

The Friends of Ely Cathedral

Newsletter

Summer 2011



THE FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL

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24 Sept	Friends' Festival Day and AGM
7 Nov	Friends' Evening — Quizzical Photographs

FRIENDS' FESTIVAL DAY LUNCH 24 September

I wish to order _____ lunch tickets at **£12** each

_____ Guest lunch tickets at **£14** each

I enclose a cheque for _____ payable to 'The Friends of Ely Cathedral' **and an SAE**

Signed _____ Date _____

NAME (please print) _____

 Tel no. (in case of query) _____

Please return this form to: Mrs S. M. Hunting, Friends' Officer,
The Chapter House, The College,
ELY, Cambs CB7 4DL

Tickets can be also be ordered via the Box Office see Page 11.

FRIENDS' EVENING 7 November

I wish to order _____ Friend tickets at **£6** each

and _____ Guest tickets at **£7** each

I enclose a cheque for _____ payable to 'The Friends of Ely Cathedral' **and an SAE**

Signed _____ Date _____

NAME (please print) _____

 Tel no. (in case of query) _____

Please return this form to: Mrs S. M. Hunting, Friends' Officer,
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STANDING ORDER THE FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL

Please return this form to **The Friends' Officer**, The Chapter House,
The College, Ely, Cambridgeshire CB7 4DL

To _____ Bank Sort Code __ / __ / __

Branch Address _____

Please pay to **Lloyds TSB Bank Plc, Minster Place, Ely (30-93-05)** for the
credit of The Friends of Ely Cathedral, Account No. 00080253, **quoting
reference*** _____ (*to be completed by the Friends' Officer)

the sum of £ _____ in words _____

on **01/01/2012** and every year on the same date until further notice

Signature _____ Date _____

Account No _____

Account Holder's Name: _____

**Please note – this order CANCELS any current order given by me in
favour of The Friends of Ely Cathedral**

GIFT AID DECLARATION THE FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL

I wish The Friends of Ely Cathedral to treat my regular subscription and any
donations which I may make from the date of this declaration until I notify
you otherwise as Gift Aid Donation(s)

Signed _____ Date: __ / __ / __

Full Name (PLEASE PRINT) _____

Address _____

_____ Post Code _____

Email _____ 

Please return this form to **The Friends' Officer**, The Chapter House,
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*I note that I shall advise The Friends if my income tax payments are less than to be
reclaimed on my donation*

From the Friends' Officer - - - -

Hello and welcome to our Summer 2011 Newsletter. Things in
the Friends' Office continue to be busy and we are looking forward
to the Friends' Festival Day and AGM on 24 September — when we
shall celebrate our 75th Birthday! Full details are on Page 6 and we
hope to see many of you for all or part of the day.

Last year's Christmas Card was very successful and we have
now produced a Friends' Notecard featuring a colourful view of the
Cathedral from the Bishop's Garden. A similar, but snowy, scene
will feature in this year's Christmas Card — details are on Page 12
and both are now available to buy or order.

Thank you to everyone who has provided their email address
and enabled us to send this mailing electronically and save postage
costs. Thank you too to the army of volunteers who have hand-
delivered local post for us. If you have email please let me have
your details, we are looking at every opportunity to save costs.

Thank you also to those Friends who have updated their subs
and amended the date of their Standing Order to 1st January. For
anyone who hasn't done this yet there is a form on Page 14.
Friends who have not yet paid the increased subs for this year will
not have received their 2011 Passes — and should have received a
reminder (orange paper) with this mailing.

The 2011 Yearbook will be published in January 2012 and sent
out with 2012 Passes for Friends whose subscriptions have been
received. All Passes are now swiped on entering the Cathedral and
we are investigating Passes that can be renewed electronically. This
would enable annual Friends to keep the same card and save
producing and distributing new cards each year.

As always please let me, or any of The Friends' Council,
know of any ideas you have to improve our organisation. In the
meantime thank you for your support of The Friends and our
amazing Cathedral and we hope to see you in September.

Best wishes,

Sue

Sue Hunting

SUBSCRIPTIONS 2011

Annual Membership (Single)	£15.00
Annual Membership (Joint)	£25.00
Life Membership (Single)	£200.00
Life Membership (Joint)	£350.00
Corporate Membership (eg PCC)	£20.00

LIFE MEMBERS

If anyone would like to convert their annual membership to life membership please contact Sue Hunting at the Friends' Office. Payment can be spread over several years and arranged to suit.

OVERSEAS MEMBERS

We are very grateful for the support of our Overseas Members. However we are especially keen to have e-mail addresses and reduce our overseas postage costs. Please contact Sue Hunting at

friends.officer@cathedral.ely.anglican.org

if you are happy to receive items electronically.

GIFT AID Gift Aid enables us to reclaim tax on subscriptions and donations. A Gift Aid form is on Page 14.

JOINT MEMBERS Please make sure we have the full names of both Joint Members when you renew your subscription. We can then ensure that all admission passes have the correct names rather than initials.

