# The Firs Care Home

## **Welcome to The Firs Monthly Newsletter**

Its Spring Fayre season and we have lots in store for you this month as the sunshine comes out to play a little bit more. We are looking forward to doing more outside activities in the coming months.

Our Spring Fayre is taking place on **Sunday** 8<sup>th</sup> **May 2016 at 2pm until 4pm.** Tickets are £1.50 for Adults and 50p for children. Please come along and support us. We have lots going on. We have stalls with handmade items, raffle, tombola, food and entertainment plus much more!



If you would like to purchase tickets for the Spring Fayre, they are available now from Caroline or Mandy or call us on 01902 677911. We still need more donations of bottles, gift bags and raffle items so please if you have anything to spare we would be very grateful.



We have 29 staff taking part in the sponsored **Ghost Hunt at Drakelow Tunnels** on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May from 7pm until 11pm. We are raising funds to buy one of our residents a specialist chair due to a decline in her health. We have done amazing so far and have already reached our target of £1000. We will announce the final figure in Junes Newsletter. There is still plenty of time to sponsor us. If you haven't yet done so and you would like to contribute please see Vicky or Sam.

We still need your old photographs for our "Throw Back Board". We are asking all relatives to bring in some old photos of your loved ones in their younger days. This can be as a child or later in life. Anyone bringing in pictures please pass them to Caroline or Amanda.





We are still planning lots of summer time trips. If you have any ideas that you think would be of enjoyment for our residents please come and speak to us.

We are going to celebrate the **Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday** by having our very own street party. The date is still to be confirmed so keep an eye out for this around the home. In the meantime we would like to ask anyone who would like to donate or help. We need cakes and paper plates. If you would like to join us please let us know in advance.



## May Birthday's ....

Please join me in wishing our lovely residents a very Happy Birthday this month. We have:

Gladys Heathcote – 7<sup>th</sup> May Hilda Andrews – 8<sup>th</sup> May Brenda Murcer – 15<sup>th</sup> May Edna Shenton – 16<sup>th</sup> May Marguerite Nock – 19<sup>th</sup> May Mary Dawes – 26<sup>th</sup> May



## **Residents Meeting....**

Our next residents meeting will be held in:

## 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016 at 7pm

Please come along and meet the management team and Directors. Share your views and find out about some any news of important upcoming events.

## What's on.... Special Events



We have lots coming up this month. Please feel free to come and join in.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May – 2pm Sedgley Strummers

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May – 2.30pm Reverend Andrews Church Service

> Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May – 2pm Spring Fayre

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May James Bickley Fitness

**Tuesday 17**<sup>th</sup> May – 2.30pm Glam Sparrows Duo

> Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May Middle Tones

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – 2pm Alexandra – Singer

#### Other Business....

We have now registered with the Connect Bus Service so we can use this FREE service when we want to take residents out for coffee or local trips.

We still need bus passes please. These can be expired, but we need to get them registered so we can renew them for the bus service. If you can bring them in and pass them to Caroline that would be great.



It is Dementia Awareness Week soon and we are hoping to support this by selling the Dementia badges. Please keep an eye out for these around the home.

## Daily Activities....

We have regular activities that take place daily within the home. If you would like to come along and join in please feel free to do so. We have a board in the entrance to the home that lists what we have on so have a look when you're in next.

Monday AM: Quiz & Games Monday PM: Bingo & Sing Along

**Tuesday AM:** Bingo and Arts & Crafts **Tuesday PM:** Outside Entertainment

Wednesday AM: Games Wednesday PM: Arts & Craft

Thursday AM: Dominoes

Thursday PM: Outside Entertainment

Friday AM: Nails & Pamper Session

Friday PM: Bingo & Games

(\* Please note this is subject to change)

We would like to say a very big thank you to each and every one of you for your continued support. We are extremely lucky to have some wonderful volunteers and supporters.

We will continue to fund raise throughout the summer months so that new entertainment can be put on at the home and so those that are able to do so can go out on trips.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with trips out away from the home. If you would like to put your name down to be one of these, please speak to Caroline who will make sure we have up to date contact information for you.

Thank you for taking the time to read through our newsletter. We hope you find it useful and we look forward to seeing you very soon.

From all the management and staff at The Firs.

