



Trinity College Legacy Guide

LENNOX ROSS BROSTER (Rhodes Scholar 1909) • Bequest of £100, made in 1965, subject to the life interest of his widow.

GRAHAM RANDLE COOPER (1937) and JOHN HUGH MUNRO MACKENZIE (1947) • Paintings of Mr. Butterfield (Chef) and Mr. Barson (Head Porter).

The Estate of THOMAS FARRANT HIGHAM (1909, Fellow 1914-58) • Classical texts and £25 for the Library.

MRS. MARY JONES • Books of her husband Cyril Albert Jones (1948, Fellow 1963-73).

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Colonel JOHN RAYMOND DANSON (1912, Honorary Fellow 1969-75) bequeathed one third of his Residuary Estate, which amounted to over £211,000. He also bequeathed his large and valuable Library.

There are powerful reasons why Old Members and Friends should remember Trinity in their Wills. This brochure explains why the College has an increasing need of such bequests and the inserts provide further information on the next steps to take.

This is your opportunity to make a difference to the lives of generations to come and to take your place among the College's most distinguished benefactors. Many of the pictures are taken from our Benefactors' Books, which record all donations to the College from the seventeenth century to the present. We ask you to add your name to the list and to emulate your predecessors in helping to maintain Trinity's proud traditions.

The President and Fellows

Trinity College

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Front cover: The Founder and Benefactors (Oxford Almanack 1682). Thomas Pope holds Berenblock's engraving of Trinity in 1566; Bathurst (kneeling) refuses a bishopric in favour of his new Chapel and Quadrangle; the benefactors include Trinity bishops Gilbert Sheldon and Robert Skinner.

I Will Make A Difference

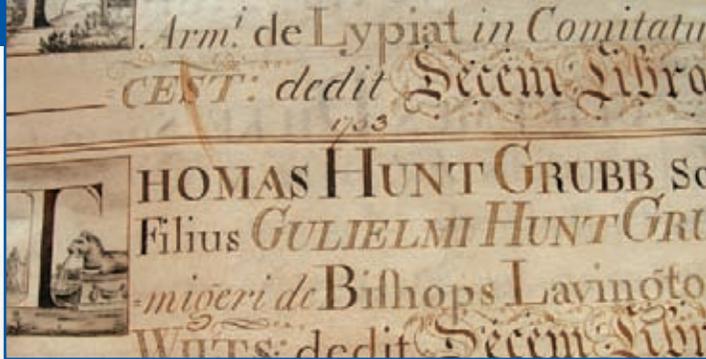
Trinity's 450 year history is one of benefactions, many of the most important in the form of bequests, starting with the founder Sir Thomas Pope, whose final act of munificence was to leave Trinity a generous legacy in his Will.

From this auspicious beginning in the sixteenth century, bequests have played a major role in making the College what it is today. The visionary presidents, Ralph Kettell and Ralph Bathurst, not only transformed Trinity's appearance by building the Hall and Chapel, but actively encouraged others to contribute, through gifts and legacies, to its physical and intellectual development. Edward Hyndmer and Richard Rands financed substantial improvements to the Library, and Archbishop Sheldon's bequest, following upon his earlier contribution to the Wren Building, enabled the construction of the second side of the Garden Quad to begin. Bathurst himself left money and books to the College on his death in 1704. During the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, further building work and advances in teaching were made possible by the generosity of Members of the College and Friends.



The aftermath of the First World War saw a particularly high level of philanthropy, as families honoured their fallen with the War Memorial Library. Particularly important legacies in the twentieth century were those of the author AEW Mason (who left the copyright of 'The Four Feathers' and his other hugely successful novels to Trinity), Hugh Cumberbatch, Colonel John Danson, Gillian Sutro and James Lambert. These helped to build up the endowment that supports the core activities of the College and, among other things, financed the substantial new buildings of the 1960s.

At the dawning of the twenty-first century, there is no doubt that Trinity needs the support of its Old Members and Friends more than ever and that legacies will be an essential part of this support. In making this appeal, we ask you to add your name to the list of benefactors whose generosity has supported this distinguished college for more than four centuries.



How Will My Bequest Support Trinity?

Students and Teaching

Trinity is committed to maintaining Oxford's intensive and individual style of education. With less and less money coming from government to support personalised teaching, only the generosity of donors and benefactors will help keep this tradition alive and flourishing.

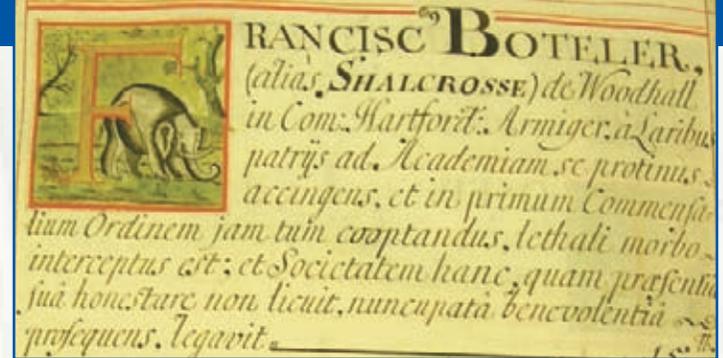
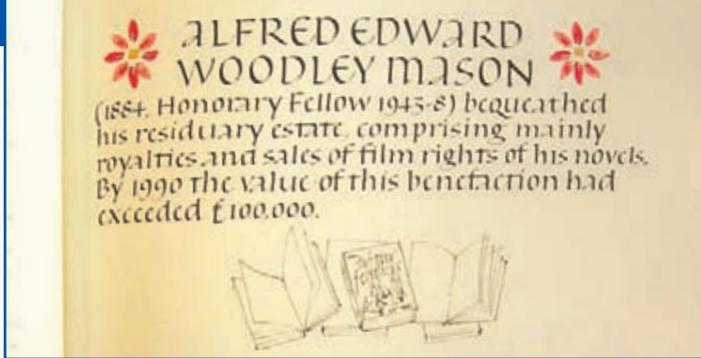
With students being increasingly forced to rely on loans and parental support, we are also passionately committed to the principle that nobody should be prevented from studying here by a lack of financial means. With your support, we can build up the bursary fund that will

