

July - December 2019



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out & about

Nene and Welland District



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Come celebrate 10 years of Friendship Month on Sunday 1 September

Welcome to your Events Diary and Newsletter for the Nene and Welland District of Oddfellows.

As a local Branch of a national membership organisation called the Oddfellows, we offer you a great opportunity to make new friends and enjoy a variety of activities. We also provide our members with a range of advice and support services when you need them. We are basically a group of friends brought together through shared interest in socialising, making friends and helping people. This issue features details of all our upcoming events from eating out to trips out.

Everyone is welcome at Oddfellows events. Even if you are not a member, we want to extend an invitation to

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you and your friends to attend any of our events that take your fancy - and we like to think that we can guarantee you a good time.

A bit about us...

The Oddfellows is a not-for-profit friendly society that's been around for over 200 years. Our aim is to bring people together through our social events, as well as support our members with a range of benefits and services. The Society is run by our members for the members. For more information visit www.oddfellows.co.uk or call 0800 028 1810 to speak to one of our team.

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A message from Christine Sargeant our Provincial Grand Master (District Chairman)

Hello Everyone,

May I welcome you to our new Out and About which includes recent news, many up and coming events as well as other matters of interest.

We hope that amongst the many events we organised in the next six months, you will find something of interest and that we can welcome most of you to some, if not all of them. Please feel free to bring friends along too even if they are not members. If anyone has transport problems, please contact us and we will endeavour to help if at all possible. Don't be lonely, come and have some fun and make new friends.

Please help to keep us in touch with any members who need help of any kind, or just someone to visit or phone from time to time. All of you are important to us whether you are active or not, remember we are here for you.

If anyone is interested in attending meetings or wants to learn more about becoming actively involved in running of the District Branch, then please contact us or come along.



Christine Sargeant our Provincial Grand Master (Chairman)

If you have time on your hands to visit or telephone the sick or lonely members who cannot get out we would welcome you and can train you for this.

Some of you may want to organise or help at social events, our small Social Committee would be pleased of your input. Don't be shy, if you want to become active or help in anyway you will be made very welcome and there are always people to help and guide you along the way. In friendship, love and truth, stay healthy, safe and be happy.

Join the conversation @OddfellowsUK

Share your news, start a conversation or simply stay up-to-date! If you're on Facebook or Twitter, make sure you've liked and followed our Oddfellows social media pages.



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July 2019

TUES 02 **Pork Pie Making at Melton Mowbray**



11am



£10



We've done sausage making, now we are going pork pie making. This time we are going to Brockleby's Food at Melton Mowbray and we are meeting at the garden centre on-site. We can have a look around (shopping therapy) and those who wish to, can purchase a bite of lunch in the cafeteria before we go onto the afternoon demonstration and talk about the great Melton Mowbray pork pie. After the demonstration you get to make your own pork pie and take it home to bake. Protective aprons are provided. If you don't drive we may be able to get you a lift with someone else. Places are limited. Book by Friday 21 June. Brockleby's Bakery, Asfordby Hill, Melton Mowbray LE14 3QU. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122



TUES 09 **Cold Pudding Club**



7pm



See below



Summer time is upon us. If you have a great summer time dessert you make, why not make it and bring it along to our Cold Pudding Club and share it with a great group who also love pudds. If making puddings is not your thing but enjoying them is, then you are still welcome to join us and enjoy the great tastes on offer. You don't have to be a member everyone is welcome. You'll make new friends and have a tasty evening out. Cost: £1 bring a pudding, £2 just to enjoy. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Chris on 01780 755705.

WED 10 **Craft Club**



2pm



Members £2,
Guests £4



Our crafty crafters are having fun this month with, yes, shaving foam! Curious, then come along and find out what you can make using shaving foam. You will have a fun afternoon out with a fun-loving group. Enjoy some tea and cake and go home with something to show to your family and friends. If you have never had a go at crafting, don't be afraid, Janice will take you every step of the way. Why not bring a friend along too? Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Janice on 01778 560059.

July 2019

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Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)



12.30pm



As per
menu



Please
book



If you find yourself alone for whatever reason, especially when you've lost someone, it can be hard to muster up the courage to join in and meet new people again. We understand how daunting it can be as you probably did a lot of things as a couple. Sustaining friendships can seem hard after a loss, but over time the people around you will be a crucial part of helping you to cope moving forward. Our monthly Friendship Lunch may be just the place you're looking for to take that first step back into socialising. We welcome everyone to come and join us for lunch, meet new friends, including people who have travelled the same journey as you are on now. If you would prefer to bring a friend along with you that's just fine. Call Christine to find out more, have a chat and book your place. Book by Monday 15 July. Riverside Hotel, 123 Station Road, Surfleet, Spalding PE11 4DG. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

TUES
23

Growing Older With a Smile (Talk)



2pm



£2



Growing older comes to us all whether we want to or not. So, come and join us for a light hearted look at growing older with a smile. Alan will talk us through how to enjoy growing older, with many anecdotes about his experiences. He'll even tell you how to have fun at the younger generation's expense, all in the kindest way of course! Afterward we'll enjoy some tea, cake and chat. The profit from the afternoon goes to the Deepings Youth Group. So come and have a laugh at getting older whilst helping the young ones of the area. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

