Michaelmas 2013 e-Bulletin

Welcome to the Michaelmas 2013 e-Bulletin for all Wolfson members. As the new academic year begins we offer a very warm welcome to all our new and returning students.

First stage renovations complete

Over the summer, a much-needed renovation of Accommodation Blocks A and B was completed. The work was possible thanks to a very generous grant from The Wolfson Foundation which will also enable us to upgrade further accommodation blocks in the East and West Courts over the next few years. The newly-renovated rooms will provide a fitting home for Wolfson students for many years to come.
The Alumni Reunion 2013

On Saturday 28 September we were delighted to welcome back Wolfson alumni to celebrate a 5- or 10-year anniversary at our annual decennial and quinquennial reunion.

Dr Tony Coll gave a fascinating lecture on ‘Fat facts and metabolic myths: obesity in the genetic era’. Wolfson Jazz provided the soundtrack for afternoon tea, and alumni were treated to a tour of the College by the Bursar and a special viewing of the Wolfson film ‘Ring True’. There was an exhibition of College memorabilia curated by Archivist Frieda Midgley, and the Wolfson Chamber Singers sang grace before the evening’s formal dinner.

Photographs from the event can be viewed on our Flickr page at www.flickr.com/groups/wolfson_reunion_2013. Please do add any photos you took over the weekend to the group.
The Wolfson Review - out now

The Wolfson Review has just been published and you can read it online at www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk/alumni/publications

The Review reflects the College’s achievements, activities and events from the last academic year and also features articles from our diverse membership. This year’s cover features an image from Fellow Dr Giles Yeo’s research into obesity.

Hard copies are available from the Porters’ Lodge or you can request a copy by emailing communications@wolfson.cam.ac.uk

Wolfson at the Festival of Ideas

Wolfson’s President and Vice-President will be taking part in this year’s Festival of Ideas, run by the University of Cambridge. The annual Festival celebrates the contribution which the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences make to our culture, and this year’s theme is ‘Frontiers’, exploring how borders and boundaries are being challenged and reinforced.

Professor Sir Richard Evans and Professor John Naughton will consider, together with Cambridge academic David Runciman, how far conspiracy theories undermine trust in government and shape history.

The exciting lecture is open to everyone and there is no charge. It will take place at 5:00pm on 23 October at the Mill Lane Lecture Rooms. To book, and for more information, go to www.cam.ac.uk/festival-of-ideas/events-and-booking/conspiracy-theories-the-impact-on-world-history. A
podcast of the lecture will be hosted on the same web page following the event.

Our Humanities Society will also be taking part in the Festival on 29 October, when Michael Collins gives his Festival lecture at Wolfson College. For the full programme of the Society's talks, visit www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk/seminars/humanities

**Music at Wolfson**

The Wolfson College Music Society provides a wide range of concerts throughout the year, including a regular Saturday Lunchtime Concert series. The first performance of Term takes place on 2 November with an American-themed concert by Junior Prime Brass. For the full programme, please see www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk/societies/music/concertdiary

**Calling all musical alumni!**

Tell us if you would like to take part in our 50th Anniversary celebrations
alumni@wolfson.cam.ac.uk

**What does Wolfson mean to you?**

Wolfson College will reach its 50th Anniversary in 2015 and we welcome your involvement to our 'Wolfson in 50 words' project: a picture of the College, created by its members. Please share your memories of Wolfson in a summary of 50 words and send your entry to communications@wolfson.cam.ac.uk. A growing selection is online at www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk/alumni/50words
Wolfson’s first telephone campaign

Over the summer, we conducted our first telephone campaign. Our callers contacted alumni and College members around the world to discuss our 50th Anniversary Fundraising Campaign which has Student Support at its heart. We were delighted with the response from our members, who donated over £66,000 to the Campaign. Thank you to everyone who took the time to speak to our callers.

Are you on the Network?

The Wolfson Network now has over 1,900 members and is growing every day. It is free to join and gives you access to a Wolfson email address for life, as well as enabling you to search for other Wolfson members around the world, and join the Career Network. Sign up at www.WolfsonNetwork.com

JSTOR access for Wolfson alumni

Wolfson alumni are now able to access the JSTOR collection at the University Library. JSTOR is a high-quality, interdisciplinary archive of scholarship that includes leading academic journals across the humanities, social sciences and sciences, as well as primary sources and other materials valuable for academic work. Visit www.alumni.cam.ac.uk/benefits/jstor for more details.

Forthcoming Events

Our events calendar is updated regularly and can be viewed at www.WolfsonEvents.com

Forthcoming events include:

Kip Gresham Exhibition, Michaelmas Term
An exhibition of prints by various artists who have collaborated with master printmaker Kip Gresham is being displayed in the Gallery at Wolfson College.

Edinburgh Reception, 24 October
A drinks reception for Wolfson members and their guests at The Royal Over-Seas League. Book online now at www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk/alumni/event/2013-edinburgh-reception
**Commemoration of Benefactors’ Dinner, 21 November**
By invitation to all Morrison Society members and major benefactors in the current year.

**London Reception, 16 January**
Save the date. Online booking will be available later this Term.

**Subject Formal Halls**
Some Formal Halls throughout the year are identified as being of specific interest to those in a range of subjects. All College members, including alumni, are welcome. Please see [www.WolfsonEvents.com](http://www.WolfsonEvents.com) for details.

I hope to see you at a Wolfson event soon.

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