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Michaelmas Term has started here in Cambridge and we are very pleased to welcome our new graduates; we hope that they will enjoy life at Clare Hall. The autumn leaves may be falling from the trees at West Court, however we still have a lot more to pack into the remainder of our Anniversary Year. I hope that you have been able to be part of our celebrations throughout the world this year. I have been fortunate to have travelled extensively this year and have thoroughly enjoyed meeting so many of our Life Members and friends who contribute so much to the life and ethos at Clare Hall. This year has seen the start of our Anniversary Campaign as well, which will raise much-needed funds to secure the future of the college in the future. The forthcoming 2016 Telephone Campaign will let you know about the latest news from Clare Hall and update contact information as well as discussing ways in which Life Members can support the College by making a gift to the Anniversary Campaign Fund. As we reach the end of the year, I hope that we can look forward to the future and our 51st year!

Professor David Ibbetson, President



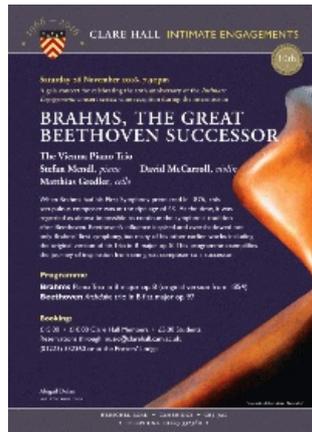
### Anniversary Campaign Update

Our 50th Anniversary campaign started in 2015 with the aim of raising **£3m** to support graduate students, teaching, research, and our College buildings. All gifts are vital to secure the future of Clare Hall.

With the gracious help of College donors, we are already half way to reaching our target with over £1.7m already secured. However, we still need to raise a further £1.3m through donations if we are to ensure that Clare Hall can remain a top choice for graduate education and maintain its warm and inclusive atmosphere for Visiting Fellows, their families, and students in the years to come.

If you would like to help support the college by making a [gift](#) in this special year please click below or if you would like to discuss ways you can get involved, please contact Marie Janson, Development Director, who is looking forward to hearing from you





## Intimate Engagements Music Series - 10th Anniversary

The 2016–17 season marks the 10th anniversary of Clare Hall’s Intimate Engagements concert series. Over the years we have been privileged to hear many great concerts in which outstanding performers shared with us their thoughts and ideas about the programmes performed in the intimate setting of the college dining hall. This year’s series opens with a gala concert on Saturday 26 November to celebrate the series’ anniversary, featuring the acclaimed Vienna Piano Trio in a programme exploring the links between Brahms and Beethoven. In the second concert, renowned cellist Adrian Brendel and pianist David Dolan explore the repertoire for cello and piano with a programme ranging from the Baroque to the 20th century. Violinist Matthew Trusler and cellist Thomas Carroll present a virtuosic programme of solo works by Bach alongside the two pillars of the violin and cello duo repertoire by Ravel and Kodaly. The acclaimed Brodsky Quartet concludes with the most iconic of all the Shostakovich quartets, no. 8 in C minor, op. 110, alongside works by Bach, Mendelssohn and Beethoven. We look forward to welcoming you and to sharing the experience. If you would like to know more about supporting music at Clare Hall by becoming a Music Angel for this concert series please email [development@clarehall.cam.ac.uk](mailto:development@clarehall.cam.ac.uk)

[Read more about the Intimate Engagements music series](#)



## 2016 Telephone Campaign

In December this year, we will be holding the 2016 Telephone Campaign to help raise funds for the 50th Anniversary Campaign Fund. We need your support to achieve our aims and objectives to make Clare Hall the best graduate college in Cambridge, as well as one of the best places to hold a Visiting Fellowship for academics from any background.

The Telephone Campaign is a vital part of the College’s Development fundraising activities, alongside the Life Member events and reunions that we hold. We adhere strongly to the principles of the Data Protection Act 1988 and to the FTFS (Fundraising Telephone Preference Service). Our callers will be asking for your thoughts on all matters to do with Clare Hall as well as asking if you would like to help support the college. We will be sending out pre-call letters shortly, if you do not wish to be called or included in the Telephone Campaign, please can you respond to the letter when it arrives. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Telephone Campaign, please email Catherine Wise, Development Officer on [development@clarehall.cam.ac.uk](mailto:development@clarehall.cam.ac.uk) or telephone 01223 332368 to discuss the matter further.



## Life Member events around the world

Clare Hall is fortunate to have so many international Life Members who are based all over the world. The President, Professor David Ibbetson and the Development Director, Dr. Marie Janson have met with so many of our members this year in their travels overseas. Our photo here shows the recent meeting of the Clare Hall Spanish Society at the Tenth Meeting in Bilbao.

The feedback we've had from many of these events is how enjoyable they are and requests for more get-togethers. We are keen to develop more self-led groups of Clare Hall Life Members who wish to meet up on regular basis. If you are interested in helping to set up an alumni group or event, please contact the Development Office on [development@clarehall.cam.ac.uk](mailto:development@clarehall.cam.ac.uk) to find out how.

Life Member events



## Christmas Events

Our Anniversary Year is not over yet, we still have more events to fit in! We will be holding a Life Member event in [Bologna](#), and Cambridge-based talks and lectures before the year is out. You can find out more information by looking at our [web pages](#).

We will also be holding a [Christmas Carol Service](#) at St Mary le Bow, one of the famous Wren churches of London. This will be followed by Christmas drinks and networking at a venue nearby.

Life Members, friends, and family are most welcome to all our events. For more details please click below.

Read more about forthcoming events



## Phone Survey

Clare Hall has telephones in its accommodation for visitors to use. The costs for the networking of these phones, which are VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) are substantial. We pay the costs of the rental to the University of Cambridge IT division.



## Liz Ramsden Fund

After many years in the service of Clare Hall, Liz Ramsden has now retired, and has joined the ranks of Life Members herself.

We have also set up a fund in recognition of Liz. Travel is one of her

However, more and more people are opting to use text and email and some use Skype - or similar applications - to communicate with colleagues and family. Very few people are using the phones extensively, and we are considering what the best options for college members would be, and trying to make cost savings. We would like to consider your views before decisions are taken, and have created a small survey on our web site - just 3 questions. To take part in the survey please click the button below. Please do tell us your thoughts which will help us make an informed decision on this. Thanks.

[Jane Phelps - Domestic Bursar.](#)

[Take part in our Phone Survey](#)

great pleasures and Liz has particularly enjoyed renewing acquaintance with Life Members in the course of her travels. We plan to use a small amount of the fund to enable her to continue keeping in touch with the Clare Hall family far and wide, but the remainder of the fund would be used for the purpose of refurbishing some social spaces in the college which will benefit all Life Members visiting the college. Donations will be recognised with a plaque: "This room was refurbished through the generous support from Clare Hall Life Members in honour of Liz Ramsden".

Thank you to everyone who has made a gift already, Liz has been very humbled by these gestures.

We are still collecting for the Liz Ramsden Fund, if you would like to make a donation directly, please use our [online form](#) by clicking the button below and use the drop-down option of making a gift towards the Liz Ramsden Fund in the choice of funds available.

[Donate to Liz Ramsden Fund](#)

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We hope you have enjoyed your Clare Hall e-newsletter, however we welcome your feedback & suggestions on how we can make this even more relevant to our Life Members.

Best wishes  
Marie, Catherine & Erica

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