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A Letter from Coralie

'Remember, remember, the fifth of November, gunpowder, treason and plot'

It's difficult to believe that bonfire night is here again. It must be something to do with advancing age but more likely because fireworks are now a feature of all celebrations. Yet on a clear dark autumn evening they can still elicit an *oooh* or *aaah* as they light up the sky and I try not to think about the environmental and financial costs involved or the certain knowledge that Winnie, my Jack Russell, will be quivering under the bed.

There are three other very important dates in November the 1st, 2nd and 11th, as the Church enters the season of All Saints to Advent and we are reminded that, through baptism we become members one of another in Christ, members of a company of saints whose mutual belonging transcends death.

All Saints' Day (1st)celebrates the men, women and children in whose lives we have seen the grace of God at work. We all have our favourites: Edith Cavell, Florence Nightingale, Francis of Assisi, Martin Luther, Alban or an Apostle each shaping human lives, an example of Christian witness and a source of encouragement when we most need it.

All Souls Day (2nd) the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed there is an opportunity to remember with thanksgiving those whom we have known personally, a parent, grandparent, spouse or friend. At St Peter's on Sunday 7th at 6.30pm you are warmly invited to an evening service of hymns, readings, prayers and quiet reflection. Please add names of those you would like remembered to the list at the back of the church or ring me on 01438 817183.

This year's Remembrance service will be at 11am on Sunday 14th when once again we confront issues of war and peace and wonder why we continue to destroy each other but give thanks for those who risk their lives for justice and the hope of peace.

Coralie

Churchwardens' Notes



The end of September was a busy time and several items missed the October 'News'.

On 23rd September we had our Community Day, thanks to Bovis Lend Lease and one of our number, Helen Woods, who arranged and organised the whole event. Twenty Bovis Lend Lease volunteers came for the day and were joined by six of our 'regulars'. During the day, the full extent of the Sabine vault was exposed at ground level; railings around Lady Anne Grimston's grave were painted; the Beit memorial was scrubbed; the external church doors and the north wall seat were treated with preservative and an intrusive conifer removed from the Northwest corner. In all a very satisfactory day plus a very generous contribution from all the helpers and of course Bovis who provided lunch for everyone at the Rose & Crown. A 'work party' day the following Saturday when only two attended but achieved a very good result by removing the dangerous entanglement of twisted branches, dead wood and leaves in the Atlas Cedar near the North boundary. Many thanks to Mark Swann for his 'high level' skills!

Another project which received support from the Rural Dean during the Archdeacon's Inspection was the proposed reduction of the yews overshadowing the Beit grave. We have a photograph from the early 1900's showing a much more appropriate line of yew bushes about 4 feet high. We think it appropriate to reduce them to this level again.

At the end of September we had the pleasure, with many others, of attending the dedication of the School's new *Outdoor Learning Area*. This project was a tribute to Dilys Applegate who had been a governor for over 40 years, and died just a year ago. The handsome gazebo was dedicated by Stephen Fielding and the school provided much appreciated refreshments – with table service by very attentive (and young) waiters!

Not to be outdone, October started with a concert in St Peter's on the first Saturday. Around a hundred were in church to hear the '*Charpentier Consort'* with a varied programme which was much enjoyed. Many thanks to Ted Sharp for arranging the event and of course to all those who helped in many ways.

Now to more mundane matters. The new cleaning rota for October 2010 to September 2011 has been issued. It has several vacancies even though some people are scheduled for three and even four slots! The aim is to have a full rota, with no one doing more than two turns. A basic clean takes about an hour (or more if you are so inclined); there are guidance notes on the back of the broom cupboard door and a vacuum cleaner in the vestry. If you are not on the rota, please consider very carefully if you really cannot give at least one hour each year to keep our church looking so well cared for. Then please talk to Pete! A big 'thank you' to all those who, week by week, clean our church.

Finally, you may be interested to know that, after nearly 90 years, the Department of Culture etc, advised by English Heritage, have decided to list our War Memorial as a Grade II building. How did we manage 90 years without this 'help' from the bureaucrats?

Pete and Mike

WELWYN TEAM MEN'S BREAKFAST



The next Breakfast is on Saturday 6th November, 2010 8.00 for 8.15am in New Church House

The speaker is Digswell resident, Terry Pettigrew "Author, Scriptwriter and Poet"

Evacuated to Southern Ireland during WW2 Terry will describe his wartime experiences, his return to England, his career as a scriptwriter, author and recently as a poet.