allow the College to assist those who might not otherwise be in a position to study here and to support students who encounter difficulties during their time at Trinity.

Research

Colleges are active centres of research, that foster an atmosphere of intellectual enquiry and help scholars by providing the time and the conditions they need in which to work.

Thanks to Thomas Millard's bequest of 1873 for the advancement of Mathematics and Science, Trinity set up one of Oxford's first laboratories, and since then the College has been home to three



Nobel Prize winners and a host of other leading scientists. Its scholars in the humanities and human sciences have been widely acclaimed for a steady output of world-class publications.

It is your support that will enable these and future scholars to continue their research in an environment that promotes questioning and experimentation, permits reflection, and produces results of international significance.

The Fabric

Trinity is a monument to more than four centuries of learning, and an architectural gem, but it is also a place where people live. To

provide facilities conducive to study, research and teaching for both the students and Fellows, and for those who support them, the College has a continuous programme of refurbishment necessary to combat natural decay and to meet the changing demands of society (with, for instance, improved disabled access).

We have a duty to maintain the fabric of the buildings and grounds, so that future generations of students and scholars, as well as the public at large, can enjoy these truly magnificent surroundings. This duty comes at a heavy cost.



Trinity Thanks You

Our history bears testimony to the importance of bequests, but in future, Trinity would like to thank benefactors during their lifetimes; the William Pitt Society has therefore been constituted to recognise all those people who have included Trinity in their Will. Special events will be organised for members of the Society, and will certainly include an annual lunch hosted by the President and Fellows.

Your Name Will Live On

The philanthropy of past major benefactors - such as Ralph Kettell and Ralph Bathurst in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, and more recently Colonel John Danson and Gillian Sutro - is recognised today and will live on forever through their association with the life and buildings of the College. The vital importance to Trinity of, and the tremendous gratitude for, benefactions continues today in the desire to remember supporters (or others they choose to honour) in perpetuity by associating them with Fellowships, buildings, rooms, gardens or the numerous other elements that define Trinity. All benefactions, however great or small, are recorded in our magnificent Benefactors' Books.

Making or Changing Your Will

If you have already made a Will and now decide that you would like to support the College, all you need to do is to add a codicil, or additional clause. Your solicitor will advise you on the simplest way to do this. Your solicitor may also want to use the following standard formulation when drawing up your Will or preparing a Codicil.

'I give (a full description of the gift and its location) to the President, Fellows and Scholars of the Holy and Undivided Trinity in the University of Oxford of the Foundation of Sir Thomas Pope, Knight. I direct that the receipt of the President for the time being of the College shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors.'



Information For Those Living in Scotland or Outside the UK

In Scotland, laws which relate to the making or altering of a Will are different in many ways from those that apply in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. A Scottish solicitor will be able to advise you about the technicalities of drawing up a Will or adding a codicil, according to Scottish law.

If you live outside the UK or own substantial assets in another country, it is particularly important that you obtain financial and legal advice to ensure that your estate will be divided according to your wishes.



Types of Will

There are four main types of gift that you can make in your Will. We strongly recommend that you discuss the terms with your family, and legal and financial advisors, before you determine your legacy to Trinity.

A Residuary Bequest

This is the gift of the whole or a proportion of your estate, after all other legacies, inheritance tax, debts and expenses have been paid.

A Pecuniary Bequest

This is the gift of a fixed sum of money.

A Specific Bequest

A particular named item left as a gift in your Will is known as a 'specific bequest'; this might be property, shares, a work of art or other assets.

A Conditional or Contingent Bequest

This legacy provides for the College in the eventuality that other dependants named in the Will do not survive the benefactor.



How I Can Help

- I would like to discuss a bequest to Trinity, and I look forward to hearing from you.

- I have included / intend to include a bequest to Trinity in my Will.

If you wish to share this information with the College, please complete one or both of the sentences below:

I have made a residuary / pecuniary / specific (please delete as appropriate) bequest.

I estimate the value of my proposed bequest in today's terms to be £.....

- I would not like to make a bequest to Trinity and would prefer not to be contacted again on this matter.

Name

Matriculation year

Address

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..... Postcode

Telephone Number

Email address

If you return this form to indicate that you have made a bequest to Trinity, you will automatically be made a member of the William Pitt Society. Please let us know if, for any reason, you would prefer not to become a member of the Society.

Please return this form in the enclosed pre-paid envelope (UK only) to Mrs Sue Broers, Development Officer, Trinity College, Oxford, OX1 3BH Alternatively, you can call Sue Broers on 01865 279889 or email her at sue.broers@trinity.ox.ac.uk



For help and information on any aspect of leaving a bequest to Trinity, please do not hesitate to contact the Development Office.

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