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Guest Contributor

Memories of an American in Oxford

by Senator Richard G. Lugar

This issue of The North American Pembrokian kicks off what will be a regular feature, a guest contribution from a Pembroke friend or alumnus. We are thrilled to begin this feature with a special memoir from Senator Richard G. Lugar ('56). ~ Ed.

Success in the American Rhodes Scholarship selection process in December of 1953 was a life changing experience for me, but shortly after the celebrations ended, I faced new challenges.

At that moment, I had not traveled outside of the United States except for a fraternity convention in Canada. I was confronted with the immediate responsibility to inform Rhod-



des House of my Oxford college preference in order that proper application could be made promptly. As a senior at Denison University in Granville, Ohio, I faced the fact that no Denisonian had ever won a Rhodes Scholarship as an undergraduate and that none of the faculty or alumni could offer

sound advice on Oxford colleges.

In a long-distance telephone conversation, I did find an Indianapolis friend who had attended Oxford University classes and the information he provided was most valuable. I expressed a preference for a college which was unlikely to have a strong colony of American students. I decided that I wanted total immersion with new friends from the United Kingdom and other countries and that this was a good place to start. Secondly, I preferred a smaller college in which I might have opportunities for participation in a variety of activities, just as my earlier choice of Denison

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Master Visits U.S., Hosts NY, DC

Master, Giles Henderson, his wife Lynne, Pembroke's Development Director Andrew Seton and Development Officer Catherine McMillan recently completed a busy, productive, and thoroughly enjoyable trip to the US where they met with Pembrokiens from

coast to coast.

On March 31, a very well attended Pembroke dinner was held in Washington DC. The venue was the one of Georgetown's most beautiful homes, Prospect House, which was generously made available by its owner, Mr Abdullah Saleh, a friend and benefactor of

the College. Mr Saleh's son, Salah, daughter Samia, and son-in-law Tariq Baker were present to host the event, which was a splendid evening by all accounts.

The Master's remarks about the health of the College and College's plans

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Note from the Master



Giles Henderson, Master



I am delighted to be making a contribution to this new edition of the North American Pembrokian, and thank those willing volunteers who have made its publication possible. While this note is brief, I hope it will give you a flavour of the positive atmosphere prevailing at Pembroke today.

The College is performing well academically. The results of undergraduate finals examinations in 2007 were the best for very many years. 93% of students achieved a first class or upper second class degree classification. The extremely impressive 31 firsts included the top firsts across the University in English and Biology, the latter achieved by our Organ Scholar. All of this converted into a significant leap up the Norington Table (the ranking of Oxford Colleges based on undergraduate success) to 10th place, the best result in recent memory.

Our Fellows have also had significant successes recently, with both of our Governing Body Maths tutors being honoured with University Teaching Awards. The very latest news is that Fellow in English Dr Helen Small has been awarded the 2008 Truman Capote Award for Literary Criticism for her book *The Long Life*. The award, made by an international panel of judges, reflects

Capote's frequently expressed concern for the health of literary criticism in the English language, and rewards and encourages excellence in the field. This is a great honour for Dr Small and highlights again the unique experiences our students have as they interact with and learn from scholars of her calibre.

Music and drama are growing areas of interest for our students. In the past year regular recitals have been held, both in the Lodgings and the Chapel, and as I write the Hall is currently transformed into the setting for this year's musical production, *Kiss Me Kate*, which follows last year's very successful *All That Jazz* cabaret evening. This is part of the now annual Arts Week which this year also featured an impressive performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, rehearsed in only a few weeks, but of a high standard.

The Chapel Choir has made great strides over the past few years, and recently went on their first overseas tour to Estonia, as well as being invited to perform at a ceremony for the Chancellor of the University's Court of Benefactors. Last month there was an impressive and moving performance in the Chapel of Bach's *St John's Passion* by the Choir and the Pembroke chamber orchestra. No one can recall a previous musical event of

such ambition and quality taking place in Pembroke.

In sport, we continue to be the strongest College in rowing; not only in terms of numbers of boats competing, but also the combined strength of men's and women's crews. (The men are currently second and the women third on the river, and both have promising crews in place for this year's Summer Eights.) There are now a wide range of other sports also achieving good results, for example netball and rugby, and large numbers of our students are involved in sport on a regular basis.

