



## YOUR SUPPORT CAN RESTORE HALL'S FORMER GLORY

Work is well on hand with the refurbishment of the Trades Hall. New opportunities have arisen to further enhance this magnificent building and restore its external appearance nearer to the original 18th century Robert Adam design.

This will only be possible with the support of individual craftsmen.

Phase I (refurbishment of entrance hall and basement cloakrooms) and Phase II of the work (repairs to the roof areas and the dome) have now been completed and it is intended to commence the next phase in April. This work will not only encompass the infill of both lightwells and the refurbishment of the kitchen but the ground floor cloakroom and reception area. Additionally, the ground floor reception room will be renovated and redecorated in a handsome Adamising manner. This pleasing scheme has been highly commended by the Renovation Committee for its fidelity to Eighteenth Century aesthetics. Tenders for all this work are being collated by the Architects. Completion is planned by September.

As work has proceeded new opportunities have arisen to provide better servicing, including a new heating system and lift, and more convenient arrangements and the Trustees intend to take full advantage of these. To ensure that there are sufficient funds to do this we will need to give them further help.

"We would like to see the target increased to enable the additional work to be undertaken - the total sum involved will be about £1.5 million and it is our urgent hope that we, the individual craftsmen whose ancestors created the Hall and gave it into public trust, can raise a substantial part of this additional funding ourselves," said Ian Macpherson, Chairman of the Refurbishment Committee.

Very generous grants have already been made by a number of incorporated trades, public authorities, trusts and individuals, so that over £1.1 million has now been accounted for out of the original target of £1.25 million. The Trustees hope to record the names of all donors in a suitable and public way at the Trades Hall and compilation of the initial list is already under way.

If you have not already contributed but wish to do so please contact the Appeal Co-ordinator Blair Johnston at 310 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5QR (phone 041-228-8000). He will be happy to help you and provide you with any additional information which you may require.

Picture shows Collector Morton Fyfe discussing plans with Ian Macpherson beside the model of a restored Adam style window for the front facade.

## THE DEACON'S HALF TERM REPORT

### THE CRAFTS THAT CARE

Over the past 6 months the privilege and honour of serving the Trades House has provided me with many occasions that will remain with me forever. Through my worthy predecessors, the Deacon Convener has become known as someone who represents all that is good in the City of Glasgow, and who carries with him the opportunity through the House to assist within the many areas of caring. I believe that this year has been no exception.

The caring aspect of the House to its family and beyond is paramount, and is so appreciated by those that receive assistance. As well as the financial care, we are now working with "Contact" to ensure loneliness is also overcome by bringing many of the pensioners together on a regular basis.

The hectic life of the Deacon Convener continues unabated with many dinners, functions, receptions and the like, attended. The profile of Trades House is increasing rapidly and so many people now know of us, and talk with great enthusiasm of all that we do, and that itself is so rewarding.

The close links between the City of Glasgow, the Cathedral and the Trades House are still very strong,

and as we approach the celebration for the Anniversary for the 200 years of the opening of the Trades Hall, on September 15th 1994, we will together make this such a memorable day.

A service is planned in the Cathedral on the morning of the 15th September, and a reception by the City in the evening within the City Chambers. These are very exciting times indeed for the House.

The renovation of the Hall is continuing apace with Phase III now commencing with completion in September and the changes will be dramatic. It is hoped it will be possible for the Hall to participate in Doors Open Day on Saturday and Sunday, 17th/18th September. Further information will be available in the next issue of The Craftsman.

Finally, may I take this opportunity of thanking everyone for helping so greatly in my year as Deacon Convener. The feelings of excitement, sadness, humbleness and satisfaction have all made it such that I will never forget the honour and privilege. I greatly look forward to the remainder of my term in office.

A. A. H. Bone.



## CHRISTENING A CRAFTSMAN

Four month old Jeff Gordon Alexander gained more than his name when he was christened at Glasgow Cathedral in October - he also became an instant member of the Incorporation of Wrights.

