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Newsletter No 39 Spring

Dear Friend

Welcome to the Spring newsletter.



Breathing fire workshop by Bristol team

Breathing Fire, Black Women's Playback Theatre Company is a unique form of interactive theatre enabling audiences to tell their stories.

Members were invited to share moments from their lives, and see them being performed to life as the company immediately recreates the essence of their story using voice, movement, dance, music and song., a very lively session enjoyed by all.

We inspire audiences with spontaneous, improvised performances.

Annual general meeting presentation



The Annual General Meeting held in two parts last year, the morning session Michael Auton and the co-ordinator presented BEMSCA services and the 6 plan pledge we should all be aware of when talking about BEMSCA.

The afternoon session presentation was from Therese Hegarty, dementia champion Royal United Hospital. We are taking on this topic as our project for the year. The Chinese project worker has been conducting interviews on film to gather views on the subject, this will be shared soon.

You may have heard in the media of Virgin Care who will be prime provider for the provision of community and social services all contracts from Sirona will cease end of March and the new contract start with them on 1st April, if you are receiving a care package you will be informed by your care provider.

BEMSCA will be as subcontractor to Virgin Care and will continue for the next year to provide day opportunities for older BME people in B&NES



In memory of Edna Wright her family purchased the handmade rug made by the group



Carlton Joseph welcoming Junior Marvin and Josh (The Wailers) to Fairfield House



Chinese New Year celebration lunch on the 9th February @ Peking restaurant , 17 members attended the meal . We all had a good chat and met new people.



Our thoughts are with those who are in hospital and currently out of the club due to ill health. Sincere condolences to the Shah family on the death of Jaybhai Shah, also to our community family on their loss.



Sewing Session

every Tuesdays (except holiday closure) 11:00 – 1:00 @ Fairfield House, 2 Kelston Road, BA1 3QJ

Fee: £3 per session

All welcome

Notices

The following increase from the committee meeting held on 10 March 2017.

Transport fee £5 from 3 April 2017

Christmas lunch £10 from December 2017

Membership fee £15 from April 2018

We have been successful with funding from the Co-op grant towards our memorial garden project

Herman Miller of Chippenham nominated us as their local charity

The committee is looking at recruitment of members to the committee if you feel you want to make a difference to our service please contact the office. Next meeting Saturday 10th June at 2pm

Please note membership fee due from 1st April

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