

Lincs South News Sheet

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**The Chairman, Trustees
and Staff of
Lincolnshire South
Federation of WIs wish
all our members,
families and friends a
very
Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year 2020**



Resolution Discussion Day

7th January 2020 @ Cranwell Village Hall NG34 8DF 10.30am to 2.30pm

Come along and join the debate for the 2020 Resolutions before you decide which you wish to vote for and enjoy a light lunch. Tickets £10





News from your Chairman

Christmas will soon be here once again, this is a time for Carol Services, school plays, meals out, parties and other happy events for most of us, but please spare a thought for those who will not be celebrating at this time of year and who may be alone throughout the festive season. If you know of someone who may be spending this time on their own, you could include them in your celebration and make their Christmas a little happier if only for a short time. Maybe offer to bring them to our Christmas Bazaar at Great Hale on 6th December, where everyone young or old, male or female will be most welcome. We have arranged a good selection of stalls selling all kinds of goods, there will be chances to win prizes, have a drink and a mince pie or just come along for the company and have a chat.

This is the time in our WI year that we start to put together next years programme, with this in mind if you have any ideas of what you would like to see included then please let us know, and we will see what can be done, we are always open to new ideas and would like to try different things where possible.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all members and their families a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. Until next time, Debbie

Annual Meeting Speakers

Morning Speakers – Niki Silver a representative from LIVES who will give us more information about LIVES, then back by popular demand Revd Christine Pennock with more of her amusing talks and before lunch CEO of Lincolnshire Life Magazine Caroline Bingham, with an insight into being part of this county publication.

Afternoon Speaker – Adam Smith, whose career has taken him all over the world. He has been performing for over 25 years and graduated with honours from Paul McCartney's Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts going on to perform in many Variety shows, plays, pantos, concerts and musicals. Lead roles on well known productions such as Chess, Guys and Dolls and more recent musicals The Snow Queen and Santa's Missing Trousers. Over the past few years he has worked with aspiring young performers and was lucky enough to direct Yorkshire Youth premieres of Miss Saigon and Phantom of the Opera. As well as performing Adam is a freelance lecturer and singing tutor. A family man who enjoys spending time with his wife, daughter and dog. **It should be a very entertaining musical afternoon!**



Take a Chance Draw – November Draw

1st – Fay Binks – Ripplingale & District WI

2nd – Doreen Rowley of Swineshead WI

3rd – Darryl Kay of Sleaford Centre WI

Lincolnshire South Sub Committees

Leisure Activities Committee

Over 25 members took advantage of a 2-hour taster session in Fencing on 16 October. All protective clothing and foils were provided and basic fencing terms (such as lunge, engage, disengage, reposte and parry) were explained before members teamed up in pairs to 'have a go'.

For those members wishing to progress I have researched 4 venues - details below:

Custodians Fencing Club

Albion Street, Spalding PE11 2AJ

email - blademasterGBR@aol.com or call Andrew Bayston on 01775 710496

North Kesteven Fencing Club

North Kesteven Sports Centre

Moor Lane North Hykeham LN6 9AX

call the Sports Centre on 01522 883311 for details of fencing classes

Frisby Fencing Club

Village Hall 15 Water Lane, Frisby on the Wreake, Melton Mowbray LE14 2NP

call 01949 20465

Stamford Fencing Club

Sports Centre

Stamford Endowed School Conduit Road, Stamford PE9 1QQ

contact Chris Howser - chrishowser@hotmail.co.uk

Christine Jordan - Chairman

Creative Craft and Cookery Committee

The end of October saw us hold a further Office Workshop when 14 members had a most enjoyable day making Thimble Pods. Everyone went home very pleased with what they had achieved as well as having had a very sociable day meeting and chatting with members from other parts of the Federation. This was the last Workshop of 2019 but starting in January they will resume, and you already have the details of those being held in January, February, March and April. In May we are offering you the opportunity to learn Cathedral Patchwork and details will be with your Secretary before Christmas.

In Spring our thoughts will start to turn to gardening and the coming growing season. With this in mind we have arranged a visit to the Harrogate Spring Flower Show in April. This is the first big event in the gardening calendar and well worth a visit so why not join us. The details are now with your WI.

As this is the last Newsletter of the year can I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year from all the members of the Creative Craft and Cookery Committee and we look forward to seeing you at one or more of our events in 2020.

Pat Masters – Chairman

Public Affairs and Education Committee

62 members enjoyed their Luncheon at Boston West in October. Jackie Waters-Dewhurst's inspiring talk "See the Magic" described the development of children as they gradually attained their own personal level as magical. It brought tears to the eyes.



