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 470 students and, at any time, more than 120 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 2008

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As I look back over my first year as Warden, my first thought is how fortunate I have been to take over my post at such an interesting and lively College with its distinguished Fellowship, outstanding students from all over the world, and, last but not least, its highly efficient administration. I am immensely indebted to my predecessors, most recently Sir Marrack Goulding and Professor Roger Goodman who have built such a strong institution. They have made my first months much easier than I expected. I am also fortunate in the senior staff: the Bursar, Allan Taylor; the Domestic Bursar, Peter Robinson; the Librarian, Rosamund Campbell; the Registrar, Margaret Couling; the Computing Manager, Ray Allen; the Accountant, Fiona Shickle; and the Development Director, Emma Tracy, and all those who report to them.

I have been impressed, as who could not be, by the range of academic activities at the College and the way in which our Fellows participate in the public discussion of issues of the day. Our seven centres, as their separate records show, mount lively programmes. The College, as it always has, reaches out to the wider world; we bring in speakers from other worlds such as government and business. In the past year, to pick out just a few examples from the fuller reports elsewhere, speakers have included Dora Bakoyannis, the Foreign Minister of Greece, José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Union Commission, Professor Shlomo Ben-Ami, the former Israeli foreign minister, and Sari Nusseibeh, the Palestinian philosopher. Our Fellows maintain a strong record of teaching, publishing and lecturing and continue to gather awards and honours. Again to take only a few examples, Paul Collier has been awarded the CBE and has won several prizes for his book, *The Bottom Billion*, including the Arthur Ross Gold Medal from the Council on Foreign Relations. Vivienne Shue, Director of the Contemporary China Studies Programme, has been elected a Fellow of the British Academy and Sir Adam Roberts, an Honorary Fellow, has been elected for a four-year term as its President. The University continues to show its appreciation of our Fellows by recruiting them for its own administration. Professor Roger Goodman is the new head of the Social Sciences Division and Professor Joe Foweraker is moving from the Latin American Centre to take up the leadership of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies. Dr Philip Robins has been elected as a Proctor.

Two of our Governing Body Fellows retired this year, both of them from the Latin American Centre. Rosemary Thorp has been University Reader in Economics since 1979 and has taught several generations of Latin American economists. Her pioneering work in Peru’s economic history has made a major contribution to our understanding of that country and has won her an international reputation. She has also devoted a great deal of time to Oxfam serving recently as the chair of its board of trustees. Malcolm Deas was elected University Lecturer in Politics and Government of Latin America in 1966 and was a founding member of the Centre for Latin American Studies. He too has taught generations of Latin American scholars. He is one of the world’s leading experts on the history and politics of Colombia and has been awarded that country’s highest civilian honour, the Cruz de Boyaca, as well as the OBE. David Washbrook, the Reader in South Asian
Studies, has not retired but has moved to Cambridge to become a Senior Research Fellow at Trinity College. We are pleased that he is maintaining his connection with the College as a Visiting Fellow.

In the past year, two new Fellows joined Governing Body, Sho Konishi, a member of the Nissan Centre for Japanese Studies, is the University Lecturer in Modern Japanese History. He did his doctorate at the University of Chicago and his areas of interest are cultural, intellectual and transnational history. Rachel Murphy is University Lecturer in the Sociology of China. She did her doctorate at Cambridge and works on the sociology of China with a particular interest in population and development. Governing Body also elected a new Honorary Fellow, Sir James Craig, a distinguished Arabist and a leading expert on the Middle East.

I am sad to report the loss of one of our Emeritus Fellows, Geoffrey Lewis, who died in February 2008. A distinguished scholar of Turkish and modern Turkey, Professor Lewis was a Research Fellow at St Antony’s from 1961 to 1965 and a Governing Body Fellow from 1965 to 1987. You will find his obituary later in the Record.

Students
In the autumn of 2007, we admitted 188 new students with significant numbers specialising in politics, economics, development studies, and area and regional studies. Over a third are going directly into DPhil programmes and over a quarter are doing two-year MPhils. As is appropriate for such an international college, they come from 53 different countries from Australia to Zimbabwe. The students ran a very effective Welcome Week at the start of Michaelmas Term and put on a full programme of social, sporting and other events during the year which help to build a strong community spirit. The JCR has provided a fuller account of its activities below.

Administration
There have been a number of changes both in the personnel and the organization of the College administration. Dr Philip Robins has been succeeded as Senior Tutor by Dr Nandini Goopu. Dr David Johnson continues as Dean and Tutor for Admissions and has handled both the routine and special demands of his post with great efficiency. Dr Mark Rebick has completed a two-year term on the Management Executive Team as the Governing Body Delegate for Finance and will be succeeded by Dr Carol Leonard. Professor Paul Collier has completed his term as Sub-Warden and will be succeeded by Professor Avi Shlaim. My thanks to all who are stepping down for their invaluable service in these important posts.

Finances
While the College’s finances remain something we watch carefully, the picture is better than in the past. We hope to end the 2007/8 financial year with a slight surplus and in 2008/9 we expect to benefit from the settlement which has finally been reached between the University and the Conference of Colleges on the new formula for distributing government funding. The Collegiate Funding Formula, as it is known, continues to provide support for undergraduate education but it now recognizes and provides incentives for graduate teaching and research.

In addition we have had a number of successes in fundraising. The College now has a full-time Development Director and I am devoting a considerable amount of my time to fundraising. We are working to increase both the amount of the Annual Fund and the number of its donors. In the past year we have received several large donations for specific purposes. These include scholarships from the Nona and William Heaslip Foundation worth up to £25,000 per year for a student from my old institution, Trinity College, to study at St Antony’s and from Joseph Sasson to support a DPhil student; the Centre for Lebanese Studies are supporting a Visiting Fellow and we have received an endowment for a Fellowship which will be awarded annually in memory of Sir Siegmund Warburg to an intellectual of distinction whose specialisation or academic research is in one of the College’s areas of interest. Lady Iona Wright, widow of Sir Dennis Wright, former Honorary Fellow, remembered the College in her will, adding to Sir Dennis’ generous bequest. Our Centres have also attracted funds to support their work: CVC Partners have donated £25,000 to the new Russian Library; the Centre for the Study of African Economies has received a grant of £100,000 from the Oppenheimer Foundation. The Middle East Centre held a successful fundraising campaign in connection with its Gaudy and established two new scholarships: the Hournani scholarship and the Hadid scholarship; and the MELCOM project received a grant of £5,000 from BP for a library conference.

Building projects
The College has an overall master plan to enhance its amenities and to build within its curtilage. At present, we are renovating and restoring the Russian and Eurasian Studies Library which, when it is completed in Michaelmas Term 2008, will provide much needed space for its collection and for study and seminars. The new Middle East Centre building, designed by the world-famous architect Zaha Hadid, is wending its way, so far with success, through the Oxford planning process. Governing Body has recently approved the designs for two new Gateway Buildings along the Woodstock Road frontage and their planning process is underway. When completed, the Gateway Buildings will provide office and student accommodation space and will help to create a new quadrangle and a more dignified entrance to the College than the present one.

University
The University has launched a major fundraising campaign with a target of £1.25 billion. The College has been working closely with the University to identify collaborative projects and potential sources of funding. One issue which has proved contentious from time to time is how to determine who has the right to approach potential donors first. As a guideline, each College manages development communications for its own graduates, and the University Development Office leads on approaches to non-matriculated potential donors; but it is less clear when it comes to people who have been associated with the College in other capacities. St Antony’s is unusual among the colleges in that it has a significant number of Senior Associate Members, Visiting Fellows or simply those who take an interest in the work we do here and we would like the opportunity to approach some of these before the University does. The protocols remain to be worked out in detail although relations between the College and the University remain generally good and amicable.

The replacement for John Hood, the Vice-Chancellor, has been announced. Professor Andrew Hamilton, currently the Provost of Yale University, will take up his position in
College Affairs

From the Bursar

2009. Reaction to the news of his appointment has generally been enthusiastic across the University. Two other developments may also affect the College. Work is starting on the Radcliffe Infirmary site (now renamed, not entirely to everyone’s satisfaction, the Radcliffe Observatory Quarter) and the first buildings scheduled are for the Humanities Division. The move of Humanities to the site will, we hope, benefit the College by bringing faculty and students working in areas of interest to us closer. The Humanities Division is also proposing a centre of Advanced Study for visiting scholars. For the time being, the College’s reaction is undecided since such a centre could act as a complement or as competition to our own activities. I and the heads of several of the other North Oxford Colleges have started to meet as a group to discuss these and other matters of common interest.

If I can sum up my feelings at the end of what has been for me a year full of events, meetings, and simply learning the job, they are relief that I am still standing and that my liver is still intact and gratitude that I am part of such a marvellous place and have such very good and helpful colleagues.

Margaret MacMillan

From the Bursar

To many people Oxford colleges are a symbol of continuity. They do not expect them to change. However in the last academic year St Antony’s experienced a major change; as I warned in my last report it was the end of an era. I am referring, of course, to Jill Flitter’s retirement. Jill joined the College in June 1986 so was College Secretary for over 21 years. Known to students as Mrs Flitter, many of them have told me with gratitude of the understanding with which she helped them with the difficulties of life at Oxford. She had an encyclopaedic knowledge of students and if I mentioned a name she could give me a very useful résumé of that student’s career without the need to consult their file. Jill made a major contribution to the College over many years. We are very grateful to her for that and wish her well in what is clearly going to be a very busy retirement.

As you would expect a lot of thought and consultation went into deciding how we should replace Jill. We decided to establish an integrated office responsible for Senior Members, students and general administration with a structure that would give students a ‘one-stop shop’ and maximum availability of help. We created a new post of College Registrar to manage this office and were very fortunate to recruit Margaret Couling who used to work in student admissions at the LSE. We also recruited Rachael Scalf who joined Gillian Crook as an Assistant College Registrar. These three are supported by three part-time administrators: Julie Irving, the daughter of Mike Dean our last but one Head Porter, who deals with Senior Members, Grace Sewell who looks after Governing Body and Management Executive Team papers and Mary West who does general and student administration. These changes were cost neutral.

Jill was not the only member of staff to leave during the last year. Janet Pearson, whose last position was Senior Members’ Administrator but who also worked at the European Studies Centre and the Library during her time with the College, left in October. Graham Jowett, the College Accountant, left in February to take up a similar post at Worcester College. Also in the Accounts Office, Joan Yardy retired after fourteen years. In the Library, Hilary Maddicott retired after over 17 years although we still frequently see her as she is working on a special project cataloguing Sir William Deakin’s books which have been given to the College. In the Domestic Bursary, Sam Walker and José Gomes left the Kitchen and Glyn Bounden left Housekeeping. Finally, Ken Wilkinson left the Lodge after more than ten years, the first porter to leave in nearly seven years. We thank them all for their contribution to the College and wish them well.

Another area of change is the College site. Work is now well under way on refurbishing the Russian Library. We are discovering the hard way that such a project can be a lot more difficult than a new build on a self-contained site and are very grateful to Fellows, staff and students for their tolerance of the disruption. The improvement in facilities will make all the difficulties seem worthwhile. In addition we have during the year applied for planning permission for the extension to the Middle East Centre designed by Zaha Hadid. Finally, Governing Body has agreed that we should apply for planning permission for two buildings on the Woodstock Road frontage. These will include a Porters’ Lodge, 54 student bedrooms, administrative offices, a meeting room and a Senior Members’ workroom. This project will make a significant difference to the College community by increasing the number of students living on site. It will also ensure that what we can offer to applicants is competitive with other colleges despite the considerable investment in graduate facilities being made by many undergraduate colleges.

The financial results for the year ended 31 July 2007 were good. The surplus shown by our published accounts was £301,000. It was the fifth successive year in which we have shown a surplus. It was heartening that we managed to achieve our objective of increasing maintenance expenditure by a much needed further 20%, an increase in the year of £51,000. The results were good because expenditure was well controlled and the permitted withdrawal from the General Endowment increased because of market movements.

Since then, however, we have moved into a more difficult financial environment. Markets showed the first signs of increased volatility and declining values not long before July 2007; since then volatility and reduced values have become well established features. In addition we are facing increasing levels of inflation for employment costs, energy, food and maintenance. For example University pay awards and pension contribution increases mean that the employment costs of most staff will increase by more than 9% in 2008/9 compared to 2007/8. None of our income is increasing at that rate. As a result at best we expect to break even in 2008/9.

I would also like to thank the students for their contribution to the College. The JCR, now under Bryony Green’s leadership, does an enormous amount for our community particularly during Welcome Week. The activities which they organise not just then but throughout the year, their support of the College and their ideas are all much appreciated.

Allan Taylor
The Junior Common Room

The cause for most vocal celebration this year for the St Antony’s JCR has been our first-ever victory of the MCR football League this year. We started the season as relegation battlers, but managed an unbeaten run of games that secured us the league title in the very last match. While we have a sterling reputation in the social and cultural spheres, our all-graduate college is not really renowned for sporting achievements, which made our victory even sweeter. Beyond the achievement itself, the victory awarded new students (both players and the amazing supporters) a sense of belonging to the college and amazing team memories. The rowing, as usual, provided similar entertainment. As in past years, the college was successful at Torpids. The Men’s First VIII won blades, bumping five times in four days, moving up a division (now number 8 in Division 4). The Men’s Second VIII boat bumped twice (now number 7 in Division 6). The Women’s First VIII bumped three out of the four days (now number 3 in Division 3).

Fostering the intellectual community in the College is also of key importance to the JCR. We have tried to achieve this by organising informal lunches that bring together Fellows and students to discuss interesting topics related to academic subjects. The JCR has hosted a number of faculty lunches where Warden Margaret MacMillan shared her thoughts on the challenges faced by women in academia and Professor Archie Brown discussed Soviet-British relations, the history of Sovietology at St Antony’s, and the role played by St Antony’s and its Fellows at the end of the Cold War. STAIR (The St Antony’s International Review) also continued to enhance the intellectual life of the college releasing another two issues: ‘Religion and World Order’ and ‘The Politics of Human Trafficking’, making it six editions of the journal in total.

A new initiative we are proud to announce is the establishment of the St Antony’s Women’s Committee, which offers a lively space for women to interact, socialise and dialogue on a range of diverse issues. While in its infancy, this committee is already highly active, with programmes planned throughout the term. Another pioneering project is our new Fellows Drinking Plan (what a great name!), which offers a limited number of small subsidies to students who wish to take a Fellow out for coffee or a pint. Through this small gesture, we hope to offer a more convivial context for one-on-one conversations between graduates and Fellows, thus creating a greater sense of community between all members of St Antony’s. Not so new, but equally community-building, are our writing tutorials. The writing service, which was established in 2003, continued unabated. The tutors provide an especially valuable service to the College’s large population of second- or third-language English speakers who may need assistance to improve their prose, and find being able to support their peers in this way very rewarding.

An enduring feature of St Antony’s is our seemingly innate ability as a college to create great reasons to play hard as we work hard. We have had an action-packed social year with popular events varying from potluck dinners to poker evenings, karaoke idols to salsa nights, football in London to formal dinners. And, of course, our legendary bops live on. The Australian Bop earlier this Hilary term proved particularly successful for both the Australians (who left the party less clad than they had arrived), and the rest of us (who left with wonderful Facebook blackmail material!)

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not to shake the dust of the library from her feet altogether, and so we were delighted to have her return in January to work part-time on the Sir William Deakin bequest. Her extensive knowledge of the existing collections and her cataloguing expertise have proved invaluable in this project.

In the spring we were hosts to a conference of sixty librarians from Oxford and Cambridge colleges, the first ever held. The occasion went off nicely and St Antony’s was properly complimented on its library, conference facilities and catering. It was all accounted such a success that Cambridge will host a return match next year. The retroconversion of the pre-1990 catalogue holdings has continued through the year; the records for all the Reading Room loan collections are now online and work is now being concentrated on the stack holdings.

We are very grateful for donations received during the past year, including gifts from: Dr M Badawi; J Brunstedt; Lady Bullard; Dr M Butora; Professor J Caplan; Dr L Carter; Catholic University of Lublin; R Chenciner; Dr G Cheung; Dr J Clifton; Geneva Centre for Security Policy; Sir Marrack Goulding; Professor K Hardach; Dr M Hauner; Professor WR Louis; Iveracch Macdonald bequest; Dr S Mennell; Nuffield College Library; Oxford Institute for Energy Studies; Professor R Pommerin; Program in Intrastate Conflict; Professor V Rittberger; the Ryhajlo family; Professor R Service; Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University; Dr D Spilker; Professor M Szöllösi-Janze; Dr S Tsang; EB Weaver; Dr J Wright; Dr I Yi.

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. 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, Jan Zielonka and Rosemary Foot. The Warden joined us for the annual meeting. This was not well attended but included an interesting discussion about the possibility of commissioning a series of interdisciplinary edited books on different regions in which St Antony’s fellows have expertise.

Michael Strang is now handling the series at Palgrave/Macmillan.

We continue to have a good rate of submissions, mostly dealing with recent history and politics. About twelve proposals have been considered since last year, and about six are likely to go through to the contract stage. We are also hoping to publish paperbacks of a couple of those which have sold well.

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.

Books recently published, in the press or contracted include:

- Clogg: Bearing Gifts to Greeks
- Lankina et al: Local Governance in Central and Eastern Europe
- Bernini: Family Life and Individual Welfare in Postwar Europe
- Tzanakis: Women and Nationalism in the Making of Modern Greece
- Belopolsky: Russian Relations with Challenger States
- Anastasakis and Koppa: Democratization in the Balkans
- Bunse: Smaller States and EU Governance
- Thorun: Russian Foreign Policy and Changing Attitudes to the West
- Golani: End of the British Mandate in Palestine
- Marquand: Development Aid in Siberia
- Li Chen Sim: Rise and Fall of Privatization in the Russian Oil Industry
- Rangsimapor: Russia as Aspiring Great Power in East Asia
- Milner: Refugees, the State and the Politics of Asylum in Africa
- Myburgh: Thabo Mbeki and the ANC in South Africa
- Otkem, Kerslake and Robins: Turkey's Engagement with Modernity
- Lidstrom and Loughlin: Territorial Governance in Europe

William Beinart (General Editor)
Mr Malcolm Deas’ farewell speech given at the Governing Body dinner on 16 June 2008

My departing speech at dinner on 16 June was delivered from notes. This is what I recollect saying:

A speech?

Last week at the Latin American Centre I thought it better to offer a poem, so I have looked for another, and I thought I had found one with this:

“"It is Christmas Day in the Workhouse
And the cold bare walls are bright
With garlands of green and holly
And the place is a pleasant sight:
For with clean-washed hands and faces,
In a long and hungry line
The paupers sit at the tables
For this is the hour they dine –

And the guardians and their ladies
Although the wind is east,
Have come in their furs and wrappers
To watch their charges feast …”

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So far, so good, very apt; alas, then it drifts off the point. Still, it does for a start, it sets the mood …

Forty-two years I have been here, man and boy, which in a ten minute speech means fifteen seconds per year. Under five Wardens - that means a maximum two minutes per Warden. But then there are eleven Bursars of one sort or another, which would mean if I just concentrated on them, less than a minute per Bursar. Work it out! And then there are the Fellows, scores of them, and then the University … No time at all for them, or for that?

Best get on, start with Wardens. They are all over town, lots of them when you come to think about it. Our own, relatively austere, don’t cost all that much, so perhaps it was a bit unfair what came to me in the still watches of the night, when thinking about what to say on this occasion, which is the sort of thing one thinks about in the watches of the night…

An adaptable trope from David Lloyd George kept coming into my mind. He was referring to Dukes, but my version would go: “A fully-equipped Warden costs as much as a Dreadnought…” He compared the two expenditures for the purposes of the defence of the realm, to the disadvantage of Dukes. Of course, apart from a passing mania for re-decorating bathrooms, our Wardens have not cost so much, but the naval analogy still pursued me… I thought of the Dreadnoughts at Jutland, and as the fantasy took hold I cast myself as Admiral Beatty, directing the battle and dismayed and frustrated by their erratic gunnery: “Something wrong with our bloody ships today”, he was heard to mutter. On a number of occasions, I thought, thinking of Wardens, had I not been tempted to mutter something similar …

Perhaps I was hasty in the heat of the engagement. So, all is forgiven, the College is still afloat.

On to Bursars. I have made a long study of them. My first encounter with the Bursar of St Antony’s was indeed traumatic.

In 1966 I arrived at St Antony’s from All Souls College. There one could lead a life of luxury. One could lift the telephone in one’s room - a heavy black telephone, with proper braided cord, of the sort you don’t see nowadays - and order up a dozen claret or burgundy, and the wine would be brought by a scout in black jacket and pinstripe trousers, in one of those special baskets, and one did not even have to sign a chit. The system had its costs of course, and every couple of decades a manciple or steward might have to serve a term for embezzlement, but then everything has its costs … Then there was tea, choice of China or Indian, and fruitcake, and the Warden going round the place determined to see that the Fellows did as little work as possible, and the vast expenditure on maintenance, and the beauty of the place … But All Souls did not pay.

The Bursar of St Antony’s showed me to my room. It was at the back of a house leased by the College in Canterbury Road, and had been a butler’s pantry, or a place for cleaning boots. It was long, narrow and dark, lit only by a barred window high up on its northern wall. The carpet, in bursarial mud-green, was scarred by the cigarette burns left by a previous occupant. Deferential though I then was towards Bursars, I was shocked enough to summon up the courage to ask “Is there nothing available better than this?” “No,” he replied, “You’ll have to have it. It’s not good enough for a student.”

(Here I passed around the accompanying Cruikshank illustration of Fagin in the Condemned Cell, which captures both my feelings and my surroundings at that time.)

No wonder I took to the study of Bursars. Again, thinking at night of what to do in retirement, an idea of niche publishing came to me. There are a good many Bursars in the land, and there is no current series of attractive titles that might appeal to the reading men among them. I have come up with a few:

- A Field Guide to British Bursars
- 101 Things a Bursar Can Do
- The Dangerous Book for Bursars

Then, perhaps to be co-authored with Gary Kasparov, a book on gambits and smart moves for defeating bursars in the three-dimensional chess games that one has in the past had to play to get them into check.

Not with the present team, naturally, I hasten to say. But in the past, response has sometimes been slow.

Once a disoriented pigeon shattered the glass in a large window in our of
tice in Church Walk. We reported the damage. Days passed into weeks, and weeks into months, summer gave way to autumn, autumn turned to winter, the wind blew cold, message after message received no answer. A sort of forlorn hope was mounted to find out what was going on, and a source finally let us know that the Domestic Bursar was waiting for some more windows to be broken to make the glazier’s visit worthwhile, or perhaps for the College to get a discount.

Enough of bursars.

The University:

I was Senior Proctor in 1986-1987, and as the whirligig of time has brought the office round again to St Antony’s, I offer some reminiscences.

It was a chance to see some of the inner workings of the University, and I suppose at the end of it I understood some of them, certainly a good deal more than I do nowadays, when it requires an entire sabbatical devoted to their study to begin to grasp what is going on.

Then meetings of Council opened with the famous prayer, beginning “Prevent us O Lord in all our doings …” The year after I ceased proctoring the saying of the prayer was suppressed by some reckless modernizer, and we all know what has happened since. Truly, God is not mocked.

Soon one heard the word governance, never previously used by any sane person, spoken without irony by colleagues one had previously regarded as perfectly normal. Previously, lots of things had been quietly stitched up by more or less identifiable coteries. Now, algebraical formulae are devised by economists, which produce impractical results, which are then fudged by more or less identifiable coteries …

All that will be familiar to you.

I did get a chance to observe some of the big men and women on campus. I remember certain persons who were on many committees, but who never spoke and seemed not to have any effect on the business at all. Why were they there? Were they deeply unhappy at home, or wanted by the bailiffs, or the police? Gradually I realized the truth: they were there on those committees to keep other people off them.

Then there were one or two grandees, successful University figures, who always made forceful interventions on the winning side. How did they do it? They spoke after the matter had been decided. Rumour had it that one of them had once found himself in the position of having to make as Chairman of some body or other a casting vote: it was too much for him, and he had burst into tears.

I remember two defeats. I tried to get the University to buy the freehold, then going cheap, of what is now Freud’s Café in Walton Street, a noble building on a corner of the Radcliffe Infirmary site. No, I was told, “wiser heads” – they still dared then to use that expression in the University Offices – thought it was not a good idea.

Then Harold Macmillan died, who had been to the end of his days a perfect stylish Chancellor of the University. I wrote a memo suggesting that the way to commemorate him was to appeal for a scholarship fund that would cover those parts of the world not favoured by the Rhodes Trust. Wiser heads again, and they decided that a statue of him would be put up in the middle of the garden in Wellington Square. A sizeable sum was raised to pay for it. Have a look there, next time you pass by …

Back to St Antony’s.

I found as I visited other Colleges that I did not feel at home in them. I found I missed the old place. This was not for its penchant for squalor, its total lack of any collective aesthetic sense - Colleges, like ships, are somehow frozen in the date of their launch, and St Antony’s has the misfortune of having been born in 1948, not a good year. I missed its lack of pomposity and self-importance, and the presence of numerous foreigners – Colleges full of English people seemed to me unnatural.

