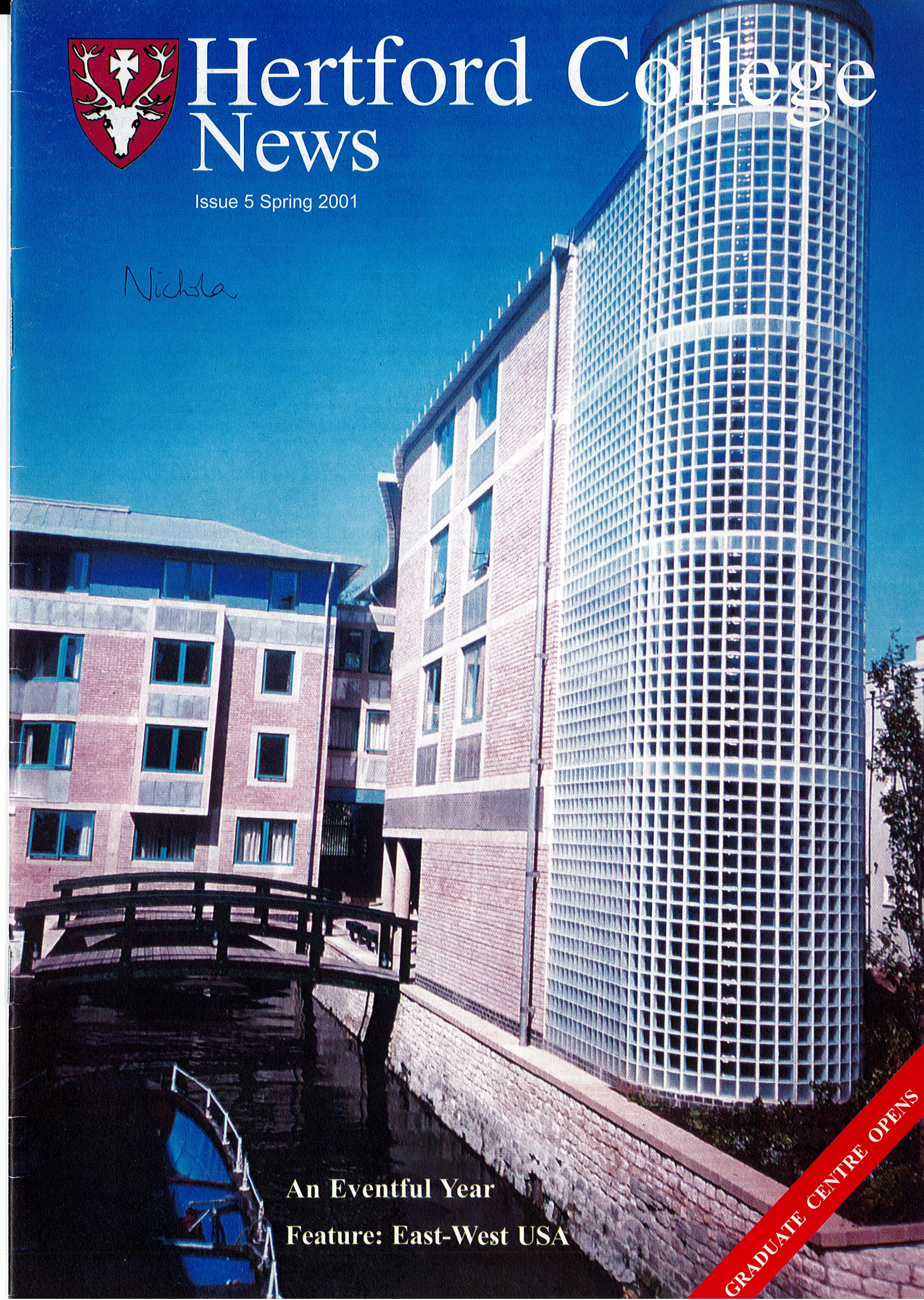


# Hertford College News

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**An Eventful Year**  
**Feature: East-West USA**

**GRADUATE CENTRE OPENS**

The year 2000 was an eventful one for the College, with the official opening of our new Graduate Centre and gatherings for Members in London, New York, and Vancouver. Our special 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion at the College was memorable; and this month, I attend a Hertford gathering in San Francisco kindly arranged by Dennis Bonney (1951).

Hertford has a long tradition of broadening and simplifying its undergraduate student entrance procedures, while maintaining its focus on academic excellence. Our dedicated Tutors spend a great deal of time interviewing and responding to applicants. This year Hertford's applications, 469 in all, far exceeded those of any other college at the University. Just under 70% of UK applicants were from the state maintained sector, as were those offered places.

To maintain these excellent results, we reach out to all sorts of schools all over the country. For example, last year, under the Government's Excellence in Cities Initiative, thirteen Hertford Fellows and I travelled to London to talk to a specially selected group of more than 120 fifteen year olds from a number of East London schools. We each took 'masterclasses' in our own subjects with the aim of stimulating their interest in coming to Hertford, or indeed to any university anywhere. Those students later visited the College for a day to whet their intellectual appetites further. This year we will be repeating the programme with a new cohort of students, having learnt from last year's experience.

We are determined to have a 'needs blind' policy, so that all those who meet our challenging academic requirements and are offered places are able to benefit from the outstanding educational opportunity we offer in a wonderfully stimulating environment, whatever their financial background.

Sadly, I have to tell you that my wife, Julia, died on 29th January, after a long and brave fight against breast cancer. We first met nearly fifty years ago and would have celebrated our 45th wedding anniversary this year. Her funeral took place in the College Chapel and I am enormously grateful to the College for its help and support at this difficult time. Julia was a member of the Senior Common Room in her own right and greatly enjoyed her involvement with Hertford. She was a distinguished scientist much loved by her colleagues all over the world and was, just last year, elected a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences and an Honorary Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians.

*Walter Bodmer*

## CAMPAIGN 2000: THANKS TO

The College is immensely grateful to the Members and friends who have supported Campaign 2000. Annual Giving, special gifts, and sponsorship of vital activities have raised almost £2 million, divided equally between the new Graduate Centre and the academic work of the College: support for our students and for teaching.

Since the last newsletter, Terry Hughes (1982) and his wife Maria have given a magnificent dual gift of £100,000 for the Graduate Centre and £50,000 to sponsor the Boat Club over the next five years. The Graduate Centre's central 'Hughes Quad' has been named in recognition of their generous and much appreciated help.

### JOHN PORTER'S MATCHING CHALLENGE RAISES £21,000

Thanks to 175 new, first-time donors, an extra £21,123 has been raised for the Campaign. In the last newsletter, John Porter (1972) offered to double every gift from a new, first-time giver up to a maximum of £250 per gift and a maximum sum of £25,000. The College is indebted to John for his imaginative support and is grateful to the many new donors who rose to meet his challenge.

### Geoffrey Warnock Society Inaugural Lunch

With Baroness Warnock DBE as Guest of Honour, Members of the new Geoffrey Warnock Society and spouses gathered at the College on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2000 for the Society's first Annual Lunch. Named to honour Geoffrey Warnock's many years of enlightened leadership, the Society was launched in 1999 to recognize and thank those who have mentioned Hertford in their wills (or intend to do so).



SIR NICHOLAS HENDERSON (1937), THE PRINCIPAL, BARONESS WARNOCK DBE, AND BASIL WILLIAMS (1932), AT THE GEOFFREY WARNOCK SOCIETY LUNCH.

Geoffrey Warnock was Principal of the College from 1971-88 and Vice Chancellor of the University from 1981-85. He died in 1995 shortly after the dedication of Hertford's Warnock House. During the special Inaugural Lunch, which filled the Old Hall, the Principal, Sir Nicholas Henderson, and Mary Warnock each expressed the College's gratitude to Society members for helping in this very practical way to safeguard the College for future generations.

The Society is delighted that Baroness Warnock will be Guest of Honour at its second Annual Lunch in the Main Hall on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2001. Invitations will be sent to Society members. Others who would like to receive an invitation are encouraged to contact the Development and Members Office for a Geoffrey Warnock Society brochure or to indicate ahead of time that they would like to become a Member and come to the Lunch. The 'Legacy Pledge Form' in the brochure is not legally binding, but it helps Hertford to thank those who are playing an important part in the College's future.



MEMBERS OF THE GEOFFREY WARNOCK SOCIETY GATHER IN THE QUAD BEFORE THE INAUGURAL LUNCH.

## EVERYONE WHO HELPED

Other new major gifts have come from Dennis Bonney and Edwin Pomeroy (both 1951), joining earlier support. New sponsorship has come from Richard Fisher (1972) for our New York event; Allan Lees (1984) for new computers and software for the Development Office; and Lewis Findlay (1982) for the newsletter (*see p. 20*).

No one has done more to encourage support for the Campaign than Sir Nicholas Henderson (1937) who has spoken up for it on many occasions, as he did for the University's campaign. On his retirement as Campaign President, we know that Members will join the College in thanking him for his invaluable service.

### HATS OFF TO 1937, THE WINNING MATRICULATION YEAR

An impressive 65% of the 1937 matriculation year have participated in the Campaign, making it the most supportive year of all. Close behind is 1938, with 56%. From 1923 to 1962, 22 mat. years have over 25% participation, three of those over 50%. The largest amounts came from 1982, 1951, and 1971, due to several major single donations from each year.

## Bulent Atalay's Gift to Donors

We can thank Queen Elizabeth II for *Oxford and the English Countryside*, the magnificent book of lithographs by the versatile nuclear physicist, artist, and amateur archaeologist Bulent Atalay, Professor of Physics at Mary Washington College, Virginia; Adjunct Professor at the University of Virginia; and former Hertford Visiting Professor (1972-73). For his gift to The Queen on her Silver Wedding Anniversary, the American Ambassador in London, Walter Annenberg, chose Bulent's 1972 book of lithographs of historic Virginia.

