



LAMBETH

Cruse Newsletter

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Season's greetings... Dates for the Diary

Christmas get together: 14th December
Ev Restaurant, Isabella St, Waterloo
Annual General Meeting: 16th February 2011

A warm welcome to... The Third Group of New Volunteers

Congratulations to our latest group of new volunteers who completed their 'Awareness in Bereavement Care' course on the 20th November. Hopefully we will have increased in number enough to serve all of Lambeth.

Referrals to our branch are set to soar with a boost in marketing and advertising. Newly designed leaflets and posters will be winging their way to Lambeth's GP practices and Nursing homes, thanks to the Primary Care Trust's comprehensive database.

The new group of volunteers will be completing their post-course interviews by mid-January, so the first time you'll meet them will be at the Annual General Meeting on 16th February 2011. We're sure you'll make the new recruits feel welcome.

This is likely to be the last introductory training at the Branch for a while. We intend to now focus on our current resources and develop them to their full potential. This includes delivering modules of on-going training in 2011 to all our volunteers. Watch this space.

Keep an eye out...

Eagle eyed Liz Sanderson spotted a new publication celebrating death and life called 'Eulogy' found at: www.eulogymagazine.co.uk. The BBC ran a news story on it and questioned whether the UK are ready for such a publication: www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-10310876

ATTENTION: Training opportunity...

A crucial part of our Cruse service - for both our clients and our fellow volunteers - is the process of Assessment. This can include anything from picking up phone calls, returning phone calls, face-to-face assessment sessions, and on-going support to clients whilst they wait face-to-face sessions.

We have planned a one-day training course open to all volunteers on:

Saturday, 19th March 2011

9.30 am and 4.00 pm

Training facilities at St Thomas' Hospital

If you are interested in coming to the course in March please let John (parsull@hanwellw7.freemove.co.uk) or Ellen (ellenedavis@btinternet.com) know as soon as possible.

Numbers will be limited so let us know as soon as you can.

A hello from ...

Loni Booker, Treasurer of Lambeth Cruse

Hi everyone! I'm Loni your new treasurer. I've just taken on the role and finding my feet, but very much looking forward to seeing how the branch develops. I'm proud to be working with Cruse in something that's so important to the people of Lambeth.

To help me help you, please keep any receipts for expenses you are planning to claim for. I must say I'm touched to see how many of you are able and prepared to donate your expenses back to the branch.

If you have any problems regarding finances, please e-mail me: lonijoan@gmail.com
