006-2007, organised and ran the seminar series "'Them" and "Us": The Other in the Russian Imagination' in Hilary and Trinity (9 talks in the series; see end of Centre entry). She also hosted a Max Hayward Fellowship Special Event (seminar on youth violence in Russia). The outcome of her past year's research on the discourses of Jewish powers in Russian Literature was presented at the Cambridge BASEES conference in spring 2007. She has been on the editorial board of

East European Jewish Affairs and Honorary Research Fellow at the Department of Hebrew and Jewish Studies, University College London. One of her major commitments for the past year was the final editing of the book manuscript 'Neither with Them, Nor without Them: Russian Writer and the Jew in the Age of Realism' (forthcoming with Syracuse University Press, 2008). Her article 'Faddei Bulgarin's Polish Jews and their Significance in the Russian Judeophobic Tradition' was published in *The Russian Review* in July 2007. Another article 'Turgenyev and the Jewish Question' is forthcoming in Proceedings of the conference entitled 'Turgenyev and his Contemporaries', Mansfield College, Oxford, 11-13 September, 2006.

DR CAROL SCOTT LEONARD, University Lecturer in Regional Studies of the Post-Communist States (Russian Federation, Central and Eastern Europe) and Fellow of St Antony's since January 1997, is engaged in teaching and research on regional aspects of the transition from Communism, with a focus on agrarian reform, on science and technology in transition, and regional economic growth. She also teaches Social Science Statistics for the Department of Economics. During the year 2006-2007, she presented the following papers: 'The Road from Serfdom: Agrarian Reform in Russia' for the St Antony's Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre seminar series; 'The WTO and Russian Agriculture' at a conference on Development of International Trading System: Prospects for Emerging Markets: an International Conference for Economics, Business studies and Law, St Petersburg, Academy of Sciences, Russia (2 March 2007); 'Institutions and Technological Change in Russia's Regions, 1996-2004', at the AAASS in Washington, DC (16 November 2006), at the European University of St Petersburg (1 March 2007) and at the Conference for Professor Padma Desai at Columbia University in New York ('Russia: Soviet Past, Present Performance and Future Prospects', 13 April 2007), where she also gave a talk over dinner; 'Entrepreneurship in Rural Russia in Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries', at a conference on The Firm, the Economy and Society in Nineteenth Century Russia at St Petersburg University (1 December 2006); 'The Wage Gap in Russian History, 1885-1910 at the Eastern Economics Association meetings, New York (25 February 2007); She gave remarks at a panel entitled 'Knowledge, Technology and the New Economy' for the Russian Economic Forum on Manezh Square in Moscow (6 October 2006). She also co-founded a DPhil graduate programme in Innovation Management at the Eurasian National University in Astana, Kazakhstan, where she gave a course on 'The Economics of Science and Technology'. She completed the second part of the consulting project for the National Bank of Kazakhstan, 'The Dutch Disease: the Kazakh Cure'. Dr Leonard continued her work on the book, *Russian Agrarian Reform: The Road from Serfdom* (forthcoming, Cambridge University Press). She published several working papers, and from them, has had an article accepted, entitled 'Dutch Disease Scare in Kazakhstan: Is it Real?', co-authored with Balasz Egert for publication in *Open Economies Review*. She also has been a consultant for Oxford Analytica.

DR ALEX PRAVDA, Souede-Salameno Fellow and University Lecturer in Russian and East European Politics, continued as Co-ordinator of the Visiting Parliamentary Fellows programme and co-convenor of the associated seminar series which this year addressed the question 'How Can Democracies Cope with Minorities?' He continued as Director of Graduate Studies for the MSc and the MPhil in Russian and East European Studies. He also served as Chair of Examiners for these courses and as DGS for the School of Inter-

Disciplinary Area Studies. In September 2006 he participated in a Foreign Policy Centre panel on 'Russia and the EU' and in April gave evidence to the House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee inquiry on 'Global Security: Russia'. He co-chaired and contributed to sessions of the Roundtable on Russian Foreign Policy held at the Royal Institute of International Affairs in November 2006 and May 2007 where he is an Associate Fellow of the Russia and CIS programme. In March 2007 he presented a paper on 'The Collapse of the Soviet Union, 1990-1991' at a National Security Archive conference in Washington DC. In revised form this paper will appear as a chapter in MJ Leffler and A Westad eds, *The Cambridge History of the Cold War. Volume 3. Endings, 1975-1991*. He continued work on his study of the transformation of Soviet foreign policy under Gorbachev.

DR ROBERT PYRAH joined the College in May 2007 as a Junior Research Fellow, working under the auspices of the CEELBAS programme. This is a joint, research-led initiative run jointly by Oxford, SSEES-UCL and Birmingham universities (details from www.ceelbas.ac.uk). Robert's research focuses on Central European culture and politics in the post-Habsburg and contemporary eras, in particular: the workings of cultural institutions such as the theatre; nationalism; and politicized uses of the Arts. He is writing a contracted monograph on twentieth-century Lviv, Ukraine. Previously, Robert co-founded two international research networks, 'Austrian Research UK and Ireland' (www.austrianresearch.org) and 'Oxford Austrian and Central European Studies'. He jointly set up and continues to co-host an interdisciplinary seminar on Central Europe at Oxford, now in its second year, with speakers from the UK, Europe and the United States. Recent publications include *The Burgtheater and National Identity: Cultural Politics in Vienna, 1918-38* (Oxford: Legenda, 2007), in addition to peer-reviewed articles on clerical fascism (*Totalitarian Movements and Political Religions*, 2007) and the state theatres in Vienna (*Austrian Studies*, 2006). A programme of workshops and visiting speakers in St Antony's is planned for 2007-08.

