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PASTORAL LETTER

My Dear Friends,

I am writing this letter to you on Ascension Day, the day when the Church celebrates Christ's return into the real permanent world, that we sometimes call "Heaven". Just before he left the earth, he said a peculiar thing to his followers "it is a good thing for you really". He told them "that I am leaving you, for now I will send you my spirit who will be with you always and everywhere."

He meant that so long as he was on earth as a man, he could only be at one place at one time. But if he came, so to speak, as God the Spirit, he could and would be anywhere he was needed and sincerely called upon to be*. In other words, he was not going to be an inspiring figure of the past, but an available power in the present.

This Spirit of God is real and personal and it is at Whitsuntide that the Spirit, the Holy Spirit, first came into the world. It came to a group of men, disciples who had been constant companions with their Leader and Friend for three years and from today Ascension Day, it looked as though they were going to be on their own. If so, leaderless and friendless and lonely. But after Whitsunday - not at all - they were full to overflowing with enthusiasm to teach people everywhere about Jesus. So full of enthusiasm, that many of them died in their attempts, refusing to be put off, whatever the penalty. That was because "they were filled with the Holy Spirit".

We all want a better world, but you cannot have a better world without better people. For better people, you need ideals and faith, but you need more than that. You need a SPIRIT to make the whole thing work, not just a flash of inspiration but a steady, living, transforming spirit. And that is just what has been given to us by God the Holy Spirit.

Yours sincerely,

Ian Campbell
Rector

CHURCH RESTORATION AT ST MARYS

The roof over the South Porch collapsed three months ago. The perished lead and the rotten timbers were removed at once. Now it has been rebuilt and covered with new lead. An expensive piece of work rebuilt and restored with good workmanship. A job that will last a very long time, but at a very great price.

PEG BOSTON'S MEMORIAL

At the end of Communion Service on 9th May, Canon Hickin dedicated a bench in the Church porch, given in memory of Miss Margaret Boston (Peg) by her sister Miss Sybil Boston and her cousin Mr Arthur Salter of Canada. Mr. Salter has visited Coleshill and this is not his only benefaction to the Church. The bench has been most beautifully made in the occupational therapy department of Chesham, and is a worthy memorial to someone who loved our Church.

J.J.G.C-T.

FRANCES TREMBATH

Many Coleshill people will have been grieved to hear of the death of Frances Trembath in April. Miss Trembath's family lived at Barnhurst for many years, and her musical gifts were always at the service of the Church, her beautiful voice being a great source of strength to the choir. After her family moved to Beaconsfield, she continued to take an interest in Coleshill, returning on one occasion to open our fete, and on another to reinforce the soprano line, in last year's Spring Festival. Her death is a sad loss to the musical life of the district.

J.J.G.C-T.

THE MOTHERS' UNION CENTENARY YEAR

Members of the combined branches of St. Mary's, St. Michael's and All Saints', Coleshill had a Thanksgiving Service to mark the Centenary of the Mothers' Union (1876-1976) on Whit Sunday, June 6th 1976 at 6 p.m. at the Parish Church, St. Mary's Amersham when the guest speaker was Mrs. Naylor, J.P., central Vice-President of the M.U.

This was a truly family occasion with tea in the Conservative Centre, Church Street, Amersham.

On Wednesday, 12th, May there was also a special service at All Saints Church, High Wycombe when 700 members of the M.U. (and 52 banners) enjoyed a lovely service.

The next meeting of the local branch will be held on July 15th at Pond Cottage by kind invitation of Mrs. Harrison.

CHURCH CLOCK

In response to appeals made in the last two numbers, a very generous donation has been made anonymously, for which the Treasurer is most grateful. He still has a considerable balance to make up.

CHURCH FETE

A most successful Church Pete was held on **Saturday, 12th June**, in Wheelers Field, Magpie Lane, Coleshill by kind invitation of Mr. **E.H. Grindley** in glorious **weather**. That is a bald statement which covers the tremendous amount of energy and ingenuity displayed by so many people - publicity, erecting and improvising **stands**, a room for teas and the arrangement of stalls.

