

CLUBS & SOCIETIES

Daphne Langton writes

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

At the September meeting in the Assembly Rooms Geraldine Watson gave an illustrated talk about the work of the English-Speaking Union in Mongolia, and was dressed in the national costume of that country.

On Wednesday 28 October at 2.30 p.m. the speaker will be the Rev'd Gillian Greenslade. There will be a 'Bring & Buy'.

Ian Rose writes

U3A

The next meeting will be on the 11 November at 2.25 p.m. in the Constable Memorial Hall, East

Bergholt, when David Cawdell will give an illustrated talk on 'The History of Local Brass Bands'



Betty Callaghan writes

GOOD NEIGHBOURS' CLUB

Our October outing to Felixstowe was most enjoyable, complemented with favourable weather.

At our next meeting the entertainment will be provided by members; a challenging afternoon. The competition will be 'Ear-rings'.

Paw Slingo writes

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The November meeting in the Assembly Rooms on 5 November will be at 7.30 p.m. The lecture will be 'The Joy of Spring Borders' by Roger Harvey, of Harvey's Garden Plants.

Your Dedham Club or Society can use this page to share your programme with others.

E-MAILS FOR THE PARISH CHURCH

You may have found that your recent emails (using old 'reply to' settings) have not been getting through to the Parish Office.

Please check that you are using the correct one, as shown on the 'Who's Who' page of each edition of this magazine:

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.30 a.m.

Holy Communion BCP
Every Sunday (not August)

10.30 a.m.

Family Service
1st Sunday in month

Morning Worship CW
2nd & 5th Sundays

Holy Communion CW
3rd Sunday in month

Morning Prayer BCP
4th Sundays

6.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer BCP

JUNIOR CHURCH

10.15 a.m.

Family Service in Church
1st Sunday in month

In the Assembly Rooms
or Duchy Barn
on all other Sundays
during school terms

**DEADLINE FOR
CHRISTMAS /
NEW YEAR EDITION :
18 November**



TOWER FLAG DAY THIS MONTH 11 November Remembrance

Details of the usual pattern of services can be found on Page 1.

SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER

**2.30 p.m. Service of Thanksgiving
for those we have loved
Especially for those who have been bereaved**

SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER

**10.45 a.m. Remembrance Service
(beginning in Royal Square)
6.30 p.m. Choral Evensong**



From the Registers

WEDDINGS



19 September 2009 Peter Stuart PATIENT & Ana Charina CAMPOMANES
3 October 2009 David Jon S. GOODWIN & Sophie Charlotte B. HUGHES

CHANCEL RE-FURBISHMENT

The chancel of the Parish Church will be closed to all visitors from the end of October 2009, for about five months. We hope that the refurbishment works will be complete by Easter 2010.

*Thy hand, O God, has guided
thy flock, from age to age
the wondrous tale is written
full clear, on ev'ry page;
our fathers owned thy goodness,
and we their deeds record;
and both of this bear witness:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.*



Edward Plumtre

Hymns Old & New No. 518

This hymn was first published in a Supplement to *Hymns Ancient & Modern* in 1889. It was entitled 'Church Defence' and had six verses. In modern hymnbooks usually one or more verses is cut, and the first part of a verse may be connected to the later part of another. Dr. Edward Plumtre (1821-1891) was Dean of Wells, and one of the foremost biblical scholars of his day, yet critics have objected to the refrain 'one Church, one Faith, one Lord' on the grounds that it misinterprets *Ephesians 4: 4-5*: 'There is one body and one Spirit...one Lord, one faith, one baptism' by making 'Church' replace 'body' and 'baptism'.

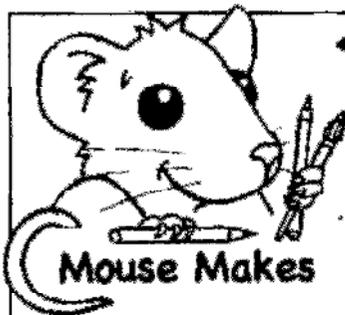
The tune which is nearly always used is THORNBURY, which was composed by Basil Harwood (1859-1949) for a choir festival being held at St. Paul's Cathedral, in November 1898. This tune has also been used as setting of the hymn 'O Jesus I have promised'. Thornbury is a small town in Gloucestershire, near to Olveston, where Harwood was born.

