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NEWS FROM CLASSMATES



Joe Bartlett: Rang on 29/6/16 with loads of information!

About a month ago he suffered an [Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm](#). Thankfully he was at his new(ish) residence, "Seasons" at Waterford West. While he was flat on his back, in great pain, he was able to activate his medical call device which ultimately lead to him getting some help and being taken to hospital by ambulance. He was very lucky apparently as the survival rate for such incidents is pretty low. He

received very good attention from a vascular friend of his son, John.

He sold his property at Cross Lane in Cleveland, and moved to his new digs in January. A local Chinese restaurateur purchased Joe's home as a residence for his cooks.

"Seasons" is very comfortable for Joe, offers three meals a day, but Joseph rolls up for only one in the middle of the day.

I intend visiting Joe in coming weeks, along with another old friend, so I'll give a further report after the visit.

Mick Borger sent me an article which I'll add as an attachment next month – thanks Mick

Mike Boyle: "Am now just starting to read your request on Windows 10. You have until the 29th July to upgrade for free and my recommendation is to do so. After that time it will cost you to do upgrade. Also, a major update to 10 is coming soon so best to move now.

There are some problems migrating from 7 to 10 but not with all computers. Should you download 10 and there are major problems you can always revert to 7 as it is still on your computer. Be game! Just do it.

Should you go ahead, then I have attached some hints to tweak it when it is up and working. Feel free to send them out should you wish.

On another note, every time I try to open the Bush Telegraph, there are problems. Eventually, my computer figures it out, fixes it and away I go. Here are the error messages before it fixes them."

[Thanks Mike, I've since had my 'issue' resolved satisfactorily for now. Does anyone else have a problem opening TOBT as an attachment? If so I'll investigate the matter further.

I do 'pinch' some photos and a little bit of text from the Downlands & MSC websites to add a bit of flavour to articles, as well as some 'clip art', but I don't go to sites that I think would in any way compromise people's system – JD]

Bernie Casey and his wife Marie returned from a trip to the Red Centre, via Alice Springs, and Darwin in early July. They had a most enjoyable time and are now preparing to fly out again, at the end of July, to visit one of their twin sons who is a specialist at the Townsville Hospital.

Rod Cochrane: "Your story about getting up in the middle of the night for a visit to the toilet reminded me of an accident a friend had some time ago.

He fell whilst in the toilet because of lack of blood flow and broke his arm. The doctor treating him advised him "*To sit for the whole procedure in future*" :0) - Rod

Frank Crawford: Met with Ladder for a coffee on 30/6/16.

He and Marnie didn't get away to Singapore early in the month as planned as his son Andrew and daughter in law came from overseas to visit.

The revised plan now is for them to set off, to meet their new grand-daughter, around Exhibition time.

Ladder picked me up in his very chic new car, one he just step into. With those long legs of his, Frank has plenty of room between the seat and steering wheel and seems a very happy chappy with the new purchase.

Phil Derriman: Many thanks, Jack. Arguably your best effort yet. (*Great praise from a former journo, thanks Phil – JED*)

Cathy and I are driving to Queensland this week, arriving on 30th June, to spend five nights with my sister, Bernice, at her newish home in Buderim, so we expect to be on hand there to celebrate the election of her son, Ted O'Brien, in the seat of Fairfax next Saturday.

After that we'll probably spend a few days in Brisbane, staying at a flat Bernice has in the city. If you and Debbie, along with a couple of others were available, it would be good to share a meal with you at a restaurant some night.

All the best — Phil

As things turned out, we didn't catch up as Phil & Cathy went to the Gold Coast for a couple of nights, then directly back to Oberon from there. He may be back in Queensland again shortly, so hopefully we'll be able to see him then. Congratulations too to Ted, he was duly elected as the new Member for Fairfax! JD

Peter Edlich, as a committee member of the DPSA, along with his wife Mary, was in Brisbane on the 28th July for the launch of the DPSA Bursary. We sat opposite one another and caught up on bits and pieces. He was hoping that Terry Wells might have been able to join him on the trip to Brisbane, but something came up which meant Terry couldn't make it.

Peter Guilfoyle: : " Again left excited and proud from your reporting of the world of SEQ and Toowoomba and Downlanders in particular.

