



## Fellowship News

### Seagull Trust

On January 12<sup>th</sup> Elinor Milne told us about the work of the Seagull Trust. Her husband David helped by showing slides of the outings on the canal. Colin, Helen and Emma Bryce were shown on one of the slides having a great day out! The boats are all manned by volunteers - Well done!

### Exotic Holiday

On January 26<sup>th</sup> Ian Rule gave us an informative talk on the work of Rotary. They give help to people all over the world. In emergencies they provide water, food, tents and medical aid. Thank you Ian for giving us an insight into the valuable work going on.

### Leprosy Mission

On February 9<sup>th</sup> Stuart McAra told us about 'working towards a world without leprosy'. His stories were of a people affected by leprosy overcoming their disease with great courage and determination. We were given facts which many of us had not known about leprosy. Stuart said that the Leprosy Mission appreciated the help which is being given by the Guild this year.

### Spectrum

On February 23<sup>rd</sup> we were entertained by Spectrum, a choir of ladies from St Ninian's Craigmalen Church in Linlithgow. Their programme was varied and included many favourites. The singing was special and the stories and poems amusing. Thank you to the committee for setting up the hall and providing the supper

### Date for your diary

**May 16<sup>th</sup>** Mystery Tour (details later)

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### DID YOU KNOW?

Easter always falls on the first Sunday following the full Moon (the Paschal Full Moon) after 21 March.

If the Full Moon falls on a Sunday, then Easter is the next Sunday.

**Pysanka is a specific term used for the practice of Easter egg painting.**



## Fundraising Programme

### Car Quiz

The first event of 2009 has now been completed, namely the Car Quiz. From over 500 entries sold, 145 were returned, from as far afield as Bedford, Blackburn, Bromsgrove and Halifax in England, to Dunoon and Newton Stewart in Scotland. The first three all-correct answers drawn, however, were all from Polmont.

### Congratulations to the Winners!!

**1<sup>st</sup> prize** Mr D. Thomson, 21 Morven Drive  
**2<sup>nd</sup> prize** Mr S. Thomson, 63 Lawers Crescent  
**3<sup>rd</sup> prize** Roy and Rena Kennedy, 21 Erskine Hill

The answers to the quiz can be found elsewhere in the magazine. The total profit raised so far for the Stained Glass Windows Fund is **£557**.

### Auction

**18<sup>th</sup> April 2009**  
**Church Hall**

The next event is an Auction on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April which will be held in the Church Hall, with viewing at 10.00am and the auction beginning at 11.00am.

At this time of year, many people like to spring clean and dispose of things that they may have not used for some time, or are unused gifts. These things are ideal for an auction and we would be delighted to receive them. There are very few things that we would not be able to auction, but clothes, music centres (without a CD player) and large furniture items come into that category.

If you are able to donate items for the auction, please contact any member of the fundraising committee, Kirk Session, Congregational Board, or telephone Alex Watson (☎714493) or Bill Anderson (☎711882).

*Alex Watson*  
**Fundraising Convener**

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but eternal spring is in my heart'  
**Victor Hugo**