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Forthcoming Event

Organised by the Board of Trustees

‘MAKE BAKE AND SHOW EXHIBITION’

Saturday 27th October 2018



The Venue – Navenby – LN5 0JJ

11am to 3.30pm

A bi-annual showcase of Lincs South Members talents including craft work, cookery, cards, art, photography and flowers, so please pop along and take a look.

Entrance fee is just £2.50 on the door, Children under 12 free.

Refreshments will be available plus a Raffle

OPEN TO MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS



News from your Chairman

It does not seem all that long ago when I was writing my last report for the news sheet, but eight weeks have gone by, one minute we are looking forward to summer and the next we are looking back, how time flies. A very busy few weeks mostly WI related mixed in with taking care of the little people (grandchildren).

July, I spent a lot of time at the office, catching up with things also planning etc for next year and so forth.

The beginning of August was the Federation annual trip to Denman College – nice food, very nice weather and good company, what more could you ask for? Next year's trip – maybe.

Two weekends in August were taken up with outside events, one at Spalding the 1940's Weekend at Ayscoughfee Hall where we helped people to see and taste 1940's rationing, which was very well received, a lot of research and fun to do and we had such a good response that we have been asked to take part again next year. The second event was the RAF Digby Family Day, a very special event that we are pleased to take part in by serving tea and cakes. It is a thank you to all serving personnel and their families, everyone is so friendly, and a good day was had by all.

The first few days of September sees the committee meetings start again. I also have plenty of visits to WI meetings to look forward to, I do enjoy these times as I am able to meet many of the members, have a chat and get to know them, it is a very informal way of letting members know what is on offer if they wish to take part. Federation events do take a lot of preparation as we hope to provide something which appeals to members in different areas and also cater for different tastes.

Until next time - Debbie

NFWI Lady Denman Cup Competition

Many thanks to all the members who entered this year's competition, entries are going forward to NFWI from Janis Tunaley and Jean Taylor – we wish them good luck in the National Judging stage. Also, well done to all those who took the time to enter.



ARCHIVE CORNER

I have recently been checking through the contents of a box submitted by a closed WI in readiness for archiving. It contained several lovely scrapbooks and photo albums of members activities over the years. Unfortunately, the pages of the albums and scrapbooks were encased in plastic wallets. Plastic will disintegrate over time and affect the photos, so I have been on the internet researching acid free plastic wallets which I have discovered are available from a variety of suppliers. For example, I found 100 Tiger Brand Acid Free Pockets on eBay for £4.95.

So, could I make a plea to you that when you are beginning a scrapbook or photo album in the future you consider purchasing acid free pockets? There are a little more expensive than ordinary pockets but well worth the investment.

For those of you who have already discovered these – Well Done!

Christine Jordan – Federation Archivist



Take a Chance Draw – September Winners

1st – P. Nunn of Barrowby WI

2nd – Mrs Edwards of Tollgate WI

3rd – M. McMahon Frampton WI

Prizes this year will be – 1st £20/2nd £10/3rd £10 -the draw takes place at each monthly Board of Trustees Meeting – and prizes sent out asap after the draw.



Forthcoming Diary Dates - Listed below are forthcoming events planned and organised by your Federation Board of Trustees and Sub-Committees. Each event has a stated closing date, by which all applications and payments need to be at the WI Office, and **no chq is banked** until this **closing date is reached** and/or places secured. **Quiz teams up to a maximum of 4 please.**

Date	Event	Venue	Closing
13 th /14 th / 15 th Nov	Sinai Synagogue Visit Leeds - £27	Leeds	28 th Sept
16 th Nov	Craft Day at The Venue, Navenby - £15	Navenby	5 th October
19 th Nov	New Members Evening - £6.00	Cricket Club Sleaford	31 st Oct
23 rd Nov	Quiz Night – £6.50	Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale	31 st October
29 th Nov	Rockingham Castle Tour with High Tea £42	Rockingham	1 st October
13 th Dec	Festive Fun Flowers – £15	WI Office	9 th November
10 th Jan 2019	Resolution Discussion Day - £9.00 (includes light lunch)	Rippingale Village Hall	10 th Dec
8 th Feb	Make Time for Mental Health - £14.00	Scredington Community Centre	7 th Dec

NB. If anyone has any ideas for workshops/social events/trips or leisure activities, then please let us know, we will see what we can do for you.

WI Office - If your WI have a new member please remember to let us know, so that we can send her a 'Welcome Pack', direct from the Federation. Either email or send her details to us by post, and we will pop a pack in the post.

