



Chorley & Leyland News

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The LFHHS Chairman, Mike Coyle, has emailed a New Year's message to members. It includes the following:

Very best wishes for 2015! It's going to be a great year.

Keep your eye on what's happening in the Branches and elsewhere in the LFHHS. Make this the year when you investigate all the services we offer to start, build, and complete your family history and family connections.

As our colleague Steve Benson says, "Let's make 2015 the year that those Brick Walls come tumbling down."

As usual, we have a lot happening in the Chorley branch and at the LFHHS Chorley Family History Centre. If you have some time to spare, please get involved. New volunteers for all activities are always welcome!

News from the LFHHS Chorley Family History Centre

The weeks before Christmas were busy for LFHHS Chorley Family History Centre volunteers. On Wednesday 19th November, Susan Riley arranged for some of us to take part in a late night Radio Lancashire programme. Steve, Ron, Susan and Jenny (unfortunately, Sheila was ill and unable to be there) went along to Radio Lancashire. The questions and discussion helped publicise family history and the Centre. On Thursday November 20th, volunteers helped with a family history workshop at Chorley St. Michael's CE Academy. The History Department had invited interested parents to the evening workshop to continue WW1 work being done in school. Although this was the main focus of research, some participants used the opportunity to research their wider families.
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Although advertised at short notice, the research evening was oversubscribed, and a further workshop is to be held on January 22nd. Pre-Christmas events continued on December 15th when Radio Lancashire included the Centre in a morning visit to Chorley. Again, there was an opportunity to spread the word about all that the refurbished Centre has to offer. Pictured below are Centre visitors and volunteers who took part:



The Centre is developing very well. The best month so far was November, when 123 visitors used the Centre. During that month, it was open for 11 days and was staffed by a total of 51 volunteers.

If you don't help at present but would like to be involved, please have a word with Sheila.

LFHHS Subscriptions are due

Details are on the LFHHS website and in the Journal. If anyone isn't a member and would like to join the Society, please ask at our branch meeting helpdesk, or see the Society website. For a small membership fee, the Society offers a huge amount - its branch meetings, family history research centres, website, forum, journal AND the expertise of other members.

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Mon and Fri
10.00 a.m.
2nd and 3rd Saturday
12 noon
Closed at 4.00 p.m. on all above days.
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3.00 p.m.
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