PROFESSOR ROBERT SERVICE, University Professor of Russian History, continued – bedraggled but unbowed – as Director of RESC in a year when fundraising activity was to the fore and the Centre grew in size with the arrival of Visiting Fellows and Junior Research Fellows. In the summer he returned to the Hoover Institution at Stanford University to finish off the research for his book *Comrades*. This allowed him to fill in some important gaps in the account; it was especially useful to consult the newly available Soviet party central committee records as well as the fresh material on Cuba, Hungary and Cambodia. On the same trip he collected a pile of documents for his biography of Leon Trotsky: the ultimate intention is to complete a trilogy on the three outstanding early leaders of the USSR. In Stanford, too, he and Silvio Pons made the last adjustments to the *Dizionario del comunismo nel XX secolo* and wrote a joint introduction to the two volumes. He wrote the entries on Bolshevism, the dictatorship of the proletariat, Lenin, the October Revolution, the soviets and Trotsky and others; and it is pleasant to record that several of the British contributors belong to RESC or to other of the College's centres.

The work on *Comrades* encouraged the introduction of an east European dimension to the REES master's core course in history in Hilary Term. This was an exhilarating experience, albeit an overdue one for someone who has always known in theory that the Russian historical experience is indecipherable outside an international perspective. The fact that

several graduates taking the course came from the countries under examination increased the liveliness of the discussions. The teaching of the undergraduate further subject course in Michaelmas Term was equally gratifying: the students formed the brightest group he has encountered on the course.

It was in the same term that much progress was made in raising funds for the Centre's library. Professor Service simultaneously reviewed for the national press, got involved in the controversies about the murder of Alexander Litvinenko in London and argued his case on communism as a global phenomenon in the media when *Comrades* was published in May. The Trinity Term advanced research seminar topic, supported by the Management Committee of REES and by the History Faculty, was the communisation of Russia and eastern Europe in 1945-1953, and he co-convoked this with Juliane Fürst of St John's College. This was a stimulating series for all participants. Professor Service gave one of the talks in the series: 'The Communisation of Eastern Europe: Soviet Model or National Variants?' He also gave a talk on 'Russian Politics, Russian Émigrés and Russian Intelligence' for the Pluscarden Programme organised in the College by Steve Tsang. He worked up a chapter for Professor Paul Gregory's book of articles on Politburo minutes from the first two decades after the October 1917 Revolution.

He rejoined the British Academy standing committee for history since 1800. He served, as before, on the Oxford Historical Monographs series editorial board as well as on the boards of *Revolutionary Russia* (Durham) and *Europe/Europa* (Rome). He remained a member the Management Committee for Russian and East European Studies.

Publications during this academic year: *Comrades. Communism: A World History* (Macmillan Press and Harvard University Press); *Dizionario del comunismo nel XX secolo, Vol. 1* (Einaudi). Co-edited with Silvio Pons.

DR HAROLD SHUKMAN, Emeritus Fellow, continued as chairman of the editorial board of *East European Jewish Affairs*. In February 2007, with Felix Patrikeeff (student and SAM), he published *Railways and the Russo-Japanese War*, a study of the role of the Trans-Siberian Railway in the Russo-Japanese War (Routledge).

DR CHARLES WALKER, Junior Research Fellow, joined St Antony's in April after being appointed to a postdoctoral fellowship by the Centre for East European Language-Based Area Studies (CEELBAS), a consortium of the Universities of Oxford (REES), Birmingham (CREES) and London (UCL-SSEES). Dr Walker's appointment came shortly after the completion of his PhD at Birmingham's Centre for Russian and East European Studies, where he was also a visiting lecturer in the sociology of youth and the cultural politics of Russia. His PhD was a sociological investigation into processes of social stratification in the Russian education system and labour market, with a focus on young people training for industrial and agricultural employment at vocational colleges. As part of his postdoctoral fellowship, Dr Walker is continuing his research on young people in Eastern Europe through a comparative study on social inequalities in the emerging education and labour markets of St Petersburg and Vilnius. Since arriving at St Antony's, Dr Walker has published a new article in a special issue of the *International Journal of Lifelong Education* on 'the transition from school to work in international perspective', and has

begun work on a book manuscript based on his thesis.

Associated members

DR SHAMIL MIDKHATOVICH YENIKYEFF, Senior Associate Member, is a Research Fellow at the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies. Dr Yenikeyeff's current research focuses on the political economy of the oil and gas sectors of Russia and Kazakhstan with emphasis on economic policies, state-business relations, corporate strategies, political and economic risks. Over the past year he continued to work on a number of relevant research projects and completed a book manuscript, provisionally entitled *Oil and the Corporate Re-integration of Russia*.

Seminar Series

Michaelmas Term 2006

Russia and Eurasia: Domestic and International Politics

Convenors: Paul Chaisty and Alex Pravda

William Tompson (OECD): 'Back to the Future? Politics, Economics and the Expansion of State Ownership in Putin's Russia'; Robert Legvold (Columbia): 'Putin's Foreign Policy Legacy and Where Russia Goes from Here'; Archie Brown (St Antony's): 'Institutional Amphibiousness or Civil Society?: The Origins and Development of Perestroika'; Sally Cummings (St Andrews): 'Politics in Kazakhstan: Ethnic Co-Optation and Control'; Gwendolyn Sasse (LSE): 'Identity, Transition, Conflict: The Crimea Question and Post-Soviet Ukraine'; Bobo Lo (Chatham House): 'The Odd Couple: Russia-China Relations in the New Century'; Julie Newton (American Univ. of Paris and St Antony's): 'Russia and the European Union: A Forced Marriage?'; David Holloway (Stanford): 'Russian-US Relations'.