Last May the College took the opportunity to mark the contribution to the USA of one of Pembroke's most famous alumni, James Smithson, through the bequest of his estate which established the Smithsonian Institution. The first ever biography of this interesting and complex character was being published and the UK launch was held in Pembroke, with the author herself, Heather Ewing, joining us along with representatives of the Smithsonian and the US Embassy in London. This proved a wonderful opportunity to learn more about Pembroke in the eighteenth century.

My recent visit to Washington DC and New York, with my wife Lynne, Development Director Andrew Seton and Development

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for the future were met with interest and excitement. Senator Richard Lugar ('54) responded on behalf of those alumni present, and noted how wonderful it was to see such a range of generations and Pembroke experiences represented.

On April 3, the Master and others from College were in New York for a cocktail party at the Cosmopolitan Club (thanks to Janet Hester, wife of James ('47)). On April 5, a Pembroke reception and dinner enlivened the Yale Club (thanks to Jock Spivy ('73)). Both events again saw an interesting cross-section of Pembrokians, from those who have been supporters of the College for many years to those who have only very recently graduated. The President of the Pembroke Foundation, Tom Herman ('71), re-

sponded to the Master's remarks on this occasion.

Andrew Seton and Catherine McMillan continued their tour of the US for a second week, with stops in Chicago, Los Angeles and San Francisco. Many alumni in these cities made the effort to spend time with us, and we very much enjoyed getting to know those whom we met. The final evening of the trip saw the Pembroke team in Jeremy Sutton's ('79) art gallery in San Francisco learning about how he painted the portrait of the Master (see special article in this magazine), watching a live demonstration of his digital artistry, and admiring other works by himself and girlfriend Peggy. All those in attendance enjoyed this stimulating evening, and there is clearly enthusiasm for future get-togethers.

The warmest thanks from the Master, Lynne Hender-



Tom Herman, Lynne Henderson, Master Giles Henderson, Andrew Seton, and Tariq Baker at the Prospect House dinner in Washington, DC

son, Andrew Seton and Catherine McMillan go to all those who helped organize events on the trip, and to all those who made time in their diaries to talk in detail about the College and our exciting plans for the future. It was wonderful to have the chance to

forge new relationships, as well as renewing those which have existed for some time and mean so much, and there will certainly be plenty more visits in future! **P**

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Officer Catherine McMillan, was both enjoyable and enriching. The chance to spend time with those who have been longstanding and invaluable supporters of the College, alongside those who have only recently been students here, and to witness time and again the great enthusiasm and love for Pembroke which so many of you expressed, is a source of great pleasure and encouragement to me in my role as Master.

I appreciate very much all of you who were good enough to take time to attend events and meetings, and to give so much helpful feedback on our current

progress and future plans. I am equally delighted when our North American alumni visit Pembroke and I am able to greet them here. Do please consider a visit, however brief, when you are next in the Oxford area, and let me or the Development Office know of your plans in advance.

In the meantime, please keep in touch via our website, which now features an online community for alumni interaction. We hope that this, and the growing number of regional events being organised by volunteers, will ensure that our community of Pembrokians in North America will continue to prosper in the coming years, as it continues to grow.

We are grateful to all who continue to support the College both by responding to our annual appeals for funds, and by giving their time in a myriad of ways. Every gift that we receive plays an important part in ensuring that the friendly, inclusive atmosphere of Pembroke can be continued into the future, supported by improved facilities, thereby ensuring that every student of this College has access to wonderful opportunities as their predecessors did. We continue to depend very much on your support. Thank you for it.



Giles Henderson.



Book Review

Einstein: His Life and Universe
by Walter Isaacson ('74)
Simon & Schuster, Inc.
Reviewed by Vic Sutton



Walter Isaacson

"I have no special talents," Alfred Einstein is reported to have said. "I am only passionately curious."