The general lines were laid down by Mr. **N.N. Nicholls** at a meeting at Orchard House and then a working Committee was appointed under the able guidance of Mrs, H, Coales. The **Mothers' Union** looked after the very much appreciated teas - including service for the stall holders in the marquee, and **Mr, R, Woolacott** as usual supplied a most efficient public address **system**.

In a most charming **speech**, Mrs. Elizabeth Hollingsworth said how delighted she was to be invited to attend. The fete was always a happy occasion and the object was to raise funds for All Saints - which in common with all other bodies had **some difficulty** in meeting rising expenses, diocesan **quota**, electricity repairs and the **like**. She hoped **people** would bear this in mind and then she declared the fete to be open.

People then flocked to the stalls and **sideshows**, including a dog show arranged by the Kingfishers Patrol, Guides, "**Find the Oasis**" arranged by the Snowdrops Patrol, Guides, Treasure Hunt (Brownies) and "**Butterflies**" (Coleshill 1st School). In addition there was an eloquent appeal to parents to send their young **children** to the excellent local school which is in grave danger of closure.

Thanks are extended to all those **people** who contributed so generously to the articles for **sale** on the stalls, and Mrs, **McCann** especially thanks those who responded to the house to house call for bottles etc. for the tombola

The fancy dress parade was as usual immensely popular and the results were:

- 1st Joanna Ferguson "**Mary Mary Quite Contrary**"
- 2nd Kim Ferguson and Zoe **Horsbrugh-Porter** "**Montreal, Here We Come**"
- 3rd tie Joanna John "**Off to Ascot**" and Victoria Cleveland "**Darn it**"

The results were as follows, another record, from which expenses amounting to some £100 have to be **deducted**, including hire of marquee

Gate	£35.64	Brought- fwd	£524.73
Tombola	101.21	Bowling	9.65
Raffle	72.57	Treasure Hunt	5.40
Green Fingers	68.45	Dog Show	2.75
Household	74.30	Find the Oasis	1.20
Books	9.15	Broken China	6.92
Cakes	47.62	Golf Chipping	6.43
Toys	37.70	Darts	3.62
Sweets	29.22	Pony Rides	2.60
Teas	25.21	Butterflies	1.32
Guide Stall	11.11	Guess the Castle	1.20
Coconut Shy	12.55	Fancy Dress	1.10
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Carried fwd	524.73	Total	£566.92

A SPRING FESTIVAL

Our Church echoed in a new way to the words "in the beginning" -- "IN THE BEGINNING" at the Spring Festival held in All Saints' in April. Although much of what those attended had expected to hear and see from a programme entitled "The Creation" must have been somewhat as anticipated -- because Spring does herald a new year every year as it did in the beginning - many no doubt went remembering the great success of the last Spring Festival.

The readings from Rudyard Kipling by Dora Post were warm and appreciated not only by the children to whom they were addressed but by the audience too. Later, the children sang "Oats and Beans and Barley Grow".

The programme was delicately interspersed by renderings from Haydn, Maybear and then "The Presents" by Hilaire Bellow, (music - John Chenevix-Trench) by tenor Willie Northcliffe. Space does not permit my mentioning the names of all those who not only worked so hard before the event and performed so well on the nights. It would be, nevertheless, remiss of me not to pay tribute to Ann Chenevix-Trench and Patsy Wright-Warren for both a brilliant production and performance. Much of what was presented was original.

No Festival of this type could be so called without music, much of which was specially composed for the occasion and beautifully presented by Penny Weedon, the organist. Thanks must also go to those responsible for the scenery and effects, particularly to the local artists who designed and painted the six illuminated plaques, which fitted in so well with the many and varied items on the programme, thus creating an atmosphere which made Angela Farmer's dancing even more impressive; the product of ability and good choreography.

Many of those who saw this Spring Festival will long remember the piercing eyes of Edward Ruffett for, if nothing else about the Festival portrayed Spring, the look of this young singer "in the beginning" was fascinating, except that his performance was at the very end.

R. J. W.

NEWSLETTER

The Treasurer acknowledges with many thanks a generous donation towards the cost of production of the Newsletter from a past resident, who is still on the mailing list.

COLESHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY A.G.M.

The A.G.M. of this Society was held on the 21st April 1976. Only two villagers besides the Committee attended and we take this as an indication of your confidence in us to arrange the show as you would like it to be.

The business part of the meeting was quickly completed, the accounts presented by Mr. E. Post were adopted and the following officers were re-elected for the following year: Chairman - Mr, E. Smith; Hon. Treasurer -- Mr, E. Post, Hon. Secretary - Mrs. D» Hesford, together with the existing members of the Committee with the welcome addition of Mrs. J. Ferguson.

The Show schedule was discussed and Mrs. Coales very kindly agreed to present a cup to be awarded to the winner of the Senior Citizens' class for any hand made article.

Show

The Show this year will be held on Saturday, 4th September, one week earlier than usual.

Please look out for the new class in the Floral Art Section, if you are someone who enjoys making formal flower arrangements. The new class will be entitled "From the Hedgerows" and will be open to those who haven't previously won a prize in this section.

If you would like to make a donation to the Society towards the cost of staging the Show which, in spite of our efforts to curb costs, is considerable, Mr. Post of 'Penridge' would be pleased to receive any contribution. The Wand-Tetley Book Award will be for "The Varieties & Location of the Trees in this Village". The class will be judged for rarity and original presentation.

The Committee would like to thank existing patrons for their support to the Society in the last year and we look forward to welcoming everyone to another successful show in September.

For and on behalf of the Committee,

D.M. HESFORD
Hon Secretary.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Attention is called to the remarks made by Mr. D.M. Curling, Chairman of the Parish Council at their A.G.M. on the 22nd March when he emphasized the importance of every effort being made to retain the Cup for another year.

The results which count are the general well kept appearance of the Village, which includes hedges, fences, surrounds, and general tidiness.

The preliminary judgings are expected to be held between the 1st and 15th July and the final judging before the 31st July.

CHRISTIAN AID

A successful morning in the Village Hall on May 22nd raised £100.30 for Christian Aid. This was achieved by a cake stall, a bran tub for the children and a table of coloured mystery parcels.

A number of people came and enjoyed the coffee and showed great interest in the working of Christian Aid.

Many grateful thanks to all who contributed so generously to make this a morning to be remembered,

COLESHILL CLUB

The new black-out curtains in the Hall have enabled us to indulge in that most popular of pastimes - film and slide shows.

In April London Transport very kindly showed three films to us. These were both instructive and amusing and dealt with various aspects of their work.

On May 11th a full coach left Goleshill for an afternoon outing to Bedford. Despite the fact that this was one of the few damp cold days in May, everyone enjoyed the trip through the lovely Spring countryside.

Mr, Richard Farmer joined our May meeting and introduced us to some completely different scenery. He talked about his recent visit to Canada and showed numerous coloured slides he had taken of this most beautiful and exciting country.

We thank him for giving us such an interesting afternoon.

M.W.

1st COLESHILL GUIDE COMPANY

Mrs. Wege is kindly giving us Home Nursing lectures which have occupied most of our time this term and one Monday we visited the Red Cross Medical Loan centre in Amersham.

On the 8th May the Guides helped with the visiting Brownies Revels. We gave all the Guiders tea and there were some very complimentary remarks made by them about the friendliness and helpfulness of the 1st Coleshill Guides, much appreciated by their Captain.

We were photographed by the Mid Week Bucks Press for the family album section; has anyone seen it in the paper?

We are hoping to attend the special Service in connection with World Children's Day (June 15th) at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, 20th June at All Saints, Refreshments in the Village Hall afterwards.

I attended an evening training at Chalfont St. Giles and met two Guiders visiting Bucks from **Gibraltar**. I also attended our **Anglia Region A.G.M.** at **Holmer Green**, this covers several Counties. It was an inspiring occasion and among other things we learnt of the **increasing numbers** of children wanting to join the movement **but** sadly the continuing shortage of Leaders (Guide Companies in Holmer Green and **Chesham** have recently advertised in the local press that they are in danger of closure owing to the lack of leaders). Also the constant need to keep up to date without losing the high standard set in the framework of our **promise**.