Hilary Term 2007

Post-Soviet Russia and Eastern Europe: Society, Law, Economy

Convenors: Carol Scott Leonard and Judith Pallot (Christ Church)

Dan Healey (Swansea): "'Decency" in Post-Soviet Russia'; Brad Blitz (Brookes): 'Post-Socialist Transformation, Penal Reform and Justice Sector in Transition in Albania'; Carol Scott Leonard (St Antony's): 'Crisis and Agrarian Reform in Russia: Contemporary Stagnation in a Historical Mirror'; Slavo Radosevic (SSEES-UCL)/Paul Domjan (Wolfson and FIRS)/Richard Halkett (NESTA): 'Innovation in the CIS'; Judith Pallot (Christ Church): "'Gde Muzh, Tam i Zhena": Gender, Place and Space in Russia's Culture of Punishment'; Revaz Gachechiladze (formerly Tbilisi State Univ.): 'The Current Geopolitical Situation in the Southern Caucasus'; Pekka Sutela (Inst. For Economies in Transition, Bank of Finland): 'The Economic Future of Russia'; Alena Ledeneva (SSEES-UCL): 'Informal Influence in Russia's Legal System: Telefonnoe Pravo in the 21st Century'.

'Them' and 'Us': The Other in the Russian Imagination

Convenor: Elena Katz

Joachim Schloer (Southampton): 'Odessa: Who is the 'Other' When/Where Everybody is New?'; Seth Graham (SSEES-UCL): 'The New American Other in Recent Russian Cinema'; Catriona Kelly (New College): 'Them and Us: "Traditsii" as an Expression of Identity'; Rosalind Marsh (Bath): "'Russia and the West" in Post-Soviet Culture'.

Trinity Term 2007

Communistisation in Eastern Europe and the USSR, 1945-1953

Convenors: Robert Service and Juliane Fürst (St John's)

Robert Service (St Antony's): 'The Communistisation of Eastern Europe: Soviet Model or National Variants?'; Norman Davies (Clare Hall, Cambridge): "'Putting a Saddle on a Cow": Non-Communistisation in Poland, 1944-1948'; László Péter (SSEES-UCL): "'East of the Elbe": The Communist Takeover and the Past'; Juliane Fürst (St John's): 'The Communistisation of Private Life in Late Stalinism: Love, Sex and Comradeship in the USSR'; Mark Pittaway (Open University): 'Building the Hungarian Communist State, 1945-1950'; Michael Kaser (St Antony's): 'Imposing Economic Integration through Comecon, 1949-1953'; Mary Fulbrook (UCL): 'Demography, Opportunity or Ideological Conversion? Explaining the Transformation of the Hitler Youth Generation into Staunch Supporters of the German Democratic Republic'; Silvio Pons (Rome): 'The Western Communist Parties and the Communistisation of Eastern Europe'.

'Them' and 'Us': The Other in the Russian Imagination

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John Klier (UCL): 'Are Jews a Race?'; Adam Leach (Oxfam): 'International NGOs in Russia: Welcome Guests?'; Robert Harris: 'Double Others: Traditional Jews in the Russian Milieu'; Elena Katz (St Antony's): 'Smart Russians and Enterprising Jews: Stereotyping the Difference'; Floriana Fossato (UCL): 'Creating Them and Us through Television Broadcasting'.

CROSS-CENTRE AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AND FELLOWSHIPS

The Visiting Parliamentary Fellowship

The Visiting Parliamentary Fellows for the academic year 2006-7 were the Rt Hon Charles Kennedy, Liberal Democrat MP for Ross, Skye and Lochaber, and the Rt Hon Paul Murphy, Labour MP for Torfaen. Both brought to the College a wealth of political experience: Charles Kennedy was leader of the Liberal Democrats from 1999-2005; Paul Murphy was Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, 2002-5, and Secretary of State for Wales, 1999-2002, and is currently chair of the Cabinet Office Intelligence and Security Committee. They were both exemplary Visiting Parliamentary Fellows, taking a full part in helping the academic convenors, Professor David Marquand and Dr Alex Pravda, to organise the traditional Hilary Term seminar. The series lived up to its reputation as an established highlight in the College calendar, attracting large audiences to hear political practitioners and academics discuss key issues of public interest. This year the seminar took as its theme 'How Can Democracies Cope with Minorities?' From helping to conceive the programme at a July lunch at the House of Commons to recruiting colleagues to speak and standing in ('busking' as one of them put it) for those prevented from coming by last-minute Parliamentary business, Charles and Paul made an outstanding contribution.

Charles Kennedy was one of a trio of practitioners, along with Dr Denis MacShane MP (former Minister for Europe) and Roger Liddle (senior policy adviser, European Commission), who began the seminar series by painting a sober picture of the travails of EU policy on minorities.

In the three weeks that followed, sessions looked at major themes. Baroness Falkner, Professor Tariq Modood and Dr Ahmed Al-Shahi debated the central and vexed question 'Does multi-culturalism work?' The Archbishop of Cardiff, the Most Revd Peter Smith, Dr Evan Harris MP and Dr Roy Gardner gave us a well-rounded and relatively harmonious set of arguments for and against Faith Schools. And finally in this thematic part of the series, John Lloyd, Dr Scott Blinder and Charles Kennedy discussed the participation of minority groups in the political system and life of Britain and the US.

In the second half of the term, sessions examined the experiences of particular states in dealing with different kinds of minority problems. The lessons and warnings to be drawn from French and Spanish experience produced a lively and contentious debate, much enjoyed by a packed Nissan lecture theatre, between the Rt Hon Michael Portillo and Professor Tariq Ramadan. In the two sessions devoted to the UK, we were particularly fortunate in having the benefit of hearing from leading politicians who have played key roles in dealing with minority issues. Lord Trimble (former leader of the Ulster Unionist Party) and Sean Farren (SDLP MLA - former Minister of Finance) drew on their first-hand experience of the long process of successful resolution of these problems in Northern Ireland. Professor Roy Foster put their analysis into historical perspective. The Rt Hon Jim Wallace (former leader of the Scottish Liberal Party) and Elfyn Llwyd MP (former parliamentary leader of Plaid Cymru) joined Paul Murphy in reflecting on developments on the mainland. What emerged in both sessions was the strength of opinion on how best

to manage minority problems, and the importance for their resolution of the majority group being sure of its own identity. In the last session, we had the benefit of hearing first-hand reflections on the quality of reconciliation in South Africa from Lord Steel, Mr Cyril Ndaba (South African Deputy High Commissioner), and Dr David Johnson.

