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Welcome to the Lent 2016 issue of *Petrean News*. The Development Office hopes you had an enjoyable Christmas and are looking forward to 2016.

Michaelmas term saw a packed schedule of events and it was wonderful to see so many of you at the various dinners, lunches, drinks parties and lectures over the winter months.

At the start of the term we welcomed back members who have chosen to remember the College in their will to the annual William Stone dinner. Guests enjoyed drinks hosted by the Master in the Lodge, followed by dinner in the Combination Room. The end of October was marked by the much anticipated House of Lords Wine Tasting Dinner, hosted by the Peterhouse Society Chairman Lord Thomas of Gresford (matric. 1955), in honour of the contribution Dr Roderick Munday has made to the College.

November also proved to be a busy month, with the first Sackler Hammond Lecture taking place in the Friends of Peterhouse Theatre on the 4th, followed on the 14th by The Women’s dinner; a wonderful chance to celebrate the women of Peterhouse, 30 years after the first year group of women were admitted to the College. The month was rounded off with the bi-annual London Drinks evening at the Oxford and Cambridge Club in Mayfair.

Term was brought to a close in December with the London Carol Service, where choir members past and present joined together to sing carols and hymns in the atmospheric surroundings of St James Garlickhythe Church.

Please read on for more College news, as well as ‘what’s coming up’ for the rest of the term.
NEWSFLASH

We would like to enlist your help with a few initiatives that we wish to undertake.

**Careers Events**

As put forward in the autumn edition of *Petrean News*, we are still looking for Petreans who are in a position to offer internships and work experience to our current students. If you or your firm would be interested in offering this great opportunity, please contact Holly Ashcroft

**Sports Dinner**

On 15 April 2016, we would like to mark the Master’s retirement and his interest in sport with a dinner for all Petrean Blues, half Blues, international/representative/county sporting Petreans and former Captains of Peterhouse sports clubs (on a first-come, first-served basis). We hope that one or two sporting VIPs will also be in attendance. If you would like to receive an invitation, please contact us with the relevant details of your sporting career so that we can update your record and we will add you to the list. If you are eligible but not able to join us, please do get in touch so that we can update your record anyway. Invitations will be sent out nearer the time.

**The 1828 Club**

The 1828 Club - the new Peterhouse Boat Club alumni supporter's network - continues to grow in numbers and popularity. Our drinks evening, this year on Thursday 18 February, is now an established annual event, and we look forward to the 1828 Club hosting a pitch at Henley Royal Regatta for our members and the alumni community. In addition to this, we are initiating our aim of reuniting past PBC crews at the Lent Bumps dinner, this year inviting all 2008/2009/2010 crews to attend. For further details of these events, and the 1828 Club more generally, please contact Oli Wettern by email at oli@wettern.co.uk

**Facebook**

The official Peterhouse Facebook page has moved. Please ‘like’ the new page to stay up to date with everything that is happening at the College. We are now at [www.facebook.com/peterhouse.camb](http://www.facebook.com/peterhouse.camb).

**Golf Day**

This year’s Golf Day will take place at the [Royal Worlington and Newmarket Golf Club](http://www.rwanst.co.uk), on Friday 10 June. Please contact Paula Vanninen if you would like to take part.
The Master, Professor Adrian Dixon’s, Final Gathering

A reminder bookings are now being taken for the 2016 Gathering, on Saturday 25 June. This year’s Gathering will be the last event in the College Calendar that Professor Adrian Dixon will preside over as Master of Peterhouse. For a booking form please visit the Peterhouse website.

RECENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

House of Lords Wine Tasting Dinner

Following the success of the 2013 wine tasting dinner, The Peterhouse Society were keen to repeat the occasion in 2015. The current Chairman of the Society, Lord Thomas of Gresford (matric. 1955), kindly offered to host the dinner in the grand surroundings of the House of Lords. The dinner also provided an opportunity to celebrate the contribution Dr Roderick Munday, Senior Fellow, Steward and Wine Steward, has made to the College. The event sold out almost immediately, making for a packed and lively Peer’s Dining Room on the night. Wine and Port specially selected by Dr Munday and Hal Wilson (matric. 1987), owner and managing director of Cambridge Wine Merchants, accompanied the three course meal, with tasting notes provided by both at the start of each course. Considering the popularity of the dinner, we are looking to hold wine tasting events more frequently.
Sackler Hammond Lecture

On Wednesday 4 November 2015, The McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research and Peterhouse joined together for the first Raymond and Beverly Sackler lecture in Archaeology, in honour of Professor Norman Hammond (matric. 1963). Professor Peter Addyman (matric. 1958) (Founding Director, York Archaeological Trust) presented ‘Creating heritage: Vikings, Jorvik and public interest archaeology’, exploring the impact York’s archaeological discoveries have had on gaining public interest and support for further archaeological exploration throughout the UK. The lecture was followed by a drinks reception. We will keep you updated with the date of the next lecture.