We hope to run some sideshows at the Village Fete.

H.J.M.C.

1st COLESHILL BROWNIESGUIDES

Mrs. Richardson feels that she has too many commitments to remain the **Brownie Guider** in charge of the Pack, but is to remain as a Unit Helper. Therefore I am now in charge. We all gave her a **big** thank you for her past work, on May 17th. Mrs. Swerling is going to join us in **September**.

We have one recruit this term. Amanda Lee from Winchmore Hill, Wendy Payne, Mr. **Bolton's** granddaughter, who has been Brownieing in Tasmania joined us last term. She and I collected litter in the Village, having been asked by the Parish Council to take part in the sponsored litter drive for the Chiltern Society and Shelter,

North **Paddington** and Queens Park Brownies held their district Revels at Grove Mill on the 8th **May**. Some of our Brownies joined **them**, there must have been about 100 people having a lovely time in the garden. The Paddington Brownies had an exciting visit to Brentford Grange where Mr. and Mrs. Swerling showed them over their **farm**. Our County **Commissioner** spent the afternoon with us all.

On 17th May, Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Darvell **came** and gave us a talk on Coleshill in the old days which we enjoyed. After **that** the Brownies went round the Village at high speed delivering Christian Aid leaflets. Some also helped with the Bran Tub in the Village Hall on the following Saturday.

Judith Richardson has gained her Music Badge and Susie Williams her **Jester's** Badge and Susie entertained us all during the **test**.

The Mid Week Bucks Free Press came and took our photograph one Monday but so far I have not seen it in the **paper**. If anyone does, I should be grateful to have a **copy**.

We hope to help at the Village Fete and also attend the special Service in connection with the World **Children's Day**, 15th June, at 9.30 a.m. at All Saints,

We are having our District Brownies Revels at Grove Mill on Monday, 14th June. The theme this year being a Country Fair.

There is room in our Pack for more Brownies, so if anyone is interested, do contact me (Mrs. Coales, Grove Mill, Coleshill, **Amersham 3883**).

VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A well attended Annual **General** Meeting of the Village Hall was held on the 27th April 1976 in the **Village Hall**, with Mr. Denis Hall in **the** Chair.

In his report, Mr. Hall said how pleased he **was to** see so many people there, and particularly the three **trustees**, Mr. Adams, Mr. **Harrison** and Mr. **Ruperti**.

The Hall, he said, had enjoyed quite a good year, **but** like everyone else, they had suffered from increased costs. **The** unfortunate but necessary increase in hire charges had been justified but they must try to peg prices if at all possible. We must always bear in mind that the Hall was provided for the Village and the running of it is not an end in itself. We must try to provide what the Village wants. There is no point in having a magnificent hall if no-one can afford to hire **it**.

Therefore they had been **cautious** in spending. One big task scheduled for last year had not been carried out. That was **re-decorating**. Our first estimate, nearly £1.000, frightened us so much that we did not get any more. It was fortunate that **re-decorating** was delayed as we have since had to **find** fairly large sums for other purposes, roof repairs, fire extinguishers and chairs which will be covered in the **Treasurers' report**.

They were most unfortunate with the roof. A small leak from the **ventilator** was repaired at the end of the year and the rest of the roof was reported to be in very good condition, which it was, but it was not able to withstand the gale of the 2nd January 1976, which ripped away about a third of the roofing felt. **Quick** action by Mr. Tony Barber and inspections by Mr. Colin Stockwell and the Chiltern Pelt Roofing Co. resulted in **there** being little additional damage. The cost however was £247.16, most of which has been paid by our insurers. Again, the Treasurer has details.

Another commitment taken on during the year has been **cleaning**. This I think has been most satisfactory and we are lucky to have Mr. King, an expert in office cleaning etc., in the Village. His charges are modest and since he took over we have been complimented on the cleanliness of the Hall. Of course, we cannot afford to have the whole building done from floor to ceiling and we shall have to think about spring cleaning if **re-decorating** is long delayed. There are other projects still under consideration, improvements to the kitchen and better emergency lighting.

