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### 1000th member for Hughes Hub

Our online alumni platform Hughes Hub continues to grow with over 1000 Hughesians now signed up. We have now launched our new Hughes Hub video and podcast series which celebrates the achievements of our alumni, students, and Postdocs with 15 minute insights into their research. These videos and podcasts give alumni a sense of the wide range of academic activity in College and among our 7000-strong international alumni community.

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**Front cover:** Gresham Court (photograph Phil Mynott)
Dear Alumni and Friends of Hughes Hall

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New year!

As we rush up to the end of another Michaelmas term, we have much good news to celebrate. Most importantly, we were able to open our new Gresham Court building across Fenners to students in September, and the 85 rooms and the associated study space have been very well received by the residents.

We all owe a tremendous vote of thanks to the combined efforts of Fellows, Senior Members, staff and alumni who made this successful project possible, both through donations and through their generosity in giving of their time and expertise. It means that we have been able to house pretty much all of the first-year students who wanted accommodation this year, which we believe will make it easier for them to feel a sense of community in the College. The project has been generously supported by alumni and friends of the College and we have now named 40 rooms in the new building at £5,000 per room. It would be negligent of me not to remind you that the opportunity remains to name a room after yourself, a loved one, or as part of a year group or team…

In September, I was in Hong Kong with Richard Berg Rust to invest Dr Edwin Leong with our first Pfeiffer Fellowship in recognition of his generous support to the College. His latest donation will be used both to provide more generous research and travel awards to our students and to fund a strengthened programme of activities for our post-doctoral members.

Extending the global theme, we are keen to develop further our links with sub-Saharan Africa and India. In November, we held our first ever African alumni dinner in Kampala, shortly after hosting the Cambridge in Africa research showcase, while our Fellows are active in these countries with our Governance labs study centre, in education and in science.

If any of you can help us extend our impact in these countries, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Finally, academic life continues apace. In particular, we have held two of our high profile subject dinners – the Ogden dinner for education and the Zimmern medical lecture and dinner - both of which have become major events in the Cambridge calendar, allowing our students and alumni to mingle with VIPs from around the University and beyond.

I hope you enjoy reading about College life as much as Laurel and I have enjoyed participating in it.

Dr Anthony Freeling
President
NEW HORIZONS
The Gresham Court opening

Alumni returning to Hughes now look over the broad sweep of Fenner’s to see a fine new building: Gresham Court has arrived. The opening of Gresham Court on 28 September represents an important milestone in the development of Hughes Hall. Its 85 rooms with resident students’ study space help to create a still closer and more cohesive student community, with easy connectivity of residential, academic and social environments.

The main façade on Gresham Road provides the College with a significant public frontage for the first time in its 131-year history, greatly enhancing our physical presence in Cambridge as well as greatly enriching our academic community. A striking feature is the view through the undercroft across the green sward of Fenner’s to the Wileman building – a wonderful view.

Other notable elements of the building, designed by award-winning architects RHP of Cambridge, include the hand-forged entrance gates. Made by renowned architectural blacksmith Alan Dawson, the gates display 116 marsh marigolds, marking the 116 nations in which Hughes members are represented. The marsh marigold is the oldest symbol of the College, adopted in the 1890s by the first generation of students. When a student from a hitherto unrepresented country matriculates at Hughes, a new marsh marigold will be added, celebrating our global reach and cosmopolitan character.

The bike-store screens are also unique, handmade by Alan Dawson to designs created by St Matthew’s Primary School on nearby Norfolk Street. The various motifs represent the children’s view of how the College should be symbolised, with cricket and rowing elements incorporated in the design to reflect our position on the University cricket field and our rowing prowess. We are proud to form part of our local community in Cambridge and are delighted by the contribution of our local school to the Gresham Court aesthetic.

The building has now been home to students for a few months and has very much become a part of the College’s identity.

Welcome to Gresham Court!
A tribute to the generosity of the Hughes community

We are most grateful to the many donors from around the world, alumni, friends and charitable trusts and foundations who have helped to bring Gresham Court to fruition. Some have named rooms, and these names weave into the building the strong connections which have been forged at the College over many years, connections which are solid and enduring. The building stands as a tribute to the generosity of the Hughes community and those who share and support our vision.

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Moving in
Nicholas Langford is the first to move into our new building

On a cloudy autumn day, the first student to walk the new path to Gresham Court headed expectantly to his new home. Classics student Nicholas Langford enjoyed his first sight of his ensuite room, the spacious kitchen areas and the Study Centre with its magnificent views over Fenner’s.

Nicholas commented, ‘After many months of anticipation, moving into Gresham Court was an exciting occasion. The facilities are excellent and there is intelligent planning behind the design of the rooms and the communal kitchens. It really is a very impressive building and I think that those who were generous enough to make donations to the Gresham Court campaign will be delighted.

The building is now bustling with student life.'
Pfeiffer Fellowship conferred upon Dr Edwin Leong

In September Dr Edwin Leong was conferred as the first Pfeiffer Fellow of Hughes Hall in a special ceremony at Hong Kong University.

Election to the Fellowship bestows a special honour on major benefactors to the College. It is named in honour of Edward and Emily Pfeiffer, whose bequest to the College in 1895 enabled it to construct its permanent home, the fine building which lies at the heart of the College today. Dr Leong becomes the first Pfeiffer Fellow of the College.

Dr Leong is a leading Hong Kong businessman and philanthropist. His relationship with Hughes Hall began in 2011 when he provided a full scholarship for a student of Hong Kong University to study at Hughes Hall. Between one and two students have been supported each year since. Dr Leong’s donations to Hughes now exceed £1m and he has now joined the University Guild of Benefactors.

The sixth son of Henry G. Leong, a comprador of British trading house Jardine Matheson, Dr Leong was imbued with the philanthropic spirit of his father. Building his fortune through his investment firm, Tai Hung Fai Enterprise, which specialises in residential, commercial and industrial properties, Dr Leong then established the Tai Hung Fai Charitable Foundation, a major philanthropic organisation which focuses particularly on alleviation of child poverty and support for aged people in Hong Kong and mainland China. He has also made a major contribution to higher education, creating three endowed chairs at Hong Kong University and a further Professorship at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Dr Leong commented, ‘Education is fundamental to all human endeavour and achieving the highest standards of learning and academic endeavour can be truly transformative – it is the engine of all human progress. I am therefore delighted to support Hughes Hall, part of a great University and a College for the 21st century which is intent on meeting the challenges of our new age. It is an honour to be awarded this Fellowship.’

