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*Front cover: A photographic portrait exhibition in Hall to celebrate 40 years of Lincoln alumnae. Portraits by Robert Taylor. Photograph by David Fisher*
To any reader who hoped to find some refuge from the pandemic in the Record, an immediate apology. As the following pages will show, 2019-20 has been dominated by the impact of Covid-19, and it is hard to think back to a time before it. You will see that the College has been resolute and resourceful in its efforts to meet manifold challenges, but there can be no escaping the year’s ubiquitous upheaval.

Every member of Lincoln has been affected, whether they be students working and taking examinations at home, or tutors glued to their screens for the umpteenth Teams tutorial, or staff furloughed or distanced from their daily routines. All have faced unwelcome and sustained disruption.

More happily, thanks to their combined efforts, and the support of friends near and far, the College’s core academic mission has been maintained. This process has not been easy, or pleasant. We are more mindful of the College life we have missed, and the on-going hardships faced by many. The deserted quadrangles reminded us all that a college without its people is but a shadow of itself. More than ever, we realise why we cherish the close and constant interaction that our little commonwealth provides, and it is our stored sense of community which has sustained us through this year.

The coming year will present another set of uncertainties, but I dearly hope that next year’s Record will be able to report a return to our familiar rhythms and rituals. Lincoln has come through such challenges in the past, and its adaptive endurance remains one of its more remarkable features. In this vein, I am again fortunate that Julia Uwins has been at her sleeve-rolling and creative best to ensure that this publication would not be undermined by the pandemic, and I thank her and all the contributors for putting this difficult year on record.

From the Editor

Perry Gauci
VHH Green Fellow in History

History students join their tutors on Zoom.
These have been hard times for these times. At first, the year began well with welcoming new Fellows to the world of Lincoln, the always happy return of students for another year, a visit from David Cornwell (1952) who entertained, stimulated, and engaged with a large audience on current issues, with the usual dinners, including one for the clergy from our livings, the opening of The Ivy in the transformed NatWest building, a sparkling performance by our undergraduates of My Fair Lady, and the usual much-enjoyed celebrations at the end of term and the imminent arrival of Christmas. The round of meetings continued and our collegial life was fed and watered by our lunches and dinners together. Then things slowly began to change. We were able to open the ‘Lincoln Unites’ Facial Recognition exhibition marking the diversity of our community, to hold Lord Crewe’s Supper, and to have the Turl Street Arts Festival, but even by 2nd week of Hilary Term we were beginning to make plans for the arrival of Covid-19, and by mid-February had set up a group to coordinate our efforts to respond to it. In early March, Lincoln had its first case of the virus and since then, besides the enormous changes that the College has had to introduce – and is still working on as this Michaelmas Term begins – our response to the pandemic has involved thousands of emails, hundreds of documents, and scores of meetings.

The long period when the College was at its quietest and most deserted – except for the Lodge that remained open throughout – was followed by a gradual return to life. Throughout this period, our staff, students, and Fellows have remained calm and sensible, realising that, however adverse the circumstances, the need to keep on with our educational mission was essential. The Common Rooms, the Library, the Hall, the Kitchen, and the Chapel were all closed; events of all kinds and all societies and sporting activities were cancelled, but life still continued. We have learned if not to love Teams and Zoom, at least to see that they are a necessary substitute for our usual way of managing teaching, meetings, and social occasions. Many of our staff were able to carry on working from home. The Mitre project did not pause (its momentum maintained with the necessary social distancing). Students remotely took exams. We were all still paid. The Hall floor was beautifully restored; decades of gravy spillages (otherwise known as shellac) were removed. A duck and her family of ducklings were one of our very few visitors.

These have been hard times and we have lost some good friends to the College. Among them were two Honorary Fellows: the great scientist, Sir James Gowans (1947), and the beneficent and wise Sir
Eric Anderson, a former Rector. We have had to say farewell to some Fellows, without being able to give them our thanks and a proper send-off.

We have also, as a college, had to respond to two events, one national and the other international. In mid-August, with the release of A-level results, an outcry about the fairness of admissions in this unusual year began. Numerous current students and alumni wrote to us urging the College to admit all offer-holders irrespective of their results. Another college had proclaimed this as its policy and, even though this was by no means the whole story, we were urged to follow in its footsteps. We elected not to. Instead, we looked in detail at every individual who did not make their grades, including at all the information we held, as well as seeking more, and made our final decisions based on academic merit. Using this process, the College admitted all its offer-holders. By following such a course, this autumn’s Freshers will know they were admitted on their own strengths, and we shall have established an important precedent for next year’s admissions and whatever problems they may bring.

The second event that prompted much thought and discussion within and beyond the College was the dreadful death of George Floyd in late May. As a response to this, Governing Body reaffirmed its commitment to equality and diversity and to tackling racism in all its forms. We decided to examine our own practices and to identify the practical steps that need to be taken to ensure that our commitment to equality of opportunity is reflected in all we do here. A Commission, involving students, staff, Fellows, and alumni, has been set up, led by our alumna Sonali Naik QC (1986), to discuss these matters and to make concrete proposals for further action by the College. It has been asked to make an initial report by 7th week of Michaelmas Term.

These times have produced many instances of goodness and kindness. Our alumni have been magnificent in their support of the College. The Development Office launched a Covid-19 Appeal, intended to ease the financial and operational pressures during the pandemic and to make the lives of our students – including this year’s Freshers who will be part of the largest ever cohort of students – as free from anxiety about money as possible. We have had over 250 gifts to this fund, with some serial donors and some contributions from current students and staff. The gifts have been both great and small; all are deeply appreciated. Alumni have also generously given their time to mentor and talk to students and to take part in virtual events and thereby to deepen and extend their involvement with the College. We are most grateful for their varied and liberal gifts to us.

As I write in late September, despite a huge amount of effort and planning, we shall almost certainly continue to face large and difficult problems in the coming academic year. It is either going to work very well in the College or it will not. I am not sure which it will be. What I do know is that students, staff, Fellows, and, above all, alumni have been immensely loyal to the College and shown remarkable patience, understanding, and support during these horrible times. As a college, we are better off for that support than many much larger institutions in this country and around the world.

H.R. Woudhuysen
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Half of 2019-20 was blissful business as usual in the SCR, starting with a remarkable refreshment of the membership with no fewer than nine new Fellows taking their oaths, all of whom joined College life with characteristic warmth. Our new Senior Tutor, Dr Lydia Matthews, hit the ground running with a startling combination of omnicompetence, kindness, and collegiality. Dr Matthews took her first degree (English and Classics) from the University of KwaZulu-Natal, followed by an Oxford DPhil in Roman History and appointments as a tutor in Ancient History. Before joining us, her senior role in the Faculty of Theology and Religion earned her a reputation as one of the University’s brightest administrators, and many departments and colleges are known to envy Lincoln’s appointment of her – as well they should. The zeal for life and learning of the year’s Newton-Abraham Visiting Professor, Alan Garfinkel (UCLA) was an inspiration, and reminded us of how much we have to be grateful for at Lincoln. His good humour and participation in all sorts of activities, including a hugely successful MCR-SCR Conversazione on mathematical modelling in the life sciences, will be long remembered. We also welcomed from the West Coast (UC Riverside) the first June and Simon Li Fellow and Tutor in the History of Art, Dr J P Park, who specialises in early modern Chinese and Korean art. The remarkable endowment of arts subjects at Lincoln by the Li family was further renewed in the arrival of Dr Harriet Soper as our new Simon and June Li Fellow and Tutor in English. A Corpus undergraduate, Dr Soper comes to us after an exile in Cambridge (MA, PhD), teaches early and middle English, and has just finished her first book, a study of how life stages are represented in Old English literature. We also welcomed a new career-development fellow in Law, Dr Gabrielle Watson (Shaw Foundation Fellow). Following a DPhil and post-doctoral fellowship at Christ Church, Gabrielle now teaches Lincoln lawyers their criminal and constitutional law ( Mods) and jurisprudence (Finals). Her first year at Lincoln also saw the publication of her first book, Respect and Criminal Justice (Oxford). The generosity of our Senior Research Fellow in Law, Mr Graham Child, made possible the novel appointment of a Child-Shuffrey Fellow in Architectural History, Dr Mark Kirby. After a career with the Bank of England and a variety of regulatory and public policy roles in London, Mark returned to academia in style with a 2019 doctorate on Sir Christopher Wren’s City churches, supervised by friend of Lincoln, Professor Anthony Geraghty (York). Dr Kirby’s unique brief for his Lincoln fellowship is to write a long-overdue book on our Chapel and Chapel Quad in anticipation of the 2027 celebrations. It was a distinct pleasure to have alumna Dr Rachel Wood with us as a Non-Stipendiary Research Fellow in Classical Archaeology. We also welcomed two new medical researchers. The George and Susan Brownlee JRF in Biomedical Sciences, Dr Caitlin Naylor, holds degrees from Edinburgh and Virginia, worked for four years in tropical medicine in The Gambia, and now pursues her laboratory research in the Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine. Finally, Dr Andrew Lewis is the new Kemp Post-doctoral Research Fellow in Medical Sciences. Dr Lewis is a chemical biologist who researches drug targets for myeloma. He is based at the Target Discovery Institute, which he joined in 2016 after degrees from Cambridge and a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Toronto.

The close of Hilary Term saw the clouds of the Covid-19 pandemic gather rapidly, but lockdown at least deferred itself to the end of the Oxford term. But from that last week in March, the SCR along with the rest of the College closed for the first time in over half a century. Academics spent the Easter Vacation preparing to deliver teaching remotely in Trinity, and many Fellows joined our fine administrative team in regular meetings to ensure the safe operation of the site during lockdown, and to begin planning for post-lockdown realities.
SCR lunch was not reintroduced until late September, something made possible only through the planning and physical hard work necessary to create a socially-distanced system to keep staff and tutors safe. It will take a long time for the effects of losing an entire Trinity Term – usually a period filled with such joyful sociability – to sink in. But a loss we all felt keenly was the inability to give proper Lincoln SCR send-offs to the many members whose time with us came to an end when we were kept apart. It is therefore with real emphasis that I record here the whole SCR’s gratitude to these colleagues who gave so much to the College, and who we will miss even more for not having been able to say goodbye. Although his career as a leading cell biologist is no doubt far from over, Professor Nicholas Proudfoot has retired as the Brownlee-Abraham Professor of Molecular Biology at the Dunn School. As a Cambridge graduate student, Professor Proudfoot studied under George Brownlee, and came with him to the Dunn School in 1981; he was Fellow of Brasenose from 1982-2003 before joining Lincoln. Completing fixed-term fellowships this year were: Dr Sam Brewitt-Taylor (Darby Fellow in History), author of *Christian Radicalism in the Church of England* (Oxford, 2018); Dr Alessandra Geremia (George and Susan Brownlee JRF in Biomedical Sciences); Dr Adam Grieve (Jones and Anson JRF in the Biosciences); Dr Fabio Morabito (Lord Crewe JRF in Music), who so enriched the musical life of the College and takes up a new post in Canada; alumnus Dr Joshua Thomas (Lavery-Shuffrey Early Career Fellow in Roman Art and Archaeology) who goes to a Humboldt research fellowship in Munich; and last, but by no means least, the Revv Dr Melanie Marshall (Chaplain and Student Welfare Coordinator) who, I have on good authority, has found a way in her generous heart to accept an appointment at a college south of the High. All of these were inspiring, leading scholars in their professions, dear friends to many, and stalwarts of the SCR. We shall miss them, and wish them all every success and happiness, with the sincerest thanks for all that they brought to Lincoln.

Professor Peter McCullough
Sohmer Fellow and Professor in English; Steward of the Common Room

Dr Sam Brewitt-Taylor
Dr Alessandra Geremia
Dr Adam Grieve
Revd Dr Melanie Marshall
Dr Fabio Morabito
Dr Joshua Thomas
**Fellows’ research and teaching news 2019–20**

**Sam Brewitt-Taylor (History)** ‘I was delighted to learn in October that my book about Christian radicalism in the 1960s Church of England won the Ecclesiastical History Society’s first book prize; in an unrelated event, I gave a keynote address to the Society’s winter conference in January. Our second daughter Helena was born on 2 July, leading to a marked decrease in academic productivity, but a corresponding increase in happiness. I left Lincoln in August, with deep gratitude for five years of happy memories.’

**Radu Coldea (Physics)** ‘Over the past academic year, I have continued to explore experimentally emergent phenomena in quantum materials. New results include: the discovery of a novel triple-cell crystallographic superstructure stabilised by chemical doping in a hexagonal spin-orbit Mott insulator; new experimental and theoretical results on the role of glide symmetry breaking near a magnetic quantum phase transition; and experimental observation of novel soft spin fluctuations induced by strong interactions in a frustrated quantum antiferromagnet. My research group have published papers on those results in the journals *Physical Review* and *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.’

**Cristina Dondi (History)** ‘Throughout the year I was invited to lecture on the Printing Revolution exhibition at a number of universities in Italy and the UK, but also at events for schools and the general public. Collaboration with the Italian Embassy in London, in particular, effectively expanded the outreach of the research project towards new audiences. On 23 January 2020 the Italian Embassy in London centred its ‘Art2Business’ series on ‘Printing R-evolution 1470-2020: The Italian Publishing and Printing Industry 550 years ago and today’. The number of printing places and printing offices in Italy in the fifteenth century were located on a map and compared with Italian printers and graphic designers in Italy today, with data provided by Fedrigoni, one of the largest paper manufacturers in the world and a sponsor of the Venice exhibition. Representatives of Phaidon and Taschen, publishers who still print many of their prize publications in Italy, participated in a debate, together with the Italian Ambassador, Raffaele Trombetta.

The event also displayed the third book ever printed in Italy, a copy of St Augustine’s *De civitate dei*, printed in 1467 in the Benedictine monastery of Subiaco, the site of the first printing press in Italy. In a wonderful example of cultural diplomacy, the Italian Embassy in London hosted the book for six months, to promote the content of Italy’s historical libraries, and to support international initiatives centred on their book heritage. This included the recently completed project to digitise, catalogue, and promote the incunable collection of Subiaco, a collaboration of the National Central Library of Rome and the Consortium of European Research Libraries (of which I am the Secretary), funded by the Polonsky Foundation. The project undertook the digitisation and high-level cataloguing of 241 incunabula, and created videos to present and explain to the general public the contribution of this unique collection to the spread of knowledge in western Europe.'
The videos can be seen on this website: http://digitale.bnc.roma.sbn.it/progettopolonsky/en/220/multimedia.

Finally, in June, I took part in a webinar ‘From the dawn of printing in Italy to the benefits of digital access: making books available to everybody’ alongside Ambassador Trombetta, Marc Polonsky, and Antonio Padoa Schioppa, with Jon Snow as moderator.

In terms of publication, my edition of the proceedings of the conference held in the Doge’s Palace of Venice in September 2018 appeared as *Printing R-Evolution and Society 1450-1500. Fifty Years that Changed Europe* (Venice: Edizioni Ca’ Foscari, 2020) – 978 pages, and a brick of 1.6 kg! This can also be downloaded online at: DOI 10.30687/978-88-6969-332-8. The Venice exhibition has been made available online, at http://15cbooktrade.ox.ac.uk/printing-revolution-exhibition/.

**Roel Dullens (Chemistry)** ‘This academic year I have been teaching all the physical chemistry tutorials for the Lincoln Chemistry undergraduates. In terms of research, I have continued to work on the structure and dynamics of colloidal materials. This resulted in publications on the development and behaviour of banana-shaped colloidal particles (*Science* 2020) and on the transport of colloidal particles in temporally oscillating optical landscapes (*New Journal of Physics* 2019). We also published articles on a range of other topics, including the diffusion of magnetic colloidal particles and the measurement of the pair potential in colloidal fluids. Finally, I was awarded the 2019 McBain Medal from the Royal Society of Chemistry and have given a number of invited lectures, including talks at the McBain Medal Meeting in London (2019), and at the online EPS Condensed Matter Physics Conference (2020).’

**Stefan Enchelmaier (Law)** ‘In Michaelmas Term, I took up my duties as Director of Examinations for the Law Faculty. In that role, I was involved in moving this year’s Moderations online. These would normally take place in 9th week of Hilary Term, but were deferred to 2nd and 3rd weeks of Trinity instead. By then, there was no more face-to-face teaching in the University. Despite the infelicitous circumstances, four out of seven of Lincoln’s first-year Law students obtained distinctions in Moderations, one even gaining a prize. Two other students only narrowly missed a distinction. The finalists also performed very well in these difficult conditions, securing three Firsts. Tutorials in contract law were held online, and, because of the belated start, lasted well into July. It worked very well, presumably because good working relations had been built up between students and tutor in the first two terms.

The academic papers I mentioned in my last report have now been published, namely: a reflection on the legal literature of English law, and the division of labour among legislature, judiciary, and academia in the common law; a chapter on free movement of goods in the leading volume on EU law, Craig & de Búrca’s *Evolution of EU Law* (OUP 2021); a contribution on free movement law to a volume edited under the auspices of the Collège d’Europe on the European Internal Market; and an article on the European free trade area and customs union for the special edition marking 60 years since the EEC Treaty came into effect. This was published in the Dutch periodical, *Erasmus Law Review*. I made some progress on the book manuscript that I mentioned last year, but at the time of writing my ambition is to report on its completion in the next edition of the *Record*.’

