

OLD PALMERIANS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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September 2010

Dear Member

Enclosed is a copy of the Newsletter for September 2010 together with this year's "Old Palmerian" Magazine, which the Committee hopes you will enjoy reading. Our thanks go to all those members who contributed news and articles for the magazine and we would appreciate receiving any comments on the contents. We hope the following list of forthcoming events will be of interest and that as many members as possible will be able to attend some of these events.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

FOUNDER'S DAY SERVICE - The Service this year will be held on 7 November 2010 at 4.00pm in Grays Parish Church. As last year, it is hoped to have a Palmer's Choir for the Service. Rehearsals will take place from 1.30pm at the church on the day. If there are any Old Palmerian "singers" from both Schools or College who would like to join the Choir, please contact Margaret Nathan on nathanmargaret@yahoo.co.uk or 01375 375500.

The **OLD BOYS' ANNUAL DINNER** is to be held at Orsett Hall on Friday 8 April 2011. Full details will follow in the February 2011 Newsletter.

The **FOUNDER'S DAY REUNION DINNER** will be on Saturday 6 November 2010 at 7.00pm for 8.00pm in the Belmont Suite at the Thurrock Hotel, Ship Lane, Purfleet.

The cost per head is £20 and the menu can be found on the reservation slip attached. Diners have been asked to choose from the menu in advance, so please mark your preferences on the return slip. The completed slip should be returned to Jill Snelling at the address stated by Wednesday **27 October 2010** if you wish to attend this event.

Accommodation can be booked direct with the hotel for those wishing to stay overnight. A double room will cost £65 and a single room £50. The price includes a full English breakfast. Please contact the hotel on 01708 860222 for a booking, mentioning attendance at the FD Dinner. Full payment is required at the time of booking. The hotel's website is www.thurrockhotel.co.uk: email address reservations@thurrockhotel.co.uk.

The **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** will be held on Tuesday 9 November 2010 at 8 pm in Room T3 at Palmer's College. Nominations for election to the Executive Committee may be given to the Secretary, in writing, AT ANY TIME UP TO THE OPENING OF THE MEETING. The present membership of the Committee is set out below. All officers (apart from the Staff Representative) and the members indicated by an asterisk retire at the Annual General Meeting, but are eligible for re-election. The agenda is overleaf.

<u>Officers</u>			<u>Members</u>	
Chairman		Ms Jill Snelling		Mr Neil Beaumont
Vice Chairman/				Mr Steve Foreman*
Treasurer		Mr Brett Goodyear		Mr John Goodwin *
Registration Secretary		Mrs Ruth Hunwick		Mrs Jean Jones
Contact Secretary		Mrs Barbara Kirkcaldy		Mr Roger Key
Secretary/				Mr Frank Smith
Minuting Secretary		Mrs Jackie Tidman		Mr Mike Smith
				Mr John Sach
Staff Representative		Mrs Tracey Wingrove		

MEMBERS' EMAIL ADDRESSES – If you have an email address and are willing to submit it for publication on the OP Website, please let us have it. Also if your email address is already on the mailing list on the website, please check that it is correct (apparently many of them are wrong). Please send details/amendments to Ruth Hunwick at rhunwick@palmers.ac.uk.

OLD PALMERIANS' WEBSITE – Please continue to look on the Website where you will find information about forthcoming events, photographs and news submitted by OP members.

MAGAZINE AND NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL – The number of members electing to have the magazine and newsletter sent by email is increasing. Arrangements are being made for a link to be emailed to those members, to allow them individually, access to the magazine on line. If you would like to receive the magazine electronically please contact Eddie Hunt (p300@supanet.com).

LUNCH AT THE RAF CLUB, PICCADILLY – The Committee have been approached with the suggestion that a lunch be held, in the summer at the RAF Club, Piccadilly for either Old Boys or all Old Palmerians accompanied by their partners and/or guests. The price would range from £31.50 per person for a simple meal to £56.00 per person for the most expensive meal. All menus are set menus. As the venue is very popular for functions any event must be booked six months in advance. We would welcome your comments or views on this idea. Please let us have them as soon as possible.

DVD AND BOOK ISSUED FOR PALMER'S 300TH ANNIVERSARY

This DVD and book were produced and sent to all current members (as at October 2006) to mark the 300th Anniversary of the founding of Palmer's School. There are some copies of these still available, priced at £9 for the DVD and £5 for the book, including postage and packing. If you would like to purchase either one or both, please contact Ruth Hunwick at Palmer's College, Chadwell Road, Grays, Essex, RM17 5TD. Cheques made payable to the "Old Palmerians' Association".

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AGENDA

- 11/01 Apologies for absence
- 11/02 To approve the Minutes of the AGM held on 10 November 2009 (copies available at the Meeting)
- 11/03 Matters arising from the Minutes
- 11/04 To receive the Chairman's Report
- 11/05 To receive and approve the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2010
- 11/06 To approve Annual Subscription for the year commencing 1st September 2011
- 11/07 To receive the Registration Report
- 11/08 To receive a Report on the Sports Hall
- 11/09 To receive a Report from the Golfing Society
- 11/10 To elect Officers for the year 2010-2011
- 11/11 To elect Committee Members for the year 2010-2011
- 11/12 To elect the President for the year 2010-2011
- 11/13 Any other business

**OLD PALMERIANS' ASSOCIATION
FOUNDER'S DAY REUNION DINNER**

Saturday 6 November 2010 (7pm for 8pm) in the Belmont Suite at the Thurrock Hotel, Ship Lane, Purfleet, Essex RM19 1YN

**Menu
Price - £20 per head**

My choices from the menu are (please tick)

Starter

Soup of the Day

Stuffed Mushroom with Mozzarella & Spring Onions topped with Herb Crust

Scottish Smoked Salmon served with Melba Toast & Soured Cream with Chives

Succulent Prawns coated with Marie-Rose Sauce served on a Bed of Salad

Ardennes Pate served with Cranberry Chutney, Toast and Salad

Main Course

Roast Chicken Supreme with Tarragon Jus

Beef Bourguignon (beef chunks cooked in rich red wine sauce with quartered mushrooms, bacon)

Roast Pork Loin served with a Grainy Mustard Sauce

Penne Pasta with Arrabiatta Sauce served with Garlic Bread & garnished with Side Mixed Leaf Salad

Dessert

Dutch Chunky Apple Flan

Blackcurrant Cheesecake

Fresh Fruit Salad

Chocolate Fudge Cake

Profiteroles & Chocolate Sauce

Duo of Ice Cream or Sorbet

Followed by Coffee/tea with mints

Special Diet – please advise if you have any special dietary requirements

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