President Dr Anthony Freeling said: ‘We are delighted to welcome Dr Leong to the Fellowship of Hughes Hall as our first Pfeiffer Fellow. He embodies the best of philanthropy, combining great generosity with real thoughtfulness and creativity, which he applies to a wide range of causes in Hong Kong, China and here at Hughes Hall’.

New Sacconaghi Bacon Scholar arrives

Myriam Maalouf (right) meets Gabrielle Sacconaghi Bacon, patron of the MPhil International Scholarship which Myriam was awarded for 2016/17. Myriam joins us from McGill University where she won the Alexander McKenzie Award for Political Science in 2015. Myriam is the second Scholar under the scheme for Canadian International Relations students, following Yuan Yi Zhu in 2015/16. Originally from Lebanon, Myriam also has experience as an intern at the Permanent Mission of Lebanon at the United Nations. We are delighted that Gabrielle has now rejoined Hughes as a PhD student, after graduating with an MPhil in International Relations (1988).

We hope that there are other former students out there who may be tempted to follow Gabrielle’s example...
Paola Ricciardi on the secrets of artists……

For the past five years, Dr Paola Ricciardi (Hughes Hall PDRA since April 2014) has spent most of her working days in a small lab, trying to uncover the secrets of artists who worked hundreds of years ago.

As a Research Associate in the Department of Manuscripts and Printed Books at the Fitzwilliam Museum, and as the only scientist working full-time on the MINIARE research project (www.miniare.org), Paola has been using a range of non-invasive imaging and spectroscopic methods to identify pigments and paint binders in almost 100 medieval and Renaissance illuminated manuscripts from the Museum’s collection. Her research is currently showcased in the Fitzwilliam’s bicentenary exhibition ‘COLOUR: The Art and Science of Illuminated Manuscripts’. The exhibition integrates the results of her scientific analyses with art historical and historical research, providing new insights on the way these medieval masterpieces were created, and on the broader context of their production.

An online digital resource (www.fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk/illuminated), launched in July of this year, expands on the research presented in the exhibition by providing high-resolution images and in-depth information about some of the most beautiful manuscripts displayed in the exhibition.

Dr Ricciardi helped to organise ‘Manuscripts in the Making: Art and Science’ – an international conference which was held at the Departments of Chemistry on 8–10 December 2016. The interdisciplinary programme features leading Manuscript experts and heritage scientists from major institutions in the UK, mainland Europe and the United States.

Enterprise Society in call for new alumni mentors

Help inspire our students to follow their entrepreneurial dreams by sharing your story.

Could you be a mentor for the 2017 Hughes Hall Enterprise Award?

Wearable devices that read aloud to the visually impaired, innovative materials for the laundry industry, a new model for affordable housing, a device that tracks whether patients take their medication correctly, and on-the-go charging for mobile devices were just a few of the business ideas entered into the 2016 Hughes Hall Enterprise Award.

The top three, voted by the membership, were offered mentoring and coaching to help them prepare for the grand final, where Vocalens, with its read-aloud device for the visually impaired that also has the potential to recognise faces, diagrams, mathematical formulae and foreign languages, proved irresistible to the judges.

We are looking for speakers to come along and share their story, or discuss an area of interest linked with their business, with the Hughes Hall Enterprise Society’s members. We have five spare slots this year, where you could make a difference to up and coming Entrepreneurs. If this is something you are interested in, please contact Lorraine on lorraine@innergameleadership.com or ring on +447714330600 to be part of our exciting team of speakers at the events.

We’re also looking for potential mentors to help prepare the top three for the 2017 final. The finalists will be selected by 27 February 2017, and the final will be held on 2 May 2017.

If you’re interested in being a mentor to one of the finalists in the 2017 Hughes Hall Enterprise Award, sign up by completing the form on our website: www.hugheshallenterprise.org/mentoring-scheme.html

We will get in touch if there’s a good fit between you and one of the teams.

Enterprise Society Chairman Rupert Pearce Gould commented, “The Enterprise Society is moving ahead with a very active membership and an inspiring new leader in Jacob Lewis. We now want to bolster this activity with alumni who are prepared to mentor young entrepreneurs in your chosen field(s), whether commercial or philanthropic. If any alumni want to be more active in this area then please do enrol on the website or contact one of the Enterprise Society committee members. Helping the next generation establish new ideas is one of the most rewarding endeavours I can imagine and all it involves is a bit of your time.”
Hughesian Stephen Cave (PhD Philosophy 1997) has been appointed Executive Director and Senior Research Fellow at the new £10m Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence (CFI) in Cambridge. CFI brings together four of the world’s leading universities (Cambridge, Oxford, Berkeley and Imperial College, London) to explore the implications of AI for human civilisation.

Stephen commented, “I am thrilled to be back here, and to be working on such a fascinating and important issue. I believe we are on the verge of an intelligence revolution that could be every bit as transformative for our society as the industrial revolution. To ensure this goes well, we need to think across traditional academic and national boundaries. Of all the partners we have here in Cambridge, I therefore particularly look forward to working with the highly international and interdisciplinary community at Hughes Hall.”

The Centre for the Future of Intelligence will initially focus on seven distinct projects in the first three-year phase of its work, reaching out to brilliant researchers and connecting them and their ideas to the challenges of making the best of AI. Among the initial research topics are: Science, value and the future of intelligence; Policy and responsible innovation; Autonomous weapons – prospects for regulation and Trust and transparency.

In the words of Professor Stephen Hawking at the Centre’s launch in October, ‘Artificial Intelligence has the power to eradicate poverty and disease or hasten the end of human civilisation as we know it’.

The Academic Director of the Centre, and Bertrand Russell Professor of Philosophy at Cambridge, Huw Price, said, “The creation of machine intelligence is likely to be a once-in-a-planet’s-lifetime event. It is a future we humans face together. Our aim is to build a broad community with the expertise and sense of common purpose to make this future the best it can be.”

Many researchers now take seriously the possibility that intelligence equal to our own will be created in computers within this century. Freed of biological constraints, such as limited memory and slow biochemical processing speeds, machines may eventually become more intelligent than we are – with profound implications for us all.

Distinguished Scholar award for CDI Director

In August Fellow Dr Michael Barrett, Director of the Cambridge Digital Innovation Study Centre at Hughes Hall, was keynote speaker and recipient of the Distinguished Scholar award for his division (Organisation Communications and Information Systems) at the Academy of Management conference in Anaheim. The address was entitled, Researching innovation in a digital age: transforming how we contribute with our research.

Michael was also the recipient of a Cambridge Africa grant for his paper, Creating value for mobile platforms: from financial inclusion to clean energy in Kenya.

