Annual Report Issue
This edition of the Chartwell Bulletin constitutes the Annual Report of The Churchill Centre for calendar 2002. While the last two Annual Reports have been glossy, bound affairs, this year’s Report has been boiled down to its essential elements. Hence, we present herewith a letter from our immediate past President, John G. Plumpton; our current President, William C. Ives; and, a summary of the audited financial statements.

The end of 2002 marks the end of The Churchill Centre as a strictly volunteer-run organization and the beginning of a new era with a full-time office in downtown Washington, D.C., and a paid staff in the form of our new Executive Director. We anticipate that the level and pace of our activities will increase exponentially, as you have already begun to read in both Finest Hour and Chartwell Bulletin. The Board of Governors invites your continued support, now and into the future, and solicits your comments and recommendations at any time. Please don’t hesitate to contact any member of the Board or our Executive Director, whose names and contact information are on page 8. As always, we thank you for your membership in and support of The Churchill Centre and its ongoing mission: to foster leadership, statesmanship, vision and boldness among democratic and freedom-loving peoples through the thoughts, words, works and deeds of Winston Spencer Churchill.

We are always prepared to be asked, “What does The Churchill Centre do?” And we respond, often at length, with brief accounts of activities. We wholeheartedly believe we should share a broader answer with a much broader audience—and to that end we offer the following list of accomplishments:

- **Symposia and Seminars:** Churchill as Peacemaker, Churchill’s Iron Curtain Speech, Churchill in the Postwar Years, Winston Churchill’s Marlborough, Maynard E. Pont Seminar, Churchill and the Civil War Gettysburg Mini-Conference, eight Student Seminars since 1995, seventy academic panels since 1988, American Political Science Association Convention Churchill programs since 1996.
- **Scholarships:** University of Dallas Churchill’s England Program; Centre for Second World War Studies, University of Edinburgh
- **International Conferences:** Twenty since 1983, where members, scholars, students, family, critics and champions meet to discuss and debate Churchill’s life and times. The largest to date was 400+ at Boston in 1995; the smallest was twenty in Melbourne in 1991. Hundreds of college and high school students have been sponsored to attend conferences, listen to speeches, and take part in discussions. Many students have contributed their own papers on Churchill issues to our biannual Churchill Proceedings.
- **Speakers (Partial list):** William F. Buckley, Jr.; Sen. Harry F. Byrd, Jr.; John Charmley; Winston S. Churchill; Sen. Max Cleland; Alistair Cooke; Sir Martin Gilbert; Robert Hardy; Sir Edward Heath; Lord Heseltine; Sir David Hunt; Lord Jellicoe; Lord Jenkins; Jack Kemp; Amb. Jeane Kirkpatrick; David McCullough; Sir Anthony Montague Browne; The Countess Mountbatten; Sir Robert Rhodes James; Amb. Paul H. Robinson, Jr.; William A. Rusher; Celia Sandys; Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr.; Amb. Raymond Seitz; Lady Soames; Gov. John Sununu; Lady Thatcher; Caspar W. Weinberger.
- **Internet Presence:** www.winstonchurchill.org, one million hits per year from over 100 countries; listserv winston: e-mail discussion program.
- **Information:** 1) The Centre answers thousands of questions per year about Churchill, including speech and quotation attribution, from government, media, the military, politicians and the public, from the White House to the New York Times. 2) Through its “Rapid Response Team,” the Centre counters erroneous or unfair representations of Churchill. 
You’re Invited: Don’t Miss These Great Events!

20TH INTERNATIONAL CHURCHILL CONFERENCE
HAMPTON, BERMUDA, NOVEMBER 4TH-8TH

Registrations are pouring in and our official hotel is fast filling up for one of the most exciting and ambitious conferences in Centre history. If you have missed or misplaced your registration packet or discount hotel information, telephone Dan Myers NOW at 888-WSC-1874... Last call!