Women’s Dinner

2015 marked the 30th anniversary of the admission of the first year-group of women undergraduates in 1985, following the Governing Body’s decision to do so in 1983. Saturday 14 November saw nearly 100 women Petreans join with current students to celebrate this momentous occasion with talks by various women Petreans and Fellows, followed by drinks and dinner in Hall. The event was spearheaded by members of the Beard Society, a platform within Peterhouse for the discussion of feminism and the role of women in modern society. For more information about the society please visit the Beard Society Facebook page.

(See photograph overleaf)
Carol Service

The 2015 Petrean events calendar was brought to a resounding finale by the annual London Carol Service at St James Garlickhythe; a beautiful wren church in the heart of The City. The congregation was bolstered by a choir made up of current members from the College plus Voces Petrensium (the Peterhouse alumni choir). Carols and hymns were followed by drinks overlooking the River Thames in the atmospheric Banker pub. Sadly this was our last year at St James’ so we are now looking for a new venue for 2016. If you have connections to a central London church where we can hold this year’s carol service, please do get in touch.
Late Stayers Dinner

The annual ‘late stayers’ pre-Christmas dinner for overseas undergraduate and graduate students was held on Sunday 20 December, organised through the generosity of Miss Olivia Lott (matric. 2002) and her parents, Dr Charles and Mrs Lucy Lott from Australia. Around a dozen overseas students, staying in College over the Christmas break, attended the dinner, which provides a wonderful opportunity to develop friendships during what can be a lonely time of year for those far from home. The Master and Mrs Dixon started the evening by hosting pre-dinner Champagne in the Master’s Lodge.

Telephone Campaign

This year’s Telephone Campaign took place after the New Year between the 4 and 11 January. We were assisted by twelve student callers who made 354 calls to members, with 70.9% of those called contributing to the campaign. 2016 was a shorter campaign than in previous years, but incredibly cash donations and pledges received totalled just over £200,000, an increase of 21.5%.

If you are thinking of making a donation to the College in the future, please do not hesitate to contact us if you require assistance. If you would like to make a regular donation we can arrange for a Direct Debit to be set up with your bank. Alternatively if you wish to make a single gift you can do so by cheque, or by making a donation through the Charities Aid Foundation.
COLLEGE NEWS

Fellowship

The following election was made with effect from the end of October 2015:

Professor John Robb
Fellow, Department of Archaeology

Anglo-Bolivian Society Dissertation Prize

Petrean and recent MML graduate, Harriet Marsden (matric. 2010), has been awarded first place in the Anglo-Bolivian Society Dissertation Prize, for her piece on the Bolivian death cult. As well as first prize, Harriet also gained the opportunity to present her work to the Society. Congratulations from all at the College. For more information please visit the Anglo-Bolivian website.

Equatorie of the Planetis - The Ayrton Prize

The digitized Equatorie of the Planetis, held by the College, has recently been shortlisted for The Ayrton Prize, which recognises outstanding web projects and digital engagement in the history of science, technology and medicine. If you are a member of the British Society for the History of Science (BSHS), please do take a moment to cast your vote on the BSHS website.

The Equatorie of the Planetis is part of the Perne collection and dates from the 14th century. The manuscript describes how to build and use an instrument to predict the movement of the planets and is thought to have been written by Chaucer himself. The entire manuscript is now available online for public viewing, a project which has taken two years. Congratulations to all those involved with the digitization.
Sam Mendes Surprises Students

Peterhouse undergraduates received a surprise visit from director and Petrean Sam Mendes (matric. 1984), while rehearsing their end of term play, Alan Ackbourn’s Table Manners. Mendes made the unannounced trip to Peterhouse to mark the 30th anniversary of his first ever play, which he directed during his time at the College. Mendes stayed to watch the students practice their lines, before taking a quick photograph. To read the full story, please visit the Cambridge Evening News website.

