



# Norfolk Federation Newsletter

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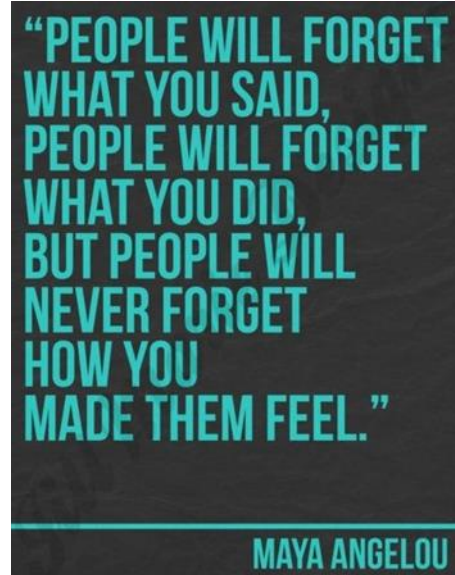
### Once again...

the Federation Office is working remotely, so whilst Evelyn Suffield House may be closed, we're still open for business!

As I've mentioned before, we are doing everything we can to keep in touch, as best we can. You can obviously email us, but if you don't use email leave a message on the answerphone, (although we will only be checking on this a couple of times a week during this lockdown). As we are all no doubt finding everything seems more convoluted and difficult, and for the next month will be further complicated for Vanessa, Helen and I, as we now can't just pop into each other's office to ask a question from a safe social distance (naturally) – our social distancing is now spread over several miles! So please bear with us if it takes a little longer to get back to you.

## Direct to your Inbox?

With everything that's been going on just lately, I'm afraid we haven't had time to set up a distribution list for those members who would like to receive the monthly mailing and Norfolk WI News direct to their inbox. My apologies for those anticipating an email. Please would Secretaries mind forwarding everything on in the usual way this month – we will be up and running for the next mailing. If you would like the mailing and magazine sent to you direct, let me know!



## This month's Magazine

Here is the link to view the latest edition <https://www.flipsnack.com/5B7D5F6BDC9/norfolk-november-2020/full-view.html> As usual, the link has been sent to WI Secretaries and will be available on the News page of our Website.

If you need help to navigate the online magazine, the publishers have put together a user guide: <https://www.flipsnack.com/5B7D5F6BDC9/wi-news-online-magazine-user-guide/full-view.html>

I hope you keep safe and well during the current Lockdown.

Until next time, take care.



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## Zoom Talks

Enclosed are details of the November Talks. To book, email Helen [admin@norfolkwi.org.uk](mailto:admin@norfolkwi.org.uk) in the first instance. Talks for December will be sent out separately in the couple of weeks. We will be running these well into the New Year and will send out a flyer during each month with details of forthcoming Talks.

This month there is also a flyer about a free craft Zoom, by our Chairman, Margaret! Plus! Our Vice-Chairman, Carol, and Trustee, Heather, will be doing another Christmas cookery demonstration. If you missed their first talk but would like the recipes (a Tunis cake and Festive Frozen Chocolate Parfait) email Helen [admin@norfolkwi.org.uk](mailto:admin@norfolkwi.org.uk) and she'll happily send them.

Book early to avoid disappointment, as spaces are limited!

## Norfolk WI News Magazine

Do send what you've been up to. Are you making Christmas cards or decorations? Reading any good books? Or even cleaning out your cupboards for a second time... If so, let Sue and Jane know what you've been up to!

They would also like to run a series on your memories and pictures of **Denman**. Email them at: [magazine@norfolkwi.org.uk](mailto:magazine@norfolkwi.org.uk)

## Resolutions 2021

The shortlisted resolutions have now been announced. Information is on a flyer with this mailing – including how you can vote. Your Secretary may be collecting your votes, or you can vote using the easy Survey Monkey Poll – it isn't a survey! Simply tick the box for the resolution you wish to vote for. The link is: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WX9RGNV>

## A message to members from a retiring speaker:

During my 18 years as a speaker, I have been fortunate enough to entertain many W.I. groups in Norfolk. I have now decided to call it a day so to speak. I would like to say a big thank you to all of the members who have made me so welcome; I have really enjoyed the time I spent with you. My good wishes to you all. Doreen Reed Poet & Storyteller.

Books of my light-hearted poems, including one all about the festive season, are available from Amazon I plan to continue posting recipes to my Prudent Pensioner Facebook page.

## Beware! Postal Scam

Helen received this letter recently and we thought it important to pass it on. Feel free to make everyone you know aware.

### PLEASE NOTE AND PASS TO ALL YOUR CONTACTS

Christmas is fast approaching, Royal Mail & The Trading Standards Office are making people aware of the following scam:

A card is posted through your door from a company called PDS (Parcel Delivery Service) suggesting that they were unable to deliver a parcel and that you need to contact them on 0906 6611911 (a Premium rate number).

If you call the number and you start to hear a recorded message you will already have been billed £315 for the phone call.

If you do receive a card with these details, then please contact Royal Mail Fraud on 020 7239 6655.

For more information, see the Crime Stoppers website:

<http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/crime-prevention/helping-prevent-crime/scams/postal-delivery-scam>

Please be aware that the premium rate number may change but nevertheless please do not call any number stated on a card from PDS.

**Can you please make all your family, friends and neighbours aware of the above.**

## Rose Bowl Competition

Secretaries! Don't forget to send in an example of one of your newsletters for the competition! The closing date is 31<sup>st</sup> December.

## Things to do & Other Useful Information

- **Technologically Confused?!**: if you need help to get started or general advice, we now have a dedicated helpline email, run by the *Digital Sub-Committee*. Email your query and one of the team will get back to you! If you can't email, leave a message on the answerphone and we will pass it on. [winorfolkdigitalhelp@gmail.com](mailto:winorfolkdigitalhelp@gmail.com)
- **Need more Books to read?** To help you access more books to read during the coming winter we will be producing a list of websites for borrowing. If you have any favourites, let us know!

- **Self-isolating Local Support:** this is still available and information can be found at <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/care-support-and-health/health-and-wellbeing/adults-health/coronavirus/community-support-for-people-at-home> Telephone 0344 800 8020
- **Dippy at the Cathedral:** the Cathedral have been in touch to ask if members would like to volunteer to help when Dippy visits Norwich. A poster with all the information, including how to get in touch, is attached.
- **HP Printer Ink Service:** HP offer a cheaper way to get their ink. Information can be found at <http://try.hpinstantink.com/znHS7>
- **The Freedom Project** is a dog fostering service for people fleeing domestic abuse. They are looking for foster volunteers and say *“Due to the expected high demand for our service, we are now looking for volunteers in your area to help with this innovative scheme by fostering dogs. All the dogs’ expenses are covered by Dogs Trust, so this is a particularly rewarding volunteering opportunity for dog lovers who are not able to own a dog on a permanent basis. Fostering dogs can have many benefits such as providing comfort and company in the home.”* If you, or anyone you know, would be interested contact them [www.dogstrust.org.uk](http://www.dogstrust.org.uk) or call 020-7837 0006

Finally...



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