

## **THE ORIGINAL LOVE STORY**

### **A Reflection On Christmas**

One of the greatest theologians who ever lived, Karl Barth, was asked to be a guest lecturer at the University of Chicago Divinity School. At the end of a captivating closing lecture, the president of the School said that Dr. Barth was not well and was quite tired. He thought that Dr. Barth would like to be open for questions, but that it should not be expected. Then he said, "Therefore, I will ask just one question on behalf of all of us."

He turned to the renowned theologian and asked, "Of all the theological insights you have ever had, which do you consider to be the greatest of them all?"

It was the perfect question for a man who had written literally tens of thousands of pages of some of the most sophisticated theology ever put into print. The students held pencils, ready to take down the insight of the greatest theologian of their time.

Karl Barth closed his tired eyes, and he thought for a minute, and then he half smiled, opened his eyes, and said to those young students, The greatest theological insight that I have ever had is this: "Jesus loves me, I know this, because the Bible tells me."

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the greatest love story ever written! I wish with all my heart that everybody could read it that way, but I'm afraid to say that I meet people every day for whom it reads more like a used car contract. Somehow in the midst of all those beautiful love verses, they hear only clauses and conditions and not the promises.

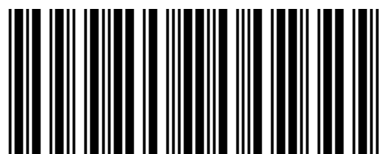
So I thank God that Christmas comes around once a year to remind us that God isn't in the business of keeping books and tallying ledgers, nor is God concerned about our status or position in life. If God were concerned about any of those things, then I tell you, the Christ of God would never have been born into such disagreeable circumstances as we find in the second chapter of Luke.

No. Christmas is the beginning of a classic love story with all the right ingredients: infatuation, pursuit, risk and relationship. Christmas is a crossing of paths. Christmas is where we find the Christ of God intersecting with humanity! Christmas is our first best meeting with the God who has loved us from the very beginning. I tell to you that if it weren't for Christmas we might never have known the intensity of the love that God has for us.

True love accepts everyone for who they really are; God chooses to love us precisely because we are subjects of the human condition, not because of a favourable bottom line on a social and moral profit and loss statement. Like us, Mary and Joseph had nothing to commend them but their humanity. God's love is completely and thoroughly inclusive.

Peace begins with the knowledge that God loves and accepts us just as we are. It begins with Christmas! Christmas is the living promise that we are never ever alone. No matter where we are in life, no matter in what circumstances we find ourselves, no matter how far we might stray away, or how unfaithful we are, God, the supreme lover, will pursue us in love for eternity! It's a love that never stops shining. May God bless each of you and those you love this Christmas!

*(Adapted by Rev. Carol Bason from a sermon given by Rev. Bill Adams)*



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*St. Clement's Church; Fiskerton**6pm**followed by seasonal refreshments*

Do come and enjoy favourite carols to begin your Christmas festivities.

**CHURCH SERVICES for The South Lawres Benefice:****DECEMBER****4<sup>th</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sunday in Advent**

- 8am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham Church Hall  
 9.15am Morning Worship at Reepham  
**9.15am Holy Communion at Fiskerton**  
 10.45am Holy Communion – Cherry Willingham with Greetwell  
 3pm Messy Church at Reepham

**11<sup>th</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sunday in Advent**

- 8am Morning Worship at Cherry Willingham Church Hall  
 9.15am Holy Communion at Reepham  
**9.15am Morning Worship at Fiskerton**  
 10.45am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham Church Hall  
 3pm Christingle Service at Reepham Church

**16<sup>th</sup>. Friday At St. Clement's Church****2pm Christingle Service with Fiskerton Primary School****18<sup>th</sup>. 4<sup>th</sup>. Sunday in Advent**

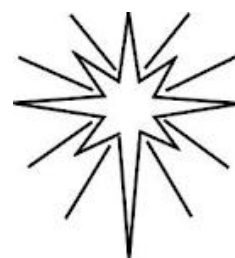
- 8am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham Church Hall  
**9.15am Holy Communion at Fiskerton**  
 9.15am Family Worship at Reepham  
 10.45am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham Church Hall  
 6pm Carol Service at Cherry Willingham Church Hall

**24<sup>th</sup>. Saturday Christmas Eve**

- 3pm Crib Service at Reepham Church Crib Service  
 3.30pm Crib Service at Cherry Willingham Church Hall  
**6pm Carol Service at Fiskerton**  
 11.30pm Midnight Mass at Reepham

