

MAGIC LANTERN SOCIETY NOTICE BOARD

At the Summer Meeting (see p. 16) Andrew Gill brought along a mahogany 'keep your slides warm slide box' with heating compartment. Lester Smith has since found the entry for this in a Newton & Co. catalogue from c.1914. It reads: "In cold weather a good deal of trouble is caused to exhibitors by dew condensing on the cold glass of the slides when they are put into the lantern, and this nuisance may be greatly decreased by warming the slides beforehand. The new box is arranged with a small heating chamber containing a hot earthenware block so that the slides arrive at the hall quite warm. The block can be heated in any oven or stove, and any difficulty that might arise from leakage where hot water tanks are employed is obviated." Made in two sizes (for 60 and 80 slides), with carrying straps, each cost less than £1.



Else Flim has sent us this great photo of her presenting a copy of *TML* 31 with Part 1 of the article about Dickens and the Dickens Theatre in Laren to the Mayor, Nanning Mol (left), and his partner Erwin Lunshof. They visited Adrian, Else and the Theatre on 10 August 2022. See p. 11 for Part 2 of the article. Maybe the Mayor will receive a copy of this edition too!

PETER SPENCER

We have received the sad news that Peter Spencer passed away on 17 August. As many will recall, Peter was a very active member of the Society and indeed took part in a wonderful show celebrating Birmingham at our meeting in April (see *TML* 31). We will have an obituary for in our next issue but in the meantime our thoughts and best wishes are with the Spencer family.

WHAT IS THIS?

A rare lantern from the one of Lester Smith's cupboards? Maybe a French toy lantern? Or not a lantern at all? (*answer on p. 15*)



DIARY DATES

Please take these dates as a guide only

2022

18-20 October

19th Convention for the Magic Lantern Society of US and Canada
Glidden House, Cleveland, Ohio, USA

22 October (*note change of date*)

Autumn meeting of the Magic Lantern Society
Swedenborg Hall, Bloomsbury, London

17 December

Zooming towards Christmas
The Magic Lantern Society's online extravaganza

2023

21 January

Magic Lantern Society AGM
Musical Museum, Brentford, London

NEW MEMBERS

Abi Feijó Lousada, Portugal
Nick Lievens Tobermore, Co. Londonderry, UK
Vivienne Roberts London, UK
Hugh Webb London, UK