One verse has lines that remind us of the courage and sacrifice of a few on behalf of us all, which makes the hymn popular at times of Remembrance:

*Through many a day of darkness
through many a scene of strife,
the faithful few fought bravely
to guard the nation's life.*

That this refers to a spiritual rather than any physical battle is made clear in the concluding part of the verse:

*Their gospel of redemption,
sin pardoned, hope restored,
was all in this enfolded:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.*



Mouse Makes

SHINE LIKE STARS

Just like the stars that shine in the dark and light the way for us to see, so God sent Jesus 'the light of God' to light the way and show us the path to God.

The Bible tells us to 'shine like stars' too so we can show our friends the way to Jesus and the path to God.

See: Matthew 5:16 and Phillipians 2:14-15

1. Cut 8 squares of paper (8cm x 8cm is a good size)
2. Take one of the squares and fold in half diagonally
3. Open out then fold in half diagonally the other way
4. TURN OVER then fold in half
5. Open out then push the sides together...
6. Go back to step 2 and make all 8 triangles
7. Slot and glue each triangle in turn to make a star.

Make lots of stars to hang up for Christmas

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star
On a clear night look up at the stars. The red stars are the coolest then orange, yellow, yellow-white and the hottest stars shine blue-white.



VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

The Vicar has been unwell. This letter has therefore been adapted from one which he wrote some years ago.

STEP UP AND SHAKE IT OFF

A parable is told of a farmer who owned an old horse. One day the horse fell into the farmer's well. The farmer heard the horse whinnying frantically. After thinking for a while, the farmer sympathised with the horse, but decided that neither the horse nor the well was worth the trouble of saving.

So he called his neighbours together and told them what had happened. Then he enlisted them to help haul some earth to bury the old horse in the well and put him out of his misery. Initially, the old horse was in a fearful state.

But as the farmer and his neighbours continued shovelling and the dirt hit the back of the horse a thought struck it. Every time a shovel load of dirt landed on his back - the horse could shake it off and step up!
This it did, blow after blow. "Shake it off and step up... shake it off and step up... shake it off and step up... shake it off and step up!" it repeated.



No matter how painful the blows, or distressing the situation seemed the old horse fought its panic and just kept right on shaking it off and stepping up. It wasn't long before the old horse, battered and exhausted, stepped triumphantly over the wall of that well! What seemed like it would bury it, actually blessed it, because of the way in which it handled adversity.

If we face our serious problems and respond to them positively, refusing to give in to natural panic, bitterness, anger or self-pity, then the problems that come along to 'bury us' usually have within them the potential to benefit and bless us.

At this time of year the following 'steps up' may also help;

REMEMBRANCE - GRATITUDE - FORGIVENESS - PRAYER - HOPE.

These are excellent ways to 'shake it off and step up' out of the deep wells in which we find ourselves.

As the Psalmist put it;

'Those going through the Vale of Tears may yet find it to be a well...' (Psalm 84)

Gerard Moate
Vicar & Lecturer

Avril Biggins writes

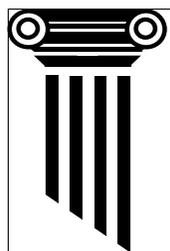
ESSEX COUNTY STANDARD

I compile the 'Dedham' news for the *Essex County Standard*. The editor of this *Parish Magazine* kindly sends me an advance copy but because it is a monthly publication there is often a delay in getting any news back to me about the success of various fund-raising events mentioned therein. It would be a help to me if the secretaries or co-ordinators of community groups gave me some means of keeping in touch with them. You can contact me on ☎ **322 565**, email avvy@aspects.net There is also a box in the High Street newsagents for brief written notes to keep me up-to-date.



BUGLE, BOOKS & HAMPERS

In recent years Gary and Jan Baugh have come from Leigh-on-Sea to join us in Dedham for our annual Remembrance Service. Gary has played the bugle to mark the end of the Silence, and he and Jan have brought part of their remarkable collection of Bibles and prayer-books which have direct connection with those who have served in the armed forces. They have done this without payment but the Parish Church has made a donation (last year £75) to a charity of their choice. This year the gift will support their neighbour-hood initiative, providing modest food hampers as part of a Christian outreach among deprived families.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Sunday 9 November
SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

A Service of Remembrance will take place at the village War Memorial at **10.45 a.m.**, followed by a march past, and conclude in the Parish Church.

Wreaths will be laid on behalf of the Parish Council, ex-Servicemen and women, and the Primary School.

A turfed area will be available on a step of the Memorial for small wooden crosses to be placed by members of the public. Crosses will be available from Poppy Appeal collectors visiting houses during the fortnight before.