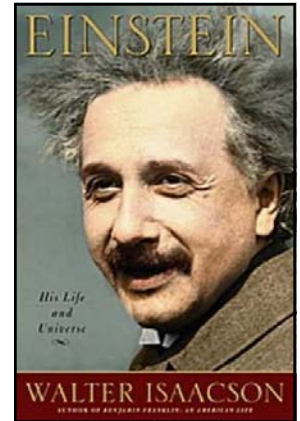
The curiosity and the passion of the scientist who set out the general theory of relativity are delightfully recounted in a new biography of Einstein by Walter Isaacson, (Pembroke '74). He draws on the large volume of new information that became available in 2006, when Einstein's personal papers were released.

But the main value of Isaacson's new biography, of a man whose life and achievements have been

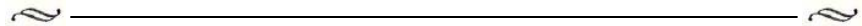
studied over and over, is its clear account of Einstein's scientific achievements, interwoven with a sympathetic record of his sometimes very unhappy personal life.

The result is a very readable narrative of Einstein's genius and achievements, carefully researched and annotated, that also provides a wealth of historical context.

Walter Isaacson is CEO of the Aspen Institute and former President of CNN and Managing Editor of *Time* magazine. His previous books include Benjamin Franklin: An American



Life, Kissinger: A Biography and (with Evan Thomas): The Wise Men: Six Friends and the World They Made. **P**



Pembroke Receives Scheide, Zantz Gifts

Two extraordinary gifts have recently been received by the Pembroke College Foundation.

Mr. William H. Scheide and Mrs. Judith M. Scheide, longtime friends and benefactors of College, have donated \$30,141 to support the purchase at auction of a letter from Pembrokian Samuel Johnson to the Master of Pembroke. The letter is now on display in College.

The Saul Zaentz Trust has donated \$220,000 to Pembroke's Oxford Opportunity Bursary Fund, which provides financial aid to UK students in need who wish

to attend Pembroke. Saul Zaentz is a theatrical producer who holds the license to certain rights from the estate of former Pembroke Fellow J.R.R. Tolkien to produce films and theatrical productions from the Lord of the Rings trilogy. "The Pembroke College Foundation is deeply grateful to the Scheide and Zaentz families for their generosity," said Foundation President Tom Herman. **P**



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The Pembroke College Foundation gratefully acknowledges the following friends of Pembroke for their generous donations in 2006, 2007, and 2008 to date. **Thank you very much!** (We apologize if your name has inadvertently been left off this list – please let us know! We will publish your name in the next edition.)

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University had been influenced by the prospects of being a journalist, debater, athlete, musician, and student with opportunities to grow in all of these aspects.

In the next few days, I indicated that Pembroke College would be my first choice, and I was elated when I received word that I would be admitted and that to the best of anyone's knowledge, there were no American students resident at Pembroke. After a wonderful five day voyage on the Queen Elizabeth with 31 other new American Rhodes Scholars, thoroughly enjoying each mo-

ment of bonding and engaging in blue sky conversation about all sorts of future aspirations, the bus that took us to Oxford arrived late at night. I was dropped off at the gate of Pembroke College with my luggage.

I will always remember my first meeting with Ponsford, who opened a very securely locked gate, understood my predicament, and escorted me to a room on the first floor of the interior quad, a room that I was to occupy throughout my full two years at Oxford University. After a long sleep, I emerged the next morning greeted by my Scout, Kimber, and two English students at the

