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Hello Everyone

Another Bank Holiday weekend and as I am writing this ( on Thursday afternoon ) the sun is shining and it is actually hot! Perhaps we will have a weekend without wind and rain enabling everyone to get outside for some much needed vitamin D from the sun's rays!!

Thank you so much to those of you who have donated cash and "things" this week for the Women's Refuge. The "things", include some beautiful bedlinen still in its packaging, pans, crockery and other bedding. We now have kettles and irons for 3 Fresh Start Baskets as well as almost everything else we normally include.



Without your support we couldn't do what we do to support the families when they need help most.

Plans are now starting to come together for the forthcoming events celebrating our 150 years of existence. First, there is the Open Day at Barnby Dun. We have volunteers to go and represent our branch and help wherever necessary. Tanis will use us to do whatever is needed! We still could do with more volunteers and hope that more of you will be able to give an hour to help.

Our "Take Over" day (12th July), now has a working party who are looking at what is needed and how we will achieve a successful day. When there are

details in place I will let everyone know. There will certainly be a lovely exhibition in church all about MU and Mary Sumner.

The raffle tickets for the Diocesan Raffle are now being distributed and some members now have some to sell.

Margaret will have books at the May Meeting, (only 5 tickets/ book, £1 / ticket). The first prize is £100 and the second a Luxury Hamper and third a Food Hamper.

It was with great sadness that we heard that Ann Lawrence has died. Ann had been very unwell for some time and had moved into a care home in Blythe. Ann was a most loyal MU member and was always very supportive of everything we do. Our thoughts are with her family at this sad time.

We only have 1 birthday this month. Happy Birthday to Audrey Dunn on the 16th.

As the world leaders seem unable to get together and sort out a peace plan, perhaps they could call on women to do it! Whenever and wherever women are in charge, things "get done"!!

Heavenly Father, You are the source of wisdom and justice. We left up leaders in nations, communities churches and work[places]. Grant them integrity, and humility to govern with compassion, pursue justice and make wise decisions for the good of all. Amen.

Love to everyone from Helen on behalf of the committee

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