Dickensian Market



Saturday 5th December
4 pm - 7 pm
on the High Street

craft stalls

Games

Santa's Grotto

Spectacular Hamper Raffle

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Tables can be booked through

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All Proceeds to Dedham (C of E) Primary School

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ASSEMBLY ROOMS, DEDHAM

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DANCE COURSES STARTING

Monday 2 November 2009

Monday 11 January 2010

Beginners 7.30—9pm

Practica 9—10pm

Courses only £ 36 per person

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tony@salsaessex.co.uk

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Cash can be raised for
East Anglia's Children's Hospice
through re-selling
used postage stamps.

Please send your used stamps to:

Hospice Shop
13 Short Wyre Street
COLCHESTER
CO1 2XT

*All stamps should be carefully cut
from the envelope or card, leaving
a small border around the edge.*

WANTED



Do you have
an artificial
Christmas tree
which you no longer
need?

Would you like to donate it to
decorate Santa's Grotto at this
year's Dickensian Market?

Mary ☎ 322 879, or

Lisa ☎ 391 260

We are happy to collect!

*This event raises funds for
Dedham C.E. Primary School*

friendsfirst

Being on your own can be a lonely
experience, however busy you are. If you
are on your own, and would rather not
be, get in touch with **friendsfirst** —
the Christian friendship organisation.

Since 1989 we have been very successful
in bringing people of all ages together for
friendship and relationship.

For an informal and confidential chat
about membership could help you, ring
Katharine Gray on **020 7100 1220**.

www.friends1st.co.uk

Jane Timms writes

CHARITY SOCIAL EVENT

A 'Dance and Hogroast' was held
at Foxash Social Club in aid of
Spinal Research, a charity set up in
1980 to find a cure for paralysis.
Researchers are moving ever closer
to clinical trials and there is real
hope of treatment. There are
some 40,000 people in the UK who
are paralysed, 800 people a year are
suffer a spinal cord injury and of
those only 1 in 6 will walk.

As a family we were blessed to
have 'walked away' from the world
of paralysis but do not feel able to
turn our back on those we left
behind which is why we have
committed long-term to raising
funds for them. I have been asked
to be the main contact for Essex
volunteers – they call me their
'Essex girl'! I would like to say a
heartfelt thank you to everyone
who supported us by coming along
and enjoying the event and also to
those who kindly donated raffle
prizes; these were *Milsoms, Dedham
Gourmet, Just for You, Dedham
Pharmacy, Marlborough Head Hotel,*
*Essex Rose Teahouse, Cheri and
Jerry Dobin, Mrs Philips and Ray
Tucker.* Thanks to everyone's
support we raised £2,000.

HOME SAFETY SERVICE

Essex County Council, working in
partnership with our Borough
Council, are offering a 12 month
free trial of a telephone-linked
home safety service (HSS) to all
Essex residents aged 85 and over.
This offer ends on 31 March 2010.



The HSS involves
the provision of a
range of telecare
sensors linked to a
24-hour monitoring

centre. All that is required is a
telephone point and an electric
power point (within six feet of each
other). HSS sensors can include a
personal alarm, bogus caller button,
smoke detector, fall detector and
others. Should a sensor be activated
an alert is sent to a monitoring
centre where trained advisors will
take the appropriate action,
whether it be contacting a family
member, a neighbour, doctor,
emergency services, mobile warden,
or a local response service where
this is available. Please contact your
local monitoring centre and quote
reference '855' for more details:

☎ (01206) 282 277

www.essex.gov.uk/telecare

PARISH COUNCIL

Roy Laverick writes

ALLOTMENTS

The Dedham Allotment Association, in conjunction with the National Trust (NT), has identified a potential site for allotments within the village. This lies in a field to the east of Bridges Farm, accessed via Footpath 15, a track off the High Street, opposite the Assembly Rooms. Mr Atkinson of the NT explained what was proposed and highlighted the provisions that were being made to ensure that the site does not adversely affect the landscape, or the quality of life of nearby residents. In particular, sheds and poly-tunnels will not be permitted (the NT are providing facilities for tool storage within one of their buildings) and allotment users will be bound by a strict set of rules, designed to ensure that the tranquil nature of the village is upheld. The Council supports the proposals, which will enhance village amenities and meet a genuine demand.

FITNESS TRAIL

The Parish Council is proposing to install a modest Fitness Trail on the Playing Field. The Trail, which is of timber-log construction and is designed to blend into the surrounding landscape, is aimed at providing easily accessible fitness facilities within the village for all age groups. It is expected that the cost of the Trail will be met through grants, rather than the precept. So far, a small survey has had a very positive response from residents, but please take a look at the proposal on the notice boards or contact Mark Dempsey ☎ 322 803.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

This will be at 7pm on **Wednesday, 11 November** in the Assembly Rooms, and will start with a presentation and discussion with Superintendent Jason Bloom of Essex Police, regarding the effectiveness of community policing within the village.



