

Spotlite - February 2018



**Wesley Church, West Bromwich
Presents the Pantomime**

Goody Two Shoes



**Monday 19th February 2018
To Saturday 24th February 2018
At 7:30 p.m.
Adults £4.50
Children Under 12 £3.50**

**Tickets available from
Liz Vaughan
0121 553 3727 (answer phone)
Cheques payable to Wesley Church**

Wesley Church Christmas Tree Festival 2017

Despite the bad weather, the second Wesley Christmas Tree Festival took place on Saturday 9th December 2017.

25 beautifully and imaginatively decorated trees were on display in the church from organisations within Wesley including the three sections of Boys' Brigade, Guiding, Brownies, Choir and Sunday School plus a couple of individual entries. We were really pleased to have entries from outside of Wesley including St Mary Magdalene School, Phoenix Collegiate, Trefoil, West Bromwich Probus and 4th West Bromwich Boys' Brigade and Girls Association.

The Christmas Fair was held during the Saturday and refreshments were available throughout the day. On the Saturday evening a concert was held celebrating "Christmas around the World". Thank you must go to Helen and Steve for organising the concert and to the Choir and the brass quintet for a great evening.

The Best Christmas Tree competition was won by Knit & Natter, congratulations to you. And this year we were able to present the winners with a trophy that was made and kindly donated by John Chambers. Many thanks John for the trophy.



We even made the front pages of both The Express & Star and The Chronicle newspapers.



Unfortunately due to the bad weather on the Sunday both the morning Family Carol service and the evening service were cancelled along with the second day of the Festival.

The total raised from the Festival was £910.40. And over £160 was raised for "Sandwell Parents for Disabled Children" Charity by the sale of the dove decorations for the Memory Tree.

I would like to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who helped out before and during the weekend to make the Christmas Tree Festival another great success.

And yes, there will be another Christmas Tree Festival in 2018. So if you would like to enter a Christmas Tree you can start planning now.

Christmas Tree Festival Group

WESLEY CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2017



1st West Bromwich Rainbows



Pat & Linda



Wesley Ladies Circle



Knit & Natter



Betty Bonnell



Let's Dance For Life



West Bromwich Probus



Alan Thompson



5th West Bromwich Junior Section



St Mary Magdalene's School



1st West Bromwich Brownies



Wesley Choir



Sandwell Parents for Disabled Children Memory Tree



Wesley Sunday School



4th West Bromwich Brownies



5th West Bromwich Anchor Boys



5th West Bromwich Senior Section



Helen & Steve Allen



5th West Bromwich Company Section



Wesley Mens Group



Christmas around the World



Phoenix Collegiate



Trefoil Guild



Guides & Senior Section



4th West Bromwich Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association



Many thanks to the following Companies who very kindly donated prizes for the Christmas Tree Festival Raffle

**Saninsbury Oldbury
Central England Coop
West Bromwich Albion Football Club
Hungry Horse - The Interceptor
Tesco West Bromwich**

**Thanks again
Justin Hampson**

A Big Thank You



are you missing out ?

find out more about what's going on in your local area
for 5 - 18 year olds



there's lots on offer including . . .
 > games > crafts > music > competitions > new skills > holidays/trips

 5 to 8 years	JUNIORS 8 to 11 years	company section 11 to 15 years	seniors 15 to 18 years
<p>You'll have lots of fun doing different activities. There are lots of games and crafts and you will go on visits and make lots of new friends as you get your badges.</p>	<p>You'll have an evening crammed full of challenges, games and activities. You'll be able to gain badges and go on trips and holidays.</p>	<p>You'll learn new skills and achieve personal goals trying out different things in a safe environment. There are camps and trips and the opportunity to gain The Duke of Edinburgh's Award.</p>	<p>You can continue to enjoy the activities, but now you'll help to plan your own activities and widen your opportunities. So the sky's the limit.</p>

your local group . . .

5TH West Bromwich Boys' Brigade Wesley Methodist Church



18+ and interested in volunteering?

Volunteering in The Boys' Brigade helps give children and young people opportunities and experiences beyond what is possible in school or at home.

Our volunteers come from all walks of life and share their skills and enthusiasm as time allows.

Could you help make a difference by giving a little of your time? **If so, get in touch to find out how . . .**

> for parents/guardians

The Boys' Brigade provides a safe and caring place for your child. All of our leaders are fully trained and have undergone child protection and disclosure checks.

The BB is a Christian organisation and groups are attached to a Church, but BB is open to those of all faiths & backgrounds.

If you have any questions please get in contact.

We offer the widest variety of activities available in West Bromwich!

We meet every Friday night at Wesley Methodist Church, High Street, West Bromwich.

Anchors: 17:15 - 18:30

Call Jane on 0121 588 6877

Juniors: 18:45 – 20:00

Call Julie on 07903 234 180

Company & Seniors: 19:45 – 22:00

Call Rory on 07970 884 243

for more information

Give us a call on the numbers above!

Follow us on Facebook!



