



British Jewellery Giftware
& Finishing Federation

Benevolent Society

PRESS RELEASE

The British Jewellery, Giftware and Finishing Federation's Benevolent Society is a charity that financially assists those who have worked in the industries covered by the five Trade Associations within the British Jewellery Giftware and Finishing Federation (BJGF) namely, the manufacture and distribution of jewellery, giftware, brass and copperware, leather goods luggage and allied trades, and the processing or out-work finishing of metal. The Society can help in a number of ways – by giving regular grants; providing essential items such as cookers, refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, telephone rental, television license fees, bed linen, household repairs. Interest-free loans are also granted in some cases.

Each year the BJGF organises an outing for the beneficiaries of the charity. It is designed to be a fun day out for those who may not be necessarily be able to visit such places on their own. This year's outing was to Severn Valley Railway and was enjoyed by fifteen beneficiaries and their helpers. The journey started at Kidderminster Station and ended at Bridgnorth, where we all took in the views across the Severn Valley along the way. We stopped for over two hours to look round the Engine House, home to steam locomotives, a gift shop and a restaurant where we stopped for lunch. An enjoyable day was had by all!

Each year a BJGF Benevolent Society ball is held to help raise money for this worthwhile charity. This year's ball will be held on 1st December 2011 at the Clarendon Suites, Edgbaston, Birmingham. For help and information please contact Lynn Snead on 0121 236 2657, or lynn@teg.co.uk.

*(The BJGF Federation Includes: The British Jewellers' Association, Jewellery Distributors Association, the Giftware Association, British Travelgoods and Accessories Association and Surface Engineering Association).

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Picture caption: Two beneficiaries enjoying the day at Highley Station