**25<sup>th</sup>. Christmas Day**

- 9am Holy Communion at Greetwell



**January****1<sup>st</sup>. 10.30am Benefice Communion at Fiskerton****St. Clement's Church Rotas:**

<b>Dec.</b>	<b>Sidesman</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Intercessions</b>	<b>Cleaning</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup>.</b>	Mrs C Proctor	Mr R Walkinton <b>Isaiah 40: 1 - 11</b>	Mrs A Townsend <b>Primary School</b>	Mr & Mrs Walkinton
<b>11<sup>th</sup>.</b>	Mrs A Townsend	Mrs S Massey <b>Isaiah 61: 1 – 4 &amp; 8 - end</b>	Mr R Walkinton <b>Hall Lane</b>	
<b>18<sup>th</sup>.</b>	Mrs S Massey	Mrs A Townsend <b>2 Samuel 7: 1 – 11 &amp; v16</b>	<b>CLERGY</b> <b>Moor Lane</b>	Mrs Proctor & Mrs Massey
<b>Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>.</b>	Mrs L Forman			

**Village Baptism:**      *At St. Clement of Rome Fiskerton on Sunday November 6th.**Chloe Elizabeth Winter**We Welcome Chloe into the Lord's Family***Other Church News:****Lottery Draw:** The **November winners** were as follows:-

£25: No 1:    Mrs C Proctor

£10: No 3:    Mr &amp; Mrs A Pritchard

£5:    No 5:    Mr A Gibson

£5:    No 60:   Mrs R Rousseau

**The Friends of St. Clement's Church; Fiskerton**

Two years ago we formed the 'Friends of St. Clement's'

This has proved to be very successful, greatly beneficial and much appreciated by the PCC of St. Clement's Church.

This year we have had to replace part of the church roof after theft of lead. The church is insured, but unfortunately this only paid out half of the cost to replace the lead. So your contribution was greatly appreciated.

If you are not already a "Friend" and would like to come aboard and support us in 2012, payment is £24 for the year or £12 for 6 months. This entitles you to 12 lottery draws (one a month) with prize money of £25, £10 and 2X £5.

To enrol as a Friend, please contact me – Tel: 750690 before January 8<sup>th</sup>. 2012 (or talk to any member of the PCC).

I look forward to receiving your call. Thank you, Freda Styles

Don't forget, St. Clement's belongs to Fiskerton and its people.;

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**FISKERTON VILLAGE CALENDAR & Note Cards**

You can purchase yours for only £4.99 at The Wishing Well Stores, The Post Office or by telephoning Lynda Forman (01526 398316) who will deliver!

This makes a really good Christmas present as it shows off our lovely village.

Also available from the same outlets are **packs of 4 note cards**. These are only £2 a pack – A BARGAIN!

All profits from the sale of these items will go towards the cost of a burglar alarm for the roof of St. Clement's Church.

### New Burglar Alarm: St. Clement's Church

It is hoped that the alarm on the Church roof will be fitted on Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>. Included in the system are wireless PIR detectors, an external voice enhanced sounder and strobe lights. If the system is activated, a planned response is triggered.

So should it go off in the depths of the night (or indeed at any time) there is no need for anyone who hears it to do anything. A course of action will be automatically carried out.

However, we would ask that everyone continues to be vigilant. The alarm will work 24 hours a day, but should you see or hear anything unusual or suspicious during daylight hours, please let the police know on their NEW non-emergency telephone number: 101 or textphone 18001 101

It is likely that there may be a few teething problems to start with and we apologise in advance if you are woken during the night, but please remember you do not need to do anything – all will be taken care of – and as fast as possible!

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Thank You: St. Clement's would like to thank Dot & Mike at the Carpenter's Arms for their kind donation of £49 towards Church Funds.

### What's On in December: In The Village.....



#### **Children's Christmas Party**

**Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2011-10-20 4pm – 6pm 11 years and below**

**Entrance is by TICKET ONLY.** Available from Wishing Well Stores at £1.00

each. Closing date for tickets is Wednesday November 30<sup>th</sup>. **We are very sorry but**

**we have to limit adult attendance to one per family to comply with Fire Regulations.**



Following the Party at 6pm will be the

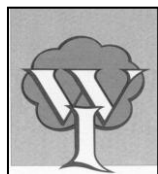
#### **Lighting of The Village Christmas Tree**

Please stay for this event, or join us after the party.

There will be mince pies and mulled wine and a chance to sing some of your favourite carols.