Admission is by ticket only, £5.00 in advance, from Graham Spring (01707 375499)

Harvest Festival - Sunday, September 19th

This year we had a wonderful celebration of Harvest at St Peter's. Many thanks to the kind, generous people who gave their time and talents to decorate the church so beautifully and the donations of so many flowers, fruit, vegetables, sheaves of corn, harvest loaves and mice (bread ones!) Every ledge and pillar was decorated and the tower had a splendid display of work produced by the children who attended the August Sunday Club, and photos of them hard at work. After the Tewin Cowper School attended their Harvest Festival Service on Monday morning, a group of helpers dismantled many of the floral displays and turned them into bunches and distributed these to the older people in Tewin. Carefully packed boxes of fruit and vegetables were taken to Isabel Hospice. Sincere thanks to all who helped prepare and deliver these gifts.

Elizabeth Wilson & Alison Barnfield



St Peter's Christmas Market

Saturday 27th November, noon till 3 pm in Tewin Memorial Hall A light lunch will be available.

Donations and gifts for the market are welcomed:

Christmas gifts, craft work, decorations, guality books, "collectables", jewellery, toys, cakes, preserves, homemade sweets and plants. Prizes for the raffle and items for the tombola are also very welcome.



We can collect or items can be brought to the hall on Friday evening or early on Saturday. Please contact Nick Whiting, tel: 717230

..... Pat is after your jewellery!

Do you have jewellery that you no longer want? Have a rummage through the dressing table (preferably yours) to see if there are any items Pat could add to her famous collection which will be on display again at the Christmas Market!



Please contact Pat Fulford, tel: 798717

Christian Mission Society

We are delighted that David and Rine Ingleby from the charity Christian Mission Society will be addressing the Church at the morning service on 7th November. The Society's vision is expressed in the following summary.

CMS is committed to evangelistic mission, working to see our world transformed by the love of Jesus. We look forward to the day when the whole of creation is restored to a living, loving relationship with God. We believe that by making disciples, resourcing leaders and transforming communities we make our unique contribution to God's mission. We do this as a community that shares a longing to see all peoples being drawn into fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please come along and help support one of our charitable partners.



We hope you enjoyed the Tewin Tea Party. As it has not yet happened, *(copy deadline for the Parish News is before the 15th of the month)*, I do not know how many attended.

I know the Jumble Sale was a success so do add 13th November in your diary for the Village Hall Book Sale, a good opportunity to buy for winter evenings read or `nearly new books` as Christmas presents.

The date for the Carols around the Christmas tree is Monday December 20th.

Linda Crawford, Chairman, Friends of Tewin



Macmillan Cancer Support coffee morning - held 24/9/2010

To all those people who came, and those who couldn't but gave donations, thank you all very much. We made £537!!

Ann Moon, Bishops Road, 01438 798584 [If you left your coat behind please ring me.]



www.tewinvillage.co.uk The website is getting a new look!

Our redoubtable technical wizard, Felix Green, recently found a government sponsored server for community websites like ours, which we can use free of charge. So no more server costs! Let's hope this quango does not get cut before we use it!

Felix and Lia Parkinson have worked with the website group to redesign the existing pages and the new site will be ready for uploading during November. It will have the same name, <u>www.tewinvillage.co.uk</u> so please remember to take a look at the new site at the end of November and use the feedback loop to tell us what you think of it.

Happy surfing

Linda Adams

Tewin Webmaster <u>alannio@btinternet.com</u> or <u>feedback@tewinvillage.co.uk</u> or 01438 798147



BONFIRE & FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Friday, 5th November 2010



Gates open at 6.15 pm

For hot food, delicious pumpkin soup, toffee apples & soft drinks (Glowsticks on sale but sorry, no sparklers allowed)

Display starts at 7.00 pm

Entrance : £4 Adult £2 Child

Last year was a fantastic evening and this year looks like it will be even better - why not come and join us?



All are welcome!



Some of us attended the HALH Annual Garden Party in July, held in Ashwell, a very interesting place and well-worth keeping in mind for another outing. There are many old cottages and the church is amazing. The museum is delightful and we were treated to a fascinating talk on the history of the United Reform Church. We were also entertained by a sheep shearing demonstration(!) The Parish Council has created a village Heritage Trail.

This year's Annual HALH Symposium (31^{st}) is hosted by the Bishops Stortford Local History Society on "Brewing and Malting" at St Barnabas Court, Church Lane, Thorley, Bishops Stortford CM23 4NF on Saturday 13^{th} November, 9.30 - 4.30. Please contact me if you are interested in attending.

