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OUT OF REACH

COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

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EDITORIAL

On Wednesday, 22nd November, we held an 'Out of Reach' Committee Meeting and I want everyone to know the main decisions taken.

We have faced two major problems. Firstly, there are certain months when production is more difficult because of the holidays. Therefore, the August, September and January issues will be skeleton issues, just keeping everyone up to date and in contact.

The second problem was that the typing of the stencils is rather a lengthy task each month and this burden has fallen almost completely on Pat Harrison. From now on, Pat will be sharing typing duties with Margaret Smith, Jenny Fowle (who is this month's typist) and anyone else we can enveagle onto the rota. Janet Biggs and Geoffrey Woollard have also offered specific help in the summer months. To all these people I say - Thank You. Pat I want to acknowledge particularly; she has set a very high standard in the lay-out and several times pointed out necessary corrections which I should have noticed. Her punctiliousness has been a great stimulus and caution to me.

Requests have been made for publication of bus services and Mobile and Burwell library times. These will be on the inside cover twice yearly and coincide with Ron Hill's cover design.

We are hoping to acquire a second hand duplicator soon. This will be placed somewhere central in the village and my hope is that more people will come along, learn how it works and help - it takes an hour to an hour and a half each month.

Lastly, the Parish Magazine Competition results have just been released. 'Out of Reach' won second place (after the Swaffham Crier) and we shall receive £12.50 in prize money. Naturally, I am delighted.

J. J.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Reid on the birth of their first child, Emma Lucy on the 4th November 1978.

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Rate Support Grant time is here again and, though Out of Reach's publication coincides with the availability of some detail of Cambridgeshire's fate and fortunes as determined by Central Government, all I can do at the time of writing this piece is to hope and pray that all the people of Cambridgeshire, including the ratepayers, will have a better deal next year. Benjamin Franklin said, "He that lives upon hope will die fasting", but I haven't given up hope yet, in spite of another battered year of financial involvement in Local Government!

May I wish all readers a very Happy Christmas and a reasonable New Year. To new residents of Reach a special message: Welcome - you may have come to an area where the rates are high and the services curtailed due to the action of others, but you have joined a community rich in people, spirit and goodwill, and that may be more important in the long run.

Geoffrey Woollard, County Councillor

PARISH NEWS

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Yet once I, hurried and hungry,
Swept up the Swaffham Road homeward,
Through descending densities of dusk and fog.
On the car stereo, The Song of the Earth
Intimated indulgently of mythic mountains,
Fatalistic farewells.
The road was a safe one.
Impatient to arrive, I edged eighty,
Carelessly concentrating,
When suddenly a hare - a big buck -
Lolloped on to the lane,
Turned - stared - hesitated - turned -
And with a crunch and a bump the wheels went over him,
Fur, flesh, bone and metal
In hideous collusion

I didn't think of stopping.
The vehicle never veered.
The tape turned still.
But behind me the hare now lay,
His hopefully holewards hopping
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FROM THE VICAR:

On the ground that communities, especially small ones, are essentially mysterious, I ventured to suggest that 'Out of Reach' was a singularly happy piece of inspiration as a name for a village magazine. And this element of mystery in community life has been very much in mind since the debate on the future of our villages which began on a nationwide scale towards the end of August.

A great many villages are certainly in a state of slow decline. Here again the process is mysterious. It is possible, of course, as the report of the Conference of Rural Community Councils did, to put one's finger on some of the immediate causes leading to decline: closure of schools, local shops, bus services, garages, all inter-acting on each other.

Yet these in themselves are often symptoms as much as causes. What is it which causes that silent withdrawal into the privacy of anonymity so dear to the English, and so destructive of any sense of community worthy of the name?

My own view, which many would reject, is that we have now lost, or are very near to losing, anything resembling a common sense of values which goes deeper than a belief in law and order, and a high standard of living. Each man is a world unto himself (or herself), and as Walter Lippmann put it years ago, morals are now so various that 'morality thus becomes a traffic code designed to keep as many desires as possible moving together without too many violent collisions'. We are actually losing touch with each other's minds in a quite frightening way. We are losing the benefit of a common currency of thought, becoming strangers to one another, each of us living more and more 'in divided and distinguished worlds'. No wonder community disintegrates. Close neighbours are whole worlds apart. The wonder is that so many communities continue to survive as they do.

Yet there is the other side of the coin. Why is it that as Christmas approaches there is a curious thawing of human hearts till the mind of the community as a whole almost liquefies on Christmas Eve? Isn't it because, almost despite themselves in some cases, most minds are dwelling, consciously or otherwise, on the same colossal fact of a birth so mysterious that all the centuries of thought will not exhaust its meaning? As the poet Auden put it, 'by the existence of this Child, the proper value of all other existences is given'. It is in this sense I hope your Christmas will be happy: a revelation of the mystery of your neighbour as well as of God in his Christ.

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May I remind you of the Carol Service in St. Mary's on December 21st at

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FROM THE VICAR - continued

7.00p.m. We shall not be aspiring to King's College standards; just a congregation expressing its happiness in the same tremendous fact I've been talking about. And since Christmas lasts twelve days not one, may I ask you again to come and celebrate the mutuality of our human happiness at the Dance on the 29th in the newly opened and very delightful Village Centre at Reach.

J.K.R.

