

ERMINE WEST GUIDES HOLD OPEN NIGHT



An open evening was held at St. John the Evangelist Community Centre on Monday, 2nd March, 1964, when work performed by the 22nd Lincoln Girl Guides was on display to the public.

It was very gratifying to see so many parents and friends make an attendance and show interest in the work we are doing.

During the course of the evening's programme, Patrol Leader Dorothy Hughes was appointed Company Leader and Guides Leslie Crees and Christine Scott were promoted to Patrol Leaders. Guides Carol Gregory, Judith Hitchings and Angela Stray were made Patrol Seconds.

Over the past year Company Leader Dorothy Hughes and Patrol Leader Judith Blades have

earned their Little House Emblem and twenty-four other proficiency badges have been awarded to members of the Company.

We also said farewell to Lieutenant Heather Spearman who is leaving the Company to take her final exams to become a teacher. We wish her every success in her future profession and thank her deeply for the time and energy she has put in with the Company during the past years.

Coffee and Biscuits were served during the interval, which realised £1 15s. 0d., for the Company Funds.

B. V. BUCKTHORPE, *Captain*.

L. COVINGTON, *Lieutenant*.

Learn to Teach

On Wednesday, April 22nd a special meeting will be held at St. John's Hall for all who teach in St. John's Sunday Schools.

Anyone who would like to teach or to join a Teachers' Preparation Class is invited to come as well. This is very rewarding work, and special classes are held by experts on teaching methods, so if you have no teaching experience we can help you.

This meeting will be an opportunity to look at all our schools and to plan for future training sessions, etc.

The Meeting is at 7-30 p.m. and refreshments will be provided.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

PARISH A.G.M.

ST. JOHN'S HALL

7-30 p.m.

1st APRIL, 1964

ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY CENTRE A.G.M.

15th APRIL, 1964 at

7-30 p.m.

Pianists and Organists

At the Services and Sunday Schools there is a need for many pianists and organists. The Vicar is always pleased to hear from any one who can play. Any pianist who would like to learn to play the organ should also contact the Vicar.

Towards Unity

During Lent representatives of St. John's and Ermine Methodist and Congregational Churches have met weekly to learn more of one another and to work towards unity.

The meetings have been a great success and concluded with an act of worship. The Rev. Frank Barker preached, Father John conducted the service of Compline, the Rev. Peter Michel concluded with prayer.

Looking ahead, a meeting was fixed for May 11th at Ermine West Methodist Church at 7-30 p.m. To help anyone from the East who would like a lift over, cars will meet at Ermine Congregational Church at 7-20 p.m.

The main subject for discussion will be the

Visitation of the Elderly (East)

There will be a meeting for all visitors and others who would like to help at St. John's Hall on Wednesday, April 29th.

There are still several areas without a visitor and we need to catch up with the fine example set by the visitors on the West. If you are prepared to visit up to five elderly people living on Ermine East, then please come along to the meeting at 7-30 p.m.

proposal to form a United Church Fellowship. Such a Fellowship would enable the church to grow towards unity and to care more effectively for the rest of the community.

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This club has regular meeting times on the air, on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. There is one Spastic Member who operates his Transmitter and Receiver with his toes and therefore is nicknamed 'Twinkletoes'. We also have our own Magazine, which comes out monthly and is in ordinary print, Braille or on Tape. I myself belong to this Club and through it have made countless friends throughout Britain. At the moment I have passed the Radio Amateur Examination and still have my Morse to take, when I will receive my own call sign. Another interesting feature is Mobiles, these are cars or vans equipped with Transmitter and Receiver, with which the driver or passengers can talk to people with an approximate fifty miles radius and through this many a person has been 'talked in' for a cup of tea. If anyone is interested in Amateur Radio, there is a Short Wave Club in Lincoln and they meet at the Lincoln Technical College on the first Wednesday in each month, also to get the technical side of the examination, there is a night school course run every year at the Technical College.