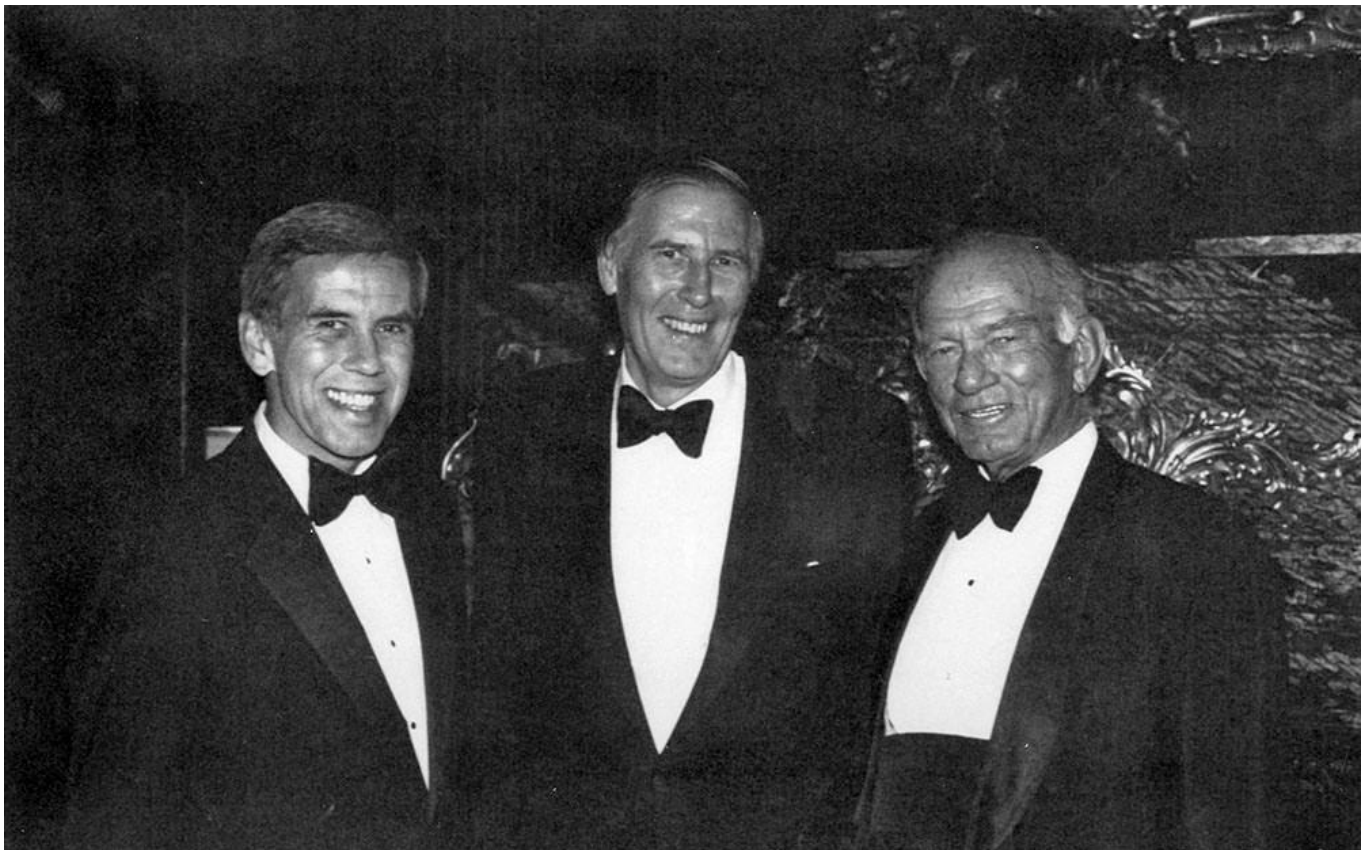
entrance to the College. They were curious about my status, but were exceptionally friendly and invited me to accompany them to a local tavern for purposes of nourishment and refreshment.

I appreciated that total immersion in a new culture had begun. For a variety of reasons including a rigorous regimen for athletic fitness and a serious upbringing in the Methodist Church, I had not imbibed in alcoholic beverages prior to that morning.

In the next hour and a half, I found that drinking a pint or two of ale was not going to be debilitating and that my two English friends

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From left to right,
Senator Richard
Lugar, Sir Roger
Bannister, and Sena-
tor William Fulbright
in Oxford at the dedi-
cation of the Geoffrey
Arthur Building, 1990.



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were eager to find out much more about college life in the United States, my reasons for coming to Pembroke, and new activities in which we might participate, together.

I rented a piano for my room and many of my fellow students enjoyed hearing the music. Several, in fact, enjoyed stopping by for a

sing-a-long. In a few weeks, I was asked to join various groups and in subsequent months, most of the distinguished societies, including one named for Samuel Johnson, a Pembroke College

alumnus. In fact, I invited Paul Sarbanes, a Balliol Rhodes Scholar from Princeton University, to come to one of the Johnson Society meetings in which we participated in a vigorous discussion of McCarthyism in the United States. Twenty-two years later, Paul and I were inducted into the United States Senate on the same day in January 1977, and served together until he retired last year after thirty years of distinguished service.

