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Health - The capacity of the health system has been significantly reduced due to the damage of at least 21 clinics. Ten primary health care clinics are functioning as emergency clinics and hospitals and intensive care units continue to treat the mass casualties.

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#### Who's Who in Wrawby

#### St Mary's Parish Church

Clergy Fr. Owain Mitchell 10 Glanford Road, Brigg 653989 Curate Fr. David Eames 652396 Licensed Reader 658883 Nigel Good Churchwarden

652542 **Derek Bunting** Nigel Good 658883 Deputy Churchwarden

653154 Rosy Hoyle Honorary Secretary Rosy Hoyle 653154 Honorary Treasurer Patrick Keilthy 655360

#### Wrawby Methodist Church

Church Stewards Jim Marr 650114 Robert Wright 652418 Church Treasurer 653321 Jonathan Dibdin

#### Wrawby St. Mary's C E **Controlled Primary School**

Head teacher Mrs. S. Rowe 655579 Chair of Governors 655579 Mrs C White Friends of Wrawby School 678224 Petra Heath

#### Other Village **Organisations**

Wrawby Pre-school (Mon, Wed & Fri 9.15 - 11.45 am & 12.45 - 3.15 pm. Thurs 9.15 - 11.45 next to the school)

Nikki Barnard 678901 Carer and Toddler Group (Tuesday 10.00 - 11.30 am term - time in Pre

school building) Nikki Barnard 678901

North Lincolnshire UA Councillors John Berry 01469540840 Nigel Sherwood 653232 Carl Sherwood 655202

Parish Council - Chairman Ian Smith 652084

Parish Clerk

Graham Foster 651250

Community Police 0845 606 0222

Wrawby Neighbourhood Watch

Mrs. Julie Smith 652084 Wrawby Post Mill 653699 Mrs. Susan Day

Wrawby History Group

Mrs. Kay Rothery

Lunch & Chat 653387

653315

654665

Mrs. P Hubbard

Warden of Wold Court

Mrs. A Locking 653475 Wrawby Playing Fields Assoc.

Mr. Paul Dalton Village Hall Committee Chairperson Mr Warwick May 658206

Village Hall Bookings

Mrs. Susan Day 653699 Indoor Bowls

Meg Gall 650173 Welcome pack

Mrs. Rosy Hoyle 653154 Wrawby Women's Institute

655049 Allison Walker

#### **VALENTINE FUNNIES**

What did the boy light bulb say to the girl light bulb on Valentines Day? I wuv vou watts and watts!

What did the boy sheep say to the girl sheep on Valentines Day? I love ewe!

What did the girl sheep say to the boy sheep on Valentines Day? You're not so baaaaaad yourself!

What did the boy octopus say to the girl octopus on Valentines Day? I want to hold your hand hand hand hand hand hand hand!

Is it better to write a love letter on an empty stomach or a fill stomach? It's better to write it on paper!

What did the Valentine card say to the stamp?

Stick with me and we'll go places!

What type of flowers should you never give on Valentines Day?

Cauliflowers!

Who do birds marry?

Their tweet hearts!

Did you hear about the romance in the tropical fish tank?

It was a case of guppy love!

Why did the banana go out with the prune?

Because he couldn't get a date!

Why did the cannibal break up with his valentine?

Please note that events advertised in this magazine are the responsibility of the organisers. Whilst every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the information in Wrawby News, neither the Church nor the Editors have any control over the events or information supplied by others.

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# **Wrawby Local History Group**

The next meeting of Wrawby Local History Group will be held on Tuesday, 10th February in the small meeting room of Wrawby Village Hall at 7.30pm. when Mr. Bill Brocklesby will give a talk on the Tyrwhitt family.

Anyone who is interested in Wrawby or Family History will find this talk fascinating as this influential family, who were Lords of the Manor of Wrawby until the late 17th century, were connected to many of the great families of England.

Please come along and join us, all welcome.

# **Wrawby Neighbourhood Watch**

On behalf of Neighbourhood Watch, may I wish everyone a very happy new year.

Many thanks to our Christmas tree team Paddy O'Boyle, Derrick Button and Ian Smith. This year we only needed to replace the star on the top. It had lasted for 10 years, so I don't think we could complain. Fortunately all the other lights worked, so maybe this means that next year we could have a problem, but that is a long way away.

Thank you to Father Christmas and his helpers, especially Chris Rothery who transported him for us, and to all the very kind people who provided refreshments, once again the weather was kind to us.

You very generously donated £298.67 to village funds. This will provide next year's tree plus any lights that we may need, and the remainder will be spent in Wrawby, so if anyone has any ideas or projects, please contact either Paddy O'Boyle or myself on 01652 652084

Best wishes for 2009. Julie Smith.



