MARGARETTING NEWS

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**ST MARGARET’S CHURCH SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER**

 Sunday, 2nd September 10am - Parish Communion

 Sunday, 9th September 4pm - Family Service

 Sunday, 16th September 10am - Harvest Parish Communion

 Sunday, 23rd September 11am - Matins

 Sunday, 30th September 10am - Benefice Holy Communion

 Service with guest preacher Canon Roger Matthews

CRAFT & FLOWER FESTIVAL

MARGARETTING CHURCH

Saturday, 15th September

11am to 4pm

Sunday, 16th September

12 noon to 4pm

The church will be decorated with the Harvest theme. There will be an opportunity to ring the bells and see up in the tower. There will also be a small exhibition of local artists work.

In John Currie’s barn (behind the church car park) there will be interactive craft stalls; an opportunity for you to try lace making, patchwork, quilting, card making and wood burning (pyrography).

The cover band ‘Nightshift’ will be playing and refreshments will be available - ploughman’s lunches, tea and coffee, biscuits and cakes.

BENEFICE HARVEST SUPPER - MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

Saturday, 22nd September at 7pm

The evening will consist of a game of ‘Harvest Mouse’ (similar to Beetle Drive) and all the family can take part. Supper is a jacket potato with a variety of fillings and dessert.

**Adults £8 Children £6 Tickets available from Sam Adams 01277 354077**

**Please bring your own drinks and glasses**

ST MARGARET’S CHURCH

 I begin this article with very good news. We have finally been granted the Faculty approval for the project work (toilet and kitchen area) for the church and we hope that work will begin in October. Thank you to all who have contributed to this and thank you to Simon Upton who has been responsible for steering this project through all the ups and downs during the past two years. I will keep you updated as the work begins.

 This month we celebrate Harvest and the PCC have agreed that this year the food contributions will go the Brentwood Food Bank. We are all aware of the hunger in many parts of the world but we often forget that there are people here, in this area, who are living on the breadline. This can be for many reasons. The Food Bank give these families boxes of basic food items to relieve their hunger. There will be a container in the church for offerings of food items at the Harvest Service on Sunday, 16th September at 10.00am. If you are unable to be at the service, the container will be in church on Saturday, 15th September when the church will be open for our Craft and Flower Festival. The food required is rice/pasta, teabags/coffee, tinned meat/fish, tinned fruit/sugar, cereals and soup. Thank you.

 Thank you to the couple of families who have asked for details about how to give financially to the church. These contributions are very much appreciated.

 The places/groups in the parish being prayed for this month:

2nd September – Horticultural Society

9th September – Parish Council

16th September – Church Lane

23rd September – Coptfold Hall Drive

30th September – Black Bull

 *Revd Jean 01277 354359*

PARISH COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION

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Cllr Penny Savill (Chairman, Press Officer) **Telephone: 01277 356182**

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Cllr Tim Boem (Tree Warden and Village Pond) **Telephone: 01277 355499**

Cllr Lynn Edwards (EALC Representative) **Telephone: 01277 354462**

Cllr Colin Quilter (Maldon Road Recreation Field) **Telephone: 01277 840767**

Cllr Michael Scott (Monuments, Street Furniture and Public Rights of Way) **Telephone: 01277 354821**

Cllr Anthony Smith **Telephone: 01277 352054**

Cllr Keith Young (Allotments and Village Hall Representative) **Telephone: 01277 354516**

CHELMSFORD CITY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Ian Grundy (South Hanningfield, Stock and Margaretting)

Cllr Roy Whitehead (South Hanningfield, Stock and Margaretting)

**Address**: Civic Centre, Duke Street, Chelmsford, CM1 1JE **Telephone: 01245 606606**

 ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCILLOR

Cllr Ian Grundy. **Address:** County Hall, Market Road, Chelmsford, CM1 1LX

 MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

John Whittingdale OBE, MP (Maldon Parliamentary Constituency)

**Address:** House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA

DIARY DATE - CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

 Saturday 24th November

2pm - 4pm

Margaretting Village Hall

THEFT FROM VEHICLES

## There have been several incidents in the Chelmsford area relating to thefts taking place from vehicles. These incidents have occurred whilst vehicles have been parked on the roadside or on driveways etc and the majority of the thefts have occurred overnight with some incidents happening during the day. Residents are asked to be extra vigilant and report anyone who appears to be acting suspiciously. Those persons who are committing this type of crime may have noted a car or van earlier in the day, or simply be an opportunist.

