

The Chippendale Society

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AUTUMN ENTERTAINMENT, FRIDAY NOVEMBER 11TH 1988, 7.30 PM

Buffet Supper and Musical Entertainment to be held at: Pool Village Hall (Arthington Lane).

This special social event has been organized to give members and their friends a chance to enjoy an informal convivial gathering enlivened by a musical repertoire. The price has been kept as low as possible, and since this entertainment is certain to be popular you are advised to book early by completing and returning the form at the end of this newsletter. Numbers are limited to one hundred. Tickets will not be issued. This function offers an excellent chance to introduce potential new members to the Society. There will be a pay bar.

Directions: Pool Village Hall is located in Arthington Lane, it can be approached down Pool Bank, turn right at the White Horse Inn and the Hall is on the left some 200 yards along Arthington Lane. There is ample (free) car parking.

REPORT ON THE ANNUAL DINNER

This historic function was once again well supported, being attended by over 100 members and their guests who were treated to a most stimulating and amusing talk by Sir Marcus Fox, MBE, MP for Shipley since 1970. It is pleasant to report that he and Lady Fox became life members.

ANOTHER SALE AT HAREWOOD HOUSE

Lord Harewood sold important pieces of Chippendale furniture at Christie's London Rooms in 1986 and 1987. Following the former sale the Society acquired, for £14,000, a remarkable oval collage of hand painted Chinese paper in a timber and papier-mache frame. Essential conservation work has now been completed at a studio in Gateshead and by Wiggins - a leading firm specialising in period frames. This treasure is displayed (on loan) in an appropriate country house setting at Temple Newsam. Another sale of surplus furniture is being held this time at Harewood House itself on October 3rd and the Society hopes to purchase a distinguished painted beech stool with needlework upholstery originally commissioned for the entrance hall in 1777 and fully documented in Chippendale's surviving bill. Many well-wishers have promised contributions and we will report in the next newsletter on whether the Society has been successful in securing this minor masterpiece.

| APPLICATION FORM FOR AUTUMN ENTERTAINMENT NOVEMBER 11TH 1988 |
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| Please reserve places at £6 each (tickets will not be issued). |
| NAME |
| HOME ADDRESS |
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Cheques should be made payable to 'The Chippendale Society' and sent to Mr John Holdsworth, Barclays Bank, 2 Manor Square, Otley, West Yorkshie, LS21 3AP by 7 November 1988.