**Perry Gauci (History)** ‘The pandemic will likely dominate my future memories of the academic year, but I will look back
fondly on some experiences. The Lincoln historians, especially the finalists, adapted heroically to the sudden upheaval in their studies, and it was heartening to witness the dedication shown by our students and colleagues as tutorials and classes moved online. I expected nothing less.

Before the world changed, I also had opportunity to make progress on my bankers’ project by giving papers to a variety of audiences, most memorably in the grandeur of Goldsmiths’ Hall in London and in the skyline auditorium of the Pantheon-Sorbonne University in Paris. It was also very pleasing to see winning reviews for the recently-published volume to honour Paul Langford, all of which paid tribute to his extraordinary contribution to his field.’

Karl Kinsella (History) ‘Like most people, I have found this year to be one of disrupted plans. Last summer’s trip to archives in St. Gallen, Munich, and Austria was a big success and I was able to build a picture of the travels and dissemination of twelfth-century manuscripts around Europe, solving some mysteries in the process. Planned trips to Hereford and Lincoln to round this off were postponed, but I look forward to visiting those cities in the near future. I was able to publish several pieces, including a short article in the catalogue for the Bodleian’s recent ‘Thinking3D’ exhibition, which was a huge success.

On a more optimistic note, my wife is expecting our first child any day now. As a result, part of lockdown has been spent putting up bookshelves for picture books, and testing myself against obscure and arcane instructions for constructing a buggy. The future looks exciting, and Lincoln College has been incredibly supportive through these last few months, for which I can never give sufficient thanks.’

Mark Kirby (History) ‘I was awarded my PhD by the University of York in February 2019 for my thesis, ‘Furnishing Sir Christopher Wren’s churches; Anglican Identity in late Seventeenth-century London’. I could not have been more delighted to be elected to a research fellowship at Lincoln later that year, which I began at the start of Hilary Term. My research interests lie at the meeting of church architecture and church history, and my role at Lincoln is to write the architectural history of the College Chapel and Chapel Quad. This will form the second of a three-volume architectural history of the College, whose publication will coincide with the sexcentenary of the College’s foundation in 2027. Much-loved by generations of Lincolnitites, the Chapel is a rare example of almost unaltered seventeenth-century chapel architecture, mercifully spared the not-so-tender attentions of the Victorians. I am especially enjoying delving into the psyche of Bishop John Williams, who commissioned and financed the build. Why would a Calvinist build such a magnificent place? Williams will be familiar to alumni from his portrait in Hall. Sadly, thanks to his fall from political favour, Williams probably never saw his Chapel. Happily, we still can.’
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Jody LaPorte (Politics) ‘I continue to advance my research on the politics of authoritarian regimes. I authored a chapter on executive institutions in non-democratic contexts, which was published this summer in the *Oxford Handbook of Political Executives*. Lockdown has also proved to be a chance for further work on my book manuscript. Also, this spring, my co-authored article ‘Process Tracing and the Problem of Missing Data’ was awarded the Alexander George Best Article Award by the American Political Science Association.

On the teaching side, it has been another busy year for Lincoln PPE. We continue to build the teaching team, with the addition of a stipendiary lecturer in Philosophy, in order to ensure that students receive the best quality tutorial teaching. We also turned our sights to increasing links between current and former PPEists. In Michaelmas we held a student-alumni dinner and discussion in the Beckington Room. Hopefully, this will be the first of many events to come! Last, but definitely not least, our PPEists continue on their track of academic success. Despite the rapid shift to remote teaching and learning for Trinity Term, I am pleased to report that four out of our ten finalists achieved a First in finals exams, our best performance in several years.’

Andrew Lewis (Medical Sciences) ‘I was delighted to join Lincoln in 2019 and divide my time equally between treating patients with heart disease as a clinician, and developing new imaging technologies to help us understand how and why hearts fail as a researcher. I primarily work on emerging magnetic resonance imaging technologies, and we recently became the world’s first group to use a powerful new technique called hyperpolarisation to study human hearts. Over the coming years we intend to move this and other imaging technologies into definitive human studies, which will help us to define new mechanisms of diseases, and, ultimately, to accelerate the development of new treatments for people living with heart disease.’

Peter McCullough (English) ‘It was a busy year, made memorable primarily by the fantastic cohort of English students. The relationships built over the first two terms with second years and finalists made the sudden shift to online teaching in Trinity easy. And the chance to teach the first years for the first time in that strange term showed how getting to know each other while learning together was possible in the virtual environment. All of the students – beaming in to my study at home from Cumbria to London and all points in between – rose to the challenge with a dedication and good humour that kept my spirits up. Schools results – a record nine Firsts – might suggest too that the imposed exile from the temptations of an Oxford spring actually had hidden benefits for revision! My hat goes off to every one of our students. On the research front, I had banked enough archival material (what did we do before we could take photos in archives?) to keep things ticking over as I traced lives, literature, and religion in the London and Cambridge of the mid-sixteenth century. We do not have a monopoly on strange times to live through.’

Timothy Michael (English) ‘This has been my final year as Dean of the College, and what a year it has been. The College has been nimble in its response to an extraordinary, and rapidly developing, set of circumstances, and the Junior Deans and Wardens have performed admirably in delivering food and supplies to students in self-isolation and in carrying out other essential tasks. I am grateful to them, and to the members of the College’s coronavirus response group, for their calm and steady work throughout the spring and summer.

I continue to work on a scholarly edition of Alexander Pope’s later prose, including
Peri Bathous and The Memoirs of Martin Scriblerus, for OUP. This, along with two other projects related to the history of criticism and Romantic poetry, will be my focus during my upcoming year of sabbatical leave.

I am delighted to say that Lincoln English continues to thrive, with nine out of 11 students achieving a First Class degree this year. We are thrilled that we have been able to hire Dr Sarah Bennett to cover my teaching duties for the next academic year. She will join my esteemed colleagues in supporting our students through what is bound to be another challenging year.

Caitlin Naylor (Medical Sciences)
‘I joined Lincoln in January 2020, having been a postdoctoral scientist at the Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine under Professor Hal Drakesmith since October 2018. My research focuses on the role of iron and iron regulation in malaria drug susceptibility and pathogenesis. Much of my research has focused on the question of whether the iron regulatory hormone hepcidin could be used to reduce free iron content within red blood cells, thus affecting artemisinin activation or malarial growth. We have also diverged into an exciting new avenue involving the impact of iron deficiency within a host on artemisinin efficacy against resistant strains of malaria. However, like many scientists, my work has been curtailed this year by the pandemic and the closure of the WIMM for several months. Happily, the WIMM has reopened, and I am once again pursuing my experiments with the hope of a more exciting update for next year’s report.’

Alexsei Parakhonyak (Economics)
‘My teaching this year was similar to 2018-19. In College, I taught Microeconomics for first and second years, while in the department I taught Microeconomic Analysis and MPhil Microeconomics courses. Luckily, all my teaching was completed in Michaelmas and Hilary, and was not affected by the lockdown measures. The travel ban, however, meant cancelling several research trips and delayed some of my research projects. In recent months I have been working on Robust Bayesian Persuasion. Standard Bayesian Persuasion setting is a class of problems in which the ‘sender’ commits to a certain information transmission rule (say, a product-testing procedure, rules for hearing evidence) and then transmits information to the ‘receiver’ in order to provoke a certain action (to purchase the product, or convict the defendant). This problem is well studied in the case of environments with probabilistic properties known to the sender. In this project we are proposing a solution in situations of ambiguity, when the sender does not have any a priori information about the environment. In this joint work with Anton Sobolev from the University of Mannheim, we develop ideas from our previous paper, in which we proposed a solution for the optimal search problem under ambiguity.’

J. P. Park (History of Art)
‘Without hesitation, I can say this past year at Oxford has been truly exciting and stimulating, both for my career and my life generally. I admit the transition from the US to the UK was not what I would call a smooth landing: the learning curve as I got used to the new system and environments at Oxford proved steep and challenging. Nevertheless, despite the unexpected intensity of the adjustment, welcoming colleagues across the University and the unfailingly bright students in my classes have kept me motivated. On a personal note, my favourite part of life in Oxford is the great pleasure of walking to my office, classes, and the libraries (as long as it doesn’t rain). Even as I was adjusting, I managed to stay productive in my research activities. I have made slow but steady progress on my third book, Reinventing Members.’
Art History: Forgery and Counterforgery in Early Modern China. I am glad to report that this project is under contract with the University of Washington Press. To bring this manuscript to a timely and successful completion, my schedule in the coming years should be even busier, possibly hectic.’

Alexander Prescott-Crouch (Philosophy) ’I continued to work on two projects this year. One project concerns the nature and institutional conditions of understanding other perspectives in a modern pluralistic society. What is it to ‘understand’ other perspectives, and how can the media and social sciences help citizens achieve it? My paper, ‘Deliberation Through Misrepresentation: Inchoate Speech and the Division of Interpretive Labor’, examines these questions, and it was accepted this year by the Journal of Political Philosophy. In a similar vein, I published a piece considering how ‘fake news’ and other problems in the media environment compromise a diverse set of democratic values, entitled ‘Democracy and the Contemporary Media: What is the Problem?’. In addition to these papers, I have continued to work on a project about ‘genealogy’, which considers how historical information about our moral beliefs and social practices might be relevant to our evaluations of them. I started writing a book manuscript discussing these issues that expands on a set of previously published papers.’

Bert Smith (Classical Archaeology) ’This was the second year of a three-year Leverhulme Major Research Fellowship working on ‘The Greek East under Rome: A visual history’. Work proceeded well until the lockdown closed the libraries. Writing continued during lockdown but in part-fiction mode – all this work will need to be checked against the facts.

I curated a small exhibition of three stunning Roman portrait busts currently on loan at the Randolph Sculpture gallery of the Ashmolean. The busts are from the very top of Roman portrait production and represent Germanicus, Antinous, and Commodus. I also continued to work with the Classics Faculty on an impact case study for the dreaded REF, studying the effect of my earlier exhibition ‘Antinous: boy made god’ on the wider public.

I gave talks in London, New York, and on Zoom for the British Institute in Ankara, and publications included papers on Aphrodisias and on ‘Mythology and Sarcophagi’. I participated in a conference on late antique statues and inscribed epigrams in Rome, and managed a brief trip to Copenhagen to see the ‘Road to Palmyra’ exhibition. The summer excavation at Aphrodisias, planned with several Lincoln graduates and colleagues, was severely curtailed. I went walking on Mull instead.’

Harriet Soper (English) ’It is hard to find the words to describe my first year as Simon and June Li Fellow in English Literature. I am primarily left with a deep sense of gratitude towards my constantly inspiring students and colleagues; the resilience shown by the English finalists, in particular, in the face of the pandemic was astonishing. Meanwhile, teaching across the period 650–1550, as well as an introduction to the English language, has certainly got my neurons firing. I have also submitted two papers on the subject of ‘dialogic syntax’ (syntactical structures reproduced across conversational turns, to various effects) in Old Norse-Icelandic dialogue poetry, as well as submitting a full manuscript of my monograph, provisionally titled The Life Course in Old English Poetry, to Cambridge University Press. Together with Dr Thijs Porck in Leiden, I have also been editing a volume of essays, Early Medieval English Life Courses: Cultural Historical Perspectives, contracted with Brill. I was set to deliver a few conference papers this year, all
of which have unfortunately now been cancelled. One of these was intended to be a reappraisal of the ‘beasts of battle’ motif in Old English poetry, and I was particularly proud of the pun which formed the first half of my title, in accordance with scholarly tradition: ‘Keep Calm and Carrion’. I will have to delight an audience with this another year.

Maria Stamatopolou (Classical Archaeology) ‘Before lockdown, I gave talks in Halle, Athens, Tirana, and Volos, and helped to organise an exhibition in Volos celebrating 110 years of its archaeological museum and the work of Apostolos S. Arvanitopoulos, the first Ephor of Antiquities of Thessaly. I wrote about his contribution for the exhibition catalogue, and gave a keynote paper at the exhibition conference about the southern sector of Demetrias, the famous painted stelai, and the southern cemetery of the city. I made research trips to Turkey, Germany, and Greece in the autumn and winter, while in Athens I started work on the very rich archive of the Archaeological Service, which has valuable information for my projects.

My publications included papers on “The unknown city on the site “Gremouras” (Argissa): a reassessment of the finds’, and ‘Black-Glaze pottery of the Classical period from Pharsalos’. As the libraries and the Faculty were inaccessible, I focused on editing a collaborative volume on Thessalian cults, which will go to the publisher in October.

Even though excavation had to be postponed due to Covid-19 restrictions, it was still possible to co-ordinate small teams who worked on Tenos and Thessaly throughout the summer. Graduate students (Anna Dalgkitsi), and recent DPhils (Stelios Ieremias, Dafni Vlanti) worked in the teams in the museums, and catalogued, drew, and photographed finds, while my colleague Anna Blomley focused on the coinage from Mt Ossa and on the study of viticulture in northern Thessaly. In August we started a collaborative two-year research project with the Department of Antiquities of Thessaly, aiming to form an interdisciplinary team to publish on the key monuments of ancient Demetrias. The first stage is supported by a pump-priming Main Award from the John Fell Fund.

During the Easter Vacation I co-ordinated the archaeologists’ effort to turn everything digital; it was challenging but we made it! Although on leave from College duties in Hilary and Trinity, I continued teaching graduate students and met with the finalists for revision. I was delighted, but hardly surprised, that our CAAH finalists did very well, despite the strange circumstances. Most are continuing to graduate study. This was also my final year as Schools Liaison Officer for the Classics Faculty; we held various events before lockdown, including the virtual Open Days.

Paul Stavrinou (Engineering) ‘Truly a year of two halves! Virtual meetings are one thing, remotely procuring equipment and setting up laboratories was quite something else, and I have been grateful to draw on the help of the six researchers that are now in place in the laboratory in Suzhou. Indeed, it is a great testament to their efforts that we are now producing and assessing our semiconductor materials for use in solar cell and light-emitting devices. This new capability will also prove very helpful over the coming year, notably to support a new research theme initiated at Oxford on sub-wavelength photoacoustic structures.

Another area that is beginning to yield some exciting results lies with the study of ancient Roman concrete. Invited by a long-standing collaborator at ETH-Zurich, and a frequent visitor to the SCR, I had the opportunity to apply some data
science techniques on concrete samples. These samples, secured from excavation sites all over Switzerland and expertly measured with the facilities at ETH, have proved to be fascinating – I was quite surprised to find how coveted the remarkable properties of Roman concrete are. The extended team of archaeologists, geologists, and material scientists seem very interested with our efforts to date. It is fascinating to work with such a diverse group of researchers; a new experience for me – although nothing formal hall at the College hadn’t prepared me for!

As ever, teaching our engineers continued to be a great source of pleasure and satisfaction, and we can look forward to welcoming a new cohort of engineers. Amid continuing uncertainties, the advantages and benefits of the small-group tutorial system have never been more welcome.

**Andreas Televantos (Law)** ‘It has been a busy year for me at Lincoln. In terms of research, I have now sent to OUP the final proofs of my monograph, *Capitalism Before Corporation*, which explores how aspects of law central to modern finance evolved in the Regency era and were shaped by the commercial expectations and intellectual climate of that time. I have also sent off proofs of a co-authored chapter discussing the theoretical structure of English private law, also to OUP. Both will appear in print later this calendar year. I also completed a draft of an article on the application of limitation periods to claims for breach of trust, which examines how modern lawyers have imperfectly transposed Victorian legal thinking onto modern legal problems. Finally, I took up a position as one of three Articles Editors at the *Oxford Journal of Legal Studies*.

I have continued to teach undergraduate courses in Trusts Law and Land Law, and have also started to teach graduate BCL courses on Advanced Property and Trusts, Legal Concepts in Finance, and Modern Legal History.’

**Joshua Thomas (Classical Archaeology)** ‘Despite obvious challenges, I thoroughly enjoyed the final year of my fellowship. As well as teaching and examining duties, I completed new articles on the Alexander Mosaic from Pompeii, and on a series of mythological reliefs from Aphrodisias in Turkey. My first monograph is also inching closer to publication.

I am currently working on a paper on the ‘Wrestlers Mosai’ excavated in Alexandria in the 1990s, and preparing for my new position as a Humboldt Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität in Munich. There I will commence an exciting new research project on high-grade animal statues in antiquity, once I have completed a four-month intensive German language course. I would like to thank my colleagues and students for a wonderful four years as a fellow at Lincoln. It has been a great pleasure to be associated with the College since first arriving as an undergraduate in 2008.’

**John Vakonakis (Biochemistry)** ‘Being in receipt of sabbatical leave this year I decided to join the group of Professor Roland Sigel (University of Zurich), aiming to learn experimental RNA biochemistry. Little did I know that the emerging pandemic would scupper this plan! Though I visited Zurich for some initial laboratory work, the pandemic quickly grounded me in my ‘home office’. Thus, I focused instead on writing up long-delayed research stories from my group, with two papers published (Day et al., *FASEB Journal* 33, 14611; Machin et al., *Malaria Journal* 18, 388) and a further five submitted for publication in the last academic year.