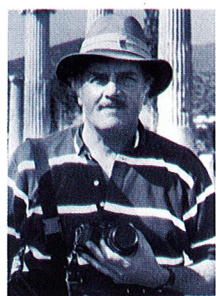


IN WASHINGTON, D.C., MIKE WYATT (1976), RIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF HERTFORD'S US CAMPAIGN COUNCIL, ADMIRES THE LITHOGRAPHS BY BULENT ATALAY, LEFT, WHICH WERE PRAISED BY THE QUEEN.

The Queen was so impressed that she wrote to Bulent at the Department of Theoretical Physics in Oxford, encouraging him to do another. 'I was in Oxford to do Physics, but on the weekends I toiled.' The book was published two years later. On receipt, The Queen wrote again asking for his next work. By then, Bulent was at the Institute of Advanced Study in Princeton. The 'next work' was titled *Perturbation Theory for Projected States: Theory and Applications*. 'Needless to say, there were no more requests from The Queen!' says Bulent. Many will recognise in this story echoes of mathematician Charles Dodson's experience with Queen Victoria just after he had published *Alice in Wonderland*. Born in Ankara, Turkey, Bulent accompanied his parents to England when his father was Turkish Military Attaché in London, attending Eton before finishing at St. Andrew's School, Delaware. With four degrees in Theoretical Nuclear Physics, Bulent studied at Georgetown, Princeton, Berkeley, and Oxford and lectures round the world on Art, Archaeology, and

Astrophysics ('...just the A's,' he says modestly, '...as I know no B's.'). He is currently working on a book entitled *The Two Leonardos: Integrating Science and Art*.

In a generous and imaginative gesture, Bulent will give a copy of *Oxford and the English Countryside* to everyone who contributes or pledges \$5,000 (or £3,000) to Hertford. Books will be on their way shortly to those who qualify already. Other books await future Hertford benefactors who wish to join The Queen, the White House, and the Smithsonian in owning their own copy of this rare masterpiece, signed by the artist himself.



BULENT AT THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE OF APHRODISIAS, PERGAMON, WESTERN TURKEY.

## Tax Effective Giving

May we remind UK donors that the Gift Aid scheme, which allows the College to reclaim the basic rate tax already paid on the amount of a donation (thereby increasing the gift by 28%), now applies to donations of any size. To give the College permission to reclaim your tax, you need only add a note to your donation (or send us an e-mail); or we are happy to send you a Gift Aid form. You personally may claim a tax exemption of 18% of your donation on your own income tax form.

Donors who pay US tax will receive a receipt acceptable to the Internal Revenue Service if they make their donation payable to 'Americans for Oxford, Inc.' and send it with a note stating 'It is my wish that my donation be used for the benefit of Hertford College, Oxford' to: John R. Price, Americans for Oxford, Inc., 198 Madison Avenue, 13th Floor, New York, NY10016.

## Editor's Farewell

It has been a great pleasure to meet so many Hertford Members during my time as Director of the Development and Members Office. As I leave Hertford, may I extend my personal thanks to all those who are keeping in touch with the College and supporting it in many ways. It is deeply appreciated.

Nancy Giles

**Cover: The new Hertford College Graduate Centre at Folly Bridge, photographed from the towpath along the River Isis, showing the Boat Basin, and the two footbridges, Phillips Bridge and Williams Bridge, leading to Hughes Quad.**

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## Chancellor Opens Hertford's new Graduate Centre

*The new Graduate Centre has enabled Hertford to achieve its aim of providing guaranteed College housing for most of its 150 postgraduates, as it does already for all its 350 undergraduates.*

With the riveting notes of 'Fanfares (2000),' opening ceremonies for the new Graduate Centre began. The specially commissioned work by Lee Dunleavy (1997, Organ Scholar, Music), was performed by The Hertford Brass & Percussion Consort and included a tam tam (Oriental gong) to triumphal effect. Guests entered Hughes Quad over Phillips Bridge and Williams Bridge which arch the Centre's Boat Basin. (See cover photo.) During drinks and canapés, accompanied by the Hertford String Quartet, guests had an opportunity to see the Centre's multi-purpose Dining and Conference Hall, the IT room, and the Wolfson Seminar Room. The 86 study-bedrooms in the complex each are equipped with private shower, telephone, and internet socket. Plaques acknowledge those who have supported various aspects of the project.



AFTER UNVEILING THE BENEFACTORS PLAQUE, THE CHANCELLOR, RIGHT, WITH THE PRINCIPAL, LEFT, AND SIR NICHOLAS HENDERSON.

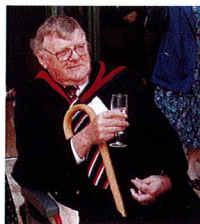


BENEFACTORS PLAQUE

Sir Nicholas Henderson (1937), Honorary Fellow and the then President of the College's Campaign 2000, eloquently introduced Hertford's Visitor, the Chancellor of the University the Rt Hon Lord Jenkins of Hillhead. In addition to cutting a red ribbon and unveiling a slate plaque acknowledging the Centre's benefactors, the Chancellor praised Hertford and noted the importance to the University of providing top quality facilities, the new Graduate Centre being a prime example. Thanking the Chancellor, the Principal paid tribute to the architect, Nick Caldwell of Oxford Architects Partnership; the builders, Knowles & Son; and the many others who had helped. A special tribute was paid to Hertford's Bursar, Peter Baker, who had guided the project from the beginning and had completed it on time and on budget. After the ceremonies, guests returned to Hertford for a special lunch.



BENEFACTORS AFTER THE UNVEILING: MRS BRIAN SAYERS; DRUE HEINZ; THE PRINCIPAL; LORD QUINTON, WOLFSON FOUNDATION TRUSTEE; DR PIERRE LOEBEL (1955); FELICE LOEBEL; THE CHANCELLOR; AND DR BRIAN SAYERS (1945).



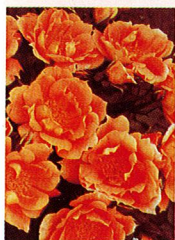
AS BURSAR FROM 1978-1988, EMERITUS FELLOW DR JAMES BERTIE, LT COMMANDER RN RET., PRESIDED OVER THE DEVELOPMENT OF NB AND HOLYWELL QUADS.



ABOVE, THE CHANCELLOR WITH HONORARY FELLOW MAX NICHOLSON CB CVO (1926), THE MOST SENIOR HERTFORD GRADUATE TO ATTEND THE OPENING. RIGHT, ALFRED NATHAN (1941), A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE HERTFORD SOCIETY, WITH BILL ATKINSON (1936), WHO WAS THE SOCIETY'S FIRST CHAIRMAN IN 1962.



ALL PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE GRADUATE CENTRE OPENING BY NORMAN MCBEATH, EXCEPT FOR THE CLOSE UP PHOTO OF PLAQUE.



### 'Bridge of Sighs' Rose a Sellout Success

R. Harkness & Co. report that our new 'Bridge of Sighs' rose has been extremely successful in its first season. 'Apart from samples kept for spring and summer flower shows, we have exhausted our stocks for the year. We should have an even better season next year.' It was thanks to Peter Harkness (1950) that the College was able to name a newly developed rose from his family's world-famous firm. A scented climber with unusual amber-bronze petals, our rose is a hardy plant with good disease resistance. It will grow up to 10 feet tall and flower from June to October. R. Harkness & Co. is donating to the College 30% of the retail price of roses sold through our own rose leaflet, and 10% of sales from *The Harkness Rose Catalogue*. 'Bridge of Sighs' sells for £8.75 each (plus £2.95 delivery charge per order). Since 'Bridge of Sighs' was first announced in the previous issue of this newsletter, 1,037 roses have been sold, generating almost £2,000 for the College. Order leaflets will be posted to Members again this year. Roses are despatched in late October. Unfortunately, 'Bridge of Sighs' will not be available in the USA until 2002. Contact: the Hertford Development and Members Office or R. Harkness & Co., Hitchin, Herts SG4 0JT, Tel 0800 0268610, harkness@roses.co.uk



PETER HARKNESS (1950), LEFT, WITH THE PRINCIPAL AND PHILIP HARKNESS, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE FIRM, RIGHT, PLANTING THE FIRST 'BRIDGE OF SIGHS' ROSE IN THE OLD QUAD ON 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2000 AFTER THE ANNUAL HERTFORD SOCIETY LUNCH. A SECOND ROSE WAS PLANTED DURING THE OPEN HOUSE AT THE NEW GRADUATE CENTRE LATER THAT DAY.

## Inauguration of the Armstrong-Macintyre-Markham History Fellowship

*Distinguished guests joined the College to pay tribute to three eminent Hertford Historians at the inauguration of the Armstrong-Macintyre-Markham Fellowship in History.*

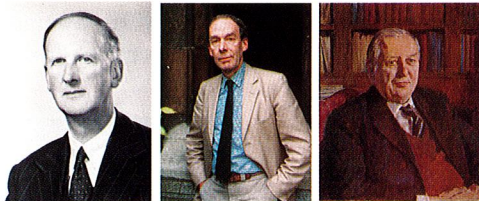
The College has endowed and named the Armstrong-Macintyre-Markham Fellowship in History to honour the memories and achievements of a remarkable trio. John Armstrong and Felix Markham were Fellows of Hertford from the 1930s until the 1970s. John Armstrong, who gained a First in History at Hertford and was Vice Consul in Munich for two years before returning to Oxford in 1934, enjoyed an international reputation as a pioneering scholar of 15<sup>th</sup>-century England and medieval Burgundy. Felix Markham, a Balliol graduate with Firsts in Greats and History, was celebrated for his lucid accounts of the French Revolution and Napoleon. Both took a full part in the life of the College, the Faculty, and the University, and shared the ability to combine teaching with distinction as writers of History. Angus Macintyre, a notable product of the Hertford History school, who left in 1958, went on to a highly successful career as a Fellow of Magdalen where he rose to be Vice President. He also served as Chairman of the History Faculty Board. His early interests in France were expanded to include Britain and Ireland, most famously in his outstanding life of Daniel O'Connell, *The Liberator*. Angus Macintyre was the first Hertford graduate and Historian to have been appointed Principal of the College. His tragic death in an automobile accident in 1994, before he could take up the position, was a great loss.

