LEADGATE's NEWS



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DIAMOND CELEBRATION:

On 22nd May, 2014 a well- known Leadgate couple celebrated a milestone of marriage. For those of don't know the couple in the picture, they are John and Madge PRICE, who **celebrated 60 years of marriage**. They were married at Brooms Church at 8.45 a.m. on 22nd May, 1954 by Father HOULIHAN. Madge and John have lived in Leadgate all their lives, went to Brooms School and were even in the same class although Madge has little recollection of it. They came to meet via a letter, sent by John, asking if he could take Madge out and the rest, as they say, is history.

They have two children, Brian and Hillary and according to Madge they have 3½ grand-children, the other half is due in October. The card Madge is holding, from the Queen, was sent by Special Delivery.

On behalf of everyone who knows Madge and John and those who don't know them, I should like to express our very best wishes and hope they have many more happy years ahead of them.

THE SALVATION ARMY

SALVATION ARMY'S HISTORY:

On 17/18th May, 2014 Leadgate Salvation Army celebrated its **90th anniversary**. Worship first started at the old 'Bottle Bank School' (this school was where The Haven now is) in 1924 and when the school was demolished, it moved to rooms above the old Co-op building and then into its present Hall in Green Street in 1936.

A band and songsters singing group, consisting mainly of Leadgate residents, numbering over 30 in each group, was formed and both groups are still active today, although in smaller numbers.

Two meetings are held on Sundays, at 10 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. and everyone is welcome. There are activities throughout the week – Mother and toddler group on Tuesdays at 9.15 a.m., Cameo Café on Tuesdays at 12 noon, Music and Drama group on Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m., band practice is on Thursdays at 7.30 p.m. and there is a coffee morning every other Saturday at 10.30 a.m.

Together with other Churches in the village, the Army wants to proclaim the Christian message.



ANOTHER MILESTONE:

On 8th June, 2014 a church service was held in St. Ives Church to mark 100 years of scouting in Leadgate and was attended by between 100 -150 people. The service was led by the Rev. David CLEUGH and many of the current 34 members renewed their, beaver, cub or scout promises. Leadgate Scouts were form in 1914 with 30 members, some of whom went off to service in the First World War. The group has the distinction of being one of only two groups in the country to earn Second World War battle honours: they were honoured for their contribution to the war effort after helping unload a train packed with wounded soldiers and helping the injured reach Shotley Bridge Hospital. Page One

* PARTNERSHIP NEWS:

The Partnership meeting this month was held on Wednesday, 18th June, 2014 in the Community Centre.

This month, the Partnership had Ms Corinne WALTON, Co-Ordinator of the Derwent Valley Area Action Partnership as guest speaker. Corinne gave an overview of the work of the Area Action Partnership (AAP) stating it did not cover the whole of the Derwentside area, it covered Consett and its surrounding districts but not Castleside, Lanchester or Stanley who are covered by other Action Partnerships. Corinne went on to explain the

AAP's 'Small Grant' scheme which replaces the 'ItsUp2You' scheme. There will be a pot of £10,000 available and groups can apply for grants of between £200 and £1,000, applications must be received by 16th September, 2014. Those applicants whose applications meet the criteria, will be informed by 24th October, 2014: unsuccessful applicants will also be informed by this date and will be given help to look for other sources of funding.

The AAP is holding a 'Party in the Park' in Blackhill & Consett Park on Sunday, 20th July, 2014 from 12 noon until 6p.m. and is FREE; a shuttle bus service will be available. On **Sunday, 29th June, 2014** Consett Fire Service is having a 'Charity Dog Walk' to raise funds for charity, anyone interested should be at Consett Station on Villa Real Road, for 10 a.m.

Groundwork will be holding fun activities in Watling Wood on the following dates: 22nd, 24th, 28th and 31st July, 2014. These events will all commence at 1.30 p.m. and children with parents/guardians should meet at 'The Stones'.



