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OUR COVER PICTURE:

HAZELBROOK, Terenure Road West

Built in the first half of the nineteenth century, this house was once the residence of the Right Honourable Sir Maziere Brady, Lord High Chancellor of Ireland. He lived there from 1842 to 1869, during which time people used to call the road from Terenure to the KCR 'Chancellor's Road'.

More recently it was divided into flats, one of which was occupied by the renowned Gaelic scholar Ludwig Bieler. In the 1970s it was further subdivided. In 1979 it was sold for building and has just been demolished as part of an apartment development.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

THE DOG: Companion or Social Menace?

Christmastime sees the arrival in many homes of new puppies. A cuddly Christmas puppy soon grows into a gangly, selfwilled youngster. It is quite capable of wrecking its home and causing havoc in its neighbourhood. By its sixth or seventh month, harrassed and frustrated, the owner has had enough and decides it was all a great mistake, the dog must go. Months of endurance result in a confused and unwanted pet. With kindly enlightened training that same puppy could have grown into a biddable companion, its purpose in life to please and protect its owner.

My own dogs have given me many years of happy companionship. As a dog trainer I have had a lot of fun helping others to train and enjoy their dogs. I hate to see potentially good dogs ruined. Dog owners must accept responsibility for their dogs' behaviour and not inflict them on others. We have seen so often the results of irresponsible ownership—sheep-killing, road accidents. People's enjoyment of their everyday life ruined by constant barking or just plain terrorising by local dogs. Such behaviour is as unacceptable as it is avoidable.

Numerous excellent dog training clubs exist where dog owners can avail of advice and practical help with the training of their dogs. Puppies will grow up, they will be noisy and they will be naughty, they will also be great fun. With training the naughtiness and noisiness will disappear but the fun of owning them will not. Whether the puppy develops into a delightful companion or a social menace depends on its owner's willingness to accept responsibility for its basic training. If any of your readers would like information on the various dog training clubs they are welcome to phone me or by sending a s.a.e. if they would like a list mailed to them.

Yours sincerely, MARY OWENS Mrs. 78 Templeville Drive. Ph. 908562.

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KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL, Bilingual Teaching, in 2 Rosehall, Templeogue, (near village). Run by Trained National Teacher for children 3-5 years. A few vacancies still. Ring Mrs. Keenan 907248.

Vanishing Templeogue Thaddeus C. Breen

The face of Templeogue is changing daily. A couple of months ago almost the last of the old cottages in Templeogue village were demolished, only those occupied by Hollingsworth's bicycle shop being left. Templeogue Bridge is almost complete. Spawell Golf Centre has been turned into a huge new complex. Going towards Tallaght nowadays we find ourselves on a new road parallel to the old one and we are suddenly confronted by a new roundabout, just beyond Spawell: after this the Tallaght Road as we knew

after this the Tallaght Road as we know it has disappeared and we find ourselves on the Tallaght Bypass. The old Tallaght Road with the sign "Welcome to Tallaght New Town" is now perched high and dry about ten feet above the road to one side!

There is more to come, however. Over the next few months the whole area from the southern end of Cypress Grove to Balrothery will be radically altered, as the road is about to be widened into a dual carriageway which will involve the demolition of the old mill buildings and stone walls and the removal of the hedge bordering the road after Wellington Lane. The stone wall between Kilvare ('Cheeverstown') and Templeogue Bridge will remain, but unfortunately there are plans to cover it with pebbledash, which will make it indistinguishable from a wall of concrete blocks.

Meanwhile, at Balrothery, near the new roundabout, work of a very different sort has revealed something of Templedogue's history. A team of students under the direction of archaeologist Valerie Keeley has cleared and surveyed the Victorian sluice-gates of the City Watercourse. A new road will pass directly over this site, and the sluices have been dismantled stone by stone and will be re-erected further upstream. The watercourse itself was constructed in the 13th century to increase Dublin's water supply; there is a possibility of archaeological finds, which is why the work has been carried out by archaeologists. This is part of a programme of archaeological work being carried out by Miss Keeley in advance of roadworks in the area; last autumn she excavated a stone-age tomb south of Rathfarnham known as 'The Brehon's Chair' and this Spring she will be excavating a ring-fort at Scholarstown, just beyond Firhouse.

The work at Balrothery is the second archaeological investigation to take place in Templeogue. In the 1940s an excavation was carried out by Dr. Joseph Raftery of a mound in the grounds of Bushy Park. To the disappointment of the excavators and of Lady Shaw, it turned out to be an 18th-century rubbish heap!

Old Templeogue is fast vanishing. As the weather improves and the evenings grow longer, now is the time to stroll around the area and see it before it s all gone!

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DANGER IN THE HOME

When we think of home, we think of a safe secure haven where the perils pf the world cannot reach us, where dangers and accidents are barred out by the click of the front door. In fact, nothing could be further from the truth. Danger is waiting right there and accidental death is more likely to occur inside your home than on a busy road outside.

Two groups of people are more at risk than any others - the very young and the very old. The home accidents they may suffer may fall into four categories.

Falls - the main danger to old people.

2. Burns and scalds.

3. Suffocation - a special danger to babies.

4. Poisoning.
Of the four, perhaps the last lies most in your hands to prevent. Learn the things that may poison your child and keep them well out of reach or remove them from your home altogether.