To mark its inauguration on 21st November, 2000, the current holder of the Fellowship, Dr Toby Barnard, recent British Academy research reader and new honorary Member of the Royal Irish Academy, delivered a special lecture in the Examination Schools. Skilfully weaving together the Irish antecedents and French interests of the three Historians, Dr Barnard's lecture also

embodied some of his research on the ascendancies in 18th-century Ireland. After the lecture, a reception in the Divinity School and dinner for 120 in Hertford's Hall included many who had supported the College's appeal for the Fellowship and several from Ireland. Dr Elizabeth Armstrong, widow of John Armstrong, and Joanna Macintyre, widow of Angus Macintyre, were guests of honour. Elizabeth Armstrong's eloquent talk on 'The History of History at Hertford' during dinner concluded a memorable occasion.



DR ELIZABETH ARMSTRONG, MRS JOANNA MACINTYRE, AND DR TOBY BARNARD, AT THE INAUGURATION OF THE ARMSTRONG-MACINTYRE-MARKHAM FELLOWSHIP IN HISTORY.



JOHN ARMSTRONG    ANGUS MACINTYRE    FELIX MARKHAM

## 206 Years at Hertford

The longest-serving members of staff were thanked for their loyal service to the College at a special reception. The Principal presented each staff member with a certificate to mark the occasion. Later, a retirement party was held for Rob Hobbs to mark the 30 years he has looked after the fabric of the College as Maintenance Manager. Former Bursar and Emeritus Fellow Dr Jim Bertie and his wife joined Fellows, staff, and friends who filled the Old Hall to say thank you to Rob and to wish him a happy retirement. Pictured *left to right* (with their years of service given in parentheses) are: Clive Shorter, Chef at Warnock House (16 years of service); Bob Hart, Catering Manager (17 years); Peter Baker, Bursar; Judy Mullee, Head Porter (17 years); Rob Hobbs, Maintenance Manager (30 years); the Principal; Pam Horwood, Deputy Head Porter (16 years); Maria Rinaldi, Scout (25 years); Rosemary Sloper, Bursary Clerk (21 years); Vic Madden, Groundsman (43 years); and Kenny Lewis, SCR Butler (21 years).



PREPARING FOR A NEW TREE IN THE QUAD.

## Tree-mendous News in the Quad

Last Autumn, the Governing Body of the College were forced to take the momentous decision that the Broad-Leafed Cockspur Thorn tree (*Crataegus x prunifolia*) in the Old Quad had reached the end of its life and had to be replaced. The tree was a familiar sight to students for almost 50 years. Here, Paul Coones, Fellow and Tutor in Geography (*far right*) and Peter Baker, Bursar (*third from right*) observe the tree's removal. Now, a young Tulip-Tree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*) is thriving in the same location near the Library and Chapel. This Spring, the tall Beech tree near the Octagon in NB Quad was found to be leaning dangerously. It also has been replaced.

## Three New Fellows

*This academic year, Hertford has welcomed three new Fellows.*



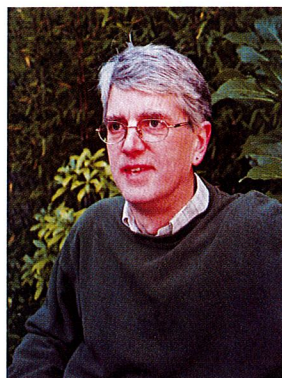
PROFESSOR ZHANFENG CUI

### Professor Zhanfeng Cui, MA MSc PhD

Professor Cui, who was appointed to the Donald Pollock Professorship of Chemical Engineering at the University in October 2000, was an undergraduate at the Inner Mongolia Institute of Technology, China. In 1988, after completing his MSc and PhD in Chemical Engineering at the Dalian University of Technology, China, he became a Research Associate at the Bioengineering Unit of the University of Strathclyde, joining the Pharmaceuticals Division in 1990. The following year he moved to the University of Edinburgh as a Lecturer in the Department of Chemical Engineering. He came to Oxford in 1994 as a University Lecturer, becoming a Reader in 1999. From 1994-97 he was also Esso Fellow at the Royal Academy of Engineering. Before coming to Hertford this year, he was a Fellow of Keble College. Professor Cui's research interests include the production and cryopreservation of engineered tissues. He also specialises in the purification and processing of therapeutic bioproducts and in membrane technology for water and waste-water treatment. With many professional memberships to his name, recently he was granted a Foresight Award by the Royal Academy of Engineering for a study on Tissue Engineering at the Institute for Bioengineering and Bioscience at the Georgia Institute of Engineering, USA.

### Dr R. Godfrey Keller, BA MSc DPhil PhD

Dr Keller read Mathematics & Philosophy at Merton College, Oxford in the 1970's and went on at Merton to gain a DPhil in Mathematics. Moving into the corporate sphere, he then spent just over a decade undertaking a variety of work in the Computing Software industry. With this extensive business experience behind him, he returned to the academic world to study at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Intending to do an MSc in Mathematical Economics & Econometrics, Dr Keller ended up completing a second doctorate at the LSE, this time in Microeconomic Theory. In addition, over the years, he has been a Lecturer in the Department of Economics at the University of Edinburgh and a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at ECARE (European Centre for Advanced Research in Economics) in Brussels. Immediately before coming to Hertford, Dr. Keller was a Lecturer in the Department of Economics at the LSE. One of his major journal publications has been 'Optimal Learning through Experimentation by Microeconomic Agents,' and this topic remains his major research interest. Dr. Keller lives in an old farmhouse in Witney near Oxford with his partner Tanya, a teacher, and their cat, Calico Jo.



DR R. GODFREY KELLER

### Dr Alison Young, LLB BCL DPhil

Dr Young is a graduate of Birmingham (1993, Law with French) and gained her BCL and DPhil from Hertford. From 1997-2000 she was a Tutorial Fellow in Law at Balliol. Her teaching specialities include Constitutional, Administrative, EU, and Land Law. Her research interests focus on Constitutional Law, particularly Human Rights and the relations between UK and EU Law. Currently she is studying the application of the doctrine of implied repeal to the Human Rights Act of 1998, arguing that the doctrine of implied repeal has a role to play, despite common opinion to the contrary. Dr Young is also interested in the Protection of Human Rights in the EU following the EU's Charter on Fundamental Rights and in comparative Canadian and English Human Rights culture. She is comparing two recent judgements of the Canadian Supreme Court



DR ALISON YOUNG

and the House of Lords that reached contradictory conclusions as to the relative importance of freedom of expression and the protection of reputation. Long-term plans include a book on the distinction between statements of fact and statements of opinion in English law. Dr Young's husband, Duncan, is a Director of an Oxford Information Technology Consultancy/Training firm.

### Tom Paulin: A Top Award (and a Rock Band too)



TOM PAULIN PHOTOGRAPHED AT THE HOUSE OF COMMONS. Fifty MPs, three government ministers, and several Lords heard Tom read his new poem, 'Speak for Yourself'. The poem was commissioned by Scope, the charity for the mentally disabled, to help lobby for those with cerebral palsy.

Tom Paulin, Fellow and Tutor in English, has been awarded a Fellowship of £75,000 over three years by the National Endowment for Science,

### Dr Alison Woollard: Woman of Achievement

Dr Alison Woollard, Fellow and Tutor in Biochemistry, photographed at Cosmopolitan Magazine's 'Young Women of Achievement' Awards Ceremony and Lunch at London's Four Seasons Hotel last September. Dr Woollard, whose main research interest is the genetics of development, was

### Jamie McKendrick: New Book Published



JAMIE MCKENDRICK WITH FELLOWS

Fellows gathered in the Old Library to celebrate the publication of a new book by Hertford's Poet in Residence,

## New Honorary Fellows Elected

*Hertford has honoured four distinguished individuals.*

Technology, and the Arts to enable him to undertake an ambitious new project. An epic war poem to be titled 'The Invasion Handbook' will, says Paulin, "affirm the struggle and memory of the generation - my parents' generation - who fought the Second World War, and do so before the doors of living memory are closed on it". One of today's most accomplished poets and critics, Tom also holds the University's G. M. Young Lectureship in English and was shortlisted last year for the prestigious T.S. Eliot Prize. To add to his visibility as a literary journalist and TV critic (currently on BBC *Newsnight* Fridays), one of London's hottest new rock bands have named themselves 'Tompaulin.'



DR ALISON WOOLLARD

nominated for the science and technology section of the competition and was a finalist in that category.

Jamie McKendrick. *Sky Nails* brings together a selection from his three collections of poetry to date, *The Sirocco Room*, *The Kiosk on the Brink*, and *The Marble Fly*. The latter was both a Poetry Book Society Choice and winner of the 1997 Forward Prize for Best Collection. Photographed are (left to right): Geoffrey Ellis, Tutor in History; Charlotte Brewer, Tutor in English; Jamie McKendrick; Emma Smith, and Tom Paulin, both Tutors in English.

