OLD PALMERIANS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2020 www.OldPalmerians.co.uk

Dear Member

Welcome to the February 2020 newsletter. The Committee trust you had an enjoyable Christmas and we wish you a happy and healthy New Year. We hope that you will find something of interest in this newsletter.

The Executive Committee are still in urgent need of a Secretary/Minuting Secretary. The Committee meet each month, apart from January and August, at USP College Palmer's Campus, with the AGM held in November. If you feel you would like to help, please contact Ruth Hunwick on ruth.hunwick@uspcollege.ac.uk

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Old Boys' Annual Dinner – Friday 24th April 2020, 7.30 pm for 8 pm, Orsett Hall Hotel. (Full details and application form for male OPs enclosed)

Founder's Day Service – Sunday 1st November 2020 at 4.00 pm, Grays Parish Church.

Annual General Meeting – Tuesday 10th November 2020 at 7.30 pm, USP College Palmer's Campus.

Annual General Meeting November 2019

The AGM took place at USP College Palmer's Campus on Tuesday 12th November 2019 at 7.30 pm. In attendance was the Executive Committee. The agenda for the meeting, circulated to members in the October 2019 Newsletter, was followed. Under items 10 & 11, the following Officers and Members of the Executive Committee were re-elected for the year 2019-20.

Chairman 83		Jill Snelling	1980 -
Vice Chairman		Vacant Brott Coodynar	1054
Treasurer 61		Brett Goodyear	1954 -
Registration Secretary 65		Ruth Hunwick (née Kempley) 1958 -
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Committee Members -			
Stephen Foreman Ian Gilling Jean Jones (née Tooley) John Sach Laura Hanna	1947 - 54 1989 - 92 1951 - 57 1981 - 83	Scott Freeland John Goodwin Roger Key Ross Brown	1989 - 92 1954 - 62 1970 - 77 1996 - 98

Staff Representative – Ian Gilling Immediate Past Chairman – Mike Smith

Palmer's 300th Anniversary Book

Copies of this book, priced at £5 which includes postage and packing, can be obtained from Ruth Hunwick at -30 Bradleigh Avenue, Grays, Essex RM17 5XD. Please include your name and address and a cheque made payable to the 'Old Palmerians' Association' (Please print.)

Palmer's College Prize-winners 2019

The Palmer's College Annual Prize-giving Ceremony was held on Thursday 19th September 2019 at the Civic Hall in Grays. The event was attended by a number of local dignitaries, sponsors, staff and friends of the College and the families of the prize winners. The majority of the prizes were donated by the William Palmer Educational Trust, who generously gives financial help each year to the students as well as prize money. All other prizes were donated by local businesses and individuals. Chairman, Mike Smith, represented the Association at the Ceremony. The two Old Palmerians' Association Prize winners for Outstanding Achievement and/or Commitment on an Accredited Course or the Extended Project were **Suvedha Kandiah** and **Kiera Quinlan**

Old Palmerians' Ties

Members can purchase a tie by sending a cheque for £11 made payable to: 'Old Palmerians' Association' (capitals please) together with your address to:- John Sach, 19 Gilmour Rise, Billericay CM12 9NB, or contact him on 01277 623606 if you have any queries.

Old Palmerians' Website

Please continue to click onto the OPA Website (www.oldpalmerians.co.uk) for the latest news which Mike Yates, our webmaster, keeps up to date with new contributions received from Old Palmerians.