THIRD CHURCHILL LECTURE AND CHURCHILL CENTRE OPENING RECEPTION
WASHINGTON, D.C., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

12 Noon: The Third Churchill Lecture, with MSNBC broadcaster Chris Matthews as master of ceremonies, will be held at the Jack Morton Auditorium, George Washington University. We are unable at this point to confirm the lecturer, but the topic will involve Churchill’s role in the making of the modern Middle East at the 1921 Cairo conferences. A question and answer session with GWU students will consider whether Churchill’s decisions were the right ones, and what light if any his experience sheds on the problems and challenges of the Middle East today.

The Churchill Centre Grand Opening: Celebrate the opening of our new Washington, D.C. home office with a reception at the Washington Hyatt Hotel starting at 5PM on the same day, Thursday, September 18th. Members and friends are cordially invited, and an interesting group of Washington luminaries has also been invited. Complete details will be mailed in early September. Anyone wishing information now should telephone executive director, Daniel Myers, toll free at our Washington offices: 888-WSC-1874.

LARRY ARNN ON “CHURCHILL, TERROR AND STRATEGY”
PHILADELPHIA, FRIDAY, AUGUST 29TH

Please join The Churchill Centre in honoring Larry P. Arnn, who will speak on “Churchill, Terror, and Strategy” on Friday, August 29th at 8:30 p.m. at the Union League, 140 South Broad Street. Dinner subscription $75, RSVP by August 21st (dress: black tie or dark suit), payable to Churchill Centre (address on p. 1). For Visa/Mastercard telephone toll-free: (888) WSC-1874.

Dr. Arnn, the distinguished President of Hillsdale College in Michigan, received his Ph.D. in Government in 1985; from 1977 to 1980 he studied in England, where he was director of research for official biographer Martin Gilbert. As always, he offers a wealth of Churchill wisdom and experience. Drinks will be available at a cash bar at 8:00 p.m.; dinner will begin at 8:30 p.m. The menu consists of chilled Vichysoise; chicken Wellington with vegetables; tossed green salad, peach crème brûlée and coffee or tea. A vegetarian alternative will be available if requested in advance.

The Union League of Philadelphia was founded on 27 December 1862 to support President Abraham Lincoln and to unite the city in patriotism. In its first years, the League raised fifteen infantry, cavalry, and artillery regiments; printed over two million pamphlets for the Union; and persuaded Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton to create the first United States Colored Troops. After the Civil War, the League helped to preserve and restore Independence Hall and organized the American Centennial Celebration in 1876.

The League House is only a few blocks away from the convention hotels for the American Political Science Association. For directions, go to the League’s website, www.unionleague.org, or telephone (215) 563-6500. Parking is available at the Midtown Garage, directly across from the Sansom Street entrance to the League House.

Please join us for these memorable experiences in Bermuda, Washington, and Philadelphia. We look forward to seeing you!

HELP WANTED:
THE CHURCHILL MUSEUM AT THE CABINET WAR ROOMS

In January 2005, on the 40th anniversary of Winston Churchill’s death, the Churchill Museum will open at the Cabinet War Rooms, a branch of the Imperial War Museum. Looking at Churchill’s life, work and achievements, the Museum is the final component in the expansion and development of the Cabinet War Rooms, the scene of his historic wartime leadership. It is expected that this unique museum will attract over 400,000 visitors per annum from all over the world.

The Museum would very much like to hear from members of the Churchill Centre, readers of Finest Hour, and visitors to www.winstonchurchoff.org who would be prepared to support this project. We wish to acquire, either as a donation or on fixed term loan, original Churchill artifacts and documents for possible display in the Museum, in particular:

- Posters advertising lecture tour engagements in the USA
- Any items of uniform or other clothing worn by Churchill
- Churchill election posters
- Polo equipment which belonged to Churchill, or other material reflecting his varied interests
- Early editions of Savrola, Great Contemporaries, My Early Life and Arms and the Covenant.

If you would be prepared to donate or lend such items to the Churchill Museum, please contact James Taylor (jtaylor@iwm.org.uk), Head of Research and Learning, The Churchill Project, Imperial War Museum, Lambeth Road, London SE1 6HZ (Tel. 020 7207 9866).

Please do not send unsolicited material.

