

Tonight is...

Shake it off—Belly
Dancing with Denise
Taylor.



**Things you might like to
bring tonight:**

- a floaty silk scarf
- An Easter egg to donate to the refuge
- Money for raffle ticket and boutique

ON SALE TONIGHT

WI Centenary Raffle
Tickets £1

First Prize £10 000.

**WANTED TONIGHT-
EASTER EGGS**

We are collecting these
for the Women's Refuge

**15th April
AGM**

Please note change of
venue.

April's meeting will be held
at The Nightingale Centre,
Pastoral Way, Warley,
Brentwood CM14 5GB

20th May

It's all about fascinators
and recycled jewellery.

TBBWI BULLETIN

WI FOR THE MODERN WOMAN

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Newsletter Issue 7

MARCH IS.....BURSARY DRAW.....

Last month we welcomed Ann the Primary Care Liaison Officer for Spire Hartswood Hospital and also Helen Tebutt, a practising gynaecologist. Helen spoke about women's health and introduced us to the seven menopausal dwarfs! She answered a number of questions before Pat collected helpful members tips for coping with the menopause which were shared at the end of the meeting.

Return of the Belles Boutique

The Belles Boutique will be open at our March meeting so bring some money for that eye catching bargain!

The WI Centenary Buckingham Palace Garden Party

For the NFWI centenary we have been granted a garden party at Buckingham palace in the presence of HRH The Duchess of Cornwall. This will be held on Tuesday 2nd June from 3-5pm. Each WI has been allocated one ticket only for which we will be holding a ballot. To enter, please write your name on a slip of paper and pop it in the labelled basket at the meeting. Please be advised that the winner will have to cover costs of £35 plus travel. You can email Hav to be entered in the draw if you are not attending. Her email is littlecicek@gmail.com.

*****That's not one, but two ballots this month—be sure to enter both! *****

President's Pitch

Greetings ladies!

Phew what an informative meeting we had in February, now for something a little more active... Scarves at the ready!

Don't forget the bursary draw is this meeting. One of you lucky ladies will be off to Oxford to learn a fab skill at Denman.

We are still collecting for the Brentwood Homesteads WI spring group- jams, cakes, crafts, toiletries all welcome by 20th May. We equally divide profit or loss so all donations are greatly received. I'll be selling tickets if you want to join us there.

Most importantly, the committee is ever changing and in April many of us will be stepping down from our roles, myself included. It's been an incredible two years but things must keep moving- if you enjoy meeting new people, planning meetings and working as part of a team there are many roles on the committee, the role of President is just one. This is your chance to push your WI to where you want it to go so take it!

*Much love Belles,
Hav x*

Book Group

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.45pm at Ye Olde Green Dragon in Shenfield. We are not a 'highbrow' group and new members are very welcome to join.

Heading Out With the Belles

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 are looking forward to exploring Warley Place Nature Reserve this month and viewing all the Spring flowers before having a look around the church in Great Warley. New members welcome—just let Viv or Tricia have your contact details.

Craft Group

Last month, Hilary taught us about zentangle and we all had a dabble in this craft which required some concentration and so kept us all quiet.craft. This month we will be making

needlefelted Easter eggs and look forward to trying our hand at quilling and mosaics in the future.

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

Group reports

work on. The Brentwood Belles has two gorgeous sewing machines for use.



Shopping Day

in aid of

Cancer Research UK

Monday 27th April 2015

10.00 am - 3.00 pm

Lavenham Village Hall

Church Street, Lavenham, CO10 9QT (behind Cock Pub & Doctor's Surgery)
Parking in village car park, DISABLED ONLY in Hall car park.

Lots of lovely things for ladies of all ages. Please join us in Lavenham to support Cancer Research UK - Everyone welcome!

Over 20 stalls - Hot Footed ladies shoes & sandals (a whole hall full!), 3 collections of ladies clothes, jewellery & fashion accessories, linens, Phoenix cards, hats, gifts, candles, plants & more...

All stalls donate a percentage of takings to Cancer Research UK

£3 Entrance to Cancer Research UK (£2 after 1pm)

Tea/coffee and light lunches available



Cancer Research UK is a registered charity in England & Wales (1009464), Scotland (SC041666) & the Isle of Man (1103).

We will beat cancer sooner

Please Like / Share our Facebook page "Cancer Research UK Shopping Day in Lavenham"

Out and About

Members are invited to attend the Woodland Group Spring Group meeting (not to be confused with the one hosted by Homesteads WI on 20th May). Woodland Group is on 29th April at Harold Hill Community Centre, Gooshays Drive, Harold Hill, RM3 9LB from 2—5pm.

There will be entertainment in the form of songs from the WW1 era and this will encompass the role of women at this time and the formation of the WI.

Tickets cost £5 which naturally includes cake! There will be a stall selling homemade items for £1. If you are interested, please let Tricia know tonight and she will order tickets.

Have you seen page 12 of WI Life which features our very own 'crafty' Carol? You are forgiven if you don't recognise her as the photo is a side profile!