### Drue Heinz, Hon. DBE

Drue Heinz has advanced cultural life both here and abroad by encouraging literature, the creative arts, and education, with a particular interest in fostering young writers and in sustaining literary publications. She is the Director of the prestigious Hawthornden Prize for fiction and of the Hawthornden Literary Institute near Edinburgh, which she founded to provide fellowships to promising young writers. As a quiet place for them to work, she has restored Hawthornden Castle as a writers' retreat. She also organizes an international symposium of writers or artists at Lake Como, Italy. Many institutions, great and small, have benefited from her expertise and patronage. In London, these include The Royal Academy, The National Portrait Gallery, and the Royal Institute of British Architects. In Oxford, she has founded a Chair in American Literature and supported the Bodleian, American Institute and our Graduate Centre.

### Professor Paul Langford, MA DPhil FRHistS FBA

Eminent historian Professor Paul Langford (1965, Modern History) is Rector of Lincoln College, Oxford, and has been Professor of Modern History at the University since 1996. A Fellow of the British Academy, he was Chairman and Chief Executive of the Academy's Arts and Humanities Research Board until September 2000. His books include *The First Rockingham Administration 1765-66*, 1973; *The Excise Crisis: society and politics in the age of Walpole*, 1975; *A Polite and Commercial People 1727-83*, 1989; *Public Life and the Propertied Englishman 1689-1789*, 1991; and in 2000, *Englishness Identified: manners and character 1650-1850*.



PROFESSOR PAUL LANGFORD

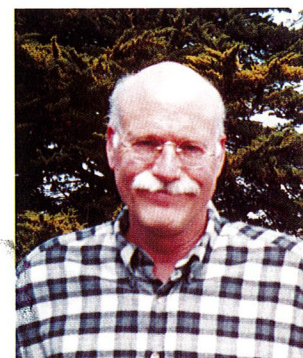
General Editor of *The Writings and Speeches of Edmund Burke*, and the *Oxford History of the British Isles*, Professor Langford's academic achievements also include the 1990 Ford Lectures in English History at Oxford and the 1996 Raleigh Lecture at the British Academy.

### Sir David Spedding, MA KCMG CVO OBE

David Spedding (1961, Modern History) has had a distinguished career in the foreign service. In addition to serving the nation in many countries, in 1994 he became Chief of the Secret Intelligence Service and held this post for five years until his retirement. During his remarkable career, Sir David learned Arabic at the Middle East Centre for Arabic Studies and had postings in Beirut, Santiago, Abu Dhabi, and Amman, as well as several postings in London. The Knighthood awarded to him in 1996 by The Queen was in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the nation.

### Professor Tobias Wolff, MA PhD (honoris causa)

The distinguished American writer Tobias Wolff (1969, English) has been called 'the greatest living exponent of the short story.' A successful academic career has paralleled his literary achievement. Professor of English at Stanford University, where he earned his MA, Tobias Wolff also taught at Syracuse University, New York. His distinguished writers' fellowships and literary prizes are too numerous to list. Tobias Wolff's superbly-crafted short stories have an international following among general readers and professional writers alike, and he is celebrated as well for two award-winning memoirs: *This Boy's Life*, 1989, and *In Pharaoh's Army* 1994. (*A profile of Tobias Wolff appeared in Hertford College News, Issue 4, Spring 2000*).



PROFESSOR TOBIAS WOLFF

### Brian Steer to Retire

After 38 years at Hertford, Dr Brian Steer, Fellow and Tutor in Mathematics, (*photo p.10*), will retire in June. After Jesus College, Oxford, and his DPhil in 1961, Brian spent two years as a Lecturer in Maths at Christ Church before being elected to a Hertford Fellowship in 1963. Currently Brian is Maths Institute Librarian and a Chairman of Examiners. His research interests include Topology, especially Gauge Theory; the Geometry of Manifolds; and Global Analysis. Some of Brian's former students are publishing a volume of mathematical papers dedicated to him.



THE REVD MICHAEL CHANTRY WITH MARIA HARRIS (1992) AND ANDREW WATKINS (1992) AT THEIR WEDDING IN THE COLLEGE CHAPEL, SEPTEMBER 2000.

Michael Chantry was born in the Lincolnshire village of Ropsley where he and his sister Pat attended the local school. Another pupil was Margaret Roberts (later to be known as 'The Iron Lady'). Michael recalls, 'It was not difficult to forecast who would be Head Girl and make the speeches at Prize Giving!' Stamford School followed where Michael became Head Boy and played rugby and cricket with Colin Dexter, of 'Inspector Morse' fame, and Mike Smith who later captained England and Warwickshire at cricket. Musical appreciation was supplied by Sir Malcolm Sargent and Sir Michael Tippett, both Old Boys of the school. National Service in the Royal Air Force included a year at the RAF College, Cranwell, with flying practice in Tiger Moths and Prentices.

Michael's Headmaster, Canon Day, who had been a Classical Scholar at Hertford, had advised, 'Chantry – you'll go to Hertford!', so Michael came up in 1951 having been awarded a Squire Scholarship to read Theology. Michael remembers that on his first day, fire engines, hoses and ladders were tackling a fire in the Principal's Lodgings. After lighting a cigarette, an enthusiastic lawyer had failed to extinguish the match before tossing it into the wastepaper basket! At that time Hertford consisted of 170 undergraduates and no MCR. Michael enjoyed playing cricket and football for the College and also qualified as a referee for University football.

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## Numbers Double at Second Annual 'Five Years On' Reunion

*As the first occasion when graduates are invited back to the College, our 'Five Years On' Reunion (a 'new tradition') seems to be catching on.*

Last May, more than 50 Members attended our second 'Five Years On' Reunion, a drinks and Sunday lunch party on 7th May, 2000, for those who had left Hertford five years previously.

The sun was shining when Members who matriculated in 1991 and 1992 gathered for drinks in the Quad to catch up on each other's news and talk with the Principal and a number of Fellows. Drinks were enlivened by a Jazz Quartet kindly organized by Tim Muller (1997). After lunch in Hall, guests lingered in College well into the afternoon.

The 'Five Years On' Reunion is an informal occasion when Members can bring a friend and don't have to stay overnight in Oxford or dress up. (Black tie is not required!) This year's Fifth Reunion will be held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. All those who matriculated in 1992 and 1993 will be sent an invitation and booking form. (Because some leave after three years and some after four, two overlapping matriculation years are invited each time.)

Why not ring round your friends and get a group together

to come along? If for some reason you don't receive your invitation, please get in touch. You can sign up, or get details, by contacting the Development and Members Office on telephone 01865 279428 or by e-mail: [development.office@hertford.ox.ac.uk](mailto:development.office@hertford.ox.ac.uk)



TIM MULLER'S JAZZ QUARTET LIVEN THINGS UP

## 1983, 1984, and 1985 have a Great Gaudy

The Kings Arms began to fill up on Friday afternoon, 22nd September, 2000, when 1983, 84, and 85 returned to Oxford for their Gaudy. By late afternoon many were still in the pub! Two informal talks by Fellows began to attract them back to Hertford: Dr Steve New, Tutor in Management Studies, brought everyone up to date on Oxford's new Business School; and Dr Alison Woollard, Tutor in Biochemistry, praised the usefulness of nematodes in her talk on 'The Genetics of Development.' After Chapel, led by Michael Chantry,

everyone (transformed by black tie and gown) gathered in the good weather for drinks in the Quad. Dinner was called, and Members ascended the spiral stairs. After four courses and ample wine had been served, it was time for the traditional toasts and speeches. Ben Hall replied brilliantly to the Principal's toast to the guests, and Joanne Wicks proposed an equally eloquent toast to the health of the College. Their remarks were the highlight of the occasion. After dinner, renewal of old acquaintances continued in the Bar well into the night.



IAN HAMMOND AND POLLY STEELE



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BEN HALL REPLIES TO THE TOAST



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PROFESSOR ROBIN DEVENISH WITH KEN FARRIMOND

# 50th Reunion Marks the Millennium

*The 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion in 2000 was one of the most memorable events the College has hosted.*



BOB TRAFFORD (1948), WHO REPLIED TO THE PRINCIPAL'S TOAST AT THE BLACK TIE DINNER LATER THAT EVENING; TONY BURGESS (1948); AND PETER RAES (1949) ENJOYING THE DISPLAY OF PHOTOS AND MEMORABILIA BROUGHT BY MEMBERS.

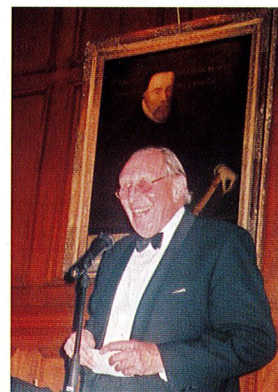
To mark the year 2000, a special 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion Gaudy was held on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2000 for those who matriculated from 1947 through 1953, a few years either side of the milestone year of 1950. Also invited were a number who had come up earlier, then returned to Hertford after serving in the war. To add to the traditional Gaudy arrangements, Members had brought along photographs, programmes, and other memorabilia to bring alive what life was like at Hertford some 50 years ago, and a special display was mounted. A tour of the new Graduate Centre in the afternoon was well attended, and there was standing room only for two talks by Fellows. Dr Alison Woollard's 'Genetics of Development' covered ground perhaps unheard of 50 years ago; and great interest was aroused by Dr Emma Smith's 'Shakespeare Studies over the last 50 years – what's new.' The question and answer sessions went on so long that Members had to rush for Chapel at 6 pm. Michael Chantry was delighted to see such a 'full house.' The weather was kind, so drinks took place in the Quad and Fellows joined guests for the special 'Millennium Dinner' in Hall. During the toasts, speeches by



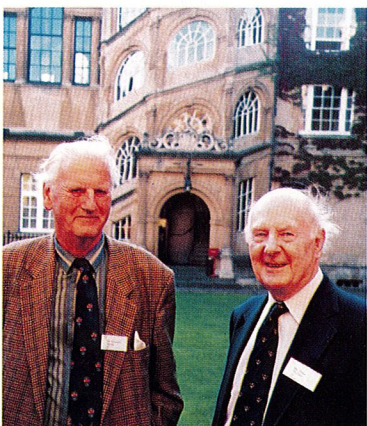
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Dr Robert Trafford JP and Richard Asser TD, recounted escapades from earlier years but also recalled memories of a more reflective nature. Remarks by both were very well received. In thanking all the guests for coming, the Principal gave special recognition to those who had travelled from many countries to be present. It was a memorable occasion.