Miss Stone joined us during the year as the Residents' Association's **representative**, replacing Mr. Clifton who had filled two roles but I'm glad to say he remains as Hon. Treasurer.

I should like to thank the Committee for their excellent work and support during the year. The Jumble Sale Was again particularly **successful** financially, £96, but more so I think for the fine spirit of co-operation it engenders between the Committee and helpers. Another fine co-operative effort was the lining of the curtains with the W.I., the Coleshill Club, Guides and others participating.

Whilst I cannot mention everyone **by name**, I must say a word about **Mrs. Harris** for so ably looking after the bookings, keeping a watchful eye on the premises and the little things like ensuring soap, clean towels and other essential commodities are always available in those small rooms at the back. These things are important and in this respect, we are better served than many first class hotels and business premises. I must also ask Mrs. Harris to thank her son Denis for the numerous jobs he does for the Hall throughout the year and all free of charge.

I must also mention my predecessor, Mrs. **Ovington**, who still gets lumbered with a good deal of the **Chairman's** work, which she carried out with the best of **goodwill**.

My grateful thanks are due to **Mr. Clifton**, our Hon. Treasurer. You will see from the Balance Sheet and Statement of Account and hear from his report that the accounts have been kept in very good shape. We are greatly indebted to **Mr. Clifton** for his expert financial advice which keeps our feet firmly on the ground when we get grandiose ideas. Thanks to Mr. Stubbings for again auditing our accounts.

Finally, thanks to the Weedon Family for their help in many ways, and particularly in keeping the grounds presentable. Of course our greatest thanks go to them for Penny our most versatile Hon. Secretary who appears in so many roles in the Village. This is her first year as Secretary of the Village Hall Management Committee and I am most appreciative of all she has done. You may have noted that our Secretary is not presenting a report this year. **By necessity the Chairman's and the Secretary's** report must cover the same ground and we thought it would save some **repetition**. As I have carried out the task this year, I may ask the Secretary to present the report next year in the form of a Lance Percival type of **Calypso**."

Then Mr. Clifton presented his report. The hire of the Hall came to almost £400, the Jumble Sale £96 and sundries £34. This was mostly swallowed up by lighting, heating, insurance, normal repairs, etc and cleaning. In spite of that there was something over for extra items, chairs, etc. and a balance of some £13 to carry forward.

The reports were adopted with enthusiasm. The Hon. Secretary then read a letter with the names of representatives representing various local **bodies**, to which Mrs. Emblow was added and the other-members of the Committee were elected en bloc.

At a subsequent meeting of the Committee, Mr. D. Hall was re elected **Chairman**, Mr. R. Woolacott, Vice Chairman, Mr. C.F. Clifton Hon. Treasurer, and Miss Penny Weedon Hon. Secretary, with great **enthusiasm**.

The meeting closed with a cordial vote of thanks to the **Chair**, almost spontaneously **proposed**.

COLESHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 4TH MAY 1976

The Meeting was held in the Village Hall and there was a good attendance.

The Chairman, Miss Stone, welcomed all present and especially Mr. Campbell, General Secretary of the Chiltern Society, who had come to speak about the work of the Society. In her report Miss Stone said that we were saddened by the sudden death of Mr. Fox who was one of the ablest of our Committee members. His quiet helpfulness and advice were invaluable. We record our gratitude to him and our deep appreciation of his work. To Mr. Clifton, our retired Chairman, our thanks for his leadership over so many years, and we are glad to know that he will remain with us.

Mrs. Stevens has retired from her position as our representative on the Chiltern District Council and on behalf of the whole district I thank her.

Thanks also to our Treasurer, Mr. Post, for his special contribution to the Association.

We had endeavoured to obtain a Conservation Order for Coleshill but failed, because in the opinion of the County Council there are no groups of buildings worthy of being preserved.

Again our efforts to get a "limited access" for the Village were unsuccessful, but this we intend to follow up.

In answer to our enquiries we learned that the new Water Main through the village was designed to maintain supplies to Coleshill and improve supplies to Tylers Green.