We are holding a special service
Service of Thanksgiving
to remember those who have died
and whose memories we cherish,
and we invite you to attend.

2.30 p.m. Sunday 1 November 2009



NOTICEBOARD



DEDHAM PARISH CHURCH

Entries are invited from
Individuals, Clubs, Businesses and Children for our **THIRD & FINAL**

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL : DECEMBER 5TH & 6TH

Everyone is invited to submit a Christmas Tree (it can be made of anything, as long as it is not toxic, dangerous or offensive), entries can be from an individual or a group or a class. It can be on any theme or subject. Let your imagination run wild!

Each tree should be no taller than 5 feet (approx 1.5m) but it can be as small as you like. If you wish to illuminate the tree using electric lights, this may be permitted — but the Organisers will refuse any entries where the lights or wiring appear to be unsafe.

Prizes will be awarded for the best decorated tree in each of the two categories:
ADULT & CHILDREN up to 12 years of age
Entry fee for each tree submitted is £1

All entry forms to be submitted by **Monday 16 November** with completed trees being brought to the Church on **Friday 4 December between 10 a.m. & 4 p.m.**
Entry forms and further details available from Jill Strangward on ☎ 322 006

It's not too early to enter your team of six for the...

2010 Dedham Quiz Cup

Saturday 6 February

7:30 pm

Assembly Rooms, Dedham

Tickets: £7 including refreshments / Bar

Mark Dempsey ☎ 322 803

Book your table early to avoid disappointment!



Girlguiding *girls in the lead*

1st Dedham Guides invite you to their

BODY SHOP PARTY

12 November
Assembly Rooms, Dedham
7pm – 9pm

*There will be refreshments, Christmas cards & paper,
 jewellery / hat stall and a raffle with Body Shop items -
 all good Christmas present opportunities!*

The orders arrive the next week.

*If you would like to order but can't make it on the evening
 you are welcome to a catalogue.*

Tracey Lovelock ☎ 323 521 or tracey.lovelock@btinternet.com

**CHILDREN'S SOCIETY
 HOUSE
 COLLECTION BOXES**

There will be a collection
 of the Society boxes between

26 October and 6 November

Boxes can be left in the Parish
 Church at the Family Service
 on Sunday 1 November

**PARISH CHURCH
 CHRISTMAS CARDS**

**are now on sale in the
 Resource Centre of the
 church.**

**If you require a quantity,
 and wish to save
 unnecessary packaging,
 please contact**

Caroline Merriam

☎ 323 333

Susanne Grimwade writes

SMARTYS PRE-SCHOOL

Our thanks to all those who supported the Smartys fashion show last month. The evening proved a great success and our models did exceptionally well. If any parents of children due to start Dedham C.E. Primary School in September 2010 are interested in their child attending the Thursday 'Rising 5's' session from January, please register your interest with admission secretary, Tina Newbury Smith ☎ 323 412.

Christine Henderson writes

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Despite the continuing building work to the front of the school, we are managing to maintain some kind of 'normality' in school. The usual after-school clubs are once again proving very popular. The choir are in full rehearsal for a return visit to the Albert Hall in the near future. The new KS 1 choir sang beautifully in our Harvest Service at the Church. Some staff had a very enjoyable Saturday morning Ten-Pin Bowling for a Fire Brigade charity, raising over £100. The *Dedham Run* was, as usual, a great event and proved to be as popular as ever. All this and we are only six weeks into the 'school year'; and all part of being a successful school.

Sally-Ann Head writes

EPPa GROUP

Enriching the school experience for pupils and families associated with the Dedham C.E. Primary School.

During *British Food Fortnight* Class 6, under the kind direction of Sarah Curtis, has enjoyed sessions as part of a Cookery Club. Our sincere thanks go local food producers for their support; *Evans and Sons Butchers*, Dedham, who invited a class to learn how sausages are made. *Hugh Halsall* of *Bridges Farm*, Dedham, for a sack of potatoes; *Jane Marshall*, *Ardleigh Fruit Farm*, for cooking apples for a crumble; *Co-Operative Store* for a £50 voucher so that we could purchase all the food needed for the whole class to cook and take home a container of sausage casserole. Jackie Bowis from the Co-Operative also came to the school to discuss healthy eating and make fruit smoothies with the children using British fruit, milk and yoghurt.

