Hello everyone, and a Happy New Year. This is Bulletin No.8 and, as usual, contains information which, hopefully, members will find of interest. Read on...

**Membership Fees**

☐ New Rates

... Please note that the membership fees have been raised a little for 1999... The new Rates are -

- GB£ 6 for Full Members
- GB£ 12 for Associate Members

See section on 'Procedures for Payment'

### Members' Calendar 1999

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**Liaison Persons (and single members) are asked to follow one of these options when sending membership fees:**

1. To the Treasurer (Cheque) Send a cheque made out to 'European Prison Education Association' for the total amount together with a list of members in your country. A copy list should also be sent to the Membership Secretary.
2. To the Treasurer (Cash) Send cash (preferably GBP) for the total amount together with a list of members in your country. A copy list should also be sent to the Membership Secretary.
3. To the Bank (Cheque) Send a cheque made out to 'European Prison Education Association' for the total amount. At the same time a list of members in your country should be sent to the Treasurer with a memo that a cheque has been sent to the bank. A copy list should also be sent to the Membership Secretary.

- Please remember that all bank transactions cost money, and that cheques for small amounts use up most of their value in transaction charges.

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**Note:** If using option (3) above, send cheques to:

Bank of Ireland, The Diamond, Coleraine,
Northern Ireland

Account Number is 180 324 30
Sort Code is 90 - 48 - 00

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**EPEA Membership**

432

The EPEA now has a total membership of 432. Most members are in Europe (in fact most are in Norway) but the numbers in other continents are steadily growing. Attendance at Conferences in the past year has helped to promote the EPEA to countries like USA and Canada. We also have one member from India. Once again we are still well on the way to achieving the Vision 2008 target of 800 members.

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Conferences

The 7th International Conference on Prison Education will be held in Athens, Greece on 10-13 October 1999. The title of the Conference is 'Breaking the Spiral of Exclusion' and includes the topics –
- Normalizing Prison Life
- Exclusion/Imprisonment/Exclusion: A Vicious Circle?
- Minorities. Who are they and what can education do?
- Illiteracy. A Prison of its own.

As in the past the conference will have around 100-130 participants and will be a good mixture of keynote speeches and related workshops. The Conference fee for EPEA members is GB£330, and for non-members GB£360, including accommodation for 4 nights, meals, receptions, social events, prison visits and professional materials.

Please contact your Liaison Person for an application form, or write to –
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Articles for Publication

Contributions to the Newsletter should be sent to the current Editor in English, preferably on disk and preferably in 'Word' format. In each edition an article may be reproduced in another language (e.g. French, Spanish or German) but only if it is (a) reasonably short and (b) already translated into the 'other' language by the sender.

Note: No.16 is now being produced in France -

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Latvia

Education for Freedom

Prison teachers and persons interested in prison education in Latvia in June 1998 have established and registered their non-governmental organisation 'Education for Freedom'. It is open to all the individuals and organisations, ready for co-operation. We'll try to have our larger meeting/conference in December to present the needs and ideas about education in prison. One of our aims is to bring new members to the EPEA. The address is:

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Maris Mednis

General Council Meeting

Regional Reps

The General Council shall consist of the two liaison persons from each affiliated country together with the officers of the association.
- It shall be convened at least once every two years.
- It shall determine policy of the association in accordance with the constitution

In line with the constitution, the EPEA General Council will meet at the Conference in Athens. New Regional Representatives, serving for two years on a staggered basis, will be elected by ballot by those attending. It is hoped that a large number of LPs will take the opportunity of representing their branch.

Steering Committee

James O'Hare was elected as EPEA Deputy Secretary and assumed his position in July 1998. Since this left a vacancy in the North-West Region, the Steering Committee agreed to the co-opting of Ingun Kleivan as NW Representative.

So the Steering Committee of the EPEA, which meets every 6 months in some part of Europe now looks like this -

Officers:
Janine Duprey-Kennedy (France) - Chairperson
Paddy Rocks (N Ireland) - Secretary
James O'Hare (Scotland) - Deputy Secretary
Dominic Henry (N Ireland) - Treasurer
Torbjorn Langslet (Norway) - Membership Secretary

Regional Representatives:
Pam Marston (England) - NW Region
Ingun Kleivan (Norway) - NW Region
Katinka Mannheim (Netherlands) - Central
Carlo Reuland (Luxembourg) - Central
Rosaiba Fawaz (Italy) - Mediterranean
Tony Vella (Malta) - Mediterranean

The EPEA Internet Website has lots of up to date information. Find it at:

http://users.tibus.com/epea