The themes explored by the address and the research paper relate closely to the work of the new Centre.
Who are Refugees and Migrants? What makes people leave their homes? And other big questions

By Michael Rosen and Annemarie Young

Senior Member Annemarie Young and co-author Michael Rosen launched their new book, *Who are Refugees and Migrants? What makes people leave their homes?*, at Waterstone's Piccadilly. A lively question and answer session, chaired by Natasha Walter, writer, campaigner and founder of Women for Refugee Women, encouraged thoughtful debate and discussion around the current refugee crisis.

The book, for children aged 10+, explores the history of refugees and migration around the world and the effects on people of never-ending war and conflict, offering views from those with personal experience, including the campaigners Meltem Avcil and Muzoon Almellehan, the comedian and actor Omid Djalili and the poet Benjamin Zephaniah. The book helps readers to understand what has made people leave their homes, to take difficult and sometimes life-threatening journeys to new countries. What should the countries that receive them do about the situation? What links us all as human beings, and what happens when people are denied their human rights?

Annemarie commented, ‘Our aim is to get readers to think for themselves about the questions raised, and then use their answers to draw up their own declaration of human rights.’

The book is published by Wayland in hardback at £13.99 and is available now.

Dr Ron Zimmern with Sir Peter Lachman, Emeritus Sheila Joan Smith Professor of Immunology, who gave the eighth Zimmern Medical Lecture, *Cambridge Immunology since the Second World War* on November 22nd.

Hughes Life Fellow Dr Zimmern made an endowment gift to the College in 2014 to secure the event in perpetuity.

Oracy at Cambridge book launched at House of Lords

Oracy at Cambridge, the Hughes Hall Study Centre led by Professor Neil Mercer launched its new free-to-download publication *Speaking Frankly* at the Oracy Network launch, held in the House of Lords last month. The launch event also saw Voice 21 announce the results of research into the current state of speaking in schools, as well as the establishment of a commission, which will make recommendations on the future of oracy in education.

Following the government’s controversial 2013 decision to remove speaking and listening assessments from GCSE English grades, many schools haven’t integrated oracy into other parts of the curriculum and a new study published in November by LKMCO thinktank, reports that provision is patchy. ‘Few schools evaluate the quality of pupils’ verbal contributions in lessons, or communicate with parents about the quality of these contributions,’ it says.

The report notes 57% of teachers say they have not received training in oracy in the past three years, and 53% would not know where to look for more information if they needed it.

The Oracy network is a partnership between the English Speaking Union (ESU) and Voice 21 (an organisation also committed to the development of spoken communication skills), together with Oracy at Cambridge, educational charities, schools and academic bodies dedicated to fostering oracy skills and raising awareness of oracy.

*Speaking Frankly* may be downloaded at www.oracynetwork.org
Mary Buckley was privileged to be chosen by an international panel to be awarded a prestigious Academic Writing Residency in May 2016 at the Rockefeller Foundation’s Bellagio Centre on the shore of Lake Como in Italy. Mary was there under the Rockefeller Foundation’s focus area concerned with ‘Secure Livelihoods.’ She conducted research into recent Russian legislation on migrant workers and its impact on the lives of Tajiks and Uzbeks. She also wrote chapters of a book in progress.

From 1 January 2015, labour migrants from states with visa-free entry into Russia from the ‘near abroad,’ and which are not members of the Eurasian Economic Union (EEU), must pass tests in Russian language, history and law before they are eligible to obtain work permits. Of relevance are questions of state capacity to organise such tests efficiently, the role of corruption across regions, the nature of responses to illegalities by the legal system and the significance of a large number of recent deportations of migrants who may end up on a ‘black list’ and expelled from work opportunities in Russia for 3, 5 or 10 years. Both those who fail the tests and those who pass but who cannot subsequently find work, may end up in debt and unable to send home the remittances upon which relatives in Tajikistan and Uzbekistan rely. Those deported back home struggle to find work in weak economies, hit further by falls in the value of the rouble and the impact of Western sanctions on Russia. Tajikistan is the world’s most remittance-dependent economy which is affected, in part, by the health of the Russian economy. The project examines Russia’s changing migration policies, diverse assessments from Russia’s expert community and both positive and negative views from migrants themselves.

The Rockefeller Foundation enables internationally recognised academics, artists, thought leaders and practitioners to conduct focussed and goal-oriented work on topics of global importance in a serene setting. It also offers unparalleled opportunities to establish new connections with fellow residents across disciplines. It looks for projects which contribute to discourse and progress related to its goals, such as: 1) advancing inclusive economies that expand opportunities for more broadly shared prosperity; and 2) building resilience by helping people, communities and institutions to prepare for, withstand, and emerge stronger from acute shocks and chronic stresses.

Excitement in the air at the Ogden Dinner

This year’s Ogden Dinner was particularly special as it was the last dinner for Tim Simmons after 17 years as Chief Executive of the Ogden Trust.

Tim first met Sir Peter Ogden when he asked him for a philanthropic gift to support Mathematics at Cambridge University. In 1999 he was appointed inaugural Chief Executive of The Ogden Trust, which as many readers will know has been based at the Fenner’s building at Hughes Hall since its foundation.

The dinner serves as the matriculation dinner for our PGCE students and as a celebration of the Trust’s wide range of work in schools, colleges and universities. Guests had the opportunity to hear from Tim on his varied career, working for nearly 20 years in travel and tourism all over the Mediterranean and in the Development Office at Cambridge before joining the Ogden Trust.

The recent tradition of welcoming earlier generations of Education students to join the PGCE cohort for the dinner produced the usual happy chemistry.

PGCE Alumna Anne-Birgit Carolin commented, “There was an irresistible excitement in the air that took me straight back to my unforgettable year at Hughes Hall in 1959/60”.

Fellow Professor Mary Buckley on an idyllic residency

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At University level the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs looks after the interests of this large group whilst at Hughes we were the first to appoint a research convenor to help build a sense of community and co-ordinate activity. This post is now being replicated in other Colleges as best practice for engaging postdocs.

We have ten postdoctoral research associates (PDRAs) and eight research fellows (RFs), a vibrant and energetic group which forms a key contact point with departments and faculties in Cambridge and with other institutions beyond Cambridge.

There has been a major discussion about increasing the PDRA (which will in the future be called By-Fellow) group to about 40 in the next 5 years. We are immensely grateful to be supported in this pursuit by Pfeiffer Fellow Dr Edwin Leong who has established a new fund to support a five-year programme of development.

New colloquia will be introduced to help catalyse new partnerships and a formal dinner will be held each year to celebrate the achievements of the postdoc community. A new programme of travel grants will also be introduced.