No COUNCILLORS' REPORTS this month



POLICE REPORT:

For the last few months, the PACT PRIORITY has been parking issues around Leadgate Infants and Nursery School. Neighbourhood Policing Team officers have been working with the school, parents and motorists in an attempt to address this issue. Observations confirm a small number of motorists are parking illegally in the area and education and warnings have been delivered. A new PACT PRIORITY has been agreed, 'Summer Nights' – this is a campaign to tackle garden thefts over the summer months and to educate and promote security devices to residents in order to secure their property, thus deterring thefts.

'Operation Whitehall' continues in an effort to address illegal scrap collectors in our area. These collectors' vehicles are stopped and the documentation checked, some collectors are even found to be on benefits.

Police Support Volunteers have received training and are now deploying 'Community Speed Watch' independently of police staff. As a result, equipment is being used on a daily basis to educate and warn motorists of the speed throughout the Consett Area.

The Community Action Team (CAT) project has completed the enforcement stage and over the next two weeks will concentrate on an existing strategy. A number of problems have been addressed as a result of the CAP project, one in particular was the garages behind the Indian Restaurant in Durham Road, these now been boarded up and the accumulated rubbish at the side of the garages will be removed in the near future. Mr. John GOLSBOROUGH from the CAT team, who was present at the PACT meeting was given a vote of thanks for the teams work.

There is to be a two week campaign, commencing 23rd June, 2014 concerning animal fouling on the cycle track (mention was made of horse manure on the track).

Throughout the summer a 'RESPECT YOUR STREET' campaign will be running and aims to educate offenders of the impact their action have on victims. It will highlight, in addition to the normal action taken against offenders – arrest, charge, court etc., other options will be considered. These include working closely with social housing providers and other agencies to address issues. The outcome could possibly affect tenancies or benefits of persons involved in such crimes. Officers will also be looking at using 'Restorative Approaches' which is also key to helping people understand the impact on people's lives. In conjunction with this operation please report any issues concerning litter, damage, broken glass, dog fouling, fly-tipping, graffiti etc. to Durham County Council or Durham Constabulary.

Concerns have been raised about people in Watling Wood, carrying guns and apparently using them for target practice, they appear to be shooting rabbits but not removing the carcasses.

Trading Standard Officers have been out and about in the village, but there were no problems.

<u>CROSSWORD</u> <u>CLUES</u>

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- 7. Young sheep (4)
- 8. Spotty disease (7)
- 9. Garland of flowers (3)
- 10. Of tone (5)
- 11. Glow-worm say (6)
- 13. Distant (6)
- 16. Perch (5)
- 18. Born as (3)
- 19. Brutish people (7)
- 20. Closed (4)
- 21. Place in Scotland (11)

DOWN

- 1. Fruit Type (6)
- 2. Pill (6)
- 3. Severe food shortage (6)
- 4. Adjust (5)
- 5. ____ Bloom, actor (7)
- 6. Determination (7)
- 11. Pub worker (7)
- 12. Strong feeling (7)
- 13. Kidnapper's payment (6)
- 14. Breakfast food (6)
- 15. Term of office (6)
- 17. Vestige (5)

/Answers overleaf

COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS:

Did you know the village's Community Centre has its very own disco equipment and disc jockey?

If you are planning a birthday party why not consider holding it in the Community Centre.

The hall can hired for children up to the age of 11 years birthday parties: the hall can also be hired for other special occasions. The Centre has a large main hall and as a result of refurbishment, it now has an up to date kitchen, the Centre also has wheelchair access. For further information, please contact the **Centre's Secretary**, **Brenda SURTEES on 01207 507506**.



DADS' GROUP:

During school term time, Leadgate Junior School is running a **Dads' Group.** The group meets each Wednesday between 10 am – 12 noon in the Community Centre. If you are a dad and your child/children attend either the Infants or Junior School why not go along, meet other dads and have a good old natter, it's not just women who want to have a natter.