Jeff's christening coincided with the annual Trades House attendance at Divine Service following the election of the new Deacon Convener and Collector. It is one of the few times a christening has been held the same day.

Deacon Convener Sandy Bone, himself a Wright, with the approval of Deacon Kelso and Master Court members present, marked the occasion by offering Far Hand membership of the Wrights to Jeff and this was accepted by his parents.

Picture: Proud dad, Gordon, holds Wright Alexander, watched by sister Eve and mum Kathy.



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## FINANCIERS URGED TO SUPPORT NEW INDUSTRY

The financial community in Glasgow has been urged by Lord Provost Robert Innes to help increase employment in the city by supporting new manufacturing ventures.

Replying to the Toast to the City of Glasgow at the Annual Deacon Convener's dinner in Trades Hall, the Lord Provost said:

"Over the past year, Trades House has highlighted the need for Glasgow to increase its manufacturing base and provide more job opportunities and incentives for young people to take up a career in manufacturing.

"Statutory bodies can play their part in creating the city environment, providing assistance with premises and support and advice services but if the budding manufacturing entrepreneurs of today are to be successful then the financial community must also be prepared to recognise and support their potential to take them forward into the next century."



## CHRISTMAS CHEER AT ERSKINE

Christmas dinner for the men and women veterans at Erskine Hospital has made all the better thanks to the support of Trades House. Over £2,000

was provided from House funds to ensure that the dinner went with a swing. The staff at Erskine are to be congratulated on the dedication and care that they show not only at Christmas but all year round.



Lucille Bone, wife of the Deacon Convener, is seen here talking to the Erskine veterans.

## - CONTACT - REACHING OUT TO FRIENDS OF TRADES HOUSE

Following a very successful combined Contact/Trades House afternoon tea last summer, the seed was sown for Lindsay Gillespie, the Late Deacon of the Incorporation of Wrights, and his wife Agnes to develop a new idea. The concept was to develop a 'contact' organisation for Trades House itself - to reach out to our pensioner friends and other friends of Trades House - even more than we do at the present time.

For those coming to the tea party this May a presentation of the proposals will be made then. Grantees in any event will be contacted by letter before that time. The concept will be to organise additional get-togethers for our pensioner friends, at least twice a year. They will be collected from home by Craft representatives and taken to the homes of hosts who will provide tea and company for the groups of pensioners and their friends. Our pensioners will therefore have more opportunity to come into more regular contact with their friends at Trades House than they do at the present time, and these meetings will be in new surroundings.

The project is an exciting one, and will not only encourage

very much more contact and communication between our pensioner friends and those closely involved in the Trades House, but will give the more recent members of the Master Courts an opportunity to learn more about Trades House and its ongoing than is perhaps presently the case. We need the support of our pensioner friends, their friends, and the members of Trades House and the Master Courts to make this a resounding and ongoing success,

since it is very much hoped that contact will continue for many, many years to come, and long and lasting friendships will result.

Collector of the House and Late Deacon of the Incorporation of Bakers, Morton Fyfe, will be the link through the Deacon Convener to the platform of the House. Morton, Deacon Gillespie, and all those involved are extremely enthusiastic about the project and determined that it will succeed.



## A SONG IN OUR HEART

Once again the Trades House New Year's Day Concert for Action Research sold out early and raised a gross sum of almost £28,000 for Action Research. Pictured here are the conductor Iain Sutherland receiving a presentation gift from Deacon Convener Sandy Bone, and with Miss Nicki Kennedy the winner of the Wilforce Award and Mr. Clive Thomas, leader of the Orchestra.

Many thanks are due to Deacon Alistair Macnaughton and his team for this splendid effort. Next year's Concert organising Committee will be chaired by Deacon Roy Scott. If you would like to sponsor the 1995 or subsequent Concerts in whole or in part, please contact him or the Clerk to the Trades House, Gordon Wyllie at 310 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5QR.