For all its faults I like it still.

Faults?

As a conservative, perhaps I should not complain that it is the last un-globalized spot on the face of the earth, all its Fellows shut up in their dark centres making Nescafe. I dream
sometimes of setting them free, of leading them out into the sunshine like the prisoners in Fidelio …

Then there is its threatened essence.

One Warden came to see me with a notebook and asked me earnestly, “What is St Anthony’s about?” “Well, chum,” I thought, “It’s a bit late for you to ask seeing you’ve already been elected,” but then I thought I should help him out, so I said, “It’s easy really: it’s for studying ‘abroad’, but studying abroad as if abroad was here,” by which I meant with the full range and depth, language, history, culture, complexity …

Is that still the case?

Once I hit on a binary truth about libraries: there are libraries where the librarians look after the books, and there are libraries where the books look after the librarians. Recently I have thought you can divide scholars of our sort in a similar way: there are those that think that academic disciplines exist to help the understanding of countries, and others who think that countries exist for the advancement of academic disciplines. I put myself in the first category. I sometimes feel now part of a threatened minority.

And there is passivity in the air, vis-a-vis the outside powers.

During a recent spell as Director of the Latin American Centre, the rising tide of demands brought me two absurdities.

The first was an instruction from the University that I should prepare a detailed risk assessment: what specific threats did I see on the horizon? That looked easy enough, and I was about to fill in the questionnaire by writing ‘Oxford University’ when a trusted colleague stayed my hand …

The second was a demand that I prepare a contingency plan for an epidemic of Avian Flu.

Amid the incessant demands for templates and paper-trails, the daily invention of deadlines, one hears too frequently the plaintive excuse that the tormentor is only obeying orders.

So I say to you all: “Resist!”

Remember this saying of Chamfort: “The feeble are the light infantry of the army of the wicked. They do more harm than the army itself. They spread contagion. They lay waste the land.”

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When I came to the College in 1966, it was run by a small group, and it was about to put up an expensive experimental building, in a fit of absence of mind.

I leave the College in 2008, it is run by a small group, about to put up an expensive experimental building, in a fit of …

Well, it makes you think. The very best of luck to you all.

Malcolm Deas

Mrs Rosemary Thorp’s farewell speech given at the Governing Body dinner on 16 June 2008

My first memory of College fellows is of being given advice – in fact the best gender career advice I was ever given, and it came from someone who subsequently became a rather controversial figure in the College – Teddy Jackson – so I’m happy to record how important he was for me. When I first started as a junior research officer in the Institute of Statistics, of which he was the Director, he said in his gruff way: “No, don’t work on India. There’s lots of people … centres. “If you get going now, Oxford will improve its chances of getting a Centre and you’ll be the only person qualified for the economics job.”

In 1971 I came back from Berkeley and got my present post, the very post Teddy had predicted for me. I wasn’t quite the only person qualified, but almost. At that time I had no College affiliation. There was an entirely male Governing Body once Elizabeth Munroe retired in 1972. (I never knew her but the Warden did and she should speak about her some time.) There was a freeze on … Carr, the then Warden. He called me and said I could have a fellowship, on condition I NEVER asked for a room in College!

I was the only woman for a time, but then things began to move. We were three with Ann Waswo and Jennie Corbett, then came Susan McRae, never a GB fellow but this never stopped her stirring things. I’m sure it was she who stirred us to create the ‘Revolutionary Feminist Collective’, otherwise known as the ‘Bathtub Ring’, so nicely celebrated by Ann last year at this same event. It was a coming together of women in the College for friendship and good food. I cherish the memory as an early experience of solidarity – fun and supportive. So for laughter and support, I toast especially my female colleagues.

I would like to make three rather more serious points. One: these kinds of informal
getting together have been important in binding the College together – I think also of Robert Mabro’s dining club which ran for a few years. Such things go across the centres and let us get to know each other, and this has huge benefits when we have to take difficult decisions, or sort out yet another ‘Vision statement’. I hope they will always continue in new forms.

Second, I want to thank you for support to Area Studies over the years. Going right back to Teddy Jackson and Raymond Carr, the College did see that that was where the future of the College lay, and it has been hugely important to Area Studies – certainly to the Latin American Centre. As we remind you endlessly, we were first a College centre and only later a University centre. The ‘60s were boom years, then there was a long lean time. Now for sad reasons Area Studies are back in fashion, but it was that long steady support that enabled us to respond when Donald Hay was worrying about what would happen to interdisciplinarity with the new divisional structure and when he wanted to think through the idea of an area studies department. It, of course, has enabled us as a College to provide the first three heads of the new School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies. This support has not only been important for Area Studies; it has also, I think, paid huge dividends for the College. It gives life to our function as a host to our graduate students, it gives us credit for a whole raft of high quality exercises in scholarship. My international colleagues don’t know the difference between St Antony’s and the Latin American Centre.

Third and last, I have appreciated your good sense in supporting us in non-academic activities. When I had to approach the College for part-time leave to be chair of Oxfam, I quite expected a certain lack of enthusiasm, as it would clearly, and did indeed, take me out of College affairs rather completely – but I got only support. Whether it’s Malcolm negotiating with guerrillas in Colombia, or me in Oxfam, or you in all the myriad important things you do because you are academics but beyond your role as academics – I think the College’s whole-hearted backing has been terribly intelligent.

But such activities also run the risk of fragmenting us even more – so my final wish for you, in addition to many thanks for thirty most enjoyable years, is a multiplicity of informal gatherings, even if not ‘bathtub rings’.

Rosemary Thorp

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 2008. 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)
- Professor Charles (Knock) Harley (European Studies)
- Dr Carol Leonard (Russian and Eurasian Studies)
- Dr Marcus Rebick (Asian Studies)
- Dr Diego Sanchez-Ancochea (Latin American Studies)

**History**
- Professor William Beinart (African Studies)
- Professor Jane Caplan (European Studies)
- Professor Timothy Garton Ash (European Studies)
- Dr Nandini Goopu (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)
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. St Antony’s has one of the largest concentrations of doctoral students working on Africa in the University. The expansion of masters programmes in fields such as African Studies, 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.

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. Admissions increased to 30 in 2006-7 and 42 in 2007-8. This new influx of students, of whom about 10 have been attached to St Antony’s annually, has further enlivened the African Studies community, and has helped to underpin the Centre’s financial health.

2007-8 was another exciting year for the Centre. The rapidity of the Centre’s growth, however, created accommodation problems at St Antony’s and, as space could not be found by the College, the Centre moved to a University building at 92 Woodstock Rd. This move has diminished the links between the Centre and the College, particularly as more members of the Centre staff are attached to other Colleges. The emergence of SIAS is greatly enhancing the University’s strength in various Area Studies, but inevitably resulting in a wider set of College links and diluting St Antony’s pre-eminence in these fields.

The Centre employed six core staff: Professor David Anderson, Director of the Centre, a Fellow of St Cross, and Professor of African Politics; Professor William Beinart, Fellow of St Antony’s, Rhodes Professor of Race Relations, and Chair of SIAS for some of the year; Dr David Pratten, the Atiku Abubakar Fellow at St Antony’s and University Lecturer in African Anthropology; Dr Nic Cheeseman, newly appointed University lecturer in African Politics (Jesus); and Drs Helene Neveu-Kringlebach, and Ami Shah, temporary Departmental Lecturers in African Studies. In addition, a number of Research Fellows were attached to the Centre and some also to St Antony’s. These include Dr Kate Meagher.
holding a British Academy Research Fellowship, Dr Christopher Low holding an ESRC Post-Doctoral research grant, Professor David Turton and others working on an AHRC-funded environmental history project on Ethiopia (with David Anderson), and Dr Hugh Macmillan, working on the South African ANC in Zambia (with William Beinart). We now have two administrators: Wanja Knighton, temporarily replaced by Rosaline Monk, while she is on maternity leave, and Sabrina Souza.

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. Professor Terence Ranger and Mr Tony Kirk-Greene, Emeritus Fellows, continued to participate in the Centre’s activities. The teaching and supervisory staff on the MSc programme has expanded along with student numbers. In addition to those mentioned, valuable support came from Dr Sloan Mahone (Wellcome Unit and St Cross), Dr Jocelyn Alexander (QEH and Linacre), Dr Karen Brown (Wellcome Unit and Green), Dr Jan-Georg Deuchl (History and St Cross), Dr Patricia Daley (Geography and Jesus), Dr Neil Carrier (Wellcome Unit), Dr Ben Knighton (Oxford Centre for Mission Studies), Dr Tony Lemon (Geography and Mansfield), and Dr Phil Clarke (Socio-legal Studies).

Mr John Githongo renewed his affiliation with the Centre, and with St Antony’s, throughout the year. Drs Mucha Musemwa and Jonny Steinberg, both from South Africa, spent extended periods at the Centre, and gave the annual African Studies lecture. All of them made a valuable contribution to our seminars and teaching programme. Dr Alex Duncan, Senior Associate Member at St Antony’s, has continued his affiliation with the Centre, as has Dr Deborah Bryceson. Associates this year included Dr Dan Branch, on leave from the University of Exeter, Dr Emma Hunter, who recently completed her doctorate at Cambridge on Tanzanian history, and Dr Chima Korich, working on Nigeria in the colonial period.

The weekly research seminar at St Antony’s was convened sequentially in the three terms by William Beinart, David Anderson and David Pratten. In Michaelmas there were particularly large audiences for papers by Tom Lodge and Elleke Boehmer, both biographers of Mandela, and for a workshop on Zimbabwe, including talks by Terence Ranger, Miles Tendi and William Gumede. Alfred Zack-Williams, currently President of the African Studies Association of the United Kingdom, presented the final seminar. The Hilary programme was launched with an exceptionally well-attended workshop on Kenya, followed by papers from some new University appointees – Nic Cheeseman, and Ricardo Soares de Oliveira. In Trinity, David Pratten staged two important workshops, one on Print Culture in West Africa, and one highlighting new research on Nigeria. The Ninth Annual Researching Africa Day, convened by Julia Jonsson and Justin Pearce, attracted over 60 doctoral researchers and masters students. The annual British-Zimbabwe research meeting was again held in St Antony’s at the end of Trinity Term, with support from the Centre.

The ORISHA scholarship, open to all students studying Africa, was held by Justin Pearce, working on conflict and peace-making in Angola. The Callaway prize for the best writing on Africa was won by Miles Tendi (on Zimbabwe) in 2007 and Adam Higazu (on Nigeria) in 2008. The Kirkwood award went to Julian Brown and Miles Tendi. The Kirk-Greene prize for the best performance in the MSc, 2006-7, was won by Caroline Vine and the Ranger prize by Marissa Doran. The Kirk-Greene Travel Award went to Nana Antwi.

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 students 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 and which funds the annual JAE Fellowship programme. This programme enables three African academics to spend a term at the CSAE. 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 and the CSAE annual conference is an internationally renowned event for economists. The next conference will be held 22-24 March 2009.

The CSAE is currently involved in a major DFID-funded Research Programme Consortium, directed by Paul Collier, ‘Improving institutions for pro-poor growth in Africa and South Asia’ with partners in Uganda, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Kenya, Bangladesh and India. South Asia and sub-Saharan Africa represent the two great challenges as regards meeting the Millennium Development Goal of halving global poverty by 2015 and there is growing evidence that the impediments to generating pro-poor growth in these two regions are institutional in nature. Social, legal, economic and political institutions powerfully affect the pattern of investment and growth and the extent to which the
poor participation in that growth. The objective of the proposed consortium is to produce a new body of policy-relevant research on the institutional reforms needed to promote pro-poor growth in South Asia and sub-Saharan Africa.

The CSAE is also a partner in a second Research Programme Consortium, RECOUP, studying the outcomes of education for pro-poor development. The research agenda comprises work on the effect of education on three broad sets of outcomes. The first is related to the social consequences of education which includes health, fertility and subjective well-being. The second is economic outcomes which comprise not simply the earnings individuals obtain from education but how it affects their chances of getting a job and the type of job that they can obtain. Finally, RECOUP will be investigating the outcomes of alternative methods of funding education.

The CSAE has continued its data collection 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 Centre produces a Working Paper Series, operates a programme of lunch-time seminars on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during term, and runs workshops and conferences. We also publish an annual research summary which is available on our website and CSAE staff are available to discuss their work by phone or by email.

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Activities and Publications of Fellows

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The Asian Studies Centre
The Centre has continued its usual academic activities this year but with a few changes in personnel. Dr David Washbrook left St Antony’s in December 2007 to take up a post at Trinity College, Cambridge, and the following joined the Management Committee during the year: Dr Sho Konishi, Fellow of St Anthony’s and University Lecturer in History; Dr Rachel Murphy, Fellow of St Anthony’s and University Lecturer in the Sociology of China; and Dr Christine Wong, Senior Research Fellow in Contemporary China Studies in the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies and Said Business School. Dr Mark Rebick has continued as Director but will relinquish this position after five years in September 2008 and hand over to Dr Rachel Murphy.

In Michaelmas Term Professor Rosemary Foot organised a seminar series entitled ‘East Asia in International Relations: Power, Institutions and Identity’. Professor Mark Beeson (University of Birmingham) spoke on ‘Is East Asia a region?’. In Week 2 the seminar did not meet because the Warden, Professor Margaret MacMillan, gave the College Seminar on the subject of her recent book ‘Seize the Hour: When Nixon met Mao’. Other speakers and their topics were: Dr Barak Kushner (University of Cambridge) on ‘Adjudicating imperialism in postwar East Asia: War crimes trials and the Cold War in Japan’; Dr John Swenson-Wright (University of Cambridge) on ‘Comparing Japan’s security policy in the Cold War and Post-Cold War eras’; Dr Rana Mitter (University of Oxford) on ‘The past in the present: how China’s wartime history is shaping its role in 21st century international society’; Dr Evelyn Goh (University of Oxford) on ‘Hegemony and hierarchy: The US role in the East Asian security order’; Professor Hazel Smith (University of Warwick) on ‘Reconstituting Korean security’; and Professor Amitav Acharya (University of Bristol) on ‘The evolution of Asian regional institutions’.

In Hilary Term the Centre joined with the Nissan Institute and Asia Scape to sponsor a one-day workshop entitled ‘Futurism, Nostalgia, Science Fiction and Expo in North East Asia’ organised by Dr Sharon Kisella (Nissan Institute) and Dr Chris Goto-Jones (Leiden University). In Trinity Term Professor JY Wong gave a seminar entitled ‘An assessment of the theories and supporting evidence on Sun Yatsen’s determination to engage in revolution’.

The Southeast Asian Studies Seminar convened by Dr Eva-Lotta Hedman met three times in Michaelmas Term. Professor John Sidel (LSE) spoke on ‘The Islamist treat in Southeast Asia: Much ado about nothing?’, Dr Ashley Thompson (University of Leeds) on ‘Forgetting to remember: Contemporary interventions into Cambodia’s terrible but unfinished history’, and Professor Duncan McCargo (University of Leeds) on ‘Why Patani Muslims rebel: Understanding the Southern Thai conflict’. Speakers and their topics in Hilary Term were Dr Matthew Cohen (Royal Holloway, University of London) on ‘Devi Dja goes to Hollywood’, Dr Tomas Larsson (University of Cambridge) on ‘Weber on the Chaophraya: the history and politics of rural land rights in Siam/Thailand’, and Dr Gustaf Houtman (Royal Anthropological Institute) on ‘A saffron revolution in Burma? Buddhist backgrounds to Burmese politics’. Also in Hilary Term the Centre hosted a one-day workshop organised by the Refugee Studies Centre and entitled ‘Displacement and Humanitarianism: A Permanent Crisis in Burma?’.
The South Asian Studies Programme

Dr David Washbrook ended his 13-year Directorship of the Programme and its predecessor the Indian Studies Centre in December 2007 when he resigned from his Fellowship at the College. Dr Washbrook’s successor, Dr Faisal Devji, who is coming to Oxford from the New School in New York, is not available immediately to take up his post. The History Faculty has therefore advertised for a one-year replacement, to start in October 2008. In the interim, Professor Polly O’Hanlon will oversee the South Asia Programme.

The School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies of the University will launch a new MSc in Contemporary Indian Studies from October 2008. Fellows of the College, Dr Nandini Gooptu and Dr Clarinda Still, newly elected to a Research Fellowship and a fixed-term departmental lectureship from October 2008, will be involved in teaching the new course.

In Michaelmas Term Dr Washbrook organised a weekly series of South Asian History Seminars. Speakers and their topics were: Professor Tom Tomlinson (SOAS) on ‘Firms, states and markets: the business history of India since 1750’; Dr Ashley Jackson (King’s College London/Defence Academy of UK) on ‘Defend Lanka your home’: the home front in Ceylon, 1939-1945’; Dr Nile Green (University of Manchester) on ‘The Madrasas of Oxford: Persians, evangelicals and the Indian hegen in the Regency University’; Dr Sujit Sivasundaram (University of Cambridge) on ‘Crown and company: The slow partitioning of Sri Lanka and India’; Dr Sarah Hodges (University of Warwick) on ‘An apocalyptic body politics of modernity: the self respect movement and birth control in Tamil South India, 1926-1944’; Professor Javed Majeed (Queen Mary, University of London) on ‘Hobson-Jobson, British Indian glossaries, and intimations of mortality’; and Dr Tirthankar Roy (LSE) on ‘Indigo and law in colonial India’. In Week 8 Dr David Washbrook gave his valedictory seminar on ‘Pasts present: Notes on a new history of India’ and this was followed by a farewell tea.

In Trinity Term Professor Judith Brown and Professor Polly O’Hanlon maintained the continuity of the South Asian History Seminar with a weekly series including three graduate presentations. This series was sponsored by the History Faculty and the Faculty of Oriental Studies and held in the History Faculty. In Trinity Term the Seminar reverted to St Antony’s where Professor Polly O’Hanlon organised four events jointly with the History Faculty and Faculty of Oriental Studies: Dr Sumati Ramaswamy (Duke University) spoke on ‘Mapping “India”: competing cartographies of the nation’; Dr Rupa Visvanath (University of Pennsylvania) on ‘Political Pariah: religion, and the social in dyarchic Madras’; Dr Radhika Singha (JNU) on ‘Passport, ticket and rubber-stamp: the “problem” of the pauper pilgrim in colonial India’; and Professor Muzaffar Alam (University of Chicago) on ‘The Mughals, the Sufi Shaikhs, and the formation of the Akbari Dispensation’. The last of these was followed by a tea party for Oxford South Asianists and interested graduate students. Also in Trinity Term Professor Polly O’Hanlon organised a two-day Oxford Early Modern South Asia Workshop jointly with the Faculty of Oriental Studies. This was entitled ‘Munshis, pandits and record-keepers: Scribal communities in India, C16th – early C19th’ and speakers were Muzaffar Alam (Chicago), Daud Ali (SOAS), KumKum Chatterjee (Penn State), Whitney Cox (SOAS), Emma Flatt (SOAS), Chris Fuller (LSE), Sumit Guha (Rutgers), Najaf Haidar (JNU), Rajeev Kinra (Northwestern), Christopher Minkowski (Oxford), Polly O’Hanlon (Oxford), Laura Parodi (Oxford), Stefano Pello (Venice), Sanjay Subrahmanyan (UCLA), Samira Sheikh (IIS) and David Washbrook (Cambridge).

The Taiwan Studies Programme

Dr Steve Tsang has continued as Director of the Programme which has again had a full schedule of activities.

One high profile seminar has been held each term. In Michaelmas Term Professor Shelley Rigger (Davidson College) spoke on ‘Legislative Yuan and presidential elections in 2008: breaking new ground?’ In Hilary Term Dr Chen Tan-sun (Secretary-General of the National Security Council in Taiwan) spoke on ‘What has the DPP done for Taiwan’s democratisation?’. In Trinity Term Bi-khim Hsiao (Director of the Department of International Affairs for the DPP) spoke on ‘The future of the DPP’.

In Trinity Term a two-day Roundtable was held on the subject of ‘The Progress of Democratic Consolidation’ with speakers from Taiwan, USA, France, Germany, Canada and the UK. On the first day Professor Jean-Pierre Cabestan (Baptist, HK) spoke on ‘The peaceful transfer of power’; Dr Chris Hughes (LSE) on ‘Politics as usual? People’s livelihood issues vs identity politics’; Professor Shelley Rigger (Davidson) on ‘DPP as governing party’; Professor June Teufel Dreyer (Miami) on ‘The Chen Shui-bian factor and the use of plebiscites’; and Professor Chien-min Chao (National Chengchi) on ‘KMT and its allies as the loyal opposition’. On day two Dr Daiydd Fell (SOAS) spoke on ‘Maturity of the electoral system’; Dr Mark Harrison (Westminster) on ‘Role of the media’; Professor Gunter Schubert (Tübingen) on ‘Reflections on 2008 elections’; and Laurence Whitehead (Nuffield) on ‘Putting Taiwan’s democratic consolidation in context’. The following participants acted as chairs of sessions: Dr Steve Tsang, Dr Joe Wong (Toronto & St Antony’s), Professor Wan-chin Tai (Tamkang), Rod Wye (FCO), Dr Françoise Mengin (CERI, Sciences Po, Paris), Dr Jeremy Taylor (Sheffield), Dr Winnie King (Bristol), Dr Barak Kushner (Cambridge) and Professor Edward Friedman (Wisconsin).

During the year the Programme supported several visits to Taiwan. In early July Dr Steve Tsang, Professor Robert Barnes and Laurence Whitehead (Nuffield) visited the Centre for Asia-Pacific Area Studies at Academia Sinica in Taipei to participate in a two-day conference entitled ‘After the Strongman: Democracy or alternative political system in Asia?’ co-sponsored and co-organized by the Programme. Dr Peter Carey (Trinity and member of the Asian Studies Centre) also presented a paper at this conference in absentia. Earlier in the year three St Antony’s students (Nicola Horsburgh, Daniel Koldyk and Dex Tottie-Barton) visited Taiwan to take part in a conference at Tamkang University, and Dr Ian Neary contributed a short course to an MA programme on Human Rights at Soochow University, Taipei.
The Nissan Institute of Japanese Studies

This year, for the first time in our history, we had a group of masters students based in the Nissan Institute. Fourteen students arrived on 1 October 2007 for the programme’s induction meeting and as I write the same fourteen students have just completed their examinations. Three of them were native speakers and two more had such excellent language ability that they were excused the language courses and did an extra option about Japan instead. During the next couple of months they will all work on their dissertations that they must submit by mid-September. Then, on 6 October, the process will start again with a fresh cohort of students. The programme combines the expertise in social science within the Nissan Institute with knowledge about linguistics and modern literature (Linda Flores and Bjarke Frellesvig in the Oriental Institute) and Japanese criminal justice (Ben Goold in the Department of Law). In all, students have nine options to choose from in addition to the language courses.

The students were not our only new arrivals. Last year we appointed Dr Sho Konishi to replace Ann Waswo as our historian of modern Japan. He arrived in August with his wife, Harriet, and daughter and took up residence in the Nissan Institute flat during the Michaelmas term. Just before Christmas they went off to Hokkaido where he has been based doing research but not before having taught his history option to the masters programme and presenting a paper in the Nissan seminar series.

At the start of the academic year we were told of the success of our application to the GB Sasakawa Foundation for funding that will support a post in the sociology of Japan for five years. Quickly the post was advertised and interviews held in January. The outcome was that we will appoint two sociologists from October 2008. Professor Takehiko Kariya will join us from the Department of Education Tokyo University where he has an international reputation for his studies of the Japanese education system in comparative perspective. We additionally appointed Ekaterina Hertog who is presently a Research Fellow in Wadham College and has mainly worked on the family in contemporary Japan. We look forward to them both joining us and developing new courses for our masters students.

Sharon Kinsella was a doctoral student in the Nissan Institute in the early 1990s. After graduating she took up posts in Cambridge, and then further afield in Yale and MIT. She has spent this last academic year back in the Institute teaching a course to our masters students on the sociology of Japanese culture and organising the Graduate Student seminar on Thursday afternoons. She has been offered a full-time post in Manchester University which she will take up in the autumn.

Visiting us since August last year, Henry Laurence from Bowdoin College in Maine has been working on a comparative study of public service broadcasting in the US (PBS), Japan (NHK) and Britain (BBC). He has presented a couple of papers in our Institute and in the Reuters Institute and has been helpful to a number of students around the Nissan building. Tamio Nakamura from University of Tokyo has been with us since last October and has been working on constitutional history of the European Union and comparative study of regionalism between Europe and East Asia. He has taught jointly with Benjamin Goold (Somerville College) a Japanese law seminar in Hilary term 2008, a module of the MSc course on Japanese. Kenji Suzuki came to us from the European Institute of Japanese Studies, Stockholm School of Economics. We thank them for the contributions they made to the life of the Institute while they were with us.

Meanwhile in April we welcomed Professors Kiyoshi Miyashita and Masaru Eto from Tokyo Metropolitan and Tokyo Keizai Universities respectively.