TUES
30

Surprise Bingo



2pm



£1 per book



It's eyes down time again ladies and gentlemen for our surprise prizes bingo afternoon. The more we have playing, the greater the fun for all. No one knows what the prizes are until you win and unwrap it. Also we enjoy tea, cakes and chat before the final few games. All our profits from the afternoon go into the District Chairman's charity 'Deepings Youth Group'. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

August

TUES
06

Afternoon Tea Waterside Garden Centre (City Branch)

1.30pm

£9.99

Please
book



Come and join with friends as we enjoy a wander around one of the largest garden centres in our area. After enjoying the centre we will then enjoy a afternoon tea in the restaurant at 2.30pm. If wandering around is not for you, then you are still welcome to just come and join us for afternoon tea. So, if you are coming for a walk, we meet at the main entrance at 1.30pm. If you are joining us for tea we'll see you in the restaurant at 2.15pm. Please book your place with Andrew by Sunday 28 July. Waterside Garden Centre, King Street, Baston, Peterborough PE6 9NY. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

WED
14

Craft Club

2pm

Members £2,
Guests £4



Our ever-growing craft club is having fun this month with coloured card. This is going to be demonstrated and led by Georgina Hitchcock, one of our club members. So why not come and have a go, even if you never thought you could but always wanted to. You'll meet new friends have a fun afternoon and learn something new. If you are a more skilled crafter please come and join us, you can always learn something new and help others as they learn. It really is a fun afternoon. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Janice on 01778 560059.



August

TUES
20

Surprise Bingo



2pm



£1 per book



This really is a fun afternoon out with friends. So, if you enjoy the great game come and join us, meet friends, play 10 games to win great prizes and enjoy a cuppa, cake and a natter. Everyone is welcome and you don't have to be a member to join in. You will be helping us to raise money for the 'Deepings Youth Group', which helps youngsters of the area. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.



WED
21

Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)



12.30pm



As per
menu



Please
book



Once again, our regular group of friends meet at the Riverside Hotel for lunch, but we would love for more to join us.



If you are looking to meet new friends after moving to the area or after the loss of a loved one or for any other reason, then do give Christine a call. It is a great afternoon of good food and good friendship and it's not expensive. Bring a friend, everyone is welcome. Book by Monday 19 August. Riverside Hotel, 123 Station Road, Surfleet, Spalding PE11 4DG. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

WED
28

Fun and Games in the Garden (Haven of Happiness)



2pm



Free



Once again Christine and John are opening their garden and invite everyone to join them for an afternoon of fun and games in the garden along with a fabulous afternoon tea. Come and play in our yard or just come and enjoy a natter with a really fun group of people who just love getting together for fun days. 12 Rotten Row, Pinchbeck, Spalding PE11 3RH. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

September - Friendship Month

SUN

01

Welcome Afternoon Tea



2pm



Free



We are kicking off our 10th annual Friendship Month with Afternoon Tea. If you are an Oddfellows member but don't come to any events, then this is the day to come and see just how much the Nene and Welland has to offer and make more of your membership.

If you are not a member but would like to know more about the Oddfellows, or you know someone who may benefit from meeting us, then this is the day to come along, meet us, find out what's going on and above all make and meet friends. All this topped off with a fabulous afternoon tea. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

ODDFELLOWS
FRIENDSHIP MONTH
1 - 30 SEPTEMBER



Celebrating 10 years



TUES

03

Cold Pudding Club



7pm



See below



Our summer Cold Pudding Club is a great opportunity to make those wonderful summer time pudds, bring them along and share them with friends and try theirs. If making puddings is not your thing but you just love to taste them, then come along and enjoy the labours of others. You'll have a great night out with lots of great tastes and loads of fun. Cost: £1 bring a pudding, £2 just to enjoy. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Chris on 01780 755705.



September - Friendship Month

**WED
04** Railworld Wildlife
Haven Talk by
Brian Pearce MBE



2pm



£3



Please
book



Our Friendship Month events continue with an interesting talk by Brian Pearce MBE, about the wonderful Railworld Wildlife Haven in Peterborough. Come and discover more about this fabulous wildlife/nature haven in an inner-city location. Brian will emphasise the links between our man-made world and our natural world. Learn how the volunteers reuse, recycle and reclaim everything they can to make the haven as natural as they can for both the wildlife and visitors. It started as a coal yard alongside the Nene Valley Railway, but you won't believe what they have done with it. There is lots more so come and join us. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

**TUES
10** Oundle Museum
Visit and Supper
(Providence Branch)



7pm



As per
menu



Please
book



Come and join us for a tour round the wonderful Oundle Museum. Each year the volunteers of the museum put on a new and fabulous display with many local artefacts to see and many memories to share. The tour is free unless you would care to give a donation for the continued work. After the tour we move just down the road to the Ship Inn to enjoy a wonderful supper, a few drinks and a good chat with friends. If you have never been to the museum, it's well worth coming along and visiting it with a great group of friends. Everyone is welcome. Just give us a call. Book by Monday 9 September. The Ship Inn, 20 West Street, Oundle, Peterborough PE8 4EF. Contact Roly on 01832 273664.