I found, in addition, that Senator J. William Fulbright was a Pembroke alumnus and had studied with my tutor in politics, R. B. McCallum, during the early years of my tutor's tenure at Pembroke College. Emboldened by this discovery, I

wrote to Senator Fulbright and he wrote back. He was fully engaged not only in debates about Senator McCarthy, but foreign policy struggles with which I have gained some familiarity in recent years. It was a thrilling moment when one of Senator Fulbright's biographers came to me and asked permission to use letters which he had found from the 1954–1956 period.

cited by their interest and began to think much more seriously about student government in the College. In due course, when the election was held by secret ballot, I won by a close margin of ten votes in a three-man contest and accepted the responsibilities of answering all letters and complaints in handwritten responses recorded in a book held in the Junior Common Room. Oc-

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asionally, there were ceremonial occasions, and if they were not serious events, my English friends encouraged me to wear “American clothes” which meant garb

It appears that Senator Fulbright had kept all of our correspondence, and when I first met him upon arrival in Washington in 1976, he was ready to carry on the conversation we had begun a generation ago.

On the commemoration of the 100th birthday of Senator Fulbright, a program was conducted at Pembroke College by the worldwide Fulbright Commission. I was asked to deliver an address in the Chapel of the College in remembrance of his extraordinary and visionary leadership.

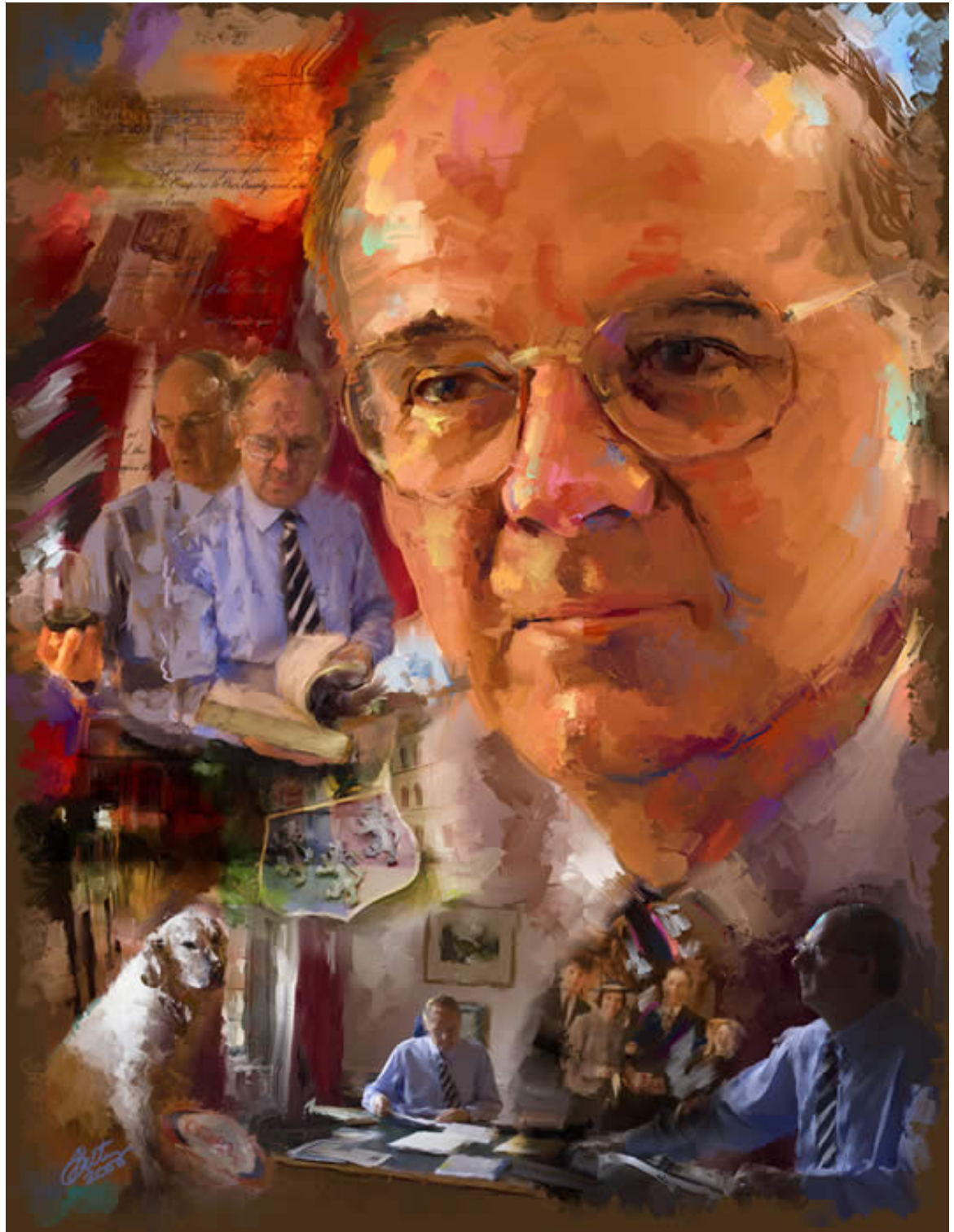
After several months of my new life at Pembroke, I was asked by some of my friends to be a candidate for President of the Junior Common Room. I was ex-

