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VANL NEWS

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Sainsbury's work hard to forge close links with their local communities, and as such they are seeking a charity that may want to take waste food from them.

Links have been made with one local charity that collect bread from the store 3-4 times weekly, they would dearly like to have a 6-7 day food donation programme from the store.

All the food that is donated is either beyond its display until date, or has been damaged and cannot be sold to customers, however it is perfectly safe.

If there may be a charity in the locality then the Customer service manager Sylvia Cursley will take the contact forward and hopefully create a donation partnership.

Keith Morton, Store Manager
Sainsbury's Scunthorpe
Doncaster Rd, Scunthorpe
DN15 7RQ Tel No 01724 853050

Its that time of year again membership of VANL is due for renewal from 1st April 2008. It has been agreed again to keep the subscription at the same price of £10 per year. An invoice will shortly be forwarded to all our members. Thank you — Liz



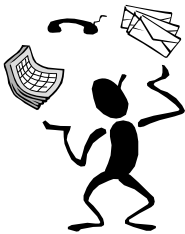
Legal Eye - Proxies

Every company member now has a statutory right to appoint a proxy to exercise his or her rights at a general meeting, even if the articles say otherwise. This means all the members of your company can appoint a proxy for the AGM. Notice of the general meeting **must** include notice of the right to appoint a proxy; **it is a criminal offence to send out notice without saying this, and all directors are liable to be fined.** The deadline for return of proxy forms is 48 hours before the meeting, not including Christmas, Good Friday, a bank holiday, or a weekend. The company cannot insist on return of the proxy form any earlier than this.

You should put in place a procedure for appointing proxies and for counting their votes. Speak to Alan Robinson if you need advice. A briefing paper with sample forms is being produced.

Alan Robinson

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Skills For Life need more learners (for literacy and numeracy) to make up numbers. Currently running courses in Barton, Brigg, Ashby Link and Brumby, the course can also run in community centres if more than 6

learners can be found to take the course. They also work with families so that the adults can help the children with their homework, and with the caring sector - anyone needing Level II Maths for college courses can attend courses.



A new course on Creative Writing for Young Adults is looking for prospective learners. It will cover novels, short stories etc.

and anyone interested should contact Kimberley Nutt, NLC Adult Education, Ad.Ed. HQ, 145 Cherry Grove, Scunthorpe DN17 1WE Tel No 01724 407975

kimberley.nutt@northlincs.gov.uk

Good News" and a "Reminder" from Severn Trent Trust Fund

"Firstly a huge "Thank you" to all the organisations that have been keeping us busy over the last ten years. With your help, £22.6 million in grants has been given to over c.47,000 households.

This is great news but we want to help more! Please continue to support your clients by sending in applications for grants and spreading the word to your colleagues, especially as new water bills will be due to arrive in March.

Remember the quality of an application is very important, please make sure you provide us with all the relevant details of your client's situation, not forgetting to enclose proof of all income. Without these we may not be able to help.

If this is the first time you have heard our name and would like to know more, contact us on 0121 355 7766 and we will be happy to tell you "what it's all about"

Use these links to email us [of-
fice@sttf.org.uk](mailto:office@sttf.org.uk) or visit our website www.sttf.org.uk

Dementia Awareness Level II certificate - a one-year course running on one afternoon or one evening per week is likely to run shortly at a cost of £282. This will be open to those working with older people and those who have a relative showing signs.

Would you like FREE training on how to use NHS Choices the new NHS website?"

For more information, please contact: 07828015666 or email

NHSChoices@streamonline.co.uk

Training will be available locally until end of March 2008

Train to Gain Update

Train to Gain funding is now available to **paid** and **unpaid** workers within any organisation.

Individuals that do not already hold a Full Level 2 qualification (or equivalent - 5 x GCSEs Grade A - C) can undertake fully funded:

- Skills for Life training (not including ESOL)
- A Full Level 2 qualification (NVQ) or a Full Level 3 qualification (NVQ) - *if the worker is working at a Level 3 standard*

To take advantage of this training, your organisation needs to contact a Skills Broker who will carry out an Organisational Needs Analysis to highlight the training needs within the organisation.

The Skills Broker will compile a proposal on behalf of the organisation highlighting all training needs and give 3 choices of training provider to undertake the training with.

The only thing the organisation has to do is choose the right provider for them! The Skills Broker will refer the training needs to the chosen provider for the training to begin.

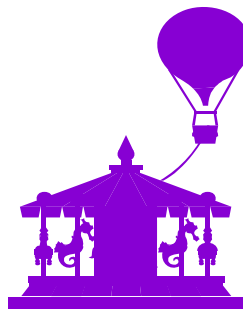
In order to take advantage of this, please contact the relevant number below **before 17 March 2008**.