However, Covid-19 also forced a re-evaluation of what my lab does, and
how to apply our skills to help in this emergency. To that end, my group partnered with other laboratories in Oxford, at the Diamond Light Source, and in Israel, in the COVID Moonshot project (https://postera.ai/covid), aiming to accelerate drug discovery against the novel coronavirus. Fortunately, this is something we can do even from my ‘home office’ as much of our instrumentation can be controlled remotely. With the help of a hard-working scientist in the wet-lab, Anastassia Kantsaidi, we are using nuclear magnetic resonance to measure how different drug-like chemicals bind to proteins of the coronavirus and block their function. As I explained in a recent Imprint article, our work is a small step towards Covid-19 drugs, but every little bit helps!

Outside research, I need to salute the efforts of those involved in Biochemistry teaching in my absence this year, and also our students. So, hats off to Mark Roberts, Naomi Petela, John Kiappes, and Paul Elliott for delivering high-quality teaching and care for the students despite all the troubles Covid-19 threw at them! Congratulations too to Noah Turner and Olly Featherstone for graduating with an excellent set of results. Both Olly and Noah will continue their studies as DPhil students in Oxford and ‘the other place’.

Finally, as Website Fellow of Lincoln College, I would be remiss not to highlight the amazing work of our College Communications Officer, Julia Uwins, in delivering the massively updated and much improved College website, which I hope you have had a chance to peruse.

David Vaux (Medical Sciences) ‘It’s been a funny old year. In some ways we have been fortunate to be able to continue at least some of our research, albeit it in a very constrained way. Early during lockdown, a Lincoln graduate student member of the lab was one of the first in the university to successfully defend his thesis online; his research will result in a significant publication on cryptobiosis, which represents a novel offshoot of our work in liquid-liquid phase separation (LLPS). Lockdown also saw the publication of a large collaborative study on LLPS and mechanisms of chronic disease. It was gratifying to see this paper downloaded more than 3,500 times in the first month, although I suspect that this just confirmed that a lot of molecular pathologists had extra time on their hands, or insomnia.

The strong College connection with the lab continued this year with the arrival of a new Lincoln graduate student, who was fortunate enough before the pandemic hit to make good early progress on the link between the loss of the BCRA1 protein from breast cancer cells and the highly migratory behaviour that we associate with metastatic cancer spreading. We are now equipped to test the migration-regulating roles of our list of candidate proteins, using gene editing and a modification of the tracking software developed last year to study hydrogel formation.

I would also like to express my admiration for the resilience and good humour shown by all of our students as they navigated the switch to remote teaching and ‘revision by wire’, a highly effective transition resulting in half of our finalists securing Firsts.’

Dominic Vella (Mathematics) ‘This has been a strange year in both teaching and research, but Lincoln’s Mathematics students have continued to excel (with nine Firsts from 13 finalists). In my research group, we have been focusing on mathematical models of elastic deformations. A particular highlight was studying how poking a piece of fruit gives information about the ripeness of the flesh: while the fruit’s skin generally stiffens what you feel when you poke, the size of our finger or thumb ensures that poking actually gives an accurate reflection of the flesh’s softness (and hence
ripeness). Elsewhere, we have focused on understanding how elastic deformations occur dynamically, particularly the dynamics of wrinkling. Our work appeared in journals including *Soft Matter*, *Physical Review Letters*, and the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, and has been featured on the cover of these journals. Before lockdown, I gave talks on our research in Aspen, Davis, Lausanne, and Paris. A paper from last year was awarded the François Frenkkel Award for Fluid Dynamics by the American Physical Society’s Division of Fluid Dynamics.

**Gabrielle Watson (Law)**

‘I joined Lincoln College in September 2019 as the Shaw Foundation Fellow in Law following a Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship in the Faculty of Law and a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in Law at Christ Church.

My first book, *Respect and Criminal Justice*, was published in 2020 by Oxford University Press, and I continued work on a second book, *Just Words? Ethics and the Language of Criminal Justice*. I was delighted to be elected to Visiting Fellowships at the Centre for Penal Theory and Penal Ethics and at Downing College, Cambridge, which I hope to take up in Spring 2021 with the generous support of the Zilkha Fund.


At Lincoln, I taught the core papers in Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, and Jurisprudence, and, for our first-year undergraduates, I led an extended Law induction programme of my own design. In the Faculty of Law, I convened the optional paper in the Philosophy of Punishment.

It is a privilege to hold a fellowship in the name of the Shaw Foundation. This year, I began work with the Foundation, acting as a key point of contact for schools, universities, and educational agencies in Singapore; advising on opportunities for study at Oxford, and corresponding with our benefactor on a termly basis.’

**Michael Willis (Chemistry)**

‘Research-wise, I enjoyed a productive six months before our labs closed due to Covid-19 restrictions. At the time of writing, we have made it back into our labs at about 50% occupancy. Given these upheavals, the resilience and enterprise shown by my group has been fantastic; we have published the 150th research paper from the group, and have started an exciting collaboration applying synthetic methods from our group to some challenges in chemical biology.’

**Nigel Wilson (Classics)**

‘This has been a frustrating year owing to the closure of libraries and the impossibility of travel since March. It was also a matter of great regret that I had to cancel the Summer School in Greek Palaeography, hoping – but not with much confidence – that next year it can take place. Luckily my private library is good enough to allow me to make satisfactory progress with the edition of the *Bibliotheca of Photius*, which I should be able to hand in to OUP by the end of the calendar year. Work on the Vienna palimpsests has also continued: the technology used to make the images seems to be getting even better, and the meeting of our little team that was due to take place in Hamburg last March may now be converted into a series of sessions by Zoom.’

**Rachel Wood (Classical Archaeology)**

‘It was a delight to be back at Lincoln for another year, covering Bert Smith’s teaching duties. My teaching has covered a range of topics from the Greek, Hellenistic, and Roman worlds
in tutorials, classes, and lectures, and a personal highlight of the year was to debut my own graduate class on the Archaeology of the Hellenistic Far East. In research, I published a chapter on methodological and historiographical issues in the study of Sasanian art and Zoroastrianism with CUP just before lockdown. The schedule for my own edited volume on art histories of late antiquity across Eurasia suffered from the publisher going on furlough, but it is now due out early next year. My main research project is to develop my DPhil thesis on art and cultural dynamics in Iran during the Hellenistic period into a monograph. I am also thrilled to be involved in publication of the British Museum’s excavations at the southern Iraqi site of Tello (ancient Girsu), which during the third and second centuries BC was the focus of spectacular renovation using remnants of their ancient heritage from the third millennium BC.

H.R. Woudhuysen (English) spoke on editing Evelyn Waugh in London and on editing Shakespeare in Oxford.
The Lincoln Year

Senior Tutor’s report

2019-20 was a year of two very distinct parts. The first five months were taken up with the usual business of welcoming new students and helping them to settle into the academic rhythms of College life, of supporting our finalists in preparations for their upcoming examinations, and of guiding our students in navigating the pressures of undergraduate study and graduate research. In the second part of the year, we had to respond very quickly to some of the swiftest and most marked changes to College life in over half a century. As you will read in the reports elsewhere in the Record, the outbreak of the pandemic has affected every aspect of College life, but through the remarkable efforts of our students, tutors, and College staff, we have adapted to the challenges that this year has presented to us.

At the beginning of Michaelmas, the College welcomed 92 new undergraduate students and 137 new graduates, bringing the total number of students in the JCR and MCR to 307 and 312 respectively.

Thanks to the generosity of alumni, we are fortunate at Lincoln to be able to offer financial support to undergraduate students from lower-income households, and this year the College awarded 60 undergraduate bursaries, worth a total of £184,077. On the graduate side, we awarded 67 new graduate scholarships this year and made over £500,000 in scholarship payments to graduate students. We are particularly lucky to be able to offer such a wide range of graduate funding packages and we ranked highly amongst the colleges in providing graduate funding, despite having one of the largest graduate cohorts of the mixed colleges. A fifth of our graduate taught students are fully funded, and we have the second highest proportion of partially-funded Masters’ students (33%). Nearly two-thirds of our doctoral students are fully funded, and 22% (the sixth highest in the University) are partially-funded.

Despite the pandemic, all undergraduate bursaries and graduate scholarships have continued to be paid and we have been able to provide additional support to students whose financial circumstances have been adversely impacted by the pandemic. This aid has been vital in, for example, helping students who were unable to return home during lockdown or who did not have the IT equipment that they needed for studying remotely.

All College teaching in Trinity Term was conducted remotely via Microsoft Teams and much effort went into reformulating...
the highly personalised and intimate tutorial into something that could be delivered online. No one had to adjust more quickly than students who were due to sit examinations in Trinity Term. No conventional exams were held at the end of this year and instead exams for final-year undergraduates took the form of either ‘open-book’ versions of papers or longer pieces of work completed over several days. The majority of examinations for first-year undergraduates were cancelled and students were deemed to have passed, while most second- and third-year (non-finalist) undergraduates had their examinations deferred.

Our taught graduate students faced similar disturbances to their examinations, while our graduate research students had to contend with the closure of laboratories, archives, and libraries. To alleviate these disruptions, the College agreed to co-fund the extension of graduate awards in partnership with the Research Councils or the University’s Clarendon fund.

Lincoln students rose to these significant challenges: a remarkable 51% of our undergraduates were awarded First Class degrees and 41% of our taught graduate students were awarded Distinctions. Readers may find the full list of degree results and prizes awarded elsewhere in the Record (pp.26-34). We warmly congratulate all our students who completed their degrees this year despite the very difficult circumstances that they faced, with many having to sit their last exams in their bedrooms or at their kitchen tables.

Our students did not however spend all their time revising or preparing for tutorials and last year saw a number of significant student-led cross-common room initiatives. The JCR and MCR together launched the College’s first Equality and Diversity Week, ‘Lincoln Unites’. The committee organised a series of events and an exhibition that highlighted questions of equality and diversity, and provided fora for discussions about inequality. Students took part in panel discussions and workshops on gender, attended international food fairs, sensory arts sessions, a soul music night, and an LGBTQ+ film screening.

Students also collaborated with Fellows and alumni and organised the Lincoln Leads seminar series that took place during Hilary Term. Each panel featured an Old Member, Fellow, and graduate student of the College, who responded to topical questions linked to their research or professional experience. In Trinity Term, the MCR stepped in to help fill the hole that the pandemic had created in College life and organised an additional ‘Lockdown Edition’ of Lincoln Leads, hosted on a newly created Lincoln Leads YouTube channel. Likewise, our Conversazione, Lincoln’s informal MCR-SCR seminar, moved online. Emma Irwin (2019), this year’s Kenneth Sowards-Shaw scholar, gave a talk on the relationship between the unpredictability of medieval Icelanders’ existence and the depiction of supernatural creatures in Old Norse and Icelandic sagas.

We have greatly missed being able to celebrate in-person the successes of those students who completed their studies this year and I know we are all very much looking forward to the time that we can invite them back to College and congratulate them.

Dr Lydia Matthews
Senior Tutor
The Lincoln Year

Access and outreach

We have launched Oxford for East Midlands in collaboration with St Edmund Hall and Magdalen College, which will allow us to focus our activity in the region, with Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire as our new link authorities. After working extensively with schools in Bath and North-East Somerset, Bristol, South Gloucestershire, North Somerset, and North and North-East Lincolnshire for much of the last decade, we have handed them over to other colleges as part of the University’s restructuring of outreach.

As a college, we have been renewing our commitment to tackling racism. In our outreach work, this has particular significance and we will be looking at what more we can do to support students from all backgrounds in pursuing an Oxford education. We continue to support Target Oxbridge, the programme founded by Lincoln alumna Naomi Kellman (2008) to raise the Oxbridge aspirations of black African and Caribbean students, and students of mixed race with black African and Caribbean heritage. We will be launching a new sustained outreach programme called Oxford NextGen in key East Midland cities to build on our existing work with particular groups.

Our student body continue to be greatly supportive of our efforts to improve access to Lincoln College and the University, and we work actively with both the JCR and MCR. We have over 50 Student Ambassadors who regularly support our events in-person and now online. Our new website is an essential platform for us to reach a wider audience and has been redesigned with prospective students in mind. We have also worked hard to generate content on YouTube and on our social media channels to complement our usual face-to-face work. This approach could lead the way for a more hybrid

Katie Osmon
Schools’ Liaison Officer

The past year has resulted in a huge change in our usual outreach activity. Whilst not always an easy adjustment, it has also provided an opportunity to review what we do. In spite of the challenges we have faced, the College continues its efforts to encourage state school students to apply and we have offered a wide programme of activity.
outreach model at the College so we can work more effectively with young people.

Lincoln College has worked with individuals from more than 50 schools and colleges across the UK in 2019-20; a selection of those schools are provided here:

**Lincolnshire**
Boston High School
Bourne Grammar School
Branston Community Academy
Caistor Grammar School
De Aston School
Franklin College

Havelock Academy
Healing Science Academy
John Leggott Sixth Form College
King Edward VI Academy
The King’s School, Grantham
Lincoln Christ’s Hospital School
The Priory Academy LSST
Queen Elizabeth’s Grammar Alford – A Selective Academy
Queen Elizabeth’s Grammar School, Horncastle
The Queen Elizabeth's High School, Gainsborough
Sir William Robertson Academy, Welbourn

South Axholme Academy
Spalding Grammar School
Spalding High School
Tollbar Academy

**The North East**
Marden High School
St Hilda’s Church of England School
The Venerable Bede Church of England Academy

**Katie Osmon**
Schools’ Liaison Officer

Photographs taken during a school visit to Lincoln, October 2019.
In a year like no other, the College has performed very well. We have not had a pandemic of this proportion since the Great Plague of 1665. As the Covid-19 virus spread in Oxford in March of this year, our priority was the wellbeing of our students, Fellows, and staff. After most students returned home for the Easter vacation, the College closed its Kitchen, Library, and Common Rooms on 23 March, when the Government required the closure of catering. Our domestic staff were put on furlough and our academic and administrative staff were asked to work from home where possible. We were able to teach and to administer the College from the homes of our staff, without any noticeable interruption.

From a financial perspective, our first priority was to support students as they adapted to the new circumstances, providing them with any additional equipment they required to study and take exams online. In particular, we helped those who had suffered extra expenditures or hardship because of the impact of Covid-19. Thanks to a generous response from alumni, we were able to help many students with specific needs arising from the pandemic in addition to our normal hardship support.

The absence of students in Trinity Term and the cancellation of all our summer conferences had financial consequences for the College, resulting in a net reduction to our income of £830,000 over the six months to September 2020.

Where it had the flexibility to do so, the College temporarily increased the drawdown from its endowment from 3% to 4% to meet this unexpected shortfall. The College also focused on liquidity, on having the ability to meet its salaries and other expenditures when due, despite the fact there was no cash income from March to September.

**The Mitre**

We also maintained our major capital project in the renovation of the Mitre student accommodation. Our contractors and consultants worked resolutely throughout the pandemic. From a financial perspective, the College was able to continue to fund the project, notwithstanding other extraordinary demands on our capital. Again, alumni were generous in their response to requests for funding the Mitre, with substantial and numerous donations throughout the summer.

Alex Spain
Bursar

A refurbished room in the Mitre.
The Mitre project is now moving towards its closing stages. We expect the works to be complete by the middle of February 2021. The renovations will preserve the historical character of the building but it will now have attractive, modernised rooms with improved access and fire safety.

**Other Capital Projects**

Our other major project has been the conversion of the old NatWest building on the High Street, opposite the Turl. Following a decision by the bank to vacate the premises, the College converted the building to become a restaurant with residential accommodation on the floors above. The project was completed in February 2020. The Ivy restaurant moved into the ground floor and has been a great addition to dining in Oxford and to activity in the High Street. The flats are occupied by external tenants. The College decided in 2013 that the NatWest building represented a strategic acquisition, given its proximity to the Library, the Mitre, and our Bear Lane student accommodation. The College has largely funded the acquisition and conversion of the bank with borrowings (not endowment funds), and needs to earn a commercial return to service the debt. We were also able to convert the first floor retail premises of 115 High Street to provide new teaching rooms, which were much needed.

The College has a rich heritage in its buildings, but these also require regular maintenance. Our maintenance team were able to take advantage of the closure of the College to undertake works such as the restoration of the stonework in Front Quad and the re-conditioning of the floor in Hall.

**Endowment**

This has been a volatile year for investments. Approximately 60% of our endowment is invested in securities (such as shares and bonds) and 40% is invested in property.

Our investments in securities had a return of 2%, a creditable performance after the portfolio declined in value under the impact of Covid-19.

The property portfolio declined 7.5% in value, almost entirely due to the 17.5% decline in the value of commercial properties, primarily in Oxford. Our commercial properties in Oxford are mostly located on the ground floor of our student accommodation on Turl Street and the High Street. The deteriorating outlook for retail businesses, accelerated by the impact of Covid-19 on the retail market, has created very difficult trading conditions for our tenants.

**Outlook**

The College is in a sound position as we start Michaelmas Term 2020. We have a full complement of students. We do have significant Covid-related expenses but our income is expected to be normal. At the same time, we prepare for contingencies. We have to consider the possibility of an outbreak requiring students to return home and the possibility that we may have depleted income from tuition, accommodation, catering, and conferences. In the Bursary, we focus on having the resources available to enable the College to remain operational if such events were to occur. In these times, unrestricted capital is essential for the financial resilience of the College.

These are difficult times, but we have no doubt that our Fellows, staff, and students, with the support of our alumni, will overcome adversity to continue our teaching and research activities whatever the demands placed on us by the pandemic.