Cambridge Conference on Language Endangerment

The sixth annual Cambridge Conference on Language Endangerment, organised by Peterhouse Fellow, Dr Mari Jones (matric. 1993), will take place on Wednesday 6 July 2016 in the Alison Richard Building, 7 West Road, Cambridge CB3 9DT. The subject of this year’s conference is Curriculum Design and Evaluation for Endangered Language. To find out more and to sign up for the conference, please visit the MML website.
University Challenge

Congratulations to the Peterhouse University Challenge Team for their performance in the quarter finals of the competition. The team, made up of Thomas Langley (matric. 2013, reading History), Oscar Powell (matric. 2013, reading Natural Sciences), Captain, Hannah Woods (matric. 2013, reading History for a Ph.D.) and Julian Sutcliffe (matric. 2014, reading History) defeated the University of York team in a close fought match, 185 points to 165. Visit the University Challenge website to catch up if you missed it on BBC2.

Boat Club News

A quick update from the Boat Club on the results over Fairbairn’s

M1 won the Senior IVs Division with a time of 10:55.3
M2 improved on last year’s time in the Senior VIII’s division finishing the course in 15:37.5.
W1 came second in the Women’s Senior IVs division with a time of 12:53.7
Cross Keys IVa finished the course in 12:47.8 whilst Cross Keys IVb finished in 14:23.2 The Women’s Cross Keys VIII finished the course in 18:54.4 and it is fantastic to see many recent female graduates returning to row for the Club!
The Men’s Cross Keys VIII put down an impressive time of 15:30.4 (7s faster than M2, whoops!)

The Club was also pleased to enter a Novice Men’s boat and two Novice Women’s boats.
YOUR NEWS

CEO Appointment

Dr Jian Ni (matric. 1988) has been appointed as CEO of The National Engineering Research Center of Antibody Medicine (CMAB, China). The only state-level engineering research institution for antibody drugs in China. It focuses on the requirement of antibody technology in malignancy, infectious diseases and immune systemic diseases and other major diseases, while looking for a breakthrough in technical bottlenecks in the development of antibody drugs. The Development Office offer our congratulations for this most prestigious accolade. The find out more about the CMAB please visit the CP Guojian Pharmaceutical Co. website.

International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing Award

Paul Newby (matric. 1963) was, for twelve years from 1999, Editor of The Photogrammetric Record, the UK-based international scholarly journal dedicated to all aspects of photogrammetry (the art and science of measurement using photography). On retirement from that position in 2011, the UK’s Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry Society, by now the co-owner (with Wiley-Blackwell) of The Photogrammetric Record, conferred on Paul the title Editor Emeritus, followed in 2013 by the award of the Society’s Founders’ Medal.

Meanwhile and over many years, since before his early retirement from the Ordnance Survey in 1994, he had been involved in the work of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS), as Chairman of a Technical Working Group on Map and Database Revision, eventually as the UK’s delegate to the ISPRS General Assembly, and finally as author of a guide to photogrammetric terminology and style which was adopted as an official document for use as a standard for ISPRS purposes. Paul was honoured by ISPRS through election as a Fellow at the International Society’s quadrennial Congress in Melbourne in 2012; the Fellowship recognises “sustained excellent service to ISPRS and its aims” and will consist of a maximum of 30 persons at any one time (at present only 16). Currently Paul continues to be occasionally in demand as a freelance editor and technical translator (from French or German into English) covering geomatics (the modern name for surveying and mapping in the digital age) and its applications, notably working at various times for swisstopo (the Swiss national mapping organisation).
Melbourne 2012: Paul Newby (on the left) receives the award of Fellowship of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing from the President, Orhan Altan (Turkey); also elected to Fellowship, Professors Dieter Fritsch (Germany) and Martien Molenaar (The Netherlands) [ISPRS photo: Andrew Hobbs]

The fiftieth anniversary of the Cambridge Ala Dağ expedition

Paul Newby also recounts that in 2015 he and five other Cambridge graduates celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the Cambridge Ala Dağ Expedition, an exploratory mountaineering expedition to southern Turkey, during which his team climbed some 20 peaks including a number of “new routes” and “first British ascents”.