Further information on the planned Churchill Museum and the redevelopment of the Cabinet War Rooms can be found on the website www.iwm.org.uk.
INTRODUCTION

Recent challenges to freedoms we take for granted have resulted in a new appreciation of the timeless lessons from the life and achievements of Winston Churchill. In our thirty-five years, The Churchill Centre has had many missions, but a constant theme has been Churchill’s contemporary relevance to each and every generation. Issues of leadership are an everlasting challenge, and we have an ideal model.

Commentators usually remark on the contemporary need for the Winston Churchill of 1940; but we have also shown the extent to which Churchill was a “Renaissance man” throughout his life. Our programs in 2002 illustrated the variety of Churchill’s strengths and talents. The Hon. Celia Sandys spoke to the Curran Foundation in Delaware on how the young Winston prepared himself for a political career, followed with a lecture in Virginia on his life-long love of horses.

The 19th International Churchill Conference in September 2002 at the Lansdowne Resort in Leesburg, Virginia, explored the very relevant contemporary issue of “Churchill and the Intelligence World.” It showed not only that Churchill understood the importance of “golden eggs” (as he called his intelligence data from Bletchley) but that he was also well ahead of his contemporaries in World War I. Many university students attended our conference. They were selected by our co-sponsoring organization, the Intercollegiate Studies Institute, and by the Heritage Foundation. These students showed that the leadership of tomorrow’s generations is in good hands. We will continue to develop their potential to meet future challenges.

Outreach programs have always been a priority for The Churchill Centre. Our primary mode is our website. Our million web visitors come from over 100 countries, from Australia to Zimbabwe. The Churchill Classroom section assists teachers and guides students in using our resources about Churchill’s life and times. Our “Study History, Study History” poster has now been sent to over 5,000 schools for display in their classrooms. With the Churchill Archives in Churchill College, Cambridge, England, and the Library of Congress, we will bring a major exhibit on ‘Churchill and the Great Republic’ to Washington, DC in 2004 to celebrate the 60th anniversary of D-Day.

The Churchill Centre continues to work closely with its allies in Canada and the United Kingdom. That partnership is presently planning conferences in Bermuda in 2003, Portsmouth, England in 2004, and Quebec City, Canada in 2005.

As The Churchill Centre, successor to ICS USA, approaches the end of its first decade, it welcomes Dan Myers as its Executive Director. Working from our new Washington office, he and President Bill Ives are charting new directions to ensure not only that our mission stays relevant but that we have an organizational structure and the financial resources to achieve it. With the continuing support of our membership, we will ensure the immortality of Churchill’s achievements.

JOHN G. PLUMPTON, PRESIDENT, THE CHURCHILL CENTRE, 2000-2002

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When John Plumpton announced in September 2002 that his increasingly successful student overseas study program necessitated a premature departure as Churchill Centre President, he invited me as president-elect to accept considerable operational responsibility for the Churchill Centre during the last three months of his term. He firmly believed that it was not in the best interests of the Centre to permit its programs to languish or its momentum to subside. He not only promised full support for initiatives that might be undertaken during the last quarter of 2002; he gave it. Our members should be most grateful that John’s responsible approach greatly facilitated a seamless transfer of responsibility. I know I am.

In late 2001, detailed groundwork essential to the successful opening of the Centre’s new Washington offices was completed in time for the first meeting of the Centre’s Executive Committee there in early January. Also during the fourth quarter, Dan Myers, our new Executive Director, was engaged in an intensive orientation and planning process, preparatory to his officially assuming his duties on January 1st. Various Centre officers, Governors and others provided Dan with much useful advice, assistance and cooperation so that by year-end he had been securely insinuated into the Centre’s plans and programs.

In November 2002 I advised the Governors of my preferences for their individual responsibilities beginning in January. Their responses were so positive that several began at once to fulfill them, not waiting until the beginning of the year.

Younger generations are our top priority. A solid relationship has been established with the Intercollegiate Studies Institute. We will actively seek out other student organizations and educational institutions with whom we can work. Active student involvement will be a feature of our annual conference. The Centre will continue to provide our “Study History!” posters to anyone who requests one. The Centre’s allied organizations and academic advisers will be asked to become more deeply involved in introducing high school and college students to Churchill’s example and enduring legacy.

