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Dear Old Raineians

As this is the first newsletter of 1992, a Happy New Year to you.

All it was good to see so many folk at the December reunion, despite it not being held at Arbour Square and despite the need to use map and compass to find the Sixth Form Room in the upper school at Approach Road. A list of those who attended is included at the end of the Newsletter so that those who weren't I t there can see who they missed, it was pleasing to see so many former staff - there was even an informal Maths Departmental Meeting of Gerry Carvert Zippy Auerbach, Colin Nice and Tony Perrett Another special person we were delighted to see was our oldest member Emily Galbraith Who started her days at Raines at; the age of 7 in 1903 - at the age of 95 she travelled down from Edinburgh in order to be there - and many thanks to Lesley Jensen (Tear) who was her chauffeur to an aid from Barnes A strange coincidence was that most of the raffles prizes were won by those who started in 1974 including Lesley Ireson (Cox) end Debra Reid (Harvey) it is difficult to find a date which doesn't clash with pre-Christmas functions - we had apologies from Kosta Kostis and Paul Martin (at dinners) likewise Barry and Bronwen Walsh Nelson McMahon Malcolm Pit-Keathly., Clive Baugh Jack Lowe Barbara ~an (Page), James (Who was away in Mallorca). Judging by *the difficulty* we bad in persuading people to leave by the well-loved portals it appeared that they enjoyed themselves. To satisfy many nostalgic old Raineians we plan to hold the 1992 December Reunion at Arbour Square - provided the contractors have finished their work! This is an opportunity for a get-together, again at Approach Road on Friday May 8th from 9 till 10pm, during_which the Association s accounts will be and next presented (to prove that the committee have not absconded with the profits) yea Is Committee elected - do came along. Anyone with bright Idea for any other Types of function do forward with them.

Some who are now part-time Staff - Jim. Cloggy Master in 1967 and be~ Read of I~ School, an end of last term. Barbara and Tommy Thompson Who were i.e. of amalgamation - they are now living in Bognor. He English Department in 1975, be~ many of Department and is now Senior Teacher - many will remember him for drama productions and his active participation in school skiing trips. Margaret Parish (Norman) was at school 1946-53 and is now Headteacher of a Primary School near L~ -Mrs. Weingarten was delighted to he= news of her after many years. Margaret taught in a school in S~ at the many many was captaining Buckinghamshire Netball Team and had many mentioned in the ~s connecting her with the East End - to her surprise and elderly gentleman appeared at the s~ - he was Mr. Bidgood, the writer of the School Song. Margaret's husband is a National Athletics Coach and returned from a trip to New Zealand with Keith Roberts another coach and Old Raineian. John Corbett. (1976-82) is a Telephone System Engineer, Wrrain Young (Louye) 1957-72 lives in Rainham, has two children and works as a school Laboratory Technician, mainly in the Physics Department?

The Committee recently decided to allow school leavers to become Associate Members at no cost. For three years after leaving school and we are pleased to welcome John Featherstone, Fiona James and Sarah Parker. We hope that they will encourage more of their contemporaries to contact us and turn up to get together.

We sometimes lose track of people who fail to send us their new address when they Move - so thank you Candy (S~) and Gary Preston now living in Woking and Valerie Black borrow (Preston) Who has Moved from Greenwich to Victoria B.C. Canada - Valerie kindly sent us a donation to help with the postage of newsletters.

Alex Young and his wife Sandra now live in H~ as Alex is a Company Manager at the Gateshead metro Centre.

Congratulations to Tracey many Martin Leonard who are now proud parents of a son.

The next batch of news was gleaned at the Reunion.

Chris 5 p 4 t b and John Rodmell are both doing their at Kings- College and Chris is doing his teaching practice at Raines (and playing guitar and. drums!

Clive Shilson had the leading role at: the Polka Theatre in Wimbledon in Yoshi and the Tea Kettle - he had a part in 0 *London, a Burning*,

Any news of actor Peter Holloway?

