#### **Forthcoming Events**

**Link House Annual Open Meeting 2019** will take place at Castle Street Methodist Church on Friday 29th March, 6:15pm for 6:30pm

A finger supper with coffee will be followed by the main meeting at 7:30pm, with reports on the work of Link House, followed by our guest speaker: Bartow Wylie

The Changing International Scene in Cambridge over the past 40 years

Tickets for the meal are £7.50 and can be booked through the Link House office before 22<sup>nd</sup>March

Please note: There are a very limited number of parking places available at the side of the church.

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# **Link News**

**Spring 2019** 

## **Link House Trust**

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#### Link House founder, Jenifer Cooper celebrates her 90th Birthday

Congratulations to our dear Jenifer on becoming a nonagenarian. Jenifer turned 90 on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January which was celebrated with family and friends. We continue to hold Jenifer in our prayers as she convalesces in a Care Home in Cambridge and for John who makes daily visits. May God meet their needs daily.

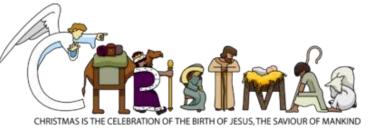
#### Resident's parting gift to Link House

Xiaoyue You (fondly known as Rachel) returned to China at the end of January having spent two years at Link House. At her farewell, Rachel presented us with these sketches she had drawn of the three houses. She apparently took a photo of the each house and then spent about 2 hours drawing each one in pen and ink. What an amazing talent she has. We will be framing the sketches and hanging them up in the various houses.

On Leaving, Rachel stated that she felt fortunate to have lived in East Hertford Street House, and she thanked the Wardens and Assistant Wardens (Biljana and Milijan), and the residents of East Hertford for taking care of the house, and sharing happiness and recipes!







2018

A little group of 8 from Link House braved the cold morning on 24 December to queue for tickets for the centenary "Lesson in Nine Carols" service at King's College Chapel. We arrived at 4am and stood until 8.30am before successfully receiving tickets. It was a moving experience and well worth the early start. Next time we will consider taking folding chairs with us!











### Christmas Festivities



Christmas 2018 was a rather busy affair with a total of 22 people meeting together in the Garden Room on Christmas Day to enjoy a traditional Christmas dinner, presents and festivities.



Many hands helped in the cooking and preparation of the Christmas food, culminating in a wonderful meal full of traditional British Christmas fare. Following Christmas dinner, presents were given to all who were at Link House and not able to be at home with friends and family, and there was much excitement seeing what hidden under the wrapping paper. For some, receiving a Christmas gift was not a familiar experience and was greatly appreciated.



We seem to be developing a Link House Christmas tradition: a game of giant Jenga, and once again 2018's competition did not disappoint as the photos on the left suggest.



# Congratulations Yessica

Yessica is our lovely Dutch resident who has recently successfully completed her Masters in Children's Book Illustration at Anglia Ruskin University. Students from the university exhibited their work at a gallery in London in February, before later also exhibiting in Cambridge and Bologna, Italy. Agents have already expressed interest in publishing Yessica's work, and we trust and pray that it won't be too long before Yessica's first illustrated children's book will be on sale. Well done Yessica!





The Link House Garden Room is our large open-plan room where we can host social events and communal activities. It is regularly used for our weekly prayer meeting of wardens, trustees, and supporters, and is the usual venue for trustee meetings. Occasionally, residents use it to play table-tennis, or host groups of friends for meals and social gatherings. In the past we have used it for Christmas parties, Easter activities, international meals, talks and film shows, and garden parties ... which leads neatly into the following announcement:

Link House Open Day in the Garden Room
Saturday 18 May 2-5pm