**Alex Spain**

*Bursar*
The Lincoln Year

Librarian’s report

Lucy Matheson
Librarian

Casting one’s mind back to last October feels like looking at a different world: one in which we began the year with our most extensive exhibition to date, as part of the intercollegiate event to accompany the ‘Thinking 3D’ exhibition at the Weston Library. We welcomed 70 people to explore cartography and navigation through 21 items from our historic collection, and very much hope that this intercollegiate event can be resumed in 2021, with even more colleges involved.

In Michaelmas Term our Unlocking the Senior Library event considered the Secret Lives of Books, while in Hilary we were delighted that the session was student-led, with six students selecting items from our historic collections. Among the topics covered were female Restoration playwrights, the printing of Gothic and Anglo-Saxon scripts, key texts in the Jewish faith, and emblem books. Two of our student curators discuss their selection at https://lincoln.ox.ac.uk/discover/lincoln-unlocked/events-blog.

The storms in February brought drama, when part of the window facing Turl Street in the Library Tower blew out. Fortunately, the bracing scaffolding for the Mitre renovations stopped glass falling into the street below and no one was hurt. The Lodge team did a great job of stabilising it until heritage glaziers from York were able to carry out restoration work in situ. Given the weather in February, dehumidification was necessary, but I am pleased to report that all is now as it should be, and, even though I know exactly where the breaks were, not even I can tell that the window was ever broken!

We also carried out our biennial Library survey in Hilary Term and I spent the first part of lockdown analysing the data. It was surreal to consider responses on the use of the Library building, knowing they referred to a way of working which will not return for some time. However, much fruitful work could be done by ordering titles students had requested, especially for particular papers for which our provision was not so strong. This complemented earlier discussions with incoming Fellows to ensure the Library was stocked for their reading lists, and I have been ordering titles for papers on diverse topics such as Latin American Literature in the twentieth century, the works of Assia Djebar, art under the Roman Empire, Late Medieval British History, and clinical psychology.

Ordering books for students during lockdown was key, as was close liaison with Bodleian colleagues to ensure electronic access to our most borrowed titles, where possible. This felt like doing the same work repeatedly, at a time when there were daily changes to the availability of electronic resources. It remains a hard fact that some of our most sought-after titles are not available in electronic format or can only be purchased under subscription models that are prohibitively expensive, even for the combined libraries of Oxford University.
The increased copyright allowance granted by some publishers for Trinity Term meant that scans of up to three chapters of a work could be made accessible to our students via Oxford Reading Lists Online (ORLO). Whilst it had been an aim of the Bodleian Libraries to increase the number of reading lists available in this way, the increased uptake had gone beyond their wildest expectations: 1,500 Oxford reading lists are now live, which include links to electronic versions of recommended titles where available. This also led to wonderful collaboration between college libraries, as libraries who had a member of staff going in once a week to check on the fabric of the building were also able to scan chapters to meet the requests of students from other colleges. We all became adept at the different processes for the necessary reporting of scans to the Copyright Licensing Agency. I was able to offer a scanning and postal loans service to our students from the middle of May, and was pleased to be able to contribute to this communal effort once I had access to our bookstock.

During lockdown we also worked closely with Julia Uwins to update Library pages for our current students and to invigorate the Lincoln Unlocked pages for the launch of the new College website.

We are excited about the opportunity for sharing more dynamic content and centralised dissemination via social media. Online opportunities also allowed us to create a virtual tour of the Library for the Bibliographical Society’s summer event. With the addition of some webcams to the Senior Library, we hope to be able to bring you more from our historic collections than ever before.

Despite the challenges of this year, we are delighted that the vast majority of the conservation work and some of the cataloguing work supported by last year’s Lincoln Unlocked fundraiser has been completed. Through the generosity of our alumni and friends, the following items can be more safely used for teaching or display: Rector Thomas Marshall’s Bible, a disbound 1575 edition of Caesar’s Commentaries, four fragile books from Rector Richard Kilbye’s Hebrew collection, and The Antiquities of Warwickshire of 1656. Also, the library of an eighteenth-century provincial solicitor can be discovered by researchers on Oxford’s library catalogue.

While the Library re-opened with limited reader services in July, we know that the ‘new normal’ will only be properly tested in October. There will be frustrations, but I hope also an enhanced appreciation of what the College Library offers. The Library staff will have to be physically distanced from our readers, but we can still provide support for our students, and service with a smile.

Lucy Matheson
Librarian

The Library is grateful to the following current and past members who have donated books to the Library:

Peter Atkins
Scott Bader (1980)
Anthony Bareham (1959) +
Paul Crichton (1965)
Cristina Dondi
Louise Durning
Stefan Enchaelmaier
William Evans (1961)
Anthony Fowles (1957)
Paul Griffiths (1965)
Thierry Hirsch (2012)
John Jeffs (2015)
Simon Justice
Peter Lack (1955)
Phillip Martyn (1958) +
Douglas McWilliams (1969)
The wonderful irony of closing the Archive for six months has been a global increase in access. This has been two-fold: through the work of the Literary and Scientific Papers project, and through comprehensive indexing work.

Oliver Snaith is the project archivist appointed to the Literary and Scientific Papers project, which ran from October 2019 to September 2020. With tripartite funding from the EPA Trust, Gavin Selerie (1968), and the Lincoln Unlocked fundraiser held in March 2018, Oliver undertook new and retrospective cataloguing. He catalogued the collections of Gavin Selerie, Edward Thomas, John Wesley, William Warde Fowler, Nevil Sidgwick, Colin Bell, and numerous smaller groups of Old Members' papers and publications.

Along with Archive Assistant and Lincoln DPhil candidate Alice Parkin (2013), we developed a ‘house style’ both for cataloguing and for indexing. We took international guidelines and thesauri as our starting point, and adapted these to suit the College context. Oliver Snaith writes, ‘Crafting an index is a job in itself, raising issues from the pedantic to the political. As well as making decisions about how to handle maiden names and titles, indexing requires choosing terminology around sensitive topics like race, gender, and sexuality, where the language is constantly changing and evolving. An index therefore becomes a piece of history in and of itself, capturing a moment of time when certain subjects were considered important enough to deserve their own entry. This makes an index, like an archive, an ever-growing, living document that reflects its wider context.’

The wonderful result of this work is that the index terms can be picked up in internet search engines. Instead of speculative enquiries, we now receive requests for information about specific items. Since lockdown meant readers could not visit in person, we scanned items germane to their research and attached these images to the online cataloguing descriptions, which further enhances access for others in the future. Alongside Alice and Oliver, we thank volunteers John Jeffs (2015) for his valuable work on the College’s building plans, and Gabrielle Bouvier for her listing of the folk poetry of Richard Lawson Gales, both of which were completed before March. Their contributions enable access to archives previously unavailable.

Since the College does not have a museum, its objects fall under the remit of the Archive. Alice has been cataloguing Lincoln’s chattels and researching their provenance. She has been paying particular attention to the possible connection of these objects to legacies of slavery, empire, and exploitation. I recently became the Secretary of Lincoln’s Anti-Racism Commission, and I look forward to examining these potential aspects of the College’s past through this work.

The Lincoln Unlocked lecture series held its last large in-person event in November, when...
Dr Kathryne Crossley revealed another interesting aspect of Lincoln's less-explored past in her talk on College servants. I also supported Master’s student Emma Irwin (2019) to mount an exhibition in the Berrow Foundation Building which explored the history of benefaction in College under the auspices of the MCR Academic Team’s ‘MCRchive’ initiative. The MCR’s plan to use archival materials for an exhibition commemorating the 40th anniversary of the admission of women was a victim of the lockdown, but I hope that this important project will come to fruition when it is feasible to do so.

Despite their enforced closure, the Oxford Conservation Consortium provided expert repair for the Sidgwick scientific papers upon reopening. We have digitised the first volume of College accounts, dating from 1455 to c1513, allowing researchers to ‘follow the money’ and discover the early College. These images will accompany other Lincoln materials on Digital Bodleian. Lincoln is participating in a University-wide attempt to future-proof digital records as far as possible. Developed over the last six years, the DigiSafe preservation platform is now up and running; it will be rolled out in College this year.

I record thanks to Oliver Snaith as he moves on to pastures new, especially as he embraced the diverse tasks involved in remote working at very short notice. It has been enlightening to experience how productive home-working can be, while also mildly depressing to understand how little I need to engage directly with the collections. I am relishing the privilege of being able to hold Lincoln’s history in my hands once again.

Lindsay McCormack
Archivist
Chaplain and Student Welfare Coordinator's report

In my time as a schoolteacher, I learned many important lessons. One was this: never ask a pupil to do anything you won’t do yourself. It comes to mind whenever I look up at our Chapel’s East Window and see van Linge’s image of the Baptism of Christ. The Lord no more needed to be washed of his sins than a distinguished professor needs to tackle a practical criticism exercise or demonstrate a known proof. But they do it all the same. They choose to share in the pupil’s process of learning and growing. They choose to be in solidarity. All new beginnings and promising departures begin with loving condescension. That is why the Lord’s baptism featured on the front of the Michaelmas Chapel term card, the first the freshers will see.

For me, five years at Lincoln have been a wonderful opportunity to go back to basics. The students have taught me so many things: how to pray well-known prayers, how to make music of well-known notation. Above all, they are great pedagogues in seeing new dimensions of old questions. Ethical, theological, practical, political, technological challenges all appear in fresh light. The preachers in Michaelmas had each come to holy orders from a background in something different. Perhaps the most remarkable history was that of Jonathan Aitken, who addressed us on Prisons Sunday. After a conventional formation as a lawyer and politician, the sheer weirdness of the Christian message had overturned many of his assumptions. I hope that the Chapel will continue to play something of that disruptive and educative role in the life of the College. Ours is an increasingly and wonderfully diverse community. And yet there may still be a perspective even more radically strange than the strangest we have, so far, imagined.

Hilary ushered in ‘Lincoln Unites’, the College’s inaugural week of celebration of Equality and Diversity. The eye naturally turned to our window’s depiction of the Passover. This Old Testament story tells of a shared meal at a common table, which nourishes and strengthens a community to face a difficult journey together. The term’s preachers all know a thing or two about difficult journeys. They also showed a rather richer and more diverse face of the church than can be seen in van Linge’s window. It was especially good to welcome Rachel Mann, who wowed us with a Candlemas sermon about skin. She detailed how identity, history, touch, and contact are all mediated through the organ that both contains us and connects us to others. Nothing could be more fitting for our Corporate Communion (by definition a celebration of the body). And there could be no wiser preacher on that subject than a priest who is both a published poet and a woman with a trans history.
Lockdown was a rupture. The first two terms were full of energy – lively discussion groups, new chapel wardens bringing fresh devotion and warmth, blossoming friendships and vocations, and a choir producing wide-ranging repertory in its finest-ever voice. Suddenly we were scattered. No cover-image was needed for the Trinity Term card, because there was no term card. No retreat, no music list. No confirmation classes, because there would be no confirmations. It was painful to record in our register of services the indefinite cessation of all our worship, fellowship, and prayer.

Or, not quite all. Without question, the pain of separation is a real one. It’s also one that the Chapel community already understands. Twice a term we welcome a priest of the Roman Catholic Chaplaincy to offer the mass in Chapel. It is a powerful occasion. Along with the joy of celebrating together comes the inevitable awareness of distance. We cannot ignore the breach that prevents us all from sharing in the same sacraments. Yet we continue together in friendship and love. So we know that even when fellowship is impaired, it still exists – a gift that sickness, distance, and even national emergency cannot erase.

No surprise, then, that the students looked for ways to come together. I could hardly imagine Friday’s discussion group meeting by Zoom. But there was a new and touching resonance to the beloved faces popping up in little windows on my laptop. Students devised compilations of music, lessons, and prayers to share with the community on Sunday evenings. A mass was still offered every week for the whole college, even if it had to be celebrated at my rather worn dining table. Prayers for the whole community were urgently needed, and earnestly offered. Being (temporarily) apart sharpened the heart’s gratitude for the gift of being together.

All this makes it hard to say goodbye. At the end of my first day at Lincoln, I remember a strange feeling that I recognised with surprise as perfect happiness. My time here has amply fulfilled that moment’s promise. Perhaps it comes of occupying John Wesley’s old rooms. He, like me, had been an undergraduate at Christ Church, and he too fell in love with Lincoln at once. In his correspondence, he described his new colleagues: people ‘admirably disposed as well to preserve peace and good neighbourhood among themselves, as to promote it wherever else they have any acquaintance.’ It has been my great fortune to pass the early years of my priesthood, as Wesley did, in such society. Beyond a doubt I have been the beneficiary more than the benefactor in what have been the happiest five years of my life. Let us hope that everyone at Lincoln absorbs its disposition towards peace and good neighbourhood, and that we all leave Lincoln ready to promote these blessings ‘wherever else … [we] have any acquaintance.’ I know I do. From me, and on behalf of all my future acquaintance, boundless thanks.

Revd. Dr Melanie Marshall
Chaplain and Student Welfare Coordinator

The Lincoln Year
When I started to write this year’s piece for the Record, I looked to last year’s for inspiration. I had to laugh at when I read the first paragraph, and my description of 2018-19 as a ‘business as usual’ type of year in which there was little change or excitement. I think I may have jinxed myself by writing that, because much of 2019-20 has been very much the opposite!

Michaelmas Term opened with the usual flurry of excitement and energy, and flew by as it always does. After Christmas vacation, staff and students returned to College refreshed, and Hilary Term started with a feeling of calm. By contrast, the end of Hilary was anything but calm as Covid-19 took hold across the country. In late March, in anticipation of the national lockdown being announced, we very quickly wound down all non-essential domestic operations. All staff with the exception of the Lodge team were sent home until further notice. Those of us who were able to work from home did so; those who could not were put on the government furlough scheme. Little did we know that some of these members of staff would not return to work for six months.

Trinity Term was strangely quiet from a domestic perspective. Domestic Heads of Department who were not furloughed adapted to remote methods of working and learned to communicate via MS Teams. The only domestic staff who continued to work full-time onsite were the Lodge Porters, who rose to the challenge and have played a vital role in keeping the College running. Maintenance staff remained ‘on call’ for emergencies, as did a small number of housekeeping staff. Most students had returned home, there was no catering, and the College was just eerily quiet.

Normally Trinity Term is spent preparing for the Long Vacation and the arrival of summer schools, but this year there were no conferences or events to prepare for. Housekeeping staff returned to work part-time at the beginning of the vacation, and started the sizeable task of deep-cleaning student rooms while at the same time following enhanced cleaning protocols across the College sites. The maintenance team took advantage of a largely empty Lincoln to do as much work as possible – some of this was essential and some was ‘nice to have’, and the College has never looked so sharp. Formerly furloughed kitchen staff also returned to provide invaluable help to the maintenance team.

For many of us, every minute of the Long Vacation has been spent planning and preparing for the beginning of the next academic year. Almost every domestic department will need to work differently during Michaelmas 2020, and possibly beyond. The extra-large intakes of both
undergraduates and graduates have provided additional challenges for the Accommodation Manager, and we will operate this year at almost 100% capacity in our student accommodation. There are big changes to dining: a drastically reduced capacity in Hall, multiple sittings of each meal with staggered arrival times, takeaway meals, and no formal Hall. Perspex screens have been erected on the tables in Hall and other dining spaces to help aide social distancing. Deep Hall will function as a café during the day, but sadly will not operate as a bar in the evenings. Instead, a marquee now sits in Chapel Quad, which will provide additional space for lunches, teaching, and meetings, and will serve as a pop-up bar on Friday evenings.

With the beginning of Freshers’ Week marking the finish line for all of these preparations, members of the various domestic teams are now busily working to finalise every last detail, put up every last sign, build the last perspex barriers, and order every last bit of hand gel so that the College is ready for a term like no other.