Mike Robins (1950-59) was this time not the first arrival at the Reunion as like Many others, he could not find his way into the school.

David de Ath is now working in Cold Mines in South Africa and called into school during a short visit to England. He had been a passenger on the liner Oceania fortunately was rescued but lost all his luggage

Tony Perrett, is now in the Maths Department at By= Park. His wife Jodie (O'Regan) (ex PE. Department) is now ~or Teacher at St. Philip Howard.

Joanne Marshall is now at Mayrhofen as a ski instructor, Elizabeth sir~ is now working for a computer firm since the collapse of the travel firm for which she was a courier.

Mark Garibaldi runs a charity venture. Peter Thake is Managing Director of a shipping company in Up Minster. Among the employees Shirley Winter (approx. 1949-54).

Congratulations to Richard Tillbrook on his appointment as J.P. Debbie R~ A~ many Dorothy in Wizard 'Of OZ 1981) is now studying for an R Tec. in Drama at - Arbour Square! 'Bomber' (Adrian) Giles has an insurance nice company in Woodham Perrers and offers competitive rates. Gary Hurst and his wife Cathy (Cromwell) won a trip to Singapore as a top prize in every second counts. David Knibbs is the tenant of the Dean Swift, pub in Wanted Street. Adam Grove now lives and works in Birmingham. Mrs. Emily Galbraith remembered two Headmistresses during her years at school. Miss Armitage and Miss Grier. Miss Haugh who later became a Read of the Girls school was on the staff. She felt that the staff was very dedicated - she recalled Kiss Flood who had the 7 year olds Miss White who taught cookery and ruled with a rod of iron, and pretty miss Baker who married a master from the Boys, School and Kiss Devonshire. Sadly and belatedly we record the death of Bertie Lambert, and ex-president of the Association, in 1990. Shortly before Christmas I spent an afternoon in York with Vivienne Durne (Waeland) while her husband Martin was at a conference. Her cousin Margaret Butler (Bell) works in York and her brother Maurice and wife Pose who spent several years in South America are also now living and working in York. Yet another OR living in York is Paul Reader who spent a long time in Dubai.

I am expecting a visit shortly from Janis Fuller and Graham Willett, members of staff for many years until December 1990 after which they took to the high seas in New Zealand and sailed to Samoa and since the last newsletter they have done a grand tour of Australia the highlights of which were the Kakadu National Park and Ayers Rock - Ching Fun Lee also climbed the latter during her Australian holiday last Autumn when her highlight was seeing the Great Barrier Reef from a helicopter and a glass bottomed boat.

Also in far-flung places is Sylvia Barry, teaching English in Japan - she says the only thing that makes her homesick is reading the O.R. ~letters sent out by her brother. She is yet another who appreciated Mrs Mary Johnsons a level English classes. She has been skiing in Japan - doubtless different from being a member of a school ski trip!

Ex-pupils who have been in touch with school recently are our nonagenarian Elsie Arrant, who was one of the first pupils to attend the Arbour square building, the headmistress was Miss Fox; and Rosine Muller (Arwas) 1960-65 now living in Uruguay where she has her own English Institute preparing students for international exams and is grateful for her education at Raines Following a visit to the hospital nearby, Mr. G. Buckle of Hornchurch called in at school -he left school in the early 1940's.

Peggy and Gavin --.cuingtoi spent Christmas in England with their four children, the eldest of many is now at boarding school in England. in Malawi many is teaching music and French and singing in concerts occasionally - her studying towards a music Diploma continues, the necessary music did not arrive in time last year! ~in enjoys his work and keeps fit playing squash and doing rugby training. News of the rest of the Adlington family John is Parson of a House Fellowship Church in Crawley, he is married with three children.

Alan Adlington married Jean Philpot and they had a son, sadly Jean died in 1982, Alan has since remarried and has two children - he is head of maths at Cheshunt school.