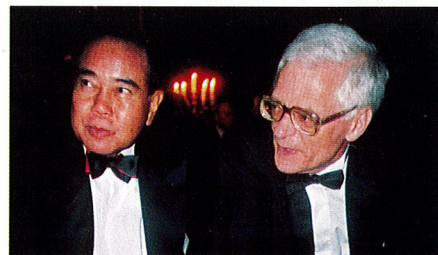
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PRACHA GUNA-KASEM, WHO HAD TRAVELLED FROM BANGKOK, AND GEORGE ROBINSON, (BOTH 1953).



HUGH ASHTON AND DAVID WINTLE (BOTH 1951) RELAX ON A BENCH IN THE QUAD.



THE 50TH REUNION MILLENNIUM DINNER IN THE HALL.

PHOTOGRAPH BY TOBY BARTON



GEORGE SCHLESINGER AND KEN FRASER (BOTH 1949)

## North American Reunion in New York

A special gathering on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2000 rounded off Hertford's participation in the University of Oxford's North American Reunion, a major event held at New York's Waldorf Astoria Hotel every two years. At each such Reunion, the University hosts a welcoming reception, daytime presentations, and a lunch. Individual colleges hold their own gatherings on the final Saturday evening.

Hertford's reception and buffet supper was held at the historic townhouse just off Central Park which is now the home of The New York Academy of Sciences.

The special evening was made possible by the generous sponsorship of the then Ambassador Richard Fisher (1972) and his wife, Nancy. This enabled more than 70 Members from matriculation years 1951 through 1997 and friends to come as the College's guests. Richard Fisher, from Dallas, Texas, was then Deputy U.S. Trade Representative in the Office of the President, Washington, D.C.. Hertford is grateful as well to Ann Gorski Lobue (1983) for serving as the College's local New York contact for the event. Ann is Senior Vice

President of Bridge eMarkets, World Trade Centre, New York.

Among guests, the College was delighted to welcome Bernice Gottmann, widow of Professor Gottmann, who was a Fellow and Tutor in Geography at Hertford, and former Visiting Fellows Professor Bulent Atalay and Dr Peter Beardsley with their wives. After drinks and canapés were served overlooking the townhouse's central courtyard, the Principal brought guests up to date on the latest news from the College. Supper was held in adjoining panelled rooms. Old acquaintances were renewed and new ones made throughout this most enjoyable of evenings.



PROFESSOR BILL MACMILLAN, LEFT, FELLOW AND TUTOR IN GEOGRAPHY, WITH AMBASSADOR AND MRS FISHER, WHO GENEROUSLY SPONSORED THE EVENING AT THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES' TOWNHOUSE IN NEW YORK CITY.



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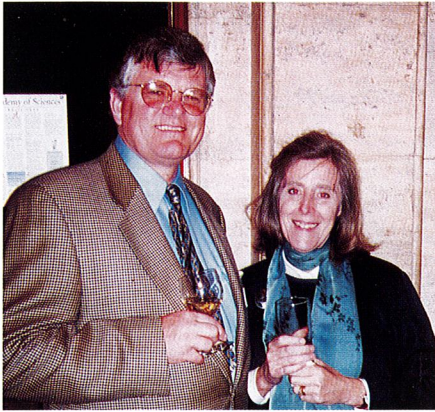
By popular request, a gathering for Hertford Members who live or work in London took place on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2000. With kind permission of Jeffrey Preston (1959), current Chairman of the United Oxford & Cambridge University Club in Pall Mall, 150 Members from matriculation years 1937 through 1996 and their guests were brought together over drinks and canapés in the agreeable ambiance of the Club's elegant rooms. The Principal conveyed greetings and news from the College. Afterwards, many moved on to pubs or restaurants to carry on talking. It is hoped that the London gathering will become an annual event.



THE PRINCIPAL AND JEFFREY PRESTON (1959), CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY CLUB, CENTRE, WITH HERTFORD MEMBERS.



THE ELEGANT ROOMS OF THE UNITED OXFORD & CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY CLUB, WERE FILLED WITH HERTFORD MEMBERS AT THE FIRST ANNUAL LONDON GATHERING.



JERRY OWEN (1964) AND HIS WIFE ELIZABETH



ERIK TOZZI AND ANNE HODGETTS TOZZI (BOTH 1989) WITH THEIR NEW BABY SON.



MARK PIRETTI (1996) AND EMILY MACMILLAN PIRETTI (1997).

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RICHARD HOGWOOD (1994), L, AND SIMON FOX (1996), R, AT THE BUFFET.



RICHARD HOGWOOD (1994), LEFT, AND EDWIN POMEROY (1951).



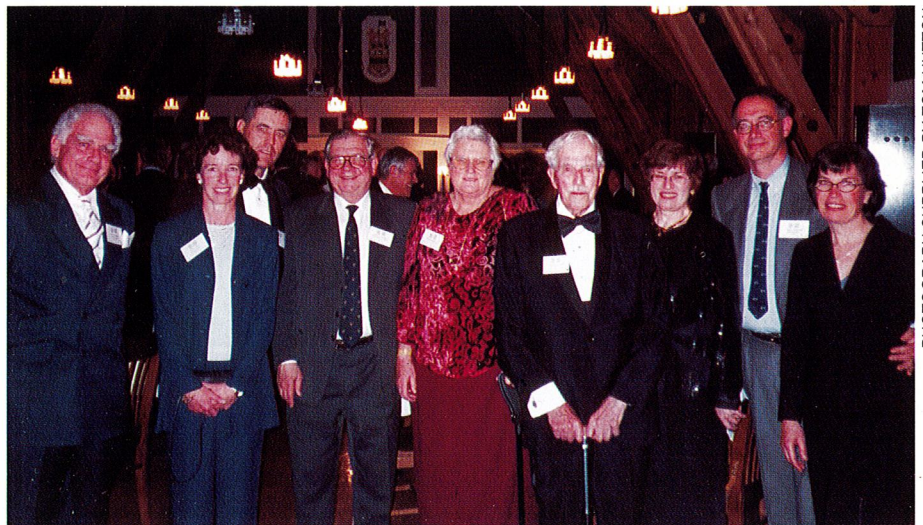
STEPHAN HALPER (1967) AND HIS WIFE LEZLEE.



JIM CATTY (1954) AND DITA VADRON FROM TORONTO.

## Vancouver Gathering

Thanks to Professor Tom Hutton (1972) of the University of British Columbia, who organized the gathering, Hertford graduates came together for drinks before the annual Oxford & Cambridge Boat Race Dinner in Vancouver. The Principal was guest speaker at the occasion on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2000. Photographed in the Dining Hall of Green College, University of British Columbia are, *left to right*: Dr Pierre Loebel (1955); Tess Tyzuk (St Hughes); Boris Tyzuk (1975); the Principal, Sir Walter Bodmer; the late Lady Bodmer; Dr George Pickard (1932); Ann McAfee (Dr Pickard's daughter); Professor Tom Hutton (1971); and his wife Lesley Wood Hutton.



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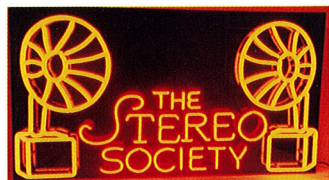
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MIKE THORNE AT WORK IN HIS STUDIO

## Mike Thorne (1966, Physics) Record Producer

In West Greenwich Village, New York, a discreet doorbell gives no warning of the neon sign flashing inside.



'The Stereo Society', Mike Thorne's private studio, publishes records only on-line, the latest activity in his amazing career: Hertford Physics degree, the early seventies London music scene (Fleetwood Mac and Deep Purple recording sessions), classical composition studies, then a long list of his own productions. His pop production landmarks *Don't Leave Me This Way* (Communards, 1986) and *Tainted Love* (Soft Cell, 1981) were the biggest selling UK singles of their years. *Guardian* Music journalist; Editor, *Studio Sound*; & new technology executive, Warner Music after retirement from commercial production in 1994.