substantially lighter in color and texture than that normally worn in the College. On the streets of Oxford were many American servicemen from the nearby airbase who always wore distinctly light colors.

Election to the presidency also gave me the opportunity to stay in my same corner room for another year, a rare privilege.

In the summer between my two undergraduate years at Pembroke, I was often at work in my room during the morning hours attempting to write a first novel. Sometimes, Ponsford or another official at the Pembroke gate would ask if a group of American tourists might come to see my room as I

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Jeremy Sutton's portrait of Giles Henderson captures many aspects of the Master's life: his dog Ellie, the College Crest, the Chapel Quad, his wife Lynne, a rugby ball, and the pink and blue stripes of the Pembroke tie.

Painter Alumnus Honors Master

Pembrokian Jeremy Sutton ('79) presented the College with a portrait he painted of the Master, Giles Henderson during the summer of 2006's Gaudy for matriculation years 1979-1984.

An official unveiling ceremony took place in the Master's lodgings during the afternoon's tea reception for Gaudy attendees.

The gift was a two year process for Jeremy, who first decided to paint the acrylic during a 2004 visit by the Master to California. Jeremy, who is based in San Francisco, attended a reception for Pembrokians where he met the Master, and discussed the possibility of painting his portrait. The next day the Master visited Jeremy's studio for

preliminary sketches, followed by a June 2005 photo shoot. The portrait was completed in June 2006.

The painting is an example of Jeremy's collage approach to portraiture and captures many aspects of the Master's life, both personal and professional. Included in the painting are views of him working at his

desk, his beloved dog Ellie, the College Crest, an obscure flash of a Pembroke tie, the Chapel Quad, a photograph of his wife, Lynne, his children and a rugby ball. Examples of Jeremy's work may be found on his website

www.jeremysutton.com. *P*

Pembroke College

Foundation Website Goes "Live" This Summer

The Pembroke College Foundation expects to have its own website live and online this summer. The Foundation's website will make it much easier for North American Pembrokians to be in touch with each other, exchange news about themselves and College, update personal information, and make it easy to make donations to the Foundation "online". The website development team is being led by Foundation Trustee Neil Arnold and by Bradley Peacock, who is generously donating the time and considerable talent of his company, Peacock Nine, to help design the site. Anyone with thoughts on what they would like to see included on the website, please contact Neil Arnold at neil@narnold.com.

Announcing: Pembroke Online

Pembroke's Development office is setting up an 'online community' for alumni to help foster connections among friends, as well as between alumni and the College. Alumni will be able to update details, search for old friends, share news/photos, discuss using message boards, participate in a student career advice facility, book for College events online, have access to Members Only features (articles, photos, etc.) and more! We would love to know what you think of this and if you have any suggestions, please drop Cate Field an e-mail at catherine.field@pmb.ox.ac.uk.

1968-1970 Reconnection

Pembrokians who matriculated in the years 1968-1970 are encouraged to contact Andrew Carruthers, ajcaruthers@btinternet.com, who is leading an effort to reconnect alumni from those years.