### THE LUNCH POT

Please note that the date of the Lunch Pot Christmas Lunch has changed to **Tuesday December 6<sup>th</sup>**. If you have missed this change, please contact Mary, Tel. 595291 to book a place.



#### **Women's Institute:**

The next meeting is on **Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup>** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There will be entertainment by Nigel and Teri, Traditional Irish Folk Singers and visitors from other Institutes will be joining us. Members are reminded that contributions to the supper are needed. If you are unsure about this please contact the Secretary, Mrs M Gibson 752117



## **CHRISTMAS TREE SPECTACULAR 2011**

Saturday and Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>. with the grand opening at 11am on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>. This will be done by Sue Taylor from Radio Lincolnshire .

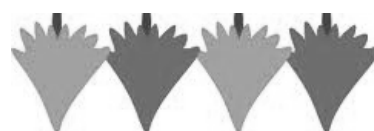
Also the children from our Primary School will be singing at the opening.

Other events will be taking place across the two weekends. There will be visiting organists at various times and the local group 'Spirit' will be performing on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>.

Also at 2pm on that day, there will be a small presentation ceremony to the calendar photograph Winners.

There will be mulled wine, mince pies, tea & coffee to enjoy as you wander around the trees and a stall selling a large variety of homemade preserves – lovely presents for friends and family.

The Church will be open from 11am - 4.30pm on all 4 days



Lincolnshire County Council: Library Services

**The Mobile Library will visit Fiskerton Village Hall from 11.15am – 12.15pm on Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup>.**

The Mobile Library vehicle has a lift/ramp for easy disabled access and remember it is FREE to join and borrow books.

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### **CHRISTMAS FAIR & CAROLS WITH THE SALVATION ARMY BAND**

**THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 6PM**

**TOMBOLA RAFFLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

**SANTA'S GROTTO**

**MAKE UP & PERFUMES THORNTONS GIFTS & CHOCOLATE**

**HOT DOGS HOMEMADE JEWELLERY**

**MULLED WINE & MINCE PIES**

**.....AND LOTS MORE!!!**

**ENTRANCE £1 ADULTS**

**INCLUDES A DRINK & MINCE PIE**

**(TABLES AVAILABLE FOR A DONATION OF A RAFFLE PRIZE**

**PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL 01522 751049)**

**AT: Fiskerton Primary School Hall**



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**Christmas Celebration:**

**Saturday 17th December**

**Fiskerton Village Hall 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm**

**Free admission all welcome**

**Refreshments after.**

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## Sunday Services

4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall
11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall
18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Fiskerton Village Hall
25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Fiskerton Village Hall

### **The Cherry Willingham Community Choir**

This was the vision of Jane George who is a member of The Vine Community Church. She writes;

‘ It has been running for a year now, which has passed by really quickly (or is that “age” thing). We meet on a Monday every other week at the Primary School, and the choir currently has around 10 lady members. We are a very friendly, fun choir and enjoy singing a variety of songs. Our repertoire now ranges from Beatles , Pop, folk and rounds to contemporary church songs. In the last year we have sung at The Carols on the Parade and we recently sang at Willow Court Nursing Home where we received a really warm welcome and everyone enjoyed joining in. New members are always welcome (even men!) So if you enjoy singing come along and give us a try.’ For more information please e-mail: jane.george1@ntlworld.com or phone: 01522 808103

programme- coffee served from 10:45.

**Connect groups** Connect groups provide a social setting for you to connect with church life, develop your faith and provide opportunities for helping the community.

Adults

**Mon 11am & Tues 8pm in Fiskerton, Wed 8pm in Cherry Willingham**

Youth – Mix Connect fortnightly on Friday 7pm

Children – Junior Connect fortnightly on Friday 4-5pm

**THE MIX for all 12-17's -loads of exciting activities on Fridays**

A new programme of events has started including a new Drama Club

### **IF YOU ENJOY SINGING COME ALONG AND JOIN US--CHERRY WILLINGHAM COMMUNITY CHOIR** CHERRY WILLINGHAM INFANT SCHOOL HALL, LIME GROVE

At 7.30 £3 per session

Dates of the next gatherings are:-

Mondays 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> December 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> January

The choir will be singing at the Christmas Service of the Vine Church on Sunday 11th Dec, 11a.m. in the village hall

And at:

Carols on the Green 20<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7.30p.m.