Some of the junior members of the College who swelled the large audiences for the Hilary series came along to hear a special seminar in Trinity term, put on by our Visiting Parliamentary Fellows to mark the impending end of the Blair era. Speaking from different party political perspectives about the British Political Scene after Blair, Paul and Charles found themselves largely in agreement on the importance of changes in leadership style and the significance for Westminster of a more confident and assertive Scotland.

The Pluscarden Programme for the Study of Global Terrorism and Intelligence

Under the Directorship of Dr Steve Tsang, the Programme has again had a full schedule of activities with two or three seminars each term and a major conference in December. During the year Rear-Admiral Richard Cobbold joined the Advisory Committee.

In Michaelmas Term the first seminar was given by Karim Sultan Sinjari (Minister of State for the Interior, Kurdistan Regional Government, Iraq) on the subject of 'Intelligence and counter-terrorism in Iraqi Kurdistan: Lessons for Iraq and the Middle East', and in the second Professor Philip Bobbitt (University of Texas) spoke on 'Bobbitt's Wars: New approaches to global terrorism?'. The latter seminar formed part of a joint RUSI-St Antony's Research Programme entitled 'Intelligence and the Sociology of Terrorism' which also included the annual conference in December, a prize essay competition and the two seminars in Hilary Term. These two seminars were given by Professor Neal Robinson (University of Seoul) who spoke on 'Moderate Islamists – wolves in sheep's clothing?' and Jane Knight (Cabinet Office) whose talk was entitled 'The management of intelligence'. The winner of the essay competition is Robert Hall a former employee of the Ministry of Defence.

In Trinity Term three seminars were organised: Lord Ashdown (Peace Implementation Council's High Representative for Bosnia and the EU's Special Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina) spoke on 'After Iraq – shall we ever intervene again?', Sir Mike Aaronson (Former Director General, Save the Children) delivered a talk entitled 'A holistic approach to the war on terror?' and Professor Robert Service (St Antony's) took as his subject 'Russian politics, Russian emigrés and Russian intelligence'.

The second annual Pluscarden Programme conference was held over two days in December 2006 and as mentioned above was organised jointly with RUSI. The title 'Intelligence and the Sociology of Terrorism' was the same as that of the joint Research Programme. In the first session Sir Colin McColl (former head of SIS) spoke on 'Strategic issues facing UK counter-terrorism'. Jonathan Paris (Adjunct Fellow, Hudson Institute) then spoke on 'Immediate challenges'. He was followed by Robert Whalley (formerly UK Home Office) who spoke on 'Practical limits to a counter-terrorism programme'. After lunch Professor Tariq Ramadan (St Antony's) spoke on 'The sociology of terrorism', Sheikh Musa Admani (Imam, London Metropolitan University) on 'Islam in UK

society’, Dr David Johnson (St Antony’s) on ‘Education and radicalisation’ and Peter Clarke (Head, Anti-Terrorist Branch, Metropolitan Police) on ‘Terrorists and criminals – a common cause?’.

On the second day Professor Anthony Glees (Director, Brunel Centre for Intelligence and Security Studies) spoke on ‘The UK student body as a target for extremism’, Dr Magnus Ranstorp (NDC, Sweden) on ‘Immigration and asylum – the extremist subculture’, Asim Siddiqui (Chairman, The City Circle) on ‘The Islamic community – sociology and societal issues’ and Rear-Admiral Richard Cobbold (Director, RUSI) on ‘Keeping up with the pace – a view from Whitehall’. In the afternoon sessions, Roger Hardy (Islamic Affairs Analyst, BBC) spoke on ‘Propaganda and counter-propaganda’ and Dr Jack Caravelli (Visiting Professor Cranfield University/Defence Academy) stepped in and spoke on ‘Myths and realities of terrorist finance’, as an unexpected call of duty forced the original speaker Loretta Napoleoni to pull out the day before. The following people acted as chairs of sessions: Dr Steve Tsang, Professor Roger Goodman (Acting Warden, St Antony’s), Professor Michael Clarke (Director, International Policy Institute, KCL), Professor Humayun Ansari (Royal Holloway), Dr Sandra Bell (Director, HSRD RUSI), Dr David Wright-Neville (Monash University), Chris Pope (Canary Wharf Group), Dr Helen Szamuely (Pluscarden Programme), The Honorable Peter Jay (formerly UK Ambassador to Washington), Dr Roy Giles (Pluscarden Programme, conference co-ordinator), Suraj Lakhani (Researcher, HSRD RUSI) and Professor Michael Kaser (Emeritus Fellow, St Antony’s). The valediction was given by the Joint Directors, Dr Steve Tsang and Dr Sandra Bell.

Starting with Trinity Term 2007 the Programme also started to publish electronically on its webpage the text of selected lectures and other publications sponsored, supported or endorsed by the Programme.

The Alistair Horne Visiting Fellow

Dr Patrick O Cohrs, the Alistair Horne Fellow, spent this year working on a book on the 19th century’s “Pax Britannica” and the demise of the European international system before the First World War (for Cambridge University Press). While focusing on writing up the manuscript he drew on published sources available in the St Antony’s Library and also used his stay at Oxford to pursue further research, particularly in the Bodleian Library, the National Archive in Kew, and Cambridge. He was invited to present his work at the Machiavelli Center of the University of Florence. He also completed an article on ‘The Locarno Pact’ for *The Oxford Encyclopaedia of the Modern World* (Oxford University Press). In May, Dr Cohrs was appointed assistant professor of history and international relations at Yale University.