Visit our webpage: www.5thwestbromwich.co.uk



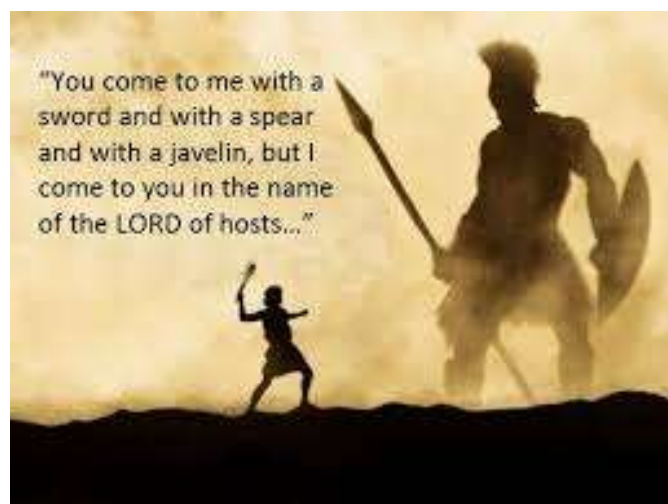
5th West Bromwich Anchor Boys

At present Anchor Boy numbers are low with only 10 boys. If you know of any boys who would like to join us on a Friday night then please tell them to give me a call on 0121 588 6877, as we would like to increase our numbers.

On Saturday 2nd December we joined with the rest of the Battalion at an Anchor Christmas Fun morning. The boys made door hangers, reindeer cakes, painted candle holders, played games, had a visit from Father Christmas and had lunch together. A great morning was had by all. The event is organised by the 5th and my thanks go Keith Llewellyn, Maggie Vaughan, Rachelle Gould, Sue Hardcastle, Jessica Lilly, Ruth and Ian Collett for all their help.

On the Thursday before Christmas we were luckily enough to get tickets for Peter Pan at the NIA Birmingham from the West Bromwich Rotary. A great time was had by all and a huge thank you from us all to the West Bromwich Rotary. On the Friday before Christmas we had tea together and then took the boys carol singing, which was received well by the people we went to see.

We have a fun programme of activities planned over the forth coming weeks including entering the Battalion picture competition which this year has a theme of David and Goliath.





1st West Bromwich Guides and Rangers

You may already be aware that at the last meeting before Christmas of our Guide and Ranger Unit, Lucy and Jen finished as Leaders in charge after some seven years. They have done a great job over the years and thanks need to go to them both for their hard work and commitment.

At that point the future of the unit looked in jeopardy as no one had come forward to take over running the unit. However we are pleased to be able to report that two young ladies both of whom have come up through the Girl Guide units at Wesley and both of whom were involved in the Pantomime for many years have agreed to take over the units and “give it a go”.

By the time this edition of Spotlight is circulated, Alex Swift and Toni Wootton will have held their first meeting.

We wish them much success and are very pleased that the 1st West Bromwich Guides and Rangers, the oldest guide unit in West Bromwich, is continuing.

We look forward to hearing how they are getting on and hope that you will support them if and when needed.

Ian & Jane Collett

The first girls became Girl Guides in 1909 when they attended a Boy Scout rally in London. Lord Baden-Powell decided that girls should have an organization of their own and published 'The Scheme for Girl Guides' in November 1909.



There are approximately 10 million Girl Guides and Girl Scouts worldwide

Family News



Out Thoughts and Prayers for:

Olive and Frank Brookes, Terry Price, Wyn Thomas

Birthday Wishes to:

Liz Vaughan, Andrew Machin, Betty Bonnell, Rev. Carole Holden, Keith Llewellyn, Derek Percival, Rebecca and Bethany Lilly.

Margaret Price celebrates her 90th Birthday on March 5th.

Men's Group

Just a photo of the men on our recent Men's Sunday Services, thanks to everyone who was involved.

Mick O



Wesley goes surfing

Wesley has finally made it onto the world-wide web!
The following two websites are now live and will include information about Wesley and all that happens here

www.wesleywestbrom.co.uk
www.291communityassociation.co.uk

THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE

10.00am - 12 noon

Come and enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat with friends on Thursday mornings at Wesley.
Coffee/Tea and biscuits 25p.



If you have any items you would like published in Spotlite, please send to me :

patxthompson@btinternet.com

Thank You

Next Edition April

High Tea and Hoi

Wednesday 14th March 2018

7.00pm — 8.30pm

£3.00 per ticket

Available from

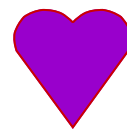
Linda Adams, Beryl Price and Ann Percival

(For menu please see Wesley notice board)



Sudoku

5			2				6
	8	2		9	7	4	
							8
	6			4	8		
	4						1 3
	1	6			5	9	
				7			
	5		3	6			7



Happy Valentine's Day



Sudoku - Solution

4	5	9	3	6	1	2	8	7
2	3	8	4	7	9	1	6	5
7	1	6	8	2	5	9	3	4
8	4	7	9	5	2	6	1	3
9	6	3	1	4	8	5	7	2
1	2	5	7	3	6	8	4	9
6	9	4	5	1	3	7	2	8
3	8	2	6	9	7	4	5	1
5	7	1	2	8	4	3	9	6



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The next issue of Spotlite will be April if you have anything to go into this issue please let me have your notices by Monday 2nd April LATEST Thank you.

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