The Trades House, through Late Convener John Fergus is now represented on the Board of Governors of the City of Glasgow Philharmonic who present 12 concerts a year for members and friends to enjoy.





## RED LETTER DAYS

### GANG SHOW FIRST

The Trades House through the Commonweal Fund have, for the first time this year, assisted through sponsorship the "GLASGOW GANG SHOW" run by the Glasgow Scout Council, with support from the Guide Association.

The Glasgow Gang Show, going back to 1936, is the longest running Gang show in the world, originally started by the famous Ralph Reader.

The costs of the show have risen greatly over the past few years, and the House delighted to assist in ensuring the continuity of the Show, which involves so many young people within the City of Glasgow.

This year the Show is being performed at the King's Theatre between 18th and 3rd April 1994. Please come along and support it, and bring families and friends too. It is very professional, lively, great fun and an enjoyable evening is assured to everyone.

### LECTURE TIME

The theme of "Europe - The Way Forward" has been chosen by former Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Heath for the annual Trades House lecture, which is now recognised as one of the major events in the city's university calendar.

Although tickets are not required a full house is expected in the principal lecture theatre at the Boyd Orr Building in the University of Glasgow.

### ALL ABOARD

The Trades House is organising a special sailing on board the Waverley to raise funds for the Trades Hall Restoration Appeal. Tickets are available from the House Office.

### GALA SHOW

The Trades Hall RESTORATION Appeal will also benefit from a Gala Performance by the Apollo Players of "Songs from the West End Show" at the King's Theatre. Tickets are available from Glasgow City Halls normal outlets.

### HALL ANNIVERSARY

The Trades Hall was first used on Deacons Choosing Day 1794 and the Trustees who now own the building have asked the Trades House for help in mounting suitable celebrations.

The actual anniversary falls on 15 September and there will be a special Act of Commemoration that day at Glasgow Cathedral in the presence of the Trustees during the Incorporated Crafts in all their panoply led by the Deacon Convener of Trades.

This will be a most enjoyable and interesting occasion, featuring the witty and learned Dr. William Morris and the fine Cathedral organ. Proceedings will commence at 11.00 a. m. sharp and be followed about 12.30 p. m. by a light lunch at the Cathedral premises.

Tickets for this occasion are likely to be in short supply but it is reckoned that after allowing for official guests etc., Craftsmen and their families should book early should be sure of a place. Everyone interested in attending should contact the Trades House office as soon as possible.

To mark the Anniversary the Trustees have commissioned a Commemorative Plate (illustrated) with the Arms of the Masters of the Trust and this is available at £25 from the Hall Office, 310 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5QR



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• John S McKinlay, J. Allan Denholm, Peter Low.

## GUESTS PICTURED AT THE DEACON CONVENER'S DINNER



• Three Deacons get together (l to r) Ian Scott (Gardeners); Tony Broadway (Hammermen) and Stewart Wright (Cordiners).



• Derrick Willingham The Master Cutler; Harry Abram, Chairman of the Trades Hall Trust, Lord Provost Robert Innes, and Raymond Douglas, the Master Cutler 1992-1993, who proposed the Toast to The City of Glasgow.

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## WEAVER'S WINNERS

Four Honours Year students at the Scottish College of Textiles in Galashiels have been presented with Incorporation of Weavers Maintenance Scholarships.

The four (l to r) Andria Murchie, Helen Dickson, Beverley Houston and Theresa Kelly are pictured here with Deacon Hugh Kelly at the College Academic Awards Ceremony.

## MEATY MENU

The Incorporation of Fleshers has made a £2,000 award to the Human Nutrition Department at Glasgow Caledonian University to undertake a healthy eating initiative for poor income groups with special reference to red meat. Winners of the 1992 and 1993 Fleshers Travelling Scholarship Award travelled to Bavaria in February to attend a 3 day "hands-on" course on sausage making at the Meat Trade College in Landshut.