##  If you see anything or have any information please contact Essex Police on 101 or 0300 333 4444 if you are calling from outside of Essex. If you wish to give information anonymously call Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

##  Vans have been entered and tools have been removed, if you own or know a neighbour, friend or workmate who owns a van make them aware. Think about security. If you have tools on board think about removing them overnight.

##  Also make a point of property marking your equipment with your postcode. Use a permanent marker pen or a UV pen. You might also like to register your property on [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com/) This is completely free service. Please visit the website for more information.

## Please also take on board the following advice:

**DON’T** tempt thieves by leaving any items on display

**DO** lock your vehicle at all times, even when parked on your driveway or when carrying out any work.

**DO** try to park in a secure, well lit area were possible

The following items are of particular interest to a thief so should never be left in your vehicle:

* Satellite navigation
* MP3 systems
* Mobile phones
* Laptops
* Wallets/purses/ credit and debit cards
* Cash/cheque book
* Electrical items
* Jewellery
* Power tools and work equipment
* Vehicle registration documents

### Empty your car before someone else does.

THE BLACK BULL COFFEE MORNING

Friday, 28th September - 10 am to 12 noon. Join Julie, Mary Ann and the staff for coffee and help raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. This is the fourth year running Julie has organised a Macmillan Coffee Morning. To date the Black Bull’s Macmillan coffee morning events have raised £1,200 for the charity. If you can’t make it to the coffee morning you can always make a donation. Just pop it into the pub when you are passing. You’ll be helping to make a difference to the lives of people living with cancer.

SPREADEAGLE SIGN

The parish council has received one suggestion for the relocation of the pub car parking sign. This suggestion concerns the use of the post and frame. The idea put forward is they could be used to enhance one of the village gateways. The parish council welcomes further ideas from the community.

OVER 60s CLUB

On 15th July our indoor Garden Party proved to be an enjoyable occasion hunting for treasure, getting ping pong balls into jars, playing hoopla and finding a prize in the Lucky Dip. The decorated bonnets only attracted 3 entries of which ‘Goldilocks & the Three Bears’ by Peggy Button was the winner.

The giant matchstick constructions were interesting and very clever. The winner was Rosemary Carter with a stable complete with a model horse.

Instead of the usual cakes, committee members provided an excellent spread which included strawberries and cream.

 On 29th July members were saddened to hear that Roy was still in hospital. Some games of Hoy were played in his honour. June & Don organised some quizzes, we sang Happy Birthday loud enough to reach the ears of an absent member and the afternoon closed as usual with Bingo. 

 Next time (5th September) some community singing to the strains of the accordion is planned. If you would like to join us you can be assured of a warm welcome.

MARGARETTING FRIENDS

We meet again on Monday 17th September at 7.30pm in the Chelmer Room in the village hall. This is a ‘knit and natter’ evening - our annual chat evening which includes discussing ideas for our stall at the Church Christmas Bazaar.

BOOK CLUB

Last month we all agreed we had enjoyed reading Emma Donoghue’s ‘The Room’ and Helen Simonson’s ‘Major Pettigrew’s Last Stand’. To agree we all liked the books and that they could be recommended to friends is a first for this book club!

This month we meet on Friday, 28th September and our chosen book for discussion is ‘House Rules’ by Jodi Picoult. Next month’s books are ‘Q & A’ by Vikas Swarup (better known as Slumdog Millionaire and ‘Tara Road’ by Maeve Binchey.

BLACK BULL BUS STOP

The request for a larger bus shelter has been added to Chelmsford Council’s Bus Stop Improvements Programme for consideration by the Local Highways Panel. Meanwhile, a shelter currently located in another parish was offered to the parish council as a replacement/swap. Unfortunately, this shelter was too large for Black Bull bus stop pavement so the offer was declined.