Planning intensified for the Centre’s Bermuda conference to be held on November 4th to 8th, 2003, and its 2004 Portsmouth Conference including visits to the Normandy D-Day beaches and Berlin, beginning September 24th of that year. This Churchill Centre Conference will also be the culmination of the Centre’s ambitious D-Day fund raising campaign led by David Boler, Laurence Geller, and Richard Langworth. The purpose of this campaign is to permit the Centre to operate permanently, and eventually to purchase a permanent home, in Washington, DC.

Many other activities and projects are in varying stages of planning and development. I fully anticipate that in next year’s Annual Report, I shall be able to report on their successful implementation.

WILLIAM C. IVES, PRESIDENT, THE CHURCHILL CENTRE, 2003
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS’ REPORT

Board of Governors
The Churchill Centre
Washington, DC

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of The Churchill Centre as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Centre’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Churchill Centre as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Michael D. Sisk & Company, PC
Baltimore, Maryland
April 23, 2003

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## STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES: December 31, 2002 and 2001

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<td>Contributions</td>
<td>$287,397</td>
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<td>Seminars and book and other sales</td>
<td>220,611</td>
<td>155,384</td>
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<td><strong>Other revenue</strong></td>
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<td>Investment income, net of investment fees</td>
<td>34,034</td>
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<td><strong>Total support and revenue</strong></td>
<td>542,042</td>
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### UNRESTRICTED EXPENSES

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<td>27,887</td>
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<td>Programs</td>
<td>338,631</td>
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<td>Administrative</td>
<td>58,543</td>
<td>83,834</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses</strong></td>
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Change in unrestricted net assets before unrealized gain on investments:

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<td><strong>Change in net assets</strong></td>
<td>116,981</td>
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<td>Unrealized gains (losses)</td>
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<td><strong>Change in unrestricted net assets before unrealized gain on investments</strong></td>
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Unrestricted net assets, beginning of year:

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<td><strong>Unrestricted net assets, end of year</strong></td>
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### Note 1. Significant Accounting Policies

**Nature of activity:** The Churchill Centre was incorporated in the State of Illinois to conduct educational and charitable activities and to promote study and appreciation of the life and thought of Sir Winston Churchill.

**Tax status:** The Centre is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for federal or state income tax has been provided in the accompanying financial statements.

**Contributions,** including unconditional promises to give, are recorded as received. All contributions are available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Unconditional promises to give during the next year are reflected as current pledges receivable at their net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give during subsequent years are reflected as long-term pledges receivable at their net realizable value. Allowances for doubtful pledges are provided based on an estimate of potential uncollectible amounts at each year-end.

**Use of estimates:** The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires the use of estimates.

**Cash and cash equivalents:** The Centre considers highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

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Note 1. Significant Accounting Policies (continued from page 5)

Net assets: Unrestricted net assets are the net assets that are neither permanently restricted nor temporarily restricted by donor-imposed stipulations.

Donated services: The Organization receives a substantial amount of services from volunteers. No amounts have been recorded in the financial statements for these items since there is no objective basis to measure the value of such services.

Reclassification: The financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2001 have been reclassified to conform with the presentation for 2002.

Note 2. Investments

Investments consist of the following and are carried at fair market value. Investment expense was $3,801 and $3,428 for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

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<td>Money market funds</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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Note 3. Pledges Receivable

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<td>Amounts due in less than one year</td>
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<td>Amounts due in one to five years</td>
<td>2,500</td>
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<td>Allowance for uncollectible pledges</td>
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<td>Net realizable value</td>
<td>38,217</td>
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Note 4. Board Designated Endowment Net Assets

The Board of Governors has designated an Endowment Fund consisting of certain contributions and the related earnings and appreciation from the investment of these contributions. The Board of Governors may transfer from this Endowment Fund such sums as appropriate for the operations of the Centre; however it is the intent of the Board of Governors to limit such transfers to no more than the income (interest, dividends and realized gains on the sale of assets) derived from the investment of those contributions.

Note 5. Commitments.

The Centre leases office space in Washington, DC under a five year lease beginning January 1st, 2003. Annual rent is $29,664 which increases by 3% per year plus no more than .38% of the increase in operating expenses of the building.