Public footpaths have been watched, and strong efforts were made to maintain the Bus Service. While we seek a reliable Bus service we are very conscious that many Buses between Amersham and Coleshill run empty.

We made enquiries about the little yellow crosses on the Amersham road near the Water Tower. These are for survey purposes. The surface of the road is being studied, as the Divisional Surveyor has a suspicion that the formation under the road is moving. Last year Mr. Weedon asked about the additional pylons which seemed to be appearing around the Switching Station at Mop End, this had also been mentioned by Mr. Troughton. The Authority had told us that the additional pylons are for the re-routing of the main transmission lines from Iver and East Claydon into the sub-station. Some of the old pylons had been removed.

Aircraft Noise has not been as bad as feared. For this we must thank AC-AC. Mr. Williams had written an account on this subject for the Village Newsletter which proved the success of the campaign. But for the "ADO" raised about the new flightpath there would have been far, far greater cause for complaint.

Coleshill won the Cup for the Best Kept Village in our class. The Parish Council at some expense and with difficulty had the sign set up by the Pond. We must work to keep it.

The Chiltern Society anti-litter drive was held recently. With very few helpers in Coleshill our efforts removed from the Common two bicycles, a broken tiled fireplace surround, the outer casing of a refrigerator, and 7 bags of broken glass, tins, pots, old boots. You name it, we found it.

At the end of the Report the Treasurer gave his account of our finances which was very satisfactory, and there being no questions the financial report was adopted.

Election of Officers and Committee. The Secretary asked for nominations for Chairman and Miss Stone's name was put forward. No other nominations were received and Miss Stone was re-elected unanimously. The two other Officers and the members of the Committee were all prepared to serve again, and this was agreed. Miss Stone asked for any other volunteers to join the Committee, but as there were none she said we always had power to co-opt if necessary.

The Chairman spoke about the Village School and said we have gladly given our support to those who are fighting to keep open this essential part of Village life.

Before the Chairman opened the Meeting for general discussion she presented a beautiful bouquet of flowers to Mrs. Stevens on her retirement from the Council, and expressed the thanks of all for the work done on behalf of the Village. Mrs. Stevens in acknowledgement of this tribute said how much she appreciated the confidence the people of the village had shown in her ability to serve them and for the kindness she had always received from the residents. As she hoped to remain a member of the Parish Council she would not sever her connection with Council work altogether.

Mr. Clifton started the open forum by asking when the Gipsies would be going from the top of Gore Hill. Mr. Ruperti said we seem to get nowhere with the removal of Gipsies from the community but the Charcoal burner, who had been living in Hodgemoor Woods for years, had been asked to go from his home. Who was responsible for this? Mrs. Stevens had no knowledge of this eviction, but would make some enquiries.

Mr. Dening spoke about the present position with regard to the possible closing of the School, and said he would draw attention to the fact that the Parents and Friends Group will be active in combating any closure and would draw upon the support of the Association for that purpose. The factors to be considered are not only economic but they also take into account the role of the school in a Village. He hoped that people will be racking their brains for the future of the school and ideas and moral support will be most valuable.

Mr Clifton asked if there were any candidates for the Chiltern District Council present, and if so would they state their views on the problems facing the School. Mr. Horsbrugh-Porter thought it was not a matter of closing the school but of a redistribution of the available children. It is a question of recruiting more pupils, the number has increased and the decline reversed.

Two tenants from Hill Meadow mentioned the parking problem in that area, and one asked if cars could be prevented from parking on grass verges, and another suggested that some grassed areas should be used for parking. The Chairman said we would look into these matters and try to make some reasonable suggestions.

The 9.27 am Bus to the Station was mentioned and this had already been taken up with London Country Buses. The Secretary would take further action on this. The Chairman thanked the audience for their attention and asked Mr. Campbell to talk to the Meeting.