## OBE FOR SKINNER

Congratulations to Skinners' member Rajkumar Singh who was awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours List for services to medicine and in particular pioneering cochlear implant operations.

## TALK OF THE TAILORS

The Incorporation of Tailors have had a busy time over the winter with a £1,000 donation going to Glasgow University to help students with financial problems. In addition Mrs. Helen Shields from Gourrock has generously donated £500 specifically allocated to the Medicine Faculty.

Severe Winter weather also prompted the Tailors to respond magnificently to supply clothing to Glasgow City Mission.

The Incorporation is also planning a Spring musical evening.

## METAL MASTERS



The Incorporation of Hammermen has made five awards to secondary school pupils in Strathclyde for project work in craft and design using metal in the final project.

Two awards have gone to Hyndland Secondary. To Emma Clark for a metal lamp and to Alan Johnston for a car bicycle rack.

Colin Hastie from Gleniffer Academy, Paisley, won an award for the design for a bicycle maintenance stance.

John Barclay from Carrick Academy, Maybole, won an award for a farm sign produced for Mid Brokloch Farm.

Simon Bennett from Claremont High, East Kilbride, won an award for steel tubular chair.



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The awards are presented above by the Deacon Convener, Sandy Bone as his first engagement as Glasgow's third citizen. Looking on are Hammermen's Deacon Tony Broadway and Collector Richard Hunter.

## GARDENER'S "FLOURISH"

The annual presentation of the prestigious "Let Glasgow Flourish" Awards will take place in Trades Hall on Thursday, 21 April.

A record number of businesses were judged over the summer of '93, proving that the scheme, which has now been running for ten years, is working.

The objective of the Incorporation of Gardeners is to encourage businesses throughout the city to enhance their properties with plants and flowers.

Each summer the judges photograph, record changes or improvements and generally keep a watchful eye on companies which have made the effort to keep Glasgow flourishing.

This summer will be no different, so - to have a chance of winning one of the city's most prestigious awards, The Robertson Silver Spade - get planting!

## THE "NO'SE" HAVE IT



Deacon Michael Graham chanced his arm at the Fleshers Dinner Dance when he challenged guest speaker Lord Jenkins of Hillhead to "name that wine". With one sniff and hardly a sip he correctly identified the wine as Chateau Cissac 1975.

Lord Jenkins was presented with the first ever Honorary Membership of the Fleshers which came in the same week he was awarded the Order of Merit, both honours he said he would equally treasure.

Picture: Deacon Graham with Lord Jenkins.

## LOAF WITH AN INTERESTING FILLING

The Marie Curie Centre at Huntershill, Springburn is one of the eleven which provide specialist medical and nursing care for cancer patients. The Centre makes no charge for its services and financial considerations in no way affect admission or subsequent care.

At the Choosing Dinner of the Incorporation of Bakers a Tombola was run specifically in aid of the Marie Curie Centre and on 21 January Deacon Dr. John Scholefield presented Deputy Matron Vivien Newton with a freshly baked loaf of bread containing a cheque for £1,000. The money will be used in its entirety to buy 6 much needed 'Spenco' mattresses which provide ease for bedridden patients.



## CHANCELLOR'S CHAIR CHOSEN

A striking design in ash with dark blue leather upholstery has been selected for the Chancellor's chair to be gifted to the new Caledonian University.

A competition to design the chair, organised by the Incorporation of Wrights, was won by Fiona Busby a third year student in interior design at Glasgow School of Art.

Glasgow City Council will pay for the construction of the chair which will be supervised by Sam Booth, a lecturer at the School of Art. The chair will be completed by June.

Designs and a model of the winning entry are displayed here by the judges (left) Sandy Bone, Deacon Convener; Peter Kelso, Deacon of the Wrights; Professor John C. Phillips, Vice-Principal of Caledonian University and Baillie Charles McCafferty, Deputy Leader of Glasgow City Council.