Bleach, Paraffin Oil and Turpentine Where do you keep your bleach, your paraffin
oil, your turpentine? These are three poisonous liquids very commonly swallowed by
children, all three innocuous looking, colourless liquids that give no hint of danger
in their appearance. How is a toddler to
know what harm they may do? Don't leave anything to chance. Place them - RIGHT NOW on your highest shelf, or better still,
install a lock on one of your cupboards and
store any substances which could conceivably
harm your child. High shelves are not always
sufficient. One child I know of at the age
of 2 years placed a chair on a table to
reach a bottle of aspirin which he then
swallowed. Only a mad rush to hospital
saved him. Don't forget to use the lock.
A locked cupboard will hold great mystery
and appeal for your children. You will
only need to forget to lock the door once
for fatal results. Get into the habit of
locking always, even if you are just taking
something out for an instant. An instant is
all that is required for an inquisitive

Detergents and Aerosols - Get into the habit of always reading the small print. You'll find many more items than you expect bear the words "Keep out of the reach of children". Even shampoos and detergents frequently bear this warning. If you think aerosol cans are safe, think again. They carry their own special kind of danger. They may give off dangerous fumes, or they may damage the child's sight. All medicines, even the most harmless-seeming, must be hidden from children. Remember the child cannot read - but you can. Only you can make the home safe for him.

Poison in a lemonade bottle - You cannot expect a small child to behave responsibly and sensibly. It's part of the learning process that its actions should more often be governed by curiosity, ignorance, temper, disobedience or forgetfulness, than by strict adherence to your instructions. There are other precautions you can take, besides keeping harmful substances out of reach. Make sure you never change a potential poison from its original bottle. Weedkiller in a lemonade bottle costs lives every year.

Tobacco and Tablets - Among the substances which you may not realise can be harmful to a child is tobacco. Just one cigarette eaten can be dangerous to a one year old. Beware too of iron, quinine, boric acid, ink, liquid mercury, tincture of iodine - the list is endless. The best idea, if your child has swallowed anything at all which is not supposed to be swallowed is to contact a doctor immediately. Even if the child seems well or has vomited, make sure he sees a doctor as some poison takes several hours to present any effect.

You may also ring (in Dublin) Poisons Advisory Centre, Jervis Street Hospital 745588. This service was set up to help doctors but they help anyone in distress.

Vomiting - be very wary about inducing vomiting. It's a good idea in the case of swallowed pills or cough medicine, but with some things it may do more harm than good. Don't induce vomiting if the child is in a coma or having a convulsion. If you decide to rush straight to hospital take the container with you that held the poisonous substances. The doctor will want to know exactly what was swallowed. If harmful substance has been splashed on to the skin rinse the skin several times with cold, clean water. Squeeze water into the eyes with a sponge, wet cloth or eyedropper.

Plants and Berries - Danger may lurk in the garden. Many common plants and shrubs can cause poisoning. Children should be warned never to taste berries and reason explained. If they do taste or eat a berry they should know to inform an adult immediately. Parents should know every shrub and plant in their garden and the effect if eaten.

In the case of any poison, if the child stops breathing don't induce vomiting, make sure air passage and mouth are clear and start artificial breathing. Get to hopsital immediately. Once you are aware, steps can be taken to prevent accidents in the home.

R.S.

Franna Fail

It now gives us great pleasure to announce the successful amalgamation of the Briscoe-Loftus Cumain.

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This area consists of 1,457 houses and 4,624 voters and it is our ambition to call be each and everyone of these houses in the near future.

We realize that there are many problems in this area, especially the old and the young, who are the most vunerable sections of our community, but with a back-up service from our Public Representatives Mr. Sean Walsh T.D. M.C.C. and Mr. Chris Flood M.C.C. we hope to be able to help with some of these problems.

Therefore, if you need help, please contact any of the undersigned, who will arrange a confidential meeting with either Mr. Walsh or Mr. Flood.

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Mrs. Josephine Byrne, who lives in the large house (part of which is occupied by Webbs Hardware) in Templeogue Village for the past 33 years, is the widow of Michael Byrne, whose family has been connected with the village since the last century. Her husband was reared by the Kavanagh family who resided at Springfield House, (demolished in the 1950s) which stood on the land now occupied by Springfield Estate, and their next door neighbour was Sir Robert Shaw who lived

in the house which now forms part of Our Lady's School. The Kavanaghs were dairy people who supplied the district down as far as Terenure, which in its earlier days was known as Roundtown. In the early days of the century the shop portion was occupied as the Post Office and Michael Byrne's grandfather was the Postmaster. He was succeeded in the position by Julia Kavanagh, an aunt of the said Michael Byrne.

Josephine Byrne, who was born in Dublin was in fact a distant relative of the Kavanaghs and she can remember her mother visiting them in Templeogue many years before she married Michael. The Byrnes had one son -Michael who some years ago obtained a Degree in Philosophical Studies in U.C.D. When Josephine came to live in Templeogue it was very much a village and quite different from the picture which it now presents. The Templeogue Inn was to some extent the hub of the village, attracting as it did a lot of "bona fide" traffic late at night. This was one of the old traditions which Mrs. Byrne was glad to see abolished as it had a lot of nuisance value to the residents nearby and it was quite a regular occurrence for the Byrnes to have to wash away the signs of the previous nights revelry. In 1971 the Byrnes closed their shop as their son was not interested in the business and the shop portion was taken over by Webbs. Just up the road was the house called Cypress Grove which originally belonged to the Jocelyn family and was situated on the land facing Templeogue Bridge. This house was renowned for its gardens and conservatories and was also famous for its cypress trees from which the house derived its name. The house is now occupied by the White Fathers.

There were many occupants of the village at that time who were known by nicknames, such as "The Miller" Horan and "Pluck"Dennison who was related to the Farrells who owned the old forge. The village had its quota of "characters" such as the husband and wife who lived separately in adjoining cottages and only met for meals. Mrs. Byrne has fond memories of many past residents of the village - Dorothy Pye, wife of Patrick Pye, who was a very good friend, Austin Clarke, and Fr. Jack Hanlon who was curate in Rathfarnham and was a well-known artist. The Hanlons lived in Fort Rose which stood where Ashfield Estate is now built.

