

November 2009

# BASS NEWSLETTER



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER



AUTUMN LEAVES AT GYEONGBOK PALACE

## PHOTOS FROM LAST MONTH



BAR SUB ZERO - HOT SHOTS IN COOL HONGDAE



DR FISH - THEY ATE US THEN WE ATE THEM



GANGWHA ISLAND - URIMAUL GROUP PHOTO



CHAMPAGNE TASTING AT THE MONTHLY MEETING



DR FISH - WELL IT IS A CAFE AFTER ALL



WELL EARNED LUNCH AFTER DONGDAEMUN MARKET

# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Members,

October has been a very busy month for BASS and November looks like being just the same. There have been many events (Dr Fish, SubZero Ice Bar, Dongdaemun Market) and a very enjoyable monthly meeting with a speaker from Moet Hennessy who kindly brought along a few bottles of bubbly for us to taste.

I think that's a pretty impressive schedule and I'm sure you appreciate that it takes a considerable amount of organisation. The Events team are working very hard to make sure there's plenty to do and, amazingly, they still have the energy left to join in!

At the same time, the Welfare team is visiting projects all over Korea. Shortly they'll make a proposal to the Committee, for the distribution of the remaining money raised at the Ball in May (and at other BASS events). These donations will be handed to the charities at The Mince Pie Morning on December 8th and will total about KRW 67 million.

This year BASS has already given KRW 50 million to Sister Gerardine Ryan, towards the building of The St Colomban's Home in Mokpo. Recently, Suzan, Maria and I went to see the building progress.

It's still a shell, but it's impressive. We also visited other exceptional projects which Sister Gerardine is managing, after which I was in no doubt that this new building is truly going to make a difference to the lives of many handicapped people.

In November, SIWA will hold their annual Diplomatic and International Bazaar at the Grand Hilton Hotel on Tuesday 17th. This is a great opportunity to buy lots of imported foods from all over the world and items for Christmas stockings. A week later we'll have our own BASS Christmas Fair on the 24th November at The Seoul Club. Please support both these events generously, as all proceeds go to charity.

So, there's a lot going on but we need to start laying plans for 2010 and the BASS Committee and the Ball Committee. I hope some of you are thinking about joining up to help BASS continue to support both its members and its chosen charities in the coming year. New committee members and new ideas are vital to our continued success.

Meanwhile, don't forget to sign-up for the Christmas Lunch and The Mince Pie Morning soon!

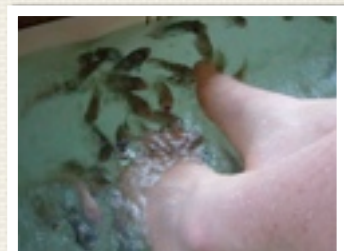
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DONGDAEMUN MARKET TOUR



CHAMPAGNE TASTING AT THE MONTHLY MEETING



FEET NIBBLING AT DR FISH

OPPOSITE: BASS DONATION IN ACTION IN MOKPO





# WHAT'S ON.....

SUNDAY, 8th NOVEMBER

## COMMONWEALTH REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Anglican Cathedral, Seoul. Time 10:15am to 11:00am  
Please be seated by 10:00am Location, Beside, UK  
Embassy, across from City Hall.

TUESDAY, 10th NOVEMBER

## BASS OPEN COFFEE HOUSE

[tracygibby@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:tracygibby@yahoo.co.uk)

Open coffee house at Tracy Gibson's home in Yeonhui  
Dong. Please RSVP direct to Tracy for directions.  
Time 10:00am to 12:00pm

TUESDAY, 17th NOVEMBER

## SIWA AND DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY BAZAAR

[www.siwapage.com](http://www.siwapage.com)

Annual charity bazaar sponsored and organised by  
SIWA and fifty embassies. Brings food, antiques and  
clothing from around the world to one place. Ideal  
Christmas shopping opportunity. Held at the Grand  
Hilton Hotel.

