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SOUTHWELL PECULIAR

Southwell Peculiar is a collection of tales presented by an enormous cast of people from Southwell and the local villages (including Halamites); tales that tell of Stonemasons and Murderers, of Romantic Poets & Bramley Apples, of Cardinals, Kings and the VI. Now that winter turns to spring, come to Southwell Minster to see the show. It will be an evening in which you will be surprised, amazed and downright entertained by a feast of local stories, springing forth from every nook and cranny of the this remarkable building (plus Andrew Paris in a toga!!!).

March 4th, 5th & 6th at 7:30pm in Southwell Minster
Tickets are £6 from the The Minster Shop (01636 812933)

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES – 11TH FEBRUARY 2010

Matters Arising:

- 1) Flooding on School Lane – Notts CC Highways have "jetted" the drains and water should now be freely draining away - to be monitored.
- 2) Water on the road at the top of Radley Road – action still to be undertaken
- 3) Debris dumped on School Lane - quick response from Notts CC to clear, clerk will write to thank them for acting speedily

Village Hall:

Building inspector had visited and some remedial work on the alterations that have been completed will need to be undertaken. Work on the Kitchen and Heating will start at the beginning of March. The door from the main hall to the corridor will need to be widened and the Parish Council is grateful to Councillor Stewart for providing £400 towards the cost

Games Night:

Need to know the building work timescale. Will be held straight after work is completed to celebrate the re-opening

Bomber Memorial, School Lane:

Awaiting feedback from the insurance brokers and then the Parish Council will need to decide whether or not to progress.

Planning decisions

Hill Farmhouse, Halam Hill: Conversion/alteration of barn to create 2 bedroomed dwelling, 1.8m high garden wall and associated parking/access (Listed Building Consent) – amended application – approved by the planning dept at N&SDC

Date of Next Meeting:

Thursday 11th March, 2010, at 7.30pm in the village hall

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

- Adrian and Rose Lucking send their congratulations and would like to say how proud they are of their daughter **Imogen**, who has passed her instrumental audition and will start at the Junior Dept at the Minster School in September. Well done!!
- Happy Birthday to **Robert Oakley** who was **18** on February 2nd.

LENT COURSE

The Lent Study meetings in Halam this year. With the theme "When I survey Christ's cross and ours" continue each Wednesday in March (3, 10, 17, 24). Meetings are held at the Scypen, Radley Road starting at 7:30pm. Again we are fortunate to have The Rev'd Russell Perry to lead us. All are welcome! **Tony Andrews 815584**

THE ORGAN INAUGURATION

Saturday 23rd January marked the culmination of over two years hard work raising money for our new organ. I am very grateful for all the time and effort on behalf of the fund, by so many people, especially by the other 2 members of the committee David Herbert & Karin Davies. Many thanks to all whose contributions have enabled us to commission such a fine instrument.

Over 160 people were present to hear Paul Hale, Rector Chori and Organist of Southwell Minster, perform an excellent inaugural recital. He played a variety of works which beautifully demonstrated the incredible versatility of the instrument and during the recital said that as a parish church we had an instrument to be proud of which had the timbre of a cathedral organ, all be it on a smaller scale!

After the concert we retired to Ashdene for supper and are thankful to David & Glenys for their hospitality and to those who prepared and served the food

To Paul, as diocesan organ adviser, and to Jonathan Wallace and his team from Henry Groves and Sons we owe our special thanks.

Alec Wells

VILLAGE VENTURES

ESSENTIALLY BRASS

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH HALAM

Sunday 11 April 2010: 7.30pm

Tickets £8: (includes interval refreshments)
Available from: Email: karinlindley@hotmail.com
or Telephone: 01636 815854
David Herbert: Telephone 01636 812335

FISH & CHIPS COMING TO A LOCATION NEAR YOU!

The **Full Moon at Morton** is hitting the streets in a custom built Fish and Chip van, bringing one of the nations most loved dishes direct to you. A good fish and chip dinner hinges on using the freshest best fish available, fresh hand cut chips, good batter (and yes a good drop of beer!) and pure vegetable oil. We visit the following location in March.
Edingley, Church Lay by - Thursday 11th & 25th March 6-7pm
If you would like to suggest a location, please do get in touch. To keep up to date with any route changes, visit

www.thefullmoonmorton.co.uk



MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS

10: 40 Halam School **11: 00** Radley Rd (Post Office)
11: 15 Spindlewood Bungalow **5th & 19th March**

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IMPROVEMENTS AT HALAM SCHOOL

Halam Primary School has embarked on a refurbishment plan which began over February half-term. The project, which will take place in school holidays, will be undertaken in three phases. The school is proud of its part in the community and the fact that it remains very popular outside its catchment area, but recognise that to build on this and improve the environment for pupils and staff, a modernisation programme is required.

