



WELCOME TO ALNE HALL'S NEWSLETTER

100 2017 is the 100th anniversary of Leonard Cheshire's birth - he was born on 7th September 1917. Alne Hall is planning to celebrate! We will be taking part in the Alne Street Fayre event and having a garden party and perhaps even a Ball - look out for the posters around Alne Hall and in the local press. Rumour has it that Paul, our Manager, has offered to go in the stocks - £1 a throw!

Pam Sandle: 1938 - 2017

Leonard Cheshire Disability Alne Hall has said a sad goodbye to a resident who lived at the hall for 28 years. Pam Sandle moved to Alne Hall in 1989 and was highly respected by residents and staff. She took an active role in the running of the home, was the Residents' Representative and attended meetings for the Friends of Alne Hall. Pam enjoyed seeing family & friends as much as possible and took great pride in her IT qualifications. She enjoyed art, music and reading and maintaining her independence, and will be missed by everyone.



Pam Sandle, who passed away in January

Thank you to Mrs Geraldine Kay, who presented a cheque from her late husband Trevor. The donation was a bequest from Trevor Kay who was a supporter of Alne Hall for nearly 30 years and Treasurer on the Alne Hall Management Committee from 1994.

Don't forget to donate to our charity shops in Boroughbridge and Easingwold
Voluntary income from the shops helps to pay for residents' holidays and trips out.

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Leonard Cheshire Disability is a registered charity, number 218186 Patron: Her Majesty the Queen



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Diary Dates

Saturday 29th April
Fairtrade market – Alne Village Hall

Saturday 20th May
Sheriff Hutton Jumbles – bric a brac, books, toys, games, tombola, raffle, cake stall and refreshments

Sunday 11th June
Alne Street Fair- Treasure Hunt, band music and refreshments in the sensory garden

Saturday 1st July
Smartie tube collection starts. Ends in October at annual White Bear meal

Paul Elliott would like to thank the staff, volunteers and supporters for their continued hard work .

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEER DRIVERS The volunteer drivers have had a busy couple of months. Regular trips to help out the shops in Easingwold and Boroughbridge, transport for doctor and dental appointments and shopping, church and Stroller trips have kept the drivers busy.

*Do you have news that you would like to include in the next issue? Contact Sally sally.chignell@leonardcheshire.org

Rachael Gascoyne: "I enjoyed the animals – I liked putting the snake round my neck."

Susie Raines: "I liked holding the lizard."

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS

As part of 'Animal month' we have had visits from owls, ponies, puppies, meerkats and snakes – to name but a few. The Barn Owl and European Owl were popular with residents as well as reptiles, including a Boa Constrictor called Scarlett and a couple of Geckos we named Pam and Emily!



Meet Myra and Bibiana



Myra (left) and Bibiana at Alne Hall

Myra and Bibiana arrived at Alne Hall at the end of February and the beginning of March. Myra comes from Kenya and Bibiana from Ecuador and they are already settling into their new lives at Alne Hall. Myra enjoys swimming while Bibiana enjoys walking, dancing and cycling.

February saw the launch of a new activity group for the residents of Alne Hall. The Strollers group has been started to enable residents to visit local areas of interest and walk in a variety of different places. One group went to Beningbrough Hall and walked from the farm shop to the lodge.



Residents Jimmy Macare, Debbi Foreman and Michael Mason visiting Beningbrough Hall in the sunshine, supported by Jess Clark and Di Watkins, volunteers, and Sally Chignell, Volunteer Co-ordinator.

Easingwold Charity Shop

celebrates 21 years



Christmas cheer

Volunteers celebrate at The George Hotel

Alne Hall celebrated the charity shop in Easingwold operating for 21 years. The shop is always working hard to increase the amount of money that they can donate to Alne Hall. Manager Bobbie Copson and Assistant Manager Wendy Edwards work with more than 20 volunteers, serving customers and sorting and preparing stock for sale. The funds raised go directly to Alne Hall.

Some of the volunteers have been involved with the shop since it opened and give a significant amount of their time, helping in the shop and supporting Alne Hall. Others come to the shop to volunteer as part of their Duke of Edinburgh award; some are on work placements and others come to work as a team, make new friends and supporting a worthwhile cause.

The shop window in Long Street is always bright and cheerful, encouraging prospective customers to come in, and there is always a plentiful supply of stock for customers to choose from.

"We always need good quality donations, or if you are able to give a few hours a week to work in the shop, please call in to see us" - Bobbie Copson, shop Manager.

Don't forget: the shops in Boroughbridge and Easingwold need good quality donations!