Seminars


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 RH BARNES is Faculty Fellow and Professor of Social Anthropology. In July 2007 he gave two papers, one on ‘Remarks on Ethnic Groupings in a Region of Eastern Indonesia’ at the Lanzhou International Conference on the Protection and Development of Ethnic Minorities’ Traditional Cultures, Center for Studies of Ethnic Minorities in Northwest China of Lanzhou University, Lanzhou, People’s Republic of China; and the other on ‘Results of Genetic Sampling in Relation to Language Distribution between Flores and East Timor’ to the Fifth International East Nusantara Conference, at the Universitas Nusa Cendana, Kupang, Timor, Indonesia. In October, 2007 he gave a talk on ‘A Temple, a Mission, and a War: Jesuit Missionaries and Local Culture in East Flores in the Nineteenth Century’ to the Institute of Cross-Cultural Studies, School of Social Sciences, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, and gave the same talk to the Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore in April 2008. In November 2007 he gave a talk on ‘The Grooming of a Raja: Don Lorenzo Diaz Vieira Godinho of Larantuka, Flores, Indonesia’ to the Bristol Archaeology and Anthropology Society. In February, 2008 he gave a talk called ‘Murder Island’ to the Indonesia Study Group Seminar, National University of Singapore, and in April another talk called ‘On the Margins of the Middle Class: Becoming Middle Class in Rural Eastern Indonesia’ to the Department of Sociology, National University of Singapore. His publications include ‘A Legendary History in Withama, Eastern Adonara, Indonesia: an Enduring Context for Disagreement’, Moussons 11 (2007) and ‘Raja Lorenzo II: A Catholic Kingdom in the Dutch East Indies’ IAS Newsletter 47 (2008).

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.

DR JENNY CORBETT, Faculty Fellow and Reader in the Economy of Japan, specialises on the Japanese economy. Her research covers macro-economic policy issues and banking and finance in Japan. She has also written on financial systems in economies in transition and on the Asian financial crisis. Current research interests include liberalisation of trade in financial services and appropriate policy design for closer Asian financial integration. Since August 2005 she has been Executive Director of the Australia-Japan Research Centre at the Australian National University, dividing her time between Canberra and Oxford. In 2007 she was the Australian member of an Experts Group invited by the Japanese METI to direct the establishment of a new regional institution, the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA). She attended ERIA working meetings in Indonesia, Thailand and Japan and gave presentations on services trade research as part of the ‘Deepening Economic Integration’ pillar of ERIA’s program. She contributed papers on Australia’s view of East Asian integration and on services trade in the ASEAN countries for ERIA projects. In 2006 she won a sizeable Australian Research Council Grant on Setting Priorities for Services Trade Reform. During 2007 the project used new methods to measure the economic significance of barriers to services trade. In 2007 she contributed research to a flagship study on the progress of regional integration for the Asian Development Bank. She presented papers for the ADB in Manila and Tokyo and to a conference on ‘The institutional and financial foundations of economic growth and integration in East Asia’ in Bangkok hosted by the Ministry of Finance, Thailand. In June 2007 she co-organised the annual Tokyo conference on Japan’s economy with the National Bureau of Economic Research, European Institute for Japanese Studies, Centre for International Research on the Japanese Economy and AJRC. ANU hosted the 2007 Japanese Studies Association of Australia conference where Dr Corbett coordinated the Economics stream. As 2007 was the 50th anniversary of the Australia-Japan Treaty on Commerce, the conference culminated in dinner at Parliament House addressed by Prime Minister John Howard. She remains on the editorial board of the Journal of the Japanese and International Economies and is a Research Fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (London) and a Research Associate of the Centre on Japanese Economy and Business, Columbia University. She is a non-executive director of Canberra-based Service One Members Banking.

PROFESSOR ROSEMARY FOOT is the Sir John Swire Senior Research Fellow in the International Relations of East Asia. Apart from her usual teaching commitments, she organized a seminar series for the Asian Studies Centre in Michaelmas term entitled ‘East Asia in International Relations: Power, Identity and Institutions’. She also continued to assist with the scholarship and fellowship selection programmes for John Swire and Sons Ltd, as well as helping the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in a similar capacity. She has given a number of papers and presentations this year at the universities of Durham, Oxford, Sheffield and Yale as well as at the Norwegian Institute for Defence Studies in Oslo and the EU Institute for Strategic Studies in Paris. These have covered a range of topics including human rights and global governance, Southeast Asian security frameworks, and a comparison of US and EU policies towards China. Publications this year include ‘China and the Tiananmen Bloodshed of 1989’ in Tim Dunne, Amelia Hadfield and Steve Smith (eds) Foreign Policy Analysis in International Relations (Oxford University Press); ‘Modes of Regional Conflict Management: comparing security cooperation over the Korean Peninsula, China/Taiwan, and the South China Sea’ in Amitav Acharya and Evelyn Goh (eds) Reassessing Security Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific: Competition, Congruence and Transformation (Belfer Center/MIT Press); and ‘Women/Gender and International Relations: An Overview’ in Priscilla Roberts and He Peiqun (eds) Bonds Across Borders: Women, China, and International Relations in the Modern World (Cambridge Scholars Publishing). She also completed a short monograph, to be published in August 2008, entitled Framing Security: US Counter-Terrorist Policies and Southeast Asian Responses (East West Center, Washington DC). She continues research on the politics of human rights, on US-China relations, and on China’s policy towards the Asia-Pacific.

MR ADRIAN FU continued as Foundation Fellow and joined the Warden’s Financial Advisory Committee. He also set up a new charitable foundation, the Fu Tak Iam Foundation, which is devoted to improving the quality of life for all in the areas of healthcare, education, the arts, culture, heritage, amateur sport, animal welfare, conservation and the environment focusing in particular on Hong Kong, China and Macau.

DR NANDINI GOOPTU, Faculty Fellow and University Reader in South Asian Studies, took over as the Senior Tutor of St Antony’s in Trinity Term, and steps down as the Director of Graduate Studies, Department of International Development (Queen Elizabeth House), at the end of the year. She continues her research on the social and political economy of economic restructuring, internationalisation, 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. At the beginning of the academic year, she was invited to contribute a paper on urban politics and class relations in contemporary India, at a joint Columbia-LSE-New School of Social Research colloquium entitled, ‘A Great Transformation? Understanding India’s New Political Economy’, held at Columbia University. Another paper on recent urban transformation and the poor was presented at a conference at Roskilde University in Denmark on ‘Post-exotic India: A new narrative in making’. In December, at a conference at Cambridge University in memory of Dr Raj Chandavarkar, her doctoral supervisor who tragically died recently, she presented a paper on ‘Cities, youth and work in neo-liberal India’. In January, she presented a paper entitled, ‘New visions of the city and the poor in contemporary India’, at a conference on ‘Poverty Inequality and the State’, held at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. In February, at the European Social Science History Conference held in Lisbon, she acted as the joint chair of the ‘Asia Network’, organised two panel sessions on ‘The City in Asia: Contemporary and Historical Perspectives’, and presented a paper entitled: ‘Globalization, work and urban identities’. She presented three papers in Oxford this year: ‘Economic liberalization, cities and the poor in India’ at the Department of International Development; ‘Economic reforms and the Indian bureaucracy’ at the History Faculty; and ‘Youth, Enterprise Culture and Politics in Globalised India’ at the Post-colonial Studies Seminar. She has assumed the post of Series Editor of Anthem Press: South Asia and Plurality, and is one of the editors of the Anthem Modern South Asian History series. She continues to be one of the editors of the journal Oxford Development Studies, and of the St Antony’s Palgrave book series. This year she joined the Scientific Advisory Board of the International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam.

DR SHO KONISHI, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in the History of Modern Japan, began his first term here at Oxford in Michaelmas 2007. He came to Oxford from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he was an Assistant Professor in the Departments of History and East Asian Languages and Cultures. As part of his study of competing visions of peace and world order that arose in the Russo-Japanese War, he contributed an article on the cultural legacy of the war and the Portsmouth Treaty in the volume, The Treaty of Portsmouth and Its Legacies (October 2008). The volume is the product of an international conference that brought together forty scholars and diplomats from Russia, the US and Japan with simultaneous translations into English, Russian and Japanese. He also saw the publication of his articles ‘Reopening the “Opening of Japan”’ in The American Historical Review, and ‘Translation and Conversion Beyond Western Modernity in the volume Converting Cultures: Religion, Ideology and Transformations of Modernity (Brill). The awards and fellowships he received for this academic year from the US Social Science Research Council/Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, the US Association for Asian Studies, and the Esperantic Studies Institute, enabled him to continue his research in Japan on Esperanto and interlingualism in Japanese intellectual history as well as his book manuscript on Russian-Japanese non-state transnational intellectual relations. As the recipient of a 2007 US Library of Congress Florence Tan Moeus Fellowship, he gave a Moeson Lecture at the Library of Congress, ‘Anarchist Democracy in Early Twentieth-Century Japan’. At the Nissan Seminar in October, he presented on the cultural practice of religious conversion in late nineteenth-and early twentieth-century Japan.

DR RACHEL MURPHY is Faculty Fellow (elected 2007) and BICC University Lecturer in the Sociology of China. This academic year she carried out fieldwork in rural Jiangxi province on the effects of local socio-cultural arrangements on sex ratio distortions at birth. She was awarded a British Academy Career Development Research Grant to work with Dr Ran Tao of the Chinese Academy of Sciences on the project: ‘Labour Migration and the Influence of Social Support from Families, Schools and Absent Parents on the Resilience of Children Left Behind in Rural China’. She edited Labour Migration and Social Development in Contemporary China, to which she contributed two chapters. (The book was originally commissioned by the International Organization for Migration and is forthcoming with Routledge.) She has also started working with Dr...

PROFESSOR IAN NEARY, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in the Politics of Japan, has continued as Director of the Nissan Institute and taken on the additional role of the Director of Graduate Studies of the new masters programmes in Modern Japanese Studies. During the year he has presented papers on various dimensions of human rights – particularly children and patients - in Japan and East Asia at seminars and courses in Rome, Taipei, Cambridge and Newcastle. He taught a three-day short course in Brussels for the European Commission on policy-making in Japan. And he struggled to bring his biography of Matsumoto Jiichiro to a conclusion.

PROFESSOR TAPAN RAYCHAUDHURI, Emeritus Fellow, is now writing an English version (not a translation) of his memoirs. His memoirs in Bengali, *Bangal-nama* (*The memoirs of a country yokel*) were published in hard-back 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 is working on the subject of poverty in Japan, and published a paper, ‘Savings and the Poverty of Elderly Women in Japan’ in a collection of papers sponsored by the Japanese Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare. He completed a term as 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, contributed to a symposium on ‘The Nature of the Chinese State’ published in *Modern China*. Her commentary, ‘Rule as Repertory and the Compound Essence of Authority’, later also appeared in Chinese in the new Guangzhou-based journal of social thought and criticism *Open Times (Kaijiang Shidai)*. She was invited to participate in a Finnish Academy-funded collaborative research project involving scholars from Turku University and Nankai University (in Tianjin) to study the roles of charitable organizations in the processes of governance in urban China. She made a visit to Tianjin to begin work on what she hopes may turn into another collaborative project with Nankai University exploring new governance structures and the management of urban development there. In Oxford she spent much of her time continuing to build faculty strength in China Studies, coordinating development of a new MSc programme in Modern Chinese Studies, and assisting in the launch of the new University-wide China Centre (www.chinacentre.ox.ac.uk). She continued her service to the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation, to the Research Grants Council of Hong Kong, and as a member of the Executive Committee of *The China Quarterly*.

PROFESSOR JAA STOCKWIN, Emeritus Fellow, in June-July 2007 presented a lecture entitled: ‘From Koizumi to Abe: Same Bed, Different Dreams?’ at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, at the Maisen Franco-Japanaise in Tokyo, and at the 15th Biennial Conference of the Japanese Studies Association of Australia in Canberra. While in Tokyo he also spoke at a meeting of Japanese Antonians about latest developments in the College. In September he gave a comparison of Japanese and British politics to Hōsei University students at CIE Oxford, and attended the annual meeting of the Japanese Politics Colloquium, held at the Nissan Institute. In October he was discussant at Daiwa House in London in a book launch for *Client State*, by Gavan McCormack – a critical interpretation of Japan’s relationship with the United States. In December he spoke at a Conference in Kuala Lumpur concerning Japan-ASEAN Relations since the Fukuoka Doctrine, on ‘The Evolving Dynamics of Japanese Foreign Policy and Implications for Southeast Asia’, and also participated in a briefing session on Japan at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in London. In February and March 2008 in London he again helped select Daiwa Scholars for 19 months of intensive language study, home stay and work placement in Japan. In April he gave a paper at Chatham House, entitled ‘Do Japanese Prime Ministers Make a Difference? Some Historical Reflections’. In May he presented a paper on ‘Issues of the Japanese Constitution’ at Leiden University in the Netherlands. In March 2008 he published *Governing Japan: Divided Politics in a Resurgent Economy* (fourth edition with revised title), which was the subject of a book launch at Daiwa House in May. A reviewer has commented that the book seeks to penetrate what “often appears to be the great muddle of Japanese politics”. A Spanish edition of his 2005 book of letters from the First World War was published, under the title: *A Diez Metros Bajo el Suelo de Bélgica: Una Historia de Amor Epistolar en la Primera Guerra Mundial*. He also published: ‘The Japanese House of Councillors Election: Crunch Time for the LDP?’, *Opinion Asia* (Singapore), August 2007; ‘Koizumi and Blair as Political Leaders: A View from the United Kingdom’, *International House of Japan Bulletin*, 27, 1 (2007); ‘From Koizumi to Abe: Same Bed, Different Dreams?’, *Japanese Politics Colloquium*, held at the Chinese Council of Advanced Policy Studies in Taipei; ‘In Search of Good Governance: The Administrative Service Association both in Hong Kong; ‘China’s Rise and Taiwan’s Place in this Strategy’ at the LSE; and ‘Cross-Strait Relations after the Taiwanese Presidential Election’ at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. He also took part in the British Museum and Guardian debate on ‘The New China: What does the First Emperor’s legacy mean in a globalised World?’ In March 2008 he observed the presidential election in Taiwan as
a member of an EU academic delegation. He also conducted a review of four research institutes at the Academia Sinica, and joined the Advisory Board of the European Research Centre for Contemporary Taiwan at Tübingen University. His main publications in the academic year include: *Governing Hong Kong: Administrative Officers from the 19th Century to the Hand-over to China, 1862-1997* (IB Tauris, with a Chinese edition by Hong Kong University Press); ‘Taiwan’s Changing Security Environment’ in Steven M. Goldstein and Julian Chang (eds), *Presidential Politics in Taiwan: The Administration of Chen Shui-bian* (EastBridge); ‘China’s Place in East Asia’, in Christopher M Dent (ed), *China, Japan and Regional Leadership In East Asia* (Edward Elgar); and ‘China’s Grand Strategy and Its Rise’, in Bo Huldø, Mika Kerttunen, Bo Wallander, Masako Ikegami and Susanna Huldt (eds), *Strategic Yearbook 2007: China Rising: Reactions, Assessments, and Strategic Consequences* (Swedish Defence College and Finnish National Defence University); and ‘Taiwan and China: Olympian Task’, *The World Today*, 64:3 (March 2008). His earlier book *Intelligence and Human Rights in the Era of Global Terrorism* (ed), was re-issued as a paperback by Stanford University Press.

DR ANN WASWO, Emeritus Fellow, completed a long essay on Japan’s housing culture for a forthcoming *Cambridge Companion to Modern Japanese Culture* in March and then began work on her Oxford mystery novel, which is set in a college only superficially like St Antony’s. Three chapters have now been written, one fellow has died in mysterious circumstances and, as they say, the plot is thickening: her middle-aged Japanese heroine, aided by the Warden’s son, will soon reach some conclusions that prove extremely useful to Thames Valley Police. Not having to document sources in writing is truly exhilarating, but that said, it is proving a challenge to keep abreast of all the on-going changes to research (and teaching) assessment models that form the sub-text of the novel and that result in the skulduggery – and, more basically, the erosion of academic freedom – that the novel seeks to expose.

Visiting Fellows and other attachments in Asian Studies

*Asian Studies Centre Management Committee*

The following are members of the Asian Studies Centre Management Committee although not attached to St Antony’s:

Dr Ruth Barnes, Curator of textiles in the Department of Eastern Art at the Ashmolean Museum

Professor Judith Brown, Beit Professor of Commonwealth History and Professorial Fellow at Balliol College

Dr Peter Carey, Laitwhaite Fellow and Lecturer in Modern History (CUF) at Trinity College until the end of the 2007-08 academic year

Dr Evelyn Goh, University Lecturer in International Relations and Fellow of St Anne’s College

Dr Eva-Lotta Hedman, Senior Research Fellow at the Refugee Studies Centre, Department of International Development

Professor Polly O’Hanlon, Professor of Indian History and Culture in the Faculty of Oriental Studies and Fellow of St Cross College

Dr Janice Stargardt, Professorial Research Fellow in Asian Historical Archaeology and Geography in the Department of Geography, and Fellow of Sidney Sussex College, University of Cambridge

Dr Christine Wong, Senior Research Fellow in Contemporary China Studies in the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies and Said Business School

**DR PARDEEP SINGH CHAUHAN** is Agatha Harrison Memorial Fellow (2007-09) and is permanently employed as Senior Lecturer, Kurukshetra University, India. He is working on a project entitled ‘Impact of Stability and Growth Pact of EMU on Fiscal Discipline and Sustainable Economic Growth of UK: Relevance and Lessons for India’, which is likely to continue for another year. This year, he has completed a manuscript of the book *Globalisation and Indian Economy*, which is with the publisher presently (Associated Publishers, New Delhi). His research interests are international trade, globalisation, economic integration, economic policy and sustainable economic development. He was a visiting fellow previously at DELTA (now Paris School of Economics) to work on a project ‘Technology Transfer, Capital Mobility and Optimal Trade between India and France with Unaffected Trans-boundary Pollution’. He has published ‘Intellectual Property Rights and FDI Flow in India’ in the *Indian Economic Journal*, ‘Implications of Environmental Protection Programmes on the Productivity of Industrial Workers in Haryana (India)’ in MS Monga, ed, *Environmental Economics*, besides several others in refereed journals and edited books. Recently, he submitted two papers for publication on ‘Impact of Fiscal Policy Reforms and Economic Growth in India’ and on ‘Strengthening India’s Federal System through Fiscal Reforms’.

DR JUNZHI HE is Associate Professor in political science at the School of International Relations and Public Affairs, Fudan University, Shanghai, and Senior Associate Member of St Antony’s College for this academic year. He finished writing a book on *Party and Parliament in China* and published an article with two other authors on ‘Power and Political Participation of entrepreneurs: evidence from Liuzhou, Guangxi, China’, *Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy* 14:3 (2008). In April he gave two lectures on ‘Strengthening Competence in the Exercising of Power and Intra-Party Reform in the CCP’ and ‘Party and State in China’ at Uppsala University, Sweden. He has been concerned about the change of electoral system and people’s congress system in China, and is currently writing articles on ‘The rise of independent candidates in China’s LPC elections’ and ‘The ups and downs of bean counting system in election’.

DR SHARON KINSELLA returned to the Nissan Institute for a year, having originally completed her DPhil on comics in Japan there under Roger Goodman’s supervision. During a one-year appointment commencing in October 2007 Sharon helped with graduate supervision and teaching on the newly established MSc in Modern Japanese Studies, and attended several entertaining high tables in St Antony’s dining hall with guest speakers to the regular Friday night Nissan Seminar. She has thoroughly enjoyed re-encountering St Antony’s and the Nissan Institute and hosting a workshop on ‘Futurism, Nostalgia, Science Fiction and Expo in North East Asia’, convened in the Dahrendorf Room on 16 January 2008. Sharon is now moving on to a permanent post in the University of Manchester.
EUROPEAN STUDIES

The European Studies Centre
Anne-Laure Guillermain had a busy first year as the European Studies Centre’s new administrator. The Centre’s Annual Lecture on 11th October 2007 was given by the President of the European Commission, Mr José Manuel Barroso. This event was coordinated by Anne-Laure Guillermain with the help of Julie Adams, Stefan Szwed and Ricardo Borges de Castro from the JCR. President Barroso was invited to conclude the two-day symposium on EU Shared Leadership at the ESC, met a group of the JCR students and spoke in the Lecture Theatre on 11th October 2007, followed by a question and answer session and an official dinner at Trinity College. Now a tradition, the party of academics and VIPs walked from St Antony’s College to Trinity College.

The Centre organized a number of important events in 2007-2008, including a two-day symposium about EU Leadership, convened by Kalypso Nicolaidis and Simone Bunse, a three-day event on The Fifth Republic at Fifty convened by Vernon Bogdanor and Jean-Pascal Dalloz with Jack Straw as a keynote speaker and a conference on the newly-launched Union for the Mediterranean organized by RAMSES’ Dimitar Bechev which was co-sponsored by the Middle East Centre and the Maison Française d’Oxford. The ESC Core Seminar Series convened by the ESC Academic Steering Committee, was well attended during both Michaelmas and Hilary Terms. Speakers included Stephen Wall, Timothy Garton Ash, Tariq Ramadan, Denis MacShane, Christian Lequesnes, Sudhir Hazareesingh, Paddy Ashdown and Nancy Borme. In Hilary Term the Core Seminar hosted talks in collaboration with the Civil Resistance Project and SEESOX.

The Centre also hosted several diverse seminars and workshops, including the SEESOX seminars, convened by Othon Anastasakis, in Michaelmas and Hilary Terms (see the entry on SEESOX), the Stifterverband Seminar Series on German history, convened by Jane Caplan and visiting Stifterverband Fellow Ralph Jessen, in Hilary Term, and the 20th Century International History Workshop, convened by Anne Deighton, also in Hilary Term. As usual during Trinity Term, our Visiting Fellows held their workshops: Paul Corner, the Fondazione Monte Dei Paschi Di Siena Visiting Fellow, held a workshop on Nazism and Fascism, in collaboration with Jane Caplan. Our Basque Visiting Fellow, Jurgi Kintana, convened a workshop on Welsh and Basque Languages. Finally, the Drakín Visiting Fellow, Sonia Tebbakh, spoke on ‘Struggle for Recognition: British Muslims in the Shadow of the EU’ with Tufyal Choudhury as a discussant. Last but not least, Lord Patten hosted his Chancellor’s seminar in the Spring with Ms Guler Sabanci as a guest speaker.

South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX)
The academic year 2007/08 marked South East European Studies at Oxford’s sixth and particularly productive year as part of the European Studies Centre. The year saw a large number of events including several high-profile visits and many excellent speakers.

During the year, SEESOX welcomed several new College Fellows and Senior Associate Members, and hosted a number of visiting scholars. Sir Michael Llewellyn-Smith, Greek history scholar, retired diplomat, and former student of St Anthony’s College, was named an Honorary Fellow of St Antony’s in 2007. Dr Constantine Filis, Director of the Russia and Eurasia Centre at the Institute of International Relations (Athens) joined St Anthony’s as a Senior Associate Member in 2008. Dr Filis is an expert on Russia and its role in southeastern Europe, and on energy routes. During the year, he contributed several opinion pieces on Serbia, Kosovo and energy issues which were posted on the SEESOX website. SEESOX also hosted two visitors from Turkey in 2008. Ece Temelkuran, one of the most highly acclaimed Turkish journalists at the Milliyet newspaper, spent Hilary in Oxford finishing her new book and delivered two lectures at SEESOX. Professor Elisabeth Ozdalga, Professor of Sociology at the Middle East Technical University in Ankara, visited SEESOX for a month in Trinity Term. Dr Max Watson and Dr Kerem Oktém renewed their affiliation with the College and their close association with SEESOX.

During Michaelmas 2007, the SEESOX Annual Lecture entitled ‘Does Europe have a message for the world?’ was delivered by the Greek Foreign Minister, Dora Bakoyannis. The Former High Representative to Bosnia, Lord Paddy Ashdown, launched his book Swords and Ploughshares during a discussion with Professor Nancy Bermeo in a seminar entitled ‘Exporting Democracy after Iraq – shall we ever intervene again?’. Sir Ivor Roberts, President of Trinity College, delivered a lecture entitled ‘Conversations with Milosevic and other war criminals’. SEESOX also hosted a lecture ‘The Road to Europe: The Process of Approximation in the Balkans’ presented by Dr Jens Bastian of the European Agency for Reconstruction, with Dr Max Watson (St Anthony’s and the EU Commission) as discussant. Finally, SEESOX hosted Dr George Pagoulatos of the Athens University of Economics and Business who presented a lecture on ‘Conditionality and the EMU: Reflections on Southern European Adjustment’.

