

Tonight is...

**Resolutions
and AGM**

Please note
change of ven-
ue- tonight we
will be meeting
at

The Nightingale Cen-
tre, Pastoral Way,
Warley, Brentwood
[CM14 5GB](#) ([click on
postcode for map](#))

ON SALE TONIGHT

- WI Centenary
Raffle Tickets
£1

First Prize £10 000.

- Spring Group
Tickets £6 each
incl refresh-
ments

20th May

It's all about fasci-
nators and recycled
jewellery.

22nd May

Inter WI quiz
preliminary round

17th June

Look after the pen-
nies! Details to fol-
low.

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THE BRENTWOOD BELLES AGM

This month is our AGM when we look back at the past year, re-ceive a financial statement and nominate a president and com-mittee to take the Belles forward. We will not be at our usual venue at South Weald Parish Hall due to the re-flooring work and will meet instead at The Nightingale Centre in Pastoral Way where there is ample parking. Also this month, we are required to vote on this year's resolution which is :

Failing to Care—Assessment of need in long term care.

You will be presented with further information at the meeting but it would be helpful if you could please take the time to read page 24 of WI Life April edition in advance of the meeting.

You should have received news about the Spring Group meet- ing in a separate mailing and tickets will be on sale for those able to support this .

President's Pitch

Hello wonderful members, I hope you enjoyed our March meet- ing?

Congratulations go to Beryl Clark for winning the Belles Bursary and Claire Goode who won the raffle for the WI centenary tea at Buckingham Palace. We look forward to hearing all about it la- dies!

20th May is the Ingrebourne spring group meeting- purchase your tickets at the April meeting for a fun filled afternoon with a great speaker and cream tea for just £6.

Don't forget to read up about the resolutions; we'll be discussing "Failing to Care- Assessment of Need in Long Term Care" at our AGM meeting in April for our delegate to take to the 2015 AM in London

This meeting calls on HM government to remove the distinction between nursing care and personal care in the assessment of the needs of individuals, in order to advance health and wellbeing. Please see our website and the WI Moodle for lots more detailed information about everything.

Finally, as this is my last month of being your president, I'd like to say a big thank you to all for an exciting two years on the committee, it was a pleasure!

Over and out,

Hav xx

Book Group

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.45pm at Ye Olde Green Dragon in Shenfield. We're pleased that some of our new members have decided to join us and share their recommendations - everyone is welcome to join us for book talk and a natter!

Heading Out With the Belles

We really enjoyed discovering Warley on our last walk when we were fortunate to be guided around Warley Place and also St Mary's Church which is noted for its attractive Art Nouveau interior. Why not join us for a local walk once a month? Walks are between 3 and 5 miles in length and are in and around Brentwood although we hope to venture further afield in the summer months. We like to indulge in a coffee stop usually at the end of our walk to replace those calories used!

Craft Group

Craft group meets on the first Monday of the

month (unless it's a bank holiday) and we sample a number of different crafts. Recently we made needlefelted Easter eggs and look forward to quilling at our next meeting. We meet in The Eagle and Child in Shenfield. Please speak to Carol if you'd like to join.

Sewing Bee

Sewing Bee members now meet regularly on the fourth Wednesday of the month to either work on a personal project or seek inspiration from each other or magazines. You can join the sewing bee to help make small items that are currently needed for the Spring Group or you are welcome to bring along your own project to work on. Recently, members of the sewing bee set about customising our tablecloths so that they fit the tables in the hall.

TBBWI owns two beautiful sewing machines which are available for use.



Group reports



Last month, we welcomed belly dancer, Deniz, who demonstrated a couple of Eastern dances before getting us all up to give it a go! What fun! That should challenge the Jam and Jerusalem image!

And the lucky bursary draw winner was.....

BERYL CLARK.

We hope you enjoy your Denman stay, Beryl.

The lucky winner going to the WI garden party at Buckingham Palace is

CLAIRE GOODE

Better start planning that outfit, Claire!

Out and About

Last month, Jane and Sue paid a visit to Southend hospital to meet with the fundraising team to discuss how the funds raised could be spent to benefit patients on Bedwell Ward. A total of £3500 was raised which will be put to good use to improve ward facilities.

Do you shop online?

If so, please consider helping Basildon Women's Refuge when you shop online by signing up to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/basildonwomensaid. It won't cost you a penny extra but the refuge will benefit.

Congratulations to Beryl and Vena whose coffee morning raised £285 for Marie Curie Cancer Care. Well done, Ladies and thank you to everyone who supported this event.