The late Michael Byrne was a man of simple tastes - material things did not interest him. He was more interested in nature and his main hobbies were shooting and fishing. On many occasions he shot rabbits in Butterfield Avenue. Josephine's main interests are music and reading, and she has many old books which would be difficult to obtain today. Television does not hold any attraction for her - in fact she gave her television set to a friend some years ago.

One of her books titled "The History and Antiquities of Tallaght" by William Domville Handcock, was published in 1876 and contains the following short account of the village of Firhouse as it was at the time of publication, which seems quite amusing when related to the Firhouse we know today.

FIRHOUSE: The small dirty village of Firhouse is at the end of the crossroads from Balrothery Hill to the Bohernabreena Road. It is just outside the demesne wall of Sally Park and is principally inhabited by stone breakers. They earn good wages by breaking the whinstone brought down from Mount Pelier for the roads. They get 1/6d. a ton and can, if expert, break two tons or more a day. Not many years ago Saturday night and Sunday were spent in drinking and fighting. In my early days no Sunday passed without one or more regular fights. The Firhouse boys having drunk up to a proper pitch were wont to issue from the public house, stripping off all their clothes except their trousers, they used to challenge the mountain boys, or anyone else. Many a hard fight have I seen from our shrubbery wall which overlooks the village. On one occasion I was looking at a grand battle between a Firhouse boy and a Dublin pugilist. Many rounds had been fought and the excitement of the crown was at its height when word was brought that the priest was coming. Fr. Doolin, at that time priest of Firhouse, kept some kind of order in the village and was the terror of evil doers. At the sound of his name the crowd dispersed in a moment. The Firhouse pugilist crept up a sewer and escaped. The Dublin man, who was told to run for his life, had just time to put on his coat over his naked back and do so. He crossed the wall of Delaford. Fr. Doolin spied him and bringing his horse alongside the wall vaulted over after him. After a smart chase he collared him and then and there gave him a fine horsewhipping until he roared for mercy. "I'll teach you," said the priest, "not to come out here disturbing the peace of the town". This Fr. Doolin was a powerful man, fond of horses and quite the old fashioned style of priest, and was a great loss when moved from here. Footnote: The village is much improved since this account was written. The present inhabitants are orderly and hard-working, and wrestling matches and fights are traditions of times long gone by. Many of the cottages have been rebuilt and the village no longer presents a dirty and neglected appearance.







Dec.16. Frank Patterson & Friends in Concert, Our Lady's School 8 pm. Fri.

Christmas Carols, St. Pius X Church, 8 pm. Closing date for Fheile Bhride Entries. Dec.18. Sun.

Tues. Dec. 20. 1984.

Mon. Jan. 9. St. Pius X Schools' Management Boards meet 8.15 pm.

Tues. Jan. 10. Wed. Jan.11.

Fri. Jan.13.

Meeting to organise Ceili, St. Pius Schools 8.15 pm. St. Joseph's Young Priests' Scoiety, 8 pm. Templeogue Ladies Club Meeting, 8 pm. Ceili - St. Pius X School Hall, 8 pm. (50p). Meeting re Feile Bhride in St. Pius X School. 8 pm. Horticultural Society, Our Lady's School, 8 pm. Tues. Jan.17.

Wed. Jan.18.

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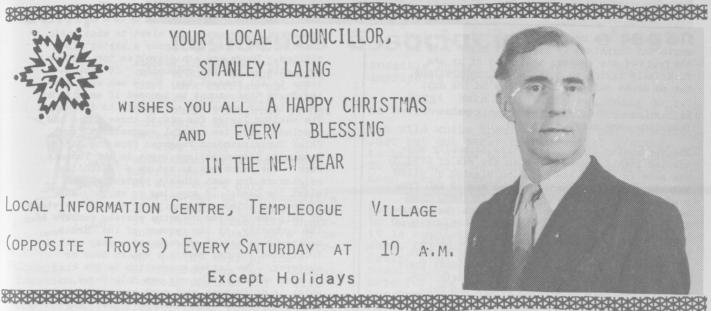




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TAILPIECES ---

You have to believe in yourself, that's the secret. Even when I was in the orphanage, when I was roaming the street trying to find enough to eat, even then I thought of myself as the greatest actor in the world. I had to feel exuberance that comes from utter confidence in oneself. Without it you go down to defeat. CHARLIE CHAPLIN.

Next to being right the most important thing in an argument is to leave an escape hatch for your opponent, so that he can gracefully swing over to your side without too much apparent loss of face. RS

tharm has a magical quality that defrosts, disarms, delights, fascinates. It is not a sudden gush of sweetness that can be turned off and on like

It is woven subtly into the fabric of the personality, like a silver thread.

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It wears well. R5

Kind weather has prevailed since this time last month and Christmas is nigh! It might well be the fault of the weather that many of us are feverishly trying to catch up on preparations, but no doubt things will be fine on the day!

It has been a busy time for organisers as functions were many and varied.

The generosity of people in this community manifested itself once again when the sum of £293.20 was made in aid of the Peruvian Mission of Sister Robarts, R.C.E. It includes the sum of £40 from a group of Parishioners who collect among themselves at Christmas time, then divide their donations between charities. This year they picked Sister Robart's Mission for the Third World

Sister Robart's Mission for the Third World share. Saying 'thank you' in the face of such thoughtfulness seems inadequate. No doubt the Lord has chalked up this gesture in their favour in a big way, as well as to all who contributed to this worthy cause. Rath De oraibh a dhaoine uaisle.