The Centre has also entered into an agreement to retain an Executive Director at an annual cost of $95,000. The agreement may be terminated by either party upon thirty days advance written notice.
SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP: THE CHURCHILL CENTRE AND CHURCHILL MEMORIAL

CHICAGO, MAY 30TH—Thirty seven Chicago Churchillians enjoyed a delightful evening of dinner and comradery on Friday May 30 at the Wyndham Drake Hotel in Oak Brook. Susan Larson opened proceedings by thanking Ambassador Paul Robinson for his support. She then welcomed Jerry Morelock, Director of the Churchill Memorial and Library in Fulton, Missouri, as the speaker. News from the Centre included the spelling change from the former “Center” and information about the Bermuda Conference. The announcement that Chicago will host the 2006 International Conference was greeted with great enthusiasm. Eight members volunteered immediately to help with arrangements.

The group dined on Pesto Salmon and Filet Mignon while engaging in spirited conversation. Philip Larson introduced Jerry Morelock, who talked about the resources available on Churchill at the Fulton Museum and Library. He was enthusiastic about the Churchill Centre working with his organization toward the common goal of celebrating Churchill’s legacy. Naturally, the evening included a toast to the memory of Sir Winston. It concluded with members sharing items that they brought from their personal Churchill collections. The group will meet again in the autumn. Please contact Susan & Philip Larson (page 8).

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for the press and public, posting this information on its website and to a list of syndicated columnists and television news personalities. 3) Through its Speakers Bureau, the Centre provides the public with lists of speakers both lay and academic on all aspects of Winston Churchill. 4) Large posters bearing the Karsh Churchill photograph, our website and WSC’s admonition to “Study history, study history” have been distributed to 5,000 schools and libraries worldwide from Aden to Zaire.

- Exhibits and Memorials: Library of Congress Churchill and America Exhibit, 2004; Livadia Palace Churchill Room; Cabinet War Rooms Museum; Chartwell Museum; Bletchley Park (books and memorabilia); Churchill Memorial Stamps Exhibit; Grave of Mrs. Everest (perpetual care since 1982).
- Periodicals: Finest Hour, since 1968; Chartwell Bulletin, since 2001; Churchill Proceedings, since 1987.
- Works by Winston S. Churchill: The Dream; The Chartwell Bulletins 1935; Shall We All Commit Suicide?; The Churchill-Conover Correspondence.
- Works by Others: Uncomfortable Hero, by Caspar Weinberger; The Boer Conspiracy, by John Woods; Churchill’s London, by Martin Gilbert; Churchill’s Orders, Decorations and Medals, by Douglas Russell; Fifty Year calendars, 1940-1945, by John Plumpton; Guide to 28 Hyde Park Gate; Churchill Centre Video, narrated by Gregory Peck.


Not bad for a mainly volunteer organization operating within the strict constraints of a pitifully small budget!

We are often asked also why Churchill of all people needs a champion. Our answer is that time marches on, and memories fade. Churchill needs a champion to defend his good name from attacks by the uninformed; and to keep that name before a public with the manifold distractions of 21st century life: hundreds more distractions than past generations enjoyed. Our Patron describes our challenge perhaps most succinctly: “To keep the memory green, and the record accurate.”

It should be apparent that The Churchill Centre is not in competition with other major sources of Churchill activity and focus. The Centre is not a library, not an archive, not a museum, not a repository of Churchilliana, not a historical site, not a research institute, and certainly not an arbiter of how Sir Winston should be portrayed or remembered.

The Churchill Archives Centre in Cambridge, London’s Cabinet War Rooms (soon to be a superb museum), Chartwell, Bletchley Park, Blenheim Palace, the Imperial War Museum, and many other entities admirably fulfill their primary functions and do a fine job of portraying the real Winston Churchill. For its part, The Churchill Centre is an enormously valuable source of prompt and accurate information and service, and the organizing force behind many gatherings and activities from small local groups to international conferences.

The Centre is committed to expanding the Churchill community and enhancing its cohesiveness. We need the help of all to make it so. 
The Churchill Centre
Board of Governors, 2003

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