Father Bernard's Rule

Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence.

As far as possible without surrender be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons, they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others you may become vain and bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans.

Keep interested in your career, however humble, it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time. Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let not this blind you to what virtue there is: many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection, neither be cynical about love for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass.

Take counsel of the years, gracefully remembering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings; many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself.

You are a child of the Universe, no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether it is clear to you or not, no doubt the Universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labours and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace with your soul.

Be careful: strive to be happy. With all its sham, its drudgery and
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FROM THE VICAR - continued

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FROM THE CHURCHES

ST. MARY'S & REACH - Worship in December

3rd ADVENT SUNDAY

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Reach)
9.30 a.m. Matins & Eucharist (St. Mary's)
6.30 p.m. Carol Service for the Fordham Deanery
at Soham Parish Church.

6th and each Wednesday in Advent:

A course of talks on Discipleship and Ministry
in Swaffham Bulbeck School.

10th & 17th ADVENT II & III

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (St. Mary's)
11.00 a.m. Family Communion (Reach)
6.30 p.m. Evensong (St. Mary's)
21st 7.00 p.m. Carol Service (St. Mary's)

24th ADVENT IV: CHRISTMAS EVE

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (St. Mary's)
11.00 a.m. Family Communion (Reach)
3.30 p.m. Carol Service (Reach)
6.30 p.m. Evensong (St. Mary's)
11.30 p.m. Midnight Mass (St. Mary's)

25th CHRISTMAS DAY

8.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Reach)
10.00 a.m. Parish Communion (St. Mary's)
4.00 p.m. Evensong (St. Mary's)

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FROM THE CHURCHES (Continued)

29th 8.00 p.m. Dance in Reach Village Centre in
aid of Church funds of both
villages.

31st 1ST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (St. Mary's)
11.00 a.m. Family Communion (Reach)
6.30 p.m. Evensong (St. Mary's)

(Please see Notices for Saints Days)

On Thursday, 14th December, we shall be repeating last year's valuable experiment of a Quiet Evening for anyone living within the Fordham Deanery. It will be held this year in Snailwell Church, and will begin with coffee at 7.30 p.m., and will be conducted by Canon Dennis Foulds, the Rural Dean of Ely. This will be our major preparation for Christmas.

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POPPY APPEAL (Reach)

The door to door collection for the Earl Haig fund raised £21. 74. The Church collection raised a further £7. 13.

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Next term, there will be space provided on the Community Notice board just inside the school doors for anyone to advertise articles for sale, such as football boots, games' kit, etc. The service is free, so pin up your advertisements whenever you like but please remember to take them down when the article is sold.

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and look forward, with you, to enjoying a Prosperous New Year.

R. A. Clinch

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We have at last completed the first phase of renovation of the school building. Those present at the well attended official opening will remember how I stressed that the centre is your centre and will thrive only with your support.

Over the last few years I have met a number of village hall chairman and been told that their halls are supported on the Parish Rate. Our centre depends entirely on the profits from functions held there to finance the running costs (which are in excess of £1. per day) and the improvements; one can imagine how much this would add to the Parish Rate.

A meeting was called by the Diocesan Board representatives to discuss with the complainants, myself and the Parish Council Chairman, excessive noise after musical functions held in the hall. Various suggestions of ways to reduce annoyance were put forward and I pointed out that, however the problem is resolved, it is going to cost money and that means more fund raising. The Village Centre Committee is taking advice on the most effective methods before arranging a further meeting with the Board representatives.

I hope that the people concerned will understand that the committee feel they spend money raised voluntarily in a responsible way.

DON'T FORGET - 10 days are left for entering the CHRISTMAS COMPETITION.

Mr. Pedley feels that he will have to give up the monthly collection of paper. If anyone is prepared to take on this task would they please contact him or me. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking him for his 15 months' work.

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at the Village Centre.

CONCERT by the Klose Trio and Mary MacDonald (Soprano). Music for
voice and woodwind. Sunday, December 3rd at 2.30.p.m.
at St. Cyriac's Church.
for the Redundant Churches Fund
Please bring a seat (and a rug!)

CAROL SERVICE Sunday December 24th at 3.30.p.m.
Sunday School 10.30.a.m.

OVER 60's CHRISTMAS DINNER, with entertainment afterwards
Wednesday, December 13th at 6.30 for 7.00.p.m.
at the Village Centre

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RECIPE

TURKEY TETRAZZINI

Serves 6

Cooking Time: 45 minutes

8oz. spaghetti	$\frac{1}{2}$ pint cream
6oz. butter	2oz. grated Parmesan cheese
2oz. flour	$\frac{3}{4}$ - 1 lb. cooked turkey
1 pint white stock	1 6oz. tin mushrooms
2 tablespoons sherry	salt and pepper

Cook the spaghetti until only just tender in boiling water.
Drain well.

Dice cooked turkey, thinly slice mushrooms.

Melt the butter, add flour, mix well, and gradually add the stock,
stirring constantly over a medium heat until the sauce is thick and smooth.
Stir in the sherry and cream, and remove from the heat. Mix the turkey,
cheese and mushrooms with the sauce, season with salt and pepper, and
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There are the names of 50 Cambridgeshire towns and villages hidden in the square. They may be across, down, or diagonal, and spelt forwards or backwards.