Ian is also married with three children, he lives in Harrow and is an Accountant in the city.

Danielle King (1980-87) sent me news of some of her contemporaries. She graduated in modern History and is now at Sheffield University doing a post-graduate M.Sc in Information Management.

Christine Waraidoo graduated from Bristol and has since done a PGCE. Last August Christine and Danielle were bridesmaids at the wedding of Julie Humphreys and Paul Clark. Julie graduated from Cardiff in 1991 - she now lives in Hertford.

Linda Barker graduated from Norwich University (East, Anglia) in 1991 and is now Sub-Editor of a Computer magazine in Bath.

Malcolm Pit-Keathly who has been a committee me~ for several years took early retirement last July and is finding so much to do (don't we all?) that he wonders how he taught - he will be in Egypt at present. He has nobly driven in from Welwyn to attend committee meetings, but has tendered his resignation -thank you Malcolm for your loyal service and we hope to see you at future functions.

Alan Liddiard keeps in touch from Exeter, another busy post-employment person -he is studying part-time for a History degree involving visiting Venice and Cairo this term, as a regional chairman of the Society of Dyers and Colourless he travels to meetings in Bradford every month, is a school Governor treasurer of the 1~ Museum, and still finds time to do volunteer York for the National Trust.

Jim Keen living in Blackpool enjoys the newsletters and hopes to attend the next gathering.

Rosemary (Lauton Quick) ex-geography department is now Headmistress of Plymouth Girls School. Viv Nicholas (ex Geology department) is now Head of a school at Burgess Hill - congratulations to both of them!

Mr. Stanney, former Raines, Headmaster appreciates the newsletters but wonders if he knows any members of staff now.

At Christmas I heard from several O.K. sending news of their families,- Gerlinde Leinvetter (Bennett) lives in Vienna and works for the firm dealing With all recycling of materials in Austria - her daughter is now eleven; Frank Ford and Lesley live with their two sons at Benfleet; Hazel Fosbracy (Paul) has two daughters and lives near Salisbury; Marie.Crawley many has a young son and has fond memories of school -and -staff, she mentioned Father Burrows many (now, I think, in Norfolk Susan Wyburn (Brahame) lives in Middlesex, her eldest son is thirteen; Barbara Collins (Newton) has three children. the fourteen year old is very promising musically Anita Merker (Smith) lives in Fleet and has three children, the oldest is fourteen, Mike Hazell lives in Bristol.

When iris Tomlinson (Lyddon) Married last September, C- R. ~s present were Many McCurry, now teaching in Camden, and Sarah smith who in a laboratory technician and lives near the old school.

David Spencer and his wife are still in Zurich - when David in not jetting to Pakistan to complete his Ph.D. studies, or Japan to attend a geology conference!,

The following list of pupils who left school in July 1991 are now in Higher Education arrived too late for inclusion in the Autumn newsletter - we wish then success in their chosen courses.

Fiona James		Bishop Grosseteste college
Nicola Peck		Roehampton institute
Laura Shutlar		Polytechnic of East London
Hilary Thompson		Banger University 1992 entry
Kalu Agbeze		Portsmouth Polytechnic
David Bryant		Waltham Forest College
Mathew Charles	BSc.	Anglia Polytechnic
Alfred Desire	HND.	Teeside Polytechnic
Owen Groambridge	BSc.	University College London
Sam Jones	BA	Liverpool University 1992 entry
McKenzie	BA	Chelsea School of Art
Stephen Parkinson	BSc.	Bt. John's Cambridge
Stephen Sealy	BSc.	North London Polytechnic
Phu Cam Tien	BSc.	Kingston Polytechnic
Peter Turner	BSc.	Portsmouth Polytechnic
Scott Warren	BSc.	Polvtechnic of East London
Simon mattabadul		

There are two
concerning Raines
press.

recent items
from the local

Humphrey
picks up a
top award
for being
the best

Top basketball
coach

Humphrey Long has
netted an award for
teaching youngsters
sporty skills.

