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The OFA President 2013-14 message

I consider it a privilege and an honour to serve as President of The Old Frees' Association on its 90th anniversary and am looking forward to the coming season.

We had been very active the last two terms culminating with the setting up of a new second clubhouse in Bay Avenue, Bayan Baru in Penang Island and revamping the Constitution to be more contemporary with current times of which the Registrar of Societies had given their approval in February 2013. The main challenge will be working in accordance with the new Constitution, especially on the forced savings of 10% on our club income, and yet able to provide the appropriate budgets to finance the various activities within the clubhouses. Nonetheless, we shall seek proper venues where we can increase revenue to our club without depriving the existing facilities from our members. With the current relative young Management Committee (MC) Members who are predominantly corporate executives volunteering their services to the club we shall continue the good governance practised by previous MCs.

One of the most important things for a club is to have a healthy and active participation by our members in the various activities and facilities within our clubhouses. Since our organization is strictly an old boys club and restricted only to Old Frees and teachers who had served in our alma mater, we are indeed a very private club. Positive as well as constructive feedbacks and suggestions will be most welcomed to provide the MC another viewpoint of existing and potential members on the activities and facilities that could be of more interest to them.

We shall be gearing ourselves for a pre-eminent celebration in the year 2016 being the bicentenary of PFS culminating with the grand finale on 21st October 2016. We look forward to attract and involve Old Frees around the world in this illustrious commemoration. Wherever you are, join us in these celebrations started in March 2012 and share your tale of your experience in Penang Free School. Thus, we welcome our old boys and girls throughout Malaysia and the world over to join this organization and make it as strong as ever to last at least another 200 years, making our everlasting motto true and apposite.

Fortis Atque Fidelis

Yours Faithfully
Saw Saik Mun