September - Friendship Month

WED
11

Craft Club



2pm



Members £2,
Guests £4



Our ladies and gentlemen of the Craft Club want to give a special invitation for Friendship Month to everyone to come and join them for a fun afternoon of learning to do Iris Folding. Got you curious, well come and join us. It does not matter what your skill level is or if you are a member, everyone is welcome. When you have created your masterpiece, enjoy some tea, cake and chat with a fun-loving group. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Janice on 01778 560059.

ODDFELLOWS FRIENDSHIP MONTH

1 - 30 SEPTEMBER



Celebrating 10 years



WED
18

Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)



12.30pm



As per
menu



If you are alone, or you know someone who is and could do with meeting new friends, then come along and join a great group of friendly people who enjoy getting together over lunch and having a good time together. Here we forget loneliness and problems and enjoy good food and good company. We really love to welcome new friends to join us. We meet just because we can. If you need help with transport just give Christine a call and we'll do our best. Book by Monday 16 September. The Riverside Hotel, 123 Station Road, Surfleet, Spalding PE11 4DG. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

September - Friendship Month

The Oddfellows Brass Band in concert

**Saturday 21 September
2019, 7.30pm**

**Bourne Corn Exchange, Abbey
Road, Bourne PE10 9EF**

Come along and enjoy popular
classics performed by the
Oddfellows Brass Band.

Tickets: £7.50
(licensed bar available)

For more information contact
Andrew on **07729 519122**
andrew.spencer@oddfellows.co.uk



All
welcome

TUES
24

Surprise Bingo



2pm



£1 per book



Eyes down and dobbers at the ready. Here we go again for our regular surprise bingo afternoon. A just for fun afternoon of bingo and surprise prizes. 10 games then tea and cake all included at just £1 per book. What a great value afternoon out! Come and meet friends have fun and never mind the calories. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

WED
25

Tea in the Garden (Haven of Happiness)



2pm



Free



We round off our celebrations of Friendship Month as we started with afternoon tea (most civilised!). This time in the District Chairman's garden at Rotten Row Pinchbeck or indoors subject to the weather. So, come and enjoy great food, good company and above all friendship. Everyone is welcome to join us, so bring your family and friends. It may be the end of Friendship Month but not the end of our friendship. Keep watching for all our events and come and join us for great times together with the Nene and Welland. 12 Rotten Row, Pinchbeck, Spalding PE11 3RH. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

October

WED 09 Craft Club



2pm



Members £2,
Guests £4



October sees our crafty crafters getting ready for, YES, Christmas! They are going to be creating a Christmas Organiser. So, if you want to get ahead this year, come and have a go. Along with crafting there's also a lot of chatting (and laughing) over tea and cake. It's a great afternoon out. Watch out for what they are making next month. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Janice on 01778 560059.



SUN 13 Inside Outside BBQ



1pm



Members £5,
Guests £7



Once again, we are having our great 'Inside Outside BBQ' style Sunday lunch. If you have never been before you're missing a real treat! Get your family and friends together and come and enjoy an array of roast meats, salads, yummy puddings, great company and loads of laughs. Book early, at the latest by Sunday 6 October. You go home having had a great day out and the District Chairman's charity benefits from the profits of the afternoon. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Barry on 01778 560059.

WED 16 Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)



12.30pm



As per
menu



Please
book

Once again, we meet in the beautiful setting of the Riverside Hotel for lunch. If you or your friends have never been but you're looking for something new to try, then you would be very welcome to come and join us. We guarantee a warm welcome, with a real friendly group. Book by Monday 14 October. Riverside Hotel, 123 Station Road, Surfleet, Spalding PE11 4DG. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

WED 23 Afternoon Tea and District Officers Visit (Haven of Happiness)



2pm



Free



Come and enjoy a traditional afternoon tea, lots of home-made cakes and scones, not forgetting the jam and cream and plenty of tea with friends. Bring your friends and show them how good it is to be a part of the Oddfellows.



Visitors are welcome to join us and find out more of what we offer in fun and friendship. We welcome our District Officers to join us this afternoon. The Hub/Library, Knight Street, Pinchbeck, Spalding PE11 3RU. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

October

TUES
29

Surprise Bingo

🕒 2pm

£ £1 per book



Looking for a good fun afternoon out on these cool autumn afternoons? Then come and join our Surprise bingo afternoon. Enjoy the game, great fun prizes, tea, cake and good company. Profits from the afternoon go to our District Chairman's charity. Why not invite your friends along? Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

November

SAT
02

Table Top Sale

🕒 10am

£ Large table £5,
Small table £3



If you are clearing out all that unwanted stuff from cupboards and garage, then why not make some money from it. One man's rubbish is another man's treasure. Our annual table top sale could be just the place. Rent either a small or large table from 10am to 12 noon and you could be amazed at what you think rubbish is worth the money. If you are a crafter and looking for an outlet for your product, then this could be the place. Book with Karen. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Karen on 01778 342006.