Michele McCartney
Domestic Operations Manager

*Aimee Irving-Bell clears the overgrowth from the Hall windows, July 2020.*
### Staff list 2019–20

#### Buttery
- **Tony Daly** | Butler
- **Michal Paech** | Assistant Butler
- **Andre Nascimento de Lira** | Assistant Butler
- **Katie Ali** | Catering Supervisor
- **Fida Hussain** | Catering Supervisor
- **Tomasz Jankowski** | Catering Assistant
- **Ligia Duarte** | Catering Assistant
- **Susanne Evans** | Catering Assistant
- **Elza Lipińska** | Catering Assistant
- **Dillon McNally Morris** | Catering Assistant
- **Adeliona Mendonca** | Catering Assistant
- **Piotr Pusz** | Catering Assistant
- **Ann Suraj** | Catering Assistant
- **Joao Carvalho** | Catering Assistant

#### Buttery Leavers 2019–20
- **Liam Slatford** | Catering Assistant

#### Deep Hall
- **Simon Faulkner** | Manager

#### Deep Hall Leavers 2019-20
- **Marion Cox** | Bar Assistant

#### Gardens
- **Aimee Irving-Bell** | Head Gardener
- **Simon Baker** | Gardener
- **Peter Burchell** | Quad Person

#### Housekeeping
- **Lynn Archer** | Housekeeper
- **Korrise Ireson Dalton** | Head Scout
- **Vanessa Lonergon** | Head Scout
- **Susan Nicholls** | Head Scout
- **Jacqueline Bryan** | Senior Scout
- **Donna Ireson** | Senior Scout
- **Dawn Lewis** | Senior Scout
- **Timothy Newbold** | Senior Scout
- **Durvalina Pereira** | Senior Scout
- **Jose Carlos Augusto** | Scout
- **Zeca Borges Da Silva** | Scout
- **Sylvia Cizez** | Scout
- **Ilona Dombóvári** | Scout
- **Abdullah El-Kirate** | Scout
- **Jeanne Gashugi** | Scout
- **Bridget Hannon** | Scout
- **Corinne Ireson** | Scout
- **Mary Louth** | Scout
- **Simon Massey** | Scout
- **Monica Moreira** | Scout
- **Sarah Morris** | Scout
- **Katarzyna Nazarewicz** | Scout
- **Domingas Pereira Da Silva** | Scout
- **Antonio Saldanah** | Scout
- **Joshua Singh** | Scout
- **Deborah Thomas** | Scout
- **Cristina Vasiliu** | Scout
- **Ermelinda Ximenes** | Scout

#### Housekeeping Leavers 2019-20
- **Anita Ockwell** | Scout

#### Kitchen
- **Richard Malloy** | Head Chef
- **Patrick Jeremy** | Senior Sous Chef
- **Paul Butterfield** | Second Chef
- **Sean Parker** | Relief Chef
- **Eliterio dos Santos Cruz** | Chef de Partie
- **Ondrej Pesout** | Chef de Partie
- **Hollyanne Dudley** | Third Chef
- **Nery Cucho** | Junior Chef de Partie
- **Joaquim De Jesus Antunes** | Kitchen Porter
- **Pedro Gonzaga** | Kitchen Porter
- **Christopher Ray** | Kitchen Porter
- **Benjamin Remedios** | Apprentice Chef

#### Kitchen Leavers 2019-20
- **Dan Howells** | Third Chef
- **Andres Crespo** | Apprentice Chef

#### Lodge
- **Joe Tripkovic** | Lodge Manager
- **Rohan Ramdeen** | Assistant Lodge Manager
- **Phillip Andrews** | Lodge Porter
- **Susan Burden** | Lodge Porter
- **Cristiano Da Silva** | Lodge Porter
- **Martin Guildea** | Lodge Porter
- **Simon Justice** | Lodge Porter
- **Bob Weatherhead** | Lodge Porter
- **Ben Akeh-Osu** | Night Porter
- **Peter Koyio** | Night Porter
- **Kevin White** | Night Porter
- **Jason Weller** | Night Porter
## Lodge Leavers 2019-20

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<td>Jemma Underdown</td>
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<td>Richard Little</td>
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<td>Carmella Elan-Gaston</td>
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<td>Andrew Miller</td>
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## College Nurse

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The Lincoln Year

Development and alumni relations

On 21 September last year, we held a special celebration in Hall to unveil an exhibition of portraits, featuring 21 Lincoln alumnae who had been nominated by their peers. This was a happy occasion, with most of the alumnae featured present along with family members, and representatives from our current student body, Fellows, and staff. I came up to Lincoln as an undergraduate in 1980, when the College was still adapting to the arrival of women in the student body; it was therefore a particular pleasure to see the diversity of our alumnae and their achievements on display, and to reflect on how Lincoln has influenced us, and we Lincoln.

It is heartening to look back to that early highlight of the year; for once we reached 2020 the whispers of a new virus soon came to dominate all of our activities. Much is written elsewhere in the Record about how Lincoln has been affected, and has responded, to the pandemic.

The Development Office moved to working from home in mid-March, along with all the other administrative offices, and this proved a smooth transition. Many thanks are due to Mike White and Peter Good, our IT gurus, who ensured that we all had the equipment we needed – and most importantly, that it worked and connected us. Before the pandemic, we had focused on securing the donations to close the funding gap on the Mitre project. When the international impact of Covid-19 became clear, we decided to pause this campaign. With so many people finding their circumstances had changed, and many spending unexpected hours at home, we launched an appeal for alumni to become buddies and mentors to our current students. Led by Jane Mitchell, this initiative was an unqualified success, and really resonated with both groups. It is something we hope to continue. Likewise, where it was possible to reconfigure events in an online format, we did. The most successful of these was perhaps the celebration of 40 years of women as students at Lincoln, featuring a number of alumnae from the early years to more recent times, ably introduced by our MCR President, Nupur Patel (2012). One of the benefits of such virtual events is their ability to connect us across the globe, and, like many organisations, we will reflect on how to continue to draw on such benefits while recognising that many alumni would like to meet up in person when possible.

Susan Harrison
Director of Development and Alumni Relations

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The Lincoln Year

We have been so grateful to alumni over the course of the pandemic so far. Not only have you cheered our students (and members of the Development Office) but many of you have demonstrated huge generosity. The Covid-19 Appeal which we launched in June has to date raised over £200,000, in addition to a further £240,000 raised through the 2019-20 telethon and general appeal, all of which truly is invaluable in helping Lincoln adapt to the loss in income and the additional costs incurred over the past few months. Many of you have directed your gifts towards helping our students, most recently in the ‘largest cohort’ appeal to help our new undergraduates. Several new endowed scholarships have also been established over the course of the year, and further generous donations enabled us to extend our support of Masters’ students, with particular emphasis on those from the UK and developing countries. The increase in the number and value of our bursaries and scholarships in the past few years has been remarkable, and makes a huge difference to students from lower-income families, both undergraduate and graduate. Money from the Covid-19 Appeal has also given us the flexibility to alleviate hardships of a more varied and unexpected nature. The chart shows how numbers of students receiving bursaries and scholarships from Lincoln have increased between 2014 (the start of the Road to 2027 Campaign) and this year – nearly all the result of donations from alumni and friends.

On the Fellowship front, we are grateful to the Shaw Foundation and to Constantine Gonticas (1985) for renewing the Fellowships in Law and Politics that they sponsor. Lincoln has also been notified of a number of legacies from some of the great friends of the College who died last year.

We have received a particularly generous bequest from the estate of Dr Audrey Tucker (widow of Dr Lewis Cannell, 1948), which is being directed, as per her wish, towards the establishment of a Fellowship in Clinical Medicine. Another, from the estate of Mrs Valerie Place (widow of Geoffrey Place, 1955) will sponsor a zone in the refurbished Mitre. In spite of our pause in fundraising, a number of new gifts have come in to support the Mitre, and as a result all of the public rooms and areas have been named, along with 18 bedrooms. Some opportunities are still available! Alumni have also supported other areas of College, and thanks are particularly due to Jason Chang (2006) for funding the refurbishment of the Fellows’ Guest Rooms, and Darren Marshall (1984) for refreshing the Boat House.

Overall, fundraising income in the financial year amounted to just over £7m in cash, with a further £1.5m in pledges. The chart on the next page shows fundraising streams – cash, pledges, and bequest pledges – over the six years of the Road to 2027 Campaign.

In addition to the other work of the office, Julia Uwins has spent much of the past year managing the redevelopment of the new Lincoln website, under the aegis of website working group chair, Dr John Vakonakis. As anyone who has undertaken
work on a new website will know, this project was more complex than originally envisaged, and took rather longer. However, it was completed on budget, and launched in May 2020, just in time for the virtual open days – do take a look at https://lincoln.ox.ac.uk. It has proved invaluable to us in our preparations for the new academic year, and feedback so far has been positive.

As I mentioned above, the transition to working from home in the middle of March went smoothly for the Development Office, and may provide a model for more flexible working in future. In staffing terms, we have been stable with respect to personnel, but within the team there have been two notable changes. Julia will continue to spend 50% of her time on the website, leaving rather less time for Development Office work. Susan Davison is now working part-time, to spend more time with her grand-daughter. Thanks are due, as ever, to the many colleagues and alumni who work with the Development Office, in particular to Richard Hardie (1967), the Chair of the Development Committee, whose enthusiasm never wanes.

Susan Harrison
Director of Development and Alumni Relations
The theme of my last report was the breadth and diversity of the challenges which the Governing Body has to address. Little did I know then that the range of challenges in 2020 was to broaden in a way which nobody foresaw at that time.

Until the pandemic arrived in February 2020, life was proceeding fairly smoothly for the College. In no particular order, and amongst the many other activities, the NatWest building development was completed and let; the restoration of the Mitre continued at pace and within budget; the College dealt with HMRC changes to the taxation of the Fellows' housing benefits; the Senior Tutor introduced discussions between tutors in individual subjects with a view to adopting best practice amongst all subjects to improve academic performance; a new website and visual identity was created; the process for appointing a number of new Fellows was proceeding; a project to update the College’s statutes and by-laws was commenced; and the work of the Development Office continued successfully. And the College’s position in the Norrington Table improved.

However, one other item which the Governing Body considered fairly early in the academic year was a revised and more thorough five-year projection of the College’s financial position. This proved somewhat prescient, in that it showed that the College had some scope to deal with a reduction in its income by temporarily easing its conservative policy of limiting the drawdown from its endowment to 3% per annum. When those projections were adopted, few expected the College to implement this policy only a few months later.

The first inkling of the impact of the pandemic on the College came on 5 February 2020, when a committee of the College began to consider preparatory measures in case infections arose in Oxford. A Coronavirus Group, consisting initially of the Rector, the Bursar, the Senior Tutor, the Welfare Officer, and the Domestic Operations Manager, was established to handle matters on a day-to-day basis. By March, infections had occurred at Lincoln, and as the end of Hilary Term approached it became apparent that the College would face challenges arising from the pandemic on the academic, operational, and financial fronts.

The first to arrive was on the operational front. The College had to cope with the large number of students who were...
suddenly not able to return home for the vacation due to lockdown and international travel restrictions. In addition, it had to move its entire administrative staff to working from home, and to furlough almost all of its domestic staff. Simultaneously, on the academic front the tutors had to prepare swiftly to allow the College to deliver its entire teaching programme for Trinity Term online. This included a survey to ensure that all students had the necessary facilities in their home environments to allow them to access the online teaching. Finally, on the financial front the College had to decide what steps to take to cope with the significant reduction in its income arising from the absence of students from the College in Trinity Term and the cancellation of all the conferences booked for the Long Vacation. A number of steps were taken, including an increase for one year in the College’s drawdown from its endowment from 3% to 4%. The ability of the College to do this is a testament to the sound financial policies which Lincoln has followed in recent years, both in restricting the drawdown in good years and making vigorous efforts to increase the overall size of the endowment.

All these challenges were met successfully due to the professional expertise and sheer hard work of the College’s Fellows and staff, to whom we all owe a huge debt of gratitude.

Throughout Trinity Term all teaching was carried out online. Both Fellows and students rapidly became used to this novel way of working, but it has to be noted that the tutors found online tutorials more exhausting, and so again we should be grateful to the Fellowship for the extra effort which they put in during that period.

Another cause of extra stress in this period was the move of all examinations to an ‘open book’ format and the consequent need for the tutors to ensure that the students were well prepared for the new approach. Although the Norrington Table has not yet been published, I understand that it may well show that the efforts of both tutors and students (over both this and earlier terms) have borne fruit in some excellent results.

After the term ended, the College had to plan for the forthcoming year. This was made more difficult as it was not clear until Michaelmas was nearly upon us whether students would be allowed back in residence, and, if so, on what basis.

At the same time the College (and in particular the Senior Tutor and the Domestic Operations Manager) had to cope with the fall-out from the Government’s handling of this year’s A-level results. The College had to decide – under great external scrutiny and time pressure – how to deal with candidates who appeared not to have met the criteria for entry. The College examined individually the circumstances of every relevant candidate and was pleased in the end to be able to take every candidate to whom it had made an offer, despite a 10% increase in undergraduate numbers, with resulting pressure on accommodation and teaching resources.

So, it was an eventful second half to the year, but I believe it has allowed the College to demonstrate both its individual strengths and qualities, and the great benefits of the Oxford tutorial system.

Max Thorneycroft (1969)
The past year has been testing for many of the College’s arrangements but the underlying governance of our finances is robust.

There are three areas worthy of comment. First, the financial support for the College’s ongoing operations is rigorous. The Finance Committee’s agenda, supporting papers, and decision- and recommendation-making are transparent, of appropriate detail, and are – and are designed to be – practical and workmanlike. It is a successful Committee, confidently chaired.

Second, Covid-19 is a new challenge. In the context of the Finance Committee this presents itself in terms of a significant, temporary loss of income to the College. Moreover, the duration of the income loss is uncertain. Some costs have risen, too, but in terms of finance governance it is the revenue loss which is material. In order to offset the temporary loss in income, the Finance Committee recommended an equally temporary suspension of the 3% Golden Rule. So for the first time in more than 15 years the drawdown from the permanent Endowment for current expenditure exceeded 3%. Following a detailed presentation from the Bursar, the recommendation to suspend the Golden Rule was adopted unanimously. It is important to note that in making the recommendation the committee benefited from prior contingency analysis conducted by the Bursar’s Office.

Some alumni and friends of the College have reservations about the parsimony of the Golden Rule. It is worth remembering that their hugely generous giving can certainly be directed to current expenditure, and many chose to do this by supporting the Covid-19 Appeal. Also, the Finance Committee’s ongoing support of the Golden Rule is not inflexible in times of crisis. What are the circumstances under which we might recommend a higher annuity rate? Broadly speaking, this could be when relatively secure market yields are much higher than now. The words ‘relatively secure’ beg a lot of questions as well. The UK FTSE may yield something close to 4% but that Index is level pegging over twenty years. Our portfolio is, I would say, intelligently diversified and more so than in the past half century. The 3% annual drawdown from it looks secure. We are all aware that some colleges offer and...
recommend a higher annuity rate from their endowments. But this comes with certain risks. Lincoln’s endowment will grow around one third faster than those colleges with, say, a 4% call – the better to deal with unexpected contingencies, such as Covid-19.

Last, a further substantive challenge may already be upon us. Lincoln and all other Oxbridge colleges’ academic pension liabilities are met by USS (with the exception of Trinity, Cambridge, which has already withdrawn from the scheme). You may have read that USS is vastly underfunded, to the future detriment of academic pensions. I suspect part of this is through USS poor management, but whatever the cause, USS is proposing to seek financial restitution from its better-endowed members. This could include Lincoln. The Finance Committee’s recommendation to Governing Body is that the USS proposals need serious, in-depth, and collective interrogation before placing our endowment at risk, which seems entirely appropriate.

Hugh Sloane (1977)
Alumni perspectives

Alumni representation on College committees 2019–20

Alumni Members of the Development Committee
Mr Simon K C Li 1966
Mr Richard W J Hardie (Chair) 1967
Mr Max Thorneycroft 1969
Mr Adebayo O Ogunlesi 1972
Mr Spencer C Fleischer 1976
Mr Richard E Titherington 1981
Ms Jane S Jenkins 1982
Dr Lynn B Shepherd 1982
Mr Simon J Gluckstein 1986
Mr Philip Dragoumis 1990
Mr Matthew G R Vaight 1993
Miss Charlotte A Swing 2000
Mr Alexander J Baker 2003

Members of the Rector’s Council
Professor John R Salter 1953
Mr Timothy M Hearley 1961
Mr Jeremy Taylor 1961
Mr Christopher FitzGerald 1963
Mr Ian F R Much 1963
Mr Michael Noakes 1964
Mr Simon K C Li 1966
Mr David A C Reid Scott+ 1966
Sir David C Clementi 1967
Mr Richard W J Hardie 1967
Mr Alan B Gibbins 1968
Professor Douglas F McWilliams 1969
Mr Peter C Mitchell 1969
Mr Max Thorneycroft 1969
Mr David C Watt 1969
Mr Nitin J Madhvani 1970
Mr Adebayo O Ogunlesi 1972
Mr Michael E S Zilka 1972
Sir Roderick I Eddington 1974
Mr Thomas R Plant 1974
Mr Mark D Seligman 1974
Mr Spencer C Fleischer 1976
Mr Keith S Roberts 1976
Mr Robert M Pickering 1976
Mr Hugh P Sloane 1978
Dr Anthony Cocker 1978
Mr Stephen J Cooke 1978
Dr Bill K Cuthbert 1978
Mr David Graham 1978
Dr Regan Greenwood 1979
Ms Madeleine M C Parker 1979
Ms Alison Hartley 1980
Mr Andrew J M Spokes 1981
Mr Christopher J Millerchip 1981
Mr Nigel Hankin 1982
Ms Jane S Jenkins 1982
Dr Lynn B Shepherd 1982
Mr Andrew J M Spokes 1982
Ms Alison Hartley 1982
Dr Regan Greenwood 1983
Ms Madeleine M C Parker 1983
Ms Alison Hartley 1986
Mr Darren L Marshall 1984
Mr Constantine Gonticas 1984
Mr Simon J Gluckstein 1986
Miss Su-Shan Tan 1986
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Mr Paul E Hilsley 1988
Mr Sew-Tong Jat 1988
Mr Philip Dragoumis 1990
Mr Philip M Hildebrand 1990
Dr Sabine J Jaccaud 1991
Mr Matthew G R Vaight 1993

Ex-officio members of the Rector’s Council
Ms Susan R Harrison 1977
Dr Lydia Matthews 1978
Mr Alex Spain 1978
Professor Henry R Woudhuysen 1978

Emeritus Members of the Rector’s Council
Mr Jermyn P Brooks 1958
Mr Detmar A Hackman 1958
Mr Peter A Davis 1960

