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DURROW PARISH NEWSLETTER

Thoughts for the Day - The strength of Courage...

If you travel your road with a faith in your heart, it will give you the courage to go up through the valleys of failure and fear, spurred by a wonderful hope. While you have faith you will feel every day the urge to go forth with a smile – believing you'll find when you've climbed the last hill, the something that makes all worth while. Build castles, but remember dreams are not enough. Castles must be underpinned with sterner stronger stuff. Courage and determination, faith and energy. You will need to turn your dream into reality.

LOCAL news:

THIRD LAOIS DURROW SCOUTS: Third Laois Durrow is a very active group in the county and provides a great range of activities for its youth. We have 50 youth members at present and a dozen of leaders/scouters. There is a small waiting list for new members in September in Beavers (6 to 8 years old), Cubs (9 to 11), and Scouts (12 to 15) and Ventures (16+).

We are always on the lookout for new scouters. Maybe you were a leader previously and after your kids grew out of scouts, you left, by choice or not, maybe you would like to join us again and share your skills with new kids and new leaders alike. Or maybe you know someone that would enjoy being outdoors and join the big scout family.

And even if you never did scouting but enjoy walking and challenging yourself, you should give us a shout and come and meet one of our sections. For more information about our group, please contact Delphine Lawlor (086) 3655178.

LIONS FC ANNUAL BBQ AND AWARDS DAY: The poor weather forecast of last weekend prompted the club to postpone this event for one week. So, please come along this Saturday, August 27th at 2pm for lots of family fun! In addition to the BBQ there will be bouncy castles to keep the kids happy. We will also be holding a raffle with some fantastic prizes including: Dinner for Two in Kilkenny's Newpark Hotel and Dinner for Two in Durrow's Ashbrook Arms! So please come along and enjoy! Registration of players for the new season will also take place.

WOODS SHOP, DURROW: The Woods Family would like to sincerely thank all customers and suppliers who called to spend sometime on the shop's final day. It was a wonderful way to close a business which had been trading since 1913. We thoroughly enjoyed the company and sharing of your memories of the shop. We are most grateful for the cards, gifts and well wishes that we received and would like to thank our customers for their many years of loyal custom. Tom and Mairead Woods.

ALZHEIMER BRANCH OF LAOIS: The Laois Alzheimer Branch would like to thank all who visited their Mobile Information Bus at The Durrow Scarecrow Festival and Stradbally Steam rally. An amazing 2,500 people signed our petition calling on the Government to invest in home care supports for people with dementia. Your support makes all the difference.

DURROW REMINISCING GROUP: A book with 200 pages of Photographs spanning almost 100 years of Durrow and Cullohill memories including ICA, Hurling, Camogie, Soccer, School to mention but a few. Books for sale €25 each or two for €40. Please text or call Tom on mobile (087) 2936531 or Kathleen on mobile (086) 8263368.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: The IMNDA wish to thank everyone who supported the recent Church gate collection in aid of the Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association in raising €1,145 for the charity. It is most appreciated.