November

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08

Games Night

🕒 7.30pm

£ Members £2,
Guests £3



Come and join us for no other reason than a fun night out with friends. It really is a good night of fun, laughs, chat and supper with a great crowd. Bring your own wine we've got the glasses. Everyone is welcome, so why not bring your friends and family along. If you know someone who is looking to make new friends then tell them about the evening we would love them to join us. All the profits from the evening will go towards the District Chairman's charity. So come and have fun and help us increase the charity funds at the same time. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Barry on 01778 560059.



November

SUN 10 Act of Remembrance (Haven of Happiness)

🕒 10.30am

£ Free



Oddfellow members will be remembering those who gave their lives for us all, at the 10.45am service in St Mary's Church, Pinchbeck, Spalding. Following the service, we shall join the wreath laying ceremony at the war memorial in the village. Anyone who would like to join us there will be most welcome. St Mary's Church, Pinchbeck, Spalding PE11 3RU. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.



SUN 10 Act of Remembrance (City Branch)

🕒 10.30am

£ Free



For those who would find Peterborough Cathedral nearer, a group of Oddfellow members will be at the cathedral for the service of remembrance and wreath laying. Please feel free to come and join us, as we remember those who gave their lives for all of us. Peterborough Cathedral, Cathedral Square, Peterborough PE1 1XZ. Contact Lucy on 01733 203558.

TUES 12 Cold Pudding Club

🕒 7pm

£ See below



Do you make a super pudd to impress your family and friends at Christmas? Are you looking for a super pudd to impress family and friends with at Christmas? Then our Cold Pudding Club could be just the place to be. If you have a great pudd recipe that you could share then why not make it and bring it along. If you're looking for that impressive pudd then come along. For such a small fee you can share, or just taste great puddings and have a great night out with friends. Cost: £1 bring a pudding, £2 Just to enjoy. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Chris on 01780 755705.

WED 13 Craft Club

🕒 2pm

£ Members £2, Guests £4



Last month our crafty crafters made their Christmas organiser. This month they're making a Christmas card in a box. So if you want that special card for someone special, then why not come along and make it? You'll have a fun afternoon out; you don't have to be an expert, Janice will take you every step of the way. How much more personal could your card be? Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Janice on 01778 560059.

November

SUN
17

Annual District Lunch



12.30pm



£21



Please
book



Following the success of our annual lunch last year. We are once again holding it at Bourne Corn Exchange. This allows us space for a relaxed lunch, followed by dancing the afternoon away. This year we are being entertained by Andrew Nix. Andrew is another of the great organists in the country who will provide us with music for dancing, along with a repertoire of fun and entertainment. Our guest speaker this year will be David Randall, Grand Master of the Order. For the menu please see later in the diary. Final bookings, food choices and payment to Andrew by Friday 8 November. Why not invite your friends and family to join you and make up a table? It's a great value afternoon out and is one of the highlights of our Oddfellow year. Bourne Corn Exchange, Abbey Road, Bourne PE10 9EF. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

WED
20

Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)



12.30pm



As per
menu



Please
book



If you have never tried our Friendship Lunch you are missing a treat. We meet for good food, good company, and plenty of laughs, just because we can. The lovely setting of the Riverside Hotel makes it all perfect. So if you or your friends would like to try something new, just give Christine a call and take that first step to a great afternoon out. Book by Monday 18 November. Riverside Hotel, 123 Station Road, Surfleet, Spalding PE11 4DG. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.



November

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22

Quiz Night and Buffet Supper



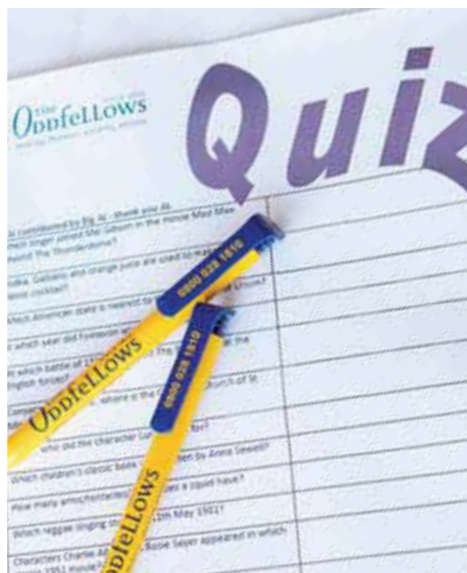
7pm



£3



Quiz Master Chris has been beavering away to create another fun night of questions and puzzles for us to pit our wits against. Get your family or friends to join you and make up a team. If you are on your own don't worry, you'll soon find a group to join in with. We welcome everyone to come and have fun. Then after all that quizzing, we enjoy a buffet supper to replenish our little grey cells (you may bring your own wine if you wish). It's a just for fun evening and once again all the profits go towards the District Chairman's charity. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Chris on 01780 755705.



