

THE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

These will take place on Friday 14th May 2010 at the Centre from 11 a.m.

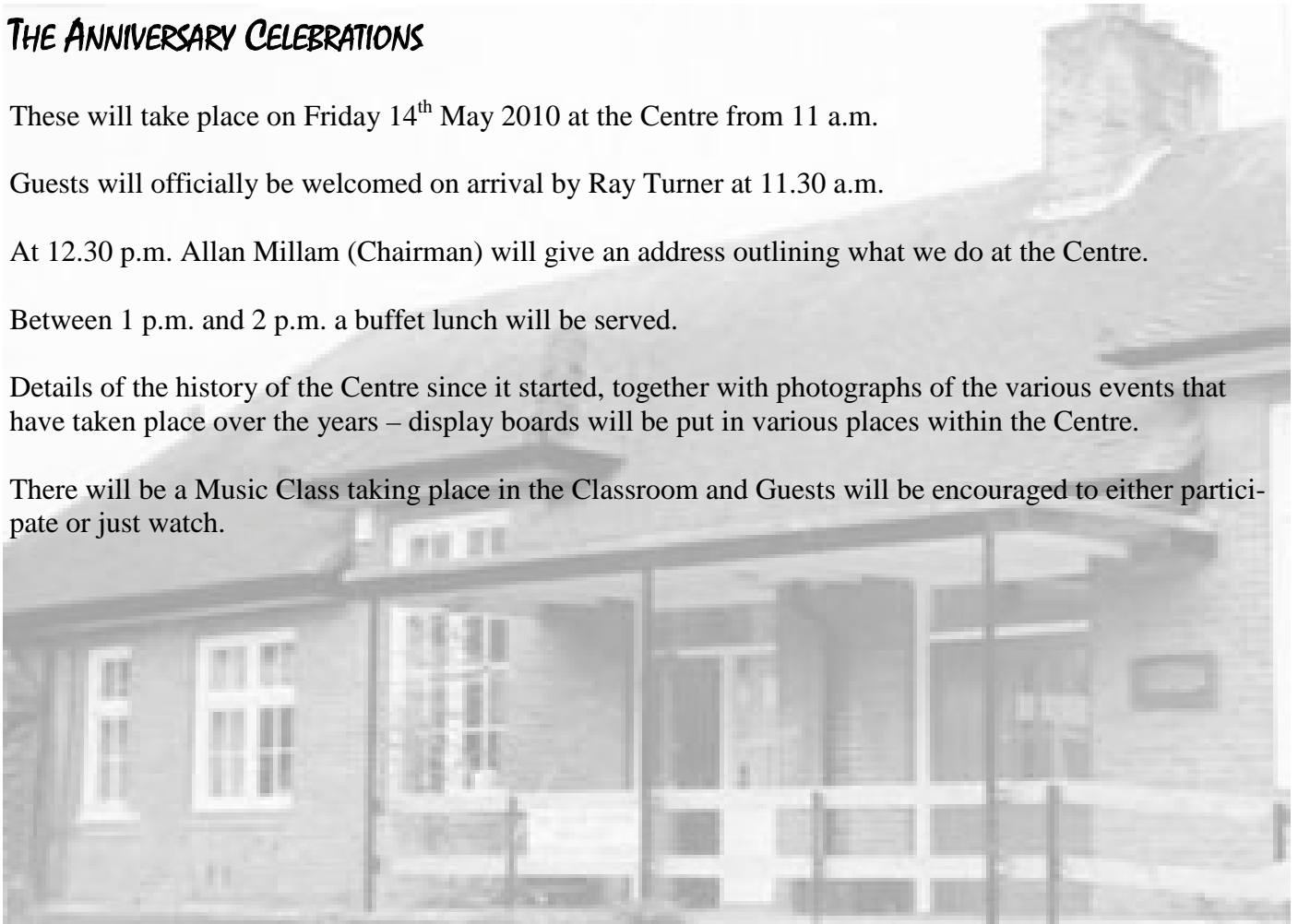
Guests will officially be welcomed on arrival by Ray Turner at 11.30 a.m.

At 12.30 p.m. Allan Millam (Chairman) will give an address outlining what we do at the Centre.

Between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. a buffet lunch will be served.

Details of the history of the Centre since it started, together with photographs of the various events that have taken place over the years – display boards will be put in various places within the Centre.

There will be a Music Class taking place in the Classroom and Guests will be encouraged to either participate or just watch.



******* Anthea's Corner *******

What's On

Proposed Summer Outings - We would welcome any suggestions from Members for outings during the coming months.

Past Events

The QUIZ that took on Friday 12th March 2010 raised £307.62
THANKS TO Sue and Mike once again for organising this.

The Tabor Centre email address is now:- thetaborcentre@btconnect.com

News

FREE WI-FI COMES TO ESSEX LIBRARIES

A new Wi-Fi connection will be available free of charge in most Essex libraries at the end of April, with the rest following during May. So, with 73 libraries in Essex you should never be too far from a free connection whenever you need one.

The people’s network computers in libraries are also being updated to have a faster Broadband connection. As a result, library customers will enjoy easier access to email, information and social networking.

With an increasing number of people owning and using laptops or smart phones, there’s never been a better a time to visit an Essex library.

Accessing free Wi-Fi from your own device means there is no need to wait for a computer to become available and there are no limits on how long you surf for. And it also frees up People’s Network machines for those who are not using their own devices.

Essex businesses too will also find the improved Broadband and Wi-Fi valuable, opening up libraries as a base for flexible or remote working.