Phase 1

The conversion of the old school dining room into a meeting room and teaching room.

Phase 2

The refurbishment of the staff-room, which will include a new kitchenette and furnishings. The conversion of an old toilet block into a resource room. The refurbishment of one of the older classrooms, including its cloakroom and toilets.

Phase 3

The total refurbishment and rationalisation of another of the older classrooms and the infant toilet block, plus the formation of a new internal corridor which will improve access between the new and old parts of the school.

Graham Cullen, Headteacher

HALAM & DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

March 2nd - As we had to cancel the January meeting due to the weather, we are very fortunate that John Meredith is able to come along in March. Everyone (including men!) are very welcome to attend as we will be hearing about the fantastic trains in the Isle of Man, a place which seems so close to home but which has some amazing engineering feats. It should be a fun evening, with refreshments and nibbles provided by the ladies of the WI. The next meeting will be on **Tuesday April 6th**. Both meetings are in the Village Hall at 7:30pm

Glenys Herbert (812335)



Make a note - Halam Open Gardens will be on Sunday June 13th this year. More details in forthcoming editions



ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

MARCH 2010 SERVICES

Mar 7th	8:00	Holy Communion	Revd David McCoulough
Mar 14th	11:00	Morning Worship	Revd David McCoulough
(A more informal service for Mothering Sunday with posies & cake)			
Mar 21st	9:30	Family communion	Revd David McCoulough
Mar 28th	11:00	Palm Sunday - Sung Euch	Revd David McCoulough
Apr 1st	7:00pm	Maundy Thursday Agape meal and Holy Communion at Holy Trinity , Southwell (note change of address). Lead by Revd David McCoulough all are welcome - List on Church notice board.	
Apr 2nd	10:30	Good Friday - Devotions	
Apr 4th	8:00	Easter Day - Holy Comm	Revd David McCoulough
Apr 4th	9:30	Easter Day - Family Comm	Revd David McCoulough

EASTER EGG COMPETITION - Design a hard boiled egg & paint, decorate or dress it up - be creative and bring it to the 9:30 Easter Day service. Prize for the under 11 and over 11 years old winners.

CARERS IN THE COMMUNITY

It is estimated that there of upwards of 80,000 people in Nottinghamshire who care for another person; looking after children, loved ones and the elderly. But there are only 6,000 people who are registered with Nottinghamshire County Councils Social Services department. So called 'hidden' carers have become the focus of much debate recently and it leaves the question; What do people know about care services available in Nottinghamshire?

At times it can be quite challenging for a carer to manage by themselves when looking after someone who is dependent on them and this is when many people seek help. This can be in the form of respite care, emotional support and also financial support. But the first problem for many people is "who do I turn to?". There are services throughout the County that aim to help both carers and the cared for and as part of its work the Nottinghamshire County LINK (Local Involvement Network) has launched an initiative to find out what the community know about local care services and how to access them.

Nottinghamshire County LINK seeks to find out the views of local people on health and social care services in Nottinghamshire and it engages with the public to find out what they think about local services and how they can be improved to meet the local community's needs. It then goes on to investigate issues that the public raise.

The LINK wants to find out what carers know about local services and are asking the public to send in their views. The main questions it has been asking as part of its investigation are:

- What care services do you use in Nottinghamshire and what areas of the County do they cover?
- What is your opinion of these services? Do they meet your needs?
- Do you feel you need more information about the services available in your area?
- Are you a carer from or provide care to people from an ethnic minority group?
- Do you receive adequate emotional support as a carer?
- How do you think the new Personal Budgets scheme will affect the level of service in your area?

The LINK would like to know your answers to the above questions and if you'd like to find out more information about the LINKS investigation into carers services or would like to send in your views about other services in the County, you can contact them on 0115 9754647 or e-mail them at info@strongerlocalvoice.com.