

Have you Heard.....?

Thornton Curtis, Burnham and District Newsletter

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Specifically for Thornton Curtis, Burnham & District compiled with news and events relevant to our community and surrounding area.

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Deadline for next newsletter:
March 15th 2015

Grimsby & Scunthorpe Telegraphy's

The Grimsby Telegraphy can be pre-ordered for any day(s)

Monday to Saturday.

The weekly Scunthorpe Telegraphy is available Thursday. All papers can be paid for on a daily or weekly basis & collected during pub opening hours.

To place an order, please get in touch.

Thornton Hunt Inn

Diary of Events

St. Lawrence Church Services

9.15am (communion) - 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

Church Open Days - 1st Wed, 3rd Sat, 4th Sun (9-4 pm)

Village Night

1st Tuesday of the Month at the Thornton Hunt Inn, from 8.30pm.

A chance for you to meet your neighbours and members of our community for a drink and chat.

TBC **Art & Craft Exhibition**

TBC **Garden Party**

Happy New Year

To all our readers
let's hope 2015 will be a good
year for everyone within
our community.

This newsletter has been sent electronically to residents on the village database. If you would like your next issue this way please contact the Thornton Hunt Inn.

Parish News

It is hoped that the community will be holding a **Garden Party** once again in the summer. If anyone has any ideas for a venue could they contact either Carole, Marian or Helen.

Forthcoming Wedding: Bethany Bright and Joshua Jones on May 23rd 12pm.

Now that we have a heater which is useful for heating smaller areas in the church, it's a good time to remind everyone that the building is our community centre and can be booked by anyone wishing to hold a class, coffee morning, club or venue for a larger event. The area at the back of the building is excellent for dancing!

For more information contact Carole, Marian, Helen or Svetlana.

Parish News

The next **Parish Council meeting** is on Monday March 2nd at 8pm in the church.

December seems so very long ago now but it certainly held some highlights enjoyed by many. The **Annual Christmas Meal** at the Thornton Hunt was an outstanding success, and was probably the best to date. The food, as always, was delicious and Stephanie and Peter worked very hard together with their staff to ensure everything ran smoothly. A short Christmas quiz led to great hilarity as it was entitled How well do you know your Christmas carols.....and judging by some of the answers, not very well in some cases!! The singing was much better this year as the two tables of 10 sang Christmas rounds with much enthusiasm. Thank you once again to Stephanie and Peter for allowing us to have this event each year. If you didn't manage to book a place in 2014 then perhaps it's a good time to write it in your 2015 diary as it's always on the first Tuesday in December.

The **polling booths** for the forthcoming elections in May will be situated in the church. More details in the next newsletter.

The **snow warden** has been very busy recently spreading salt outside the old people's bungalows and on the drives of vulnerable residents and with the cold snap here to stay for a while he's going to be quite busy for some time yet. Remember to prepare for any journey taken on the roads by checking the pressure in the tyres, the screen washers and the lights. It is also a good idea to get into the habit of carrying a shovel and some extra clothing and keeping your mobile phone charged.

Thank you to two of our Thornton residents who very kindly donated 600L of heating oil to the Church as they have upgraded their heating system to a biomass boiler.

St Lawrence Church News

The **Carols around the Font** with a shared supper was enjoyed by a large crowd this year and the money raised was donated to Nina for her trip to Bolivia. Svetlana played the electronic piano to accompany the singers who raised the roof once more with their voices. It's hard to believe that it was at this event the year before that we realized the lead had been stolen from parts of the Church roof. Thankfully, this year, all is repaired and watertight. The Church has purchased a portable heater which is very efficient and certainly added to the comfort of the singers this year.

The **Christmas Morning Service** was a wonderful way to begin the day's celebrations, with 39 people attending and 9 children. Father Christmas had left a present beneath the tree for each child which they collected on their way out.....nice to send little folks away with a big smile on their faces.

Work should begin shortly on refurbishing the **Lych Gate** thanks to the grant from the local council. Part of this project is to hang a new set of gates within the Lych Gate itself, replacing the wooden ones that have long since disappeared.

In our next newsletter we will be publishing details for this year's **Art and Craft Exhibition** so time to dust off the paint boxes and take out the needles and get producing exhibits.

The **Museum of Angels** was officially launched at the Carols round the font, and is growing week by week. Svetlana is producing a catalogue of all the Angels which she will update as and when necessary. Anyone can include an Angel, either on loan, or donated to the exhibition, just contact Svetlana or anyone else connected with the Church.

Having completed several busy years of fundraising for the restoration of the Church and building a kitchen and toilet the PCC feels we can take a break from major fundraising for the time being. The PCC are extremely grateful to everyone who has helped us with the fundraising - the community support has been vital and much appreciated.

We will still hold the annual Harvest Auction to help fund the ongoing running costs of the Church.

The events held in recent years have been vital to fund major works however they have also provided opportunities for community get togethers and we look forward to this continuing and expanding into other events in the future. Anyone wishing to use the Church for an event please contact Carole Couch or Marian Weightman.

Thank you once again for all your help - we couldn't have done it without you. Marian Weightman