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Whilst planning her gap year, Cassie stumbled on the American Academy of Dramatic Arts website. It was holding auditions in London the following week, so she thought – why not? She was accepted and delighted to be awarded a scholarship. An opportunity not to be missed and which took her to Hollywood where she attended the Los Angeles faculty of the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. The LA campus is built on the former Charlie Chaplin studio lot between Sunset and Santa Monica boulevards in the heart of Los Angeles and is a state of the art facility. She spent much of her time rehearsing for shows such as A Midsummer Night's Dream where she played Helena and Nell Gwynn in Playhouse Creatures as well as Louis in Dear Friends and Meg in Crimes of the Heart. She graduated in 2007 and performed a showcase to an audience of industry professionals as part of her final year. She was signed to RPM Talent a Los Angeles based agency and has been working on various independent movies, most recently 'That Side of a Shadow', and is currently working as the spokesperson, filming an advert for an American baby bed company.



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Walter Cohen (Petergate 38-40)



Walter at Blundell's

Walter was born Walter Adolf Cohen in Germany in 1924, the child of Arthur, a Jewish merchant, and his wife Anne. By 1938, when he was 14 years old, the Nazi persecution of Jews had forced Walter's parents to seek ways to place him out of harm's way. Family acquaintances were able to secure him a place at Blundell's, all fees waived. Life at Blundell's was in many ways very strange for Walter. As for sports, cricket and rugby were a total mystery. One not so pleasant memory that remains with him is being

repeatedly at the bottom of scrums, caked in cold mud, on a rain-swept field. In the Summer 1939 issue of the Petergate house magazine, *The Beaver*, contains a poem written by Walter. Shortly after the outbreak of war, Walter's education was interrupted, when, due to the machinations of the Enemy Aliens Act, he was removed. However he was able to return to Blundell's for his final term in 1940. Sadly most of Walter's family perished in the Holocaust and he decided it was best to relocate to Long Island. On retire-

ment in 1993 he and his wife moved to Florida to enjoy life in a warmer climate.



Blundell's must take considerable pride from having decided to help the young Walter in those frightening days of 1938 – a decision more than justified by the example of his successful life.



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For the Country and the People

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Robert Honstein (FH 98-99) English Speaking Union Student.

Robert was a stalwart of the Music and Drama departments during his time at Blundell's; whilst at Yale he sang with the Duke's Men of Yale and the Whiffenpoofs (touring vocal groups) and travelled the world with them. They also performed on 'The West Wing'. He writes music for choir, large chamber ensemble, saxophone quartet and brass quintet. He also sings and plays the piano (right). After Blundell's we went to Yale University; M.M., The University of Texas at Austin;

M.M.A., Yale School of Music Albany Symphony Composer to Centre Stage program. He has been selected for reading by symphony The Young New Yorkers Chorus annual Young Composer Competition, winner 2010. And also received the

ASCAP Morton Gould Young Composer Award in 2006 and received an honourable mention in 2007. He has studied alongside Martin Bresnick, David Lang and Chris Theofanidis.

Robert 's conducting in practice



Old Blundellians

- ROBERT HONSTEIN
- JOHN MATTINGLY
- ADRIAN LEWIS
- CHRIS EMBY
- NICK HIPPISELY-COXE
- BAMPFYLDE MOORE CAREW
- GEORGE OLIVE MAY
- EDWARD HAYDEN
- CASSIE COPPERFIELD
- WALTER COHEN



Robert playing the Piano

John Mattingly (Petergate 1950-1954)

John went into the army for a period after leaving Blundell's, then moved to Canada, followed by California. He has followed his lifelong passions for cricket, cars and beer throughout, playing cricket for the OB Cricket Club and a variety of touring sides. He has run a car business specialising in Jaguars in Studio City for many years and Old Blundellian visitors enjoy a pint of draught beer in his bar surrounded by cricketana.



For the Country and the People

BAMPFYLDE MOORE CAREW: NOT A MODEL BLUNDELL'S PUPIL!

1693 – 1759 *Imposter and Swindler...*

Bampfylde Moore Carew was sent to Blundell's School in 1705. His early days were most promising; Carew's activities soon gave way to hunting. After damaging a local corn field on one of his hunts he joined a band of gypsies in fear of punishment.

Before long, Carew was convicted of being an idle vagrant and transported to Maryland. He was put in chains, but still managed to escape the authorities and was befriended by a

er's Scottish army to Carlisle and Derby.