TUES
26

Surprise Bingo



2pm



£1 per book



If you enjoy the thrills of playing the great game and the chance of winning one of our surprise prizes, then come and have a great afternoon out with a fun loving group. The more the merrier. We play for lines and full houses on many games, so you have two chances of winning, or the frustration of wanting that one last number. We also enjoy a cuppa, cake and chat to add to the fun. All included in the price. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.



WED
27

Fun with Friends (Haven of Happiness)



2pm



Free



Come along ladies and gentlemen and test your skills and little grey cells. We have a fun afternoon of games and quizzes. A light hearted afternoon with friends, where we welcome members and non-members to join us. So please come along, come with your friends, or come on your own and make friends. The whole afternoon finishes with light refreshments and chat. The Hub/Library, Knight Street, Pinchbeck, Spalding PE11 3RU. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

December

SUN

01

Carol Service



3pm



Free



Come and start the festive season off with your friends at the Oddfellows Hall, with our annual carol service and readings. Where we sing our old favourite carols and hear the Christmas story in readings. Then after all that singing enjoy some light refreshments and chat before heading home. It's a great and friendly way of beginning the Christmas season. Merry Christmas. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Karen on 01778 342006.

WED

04

Coffee and Mince Pies Waterside Garden Centre (City Branch)



10am



Free



We invite everyone to join us at Waterside Garden Centre for a look round the wonderful Christmas displays of the centre. It's much more fun to wonder round with friends. Then, afterwards join us for complimentary coffee and mince pies in the coffee shop. It's a lovely way to enjoy the start of the Christmas season, with friends. We meet at the main entrance from the car park. Waterside Garden Centre, King Street, Baston, Peterborough PE6 9NY. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

FRI

06

Christmas Lunch



12 noon



£15.50



Again, this year we are holding our Branch Christmas Lunch at Ebenezer's Restaurant, Peterborough. So why not invite your friends and family to join us and start the festivities amongst friends who love enjoying good food and good company. Not just at Christmas but at any time. So if you know someone who is alone, or looking to make new friends, then please do invite them to join us. What better time of the year to share Oddfellowship? Contact Trevor for the menu and to make your choices. Book by Thursday 28 November. Ebenezer's Restaurant, Grove Street, Woodston, Peterborough PE2 9AG. Contact Trevor on 07746 590570.



December

TUES
10

Talk and Supper (Providence Branch)



7.30pm



As per
menu



Please
book



If you enjoy an informative talk, followed by a delicious supper, then join us at the Ship Inn, Oundle. You'll have an interesting relaxed evening amongst friends and possibly learn something new. Book your place and menu choices by Tuesday 3 December. The Ship Inn, 20 West Street, Oundle, Peterborough PE8 4EF. Contact Roly on 01832 273664.



WED
11

Craft Club



2pm



Members £2,
Guests £4



Our crafty crafters complete their Christmas portfolio today by making gift boxes and crackers. So why not come along and really personalise your Christmas with these home-made goodies and make your Christmas go with a bang! Then enjoy some festive treats and wish all your friends at the club a Merry Christmas. Don't forget we will be back in the New Year with lots more interesting projects to get your teeth into. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Janice on 01778 560059.

TUES
17

Surprise Bingo



2pm



£1 per book



It's our last get together of 2019. So why not join us for a Christmas themed afternoon of the great game of bingo? Come and play the game, perhaps win one of our surprise prizes (all especially for Christmas) and enjoy a cuppa and mince pies with a fun loving group. We will be back in the New Year with more fun afternoons. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Contact Andrew on 07729 519122.

WED
18

Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)



12.30pm



As per
menu



As we begin the final countdown to Christmas. Why not come and join us for our last Friendship Lunch of 2019? We love to get as many people together as we can to enjoy a super meal and great company. If you have friends or family who you will not see over the holidays, why not invite them to come along with you? Our Friendship Lunch will be back in 2020 on the third Wednesday of the month. We look forward to seeing all our old friends and hopefully many new friends. Get your places booked early! Book by Friday 13 December. Riverside Hotel, 123 Station Road, Surfleet, Spalding PE11 4DG. Contact Christine on 07714 096801.

Forthcoming Events

January 2020

Wednesday 1 - Annual New Years Day Walk, 2pm
Burghley Park, Burghley House, Stamford PE9 3JY.
Cost: Free.

Wednesday 8 - Craft Club, 2pm
Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street,
Market Deeping PE6 8AN.
Cost: Members £2, Guests £4

Tuesday 14 - Cold Pudding Club, 7pm
Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street,
Market Deepin PE6 8AN.
Cost: £1 Bring a pudd, £2 to enjoy.



Travel places with Friendly Faces

With group holidays, short breaks, exclusive discounts, travel offers and the opportunity to get to know other Oddfellows travellers, the Active Travel Club has something for everyone to enjoy.



**Fred. Olsen
Cruise Lines**



**Haven
Holidays**



**Warner Leisure
Holidays**



**Travel
Insurance***

Check out the latest holidays at www.oddfellows.co.uk/travel
Contact **0161 832 9361** or email active@oddfellows.co.uk

All holidays are booked through third party travel companies and terms and conditions apply.