Postdoctoral researchers at College have engaged in a variety of academic and social activities. For the past few years, new PDRAs and RFs have been welcomed to the College through an induction session which briefly explains the Hughes Hall college system, followed by a dinner that allowed the new members to get to know each other. The strength of this community was expedited by various lunches, dinners and formal dinners organised at College. This sense of community engagement at this level was vital in providing PDRAs and RFs a home at Hughes.

In addition to promoting social culture at College, PDRAs and RFs have continuously showcased their academic prowess to the Hughes Hall community. We have had researcher published in top ranking academic journals, received many invitations to prestigious conferences and have also won a series of significant awards.

The profile of the Postdoc community has been enhanced within College by virtue of these achievements and PDRAs and RFs have also regularly presented their unpublished work in various Hughes Hall symposia.

In addition to these achievements, PDRAs and RFs have broadcasted their exciting unpublished work to Hughes Hall. These presentations were well attended by students, staff and senior members. Lively discussion followed these presentations, indicating the interest in this research. Some examples of previous presentations are: Dr Danika Hill, Why are vaccine not as effective in older persons and Dr Charles Pigott, Visions of nature in Mayan and Quechan literature. These cutting edge research topics have asked in-depth questions to answer some of life’s greatest mysteries.

As a postgraduate college, there is no official teaching required of PDRAs, though we liaise closely with the student body and join together in College colloquia and social events. For my own part, I hold two annual events (3MT and Speed Networking) that seek to engage research-focused students at Hughes.

We hope that this group will grow stronger in the years to come, and that with the support from the alumni community we will be able to strive for greater success.

Hughes Hall Research Showcase, Wolfram Gruhn: Germ cell development: how to lay the foundation for the next generation?
Emotional rescue
why we might have a fling with some M&Ms or get serious with our shampoo

Hughes Senior Member Eric Levy is a University Lecturer in Marketing at the Judge Business School. An expert in consumer behaviour and psychology, he teaches Consumer Behaviour and Branding in the MBA, Executive MBA, and PhD programmes.

He also teaches the Principles of Marketing core course in the Cambridge MST undergraduate programme, as well as the Marketing for Entrepreneurs session of the Entrepreneurship Certificate programme. His research interests include prosocial behaviour and the role of interpersonal relationships in consumer choice and his work provides some fascinating insights into the purchase and charitable giving decisions we make.

In *The effect of social exclusion on consumer preference for anthropomorphized brands* published online in May this year in the *Journal of Consumer Psychology*, Eric and his co-authors found that people who feel socially excluded, for example those who have suffered romantic setbacks or feel ostracised at work, often attempt to build relationships with brands imbued with human characteristics or anthropomorphised brands. Moreover differences appear in those who blame the exclusion on themselves and those who blame it on others, with the former likely to turn to ‘fling’ brands and the latter to ‘partner’ brands which seek to inculcate a sense of longer-term relationships.

Based on a study of 800 participants in the UK, US and Hong Kong, the study – co-authored by Rocky Pen Cheng of Hong Kong Baptist University and Echo Wen Wan of the University of Hong Kong – required participants to rate their sense of exclusion on a seven point scale. Offered the choice of a non-anthropomorphised M&M and an M&M with human characteristics, the study found that excluded participants were far more likely to choose the human-like M&M.

To test the ‘fling’ versus ‘partner’ preference the study focused on shampoo, which many research papers have found is perceived as a product with which consumers typically have a more fixed relationship. They created a fictitious sub-brand of L’Oreal called Modi and using two different pitches, one suggesting a one-night stand, the other a longer-term relationship, tested the preferences of participants. Those who blamed themselves for being socially excluded showed greater preference for the partner brand whereas participants who blamed others inclined towards the fling brand.

Eric has also co-authored, *Helping Others or Oneself* with Professor Ann Schlosser of the Foster School of Business, University of Washington, first published in October 2016 which examined how direction of comparison influences prosocial behaviour such as charitable giving. In making assessments of themselves, individuals often judge themselves by a benchmark and such comparisons vary in direction according to whether one feels one is doing better than the benchmark or worse. In *Helping others or Oneself: how direction of comparison affects prosocial behaviour (Journal of Consumer Psychology)* research indicated that those who feel that they are doing well by the benchmark are more likely to view giving as expressive of altruistic values. Furthermore this difference is often mitigated when the context highlights the personal benefits of giving rather than the benefits to others.

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NEW AFRICA COLLABORATIONS
Hughes Hall and the Cambridge-Africa Programme

In November, the latest Cambridge Africa Research Showcase was unveiled at Hughes with six Papers by leading academics from Makerere University in Kampala and the University of Ghana, Legon. The subjects ranged from vocational pedagogy in African schools, to new models of oral media for rural communities in central Uganda; from the evolution of Epidemic Cholera in Ghana to Marine-Derived Actinomycetes in that country’s Wetlands. Another paper examined the translation of administrative documents in Uganda. It was a remarkable range of work.

Our Senior Member Pauline Essah is the Cambridge-Africa Programme Manager and here she gives an overview of the organisation’s work, in which Hughes plays a leading role.

Africa’s academic need
Africa needs indigenous world class research-led universities to identify, analyse, and provide innovative and effective solutions for the continent’s many challenges. However, a major obstacle to fulfilling these crucial roles is the chronic shortage of internationally-competitive researchers with access to the very best facilities and techniques. This shortage means that there are insufficient research leaders to provide mentorship and training for the next generation of young researchers, or to sustain successful and competitive research environments. The challenge is to design and deliver programmes that overcome this obstacle to success that talented young African researchers face, while breaking the cycle of dependency that arises when Western institutions provide Africans with opportunities that are disconnected from Africa.

Established in 2008, the University of Cambridge’s response to this need is the Cambridge-Africa Programme. The purpose of the Programme is to identify, support and collaborate with outstanding researchers on the African continent, to address African priorities, in Africa. The pan-University Programme emerged from a number of individual, long term collaborations between Cambridge and African researchers. Eight years on, the Programme now consists of a range of proactive, coordinated, multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary initiatives for high impact collaborative research that have capacity building as the essential common theme. Cambridge-Africa is therefore building a research base that will transform not only Higher Education in Africa, but also have a direct impact on economic growth and social policies.

The Model
Research fellowships are awarded to the best young academic staff, or postgraduate students registered for PhDs, in African universities. These fellows and their research are carefully matched to highly experienced Cambridge research leaders to provide mentorship and collaborative support. The Programme extends across health, biological sciences, physical sciences, engineering, humanities and social sciences, as well as research management and administration. Cambridge-Africa research capacity building fellowships, and initiatives currently take place in 13 sub-Saharan African countries, but Cambridge researchers and students have links with colleagues in 23 different African countries.