TUESDAY, 24th NOVEMBER

## BASS CHRISTMAS FAIR

[basseoul@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:basseoul@yahoo.co.uk)

Monthly Meeting at The Seoul Club. There will be many  
vendors with goods for sale. A great opportunity for  
some Christmas shopping. Time 10:00am to 12:00pm

SATURDAY, 28th NOVEMBER

## SCOTTISH SOCIETY ST ANDREW'S BALL

[ann.dickinson4@gmail.com](mailto:ann.dickinson4@gmail.com)

The St Andrew's Ball is a black tie event and it is being  
held at the Grand Hyatt Hotel. Dance practices are  
held on Wednesday evenings in the Aston Hall at the  
British Embassy. Please email the address above for  
more information.

TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER

## BASS CHRISTMAS LUCH

[basseoul@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:basseoul@yahoo.co.uk)

Join us for Christmas lunch at the Grand Hyatt. Please  
email us above for more information and to sign-up.  
Registration is necessary. Time 12:00pm

TUESDAY, 8th DECEMBER

## BASS MINCE PIE MORNING

[basseoul@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:basseoul@yahoo.co.uk)

Mince Pie morning held at the British Embassy  
Residence. BASS members are treated to a carol  
service by the children from the British school.  
Enjoy mince pies and other festive treats on  
offer. Time 10:00 to 12:00pm.

PLEASE NOTE: This Event is open for BASS  
Members only as space is limited. Please book  
early to avoid disappointment.

# MEMBERSHIP UPDATE



In November we wish a very  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY and many  
happy returns to:

LOREN DYAS  
SARA HAGUE  
NICOLE KIRKHAM  
JO O'BRIEN  
SALLY ROBINSON  
SHANNON SINCLAIR  
DOREEN PECK YAP

A great WELCOME to  
our NEW members:

RENEE KIM  
YEUN HEE CHANG  
MAGGIE COOPER  
NORIKO DAVIES

And a sad GOODBYE to:

NIGEL BROOK (AMEC)

# MORE OUTSIDE EVENTS AND UPDATES

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13th OCTOBER to 21st NOVEMBER

## 9th SEOUL PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

For programme information please check website; <http://www.spaf.or.kr>

You can also book tickets in English. Check the website: <http://www.spaf.or.kr/english/ticketinfo/howtobook.php>

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SATURDAY, 7th NOVEMBER

## PATRICIA BARBER LIVE IN GOYANG, KOREA

Patricia Barber is an American Jazz musician who is going to be performing in Korea for the first time. Her music is centered on her singing, in a fairly low register and a traditional blues, jazz style. The concert is being held at, Oulim Theater, Goyang Oulim Nuri Arts Center. Time 7:00pm. Please contact #: 031-960-0058 (if no English, contact 02-1330 Helpline for assistance)

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MONDAY, 9th NOVEMBER

## NEW ZEALAND WINE EXPERIENCE

[www.kiwichamber.com](http://www.kiwichamber.com)

The New Zealand Chamber of Commerce in Korea (The Kiwi Chamber) and New Zealand Winegrowers are proud to host this unique New Zealand wine tasting event. 25 outstanding wineries from NZ will showcase many of their finest varietals, from famous sauvignon blanc to acclaimed pinot noir and merlot. A selection of New Zealand beef, Greenshell mussels and cheeses will be available to taste with the wine on show. Held in the Diamond Hall at the Seoul Plaza Hotel. Time 7:00pm to 10:00pm. For more information and to register, please visit the website above.