All in the community were invited to pray around the Cross of Taizé in St. Pius X Church on 22nd November. It was a memorable occasion. Taise is a small village in France and the Monastery there has become the centre to which people of all denominations, young people especially, come to visit, many to stay for a time with the monks, to pray for peace and reconciliation and the Cross is the focal point for prayer. It stands alone - made of wood - on which the scene of the Crucifixion is painted. The form of prayer is simple - short aspirations in song, followed by a period of silence - Golden Silence, when one felt alone despite the good attendance. Would that such occasions were made more available in these distrubing times. A group of young people bring the Cross around on its travels introducing this form of prayer. Join in with them if they should come your way.

Performances of "The Messiah" by Handel are synonymous with Christmas and we only had to travel to St. Pius X Church on 4th Dec. last to hear this favourite. It was beautifully sung by the Avondale Singers, under their Conductor, Sean Cremer, with Soloists Eileen Donlan, Ruth Maher, Frank Dunne and Peter McBrien in fine voice. The accompanist was Padraig O'Cuinneagain. Proceeds were in aid of St. Pius X Schools. Congratulations to the Organisers for such a pleasant evening.

The Templeogue Community Council made news on 6th Dec. when it organised a Public Meeting to discuss Law and Order and Security in the Home with Garda Of icers. The School Hall was packed to capacity for the discussion, which was serious, even disturbing. Sergeant Hugh Byrne of the Crime Prevention Squad showed slides to illustrate security measures in the home and for two hours gave sound advice, even to questions that seemed trivial, and passed on complaints against the Gardai - lack of patrols on the roads and speed in response to calls - to Superintendent Kelly of Terenure Station, who was also present. The Superintendent, in reply, said he and his men, only seven of them and seven Ban-Ghardai, do their best in the very large area under their control. Bag snatching and house-breaking are rampant. It was recommended that people should ring the local Station directly, failing that dial 999 of course - and help would be on its way as quickly as possible. Reference was also made to the seeming lack of parental control as many offenders were extremely young. Parents

are asked to be aware and alert to what their children are doing and impose a strict discipline. Drugs are a big problem too and are available within the community. It was obvious to all present that these men were giving facts that cannot be ignored if we wish to relax in our homes and as we walk to the shops. The meeting lasted for almost three hours and concluded with two helpful suggestions from Chief Superintendent Faughnan from the Garda Community Communications Depot in the Phoenix Park. The first was to set up a 'Watch' by neighbours for each other's protection and alert the Gardai if anything or anybody suspicious is noted. Secondly, to set up a system of Help for Victims of crime whereby members of the community, at the request of the Gardai, undertake to assist as required - stay with a frightened victim, repair a broken door or whatever. The latter suggestion is the kind of work undertaken by our own Help Force. which is doing such good work at present. So there is much food for thought there. Anyway, congratulations to the Community Council to Betty O'Brien for doing all the spade work, and to Terry Samuels who was an excellent Chairman.

A special thank you to the Garda Officers for a most informative and interesting meeting.

Christmas became more apparent as Christmas
Fairs were held out and about. Reports indicate
that takings were down everywhere, so the recession is really on us. Still, people do their
best and cranisers keep hoping. Of course, the
Calendar is nearly choked with notes for such
events at this time of year - maybe there will
be a re-think in many venues next time around!

Efforts are being made to organise a Ceile (of thegood old-fashioned kind) for teenagers on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. The venue is St. Pius X School Hall. The admission fee is 50p. The first of these was held on 9th Dec. and despite the small number in attendance, was a most enjoyable night. The next Ceili will be held on Friday, 13th January, at 8 p.m. Parents and others interested in helping establish this much needed change of tempo for the young are invited to a meeting in St. Pius X Schools on Monday 9th January at 8.15 p.m. Telephone 909957 or 903035 for details.

So now in conclusion for this year I wish you all wherever you are a very holy and happy Christmas and may the New year 1984 bring peace and good-will to all. Nollaig Shona agus Blian Nua fe mhaise dhibh go leir.

South Dublin Radio Club

Ballyroan Community Centre, Marian Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14.

The Club was formed in Sept. 1982 to cater for the increased number of licenced radio amateurs and short wave listeners in the South Dublin area, over the last few years.

The club has a membership of approx. 20 who meet every Tues. evening at 8p.m. for a cup of coffee and a chat with occasional film shows and lectures.

Also, the Club aims to help aspiring amateurs reach the standard required in electronic theory and morse to pass the licence examination in the P.&.T. Anybody with an interest in Radio in any form, construction or transmitting, are welcome to come along any Tuesday night, and contact Stuart Kinnear.

rempleville and forrfield residents' association o'regan



Public Footpaths: It has been brought to our notice that work carried out by private individuals affecting public footpaths is not considered desirable because:-

1. Work would have to be undertaken by a competent operative.

2. Work would have to be carried out to the Council's Area Engineer's satisfaction 3. A Public Liability Insurance Policy would have to be taken out to match the curr-

ent policy held by the Council. This policy provides for - Indemnification of the Council against all claims for damages which may arise as a result of the work and unlimited cover generally and a limit not less than £1,000,000 in respect of any one accident.

The Dublin County Council is not in favour of allowing private individuals to carry out this work for the reasons stated above and because of risk of accidents involving members of the public and the possible damage to footpaths arising from improperly executed work.

Dogs: More complaints regarding dogs. We believe dogs on Templeville Drive are left run wild while their owners go out to work. Just put out early morning until evening, to bark, follow bikes and destroy gardens. So once again we appeal to dog owners to keep their animals under control.

