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Forthcoming Event



TUESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2018

The Arboretum is home to over 350 thought provoking memorials. Collectively they represent a broad population of society from military associations, charitable organisations, emergency services, fraternity groups and individuals.

There is plenty to see, places to sit and reflect and places to eat/drink.

On arrival you are free to discover the Arboretum for yourselves, take a trip on the Land Train a 50-minute journey around the Arboretum with commentary or have a pleasant wander around the 150 acres yourselves – if you have never been, well worth a visit.

Coach will be picking up at – Boston Bus Station/Spalding Bus Station/Sleaford Railway Road and Grantham Bus Station

For tickets please contact your WI Secretary who has the application form

WI Member £20 and Non-Member £23

Closing Date – 27th July 2018



News from your Chairman

Do you know who your Trustees are?

Do you know what they do?

If you would like to find out the answers to these questions and any more you have, why not invite myself or one of my fellow trustees to one of your monthly meetings, and we may be able to give you the answers. One of the most enjoyable aspects of my role is meeting fellow members and getting to know you, your likes, and dislikes.

At this time of the year, when the weather changes for the better (hopefully) our thoughts turn to outside pursuits. I have always wanted to do Archery since my school days and now I am about to have a chance 'to have a go'.

If there is some activity you have always wanted to have a go at, it is never too late to start and may turn it into a new hobby. Please let us know how you get on and it could be possible to arrange something similar, so others can join in. We are always on the look out for new ideas. Until next time – Debbie

First Quiz Night of 2018

The quiz night was well supported and enjoyed, and after two tie-breakers the winners were Sleaford Belles, with Wyberton Wonders second and Sibsey Sizzlers came in third place. **Next Quiz Night** will be – July 6th at Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale. Well done to all those who took part.

News for the Office

A member asked our chairman if the blue polythene bags we use for our monthly mailing were biodegradable. We have investigated, and I am happy to let you all know that as well as being strong, they are fully recyclable, tear and water proof. Lightweight and adhere to the Royal Mail PiP format.

Regarding post – please can you ensure that when you post anything to the office you attach the correct postage, this week alone we have had three items to pay for, totaling £5.50.

Many thanks, Sue & Tracey



Take a Chance Draw – April Winners

1st – S. Woodman Rippingale WI

2nd – Rosemary Porteous Deeping St James WI

3rd – S. Sewell Holbeach St Johns WI

Well Done Ladies NB. Application form for Take A Chance Draw with your secretary (last draw of this year will June)

Notice – Home Economics Districts

A few members have contacted the WI Office regarding HE Districts. So hopefully this will clarify the situation.

At a meeting held in October 2017 between HE District reps and the Federation officers, the position of the Federation in relation to that of the Districts were discussed fully and any questions raised were addressed. Each District representative should have then cascaded this information to all members of her District, with members then voting on whether they wished to continue or fold. The Federation has no say whatsoever in this decision. If a district agreed to fold, any monies held should have been distributed equally to each WI within that district. The main reasons that HE Districts cannot continue as was – a) not governed by the WI Constitution so therefore no charity status. Does not come under WI Umbrella, or under WI Public Liability Insurance. Districts could continue but would need to remove any mention of WI from their title as being independent of the WI and obtain insurance if they feel this is required. Deborah Venn



ARCHIVE CORNER

Since being appointed as the Federation Archivist I have been busy putting into practice the good advice received from the Archivists Conference held last November at Denman.

Advice such as weeding out old financial statements and anything over 7 years old; recording all Record Books and Meeting Books onto an Accession Register; ensuring the provenance of photographs and textiles and ensuring scrapbooks are protected from disintegration. As you may know the Federation office holds the records of any WI which sadly is suspended for a period of 3 years, after which the records are delivered to Lincoln Archives. Before the records go to Lincoln it is my responsibility to check through them and sift out any unwanted information. A case in hand is a WI which closed over 3 years ago – there were 2 suitcases and 2 bundles of documents tied up with string! After checking through I ended up with 1 cardboard box containing the important records and a large shopping bag full of records to be destroyed. I am looking forward to having a bonfire.

If your WI would like some advice and help with regard to what to keep and the creation of an Accession register, then please contact Tracey at the WI Office and she will forward onto me.

Christine Jordan – Federation Archivist

Members Advisory Committee – Don't forget to allow time at your May meeting to discuss and vote on this year's resolution – Mental Health Matters. Once you have voted then please let your delegate know how you wish them to vote at the Annual Meeting in Cardiff. At the meeting the delegates hear both arguments for and against the resolution and on occasion in previous years delegates have used their discretion and voted a different way to that initially instructed. So, bear this in mind when you vote in your WI that it is perfectly acceptable to give your delegate discretion to vote how they feel after hearing the speakers on the subject. Delegates also need to be mindful that they need to be able to explain to a WI why they voted differently from instructed.

We shall be holding a Speakers Corner event on Monday, 23rd July at Rippingale Village Hall. This is a change of venue from previous years as it was felt that we should bring the event to the south of the Federation. A flyer is with your secretary.