With its combination of computers and music recording equipment, Mike's New York studio, dating from 1986, is a high-level recording and production facility and one of the most powerful music rooms in the world. Working where music overlaps the new technologies (internet, CD-ROM), Mike has a base in both London and New York. [WWW.stereosociety.com](http://WWW.stereosociety.com)

*The bi-annual Oxford Reunion in New York attracts Members based mainly in Eastern North America. We hope that in future years more Hertford gatherings, large and small, can be held in other parts of the world. Here, we begin in New York and skip across the USA to the West Coast for brief snap-shots of a selection of Hertford graduates. Together, they illustrate the many paths followed after Oxford.*

## Helen Morley (1979 PPE) Couturier

In New York's frenetic garment district, an elevator opens to the serene reception area of Helen Morley Designs, specialising in elegant bridal and eveningwear. Another door reveals computerized pattern-making machines, reams of sublime fabrics, and Helen's 'atelier' of over 30 cutters, seamstresses, and sewers of tiny beads and pearls, all working together in an atmosphere of busy camaraderie. Having rushed in from a visit to a client, Helen is photographed in her showroom where top stores such as Nieman Marcus and Bergdorf Goodman come to choose gowns. After Hertford, tailoring and fashion work in London preceded Helen's move to New York



HELEN MORLEY WITH ONE OF HER DESIGNS

in 1993 to find her true calling as a successful couturier. Her designs are simple, sophisticated and modern, with exquisite detail. For more see: [WWW.helenmorley.com](http://WWW.helenmorley.com)

## Sarajane Brittis (1988, Sociology) Former Director, Village and Chelsea Adult Day Health Centers



SARAJANE BRITTIS WITH MR. ANTHONY ALBANESE

Sarajane Brittis is photographed with a client at the extraordinary Village Adult Day Health Centre which she helped to set up in West Greenwich Village to provide respectful and supportive day care for physically and medically challenged adults in the

community, including Alzheimer's sufferers. A Master's from Hertford, and a USA PhD were stepping stones to Sarajane's rewarding achievement.

At the Centre, opened in 1998, Sarajane's personal touch is evident in the variety of activities and therapy programmes to 'heal both body and soul'; the special room for those who need a period of quiet; the tasteful choice of furniture and fabrics; and even in the china in the dining room.

Sarajane has now moved to the John A. Hartford Foundation in New York which funds projects to improve the health care of older adults. The opportunity to help design and run the exemplary new Village Adult Day Health Centre, brought to fruition Sarajane's dream of providing care to bring out the potential of each individual.





**Chris Forshner** (1991, Management Studies) is shown keeping an eye on the world's largest trading floor at UBS Warburg's impressive headquarters in Stamford, Connecticut, where he is an Executive Director of the Global Debt Capital Markets Group. A Yale History and Economics graduate, Chris was with Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette after his Hertford MPhil, before joining UBS Warburg in 1996. Living in the heart of New York City, Chris recently hosted

Gerald Lang (1991 Philosophy; DPhil candidate) for several days, and he invites old members coming through New York to get in touch: [Christopher.forshner@ubsw.com](mailto:Christopher.forshner@ubsw.com).

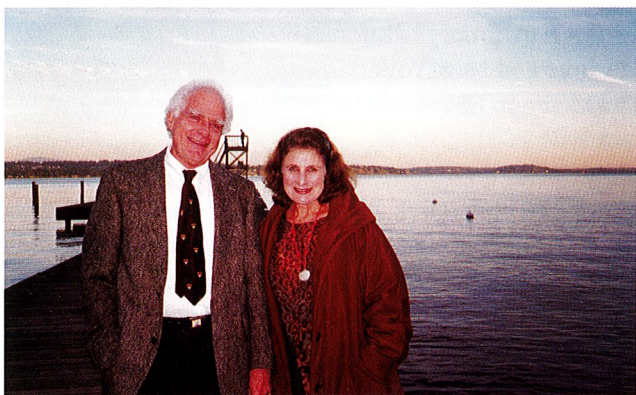
**Nigel Bullock** (1984, Maths)

On the 38th Floor of the Citicorp Building, Nigel Bullock, *right*, pauses a moment from work as a Principal of Standard Americas. Nigel's path led from Derbyshire to Hertford, then to JP Morgan in New York. After trading commodity derivatives at First Chicago in London, he moved to Standard Bank of South Africa, and joined Standard Americas in 1995. Currently, he is a Portfolio Manager, Asset Management Division as well as being a pilot, avid skier, and outdoorsman.

Looking down on Midtown and Roosevelt Island by day, walking in Central Park on summer evenings, and dining in Soho by night, Nigel must epitomise that certain life style we associate with the successful young professional in New York!



**To West ....**



**Dr J Pierre Loebel FRCPsych** (1955 Philosophy and Psychology)

In Seattle, Pierre Loebel and his wife Felice Selipsky Loebel (1953, St Anne's) pause on an evening stroll as sunset approaches, a short distance from their home with its idyllic setting overlooking Lake Washington. For many years Clinical Professor of Psychiatry (specializing in Geriatric Psychiatry) at the University of Washington nearby, Pierre is recently retired from being President, CEO, and Medical Director of Psychiatric Services for the Elderly, Inc.. A Fellow of the Royal College of Psychiatrists and the American Psychiatric Association, he has been a Consultant to the World Health Organisation for Eastern Europe, with many additional distinctions. Having met at Oxford, Pierre and Felice try to fit in visits to their old colleges as often as possible during their trips abroad.



**Salman Ullah** (1982, Physics)

A PhD in Physics from Stanford, Research Fellowships at the Universities of Virginia and Chicago, and four

years with McKinsey in Chicago gave Salman Ullah the combination of technical and managerial skills needed for his role as Director of Corporate Development at Microsoft. Salman is photographed in his office at the company's vast and amazing cherry-blossomed campus not far from Seattle. On the day of this photo, Bill Gates was busy in the next room. Just a few hours later, Salman boarded a plane for Japan to negotiate a deal.



## J. Dennis Bonney (1951, Law)

In the heart of San Francisco, in Dennis Bonney's Chevron Corporation office high above Market Street, this photograph of an oil tanker named in his honour is displayed discreetly among many tributes that have come his way during a distinguished career. Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors from 1987 until his retirement in 1995, with responsibility for Chevron's worldwide oil and gas exploration and production, as well as for coal mining operations, Dennis remains active in the business world. With a Master of Laws degree from the University of California at Berkeley, he also is a Member of the Bar, Lincoln's Inn. Early in his career Dennis was a barrister in the Northern Circuit, then an Advisor to Iraq Petroleum in London and Baghdad, joining Chevron in San Francisco in 1960. A past Chairman of the World Affairs Council of Northern California, he is a trustee of the University of California's International House, and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He is also former Chairman of the US National Committee for the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council and former President of the Commonwealth Club of California.



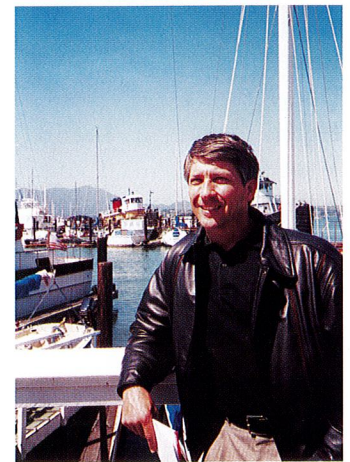
DENNIS BONNEY IN HIS CHEVRON CORPORATION OFFICE IN SAN FRANCISCO



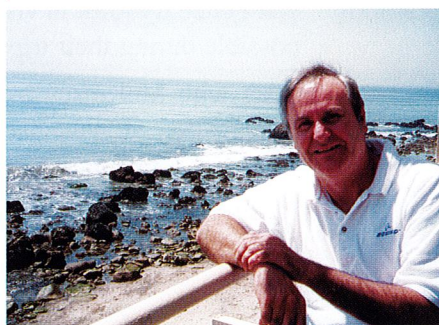
ERIC HUNTER AT 20TH CENTURY FOX.

**Eric Hunter** (1996, Industrial Relations, Human Resource Management), is photographed when he was doing special projects at 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox's film production lots in Los Angeles, which are part of News Corporation's global news and entertainment empire. With access to all the filming lots, Eric was liable to bump into Tom Cruise or Jennifer Aniston coming or going while filming. A graduate of Northeastern University and a former TV and film actor himself, Eric claims that his greatest accomplishment so far was being MCR Alcohol Steward and helping to turn the Octagon into a nightclub! Eric has now moved to epartners, a venture capital firm based in San Francisco.

**Allan Milne Lees** (1984, English), *right*, pauses at the Sausalito marina north of San Francisco after an interview with a writer from the Wall Street Journal eager for details of Allan's new online business, TransactPlus, Inc.. With Allan as founding CEO and driving force, and endorsed by J P Morgan & Co, New York, the company provides customers with technology to manage their business transactions passing over the internet and other telecommunications networks. TransactPlus has offices in Emeryville, California; Durham, North Carolina; and New York. After leaving Oxford, an MSc in Systems Engineering, an MBA, and work with IT companies, including his first start up, Kabira Technologies Inc., gave Allan the know-how to take his innovative ideas forward. Working towards further online launches, Allan has a hectic international travel and work schedule but balances it with a rich home life in Marin County north of the Bay Bridge with his two small children, Benedick and Charlotte; with skiing, scuba, and karate (when time allows); and by popping back to Hertford from time to time.



ALLAN LEES NEAR SAN FRANCISCO



JIM O'TOOLE AT HOME IN MALIBU, CALIFORNIA

**Jim O'Toole** (1966, Social Anthropology) is seen at home in Malibu, California, with the Pacific lapping at his door. In this enviable location, Jim has the best of both worlds as he also works just up the coast in San Francisco. A University of Southern California graduate, Jim

gained his Hertford DPhil as a Rhodes Scholar. As Research Professor in the Centre for Effective Organizations at the University of California, Chairman of the Board of Academic Advisors to Booz Allen & Hamilton's Strategic Leadership Centre, and Author of *Leading Change*, he is a master of leadership education. Jim's latest book, *Leadership A to Z, A Guide for the Appropriately Ambitious*, distills in a light-hearted way much of what has been learned about leadership since the late 1970's. 'It's about what leaders actually do', says Jim. Among tributes, famed management expert Tom Peters has said of Jim, 'In the last quarter of a century, America has produced no more perceptive or broad-gauged student of leadership than James O'Toole.'