NEW GROUP

From Monday, 5th July, 2014 there will be another new group holding its meeting in the Community Centre. The Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Group will be meeting every Monday morning between 10 am – 12 noon. If you would like further information about this group, please contact Mrs. Claire DAWSON on 01207 583281.

'ALL ABOUT ME'

All About Me' was in Leadgate during both the Easter and Half Term Holidays. Children who attended enjoyed dance sessions in the Community Centre as well as activities on the field and in the Centre. 'All About Me' is funded the County Durham Community Foundation and the organisers specifically asked for funding for Leadgate as there was little in the way of provision for 7 – 11 years during the holidays. Parents

and their children loved the sessions and would recommend 'All About Me' to other parents. Children said they learned new games and tried new activities. They said they were hot and happy after the sessions and would like more sessions because they had great fun. More activities are proposed for the summer holidays, so watch this space.



ST. IVES '100 CLUB' MONTHLY DRAW:

The winning numbers for July are as follows: 1^{st} prize – No. 86: 2^{nd} prize – No. 53:



DIARY FOR JULY, 2014

 2^{nd} Leadgate and District Carers meeting at 1.30 p.m. in Leadgate Community Centre





Salvation Army Word War 1 Commemoration coffee morning at 10 a.m., in the Army Hall

 5^{th} Salvation Army's Music & Drama production of 'Songs that helped Win the War at 7 p.m., tickets f1.50 each and can be obtained from Clare THOMPSON on 01207 504054 or at the door





St. Ives' Church bingo at 7.30 p.m. in Leadgate Community Centre

 10^{th} NO HISTORY SOCIETY MEETING TODAY





 12^{th} Pont and Bradley coffee morning at 10 a.m. in Bradley Church Hall

 14^{th} Salvation Army's Ladies Fellowship at 7.30 p.m. in the Army Hall



 16^{th} Leadgate and District Carers meeting at 1.30 p.m. in Leadgate Community Centre



 16^{th} Police and Communities Together (PACT) meeting at 6 p.m. in Leadgate Community Centre, followed by Leadgate Area Partnership meeting at 7 p.m.





 18^{th} Leadgate Methodist Church's 'Messy Church' at 3.30 p.m. in the Church Hall



19th Two coffee mornings today: St. Ives' Church at 10.15 a.m. in Leadgate Community Centre Salvation Army's at 10.30 a.m. in the Army Hall



 21^{st} Leadgate Women's Institute meeting at 2 p.m. in Leadgate Community Centre



 28^{th} St. Ives' Church bingo at 7.30 p.m. in Leadgate Community Centre.





Bingo sessions are held every Monday and Saturday in the Community Centre at 7.30 p.m.

The Community Centre's Legacy Gym is open every morning except Sunday between 9 am - 12 noon and Monday to Friday between 5 pm - 7 pm. Leadgate Salvation Army has a Parent/Carer and 'Toddler Group, every Tuesday 9.15 am – 11.30 am, it's just £1 per child, for further information contact Envoy Gwen HALL on 07803 452999





If you have any items you wish to have published or advertised, any comments you wish to make, please let us know before 16th July, 2014, the contact names and telephone numbers are as follows: Brenda SURTEES, 01207 507506 or Jean HUGHES, 01207 506326.

If you wish to contact either of our County Councillors their details are as follows: Councillor Watts STELLING - 01207 501674, mobile 07500125328: Councillor Alan SHIELD - 01207 562080, mobile 07500125327

CROSSWORD ANSWERS:

CROSS: 1 Out of favour: 7 Lamb: 8 Measles: 9 Lei: 10 Tonal: 11 Beetle: 13 Remote: 16 Roost: 18 Nee: 19 Animals: 20 Shut: 221 Dunfermline **DOWN**: 1 Orange: 2 Tablet: 3 Famine: 4 Adapt: 5 Orlando: 6 Resolve: 11 Barmaid: 12 Emotion: 13 Ransom: 14 Muesli: 15 Tenure: 17 Trace

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