Ayscoughfee Hall 1940's Weekend

The Lincs South Federation had a presence at the Ayscoughfee Hall 1940's Weekend 11th/12th August. Our display was entitled 'A Peek into a Wartime Pantry', we displayed foods and recipes from the 1940's, explained and showed rations and foods of the time for people to taste, a good weekend was had by all.

We also produced a book called 'A Peek into a Wartime Kitchen'. If you would like a copy please contact the WI Office, details of this are with your secretary. The price is just £4 with £1.50 going to the Lincolnshire Blood Bikes. A very worthy cause.



Membership Advisory Committee

A date for your diary, Monday 19th November 2018, at 7.30pm at Sleaford Cricket Club. We will be hosting an evening for new members to come along and learn more about our wonderful organisation, have the chance to meet other new members and swap ideas.

Would you like to feel more confident when speaking in public? Have you got to thank a speaker, make an announcement or read out a report at your WI meeting and shake in your shoes at the thought? Register your interest at Head Office for 'Talking for the Terrified'.

Tip - Don't forget to update your MCS, check that the new positions have been changed and that your members' details are correct – this way everyone receives their copies of WI Life.

Rebecca Main – Chairman of Membership Advisory Committee

Coach Pick Up Points for Federation Trips

It has come to our attention that some members are not happy about where coaches pick up on outings. Most coach companies allow in the cost quoted up to three pick up points and they usually let us know where the best places would be for each journey. We do understand that this may seem unfair to some, however we try to ensure as many members as possible are within a reasonable distance from a stop as possible. Extra stops not only adds time to the journey, with some members who get on first being on the coach up to two hours longer than those who get on last, this is something we have to consider, also an extra stop adds extra cost to the price of the coach which has then to be calculated into each ticket price. We hope you understand that we try to be as fair as possible to all members, but sometimes this is out of our control and we have to go with the coach company's advice. Deborah Venn

WORLD KINDNESS DAY – Thursday 13th November 2018

What costs nothing?

Does not require a lot of preparation?

Anyone can do this no matter what age or ability?

Can take place anywhere – outside or inside?



Answer – A SMILE

So why not give one away on World Kindness Day and make someone happy. If your WI is planning to take part in this special day, let us know what you will be doing and maybe we can help promote the event for you.

ACWW News - All WIs will have received the letter from NFWI about our on-going relationship with ACWW. In light of this, and changes in the way ACWW is allocating its projects funding, we are reviewing our approach. Clearly, no final decision can be taken until we receive from NFWI the list of ACWW projects which we are able to support within the parameters of our charitable objects.

We would therefore recommend that all WIs retain their Pennies for Friendship collections until such a time as we are able to provide full information. If anyone has any queries about this in the meantime, please contact the Federation Office. Janis Tunaley – ACWW Rep

News from Lincolnshire South WIs



The **Witham St Hughs** members have had a busy summer. A fun packed week of events for Healthy Living and Wellbeing Week in June included a yoga session, a wildflower walk and a mindfulness colouring evening. Some of our members spent a sunny day on our cake stall at the Witham St Hughs Summer fete. We donated a plant to the raffle and anything chocolatey went down an absolute treat. Our July meeting saw one of our members show us the ropes with book sculpting, resulting in some incredible creations. Also, in July our treasurer opened her house for a fun and laughter filled evening of cocktails and canapes.



And last but by no means least was the amazing Tea and Tents weekend at Walesby Forest, where a bunch of members spent a very relaxing and enjoyable few days. Our August meeting rounded off our superb summer with an evening of relaxation and meditation with the Pure Land Meditation Centre & Japanese Garden.

Jo Willmott – Witham St Hughs WI

Whaplode WI did a display at St Mary's Church flower festival during May Whitsun Bank Holiday weekend. Members knitted various coloured squares to make a coat for Joseph. The WI theme was 'Joseph and his multi coloured coat', which ran alongside promoting the WI. The squares were also used to decorate the pew ends down the central aisle. Left over squares are being stitched together to make blankets and sent to Armenian families who have terribly cold winters.



Julie Hicks – President Whaplode (Village) WI

Bicker WI - Summer Outing

On Tuesday 10 July, members of Bicker WI and friends set out for their annual outing. The weather was VERY hot, in stark contrast to the same time last year when we endured howling gales and driving rain on our day out. We started our day by painting pottery at Doodles, near Spalding, followed by a light lunch in the delightful cafe on the site.