During Hilary Term, SEESOX, in cooperation with the ESC, hosted the Chancellor’s Seminar featuring one of Turkey’s most prominent businesswomen, and President of Sabancı University in Istanbul, Guler Sabancı. In a conversation with the Chancellor of the University, Lord Chris Patten, Ms Sabancı delivered a lecture entitled ‘Bridging Worlds’. The Term also saw the SEESOX Seminar Series convened by Dr Othon Anastasakis, SEESOX Director. A number of leading academics and high profile speakers participated in a series of lectures on the current state of South East Europe and its relations with the European Union. These included Dr Gülner Aybey (University of Kent), Dr Florian Bieber (University of Kent), Dr Marilena Koppa, MEP, Dr Kirsty Hughes (freelance writer), Dr Spyros Economides (LSE), Dr James Ker Lindsay (Kingston University), Dr Ulrich Sedelmeier (LSE), Dr Gwendolyn Sasse (Nuffield College), Dr Constantinos Filis (Panteion University and St Antony’s College), Dr Dimitar Bechev (St Antony’s College), Dr Kerem Oktém (St Antony’s College) and Ece Temelkuran (Visiting Fellow at St Antony’s College). The topics included discussions on Kosovo, EU and NATO conditionality in the Balkans, Turkey and Europe, Russia and the Balkans and developments in modern Greece. As part of the seminar series, the Greek Minister for Economy and Finance, Dr George Alogoskoufis, delivered a lecture on ‘Globalisation and the European social model’, discussed by the Dean of Said Business School, Professor Colin Mayer. Romania’s EU Commissioner for Multilingualism, Leonard Orban, spoke on ‘Enlargement and language diversity in the
European Union’. Finally, SEESOX hosted two workshops during the term. First, Dr George Georgiades, visiting fellow at Nuffield convened a two-day workshop entitled ‘Europe’s unfinished political and economic transitions? The convergence-divergence debate revisited,’ and Dr Max Watson and Dr Othon Anastasakis jointly convened a workshop entitled ‘Southeastern Europe – Global economic challenges and European perspective’.

During Trinity Term, Dr Olli Rehn, the EU Commissioner for enlargement, (and St Antony’s alumnus), delivered a lecture entitled ‘Europe’s smart power in its region and the world’. Dr Antonis Ellinas of the Reuters Institute, Oxford, presented his lecture entitled ‘Moderates, the media and the making of the Greek far right’. Visiting scholar Ece Temelkuran presented her newest book, *Deep Mountain*, on Turkey and the Armenian issue, and Professor Elizabeth Ozdalga gave a talk on her latest project on Islam and nationalism.

Academic year 2007/08 saw the publication of several reports and papers. As part of the *Occasional Papers* series, SEESOX published ‘Greek-Turkish Economic Cooperation: Guarantor of Detente or Hostage to Politics’ by Dr Constantine A Papadopoulos in Spring 2008. Several opinion pieces were also published, including: ‘Consolidating Instability: Serbia pushed back to the edge’ by Dr Constantinos Filis, ‘Public Opinion in Member States as a factor on Turkey’s EU membership’ by Dr Angelos Giannakopoulos and ‘Russia’s agenda in Kosovo: Myths and Realities’ by Dr Filis. As part of a European Commission project, ‘The Crime and Culture,’ SEESOX published one paper and two reports by Dr Sappho Xenakis: ‘The Dog(s) that Didn’t Bite: Exploring Perceptions of Corruption in the UK’, ‘United Kingdom: State of the Art Report – Perception of Corruption in the United Kingdom. A Content Analysis of Documents from Politics, Judiciary, Police, Media, Civil Society and Economy’, and ‘Research Report United Kingdom: Perception of Corruption in the United Kingdom. A Content Analysis of Interview from Politics, Judiciary, Police, Media, Civil Society and Economy’. Finally, in June SEESOX published its periodical *Newsletter*.

During last academic year, Dr Othon Anastasakis, Professor Kalypso Nicolaïdis and Dr Kerem Otken worked towards the publication of an edited volume entitled *In the Long Shadow of Europe; Greeks and Turks in the era of Postnationalism* with Kalypso Nicolaïdis and Kerem Otken (forthcoming, Brill publications, 2008); and *Greece and the Balkans: 200 years of interaction* with Dimitar Bechev and Nicholas Vrousalis (forthcoming, Cambridge University Scholars Press 2009). He also completed chapters entitled ‘The Limits of regionalism imposed from outside’ in *Regional Cooperation in South East Europe and Beyond. Challenges and Prospects*, edited by Wolfgang Petritsch and Christophe Soloz, Baden-Baden: Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft, (forthcoming 2008); an article ‘The EU’s political conditionality in the Western Balkans: Concessions to a rigorous strategy’ in the 2008 Special Issue of the *Journal of South-East European and Black Sea Studies* (forthcoming) and ‘The credibility of EU conditionality and compliance in the Western Balkans’ in *Greece, the Western Balkans and the European Union*, Woodrow Wilson (forthcoming 2008). He wrote a book review of *Eleftherios Venizelos; The Trials of Statemanship* in the *English Historical Review* Volume CXIII No 501, April 2008. He contributed annual reports on the Balkan countries for the *Annual Register: A Record of World Events 2007*, and with articles on ‘Modern Greece: a short history’ and ‘Kosovo’ for *Regional Surveys of the World: Central and South East Europe 2009* Europa Publications. He is also co-authoring a book on *Democratisation in the post-communist Balkans* with Marilena Koppa (forthcoming with Palgrave Macmillan, 2009).

He convened the SEESOX seminar series during Hilary 2008 on ‘South East Europe and the EU’ in Hilary 2007 with invited speakers; he co-convened a workshop with Max Watson in Hilary 2008 on ‘South Eastern Europe: Global Economic Challenges and European perspectives. He supervised three DPPhd theses and one MPhil thesis on South East European and Turkish matters. He was engaged in fundraising for South East European Studies at Oxford. He gave lectures in Oxford, Ljubljana, Thessaloniki, Lisbon and Athens.

DR DIMITAR BECHEV, Research Fellow at the European Studies Centre, is in charge of the St Antony’s work within RAMSES², an EU-sponsored network of excellence in Mediterranean Studies. He co-edited together with Kalypso Nicolaïdis *Mediterranean Frontiers: Borders, Conflicts and Memory in a Transnational World* (IB Tauris, forthcoming in 2009). DR DIMITAR BECHEV, Research Fellow at the European Studies Centre, is in charge of the St Antony’s work within RAMSES², an EU-sponsored network of excellence in Mediterranean Studies. He co-edited together with Kalypso Nicolaïdis "Mediterranean Frontiers: Borders, Conflicts and Memory in a Transnational World" (IB Tauris, forthcoming in 2009). Dr Bechev was also one of the co-convenors of a conference on the newly-launched Union for the Mediterranean which was hosted jointly by the European Studies Centre and the Middle East Centre in partnership with Maison Française d’Oxford. He drew experts on European and Middle Eastern history, the history and politics of the countries in the Mediterranean basin and the EU. The conference was preceded by a two-day workshop entitled ‘Agents of Change in the Mediterranean’ (Berlin, 2-3 May) co-organised with Isabel Schaefer of the Free University of Berlin. Papers from the two events will be published within the working series co-piloted between St Antony’s and FUB. In October 2007, Dimitar Bechev also co-authored with Kalypso Nicolaïdis
‘Integration without Accession: The EU’s Special Relationship with the Countries in its Neighbourhood’, a paper commissioned by the European Parliament’s Constitutional Affairs Committee. A shorter version of the publication appeared in European View (Spring 2008). The publication launched a new research axis within the European Studies Centre dealing with the European Neighbourhood Policy. Dr Bechev presented his new research project on the EU as a hegemonic power in its periphery at the Department of Politics and International Relations Faculty Seminar (6 March, ESC) and at the conference on ‘Values vs. Security? The Future Choice for the EU and Its Neighbours’ (5-6 June, Maastricht University).


PROFESSOR JANE CAPLAN is Professor of Modern European History, with primary research and teaching interests in the history of Nazi Germany and 19th/20th-century governmentality, specifically the history of individual identification. Her volume in the *Oxford Short History of Germany* series, *Nazi Germany*, was published in 2008. Lectures and papers in the past year include presentations at the German Historical Institute London; the University of Manchester conference on ‘Orality, Technology & the Narratization of Everyday Life’; the 2007 Anglo-American Historians’ Conference at the Institute for Historical Research; and the Oxford University Continuing Education Department. She co-organized workshops at the ESC on ‘Gender in German History’, and ‘Relations between Peripheries and the Centre under National Socialism and Fascism’, as well as the History Faculty’s seminar series on Modern German History. She continued as coordinator of the annual Stihherverband seminar series at St Antony’s: this year’s topic, presented by Professor Ralph Jassim, was ‘Peculiarities of West German Modernity. State and Society in the “Bonn Republic”’.

Current projects include co-editing and contributing to a volume of essays on the new research into the history of concentration camps in Nazi Germany, and convening an International Network on ‘The Documentation of Individual Identity. Historical, Comparative and Transnational Perspectives since 1500’, funded by a grant to the University from the Leverhulme Trust. Under the title ‘IdentiNet’, the Network involves some 25 academics from a variety of disciplines and countries. Its website has recently gone live at www.history.ox.ac.uk/identinet/, and it will hold the first members’ workshop in September 2008.

She continues to teach both undergraduates and graduates in classes and tutorials, and is particularly pleased to be supervising a group of energetic and imaginative DPhil students in German history. Her term as convenor of the History Faculty’s MPhil in Modern European History and member of the Steering Committee of the Modern European Research Centre came to an end in mid-year. She is currently on sabbatical until January 2009.

This year she joined the scientific advisory board of the Faculty of Historical-Cultural Sciences at the University of Vienna, the Council of the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford, and the on-line H-German Advisory Board. She has also joined the editorial board of a new publication series, ‘Kulturgeschichten der Moderne’, published by Transcript-Verlag. She continues as an editor or advisor of a number of journals, especially *History Workshop Journal*, for which she is currently issue editor for no. 67, Spring 2009.

MR RICHARD CLOGG (Emeritus Fellow): During the past academic year Richard Clogg edited, in the College series published by Palgrave Macmillan, *Bearing Gifts to Greeks: humanitarian aid to Greece in the 1940s*, the proceedings of a workshop held at the College in March 2005. There was an Oxford connection to the workshop as the Oxford Committee for Famine Relief, established in 1942, with the primary purpose of alleviating the horrendous famine in German and Italian occupied Greece, metamorphosed after the war into Oxfam. He also published ‘Defining the Diaspora: the case of the Greeks’ in *Kambos: Cambridge Papers in Modern Greek*, XV (2007) 1-22, a revised version of an earlier published paper.

PROFESSOR TIMOTHY GARTON ASH is Professor of European Studies, Isaiah Berlin Professorial Fellow and Honorary Chair of the European Studies Centre. This year his research focussed mainly on the question of how free countries can combine liberty and diversity, and on the role of Europe in the wider world. He lectured on these and related subjects in Stanford, Vienna, Barcelona and Davos, and at several different institutions in London; delivered the annual Isaiah Berlin Lecture at Wolfson College, Oxford, on ‘Isaiah Berlin and the challenge of multiculturalism’; and organised, under the Centre’s auspices, together with Jan Zielonka and with other British and Polish institutional partners, a Polish-British Round Table in Kraków. This continued a tradition begun at the Centre two years ago.

He published an essay on the ‘Günter Grass affair’ (the revelation of Grass’s youthful military service in the Waffen-SS, and the controversy around it), entitled ‘The Road from Danzig’, in *New York Review of Books*, 16 August 2007. Working with Adam Roberts and other colleagues in the University Project on Civil Resistance and Power Politics, he completed the massive task of editing a multi-author volume on *Civil Resistance and Power Politics: The Experience of Non-violent Action from Gandhi to the Present*, due to be published by Oxford University Press in 2009. He also continued to write his weekly column in *The Guardian*, which is widely syndicated in Europe, Asia and the Americas. These columns can be found, along with other material, on www.timothygartonash.com.

In Oxford, he continued to chair the European Studies at Oxford consortium, which attempts to stimulate cooperation between all the different parts of the University engaged in European Studies, and to be much involved in the recently established Universities Institute for the Study of Journalism. Beyond Oxford, he serves on the executive board of the newly founded European Council on Foreign Relations, which aims to help the European
Union to achieve the more coherent and effective foreign policy it so evidently needs.

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 Seminar in Economic and Social History. His current research continues to focus on the Industrial Revolution and nineteenth century frontier expansion within the globalization that occurred before the First World War.

PROFESSOR AJ NICHOLLS is retired Professor of Modern German History and Emeritus Fellow of St Antony’s College. On 22 February 2008 he read a paper to the seminar on recent German History at the European Studies Centre, chaired by Professor Ralph Jessen. The subject of his talk was ‘Britain and the Building of the Berlin Wall’. On 1 March 2008 he lectured to a weekend course at the Department of Continuing Education in Oxford on the history of the Weimar Republic. The title of his lecture was: ‘Unwanted Republic? Problems facing German Democracy, 1918-1930’. On 30 May 2008 he chaired a session addressed by Dr Maiken Umbach (Manchester) and Professor Richard Bosworth (Perth, Australia) in the workshop organised by Jane Caplan and Paul Corner on ‘Relations Between Peripheries and the Centre under National Socialism and Fascism: Comparing Germany and Italy’. He is continuing research on the history of Anglo-German relations from 1945-2001.

DR KALYPSO NICOLAÏDIS has had a second year as both ESC Director and Director of Research Training in International Relations at the DPIR. At the Department, she taught research methods, advanced studies of IR, introduction to the European Union and International Political Economy and she was a member of the IR Graduate Studies Committee. At the College, she convened the ESC core seminar for two terms and co-convened several conferences including on: Wither Shared Leadership in the EU?; Echoes of Imperialism: Rethinking European Colonialisms (in cooperation with Modern History and the Maison Française); After the Lisbon Treaty: Hype, Hopes and Fairytales (in cooperation with EU@Ox and the Institute of European and Comparative Law); and An Oxford Brainstorming on EPAs (in cooperation with the German Marshall Fund). She also hosted a number of high level events for the College including the ESC annual lecture given by EU Commission President José Barroso, the Chancellor’s seminar with Mrs Güler Sabancı, founder of Sabancı University, Alain Geismar on May 68 (in cooperation with the Maison Française), EU Commissioner for enlargement Olli Rehn (in cooperation with SEEOSOX). Her publications this year can be found on http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/esc/knicolaidis/.

PROFESSOR JAN ZIELONKA is Ralf Dahrendorf Fellow in European Politics. Last year his research focused on the European Union’s external policies. He published several articles on this topic, including ‘Europe as a global actor: empire by example?’ International Affairs (May 2008), ‘How to Exercise Europe’s Power’, The International Spectator (June 2008), and ‘L’Union Européenne, agent mondial de la démocratie,’ Annaire français de relations internationales (2008). At the Department of Politics and International Relations he was Director of the MPhil in European Politics and Society and member of the Graduate Studies Committee, Politics. He was also member of the Steering Committee of the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism. He lectured at several leading academic institutions, including the Institute of Human Sciences in Vienna, Collegium Civitas in Warsaw, Hertie School of Government in Berlin, the University of Toronto, and the University of Madison-Wisconsin. More information can be found on his website: http://users.ox.ac.uk/~polf0040/.

Associate Members and Visiting Fellows

PROFESSOR DENIS DUEZ is lecturer in political science and European politics at the Institute of European Studies of the Facultés universitaires Saint-Louis (Brussels, Belgium). In 2007-2008, he was European Studies Centre Visiting Fellow. His stay at St Antony’s was supported by a grant from the Wiener-Anschup Foundation, whose aim is to promote relationships between the Université Libre de Bruxelles and the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge. His research project at the European Studies Centre dealt with illegal migration, border management and the question of political community in the EU and the United States. This research combined his interests for security studies, political theories and migrations. In Oxford he also worked on a book manuscript based on his doctoral dissertation. This book has been published under the title L’Union européenne et l’immigration clandestine. De la sécurité intérieure à la construction de la communauté politique (Editions de l’Université de Bruxelles). His most recent publication is L’Europe et les clandestins: la peur de l’Autre comme facteur d’intégration pour l’Union européenne’, Politique européenne, 25 (2008).

DR KEREM OKTEM (Senior Associate Member), as part of his research work at the European Studies Centre and South East European Studies at Oxford (SEEOSOX), completed the volume In the long shadow of Europe. Greeks and Turks in the era of Post-Nationalism together with his co-editors Kalypsos Nicolaidis and Othon Anastasakis (Leiden: Brill, 2008). During the academic year, he published articles and book reviews in Middle East Report, European Journal of Turkish Studies and Southeast European and Black Sea Studies. He also wrote the chapter ‘The Ambivalent Sea: Regionalizing the Mediterranean Differently’ for the edited book The Present of the Past: Borders, Conflict and Memory in the Mediterranean (London: IB Tauris, 2008), edited by Dimitar Bechev and Kalypsos Nicolaidis. In preparation for a larger ESC research project entitled ‘Europe’s Muslim neighbourhoods: Minorities within, majorities without’, Dr Oktem focused on the question of Muslims and Islam in Europe and on the relations between EU member states and Muslim majority countries in Europe’s southern neighbourhood. His forthcoming collection of essays on Muslims and the Media is based on the workshop ‘Mutual Misunderstandings’, which he co-convened with the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism in May 2007. He will explore further the theme of interaction between EU member states and Muslim majority countries with a symposium on ‘Nationalism, Secularism and Islam’ in Michaelmas 2008. Co-hosted by the Department of Education, this event will seek to probe the interface of educational strategies and political structures in Muslim majority countries. Among his projects for 2009 are the publications of the co-edited volume Turkey’s Engagement with Modernity and his monograph Angry Nation: Turkey since 1989 (London: Zed Books, 2009).
The Basque Visiting Fellowship

DR JURGI KINTANA was the Basque Visiting Fellow for 2007-08. His research at Oxford was focussed on the nation-building and language policies in the UK and Spain, especially comparing the historical cases of Wales and the Basque Country. He has written the first draft on the subject and will publish it soon. Some of his conclusions were presented in different seminars. He delivered a lecture at the University of Wales Centre for Advanced Welsh and Celtic Studies, Aberystwyth, in April 2008. The title of his lecture was ‘Toward a Comparative Social History of the Welsh and Basque Languages (1801-2001)’. In Trinity Term he convened a workshop at the ESC under the title ‘Out of Paradise: Welsh and Basque Languages Facing Modernity (1800-2008)’. Speakers included Professor Geraint H Jenkins (University of Wales, Aberystwyth), Professor Colin H Williams (University of Cardiff), Professor Jeremy Macclancy (Oxford Brooks University), Dr Marion Loefler (University of Wales, Aberystwyth), Dr Jokin Aiestaran (University of the Basque Country) and Dr Irene López-Goñi (Public University of Navarre). The workshop brought together historians, sociolinguists and anthropologists offering a comparative perspective on the subject.

The Deakin Visiting Fellowship

DR SONIA TEBBAKH was the Deakin Fellow at the College during 2007-2008. She worked on the Muslim population in UK, the impact of the European directives on their religious recognition and the comparison between the French and British public policies dealing with the integration of the Muslim populations. Through her involvement in the EU Monitoring and Advocacy Programme on Muslims in the EU cities (Open Society Institute), she also wrote a research report on Paris looking at the way in which the municipal and national authorities address the challenges relating to integration of the Muslims in the city (the research field focussed on the 18th arrondissement of Paris). The report will be available soon on the EUMAP website (http://www.eumap.org/topics/minority/reports/eumuslims).

The Monte dei Paschi di Siena Visiting Fellowship

PROFESSOR PAUL CORNER, Professor of European History at the University of Reading and at the Italian Cultural Institute in London. He was active throughout the year in the organisation of the fifteenth edition of the annual Anglo-Italian Pontignano conference (University of Siena) of which St Antony’s College is a founder member.

The Stifterverband Visiting Fellowship

PROFESSOR DR RALPH JESSEN is Professor of Modern History at the University of Cologne (Germany) and Stifterverband Visiting Fellow at the European Studies Centre for 2007/08. His research and teaching are focused on German history in the 19th and 20th Century. He has published on the history of police and policing in 19th Century Germany, science and nation in 19th and early 20th Century, the transformation of academic elites in the “German Democratic Republic” and on the social history of East Germany under communism in general. His current research deals with West German social history in the 1960s and 1970s, with elections in modern dictatorships, and with public memorialization of the East German revolution of 1989. Together with Professor Jane Caplan, in Hilary Term Professor Jessen convened a seminar series on “Peculiarities of West German Modernity. State and Society in the “Bonn Republic””. The proceedings of these seminars will be published in the New German Historical Perspectives series. Among his books are: Polizei im Industrierevier (Goettingen: Vandenhoek & Ruprecht, 1991); R Jessen and R Bessel, eds, Die Grenzen der Diktatur (Goettingen: Vandenhoek & Ruprecht, 1996); Akademische Elite und kommunistische Diktatur (Goettingen: Vandenhoek & Ruprecht, 1999); R Jessen, S Reichard and A Klein, eds, Zivilgesellschaft als Geschichte (Wiesbaden: VS Verlag, 2004).
LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

The Latin American Centre

It is some time since the Latin American Centre embraced the notion of change, with some enthusiasm and not a little trepidation. The process of change is now underway, inducing an analogous emotional mixture of aspiration and nostalgia. We will shortly bid farewell to our esteemed colleagues, Malcolm Deas and Rosemary Thorp, whose own farewells to the Governing Body feature elsewhere in the Record. We wish to place on the record the thanks of all staff and associates of the Centre to Malcolm and Rosemary for their many years of dedication and invaluable service to the Centre. At the same time, we look forward to welcoming new colleagues (and GB Fellows) to teach the Political Economy of Latin America (appointed jointly with QEH), and the Sociology of Latin American Societies (appointed jointly with the Department of Sociology). Diego Sánchez Ancochea will take up the Political Economy post from October this year, while the appointment of the new colleague in Sociology has yet to be confirmed. During the current year our teaching provision has been greatly enhanced by the participation of Ame Bergés and John Crabtree.

The academic profile of the Centre had begun to change last year, when Tim Power joined us from the Centre for Brazilian Studies to lead the construction of a Brazilian Studies Programme within the Centre. This move has been a great success, and the Programme is now an integral part of the Centre’s research, teaching and activities. But the pace of change will soon accelerate when Tim takes over as Director of the Centre, to replace Joe Poweraker who has been asked to head up the School of Interdisciplinary and Area Studies. Fortunately the Centre can continue to reposit on the wise counsel of Alan Knight, who is now its main source of institutional memory, as well as the guardian of the Centre’s long commitment to the study of modern Latin American history. Happily too, Eduardo Posada, a loyal research associate of the Centre, will take up a part-time Department Lectureship from this October to provide teaching and supervision on Latin American politics.

The Centre has hosted a series of academic meetings over the course of the year, in addition to its usual weekly seminar programme. The Mexican Studies Programme staged an international conference on ‘Mexico’s National Security: Domestic and International Dimensions’ (January), and the Brazilian Studies Programme convened a workshop on ‘Accountability, Institutions and Political Corruption in Brazil’ (May). Another workshop on ‘the study of Colombian history’ was held to honour and celebrate the contribution of Malcolm Deas (June). The Centre has also welcomed several academic visitors, including José Rodríguez, the current Andrés Bello Fellow; Mónica Serrano from El Colegio de México; Pablo Andrade from the Universidad Andina Simón Bolívar in Ecuador; and Sonia Rocha, from the Instituto de Estudos do Trabalho e Sociedade in Rio de Janeiro.

Our students have once again performed well in their examinations, with thirteen successful MSc and two successful MPhil results. One MSc and one MPhil were awarded distinctions. Furthermore, our prospective students are already doing well, with five of them partially or fully funded by Santander, Clarendon, Chevening, and Mexican Studies Programme scholarships. We are cautiously optimistic that we shall see a record intake of both MSc and MPhil students for next academic year.

Yet, none of this academic activity and success would be possible without the sterling support of our administrator, Susannah Bartholomew, and our secretary, Elvira Ryan, who have worked together to achieve an enjoyable and efficient working environment. Staff and students benefit enormously from their commitment to the work of the Centre, and their goodwill and good sense of humour. Our temporary library staff, Frank Egerton and Vania Goyzueta, have also served us well over the year. Our thanks to them all.

Activities and Publications of the Fellows

DR AME ROSA BERGES is Research Fellow at St Antony’s and lectured in the Economics of Latin America from 2005-2008. She lectured, supervised and examined 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 convened 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 November 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. From September 2008, Ame will be Lecturer in the Political Economy of Latin America at the Institute for the Study of the Americas.

MR MALCOLM DEAS, University Lecturer in Politics and Government, writes: Highlights of the year? At the kind invitation of the Venezuelan Academy of History I was invited to give the José Gil Fortoul Memorial Lecture for 2007, which had the additional attraction of the date being in November, in the middle of the term. So with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, the Proctors, the External Members of Council, the Visiting Board and the Ethics Scrutiny Committees of the Social Studies Division and of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies, I got my three-day furlough pass stamped and just made it to Caracas in time. Elias Pino Atruíra and Iben Martínez took me to lunch next day at one of the best Chinese restaurants I have ever eaten in. I started with the Birds Nest Soup, unforgettable twiggly, while my companions both chose something I can’t remember, but on the appearance of the gracious proprietor I do recall their effusive endorsement of absolutely everything about the place. Quite right too, my morale was miraculously restored. For dessert I opted for the …. and so on, and so on, as you now read every Sunday in this gastro-obsessed island of ours.

