

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

Here is your 122nd Midland Unitarian Association Bits & Pieces for September 2018. If you want any news from your congregation included here, please send it to me (details below)

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS 2018

Some MUA congregations have taken part in this national initiative in previous years. This year, for the first time, there are *two* 'open weekends' – the first from Thursday 6th – Sunday 9th September, and the second from Thursday 13th – Sunday 16th September. It is a very good way of getting your building and your congregation and Unitarianism generally better known to your local community. The theme this year is 'Extraordinary Women' – a good one for Unitarians!

This year, the congregations who have notified me that they are taking part are as follows:

Open on 8th & 9th September:

The Great Meeting House Unitarian Church, Coventry
Old Meeting House, Dudley
Oat Street Unitarian Chapel, Evesham
Stourbridge Presbyterian (Unitarian) Chapel

Open on 7th & 8th, 14th & 15th September

Kingswood Meeting House

Open on 15th & 16th September

Shrewsbury Unitarian Church

Why not go along and visit a new Unitarian congregation? You can be sure of a warm welcome.

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### **BANBURY UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP**

I am very sad to report that, due to age and ill-health, the members of Banbury Unitarian Fellowship have decided to call time on the Fellowship meeting for worship and other activities. I will be continuing as their minister in a pastoral capacity, but we will no longer meet together as a congregation. At the end of September, we are planning a farewell meal at the Bowling Green restaurant in Banbury, to provide some closure.

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MIDLAND UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION ANNUAL LUNCH

When: Saturday 3rd November 2018 (a week later than usual due to refurbishment work)

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

Guest Speaker: Rev. Daniel Costley, minister of Unitarians in Kent

Times: 11.00 for 11.30 – 3.30 (approximately)

A letter will be going out to all congregational secretaries and other interested parties next week. Come along to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

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!