

THE GATEACRE SOCIETY

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Our next meeting:

Tuesday 17th November at 8 pm

Gateacre Chapel Hall, Sandfield Road

NEW MEMBERS
WELCOME

NON-MEMBERS 50p

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Dr Sharon Welsby and Julia Kemp will talk about the School, from the earliest scientific expeditions to Africa - that began to alleviate the miseries of tropical diseases such as Malaria - to the activities of the present day.

A.G.M. REPORT

The Society's 24th Annual General Meeting on 27th October was the best attended for several years. Members heard reports on the Committee's activities, and there was a useful discussion on matters of local concern. The meeting heard of an application for an off-licence in Lee Park Avenue, and members agreed that the Society should submit an objection to the Licensing Justices. The proliferation of advertising signs and banners on our local pubs was also commented upon, and it was agreed that we should renew our pressure to have these removed.

Most of the Society's officers were re-elected for a further year. However, Diana Faber announced that she would be standing down as Hon. Secretary. It is, therefore, more important than ever that we get some 'new blood' on to the Committee, to help spread the load. As the Chairman pointed out during his address, the only qualification for membership is a willingness to give up an evening every five weeks or so, to listen and to contribute your views to our discussions. If you are able to offer more, so much the better. The next meeting of the Committee is on 24th November; so if you are at all interested in joining us, please contact any existing officer or Committee member beforehand.

Let the BBC record your memories !

In time for the new millennium, the BBC is launching the biggest oral history project ever undertaken in Britain. Radio Merseyside has been given the job of recording people's memories of life in our area. They are willing to visit people at home, or at any other convenient location. The idea is that the tapes will be stored in an archive, and edited copies will be broadcast and/or made available for sale. If you are interested in taking part - or know of anybody who has early memories of Gateacre, or any other part of Liverpool - then please contact Lizzie-Anne Meachin at Radio Merseyside (708 5500) or our Committee member Mike Chitty (428 7801).

PICTURE QUIZ:

Who is the figure pictured on the front of this Newsletter? Where can you see her? What is her connection with the School of Tropical Medicine? For the answer, see the next issue; or, better still, come to the talk on 17th November in the Chapel Hall!

THE FUTURE OF LIVERPOOL CITY CENTRE

An invitation to a meeting on 18th November

Our friends in the Wavertree Society have organised a talk by Dr Layth Bunni, the newly-appointed Director of the Liverpool City Centre Partnership. Dr Bunni was born in Dublin, but has lived in Liverpool for many years and is full of enthusiasm and ideas for the improvement and development of the city centre. He wants to hear YOUR ideas too, so members of the Gateacre Society will be very welcome to attend and to contribute to the discussion.

The meeting takes place on Wednesday 18th November, starting at 8 pm, at the Our Lady of Good Help Parish Centre, Chesnut Grove, Liverpool 15 (just behind Wavertree Town Hall).

NEWS IN BRIEF:

- ◆ The wooden fence at 3 Cuckoo Close - fronting onto Woolton Road - is to be modified so as to better follow the contours of the pre-existing sandstone wall.
- ◆ The owners of 1 Gateacre Rise have agreed to reduce the height of the newly-built gatepiers in the boundary wall, so as to make them less obtrusive.
- ◆ We understand that the City Council's prosecution of Messrs Cleggs is now imminent. This follows the firm's failure to replace the weather-vane and ornamental ironwork on the roof of their factory (a Listed Building) in Gateacre Brow.
- ◆ The Bear & Staff is undergoing a facelift. The building will be slightly extended, but the original plan for a 'gallery' level above the restaurant has been dropped. Some of the surrounding trees are to be felled or pruned to safeguard the Chapel and the amenities of nearby residents.