Alumni Representative on Governing Body
Mr Max Thorneycroft 1969

Alumni Representatives on Finance Committee
Mr Christopher FitzGerald 1963
Mr Hugh Sloane 1977

Members of the Remuneration Committee
Professor Peter Cook 1988
Professor Keith Gull 1990
Ms Sheona Wood 1981
Dr Jan C H W Palmowski 1991
Dr Wendy L Piatt 1992
Regional alumni groups

UNITED KINGDOM

Bristol  Kate Redshaw (1987)
Cambridge  Daniel Watts (1999)
Edinburgh  Helen Wright (1988)
  and Sarah Aitken (1989)
London  Kevin Dean (1973),
  Pilar Bertuzzi Rivett (1995),
  and Amit Burman (1999)
Oxford  Linxin Li (2010)

NORTH AMERICA

Boston  Arabella Simpkin (2000)
Chicago  Marc Weinberg (1996)
Denver, CO  David George (2014)
Los Angeles, CA  Shawn Landres (1996)
Philadelphia, PA  David Sorensen (1978)
San Diego, CA  Diana Steel (1985)
San Francisco, CA  Cecilia Ng (2011)
Seattle, WA  Michael Barnes (2005)
  and Shawn Anderson (2008)
Washington, DC  Chelsea Souza (2012)
Montreal  Alexandre Mercier-Dalphond (2011)
  and Jordan-Nicolas Matte (2016)
Toronto  Simon Clements (1986)
Vancouver  Susie Benes (2009)

EUROPE

Amsterdam  Jerome Ellepola (1995)
Berlin  Marina Kolesnichenko (2006)
Brussels  Aurelia Sauerbrei (2016)
  and Ward Yperman (2016)
Dublin  Kathryn Segesser (2008)
Paris  Alison Culliford (1986)
Switzerland  John Rolley (1979)
  and Ramin Gohari (2010)

AFRICA

Johannesburg  Tatenda Nyamuda (2017)

ASIA

Hong Kong  Natalie Hui (1996)
Mumbai  Dhruv Lakra (2007)
New Delhi  Gopal Jain (1989)
Singapore  Kimberly Tan (2001)

AUSTRALASIA

Melbourne  Jillian Williams (2012)
Sydney  Matthew Cunningham (2002)

Members of the Lincoln for Life Committee
Miss Elizabeth K Hennah 2007
Mr Thomas Harold Daggett 2008
Mr Richard Knight 2008
Mr Alexander Peplow 2008
Mr Karol Zuchowski 2008
Miss Savitri Tan 2009
Miss Miranda Kent 2010
Ms Jennifer Nice 2010
Mr Andrew Jerjian 2011
Miss Elizabeth Rendle 2011
Miss Fern Lai 2012
Mr Jonathan J R Minshull-Beech 2012
Miss Rosanna M T Morgan 2012
Mr Jerome N Temme 2013
Miss Ayse G Mimaroglu 2014
Mr Matthew Whearty 2014
Ms Ruby Gilding 2015
Miss Ursula Sentance 2015
Mr Shanuk A Mediwaka 2016
Mr Nicholas Leah 2017

President of the Murray Society 2019-20
Dr Susan Brigden

President of the Crewe Society 2019-20
Mr Nigel Wilson
The following alumni and friends of Lincoln College died between 1 August 2019 and 31 July 2020.

If you would like further information or advice on submitting an obituary, please contact the Development Office.

Sir Eric Anderson (Rector, 1994-2000)
– died 22 April 2020

Professor Michael P Furmston (Fellow, 1964-78)
– died 28 June 2020

Mr Bob Blake (1946)
– died 18 September 2019

Mr David G R Bentliff (1947)
– died 22 March 2020

The Revd Canon David G N Clark (1947)
– died 27 May 2020

Sir James L Gowans Kt., CBE, FRS, FRCP (1947)
– died 1 April 2020

Mr David C Crane (1948)
– died 4 February 2020

Dr Anthony J Hampshire (1948)
– died 11 February 2020

Mr Roger B Hunt (1948)
– died 1 September 2019

Mr Kras Krasnowiecki (1948)
– died 28 November 2019

Mr John N M Brownjohn (1949)
– died 6 January 2020

Mr Brian E James (1949)
– died 3 February 2020

Mr Hugh Hamilton (1950)
– died 19 April 2020

Mr Peter J R Leyden (1950)
– died 15 November 2019

Mr David J Pendred (1950)
– died 30 March 2020

Mr Ralph Leavis (1951)
– died 6 October 2019

Dr Arthur A Wasserman (1952)
– died 22 November 2019

Mr John Blow (1954)
– died 21 October 2019

Mr John P Rigby (1954)
– died 17 March 2020

Mr Brian C Loughman (1955)
– died 9 October 2019

Mr Michael B D Cooke (1957)
– died 3 September 2019

Mr David Finch OBE (1957)
– died 24 March 2020

Professor Lionel H Opie (1957)
– died 20 February 2020

Dr William R Dunham (1958)
– died 2 November 2019

Professor Terence Bareham (1959)
– died 19 January 2020

Professor Robert A Craig (1960)
– died 14 March 2020

Mr John Peter MBE (1961)
– died 3 July 2020

Mr David A C Reid Scott (1966)
– died 11 July 2020

Dr Richard A W Shock (1969)
– died 10 December 2019

Dr Peter I Clark (1970)
– died 7 December 2019

Mr Michael J Bowman (1971)
– died 25 June 2020

Mr Nicholas H Wilcox (1974)
– died 14 September 2019

Ms Catharine M French (1985)
– died 10 May 2020

Miss Clare N Notman (1995)
– died 7 October 2019
Obituaries

Sir Eric Anderson KT, FRSE
(Rector 1994-2000)
William Eric Kinloch Anderson was born in 1936 into what he once described as ‘a solidly middle-class Edinburgh home’. He was the son of Margaret (née Harper) and William, whose family business in Edinburgh has for several generations supplied kilts to the royal family.

After George Watson’s College, Edinburgh, Eric took a First in English Literature at the University of St Andrews, representing the university at golf, which, with fishing, became a lifelong hobby. A Carnegie scholarship took him to Balliol College, to study the life and works of Sir Walter Scott. He became an authority on the Scottish novelist, publishing his journals as well as lighter books such as Sir Walter’s Wit and Wisdom.

At first Eric was tempted by the family business and flirted with offers of university posts, but decided that ‘the buzz’ of school life was far more attractive and joined Fettes College in 1959. The following year he married Elizabeth Mason, known as Poppy, whom he had met at St Andrews, where she also took a First in English. He moved to Gordonstoun in 1964, but two years later was back at Fettes. After five years as headmaster of Abingdon School and a similar spell at Shrewsbury School, he was appointed to Eton in 1980.

Eric’s reforms at Eton lay principally in the curriculum, where he put greater emphasis on modern languages, computing, and information technology. He modernised the science, drawing, and music schools, and the gymnasium, while a redundant parish church was converted into a modern sanatorium. An overhaul of salaries, linked to appraisal, made Eton a competitive employer in private education.

Eric left Eton in 1994 to become the 37th Rector of Lincoln College; a position he held for six years. As Dr Susan Bridgen fondly recalls, ‘at Oxford, his first concern was not the labyrinthine Councils of the University, but the commonwealth of Lincoln, with the Chapel at its heart. To make Lincoln open to all talent, and to nurture that talent, was his mission, and he pursued it not in an Olympian way, but with intense personal involvement. For him and for Poppy – they were always, absolutely a team – education was no narrow matter. Sport, drama, and music were all formative. Accustomed to the finest performances of the Royal Shakespeare Company, where Poppy was a trustee, they also attended terrible student productions, clapping mightily, endlessly encouraging. The Fellows valued his leadership, his shrewd judgement, his kindness. His famous pupils are often mentioned – though they were not by him – but there are countless others in whom he saw a spark, whose lives he influenced, whom he remembered, and who gratefully remember him.’ In 2000, Eric returned to Eton as Provost, but his connection to Lincoln remained and he was made an Honorary Fellow in 2000.

Eric was also a Trustee of the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust, the Wordsworth Trust, and the Abbotsford Trust. He was also Chair of the Heritage Lottery Fund (1998-2001) and the judging panel of the Whitbread Book Awards in 2000. His public service was recognised in 2002 when he was made a Knight of the Order of the Thistle.

Eric died in his sleep on 22 April 2020, aged 83. He is survived by his Poppy, and their two children, David and Kate.

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Michael Furmston  
(Fellow, 1964-78)
Our beloved dad, husband, brother, friend, and colleague, Professor Michael Furmston, passed away on 28 June 2020 in Malaysia, aged 87. He was a world-renowned authority in Contract and Commercial Law, editor of Cheshire, Fifoot and Furmston’s Law of Contract, and rated by The Times as one of the ten great teachers of Law. However, to us who knew and loved him he was much more than that.

Michael was born in Wallasey, Merseyside, on 1 May 1933 as the elder son of Joseph and Phyllis Furmston. He won a scholarship to the Wellington School in Somerset, where he gained his place at Exeter College, Oxford. After graduating from Oxford, he held lecturer posts at the University of Birmingham and Queen’s University, Belfast, before returning to Oxford in 1964 as a fellow of Lincoln College. He was called to the bar in 1960. In 1978, he was appointed as a Professor of Law at the University of Bristol, where he also served as Dean and as Pro Vice-Chancellor, and later became an Emeritus Professor. He continued working in various university roles before taking the position of Dean and Professor of Law at Singapore Management University in 2007, where he helped to establish the Law School. He joined Sunway University in Kuala Lumpur in 2015 as Professor, and it was here that he was teaching, and writing happily, when he died.

Michael was a highly skilled chess player, an MCC member who never missed a Lord’s test, and a keen supporter of the Welsh Rugby Team, having spent much of his childhood living in Cardiff.

Michael married in 1964, and was a devoted husband, doting father to ten children, a proud grandfather, and the gentlest of souls. As a colleague said: ‘he was a friend and mentor to all who were willing and (perhaps more importantly) all who were in need. His was a cosmopolitan approach that was way ahead of its time. It was a simple – yet profoundly touching – approach to life, which spoke volumes about his humility and humanity.’

Written by his children

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Sir James Gowans KBE, FRS, FMedSci, FRCP  
(1947, Honorary Fellow)
In October 1947 an impressively tall 23-year old medic, newly-qualified from King’s College London, matriculated as a Senior Student, alongside 63 other Lincoln freshers. His supervisor was Sir Howard Florey of penicillin fame, whose Chair of Pathology has always been associated with a Fellowship at Lincoln. Within one year Jim Gowans took a First in Physiology (1948), and then carried on for his DPhil under Florey at the Dunn School of Pathology, researching antibiotics.

An interest in immunology arose at the Pasteur Institute in Paris in 1952-3. Returning to the Dunn School, Jim embarked independently on the research in cellular immunology that won him international renown. He showed unequivocally that small lymphocytes discharge from the lymph to the blood, and then migrate through lymphoid organs back to the lymph and blood again, in endless recirculating procession. He, with the co-workers he attracted to his lab, proved that small lymphocytes are the initiators of all adaptive immune responses: primary; secondary (memory); transplant rejection, etc. He thereby solved a major awkwardness for the then-embryonic Clonal Selection Theory of Antibody Formation. It postulated that each lymphocyte clone deals with a different antigen (strictly, ‘epitope’). Hence a clone needed to confront a given antigen of SARS-CoV2, for example, will be extremely rare. Recirculation ensures that the right lymphocytes will very promptly meet the threat.1 His work earned him worldwide respect, a Henry Dale Professorship (1962), Fellowship of the Royal Society (1963), the directorship of the MRC Cellular Immunology Unit at the Dunn School, the Royal Medal (1976), and major international prizes (Gairdner, Wolf, Paul Ehrlich). He was Honorary Fellow of three Oxford colleges, including Lincoln. He was appointed CBE in 1971 and knighted in 1982.

After 1977 Jim left the lab bench to lead the UK Medical Research Council for ten years, and then the Human Frontiers Scientific Programme for five years. He was consultant to many charities and government bodies. His interests included engaging with young bright scientists, climbing and hill-walking, book-collecting, gardening, and opera. He died peacefully at his family residence on Cumnor Hill on 1 April 2020. To his widow Lady Moyra, his three children, and all his family, we extend our sincere condolences.

Simon Hunt (Lecturer in Immunology, Dunn School of Pathology; simon.hunt@path.ox.ac.uk). He thanks the Lincoln Archivist for her assistance.

Bob Blake (1946)
Mark Anthony Robert Blake – known to most as Bob – was born in Cinderford on 6 January 1928. He gained a Gloucestershire Scholarship to Monmouth School in 1938; a place that brought out the very best in him. He sang in the choir, and won a number of school prizes. Having already passed his School Certificate in 1943, he then went on to gain his Higher Certificate in 1945 – winning a Distinction in Chemistry. Bob won a Gloucestershire Major Scholarship and went up to Lincoln to read Chemistry in 1946. Here, in addition to his studies, he played rugby and cricket and sang in the Chapel Choir.

After going down from Oxford, he was called up for National Service and served with the Royal Artillery. While stationed at Sheerness he captained the regimental rugby side, and on two occasions a United Services Sheerness XV – an accolade which bought him much pleasure.

Following National Service, Bob began a 35-year association with Proctor & Gamble. In October 1952, he joined a subsidiary company Thomas Hedley & Co as a manager, and captained Thurrock RFC during the 1954-5 season. After three years, he moved to Procter and Gamble’s Trafford Park site, where he worked until 1971, fulfilling the roles of Manager, Training Manager, Chief Chemist (Edible Plant), and Group Manager, before his retirement in 1988.

Over time, age and avoidupois (as he used to affectionately call it!) caught up with him. Prowess on the rugby pitch sadly waned – but a love of county cricket grew. He was a lifelong member of Gloucestershire County Cricket Club, as well as a member of both Essex and Glamorgan.

He still enjoyed singing with the finest choral societies at his homes in the Forest of Dean, Manchester, and Essex. When he stopped singing, he still indulged this love by supporting his nieces during their many choral performances at major concert venues.

In October 1968, he married Valerie Osborne, a neighbour and friend since childhood, and they had many happy years together. Sadly, Valerie passed away in June 1994. Prior to her death, she encouraged Bob to become involved in a number of initiatives supporting Monmouth School and Lincoln. These projects, including to establish Choral Scholarships at Lincoln and to fund renovations to the College Chapel, became a major focus for his philanthropy, and a source of renewed zest in his later years.

His continuing involvement with Monmouth School led him to spend more time in Monmouth in subsequent years, and it was here that he met his late friend and companion, Joan Protheroe.

Bob sadly passed away on 18 September 2019.

Marjorie Blake-Convey, niece

Tony Hampshire (1948)
Tony died peacefully at home on 11 February 2020, aged 88.

Tony was born on 12 April 1931, in Greenwich. He spent the war years with relatives in Suffolk and Wales, before starting at Wycliffe College, where he excelled.

In 1948, Tony won a scholarship to read History at Lincoln College, staying on to complete an additional BA in PPE. His Lincoln years, and the friends he made there, were always important to him, and he would never miss a chance to attend a Gaudy.

Tony spent his National Service with the Royal Artillery in Germany, and enjoyed the experience so much that, once back in London, he signed up as a territorial with the Honourable Artillery Company.

His days in uniform left him with a rich store of colourful anecdotes and a taste for travel. He joined Metal Box as a trainee in the overseas company, and soon found himself in Karachi, beginning a career that would take him to Lagos, Jamaica, South America, and the USA, before settling in Reading.

In retirement, Tony found time to pursue his love of military history, completing a PhD at King’s College London in 2006. His two other great passions were amateur dramatics and cricket. With Shakespeare Link, he was proud to act both at the ‘Willow Globe’ in mid Wales and on tour, and no summer would be conceivable without regular trips to Lords, where he built a wonderfully warm group of friends.

Stephen Hampshire (1995), son

Roger Baldwyn Hunt (1948)
Born in North Wales, Roger spent his early year in India while his father served as a Brigadier in the Indian Army. After returning to the UK, he went to school first at Boxgrove, and then to Charterhouse in 1941,
Charterhouse remained a constant fixture throughout his life.

After finishing school, he completed his National Service, before going to Lincoln in 1948. He thoroughly enjoyed his time at Oxford, developing lifelong friends, and he remained devoted to Lincoln throughout his lifetime, attending College dinners whenever he could.

Following Oxford, he embarked on a career in the City, joining Lloyd’s as a marine broker in 1951. He enjoyed a long and successful career in insurance, retiring in his late sixties.

In 1955, he met his future wife, Minette Shepard, and they married in 1957. They were happily married for 62 years and he is survived by her and their two children, Arabella and Giles.

Roger had a strong sense of civic duty and as well as his career in the City, he was a Governor of the Charterhouse between 1981 and 1995, a member of various charity committees, and treasurer for his local parish church for many years.

He was always passionate about education and was particularly proud of having completed a General Arts degree with the Open University in his seventies.

Above all, he was loyal and supportive to all his friends and acquaintances, always ready with a drink and an amusing story.

The Headmaster of Charterhouse at the time Roger was Governor, summed him up well: ‘A lovely man and someone to approach in difficult times. I always respected him, a man of integrity and principles, a man of compassion. A gentlemen in short.’