So, if you haven’t been into an Essex library for a while, now is definitely the time and whilst you are there, join the library and access even more services?

To find your local library visit www.essex.gov.uk/libraries/library



GOOD NEWS FOR RURAL COMMUNITY BUILDINGS

Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) and the Rural Community Action Network (RCAN) welcomed the announcement from the BIG Lottery Fund that a dedicated capital funding stream is expected to be launched in the Autumn as part of the BIG Lottery Reaching Communities programme. It is likely to fund medium sized refurbishments, new builds or extensions to community centres, village halls or other community use buildings meeting local community needs and aspirations.

Capital funding is desperately needed by halls and community centres across the country to improve and modernise an ageing stock of buildings that provide vital services and activities in rural communities.

The key findings from ACRE’s national survey of rural community buildings in 2009 indicated that 60% of halls responding to that survey were planning major improvements in the next five years and 10% require urgent repairs to keep them in use.

“We are really pleased to hear that BIG has responded to the call from halls and all their support organisations for a capital fund for this vital work. In rural areas village halls and other similar community buildings are the focal point for developing solutions for provision of essential services”, says Deborah Clarke, ACRE’s Village Hall Information Officer.

A significant amount of volunteer effort is put into managing rural community buildings, including fundraising activities, but without additional capital investment many halls would be unsustainable. ACRE looks forward to the prospect of working with BIG as part of a stakeholder group during the lead up to the Autumn launch.



News

FIX MY STREET!

www.mySociety.org, a project of UK



Citizens Online Democracy (UKCOD), have a new, easy to use website for reporting problems in your locality.

The site reports your comments

to the appropriate Local Authority on issues related to abandoned vehicles, bus stops, car parking, dog fouling, fly tipping, graffiti, footpaths and pavements, pot holes, public toilets, road signs, roads, rubbish, street cleaning, street lighting, traffic lights, trees and other miscellaneous nuisances.

Log on to www.fixmystreet.com to see more and try out this free service

EDITORIAL NOTE:

Welcome to the latest edition of your newsletter. Please remember this is your newsletter so any comments or suggestions about this centre will be gratefully received and guaranteed, if sensible, to be published.

With summer on its way very shortly, let's hope we can get out on some more away days with the centre very shortly.

Let Linda know if you have any ideas of where you would like to go.

DEREK HELLERY AND ANDREW BARRETT

ROAST CHICKEN AND PEPPER PASTA



Serves: 4
Prep time: 10 mins

Cooking time: 10 mins
Total time: 20 mins

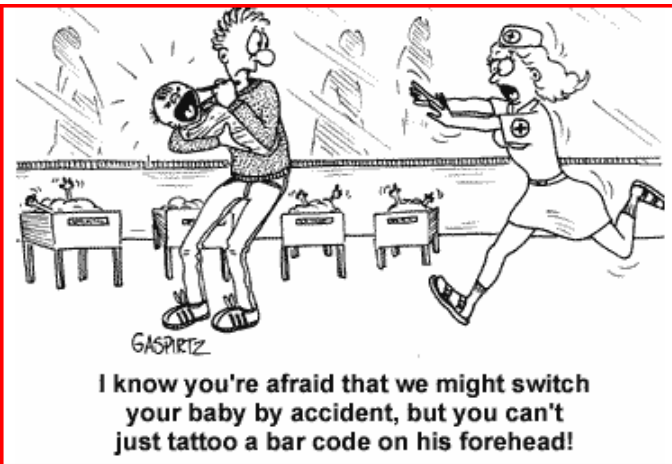
- 350g (12oz) farfalle pasta
- 110g (4oz) almonds, toasted
- 2 garlic cloves
- 20g (1oz) basil
- ½ x 350g (12oz) jar roasted red peppers, drained and roughly chopped
- 5tbsp olive oil
- 200g (8oz) roast chicken, shredded

Method

1. Cook the pasta according to packet instructions.
2. Meanwhile, whiz together the almonds, garlic, basil, peppers and olive oil in a food processor to make a rough paste.
3. Season the paste well and stir into the drained pasta, along with the shredded chicken and a little of the pasta cooking water to loosen the paste a little. Warm through and serve.

Bits & Pieces

Jokes of The Day





Wonder Dog

A salesman dropped in to see a business customer. Not a soul was in the office except a big dog emptying wastebaskets.

The salesman stared at the animal, wondering if his imagination could be playing tricks on him.

The dog looked up and said, "Don't be surprised. This is just part of my job."

"Incredible!" exclaimed the man. "I can't believe it!

Does your boss know what a prize he has in you? An animal that can talk!"

"No, no," pleaded the dog.

"Please don't! If that man finds out I can talk, he make me answer the phone as well!"

But I want to sell my car!

A blonde was trying to sell her old car. She was having a lot of problems selling it, because the car had almost 230,000 miles on it.

One day, she told her problem to a brunette she worked with at a salon. The brunette told her, "There is a possibility to make the car easier to sell, but it's not legal."

"That doesn't matter," replied the blonde, "if I can only sell the car."

"Okay," said the brunette. "Here is the address of a friend of mine. He owns a car repair shop. Tell him I sent you and he will 'fix it'. Then you shouldn't have a problem anymore trying to sell your car."

The following weekend, the blonde made the trip to the mechanic. About one month after that, the brunette asked the blonde, "Did you sell your car?" "No," replied the blonde, "Why should I? It only has 50,000 miles on it!"

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this edition of the Tabor News. Don't forget to get in your contributions for the next issue.

- Closing date 30th June 2010