



LETCHWORTH ADULT EDUCATIONAL SETTLEMENT

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NEWSLETTER



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LETCHWORTH SINFONIA

Summer Concert Sunday 19th June

7:30 p.m., Kincaid Hall. Admission £7.50, (concessions £5)

Programme includes *Beethoven* : Symphony No. 2, *Rossini* : The Barber of Seville;
Mozart : Sinfonia Concertante for Oboe, Clarinet Horn and Bassoon.

Settlement Players present

BAREFOOT IN THE PARK

A Comedy, By Neil Simon.

Produced by Pat Phillips and Vince Cook

Thursday 16th to Saturday 18th June, 7.45pm

Tickets available from David's Music, Eastcheap. price £5

Newly Weds have just moved into their apartment and are soon involved with the unusual people in the rest of the house. After attempts at matchmaking and a disastrous dinner party, they learn that walking barefoot in the park may not necessarily denote *joie de vivre*—in February, it is simply silly!



Settlement Council

We are concerned that attendance at recent meetings of The Settlement Council been very low. There are 3 meetings a year, at which the Management Committee inform Council of decisions taken and also discuss future plans. In return the Management Committee hope for suggestions and viewpoints to be expressed by the members' representatives. At the AGM it is the task of the Council to ratify the appointment of the Management Committee. Every Settlement Group and class is entitled to have their own representative attend the Council meetings. It would be helpful if you could notify Sarah who your Group's representative will be, so that She can send out the agendas nearer the time.

The next Council meeting is Monday 26th September at 7:30 pm in the Brunt Room.

The Settlement AGM will be Friday November 11th in the Kincaid Hall.

Stick, Stamp & Stitch Day School

Tuesday 14 June 10am - 4.30 pm

Tutor: Christina Renwick.

A day to play, using collage, printing blocks, rubber stamps, fabric and stitch to create cards, book covers, journals or stitched textiles.

Lampshade making workshop

Wednesday 22nd June

Spend the day making lampshades to suit your home décor. Linda King of Talinca Interiors will demonstrate and help you, using your own materials or fabrics supplied by her. She will also have frames, lining and braids available for sale. Course restricted to 10 people to ensure maximum attention.

Tie and Dye workshop : Saturday 2nd July

Popular tutor, Helen Deighan will be returning to The Settlement for another of her messy but enjoyable days of colour. You can be assured of producing some beautiful fabric effects under her expert guidance, for use in any number of crafts and projects.

Please contact the office to reserve your place on these workshops. Fee for each course £20

The Settlement Refurbishment Group

The group was formed in 2000, meeting every Tuesday Morning under the leadership of Barbara Boardman to reupholster 22 chairs for the Common Room.

We have since done other projects:

- * Produced the Wall Hanging in the Kincaid Hall for the Letchworth Garden City Centenary in 2003, based on a design by Clive Schofield. It took over a year to make by 13 embroiderers, including dyeing all the threads and fabrics all of which were originally white. We were given a £500 grant from the "New Horizons" charity, an spent about £700 in total. Oliver Heald, our local MP, officially unveiled it during the June 2003 textile exhibition.
- * Replacement of the Hall curtains. Pat Ellis donated £400 and the group added an additional amount. Olive and Donald Fenton paid for the making up charges in memory of their daughter Elizabeth, who had associations with The Settlement by way of her interests in music and theatre. The total cost of the curtains was nearly £1000.
- * The group organise coffee mornings, bring-and-buy sales and group lunches in members' homes to add to the funds and to date have raised over £1000.
- * Now we are thinking about what to do next. We have about £400 in the kitty at the moment so— watch this space !

Settlement Fundraising News

The Quiz evening in April was well attended and raised over £750. The Spring Fair & Plant Sale on 14th May with associated donations and fundraising efforts raised in excess of £1700.

Thank you to everyone who helped to support these 2 events. As an Independent Centre, we rely on the income from these events.

Dates of Future Events for your diary :

Craft Fair : Sunday 23rd October.

Indoor Flea Market : Saturday 18th February.

We depend on the help from volunteers to make the events a success—many hands make light work! If you are not available to assist on the day, we also need people to distribute posters & leaflets in advance of each event. If you are able to help, or have ideas for future fundraising events, please see Sarah in the office.

Letchworth Settlement Visits

Bookings opened some time ago for several visits and places are still available for:

Saturday 9th July Hampton Court Flower Show

Saturday 20th August Festival of Quilts at NEC Birmingham.

Settlement tutors Valerie Atiken and Stephanie Pettengell hope to have quilts on display at this exhibition.

Saturday 24th September Dutch Painters of the Golden Age, The Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace

Friday 14th October Knitting and Stitching Show at Alexandra Palace
(tickets also available Thursday to Sunday for independent travel)

Booking forms are available in the Common Room. Please telephone 686321 if you would like forms posting out to you. Please let me know if you would like to be added to the visits mailing list
Ideas for future visits always welcome. Please send to 226 Nevells Road, Letchworth Garden City.

Roy Evans, Visits Department

News from Settlement Groups

Letchworth Naturalists' Society

13th September.