Jane Root – Chairman, Members Advisory Committee

Public Affairs & Education

Campaigning and Influencing makes a World of Difference Get Involved



Challenge yourself to say NO to single use plastic

REFUSE single use plastic whenever you can. Is there an alternative you can use?
REUSE your own Fill and Go water bottle when you are out and about

Closing date for the Luncheon at Burghley Park Golf Club, Stamford is 18 May. If you have not yet applied there may just be time to do so.

Save the Date. We will be celebrating “**RAF 100**” at our second Lincolnshire Ladies Luncheon on Friday 28 September. Enjoy the beautiful views of the National Trust parklands from the dining room at Belton Park Golf Club, Grantham. Commodore Dawn McCafferty is our speaker – “**35 years in the RAF and counting...!!**” The flyer and menu are with your secretary for your May meeting.

Beryl Chinneck Chairman

MAKE BAKE & SHOW 2018

We thought it might be helpful to share with you clarification of some points arising from the schedule.

- Handmade Afternoon Tea Apron – any medium (waist apron, no bib)
- Knitted Nursery Rhyme Character – maximum height 12ins (single character only)
- Novice Category (if a member has entered a Cookery, Craft, Art, Cards or Flowers Category in any WI Show they are unable to enter that particular class under the Novice Category in Make Bake and Show 2018)

We are here to help so do, please, contact us if you have any queries:

Chris - chrisjordan_2001@yahoo.co.uk

Beryl - briar.dowsby@btinternet.co.uk

Two easy ways to help support your federation ...



‘Mr Walkers Bulb Scheme’

As many of you will know, Mr. Walkers ‘Johnny’, our lovely daffodil man, attends our Council Meeting each year, displays his wonderful daffodils and always has a friendly word. Over the past few years he has offered a special range of bulbs for WI only, The Women’s Institute Bulb Scheme.

We send out his brochure which features many beautiful ranges and collections of flowers to suit all tastes, and reasonably priced. The orders are sent to his office by us in June and the orders of bulbs sent to each WI during the Autumn, ready to plant! Postage is free if your WI orders over £25 collectively.

The amazing part of this scheme is that Mr. Walkers gives the Federation 20% back of the whole order value. So please, if you are considering purchasing some bulbs this year take a look at the WI Bulb Scheme Brochure, your WI Secretary will have a copy. All orders need to be submitted to the office by 1st June 2018.



The WI Raffle 2018

By now your WI Secretary will have received an allocation of NFWI Raffle Tickets, a nice pale pink colour this year! The prizes are varied including £10,000 cash/a holiday in Crete/a Magimix Food Processor/Singer Sewing Machine/Gift Vouchers and a Beauty Hamper. Anyone can support the largest Women’s Voluntary organization in the UK buy purchasing one of these tickets. Please also remember that NFWI return 60% (after all expenses) of the proceeds/ticket sales to each Federation that they and their WIs sell. So, a great return to help support Federation, and you never know you may just win!



Forthcoming Diary Dates - Listed below are forthcoming events planned and organised by your Federation Board of Trustees and Sub-Committees. Why not book a place and pop the date in your diary (**Speak to your secretary, she will have the application forms and can apply for you**) 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.

For the **Quiz nights**, you may enter teams of up to 4 members

Date	Event	Venue	Closing
24 th April	Jute Bag Decorating Workshop	WI Office	Closed
27 th April	Harrogate Spring Flower Show – Tickets £40 (coach/entry)	Harrogate	Closed
15 th May	Taster Archery Session Tickets £16	Sleaford	Closed
6 th June	Annual Meeting – Cardiff (NFWI)	Cardiff	-
14 th June	FUN Flowers Workshop – Tickets £15	WI Office	16 th May
26 th June	Lincolnshire Ladies Luncheon Tickets £27	Burghley Park Golf Club	18 th May
27 th June	Theatre Trip – 42nd Street Tickets £63	Drury Lane, London	20 th April
28 th June	Driver Awareness Morning Tickets £8	Welbourn Village Hall	24 th May
6 th July	Quiz Night - Tickets £6.50	Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale	1 st June
23 rd July	Speakers Corner Tickets £6	Rippingale Village Hall	30 th June
11 th Sept	National Memorial Arboretum Tickets £20	Lichfield	27 th July
21 st Sept	Quiz Night at Quadring – Tickets £6.50	Quadring	31 st July
28 th Sept	Lincolnshire Ladies Luncheon Tickets £27	Belton Park Golf Club	31 st July
5 th Oct	Lincolnshire Ladies Luncheon	Boston West Golf Club	TBA
26 th /27 th Oct	Make Bake and Show	The Venue, Navenby	7 th September
13 th /14 th and 15 th Nov	Synagogue Visit Leeds	Leeds	TBA
23 rd Nov	Quiz Night – Tickets £6.50	Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale	31 st October
29 th Nov	Rockingham Castle Tour with High Tea Tickets £42	Rockingham	1 st October

News from Lincolnshire South WIs

Remember this is your section ladies (please submit reports first week of the month)



THE SETTLERS (as seen performing at this year's Annual Meeting, Springfields)

Playing in Concert at Rippingale Village Hall on Thursday 24th May at 7.30pm.

Tickets £10 however, special price for WI Members, just £5. Tickets available on the door.

We hope to see you there. Patty Harris – Gedney Hill WI

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