Please ask for further details before booking.

Holidays are open to Oddfellows members and their guests.

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2019 - 2020 New District Officers

At our annual meeting in March, Chris Briance installed our new Provincial Grand Master (District Chairman), Christine Sargeant, along with our new Deputy Provincial Grand

Master (Deputy District Chairman) June Holt. They are seen here with our outgoing District Chairman Barry Bedford, who has enjoyed a very successful year in office.

Cheque Presentation to 'The Deepings Youth Group'



Barry Bedford (District Chairman) presents the cheque for £3,000 to The Deepings Youth Group trustees and members, following a very successful year of fundraising by all the members of Nene and Welland Branch. The money will help to keep the youth club open for

our local youngsters, following the financial cut backs by the County Council. Our District Chairman for the coming year Christine Sargeant is continuing the support for the Youth Club in her year of office. Let's see if we can do even more this year.

Happy 95th Birthday Ray!

Earlier this year members of the Cold Pudding Club celebrated the 95th birthday of one of our oldest Branch members, Ray Boreham. Members of the Cold Pudding Club surprised Ray with a special birthday cake made by a member and presented by Barry Bedford, District Chairman.



Our Diary Cover Photo



If you or your family members love taking photographs and you have one that you think could be suitable as a cover photograph for our public events diary, why not send it in to us?

Your photograph should reflect something about the Oddfellows

Society, Friendship, one of our events or the beautiful county which we live in. Please send your photograph to andrew.spencer@oddfellows.co.uk, the trustees will choose one photograph to be used on the cover of our next edition in January 2020. A gift voucher will be presented to the owner of the winning photograph.



Making a Difference Award

In April, Barry and Andrew went along to the Annual Parish Meeting of Deeping St James Parish Council, to accept a 'Making a Difference Award' in the local community, on behalf of the members and friends of Nene and Welland Oddfellows.

This award is to reflect the work of Nene and Welland for funds raised at our events over the past year for the Deepings Youth Group. The awards were presented by the Lord Lieutenant of Lincolnshire, Toby Dennis.

Function Room for hire Oddfellows Hall in Market Deeping



Our Oddfellows Hall is available for hire at £12 per hour. Seats 40, projector and screen, small car park and kitchen with crockery. Ideal for meetings, training and small functions. For special occasions vintage crockery and table linen available at £10 per hire. Please contact Karen on **01778 342006** for more information.



Youth Club Talent Show

Barry and Christine were invited as judges for the Deepings Youth Club Talent Show earlier this year. They had a great night with the

club members watching them perform. Did Barry and Christine perform too, as Simon Cowell and Amanda Holden?

Barry Bedford becomes President of the East Anglia Group Conference

In April, Barry Bedford our Immediate Past Provincial Grand Master (Immediate Past District Chairman) was installed as President of the East Anglia Group Conference. Congratulations to Barry.

Barry takes this position following his year as Provincial Grand Master (District Chairman) of Nene and Welland District Branch. We are so very fortunate to have such dedication to the Oddfellows as Barry shows with all his time and effort.



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Or contact your Branch Secretary,
Karen Earth for local help and
information about Branch benefits
and benevolence on **01778 342006** or
email karen.earth@oddfellows.co.uk

Welfare Officers



We are looking for members who would be interested in giving some time for the benefit of other members who are ill, housebound, or lonely and need some support and guidance to the Welfare services of the Oddfellows, or just someone to talk to.

If you think you could give time and support to these members please contact Christine Sargeant 07714 096801 for more information about the support and training for this role.



Oddfellows Members: Do you need help?

None of us know what is around the corner...

Local Care and Welfare Support

To request contact from a Welfare Visitor and for local help and information about Branch benefits and benevolence contact Karen on **01778 342006** or email **karen.earth@oddfellows.co.uk**

Oddfellows Advice Line

Call 0800 0149 821*

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 4.30pm

Email: oddfellows@manchestercab.org



Run by Citizens Advice for Oddfellows members, you can access free, confidential, independent advice on welfare benefits, money and debt issues, consumer problems, housing, fuel bills, employment issues and many other issues.

*The Oddfellows cannot provide legal advice and accepts no liability whatsoever for advice provided by Citizens Advice, which is an independent advice agency. If you have any queries about the advice you have received or wish to make a complaint then you should contact Citizens Advice directly. Citizens Advice operate a formal complaints process.

Care and Welfare Helpline

Call 0800 0149 822

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

Monday to Thursday, 9.30am - 4.30pm, Friday, 9.30am - 4pm

Email: care@oddfellows.co.uk

Run by the Oddfellows Care and Welfare Department, you can access information and guidance on issues such as accessing health and care services, supported housing, support for carers, and planning for later life. The helpline will try and identify any Oddfellows benefits or services in the community which may be of help to you.