We then set off to Springfields Gardens at Spalding where a guided tour of the gardens had been organised by our Programme Planner, Mrs Helen Bowler. Of particular interest was the very unusual clock which had models of a variety of individuals. We were pleased to see that one was of Hilary Healey, a Bicker resident who was an expert authority on local history. Sadly, Hilary has died but it was encouraging to see her remembered here.



From Kate Burgess OBE. Press Officer, Bicker WI

Sibsey WI

We were invited to make a display at St Margaret's Church Sibsey during the Holland 'Places of Worship' Festival, September 8th and 9th.



The theme was 'Picture the Past', we felt this was an excellent opportunity to promote our own WI as well as highlight the 100 Years of WI Campaigning. There was information on the resolutions through the decades with a beautiful display of hats, denoting the eras. Our members kindly offered their craftwork to show and the table came to life with 12 flowers representing a year of blooms. There was information on 'Jam and Jerusalem' along with homemade jam and the words of Jerusalem printed alongside. Visitors were able to pick up information on Sibsey WI as well as flick through our archive. The event was a great success for St Margaret's and the other 15 Lincolnshire churches involved in the festival. Everyone agreed Sibsey WUI made a great impression. Jane Saunders – President Sibsey WI



THANK YOU!

I was very pleased to be able to go on the recent Federation visit to Denman. Apart from the great company, the marvellous building and facilities in the teaching block, the excellent food and very comfortable rooms, I was able to learn a bit about Silver Clay work and came home with 6 (very wearable) pieces of my own solid silver jewellery. I was able to do this because last year I was very lucky to win the Denman Dip at the Annual Meeting at Springfields. So, I would like to thank everyone who entered the draw for the Denman Dip as you enabled me to go and thoroughly enjoy myself for three days! Keep entering the Denman Dip because one day – like me – you may win it. Hilary Magill – Rippingale & District WI

(The Denman Dip takes place each March at the Annual Council Meeting – all you do to enter is pop a £1 in an envelope and then these all go into a large basket; the draw takes place during the afternoon session of the meeting. The prize given is the money taken in for the whole draw.)

Grantham Area Meeting

Thursday 11th October 2018 at 7.30 p.m. Great Gonerby Memorial Hall

The speaker will be Lynne Carter - Antique Quilts and the Women who Made Them

Competition - A piece of Needlework

Ticket price £5

SLEAFORD CENTRE WI will be holding

A FASHION SHOW at M & CO, 47 Southgate, Sleaford NG34 7SY

Wednesday 7th November at 7pm

Tickets £5 each, to include a soft drink, and are available in store

A donation of £1 per ticket will be made to local hospice St Barnabas

Please remember ladies if you have a WI event or just something you think other WI members would like to hear about send a report into WI Office – some ideas are worth sharing and if you have enjoyed a speaker once again let us know. If space allows we can print in a future news sheet or feature on our social media pages.

Inclusions for News Sheet – Please send copy to WI Office or email first week of the month for inclusion that month (remember we work a month in advance) Editor: Mrs. Deborah Venn – Federation Chairman

If photographs are submitted, please make members aware that they could be featured in news sheet/website/Social media or Lincolnshire Life. Ensure members involved will allow this please. **Office Contact Details** – WI Office, Suites 7, 7a and 8 Pattinson House, Oak Park, East Road Trading Estate, Sleaford, Lincs NG34 7EQ. 01529 302398 fedoffice@lsfwi.org.uk **Charity No – 506268.**

If you wish to advertise in this news sheet – free to WI's, non-WI 40p a word, plus £5 for insertion. To have a flyer included please supply 100 copies and payment of £36 – Cheque made payable to LSF of WI. Office Hours – Monday to Thursday 9am to 3pm. Closed 12 noon to 1pm lunchtime and all-day Friday. During winter months – Mon and Thursday will close at 2.30pm. LSFWI is affiliated to the National Federation of Women's Institutes, 104 New Kings Road, London SW6 4LY Telephone – 020 7371 9300. Charity No 803793

To reach WI Office - Turn off East Gate Road by Kwik Fit – we are at the bottom on the right-hand side, a large square building just after Go Dance Studio. **Borrowing the Federation Gazebo/Flags** – You may borrow this for your events. Call the office or email for further info or to see if available for dates required. It is quite heavy and awkward so best if two people call to collect and return.



WI Office Parking – To remind members coming to the office that we only have 4 parking slots in front of the office; the remaining spaces belong to the other offices within Pattinson House. However, there are usually places to park just across from the Go Dance Studio on a strip of grass. Thank you