

WELCOME to **Mirabel Stuart** who has recently joined CaAPA. **Mirabel** is currently working for her MA in Acting at ArtsEd. We look forward to meeting her.

FRANK FINLAY CBE RIP

A reminder that a Mass of Thanksgiving for the life of **Frank Finlay** will take place at Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane, Covent Garden, at 12 noon on Thursday, 16 February. The celebrant is our National Chaplain, Fr Alan Robinson. This is a Sung Mass - Soloist is Elizabeth Chivers Ward. All are welcome but I would appreciate it if you could send me an e-mail to let me know if you are attending so we have some idea of numbers. Thank you.

CANON JOHN McDONALD RIP

The funeral of **Canon John McDonald** took place at Westminster Cathedral on 5 January. The principal celebrant was **Cardinal Vincent Nichols**. As some members will remember, **Canon John** was our National Chaplain for many years and was very supportive of the former CSG now CaAPA. There was a huge turnout of the clergy including our Chaplain, Fr Alan Robinson, and our former Chaplain, Fr Chris Vipers. CaAPA members included **Phyllis McMahon, Michael Slater, Robin Marchal, Richard Codd, Bill Tomlinson, Molly Steele, Bill Tomlinson and John Adam Fox.**

NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS

Jonathan Coote is currently appearing in **Sleuth** at the English Speaking Theatre in Vienna until the end of February. **Jonathan** is playing the part of Andrew Wyke which was played by Sir Laurence Olivier in the original film version. Hope it is going well, Jonathan. **Peter Le Breiully** will be filming later this month in a modern version of **The Prodigal Son** in which he plays the father. This is an American/UK project with an American director and crew with much of the creative work done in the UK. There will be a DVD which should be available online at some stage.

SEVEN LETTERS

Mary Drake is appearing in **Seven Letters** at the Tabard Theatre, 2 Bath Road, Chiswick W4 1LW from 1st-4th February. Performances commence at 7.30 p.m. on these dates plus a matinee on Saturday, 3 February at 2.30 p.m. Box Office: 020 8995 6035.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

22 February at the CAA

Steve Gough will be presenting a rehearsed reading of his new play - **QUIET EVER AFTER** - inspired by the later life of Graham Greene. The play also uses events which Greene describes from personal experience in his novel **THE QUIET AMERICAN** (which dealt with the early years of the Vietnam War) to explore the uneasy relationship between fictional and historical truth.

The performance commences at 7.30 p.m. and ends at approximately 9.30 p.m. There will be an interval of 15 minutes. Family and friends are welcome.

STUDENTS EVENING AND SIR ALEC GUINNESS AWARD

This is just for your information as the evening is purely for final year students from accredited Drama Schools. The winner of the award last year was, as you will know from previous newsletters, **Hannah Traylen**. . She has already been cast in **Unforgotten** and **Call the Midwife**, just small parts but a good start. In **Call the Midwife** she had one line which, when it was shown, had been cut! She will also be appearing in an episode of **Doctors** in April. The Students Evening takes place this year at the CAA on 22 March.