Making Contact

A central focus for the FDMC Foundation is our web site

www.fdmcfoundation.com

Our site encourages Old Boys to register (at no cost) and is designed as a portal so that Old Boys can

- keep up with news from the College
- access archival material such as College magazines and photos
- view and purchase Old Boys' merchandise
- keep up with old mates through message boards and a forum
- see how we are going as we build the trust fund
- make suggestions for activities and fund raising projects
- identify Old Boys' businesses so you can support your own

Old Boys' Clusters

We know from our experiences in organising the 50th Jubilee that FDMC old boys are scattered throughout New Zealand and across the world. A number of Old Boys have begun to form themselves into informal clusters in places such as Auckland, and this is something the Foundation would like to encourage and promote through its web site and publications.

Key to having Old Boys' clusters develop is having enthusiastic individuals "on the ground" and prepared to act as a focal person. If you are keen to help out please contact us through the web site.

Making A Long Term Contribution

As a charitable trust the FDMC Foundation relies on financial support from Old Boys and friends of the college. The following is a range of ways you can support the FDMC Foundation financially:

- Making a single donation by cash, cheque, credit card or automatic payment.
- Donating articles of value such as antiques, jewellery, works of art, shares or real estate.
- Making a bequest in your will.
- Establishing a charitable trust in favour of the Foundation, either during your lifetime or in your will.
- Assigning income from shares or investments while retaining ownership.

As a charitable trust donations to the Foundation do attract tax refund status and you can contact the trust secretary for further details.

It is not possible to have one contribution system satisfy everybody's requirements, an example being that some people wish to be identified as a contributor while others will choose to remain anonymous. We are happy to talk to individual Old Boys about tailoring their contribution to their requirements and we are open to contributions being dedicated to specific funding areas such as scholarships or building projects.

Contact Chris Sole (021 217 4845 or Chris@efsltd.co.nz) to discuss any special requirements.

The FDMC Foundation



Celebrating Our Past Growing Our Future

The Aims Of The Foundation

In little over 50 years Francis Douglas Memorial College has developed into a school with a great educational reputation and a very strong Lasallian spirit. A group of FDMC old boys has got together to create and register the FDMC Foundation so that old boys of the College can ensure they play their part in developing that spirit and reputation into the future.

The aim of the Foundation is to create and grow a fund of money that will help in achieving the following objectives:

- to assist in the maintenance and support of the special character of the College and the legacy given to the community by the De La Salle Brothers through whom the College was founded
- to promote and assist in the advancement of the education and well being of the pupils of the College
- to assist in the provision of accommodation for pupils attending the College
- to provide funding for, or towards, the acquisition of the land or construction or maintenance of buildings at the College by the proprietor
- to provide or contribute to scholarships, bursaries, prizes, grants and the like for pupils of the College
- to provide assistance to pupils of the College who are disadvantaged either financially or socially
- to provide or contribute to the provision of books, equipment and materials for use in the College
- to seek grants, bequests and donations and to raise money by any other manner for the benefit of the College and its pupils

The Foundation's Structure

The FDMC Foundation is a registered trust that holds charitable trust status. The inaugural Board of Trustees is:

Sam Barrett Alan Melody Kevin Murphy Mark Butterworth Peter McDonald Chris Sole



How We Hope To Help

While the initial drive of the Foundation is to establish a viable trust fund, consideration has already been given to some of the projects that money may support. These include:

- the creation of an Old Boys tie do be distributed to graduating students as they pass from students to old boys
- the establishment of scholarships for both day and boarding students
- making financial contributions for special building projects at the College
- preserving, maintaining and making available archives for the wider College community

As it is your Foundation we encourage Old Boys to make recommendations or suggestions about ways we can achieve our stated aims.

How You Can Help Us Get Started

The Foundation cannot achieve its aims and objectives without first creating a fund which may be drawn on to support the College, its students and wider community. To this end the first few years of the Foundation's life will be focused on growing this fund to a point where it can have a significant impact. The trustees have set an initial fund target of \$250,000 which they hope to achieve within the first 3 years of the Foundation's life.

To help gain momentum towards this target the Foundation has instituted the Founder's Fund

The Founder's Fund

We are seeking contributions of \$1000 which will be recognised at the College and on the Foundation's web site and in Foundation publications.

This Fund will be the cornerstone on which we build our future financial success. Like the first day pupils of 50 odd years ago we are sure contributing Old Boys will look back with pride and a sense that they were there at the start of something great.

As we are a charitable trust contributions are tax deductible, depending on your financial status.

Contributions can be made in a number of ways through our web site at

www.fdmcfoundation.com