Cambridge-Africa Initiatives & Partnerships

• Cambridge-Africa Scholarship Scheme: 25 Cambridge-Africa PhD Scholarships, funded by the University of Cambridge and the Cambridge Trust; 2015-20.

• Makerere-UVRI Infection & Immunity Training Programme (MUII); Wellcome Trust and DELTAS Africa funding to Uganda; 2008-20. Focusing on building a Centre of Excellence for infection and immunity research and training in Uganda.

• Training Health Researchers into Vocational Excellence (THRiVE); Wellcome Trust and DELTAS Africa funding to East Africa; 2009-21. THRiVE is establishing a Network of Excellence for supporting health research in a broad sense, in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania.

• Cambridge-Africa Partnership for Research Excellence (CAPReX), funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York and the Isaac Newton Trust, 2012-18. Focuses on strengthening capacity for sustainable excellence in research in the humanities, social and physical sciences, as well as technology subject areas, as well as supporting knowledge exchange partnerships and training in research management and administration in specific universities in Ghana and Uganda.

• Cambridge-Africa ALBORADA Research Fund, sponsored by The ALBORADA Trust; 2012-26. The Fund enables principal investigators from Cambridge and sub-Saharan Africa, across all disciplines, to apply jointly for grants to initiate research collaborations. Funds are awarded for reagents, fieldwork and equipment.

• Wellcome Trust-Cambridge Centre for Global Health Research (WT-CCGHR), funded by Wellcome Trust; 2013-18. The Centre is helping to combat African and global health challenges, and
capitalises on the extensive basic biomedical and health-related research capacity across many departments and research institutes at the University of Cambridge as well as the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute.

Other Key Activities of the Cambridge-Africa Programme include:

- Enabling the development of Africa-related initiatives and cross-School funding applications
- Supporting Cambridge researchers to teach and organise courses and workshops in Africa
- Organising Cambridge-Africa networking events and seminars
- Supporting the African student community in Cambridge. In 2014, Cambridge-Africa helped to establish, and continues to support, the African student and alumni society

Hughes Hall Interact and the Cambridge-Africa Programme

The Manager of the Cambridge-Africa Programme, Dr Pauline Essah, has been a Senior Member of Hughes Hall since 2013 and provides a direct link between the College and the programme. Since 2013, Hughes Hall has partnered with Cambridge-Africa to organise a termly ‘Visiting African Researchers’ Showcase’, to enable the five to ten African PhD and post-doctoral researchers who visit Cambridge each term to showcase the exciting Africa-focused research projects they are undertaking in collaboration with, or through mentorship from, Cambridge academics. Eight showcases have been organised to date, the most recent taking place last month. All members of the College are welcome to attend, as it is a great opportunity to learn about Africa and to network.

College Fellows Professor Nabeel Affara, Dr Carole Sargent, Dr Caroline Trotter and many others are also collaborating with or mentoring African researchers linked to the programme, and helping to build research capacity in various parts of Africa. There are also several Hughes Hall Fellows (e.g. Drs Sara Melville, John Barker, Nidhi Singhal and Arthur Hibble) and Senior Members (e.g. Mr Paul Chinnock and Dr Dora Pereira) who have research projects or interests in Africa. Furthermore, one of the ten Cambridge-Africa PhD scholars appointed so far is at Hughes Hall, studying for a PhD in the Department of Plant Sciences. The College is committed to building African links and our Development Director Richard Berg Rust has recently returned from the first Hughes Hall Africa alumni dinner, held in Kampala, where Hughes alumni were joined by members of the Oxford and Cambridge Society of Uganda. We hope to attract and support many more Africans applying to study at Hughes Hall.

Sponsors of the Cambridge-Africa Programme

The Cambridge-Africa Programme is supported financially by the University of Cambridge, the Cambridge Trust, the Wellcome Trust, the Carnegie Corporation of New York, the Isaac Newton Trust, and The ALBORADA Trust. We truly appreciate their support, and would welcome new sponsors too, for expanding existing Cambridge-Africa initiatives or setting up new ones. The partnership, support and in-kind contribution from Hughes Hall is also key to the success of the Programme, and the College should be immensely proud of its achievements.

Contact the Cambridge-Africa Programme

For more information about the Cambridge-Africa Programme, contact the Manager and Hughes Hall Senior Member, Dr Pauline Essah (+44 (0)1223 333336; pae21@cam.ac.uk; www.cambridge-africa.cam.ac.uk/; @CambridgeAfrica)
PUBLICATIONS/Academia

Juergen Brautmeier, BA (1978) History
Dusseldorf University has appointed Juergen as Honorary Professor for History as well as for Communication and Media Science.

Mike Nellis, PhD (1985) Criminology
Professor Mike Nellis continues actively to promote debate on the electronic monitoring of offenders, notably at a Council of Europe workshop in Strasbourg. He was a member of the Scottish Government’s EM Working Party whose report was published on 4 October, and spoke on GPS tracking at the Civil Service Renewal Open Forum event in Dublin, and at a National Organisation for the Treatment of Abusers (NOTA) conference held at the Scottish Prison Service College.

David Stevenson, PhD (1990) Genetics
David published an astro-weather book, The Exo-Weather Report with Springer. This details planetary weather from the Earth to remote objects, such as distant planets and, more esoterically, stars and galaxies. Accompanying this book, in August, was a research piece in the journal Hypothesis, which detailed how to successfully predict winter weather patterns in the UK, up to six months in advance of the start of the season. This presaged the Met Office super-computer-driven article, which was published more recently.

Lorraine Noble, MPhil (1991) Psychopathology
Lorraine’s co-edited book, Clinical Communications in Medicine was highly commended in the British Medical Association (BMA) Medical Book awards in September, in the basis of Medicine category.

Helen Victoria Smith PGCE (1999) English
Helen has decided to pursue an ESRC PhD studentship in the School of Education at the University of Nottingham and is now in the second year of her PhD exploring how mothers of children under 5 use and understand resources and services to support their children’s literacy development.

Ian Osler, PGCE (1996) Education
Ian has released his first novel, The Compound Fracture. It is a commercial intrigue that takes place in the world of biotechnology, and is set in both Cambridge and Madrid. More information: www.iansomler.com

Katherine Brokaw, BA (2003) English
Katherine has published her first book, Staging Harmony: Music and Religious Change in Late Medieval and Early Modern

Drama. More information: www.cornellpress.cornell.edu/k?GCOI=80140100043560. She is currently assistant professor of English at the University of California-Merced, where she teaches medieval and renaissance literature.

