

BITS AND PIECES... AND PLEASE KEEP THEM COMING IN!

Here is your 111th Midland Unitarian Association Bits & Pieces for September 2017. If you want any news from your congregation included here, please send it to me (details below)

MALCOLM PERRY

I am sad to report that Malcolm Perry, member of Cheltenham & Gloucester Unitarians, passed away at the end of August. He was a stalwart member of the congregation, and of Gloucester Unitarians before the merger. He was originally a member at Wolverhampton, and often visited Old Meeting House at Dudley to attend the services there, as well as Stourbridge Chapel. He will be missed.

MUA ANNUAL LUNCH

When: Saturday 28th October 2017

Where: Kingswood Meeting House, Packhorse Lane, Hollywood B47 5DQ

Guest Speaker: Rev. Feargus O'Connor, minister of Golders Green & St. Albans

Times: 11.00 am for 11.30 am – 3.00 pm (approx.)

Cost: £10.00 per head

A letter has been sent to all congregation Secretaries, with details.

MUA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE KEY MESSAGES JULY 2017

1. Safeguarding Training: This will be taking place on Saturday 4th November, at Unitarian New Meeting Birmingham, from 12 noon. It will be led by Rev. John Harley and Liz Hills. **It is important that someone from every congregation is present.** (see below for details)

2. Welcome to new EC Link: Rev. Matthew Smith, minister of Bury St. Edmunds and Framlingham, is our new link from the National Executive Committee, and we were pleased to welcome him to the meeting.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

When: Saturday 4th November 2017

Where: Unitarian New Meeting Church, Ryland St, Birmingham B16 8BL

Course Leaders: Rev. John Harley and Liz Hills

Times: 12 noon to 5.00 pm

Cost: Free

EVERY congregation in the District needs to send at least one person to this training day. A flyer for it is included in this mailing.

If you have any contributions for the next *Bits & Pieces*, please send them to me at 5, Martins Road, Piddington, Northampton NN7 2DN or via e-mail to revsuewoolley@gmail.com Thank you!