

Bits and Pieces . . . and please keep them coming in!

Here is your Midland Unitarian Association Bits & Pieces for August 2010. If you want any news from your congregation included here, please send it to me (details below)

******* MUA GARDEN PARTY AT KINGSWOOD *******

All MUA congregations are warmly invited to the MUA Garden Party at Kingswood Parsonage, Packhorse Lane, Hollywood, Worcs B47 5DQ

When: Saturday 14th August 2010

Time: from 2.30 / 3.00 pm

The Kingswood congregation will be providing tea and cakes, for which a small charge of £2 will be made (profits to Send A Child to Hucklow). Tea will be at 4.00 pm. Bring yourselves, your families and some sandwiches!

WEDDING INVITATION

Kath Riley and Peter Forder extend a warm invitation to all in the MUA, to be with them as they are married, on **7th August 2010**. The ceremony will take place at **3.00 pm** at Oat Street Chapel, Evesham WR11 4PJ. Coffee and tea will be available in the Chapel Gatehouse from 2.00 pm, so those who have travelled a distance can refresh themselves, and all present will be invited to join them for 'cake and a toast' afterwards, also in the Gatehouse.

Places are limited, so please let Kath and Peter know if you intend to come: e-mail wedding.bells.07082010@gmail.com or telephone 01386-765646.

CARING FOR PLACES OF WORSHIP

English Heritage has produced a new booklet *Caring for Places of Worship*. It was reviewed in *The Inquirer* on 10th July 2010. It is full of useful information, and all congregations who have their own building are urged to obtain a copy. Go to the English Heritage website www.english-heritage.org.uk/power for more information, and to order your own copy.

WHY I AM A UNITARIAN (MUA LEAFLET): THIRD APPEAL!

Most MUA chapels and churches will have a few copies of this leaflet (produced a few years ago) in your leaflet displays. The MUA Executive Committee has asked me to update it. Contributions will have to be fairly short if we are to confine ourselves to an A4 triplefold leaflet, but if I get enough good ones, we may have to think again, and expand the format. Please send your contributions to me at the address below, to share why you are a Unitarian – it could help the visitor to your chapel or church to decide to come back!

MUA OF LAY PREACHERS & SERVICE LEADERS: AUTUMN TRAINING

Topic: Faith in Action: Social Responsibility

Workshop Leader: Mrs. Karen Hanley of the Faith & Public Issues Commission

When: Saturday 9th October 2010

Where: Kingswood Meeting House, Hollywood, Worcs B47 5DQ

Times: 10.00 am – 4.15 pm (coffee/tea available from 9.30 am)

Cost: Free to MUA delegates

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 sue.woolley@virgin.net. Thank you!