My lecture was on the importance of critical history in critical times, and a few days later President Chavez lost the referendum designed to prolong his rule into the 2020s. Few lectures that I have given have had such an immediate and dramatic effect! In January I conducted again, with the indispensable help of Eduardo Posada, a Liberty Fund symposium on Conrad’s Nostromo in the suitable setting of Cartagena, and for that
read the novel for the fourth or fifth time, and it seemed better and more Colombian than ever: the snowy peak of Higuerota floated over the placid gulf, Don José Avellanos went meekly on and on, Mr Holroyd resigned himself to the destiny of the United States in doing the world’s business, Captain Mitchell showed off the bourgeois progress of Sulaco, Antonia grieved for Costaguana, and Mrs Gould again tried to think of past, present and future all at once.

I declined in this my final year to examine the Latin American Politics paper in PPE, as I could no longer face being told that democracy is now the only game in town, and the frequent references to those well-known authorities Linz and Stepan. The pair ‘Linz and Stepan’ has always brought to mind the song ‘Nymphs and Shepherds’, which I had to sing at school. Likewise the term JRAM could well come at the end of the first line of an academic version of “I don’t want to be a soldier, I don’t want to go to war…” “I don’t care about the JRAM … etc, etc.” But I digress. For the last time.

Alan Knight and Eduardo Posada and Elvira Ryan organized a most pleasant day’s send-off for me at the beginning of June, and I am truly thankful to them: I hope those friends who could come enjoyed it as much as I did.

And au revoir and thanks to all the amiable and tolerant staff at the Latin American Centre, not goodbye.

PROFESSOR VALPY FITZGERALD, Professor of International Development: For the past academic year I have been heading the Oxford Department of International Development, still familiarly known as Queen Elizabeth House even though it has been a full university department for many years now, has some hundred employees and nearly three hundred students and visitors, and generates the largest research income in the Social Science Division. The strong relationship between St Antoine’s and QEH has many strands: both are postgraduate institutions founded in 1950 to attract overseas students and scholars. About a third of QEH students are at St Antoine’s, which represents about a fifth of College students. There are four College fellows on the QEH faculty, and another nine are Senior Research Associates, while the Warden belongs to the Advisory Council ex officio. Last, but not least, the teaching links between QEH and the College centres (particularly the Latin American, African, Middle East and Asian Centres) include both thesis supervision and shared postgraduate courses. I have supervised theses on: anthropometric estimation of historical living standards in Mexico; on policy space for Brazilian export promotion under WTO law; the qualitative and quantitative measurement (‘Q2’) of the vulnerability of the rural poor in Mexico; and the failure of conditional cash transfers as a welfare incentive in Jamaica. In the few moments of respite from these tasks, I have been endeavouring to continue my research on the long run economic and social history of Latin America; and have written and presented papers on the distribution of income in the six major countries of the region between 1885 and 2005; and on fiscal implications of the lack of a sustainable social contract between state and society on the one hand and between rich and poor on the other.

PROFESSOR JOE FOWERAKER, Professor of Latin American Politics and Fellow, has now survived a second year of academic life at Oxford, and has – at least occasionally been lulled into thinking that this life is in fact ‘normal’. He has enjoyed his year as Director of the Latin American Centre, and has led the search for new ‘Latinamericanist’ Fellows to replace those now retiring. He has also revived his long-term inquiry into the nature of Latin American democracy, and has presented research papers to the International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association in Montreal, and in several UK universities. He is cautiously hopeful that this inquiry will be sustained through and beyond his imminent move to head up the School of Interdisciplinary and Area Studies.

PROFESSOR ALAN KNIGHT, Professor of the History of Latin America, continued work on modern Mexican history, with drugs and violence figuring prominently. Papers on these and other more salubrious subjects (the Constitution of 1917; organized labour in the 1920s; the historiography of the Revolution) were given at: the Tec de Monterrey, Mexico; the International Book Fair, Guadalajara, Mexico; the University of Utrecht; the University of Manchester; and the University of North Carolina, both Charlotte and Wilmington. He also co-edited a book on Superstition in History (cryptically entitled The Religion of Fools) which, fingers crossed, should appear shortly.

DR EDUARDO POSADA-CARBO is a Research Associate at the Centre and has been appointed as a Departmental Lecturer in Latin American Politics for the period 2008-2011. He also became a Research Associate at the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism, and a member of the Consejo de Fundadores of the Casa Editorial El Tiempo, the leading Colombian daily.


He continued developing his current major research project, together with J Samuel Valenzuela, on ‘The Origins of Democracy in the Americas, 1770s-1880s’, and co-convened with Professor Valenzuela an international conference on the subject, held at the Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame, on 18-21 September. He completed the revision of a paper on the role of the press in Colombian electioneering, 1830-1930; wrote a paper on democracy and independence in Latin America, which he presented at conferences in Cartagena and Bogotá; wrote another paper on Colombian liberalism in the nineteenth century, presented at a conference in Santiago (Chile); and lectured on the history of democracy in Latin America at the Cátedra Toquéville in the Universidad Externado, Bogotá. He also participated in the meeting of the Inter-American Dialogue Andean
Working Group, held in Washington, to discuss developments in the region, and in a workshop on the strategies against illegal drugs organized by the Inter-American Development Bank in Paris. On the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Escuela de Ciencias y Humanidades of the Eafit University in Medellin, he was a main speaker at the seminar ‘Los intelectuales y la política’. He also participated in the workshop ‘American Democracy in Context, 1750-1850’, held at the Rothemere American Institute in Oxford.

With Malcolm Deas, he co-directed a Liberty Fund Colloquium on ‘Liberty and Responsibility in Joseph Conrad’s Nostromo’, held in Cartagena. He also undertook the directorship (as general editor) of the Historia Contemporánea de Colombia, a five volume contemporary history of Colombia sponsored by Fundación Mapfre in Spain.

DR TIMOTHY POWER, University Lecturer in Brazilian Studies (and Fellow of St Cross College) oversaw the transition of the former Centre for Brazilian Studies to a new Brazilian Studies Programme within the LAC. With former CBS research associate Dr Jairo Nicolau, Dr Power published the book Instituições representativas no Brasil: balanço e reformas (Belo Horizonte: Editora UFMG, 2007), as well as articles in Legislative Studies Quarterly and Political Research Quarterly. During the academic year, he gave presentations on Brazil-related topics at the Latin American Studies Association in Montreal (September), the University of Sheffield (February), the German Institute of Global and Area Studies (May), and Florida International University (May).

MRS ROSEMARY THORP, University Reader in Economics, enjoyed sabbatical leave in Michaelmas and Hilary, which she spent almost completing a book on the relation between inequalities between groups rather than individuals (‘horizontal’ inequalities) and the durability of severe inequality over the long term in Peru. She returned for a final testing term of teaching and examining, and is now retiring. She intends to continue research, as well as learning to enjoy other things. Her final reflections for the Governing Body can be found elsewhere in this issue.

Visiting Fellows and other Senior Members associated with the centre

DR JOSE AUGUSTO PADUA, Professor of history at the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, was a Senior Associate Member from April 2007 to February 2008. He conducted research on Brazilian environmental history. In addition to presenting his research at the LAC, he also participated in seminars at the Environmental Change Institute and the African Studies Centre series on environmental history.

DR JOSE ANGEL RODRIGUEZ was the 2007-2008 Andrés Bello Fellow. He is Full Professor in Historical Geography at Universidad Central de Venezuela. During his stay he carried out two pieces of research: British Travellers to Venezuela in the 19th Century and Caribbean Rums, 16th-20th Centuries. He researched at the Bodleian and other libraries in Oxford. He also travelled to Germany, invited by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation in January 2008. He gave conferences about Venezuelan themes in Hamburg and Cologne. As Humboldianer, he gave a conference about his two years post-doctoral experience for new students in Bonn. He also did some research at StaatsArchiv in Hamburg. He gave a seminar on April 25th on ‘Birds and Venezuelan Landscapes. The Scientific Work of William Henry Phelps, 1937-1965.’
The Centre continued to receive generous gifts for the new Albert Hourani Scholarship, and was able to advertise three graduate scholarships in 2008: the Hourani, the newly-endowed Hadid Scholarship, established by Honorary Fellow Foulaith Hadid at the Fiftieth Anniversary Gaudy, and our long-standing flagship, the Pachachi Studentship. The competition for the three scholarships was most intense, with over twenty-five outstanding applications. Exceptionally, the Committee decided to award two Hourani Scholarships of £5,000 instead of the single award of £7,500 as had been advertised. The Hourani Scholarship is entirely funded by old members and friends of the Middle East Centre and henceforth will be the focus of an annual campaign.

The Hadid Scholarship for 2008-09 was awarded to Reem Abou El Fadl for her doctoral thesis, ‘Divergent Pasts, Divergent Choices: Nation Building and Foreign Policy in Post Independence Turkey and Egypt’.


Plans for the new building for the Middle East Centre designed by Zaha Hadid continued apace. The College held an exhibition of the plans and models in the autumn as part of a neighbourhood consultation in advance of submitting an application for planning permission in January. The architects have been in discussion with both the Oxford City Council and English Heritage on how best to adapt their plans to integrate with the North Oxford Conservation Area. The Council will decide on the planning application in August 2008.

The Centre welcomed four new research and visiting fellows in the academic year. Our new Pears/Rich Research Fellow in Israel Studies, a three-year post created in partnership with the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies with the generous support of the Pears Foundation and the Rich Foundation, is Dr Raffaella Del Sarto, who comes to Oxford from the European University Institute in Florence. Dr Del Sarto is a specialist in Israel-EU relations and in the domestic-foreign policy nexus in Mediterranean states, including Israel, and currently works on the contributions of IR theory to explaining the persistence of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. In her first seminar for the MEC, Dr Del Sarto spoke on ‘Israel, Egypt and Morocco: Contested Identities and Regional Security.’

The Centre for Lebanese Studies, long associated with the Middle East Centre, established a new annual Visiting Fellowship in Lebanese studies in our Jubilee Year, and Dr Sofia Shwayri, Berkeley-trained specialist in architecture and urban planning, was the first post holder. We are most grateful to the CLS for their continued support and look forward to welcoming our second CLS Visiting Fellow, Dr Maha Shu’ayb of Cambridge University, in October 2008.

Dr Leïla Vignal joined the Centre as a Research Fellow in April, 2008, on a prestigious European Union Marie Curie Fellowship for two years. Dr Vignal, formerly of the University of Lyon, is a geographer whose research examines the impact of globalization on Arab cities, with particular interest in Cairo, Beirut and Damascus.

Dr Sune Haugbolle received a highly competitive postdoctoral research fellowship from the ESRC to pursue further research on memory culture in post-war Lebanon, which was the subject of his Oxford doctoral thesis. Dr Haugbolle completed his one-year fellowship and moves to Denmark to take up a new post in the University of Copenhagen.

The seminars hosted by the Centre revolved around the crises and conflicts of the Middle East.

A number of distinguished speakers addressed the Palestine-Israel conflict in an academic year (2007-2008) which marked the ninetieth anniversary of the Balfour Declaration, the sixtieth anniversary of the foundation of Israel and the Palestinian Nakba, and the fortieth anniversary of the June 1967 War. Israeli Ambassador Ron Prosor honoured the Middle East Centre with his first UK lecture since taking up his post, reflecting on the conflict ninety years since the Balfour Declaration. Sari Nusseibeh and Ghada Karmi examined the prospects for a two state solution and the alternative of Palestinians and Israelis living in a single state. Mahmoud Zeidan screened a film drawing on a selection of video oral history interviews from The Nakba Archive. Avi Shlaim and Laura James gave lectures on Jordan and Israeli settlements in the Occupied Territories. Ilan Pappe assessed the Israeli media in the Palestine conflict, in a lecture jointly sponsored by the Reuters Institute.

Hussein Agha spoke on his personal impressions of Yasser Arafat. Mary King drew on her recent book, A Quiet Revolution to examine non-violent resistance in the first Palestinian Intifada. While each of these events filled the Nissan Lecture Theatre or the Middle East Centre’s seminar room to capacity, it took South Schools to accommodate the hundreds who flocked to hear John Mearsheimer and Stephen Walt address their recent book, The Israel Lobby and US Foreign Policy.

The Centre was pleased to cooperate with Balliol College in their annual Leonard Stein Lecture, which brought Professor Shlomo Ben-Ami, former Foreign Minister of Israel back to St Antony’s, where he completed his doctorate on the origins of the Second Republic in Spain in 1974. Drawing on his recent book, Scars of War, Wounds of Peace: the Israeli-Arab Tragedy, Professor Ben-Ami delivered two lectures on the opportunities for peace and the lessons of the peace process.

Two seminars considered the ongoing conflict in Iraq. Major General Simon Mayall,
former SAM, spoke on his personal experiences of command in Iraq. Juan Cole (University of Michigan) posed the question: ‘Iraq’s Three Civil Wars: Are Multinational Troops Relevant?’

The Centre organized a number of events on Lebanon. Celebrated novelist Elias Khoury examined ‘The Novel and the Lebanese Civil War’, and Elizabeth Picard (Aix-Marseille) examined ‘the problems and prospect of post-war Lebanon’. Both seminars were jointly organized with the Maison Française d’Oxford. CLS Visiting Fellow Sofia Shwayri spoke on ‘The Enemy Within: Beirut, a Modern City at War’, and ESRC Post-Doctoral Fellow Sune Haugbolle expanded on his work on Lebanon to ask: ‘Is there a New Politics of Memory in the Middle East?’ Dr Shwayri and Dr Haugbolle collaborated to organize a major international workshop entitled ‘Negotiation of Space: The politics of destruction and reconstruction in Lebanon’. Sponsored by the Centre for Lebanese Studies, the workshop brought leading international specialists from Lebanon, Europe and North America for a two-day meeting in June. Joe Nasr, Jens Hanssen and Sofia Shwayri provided the historical and theoretical background in the opening session. Sune Haugbolle, Lucia Volk and Hanna Ziadeh explored ‘sectarian geography and identity politics’ in the second session. Eric Verdeil, Jala Makhzoumi and Maha Shuayb examined ‘infrastructure and development strategies’ in the third session. Reconstruction politics were examined in the final session with papers by Marwan Ghandour, Sanaa AlJacket, Robert Saliba and Valerie Clerc. Dr Shwayri will be editing the contributions for publication. We are enormously grateful to the Governors of the Centre for Lebanon Studies, and particularly to the Chairman, George Asseily, and Alexandra Asseily, for their generous support for our work on Lebanon.

Two seminars and a major international conference advanced Moroccan studies at the Centre. Michael Willis spoke on ‘Morocco’s Islamists and the Parliamentary Elections of 2007’, and George Joffé (Cambridge) gave a lecture on ‘Democratic Frustration: The European Union and the Maghrib’. The culmination of the year’s activities came in the May 2008 conference entitled ‘Reform in the Arab World: the strength, limits and prospects of reforms in Morocco’, organized by Michael Willis and Driss Maghraoui (Al Akhawayn University). The conference was opened by the Warden, Professor Margaret MacMillan, and was attended by HH Princess Lalla Joumala, president of the Moroccan British Society. The opening panel gave three views of reforms by key policy makers Khalid Alouia (President of the Moroccan housing bank CIH), Nourredine Bensouda (Director General of Taxes in the Ministry of Economy and Finance), and Mostafa Terra (Director General of the telecoms watchdog OCP). The following day, Moroccan and European academics exchanged views of reforms in politics, parliament, media, the economy, society, education, women’s rights, law and religion. Participants from Al Akhawayn University included Driss Maghraoui, Mohammed Bouzidi, and James Sater; participants from Mohammed V University, Rabat, included Abdelhay El Moudden, Saloua Zerhouni, and Driss Ben Ali. Other Moroccan participants included journalist Ali Bahajoub and Abdelkader Ezraki from the Academy for Education Development, Rabat. Michael Willis, George Joffe, and Oxford doctoral candidate Katja Zvan were among the European participants. We are enormously grateful to the Moroccan British Society for their generous support of this conference and all of the Centre’s activities related to Moroccan and Mediterranean studies.

Two speakers addressed politics in Iran. Scholar and analyst Kian Tajbazkhsh considered ‘Reflections on Sovereignty, Power, Politics and National Identity in Contemporary Iran’. The Centre was delighted to welcome back former Israel Studies Research Fellow Emanuele Ottolenghi, Executive Director of the Trans-Atlantic Institute in Brussels, to address ‘The Iran Nuclear File’.

Two lectures examined identity and culture in Turkey. Christopher de Bellaigue, Alistair Horne Fellow, spoke on his research into ‘Identity and Conflict in Eastern Turkey’, while Martin Stokes (Oxford) presented his research on ‘Vocal Enchantments, Civic Virtues: The Case of Turkey’s ‘model citizen’ Zeki Muren’.

Alan George (SAM), gave a seminar on ‘Asylum Seekers from the Middle East: British Policy and Practice’.

The Sudan Programme enjoyed an enormously successful year under the continuing stewardship of Ahmed Al-Shahi. The Programme hosted two events examining the situation in Darfur. Yahia Ahmed Elbashir, spokesman of the Darfur Liberation Movement (SLM), gave a paper entitled ‘The Perspective of the Sudan Liberation Movement on the Conflict in Darfur’, and Meera Selva (Reuters Fellow) and Melanie Bunce (QEH), gave a joint seminar entitled ‘Deconstructing Darfur’. Luke Anthony Patey (Danish Institute for International Studies, Copenhagen) examined the politics of oil in the Sudan, examining the role of China, India and Malaysia. Antonian Dr Richard Barltop (consultant), gave a paper entitled ‘Negotiating Disarmament and Arms Control in Sudan’. And on 17 May, Dr Al-Shahi convened a major international conference on the 2009 elections in Sudan, asking the crucial question: ‘Will they be free and fair?’ Participants included Sayyid AM Nahas, head of the General Elections Authority, and Awad Hag Ali, Secretary of the Census Council and Director General of the Central Bureau of Statistics.


The Middle East Centre co-organized an international conference in June 2008 with the European Studies Centre and the Maison Française d’Oxford entitled ‘Mediterranean Unions: Visions and Politics’. Raffaella del Sarto, Leïla Vignal and Michael Willis represented the MEC among the convenors of the conference, held at the ESC, which brought a number of distinguished international academics under the auspices of the EU-funded RAMSES Programme.

The Fifth King Abdul Aziz Ibn Saud Lecture was delivered by Professor Tim Niblock of Exeter University on 6 March. His subject was: ‘Saudi Arabia’s Development in Perspective: Ambitious Visions, Fractured Reality’.

The Thirty-Second George Antonius Lecture was delivered by Robert Malley of the International Crisis Group on 5 June. His subject was: ‘The United States and the Arab-Israeli Peace Process: A Personal Journey’. Dr Malley took the opportunity of his visit to
attend graduation for his 1991 doctoral thesis on Algeria. His visit also coincided with the award of an honorary doctorate to HM King Abdullah II of Jordan on 4 June, when the Middle East Centre hosted a dinner for the corps of Arab ambassadors, preceded by a round table discussion with Dr Malley, bringing the academic year to an exciting close.

The Walter Zander Prize for the best performance in the MPhil examination was awarded to Ben Stainer (St Antony’s).

The staff members at the Centre are Julia Cook, Administrator, Mastan Ebtehaj, Librarian, Debbie Usher, Archivist, and Susan Godfrey, Housekeeper.

Middle East Centre Archive
During the past year 102 readers have made 252 visits to the Middle East Centre Archive and consulted 1033 items. The Archivist, Debbie Usher, has answered 840 enquiries and supplied 2205 photocopies, 177 JPEG images of documents and 89 photographic images. In addition she has catalogued the John Card, Gerald Green, Francis Russell, Peter Lienhardt and Alexandro Buccianti Collections. More detailed catalogues were also prepared for the Derek and Pamela Cooper, Jerusalem and East Mission and Sir Harold MacMichael Collections. The Archive has also been host to Huda Al-Khazarian who in April 2008 undertook her cataloguing placement as part of her Archival Description course at UCL School of Library, Archive and Information Studies. Under the supervision of the Archivist, Huda Al-Khazarian catalogued the Edward Ashley Collection. Due to this year’s cataloguing, six collections are now open totalling ten boxes and ten items.

Work in the Archive this year has been marked by a continued intense use of the Archive especially in the number of items (i.e. a box or file) ordered and in a large increase in enquiries (up by 150 enquiries from last year to 840 enquiries and almost double that received four years ago in 2004-2005). Despite the heavy use of the Archive significant progress has been made on cataloguing work in the Philby Collection and in several preservation projects.

The Philby project has continued with the completion of cataloguing of the Books, Business and Transjordan sections and the cataloguing of the Palestine, Expeditions and Records sections of the Philby Collection. The copying of non-Philby material relating to Saudi Arabia has continued with the copying of photographic material in the Gertrude Bell, Charles Butt and Violet Dickson Collections.

In addition to the Philby project some major achievements have been made in preservation work in the Archive over the past year. A successful funding application was submitted to the National Manuscripts Conservation Trust in September 2007 for £1,811 for the Jerusalem and East Mission Preservation Project. This project was to re-box and re-folder the Jerusalem and East Mission Collection in archival boxes and archival western manuscript folders. The Jerusalem and East Mission Collection is the largest Collection in the Archive at 256 boxes and one of the most heavily used. Replacing the non-archival boxes and document wallet folders was needed to prevent damage to the papers being caused by folders which were too small and to increase the protection of the material with more robust boxes. The project took place over a two-week period in March and April and took 71 hours to complete. A survey of material needing conservation work in the collection was also undertaken whilst re-boxing and re-folding the papers. This project has significantly improved the preservation of the Jerusalem and East Mission Collection and will help to ensure that many future generations of researchers will have access to the Collection.

The preservation of the entire Archive has also been furthered this year by the completion of the Archive’s first detailed disaster plan in September 2007. The Archive has also improved its pest management with the purchase of insect blunder traps. The Archive has continued to benefit from its membership of the Oxford Conservation Consortium (OCC). Apart from the advice that the OCC provided for our successful funding application, the OCC has also provided advice to the Archivist on our new building plans and carried out conservation work on a substantial quantity of Palestine Police Service Record Cards (16 bundles) as well as three items in the Estelle Blyth and six items in the Jerusalem and East Mission Collection.

Linked to preservation but also to improving access has been continued digitisation work in the Archive. The Archivist went on a Technical Advisory Service for Images (TASI) training course for digital photography in April 2008 in order to improve the quality of the reprographics work that the Archive can offer, especially in taking photographs of documents. The TASI course gave training on setting aperture, shutter speed, white balance and some basic lighting techniques and colour management issues.

Digitisation of individual photographic collections has continued with the following material being digitised: Gertrude Bell (52 images); Charles Butt photographs of the Gulf States (63 images), Iraq (169 images), Jordan (122 images), Lebanon (168 images), Oman (16 images), and Saudi Arabia (34 images); Victor Cannings (27 images); General John Graham (235 images); Stephen Langlie (45 images); Arthur McArthur (23 images); and HM Wilson (13 images).

The creation of online photo galleries has also continued with the addition of the Gertrude Bell, Humphrey Bowman, Charles Butt Jordan, Charles Butt Saudi Arabia, Violet Dickson, and Sir George Rendel photo galleries.

Continuing the theme of increased access the Archive has been contributing to the pilot project based at the Bodleian Library (Rhodes House) to create an online gateway for 20th Century International History Archives in Oxford.

Work on the Palestine Police Oral History Project has continued this year. Whilst only one additional British Palestine Policemen has been interviewed this year, the Hebrew and Arabic interviews have begun to arrive. A web page for the oral history project has also been created and transcripts completed for 13 out of the 15 British interviews. If resources are available then it is hoped that more British interviews can be carried out in the next academic year.
New accessions to the Archive have continued to be abundant in both quantity and quality. Notable new accessions include the loan of the Buccianti journal and substantial additions to the Raymond Cafferata, Violet Dickson, Bini Malcolm and Rosalind Ramirez Collections.