The reporting of the action of Derm Tiernan's sister at the Requiem was heart warming. We are privileged to have such love rub off on us!

Arg is something else again, isn't he? I read his stuff for years and didn't grasp the depth of his scholarship. I hope he does think of Mike Ahern warmly. I do. [Also read Matchstick too.] We met Ted O'Brien last week while voting early. He's a winner in Fairfax.

Oops - that's political. (*No it's not ! see above JD*)

Still looking forward to first weekend in October.

Padua were undefeated in the Rugby again. They won the Chess title too!

Thanks again for your efforts, Peter"

Hugo Fitz-Herbert: " Thanks Jack ... yes, lots of smiles from your last tome !

Tax time is upon us again, so I'm off to earn a few \$\$\$s to help the pension along a bit. Yes, we are all over 70 now BUT (wait for it!) ... can I claim a first (sort of?) You see, I have a "step grandson" now 21 years old ... AND ... his partner has just had a baby boy ... does that still mean I am now a GREAT-GRANDFATHER ...!!!!???

Yea gods ! Has anybody seen that rusty razor !!! Go On ! SMILE ! Hugo."

Brian Herzig: Deb & I met Brian & Leigh on Saturday 9th July, for lunch, at The Sunnybank Community Sports Club (basically the old Sunnybank Rugby Club). Brian and the late Terry Cooley, were very involved in the establishment of this most successful club over many years. Both names adorn the Honour Board as Life Members of the club.

The purpose of the meeting, apart from a good catch-up, was to 'suss' the place out as a prospective venue for our reunion in October. From both our points of view, it more than passed muster. Parking, food, good atmosphere, is all we could ask for really.

In fact, although we didn't perform, we could easily have made Downlands dance instructors, Mr & Mrs Cleary a very proud couple indeed. In one of the rooms was an entertainer singing something I'm sure you'll all remember as one of Englebert Humperdink's best sellers "*Les Bicyclettes de Belsize*"!! :0) As he sang, a fairly big group modern waltzed around the dance floor.

For Leigh, Brian and me, it was a trip back to St Ursula's Deb Balls of the early 60's.

I thought you'd be particularly interested in this little

fact of action so you can come prepared to whisk your wife around the floor come October 1.

Brian and Leigh set off during the following week for a trip to visit **Bob Brennan** (Leigh's cousin) and his wife in Perth. They intend spending some time in the Margaret River district to enhance their wine tasting skills, then head off to Adelaide to visit their daughter. Overall the holiday will extend to roughly four weeks in total.

Peter Johnson: Johnno rang a couple of Sunday nights ago to say he'll be coming 'home' in early October for a family birthday celebration. If he can organise things, he'll be able to join us on 1/10/16.

Brian Joseph: "Many thanks for the note about the DPSA Bursary Launch Lunch. Unfortunately I will be unable to attend. We're currently looking after the grand daughters in Kansas City, returning August 1st.

Hope it all goes well. Best regards – Brian"

Marsh O'Brien: "Just a note to say we are having a holiday at Caunes Minervois in France via Paris and Barcelona - Paris being very wet it still charms if you take in the Galleries and Musees, whereas Barcelona is hot with clear blue skies, - but both are crowded as ever with tourists! - Marsh

Brian Pauli: I saw Brian and his wife at the local shopping centre towards the end of July. The Paulis have moved from Auchenflower to West Chermside. Their new residence is within walking distance of the Prince Charles Hospital.

Ken Stegeman: "Great TOBT again. I must admit it is a great read. Have one disappointment - we will not be able to attend the October reunion as we will be in Singapore. Our son, Mark and his wife, Zura recently became parents to their second child, and we are going over in September/October (the first time we can get away).

I am sure it will be great and we will be with you all in spirit. Best regards – Ken

Since receiving this email Ken joined the party at 'Les Bubbles' for the launch of the DPSA Bursary, so we had a good catch up then.

Henry Stewart's wife Donna featured prominently on an episode of "Australian Story" on Monday, 18th July.

The story was principally about a Dr Rolf Gomez, a cardiologist, who has organised, supervised the building of a mobile Heart Clinic "The Heart of Australia" which is pulled up to 8000kms a month throughout rural & regional Queensland to attend to up to 2000 patients who would otherwise have to travel to Brisbane for regular heart check-ups.