He said that the Chiltern Society has very much the same purpose as the Coleshill Residents Association. It was started in 1965 and its main concern is with the A.O.N.B. The Society's income is not very large but their activities make great inroads into their funds. There are between 1,500 and 2,000 miles of Rights of Way in the County and the Chiltern Society does an immense amount of general clearing mostly in the Winter. He mentioned the Lacey Green Windmill which is the only Ladies Smock Mill in the Country and was built in Chesham. It is open every Sunday in the summer. Mr. Campbell also spoke of success in keeping the Green Belt intact between Wycombe and Hazlemere, but thought there was a tendency between Amersham, Chesham and Wycombe to build up and close any green areas which separate these places. He spoke about the Pitstone Cement works, and also the Aircraft noise. This led him to mention the proposals for the extension of the four London Airports, which if allowed would lead to an increase from 27 million passenger movements per year to a possible 104 million passenger movements per year. This would inevitably affect us here, especially when the wind is in the West.

The Society has a plan for an Open Air Museum in the Chilterns, not necessarily a collection of things from all over the area, but the policy is that in the Chilterns good buildings should be left where they are and should be preserved in situ. There may be in the future a more usual kind of Museum possibly at Newlands Park if the County Council is able to co-operate.

The Chiltern Society relies more and more on local societies to keep an eye on planning matters in their own areas, only seeking help from the bigger Society when the application justifies.

Mr. Curling proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Campbell for his fascinating talk, and said the Chiltern Society is the organization which could look after our interests, and it would be a good idea if all those who are not members would join now.

The Chairman closed the meeting by thanking all those present for their attention, and said subscriptions were now due.

-E.S.

CHILTERN SOCIETY/SHELTER LITTER DRIVE

This sponsored Drive took place recently in Coleshill - but was, sadly, very poorly supported. Two elderly and two much younger villagers, and one small very willing girl turned up, and together a goodly collection of refuse was made.

Arising from this activity it became clear that some persons have been using a part of the Common for dumping builders rubbish as well as the usual old iron, paint cans, etc. If any residents are thinking of doing some modernisation in their homes, and have rubble and such like to dispose of, may I ask them please to instruct their workmen to take their rubbish to the London Road Depot where the Council will dispose of it free of charge. Our Common is a delightful spot and could be more so if everyone would dispose of their unwanted articles in a proper manner.

COLESHILL TENANTS' ASSOCIATION

The First annual general meeting of this Association was held in the Parish Room on May 5th 1976 when quite a number attended.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 30th June, at 8 p.m.

The Officers are: Chairman - Mr. J. Cossey; Hon. Secretary - Mrs. Wingrove;
Hon. Treasurer - Mrs. C.V. Cossey.

W. Wingrove

SOUTH BUCKS DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION

On May 12th, a coffee morning, bring and buy stall and raffle was held in aid of the South Bucks and Berks Dyslexia Association at Wheatsheaf Cottage.

Mrs. Jean Smith thanks all those generous people who between them raised £44 for helping these children with their often unrecognised problems.

STAMPS

If you are in the habit of throwing your used postage stamps into the waste paper basket, will you please throw them in to a box in the Church or through my letter box.

They have in the past year helped Cancer Research, the S.O.S. Society, the Guides' collection for special eye treatment for the nearly blind in Sarawak and the Save The Children Fund.

Please help us to do much more.

Green Shield Stamps are still going to help our hospital in Magila.

Many thanks for the 28 books collected in the past few months and special thanks to the Sunday School for the splendid support. We could do with many more stamps and odds and ends of wool for blankets.

M. Williams

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

JUNE	Thurs	24	Mobile Library Van, Coleshill
	Wed	30	Coleshill Tenants* Association, Parish Room 8 p.m.
JULY	Thurs	8	Mobile Library Van, Coleshill
			W.I. "The Joy of Making a Tapestry" - Mrs. Petterson
	Wed	14	Coleshill Club
	Thurs	15	Mothers* Union, Pond Cottage
			Concert at St. Mary's - Haydn, Handel, 8 p.m.
	Sun	18	Piano Recital, St. Mary's 3 p.m.
	Thurs	22	Mobile Library Van, Coleshill
SEPT	Sat	4	Coleshill Horticultural Show
OCT	Wed	5	Coffee Morning at Orchard House - in aid of new "Dial A Genie" scheme.