



Voice of ASL retires

"Good morning, this is the American School in London."

For close to 40 years, callers to ASL have been greeted by receptionist Anne Clay. When she started, the School was scattered in houses around Regent's Park, and the number of students ran in the low hundreds. She remembers visiting the construction site for the current school building, and watching the blue tower get closed down when a fire tore through several classrooms.

With her sharp memory for details, Anne has become something of an oral archive for the School, throwing out stories about famous visitors and long-forgotten incidents. Anne, who retired in October, recently agreed to talk about her ASL memories, helped by long-time faculty member Bob Carter, who retired last year, and John Lockwood, who will retire in June 2007.

To hear the interview, visit

www.asl.org/alumni or SchoolNet.

An audio link will be on each of these webpages.



John Lockwood, Bob Carter and Anne Clay