Donna, in her capacity as Mayor, a couple of years ago, of the Balonne Shire Council, was able to introduce Dr Rolf to senior people in some of the mining companies in the area. This led to sponsorship of the program. Regrettably the State Government has not found it possible to give funding to this worthwhile project, but the young Doctor seems a determined person and will continue to pursue them.

Squiz Taylor: Quite a bit of news from Squiz this month.

The group which goes off regularly to Uganda (Squiz's wife Barbara, Judith Goh, Hannah Krause and Squiz) held a fund-raising night early in July. It was a huge success as a staggering \$105,000-00 was raised! Well done to all concerned. This will enable the team to fund prolapse and fistula camps starting in Kagando in the middle of July.

On the 8/7/16 I received this note from Squiz: " We are half way through the 3rd day here, still adjusting to the goat stew and boiled matoke.

We are doing around 10 major cases a day, working from about 7.30am to 6.30pm, so we sleep pretty well. Of course, no alcohol, so beginning to dream of a cold XXXX Gold. Only another 21 days to wait!!

Have to rush, next patient is on the table.

Kind regards, Squiz"

Then later in July: "Have some spare time, so thought I would bring you all up to date with goings on here. We arrived here Wed. 6th, after the usual 7 1/2 hour hot, dusty, bumpy drive from Entebbe, along with Jacky from N.Z. and Gait from Malaysia. We did the screening of the potential prolapse cases on Wednesday afternoon (about 60 patients), and booked 48 for surgery. Over the next 5 days, we got all 48 prolapse cases done, with Gait assisting Barb (and being trained at the same time), and me assisting Jacky.

After a day of operating on Monday, we were picked up by our driver Sabuni, along with Anubha (the girl who usually goes to Bangladesh with us), who has been in Africa for the DAK Foundation for a couple of weeks. We drove to Fort Portal, about 3 hours away, where Barb was to spend 2 1/2 days training Sr Priscilla, a Ugandan Catholic Nun/Gynaecologist, who runs a hospital there, partly funded by DAK.

Disappointingly, Sr Priscilla had been summoned to a meeting in Kampala with the Health Ministry, even though the training had been arranged months ago. Apparently, you don't question summonses to meetings with the Health Minister. Barb was able to do some training in the "new" procedures with Sr Priscilla, but will have to arrange further training next visit. All in all, a bit disappointing, considering the work Anubha had put into arranging it all.

Consequently, we had a full day off, so we booked a trip to see the Chimpanzees at the National Park about an hour's drive outside Fort Portal. We were only about 10 minutes into the trek into the bush when we heard really loud screaming sounds, and a family of about 25 chimps appeared around us, and scrambled up a huge Fig tree, where they sat eating figs for about 3 hours, with us waiting for them to finish their meal and descend. Eventually, they began to climb down, with a couple almost brushing our legs as they scrambled away into the jungle. It was amazing to see them so close.

We drove to a very nice "resort" built by an English guy married to a Ugandan lady, where we had lunch and a swim in their pool before driving back to Fort Portal. Sabuni had driven to Entebbe to collect Judith and Hannah, and they picked us up from Fort Portal on their way through to Kagando. We had a rather cramped 3 hour drive back here, and then the girls began screening the fistula patients who were waiting at the Hospital (some who had been waiting up to 2 weeks, sleeping under trees in the Hospital grounds). The girls have been doing 8-10 cases a day since, and are expecting another group to arrive today for screening. All has been going well with the Surgery so far.

The only "drama" so far was that Judith was sprayed in the face while examining a fistula patient 2 days ago. She commenced HIV anti-viral medication immediately, but experienced quite severe and debilitating side effects. Hannah was able to contact an AIDS expert from Melbourne, who happened to be at an AIDS Conference in Durban, South Africa, and she suggested stopping the medication last night, and Judith is much better today. It hasn't stopped her operating though- she is a pretty tough lady! We were joined yesterday by a Dutch gynaecologist that Judith had met when she was last in Uganda, and she will be observing the Surgery for this week also. She is from Amsterdam, but was originally from The Hague.

Two German Medical students arrived during the night-- their bus from Entebbe had broken down en route, extending the trip to about 14 hours instead of 7 1/2. They are here for a month.