Hospital at Tallaght: Planning brief for the new hospital at Tallaght is expected to be completed before the end of 1983. When it is completed and considered in the Depart ment, the question of the appointment of the design team will be considered. It is not possible at this stage to indicate a precise date for the commencement of the building of the hospital as it is expected that the future planning process will take about three years to complete.

Occasional Work: If anyone knows of any man requiring occasional work in the area, please contact me 900650, or any committee

The Chairman and Committee wish all our members and friends A Happy Christmas.



Makes 12

225g/8-9 oz shortcrust pastry, defrosted if frozen. Toffee Filling. 50g/2 oz. golden syrup; 50g/2 oz. castor sugar; 50g/2 oz. margarine, diced; $40g/l\frac{1}{2}$ oz. glace cherries, quartered; $40g/l\frac{1}{2}$ oz flaked almonds; $40g/l\frac{1}{2}$ oz. sultanas;

- Heat the oven to 200C/400F/Gas 6.
- 2. Roll out the pastry thinly on a lightly floured surface, then cut into as many rounds rounds as possible with a 7.5cm/3" fluted pastry cutter. Knead the trimmings lightly together, roll out and cut into more rounds to make a total of 12.
- 3. Use the pastry rounds to line 12 tart moulds. Prick base and sides of each pastry case with a fork, then bake in oven for about 12 minutes, or until crisp and golden Cool for 2-3 minutes, then carefully remove from moulds and leave on a wire rack to cool completely.
- 4. Meanwhile, make the filling: put the syrup, sugar and margarine into a saucepan and stir over low heat until the margarine has melted and the sugar has dissolved. Bring slowly to the boil, without stirring, and boil for 2 minutes. Do not overcook the toffee mixture or it will become unpleasantly stiff and chewy when cold. Remove from the heat and stir in the cherries, almonds and sultanas.
- Leave the mixture to cool and thicken for 10 minutes, then divide equally between the pastry cases. Leave for about 30 mins. or until the toffee tarts are completely cold. Before serving you may top each tart with a spoonful of whipped cream, and decorate with a cherry (optional).

 MARY DUNNER.

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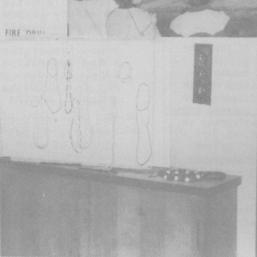




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COUNCILLOR LAING

You will read below a question placed by me in the Mid County Agenda for 5th Dec. 1983 because I am seriously concerned about the lack of attention to our local Village. I am also happy to report on an application grant (see below) for improved facilities for Templeogue Lawn Tennis Club, which was carried on my proposal and will go forward for sanction to the monthly meeting of the Council.

Meeting of Mid County District Committee - 5/12/83:

Question: Councillor S. Laing:

"To ask the Manager to take action on the following matters regarding Templeogue Village:-

(a) To erect speed limit signs at either end of the village.

Reply: Templeogue Village is within the general 30 mile per hour speed limit zone. The zone commences mid-way between Cypress Grove Road and Wellington Lane and continues into the city area. The appropriate sign is in position at the beginning of the zone.

- (b) To undertake increased maintenance of the area in particular to clear the weeds from the kerbing.
- (c) To request the Builder to make good the footpath outside the 3 new houses and shops as this is in a very dangerous condition.

Reply: (b) & (c) This location is maintained by Dublin Corporation who will be asked to examine the matters raised.

(d) To have the gable end of the cottages removed as it is in a dangerous condition and the area is a health hazard.

Reply: The cottages in question are situated in the administrative area of Dublin Corporation. Earlier this year the Dangerous Buildings Section of the Corporation reported that these cottages are not in a dangerous condition and that no action is warranted under the Dangerous Buildings Code. Also the cottages were inspected by the District Health Inspector who reported that they are in no way a health hazard and that no action can be taken in the matter.

(e) To request the Traffic Study to undertake an examination of the parking on the west side from the corner to the new shops and consider placing double yellow lines as the residents are having difficulty in gaining exit as their view is obstructed.

Reply: This matter will be examined with the Gardai and a report made to the Traffic Study Group if necessary.

(f) When will the road widening be undertaken from the bridge to the Village.

Reply: The carrying out of improvements to the section of the road between Templeogue Bridge and Templeogue Village will be subject to a scheme being approved by the Council, the acquisition of the necessary land and the availability of finance from the Department of the Environment. The current proposal is for the provision of a dual carriageway as far as the city boundary.

(g) To request the Minister for Posts & Telegraphs to erect the telephone kiosk as approved many months aso?

Reply: This matter has been referred to the Dert. of F & T for consideration and when a reply is received the Councillor will be informed of the up to date position in the matter.

Templeogue Lawn Tennis Club

An application has been received from Templeogue Lawn Tennis Club for a grant towards the cost of providing an improved drainage system and additional floodlighting at the Club grounds in Templeogue at an estimated cost of £35,926. The Tennis Club grounds are situated in both the County and City Administrative areas. This recommendation takes account of the fact that the Club obtained a grant of £3,400 from the Council in 1981 for an earlier phase of the development and is based on the County Youth membership. The application comes within the scope of the Council's Scheme of Grants to Local Organisations and it is recommended that a grant of £3,600 be made to Templeogue Lawn Tennis Club.

crime prevention

In last December's issue of the Templeogue Telegraph the importance of lighting in crime prevention was stressed. During the past year there has been a further 9.2% increase in crime, mainly in drug offences, burglary and car thefts.