Marieke Liem, MPhil (2005) Criminology
In September, Marieke released her book After Life Imprisonment at NYU Press. A book which shares the stories of more than 60 homicide offenders who were released, after having been incarcerated for decades. It attempts to shed light on the question: What becomes of those people who re-enter the everyday world after serving life in prison? She conducted the study as a Marie Curie fellow at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

Pierre Caquet, BA (2008) History
Pierre has published a book titled, The Orient, the Liberal Movement, and the Eastern Crisis of 1839-41. The book focuses on the Eastern Crisis of 1839-41, closely examining the first instance of coordinated Western intervention in the Middle East during the modern era. More information: www.amazon.co.uk/Orient-Liberal-Movement-Eastern-1839-41/dp/3319341014/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1477999999&sr=8-1&keywords=caquet+orient

Gifty Immanuel, MSt (2008) Jewish-Christian Relations
Elected Fellow of the Faculty of Dental Surgery, Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons, Glasgow (FDS RCPS Glasgow) in July 2016. Fellowship of the Faculty of Dental Surgery is offered to doctors who have made substantial contributions to their specialty and whose attainments are, in the opinion of the Council, of such distinction as to justify election. Gifty was also elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Biology (FRSB, UK) in July 2016. The Royal Society of Biology is a single unified voice for biology: advising Government and influencing policy; advancing education and professional development; supporting their members, and engaging and encouraging public interest in the life sciences.

Laura Oxley, MEd (2010) Education
Currently working towards a PhD (Education) at the University of York, in June.

ALUMNI NEWS
Updates from some of our 6500 alumni around the world
Laura received third prize in the University of York’s Three Minute Thesis competition. Last academic year she also achieved the status of Associate Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, with an award for an outstanding portfolio on the York Learning and Teaching Award. Personally, her partner Bronson Forshaw proposed in the summer. One of their first dates was attending a Formal Hall at Hughes.

Lucas Pinheiro, MPhil (2011) Political Thought and Intellectual History
Part of Lucas’ dissertation while he was a student at Hughes Hall will be published in an edited volume by Cambridge University Press in December 2016. The book is titled, *Disability and Political Theory*, edited by Nancy Hirschmann and Barbara Arneil, and includes contributions from leading political theorists such as Will Kymlicka, Rogers Smith, and Joan Tronto. More information: www.cambridge.org/us/academic/subjects/politics-international-relations-political-theory/disability-and-political-theory?site=view=desktop

Ping Shum, MPhil (2011) Politics
Ping passed his PhD viva in September at King’s College, London where he examines the Chinese party-state’s innovative Internet strategies, such as social media, to enhance legitimacy. Ping has taken up a permanent position at the University of Sussex as Teaching Fellow in Journalism.

Dawid Janas, PhD (2014) Materials Science
Dawid’s research into carbon nanomaterials has won funding from the National Science Centre in Poland. The funding was awarded through the Polonez competition, and from 457 applications, only 48 were recommended for funding. Dr Dawid Janas, Research Associate (Department of Materials Science and Metallurgy) has just started this project in collaboration with the University of Cambridge. More information: www.nanofilms.eu

BUSINESS
Byron Russell, PGCE (1980) PGCE: Classics
Currently heads up the scholarly research platform ‘Ingenta Connect’. In October, he launched ‘Ingenta Open’, a new gateway exclusively for open access content. Entirely free for academic libraries and researchers, the new platform will index and host academic content from thousands of authors and university repositories - a first in this field. The new site links directly into ‘Ingenta Connect’, giving it a ready-made audience of over 1.8 million researchers.

William has returned to Cambridge to study again at the Institute of Continuing Education, Madingley Hall. He studied workplace psychology and coaching, currently a diploma, and other linked studies.

Stratis Georgilas, LLM (1993) Law
Stratis was invited by the ILA (Hellenic Branch) and presented a paper at the premises of the Hellenic Bank Association (Athens, 28 Sep 2016) on 50 Years of ICSID: A Critical Approach on the Dispute Settlement Mechanism between foreign Investors and host-States – Challenges for Greece, aka the greek reality.

Rajna Golubic, MPhil (2008) Public Health and Primary Care
Rajna has been associate editor of the Oxford Handbook of Clinical and Healthcare Research. Throughout 28 chapters, the book covers relevant areas including research methods, study design and conduct, reporting and publishing, good clinical practice, and ethical and legal aspects of clinical research. It serves as a platform to deliver training in research skills in the health-related field through courses worldwide.

Besim Hatinoglu, Diploma (2009) Law
Co-founded Hayat Hukuk—a law firm that serves clients both in Turkey and worldwide. Hayat Hukuk specialises in various aspects of Turkish and international commercial disputes and transactions, including foreign investment and joint ventures, regulatory compliance, dispute resolution and litigation, international debt recovery, and risk minimisation (www.hayat-hukuk.com). Besim is also passionate about fine food and has joined www.gastromondiale.com as co-lead editor. Gastromondiale is a prominent source on gastronomy, restaurants, and wine.

Tom Gribbin, MBA (2013) Business Administration
Tom has recently launched Boost, a startup which uses data and technology to help fight childhood obesity. More information: vimeo.com/182459416

Vikas Acharya, EMBA (2013) Executive Business Administration
Having done his EMBA from CJBS in 2015, Vikas co-founded a technology start-up, ChainThat, with a couple of his ex-colleagues (Dave Edwards & Richard Walsh) in London. The start-up is focussed on ideating and creating blockchain powered technology solutions for the financial services industry, predominantly in commercial insurance market.

Moscow River……
3rd annual “Going Up” boat cruise on the Moscow River with Hughesians Kate Filunets, Tomas Sabat and Peter Prabhu among the sailors
WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Dr Maria Pasholok, MPhil (2008) Screen Media and Culture Studies
Congratulations to Maria who married fiancé Vassily Korolkov in London on 15 July 2016.

John Walker-Robertson, BA (2010) Social and Political Sciences
Congratulations to John Walker-Robertson and Penny

Walker-Robertson (I-Homerton, 2009-2012) who were married on July 1 2016 in Tuscany.

Amy Thomas, BA (2011) Political Sciences and Erling Amble, BA (2011) History
Congratulations to two Hughes alumni, Amy and Earling, who got engaged earlier this year and will be married on 26 August 2017. They first met at Hughes Hall as undergraduate students in 2011.