I have been trying to get transport to Kasese, (about 45 mins away) to meet up with Peter Sebaya, and see

how his orphanage plans are progressing, but no luck yet. Enough waffling, regards Squiz"

By the time this newsletter goes out hopefully Squiz will have enjoyed his first XXXX Gold for nearly a month. You've gotta love him eh?

John Ward - Flab – visited family in Newcastle in the last week of July.



SPECIAL NOTICE – REUNION



Sunnybank Community & Sports Club

470 McCullough Street

Sunnybank Q 4109

The reunion committee met on the 9th July to check out the facilities at this club.

There is ample parking on flat terrain. The menu is extensive, and meals can be purchased and paid for individually, thus taking the issue of making a charge for the day, out of the equation.

For anyone who may consider coming from outside Brisbane for the weekend The Sunnybank Star Motel is very handy to the luncheon venue.

As advised the reunion will be held on

SATURDAY, 1st of OCTOBER, 2016.

12.00pm for 12.30pm

Brian Herzig & Jack Duggan (Organising Committee)



News from other years



Pat Hayden: (25/6/16) “Thanks Jack,

Might have to take time off to read the newsletter, It has more news than the old Toowoomba Chronicle.

I am still at Arana Hills and went into your old Drycleaners shop last week. Had a wedding to go to etc. Don't think it has changed although the bloke on the front counter looked as if it had been a long day.

It is a long time since we played football on a windy day at Downlands. – Cheers – Pat”

Last month I mis-spelt John Kauter's name. Thanks to **FX Uhr** for pointing this out to me, and apologies to John K.

FX incidentally, is holidaying in NZ at the moment.

Peter Richards kindly sent me details as to how I could 'fix' my computer problem. Thanks Peter.

Boys from the Class of 1962 are lunching at the **Plough Inn, South Bank, Brisbane, In the Boardroom,**
DATE: FRIDAY, 12 AUGUST, 12.30pm

I look forward to hearing, in due course, how much fun they had, and how many lies they told each other !! - JD

PRODUCT OF THE MONTH

It's a book this month.

I've read and enjoyed most of John Grisham's books.

I found his “Street Lawyer” at the library early in July, and enjoyed it.

I've replaced it with another of his books, “Rogue Lawyer”, which I hope I enjoy as much.

EDITOR'S COLUMN

Brain Teasers – Once again, no cheating now!

- 1) Do they have Australia Day (26th January) in England?
- 2) How many Birthdays does the average man have?
- 3) Some months have 31 days. How many have 28 days?
- 4) Is it legal for a man, in Queensland, to marry his widow's sister?
- 5) Divide 30 by $\frac{1}{2}$ (a half) and add 10. What is the answer?
- 6) If there are three apples and you take two away, how many do you have?
- 7) A Doctor gives you three pills telling you to take 1 every half-hour. How many minutes would the pills last?
- 8) A farmer has 17 sheep, all but nine die. How many sheep are left?
- 9) How many animals of each sex did Moses take on the Ark?
- 10) How many \$1-00 stamps are there in a dozen?

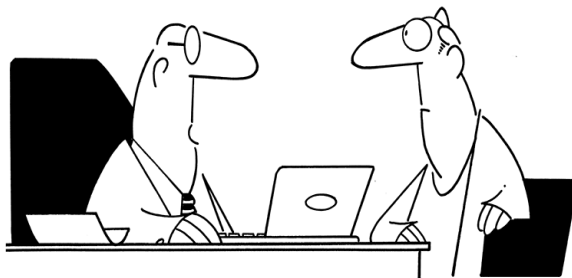
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I haven't any gripes to share this month – no doubt I'll think of something as soon as I press 'Send' later tonight!

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“If you want a comfortable retirement, invest most of your money in stocks, bonds, mutual funds and hemorrhoid cream.”

*The caption above, if it's a bit small to read, says:
“If you want a comfortable retirement, invest most of your money in stocks, bonds, mutual funds and haemorrhoid cream”*

OTHER DOWNLANDS NEWS

My thanks to Frank & Judi Coleborn, who live on the Sunshine Coast, for regularly taking a copy of TOBT to Mrs Aileen Doyle, who you'll remember was Secretary to the Rector during our time at school. She remained on the staff at Downlands until the early 90's, giving 47 years of service to the school and the MSC's!