STUDENT ADMISSIONS**2006-2007**

BY CITIZENSHIP

Albania	1	Hong Kong	1	Russia	1
Argentina	3	Hungary	1	Saudi Arabia	1
Australia	3	India	1	Singapore	2
Austria	1	Iran	1	Slovakia	2
Belgium	1	Ireland	1	Slovenia	1
Bolivia	1	Israel	4	South Africa	3
Bosnia- Herzegovina	1	Italy	2	Spain	2
Brazil	1	Japan	5	Sweden	2
Canada	14	Kenya	3	Switzerland	1
Chile	1	Korea	3	Thailand	1
China	7	Liberia	1	Ukraine	1
Colombia	3	Mexico	6	United Kingdom	31
Croatia	1	Netherlands	5	United States	38
Denmark	1	Pakistan	2	Vietnam	1
Finland	2	Peru	3		
Germany	9	Poland	3		
Ghana	1	Portugal	1		
Greece	2	Romania	2	Grand total	185

BY SUBJECT	04/05	05/06	06/07
Classics	-	-	1
Development Studies			
MSc in Forced Migration	8	12	8
MSc in African Studies.....	-	17	11
MSc in Global Governance & Diplomacy	-	-	5
MPhil	-	-	10
Research Degrees.....	8	8	4
Economics			
MSc Economics for Development.....	2	23	6
MPhil.....	6	14	9
Research Degrees	1	2	4
Educational Studies			
MSc.....	1	1	-
Research Degrees	-	-	5
Geography			
MSc in Biodiversity.....	-	1	1
Research Degrees.....	-	1	-
International Relations			
MSc	-	2	
MPhil.....	5	11	15
Research Degrees.....	7	4	4
Latin American Studies			
MSc	5	16	6
MPhil.....	3	8	1
Law			
Research Degees.....	-	3	2
Modern History			
MSt	5	14	-
MSc	1	3	1
MPhil	-	3	1
Research Degrees	5	14	13
Oriental Studies			
MSt	3	7	4
MPhil	8	17	14
Research Degrees	4	5	9

Politics			
MSc in Politics Research.....	3	2	-
MPhil.....	9	12	-
Research Degrees	4	5	11
Russian & East European Studies			
MSc	-	-	5
MPhil.....	7	8	6
Social & Cultural Anthropology			
MSc	-	-	2
MPhil.....	-	-	3
Research Degrees	-	-	3
Social Policy & Social Work			
MSc	-	-	4
Research Degrees	-	-	2
Socio-Legal Studies			
MSt in Legal Research	-	-	1
Sociology			
MSc	-	-	1
MPhil.....	-	-	1
MLitt.....	-	-	1
Research Degrees	-	-	3

OBITUARIES

The College regrets to record the deaths of the following members notified during the period covered by this Record.

Ryszard Kapuscinsky, SAM 1986; **Robert Sartin**, Student 1956-57.

Alexander Paul A'Court Bergne, CBE (1937-2007) Senior Associate Member 1995-2007)

In his decade at the College, Paul Bergne put St Antony's on the map as a centre for the study of Central Asia. I first met Paul in 1996, shortly after he had ended his posting as first British ambassador to Uzbekistan and Tajikistan. No one could have been better suited to this pioneering and sensitive job. He showed impressive resourcefulness and good humour in having initially to run the embassy from a Tashkent hotel room. He had just the right mix of charm and toughness to press human rights issues with the local authorities while maintaining working relations with them.

Communication was one of Paul's strongest points, strengthened in no small measure by his formidable linguistic skills. He was fluent in Persian, Arabic, Russian, German and Modern Greek, and he also had a working knowledge of Uzbek, Turkish and Italian. But what really made Paul such an outstanding intelligence officer and diplomat was his understanding of the history and culture of the countries in which served. His knowledge ranged from architecture, archaeology, and art to history and politics. It was the breadth of his scholarly interest and the range of practical experience that made Paul such an effective force for developing the study of Central Asia at the College and, more widely, in the University. He set about this difficult task with typical good humour, charm and enthusiastic determination. In 2003 Paul, almost single-handedly, established The Oxford Society for the Caspian and Central Asia (TOSCCA) which brought together all those interested in the study of these regions. Under the joint auspices of TOSCCA and the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre, Paul ran a series of seminars on Central Asia and three major conferences, which with typical modesty he called workshops, on Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan. These were the first such conferences ever held in the UK and, in the case of Turkmenistan, the first in the West. Only Paul, with his range of contacts, could have assembled such an impressive cast of scholars and politicians from the region. With seemingly effortless organizational efficiency, he did everything from raising funds to arranging accommodation.

The conferences were high points of a wider and continuous flow of contributions Paul made to the development of Central Asian studies in the College and the University. He was incredibly generous with his time, offering special MPhil courses and giving guidance to students interested in the region. Most of them had no idea of the depth of scholarly knowledge and practical experience from which they were benefiting.

His qualities were well recognised at the highest levels, and in autumn 2001 Paul went to Afghanistan as the Prime Minister's personal representative, to liaise with the Northern

Alliance. It was just as well that London had Paul on the spot when, without informing the Northern Alliance, it despatched troops to Bagram airport. Without Paul's linguistic and diplomatic skills, the troop landing might well have triggered an armed clash. Paul was appointed CBE for his achievements in what turned out to be his last major mission. With typical integrity, Paul spoke publicly about the communication failures that had nearly brought about conflict. He was also one of a long list of former senior diplomats who later signed an open letter highly critical of Blair's policies in the Middle East.

For me, and for many who knew him at St Antony's, what was most impressive about Paul were his personal qualities. Having a conversation with Paul always made the day more agreeable. Quite apart from always having interesting things to say about what was going on in a wide arc of states, from Abu Dhabi to Afghanistan, he was a natural listener, able to make you feel you were telling him something new and fascinating. He got on with everyone so well because he combined sharp intellect with wisdom, modesty, empathy and human warmth. Paul was a highly gifted individual who carried his talents lightly, and in making his way through life enriched the lives of all around him.