Roger passed away on 1 September 2019. He continues to be missed by his family and all that knew him.

The Hunt Family

John Brownjohn (1949)
Having won a classical scholarship to Lincoln while a pupil at Sherborne, John Brownjohn did his National Service with the Royal West African Frontier Force, serving in Nigeria and the Gold Coast. This unavoidable hiatus in his education prompted him to read PPE instead of Greats. He did not particularly distinguish himself while in College, save possibly for his social activities, guitar-playing, and large assortment of coloured waistcoats.

On coming down, he spent ten rather uncongenial years working in the City for a firm of security printers, and he was in his early thirties before he found his true vocation. Fluent in German and French thanks to his family background, which benefited from widespread European ramifications, he was invited by Jonathan Cape to try his hand at literary translation. This marked the beginning of a new career spanning more than five decades, in the course of which he worked for nearly all the leading British and American publishers and translated the better part of 200 books, ranging from best-selling novels to works of scholarship. He also produced English versions of many French and German screenplays, a circumstance that brought him to the notice of Roman Polanski, with whom he co-wrote a number of film scripts. A former chairman of the executive committee of the Translators Association of the Society of Authors, he won numerous literary awards on both sides of the Atlantic, including the Schlegel-Tieck Prize (three times), the US PEN Prize, and the Helen & Kurt Wolff Prize. That he should ultimately have distinguished himself in his chosen profession may well surprise any alumni old enough to remember ‘BJ’ as a clubbable but unashamedly indolent undergraduate.

Written by John Brownjohn (1949) before his death on 6 January 2020

Hugh Hamilton (1950)
Born in Simla, India, to parents Olivia and Arthur, Hugh died peacefully at his home in his West Vancouver, BC, at the age of 90.

Hugh had a passion for the outdoors and some of his fondest early memories were of chasing butterflies and bugs while roaming fields and forests in India, Switzerland, and England. As a teenager, he was raised in the United States by his beloved Aunt Helen. She shared her love of nature with him in West Virginia and the mountains surrounding Tin Cup, Colorado. He lived an adventurous young life, enriched by her passion for southwestern art, culture, and people. This is how Hugh was connected with his friends in the Hopi, Navajo, and Jemez communities, who became like family to him. He eventually returned to England, completing his degree in Forestry at Lincoln. Oxford is also where he met his future wife, Jane, and many long-time family friends, such as Ruth and Tony Jarrett.
Hugh embarked on his forestry career in British Columbia, and also started a family with Jane. They settled in West Vancouver in 1964, where they raised their children and lived for almost 50 years. After retiring and selling his business of 28 years, Hugh focused his time on his passions: old-growth forest conservancy, stream-keeping, shoreline preservation, bird-watching, fishing, hiking and more. Hugh's passion for life and nature was contagious, and he generously shared his passion and knowledge with fellow volunteers, high school students, family, and the West Vancouver community at large.

Hugh had an insatiable curiosity, ranging from the smallest of things in nature to friends new and old from around the world. He was a connector, and he loved bringing people together for a meal, a good conversation, and a great party.

Hugh passed away on 19 April 2020. He is survived by his three children, Cynthia, Andrew, and Susan, and seven grand-children. He will be greatly missed by his family, his many friends, and the community.

Cynthia Simpson, daughter

Peter James Roy Leyden
(1950)
Peter was born in July 1931, in South Shields. His early years were spent in Burma and India, where his father was stationed with the colonial service and military. He completed his primary schooling in India and his secondary schooling at Stonyhurst College in England, where he was Head Boy. Thereafter, he received a scholarship to study PPE at Lincoln. This was followed by National Service for two years, and a lucky meeting with Annette Darbishire, whom he subsequently married and with whom he had four children.

Peter's working life was in Africa; firstly in Kenya, where he was a District Officer. Fluency in Swahili was a job requirement, a language that brought him much joy throughout his life. After six years in Kenya, Peter joined Anglo American which was his corporate home for the following 30 years, firstly in Zambia with the copper industry, and then in South Africa with both the diamond and gold industries. When Peter retired at 60, he was an Executive Director at both Anglo and De Beers. Retirement took him back to the UK, to the village of Conwy in North Wales.

Peter was a brilliant gardener and an avid reader of poetry, history, and The Economist. More importantly though, he was a funny, brilliant, respectful, and compassionately irreverent man. He had a unique capacity to touch people deeply, no matter if it was five-minute conversation or a lifetime of friendship. He enriched lives and environments. Homes and gardens were more beautiful when he left, the workplaces he left were smarter and kinder, and people were generally more thoughtful after time spent with him.

He passed away on 15 November 2019, aged 88, and is survived by Annette and his four children.

The Leyden family

Charles Arthur Michael O’Hagan
(1950)
Michael was born on 23 July 1930, in India. He travelled to England to attend Uppingham School in 1944, where he became a school prefect and captained the Hockey XI. His two years' National Service was mainly spent with the Coastal Artillery in Ceylon, after he was commissioned and received the stick of honour at Mons.

Michael was awarded an exhibition to read History at Lincoln College, although soon changed course to read English Language and Literature. He had many sporting achievements, obtaining his hockey Blue andcaptaining the University team, successfully beating Cambridge in 1953. He was a proud member of the Vincent’s Club, and belonged to the Goblins and the Authentics Club. His love of sport continued, becoming a life-long member of the MCC and the Free Foresters.

In 1957, after a few years' teaching at Uppingham, Michael joined Shell International and worked in various roles around the world, retiring from his final role as Head of Personnel for Marketing and Oil Trading in London in 1988.

After his retirement, Michael enjoyed playing golf and made good friends at his club, where he played bridge and participated in book and poetry groups, which reflected his lifelong love of literature. He served the local community in many ways, including as a school governor.

Michael was a loving husband of 43 years to Jo, proud father of five children, and grandfather of seven. He was a highly intelligent, kind, and generous gentleman, and will be remembered with love, pride, and great affection by many.

He died peacefully in hospital on 24 August 2020, having made it to his 90th birthday in July.

The O’Hagan family
David John Pendred (1950)

David was born in Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, in 1930, and after the family moved to Northampton, he attended the boys’ grammar school there. In addition to his academic ability, he had by now become an accomplished pianist and was a mainstay of the rehearsals for the school’s annual Gilbert and Sullivan productions. Although not a sportsman, he became Head Boy in his final year. After National Service with REME, he came up to Lincoln in 1950 to read Chemistry. For his Part Two he worked with Rex Richards in the early days of NMR, and took a First.

After Oxford he joined the Unilever Management Training programme, for which he was placed in London, with a six-month interruption spent in an isolation hospital with suspected tuberculosis. He then moved to Port Sunlight, lodging with Don and Margaret Stubbs, and later married Margaret after she was widowed. They moved to Hull, where David’s job was to shut down the British Oil and Cake Mills facility, and then finally to York. From here David commuted to Selby where he was Works Manager of the BOCM mill until his retirement in 1989.

During his career, holidays were spent touring both in Britain and abroad, especially in France. He very much enjoyed walking in the countryside. Music was always a central part of his life. Margaret sang in various local choirs and David was often co-opted as a piano accompanist. He also hosted informal performances at his home, playing with violinist and oboist friends, and with a string quartet. This and his own private playing provided a counterbalance to his duties as Margaret’s carer as her dementia worsened prior to her death in December 2019. He suffered a stroke in March 2020 and died from the effects shortly afterwards. He is survived by his adopted daughter Heather

Terence Pendred (1959), brother

John Blow (1954)

Born in Staffordshire in 1932, the eldest of four boys, John Blow spent most of his childhood in Wales, having fortuitously been there on holiday when war was declared, and he always retained a love of the Welsh language and countryside. John was called up for his National Service, which he served in Palestine and Egypt. The desert and topography of the Middle East made a lasting impression on him and he went on to read Geography at Lincoln in 1954. He began a career in teaching and discovered his passion, delighting in leading his students to discover the relationships between Art, Science, Music, Religion, History as well as Geography. An academic polymath with a sense of humour and his feet firmly planted on the ground, he rejected advancement into educational administration, which would take him away from the classroom. He is remembered with affection and respect by students and colleagues.

Always interested in the world and its ways, he and his wife Rachel travelled as much as possible, while enjoying the tranquillity of their south Somerset home.

Kindness is an underrated quality, yet kindness, with its concomitant virtues of patience, forbearance, and self-sacrifice, takes more strength of character than other more showy traits.

John Blow was a kind, generous, and upright man, a rock and anchor to his family, and a gifted teacher. He died in November 2019. He was deeply loved and is sadly missed by Rachel, their two daughters, the wider family, and friends.

Alison Myers (daughter)

John Garrett Richardson OBE (1954)

John Richardson was born in Wimborne, Dorset, in 1933 to Jack and Irene Elizabeth (née Garrett). Jack worked in the Colonial Service in Sudan and was tragically killed in a railway accident in 1940. His mother, Betty, brought up John and his two younger sisters in Leiston, Suffolk.

He attended Orwell Park School near Ipswich and then Repton School, where he excelled at sport. His National Service was served with the 6th King’s African Rifles in Kenya from 1952-4, after which he went up to Lincoln College to read Geography. Prior to graduating in 1957, he gained a Blue in squash and a half Blue in tennis, playing doubles in the Varsity Match. He completed a further year up at Oxford in 1957-8, undertaking a Colonial Service qualification – primarily studying Law and Swahili. In Oxford he met Lorna Felicity Gardner, a trainee Occupational Therapist, who he was to marry in 1959.

From 1959-61 John served in the Colonial Service in Tanganyika, before returning to the UK to join Metal Box. He worked as Managing Director of Metal Box Dar-es-Salaam from 1965-9, before
taking the same role in Trinidad from 1969-82. In 1980 he was awarded the OBE for services to the British community in Trinidad.

After returning to the UK he was Bursar of Clifton College from 1983-7 and subsequently retired to his childhood home in Suffolk in 1990.

Retirement for John was nearly as active as his working life. He sat on the Suffolk Coastal District Council for 12 years, chairing in 2002-3. He sat for many years on the Aldeburgh Town Council, serving as Mayor in 2000-1. The achievement which gave him most pride was the planning, building, and opening of the Aldeburgh Community Centre in 2009.

For such an active man, John struggled in the last years of his life with progressive disability from mechanical nerve damage in his spine. He resented his ever-increasing dependence on others for physical assistance, but he maintained his sharp wit, humour, and interest in family and local activities right up until his last few hours of life.

John passed away on 12 October 2020. He is survived by Felicity, his wife of 61 years, four children, ten grandchildren and a great-grandson (with two more due in 2021).

John Rigby (1954)
John was born in Liverpool on 17 February 1934, but was immediately taken to Bombay, where his father was posted by Unilever. Except for periods of home leave in 1936 and 1939, John stayed in India until the end of the war, when he came to school at Stonyhurst.

After two years' National Service as an officer in the Royal Artillery, he came up to Lincoln in 1954. Although he had entered in Classics, he decided to read PPE. He was a Goblin and a member of Vincent's.

He was an enthusiastic sportsman, particularly at rugby. He played for England Public Schools, and won Blues in 1955 and 1956 as a prop forward. He had an England trial, was an international reserve, and played for Lancashire.

In 1957, John joined Unilever but, by 1966, he was disillusioned and bored. He left to become a teacher at St. Peter's School, York, where he coached the 1st XV for 11 seasons and taught A-level Politics as his main subject. John could step in to give a lesson in almost any non-scientific subject or sport with no notice and his most popular classes were, perhaps unsurprisingly, off-curriculum Sixth Form sessions about wine.

After a happy and satisfying 22 years of teaching he took early retirement in 1988, unimpressed by increasing red-tape, which he had so disliked in corporate life too. In 2002, he moved to Eastbourne, where he swam in the sea well into each autumn. He had been a keen swimmer from his boyhood in Bombay, where being in the pool or the sea every day was the best way to stay out of the heat.

John was never happier than with his family around him. In 1960 he had married Thomasina (Toma) Elston, who survives him. They had two daughters: Amanda came up to Lincoln in 1980; Victoria to St Hilda's in 1987. There are three grandchildren.

John was always the lively centre of the party, with an elephantine memory for stories, quotations, and songs until the day he died. The family dinner table would be full of laughter as he repeated tales of mischief at school, in the army, at Oxford, on rugby tours, as a school master, and at social events. It is no coincidence that many of the letters of sympathy we received remark upon the twinkle ever in his eye.

John died of cardiac amyloidosis on 17 March 2020.

John's own text adapted by Amanda Rigby (1980), daughter

Sidney Freedman (1955)
Sidney Freedman read Law at Lincoln. He was an active member of the College: editor of the College magazine, treasurer of the Commemoration ball, and a member of the University Law Society committee. He opened the bowling for the College cricket eleven and was part of the College rugby tour of Spain in 1957. After leaving Lincoln, Sidney was elected as a playing member of the MCC, and played regularly for Southgate CC.

He was called to the Bar in 1959. Five years later Shell offered him a place in their legal service. He later joined the Aero-Engine Division of Rolls-Royce, and was subsequently headhunted for a senior post at Plessey.

Mark, Nigel, and Brian Richardson (sons) and Nicola Prince (daughter)
In 1973, he joined the Competition Department of the European Commission in Brussels, which he represented in international organisations, principally the UN (UNCTAD) and OECD. He addressed numerous conferences and public meetings to explain EU law and policy. He was responsible for consumer protection directives, and launched pilot projects promoting access to justice for consumers in the member states. Latterly, he represented the Commission before Parliamentary committees.

Towards the end of his career, he was visiting professor at the Universities of Berkeley and Washington, and regularly addressed law conferences.

Sidney retained a strong affection for Lincoln. During his UK visits, he organised a regular London lunch of old members, held, appropriately, at Lincoln’s Inn.

He retired to Valbonne in France, where he lived happily for 20 years. He is survived by his wife and children.

Amelia Freedman, daughter

Brian Crayford Loughman
(1955)
Dr Brian Loughman was born in Abercarn, in 1925, and grew up in a typical South Welsh mining community of the time, his father being a coal-miner. After the Lewis School Pengam, where he was much influenced by the poet Alun Lewis, a teacher at the school, he read Chemistry at Aberystwyth. Although called up, he was immediately deemed a reserved occupation. After gaining his doctorate in Biochemistry at Cambridge, he moved to Oxford as a post-doc, at which time he became a member of Lincoln College.

After a period in the US at Caltech, he returned to Oxford, becoming a Fellow of University College (Plant Sciences) in 1970, where he remained until his formal retirement in 1992. He was a great lover of college life, and supported with enthusiasm all manner of student activities, particularly music. He held various college, university, and international academic posts, including the post of Dean of Graduates for so long, and with such affection, that the annual Graduate-Supervisor dinner and a Scholarship for Graduates at Univ carry his name. He continued to serve Univ into his eighties as Dean of Degrees.

His research work will be remembered for contributions to the understanding of the metabolism of herbicides and the membrane transport of phosphate, but also for his encouragement and support of academics in his field in Eastern Europe, particularly the Czech Republic.

Brian married his childhood sweetheart, Jean, and they have three children who survive them. At his retirement, Professor Michael Yudkin said, ‘Never has a man so deserved the affection in which he is universally held’. Brian died peacefully at home in Stanton St John, in October 2019.

Dr David Loughman, son

David Finch OBE (1957)
David was born in East Grinstead on 10 November 1936 and educated at Merchant Taylors’ School. He did his National Service in the Green Howards and was posted to Hong Kong.

In 1957, David went up to Lincoln College to read Jurisprudence. The officers of the Boat Club soon enticed him down to the river, where he spent much of his leisure time. He coxed the 1st Torpid and 2nd Eight in 1958, progressing to the 1st Eight the following year. He was thrilled when his son Stephen became an oarsman and rowed at Henley Regatta.

David qualified as a solicitor and, after practising in Hertfordshire, moved to Gloucestershire to join the practice of Gordon Bancks, later Thomson & Bancks, eventually becoming Senior Partner. He also became President of the local Law Society.

From 1977 to 1989, David served on Hereford and Worcester County Council. He was Chairman of the Further Education and the Finance Committees, and eventually became Leader. He was also a governor of King’s School, Worcester, and of four other schools.

David was involved with the local Conservative Association and became Constituency Chairman. He was awarded the OBE for his community and political services. He took more pleasure from the former, believing that he had been fortunate in life and that it was important to give back to society.

David was a Rotarian for nearly 50 years, and took a great interest in Pershore Abbey, becoming Chairman of the Friends in 2006. He was also a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Gardeners and became a member of the Court.
David was a man of wide-ranging interests who greatly enjoyed the company of others, especially if it included good food and wine. He had particular empathy for the young and never grew tired of hearing about their latest exploits.

In 2018, he and Audrey moved to Pershore. Sadly, a month later David’s skin cancer became apparent and thereafter his health deteriorated. He died peacefully in Pershore Hospital on 24 March 2020. Only his immediate family could be present at his funeral, but the family hopes to have a service of thanksgiving in Pershore Abbey in due course.

David is survived by his wife Audrey, daughter Hannah, son Stephen, and five grandchildren.

Lionel Opie (1957)
Professor Lionel Opie, internationally recognised as one of the world’s foremost scholars of cardiovascular disease, was born in Hanover, South Africa, in 1933. Both his parents were medical doctors and from an early age Lionel’s own interest in medicine was inspired by Alexander Fleming’s discovery of penicillin in 1928. Fleming’s research was continued by Howard Florey and Ernst Chain, and I like to think that Florey’s connection with the College made Lionel choose Lincoln.

