

AGE CONCERN

There is to be a CHARITY AUCTION in aid of Age Concern Tavistock and District on SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th 1987 in the BRENTOR INN at 7.30pm. Please come along, help us to raise funds. Contributions of cash or items to auction much needed and gratefully received. Contact Age Concern on Tavistock 66958 or Gill Gorbutt Mary Tavy 403 if you have anything and it needs collecting. (The Auctioneer will be Robin Fenner)

Some of the items already for auction are, signed books eg. from Barbara Cartland, James Herriott and Mary Stewart, signed Pop albums and tapes. Autographed photos from Thatcher, Kinnock and Steele. Return air tickets for a trip from Plymouth to Newquay. A print of the Globe Theatre from Dame Peggy Ashcroft, and other interesting items.

During the recent cold weather, Age Concern in Tavistock has received many donations and £255 of the total was given towards fuel for pensioners. The Lions pledged sum of the money and kindly lent their Mimi bus to help deliver the fuel. Many thanks to those who have recently donated to Age Concern from this Village, in memory of Mrs. Reed. We shall all miss her.

BRENTOR VILLAGE HALL

The 1986 AGM, held in December went well with a new committee and officers for 1987 elected. The hall had a good year and our financial balance is healthy, thanks to all those who use the hall and our own fund raising events. We are very fortunate in having a very good treasurer, Bill Tucker, who watched over and steers our bank balances so carefully.

Would all parish organisations please note that they are entitled to nominate a representative to serve on the hall committee, whether or not they use the Village hall(ome representative member fom each parish organisation). Simply contact Tony Johnson, our chairman or myself.

We have now followed the recommendation, as laid down by the local Fire authority and relocated the gas cylinders outside the hall. This has caused problems with hall users having to go out to the rear of the hall to turn the gas cock off. We have now been granted a concession on this point and will shortly be refitting an internal gas on/off cock.

Despite the recent bitter cold and hall plumbing suffered no bursts (at the time of writing!), thanks mainly to the Johnson family who, with great presence of mind organised a rota system and kept the building aired warmed and repeatedly flushed.

At our recent financial meeting it was decided to hold the hall hire charges at their 1984 level and are as laid out below.

Jumble Sale £4-00 Coffee Morning £4-00
Meeting £2-50 Dance £7-00
Children's Party £3-50

All other regular bookings to remain at their current level. We would remind everybody that the hall can be hired by anyone, living locally or otherwise and Bill Tucker will be pleased to quote if you find your proposed use is not listed above (weddings, seminars, keep fit, political, film shows etc.). The bookings clerk/caretaker is Glenville Johnson, Mary Tavy 777.

We have a Jumble Sale planned for late March and our Grand National Draw will run as usual, plus our regular Bingo evenings(next session Tuesday Feb 3rd.). Please support these.

CHURCH NEWS

"Winter Songs of Praise" Following the very successful and enjoyable Sunday afternoon service in January, there is to be another Songs of Praise on February 15th at 3.00 p.m. in Christ Church. You are invited to let Jennifer Venning, our organist, have a note of your favourite hymn or chorus for inclusion in the service; if you would be prepared to say also the reason you have chosen that particular hymn, you are invited to do so. Do not forget that this is an ecumenical service at which we hope to welcome as many as possible from other Christian denominations. Whether or not you chose a hymn, please do come along with the family and enjoy the singing. You will be very welcome!

Women 's World Day of Prayer"

There is to be a special service at Lydford Methodist Chapel at 2.15 p.m. on Friday 6th March which is this year's World Day of Prayer for Women. A group from Brentor will be going to this service and anyone who would like a lift to Lydford should contact either Betty Raine or Sheila Weston. The Speaker will be Mrs Robin Grigg of the Church Army from Dartmoor Prisor LENT

There will be a service of Holy Communion at Christ Church at 7.30 p.m. on Ash Wednesday to mark the beginning of the Lent season. A Lent Discussion Group will be meeting in the Old Vicarage weekly and following the Radio Lent Course; details will be given in the next issue of the Brentor News.

Miss Edna Dunn. Edna has, through failing eyesight, had to leave her cottage and is now living at Camplehaye, Lamefton. She would be very pleased to see any friends from Brentor.

The Reverend Peter Apps would also be very pleased to have visitors though it may be as well to telephone Mrs Apps on Mary Tavy 428.in the first instance.

W.I. NEWS

The speaker at the W.I's opening meeting of the year was Mrs. Stephens, warden of the Princetown hostel for the families of Dartmoor Prisoners. Once part of the Probation and Aftercare Service, the hostel which is housed in the old Wesley Chapel, is now run by a committee of volunteers and provides overnight accommodation for the wives and families visiting their husbands, etc. in the prison. Mrs Stephens gave an interesting account of the work involved and was thanked on behalf of the institute members by Mrs. Blowey.

A new member, Mrs. Cole, was welcomed to the institute by the President and was presented with her new member's pack.

There was an encouraging number of entries for the competition— a piece of Victorian jewelry— which was won by Mrs. Weston, 2nd Mrs. Pritchard, 3rd Mrs. Blowey. Considering the time of year there was also a good entry for the flower of the month which was won by Mrs. Brew with Mrs. Downing 2nd and Mrs. Davey 3rd.

The first of the craft day classes proved most successful and was well attended. Mrs. Tucker was instructed tapestry and various other canvass work stitches and the class proved so popular that it is hoped to hold another one, possibly in May when instruction will be given in Florentine tapestry embroidery.

DIARY DATES

Feb 5th - W.I. Members Day, Village Hall.

15th - Age Concern, Charity Auction, Brentor Inn, 7.30pm.

19th - W.I. Cake Icing Day Class.

" 15th - Songs of Praise, Christ Church, 3.00pm.
March 5th - W.I. The History of Lydford - Mr. Pettitt.

There is coffee, and squash for the children and home made cakes and home produce for sale and toys for children to play with. Everybody Welcome.