Rachel and Peter Timms, both MEd (2010) Education
Peter and Rachel Timms, who met during their PGCE at Hughes (2008) and later married at Emmanuel College in 2012, were delighted to welcome their son Oliver Timms, earlier this year. Oliver has already visited Cambridge to see where his mum and dad first met.

GENERAL

Tek Gurung, MPhil (1994) Social Anthropology
Tek recently started his PhD study in Sichuan University in Chengdu, China. The gap between his MPhil study from Cambridge in 1995 to now has been an enriching one in every way possible. Now at the age of 51 he is a student again.

Agustin Ciarfalglia MBA (2012) took a number of superb pictures during his time at Hughes. This is a striking image of a man walking on Trinity Lane.
agustinciarfaglia.com

Africa alumni dinner
The first Africa Alumni dinner was held on Saturday, 26 November in Kampala where guests gathered at the Sheraton Hotel. Hughes is proud of its links with Africa and its role in the Cambridge-Africa programme. Working with the Cambridge Trust, we aim to provide more scholarships for students in sub-Saharan Africa to study at Hughes. The dinner was hosted by Apollo Makubuya (LLM 1992) Third Deputy Prime Minister of Buganda Kingdom, Uganda.
Extinguishing the Sparks of Conflict

Cambridge Governance Labs, based at Hughes Hall, has teamed up with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) to promote an expansion of peace-making skills in Africa.

With a membership of 14,000 practitioners across 133 countries, CIArb has an enviable track record of over a century in training and certifying mediators and arbitrators. Looking for strategies to strengthen its presence in Africa, CIArb turned to Cambridge Governance Labs to understand better the root causes of conflict in Africa and develop strategies to address them.

The collaboration begins with a pilot project in Zambia to provide the experience and tools needed for CIArb to scale up its programmes in other countries in the region. Cambridge Governance Labs (CGL) will map out new opportunities for CIArb to extend its training and certification not only in the formal legal sector, where it traditionally operates, but beyond. According to CGL Director Dr John Barker, studies have shown that the vast majority of disputes in Africa are local and tend to be settled informally by chiefs and elders, faith community leaders and other respected members of society. In many cases, there is no one else on hand to perform this vital task. “If we can empower local leaders through enhanced conflict resolution support,” he observes, “their communities will acquire additional capacity to extinguish the sparks of conflict before they ignite.

“The project will also address conflict prevention by increasing public awareness of what drives conflict, with an initial focus on training educators and journalists. Enhanced literacy about the root causes of conflict will help to equip citizens, especially young adults, to recognise and resist forms of manipulation that lead to extremism and violence. A common device used by political leaders to stir up resentment involves redefining or reinforcing who is “us” and who is “the enemy”, exemplified by the incendiary radio propaganda in Rwanda that preceded the 1994 genocide. The lessons, according to Dr Barker, have not been learned, with similar forms of identity manipulation fuelling global terrorism today.

CIArb offers a range of resources including advice, practical support and networking and is seeking to provide new strategies to promote ADR using emerging technologies. A key component of the CGL’s work will be to develop indicators and new tools to assess dispute resolution capacity, such as scorecards and dashboards for use by policymakers, practitioners and investors.

The Director General of CIArb, Anthony Abrahams, has been active in developing its strategy in the region. “CIArb is committed to supporting peaceful and productive societies in Africa,” he said. “We are excited about the prospect of partnering with Cambridge Governance Labs. Their deep experience in the region and their capacity for innovation will help us in our quest to develop and expand dispute resolution in new ways on a global scale.”

If you would like to support or be involved in the project in some way, write to John Barker (jhb10@cam.ac.uk) or Richard Berg-Rust (development.director@hughes.cam.ac.uk)
As the Boat Club prepares for a new year, I cannot help but be filled with enthusiasm and expectation. Last year was a wonderful one. Our women cracked the first division in Lent Bumps, with two crews winning blades, and we brought home the Marconi Cup. Easter term saw eight Hughesians from University squads return for our May Bumps campaign, where the Boat Club fielded an unprecedented six boats and won the Michell Cup – awarded to the college boat club who got the most points over the academic year.

Looking to the new year, we are setting our sights even higher. Not just because we believe that our men should be in the first division in May Bumps, or that our women are capable of even more, but because we are committed to making the Boat Club the best on and off the Cam. Our success is built on the commitment of students, Fellows, Senior Members, alumni and staff. The College has increased its support for rowing year-on-year, with better facilities and more coaching time, whilst we have attracted generous donations from Presidents, Fellows and alumni for boats and training equipment – not to mention coaching and support for crews on race days. Participation is already wide and we have a 10% increase in interest for the boat club from incoming students. The captains are now busy molding that interest into commitment and passion, in order to allow us be even more competitive by the Lents, Mays, and hopefully Henley.

Now we are working closely with the Development Office to raise funds for a new novice men’s boat, new blades, and to help bring down our fees – the highest student fees for rowing of any college in Cambridge. New sponsorship packages are now available – do please support us personally or help us to engage your company to offer sponsorship!

See you on the river!

Andrew Stark, Captain

HHBC SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**PRIMARY SPONSOR - £3,000/ANNUM (FOR TWO/THREE YEARS)**
- A company team building day with a talk by the Hughes Hall President Dr. Anthony Freeling, followed by a coached rowing session by a Blues rower for up to 8 staff members (lunch included)
- Main branding rights on kit (chest/back) and boat (bow)
- Complimentary tickets to the annual Boat Club Dinner at Hughes Hall
- Invitations to the May Bumps river marquee
- Sponsored article in the College magazine which is sent out bi-annually to current students and alumni (circulation ~7200)
- Company logo on the HHBC website, Facebook page and other social media

**ASSOCIATE SPONSORS – £1500/ANNUM (FOR ONE OR MORE YEARS)**
- Two places at the annual Boat Club Dinner
- Four places at the May Bumps party
- Secondary branding rights on kit (sleeve) and boat (half-size Stern)
- Company logo on the HHBC website, Facebook page and other social media

**HALL ALUMNI SPONSORS – £300 PA**
- Two places at the annual Boat Club Dinner
- Two places at the May Bumps party
- Acknowledgement on the HHBC website, Facebook page and other social media

We are also happy to meet with you to discuss bespoke sponsorship arrangements.
Amalya Kostanyan is a Luys Foundation Scholar at Hughes, studying for a PhD in Nanotechnology. The Luys Foundation is a non-profit organisation based in Yerevan, Armenia that offers scholarships to students of Armenian descent attending the top 10 ranked universities worldwide. Here Amalya reflects upon her journey.