Member's Evening of slides and photographs.

11th October : *Collecting and Identifying Fungi*

Presented by Alan Outen of the Hertfordshire Fungi Group.

Meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 7:30 pm in the Kincaid Hall. Enquiries to : Judie Starkey, Telephone 632171

Letchworth Art Society

Annual Exhibition 22 October - 19 November.

Letchworth Museum & Art Gallery, Broadway.
10-5 Daily, except Wednesday & Sunday.

Settlement Kitchen

We now have a dishwasher in the Kitchen, which is designed to deal with large batches of crockery.

We are experiencing a shortage of the Green "Beryl" cups used in the kitchen, which is a discontinued pattern. If you come across any in jumble sales, we would be please to have them! Please let Sarah know if you know of a source for purchasing these cups.

We are always in need of Mugs and metal teaspoons for use in the Kitchen — all donations gratefully received !

Settlement Players

Friday 10th June : Open Evening. 8pm

All visitors welcome

Thursday 23rd June. 8 p.m. Play Reading of *Charley's Aunt* by Brandon Thomas for performance at the November production, directed by Meg Dixon.

Thursday 30th June 8 p.m. Play Reading of sketches for performance at the Theatre Club Open Evening in September

All Enquiries about the above events to Sam Powell, telephone 630735

Friday 16th September, 7:45 p.m.

Theatre Club Open Evening. An opportunity for you to watch a short performance and join the Theatre Club for the new season. The Theatre Club gives you advanced notice and reduced price tickets for Settlement Player Productions. Enquiries to Pat Baskerville, 623959.

Letchworth Camera Club

The New Season commences on **Thursday 15th September** at 8pm.

On **Thursday 29th September** there will be a presentation of 3D slides by Vic Priddle entitled "Land's End to John O' Groats."

Contact Robert Staddon. Tel. 672432

Deadline for contributions for the next issue - 1st September.

If your group contact has got an email address, please can you inform the office.

We can then email you a couple of weeks before the deadline of each issue asking for contributions.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2005

JUNE	10th	Settlement Players	Open Evening. All visitors welcome	8pm	
	16th - 18th	Settlement Players	Barefoot in the Park, a comedy by Neil Simon	7:45pm	
	19th	Letchworth Sinfonia	Summer Concert	7:30pm	
	23rd	Settlement Players	Play reading for November production	8pm	
	30th	Settlement Players	Play reading for Theatre Club Open Evening	8pm	
	30th	Poetry Reading	An evening with Penelope Shuttle	7:30pm	
JULY	9th	VISITS	Hampton Court Flower Show		
AUGUST	20th	VISITS	Festival of Quilts, NEC Birmingham		
SEPTEMBER	9th	As part of Heritage Open Day	A lecture on the Cheap Cottages Exhibition	7:30 pm	
	10th	Heritage Open Day	Centenary of the 1905 Cheap Cottages Exhibition	10-4	
	13th	Letchworth Naturalists' Society	Members' evening of slides and photographs	7:30pm	
	15th	Letchworth Camera Club	Start of new season	8pm	
	16th	Settlement Players	Theatre Club Open Evening	7:45pm	
	24th	VISITS	Dutch Painters of the Golden Age - Queen's Gallery		
	26th	Settlement Council	Meeting of the Settlement Council	7:30pm	
	29th	Letchworth Camera Club	A presentation of 3D slides by Vic Priddle	8pm	
	OCTOBER	11th	Letchworth Naturalists' Society	Collecting and identifying Fungi	7:30pm
		14th	VISITS	Knitting and Stitching Show, Alexandra Palace	
22nd until 19th Nov		Letchworth Art Society	Annual Exhibition at Letchworth Museum		
	23rd	Fundraising Event	Craft Fair - please support this important event	10:30 -4	

Heritage Open Day

Saturday 10th September

10 am—4 pm

Slides & Talks about the Settlement/
Skittles Inn at regular intervals during the
day.

2005 is the Centenary of the 1905 Cheap Cottages Exhibition, involving houses in Nevells Road (Exhibition Road), Cross Street and Wilbury Road areas. Photographs of the Cheap Cottages will be on display.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE: The 1905 Cheap Cottages Exhibition

In association with The Letchworth Garden City Society

Speaker : Vicky Rawlings

Assistant Curator, First Garden City Heritage Museum

Friday 9th September

7:30 p.m.

Admission Free

Security

In the Interests of security, please remember to keep personal belongings secure at all times.

At the end of your class/group session, please can you ensure that all windows/doors are closed in your classroom, and that the lights and other electrical appliances are turned off as you leave. This is especially relevant during the summer months.

Poetry Reading at The Settlement.

An Evening with Penelope Shuttle

Thursday 30th June, 7.30 p.m. Admission £5

Penelope Shuttle is a well-known feminist poet and novelist. Since 1980 she has published seven collections of poems, her *Selected Poems*, and is co-author of two widely-read prose works. Her work has been widely anthologised.

For more Information call Poetry I.D. on 01462 674612
or see www.poetry-id.com