

AGE
Concern

WEDNESDAY
CLUB

As you read this, we will have met again on January 18th and will have started our New Year programme. Hopefully everyone will be fit and well, as our members are always eager for the club to start again.

16th November

The Rhona Blair Singers from Bridge of Allan entertained us with a variety of songs.

23rd November

Tom Greig from California has a lot of stories which he shared with us, and he also sang some well-known songs.

25th November

We all had an excellent evening again in the Greenpark Centre with *The Crossford Music Group* providing the entertainment. This was our annual fundraiser and, as always, it was a sell out.



30th November

Joyce Falconer (from River City) sang Scottish songs and played the accordion. She also had a few stories to tell us and was very entertaining. Thanks to Alice Cumming for introducing us to Joyce.

6th December

We had our visit to St. Margaret's School for their Nativity Concert. The children were excellent as usual, and everyone enjoyed the afternoon. Our president – Betty Glen – gave the vote of thanks to the children and their teachers for all their hard work.

7th December

The 3rd Generation from Dunfermline gave us a lovely afternoon with songs and readings, and between their many changes of costumes, we were entertained by their pianist and a new member of the group on the violin. They finished off with a selection of Christmas songs, and looked lovely in their red velvet and white furry hats and muffs.

14th December

Our party day was, as usual, very entertaining with 24 children from Laurieston Primary School accompanied by Mr. Cowie, the Headmaster, on the guitar. It was another great day with visits from Santa Claus, Jerome, our minister, and

Dougie McLellan from Age Concern Headquarters in Edinburgh. Our very own "awfliest" Choir sang carols to finish off the day. WE enjoy this part, but I am not so sure about those who were listening!

14th January

Our annual lunch at the Greenpark Centre was yet another great success. Over one hundred members and friends enjoyed a lovely meal with excellent entertainment by *Buttons and Bows* from Fife. Everyone enjoyed them so much that they are going to return again at a later date. Bruce Lindsay, their leader, had a Scottish Dance band, and now the group of musicians and singers make up *Buttons and Bows*.

A big "thank you" once again to all the committee members and helpers. We appreciate all their hard work, and now look forward to our lunch together on Friday 27th January.

**To members, friends and all our readers -
Have a happy and healthy 2012**

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 28th March - Afternoon outing to the Macrobert Centre in Stirling to a performance of *The Sound of Music* by Stirling and Bridge of Allan Operatic Society.

Thursday 3rd May – Evening visit to hear the *Edinburgh Telephone Choir*. Details later.

Sandra Gow

NEWS FROM ST.
MARGARET'S
HOUSE



December saw an upsurge of entertainment leading up to Christmas. Music, song and the occasional dancing exhibition was the order of the day, interspersed with visits from Redding and Westquarter Guild Choir, 1st Adventurers Nursery Children, St Margaret's Primary School's interpretation of The Nativity, plus of course, the Staff's Christmas Pantomime - once again a sell out.

Manager Elspeth extends a big "Thank You" to all who were involved, which included our Church, who supplied extra seating, and the Wardlaw family for use of their transport facility.

Richard