Evergreen Committees

Both Evergreen Clubs (East and West) held their Annual General Meetings during March. Officers and Committees for the next twelve months are as follows:—

EAST: Leader, Mrs. A. Dixon; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. T. Cottrell; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Goodman; Committee Members, Mesdames Hudson, Clayton, Dove, Roberts, Handsley, Gott, Myland and E. Dixon. Messrs. Swain, Handsley, Trett and White.

WEST: Leader, Mrs. Lilley; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Parker; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Lansdale; Committee Members: Mesdames Carr, Dearlove, Gadsby, Gibson, Hodgson, Major, Stowe; Messrs. Duckworth and Lilley.

These two clubs meet every week at St. John the Baptist Church Hall on Thursday at 2-30 p.m. and on Tuesdays at St. John the Evangelist

Friday Night Club

Over fifty new members have joined the Club during the past few weeks. It is perhaps as well to say again that membership is open only to boys and girls who live on the estate and are at a Senior School. If you are in the top class at a Junior School then I'm afraid that you will have to wait until September.

We say thank you and goodbye to Stephen and Monica Black, who have helped with the club for the past two years, but who are now going to live in Kent.

A recent 'shake' competition was won by Pamela Morrison of 7 Thorpe Avenue and Peter Brinded of 3 Stapleford Avenue.

Community Centre, Ermine West at 2-30 p.m. New members are always welcome.

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Visitation of the Elderly

(ERMINE WEST)

A small attendance at the Second Report Meeting was inevitable through clashes of events for both Churches. All the Committee Members were present.

Visitors' reports showed increased interest and services. Mrs. Wenham, on behalf of the Care of the Elderly Association, thanked the Visitors who have now covered the whole of Ermine West

Mrs. E. A. Johnson, the Organising Secretary, reported the strength of the Visitation as 31 visitors, 248 homes visited, 352 elderly on books.

It was stressed that this Organisation (as such) has no funds and makes no gifts, excepting

christian service. The Joint Chairmen are Anglican and Methodist Ministers who will visit the sick and bring the Holy Sacrament to the homes of the housebound, if requested.

Membership of the Fireside Club is open to all our housebound elderly people. A copy of the monthly magazine which is specially compiled to interest the housebound, was on view at the Report Meeting.

Next Meeting. Monday, 14th September, 1964, Ermine West Methodist Church at 7-30 p.m.

E.A.J.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

May 25th — 30th

Visualise a line starting at your front door and going out of sight over continent and ocean around the World, 25,000 miles and returning to your front door. But it does not stop but continues to circle the earth 25 times. This line is composed of hungry people and it is lengthened by 20 miles a day. If we travelled 500 miles a day passing a person every two feet, it would take us 3½ years to reach the end of the line. This gives some indication of the immensity of the task which faces relief organisations such as Inter-Church Aid. It is our duty to support this body first and other bodies such as Oxfam and War on Want second because our Church is a member of the World Council of Churches and Inter-Church Aid is a department of the World Council of Churches. Our membership of this body pledges our support to Inter-Church Aid, which is the official means of the Churches for giving united help for the hungry and destitute people of the world. The major task of Inter-Church Aid is to collect funds for this purpose and then to allocate the funds to projects proposed by the World Council of Churches and Overseas Christian Councils. Increasingly projects are being put forward by mem-

bers of British Missionary Societies and in some cases they are the means of carrying out the projects. Some of the projects at present being undertaken by Inter-Church Aid include the resettlement of 8,500 squatters in Calcutta, a small proportion of the three million Hindus who fled to Calcutta from Pakistan after the partition; an average of 12,000 refugees are resettled annually and trained in trades; agricultural projects are undertaken in many countries such as Kenya; Farm schools are established in Sarawak, Madagascar and elsewhere; big reforestation schemes are under way in Algeria; an agricultural training centre is under construction in Burma; a quarter of a million tons of food are distributed to the worst hit hunger spots annually; 200 scholarships are being awarded to African pastors to enable them to take courses in Universities and Colleges in 18 countries; tractors for the hungry is an Inter-Church Aid project.