New Accessions
- **Buccianti, Alexandro** – Loan of Journal, in Italian, recording the invasion of Egypt by Napoleon covering the period 1796-1801 written by Alexandro Buccianti in c1847 with an English translation of the journal made by Alfred Hall in 1901
- **Butt, Charles** – Additional three framed watercolour paintings of military scenes in Oman, 1970s
- **Cafferata, Raymond** – Additional papers and photographs covering Cafferata’s childhood, service in the first world war, the Royal Irish Constabulary and his service in the Palestine Police as well as articles, correspondence and obituaries, 1889-2002
- **Carrier, Joe** – Typescript of interview covering Joe Carrier’s service in the Palestine Police, 2002
- **Dickson, Violet** – Additional papers mainly consisting of correspondence from Violet Dickson to her son HYWS Dickson and from Violet Dickson to Mrs Anthony, 1947-1984, but also including newspaper clippings, printed booklets, greeting cards and further photographs, 1880s-1985
- **Jerusalem and East Mission Collection** – Additional Bible Lands Magazines, 2007-2008
- **Leadbeater, Roy** – Newspaper clippings, certificate of appointment and six copy prints relating to Roy Leadbeater’s service in the Palestine Police, 1946-2007
- **Malcolm, Bini** – Additional eight boxes (c3374 items) of 35 mm slides of Iran and Yemen 1962-1974 with a digital copy of these slides
- **PPOCA** – Additional Palestine Police papers and PPOCA newsletters, 1917-2008
- **Ramirez, Rosalind** – Additional papers relating to her service as governess to King Faisal II of Iraq, 1943-1964
- **Sudan Conferences** – Additional papers relating to the peace process and the conferences held at St Antony’s as part of the Sudan Programme, 1956-2008
- **Sultan Armed Forces Association** – CD of newsletter and later Journal of Sultan’s Armed Forces Association Issues 1-56, Printed copy of Journal of Sultan’s Armed Forces Association No 57
- **English Oral History Interview of the following former Palestine Policeman: John Tyrrell**
- **Arabic Oral History Interviews of the former Palestine Policemen: Saleh Awad, Salim Ghanim, Yousef Hassan, Tofeq Hafeth, Abdullah Hussein, Hassan Issa, Mohammad Karroum, Mustafa Mahmud, Abduljalil Saleh, Fawzi Sha’ban, Omar Shehadeh**
- **Hebrew Oral History Interviews of the former Palestine Policemen: Naftali Aharoni, Zvi Elter, Menachem Gishri, Shimon Keller, Yosef Rozenfeld, Simha Zehavi**

The Middle East Centre Library
The MEC Librarian, Mastan Ebtehaj, continued to represent Modern Middle Eastern Studies at the local and national level. She maintained and improved the MEC Library web page to disseminate relevant information, and attended the relevant meetings of the Oxford University Library System (OULS). At the international level, she continued with her role as the Melcom International web master, as well as its Treasurer. She attended the 29th Annual Conference of Melcom International held in Sarajevo. As the UK representative, she reported back to Melcom UK in their summer meeting held in Exeter University, and took part in all of the other Melcom UK meetings to report and update the committee on the latest projects in Oxford.

At the end of the academic year, the MEC Library hosted the 30th Annual Conference of Melcom International. Between 23 and 25 June 2008, some 67 delegates attended the conference, from 14 different countries, including Algeria, Morocco, Spain, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Lebanon, Turkey, and the Russian Federation. A balanced programme of 19 papers was organised to discuss issues concerning library provision for Middle Eastern Studies worldwide, including digitising programmes, manuscript collections, etc. To complete the celebration, the Librarian assembled a collection of photographs to cover as many past conferences as possible to mount a ‘celebratory photo gallery’ on the Melcom International web site: http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/ext/melcomintl/index.shtml. A conference report (including a group photo) was prepared for ‘Outline’, the Oxford University Libraries staff newsletter.

Under a temporary arrangement with the MEC, the Librarian worked part-time for the duration of the Michaelmas term to resume her doctoral research. This arrangement was made possible by a team of five doctoral students. The Librarian takes this opportunity to thank Katja Zvan, Farid Boussaid, Nadia von Maltzahn, Elvire Corboz and Naysan Rafati for their hard work in keeping the library going while the Librarian was on part-time leave.

The OULS continued to provide the Library with its acquisition budget for the academic year 2007-08. While there were discussions with the OULS about possible changes to the Library’s lending policy, expanding access to undergraduates in Politics, Philosophy and Economics, it was agreed to retain the current access policies that restrict borrowing rights to undergraduates in Oriental Studies and postgraduates in all faculties.

Since the MEC Library and OULS work in close relationship and coordinate their acquisition policy, it will be pertinent to make two announcements which will have direct effect on the status quo of the MEC Library. First is the retirement of Lesley Forbes, Keeper of the Oriental Books at the Bodleian library. The position of the Keeper will be abolished upon her retirement and the budgetary plan for the MEC library will be transferred to the Social Science division under the supervision of the Social Science Librarian, Margaret Robb. Martyn Minty, Librarian at the Oriental Institute, will be retiring by the end of June 2008. His position has been advertised, with some modifications.
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canon formation in Turkey, and the ideological conflicts this reflects in the search for a
national cultural identity.

PROFESSOR W R 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. His Britannia
series remains in progress: Adventures with Britannia, More Adventures with Britannia,
Still More Adventures with Britannia, Yet More Adventures with Britannia, and
Penultimate Adventures with Britannia. The volume in preparation is Ultimate
Adventures, to be followed by - would you believe it? - Post-Ultimate Adventures. He
continues to draft chapters for British Imperialism in the Revolutionary Middle East (the
sequel to The British Empire in the Middle East). His most recent book is Ends of British
Imperialism: The Scramble for Empire, Suez, and Decolonization. He has undertaken to
edit the twentieth-century volume of the History of the Oxford University Press.

MR ROBERT MABRO, CBE, is an Emeritus Fellow of the College and a Fellow of St
Catherine’s College. In 2007/8 he taught a course on the geopolitics of Energy at the
Institut Francais du Petrole, and a 28-hour course on Energy Issues for MA students at
the Institut des Etudes Politiques (Sciences-PO) in Paris. He was a Distinguished Visiting
Professor at the American University of Cairo in November 2007. He published articles in
the Harvard Journal for International Studies and the OPEC Review. He also received an
award from HM King Abdallah bin Abdel Aziz al Saud for his contributions to the study of
oil in the past 35 years.

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 until the end of HT 2008, when his period in office came to
an end. In March he was elected a University Proctor for 2009/10. Dr Robins completed three
papers for publication during the course of the year: ‘States that straddle’...and drugs and criminality. Dr Robins continued to act as an FCO ‘stakeholder’, commenting on aspects of the Foreign Of

DR MUSTAFA BADAWI is Emeritus Fellow. His publications include ‘Problems
of translating Shakespeare into Arabic’ (in Arabic), published in the Bibliotheca
Point in Arabic East/West Fiction: a study of the Egyptian novelist Baha’ Tahirs Love
in Exile’. 

FOULATH HADID, Honorary Fellow, concluded a contract with publisher IB Tauris to
write a study of the history of the Iraqi democracy movement. He assisted in the selection of
the first Hadid Scholarship recipient.

DR DEREK HOPWOOD, Emeritus Fellow, continued to serve as a trustee of the Ali
Pachachi Studentship.

DR C J KERSLAKE, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in Turkish, continued
to work with Dr Ashl Goeksel of Bogazici University, Istanbul, on Turkish: An
Essential Grammar (to be published by Routledge). A revised version of her paper ‘A
contrastive study of apposition in English and Turkish’, presented at the 13th International
Conference on Turkish Linguistics in August 2006, was submitted for publication in
a Festschrift for the Norwegian Turcologist Bernt Brendemoen. In anticipation of a
sabbatical year planned for 2009-10, she began to explore a new research area in the

interface between literature and Turkish political history, focusing on the problematic of
canon formation in Turkey, and the ideological conflicts this reflects in the search for a
national cultural identity.

DR EUGENE ROGAN, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in the Modern History
of the Middle East, resumed the Directorship of the Middle East Centre in Trinity Term. He
enjoyed one term of sabbatical in the fall, dedicated to his forthcoming book, *The Arabs in the Modern World: A History*, which nears completion. The second edition of *The War for Palestine: Rewriting the History of 1948*, which he co-edited with Avi Shlaim, was published by Cambridge. His travels in the region took him to Morocco in September for meetings with the Moroccan British Society; Damascus in January to attend the opening ceremonies for the Arab Capital of Culture 2008; and to Qatar for meetings with the Qatar Faculty for Islamic Studies. In November he attended the MESA conference in Montreal, where he hosted a reception as part of the Middle East Centre’s Jubilee anniversary. He organized a panel on the oral history project he has been running on the Mandate-era Palestine Police, and gave a paper on the memories of Britons who served in the Palestine Police. He gave a presentation to the 8th Doha Forum on Democracy, Development and Free Trade in April. He was interviewed for a number of documentaries by the BBC and al-Jazeera television.


DR MICHAEL WILLIS, HM King Mohammed VI Fellow in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies, has continued to develop events and studies in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies. At the beginning of Trinity Term he co-organised with Dr Driss Maghraoui from Al Akhawayn University in Morocco a two-day conference entitled: ‘Reform in the Arab World: the Strengths, Limits and Prospects of Reforms in Morocco.’ Held in the Nissan theatre at St Antony’s, the conference brought together academics, journalists and policymakers to discuss Morocco’s reform programme. Papers were presented by specialists in a range of fields including politics, law, education and women’s rights.

Dr Willis has attended and spoken at a number of different institutions and conferences in Britain and abroad during the academic year. He gave guest lectures at St Andrews University and the Transatlantic Institute in Brussels in Michaelmas Term and in Hilary Term he spoke at Warwick and Reading Universities. Within Oxford he spoke at the Commonwealth History Seminar at the History Faculty in February and in the Middle East Centre itself in October. In November he attended and contributed a paper on Moroccan Foreign Policy towards the Middle East to the Middle East Studies Association (MESA) annual conference in Montreal. In May he participated in a conference entitled ‘Maghreb 2030’ organised by the Haut Commissariat du Plan in Skhirat, Morocco, where he spoke on EU-Maghreb relations. The following month he travelled to Israel where he gave a guest lecture and participated in a one-day workshop on the contemporary Maghreb. In December he participated in a workshop organised at the Foreign Office on scenarios for Morocco and Algeria and in July he contributed to a formal briefing for the new British Ambassador to Morocco. He has also continued to be involved in the activities of the RAMSES Mediterranean programme at the European Studies Centre, attending and chairing a panel at the ‘Mediterranean Unions: Visions and Politics’ conference held in June.

In September Dr Willis travelled to Morocco where he spent a week following the national legislative elections, material from which he used for a number of the public lectures he gave during the academic year. He returned again in April to do follow up research for an article he is writing on the elections. He also visited Al Akhawayn University where he led a graduate seminar on EU-Maghreb relations. In September he travelled to Rabat with Eugene Rogan and Avi Shlaim from the Middle East Centre for the regular annual meeting with the board of the Moroccan British Society.

Dr Willis was interviewed in March for a documentary focusing on women in Morocco for the BBC and interviews given by him to the television series ‘The Twenties in Colour’ were broadcast on BBC4 and BBC2 during the year.

During the academic year, Dr Willis had two chapters in books published: ‘The Politics of Berber (Amazigh) Identity: Morocco and Algeria Compared’ and ‘Justice and Development or Justice and Spirituality? The Challenge of Morocco’s Nonviolent Islamist Movements’. Both appeared in edited volumes focusing on the Maghreb.

Research Fellows, Visiting Fellows and Associate Members

DR AHMED AL-SHAHI, Research Fellow, gave a paper to the panel on ‘Researching Peace and Conflict in Sudan’ to the conference organised by the Stanhope Centre for Communications Policy Research of the University of Pennsylvania, held at St Catherine’s College, Oxford in July 2007. In November, he delivered a paper on ‘Multiculturalism and Citizenship: The Case of Arabs/Muslims in Europe’ to staff and postgraduate students of the Faculty of Economic and Social Studies, Khartoum University, Sudan. He also gave a talk to the Department of Folklore at the same University on ‘Methodology of Folklore’. In February, he participated in a private briefing and exchange about the work of Global Leadership Foundation with the Sudanese Government on the process of democratic transformation, Chatham House, London. Also in February, he
gave a talk on ‘A Text on a Lawh’ at a seminar on texts at the Oriental Institute, Oxford. In April, he participated in a programme, ‘A Look On to’ organised by the Al-Jazeera Children Channel to discuss the ‘Integration of Arab Children in Europe’ to mark the occasion of the European Year of Intellectual Dialogue, Brussels, Belgium.

As co-organiser of the Sudan Programme (with Mr Bona Malwal, SAM), he organised the following events: in October, a lecture on ‘The Perspective of the Sudan Liberation Movement on the Conflict in Darfur’; in January, a lecture on ‘Responsibility to Protect: can Aid Workers and Soldiers save Darfur?’ and ‘Reporting Darfur. The British Media’s Coverage of the Crisis’; in January, a lecture on ‘Three of a Kind? China, India and Malaysia in oil-rich Sudan’; in May, an international conference on ‘Elections in Sudan 2009: Will they be Free and Fair?’ at which the Head of General Elections Authority was the main speaker. Representatives of major political parties gave their response to the impending national elections and the status of the national census. The final event of the year was a lecture on ‘Negotiating Disarmament and Arms Control in Sudan’.

He contributed to the supervision of postgraduate students and gave an optional course on political and economic aspects of Sudan’s recent history for the MPhil in Modern Middle Eastern Studies. He continued with his research on the anthropology of northern Sudan, Muslims/Arabs in Europe and the works of Peter Lienhardt in the Gulf Shaikhdoms.

He published: ‘Sudan’ in The Annual Register of World Events (vol. 249, ProQuest).

DR RAFFAELLA A DEL SARTO is the new Pears/Rich Research Fellow in Israel Studies, a joint post with the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies. She recently became a Faculty member of the Oriental Institute, and she is also associated with the RAMSES Mediterranean Studies network through the European Studies Centre. In addition to discovering the fascinating (and rather complex) world of Oxford, Dr Del Sarto dedicated the first year of her Fellowship to teaching and teaching preparations on Israeli society and politics and the writing of a book chapter. She also started working on her research project on the value of IR theory for explaining the persistence of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. She gave a number of talks, including: ‘The Limits of Consensus: Israel’s Contested Identity between Peace-Making and Regional Conflict’, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies; ‘Israel, Egypt, Morocco: Contested Identity and Regional Security’, Middle East Centre, St Antony’s College; ‘The Interplay of Conflicting Logics in the EU’s Mediterranean Policy’, Conference on ‘Mediterranean Unions: Visions and Politics’ (which she co-coordinated), European Studies Centre, St Antony’s College; and ‘Co-opting Elites: North Africa and the Middle East as EU Borderlands’, EuroMeSCo/IAI conference on ‘Security, Securitization and Reform’, Italian Foreign Ministry, Rome. Dr Del Sarto also chaired a session of a conference on ‘Israel and the Great Powers, 1948-2008’ at SOAS in London; she attended a Pears Foundation ‘Round Table on Israeli Arab Issues’ in London and a workshop on ‘Fragile Statehood, Security, Democracy’ at the Dead Sea in Jordan. Her publications include: ‘Italy’s Politics without Policy: Balancing Atlanticism and Europeanism in the Middle East’ (with N Tocci), Modern Italy 13:2 (May 2008); ‘The Six-Day War and the Fragmentation of Israeli Society and Politics’ (in Italian), in A Marzano and M Simoni, eds, Quarant’ anni dopo: Confini, Barriere e Limiti in Israele-Palestina, 1967-2007 [Forty Years Later: Borders, Barriers, and Boundaries in Israel/Palestine, 1967-2007] (Il Ponte); and the forthcoming book chapter ‘Borderlands: The Middle East and North Africa as the EU’s Southern Buffer Zone’, in D Bechev and K Nicolaïdis, eds, The Present of the Past: Borders, Conflicts, and Memory in the Mediterranean (IB Tauris).

DR SUNE HAUGBOLLE was attached to the Middle East Centre as an ESRC Post-Doctoral Fellow in 2007-8. During the course of his fellowship, Dr Haugbolle completed a book manuscript based on his DPhil thesis (Oxford, 2006) on memory culture in post-war Lebanon. In addition, he edited a special issue (vol. 13, no. 2) of the journal Mediterranean Politics, titled ‘The Politics of Violence, Truth and Reconciliation in the Arab Middle East’. He also completed research on political prisoners in Syria, funded by the Council for British research in the Levant. The results will be published as articles in an edited volume on Prisons and Policing in the Middle East and North Africa (Columbia University Press, 2009) and the special issue of Mediterranean Politics. He organised the panel ‘Evaluating Memory Campaigns in Lebanon’ at the Middle East Studies Association Meeting in Montreal, November 2007, and co-organised the conference ‘Negotiation of Space’ at St Antony’s College, June 2008. He also worked as an advisor to the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Oxford Analytica. In July 2008 Dr Haugbolle left Oxford for a job at the University of Copenhagen.

DR HOMA KATOUZIAN, Iran 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 2007 to June 2008. Likewise, he continued to act as joint editor (together with Professor Mohamad Tavakoli-Targhi of the University of Toronto) of the series Iranian Studies, published by Routledge, of the Taylor and Francis Group, on behalf of the International Society for Iranian Studies, of which five volumes were published in 2007 and 2008. He also continued to serve on the Board and Executive Council of ISIS.

He organised (jointly with Mohamad Tavakoli-Targhi) a two-day international conference, 19-20 October 2007, on ‘Iran and Iranian Studies in the Twentieth Century’, to which he contributed a paper on ‘Persian Literature in the Twentieth Century’. He is currently editing the conference papers for publication both in the journal Iranian Studies and in a volume to be published in the ISIS / Routledge series. He attended the annual MESA conference in Montreal, November 2007, and has been serving on the Programme Committee of the biennial ISIS conference, which will be held at Toronto University in July-August 2008. In May, he presented a paper on the sociology of Iranian history to a seminar of the Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies, University of Exeter.

In 2008 he published two new books (both of them by Routledge), one in literature and one in social science: Sadeq Hedayat: His Work and His Wondrous World (ed); Iran in the 21st Century: Politics, Economics and Conflict (ed jointly with Dr Hossein Shahidi). And he continued with the writing of a history of Iran, which has been commissioned by Yale University Press.
He also continued to supervise his three research students, all of them members of St Antony’s.

PROFESSOR HOSSEIN MODARRESSI, Golestaneh Fellow, continued to work on the second volume of his Tradition and Survival: A Bibliographical Survey of Early Shi’ite Literature.

DR TARIQ RAMADAN continued his work as a Research Fellow in contemporary Islamic studies and his research and writing on Muslims in Europe.

DR SOFIA SHWAYRI, Centre for Lebanese Studies Visiting Fellow, worked on two projects. The first consisted of revising her dissertation for publication. Civil War Beirut will unravel the relationship of warfare to cities by understanding how intrastate wars map cities, and conversely, how cities shape the development of conflict. Beirut’s experiences during that war will illustrate many of the main issues. The second project was to organize a two-day conference on the politics of destruction and reconstruction in Lebanon post the July 2006 War between Hizbollah and Israel, held at the MEC on June 13 and 14, 2008. The conference involved participants from Canada, the United States, Lebanon, Syria, France, and Sweden. The papers presented at this conference will be published in an edited volume.

She gave two lectures and two conference papers. The first was in London for the Centre for Lebanese Studies, where she presented a paper on the transformation of space in Beirut since October 2004, titled ‘Beirut, the City of Recurring Conflicts’. The second was in Oxford, where she spoke about security and urban space. The third paper treated fire, fire regimes and the city during war, delivered to the German Historical Society in Washington DC. She completed her year with a presentation on ‘The Culture of Reconstruction’ in Cambridge in June.

DR LEÏLA VIGNAL, Marie Curie Fellow, started a two-year Marie Curie Post-Doctoral Fellowship on the 1st of April 2008. Her new research program, entitled ‘The Middle East Metropolises in Times of Globalisation: Territorial Re-composition, Regional Competition, Global Insertion’, is a human geography research project based on the description and analysis of the intensified relations, flows and networks that have developed in the Middle East since the 1990s. The research will question the link between globalisation and the emergence of a genuine regional system. It will aim at identifying the locations (mostly metropolitan) and actors of these global and regional new processes.

Since her arrival at the MEC, Dr Vignal has been co-organiser of the conference ‘Mediterranean Unions – Visions and Politics’ (6-7 June, in cooperation with the European Studies Centre and the Maison Francaise) and written for it a report on the ‘Union for the Mediterranean’ European project (to be published). She was also invited by the Institut des Sciences Politiques, Paris, to talk on the Arab reactions to the ‘Union for the Mediterranean’ (12 June).

The Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre

This has been a year of great change in the Centre as the plans for the reconstruction of the Russian Library began to be implemented. The builders joined us in force in March 2008 and we began to learn the vocabulary of contemporary building practice.

This has been a combined endeavour of our architect Graham Bannell, Knowles the builders, Bursar Allan Taylor, Domestic Bursar Peter Robinson and our new Centre Administrator Richard Ramage. Holes were knocked in the walls and floors of offices and Messrs Ramage and Service applied for asylum on the first floor of the Main Building for the duration of Trinity Term. Work at the time of writing is on schedule. We are especially pleased that the ceiling of the old Library has been revealed as having well-preserved oaken beams which will enhance the appearance of the new Library, which is expected to be ready for use in October 2008. The Centre is immensely grateful for the financial generosity of alumni and friends of the Centre who have made this project possible.

Jackie Willcox, our Secretary and Librarian for a quarter of a century, retired at the end of Michaelmas Term. She served the Centre outstandingly in so many capacities and her leaving parties drew back a multitude of well-wishers. She left the Centre in a good administrative shape for Richard Ramage to take over. He has come to us from the Taylor Institution Library and has already settled into the rhythms of office and library at the College. Within a few weeks of his arrival the old Library was no more – and indeed it became inaccessible. Books and catalogues were hauled off to storage in Essex. Aged furniture was re-assigned or sold off. The management of this entire process was a baptism of fire and we already owe a great deal to our Administrator for his good-humoured adaptability in dealing with it on our behalf.

Fundraising continues to be a priority for us as we move to the second stage of our programme. The Campaign Committee met twice. Its members are: Judge William Birtles, Professor Archie Brown, Sir Bryan Cartledge, Lady Ellen Dahrendorf, Mr Geoffrey Elliot, Mr David Hoffman, Dr Tina Jennings, Ms Bridget Kendall, Mr John Lloyd, Mr Paul Newman, Dr Julie Newton, Mr Julian Simmonds, Professor Alfred Stepan and Dr Tiffany Troxel. We are most grateful for their generosity in giving up their time at home and in their professional careers to help us. It was largely their ideas and initiatives that enabled us to hit our monetary target for the Library. Now we are working on acquiring additional, larger funds for research fellowships and scholarships as well as for the Centre to be put on a self-funding basis.

The core of the Centre’s work continues to lie in our teaching, research and seminar activity. The Monday evening seminar series has brought us all together over the three terms. Paul Chaisty and Petra Schleiter (St Hilda’s) chose the theme of politics under Putin in Michaelmas Term. Robert Service and Julia Mannherz, newly appointed to Oriel College, organised a series on Russian popular culture in Hilary Term. Carol Leonard and Judith Pallott (Christ Church) brought together a diverse group of scholars on Russian and Ukrainian social and economic developments in Trinity Term.
Paul Chaisty, Christopher Davis and Elena Katz organised a large conference in December on ‘Russia Beyond 2008’. This very successful event was sponsored by the Central and East European Language-Based Area Studies programme and drew on participants from other members of the consortium led by Birmingham, Oxford, and UCL. Besides our long-running Monday seminar series, a series on ‘The Geopolitics of Energy’ with special reference to Russia was organised by Shamil Yenikeyeff and Carol Leonard in Hilar Term. Another series in Hilar Term was convened by David Johnson and Robert Service on ‘The Politics and Culture of Education in Contemporary Russia’.

Early in Trinity Term, Colin Thubron talked to a packed Nissan Lecture Theatre on the subject of ‘Tracing the Dead: Travels in Central Asia’. This was the first Paul Bergne Memorial Lecture, sponsored by the Centre jointly with The Oxford Society for Caspian and Central Asian Studies. We hope to make the Lecture an annual event to commemorate the work of Paul Bergne, a distinguished diplomat and specialist on Central Asian affairs who did so much to develop the Centre’s activities in the study of this region. Centre events in May included Andrei Grachev’s book launch lecture on ‘Gorbachev’s Gamble and the End of the Cold War’ and a seminar on ‘The European Way of Civil Resistance’ (held jointly with the Oxford University Project on Civil Resistance and Power Politics).

Doctoral students Robert Harris (New) and Victoria Donovan organised an international and inter-disciplinary postgraduate conference in June 2008 on ‘The Russian National Idea’.

We have been especially pleased about the reinforcement of our activities by our Visiting Research Fellows - Norman Davies, Julie Newton and Tina Podplatnik; by our Junior Research Fellows - Robert Pyrah and Charles Walker; by our Senior Associate Members - Katja Ruutu and Shamil Yenikeyeff; and by our Max Hayward Fellow - Elena Katz. Our Emeritus Fellows, Archie Brown, Michael Kaser, Richard Kindersley and Harry Shukman, have continued to participate in seminars and we are pleased that Christopher Davis (Wolfson), Chair of the Management Committee of Russian and East European Studies, has agreed to join the Centre as an Associate Member.

Librarians Jackie Willcox and Richard Ramage would like to thank the following for their donations in the course of the year: Zh B Abylkhazin, the Bodleian Library, Paul Chaisty, Samuel Charap, Vasilii Galin, Henry Hardy, John Lloyd, Mary McAuley, Jeanne Vronskaya.