I last saw Paul a week before he died. He had managed, with unwavering support from his wife Suzanne, to combat cancer for several years. He lay in bed in his large living room, surrounded by his collection of rugs and pictures, including several by his grandfather, the painter Holman Hunt. Paul was as engaging as ever, keen to catch up with the latest developments in Russia as well as St Antony's. In the midst of our conversation, the phone rang and he proceeded to conduct a complicated conversation in impressively fluent German. Paul hung up and treated me to a perceptive analysis of what was happening in Uzbekistan and Tajikistan. Despite his illness he managed to complete a major study of the early history of Tajikistan; *The Birth of Tajikistan: National Identity and the Origins of the Republic* was published posthumously, in May 2007. The book, together with his other scholarly writings, his teaching, broadcasting (he did a great deal with and for the BBC World Service) and of course his diplomatic work, will stand as an enduring contribution to our relations with and understanding of Central Asia. The task before the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre and TOSCCA is to build on the foundations Paul laid and ensure that Central Asian studies at St Antony's and Oxford continue to thrive and prosper.

Alex Pravda

Shardul Chaturvedi (died 2006) Student 1997-2002

Shardul Chaturvedi was brought up in Gwalior, India, and was an undergraduate at St Stephen's College in Delhi where he read History. He was deeply concerned by the revival of religious conflict in India and taught himself Urdu in order to study South Asian Islamic culture. He came to St Antony's in 1997 on a Felix Scholarship and, in 2002, took an MLitt, writing a dissertation on the history of Urdu literature. He was also a keen cricketer and pursued a secondary career in journalism. He always had interests in drama and the cinema and, on returning to India, moved to Mumbai in order to take up acting. His death is a very sad loss to his family.

David Washbrook

Daniel Chudnovsky, DPhil (died 2007) Student 1970-73

Daniel was my very first DPhil student, back in 1973. I had the privilege of ‘inheriting’ him from his supervisor, Paul Streeten, who was leaving Oxford, and I helped to put the final touches to an innovative and brilliant DPhil, which shaped much of his later thinking, in a career which saw him at UNCTAD during the years of dictatorship in Argentina, then eventually back home, founding a think tank, CENIT, teaching and researching. His death at age 62 from cancer was with little warning – just five months from diagnosis. He had been at College only a year earlier, giving his usual superb seminar to us all in the Latin American Centre.

His academic profile was distinguished. He published nine books and many articles. Much of his work was designed to reveal the inner working of multinationals and direct foreign investment: his constant critical approach and his respect for hard micro research led to significant contributions to the literature and to our understanding. But he always wanted more: he wanted his work to change the world. This was part of the significance of his creation of CENIT, a think tank that also took academic understanding out to engage with real problems. I saw him having huge impact in the way he worked through CENIT with Argentine business to help make the economic integration processes of Mercosur really work at the micro level.

He loved to come back to Oxford, which was for him a place of education and inspiration and true scholarly work, and also where he formed close friendships that were important to him throughout his life. One such friend, Andrew Glyn, writes of him as ‘a loyal, warm and kind friend’. “I have vivid memories of him striding up and down in my kitchen when he was a grad student, outraged about something somebody in the faculty had said or done..., of [his wife] Alicia trying to teach us how to do the tango..., and of how he stayed so passionate about politics and economics, always identifying himself with the left in some broad sense despite all the shifts in political centre of gravity in Argentina and worldwide.”

Andrew’s recall of that warmth, zest for life and deep progressive commitment will find echo with all his friends as it does with me.

It was a great joy to him to go back at age 55 to the university, to San Andres in Buenos Aires, and part of the joy, says his wife Alicia, was that it was a return to the academic life and values he had loved at Oxford. She describes him as a true ‘research person’ and a brilliant teacher, much loved by his students. The university’s recognition of him and his work after his death meant a great deal to her and to their daughter Marianne. From St Antony’s and from the Latin American Centre, we want to offer the same recognition and to share our affection and respect.

Rosemary Thorp

Silvia Coultas (née Gilpin) (died 2006) Student 1965-70

We were saddened to learn of the death of Sylvia Gilpin (as we knew her) on 18 June 2006. Sylvia came to St Antony’s having graduated from Sarah Lawrence College in the USA, in 1965. A lively and unfailingly cheerful member of the Junior Common Room,

she had a large circle of friends. She conducted research into the role of women in the development of new nations in Africa, and for her case study of women in Congo-Kinshasa she was awarded a BLitt. Our sympathy goes out to her family.

Tony Nicholls (Emeritus Fellow)

Professor Abu Imam, PhD (died 2007) Research Fellow 1966-69

Professor Abu Imam, a research fellow in Asian Studies at St Antony's 1966-69, passed away peacefully in his sleep on February 27th, 2007 at the age of 78. He has left behind a widow, three daughters and a grandson. He did his MA and PhD at SOAS in Indian archaeology. He subsequently became Head of the Department of Archaeology and History and Dean of the Faculty of Arts at Jahangirnagar University, Bangladesh. His influence was such that he has been referred to as 'the father of archaeology in Bangladesh'.

Professor Sir Hugh Kawharu (1927-2006) Senior Associate Member 1978

Professor Sir Hugh Kawharu, Chair of the Ngati Whatua o Orakei Maori Trust Board and an Emeritus Professor of the University of Auckland, died at his home in Auckland after a brief illness on 19 September 2006. He was a Foundation Professor (personal chair) in Social Anthropology and Maori Studies at Massey University from 1970 to 1984 and Professor of Maori Studies and Head of Department of the Anthropology Department at the University of Auckland from 1985 to 1993. Sir Hugh authored, edited and co-authored publications on Maori Land Tenure, The Treaty of Waitangi and Ethnicity.

