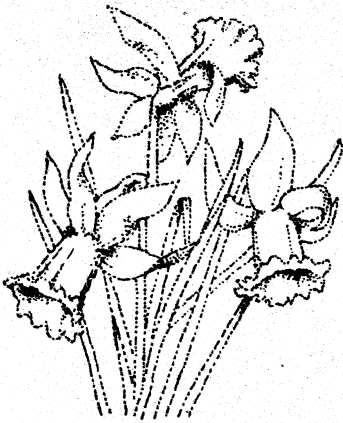


VILLAGE PROJECTS FUND

Buckinghamshire Council for Voluntary Service is now awaiting the first applications to its Village Projects Fund. Up until now the B.C.V.S. has been able to supply advice and support to groups starting new projects, the Village Projects Fund will enable them to give small grants to help get worthwhile initiatives off the ground. To qualify for funding the project must:- be for the benefit of a rural community, show evidence of interest of local people and have a commitment to raise money locally. Grants will not normally exceed £100 but it is hoped this will provide the necessary finance to allow the project to happen. Village Projects Fund Application Forms are available from the B.C.V.S. office. Telephone Aylesbury (0296) 21036.



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CONCESSIONARY BUS FARES

Bus passes and Rail cards are now due for renewal. Social Circle Members will be able to complete their forms at the March Meeting, other applicants should call at the home of Mrs. M. Jones, Oaklands, (rear of Charity Farm), Ivy Lane, Soulbury. The last date to apply is Saturday March 26th 1988.

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TRAIDFARE FOODS

You may already be familiar with the craft products marketed by Traidcraft, especially if you came to the Traidcraft Sale in the village last November. At the heart of Traidcraft's objectives is the wish to provide work and economic benefits for families in some of the world's poorest countries, by offering an outlet in the U.K. for their skills and goods. This involves ensuring that a fair wage is paid to the producers, and buying from those countries that are seeking justice for their rural poor through active development policies. Traidfare is the name for foods marketed by Traidcraft. All Traidfare foods are of good quality and by buying them you can help the world's poor to improve their situation. Many of these foods are now available from Sue Wales at 14 Chapel Hill at evenings and weekends. A list of items currently in stock will be delivered with this newsletter. It would be advisable to ring with your order first. (Soulbury 537). Items not listed, e.g. medium ground coffee, instant coffee, pulses and craft items can be ordered. Sue Wales has a copy of the catalogue and would be very happy for you to look through it.

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SOULBURY VALE HOSPICE APPEAL

The trustees have been thrilled by the response to the appeal and are pleased to announce that the £½ million target has been reached. They would like to thank all the many individuals and organisations locally who have so magnificently supported them. Work on the building started on the 4th January 1988 and will be completed in 18 months. The hospice must then be equipped and furnished and the Appeal will remain open to raise a further sum of £100,000.

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SPRING SALE

There will be a Spring Sale in the Clubroom on Saturday March 19th at 2.30 p.m. in aid of Church Funds. Stalls will include cakes, Bric a Brac, plants, toys, produce, fancy goods, nearly new clothing, and raffle. Please look out anything that might be of use on any of the stalls. Mrs. Ashburner (tele:358) or Mrs. Belsham (tele:484) will be pleased to collect any items beforehand or they can be brought to the Clubroom on the morning of the sale, after 10.00 a.m. Please come along and support the Church. Tea and refreshments will be available.

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We are very sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Bob Mercy. Mr. Mercy was a well known local character who had lived and farmed in Soulbury all his life. We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Mercy, and her family.

We are pleased to welcome to the village, John and Jane Griffiths, who have come to live in Chapel Hill, and Mr. & Mrs. Wrighton who have come to live in the Mead. We also welcome Val and Dave Hammond and family who have returned to live on the Green.

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Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Mason on the birth of their daughter, and to Chris and Sue Toyah on the arrival of their baby James in January.

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We are sorry to learn that Miss. Booth has been unwell, and hope that she will soon be fully recovered.

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If anyone has any empty 1 lb. jam jars to spare, they would be very gratefully received by Mrs. Liz Miller. Tele: Soulbury 545.

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LOST A small and very furry tortoiseshell cat has gone missing from his home. If anyone has seen this cat, or knows of his whereabouts, will they please telephone Marcus or Robert on Soulbury 489.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: The Rev. A. Creber
The Manse, Stewkley. Tele: 251

Sunday 6th March 10.30 a.m.
Sunday 13th March 6.00 p.m.
Sunday 20th March 6.00 p.m.

Rev. A. Creber. Family Service
Mrs. E. Green
Circuit Service at Trinity Methodist Church, Leighton Buzzard. Preacher: Rev. Norman Burrows.

Sunday 27th March 6.00 p.m.

(Palm Sunday) Mr. Tony Wales

Sunday Club: Every Sunday at 10.30 a.m. except first Sunday in month.

Youth Group: Every Sunday after the 6.00 p.m. service, except first Sunday in month. Fellowship Meeting: Every Monday at 2.00 p.m.

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Minister: The Rev. Philip Dallaway
The vicarage, Stewkley. Tele: 287

For all services please refer to the Church Newsletter.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS (All meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated)

Wednesday	2nd March	8.00 p.m.	Keep Fit
Thursday	3rd March	7.00 p.m.	Youth Club
Tuesday	8th March	8.00 p.m.	W.I. Microwave Demonstration.
Wednesday	9th March	2.30 p.m.	Social Circle
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Thursday	10th March	7.00 p.m.	Youth Club
Monday	14th March	8.00 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	16th March	7.45 p.m.	Women's Fellowship at the home of Mrs. Jean Morris, 1 Stewkley Road. Talk on "Antique Jewellery."
Thursday	17th March	7.00 p.m.	Youth Club
Saturday	19th March	2.30 p.m.	Spring Sale
Wednesday	23rd March	8.00 p.m.	Keep Fit
Thursday	24th March	7.00 p.m.	Youth Club
Wednesday	30th March	8.00 p.m.	Keep Fit
Thursday	31st March	7.00 p.m.	Youth Club

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DIARY DATES

30th April & 1st May: 10.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m.

An exhibition of paintings by three Soulbury Artists, at the Old School, High Road, Soulbury.

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Items for the April newsletter should be submitted by Monday 21st March to either Mrs. Miller (545), Mrs. Bunyan (461), or Mrs. Norman (483).

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