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**Winner of the Holiday of a Lifetime**  
**CONGRATULATIONS!** to Fay Avery who won the First Prize in our Prize Draw, and will be flying off to Mauritius later in the year. Fay was present at our Fish & Chip Supper Quiz when her winning ticket was drawn out of the drum! Alban Stowe won the Second prize of £150 John Lewis Vouchers. The Third prize of a Red Letter Day Gift Voucher was won by Charlotte Spencer. A Fourth Prize of a Make Your Own Monopoly was won by Wendy Williams. Thank you so much to all who bought tickets and those who cajoled neighbours, friends and family members to contribute. We estimate proceeds to have reached **£4,166**. Incredible. Thank you!

**National Day of Reflection: 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022**  
We were pleased to take part in the National Day of Reflection on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, marking two years since the first 'lockdown' of Covid restrictions. This year some of our members met at Kew Gardens to witness the planting of a memorial tree to remember all those whose lives had been lost during the pandemic. Our Executive Officer, David Griffiths, was on hand to help with the tree planting, as you can see!



**Bridge Lunch – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June**  
Back, by popular demand, our annual Bridge Lunch is about to return on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June from 10.30am – 3.00pm at The Harrow District Masonic Centre, Northwick Circle, Kenton. The cost remains unchanged from 3 years ago at £25 per person, and includes a buffet lunch. Further details and bookings from **Trudy Segal**: 020 8423 3209 or e-mail: [trudysegal@gmail.com](mailto:trudysegal@gmail.com)

**Forthcoming Training Courses**  
Two training courses that are fast approaching:  
**Initial Bereavement Training Course**  
Wednesdays 27<sup>th</sup> April & 4<sup>th</sup> May 10.00am – 3.30pm  
at St Luke's Hospice, Kenton  
**Children & Grief Course**  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 9.15am – 3.30pm  
at The Lighthouse Centre, South Ruislip  
Details of both courses available on our web-site or from the Bereavement Care office.

**Annual Conference – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October**  
**SAVE THE DATE!**  
We are optimistic that this year's Annual Conference will be able to be held face-to-face, in person: the first time for 3 years! Everything is at an early stage of planning so we can't say too much. But we wanted to give you the DATE as soon as possible. We are also fairly confident that we have found a most accommodating VENUE at Emmanuel Church, Northwood. The Conference Planning Group are currently in the exciting phase of deciding on the theme of the conference, and approaching potential speakers and workshop leaders. More details will be available in June, so please SAVE THE DATE and WATCH THIS SPACE!

**Bucket Collections at Morrison's, Hatch End**  
Many thanks to Morrison's Supermarket in Hatch End who have offered us two dates at which we can collect for Bereavement Care. We need volunteers who are willing to give us an hour to stand at the entrance with a collecting bucket on:  
**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 10.00am – 4.00pm**  
**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 9.00am – 6.00pm (or later)**  
If you are able to offer any time on either of these dates, please contact **Jeanette Leibling** who will be organising the rota of collectors: 020 8866 6535 / 07702 249377 or e-mail: [jeanette.leibling@btinternet.com](mailto:jeanette.leibling@btinternet.com)

**Eastcote House Gardens Community Jubilee Fair**  
**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2022 11.00am – 4.00pm**  
If you can spare the odd hour (or two) to come along and support us at Eastcote House Gardens on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June; when we will be celebrating Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a fund-raising and awareness stall, we would be pleased to hear from you. It's not arduous, but it is very helpful to have a couple of people on hand to explain what we do. Please contact **Bobbi Riesel**: 07787 547383 or e-mail: [bobbi@riesel.co.uk](mailto:bobbi@riesel.co.uk)

**Urgent Need for Children & Young People Visitors**  
There has been a considerable increase in the number of bereavement referrals for children and young people over the past three months. However, our Children's Visitors have sadly reduced over the past two years and we are very keen to recruit more visitors who would be willing to support children and young people. If you are interested, please contact **Carole Scarlett** via the Bereavement Care Office asap. The Children & Grief Course on 29<sup>th</sup> April could be a useful starting point.

**If you have any contributions for the next issue, please e-mail them to the office to arrive by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Please feel free to distribute this Newsletter to current and prospective supporters of Bereavement Care.**