**Tony Boyd** (1971, English), in his remarkable career, has managed creatively to combine his hi-tech skills and artistic ability. Starting as an English teacher in Edinburgh, he was a calligrapher and stonemason before moving to the USA in 1979 to edit publications in San Francisco and Oklahoma (where he met his

wife) before moving into IT. Now he runs his own consulting company, 'Windhover' (named after his favourite poem by Gerard Manley Hopkins), designing software systems for large corporations in Los Angeles (pictured left). In addition, he and his wife write and publish children's books under the name 'Starry Puddle Publishing'. Their recent poetry anthology, *Wild Stars*, takes its title from one of her poems. As a hobby Tony plays the Celtic fiddle.

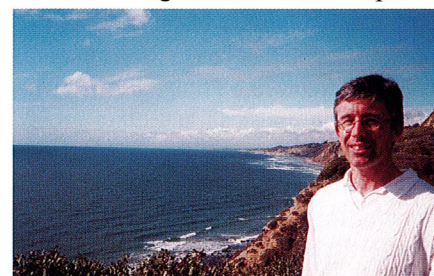
**Paul Stannard** (1972, Chemistry), right, while doing his PhD in Theoretical Chemistry at UCLA, had to teach himself programming. As a result, he founded three software companies, designed products for Microsoft, and in his spare time wrote a unique drawing program which became his award-winning Smartdraw. Enabling anyone to 'draw anything easily' from flow



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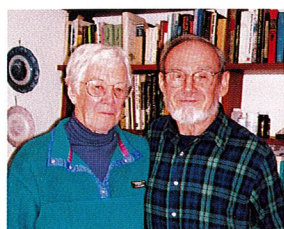
charts to maps to floor plans, a free trial version is offered for 30-days over the internet. Paul and his wife first ran Smartdraw from home, but the tremendous response to the product means that almost 20 staff now work at the company's Eucalyptus-surrounded offices in San Diego, developing additional ways to use the internet. A pioneer in selling software online, Paul is co-founder and current Chairman of the San Diego Software and Internet Council. WWW.Smartdraw.com

**Simon Mason** (1985, Geography), right, Research Meteorologist, photographed outside his office at the famous Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, San Diego, where he designs and uses computer models for seasonal forecasting. In nine years at the University of the Witwatersrand where he gained his PhD and was Deputy Director of the Climatology Research Group, Simon focused on droughts and El Niño; since 1997 at Scripps, it has been ocean warming, hurricanes, and floods! Everyone talks about the weather, but with his research, consulting work for governments and companies, and a long list of publications, Simon is doing something about it. In addition, companies use Simon's clinical psychology computer programs for career guidance, stress analysis, and even to train pilots.



### ... and North to South.

**George Piranian** (1937, Mathematics) and his wife Louise, below, in their home amidst oaks, hickories, and redbud trees near the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, where he is Professor Emeritus. Born in Switzerland, George emigrated to the USA at 15, and with BA and MA from Utah State University, landed at Hertford as a Rhodes Scholar. He remembers with gratitude and satisfaction the tutorial sessions when W. L. Ferrar helped him shift from botany to mathematics. He met and married Louise at Rice University, Texas, and two years of military arithmetic preceded their move to Ann Arbor. In reasonable weather, George still bicycles the

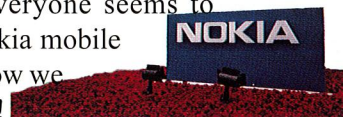


four miles to campus. Now retired but still lively, recently they spent a week on an Elderhostel project helping archeologists to restore Anasazi ruins in Southwest Colorado.

**Richard Geruson** (1979, Management Studies), in Dallas, is 'Connecting People' at Nokia Mobile Phones where as Senior Vice President and Chief Executive of the US subsidiary, he has responsibility for its overall success. An Economics graduate of La Salle University, after his MPhil at Hertford, Rich went on for his DPhil and at the same time was a Research Associate at Harvard. His book, *A Theory of Market Strategy* was published by Oxford University Press in 1992. Work at IBM, McKinsey, Stratus Computer, Toshiba, and a Vice Presidency at IBM, led to Nokia, the world's largest maker of mobile phones. Since



Rich joined the company in 1997, profits, revenue, and volume have doubled every year, and market share has tripled. Brand awareness has increased 7-fold. Almost everyone seems to have a Nokia mobile phone. Now we know why!



## JCR News

The Year 2000 has been an exciting one for the Junior Common Room, both in terms of great social and sporting events as well as other useful improvements. The beginning of Trinity Term saw the successful annual Hertford Black-Tie Event, this time in the format of 'A Night at the Oscars.' At the end of Trinity we had our Sports Day, with a 5-a-side football tournament, a giant tug-of-war, rounders, bouncy-boxing and lots of other sporting activities, complemented by a barbeque.

Michaelmas term saw the first ever Hertford Careers Day, where high-flying former Hertford students came back to talk about life in their chosen occupations in a series of workshops. Also this term the College Taxi Scheme was established which provides a low-cost service for students travelling back to College accommodation alone late at night. A new alternative prospectus and handbook explaining how the JCR works was also published for the benefit of JCR members. In 8<sup>th</sup> week, rumours of Hertford apathy were laid to rest by a democracy bonanza – the JCR elections saw a record voter turnout, a four and a half hour long JCR meeting, and 33 candidates standing for 10 executive positions! A great term was rounded up with the traditional Hertford Christmas Dinner.

The new year saw the newly elected executive take up their positions and begin another exciting term. As a follow up to the Careers Day, a large group of Hertford students visited the Foreign Office and got to know what life is like working in Whitehall. Continuing the blend of practical improvements and fun events, the JCR appointed an internet rep to re-vamp our homepage and keep it updated. The new page is due to go on-line Trinity Term 2001. Also this term, the JCR established a bursary for sporting, musical, and other groups to apply for, and free self-defence lessons were offered for the first time. All of these improvements were complemented by some excellent guest dinners and a 'Halfway Hall' – a dinner for second years celebrating the first half of their time at Hertford. In Trinity Term, we look forward to the Hertford Masquerade black tie event, further chances of sporting glory as a new colours award system is set up, and of course our end of term sports day.

Johan Berggren (1999-2000) and Jonathan Butler (2001-2002)  
JCR Presidents



JOHAN BERGGREN AND STEVEN CLOWES

## MCR News

Having been a graduate at Hertford for three years, I have to say that the atmosphere in the MCR has been consistently warm and the pace of events unrelentingly hectic. I fully understand now why Hertford's MCR has a reputation as one of Oxford's friendliest and most socially active. Among the usual run of cocktail parties, quizzes and exchange dinners, we participated in the extremely successful Careers Day last November. The Old Members who attended proved to have an incredible wealth of experience and enthusiasm to communicate to current Members. Mention should also definitely be made of the undying commitment of our graduate footballers who have turned out reliably every Saturday morning at the crack of dawn to dazzle their opponents, and our increasingly popular women's and Fair Trade events.

Last Autumn was particularly exciting in the life of Hertford MCR because we saw the opening of our brand new Graduate Centre. Sixty graduates now live in the building and are benefiting from its facilities including a new computer room, free internet connection, and conference rooms. We have also refurbished our central College MCR facilities this year, including new furniture and three new computers. Hopefully, with these new facilities and our ongoing reputation as a friendly, sociable College, we will be able to offer the warmest of Oxford welcomes to the new students arriving in the next academic year.

Steven Clowes  
MCR President

## Hertford Entrepreneur Grabs Media Attention

Jordan Mayo (1999, Economics and Management) has founded Revise.It.com, which provides on-line revision help for GCSE and A-Level students. Here, Jordan, *left*,



JORDAN MAYO, NICK CARTER AND DR STEVE NEW BEING FILMED

with Nick Carter (1999), who helps with the company, are shown being filmed for television in a mock tutorial with Jordan's Tutor, Dr Steve New, Hertford Management Studies Fellow, *right*. Revise.It.com was featured in the Channel Four programme, 'I Wish I'd Thought of That.'

## Russ Shannon Wins TV Robot Wars

Russ Shannon (1998, Engineering) who is completing his DPhil thesis this summer, is shown last year preparing for the BBC's popular television series, Technogames 2000. Russ was a member of the Oxford University Team of three who triumphed as the overall winners in the competition to build a robotic arm system capable of picking up a child's building block, moving the block six feet, and then stacking it on top of another block in the fastest time possible. The series was filmed in London's Millennium Dome.



RUSS WITH HIS MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

PHOTOGRAPH SUPPLIED BY RUSS SHANNON

## Is there Life after Hertford?



INSA KLASING INTRODUCES THE SPEAKERS.

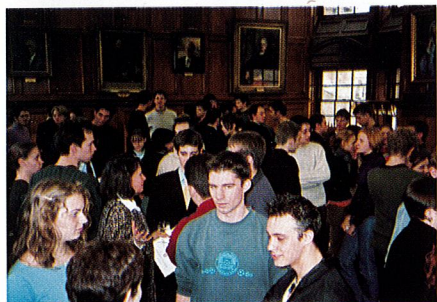
*The first-ever JCR / MCR Careers Day, unparalleled in Oxford, was a great success. The driving force behind it was Insa Klasing, then JCR Careers Representative. Here she describes the event.*

Life after Hertford is something we students know very little about. The career information we receive focuses on City jobs and may be biased because it is put out by recruiters. Little do we know about the day to day reality of jobs, how best to get started, and how to succeed. This inspired me to initiate the first student-run



SPEAKERS LEFT TO RIGHT: ALAN MILNE LEES (1984), FOUNDING CHIEF EXECUTIVE, TRANSACTPLUS INC., FROM SAN FRANCISCO; HELEN MUMFORD (1982), SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, THE GARTNER GROUP; ANNE MARIE STEBBINGS (1976), GLOBAL MARKETING DIRECTOR, ERNST & YOUNG INTERNATIONAL; SHERARD COWPER-COLES (1973), PERMANENT PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE FOREIGN SECRETARY; NICHOLAS GRAVES (1974), EUROPEAN MARKETING DIRECTOR, APPLE COMPUTERS.