The 2011 Summer Garden Party will be in Welwyn village (date to be confirmed).

The 32nd Annual Symposium is at Abbots Hill School, Abbots Langley on 12th November 2011 and hosted by the Hertfordshire Gardens Trust. There are 8 lectures on Herts Historic Gardens & Parks – a treat for garden enthusiasts!

Other news from Hertfordshire Archives and Hertfordshire Publications:

The Herts Library Service, which includes HALS, is subject to a 20% cut in services. With immediate effect the archives are open all day Tuesday—Friday, Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings.

All wills in Hertfordshire have been digitised and can be accessed online via the National Wills index. Very useful for people researching genealogy in Herts.

Two books of local interest to be published soon:

Carrington's Diary Vol 1 to 1804, out early 2011, to be followed by Vol 2 to 1810 A facsimile copy of Repton's Red Book about Panshanger will be produced during 2011

Linda Adams, Tewin's rep on HALH 01438 798147 or alannio@btinternet.com

ANOTHER MEMORABLE JUMBLE SALE



Thank you to everyone who donated items to the October Jumble Sale – villagers are always generous with their donations and for this sale we received more than ever. As a result, our wonderful team of helpers faced a daunting task to set up tables during Friday, sort everything in the evening and Saturday morning. However,

as always, they put their energy and goodwill into the task and all the stalls were ready by 2pm when the doors opened. The Memorial Hall Committee is very grateful to them all, as well as to all those who helped collect goods or man stalls.

As you are aware, the Memorial Hall requires a lot of funding, for major maintenance and improvements. The fund raising by our volunteers is the source from which the majority of our funds come for these purposes. So events like Jumble Sales, Book Sales and the Village Fete are so important to ensure the Memorial Hall is continually improved and kept in a good state of repair. The contribution villagers make in helping to raise money is invaluable - without it the Memorial Hall would close.

We are therefore delighted to report that the October Jumble Sale takings were \pounds 2,375 (after expenses we expect to clear \pounds 2,000), which is a wonderful result and the Committee is extremely grateful to everyone who contributed in any way. Thank you very much indeed.

NB: It's worth recording that such is the popularity of Tewin Jumble Sales, the first visitors arrived two hours before the event and by the time the doors opened,

the queue trailed past the Cowper Cottages on Lower Green! So please note the date of the next sale - **Saturday**, **12th March**.

Todd Canton

on behalf of The Tewin Memorial Hall Committee

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3 rd	£13	Karen Shaw, Cowpers Way	3 rd	£13	T Haggar, Cowpers Way		
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Tewin Memorial Hall Autumn Book Sale Saturday, 13 th November 2010							
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Free entry to the sale and all proceeds go to Tewin Memorial Hall.							

See you there!!





Headteacher: Mrs A Simpson email: <u>admin@tewincowper.herts.sch.uk</u> Tel: 01438 717378

September News

It was very moving to host so many members of our village and Parish community at the opening of the "New Out-door Learning Area". It served as a memorial to Dilys Applegate-Governor of the school for over 41 years. Friends gathered to recall their memories of her and acknowledge her service to us. It was especially rewarding that her two daughters were able to hear the high regard in which she was held and to cut the ribbon for us.



The next Parent Association event will be the Fireworks Display on Friday, 5th November, always an excellent evening to which all are welcome. If you should have any spare wood for the bonfire, it can be brought to the school field a little nearer the event. Thank-you.

The school choir are currently rehearsing for the "Friends of Tewin" tea/coffee afternoon at Tewin Memorial Hall on Wednesday, 20th October. It is an event open to all and well worth attending, to enjoy both the refreshments and the entertainment.



On Wednesday, 7th October Ladybird and Caterpillar classes enjoyed an autumn walk, collecting bags full of leaves and conkers. On Wednesday, 13th October Honeybee Class visited the Natural History Museum to complement their studies of the prehistoric age and no doubt enjoy some close encoun-

ters with the dinosaurs!

Later on this term a whole school trip is arranged for 24th November to the National Gallery.

Sporting fixtures are now in full swing with our teams training hard and purposefully. The ballroom dance club has mastered the Cha-cha-cha and the Young Writer's Club is close to publishing the first edition of a school newspaper.

During recent school assemblies we have been following, and praying for the events in Chile. With the school's assembly theme of "Thankfulness", we feel richly rewarded as each miner surfaces.