FRIENDS' EVENING

QUIZZICAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Monday, 7 November

7.00pm in The Cathedral Centre

Michael White has kindly offered to show some of his photographs to The Friends and we have arranged a Friends' Evening at the Cathedral Centre on Monday, 7th November.

The evening will start at 7.00pm. Wine and Christmas Cards etc will be on sale and we hope for a convivial occasion — with a chance to look at photographs of some of the less well known parts of the Cathedral.

Tickets are £6 Friends, £7 Guests and will be available from early September. Please send payment with an SAE and the form on Page 15 to Sue Hunting, Friends' Officer or contact the Cathedral Box Office (☎ 01353 660349). Tickets may be available at the door, depending on demand.

FRIENDS' OUTINGS

Following the successful trip to Brixworth and Deene Park it is hoped to arrange another trip in May 2012. Details will follow in the January 2012 Newsletter.

Notecards & Christmas Cards 2011

We now have Friends' Notecards, featuring a colourful photo of the Cathedral taken from the Bishop's Garden. These blank cards are A6 size and available at £3.50 for 5 from the Friends' Office, all Friends' events and the Cathedral Shop.

The Friends' 2011 Christmas Card is a similar view of the Cathedral, taken in the snow by Alan Hargrave. As last year these are A6 size (approx. 15cms x 10.5cms) and will be sold in packs of 10 for £4.00.

Both the Notecards and Christmas Cards can be viewed on the Friends' page of the Cathedral web-site (Ely Cathedral/How to help/Friends) and will be displayed on the Friends' board in the Cathedral. They will be available at Friends' events, in person from the Friends Office/Chapter House, from the Cathedral Shop and by mail order.

Christmas Card Competition 2012

Advance Notice!

Next year we should like to have a competition to find the best image for a Friends' Christmas Card. Further details will be in the January 2012 Newsletter — but this advance notice is in case the snow comes early this winter! We hope that keen photographers will take every opportunity to get some great shots.

Friends' Badges

We have some enamelled pin badges, featuring the Friends' logo. They are on sale at Friends' events at £2 each or can be ordered from the Friends' Office.

Maxim Kosinov (Violin)

from St Petersburg

BACH SERIES 2010-2012

Programme

BACH Partita no.2 in D minor

BACH Sonata no.3 in C major

BACH Partita no.3 in E major

Sat. 24 September 12.15pm Presbytery

Free entrance for Friends of Ely Cathedral on showing a Friends' Pass. Tickets £8 / £5 concs.

Retiring Collection in aid of The Friends

Ely Cathedral Shop

10% DISCOUNT

FOR FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL

at Friends' Festival Day, Sat 24 Sept 2011

on presentation of this voucher

THE FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL ANNUAL FESTIVAL
Saturday, 24 September 2011

- 10.30 Sung Eucharist** in the Presbytery
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rt. Rev'd Stephen Conway,
Bishop of Ely
- 11.45 Coffee** in the North Transept
- 12.15 Concert** in the Presbytery (free for Friends, see Page 5)
- 1.15 Lunch** in The Lady Chapel
for those who book in advance (see Page 11)
- 2.30 Annual General Meeting** in the South Transept
Guest Speaker: William Palin, Secretary of SAVE
'SAVE: 35 Years on the Conservation Front Line'
- 3.45 Tea** in the Lady Chapel
- 4.15 Choice of Activities**
- a) Octagon Tour with Michael White
 - b) Talk by John Maddison on The Lady Chapel
 - c) Prior Crauden's Chapel Tour with Pam Blakeman/Ray Wells
 - d) Flower Arranging Demonstration by June Nash
 - e) Open Choir Rehearsal (4.45) Paul Trepte
- 5.30 Friends' Festal Evensong** with Presentations of
- i) **The Dean Hankey Memorial Prize:** presented by the Dean to a chorister chosen by the Director of Music
 - ii) **The Friends of Ely Cathedral Medallion:** presented by the Dean to a chorister chosen by the Chapter, on the recommendation of the Director of Music

FRIENDS' FESTIVAL LUNCH 2011

Saturday, 24 September — 1.15pm in The Lady Chapel

MENU

Selection of Cold Meats

or

Poached Salmon

or

Selection of Traditional Quiches

New Potatoes, Assorted Salads & Artisan Breads



Berry Cheesecake or **Chocolate Pecan Pie**

or

Glazed Lemon Tart or **Traditional Sherry Trifle**



Price £12/head (Guests £14)

Wine and Fruit Juice will be available separately



Lunch tickets should be ordered and paid for in advance, payment can be by cheque or credit/debit card. Numbers are limited and tickets will be issued on a 'first come, first served' basis.

Please send the slip on Page 15 to the Friends Office, with a cheque, payable to Ely Cathedral, and an SAE — or pay by credit/debit card by phoning the Cathedral Box Office ☎ 01353 660349. The Box Office is open Mon-Sat, 10am-4pm and there is an additional charge of £1 for the use of credit card and postage.