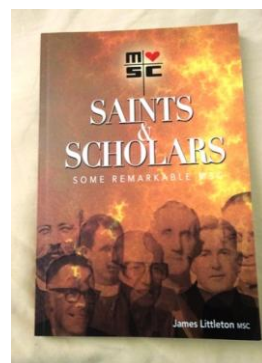
I spoke to Mrs Doyle on 19th July. She sounds remarkably fit and well. She tells me she, like Messrs Doherty & Hede is hung up on Bridge, playing three days a week. She still drives and sometimes, living at Sunshine Beach, drives to Tewantin to collect one of her playing partners who can't get around too well. She lives independently, not far from the Sunshine Beach Surf Club, and has a walking stick to steady herself when she's out of her home.

Mrs Doyle turns 90 in two or three weeks time and is looking forward to celebrating that major event in style. Some of the former staff members from the College join her each year to celebrate her birthday, and will rev it up a notch this year she assures me.

She tells me she recognises so many of the names which appear in our newsletter and passes her regards on to those of you who remember her.



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Fr Jim Littleton MSC continues his series of books on MSC history, focussing on seven men this time, with readership deciding who are the saints, who are the scholars, who are both. The men included are Fr Louis Cochard, Fr Robert Hyland, Fr John Mooney, Fr Bill Graham, Archbishop Virgil Copas, Fr Bede Mooney, Br Dan Hawe.

The stories are always interesting, filling out detail that we may not have known - Fr Cochard doing his studies in PNG in the 1890s, Fr Hyland supplying in Box Hill Parish and presiding at the funeral of The Sentimental Bloke's C.J. Dennis, Br Dan Hawe going to the Apostolic School in 1930, advised to leave, serving in the navy with medals for valiant service, then making his profession as a brother in 1964.

Over the years, Father Jim has built up quite a collection of MSC remarkable stories. He has promised a future book on Fr Peter Treand.

["Minnie" is bottom left on the cover of the book]

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DATE CLAIMERS:

SATURDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2016

Downlands Grammar Day at Downlands.

Main game 2.00pm

Various Class Reunions will follow on Saturday evening.

Downlands Art Exhibition

9 – 11 September 2016

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The Downlands First XV had a win against Brisbane State High over the weekend of 23rd July.

DPSA Bursary Launch, Thursday 28th July, at “Les Bubbles”

Cameron Donaldson, President of the DPSA welcomed, by my count, 33 visitors to the Bursary Launch Lunch at past student **Damien Griffith's (89)** 'Les Bubbles' venue in Fortitude Valley on Thursday.

Most of the guests seemed to have been past students of the College from the 80's and early 90's, but there was a smattering of fellows from the late 50's early 60's.

I hope **Dr John Casey ('47 – '50)** won't mind me saying that he was the 'grandfather' in the room, followed by **George Emerson ('49 – '54)** and **Garth Cocks ('53 – '57)** next in line. Guest Speaker **Mike Ahern ('54 – '59)** [below], and his classmate **Michael Maguire ('55 – '58)** made up the next group. It was nice that Mike's wife Andrea was able to join him too. Blokes from our class were **Peter Edlich** and his wife Mary, **Ken Stegeman** and yours truly.

Other 'notables', and I apologise that I only mention here those people I actually met on the day, were; **Cameron Donaldson ('80 – '81)**, **Anna Bartlett, ('86 – '87)**, (*accompanied by her father, ex Dalby and Nudgee man Mick Battle who is known to some of us*), man mountain, former Wallaby and now Downlands' Rugby Master, **Garrick Morgan ('86 – '88)**, **Matthew Horan ('81 – '85)** and **Melanie Cavanough ('01 – '03)**. The College Principal, Stephen McIlhatton was also present.

Garth Cocks, a member of the DPSA Committee, gave us a brief run down on the Association's desire to get a bursary up and running and has, as its target, \$1million. The Committee is taking a steady approach in looking to raise this sum, and I'm sure we wish them well in their efforts to reach this sum.

Stephen McIlhatton gave us a brief update on what's going on at Downlands.