Students relax in the JCR

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was often the only student in College during vacations. Most of the tourists were especially pleased to see an English student at work in a seemingly ancient but charming room, and I did not disabuse them of their conclusions. I did finish the novel and, with great anticipation, sent it off to three American publishers. I received encouraging letters from all three indicating that my writing had promise and that the story was interesting, but no apparent mar-

ket was likely for my work. This was not discouraging because Oxford provided extraordinary stimulation for an aspiring young writer. I remember listening to the novelist, Joyce Cary, lecture at length on the creative process of writing novels and developing scenarios. I was also invited to a garden party in which I found the novelist, Graham Greene, standing all by himself in the corner of the garden thus affording an extraordinary opportunity for an inquisitive admirer to discover his views on a large variety of subjects.

My English friends, Revan Trantor of Pembroke and Lesley Stone of Oriel, in due course, became presidents of the Oxford Labour Club. They brought into my life a series of new issues and a number of delightful new friends from other colleges who had inclinations toward political activism. Much of my free time was spent practicing and playing in games with the Oxford University basketball team, comprised essentially of American students with one Canadian. We enjoyed playing in unusual gymnasiums throughout

the British Isles, including some that had pillars in the middle of the playing area and several that had accumulations of moisture if not water on the court. The highlight of this activity for me was playing in the Oxford-Cambridge game in which I scored one basket from reasonably long range, and thus qualified for the Half Blue tie, which could be purchased at a local shop.

One of the great advantages of having English friends was their ability to

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Pembroke October Cocktails in New York

On October 25, 2007, Foundation Trustee Michelle Peluso ('92) hosted a cocktail party for Pembrokeians in her lovely Manhattan apartment.

More than thirty alumni and their guests attended. Michelle and her husband Marc were wonderful hosts, making everyone feel very welcome. A wide cross section of Pembrokeians, spanning nearly sixty matriculation years, was represented. "It is always encouraging to find out how much Pembrokeians have in common," noted Michelle, who is president and CEO of Travelocity, Inc.

Andrew Seton, the College's recently appointed Strategic Development Director, flew in specially for the party. Andrew brought everyone up to date on news from the College. Pembrokeians have come to expect athletic College prowess, particu-

larly in rowing, but Andrew impressed the gathering with a summary of recent academic Pembroke success. Andrew also shared with us his own positive initial impressions on joining the College.

Also attending was Tom Herman, President of the Pembroke College Foundation. Tom traveled from Boston and gave up his World Series tickets to be there. Now that's dedication! He spoke about the work of the Foundation in promoting the College's interests in the United States.

Special thanks go to Ingrid Li for her invaluable help in organizing the reception. The Peluso Pembroke Fall reception in New York has now become a new Pembroke tradition. "We look forward to seeing everyone again next fall," said Michelle. **P**

~Neil Arnold

Sabot, Kroeger fondly remembered

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Pembroke crew, competing several times at the Henley Royal Regatta. Dick and his wife Jude lived in England for many years while he studied for his doctorate in economics.

Dick was recruited from Oxford by former Defense Secretary and World Bank President Robert McNamara to join the research staff of the World Bank. Dick was also senior economic adviser to the Inter-American Development Bank and senior fellow of the International Food Policy Research Institute. He also taught economics at Columbia, Oxford and Yale universities.

In 1998, following the sale of Tripod to Lycos Inc., he joined the Lycos board. Dick was chairman of the board of Geekcorps, a private nonprofit organization committed to expanding

the Internet revolution internationally by pairing high-tech volunteers with small businesses in emerging nations. He was a founding member of the executive committee of the Center for Global Development, a Washington-based think

"scholar, teacher, entrepreneur, oarsman, and fly-fisherman who was committed to worldwide social and economic change"

tank dedicated to reducing global poverty and inequality.