We are delighted with the response to the **Rural Bus** Questionnaire. The information will help us decide the best way forward.

Have you displayed the **5 Minutes that Matter** poster in your community to raise awareness to the importance of Cervical Screening?

Domestic Violence has been a concern with WI members for a

number of years. In 2018 it was estimated that 1.3 million women experienced abuse. Funding for women's refuges and support services have been severely cut.

A Discussion Day for these important issues is planned for Friday 20 March 2020 at Screddington Community Centre. Experts will be on hand for you to seek answers to your concerns and questions. The flyer is with your Secretary.

The Public Affairs and Education Sub-committee thank you all for your support this year and would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and peaceful New Year.

Beryl Chinneck - Chairman

Membership Advisory Committee

Dear Ladies, Treasurers note that account books are to close on 31st December and all Advisers are happy to help with the correct procedure for filling in the Financial Statement. We are also putting on a Treasurers Financial Statement Session on Wednesday 19th February 2020 at WI Office, if you have any questions regarding the Financial Statement, WI accounts or the running of your WI. We will be available, by appointment, all day from 10am-3pm and offer evening appointments if necessary.

Membership Advisory Committee wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we look forward to seeing you all at our Resolution Discussion Day at Cranwell Village Hall on Tuesday 7th January, 2020 from 10.30am-2.30pm. Tea and coffee on arrival, a light lunch of soup and roll, plus cake.

Rebecca Main - Chairman



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, note well that **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 |
|--------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 22 nd Nov | Quiz Night - £6.50 | Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale | Closed |
| 28 th Nov | The Nutcracker Ballet - £57.00 | Hippodrome, Birmingham | Closed |
| 6 th Dec | WI Christmas Bazaar – Craft stalls, Games, Raffle, Tombola and more – Free Admission | Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale | N/A |
| 7 th Jan 2020 | Resolution Discussion Day - £10.00 | Cranwell Village Hall | 2 nd Dec |
| 16 th Jan | Paper Beads Workshop - £15.00 | WI Office Sleaford | 2 nd Dec |
| 5 th Feb | Plaited Dolls Workshop - £15.00 | WI Office Sleaford | 6 th Jan |
| 7 th Feb | First Quiz Night of 2020 - £7.00 | Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale | 13 th Dec |
| 10 th March | Annual Meeting at Springfields - £15.00 | Spalding, Lincs | 1 st Feb |
| 19 th March | Paper Orchids Workshop - £15.00 | WI Office Sleaford | 7 th Feb |
| 27 th March | Violence Against Women - £TBC | Scredington | TBC |
| 21 st April | Crochet Workshop - £15.00 | WI Office Sleaford | 16 th Mar |
| 24 th April | Harrogate Spring Flower Show Trip - £44.00 | Harrogate | 6 th Mar |
| 25 th April | Vintage Tea Party with Lincs North Federation - £TBA | The Venue, Navenby | 14 th March |
| 11 th May | Cathedral Patchwork Workshop - £15.00 | WI Office Sleaford | 5 th April |



Office Closing for Christmas

To advise you all that the WI Office will close from 19th December to 6th January 2020.

Wishing all Lincs South Members and their families a very Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for the coming year 2020! Sue and Tracey x

AROUND THE COUNTY

Long Bennington WI

Invite you to their Christmas Celebration

Music by 'The Settlers'

St James Village Hall 3rd December 7.00 to 9.30pm

Christmas Gifts; Craft Stalls; Tombola; Raffle

Tickets £5 on the door – Includes Drink and Mince Pie **ALL WELCOME**



Long Bennington WI



To celebrate our Inspiring Women, members dressed in costume representing any decade of our 100-year history. The committee took us back in time to our first meeting in November 1918 and, with some members, dramatised in our own word's memories and experiences special to Long Bennington WI. The script and a Yearbook commemorating our Centenary Year will be archived. Submitted by Anne Swarbrick





Members attending the Thimble Pod workshop at WI Office, Sleaford, resulting in some very pretty thimble pods made by our crafty members! The workshops held at the WI Office are always a very friendly and happy day.

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/Social media or Lincolnshire Life. Ensure members involved give their permission.

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 events etc 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.

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

Social Media - Current and back copies of Lincs South News Letters can be viewed at www.lsfwi.org.uk you will also find listed the links to Lincs South Facebook/Twitter and Instagram pages. All hard copies sent out to WIs will be printed in black & white

Visiting Us - 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 – 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