Guest speaker, **Mike Ahern**,(above) was in fine fettle

He centred his talk on three friends who featured on his journey through politics with particular reference to the Fitzgerald Enquiry.

The first was **Peter McKenzie ('56 – '59)** one of Mike's mates.

Peter became Town Clerk of Roma Town Council and proceeded to recommend the building of a new Civic Centre. This done, the debate was about who should be invited to open it. Peter recommended they have a Country Cabinet Meeting to celebrate it.

Unbeknown to Peter, at the time, there raged a big controversy about Police Corruption in the State and Four Corners was running a campaign in favour of a Royal Commission. Bill Gunn was Police Minister and Acting Premier, Bill conspired with Sir Robert Sparkes who phoned Former Attorney General Nev Harper and announced an Enquiry, while Premier Joh was in the USA. Joh hurried back for the meeting but the Roma Cabinet meeting saw a bitter confrontation which resulted in the Fitzgerald Enquiry proceeding. All done in “Macca's” Civic Centre, the Cabinet Meeting was the most important one in Queensland's recent history. All together 148 convictions were made from 220 charges laid.

“Macca's Cabinet” became an important part of Queensland's history.

Mike agreed the Matt Condon's trilogy, “Three Crooked Kings,” “Jacks and Jokers” and “All Fall Down” are worthy of reading. The next one about Clarence Henry Osborne, a sick paedophile, will be worthy of reading also.

The Second person he referred to was **Joe Mc Corley ('56 – '59)**, 1959 School Captain.



Mike was leading the fight against HIV/AIDS as Health Minister in the months leading up to the Macca cabinet. He was a member of the National Aids Taskforce and was dogged by constant criticism by the State Director of Catholic Education Fr Ron McKiernan. He was vehement against sex education in schools and led a deputation to Premier Joh asking

for his(Ahern's) sacking as Health Minister. Fr McKiernan was convicted soon after this of rape of a boy at Ipswich, and removed from his position. Later the Church appointed Joe Mc Corley to the position and the reputation of the Office was restored. Joe cooperated with the State Health Campaign.

Finally Mike spoke about Arg Whitton. Who committed much time and effort to the fight against corruption. Mike said Arg is one of the heroes of his life. *(From what I understand this sentiment is reciprocated - JD)*



Mike, along with his son John, and **Peter Joseph ('55 - '59)** visited Arg at his Glebe Unit and reported Arg as being as chipper as ever.

[I'm grateful to Mike for editing this report of his remarks as the notes I took on the day missed the mark a bit – thanks Mike – JD]

In a vote of thanks to our guest speaker, Mike was acknowledged as being humble, loyal and a straight shooter. He is a most worthy son to his Alma Mater - Downlands.

Congratulations to Cameron and his committee for a splendid day - JD

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WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT



Bernie Casey had a visit to the Emergency Dept of Prince Charles over the weekend of 9 /10 July. He had a fall, not a serious one, but being left with a pain down his left side, he took the wise precaution of going straight to the hospital to ensure it had nothing to do with his heart. Thankfully he got the all clear and was home in a short time.

His brother, **Father Peter**, is to have shoulder surgery on 15th August. No doubt he'll be sorely missed from his Parish while he spends about eight weeks recuperating.

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Don O'Donoghue has once again sent some very useful health information for you to read. This time it's about STROKE:

Thank God for the sense to remember the '3' steps, STR. Read and Learn!

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer severe brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke.

Now doctors say a bystander can recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

S *Ask the individual to SMILE.

T *Ask the person to TALK and SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE (Coherently)
(i.e. Chicken Soup)

R *Ask him or her to RAISE BOTH ARMS.

If he or she has trouble with ANY ONE of these tasks, call emergency number immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

New Sign of a Stroke -----

Stick out Your Tongue!

NOTE: Another 'sign' of a stroke is this: Ask the person to 'stick' out his tongue. If the tongue is 'crooked', if it goes to one side or the other that is also an indication of a stroke.

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ANNUAL MASS

Planning has commenced for next January's Annual Mass to remember Deceased Past Students.

In the last week we have opened a new bank account which will allow people to make payments for the cost of the lunch, directly to the account.