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TUESDAY, 10th / WEDNESDAY, 11th NOVEMBER

## MAKING KIMCHI FOR CHARITY

[itaewon@sba.seoul.kr](mailto:itaewon@sba.seoul.kr)

The Yongsan District Office is holding a charity event in November - making kimchi for the less-fortunate. Over two days, hundreds of volunteers will make kimchi which will then be donated to charity. The Itaewon-Hannam Global Village Center will be taking groups of volunteers to join in this event on both days. We will meet where we will be making the kimchi at 8:45am. Time: 9:00am to 1:00pm (or all day if you can spare the time)

A list of volunteers must be submitted to the Yongsan District Office by 5th November so please can you call or send an email by then to register. Telephone (02) 796-2459~60

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WEDNESDAY, 11th NOVEMBER

## BCCK MONTHLY SHINDIG

[administrator@bcck.or.kr](mailto:administrator@bcck.or.kr)

Last shindig of the year. Non members and guests are welcome. Held in the JJ Music Room at the Grand Hyatt Hotel. Please email above to make a reservation.

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WEDNESDAY'S, 11th NOVEMBER to 16th DECEMBER

## WINE CLASS, SEOCHO-GU

[tbn2@sba.seoul.kr](mailto:tbn2@sba.seoul.kr)

Seorae Global Village Center opens another wine class led by wine consultant, Mr. Pierre Mettelin (French) every Wednesday starting from mid-November. The tuition fee is 90,000 won and the class will be taught in English.

Time 8:00pm to 10:00pm. For more Information please email or call: (02) 2155-8915~6

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SATURDAY, 14th NOVEMBER

## COMMUNITY GARAGE AND BAKE SALE - FRANCISCAN SCHOOL, HANNAM-DONG

Reserve your own table to sell your items for only KRW20,000. Contact [franciscanschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:franciscanschoolpta@gmail.com) for details or visit: <http://www.franciscanschool.com> Time 9:00am to 12:00pm

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SATURDAY, 28th NOVEMBER

## MIKA LIVE IN SEOUL

Retro Brit-Pop sensation Mika, will hold his first concert in Korea at the Melon AX-Hall, Seoul. For ticket information call, (02) 3444 9969

# NOTICES AND INFORMATION

## BASS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

To help improve your monthly newsletter, please send any feedback, comments, stories, notices etc to [basseoul@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:basseoul@yahoo.co.uk) by the 25th of every month. Also please let us know if there is anything you would like us to start including.

Thanks Holly

## BRITISH GROCERY SHOPPING

Check out:

[www.britsuperstore.com](http://www.britsuperstore.com)

and

[www.britishcornershop.co.uk](http://www.britishcornershop.co.uk)

## NEW BLOG WEBSITE

Check out a new blog website about Seoul, Daegu and Busan.

[www.theoneonefour.com](http://www.theoneonefour.com)

## FIRST CLASS HOME HELP

Norma has over 15 years experience of working for the British Diplomatic Community here in Seoul. She comes highly recommended – friendly, efficient, honest, hard working and extremely reliable. She cleans, washes and irons quickly and thoroughly. She is fantastic with children and pets – a real asset to any home.

For more details on availability and sponsorship requirements please contact Norma on 010 8698 1718. For references please contact 010 4166 0941.

## MAHJONG GROUP

Come and join us every Friday at the Seoul Club at 10:00am to play this interesting and addictive game. No experience necessary as the members there will be happy to teach you. If you would like any further information, email [basseoul@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:basseoul@yahoo.co.uk)

## KOREA4EXPATS.COM

For more outside events information please see the web site: [www.korea4expats.com](http://www.korea4expats.com)

## BOOK SWAP

Please don't forget our monthly book swap. Bring along any books or magazines that you have finished with and choose from our many books on offer. The book swap takes place every monthly meeting. The next one is on Tuesday 24th November.

# RECIPE CORNER

Baked figs are good to serve with cheese and crackers at the end of a meal.

For this recipe use figs that are not soft. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Recipe from Suzan Walsh

## Baked Figs

Allow 2 figs per person

Brown sugar

Butter

- Preheat oven to 200 deg C.
- Wash and drain the figs.
- Cover the bottom of a shallow pyrex dish with a layer of butter.
- Cut the figs in half.
- Dip the cut sides of the figs into brown sugar.
- Line the figs onto the buttered dish with sugared sides down.
- Bake in the oven for about 20 – 25 minutes.

