



Dear friends

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him. Romans 15 v13

Welcome to the Spring edition of Quebec news. Once again, as you will see, there has been lots happening to keep our residents occupied and entertained. The art exhibition gave opportunity for us to appreciate the talent some residents have.

The new lift is still a work in progress, although we would have liked it completed earlier, we are overcoming the various problems and trust to have it finished soon.

As we approach Easter we remember the love of a Saviour who died that we might be forgiven and rejoice in the triumph of His resurrection.

Stephen Read, Trustee

A time to remember



The visit from our local corps of Salvation Army Singers proved to be good preparation for us to remember the joyous reason for the Christmas season.

The occasion, held in the main lounge on December 8th, was a blessing to all gathered and we sincerely thank our friends. Their presentation of the "Good News", the coming into the world of God's Son our Lord Jesus Christ, helped in concentrating our thoughts on how special the season of Christmas is.

Art Exhibition and Cheese Tasting

A lot of hard work went into preparing for our Art Exhibition held on Friday, 24th February.

This year it was accompanied by "cheese tasting" and our thanks must go to trustee Philip Parfitt, staff members Margaret Seekings and John Kelly for all their hard work. All may see from the photo our chef John helping with the

cheese tasting. John demonstrated his skill in carving a couple of pears into mice!

Over £130 came from the sale of art on the afternoon which goes to our project to replace the lift. We thank all who contributed art work and congratulate them upon their gifts which made the occasion so memorable.



Christmas celebrations

The afternoon of Friday, 2nd December saw many friends gather together for an informal time of "Victorian Carols".

A good friend of Quebec Hall, Billy J. Wells, played his oboe with a rendering of favourite tunes and carols. Residents and friends alike joined in, some from our bungalows, namely Richard Lee, Eileen Parfitt and Graham Lewis, dressed for the occasion.



Plus, on Thursday 15th December, many friends from our bungalows, staff, trustees and management, joined Hall residents to celebrate Christmas with our annual service of Carols and Bible readings, at which our speaker was Rev'd. David Adams.

It was an occasion of "close fellowship" as around 60 people gathered together to once again hear the glorious account of the coming into the world of our Lord Jesus.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING...

Sprowston Bell Plate Ringers

Friday, 24th January brought a return of the Bell Plate Ringers from Sprowston.

It was a privilege to have them with us for the very last time as the group are disbanding due to the organisers moving from the area to be closer to family. Their repertoire had once again increased significantly and included some amazing quartet singing, anecdotes, humorous readings set to character, and of course the Bell Plate Ringing! Everyone who came along enjoyed the entertainment. Refreshments were enjoyed afterwards.



Talented Cubs

The evening of December 12th brought a welcome return of the William Cowper Cub Pack.

They have visited us at Christmas for several years now and we never cease to be amazed at how gifted and talented these young people are. They sang carols, played the recorder, ukulele, guitar and piano. Their repertoire also included dance, funny stories, and a martial arts demonstration! The nearly 30 young people were unafraid to show off their talents. Refreshments allowed the cubs to circulate and talk with residents and friends alike. A very pleasing evening for which we thank them, Akela and their leaders, most sincerely.



Three's Company

Residents and friends were entertained by a new group, Three's Company, here at Quebec Hall.

Their visit on Wednesday, 18th January brought a key board player, a cellist, and a singer. Rodgers & Hammerstein numbers, as well as many popular songs from well-known musicals, were rendered. All present received them well and we look forward to a return visit in September.

First Quiz Night with Fish & Chips

We enjoyed our first Quiz Night with fish & chips of the year on Friday March 17th 2017.

It was, as always great fun and the fish & chips were very tasty! The winning team was "The Tuttlers" who have won now for the second time in a row. Well done "The Tuttlers"! As always the team that comes last receive consolation prizes and would you believe that our manager Mark Woodgett, was again on the team that came last!!

That is now the fourth time he has either been on the winning team or the team that came last! He obviously likes the prizes. He says it was not by design, we believe him!



Lift update

*Will the lift ever become completed?
Of course it will!*

Trustees and management all appreciate the frustration of all with the situation that has persisted over this past year. The project has not gone as smoothly as we would have hoped, nor as we had prayed. However, the Lord has provided for us and we are certain that with the new roof nearing completion, which had been the requirement of the authorities, attention will now move to the fire escapes in order to bring the new lift into line with the building.

The new schedule indicates completion around the end of May. Please pray for a smooth completion of this major project.

STAFF NEWS...

Kathy retires

Katherine Cramer retired from Quebec Hall on 28th February after having been a cook with us for 8 years. She had started at Quebec Hall on 19th January 2009.

What a sad occasion for us to say goodbye as Kathy has been a great asset to the cooking team where she provided excellent home cooked food for our residents and visitors. Many times Kathy also helped out with our bi-annual Open Day providing food for the occasion.

On behalf of us all here at Quebec Hall we pray that Kathy shall enjoy her retirement and know God's blessing.



FUTURE EVENTS...

- ★ April: Friday 7th at 2.30pm
St. Withburga Ringers
- ★ April: Saturday 15th at 11am
Thought for Easter
- ★ April: Friday 28th at 5pm
(pop-up restaurant)
Great British Pudding Night – Cost £8
- ★ May: Wednesday 10th at 2.30pm
Indoor Bowls/Fruit Tasting
- ★ May: Wednesday 31st at 3pm
Cream Tea – Cost £4
- ★ June: Friday 30th at 6.30pm
This year we are going to Scotland
Themed evening meal – Cost £15
32 places only – reservations only!
- ★ July: Wednesday 19th at 3pm
Cream Tea – Cost £4



TRUSTEES:

Colin Wooden (Chairman)
Andrew Bash · Stephen Read
Martin Boyce · David Harley
Philip Parfitt · Sam Leinster

SENIOR MANAGEMENT:

Mark Woodgett (General Manager)
Karen Vertigan (Head of Care and
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Lynn Kelly (Deputy Head of Care)