MOTHERS UNION

Meetings are held in St Margaret’s Church on the third Thursday in the month at 2.30pm.

TRUST BUS - CHANGE OF PROVIDER

Clintona has provided the weekly Trust bus to Ingatestone for several years. However, they are closing down at the end of August and from September the bus will be provided by Marina Cars.

It is hoped that the standard of service will remain the same, but if there are any changes, please advise one of the Trustees or the Clerk to the Trust.

SEPTEMBER COLLECTIONS

#### Black bin and food waste every Tuesday

#### Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons - Tuesdays 4th and 18th

Green box and card sack - Tuesdays 11th and 25th

**Margaretting Tye**

#### Black bins and food waste every Wednesday

#### Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons - Wednesdays 5th and 19th

Green box and card sack - Wednesdays 12th and 26th

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Recent incidents reported to the Police. Between 19 July 08:30am - 31 July 12:30pm

Theft of tools and other items taken from insecure building Little Styles Farm, Margaretting Tye.

FOOD WASTE BAGS

Additional bags are available from Penny Savill. Telephone 01277 356182

DOG WASTE BAGS

These bags are available from Keith Young. Telephone 01277 354516

PLASTIC SACKS

Additional bags can be picked up from Julie Jones. Telephone 01277 354504

**MOBILE LIBRARY**

Fortnightly on Thursday afternoons 6th and 20th September at 3.20-3.35pm in Maldon Road in the lay-by opposite the playing field.

**SHOPPER BUS**

Margaretting to Asda Supermarket, Chelmer Village - Tuesday mornings Margaretting to Tesco Supermarket, Wood Street, - Thursday mornings leaving Orton Close at 11.00am, Maldon Road at 11.02am, Main Road at 11.04am.

**TRUST BUS**

Margaretting to Ingatestone, Friday mornings leaving the Pond, Main Road at 9.55am, Orton Close at 10.00am and returning from Ingatestone at 11.15am

VILLAGE HALL - ACTIVITIES IN SEPTEMBER

WEEKLY UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

Mondays **Pilates** 9.30-10.30am 10.45-11.30am & 7.00-8.00pm **in the Main Hall**

 **Margaretting Friends** 17th 7.30pm **in the Chelmer Room**

Tuesdays **Stitch and Chat** 4th and 18th 9.30-12.00 noon **in the Meeting Room**

 **M/S Society** 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th 7pm i**n the Main Hall**

 **Art Class** 18th and 25th 2-6pm **in the Chelmer Room**

Wednesdays **Bingo** 12th and 26th 7.30pm **in the Main Hall**

 **Aerobics** 19th 7-8pm **in the Chelmer Room**

 **Over 60s Club** 5th and 19th 2-4pm **in the Main Hall**

 **Dance To Fitness** 12th, 19th and 26th 9.30-10.30am **in the Main Hall**

 **French Classes** 19th and 26th 10-12noon  **in the Meeting Room**

Thursdays **Pilates** 9.30-10.30am and 7.30-8.30pm **in the Main Hall**

 **Village Hall Committee Meeting** 6th 7.30pm **in the Meeting Room**

 **Parish Council Meeting** 13th 7.30pm **in the Meeting Room**

 **Essex Handicraft** 27th-silver clay jewellery 7pm **in the Chelmer Room**

Fridays **Stitch and Chat** 9.30-12noon **in the Main Hall**

Saturdays **Pilates** 8th and 22nd 9.30 - 11am **in the Main Hall**

 **Pirouette School of Dance** 15th 8.30am-1.30pm **in the Main Hall**

Sundays **Hindu Society** 2nd **6**.30pm–12pm **in the Main Hall**

 **Pilates** 16th and 30th 9.30 - 11am **in the Main Hall**

 **Loose Threads Patchwork** 9th and 23rd 9.30am-6pm **in the Main Hall**

F*or further details or queries for private functions please contact*

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