‘Having found each other again via the Internet and all agreeing that a reunion should take place, one team member and his wife took the risk of inviting five other mountaineers mostly unseen for nearly all of those 50 years - with their wives – to stay at their holiday home in the French Alps in July 2015. It was extraordinary and delightful how well we all fitted together, exactly as in 1965. The finest local peak was identified and climbed by myself (a member of the Alpine Club) while guiding two members of the Royal Society – the latter joking that having failed to get into the Alpine Club in their youth, they just had to be content with FRS (Fellow of the Royal Society) later in life. Gathering such a superb team around me for the Cambridge Ala Dağ Expedition must rank as the pinnacle of my management career! In the event only one member had to cry off, but he clocked in by Skype at the height of our festivities: a poignant reminder that we (and our parents !) were certainly better off without such amenities in 1965, when self-reliance – and teamwork – were thoroughly tested, and not just on the summits! (see picture – Minibus “borrowed” by Turks).
I remain to this day most grateful for the College’s financial support for that expedition. On applying to the same fund for a further grant in 1966, for a far more ambitious expedition to climb virgin peaks in the Afghan Hindu Kush, I was told, kindly but firmly, that College input in 1965 was intended to provide a launch pad for whatever I might aspire to in future, but that I should now look beyond the College for help. This proved to be a wise decision: adequate funds were found elsewhere for a highly successful three-man lightweight pioneering expedition during what we now know was a short-lived golden age for Afghanistan; and my recruitment to the Directorate of Overseas Surveys on graduation was undoubtedly facilitated by my track record as a young explorer and traveller. I hope that whoever benefited from the equivalent travel grant, denied to me in 1966, has had an equally interesting life.

Paul Newby, January 2016

**Academic Awards**

Judith Aveling (matric. 1992) - has been awarded a Ph.D. in late medieval history and liturgy: *‘In nomine lesu omne genu flectatur. The Late Medieval Mass and Office of the Holy Name of Jesus: Sources, Development and Practice’.*

Pradita Astarina (matric. 2014) – Having completed her MBA at Peterhouse, Pradita was nominated for the ‘MBA Star’ award at the [Women of the Future Summit](#).
FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Peterhouse History Society, Tuesday 2 February 2016

Meetings are held in The Parlour at 8.30 for 8.45p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.45p.m., Tuesday 2 February 2016

The Kelvin Club, Tuesday 9 February 2016

Meetings are held in the Lubbock Room at 8.30 for 8.45p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.45p.m., Tuesday 9 February 2016

Perutz Lecture, Wednesday 10 February 2016

MICHEL GOEDERT, MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology, Cambridge on ‘Exciting progress in understanding Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s diseases’

The lecture will take place at 5.45 p.m. in the Friends’ of Peterhouse Theatre at Peterhouse, followed by a drinks reception in the Lubbock Room, sponsored by the Austrian Cultural Forum. Please contact Holly Ashcroft if you wish to attend.

Friends of Peterhouse Theatre, Cambridge, 5.45p.m., Wednesday 10 February 2016

The Perne Club, Thursday 11 February 2016

Meetings are held in The Parlour at 8.15 for 8.30p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.30p.m., Thursday 11 February 2016
Camerata Musica, CHRISTOPH KONCZ, violin, and ALEKSANDAR MADZAR, piano, Tuesday 16 February 2016

Mozart, Sonata in B-flat, K. 454
Beethoven, Sonata in F, Op. 24 ‘Spring Sonata’
Richard Strauss, Sonata in E-flat, Op. 18

To book tickets, please visit the Camerata Musica Website

Friends of Peterhouse Theatre, Cambridge, 7.30p.m., Tuesday 16 February 2016

The Beard Society, Sarah Gavron, Thursday 18 February 2016

A talk by Sarah Gavron; director of critically acclaimed Suffragette.

Meetings take place in The Parlour at 8.30p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.30p.m. Thursday 18 February 2016

Boat Club- 1828 Club London Drinks, Thursday 18 February 2016

The 1828 Club’s annual drinks evening at the Oxford and Cambridge Club, London, from 6.30p.m. Please contact Holly Ashcroft if you wish to attend.