For more details please ring Jane on 01522 808103 or E-mail jane.george1@ntlworld.com

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### **Summary of Parish Council Meeting – 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2011**

- The Clerk was asked to contact
  1. Morris Homes again re their failure to reinstate shrubs on one of the open spaces on Holmfield
  2. LCC Footpaths Section for an update on the proposed redirection/re-routing of public footpath no. 115
  3. Local police re dates for a Neighbourhood Watch meeting
    - Sandie Simonson outlined the Age UK First Contact Scheme which is aimed at keeping over 60's safe and independent and which offers low level support, information and advice. She left brochures which can be obtained from the Clerk. She has also been invited to attend the Luncheon Club
    - The first inspection of the Flood Mitigation Scheme has taken place. The Chief Executive of the Witham Third DIDB has suggested that ownership of the scheme be taken over by the Drainage Board
    - A steering group meeting for the Parish Plan had been held in September, with another meeting scheduled for November. District Councillor Darcel asked for new faces and new ideas.
    - Following a RoSPA inspection of the play area, remedial works are scheduled to the grass matting under the cone climber and swings, making good worn ground near the double gates, filling in the hole outside the double gates, tightening loose swing seat eye bolts and replacing a missing bolt on the rear fencing of the goal area.
    - District Councillor Darcel reported that he is strongly opposed to the Local Boundary Commission proposals to amalgamate the Fiskerton Ward with Reepham and Cherry Willingham. Correspondence about this will be put on the village website – any replies should be directed to D/C Darcel.
    - Residents of Ridings Close were advised to contact LCC Highways re vehicles turning round on their private roadway
    - Date of Next Meeting: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2011 at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall

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### **VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS FOR DECEMBER:**

Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> .	Parish Council	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Tuesday	6 <sup>th</sup> .	Luncheon Club	10am – 2pm
Tuesday	6 <sup>th</sup> . 13 <sup>th</sup> . 20 <sup>th</sup> . 27 <sup>th</sup> .	Pilates	5.30pm – 6.30pm
Tuesday	6 <sup>th</sup> . 13 <sup>th</sup> . 20 <sup>th</sup> .	Aerobics	6.30pm – 7.15pm
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> . 8 <sup>th</sup> . 15 <sup>th</sup> . 22 <sup>nd</sup> . 29 <sup>th</sup> .	Aerobics	9.30am – 10.30am

Thursday	8 <sup>th</sup> .	W.I.	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> . 9 <sup>th</sup> . 16 <sup>th</sup> . 23 <sup>rd</sup> . 30 <sup>th</sup> .	Bingo/ Social	7.30pm – late ALL WELCOME
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> . 9 <sup>th</sup> . 16 <sup>th</sup> . 23 <sup>rd</sup> . 30 <sup>th</sup>	Pilates	9.30am – 10.30am
Saturday	3 <sup>rd</sup> .	Party/ Lights	4pm - midnight
Saturday	10 <sup>th</sup> .	Private Hire	10am – 3pm
		Private Party	7.30pm - midnight
Saturday	17 <sup>th</sup> .	Vision Church	6pm – 9pm
Saturday	24 <sup>th</sup> .	Social Evening	6.30pm – Late ALL WELCOME
Saturday	31 <sup>st</sup> .	New Year Party	7.30pm - midnight
Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> . 11 <sup>th</sup> . 18 <sup>th</sup> . 25 <sup>th</sup> .	Social Evenings	7.30pm - midnight
Sunday	11 <sup>th</sup> .	Private Party	10am – 1pm
		Causeway Projects	2pm – 5.30pm
Sunday	18 <sup>th</sup> .	The Vine	11am – 1.30pm
Sunday	20 <sup>th</sup> .	Causeway Projects	2pm – 5pm

To make a booking or check availability please contact:- Booking Secretary – Jenny Hayes on 07510281232



### FISKERTON POST OFFICE: AT THE VILLAGE HALL

#### OPENING HOURS

Monday: 9am – 2pm    Tuesday & Thursday: 9.30am – 1.30pm

#### **Even more to write about!**

**Green Wheelie Bin Collections:** apologies first, someone left a message on my answer phone.

I deleted the number before I was able to reply. Sorry.

However, I am all for saving money and feel, in principal, reduced collections in wintertime is a good idea. What we do need, though, is some sort of fail safe mechanism for the unpredictability of our growing seasons or for the last date that leaves may need collection. There is to be a review in the spring, and if anyone has ideas please let me know.

**Home watch/Neighbourhood watch.** Progress is slow but anyone with a computer can be kept fully up to date, by the police. For details Google, [alert@neighbourhoodalert.co.uk](mailto:alert@neighbourhoodalert.co.uk) and all the options and details should come up.