Harold Lee (died 2006) Senior Associate Member 1990, Senior Visitor 1998

Harold Lee died of a heart attack on October 30 2006 while on an art history trip to Morocco. He trained as a medievalist but developed an interest in modern history, specifically of Britain and the British Empire, and of American agriculture. While attached to the College, he undertook further research for a joint biography of John and Henry Lawrence, with particular attention to their roles in the establishment of the Punjab School of British administration in India. This was published by OUP in 2002 as *Brothers in the Raj*. His earlier publications include a biography of Roswell Garst, the Iowa agricultural innovator who famously entertained Nikita Khrushchev at his farm in Coon Rapids during the latter's visit to the United States in 1959 (Iowa State University Press, 1984), and, with Marjorie Reeves and Giulio Silano, *Western Mediterranean Prophecy: The School of Joachim of Fiore and the Fourteenth Century "Breviloquium"* (Toronto: Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, 1989).

Ann Waswo

John MacDonald (died 2007) College Steward 1982-98

John MacDonald was appointed College Steward in 1982 having previously held a similar position at Brasenose. John was a private and retiring man who adopted a willing, albeit low key, approach to the role of Steward and as much of his work was unseen, it probably did not receive the appreciation it deserved. With the support of a very small and largely part-time staff his responsibilities included the day to day supervision of the Hilda Besse Building covering the Hall, Buttery Bar, Fellows' Dining Room and Common Rooms. However his great interest was the management of the Wine Cellar that, although during

his time, was small by Oxford College standards, nevertheless needed close attention due to the ever present threat of flooding and temperature fluctuations.

In term time John was responsible for the preparation and serving of High Table, but despite the wild fluctuations in the numbers dining, he somehow managed to conjure up casual staff in the face of keen competition from other Colleges. Although during most of his time in post the College was unable to take full advantage of the ever increasing demand for conference facilities enjoyed by the undergraduate Colleges, John did from time to time organise and oversee, with the Chef, a variety of non-residential events including private dinners for up to 200, wedding receptions, barmitzvahs and the like. His calm and laid back style appeared well suited on such occasions.

Distinguished College visitors during his time as Steward included two University Chancellors, Lords Macmillan and Jenkins, Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Mr Gorbachev, as well as many Ambassadors and senior politicians.

John did not enjoy the best of health but was rarely absent and undertook whatever was required of him without comment or complaint. He retired from College in 1998 and died in February 2007.

Squadron Leader John Sellers (former Domestic Bursar)

Iverach McDonald (1908-2006) Senior Associate Member 1973-2006

Twenty months short of his century, Iverach McDonald died peacefully in his sleep in the Scotland of which he was so notable a son. A faithful clansman – his favourite music was the pibroch played on the bagpipes – he could be further described both as a Yorkshireman, for he studied at Leeds Grammar School and his first substantive post was on The Yorkshire Post, and as a Russianist, for his concern with the then USSR began with an invitation to Moscow with a group of British journalists in 1932. Ample advance notice for that mission having been given, he took intensive tutorials in Russian from a Leeds University tutor. He revisited the USSR in 1936 and, as Harry Shukman wrote in The Times, Iverach was possibly unique as the surviving witness of an election meeting in the Bolshoi Theatre at which Stalin made an unscheduled appearance. Better than any tutorial, Iverach's recapitulation of Stalin's speech, with its rhetorical devices and sinister climax, gave successive generations of graduate students a graphic illustration of the dictator's devastating technique. His interest in the USSR was lifelong, and he was still buying books on Russia when he was 97.

He had joined The Times in 1935, and was for a year an assistant correspondent in Berlin; promoted Diplomatic Correspondent, he spent time in Prague during the period of Nazi pressure over Sudetenland and in Printing House Square contested the advocacy of appeasement by the Editor, Geoffrey Dawson. At the outbreak of the Second World War he was recruited as Captain into the Directorate of Military Intelligence, but after two years' service was returned to The Times, one of his first articles (May 1941) forecasting Hitler's invasion of the USSR two months later. Covering all six of the 'Big Four' conferences (San Francisco 1945 to Bermuda 1953), he became Foreign Editor in 1952 and Managing Editor from 1965 until his retirement in 1973. Then began a flow of publica-

tions, the autobiographical *A Man of the Times* (1976), the volume of *The History of The Times* covering 1939-66 (1984), substantively his period on the paper, and chapters in *Walter Lippmann and His Times* (1979).

He had married Gwendoline Brown in 1935: they had a son, Ian, now a senior official at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, and a daughter, Janet, married and living in Scotland. The couple chose Beckley, near Oxford, for retirement, and in 1973 the Fellows of the Russian Centre seized the opportunity to propose him for Senior Associate Membership. He thereafter regularly participated in the Monday evening Russian Seminar, often prefacing his illuminating pertinent comments with a 'When I was in Moscow...'. The large Beckley cottage afforded space for entertainment for friends and colleagues from London and from the Oxford region, among whom many from St Antony's. They were able to continue visiting when his physical frailty (contrasting with retained intellectual vigour) required a move into St Luke's Home. In June 2006, daughter Janet and her husband Jeremy flew him to the Strathallan Care Home in Stirling to be near them, but his well cared-for stay was truncated by his death on 14 December 2006. At his funeral on 27 December in St Modoc's Church, Duane, near Stirling, three of his granddaughters played a movement from a Bach concerto for violins and cello. A memorial service for Oxford friends took place on 14 April 2007, when his ashes were laid to rest next to Gwen's in Beckley Churchyard.