The message we would like to pass on this December comes from the recent meeting on Crime Prevention organised by the Community Council, where Sergeant Hugh Burn had many useful tips, illustrated by slides. Here are some of them:

- A window opening must not be more than eight by twelve inches to prevent entry.
- 2. Drain pipes can to readily climbed to gain access to an upstairs window, so if you must leave the window open make the upper part of the pipes slippery by the application of a non-drying paint.
- 3. Most front door locks can be easily forced since they are only held on by screws. The most reliable lock is a 5 or more lever mortice lock, which is buried in the timber of the door.
- Remember a flat roof extention to the house facilitates entry to bedroom windows. Wrought ironwork behind such windows might prevent burglary here.
- 5. Ladders in the garden should be locked securely to some immobile object such as a fence and tools should not be left outdoors as they might assist the burglar.
- 6. Chains on the front door are not a great deterrent to forced entry - a viewing device and a grill for conversation would be safer. If you must use a chain put your foot behind the door also.
- 7. Doors inside the house may be locked for added security at night when you are at home, but when you are away such locking may be futile as they will probably be smashed. Ensure safe exit in case of FIRE.
- 8. The most effective way to prevent car theft is to put a locked post in the middle of your drive entrance.
- 9. When going away leave the keys of your house with a reliable neighbour so that mail and milk will not accumulate to herald your departure. Also let the Garda know who has the keys.

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Two of our most important annual events took place since our last notes appeared in the Telegraph. On November 22nd Mass for our deceased members was celebrated by Fr. S. Breen, C.C. in St. Pius X Church. The choir, conducted by Robert Daly with Kitty Bowden at the organ, sang most beautifully during the Mass. Treasa Durcan read the Lesson, while the Bidding Prayers on the themes of Our Deceased Members, Peace, The Community and The Holy Father were composed and read by Marie Guerins, Angela Brady, Ena McGarry and Eileen Pope. The Offerings were brought to the altar by Yvonne Kelly, Kate Meaney, Margaret Monahan and Carmella Wright. In all it was a very reverent and moving occasion, which was enhanced by the lovely solo singing of Margaret Hearns, Maebh Ardiff and Eleanor O'Mahony.

Our Christmas Dinner took place on



Thursday, December 8th at Hermitage Golf Club. In spite of a rather shaky start, when one of the buses went missing for a while, it was a good night. The meal was hot and tasty. We had plenty of raffles, and some great singing. And the style was tremendous! We all got home about midnight.

CONGRATULATIONS -

To <u>Treasa Durcan</u> who came First in the Club heat of the B.I.M. Fish Cookery Competition.

To <u>Bernie Greene</u> who came First in the section for Wool Crochet in the I.F.W.C. Crafts Competition.

To Nancy O'Connell who came First in the Tapestry section of the I.F.W.C. Crafts Competition.

To Geraldine O'Rourke who got an Award for her part in Bricks & Clay at the Drama Festival at the Players Wills Theatre. It is worth noting that Geraldine has won an award each time she has appeared in this play. Some achievement!

As there will not be another Templeogue Telegraph until February it is worth saying a few words about the Annual General Meeting in March. Nominations for the Committee must be handed in on or before the February Meeting (Wednesday 1st February). This year there will be a lot of vacancies to be filled We will need a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, together with seven Committee Members. So please give the matter some thought and let us have nominations for each position. Everyone who enjoys the Club and has its interests at heart should be prepared to work for it on the Committee at some stage, and being on the Committee can be fun as well as work and a good way of getting to know people.

Please remember that our January Meeting is being held on the SECOND WEDNESDAY, i.e. January 11, 1984.

We wish all our members and their families a Very Happy and Holy Christmas, and Peace and Joy in the New Year.

TREASA DURCAN'S PRIZE WINNING RECIPE IN THE B.I.M. FISH COOKERY COMPETITION.

l½ lb. Cod or Haddock; 3 Hardboiled Eggs; 2 oz. prawns; ½ pint Milk; 2 oz. Butter; 2 oz. Cheddar Cheese, grated; Salt and Pepper 1 oz. Flour; 1 oz. Butter.

Make up White Sauce and fold in Cooked Fish, Chopped Harboiled Eggs and Prawns.
Put into oven-proof dish.

Make Crumble by rubbing butter into flour and adding grated cheese, salt and pepper. Spread on top of fish mixture. Cook at Gas No. 4, 180 C. 350 F. about 20 minutes.

poetry corner

ARRIVAL OF AN ADOPTED BABY

BY A.O DONOGHUE

A Wednesday in December dawned No forewarning of events to come To work as usual we wound our way To begin the day that was to end as no other day

A phone call in the late morn
"I have a six day old baby girl for you"
Thoughts, emotions, all confused
Plans amid tears to welcome our
adopted baby girl

A Sunday in December dawned How to last the day long through Until that appointed hour A visit here, a visit there At long last the time drew near We drove through the gates Full of groundless fears

Footsteps, No, false alarm
Yes, there snug in sleeping bag
she lay
Hands wide open, eyes tightly shut
Asleep and unaware

Ten days old she had arrived A beauty in every way Hardly born yet alive Tiny ears, flattened to the head Those perfect fingers, that little nose Could she be ours for good, we cried

No stir did she make Until the appointed hour Feed me, she cried in her little way