Careers Day which brought a dozen successful Hertford graduates together with current students on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2000.



ON CAREERS DAY, THE HALL WAS PACKED WITH STUDENTS, WAITING TO MEET THE SPEAKERS AT THE BUFFET LUNCH.

On Careers Day, Hertford students had the privilege and rare opportunity to meet and receive advice from highly successful Members who generously had agreed to take time out of their busy schedules to participate. JCR and MCR students valued the opportunity immensely, volunteering to help, and turning out in large numbers. They chatted to Members over lunch and questioned them in panel discussions.

The three areas covered were: Media and Journalism, Politics and the Civil Service, and IT and Marketing. Helen Mumford (1982), Senior Vice President of the Gartner Group, said, "It was a great experience to meet such a positive group of young people. It was as if returning to my own days at College." JCR President Johan Berggren said that all the students had enjoyed the day. "The speakers' advice was most helpful. I have a much clearer idea of what I want to do now." Many of the speakers offered help to students and even invited them to visit their workplaces. At the invitation of Sherard Cowper-Coles, Principal Private Secretary to the Foreign Secretary, a large group of undergraduates visited the Foreign Office in January. JCR Member Rowenna Prest said, "It is amazing to realize that people like Krishnan Guru-Murthy, Presenter of Channel Four News, once started from the position we at Hertford find ourselves in now."



THE POLITICS AND CIVIL SERVICE PANEL: L TO R: JEREMY HEYWOOD (1980), PRINCIPAL PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE PRIME MINISTER; JOHAN BERGGREN, JCR PRESIDENT AND MODERATOR; JACQUI SMITH MP (1981), PARLIAMENTARY UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SCHOOL STANDARDS; SHERARD COWPER-COLES (1973).



THE IT AND MARKETING PANEL: HELEN MUMFORD (1982), L; EMILY DONCASTER (1989), R, MARKETING AND PR MANAGER, SHISEIDO UK CO. LTD. PANELISTS NOT PICTURED HERE; NICHOLAS GRAVES (1974); ALAN MILNE LEES (1984); ANNE MARIE STEBBINGS (1976); STEVEN CLOWES, MCR PRESIDENT AND MODERATOR.



THE MEDIA PANEL: L TO R: KRISHNAN GURU-MURTHY (1989), PRESENTER AND REPORTER, CHANNEL FOUR NEWS; VANESSA COLLINGRIDGE (1986) TV REPORTER, PRESENTER, AND WRITER; ADAM FLEMING (1998) MODERATOR. PANELISTS NOT PICTURED: KIM FLETCHER, EDITORIAL DIRECTOR, HOLLINGER TELEGRAPH NEW MEDIA; NICHOLAS FOULKES (1983), AUTHOR AND JOURNALIST, THE EVENING STANDARD.

OTHER STUDENTS WHO HELPED WITH CAREERS DAY BUT ARE NOT PICTURED:

RACHEL BUXTON, JENNY COFFIN, JORREN KNIBBE, LUCINDA MAER, MARTIN NGWONG, KATHERINE OLIVER, ROWENNA PREST, GABRIEL PACKARD, JOHN REED, CHRIS SAN JOSE, JONATHAN SKRMETTI, ROBERT STEED, AND ELAINE WRIGHT.



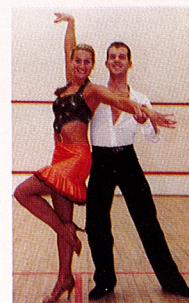
INSA KLASING HOSTS TED HEATH

### Hertford Heads European Affairs Society

During Hilary Term, Insa Klasing (1999, PPE) was President of the European Affairs Society (EAS). With nearly a thousand members, it is one of the University's largest student societies. EAS focuses on the 'non-partisan' discussion of issues relating to Europe. Under Insa's leadership, the Term's programme was a tremendous success and also marked the Society's Tenth Anniversary. Insa brought to Oxford distinguished speakers including former Finnish president Martti Ahtisaari; the first director general of the World Trade Organisation, Renato Ruggiero; former Irish Prime Minister Garrett Fitzgerald; former Chairman of BP, Lord Simon; and former Prime Ministers from Poland and Denmark. Many of the speakers were flown in by EAS's sponsor, British Airways. The series also included Hertford's poet Tom Paulin, who held a reading on the Northern Ireland conflict. "The Tenth Anniversary was the perfect occasion to hold the first EAS Alumni reunion," said Insa. "Past committee members came back to Oxford for a conference on the future of Europe in Rhodes House with Ted Heath as guest speaker." A trip to Vienna and a delegation to Cambridge to represent the UK at the Model European Council rounded off the Term.

### Ballroom Blitz

Hundreds of spectators saw Penelope Leech (1999 Clinical Medicine) help Oxford's Dancesport team see off their Cambridge rivals last year in the Varsity match. Penelope and Nick Connolly (Wolfson College) won the award for Best Overall Ballroom and Latin Dancing Couple; in addition, they are the 2000 National Student Latin-American Dance champions.



PHOTOGRAPH BY GEORGE RESZETER

## Dates for your Diary in 2001

**SAT 12<sup>TH</sup> MAY** Geoffrey Warnock Society Annual Lunch (for those who have mentioned Hertford in their wills.)  
Baroness Warnock DBE, Guest of Honour.  
Invitations will be sent to Society members. Others who would like to join and attend, please tel 01865-279428.

**SUN 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE** 'Five Years On' Reunion Lunch, Hall  
For those who left in 1996 (mat years 1992 & 1993).

**SUN 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE** Retirement Tea for Michael Chantry  
4 until 5.45 pm, Hertford College Hall  
Members are welcome to attend the Tea and at 6 pm, Michael's last official Chapel service.

**SAT 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE** Hertford Society Black Tie Dinner, Hall  
Invitations will be sent out by the Hertford Society (Tel. 0207 262 4636)

**FRI 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER** Gaudy for 1986 and 1987

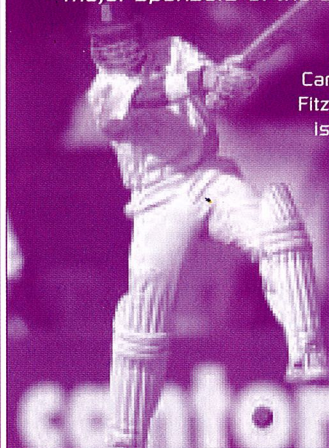
**SAT 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER** Gaudy for 1988 and 1989

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** Hertford Society 40th Anniversary Party (to be confirmed)  
7th January, 2002, Lincoln's Inn, London.

Oxford North American Reunion  
22-23rd March, 2002, New York City.

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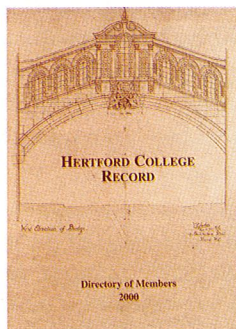
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## Did you receive your Hertford Record?



The College's directory of all former students, the *Record*, left, newly updated, was posted to all our Members in December 2000. If you did not receive yours,

please contact the Development and Members Office, Hertford, Oxford OX1 3BW, Tel. +00 44 1865 279428. [development.office@hertford.ox.ac.uk](mailto:development.office@hertford.ox.ac.uk)

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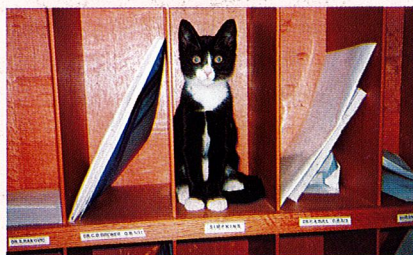
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## This year's Hertford cruise: 9-23 September, 2001.

Visit ancient sites in Greece, Cyprus, and Turkey with Hertford Fellow and Professor of Archaeology Martin Biddle on board Swan Hellenic's *Minerva*. A 15% discount goes to Members and their parties who book before 20<sup>th</sup> May; a 10% discount applies after that. Swan Hellenic give Hertford a donation of 10% of all fares. (Our last cruise raised £4,500.) A cruise brochure will be sent to all Members in April. Swan Hellenic can be contacted on tel +44 20 7800 2200 (Please quote ref. no. HC598.)

## Simpkins III takes over

After two terms without a College cat, it was a happy day at Hertford when the new Simpkins arrived.



THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE COLLEGE

The Hertford Society had made a generous donation to cover all his 'start-up costs'.

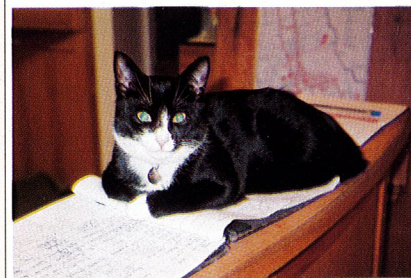
Within weeks, 'the new cat in Catte Street' had a two-page spread and colour photos in the *Oxford Times*.

Too small to go out on his own, Simpkins at first was taken out on a leash by willing volunteers for short exploratory excursions round the Quad. Before long he was exploring the College on his own, chasing birds and being rescued by students from the tops of treacherous vines.

With an uncanny resemblance to his predecessor in both appearance and choice of sleeping spots, he has now

fully settled in. With Simpkins on duty, the College is again complete.

## Simpkins says...



"I'll see you in the Lodge next time you visit!"