Besides his wife, Dick leaves two sons, Tophier Sabot of Montana and Oliver Sabot of Boston.; two daughters, Julia Sabot, at home, and Diana Sabot Whitney of Brattleboro, VT. **P**

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travel on the Continent with frugality. English students could take only a small amount of English pounds out of England, and if you traveled with them, you found very inexpensive lodging and travel arrangements. In addition, I enjoyed traveling with official Oxford student groups who went on a ski trip to Zürs, Austria,

and a delightful spring experience in Aix - e n - P r o v e n c e . These were essentially encounters of English students with students from Germany and Austria, in one instance, and

students from France on another. Our Oxford basketball team embarked on a trip into Eastern Europe, but I had other priorities on that occasion as my fiancé, Charlene, came to England, escorted by my mother and my sister, Anne. During our family trip to Europe, I proposed to Char during a beautiful evening on Lake Lucerne, having corresponded with her father in Detroit as I asked for her hand in marriage. She accepted and we were married almost immediately in September of 1956 upon my return to the United States.

That return did not occur before I had visited the American Embassy in London and volunteered for the United States Navy. An accumulation of thoughts

about my country and my responsibilities, given all of the privileges that I had been afforded, informed that decision to proceed to London and thus to create a very unusual set of circumstances when I returned to the United States. The Navy experience, which included three years and four months on active duty, brought another world of information and leadership responsibilities

broke men and women in the United States and Canada and provide means for us to support the College and on many occasions, to simply find each other and share the extraordinary experiences we enjoyed in college and in various diverse careers.

I was honored to have the opportunity of inviting the Foundation Board of Directors to come to my Senate

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office in Washington for annual meetings or for more frequent get-togethers, as required. Especially exciting were visits from the Masters of the College. I treasure a

picture which I have on my Senate office wall of Senator Fulbright, Master Roger Bannister, and myself and the visits of Master Giles Henderson and his telephone participation through transatlantic phone service in our Pembroke Foundation board meetings are important stimulants to discussing the remarkable present circumstances of Pembroke College and a wonderful future course, ahead.

I am always eager to have Pembroke College undergraduates as interns in our Senate office because they are a source of current information about the College and, without variation, they have strong leadership possibilities in the United Kingdom and in the international community.

And one of the lasting benefits of my opportunities at Pembroke College were the students who came from Europe, the Orient, and Africa. They were not always undergraduates at Pembroke, but activities in the College and in Oxford University brought us together at early formative years in our lives. In the footsteps of Senator Fulbright, I have had opportunities to serve as the Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and both to travel extensively and to entertain foreign leaders in Washington. You can imagine my excitement when these experiences bring back into my life persons who I remember as fellow students, striving as we did to study for our tutorials, to engage in a myriad of formative activities at Oxford, and to gain some understanding of the potentials and hazards of the various courses ahead of us.

In all of these ways, Pembroke College continues to play a significant role in my life, and I welcome each opportunity to expand the possibilities for Pembroke in the future. *P*

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In Memorium

Arthur Kroeger ('56) an Honorary Fellow of College and former Chancellor of Carlton University in Canada where the Kroeger College of Public Affairs is named for him, died in Ottawa, on May 9, 2008.

Kroeger, who came to Pembroke as a Rhodes Scholar and read PPE, was 76. Kroeger served in the administrations of six Canadian prime ministers, including as deputy minister of five Canadian government departments, in an illustrious governmental career.

Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper called Kroeger "a legendary public servant whose career was marked by strong leadership, wise management and a sterling dedication to the country."

Kroeger was born on a farm in rural Naco, Alberta, the youngest of seven children of Russian Mennonite



Arthur Kroeger

"A legendary public servant"

emigrants. He is survived by his wife, Huguette Labelle, and daughters, Alix and Kate.

Dick Sabot ('66), scholar, teacher, entrepreneur, oarsman, and fly-fisherman who was committed to worldwide social and economic change, died suddenly on July 6, 2005 in Williamstown, MA. He was 61. Dick for many years was a trustee of the Pembroke College Foundation.

He was professor emeritus of economics at Williams College, where he began teaching in 1984. Dick was co-founder and chairman of the board of Tripod Inc., an Internet venture that he started with two of his Williams students. Tripod was one of the first dotcoms. *Success Magazine* called him the "Johnny Appleseed of the

New Philanthropy."

Born in New York City, he received his bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania, where he rowed crew and stroked the Men's Lightweight Eight. He was both a Fulbright and Thouron Scholar and a Kent Fellow at Oxford, and rowed for the

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