Michael Kaser and Harry Shukman (Emeritus Fellows)

The Hon John M. Roberts (1933-2007) Student 1960-63

Older members of the College will remember with affection and respect the Hon John Roberts, who died in Toronto on 31 March 2007. Born in Hamilton, Canada, on 28 November, 1933, Roberts studied political science at the University of Toronto and graduated with the Breuls Gold Medal in that subject. From 1960 to 1963 he worked for an Oxford doctorate in Politics at St Antony's under the supervision of Isaiah Berlin. He successfully completed a thesis comparing the views of the liberty of the individual held by J. S. Mill, T. H. Green and Wilhelm von Humboldt. In 1963 he joined the Canadian Foreign Service, working in Paris, the United Nations and Ottawa. He switched into Canadian Liberal politics and was elected to the Canadian federal parliament in the Trudeau landslide of 1968. Although he was to lose his seat in 1972, he bounced back when Liberal fortunes were on the rise. A strong supporter of Pierre Trudeau, he was an affective advocate when arguing the case for the patriation of the Canadian Constitution with British parliamentarians. He was appointed to a number of ministerial posts. The most important were Minister of Culture (with the title of Secretary of State for Canada), 1976-79, and Minister of Science and Technology and the Environment, 1980-1983. In the latter post he showed considerable vision and flair in stressing threats to the Canadian environment at a time when ecological issues were taken less seriously than they are now. He vigorously championed Canadian interests against pollution from the USA, claiming that acid rain from US sources was damaging Canadian lakes, rivers and fish. This brought him into conflict with the American government, a confrontation which he pursued with relish. His efforts laid the basis for the Acid Rain Treaty between the two countries that was eventually signed by a Conservative government after a Liberal defeat. When Trudeau resigned in 1984 Roberts was one of several candidates for the leadership of the Liberal Party, but

his campaign was unsuccessful. Having lost his seat in Parliament in September 1984, he effectively gave up active politics as a profession at the age of fifty-one. Instead he conducted research and lectured on Politics at Oxford (New College) and the Australian National University at Canberra, and at several Canadian Universities. In 1985 he published *Agenda for Change: Towards a New Liberalism*. In the 1990's his health deteriorated; he suffered from diabetes and heart problems. But early this year he completed a manuscript on the philosophy of Wilhelm von Humboldt, one of the political philosophers he had studied for his Oxford thesis over forty years earlier. On 31 March, after accompanying his stepdaughter to the theatre, he succumbed to a massive coronary attack.

One Canadian obituary describes him as 'an intellectual who was as charming as he was erudite'. Those of us who had the privilege of knowing him in St Antony's would endorse that judgment.

Tony Nicholls (Emeritus Fellow)

Richard Symonds (1918-2006) Senior Associate Member 1979-92

John Richard Charters Symonds was a Senior Associate Member of the College from 1979 to 1992. The son of a distinguished neurologist, he was born in Oxford on 2 October 1918, and educated at Rugby and Corpus Christi College, Oxford. He read History as an undergraduate and was active in the Oxford Union. In 1938 he accompanied a group of undergraduates, which included Edward Heath, on a fact-finding mission to Spain. A convinced pacifist, he joined the Friends Ambulance Unit (FAU) in 1939 and served with it during the 'Blitz' on London. The Unit then offered its services to the government of Bengal when Calcutta seemed likely to be a target for Japanese bombers. Symonds was appointed deputy leader of the group. A devastating cyclone proved even more serious a threat than the Japanese air force, and a famine ensued during which Symonds oversaw the FAU's relief work in a manner which gained the respect of the Bengal administration. After the war he worked for UNRRA in Austria, but when he heard of the violence accompanying the partition of India in 1947 he returned to serve with the Friends Service Unit there and monitored the treatment of minorities on either side of the new border. During a particularly dangerous visit to Western Kashmir he was stricken with typhoid fever. Gandhi, whom he already knew, insisted that he be looked after at Birla House in Delhi where the great man himself ministered to Symonds, and where he was visited by politicians of different kinds, all expressing deep sympathy. He remarked to Gandhi, "Now is surely the appropriate time for me to expire, for I shall never be so well regarded again". Instead, he recovered, and in 1948 joined the UN Commission for India and Pakistan, which was seeking a settlement of the Kashmir problem. His experiences provided material for his first book, *The Making of Pakistan* (1950).

In 1950 he was recruited to the UN's Technical Assistance Board, designed to help newly independent countries establish sound economic policies. During the next twelve years he served in Ceylon, Yugoslavia, Eastern and Southern Africa. After a period as a Senior Research Officer in Oxford's Institute of Commonwealth Studies, 1962-64, and as a Professorial Fellow at the Institute of Development Studies in the University of Sussex, 1966-69, he resumed his UN career in the Population Division, and then in the UN Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR). He continued his varied UN service by

working for the UN Development Programme, for which he was Resident Representative, first in Greece and then in Tunisia. Having become the Senior Adviser to the Development Programme, he retired from the UN in 1979, and came to live in Oxford. He was for thirteen years a Senior Associate Member of St Antony's, and remained closely attached to the College thereafter. In 1980 he married Ann Spokes, the former Conservative Lord Mayor of Oxford, and a noted writer on local history. He undertook consultancies for the WHO and the Commonwealth Foundation, but his main concern was writing and research. He was a Senior Research Associate at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies (Queen Elizabeth House) and was instrumental in setting up (within the Bodleian Library) the UN Careers Record Project, of which he became the Honorary Director in 1989. His own publication record was impressive for its breadth and quality. One major work was *Oxford and Empire, The Last Lost Cause* (1986). As well as books on United Nations' topics such as development and population, he wrote about the noteworthy figures of Corpus Christi College and Anglican saints. In 1999 he published *Inside the Citadel: Men and the Emancipation of Women*, an account of men who braved ridicule in the cause of women's rights, and in 2001 produced a volume of *Memoirs about his work in India and Pakistan: In the Margins of Independence*. He was always a respected contributor to discussions in the Commonwealth History Seminar at Oxford. A thoughtful, jovial and benevolent man, he is survived by his wife, Ann Spokes, and a son by a previous marriage. The College will miss him.

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