The countries of the former Soviet Union – and not just the Russian Federation – continue to require urgent examination. Official authorities in the United Kingdom fitfully appreciate the need for area studies centres. But whenever the countries of ‘our’ region appear quiet, the government tends to relax its eagerness for them to be studied. In fact such countries have never been characterized by quietude. The whole region has always bristled with real or potential pressures for change in politics, economy and culture. The Centre is committed to spreading the message that Russian and Eurasian studies have an important part to play in enabling the world to take full measure of the transformation that has been under way since the mid-1980s.

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 Committee. He presented a paper at a conference on ‘Britain and Europe in the 1980s: East and West’, held in Italy at the University of Pavia in October 2007. In expanded form that paper was published as an article, ‘The Change to Engagement in Britain’s Cold War Policy: The Origins of the Thatcher-Gorbachev Relationship’ in the *Journal of Cold War Studies*, Vol 10, No 3, 2008. His article on Gorbachev’s break with Leninism was published in the Russian journal, *Polis*, No 6, 2007, as ‘Горбачёв,Ленин и разрыв с ленинизмом’. A Japanese translation of his book, *The Gorbachev Factor* (1996), was published in spring 2008, with a new Introduction by the author. Most of his time over the past year has been occupied by work on a large book, *The Rise and Fall of Communism*, which is contracted to publishers in five countries and will appear in 2009. Professor Brown remains a member of the editorial boards of the *British Journal of Political Science*, *Post-Soviet Affairs* (Berkeley) and the *Journal of Cold War Studies* (Harvard). He is also on the international advisory boards of *Polis* (Moscow) and *Communist and Post-Communist Studies* (UCLA).

DR PAUL CHAISTY, University Lecturer in Russian Politics, co-chaired a weekly seminar titled ‘Putin’s Presidency in Perspective’ in Michaelmas Term, and throughout the academic year taught undergraduate and postgraduate courses on Russian, post-communist and comparative politics. In December, he helped convene a one-day conference on the theme ‘Russia After 2008’. This conference was aimed at user communities in the government and business world, and was sponsored by the Centre for East European Language Based Area Studies (CEELBAS). The CEELBAS consortium includes the universities of London and Birmingham. In research, Dr Chaisty continued to focus on institutional politics and processes in Russia. He was awarded a Nuffield Foundation Social Sciences Small Grant in November to support a new project ‘Particularism and Legislative Behaviour in the Russian Federation’. This pilot research examines the impact that particularistic economic interests have on parliamentary voting in Russia. The grant supported a study trip to Moscow in April to collect voting data and other material. These data will be included in a book on Russian party politics. Dr Chaisty and co-author Professor Stephen Whitefield (Pembroke) are currently preparing a manuscript for Pennsylvania State University Press. Other research published this year includes, ‘The Influence of Sectoral and Regional Economic Interests on Russian Legislative Behaviour: The Case of State Duma Voting on Production Sharing Agreements Legislation’, *Post-Soviet Affairs*, 23:4, 2007; ‘The Legislative Effects of Presidential Partisan Powers in Post-Communist Russia’, *Government and Opposition*, 43:3, 2008; and one volume of the Russian-language history and politics journal *Russkii sbornik: issledovaniya po istorii Rossii*. Dr Chaisty presented his research at a number of University seminars and conferences. These included papers for the St Antony’s Russian Centre seminar (October), the CEELBAS conference ‘Russia After 2008’ (December), the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (April), and Birmingham University’s CREEs Annual Conference (June). Finally, Dr Chaisty received a Teaching Excellence Award from the University in August. He was nominated by students for “outstanding teaching and commitment to teaching”.

Teaching and Research
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. He oversaw the preparation of four conference volumes while remaining General Editor of the International Economic Association until end-June 2008. In Oxford he examined an MPhil thesis and supervised a doctoral student to her successful conclusion. He continued on the committees of the Europeum (also assisting in studentship selection), of the Plussarden Programme, of SEESOX (see p48) and of the Oxford Intelligence Group. He remained Honorary Treasurer of the Oxford Energy Policy Club (with meetings in College in November and May); he participated in the annual conference of the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (Cambridge, March), in the biennial meeting of economists of King’s College, Cambridge (April) and in a seminar of the Council for East European Language-Based Studies (Oxford, May). He assisted in the arrangements for the annual St Antony’s Day Service (January). He continued 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) and on the Advisory Board of The Annual Register. He was a speaker (as a founder member) at a dinner marking the 60th anniversary of the Liberal International/British Group (London, November). 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); and ‘Introduction’ in Alessandro Roselli (ed), Italy and Albania: Financial Relations in the Fascist Period (London: IB Tauris); 2007. He contributed entries on the OSCE and EBRD to The Annual Register: World Events 2005, and to The 2007 Annual Register: World Events (both Bethesda, Md: Keessing’s Worldwide).

DR CAROL SCOTT LEONARD, University Lecturer in Regional Studies of the Post-Communist States, 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 on regional economic growth. She also teaches undergraduate courses, including Social Science Statistics for the Department of Economics and the Geography of Post-Socialist Central and Eastern Europe for the Honours School of Geography. She presented a paper (25 April), ‘Science and Technology in Transition Russia’ at a conference on ‘The Contemporary Global Economy: Trends and Prospects’, organized by the Department of the World Economy, Faculty of Economics, St Petersburgh University. She continued to serve as a consultant for the doctoral studies programme in Innovation Management at the Eurasian National University in Astana, Kazakhstan, and she gave a course on ‘Networking and Innovation’ in Astana at that university in March. Dr Leonard continued her work on her book Russian Agrarian Reform: The Road from Serfdom. She also published several articles, ‘Dutch Disease Scare in Kazakhstan: Is it Real?’ (co-authored with Balázs Égert), Open Economies Review (19, No 2); ‘The Rural/Urban Wage Gap in Russia, 1884-1910’ (with Leonid Borodkin and Brigitte Granville), European Review of Economic History, 12, No 1, and the single-authored ‘WTO Accession, Institutions and Russian Agriculture,’ World Journal of Management & Economics. She continues as a consultant for Oxford Analytica.

DR ALEX PRAVDA, Souede-Salameno Fellow and University Lecturer in Russian and East European Politics, continued as Coordinator of the Visiting Parliamentary Fellows programme. He helped organise the Parliamentary Fellows seminar, which this year looked at the international politics of the environment (see entry under Cross-Centre activities). As Director of Graduate Studies he had regular contact with this year’s record intake of 21 students (13 of whom are at St Antony’s) taking the MPhil in Russian and East European Studies. This success reflects a general expansion of numbers in the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies where he continued as Director of Graduate Studies.

In September, he gave the annual BEARR trust lecture in London and, under the title ‘Russia: towards a new isolationism?’ considered the tensions between Moscow’s desire for economic integration and tendencies towards political self-insulation. In October he took a term’s sabbatical leave to continue his research on Soviet foreign policy under perestroika. In the same month, he presented a paper, flowing from that research, on ‘The End of the Cold War Order: Gorbachev’s Assertive Liberalism’ at a workshop held at the College to mark the retirement of Professor Sir Adam Roberts. In the same month he discussed a different dimension of international developments in that period when he gave a paper on British Ostpolitik in Eastern Europe at a conference on ‘Britain and Europe: East and West’ at the University of Pavia. In December he spoke on trends in Russian foreign policy at a conference on ‘Russia Beyond 2008’ sponsored by the Central and East European Language-based Area Studies consortium of which Oxford is a member. The importance of taking a balanced view of developments in Russia’s external policies, and avoiding talk of a new Cold War, was something he argued in discussion with Edward Lucas at the European Studies Centre in February and in the following month in a talk at Chatham House, where he continues as an Associate Fellow of the Russia and CIS programme. In May, at a seminar on ‘The European Way of Civil Resistance’ sponsored by the Oxford University Project on Civil Resistance and Power Politics in collaboration with RESC, he spoke on Soviet responses to civil resistance and protest in Czechoslovakia in 1968, a subject which brought back memories of doctoral research, almost as far back as the fortieth anniversary being marked by the event.

DR ROBERT PYRAH, Junior Research Fellow. Since joining St Antony’s in May 2007, Dr Pyrah has made two trips to Poland and Ukraine to work on his project concerning culture and politics in 20th Century L’viv - Lwow - Lemberg. In Ukraine he works closely with the innovative Centre for East-Central Europe (L’viv) and plans to hold joint seminars with them in future. Dr Pyrah is a fellow on the CEELBAS programme, and as part of his remit, has convened academic sessions at Oxford on a range of cultural topics, including ‘Constructing Myth in Central Europe’ (January 2008) and contemporary literature from Russia and Slovakia (November 2007). In June 2008 he hosted a sizeable ‘Authors’ Forum’ at the Ukrainian Institute, London, addressing the topic of ‘The Writer and Post-Soviet Society’. With his CEELBAS colleague Dr Walker, he jointly convenes the culture core course on the Oxford Russian and East European Studies Masters programme. Recent lectures include ‘History and the Theatre: Form, Content, Context’ and ‘Cultural Memory in East-Central Europe’. He has two publication-linked conferences in the pipeline for the coming months.

Teaching and Research
PROFESSOR ROBERT SERVICE, University Professor of Russian History, continued as Director of the Centre. The ‘perestroika’ of the Russian Library took up quite a lot of his time across the year. Academic jargon may at times be opaque but it is as nothing to the new lexicon of the building trade where even simple Anglo-Saxon words have obtained a fresh but occluded connotation. Each shuddering of the floorboards since early spring, however, meant that the time of the Library re-opening draws nearer. The hope is that, unlike the USSR in 1991, the restructuring will not end with the total collapse of the College Lodge.

Teaching commitments remained much as in previous years. Research was re-directed towards a biography of Leon Trotsky. This was facilitated by a summer trip to the Hoover Institution Archives at Stanford University where a mass of original Trotskyana exists (and has as yet been little investigated by scholars). Writing up the material has taken up the rest of the year. An article, ‘The Way They Talked Then: The Discourse of Politics in the Late 1920s’, was written on the basis of Politburo stenograms newly obtained by the Hoover Institution; this is soon to appear in a book edited by Paul Gregory and Norman Naimark. The Stanford trip also allowed the collection of documents and memoirs about intelligence, journalism and international politics in the Russian Revolution and the Civil War. This will provide the core of resources for a book-length study after ‘Trotsky’ has been delivered to the publisher. At least, such is the current plan.


He reviewed for the British and American press. He also appeared occasionally on radio and television in both countries. He debated with Edward Lucas in March 2008 at the Royal Society of Arts about whether there is a ‘new Cold War.’ (Answer: no.)

He continued to serve on the British Academy standing committee for history since 1800. He belonged to 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 of the Management Committee for Russian and East European Studies as well of the Pluscarden Programme Committee. His Comrades. Communism: A World History was a winner in the history category of the US Independent Publisher Book Awards for 2008. During the course of the year he published ‘Russkie praviteli: tsari, komissary i prezidenty’, Otechestvannaya istoriya, no 6 (2007).

DR HENRY HALLIDAY, Emeritus Fellow, continued as chairman of the editorial board of East European Jewish Affairs. In April he visited the Fundación José María Castañé in Madrid to discuss curating an exhibition of Russian and Soviet historical materials (documents, photographs, posters and books), which together with a large collection of Russian and Soviet paintings will be displayed in several Spanish cities in 2010, and to collaborate with the art historian John Bowlt in the preparation of a narrative catalogue for publication in 2011.

DR CHARLES WALKER is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow working within the Centre for East European Language-Based Area Studies (CEELBAS). He is researching young people in Eastern Europe through a comparative study on social inequalities in the emerging education and labour markets of St Petersburg and Vilnius. In October 2007 Dr Walker began work on a proposal for a new research project on health inequalities in Russia, for which he received a small grant from the John Fell Fund.

Dr Walker has continued to publish work from his PhD thesis, and recently had an article addressing internal migration in Russia accepted for a special issue of Europe-Asia Studies (to be published in June 2009). He is also working on a monograph, provisionally entitled Learning to Labour in post-Soviet Russia, which has been contracted for the Routledge-Curzon series (in association with BASEES).

Over the course of the year Dr Walker has presented his research at a number of conferences and seminars, including the American Association of Geographers annual conference in Boston, the BASEES annual conference in Cambridge, and a meeting entitled ‘The Place of Youth: Young People and Social Space’ held at the University of Kingston. A paper presented at St Antony’s is to appear in the Oxford Studies in Comparative Education series (Symposium books).

Dr Walker has also organised a number of CEELBAS-funded events in Russian and East European Studies. The first of these was a postgraduate conference for Masters degree students at each of the CEELBAS consortium partners, held at St Antony’s and Wolfson College in October 2007. This was followed by a seminar on ‘Disability and Mental Health in Russia and Eastern Europe’ at SSEES-UCL, also in October 2007, and a seminar addressing ‘New Dimensions of Class-based Inequalities in post-Socialism’ at St Antony’s in May 2008.

Associated members and visiting fellows

DR JULIE NEWTON, Visiting Fellow of the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre and Associate Professor in the Division of Politics and Government at the American University of Paris, supervised the writing of several MSc students’ theses at Oxford. She also taught the Russian section of a semester course last spring called ‘Cooperation or Collusion: Russia, China and India in the 21st Century’ as part of AUP’s Master’s Programme in International Affairs, Conflict Resolution and Civil Society Development. (The course was taught with two other specialists from the French institute, CNRS). For next Michaelmas term, she is an organiser of the Monday seminar series for St Antony’s Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre which will focus on both Russian foreign and domestic politics, and will continue teaching and supervising students within the Russian Centre. In addition, next spring, she will be co-teaching a joint course on Russia and China at AUP’s graduate programme. As for publications, Julie Newton is co-editor of Institutions, Ideas and Leadership in Post-Soviet Politics (forthcoming with Palgrave, 2009), for which she wrote the Introduction and a chapter called ‘Shortcut to Greatness:'
Russia’s Pursuit of Multipolarity’. She is currently working as a co-author with Professor Susan Perry (Sinologist) on a journal article comparing aspects of Russian and Chinese contemporary politics. In the autumn, she plans to spend time in Moscow in order to research a new project (based on previous work) comparing British, French, German and Italian relations with Russia since 1980 to the present. She is an active member of the Russian Centre Fundraising Committee and St Antony’s Financial Advisory Board.

DR TINA PODPLATNIK JENNINGS took up her Visiting Fellowship at the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre in September 2007. She is presently working on the draft book of her recent doctoral dissertation on business and politics in Putin’s Russia (2000-08) and has undertaken several research trips back to Moscow in the past year. Since setting up home in Oxford with her family in September, she has enjoyed riding her bike with no hands again, numerous high table dinners in College, marking graduate papers, learning Spanish, overseeing a house renovation, attending committee and departmental meetings and corresponding with her publishers on the subject of a flexible deadline.

DR SHAMIL MIDKHATOVICH YENIKEYEFF is a Research Fellow at the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies (OIES) and a Senior Associate Member at the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre, St Antony’s College. 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.

In 2008 he introduced ‘The Geopolitics of Energy’ lecture series under the joint auspices of the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies and St Antony’s. The series took place every Wednesday of Hilary and Trinity terms with most of the lectures given by high-level guest speakers with special expertise and experience in the energy field.

His forthcoming book, The Battle for Russian Oil: Corporations, Regions, and the State, is to be published by Oxford University Press in autumn 2008. Among his other publications are Kazakhstan’s Gas: Export Markets and Export Routes, to be published by OIES; a chapter on Kazakhstan in Simon Pirani (ed), Russian and CIS Gas Markets and Their Impact on Europe, which will be published by Oxford University Press. He also co-authored with Timothy Krysiek a paper ‘The Battle for the Next Energy Frontier: The Russian Polar Expedition and the Future of Arctic Hydrocarbons’, which was published by OIES and has been re-printed in over a dozen publications and has been translated into Arabic, Farsi, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Spanish.

He presented the main ideas of his publications in talks at the Harriman Institute, Columbia University, the European Business School, the School of Slavonic and East European Studies, the Global Strategy Forum, the Centre for European Reform, the EastWest Institute and Centro Studi sulla Storia dell’Europa Orientale as well as in the University of Oxford.

The Visiting Parliamentary Fellowship
The Visiting Parliamentary Fellows for the academic year 2007-8 were Baroness Quin of Gateshead (Labour) and Ian Taylor, Conservative Member for Esher and Walton. Both brought a rich variety of expertise and experience to the Fellowship. Joyce Quin had a long and distinguished career in the House of Commons; she was Minister of State at the Home Office, 1997-8 and at the Foreign Office, 1998-9. She was made a Life Peer in 2006 and is the first Parliamentary Fellow to come from the Lords. She was such an enthusiastic and active participant in the Fellowship programme that we were delighted we had broadened our Parliamentary horizons. Ian Taylor was Minister for Science and Technology at the Department of Trade and Industry, 1994-97 and Shadow spokesman on Northern Ireland in 1997 and has over the last decade been centrally involved in questions of policy on science and technology as well as on European issues. Both Fellows proved invaluable in helping the academic convenors, Professor David Marquand and Dr Alex Pravda, to put together the programme for the Parliamentary seminar. Under the title ‘Climate Change and International Conflict’ the series looked at the international dimensions of global warming and the strategies being developed to tackle it. The basic menu for the seminar was conceived at what is fast becoming a traditional planning lunch at the Commons, and both Fellows helped us to assemble a distinguished list of political practitioners to speak on this controversial and highly complex subject.

At a lively opening session, Lord (Dick) Taverne, the Rt Hon John Gummer and Professor John Gray thrashed out some of the basic political and policy issues inherent in different perspectives on the formidable challenges thrown up by climate change. The following week saw a comparison of American and Chinese approaches. Jock Whittlesley, the Counsellor dealing with environmental issues at the US embassy, highlighted the work being done at State level. Lord (Charles) Powell gave us an assessment of Chinese approaches to these problems, based on his visits over an extended period. Dr Jimin Zhao, who is doing research on these issues at the Environmental Change Institute in Oxford, provided us with an inside view of the historical and cultural context in which Beijing sees its responsibilities. She argued that alongside the high priority they gave to economic growth, the Chinese authorities took climate change very seriously and were planning significant steps to moderate its development. Other major regions covered in the seminar included Europe and the poorer parts of the developing world. On EU policy we heard from a trio of politicians, all with extensive experience of the difficulties of trying to formulate and implement a coherent strategy in this crucial area. Linda McAvan, MEP gave us insight into the current state of play in Brussels; Sir Kenneth Collins (Chair, Scottish Environment Protection Agency) and Baroness Quin put the current situation into perspective. The next session looked at energy security in the wider Europe. Ian Taylor considered some of the possible technological responses and was followed by a troika of speakers who focussed on the role of Russia. Sir Andrew Wood (former UK ambassador to Russia) talked about Moscow’s approach to energy relations; Professors Dieter Helm and Jonathan Stern gave us different takes on how best to handle Moscow as a long-term energy supplier. One of the most informative, and certainly the most disturbing, sessions was that on the effects of climate change on the poorest parts of the globe. Kevin Watkins
(Director, Human Development Report Office, UNDP) argued persuasively that the priority often given to strategies of mitigation should not be allowed to crowd out the need for measures of adaptation that were crucial for many in the developing world. Professor Frances Stewart contended that strategies could reconcile measures to combat climate change with the needs of economic growth. Professor William Beinart, drawing especially on the case of South Africa, made a convincing case for not allowing concern with climate change to dominate the entire realm of environmental policy. In the final session, Professor Tom Burke more than met the challenge of going solo (urgent Parliamentary business having prevented his fellow panellists from appearing) and gave an appreciative audience a tour de force on the complexities of the climate change process, available options, and the vagaries of government policies.

The Pluscarden Programme for the Study of Global Terrorism and Intelligence

The Programme has had another successful year with activities comprising two seminars followed by dinners each term and a major two-day conference in March. Dr Steve Tsang has continued as Director and all sixteen members of the Advisory Committee have continued to serve.

In Michaelmas Term Colonel Tim Bevis (Royal Navy Hudson Visiting Fellow at St Antony’s) spoke on ‘Fighting the global war on terror at the front: Reflections on trilateral co-operation and lessons learned in the south, Afghanistan’, and Captain David Hanson (US Navy) spoke on ‘Not all quiet on the Pacific Front: US efforts in counter-terrorism in the Asia Pacific’. In Hilary Term Major General (Retired) Tim Cross (British Army) spoke on ‘Is there a military solution to the global war on terror?’, and Professor Christopher Andrew (Cambridge) spoke on ‘20th-century intelligence: What 21st-century historians and “lessons learned” exercises leave out’. In Trinity Term speakers and their topics were: Lt General Sir John Kiszely (Defence Academy of the UK) on ‘Global war on terror: The antidote to global terrorism?’, and Malcolm Deas (St Antony’s) on ‘Getting to grips with the FARC and the ELN: Intelligence and analysis in the Colombian conflict’.

The conference was entitled ‘Combating Terrorism: The Role of International Regimes’. It was convened by Dr Tsang and consisted of nine sessions with speakers, discussants and chairs from the UK, USA, Canada and Ireland. Speakers and their topics on the first day were: Professor Thomas Biersteker (Graduate Institute, Geneva/Brown University) on ‘International organisations as instruments in combatting global terrorism’; Sir Mike Aaronson (Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue) on ‘The developmental angle and roles of international NGOs’; Richard Stearns (District Judge, Massachusetts) on ‘Countering terrorism in international law: Defining and detaining suspects, extradition and “rendition”’; Dr Emile Nakhleh (formerly CIA) on ‘Bilateral and multilateral intelligence sharing and operational co-operation’; and Colonel Tim Bevis (St Antony’s and Royal Marines) on ‘Military dimensions: Working with allies and NGOs’. On day two Johnny Ryan (Institute of European Affairs, Dublin) spoke on ‘The internet: Utility for terrorists and counter-terrorism’; Gordon Corera (BBC) on ‘Traditional media: Impact on pro-terrorism propaganda and counter-terrorism policies’; Professor Jane Boulden (Royal Military College of Canada) on ‘The Security Council’s record in dealing with terrorism’; and Sir Colin McColl (Pluscarden Programme/formerly SIS) on ‘Reflections on the conference and key issues in countering terrorism’. The following participants acted as discussants: Professor Jennifer Sims (Georgetown University), Major General Jonathan Shaw (British Army), Dapo Akande (St Peter’s College, Oxford), Nigel Inkster (IISS/formerly SIS), General Sir Mike Jackson (formerly British Army), Dr Ian Brown (Oxford Internet Institute), Dr Ben O’Loughlin (Royal Holloway, University of London) and Sam Daws (UN Association of the UK). The sessions were chaired by: Dr Steve Tsang, Dr David Johnson (Pluscarden Programme/St Antony’s), Judge William Birtles (Pluscarden Programme), John Tolson (MOD), Dr Roy Giles (Pluscarden Programme), Rear Admiral Richard Cobbold (Pluscarden Programme/Duos Technologies International), Dr Jack Caravelli (Pluscarden Programme/formerly NSC), Dr Philip Robins (Pluscarden Programme/St Antony’s) and Professor Sir Adam Roberts (Balliol College, Oxford).

The first book sponsored by the Programme, Intelligence and Human Rights in the Era of Global Terrorism, was reissued in paperback by Stanford University Press in May 2008. The scripts or speaking notes of the following seminars last year have also been electronically published on the Programme’s website: Major General (Retired) Tim Cross (British Army) ‘Is there a military solution to the global war on terror?’ and Lt General Sir John Kiszely (Defence Academy of the UK) ‘Global war on terror. The antidote to global terrorism?’

The Geopolitics of Energy

In Hilary 2008 the Geopolitics of Energy Lecture Series was established by the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies in association with St Antony’s College. The series, organized by Dr Shamil Midkhavovich Yenikeyev of the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies (OIIES) and St Antony’s College, focused on the role played by geopolitics in the energy sector. A rapidly changing global energy scene, dominated by volatile oil and gas prices, the emergence of powerful new consumers in the Asia-Pacific region, reserve depletion within the OECD and the instability in the energy producing regions, caused by domestic, regional and international political actions, have contributed to the instability of energy markets.

The purpose of the seminar series is to inform participants about recent and future geopolitical and economic developments and their potential impact on international energy markets. The key aim of the seminar is to promote an in-depth understanding of driving forces and processes in global energy markets with a focus on domestic and international political actions, economic policies and corporate strategies. The series seeks to present abalanced approach to the geopolitics of energy with most of the lectures given by high-level guest speakers with special expertise and experience in the energy field.