TREASURER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

The total income of the Friends was down from over £42,000 in 2009 to nearly £38,000:

- Legacy income fell by £5,650.
- Income from subscriptions & donations increased by £2,150
- Interest & investment income fell by £1,500.

Legacy income is of an irregular nature, and interest and investment income is somewhat out of our control and fell because of the general drop in interest rates.

Subscription rates were increased from 1st January 2011 and I expect the total income from this source to improve in the future.

In order to generate income, the Friends' Officer is organising more fund raising events and activities. The initial effect of this can be seen in the accounts and in particular the profit on the sale of Christmas cards which amounted to £984.

Governance costs increased by over £5,600 due mainly to the employment costs of the Friends' Officer and this expense will show a further increase in 2011 because she did not start her employment until part way into 2010.

Gifts to the Ely Cathedral were £38,209 in 2010 (2009 - £6,404).

The Friends outgoings exceeded income in 2010 by £13,564 compared to net income of £27,374 in 2009. This trend will continue in 2011 because of the substantial approved gifts to the cathedral.

The accounts were approved by the Council on 6 April 2011 and they will be presented to members for adoption at the Annual General Meeting.

Richard O Setchell
Honorary Treasurer
27 May 2011

FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL ANNUAL FESTIVAL

We have a full day planned and hope that as many Friends as possible will choose to come to all, or part, of the day – if you have any special requirements please contact Sue Hunting, Friends' Officer.

A major change is that Lunch will be in The Lady Chapel and it is hoped the change of venue and arrangements will encourage more people to attend and celebrate our 75th Anniversary. The charge for Lunch is £12 (£14 Guests) and it needs to be booked and paid for in advance. Friends who prefer The Almonry are, of course, welcome to make their own arrangements.

There will be a retiring collection at the Lunchtime Concert, in aid of The Friends, and an opportunity for voluntary donations, towards costs, throughout the day.

WILLIAM PALIN

We are fortunate to be able to welcome William Palin as our Guest Speaker. He is an architectural historian, writer and Secretary of SAVE and from 2000 to 2007 was Assistant Curator at Sir John Soane's Museum in London. He is a Trustee of the Spitalfields Trust and has himself rescued and restored two Georgian houses in London and Kent. He is former *Country Life* columnist and was recently a judge for the magazine's 'Restoration of the Century' award.

SAVE Britain's Heritage was founded in 1975 as an independent charity to publicise the plight of endangered historic buildings and places. From its launch it has taken the offensive, publicly fighting applications to demolish historic buildings, lobbying parliament, publishing reports and staging exhibitions. William Palin, will give an overview of SAVE's work, from its early battles to the present day.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

It would be helpful to know people's preferences for the Afternoon Activities since there are limited places available for the Tours of The Octagon and Prior Crauden's Chapel.

Please complete the form on Page 9 and return it to the Friends' Office, with an SAE or email address if you wish to know your activity in advance. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please note that there are steps involved in both Tours.

THE FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING,

2.30pm, Saturday 24 September 2011

AGENDA

1. a) Prayer
b) Apologies
2. **To confirm the Minutes** of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday, 25 September 2010 (circulated to all Friends in the 2010 Yearbook)
3. **Matters arising from the Minutes**
4. **Chairman's Report: The Dean**
5. **Chair of Council's Report: Canon Alan Hargrave**
6. **Hon. Treasurer's Report** and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2010 (see Page10 & insert)
7. **Friends' Officer's Report**
8. **Election of 2 Council Members to serve for three years**
Under Rule 9 of the Constitution the Council shall have power to nominate up to six persons to the Annual General Meeting and in addition any individual member of the Society shall be entitled to give notice of nomination of a person to the AGM to fill the vacancies on the Council.
The terms of office of Miss Pamela Blakeman and Mrs Marilyn Pledger come to an end this year. (A full list of Council members was in the 2010 Yearbook.)

a) The Council recommends the re-election of

Mrs Marilyn Pledger

b) Individual Member nomination: The names of any nominees, together with those of their proposers and seconders, countersigned by the person nominated, must be received by the Friends' Officer not less than fourteen days before the AGM i.e. on or before Friday, 9th September 2011.

9. Requests from the Dean & Chapter

- i) To finance the second stage of work on restoring the Cathedral monuments

10. Any Other Business

Any motion to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting must be given to the Friends' Officer in writing by no later than Friday, 9th September 2011.

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FRIEND'S DAY AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

Choice of activities

- Octagon Tour
- Talk on The Lady Chapel
- Tour of Prior Crauden's Chapel
- Flower Arranging Demonstration
- Open Choir Rehearsal

Please indicate your first three preferences and return the slip (with an SAE if you wish to know the result in advance) to Sue Hunting at the Friends' Office (see page 15). Alternatively email your choices to friends.officer@cathedral.ely.anglican.org