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## South East London College

Two members of Brockley Society were invited to meet the Senior College Staff on April 3rd and we discussed various matters affecting the College and the neighbourhood; this included the parking problem around the College, and the future of the buildings on which the College has a purchasing option.

We asked about 16a Tressillian Road which has been badly damaged during its use as a builders office, this is owned by GLC. Our suggestion that this could be renovated & used for

students was received with interest: no-one had noticed the architectural similarity between 16a and 18a across the railway.

Mr Deere took us on a tour of the new building, including the library, workshops and catering department. We thoroughly enjoyed our visit & Mr Deere offered to show the College to others interested. If you would like a conducted tour, day or evening, please phone Mrs Heywood 692-6977 to make up a party.

From the Associate Principal:

Residents of Brockley can hardly fail to be aware of the complex of college buildings which face Lewisham Way and Breakspears Road. They may however be relatively uninformed of the wide range of educational opportunities which South East London College has to offer, in particular to local people."

"The College was founded in its present form in September 1974 as a result of the merger of three separate colleges: the former Technical College and College of Further Education, in Lewisham Way, and the Lewisham and Eltham College of Further Education at Goudhurst Road, Downham. Since September 1977 the Breakspears Building, opened by Lord Bowden of Chesterfield on April 26th, has formed the headquarters of the College. It is excellently equipped for the teaching of engineering, hotel and catering work, and liberal studies and has an outstanding library suite. In addition to the nearby Wickham and Tressillian buildings, the College has a construction department at Sydenham and branches at Catford and Downham. The College functions as a single unit under the general direction of the Principal, Dr K. J. Dean.

"The role of the College is two-fold: to provide vocational courses for students preparing to enter employment, and to offer to those already employed courses which will enable them to improve their efficiency and enhance their prospects at work. The academic work of the College covers three main branches of engineering- electrical, mechanical and production; construction; hotel and catering; business studies; academic studies; and general education. Many courses are full-time but almost all are also available on a part-time day or evening basis. The College has a separate and distinct function from the local adult education institutes giving non-vocational courses, but it has a duty to meet the needs of local people. If, for example, you work for a local engineering firm and wish to improve your skill and performance, we should be able to help you. We also teach clerical and secretarial subjects to beginners as well as to those with some experience. General education courses up to GEC "O" level are provided at Lewisham Way, and GEC "A" level at Catford."

Our Hotel and Catering Studies Department has the most modern equipment and its comfortable JUBILEE RESTAURANT is open to the public during term time. Another department offering a course for foster parents attracts students from all parts of South London. Courses in banking, insurance and many other aspects of business are available, and during the last few years our Downham Branch has provided a pre-professional course which has enabled many married women to obtain qualifications and subsequent employment at a professional level: eg. as teachers or social workers. Finally, we offer a limited number of places in our Physical Recreational Courses in the well-equipped games hall of the Wickham Building."

"The above gives only a very brief outline of our activities, but if you think we might have a course to suit you, we invite you to enquire at the Breakspears Building where help and advice is available.

H. E. Swell, Associate Principal

### South East London College Jubilee Restaurant

Open: Tuesday to Friday, term time only,  
12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m.

Table Reservations:

Please telephone 692 0353, extension 364  
or 691 3276 between 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.,

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the place is  
very popular  
and you may  
have to wait  
a week or two  
for a booking



GREAT IMPROVEMENT No 8. 4 Montague Avenue  
(Lewisham Council)

WE ARE PLEASED TO SEE THAT....  
trees have been planted round  
the SELTEC car park to replace  
those unnecessarily felled.

#### HILLY FIELDS SHELTER

This little shelter has been here over 65 years. BrocSoc asked the Council in October to see if anything could be done to repair it. Brickwork has been repaired but we are disappointed to see that this is not up to the standard of the previous decorative work. The graffiti remains, and the sides have not been repaired: we have again written to the Council.

### GRAFFITI

IN REPLY to a letter from the Society, the Borough Surveyer replies that he is shortly to take on trial high-pressure water cleaning equipment, but that funds for the removal of graffiti are limited.

YOU WILL HAVE NOTICED that some prominent graffiti have recently been removed.

#### BROCKLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL

Our next newsheet will include an article by the BNC Chairman

IF YOU HAVE some duplicating work, why not consult us?

BrocSoc now owns a machine. All profits to the Society.

Contact 692-1996



## TRAFFIC

#### MANOR AVENUE AREA

The GLC have agreed that the modified scheme should be brought into operation. The BrocSoc will be monitoring the effects of the changes and will be asking for your opinions when it has been running a while.

#### BUS LANES

The Council has expressed reservations to the GLC about BUS LANES in roads where there is little spare capacity for displaced traffic- this could increase 'rat-runs' in adjacent residential areas.



#### PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

Lewisham Way/  
St Johns Vale

The Highways & Public Works Committee has applied to GLC for conversion of this zebra crossing to a PELICAN Xing



#### PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

Brockley Road/  
end of Wickham Road

WE ARE PLEASED TO SEE that this much-needed Xing is now in operation.

BrocSoc News Sheet is published every 3 months. Items for publication to be in the hands of the editor Bill Turner 104 Tressillian Road SE4 by the 21st. Dec; Mar, June, Sept.