The Inaugural Seminar was given by Mr Christopher Allsopp CBE, Director of OIIES and focused on oil prices, energy security and the world economy. Mr Robert Mabro CBE gave the second lecture of the series. He examined the geopolitics of energy and the challenges and opportunities facing the energy world today. Hilary term focused on the geopolitics of energy of Eurasia and was co-sponsored by the Russian and Eurasian...
Studies Centre with Dr Carol Scott Leonard and Dr Shamil Yenikeyeff as conveners. The first lecture was given by Professor Jonathan Stern, Director of Natural Gas Research, OIES, who examined the energy issues facing Russia in its relations with Europe. This theme was carried on by Professor Dieter Helm of Oxford University who gave a presentation on Europe’s external energy policy. Mr John Roberts of Platts presented a view of the geopolitics of Caspian and Central Asian energy. Dr Shamil Yenikeyeff examined the role of the federal government, regions and corporations in forging the Russian oil sector after the collapse of the USSR to the present day. Dr Tatiana Mitrova of the Russian Academy of Sciences examined how companies in both Europe and Russia are affected by the ever-changing geopolitics of energy and their interactions. Dr Keun-Wook Paik concluded the series in Hilary term with a presentation on energy relations between the FSU and Asia.

During Trinity 2008 the Geopolitics of Energy sessions included: Dr Valerie Marcel of Chatham House, who talked about national oil companies of the Middle East; Dr Bassam Fattouh of SOAS and OIES who discussed the security of the Middle East Oil Supplies; Dr Shamil Yenikeyeff of OIES and St Antony’s presented the outlook for Arctic hydrocarbons; Dr Ricardo Soares de Oliveira of Oxford University examined the interrelation between oil and politics in Africa; Leigh A Bolton of Holmwood Consulting talked about the Geopolitics of Liquefied Natural Gas. The Chair of the European Commission Advisory Group on Energy, Dr Marianne Haug, concluded the series in Trinity term with a presentation on the Geopolitics of Renewable Energy.

The seminar is designed as an ongoing event with lectures taking place every Wednesday (starting at 5 pm) during term time. It is held at the Nissan Lecture Theatre, St Antony’s College. The seminar has already attracted a large number of participants, made up of Oxford students and academics, as well as professionals from the energy sector and financial institutions in the City of London.

**Professor Margaret MacMillan, Warden and Professor of International History**

Professor MacMillan taught in one of the core courses for the MPhil in International Relations in Trinity Term. She gave two talks at Oxford related to her recent work, one on President Nixon’s trip to China and the other on the uses and abuses of history. She also gave a number of guest lectures, at the University of Exeter; the University of Western Ontario; Trinity College, University of Toronto; the Brisbane Institute; the Lowy Institute in Sydney; and the Kelowna Campus of the University of British Columbia. She published several book reviews and two articles: ‘Tunnels, Territory, and Broken Promises: France Betrayed by the Anglo-Saxons?’, in Byron Hollinshead, ed, *I Wish I’d Been There, Book Two: European History* and ‘Nixon, Kissinger, and the Opening to China’, in Frederik Logevall and Andrew Preston, eds, *Nixon in the World: American Foreign Relations, 1969-1977*. A Canadian edition of her new book on *The Uses and Abuses of History* came out in the spring of 2008.

**The Alistair Horne Visiting Fellow**

Christopher de Bellaigue, Alistair Horne Fellow, spent the year doing preliminary research for his forthcoming biography of Muhammad Mossadegh, the Iranian prime minister whom the CIA toppled in a coup in 1953. He availed himself of Persian and English language material in the Middle East Centre library, and in the Bodleian, and of the expertise of Dr Homa Katouzian, Iran Heritage Foundation Research Fellow, an authority on the period. This will be grounding for the coming year, which he plans to spend in Iran consulting primary sources. Christopher de Bellaigue was also able to complete his book about Eastern Turkey, *Rebel Land*, to be published by Bloomsbury and Penguin in 2009, the subject of a talk he gave in the Middle East Centre library in February 2008 as part of the Middle East Centre’s seminar series on ‘Conflict and Change in the Middle East’.
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OBITUARIES

Walter Blackburn (died 24 March 2008), Maintenance Supervisor 1978-2000
Walter, as he was known to one and all within College, died in hospital on 24 March 2008 after experiencing a collapsed lung just two days earlier. As he observed in the article on Maintenance he wrote for the 1991 Record, there was ample scope for things to go wrong in the 24 properties then owned by the College, which contained a grand total of 106 bedsits, 21 flats, 3 guestrooms, 41 workrooms, 26 offices, 12 libraries/book stacks/seminar rooms, 17 central heating plants, 10 hostel kitchens, 51 baths/showers and 71 WCs. With one assistant, it was his responsibility to keep everything in good working order, through emergency repairs, monthly or annual checks of infrastructure and a regular cycle of internal and external redecoration during vacation periods. Looking after waste disposal, rainwater pumping and ventilation and extraction plant in the Besse Building, he wryly noted, was “almost a full-time job in itself”.

Walter’s working day began with inspection of the Maintenance Book in the Lodge, to which more than 600 problems were reported annually in the early 1990s, along with many more problems reported by telephone or other means. Sometimes there were more problems than could be attended to in a single day, and choices about which to tackle first had to be made. Problems with water, especially leaking or gushing water, always took priority, but this tended to leave those with lesser problems, so far as the fabric of College properties was concerned, increasingly restive as they were left waiting an extra hour or two for the restoration of their heat or lighting, or perhaps even a day or two for the re-securing of a loose doorknob or loo-roll holder. These early morning triage sessions in the Lodge, which I witnessed on a few occasions in my capacity as editor of this publication at the time, could also be rich in linguistic challenges, to which Walter responded with impressive ingenuity. No matter how flawed the prose or vague the location given, he put his mind to identifying the problem and assessing its significance. Nor did he immediately give priority to the problems experienced by Fellows or Centres. The latter stance was not universally popular among my colleagues on GB, but Walter was philosophical on that score, and politically savvy enough to make sure that any problems experienced by the Warden, Bursar or (back in those pre-MET days) the Chair of the Property Committee were looked after fairly swiftly.

It is important to remember that Walter, as was the case with his other frontline colleagues in the provision of domestic services at the time - the Chef, Housekeeper and Steward - was basically in charge of his own operations during the 1980s and 1990s. ‘Light-touch’ management prevailed in the then-Domestic Bursar’s office, and only the most cursory of oversight and, from GB, the most grudging of budgets were provided. Things would change in the late 1990s, when new standards for dwellings in multi-occupancy were enforced by the City of Oxford and a new Domestic Bursar was appointed. I have the impression that Walter had mixed feelings about these changes, welcoming them on the one hand because he knew that there were problems in many College properties that desperately needed attention but at the same time regretting his loss of autonomy in determining when and how those problems would be addressed. No
better time for retirement, one might say, and that is precisely what happened for Walter in 2000. I encountered him once thereafter at the Tesco Superstore on the southern bypass, where he was having a leisurely breakfast, and I caught a glimpse of him on local television a year or so later, as he gave a spirited reply to questions about (as I recall) the future of the Covered Market. I gather that he remained a stalwart of his bowling club in Summertown. He clearly enjoyed life ‘after St Antony’s’.

Ann Waswo (Emeritus Fellow)

Richard David Greenfield (died 1 June 2008), SAM 1977-81 and IUC Resettlement Fellow 1977

We were saddened to learn of the death of Professor Richard Greenfield, whose link with African Studies in the College dates back to 1977. He also worked with the Department of International Development (Queen Elizabeth House).

After reading geography at Selwyn College, Cambridge, and national service in Malaysia, Richard Greenwood went to Tanganyika with the Colonial Education Service in 1955 and was soon inspired to spend most of his professional career in Africa. He could claim to have been a member of the faculties at all the leading universities in North-Eastern Africa. At the time of his death, aged 77, he was Emeritus Professor of History at the University of Asmara and senior adviser to the Research and Documentation Center of Eritrea, where his personal library and papers are now deposited. For many, his Ethiopia: a new Political History (1965) remains a classic text, though the government of Ethiopia tried to ban it.

His advice was often sought by senior policy-makers, yet he retained an interest in his students, whether closely supervising their work or, as their dean, courageously saving their lives following the 1960 attempted coup in Ethiopia. He used his political influence to promote human rights, for example in the treatment of prisoners. He was an active supporter of the Eritrean liberation movement and eventually set up a second home in Asmara, forty years after his first visit there.

Although his visits to St Antony’s were infrequent after 1980, he did generously donate to the College the Kente cloth now displayed on the wall of the Carr Room. It is in the royal colours of the Mamponghe – the Queen Mother of the Mampong, Asante, from whose nomination the Asantehene is elected by the king-makers, and was woven under the direction of Master weaver James Yaw Antobre.

AHM Kirk-Greene (Emeritus Fellow)

Maria D’Alva Gil Kinzo (7 January 1951 – 22 June 2008) was a student at St Antony’s from 1980 to 1985. Her thesis An Opposition Party in an Authoritarian Regime: the case of the MDB (Movimento Democrático Brasileiro) in Brazil, 1966-1979 was an outstanding contribution to the study of the dynamics of opposition to authoritarian rule in Brazil. Research into the politics of authoritarian regimes is never easy and most scholars concentrated on the politics of the government rather than of the opposition. D’Alva chose the more difficult option and it was no surprise that when her thesis was published as Legal Opposition Politics under Authoritarian Rule in Brazil in 1988 in the College series (then in association with Macmillan), it received widespread critical acclaim. It remains the classic account of party politics in Brazil during the military dictatorship. D’Alva brought to her first book the qualities that were to remain constant in her subsequent work – breadth of scholarship, clear and convincing exposition, and careful use of empirical material.

D’Alva was amongst the first of the many doctoral students I supervised, and her thesis remains amongst the best. She came to St Antony’s after completing her first degree and then a Masters degree at the Catholic University of São Paulo. She was a pleasure to supervise and I learnt a great deal from her. She had a great sense of fun. She contributed a great deal to the work of the Latin American Centre and to the life of the College.

She returned to São Paulo first to teach at the University of Campinas, and then in 1987 to the University of São Paulo – one of the leading universities in Latin America. She continued to research and publish in the area of political parties, voting behaviour and legislative politics. Her book Radiografia do Quadro Partidário Brasileiro (1993) is an essential reference work for the study of parties in the period following the end of the military regime in 1985. Apart from her work in São Paulo, she held the post of Visiting Fellow at the Institute of Latin American Studies in London where she came regularly over a period of several years and organised a number of highly successful conferences with the three directors of the Institute, Leslie Bethell, Victor Bulmer-Thomas and James Dunkerley. The last of those conferences, which led to the publication, co-edited with James Dunkerley, Brazil since 1985: Economy, Polity and Society (2003), is still widely cited as an authoritative guide to the complexities of politics in that country. Even when suffering from the illness that was to end her life, she continued to work and publish - her last publication was a co-edited volume, Eleitores e Representação Partidária no Brasil (2007). She was also a frequent visitor to St Antony’s and was appointed to a Visiting Fellowship at the Centre for Brazilian Studies.

Ann Waswo (Emeritus Fellow)
D’Alva played a major role in the organization of social sciences in Brazil, and earned a deserved reputation not just in Brazil but more widely in Latin America and internationally as one of the leading social scientists of her country. Politically she was close to the government of Fernando Henrique Cardoso, with whom she had worked in a research institute in Brazil, and was a political advisor to his government. One of the last visitors to visit her in hospital was the former President himself.

D’Alva became a good friend of myself and my wife, who was a student with her during her time at St Antony’s. She was a delightful person in so many ways. Her loss will be keenly felt by a wide circle of friends from many countries and of many nationalities.

Alan Angell (Emeritus Fellow)

Geoffrey Lewis

Geoffrey Lewis, who had been a Governing Body Fellow of the College from 1961 until his retirement in 1987, was (from 1950) Oxford’s first University Lecturer in Turkish, and the person more than anyone else responsible for the development of Turkish studies into a fully-fledged degree subject (1964) within the Honour School of Oriental Studies. He was also recognized within the UK as a whole, as well as in the wider world, as a pioneering scholar of Turkish language and culture, who made major contributions to our understanding of that country and its people. As scholarly and popular interest in Turkey grew in the decades after the Second World War, Geoffrey Lewis’s Teach Yourself Turkish (1953) made this fascinating language readily accessible to English-speakers in a way that it had not been before. Two years later his Turkey (1955), in Ernest Benn’s Nations of the Modern World series, gave the general reader a similarly lucid presentation of Turkey’s modern history, geography, demography and culture. Both these works went into revised editions, Teach Yourself Turkish in 1989 and Turkey in 1959, 1965 and (this time as Modern Turkey) in 1974. Lewis’s scholarly publications were initially in the Arabic studies field (in which he had done his DPhil), but his Turkish Grammar (1967) was to see him well and truly established as a world authority on the language that had become his real love. Well into his retirement The Turkish Language Reform: A Catastrophic Success (1999) brought together the fruit of many years’ work on the linguistic purification that, for better or worse, has been such an integral part of the process of modernization in Turkey. The gentle humour that is such an appealing characteristic of all Lewis’s writings here has full rein in exposing the more outrageous claims made by the mid-20th-century language engineers about some of the neologisms promulgated in the name of “pure Turkish”.

As a person, Geoffrey Lewis will be remembered for his kindness, his determination to see the best in others, and his love of jokes. Inevitably his memory will always be linked with that of his wife Raphaela (Raff), whose sudden death four years ago had been such a bitter blow to Geoffrey, depriving him of a partnership going back over more than sixty years. After the tragic death of their daughter Lally, in 1976, Geoffrey and Raff had played a very special role in the lives of her two children, one of whom made a moving tribute at the funeral. In their latter years Geoffrey and Raff lived just opposite St Antony’s, in Woodstock Road, in the same house that they had rented from St John’s in the early years of Geoffrey’s career in Oxford. Geoffrey was therefore a familiar figure in College right up to the end of his life. He will be sadly missed in Oxford, in the Turkish studies community in Britain and overseas, and in Turkey itself, where he was held in great affection and esteem.

Celia Kerslake

Ambassador Noble Power

The College has just learned that Noble Edward Charles Power (SAM 1991 and 1993), formerly Canadian High Commissioner to Barbados, died in 2002 at the age of 71, having collapsed while playing tennis. On his several visits to Oxford – which he was proud to describe as the happiest years of his life – his research was focused on the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meetings and their effectiveness in promoting development assistance in the Commonwealth through its Secretariat.

Finding Barbados a most attractive place, he chose to retire there in 1987. He was not only the founder of the Future Centre there but in the 1990s his loyalty to and affection for Barbados and for Oxford inspired him to set up a branch of the Oxford Society in Barbados, where he studiously served St Antony’s port at its annual luncheon. He also published two books in the 1990s with the University of the West Indies.

Ambassador Power gave a generous donation to the College Library in the form of the Power family fund to purchase books for the study of international relations, diplomacy and development. Whenever Noble and his wife Jan visited the College they went out of

AJ Nicholls (Emeritus Fellow)
their way to befriend and help members of the University Foreign Service Programme, whose Director was at that time a Fellow of the College.

AHM Kirk-Greene (Emeritus Fellow)

John Bryant Press (died 2007), Senior Associate Member

It is with sadness that we have learned of the death of John Press, who was a Senior Associate member of the College in the years 1973-1979, when he was regional director of the British Council in Oxford. In this capacity he was naturally interested in international student exchanges, and was a helpful colleague in that respect, as well as being a congenial member of the College community. Born in Norwich in January 1920, he was educated at King Edward VI School and Corpus Christi College Cambridge, where he read history, completing his degree after war service with the Royal Artillery. He then joined the British Council and served in it for all of his working life. He had postings in Greece (where he met his wife, Janet Crompton), India, Ceylon, Birmingham, Cambridge, London, and Paris, as well as Oxford. He completed his career in the post of Literary Adviser to the Council and this was only appropriate, for he was, in the best sense, a man of letters. A poet himself, he published several books of criticism dealing with poetry, as well as pamphlets in the British Council’s Writers and their Work series. He produced two additional volumes to Francis T Palgrave’s Golden Treasury anthology of verse, bringing it firmly into the twentieth Century, as well as A Map of Modern English Verse (1969). These were in addition to his own poems, of which five volumes appeared between 1956 and 2004. A humane and gifted man, he died on 26 February 2007, aged eighty-seven.

AJ Nicholls (Emeritus Fellow)

Bohdan Ryhajlo (1928-2007) Domestic Staff 1957-1993

Known to everyone as ‘Bogdan’ – the Russian form of his Ukrainian name – Bohdan Ryhajlo joined the College as a member of the Domestic Staff in 1957. He was born on 19 January 1928 in the Ukrainian village of Verbiu on the Polish border, into a Ukrainian Catholic family. His father was an engineer, as was his older brother. In 1945, many Ukrainians felt the return of Soviet power as a new occupation and took the opportunity to escape to the West. With a group of older men, Bohdan, then aged 17, managed to reach first Austria and then Italy, where he worked as an agricultural labourer with the status of Displaced Person under Allied military control. The Ukrainian Displaced Persons camps that were established in numerous locations throughout Western Europe, were well organised, semi-autonomous institutions that did much to stabilise the lives of these hundreds of thousands of uprooted and traumatised people. Resettlement was plainly the first priority, since the burden on local ruined economies was unsustainable, and in 1947 Bohdan ended up at an Army depot at Didcot, where he lived in a caravan and worked as a labourer and packer in the general stores.

During his time in Italy, he had made a pen-friend of a young Ukrainian girl called Luba, who was living in a DP camp in Bosnia. When he was offered a secure job with the College in 1957, and a flat at the new Middle East Centre at 137 Banbury Road, he invited Luba to join him. They were married, produced two daughters, Nadia and Vera, and in due course moved to a larger flat at 1 Church Walk, which then housed the Russian Centre, where George Katkov had his workroom and Max Hayward had his flat. Bohdan and Luba looked after the house, and when Max was bedridden in the last months of his life Bohdan proved to be a resourceful carer, and was deeply affected when Max died in March 1979.

Living and working in the Russian Centre gave Bohdan special pleasure. An avid reader of the Ukrainian-émigré press, he would tactfully offer Senior and Junior Members cuttings to ensure they were aware of events ‘back home’, and he kept himself informed of the Russian Library’s acquisitions on Ukrainian subjects. His cheerful disposition masked a deep concern for the fate of his homeland.

Apart from a pilgrimage to Lourdes and a visit to Rome, the most memorable trip Bohdan made was to independent Ukraine, to visit his only brother. When Luba retired in 1997, they moved to a house Bohdan had bought in South Oxford. Despite being diagnosed with Parkinson’s Disease in 2003, he remained active, cycling around Oxford and working on his beloved allotment, until on 25 October 2007 he suffered a major heart attack and died. He is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Harry Shukman (Emeritus Fellow)

Winfried Bernhard Scharlau (12 June 1934 – 7 December 2004), Student 1961-1963

Unfortunately the Record has only recently had its attention drawn to the death, on 7 December 2004, of Winfried Scharlau, who studied for his Oxford DPhil as a student in St Antony’s from 1961 to 1963. Scharlau was a gifted historian who made an outstanding career in broadcasting journalism. Born in Duisburg, Germany, on 12 June 1934, he studied at the University of Münster and obtained his doctorate there in 1960. At St Antony’s, sponsored jointly by the College and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), he worked on the career of a German Social Democrat, Parvus-Helphand, who channeled German funding to the Bolsheviks during the First World War. Scharlau later claimed not only that his period in the College enabled him to get to know students from all parts of the world, but that in Oxford he “learnt what political journalism can be, what cosmopolitanism, and liberalism can be all about.” In 1964 Scharlau joined the editorial staff of the North German Broadcasting (NDR) service in Hamburg and made his mark in Panorama, a magazine programme which came to have rather more political importance than its British namesake. In 1967 he was sent to South Vietnam as a reporter for the nation-wide first TV channel, the ARD, which was associated with the NDR. Following a brief spell on the editorial staff of the news magazine Der Spiegel, he returned to NDR where he presented the magazine programme Weltspiegel (Mirror on the World). But the lure of Asia exerted its spell and he returned in 1973 as ARD correspondent in Hong Kong. He spent much time in Vietnam during the closing phases of the war there. He was one of the last journalists to leave Saigon, his helicopter only taking off when the airfield was surrounded by North Vietnamese forces. He returned to Germany at the end of 1977 and became the chief editor of NDR news programmes. In 1982 he was bitten by the ‘Asian bug’ again, and became the ARD correspondent in South-East Asia,
based in Singapore. He reported on some exciting events, such as the struggle for power in the Philippines, but also produced impressive programmes about the daily life of the peoples of South-East Asia, whose stoicism and social solidarity he admired. In 1987 he returned to Hamburg, where he once again took over the NDR Weltspiegel programme, this time as editor as well as presenter. His programmes included many interviews with leading politicians. After a further spell in the field as ARD correspondent in the USA, in 1993 he was appointed the Director of the NDR headquarters in Hamburg, where he remained until his retirement in 1998. Even then he continued to present the Weltspiegel until the end of the year 2000. His last programme shown on TV was a two-part history of the Chinese Cultural Revolution. He also published a number of books, including Merchant of Revolution (OUP 1964), a political biography of Parvus-Helphand, co-authored with another Antonian, Zbynek A Zeman; Asien in Umbruch:vier Drachen am Mekong (Stuttgart 1989) and Der General und der Kaiser, die amerikanische Besatzung Japans (Bremen 2003).

In his later years Scharlau became disillusioned about the impact of TV on political action. Having earlier claimed that “War cannot remain an instrument of policy if the media can show what it really looks like”, he began to notice a growing public indifference to such horrors. Referring to the Yugoslav Civil War in the 1990s, he claimed that: “[the fact] that the media can show what they want, but it goes on nevertheless” was the greatest disappointment of his generation. Scharlau was undoubtedly one of the leading TV journalists in the Federal Republic of Germany. He set the highest standards of integrity, and despite his disappointments, retained his liberal outlook. Personally he was cheerful, resilient and courageous. After a long and painful illness he died in December 2004, aged seventy.

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Otto Martin von der Gablentz (died 13 July 2007), Student 1953-1955, Senior Associate Member 1968-1974

It was with sadness that we learned of the death of one of the early German students in the College, Otto von der Gablentz, who died in Amsterdam on 13 July 2007. He was born on 9 October 1930 in Berlin, descended from a distinguished noble family with strongly liberal inclinations. His father, who had joined the anti-Nazi Kreisau Circle in 1940, was a Professor at the Deutsche Hochschule für Politik in Berlin. Otto, having studied law in Berlin and Freiburg, spent an academic year at the College of Europe in Bruges before coming to St Antony’s as a Senior Scholar in the autumn of 1953. He took a BPhil in Politics in 1955, but found that this somewhat oddly named post-graduate degree did not qualify him for an academic career in West Germany, despite being described by James Joll, the Sub-Warden, as “one of the best students we have had since the College began”. On leaving Oxford he spent a year at Harvard and then took up a temporary post at the College of Europe. In 1958 he accepted a job in the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik (a German Institute of International Affairs) in Frankfurt before joining the German Foreign Service in April 1959. From his College file it seems he was not entirely enthusiastic about this choice of career, but he soon took to it with great enthusiasm and became an outstandingly successful diplomat. He kept in touch with the College, however, and in 1965 helped Warden Deakin arrange a gathering of Antonians in Germany. When he was serving in the German Embassy in London from 1968-1974 he was a Senior Associate Member of the College, and many of us remember him from that time as a lively, sociable visitor, bursting with energy and good will. After other diplomatic appointments, he was seconded in 1978 to the Federal Chancellor’s Office in Bonn. In 1981 he became the head of its Department for Foreign and Defence Policy, working closely with Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, whom he greatly admired. He was a warm supporter of the project to create a European monetary union. When, in October 1982, Schmidt’s government fell, Otto returned to the German Foreign Office and the following year was posted to The Hague as Ambassador. This was an important, but at the same time tricky, assignment because Dutch/German relations were not always smooth. Otto established himself as a friend of the Dutch and, having mastered the language, he deployed all his undoubted charm to create a friendly atmosphere between the two countries. He was a great believer in cultivating social contacts, including many outside the purely diplomatic sphere. He maintained many of the friendships he had made in the Netherlands after he was appointed Ambassador to Israel in 1990. That too was not without its pitfalls, since the West Germans were being accused of supplying poison gas to Iraq. But once again, Otto seems to have been able to convince his hosts of his genuine good will, as the obituary by Shimson Arad in The Jerusalem Post of 20 August 2007 demonstrates. In this respect his father’s well documented hostility to the Nazis stood him in good stead. In 1993 he was elected an Honorary Fellow of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. In the same year he was appointed German Ambassador in Moscow, another difficult but challenging assignment. Although personally he would have preferred his last posting to be in London, he realised that in Russia he would be likely to have more actual influence than at an Embassy in the European Union, where ministries tended to deal directly with one another, rather than going through diplomatic channels. His time in Moscow coincided with a period of economic and political turbulence under Yeltsin, but German relations with Russia remained constructive. On retiring from the diplomatic service in 1995, he returned in May 1996 to the College of Europe in Bruges, this time as its Rector, a post he held with great distinction until July 2001. His links with neighbouring Holland had been strengthened when, as a widower, he married a Dutch art historian and set up his home in Amsterdam. A man of broad intellectual interests and artistic tastes, he received the Alexis de Tocqueville Prize from the European Institute for Public Administration in 1989, and was elected to an honorary Doctorate at the University of Amsterdam in 1997. He was an enthusiastic for European integration who worked to further good relations between Germany and her neighbours. We shall remember him with affection and admiration.

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