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NEWSLETTER

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Letter from the chair

Dear friends,

I am just recovering from a once in a lifetime visit to meet other descendants of a man who died in 1712. We met in the small town in the Irish midlands which he had made his home. Very few of us knew that the others existed and yet we immediately formed a bond of friendship. Like joining the U3A.

Researching one's ancestry can become completely time-consuming so I am careful not to get too involved while there are so many other things that need doing. However, I couldn't resist the chance to go to a gathering of descendants on my famous ancestor, especially as the American descendants had done all the research. Quaker records are easy to find, but these other cousin are descended from people who left the Society of Friends before 1700. They all arrived with complete family trees and allowed the rest of us copy them.

Please remember our plea to look for volunteers to join our committee. Now that many of the groups are not meeting again until September this August meeting is a good opportunity to catch up with friends over coffee, sign on for next year if you haven't already done so and see what other interesting groups you could join. In doing so, look around and suggest names for the committee. We need just a few people to keep our U3A running smoothly.

As I write this I look forward to meeting many of you on Thursday 13th.

Alison

September Meeting: Thursday 10.30am 10TH September
AGM

Please come and support **YOUR U3A** and a further opportunity to sign up for next year's programme.

Coffee served from 10.00am

See you there

***NOMINATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR THE NEW COMMITTEE PLEASE!
NOMINATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE AUGUST MEETING.***

IT IS NOW TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

Do it on line if possible to save time at the August meeting.

REMEMBER, you need to ENROL before you SIGN-UP for the GROUPS.

Also, please remember Gift Aid is a very valuable source of income for us.

NEWS FROM THE GROUPS

ART APPRECIATION/LOOKING AT OLD BUILDINGS

Reminder: There are still some places available on the trip to the Bowes Museum on Friday 11th September - details in July's newsletter

Tel: 825922 debi.burridge@gmail.com.

Debi Burridge

THEATRE TRIPS

The trip to Harrogate for the G & S will leave the Cricket Club at 10.30 a.m. on Thursday 20 August.

Keswick Theatre by the Lake - The coach will leave the Cricket Club at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday 3 September.

Pick-ups can be arranged en route to both theatres, please let me know if you require this service.

Michael Cullingworth - Tel: 01729 823978

FRENCH GROUPS

On the evening of July 14th, members from both U3A French groups, together with some friends, gathered to drink a toast to 'La Belle' and enjoy some convivial chat, en français, bien sûr! The Intermediate Group will reconvene on Wednesday, September 23rd 2015.

Ray Jones



Please keep copy to approx 150 words and submit for the next newsletter by

Friday 4th September 2015

To Chris Taylor, Tel: 01729 823975

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Submissions will be acknowledged by email

WALKING GROUP

RESIDENTIAL VISIT TO THE NORTHERN LAKE DISTRICT

HIGHAM HALL OCT 4th -7th 2015

If you are not already booked and would like to join us, there may still be an opportunity.

Please contact

Sue Simpson Tel: 015242 41271

Sue will also be available, along with further information at the August Open Meeting.

Look out for the Walking Group Table.

Here is the group list for 2015/16

New groups, shown in red, will go ahead if there is sufficient interest.

Art Appreciation

Badminton and/or Table Tennis for Recreation

Book Group

Bridge

Card Making

Circle Dancing

Dance

European Culture Developments, 17th & 18th C

Exercise

Family

French (Continuing)

French (Intermediate)

Games

Geology

German

German (Conversation)

Great Lives

Line Dancing

Looking at Old Buildings

Needlework and Natter

Painting

Philosophy

Play Reading

Poetry Appreciation

(This group restarts in January 2015)

Psychology

Recorders (Intermediate level)

Science

Singing for Pleasure

The Three Abrahamic Faiths

Walking

Yoga, gentle for health & relaxation

More information for the groups IS on-line at:-

www.settledistrictu3a.org.uk/pfc/Groups1516.htm

and the timetable at:-

www.settledistrictu3a.org.uk/pfc/Tab1516.htm