If you are not into computers you can get a paper based sign up form from *Ross Payne*, PCSO 2176, Nettleham Police Station, Telephone: (01522) 805796, Mobile: 07833 143606. Please give him a call.

**Ward changes** the final Local Boundary Commission document has been lodged with Parliament and will be accepted or rejected mid December. The recommendation was that a reduced Fiskerton and Langworth ward will be merged with Cherry Willingham and Reepham. Personally, I think it is basically wrong to merge smaller villages like ours with larger conurbations. Voters in Fiskerton and Langworth will effectively loose their vote. Cherry Willingham will decide who our councillors are. The only options now are to petition our MP, Mr Edward Leigh, MP, [edwardleigh4constituents@msn.com](mailto:edwardleigh4constituents@msn.com) or [leighe@parliament.uk](mailto:leighe@parliament.uk), or write to the Prime Minister to persuade them to reject the proposal. Or go for a judicial review.

**“30 Day centres to close”** One last thing, do you remember the Echo headline in mid October, “30 Day centres to close” well this is causing distress to several of our residents. These centres are for the seriously disadvantaged members of our society, people with severe learning and physical handicaps. The very people we should be protecting most from the spending cuts. They can neither look after them selves nor shout their corner. Some, even less fortunate individuals, are too severely disadvantaged make use of day centres and they too, and their carers, should see their budgets protected.

To see the scale of the problem, please Google Lincolnshire County Council’s Budgets (page 24 of the Budget) and see if you agree with me that the axe should fall elsewhere.

*If you agree with me, please let me know any ideas you may have on how we can protect support for these less fortunate members of our society.*



## **CHARITY NEW YEAR'S EVE FAMILY PARTY**



**Disco, Bar and Raffle**

**Fiskerton Village Hall**

**Saturday December 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**7.30pm - Late**

**PROCEEDS IN AID OF L.I.V.E.S.**

Tickets on Sale from December 1<sup>st</sup>  
FROM  
THE WISHING WELL STORES

**Adults £5**

**Children £2.50**

**What's On in December:      *In The Area.....***

### **LADIES BREAKFAST – SATURDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER**

Many ladies enjoy a full English breakfast at 'Rosie Lea Café', Cherry Willingham on the first Saturday of each month.

We meet **at 8.45am for 9.00am** and after enjoying our breakfast, we sit back and listen to an interesting, short talk from a Christian lady – **all for £5.00.**

Ladies going from Fiskerton can provide you with a lift so book your place by ringing **Jan 01522 753432 or Ann 01522 800209.**

### **COFFEE MORNING:**



*The Charity Coffee Morning will take place in Cherry Willingham Church Hall on Saturday **December 10<sup>th</sup>** from 10am – 11.30am.*

*All proceeds from the refreshments and raffle go to a chosen charity.*

*PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO Traidcraft Stall this month – back to normal in January.*

### **Reepham Methodist Church Coffee Morning:**

Members of Reepham Methodist Church invite you to **Coffee & Chat** from 10-11.30 a.m. on **Saturday 17 December** when we will be launching our new Methodist Relief & Development Fund project for Mali in West Africa. Mali is a poor country but one that is making great strides in addressing poverty. Through a local partner this project provides financial support for poor women in Mali (West Africa) so that they can earn a living to provide for their children. We will be pleased to receive donations towards this work.

There will also be a Traidcraft Stall for cards, groceries and gifts and small Christmas stocking fillers.

**When –** Saturday **December 17<sup>th</sup>.**  
**Where –** Rosie Lea Café, The Parade, Cherry Willingham  
**Time –** 8.45am for 9.00 start. Finish by 9.45am  
**Cost -** £5, payable when you arrive.

Come along and enjoy a full English breakfast, meet old friends, make new friends and listen to a short talk and share a short Festive time of Carol Singing.

**To book a place, or places, please email David Burrows [david@theburrows.net](mailto:david@theburrows.net) Tel: 824936, or John Pycock [john.pycock@btopenworld](mailto:john.pycock@btopenworld) by Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Numbers are limited so please book early to ensure a place.**



Marion Howarth would like to thank everyone who supported the Action for Children Coffee Morning on 28th October. The amazing total of £503 was raised.

Whatever you did - and there are many and various ways that people supported and helped - a **big, big** thank you.

