

Halam News

January 2008

From the Editor: Best wishes to you all for a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year! This month's Halam News is sponsored by Stephanie & David Beeson of Mill View, The Turnpike - thank you! If you would like to sponsor Halam News (£10 per edition), advertise, make a donation, or have items included (deadline 25th - late submissions may be carried over) contact: Karin Davis: Tel: 815854 or email karinlindley@hotmail.com



PARISH PUMP

Congratulations! Samantha Rickett will be 21 on the 4th January; Very many happy returns of the day!

Congratulations to Katy Gallimore and Jonathan Turner who got engaged in November 2006 and are getting married in the summer!

The Poppy Collection raised £197.35 - this is the most I have ever collected so far! Thank you to everyone for your generosity. Thank you also to my son Nick for driving me round the village on his day off. - Dora Rylatt.

Halam Parochial Church Council and Halam Parish Council would, once again like to thank Steve and Sally from Crink Lane Nursery, for their generosity in providing the spectacular tulip bulbs in St. Michael's Churchyard and the Village Hall box. Happy New Year to everyone in Halam from Steve and Sally at Crink Lane Nursery!

Thank you to everyone who bought a Halam Calendar to raise funds for the church organ. These are all sold now and raised approximately £700! I would also like to express grateful thanks to Rosamund Mcfarlane for the lovely photographs taken over the last year which made it so special to Halam and Andrew Paris for typesetting and printing. It was a real village effort. - Karin Davis

Thank you to all the children and instrumentalists who gave up time to come and practice and made the crib service so lovely this year. Well done everyone! - Karin Davis

HALAM & DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Tuesday 8 January Halam & district W.I. are holding an **Open Meeting** with guest speaker John Meredith whose subject is: 'My Life as a Verger'. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is most welcome to attend this meeting - gentlemen as well! For information contact: Glenys Herbert Tel: 812335.

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St Michael the Archangel: January Services

6 January Epiphany	8.00am Holy Communion: Rev McCoulough 9.30am: Family communion: Rev. Perry
13 January Epiphany 2	11.00am Sung Eucharist: Rev. McCoulough Preacher: Rev Erika Kirk
20 January Epiphany 3	9.30am Family Communion Reverend David McCoulough
27 January Epiphany 4	11.00am Sung Eucharist: Rev Erika Kirk Preacher: Rev. David McCoulough

For information contact Churchwardens: Bev Perks (Tel: 812181) David Herbert (Tel: 812335) & Revd. David McCoulough (Tel: 07714614645)

Church Study Group

The next meeting of the Church Study Group will be on Thursday, 6th December in The Scypen, Radley Road, Halam at 7.30pm. All are welcome. - Tony Andrews

BURNS NIGHT

Saturday 26 January
In Halam Village Hall at 7.30pm

Four course dinner
with a glass of wine included

Tickets: £15 from: Margaret McCracken (814917) Karin Davis (815854) Ann Reid (816411)

Limited places - book early to avoid disappointment!

Parish Council Meeting: 8th November 2007

Present: S. Bust, A. Fraser, D. Herbert, G. Herbert, A. Paris D. Parrish. **Apologies:** M. Thompson

Matters Arising: 1. Duck Signs – pending for next year. 2. Gray Lane – Highways Dept., County Council has now cut back the hedges. 3. Back Lane footpath – fallen tree: landowner has been given 14 days notice. 4. Footpath bridges – these have been checked and passed. A new handrail had been added. 5. Allotments – ditches have now been cleared.

Village Hall: Marina Thompson has been progressing this – full report at next meeting.

Games Night: A very successful and enjoyable evening – around £200 was raised which will be split equally between the Church Organ Fund and the village hall refurbishment. Many thanks to all those involved.

Design Statement: Unanimously agreed to proceed with a Village Design Statement; the concepts of Village Envelope and/or Conservation Area will be reconsidered as the VDS scheme progresses. Andrew Paris will approach original Parish Working Group to see if they would be prepared to help.

Notice Board: This is almost ready and will be erected early in the New Year.

Flooding: Various flooding issues were discussed

Open Meeting: Matters discussed:- 1. Christmas tree – Simon Bust and Pat Rickett were thanked. 2. Position of the interactive speed sign. 3. Further appropriate traffic calming measures. Parish Council will contact the County Council to progress.

Planning: Halam House Farm, Radley Road: demolition of existing building and build 3 new dwellings & associated garages/access roads (revised scheme) – rejected unanimously. Parish Council disappointed that the developer doesn't seem to have taken onboard the comments made last month, and that the new proposal does not address any of the areas of concern previously highlighted, i.e. 1. new proposal does not have a mix of houses the previous one had, and does away with the agreed semi-detached, smaller properties; 2. Proposed new houses are too large and too tall; 3. loss of the existing old wall; 4. Blue tiled roofs would be out of keeping with the rest of the village; 5. Possible creation of drainage/flooding problems. 6. Archaeological investigation of site required; 7. Protection from further development of the land further up the hill required.

Finance: It was agreed that the precept for next year should be kept the same as last year.

It was unanimously agreed to pay: 1. printing bill for Games Night; 2. Neighbourhood Watch subscription

Date of Next Meeting:- Thursday January 10th at 7.30pm

VILLAGE VENTURES

Two dates for your diary:

LONDON MOZART PLAYERS

In Halam Church

Wednesday 2 April 2008

CHRIS GARRICK & JOHN ETHERIDGE

In Halam Church

Thursday 8 May 2008

Tickets will be available end of January

Email: karinlindley@hotmail.com

Photographs from the Halam Millennium collection



These photographs show the children, parents and staff (and Father Christmas!) of Halam School enjoying their Christmas celebrations in 1947. I do not know whose collection of photographs they have come from and would be most grateful if someone would let me know. Unfortunately they are not in very good condition and are damaged – if anyone has copies of these photographs in better condition and can tell me anything about them that would be wonderful. I am still collecting photographs for the archive if anyone has any to add and possibly print in Halam News – I will scan them into the computer and return the originals to the owner. – Karin Davis