**Visit our website page at www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care
for care and welfare information**

Nene and Welland Annual District Lunch
Sunday 17 November, 12.30pm for 1pm
Bourne Corn Exchange

Menu

Starter

Home-made Vegetable Soup with Roll and Butter

Or

Chef's Choice Pate on a Bed of Crisp Salad with a side of Chutney

Or

Prawn Cocktail with Brown Bread and Butter

Main Course

Roast Topside of Beef with Yorkshire Pudding

Or

Baked Cod Mornay

Or

Chicken Chasseur

Or

Brie, Mushroom and Cranberry Wellington (V)

Dessert

Eaton Mess

Or

Warm French Apple Tart with Vanilla Ice Cream

Or

Fresh Fruit Salad and Cream

Tea, Coffee and Mints

£21 per head

Entertainment by Andrew Nix Organist

Bookings, menu choices and payment to Andrew Spencer by Friday 8 November.

184,000 reasons why we LOVE our members...

Our Branches work tirelessly to fundraise for some fantastic causes. Whether it's a bake sale to fund cancer research, or a coffee morning to purchase some much-needed equipment for their local hospital, every single penny counts.

In 2018, Oddfellows Branches raised over £184,000 for good causes – all of which could not have been achieved without the support of our members and wider community! Every cupcake sold, each raffle ticket purchased, they all add up to make real, tangible differences to people's lives across the country.

Congratulations to everybody involved in any and all fundraising activities. Please continue to keep up the good work and dig deep wherever you can! If you can't spare a little bit of cash, maybe you could help in different ways?

There's always a need for an extra pair of hands, whether you're rounding up the troops, baking some delicious goodies, or tidying up after an event – your time is just as valuable to charity fundraisers as any money you're able to donate.



North Gloucestershire District Branch present Cheltenham hospital with £6,6440.



HA Andrews Memorial Fund presents University of Bradford with £29,000



Oddfellows raise £2532 for the British Heart Foundation



Ormskirk & Southport District Branch present Southport Offshore Rescue Trust with £775

Oddfellows Brass: Music to our ears!



The Oddfellows Brass band has been a huge part of our identity for 38 years, after it was first established as 'Unity Brass' in 1981.

Founded by the personable and talented Rob Boulter, the band has members of all ages and musical tastes! They perform a huge range of music, from traditional tunes and film scores to chart toppers and original pieces, arranged and composed by the players.

Each year, they put on eight astounding performances for the Oddfellows, travelling up and down the country to ensure members and the public have the opportunity to enjoy the music. This year, Oddfellows Brass will be performing at the following locations:

Southport – Sunday 26 May

Hosted by: Ormskirk & Southport District Branch

Location: Southport Floral Theatre & Convention Centre, Promenade, Southport PR9 0DZ

Call **01695 424149** or email

bonita.hesketh@oddfellows.co.uk

Liverpool – Saturday 29 June

Hosted by: Mersey District Branch

Location: Childwall Sports and Science Academy, Queens Road, Liverpool L15 6XZ

Call **0151 639 2777** or email

margaret.hughes@oddfellows.co.uk

Leamington Spa – Saturday 3 August

Hosted by: Heart of England District Branch

More details to follow

Oldham – Saturday 7 September

Hosted by: South East Lancashire

District Branch

Location: King William IV, Saddleworth Parish Council Civic Hall, Uppermill,

Lee Street OL3 6AE

Call **01457 876 870** or email

sheila.kendall@oddfellows.co.uk

Bourne – Saturday 21 September

Hosted by: Nene and Welland

District Branch

Location: Bourne Corn Exchange, 3 Abbey Road, Bourne, Lincolnshire PE10 9EF

Email **andrew.spencer@oddfellows.co.uk**

Norfolk – Saturday 12 October

Hosted by: Trafalgar Branch

Location: St Nicholas Church, Market Place, North Walsham, Norfolk NR28 9BT

Call **01692 407852** or email

angela.batson@oddfellows.co.uk

Hartlepool – Saturday 26 October

Hosted by: Cleveland and Durham District

Location: St Hilda's Church, Church Close, Hartlepool TS24 0PW

Call **01642 655685** or email

david.smith@oddfellows.co.uk

If you'd like to see Oddfellows Brass performing in a location near you, let your Branch Secretary know!

Valuable Oddfellows artefact rescued “just in time”!

Clearing out a home often unearths surprises, as members Harold and Jackie Houghton found when they were collecting a pile of discarded items from a relative’s home in Manchester.

“We checked to make sure there wasn’t anything important left in the pile. Jackie spotted a watch in one of the boxes and she knew I would be interested in taking a look,” explained Harold. Having realised they might have an interesting (time)piece of history on their hands, Harold and Jackie visited a horologist (a clock maker), to service the watch.

Harold said: “It wasn’t until we moved to Llandudno that I heard any mention of the Oddfellows again. I spotted an advert for a local meeting in Deganwy, so we went along to find out what it was about. We actually joined whilst we were there!” Our resident Oddfellows historian,



Paul Eyre, commented: “The watch is an example of the type of presentation made to a past officer or secretary, usually to mark long service, in the first half of the 19th century. These would have been individually produced and painted by a local craftsman of the time, so this pocket watch is truly a unique piece.”