However, all this service requires finance and Inter-Church Aid's finance comes largely from one source, the house to house collection held annually during Christian Aid Week.

Mothers' Union

At the Triennial Elections held on March 10th, Father John thanked all those who had completed their term of office and especially Mrs. Joyce Wilson, who had been the Enrolling Member for the past five years, and Iris Moore and Jean Thompson for their work as Treasurer and Secretary.

The results of the elections for the next three years were as follows:— Enrolling Member: Jean Hodgkinson; Hon. Secretary, Jean Thompson; Hon. Treasurer, Jean Burton; Committee Members: Dorothy Barsley, Joan Blyth and Lillian Wallace.

Sunday School Helps Blind Children

Children's Lenten Gifts to Missions from St. John Evangelist Infant's Confirmation School amounted to £5. This special envelope scheme gave each child an opportunity to give his own spending money to the blind, deaf and dumb children in the Helen Keller Homes in the Holy Land.

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH CHURCH

The Family Communion, 9-15 a.m.
 Senior and Junior Confirmation School, 11-0 a.m.
 (Infants in Church Hall, 11-0 a.m.)
 Holy Baptism (First Sunday in the month), 3-45 p.m.
 Evensong, 6-30 p.m.
 (Confirmation Classes for boys and girls 13 and over in Church, Tuesday evenings, 6-30 p.m.)

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST COMMUNITY CENTRE (ERMINE WEST)

Holy Communion, 8-0 a.m.
 Infants Confirmation School, 11-30 a.m.
 Junior Confirmation School, 2-30 p.m.
 Holy Baptism (Third Sunday in the month), 3-45 p.m.
 Evensong (First Sunday in the month), 6-30 p.m.
 BANNES, WEDDINGS, CHURCHINGS AND CONFESSIONS by arrangement.
 (Please give two weeks notice for Baptism. Forms can be obtained from the Vicarage.)

WHAT'S ON?

April

- 1 Wed. Annual General Meeting of the Parish, 7-30 p.m.
- 5 Sun. **Easter I.** Evensong, St. John the Evangelist, 6-30 p.m.
- 7 Tues. **Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** Holy Communion, 7-30 p.m.
- 12 Sun. **Easter II.**
- 15 Wed. Annual General Meeting, St. John's Community Centre, 7-30 p.m.
- 16 Thu. Archdeacon's Visitation, St. Swithin's, 7 p.m.
- 19 Sun. **Easter III.**
- 21 Tues. Mothers' Union. Mrs. Kitchen: Marriage Guidance Councillor.
- 22 Wed. Visit from Market Rasen Mothers' Union, 3 p.m.
- 23 Sat. **St. Mark.** Holy Communion, 7-30 a.m.
- 26 Sun. **Easter IV.**

May

- 7 Thu **Ascension Day.** Evening Service, 7-45 p.m.
- 11 Mon. Combined Church Meeting, Ermine West Methodist Church, 7-30 p.m.

St. John's Register

Baptisms

- Mar. 1 Nicola Jean, daughter of Robert and Margaret Johnson.
Julie, daughter of Herbert and Fahey.
- 8 Clara Victoria, daughter of Frederick and Margaret Bentley.
Alison Amanda, daughter of Herbert and Muriel Collingham.
Stephen Tracey, son of David and Florence Richards.

Weddings

- Mar. 7 Walter Neville Wilford and Jean Briddon.
Barry Charles Smith and Pauline Florence Brown.
Neil William Monro and Barbara May Cox.

Ascension Day

MAY 7th

For the past six years we have gone by bus to join in the Evening Service with one of the village churches.

This year we are inviting them to come and join with us and to share in some refreshment afterwards.

The Service will start at 7-45 p.m. and is open to all.

Bigger Imp

Another extension is planned to the main bar at the Lincoln Imp this year. This follows hard on the installation of the very latest equipment for storing beer and pumping it through into the customer's glass — by electronics.

If you are looking for something up to date, then at Ermine, both Church and Pub are definitely 'with it'.

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