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The advent of the smoke alarm has been one of the most important technological events in recent years. By giving people those precious minutes to escape from fire, the working smoke alarm has saved countless lives over the years. Nick Tharratt from Humberside Fire and Rescue Service says,

"Owning smoke alarms is not enough - test yours weekly to ensure it remains your potential lifeline for future years to come."

Recently there has been a rise in the number of cooking related fires especially around tea time. Approximately 70% of fires in the home are cooking related. It is easy to get distracted when cooking especially if the phone rings.

Here are some handy tips to help you prevent a fire in your home:

- If the door bell goes take your cooking off the hob.
- Your grill can kill keep it clean to prevent any excess food catching fire.
- use a deep fat fryer instead of a chip pan, which can overheat
- Create your own fire escape plan
- Pull your finger out! Make sure you have a full working smoke alarm and test it weekly.

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#### **Parish Council News**

The following items were discussed at the December and January meetings:

#### **December**

- (a) Residents will have noted the revised entrance/exit to Vicarage Motors garage. In response to concerns raised by some parishioners, the Parish Council contacted North Lincs Council Highways Division who advised that the issue is flood related. In periods of heavy rain, water ran off the A18 and inundated the garage in contravention of the Highways Act 1980. It was further stated that in the view of the various departments at the Council (Traffic, Road Safety etc) the relocation of the access is acceptable and that it poses no additional risk over the original location.
- (b) There have been reports that fly tipping of rubbish is taking place on the Village Hall car park. The Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee wish to remind everyone that the Village Hall is a village amenity its upkeep is paid for effectively by Wrawby council-tax payers through the Parish Council. It is requested that if anyone has knowledge of such incidents, then please advise a local councillor, the police or North Lincs Council with as much information as possible so that action can be taken.

#### January

- 1. The police reported that December 2008 had been a relatively quiet month for Wrawby (a theft from a motor vehicle on Wold Court being the only crime reported) but vigilance continued to be required and every suspicious matter, however small, was to be reported to the police.
- 2. Humber Fire and Rescue have supplied the Clerk with "Home & Driving Safety" leaflets for winter conditions. If any parishioner requires any of these leaflets, please telephone the Clerk, Graham Foster on 651250.
- 3. North Lincolnshire Rural Local Action Group has secured substantial funding to support local projects, minimum £1000. Types of projects might include:
- (a) developing/enhancing existing services
- (b) village renewal (e.g. community buildings)
- (c) conservation and upgrading rural heritage
- (d) marketing/promotional activities

A local "surgery" is being held at Elsham Village Hall on Monday 9 February 2009 (3pm to 7pm) to identify if a particular project is eligible. For more information or to book an appointment, please contact Liz Bennett at the Ropewalk on 01652 660380 or e-mail Leader@the-ropewalk.co.uk

4. A number of parishioners have requested that Royal Mail replace the bricked up Post box on the old Central Stores with a new box in the "centre" of the village. The Parish Council have contacted Royal Mail and their response is awaited.

Graham Foster (Clerk)

### St Mary's Church Opens Door

Just a reminder that St Mary's Church is open daily from 9.00am to 3.00pm Monday to Friday during school term time for all to visit, whether for prayer, or peaceful reflection.





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# Around Wrawby

#### FROM THE REGISTERS

FUNERAL-8TH DECEMBER -- HILDA "MARY" ANDREW

We welcome two new members to the editorial team for the Church and Community News. Kate Prior has joined Stephen and Pete editing the newsletter whilst Jim Flewker will assist Patrick as they take over responsibility for maintaining the website.

Susan Day has recently taken over responsibility for Wrawby Village Hall bookings. If you wish to book the hall then please contact her on 01652 653699.

Back by popular demand, St Mary's School is holding a Family Bingo Evening on Thursday 12th February at 6.30 p.m.

School breaks up for half term on Friday 13th February, returning Monday 23rd.

Wrawby's Methodist Congregation are continuing to host coffee mornings with cream scones on the first Saturday of every month between 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon. The next coffee morning is 7th February

Wrawby WI will meet again at Wrawby Village Hall at 8.00pm on Wednesday 18th February. The theme for the evening will be personal safety and crime prevention. All are welcome.

The Citizens Advice Rural Communities project provides access to advice on money problems with sessions at 31 Fleetgate, Barton every Thursday from 9.30 to 3.30 and on the 4th Friday of each month in Broughton Village Hall from 9.30 to 12.00. You can contact the service on 0844 826 9693 or further information is available at <a href="http://wrawby.org.uk/archive/2009/Citizens\_Advice\_Bureau.htm">http://wrawby.org.uk/archive/2009/Citizens\_Advice\_Bureau.htm</a>.

A roadshow is being held for local Parishes by Rosemary Field, Music Development Officer, Diocese of Lincoln who advises 'The roadshow idea is about meeting people and spreading the word on what the diocese is offering by way of music development as so very few people actually know about it.'

Welcome packs are available for newcomers to the village and can be obtained from Church or Rosie Hoyle on 653154. Take one round and get to know your new neighbour!!

