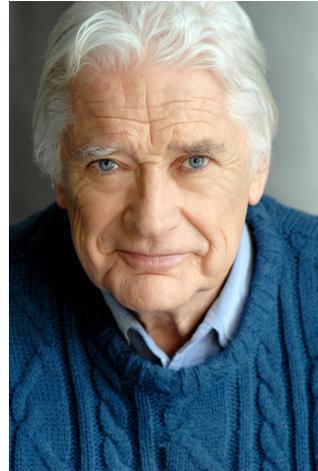




Relief Update

The Relief Committee is thrilled to formally announce our new committee member Norman Macleod, OBE.

Norman was raised in York and qualified as a solicitor in 1962. He worked in London until January 1965, when he then relocated to San Francisco. He began practicing law in California in 1970, and worked in San Francisco until retirement in January 2018. Norman primarily practiced Elder Law, which includes Probate, Trusts and Conservatorship Law. In 1985 he joined the BBS Board and remained as Legal Counsel until retirement. Though no longer on the Board of Directors, Norman has remained a dedicated member of the organization and recently expressed interest in volunteering his time and expertise with the Relief Committee.



Relief assistance remains at the core of our mission and engagement with new volunteers helps us to sustain a vibrant committee.

Relief Case Update

A recent case from LA involved a family recovering from damages and trauma following a fire. Though the fire was quickly contained, a teenage daughter lost all of her personal belongings, bedroom furniture, essential school supplies and a laptop. The Relief Committee provided the family with funds to help replace personal items, as well as a gift certificate to Best Buy where they planned to purchase a new laptop.

A thank you from a case last year....

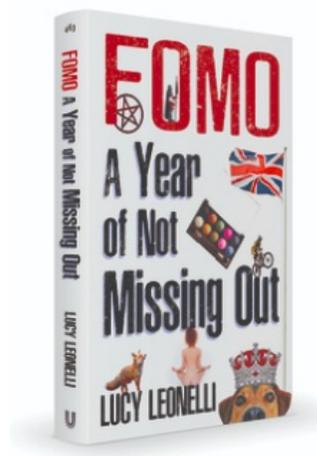
We received a lovely thank you from a [recipient of relief last year](#). The BBS covered the cost for her to return to Scotland, after living in the US for 5 years. Her 18 year-old son had suddenly fell very ill, lost the ability to talk and was in the hospital. The BBS covered the cost for her to fly home with her son. He is doing better now and has been discharged from the hospital. He is able to go out with his caregivers every day and is slowly saying more words. She wanted the BBS members to know how grateful she is for everything we did for her family. He just received his NHS number and their life is much nicer because of the BBS.

News from our Community

One year before our very own Director, Lucy Feltham, began her life in the states, she took a yearlong sabbatical from work to explore 26 different subcultures and communities around Great Britain.

In June, her book- **FOMO: A Year of Not Missing Out** - was selected as a candidate for a crowd funding platform called Unbound, which is basically like kick-starter for publishing. In return for supporting the book, supporters will receive different levels of rewards such as your name in the back as a supporter, signed copies, naming a character after your cat, your face on a T-shirt and other ridiculous and wonderful things.

Follow [this link](#) to check out her short video and learn more about her journey. Congratulations to Lucy on this incredible achievement!



Membership Update

Last month, the BBS made some [changes to membership](#) levels. As always, we are grateful for all of the support from our longstanding members and hope that new members will join and continue to support the BBS mission. Please visit our [website](#) for further details about membership.

BBS & Trinity House Paintings Reception

Last month, new Business member [Trinity House Paintings San Francisco](#), jointly hosted a lovely event at their gallery in Tiburon. Guests not only enjoyed nibbles and sipped wine, but also spent the evening surrounded by pieces exclusively from British artists.

Karen Beale, Senior Sales Director with Trinity House Paintings, said it well, "Member support is about the human element we all bring to the charity. Helping those in need, is truly the core of who we are as humans. Without help from one another, and helping those in need, we are losing sight of that which is most important."

A big welcome to the 6 new BBS members who joined following that evening! And, thank you to everyone at Trinity House Paintings for helping to make the evening so special... and especially British.



BBS Board of Directors & Executive Director



Karen Beale of Trinity House Paintings & Charles Cockerton BBS President

BBS Events

BBS Member Only Reception at the Residence of the British Consul General

When: Tuesday 29 October

Where: Official Residence of the British Consul General

BBS members will receive a formal invitation to this special event. Sorry, no plus ones.



Save the Date

BBS Christmas Dinner

When: Tuesday 3 December

Where: [City Club of San Francisco](#)

Mark your calendar for our annual Christmas dinner that includes Christmas crackers, carol singing and all of the traditional British trimmings. Be sure to buy your tickets once they are on sale. We sold out last year!



Partner Events

BABC Young Professionals 'Scotchtober' Warm Up

When: Saturday 28 September

Where: The Hunter Public House, Alameda

Join the BABC Young Professionals for an evening of Single Malt Scotch Whisky as you sample and explore from three unique distilleries: The GlenDronach, The BenRiach, and Glenglassaugh Scotch Distilleries. The Scotch101 will dive into the production, history and the flavor profiles offered by each distillery with all whiskey expressions being expertly paired with a selection of fine cheeses.

Sound interesting? Visit the [BABC](#) for additional information and registration.



BABC Young Professionals Happy Hour
Join Various UK University Alumni
When: Tuesday 8 October

Visit the [BABC Young Professionals](#) registration page to find out more about this free event as well as a list of the university alumni expected to attend. This happy hour is a wonderful opportunity to connect with not only young professionals but also a dynamic group of people!

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