

Dear friends

May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation always say, "Let God be exalted!" Psalm 70, v4

2016 is becoming a year of momentous events and some considerable turmoil.

Quebec residents were happy to join in celebrating the 90th birthday of our gracious Queen. We thank God for her life of service and example of faith.

The ever popular Sprowston Bell Plate Ringers gave us an enjoyable evening of entertainment for which we are most grateful. A number of other events provided opportunity for residents, family and friends getting together for fun, friendship and of course food.

Work continues on essential maintenance on the Hall. The lift project has encountered problems causing an unfortunate delay as you may read.

It is good to have some new members of staff join our team. We hope they will find working at Quebec Hall pleasant and fulfilling.

Stephen Read, Trustee

Lift progress

We have experienced a major set-back with the work on our new lift.

Plans to "key" the lift tower into the roofline of the current building, submitted for approval by the Listed Buildings Committee of Breckland Council, have been rejected. We had anticipated moving towards completion by late July. However, this setback, although complex and unexpected, will be overcome and the work completed.

It does mean however we shall not have the lift completed for Open Day in September! We are disappointed to pass on this news but invite your prayers for the Lord's over-ruling with our new plans.

Open Day

We would like to remind everyone to place September 17th in the diary for Quebec Hall Open Day.

We celebrate God's goodness and provision for us all with a Service of Worship in the marquee that shall be erected on the lawn. The service is at 3.00pm on that Saturday afternoon followed by refreshments for all. Speaker expected is Rev. John Rose, currently pastor of Attleborough Baptist Church.



A Finnish Experience!

This years "Themed Evening Meal" took 34 guests to Finland. Finland is Soili Clay's birth nation.

We extend a very big THANK YOU to Soili and Peter Clay for all their hard work in making the evening so enjoyable for all guests.

Soili and cook, Johanne Fletcher, chose and helped prepare the food that

was served to all guests. All commenced the wonderful evening with canapés in the lounge, followed by a sumptuous meal served in the dining room. Our photos show how the evening was such a success – well done Soili and Joe!



A new water supply!

Earlier in the year, during February and March, work commenced on a new supply of water to the wing that houses rooms 15 & 16.

This became necessary owing to low water pressure. The work was carried out at the same time as work on our new lift commenced. This did create a fair degree of noise on both sides of the Hall for which we apologise to everyone.



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING...

Fish Supper + Quiz

The ever popular social evening of a Quiz with Fish and Chips, held on April 8th last, was a wonderful success with 42 folk split into 7 teams.

As on previous occasions there was insufficient space for all who wished to be present. We only wish we had a larger venue! All enjoyed the fish & chips and time of sharing together.

One team "The Clay Pots" came 1st and we congratulate them. Our General Manager, Mark Woodgett, once again received a prize being on a team that scored fewer points than others! Just how does he do it?



Summer Cream Tea

Wednesday, 29th June presented us with rain and therefore we all met for our summer tea in the dining room.

Despite the weather our photos show how all enjoyed the occasion and consumed many delicious scones with trimmings.



The Bell Plate Ringers

Once again we welcomed our friends from Sprowston Bell Plate Ringers among us on Friday 15th April.

Their repertoire has increased significantly over the years they have been visiting us and now includes some amazing quartet singing; anecdotes, humorous readings set to character, and of course the Bell Plate Ringing!

Everyone who came along enjoyed their selves, especially Graham and Raymond (two of our bungalow folk) who took part and made it look so easy!

Well done to all. Refreshments were enjoyed afterwards.

Her Majesty's Birthday Tea

Our Queen, Elizabeth II, celebrated her 90th birthday in June and we at Quebec Hall had a special tea on the 12th of the month, along with many from around the Country.

Our photos show how the lounge was decorated for the occasion and many folk enjoyed the tea and cake. One bungalow resident, Dick Lee, provided back ground music for all and in late afternoon "Land of Hope & Glory" was sung followed by the National Anthem.

Thanks to Margaret Seekings and all staff who helped decorate the lounge and provide such wonderful tasting cakes.



STAFF NEWS...

Margaret's Birthday

Member of staff Mrs Margaret Seekings had her official 65th birthday on Sunday 1st May. Staff, residents, and friends helped her celebrate on Friday 29th April. We can see how Margaret was somewhat overcome when surprised with a lovely cake, flowers and cards to mark the occasion.



Robert's Retirement

Staff member Robert Clark retired from his caring duties at Quebec Hall on 3rd May last. Our photo demonstrates that it was an emotional time for all! Robert was blessed with a bottle of bubbly, a box of chocolates, lovely cake with figure of Robert and his dog on it plus gift and cards from the staff. He will be much missed by all at Quebec Hall and enters retirement with our best wishes for God's blessing to be upon him and his wife.



Congratulations due!

We are very proud of staff who have achieved the following qualifications in Health and Social Care: Diploma Level 2 – Sarah Wicks, Lisa Horne, Hazel Stammers, Sammy Lansdale and Johanne Fletcher.

Care Certificate

Sue Baker and Mandy Burridge have completed and achieved their Care Certificate, and Alison Boyce has completed and achieved her Diploma Level 3 in Health and Social Care.

FUTURE EVENTS...

★ September: Saturday 17th at 3.00pm
OPEN DAY

To celebrate God's provision for us

★ October: Saturday 1st at 11pm
Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care

★ October: Friday 21st at 6.30pm
Quiz Night with Fish & Chip Supper
Cost £5 (proceeds to Lift fund)



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 Registered Manager)
Lynn Kelly (Deputy Head of Care)