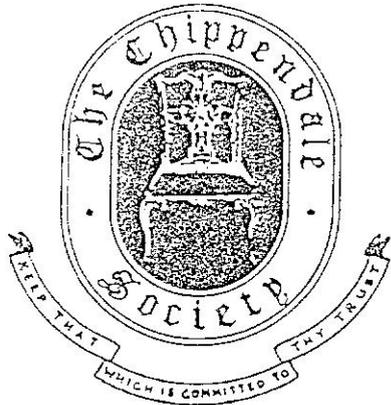


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BUFFET AND PRIVATE VIEW OF THE DENTON TABLES AND OTHER MASTERPIECES FROM THE CHIPPENDALE SOCIETY COLLECTIONS AT TEMPLE NEWSAM HOUSE ON WEDNESDAY 30 APRIL 1997, 7.15 FOR 7.30.

This special evening has been arranged to celebrate the recent purchase of the superb pair of inlaid satinwood tables made by Chippendale for Denton Hall. The evening will start with a buffet and wine reception in the Great Hall, followed by an informal talk by our President to a seated audience in the newly decorated Long Gallery about the newly acquired tables and other treasures from the Society's collections. The cost per person has been kept to a modest £6 for what is certain to be an immensely popular event. Please support this function by coming yourself and inviting a friend - an ideal chance to introduce potential new members. A security patrol will be provided in the near-by free car park. If you require a lift from Otley please let John Holdsworth know when you return the Booking Form at the foot of this letter. No tickets will be issued.

FUTURE EVENTS - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The AGM will be held in the parlour of the Methodist Church in Boroughgate, Otley, at 8.15 on Wednesday, 14 May 1997. As usual, it will be preceded by a regular committee meeting which members are welcome to attend if they wish.

The ANNUAL DINNER will be held at the Golf Club House on Friday, 13 June 1997 - Tony Harrison will be our guest speaker. Details and a Booking Form will be given in the next Newsletter.

FUNDING OF THE DENTON TABLES

These tables are by far the most expensive purchases ever made by the Society and we are profoundly grateful to the following for contributing towards the price of £75,000. They were bought from Giles Ellwood Ltd with the aid of grants from the Heritage Lottery Fund; the National Art Collections Fund; the Pilgrim Trust; Raymond Burton; Christie's; Patrick Walker; an anonymous benefactor; the Sam Chippendale Foundation; Charles Lumb & Sons Ltd and approximately £1,000 donated by members of the Society in response to a fund-raising appeal. The vendor gave £5,000 in memory of Jane Banks while the Society contributed the shortfall of approximately £3,500 from its own resources.