The Oxford and Cambridge Club, 71-77 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5HD, 6.00 p.m., Thursday 18 February 2016

The Kelvin Club, Tuesday 23 February 2016

Meetings are held in the Lubbock Room at 8.30 for 8.45p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.45p.m., Tuesday 23 February 2016

Peterhouse Politics Society, Thursday 25 February 2016

Meetings are held in The Parlour at 8.30 for 8.45p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.45p.m., Thursday 25 February 2016
Heywood Society Play, Wednesday 24 – Friday 26 February 2016

Play to be confirmed

Friends of Peterhouse Theatre, Cambridge, 7.30p.m., Wednesday 24–Friday 26 February 2016

Peterhouse History Society, Tuesday 1 March 2016

Meetings are held in The Parlour at 8.30 for 8.45p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.45p.m., Tuesday 1 March

The Perne Club, Thursday 3 March 2016

Meetings are held in The Parlour at 8.15 for 8.30p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.30p.m., Thursday 3 March 2016

Law Dinner, Friday 4 March 2016

On Friday 4 March a dinner will be held at Peterhouse in honour of the contribution Dr Munday has made to the College. Invitations to those who studied Law or have a career in Law have been sent out. If you have not received an invitation, but would like to attend please contact Holly Ashcroft.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 7.15p.m., Friday 4 March 2016

The Beard Society, Dr Alex Da Costa, Monday 7 March 2016

A talk on ‘The Fluidity of Feminism’ by Dr Alex Da Costa

Meetings take place in The Parlour at 8.30p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.30p.m. Monday 7 March 2016
Careers Event, Thursday 10 March 2016

Careers talks for current students in the theatre followed by a drinks reception and then dinner in Hall.

If you or your firm would be interested in offering internships, work experience on mentoring to our students, please contact Holly Ashcroft.

Friends of Peterhouse Theatre, Cambridge, 5.30p.m., Thursday 10 March 2016

Peterhouse Politics Society, Thursday 10 March 2016

Meetings are held in The Parlour at 8.30 for 8.45p.m.

Peterhouse, Cambridge, 8.45p.m., Thursday 10 March 2016

London Drinks Evening, Thursday 17 March 2016

The London drinks evening will be held on Thursday 17 March from 6.30 p.m. onwards at the London Welsh Centre, kindly arranged by the Chair of the Peterhouse Society Committee, Lord Thomas of Gresford. No booking or admission fee: pay bar, with light snacks available. As always, the evening will be wholly informal – simply come and go as you please. For catering purposes please contact Holly Ashcroft if you would like to attend.

London Welsh Centre, London, 6.30p.m., Thursday 17 March 2016
PUBLICATIONS

Edited by Dr Mari Jones

Policy and Planning for Endangered Languages, Language policy issues are imbued with a powerful symbolism that is often linked to questions of identity, with the suppression or failure to recognise and support a given endangered variety representing a refusal to grant a 'voice' to the corresponding ethno-cultural community. This wide-ranging volume, which explores linguistic scenarios from across five continents, seeks to ignite the debate as to how and whether the interface between people, politics and language can affect the fortunes of endangered varieties. With chapters written by academics working in the field of language endangerment and members of indigenous communities on the frontline of language support and maintenance, Policy and Planning for Endangered Languages is essential reading for researchers and students of language death, sociolinguistics and applied linguistics, as well as community members involved in native language maintenance. The book is available to purchase from Cambridge University Press.

William Davies (matric. 1995)

The Happiness Industry, What was a Buddhist monk doing at the 2014 World Economic Forum in Davos lecturing the world's leaders on mindfulness? Why do many successful corporations have a chief happiness officer? What can the chemical composition of your brain tell a potential employer about you? In the past decade, governments and corporations have become increasingly interested in measuring the way people feel: the Happiness index, Gross National Happiness, well-being and positive psychology have come to dominate the way we live our lives. As a result, our emotions have become a new resource to be bought and sold. In a fascinating investigation combining history, science and ideas, William Davies shows how well-
being influences all aspects of our lives: business, finance, marketing and smart technology. This book will make you rethink everything from the way you work, the power of the Nudge, the ever-expanding definitions of depression, and the commercialization of your most private feelings. The Happiness Industry is a shocking and brilliantly argued warning about the new religion of the age: our emotions. The book is available to purchase from Amazon.

![Book Cover](image)

**Bernard Cadogan (matric. 1985)**

Bernard Cadogan has taken inspiration for his poetry from a region wracked by war between the 1790s and 1880s; the Waikato region of New Zealand. His website is regularly updated with poetry based on accounts from the time; please follow the link to read them.


**BOOK DONATIONS**

**Michael Davies (matric. 1960)**

**The Happiness Industry**
By William Davies (matric 1995)
Verso Books
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