



The Cellar Café Newsletter Winter 2014-15

Although it's not quite Winter yet, this edition has details of events over the Christmas period, and also looks forward to next Summer! We have enjoyed the extended warmer weather at The Cellar with customers able to sit outside in the courtyard into November! All The Cellar Team would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas.

First of all, many thanks to all who supported the **Evening with Paul and Fiona Jones** at Clock Barn on 4th September. In the words of our trustee Simon Crowther it was "a blast", and Simon can take the credit for organising a very enjoyable and inspiring evening of music and witness with this talented and sincere couple.

Also in September The Cellar was presented with a cheque for £1,000 by representatives of **Willmott Dixon**. This construction company has a large building site on Flambard Way opposite Waitrose. One day one of the managers dropped in for coffee and learnt about the work of The Cellar. He said "It's clearly a very worthwhile cause at the heart of Godalming's community", and was so impressed that he arranged the donation and press publicity. Our grateful thanks go to Willmott Dixon for their generosity and support.

And more thanks to all who came to or provided cakes for the **Macmillan coffee morning** held at The Cellar in September which raised £100 for cancer support.

You will find attached details of the annual **Cellar Christmas Appeal** for items for the Christmas parcels.



An invitation to an Italian experience at Enoteca, Crown Court Thursday 4th December from 5.30 to 7.30pm

Our new neighbours Godalming Enoteca opened their doors in October and sell wines (draught and bottled) and food direct from smaller producers in Italy. Come and enjoy wines and delicious things to eat and chat about what The Cellar does in the community. Tickets available at The Cellar are £10 and include food and a carafe of wine.

See you at Enoteca's – Crown Court – High Street - Godalming



More invitations!

Everyone is invited to the **Christmas Social** at Baptist Church, Queen Street on **Friday 19th December**. Drop in between 10.00am and 2pm for carols, readings and a bring and share lunch. All are very welcome.

Come to the Manor Inn to join us for **The Cellar Christmas lunch** on **Monday 22nd December at 12.00**. Please let Debbie know at The Cellar if you would like to come by Tuesday 16th December so that a booking can be made.

Cellar Diary 100 copies of The Cellar diary have been kindly printed by a benefactor. They are lovely small diaries and will be available at The Cellar in December, so come and pick your copy and be ready for 2015.

Members of **The Cellar Art Group** have been attending workshops at Watts Gallery, Compton and the group also meet regularly at The Cellar. Their art will be included in the **Big Issues Exhibition** of work inspired by the big issues reflected in G F Watts' art. The exhibition will take place at **Watts Gallery from 2nd - 20th February** and at **Gallery Different, Percy Street, London from 23rd February - 7th March**. It showcases art made by prisoners at HMP Send, HMP/YOI Feltham, HMP Bronzefield, young people from Surrey Youth Support Services and four Surrey-based community groups. Do go along to this free exhibition – the Cellar artists are proud to take part, and really enjoy preparing the exhibits and seeing their work on display. Here are some examples from 2014:



Looking forward to next Summer seems a long way off, but The **Cellar Open Gardens Event** will take place on **Saturday 20th June 2015, 2pm-6pm**, so please put this date in your new diaries and calendars. After the success of the first Open Gardens in 2014, we would love to include even more gardens to enjoy. If you would like to offer your garden for opening (it doesn't have to be large or perfect), contact Vic Hicks on 01483 425695

Volunteers are always needed at The Cellar to fill in gaps in the rota and to be available to cover for absences. If you feel you can support Debbie and Emma in any way, please phone The Cellar or come in and have a chat.

The Upper Room can be used free of charge by qualified or trainee counsellors to provide affordable low cost or free counselling. If you know of a counsellor or a support group who would like to use the room in the daytime or evening, please get in touch with Debbie at The Cellar. The room is also available for rent.



Jottings How much do we appreciate those we love?

Recently the husband of a friend suffered a horrific accident, when hit by a motorbike. One minute he was walking along a busy street, the next he was fighting for his life in intensive care. I cannot begin to imagine what this man's wife has been through over the past months as she watched his slow and painful journey to recovery.

All this made me think. What if he had not survived? What if it had been someone very dear to me? What if I had not told them recently that I love them? We none of us know what lies ahead. As we reach this very busy time, approaching Christmas, let us take time to show those who are dear to us that we love them and tell them.

And as we celebrate the birth of God's Son, the Prince of Peace, let us miss no opportunity to show our love for Him and tell Him we love Him, by praising Him. Jo R.



This newsletter has been put together by Jacky Beale in the hope that it will help you keep in touch with The Cellar family. Grateful thanks to Jim Brunt for his continued advice and support in sending it by email. Thank you to even more people who asked to receive the newsletter by email – this really helps to cut down printing and postage costs. **If you want to change to a newsletter by email please contact info@thecellarcafe.co.uk** .

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