As I write, we're a week away from the half term holiday. Our hard working children have certainly earned themselves a rest. We wish them a safe and enjoyable break and look forward to their return, refuelled and ready for more!

The Staff Team

THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY

If you act quickly, there might still be time for you to join in with these two events (previously included in the October Parish News).

Monday 8th November 2010—8pm

'The Garden in Autumn and Winter' by Margaret Easter

There will be an illustrated talk in the Memorial Hall and a selection of her plants for sale as well. The presentation will be followed by a Q&A session before refreshments are served. Prices are £3 for members and £4 for non-members, including refreshments. If you wish to attend, please fill in the booking form and send it with your payment (cheques payable to *THACS*) to **Pat Fulford**, **27 Bishops Road**, **Tewin Wood**, **AL6 ONP by 3rd November**. Booking forms from the Newsletter on the *THACS* page of **www.tewinvillage.co.uk** or from Pat Fulford (01438 798717). Alternatively, tickets may be purchased at the door on the night. Please join us to make a full house.

Wednesday 24th November 2010

Visit to the Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly and/or Christmas shopping trip

We have organised a coach trip to the Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly to see *Treasures from Budapest : European Masterpieces from Leonardo to Schiele.* The exhibition includes paintings, drawings and sculptures ranging from the early Renaissance to the twentieth century, showcasing the breadth and wealth of one of the finest art collections in Central Europe.

As this visit is a month before Christmas, we are offering coach seats only, to provide door-to-door transport for six hours of Christmas shopping in the West End. There's plenty of room in the hold of the coach to bring back your shopping, so it's a convenient and comfortable way to shop.

The coach cost is £11 for *THACS* members and £13 for non-*THACS* members. There is no entry charge for Friends of the Royal Academy so they only need to pay for the coach. If you are not a registered Friend of the Royal Academy, you will need to pay the £10 group-rate admission to the exhibition plus the coach costs. Audio guides are not included in the ticket price but can be purchased in advance at a group rate of £2.50 each.

The coach will leave Tewin *(from the bus stop opposite the Rose & Crown)* at 9.00am sharp and leave the Royal Academy at 4.00pm. Our allocated slot time to enter the exhibition is 12noon so there should be spare time for viewing other works of art.

The Royal Academy needs the specific number in our group and make payment two weeks before our visit, so kindly complete the booking form with your details and send it with your cheque (payable to *THACS*) to:- **Pat Fulford**, **27 Bishops Road**, **Tewin**. **AL6 ONP by 8th November 2010**. Bookings for coach-only will be accepted up to 22nd November. Booking forms from the Newsletter on the *THACS* page of **www.tewinvillage.co.uk** or from Pat Fulford (01438 798717).



ISABEL HOSPICE — Welwyn Hatfield

We are pleased to announce the following events supporting your local Hospice.

Saturday 6th November 2010 - **Social Dance Evening** To be held at Newgate Street Village Hall, Newgate Street, Herts SG13 8RA. Contact: John Hankins on 01707 873894.

Saturday 13th November 2010— Christmas Market at Hatfield House 10:30 - 16:00

The event is in the extended and refurbished *Riding School*, adjacent to the licensed restaurant and gift shop. Entrance £2, accompanied children free and free admission to the park. 50% of proceeds to Isabel Hospice. Contact: Belinda on 01707 262632.

Sat 20th Nov 2010 Lights of Love Welwyn Garden City 16:00 - 17:00

This is on the green outside The Campus with a short Carol Service followed by a countdown to lighting the tree. Donations may be made and lights lit in memory of loved ones at Christmas. Afterwards the book will be at Isabel Hospice shop in WGC.

Sat 27th Nov 2010 Lights of Love Hatfield 16:00 - 17:00

This is at Hatfield Galleria with a short Carol Service followed by a countdown to lighting the tree. Donations may be made and lights lit in memory of loved ones at Christmas.