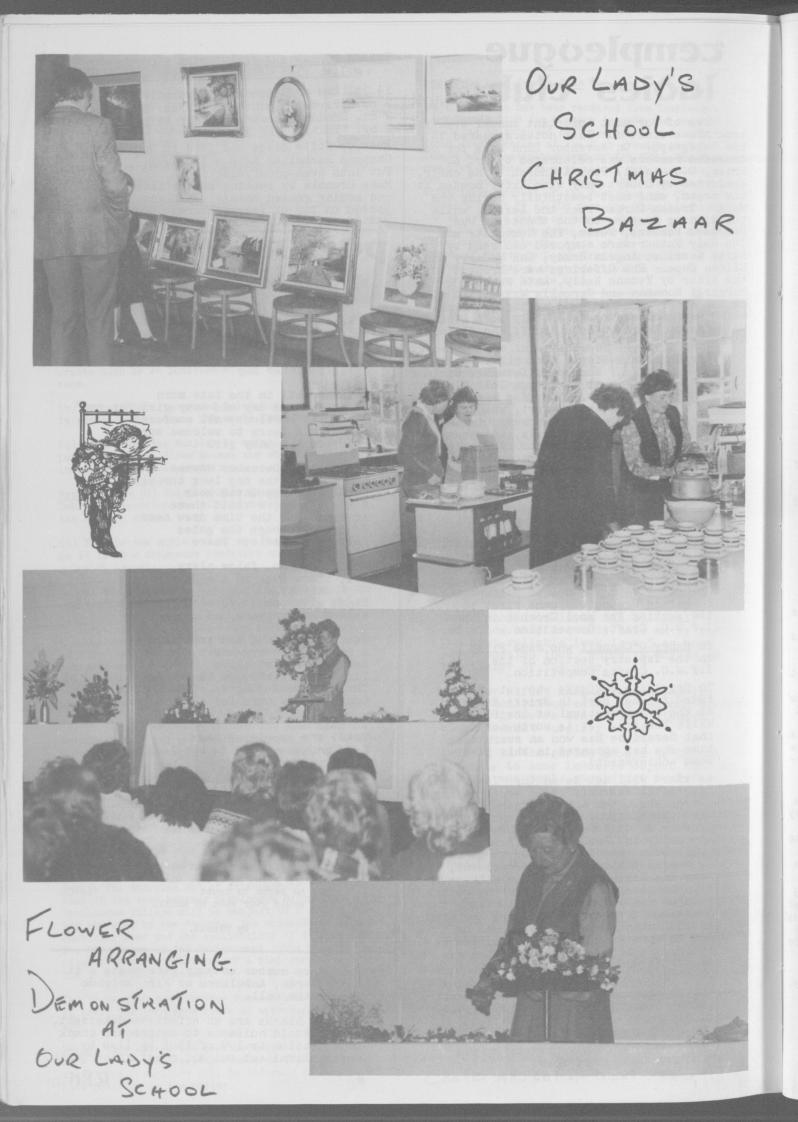
MY DADDY

When I was born on the kitchen table, While Daddy was reading an Aesop Fable And never did he look to see What I was going to be.

At my Christening he sat so still Thinking about an E.S.B. bill. Then he began to doubt If I would ever shut my mouth.

By Sinead.

- 10. Put house number on your gate posts it helps Garda, Ambulance or Fire Brigade locate the call.
- 11. Burglar Alarms are an effective deterrent, but to avoid nuisance to neighbours check modification No.199 of 1981 by IIAS by which alarms cut out and reset after 30min.



TEMPLEOGUE SWIM POOL



Templeville Road. Dublin 6. Phone: 966749 Manager: D. McCullagh.

WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF OUR NEW MULTIGYM CENTRE - FOR KEEP FIT , MUSCLE TONING, WEIGHT REDUCTION ETC. FOR MEN AND WOMEN.

OUR CENTRE COMPRISES OF A 15 STATION MULTIGYM WHICH IS A SAFE, EFFICIENT, EXERCISE MACHINE CAPABLE OF EXERCISING ALL MAJOR MUSCLES. ALSO INCLUDED; YMASSAGE BELT FOR LADIES. 2/ TWO EXERCISE BIKES, 3 PROFESSIONAL WEIGHING SCALES.

CATER FOR ALL INDIVIDUAL NEEDS.

HOURS OF OPENING :

MEN; MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY, FROM 6.45-9.45 pm

LADIES; MONDAY, FRIDAY, FROM 10-12 MOON TUESDAY, THURSDAY, 6.45-9.45pm. EVERY HOUR . IE, 6.45, 7.45, 8.45

(MORE SESSIONS AVAILABLE IF CUSTOMERS REQUEST)

PRICES: SPECIAL OFFER ON MEMBERSHIP FOR ALL WHO JOIN BEFORE DECEMBER 31 83. ONLY £5 MEMBERSHIP COVERING UP TO 315 DEC'84. FROM 15 JAN. 84 ALL MEMBERSHIPS WILL BE £25/YEAR, £1/SESSION.

SWIMMING COURSES:

PARENT AND BABY: MONDAY, 10 AM OR 11AM. £14/10 WEEKS

LADIES : MONDAY, 7.45 OR 8.30 pm. £13/10 WEEKS WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY, 10AM. £13/10 WEEKS ADULTS: WEDNESOAY, 7.45 on 8.30pm £13/10 WEEKS THURSDAY, 7.00 pm £13/10 WEEKS.

CHILDREN : TUESDAY, TUESDAY, 6.45 pm SATURDAY, 2.00 og 2.45 on 3.15pm. £ 12/10 WEEKS

PHONE TO CHECK ON STARTING DATES AND VACANCIES. ALL ABILLITIES CATERED FOR BY QUALIFIED EXPERIENCED INSTRUCTORS

PUBLIC SESSIONS : MONDAY TO FRIDAY (EXC WET ESDAY) 4.00 - 4.45 pm. MONDAY TO FRIDAY : 9.15 TO 10pm SATURDAY: 1-2pm. AND 4.15-5pm. SUNDAY: 11-12, 12-1, 1-2, 4-5, 5-6 ADDITIONAL : TUESDAY 8.30 pm.

FRIDAY 8.30 pm.