He did eventually decide to cease his wanderings. He purchased a neat cottage near Bickleigh. Bampfylde Moore Carew died on August 27th 1759, and was buried in Bickleigh Churchyard.



Carew's subsequent escapades are recounted in *The Surprising Adventures of Bampfylde Moore Carew*

George Olive May *Father of American Accounting*

Also known as the 'Father of American Accounting', George Oliver May was born in 1875 in Teignmouth, Devon. He attended Blundell's School in England from September 1889 to December 1891, when he graduated. After training in Exeter, he left England to go to Price Waterhouse & Co. in the United States office. During World War I he served

as an official on the United States Treasury Department and the War Trade Board. Thereafter he served as an advisor to the U.S. Treasury and other government agencies. He lectured throughout his life including Columbia, Northwestern, Stanford, and Yale. His hobbies included the study of economic and legal theory and history,



and the collection of old English silver. He died May 25, 1961 at the age of 86.

HAYDEN cont.

Tragically, Hayden did not survive the War. He died from disease, still on active service, in September 1918, aged 27 years. His remains were laid to rest in the American Cemetery at Suresnes, in the suburbs of Paris. (see below)

EDWARD HAYDEN

AN AMERICAN OLD BLUNDELLIAN WHO WON THE MEDAILLE D'HONNEUR AND CROIX DE GUERRE.

Edward Bartlett Hayden began his education at Blundell's School in the Summer term of 1904.

Little is known of Hayden's life until he wrote a letter to the *Blundellian*, in which he states that he is serving in the American Ambulance Corps.

"When war broke out, feeling the blood of my boyhood again course through my veins I tried to enlist through the English Consul in Boston, but being a Yankee was not successful, so I did the next best thing; joined the American Ambulance and came immediately to France. Have been in Belgium (1914 - 15) for ten months, went through the first and second battle of the Yser, the battle of Champagne and Verdun. At the latter place my nerves gave way and I was in hospital several weeks. Then I returned to America on a six week leave of absence and collected \$28,000 and sixty men for our Corps. Upon my return from the States I was decorated with the Medal of Honour and War Cross so feel I have in a small way upheld the honour of an OB, even though a Yankee".



American Cemetery at Suresnes, France

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Adrian Lewis (Milestones 75-79)
-New York

Adrian S. Lewis is currently a Professor at Cornell University, where he is Director of the School of Operations Research and Information Engineering. Adrian is a Fellow of the Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM). He received the 1995 Aisenstadt Prize, from the Canadian Centre de recherche mathematiques, the 2003 Lagrange Prize for Continuous Optimization from SIAM and the Mathematical Programming Society, and an Outstanding Paper Award from SIAM in 2005. He co-authored 'Convex Analysis and Non-Linear Optimization' (below). His research concerns variational analysis and nonsmooth optimization, with a particular interest in optimization problems involving eigenvalues. He is pictured here with his daughter Nia (above) and his book (right).



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"THERE ARE
TWO GIFTS
WE CAN GIVE
THE FIRST IS
ROOTS AND THE
SECOND IS
WINGS."

-HODDING
CARTER-

Chris Emby (School House 74-79) – San Francisco

After St Michael's Tavistock and Blundell's, Chris returned to the USA and qualified as an accountant at the University of San Francisco. He now works as a partner in a San Francisco accountancy firm and fantasises about classic cars and cocktails. He is treasurer of the Friends of Blundell's in the USA and keeps in touch with several OBs there.

He married Julia and they would be happy to hear from any OBs who find themselves in San Francisco



Nick Hippisley-Coxe (Petergate 58-63) – Los Angeles



Nick was a distinguished member of the front row union at Blundell's, hooking for the Senior Colts and the 1st XV. He left to go into the film industry and spent 15 years in Hong Kong before moving to Los Angeles. He is married to Sheelagh and they live in Venice with a great many cats.

Nick is a well known and respected film producer. He specialised in high class advertisements and has now moved onto feature films. He and Sheelagh are very involved in the Venice community and Nick is also a Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist as well as being CEO of the Healing Channel.

He visited Blundell's in 2010 and advised Blundellians interested in a career in film. He still watches rugby internationals on TV in LA or wherever his filming takes him. Nick and Sheelagh's daughter also attended Blundell's and is now based in New York working as a costume designer in film on projects such as Sex and The City.