Sun 5th Dec 2010 Jingle Bells & Bows Fun Run/Walk 09:30 - 13:30

Now in its 4th year with runners and walkers circling Stanborough Lakes in Welwyn Garden City. You could run in fancy dress as a Christmas Pudding or Father Christmas (prizes for the best costumes). Teams and individual runners welcome. Why not ask your non-running friends to sponsor you? Entry is £12 (free entry for under 16s). Hot drinks & minces pies will be available. **The 5km run is at 10.30 with registration at 9.30, the 4K walk is at 11.30 with registration at 10.30.**

Email julie.north@isabelhospice.org.uk



FRIENDS OF DANESBURY & THE QUEEN VICTORIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL 01438 840514 www.danesburygvm.co.uk

Danesbury Day Room Project

Our major construction project is well underway, funded entirely by the Friends using money raised by our Welwyn and Knebworth shop, providing a purpose-built facility to benefit patients, their visitors and staff. Work began in August and is on schedule for completion in early December. We plan to have the day room in full use ready for the Christmas festivities.

Since the original plans were drawn some changes have been made to get maximum benefit from the extra space. A credit to those managing the work that these changes will not delay the planned completion date.

The Friends are working with the PCT on how best to provide the volunteer help at both Danesbury and QVM since the need for helpers is as great as ever. If you know anyone who might be interested do encourage them to contact us.

Jean Mafham and Jean Howells with their helpers who run our Knebworth shop, continue to see growing sales. There are deep concerns about the proposed introduction of car parking charges in the village. We hope, if this proceeds, there may be offers by other local businesses or institutions of free parking for our volunteers.



Tewin Parish Council

PAVILION REFURBISHMENT: PLEASE TAKE EX-TRA CARE WITH DOGS AND CHILDREN AROUND THE PAVILION DURING THE TIME OF THE REFURBISHMENT. EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE THE SITE IS SECURE.

Pavilion Open Day

Saturday 30th October 2010; 11am - 3pm

The official opening will be taking place at 12 noon by Oliver Heald MP. Tea, coffee and cake will be available. Everyone is welcome to come and look around and ask any questions.

Local Development Framework - Core Strategy Issues and Options Consultation

The consultation document is now available to view at East Herts Council offices and on the website www.eastherts.gov.uk

The questionnaire should have been sent to every household by East Herts Council with East Herts Link magazine but extra copies are available in the village shop and both pubs.

The Parish Council will compose a response to the Consultation over the next month with a view to agreeing the final response at the next Parish Council meeting.

Upper Green Pond

The Parish Council is aware of concern at the state of the pond at the back of Upper Green and earth bunds on the neighbouring fields. The pond is not a Site of Special Scientific Interest ("SSSI") and the neighbouring landowner has kindly cleared the silt from the pond. The Parish Council is of the view that the pond will refill in due course. The East Herts Council Tree Officer has attended the site to view the earth bunds and spoken with the landowner. The Parish Council will monitor both situations.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting is at Tewin Memorial Hall on Monday 1st November 2010 at 7.45pm

Other meeting dates: Monday 6th December 2010 at 7.45pm Monday 7th February 2011 at 7.45pm

AGENDA

Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion at the meeting. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores 3 working days before the meeting.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO AT-TEND AND ARE INVITED TO MAKE COMMENTS AT THE START OF THE MEETING MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS, NEWSLETTERS AND

DATES OF MEETINGS ARE PUBLISHED ON THE TEWIN WEBSITE WHICH CAN BE ACCESSED AT www.tewinvillage.co.uk. (The minutes do not appear on the website until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting)

Minutes are also displayed on the notice board by Tewin Stores, the Memorial Hall and the bus shelter opposite Desborough Drive.

If you have any queries or comments concerning the above, please contact:

Chairman, Kristina Lawson Tel: 01438-717256 Clerk, Caroline McFarlane Tel: 01438-798969 E-mail - caroline.mcfarlane@virgin.net

East Herts District Councillors:

North Ward:

Cllr Michael McMullen Tel: 01920-463430

South Ward: Cllr Linda Haysey Tel: 01992-582151

Herts County Councillor:

Cllr Bryan Hammond Tel: 01438-798298

Other Useful Numbers/Websites Operation Arable – 01992-533000 For reporting

motorcycles

Police Community Team – 01707-354192

For non-emergencies: **Police Control Room – 0845-3300222**

Highways Fault Line: - 01438-737321 Reporting potholes and any other damage to roads

East Herts District Council: 01279-655261 or www.eastherts.gov.uk - For reporting smoke and noise nuisance, flytipping, flyposting, dead animals on the road, stray dogs, dog fouling, abandoned vehicles, Environmental Health, Pest Control, Waste Services, Planning Tree Preservation Orders, Parking Warden for parking offences.

Herts County Council: 01992-555555 www.hertsdirect.org

Tewin Parish Council

Playground - please report any damage, accidents or other problems to the Parish Clerk on 01438-798969.