We are also asking people if they would prefer to receive their "Invitation" via email rather than through the post. (Cost and timing are the issues with this one)

More on this in coming months

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REQUISCANT IN PACE



Rev Fr Michael J Cantwell MSC 1946 – '47 originally from Dalby and brother of Jack (RIP) 1942, and Br Pat Cantwell MSC (RIP)1947 – '48, who was at school during our time and affectionately known as "Little Duckfoot".

Fr Michael passed away in the St Joseph's Nursing Home for Religious in Kensington on 13th July, 2016. Father was interred at the MSC Community Cemetery, Douglas Park o 20th July, 2016

Fr Michael Cantwell has died at St Joseph's nursing home at Kensington, July 13th. He was born on March 30th 1932. His first vows were made on February 26th 1951. He was ordained on 17th July 1957. Three of his brothers spent some years as MSC Brothers.

After taking his final vows on 26/2/1951, Michael was ordained on 17th July, 1957. He spent some years In Japan, and also in the United States. In more recent years he did parish supply; more lately he was based at Kensington Monastery. In the last months, he moved to St Josephs. May he rest in peace.

George (49 – 54) & Tony (49 – 55) Emerson's widowed sister, Lillian Flynn, passed away on 27/7/16, aged 84.

Our sincere condolences to the relatives and friends of all those mentioned above and to anyone who may have lost a loved one in recent times.



*Life is an opportunity, benefit from it,
Life is beauty, admire it,
Life is bliss, taste it,
Life is a dream, realise it,
Life is a challenge, meet it,
Life is a duty, complete it,
Life is a game, play it,
Life is costly, care for it,
Life is wealth, keep it,
Life is love, enjoy it,
Life is a mystery, know it,
Life is a promise, fulfil it,
Life is sorrow, overcome it,
Life is a song, sing it,
Life is a struggle, accept it,
Life is a tragedy, confront it,
Life is an adventure, dare it,
Life is luck, make it,
Life is too precious, do not destroy it,
Life is life, fight for it.*

Mother Teresa

FUN & GAMES

I hate it when people use big words just to make themselves sound perspicacious.

Hospitality is the art of making guests feel like they're at home when you wish they were.

Every time someone comes up with a foolproof solution, along comes a more-talented fool.

I'll bet you \$4,567 you can't guess how much I owe my bookie.

Behind every great man is a woman rolling her eyes.

If you keep your feet firmly on the ground, you'll have trouble putting on your pants.

Ever stop to think and forget to start again?

When I married Mrs. Right, I had no idea her first name was 'Always'.

My wife got 8 out of 10 on her driver's test--the other two guys managed to jump out of her way.

He who laughs last thinks slowest.

I was going to give him a nasty look, but he already had one.

I was going to wear my camouflage shirt today, but I couldn't find it.

St Leo's News



Re: 2017 Centenary Celebrations

I'm sure that those among you who attended St Leo's College are only too aware that 2017 is the Centenary Year of that venerable institution. Former Downlands student, now Rector of St Leo's, Stephen Foley, (above left), and his staff are trying to get in touch with as many men who attended the College to be aware of celebrations planned for next year.

Celebrations will commence on the 26th January, 2017, with key events to take place over several months until mid-October. A full list of scheduled events is available on the St Leo's website.

Further information can be obtained by phoning Miss Heidi Baban at St Leo's or by emailing Shona Clayton at : s.clayton@stleos.uq.edu.au

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Thanks to everyone who contributed this month, it is greatly appreciated.

All care taken in presenting material here, but no responsibility taken for errors / omissions. I sometimes take images and stories from the Downlands and MSC websites.

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31st July, 2016

Answers to the 'Brain Teaser' on Page 6, above:

(1) – Yes – the day after the 25th January!

(2) – '1', We celebrate it using the word 'birthday', rather than using the word 'anniversary',

(3) – '12' – all of them,

(4) – NO – because he's dead!

(5) – 30 divided by $\frac{1}{2}$ = 60 + 10 = 70,

(6) – '2', you took '2' remember?

(7) – 60 minutes – You start with 1 pill, 30 minutes later you take a second pill, 30 minutes after that you take the third pill – 60 minutes,

(8) – '9',

(9) – '0' – Moses didn't have an Ark, it was Noah,

(10) – '12'.