

## MANAGERS SEMINAR

At the beginning of the year the Home Managers and Assistants attended one of their regular training seminars.

This time two trustees attended and participated in some of the practical elements of the course.

The report on the long and short term objectives of the Homes for 2004/05 was reviewed. The seminar concluded with a discussion of the Business Plan for 2005/06.

## REFURBISHMENT DEVELOPMENTS

### Wigan

Work is continuing on the enlarging of the Wigan Home.

However, due to unforeseen factors such as deeper and extra underpinning required by the authorities, the cost over-run is going to be considerable.

Nevertheless, when the work is completed, the Wigan Home will have a new kitchen, a refurbished dining room and better staff facilities.



Temporary Food/Kitchen Storage, Wigan



Temporary Portable Kitchen, Wigan

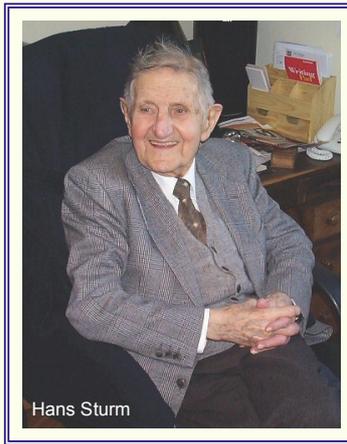


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## SPECIAL FEATURE

In the Home at Maryport we have Brother Hans Sturm who was brought up part of a sailing family in Germany. In fact he has sailed across the Atlantic in four-masted steel vessels and on one voyage he sailed around the world on a steamship.

In 1933, he attended navigation college to qualify as a ships mate but was expelled because of refusing to say "Heil Hitler". Because of his neutral stand he was blacklisted and was thus unable to sail on any ship or get any employment.



Hans Sturm

Later, Brother Sturm travelled to England where he was baptised in Liverpool in 1937. However, in June 1940 he was arrested as an enemy alien and sent to Canada. After the war he was released from detention and returned to England where he married Olive.

In 1952, he was able to join his wife in the full time pioneer ministry helping many people along into the Truth. Sadly, his wife died in 1997.

Brother Sturm features in our video (still available on request) and his life story is in the Awake! Magazine of 8 June 2000.



Sheltered accommodation at Jah-Jireh, Maryport

## UPDATES

### South Wales

The search for land continues. The project committee are very positive with the brothers and sisters giving enthusiastic support. The fund to purchase a Home in South Wales now stands at £96,856.00.

### Croydon & Rainham

A committee has now been formed to take this project forward on both sites.

It has been proposed that care facilities and sheltered accommodation be considered for the two pieces of land. The committee hope to commence fund raising soon.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following staff who recently achieved Level II in the National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) for care:

Michelle Ashton  
(Wigan)

Elmah Chikwedze  
(Radcliffe)

Lynn Scott  
(Leyland)



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