Members of our Wildlife Club have also been learning about bats and taking part in a 'Bat Walk' around Dedham, using a bat detector to help seek out many of these fascinating creatures. Our thanks to organiser, Neil Bedford.

Ten Years Ago **November 1999**

◆ **CELEBRATIONS & SUGGESTIONS** Millennium celebrations for the village were outlined, along with celebrations to mark the re-opening of the Assembly Rooms in December; a *'Thoughts and Music for Christmas'* event was arranged by Gill Christey towards the repairs of the church nave roof; the Rev'd John Mitson raised the idea of using the Duchy Barn as a 'drop-in' centre on a regular basis.

Fifty Years Ago **November 1959**

◆ **REMEMBRANCE** *'The service will be held in the parish church at 3 p.m...followed by a ceremony at the War Memorial'* ◆ **CHURCH FINANCE** *'I do hope the PCC ...will decide to appoint a Committee to go into the whole matter...we do not believe it is wrong for the Vicar to appeal for funds...but we must concern ourselves with the right use of our wealth and then the needs of the Church will look after themselves.'*

A Century Ago **November 1909**

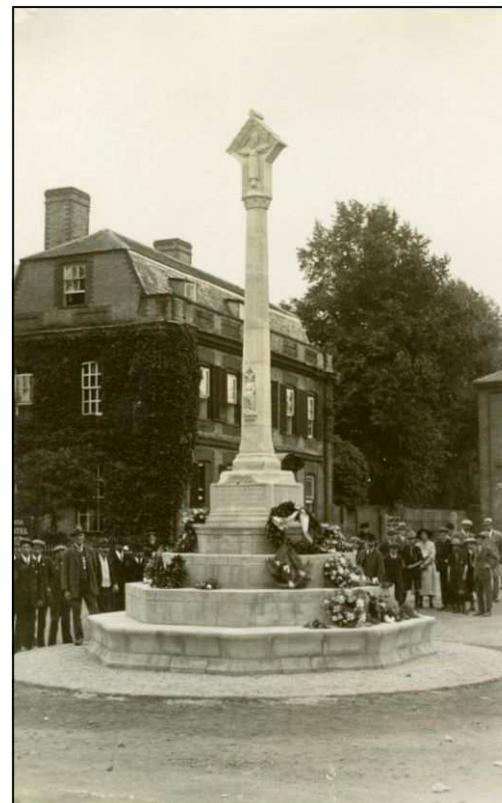
◆ **HARVEST FESTIVAL** *Our services were held on Sunday October 3rd, and were attended by large congregations in spite of the wet and windy weather. The decorations were confined to the nave, as the chancel was not considered to need any extra adornment. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Colchester, who visited Dedham for the first time on this occasion.*

The Vicar is very grateful to the ladies who kindly gave their services in the decoration of the Church, and also to the many parishioners who so generously supplied the flowers, fruit and vegetables, - the latter in larger quantities than usual. Everything was distributed by the District Visitors on the following Monday morning, the sick and the aged being specially remembered, and all who received the gifts were very grateful.

◆ **BARKER'S TRUST** *A meeting [was] held on October 7th, Messrs. Percy Clover, F.H. Collier, and J.R. Trigg were unanimously appointed to fill the vacancies owing to the deaths of Mr. E. Clover, Mr. W. Tinning, and the Rev. C.A. Jones.*

◆ **MARLBOROUGH HEAD** *The Dedham Old Quoit Club held their Annual Dinner... with their President, Mr. W.W. Hewitt in the chair, supported by the Vicar, Messrs. Evans, Page, N. Saunders, jun., Douglas Smith and others... an excellent repast was prepared by Mr. Springall, the landlord. Mr. Hicks was much in request at the piano... and made the evening pass very pleasantly.*

The War Memorial, Dedham c. 1925



- *This photo does not appear to be one of the many taken of the dedication of the War Memorial but of a later Act of Remembrance. The quantity and styles of the wreaths are worthy of note.*

- *When did this area begin to be called 'Royal Square' ? (was it before or after the visit of Queen Mary in 1937?)*

- *It is just possible to see a sign which indicates that the Old Grammar School (heavily covered with ivy or Virginia creeper) was being used as a hotel — does anyone know what it was called or who the owners were?*

WANTED

If you have photographs (or other memorabilia) that would not be wanted by your family, please approach the *Muniment Room Society* before permanently disposing of anything. A copy of photographs and prints can usually be made if you would prefer to keep the original.

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