Harold wanted to return the watch to its roots, so he and Jackie visited Manchester’s central office to hand-deliver the watch to the CEO and Secretary of the Order, Jane Nelson.

Jane said, “It’s wonderful that this watch has brought Harold and his wife to the Oddfellows. We love it when our members share their history with us, and we’ll be displaying Harold’s kind donation alongside some of our other important historical artefacts.”

Sharing is caring

Who do you know who'd love to share the benefits of Oddfellows membership? From fun and friendly events through to care and welfare support, you're more than just a number with the Oddfellows – you're part of our family.

Last year, over 700 members joined the Oddfellows after being referred by one of their friends. Sharing the experiences you've had with the Oddfellows could truly make a big difference to somebody else's life? When you refer a friend, not only will they receive the amazing care and support from our community, but they'd have the chance to make some great new friends. If you have somebody in mind, bring them along to the next Branch event, so they can enjoy the benefits of membership for themselves!

When you refer your first friend, we'll send you a £10 Love2shop voucher as a thank you – perfect for buying your pal a coffee, or grabbing a bite to eat. As you encourage more of your friends to join, you'll move



up through our Bronze, Silver and Gold referrer levels. And once you've referred 40 friends, we'll send you a whopping £250 in Love2shop vouchers, which could pay for a much-needed break away!

So if you'd like to share your Oddfellows membership with some of your nearest and dearest, or anyone you think could benefit, pick up one of our new Refer a Friend leaflets from your local Branch, or call Membership on 0800 028 1810.

*T&Cs apply, please see our website for details: [www.oddfellows.co.uk / terms-conditions](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/terms-conditions)

Barry Bedford becomes our FIRST-EVER Platinum-Plus member

It's no secret that Barry Bedford, from Nene and Welland District is our most successful current member when it comes to recruitment. To thank Barry for all his hard work, we're rewarding him with £10 worth of Love2shop vouchers for every new member he introduces to the Oddfellows moving forward. Well done, Barry!

Events at a glance

July 2019

Tues 2	Pork Pie Making at Melton Mowbray	11am
Tues 9	Business Meeting	10am
Tues 9	Cold Pudding Club	7pm
Wed 10	Craft Club	2pm
Wed 17	Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)	12.30pm
Tues 23	Growing Older With a Smile (Talk)	2pm
Tues 30	Surprise Bingo	2pm

August

Tues 6	Afternoon Tea Waterside Garden Centre (City Branch)	1.30pm
Tues 13	Business Meeting	10am
Wed 14	Craft Club	2pm
Tues 20	Surprise Bingo	2pm
Wed 21	Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)	12.30pm
Wed 28	Fun & Games in the Garden (Haven of Happiness)	2pm

September - Friendship Month

Sun 1	Welcome Afternoon Tea	2pm
Tues 3	Cold Pudding Club	7pm
Wed 4	Railworld Wildlife Haven Talk by Brian Pearce MBE	2pm
Tues 10	Business Meeting (Half Year)	10am
Tues 10	Oundle Museum Visit and Supper (Providence Branch)	7pm
Wed 11	Craft Club	2pm
Wed 18	Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)	12.30pm
Sat 21	Oddfellows Brass Band Concert	7.30pm
Tues 24	Surprise Bingo	2pm
Wed 25	Tea in the Garden (Haven of Happiness)	2pm

October

Tues 8	Business Meeting	10am
Wed 9	Craft Club	2pm
Sun 13	Inside Outside BBQ	1pm
Wed 16	Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)	12.30pm
Wed 23	Afternoon Tea and District Officers Visit (Haven of Happiness)	2pm
Tues 29	Surprise Bingo	2pm

Events at a glance

November

Sat 2	Table Top Sale	10am
Fri 8	Games Night	7.30pm
Sun 10	Act of Remembrance (Haven of Happiness)	10.30am
Sun 10	Act of Remembrance (City Branch)	10.30am
Tues 12	Business Meeting	10am
Tues 12	Cold Pudding Club	7pm
Wed 13	Craft Club	2pm
Sun 17	Annual District Lunch	12.30pm
Wed 20	Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)	12.30pm
Fri 22	Quiz Night and Buffet Supper	7pm
Tues 26	Surprise Bingo	2pm
Wed 27	Fun with Friends (Haven of Happiness)	2pm

December

Sun 1	Carol Service	3pm
Wed 4	Coffee and Mince Pies Waterside Garden Centre (City Branch)	10am
Fri 6	Christmas Lunch	12 noon
Tues 10	Business Meeting	10am
Tues 10	Talk and Supper (Providence Branch)	7.30pm
Wed 11	Craft Club	2pm
Tues 17	Surprise Bingo	2pm
Wed 18	Friendship Lunch (Haven of Happiness)	12.30pm

District Business Meetings

Branch business meetings are open for all members to attend and are usually held on the second Tuesday of each month at 10am. The half yearly meeting will be Tuesday 10th September. Meetings are held at the Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN.

It is best to contact Karen at the office prior to making a special journey to check for any meeting changes.

Provincial Corresponding Secretary (District Secretary): Karen Earth.

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