0845 1243333 - Humber/South Yorkshire

Paul Thornton, Chair, Barton Chamber of Trade would like to know what voluntary organisations thought of last year's Barton Christmas Festival, what would they like to have at next year's and would anyone be interested in joining a group to organise next year's Festival? Please contact Paul Thornton: paul@vimac.org / 01469 531308

The Barton Events leaflets are due out soon. Any groups running evens should contact liz@theropewalk.co.uk by end of March.

Barton Film group wants community groups who wish to produce a short promotional film about what that they do - a 3 minute DVD will be the end product. This can be used as an advert to raise awareness. Ring Liz at the Ropewalk for details. 01652 660380.



Winterton Disabled Club

is organising a Charity Fair on Saturday 26th April 2008 at Winterton Methodist Chapel Hall from 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm. Cost £4 per stall for voluntary groups. We would like to

invite organisations to have a stall at the event. The more organisations take part the better it will be for everyone in attracting members of the public, therefore all stallholders should benefit.

Organisations wanting to book a stall should contact Nicki on 01724 733441 or Millie on 01724 732570. Refreshments will be available. After the success of the Charity Fair held last June, we hope that you will welcome this opportunity to join us and raise some funds for your organisation at the same time.

Caistor Lions have promised to donate £150 to Ulceby Pre-School which will be for art and craft stuff. So now they can go out and buy some things rather than digging in the cupboards for screwed up bits of coloured paper for the kids to cut up!
Many thanks Caistor Lions!!

Scunthorpe and Glanford Remedial Recreational Club Annual General Meeting is to hold its AGM at Lindum Street Community Centre on Monday 31st March 2008 at 7 pm.



Scunthorpe Steel Amateur Radio Club

Scunthorpe Steel Amateur Radio Club runs a course leading to Radio Amateur Exams. For more information contact

Mr T Wislocki on 01724 337492.

The following groups have been awarded grants from the Community Pot:

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| The Wesley Centre | £1,000.00 | Funding towards storage shelving and seating |
| St Hugh's Church | £2,400.00 | Funding towards training and mentoring support in business planning and developing a funding strategy. |
| Samaritans | £147.00 | Funding for training course "reality of self harm" |
| Apna Sahara | £331.00 | Funding towards room hire, food and printing invitations |
| ST-ART | £550.00 | Funding towards 5 x artist sessions and materials |
| Viking Area NW Group | £769.00 | Funding towards disco equipment, lighting and accessories. |
| Scunthorpe Bowls Centre | £502.31 | Funding towards a rolaspikes light surface spiker |
| Black Beauty NW Group | £1,900.00 | Funding towards anti graffiti Paint |
| Brigg Junior Tennis Club | £1,710.00 | Funding towards tennis equipment, coach costs, hire of courts and public liability insurance. |
| Scunthorpe Sea Cadets | £1,998.98 | Funding for steel storage container, diesel generator and brush cutter/trimmer |
| Autumn Club | £500.00 | Funding for curling equipment |
| Winterton Disabled Club | £475.00 | Funding towards personal safety training, room hire, catering and transport. |
| Messingham Cricket Club | £2,100.00 | Funding towards purchasing an Alto 20" 10 blade grass mower. |

Scunthorpe and District Seniors Forum and the Sue Ryder Care Centre for Palliative and End of Life Studies in Nottingham warmly invite you to a Follow Up Meeting - **End of Life Care and Advance Care Planning Issues** on Wednesday 19th March, 2008 from 10.15 - 13.30 (refreshments and lunch provided)

- What end of life care experiences and/or concerns did we hear about at Scunthorpe?
- What did Scunthorpe Seniors think most important for older people living at home or in residential care homes, and health and social care staff and family/informal carers, to learn about end of life care? What were Scunthorpe Seniors' views and opinions of information and training materials to help with end of life care and advance care planning?

If you would like further details about the workshop, which is to be held at the Baptist Church, Ashby Road, Scunthorpe, **please contact** Sandra Lingard on 01724 344897, Sheila Kennedy on 07903 995572, or email jane.seymour@nottingham.ac.uk Numbers are needed, so please book your place so catering can be provided.

Part Time cook required as soon as possible for busy Community Centre in the centre of Scunthorpe. The position will be 16 hours per week - minimum payment subject to re-view.

For more information ring Barbara or Cyril on 01724 862639



Lindsey Lodge Hospice

Are looking for qualified, Experienced **COMPLEMENTARY THERAPISTS** (3-4 hours a week) to be based at the Lindsey Lodge Hospice, Burringham Road, Scunthorpe.

For more information on this and other volunteer opportunities please attend their Volunteer Open Morning on Saturday 15th March, 2008 10 am - 12 noon or contact Kay Clarke, Volunteer Co-ordinator, Lindsey Lodge Hospice Tel No 01724 270835

I've been asked by Monty Martin to circulate the following offer. For Barton Arts Week, he will offer his window at 35 High Street for 2 weeks to a deserving organisation provided they can dress it properly. Anyone interested, contact Monty at monty1998@easynet.co.uk.