My family roots are in Western Armenia (current Turkey) from the region which used to be called Karin (Kaghzvan). After the Armenian genocide in 1915, most of our relatives immigrated to Europe, losing contact with my family that settled in the Republic of Armenia. Uprooted from our homeland, my grandparents spent most of their childhood in orphanages, later moving to Yerevan for opportunities in higher education.

I was born in a family of engineers and artists in Yerevan, which shaped my character. My grandfather was a strong believer that humble beginnings should never influence one’s bold choices. He persistently fed my fledging love of science by taking me on regular visits to the Byurakan Astrophysical Observatory in the Aragats Mountain of Armenia and provided me with books on astronomy. During my childhood I believed that I might discover a new star with my small telescope and that I would pursue science as a career one day; only later, I realised that to understand the universe, I needed to understand the universe at the atomic scale and my future became clear.

After graduating from the State Engineering University of Armenia, I received a Luys governmental scholarship. This allowed me to pursue a Masters degree in nanotechnology at Cambridge University, which opened the doors to follow-up PhD studies at that same university in the same field.

I am currently working to develop a new generation of organic carbon-based photonic devices utilising “graphene”, a new material which led to a Nobel Prize for the scientists who discovered it. Last year, my colleagues and I filed a patent on a graphene-based scattering device and we published this original-research breakthrough in major international scientific journals.

During the past four years as a Luys scholar, I have designed and taught courses for various educational institutions and orphanages throughout Armenia. I use these courses to inspire young Armenians to believe that their only limitations are the ones they allow to seed in their own minds, and that all of life’s problems – social constraints, poverty and other disadvantages – should never prevent them from dreaming big and achieving those dreams.

Caitlyn Merry is the first Hughes Hall Social Innovation Scholar in a scheme funded in partnership with the Judge Business School. Here she outlines the focus of her studies.

I am in the process of establishing a social venture that addresses gaps in educational provision for refugees displaced by humanitarian crises. Using e-learning and integrated learning, my solution creates a digital platform with access to online educational resources. Providing accreditation and tracking achievements is a key feature of the project, as it motivates and drives learning, makes education more accessible, and makes later integration easier. As a result of varying educational contexts and needs, the learning environment is collaborative and helps organisations and social ventures share resources and workload whilst making use of existing materials.

As a secondary school Head of IT, I am excited for the opportunity to use innovation to honour a basic human right. I have teamed up with a software engineer who specialises in education start-ups, and a sustainability consultant. We are conducting research and are designing the technical and logistical aspects of our system. We are expecting to release a prototype shortly in order to build partnerships and gain funding. Simultaneously, I am very much enjoying the MSt in Social Innovation programme at Judge Business School, and am looking forward to applying my learning to secure a better future for young refugees.

The MSt in Social Innovation

Amalya Kostanyan, Luys Foundation Scholar
‘Humble beginnings should never inhibit bold choices’
THE HUGHES HALL GARDEN

EUPHORBIA ‘SILVER SWAN’

A display of Euphorbia characias ‘Silver Swan’ can be found in the border along the walk under the lime trees near the Pavilion. This is a variegated cultivar of relatively recent origin of the Mediterranean Euphorbia or spurge (deriving from the Old French/Middle English ‘espurge’ (to purge) owing to the purgative quality of the plant’s sap). It is advisable to wear gloves when handling these plants because they produce a milky sap that can cause an allergic reaction to the skin and eyes.

It is slightly more compact than the usual forms of Euphorbia and its grey/green leaves with creamy/silver edges are supported by dark stems. White flowers striped with lime green appear in spring. Each stem is biennial and produces leaves in the first year and flowers in the second. When the flowering of the cymes has finished in midsummer, cut back to where the new growth starts to encourage fresh shoots.

Euphorbias like full sun in a well drained soil and can easily be divided in spring as growth begins. They are one of the largest genera of flowering plants in the world, with over 2000 species ranging from thorny leafless cacti-like varieties to the familiar shrub with shiny green leaves and intense chartreuse blossom.

In winter, they add sculptural shape and interest to borders, terraces and paved areas, with foliage intact and ready to burst into bloom in the spring.

Keith McVeigh
Fellow
LOOKING FORWARD TO A HAPPY RETIREMENT

Air Commodore Neil Taylor, with his wife Angela at the dinner to mark Neil’s retirement as Bursar of Hughes Hall. Following a distinguished career in the Royal Air Force and with NATO, Neil joined the College in 2002 and oversaw many significant changes during his time in office from the Fenner’s building to Gresham Court. Neil now becomes a Quondam Fellow and we know that our alumni will join Fellows and members of staff in wishing him a long and happy retirement.

Hughes Hall Prizes, 2016

Congratulations to all our prize-winners!

**E.M. Burnett Prizes**

These prizes are provided by an anonymous donor in memory of Elizabeth Mabel Burnett, who overcame many difficulties to give her children the higher education and independence which were denied to her.

**For First Class or Part III Distinction, £200**

MAst
David Augustin, Mathematics

LLM/MCL
Amy Chen, MCL
Elisabeth Dufau, LLM
Victor Lui, LLM

**BA**
Yuqun Lin, 4th year Chemical Engineering
Alvin Lum, 2nd year Economics
Jonathan Loesing, 3rd year HSPS
Ruijia Mao, 2nd year Economics
Maya Raphael, 2nd year HSPS

**NB.** BA, First Class in 1st year – no prize, but honourable mention

Gabriel Cheung, 1st year Law

**For exceptional achievement, £200**

Rina Kuusipal, 3rd year Law, for a starred First Class mark in her dissertation

**For receiving a faculty/department prize, £50**

Boon Siong Neo, 2nd year Chemical Engineering (for year at MIT)

**William Charnley Law Prizes**

These prizes of £250 for the best First Class Honours in the LLM and BA are provided by William Charnley, Hughes Hall Fellow and partner in King & Spalding’s Corporate practice.

**LLM**
Ruhi Patil, MCL
Peter Sibley, LLM

**BA**
Michael Woolcombe-Clarke

**Godwin–Raffan Prizes in Medicine and Education**

These prizes are given by two Life Fellows of the College to reward able students in their own fields of expertise, Medicine and Education respectively.

**For Distinction in Medicine Part III or the MPhil in Education, £200**

Medicine Part III
Ashley Ferro
Kate Meadows

**MPhil Education**
Anna Vidos

**For receiving a faculty/department prize, £50**

Education
Ashley Ferro

**Lowman Prize in Education**

This prize of £100 is awarded by Cambridge Assessment to the ‘highest among those training at Hughes Hall to be teachers of English Language and Literature’ (Syndicate minutes, 1995).

Daisy Watts
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