The super coach at
Raines School in
Approach Road was made
Coach, of the year 199
last week by the British
Institute of Sports
Coaches.

He was given the award
for outstanding
achievement in basketball
for coaching junior
competitors.

Head Teacher Gareth
Lewis said: "He has
worked very hard and is
very popular with the
pupils and deserves to
win.

"We have made the best



Pupils have stars in their eyes



THERE *no Business like how* business. Pupils at
Raines School had stars in their eyes when they took
to the stage at Christmas

Talented students in Approach Road, Bethnal Green
bad audiences screaming for more with their musical
Comedy "Tea & Rosie" many many 1 many many

The show based in a Bethnal Green cafe many written
by Carol Smith and Nick Skinner. reaction at the by

It was such a bit all four shows sold out completely.

Gareth Lewis, head teacher at Raines said: many of
really enjoyed the show and feel very proud of all the
pupils who were involved many of whom helped to
write the script lyrics and even the songs.

He said everyone at the school was looking forward
to the next school production

Do keep on writing and telephoning - that's the way the news comes in.

Come along on FRIDAY MAY 8TH, put the date in your diary NOW

Gwynneth Jackson

Those Present at the December Reunion

Staff/Science Technicians

Gerry Calvert. Tony Groves. Wally Spooner, Barbara Thompson "**Tommy**" Thompson Humph Long, Tobin Ownes Zippy Auerbach, Colin Nice, Gwyneth Jackson *Christine* Crump, Tony *Perrett Jim*

Everton

1500-1959

Emily Galbraith (Miller - 02-13)

Mike Robinson (50-55)

Peter *Thake* (69-75), Bill Richards (61-68) Brian Chaperlin (63-70), Laurie Dalton (68-76), Jill. Russell (Puttick - 65-71), Phil Puttick (60-67), Cue smith holden 62-68), Vic Hills (67-73), Sharon Powell (Walsh - 68-74), jillian Camp (Seago 67-74), Tony *Szulc* (61-69), Steve Hewitt (63-70), Stuart Howson (64-69), John Parry (62-69), Lesley Jensen Tear - 62-69), John De Ath (68-75), Gary Bishop (69-76), David Lloyd (68-75), Martyn Button (68-75), Tommy W= (63-68), Alan Johnson (60-68), Sandra Jim (Dorris - 62-68), Jacquie Brown (Cramer - 62-67), Martin Bellis (66-73), David Ellis (66-72), George Lewzey (66-73), Tony Mole (68-75), Grace Harvey (Wells - 62-67), Terry Day (60-67), June Day Smith - 60-65), David Drake (60-67), Terry Plummer (62-67), ***Ann Plummer*** (Levy - 62-67), Eddie Murphy (60-66).

1970-79

John Rodnell (78-85), David Ward (71-78), Deena Osborne (Gardiner - 72-77), Lesley Ireson (Cox - 74-81), Karen Delaney (Gray - 74-81), Debra. Reid (Harvey 74-81), Helen Yostis (72-79), Paul Thienal 76-81 Mark Gerbaldi (76-81), Peter Driscoll (76-83), Adam Groves (77-84), Shaun Gibbons (77-82), Steven G~ (77-84), Ching Fun lee (75-52) o John Wyatt. (71-78) many Jim Thompson (78-63) p John Corbett (76-82). Angela Belcher (Baker - 70-76), Rim Driscoll (Hewlett 71-76), Joanne Maxshall (74-81), Elizabeth Simpson (74-81), Maria Mole (Daniels - 70-77), Lorraine Skinner (76-81).. Diane Reeves (76-81), Paul Casali (76-83) many Tony Slingsby (71~76), Gary Walsh (72-77) p, Tim Weller many (73-78) Jim O. Andrews (13-78) many Paul Smith (76-83), David Knibbs (76-81?)

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(80-85).

Jim Featherstone (132-89), Richard Mahoney