Lionel was at school at Bishops in Cape Town, and later qualified as a doctor at the age of 22. He was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford in 1957, where he obtained a DPhil and trained with two Nobel prize winners: Sir Hans Krebs at Oxford, and Sir Ernst Chain at Imperial College, London. He followed this training with a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard Medical School.

During an illustrious career, Lionel published over 500 scientific articles, and 31 books. His major works include: *Drugs for the Heart; Heart Physiology: From cell to circulation*, a book often referred to as the ‘Bible in cardiology’; and *Living Longer, Living Better*. His books have been used worldwide for teaching and research purposes, and he made 141 contributions to other books. He also established two new journals with the help of his wife, Carol Sancroft-Baker. His research has benefited millions of people across the world.

Lionel was awarded an A-rating by the National Research Foundation, one of only two medical doctors in South Africa with this honour. Among other distinctions, he held an Honorary Doctorate of Medicine from the University of Copenhagen, and was a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, the American College of Cardiology, the European Society of Cardiology, the International Society of Heart Research, the Royal Society of South Africa, the Physiological Society of Southern Africa, and the College of Physicians of South Africa.

Lionel was well respected by his peers, colleagues, and students for his work ethic, humility, integrity, and passion for research. He was a great mentor and distinguished teacher, as is evidenced by the successful career-paths of his former students.

He is survived by his wife, Carol, and his daughters, Jessica and Amelia, and their families.

Dimitrije Stefanović (1958)
Dimitrije Stefanović came to Lincoln in 1958 to study for a BLitt in Music with the distinguished Austrian composer Egon Wellesz, who had been elected to a Fellowship in 1938. Wellesz had produced a notable monograph on the history of Byzantine chant, and this was Dimitrije’s interest, very fitting for a devout member of the Orthodox Church.

He was aware of the fact that much work remained to be done on medieval and later manuscripts, and this led to our collaboration in producing a booklet cataloguing the manuscripts in Oxford libraries, published by the Bodleian in 1963. I simply provided the palaeographical expertise, but Dimitrije was able to assess the importance of some manuscripts that had not previously received any scholarly attention.

After some very happy years in Oxford he returned to Belgrade, where he took up a position in the Institute for Musicology at the Academy of Sciences. He retained this post until his retirement. He was a gifted conductor and a great force in the local church. I was pleased to be able to visit him several times, enjoying the cordial atmosphere of the Institute and the warmth of the hospitality of his wife Olga, who taught in one of the best high schools in Belgrade.

Dimitrije passed away on 1 August 2020.
Terry Bareham (1959)
On completing National Service during 1959, Terry went up to Lincoln to read English and graduated with a BA in 1962. In 1963, he obtained a position through the Commonwealth Secretariat as lecturer in English at the University College of Southern Rhodesia, a college of the University of London, based in Salisbury (now Harare), Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe). In November 1965, the white minority government led by Ian Smith illegally declared independence from the UK. Terry and several other lecturers left Rhodesia during 1967 because of the increasingly racist attitude of the Ian Smith regime, which led to interference in University procedures and an increasingly oppressive political environment. He, with other lecturers, wrote a letter to the Guardian on this topic. Whilst in Rhodesia, Terry registered with the University of London for a doctorate (which he later completed when in Northern Ireland). He left Rhodesia in 1967 to take up a position as Lecturer in English at the University of York.

In 1968, he obtained a position as Senior Lecturer in English at the New University of Ulster, Coleraine, where he helped to establish the department. In 1990, he was appointed Professor of English, and retired in 2001, when he was made Emeritus Professor of English.

He had several publications to his name on George Crabbe and Malcolm Lowry, and was editor of various publications on Anthony Trollope, Robert Bolt, T.S. Eliot, Shakespeare, Tom Stoppard, and Charles Lever.

He helped to establish the new Coleraine Riverside Theatre and was an active promoter of student drama at the New University of Ulster. He directed and acted in dozens of shows at the Riverside Theatre during the last 35 years, including Hamlet, Macbeth (twice), and two of Alan Bennett’s ‘Talking Heads’. Terry lectured at universities in Europe during his summer vacations, particularly in Italy. He was also a keen cricketer, and on retirement from the field took up umpiring. He married Wendy in 1959, with whom he had three sons. After their divorce he married Margaret, an amateur actress who predeceased him. He leaves behind three sons and a sister, Mary, who lives in Colchester.

David Gollifer, former colleague and friend

Robert Arrol Craig (1960)
Robert was born at St Albans Private Hospital in Springvale, Victoria, Australia. His parents were John Frederick, a journalist, and Margaret Kerr Craig, a nurse. Robert’s father died when he was 18; his brother John was a fighter pilot shot down over Italy when he was 20. Robert was left with his mother and sister Margaret to care for him.

Robert attended Lloyd Street Central School in Malvern East, where he won a junior scholarship to Melbourne Boys High in 1941. He joined the Air Force Cadets for his final two years, as well as being in Como House’s swimming and tennis teams.

Academically brilliant, he won a Senior Scholarship, a General Exhibition, awards in Pure Mathematics and Chemistry, and the Dafydd Lewis Scholarship. The Dafydd Lewis Trust is an equity and merit based Scholarship available to young men who might not have otherwise received a university education due to the limited financial resources of their parents.

In 1948, Robert received his Bachelor of Science and, in 1950, his Masters of Science at Melbourne University. At Lincoln, he gained his Doctorate of Philosophy in 1962, his thesis being in Magnetic Resonance. Robert spent his working life as a Physical Chemistry lecturer at Melbourne University. Robert was also very involved at St Thomas Anglican Church, including choir work.

In March 2016, Robert suffered a Thalamus stroke which affected his memory and alertness. He had enjoyed suduko in the past, and would become very frustrated at not being able to complete it as before.

In March 2020, he had a bad fall, fracturing his hip and suffering bleeding on the brain. Now very frail, he did not survive.

Gwen Holmes, cousin

John Hanly (1961)
John Hanly, who died on 23 August 2020, was born in Cardiff in 1942 into an Irish family. He was educated at Stonyhurst, and went up to Lincoln in 1961 to read English. John entered fully into college life, and was notable for his dry and incisive wit, and love of rugby (he later became an excellent referee).

After graduating John taught for a few years at a preparatory school near Bicester. In 1968, he moved to New York to teach at Trinity School. He remained in the United States for the rest of his life, eventually becoming an American citizen, but made regular visits to the UK to see old friends. At Trinity he became headmaster of the Upper School, where among his pupils was the young John McEnroe.
In 1987, he was appointed headmaster of the Pingry School in New Jersey, where he remained an outstanding head for 13 years.

At both Trinity and Pingry John was held in the highest regard and greatest affection. On announcing his death, the Trinity website referred to him as ‘one of the giants of Trinity history’, and recalled his profound impact on scores of students. After retiring in 2000, John continued to be involved with education, setting up and serving as a trustee of Seeds, a charity providing educational opportunities for underprivileged children. He moved back to New York, where he enjoyed the cultural life of the city.

In later years John became increasingly affected by Parkinson’s disease, and eventually had to move to a nursing home, where he was visited by many friends and devoted former pupils. Despite his illness, he retained his interest in many subjects, particularly his beloved Irish rugby team: at one point it was suggested to him that Brian O’Driscoll was Ireland’s greatest ever player. ‘Rubbish – it was Jackie Kyle’.

John did not marry, but he leaves a large family of former pupils, teachers, governors, and parents who will not forget how he enhanced their lives.

Robert Maclean (1962)

I first came across John at Oxford University in the late 1950s, when people pointed him out to me with a kind of awe as someone who, within nine months of arriving in England not speaking a word of the language, had mastered it sufficiently to gain admission as a student at Campion Hall.

Over the years I pieced together bits of his life story. He told me that his father, Andras, had been killed in 1944 by Hungarian Nazis because of his Jewish ancestry, and that the theatre was in his blood since his mother, Veronica, had been an actor. He and his mother left Budapest precipitately during the 1956 Hungarian Revolution, travelling to Austria hidden in a hay cart and eventually reaching a refugee camp in Wiltshire before settling in London’s East End.

John, whose non-anglicised name was Janos, got an English degree at Oxford and did postgraduate work on Renaissance drama at Lincoln, but our paths really crossed when we both found ourselves writing theatre reviews for the Times in the mid-60s. The arts editor, John Lawrence, was a great patron of young critics and, in 1967, recommended John to the Sunday Times, where he wrote regular reviews before becoming chief theatre critic in 1984.

John was an erudite, perceptive, and often brilliant critic whose work was informed by a profound knowledge of European culture. In 1990 he set up the annual Ian Charleson awards, co-sponsored by the National Theatre, to honour classical performances by young actors. But my abiding memory of him is of someone whose adopted Englishness became like a second skin and who had a mercurial, even whimsical, sense of humour.

After the death of his first wife, Linette Perry, in 2013, John married the novelist Judith Burnley, who survives him. He died in Denville Hall in Northwood, Middlesex, a care home for members of the entertainment industry, and was the first critic ever to be admitted to live within its walls.

John was awarded an MBE for services to the theatre in 2019, and his memoir, How I Became an Englishman, is to be published in early 2021.

David Reid Scott (1966)

David Reid Scott was born in Dublin on 5 June 1947 to Major Alexander Reid Scott, 11th Hussars, and Ann Mitchell. After their parents died, David and his younger brother Malise were brought up by their stepmother in Leicestershire and their grandparents in Ireland.

At Eton David was an all-round sportsman, captain of rugby as a tireless No 8, and elected to Pop. He went on to read Modern History at Lincoln, where he was a member of the Bullingdon Club.

Graduating in 1969, and determined to work abroad, he joined the US investment bank White Weld in New York, initially as an equity salesman. David then made his name as an adviser to Saudi Arabia on the investment of its oil revenues and, later, as a partner of the advisory firm Phoenix Securities. After several changes of ownership of their own business, the Phoenix team eventually found themselves part of Credit Suisse First Boston, where David became a vice-chairman in 2000.
He was chairman of another advisory boutique, Hawkpoint, until 2009, and of the wealth manager Stonehage until 2014.

Throughout his City career David’s heart remained in his native Ireland, where he had inherited the dilapidated Georgian mansion of Ballynure. His driving ambition was to earn enough to bring the property back to its full potential and beauty. Over three decades he comprehensively completed that project, not only restoring and refurnishing the house but regenerating the surrounding gardens, woodland, and lakes.

He built a holiday home on Vamizi Island in Mozambique, where he enjoyed fishing and became involved in protecting the environment, and kept racehorses. As a Fellow of Eton he chaired the school’s investment committee. He also chaired the Jack and Jill Children’s Foundation charity in Ireland.

A fall in Spain last year left David paralysed and in hospital, an ordeal he bore with courage. He died on 11 July 2020, aged 73. He had married Anne Clouet des Pesruches in 1972; she died of cancer in 1988 and he married, secondly, Clare McMullen (née Straker) in 1997. She survives him with their son and three daughters of his first marriage.

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David was, as an undergraduate (so a contemporary described him), and always, a Cavalier. A life-seizing and life-enhancing figure, he burned bright. He had many enthusiasms, and many loyalties – to his family, to Ballynure, the childhood home in Ireland which he triumphantly restored, to his horses (including the legendary Harley Foxtrot), to the institutions which educated him. He returned to the College as often as he could, offering valued advice to the Rector’s Council, joining the History Fellowship Club, bringing verve and dash. We will miss him.’

Susan Brigden (Supernumerary Fellow), friend

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Stephen Banyard (1969), friend

Peter Clark (1970)

In the early hours of 7 December 2019, my father Peter Ivor Clark passed away, following a brief battle with cancer.

A proud Welshman, my Dad loved his family, his work, and the natural world. He loved walking up the Northumberland coast, and could often be found guiding his four grandsons to oystercatchers and geese, at Embleton Bay, near Holy Island.

A formidable University Challenge opponent, my Dad was also the most intelligent person I have ever known: an intellect that was nurtured at Lincoln. He was immensely proud of having been a scholar here, first entering the College as an undergraduate in 1970, to study Natural Sciences on an Exhibition. He went on to gain a DPhil in
Chemistry, under the supervision of Professor Gordon Lowe. Following this, he undertook postdoctoral research at the University of Wales, before taking up a job with the pharmaceutical company GlaxoSmithKline, working for them first in Cumbria and then the North East.

This was the start of a wonderful, meaningful career in the pharmaceutical industry; at one point, he was on the licence for one tenth of the world’s penicillin. Throughout his life and career, he was driven by a desire to learn, do good, heal, and support those around him.

My father found his way back to Lincoln throughout his life, with the College Chapel being a particularly hallowed grove. It was there – on 21 August 1976 – that he and my mother, Jane Elizabeth Clark, were married on a scorching hot day, as the smell of coffee drifted in from the Covered Market. Hall also remained an evocative space for my Dad, having once been lauded by the Rector for an earnest rendition of the Grace in his full Welsh accent. I was lucky enough to cement my own memories of this happy place with him, as the family returned together for my own matriculation in 2017.

To his four children – Matt, Becci, Rachel, and I – Dad always gave encouragement to ‘envisage’: to stay positive and imagine a brighter picture before any tough moment, day, interview, or conversation. Today, as I write this, I am envisaging my young father standing for the first time on Turl Street: perhaps a little nervous, but having found all the roots of his future happiness.

Michael James Bowman  
(1971)
Born on 25 August 1952 in Hartford, Cheshire, the youngest of three children of Winfred and Jack Bowman (Lincoln, 1935, Chemistry), Mike was educated at Rossall School and Buxton College. At Oxford, he matriculated in 1971, studying under AWB (Brian) Simpson, Michael Furmston, and Christine Chinkin. He graduated in 1974 in Jurisprudence and was admitted a solicitor in 1981. Thereafter he undertook both private legal practice and subsequently agency work as a prosecutor.

In 1984, he returned to university as a mature student at Royal Holloway and Bedford New College to read for an undergraduate degree in History, where his real interests lay in the seventeenth century and the period of the English Civil War. He was awarded First Class honours in 1987.

In 1977, he married Jill Watkins (Somerville, 1971), and after 20 years’ residence in Chiswick they relocated from London to South Wales. In retirement they divided their time between Wales and France, where they maintained bases in Normandy and Paris.

A committed European and lifelong Francophile, as well as a Welshman by adoption, in 2017 he became an Irish citizen through descent from his mother. He died at home in Wales on 25 June 2020, after a long illness.

Jill Bowman, wife

Catharine French (1985)
Catharine French died from cancer on 10 May 2020, aged 53. She came up to Lincoln from Cheltenham Ladies’ College to read History and Economics in 1985. The daughter of archaeologists, she grew up in Greece and Turkey, which remained important places to her throughout her life. She played a prominent role in College, and was popular with dons and fellow students alike.

Catharine became a leading behind-the-scenes player in the City, with stints at Cazenove, in the House of Commons Service, and at the Bank of England/FSA, culminating in a senior role at Barclays Bank. Catharine was dear friend and mentor to many, especially young female entrants in financial services, and advocated true diversity across the industry. She pioneered award-winning campaigns on financial literacy. For six years as Chair of Banking on Change, Catharine helped bring financial services to 500,000 people, mainly women, across seven African countries, and founded 25,000 micro-enterprises. Latterly, she was a Council member of Warwick University and Board member of International Rescue Committee UK, among other roles.

Ever modest, Catharine was the rock of any organisation she joined. Her laugh and smile would light up any room. The Good Banker, she is much missed by many. Reflecting her interests and work, a scholarship supporting an African graduate student in Development Economics at Lincoln is being founded in her memory. She is survived by her children, Olivia and Will, mother, sister, and me.

Tom Dodd, husband
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Clare Notman (1995)

Clare Nicola Notman was born in Sutton Coldfield on 23 January 1977, and educated at King Edward VI High School, before going up to Lincoln in 1995. She was awarded an Exhibition in French, and graduated in Modern Languages (French and Italian) in 1999. As part of her course, she lived, worked, and studied in Sicily for a year and won an award from the British Council to study for a month in Florence.

Clare decided on a career in teaching and obtained her PGCE from Hughes Hall, Cambridge – having completed part of her professional placement at a secondary school in Tower Hamlets. After a number of teaching posts in England, in 2008 Clare moved to Kuwait, where she worked at the Kuwait English School and where she met Roger, a civil engineer and her long-term partner.

Clare and Roger shared a keen interest in diving and travel and often managed to combine the two. Clare was an avid reader throughout her life. She spoke passable Arabic and picked up languages quickly as she went.

After Clare was diagnosed with cancer, she and Roger returned to England in 2018. Clare received treatment at The Royal Marsden Hospital, where they married after Clare received a terminal diagnosis. She died in their home in the Scottish Borders on 7 October 2019.

At her funeral Jo Hardy, a friend and colleague from Kuwait English School, said: ‘Her colleagues in the Languages Department will miss her brilliance as a gifted linguist but also, that rare thing, somebody who could convey the joy of learning a new language to everybody… from the bottom-set strugglers… to the academically gifted’. She is sadly missed by family and friends.

Robert and Margaret Notman, parents
“I never knew a College besides ours, whereof the members were so perfectly satisfied with one another”

JOHN WESLEY (1726)