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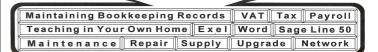
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As I write, Barack Obama, his wife and 2 daughters are on board a train, heading for Washington. In a day or two, he will be inaugurated as the President of the United States. 40 years ago, this would have been unthinkable - a black man voting was a rarity - a black man becoming President would have been unimaginable. Barriers are being broken down. (Before I go any further, I feel I should make it perfectly clear, that any barriers I refer to in this article are not of the health and safety sort.) My Granddad, who has been mentioned before in my writings, was born in 1894. I remember him telling me the week after Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong landed on the moon, that if anyone had told him when he was a young lad that he'd see a man walk on the moon, he would have thought they were barmy! Technology boundaries were being moved and barriers that told us such things were impossible had been broken down.

One of my favourite hymns has the line "may we no more defend barriers he died to end". Barriers are being broken. We have seen it in recent years in Northern Ireland, between the Catholics and Protestants. We see it, in volunteers to go to work with agencies like Medecins sans frontieres, and we see it in the election of the 1st black President. I often wonder when God created man if He had any idea of the barriers we would find to put up. We all have our own barriers. I have a class of year 11 pupils at school that I am trying to convince they CAN do maths if they think positively (and remember to square root the answer when doing Pythagoras), but some of them have barriers that stop them believing in themselves, or so it seems to me. I have a few barriers of my own - I

won't bore you with them now, - and I'm sure you perhaps have a few too. We put up barriers when we don't want to hear or consider the other persons point of view, or when we don't like our neighbours stand on political issues, or we don't want to get to know the stranger in our midst because they don't look like our sort of person. We also put up barriers when we think things are impossible, and cannot believe that they could ever happen.

Many people put up barriers when God is mentioned. But what I find truly amazing is how God never puts up barriers. Reading through the Gospels, we are reminded time and time again of how Jesus set about breaking down barriers; sitting down to eat with tax collectors, speaking with women, touching the "unclean". I do believe that Jesus is ready to welcome everyone. He doesn't put up barriers that stop people getting close to Him. He doesn't look at creed, colour or worry about political view. Jesus looks into our hearts and loves us despite what He often sees there! And it also strikes me that when mankind puts up barriers that are unfair and unjust towards certain sectors of society, God puts in place events that will knock these barriers down. And so very often He uses the most unexpected and humble people.

I wonder if Rosa Parkes had any idea of the barriers that she was beginning to tear down when she said she was too weary to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery in 1955? And would she have believed it if someone had told her that in 2009 Barack Obama would become the President? Or would she have just thought they were barmy?!





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# Wrawby's Diary for February 2009

**February** 

1 Sunday

St. Mary's 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

11.00 a.m. United Family Service

**2 Monday** 7.30 p.m. PCC Meeting in Church

4 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

Mobile Library

10.00 a.m. Teddy Bear's Club Lunch Club at the Black Horse

**6 Friday** 9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer in Church

**7 Saturday** 10.00 - 12.00 Coffee Morning in

Church - Cream Scones, Coffees

8 Sunday

St. Mary's 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

**9 Monday** 2.00 p.m. Monday Club in Village

Hall. Tel. 653039 for details.

**10** Tuesday 7.30 p.m. Local History Group,

Village Hall

11 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

12 Thursday 6.30 p.m. Family Bingo, Wrawby

School

**13 Friday** 9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer in Church

End of School for Half Term

15 Sunday

St. Mary's 11.00 a.m. Morning Praise

18 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

Mobile Library

8.00 p.m. Women's Institute, Village

Hall

**20 Friday** 9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer in Church

22 Sunday

St. Mary's 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

23 Monday Back to School

### Wrawby Mobile Library Schedule

Alternate Wednesdays:-

 Village Hall
 12.20 - 12.40 p.m.

 Central Stores
 1.45 - 2.10 p.m.

 Tunnel/Barton Road
 2.15 - 2.25 p.m.

See Diary for this month's dates

25 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

**27 Friday** 9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer in Church

March

1 Sunday

St. Mary's 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

11.00 a.m. United Family Service

4 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

Mobile Library

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Church - Cream Scones, Coffees

All are welcome to attend the Sunday Services at St. Mary's Church.

Those on the 1st and 3rd Sunday are particularly arranged as joint services with the Methodist congregation. There is a Sunday School during services on the 2nd and 4th Sunday.

The 9.00am Wednesday Eucharist Service is a short (30 minute) Communion service

The 9.15am Friday Morning Prayer is a short informal service with refreshments



To book a Wedding or Baptism please see Fr Owain after Parish Communion on 2nd or 4th Sunday. For all other matters contact him on 01652 653989 or Email:fromitchell@btinternet.com

# Wrawby Post Mill Open Days



Monday 13th April, Monday 4th May, Monday 25th May, Sunday 28th June, Sunday 26th July Monday 31st August.

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