### **Nettleham Medical Practice & Cherry Willingham Branch Surgery:**

**Cherry Willingham Surgery:** We are aware that it has been difficult at times to obtain a convenient appointment at our branch surgery at Cherry Willingham. We are committed to maintaining a branch surgery at Cherry Willingham, although many other rural practices now have closed their branch surgeries. The number of appointments at this site is limited and we would encourage all patients who have their own transport to attend our Nettleham Surgery wherever possible to leave more appointments available to those Cherry Willingham patients without easy transport.

**Medication Reviews:** Over the last few months, we have been changing the way in which medication reviews are undertaken in the practice. Historically all patients on repeat medication have had a review date printed on their repeat prescription slip and would be expected to make an appointment with a doctor around that date in order for the medication to be reviewed. Now, the doctors review the clinical records of patients with medication reviews about to expire, and then patients are contacted by a receptionist by telephone or letter to make an appointment for any blood test or other monitoring required prior to the medication review. This will ensure that all tests are carried out in advance of the appointment and should ensure that your review is fully comprehensive. For some patients it may be decided by your doctor that all the monitoring has been completed for that year and the medication can be updated without the need for a face to face appointment, saving you time.

**Monthly Early Closures for Training 2011:** In order to enable our doctors and staff to be kept up to date Nettleham surgery will be closed for training at 1pm on the following afternoons. Emergency help is still available by calling 111. Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2011

### **Patient Participation Group & Voluntary Driver Scheme**

We would still like to encourage more patients to join our virtual Patient Reference Group. The purpose of this is to have a large group of patients that the practice will contact by email a couple of times each year to ask for their opinion on its services etc.

If you are interested then please complete one of the join up forms at reception or contact Nicola Lamming at the practice for more details.

The Voluntary Drivers Scheme continues as a well liked service to those patients who have difficulty in getting in for their appointments either due to mobility problems or no transport of their own.

We are starting to go through the renewal of CRB checks as we are approaching the end of our first 3 year badges.

If there is anyone out there who feels that they would like to become involved in working within the scheme, who have access to a 4 door (minimum) vehicle, could make themselves available for a minimum of one regular day a week (holidays excepted) and who have a reasonable knowledge of the area that we cover, we would be interested in hearing from you. Please leave your contact details with one of the receptionists at either surgery and I will make contact with you and discuss some of the finer points of the scheme. Also bear in mind that all drivers have to be cleared for an Enhanced CRB check.

Meg Rawden – PPG Chairperson

Alan Price – VDS Co-ordinator

**PETERBOROUGH SHOPPER**

A last chance to get those all important items for Christmas. The Queensgate Centre is in the heart of the city and has all your favourite stores. There will be a small Christmas Market outside near the Cathedral, where you may find some unique and unusual gifts. The pedestrianised streets have the usual leading High Street shops and you may find a last minute bargain amongst them.

Don't forget to stop for lunch in one of the many café's and coffee shops and take a breather from all that shopping!

Departs 09:00 and returns 17:30

**Sunday December 11<sup>th</sup>.      £14 pp**  
**PC Coaches of Lincoln**  
**01522 533605**

#### Neighbourhood Watch 2011

April 2011 saw the unveiling of the new Neighbourhood Watch system. The new system is called Lincolnshire Alert. Here are a list of features:



Lincolnshire Alert (LincsAlert) is a community messaging system run by **Lincolnshire Police**. The messaging system acts a tool for the police to give information to the registered members on crime reduction and community safety issues. Members are also able to provide information to the police. You can unsubscribe, update and manage your profile and messages at any time

#### Benefits of the system include:

- Website available 24 hours a day.
- Totally confidential, secure service, your data is never shared without your consent
- Configure how and when you want to receive messages,
- Subscribe to receive alerts by email, phone, and text.
- Reply to messages instantly
- View crime stat reports for your local area,
- Completely free to receive service
- Unsubscribe at anytime

#### Lincolnshire currently supports the following schemes:

- Pub Watch
- Horse Watch
- Farm and Country Business Watch
- Church Watch
- Caravan Watch
- Golf Watch
- Forecourt Watch
- School Watch
- Business Watch
- Warden Assisted Watch
- Poacher Watch
- Post Office Watch
- Shop Watch

**Sign up free today at: [www.lincolnshirealert.co.uk](http://www.lincolnshirealert.co.uk) start receiving updates today! If you don't have access to email please contact one of the Nettleham NPT who will give you a sign-up form. Contact us on 01522 805796.**



#### **VERY VERY Important Newsletter Information:**

Please note that items for inclusion in the Parish News can be handed in at Wishing Well Stores.

