

ST MARGARET'S HOUSE NEWS

In early September "The House" played host to an ecumenical group from Sweden. Reports indicate that the group was most impressed by the high standards in all departments, and in particular the recently completed Sensory Garden, which incidentally is due to be officially opened in the Spring, when the newly planted bulbs, bushes and trees will be coming alive.

A cheque for £2,000.00 has been received from the proceeds of the sale of Brightons Praise Group's new Christmas CD, with the proviso that it goes towards the cost of the development of "The Garden". This is most appreciated.

The Christian Men's Fellowship paid one of their regular visits in mid-September.

Billy Riddell and David Bowman kept feet tapping, with vocal accompaniment to their style of music and song during their monthly visit.

Greenpark Centre resounded to a lively disco organised by the staff, which raised the princely sum of £600.00 – which will go towards upgrading interior furnishings.

October saw the last canal boat trip of the season, enjoyed greatly by several residents, as was the outing to the Safari Park at the end of the month.

Richard Hotchkiss



A circular object giving its owner the ability to get done everything that would have otherwise been put off to a later date.

This is a play on words, from the idiom - 'to get around to it'. The phrase first appeared in print in the 1970s.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

The Fellowship met for the start of the new session on Monday 28th September. It was good to meet up with old friends and welcome new members. **Tracey O'Brien** was speaking about "**Justice**". She gave us a little insight into her working life and amused us with some of her funny tales. On the serious side, she gave us food for thought. Thank you Tracey.

Our speaker on the 12th October was **Erica Bonnar**, who told us about her eighteen-month missionary trip around the world. She swept us along with her enthusiasm and faith for her project "**Soul Touch**".

On 26th October **Geoff Bailey** took us back in time to when the old Polmont Church was built. He went on to tell us, and show slides, of the story of the present building. He also encouraged us to walk round Polmont Church cemetery. The gravestones have stories to tell!

**The Christmas dinner will be held
on
Monday 7th December
at 7.30pm
in the Park Hotel**

Date for your 2010 diary
11th January 2010 – Douglas Leitch and Ewen Norton on Africa, Arks and Azungus.

Have a very Happy Christmas.

Ellen Wilson

There comes a point in your life when you realise:

Who matters
Who never did
Who won't anymore
And who always will
So don't worry about people from your past,
There's a reason why they didn't make it to your future.

A mother holds her children's hands
for a while,
their hearts forever