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Young Fine Gael

It is often said that a week is a long time in politics, and many will already have forgotten the recent bye-election in Dublin Central. Although we did not win the seat, Fine Gael had an excellent candidate in Mary Bonotti, whose personal experience of the degradation and impoverishment of our inner city areas lent a real sincerity and sense of purpose to her campaign. Here's to more efficient and progressive candidates in future elections!

At a recent constituency gathering we had a guest speaker from C.N.D. talking on the question of Irish neutrality. This is not just a controversial topic; at the moment we must be wary of the introduction of nuclear arms as in the case of Greenam Common, but it is also an emotive one. Ireland has always been a neutral country and we must protect our neutrality, but many may worry that our neutrality is being eroded by pressure being brought to bear on us to join or actively support other countries in defence pacts. We must have strong leadership in this area.

Some members of our Branch journeyed to Sligo a couple of weekends ago to a conference on Western Development. As city folk, we are often unaware of rural problems and the traditional feuding between farmers, PAYE and Unions is prevalent even among the youth. It was, therefore, heartening to see a Minister, ITGWU Representative, entrepreneur, IFA Member and University professor stand on the same platform and pledge cooperation to develop our natural resources and harness the initiative of Local Government. The same old rhetoric?, I asked myself as each in turn stood to address us, and here is where the cynicism of youth is of great advantage, for many were jolted out of their friendly reverie and actually presented us with viable solutions, astounding us with news of our forestry and fishery resources and the level of local skills; new schemes for leasing farming land to the government, and the beauty of all this - well much of this is self-financing. No more calls for free'Bs' from the government. I believe the public will hear much more of "things brewing" in the months to come.

Meetings held the first Monday of every month at 8 p.m. in Terenure College. All wel-

SUSAN BREEN, P.R.O.

ST. PIUS X PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Arising from our November meeting, our Committee met with Ms. Rock-O'Malley (Principal of the Girls' School) to discuss some items which were raised at that meeting. The outcome was satisfactory from the Committee's point of view, and the items discussed will be momitored in the future.

With Christmas now upon us, there will be the usual break in the activities of the Association - will parents please note there will be no activities during the school Christmas holidays.

The Committee would like to take this opportunity to wish all the members of the Association and their families, the teachers and staff of the schools, and all the readers of the Templeogue Telegraph - a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. BRIAN MCCCRMACK

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The closing date for entries is 20th Dec. but late entries will be considered.

Competitions commence on Friday 3rd February and continue over the week-end at Our Lady's School, Templeogue Road, and at Terenure College.

The Prize-Winners Concert will be held in Terenure College Concert Hall at 8 p.m. on Sunday, 5th February.

This is the fifth Annual Feile Bhride and the organisers wish to thank parents and friends who have given valuable assistance over the years Now that the event is firmly established in our local calendar it is hoped help will still be forthcoming. A meeting will be held in St. Pius X School on Tuesday, 17th January, at 8 p.m. and all with an interest in maintaining the Feile for the future are cordially invited. Phone 903000 for information.

May O'Neill, Feile Director.

acolytes



On 7th August a large group of altarservers went on their annual trip to Clongowes Wood College in Kildare. We all met outside St. Pius X Church. We were all split up into groups of four and we got into various cars, which were kindly driven by a number of altar-servers' parents. We arrived at our destination in a hot summer's afternoon. We did not do much that evening. Some went out for a game of golf, while others just unpacked and

put away their clothes. When we woke up the next morning we found out what teams we were on, and we found out what activities were lined up for us that day. The teams were made out by Mr. Power and the four leaders. The teams were very fair and the activities such as gaelic and soccer, kept us going from 9.30 a.m. until 11.00 p.m. at night. We were all disappointed when the five days were up. We all had a most enjoyfive days were up. We all had a most enjoyable time, and we all felt it was a worthwhile trip.

The climax to our annual soccer league took place on 25th September. It was a very hot day, but this did not affect the good football. Afterwards, Fr. Lee presented the prizes to the two teams. We would like to thank Mr. Power, Fr. Lee and all the people who turned up to watch.

We were again privileged to be invited to serve the ceremony of the Feast of Christ the King in Clonliffe College. It was a most enjoyable evening, and we are most grateful to Fr. Holohan and the students of Clonliffe College for making us most welcome.

Every year the altarservers celebrate the investiture of some of our altarservers. This year six of our altarservers were invested. They were: Conor O'Gallagher, David McManus, Mark Hughes, John Gaffey, Martin O'Connell and Bernard Condon. The ceremony took place on the 2nd Sunday of Advent at 11.30 a.m. hass.
S. & S. COLLITTEL



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MULTIGYM CENTRE

SPRING PROGRAMME 1985

Public Sessions

Wednesday & Friday Tuesday & Friday 8.30pm - 9.15pm Monday to Friday Saturday

11.00am - Noon 9.15pm -10.00pm 1.00pm - 2.00pm 4.15pm - 5.00pm 5.00pm - 5.45pm

Sunday 11.00am - 2.00pm 4.00pm - 6.15pm

every 45 minutes

Prices:- Adults £1.50 Children 60p under 4's free

CLASSES

As 10 week course. Full fee on 1st day. All abilities - all ages

CHILDREN

LADIES

6.15 - 7.00pm Tuesday Saturday 2.00 - 2.45pm

2.45 - 3.30pm 3.30 - 4.15pm Monday

7.45 - 8.30pm 8.30 - 9.15pm £16.10

10.00 - 11.00am £16.10

Wednesday 9.15 - 10.00am 10.00 - 10.45am £15.10

Min. age 4yrs. £15-10

ADULTS

Friday

Wednesday - 7.45 - 8.30pm Thursday 7.00 - 7.45pm £16.10 8.30 - 9.15pm

MULTIGYM CENTRE

The multigym centre is an all purpose centre for keep-fit, weight reduction, muscle toning etc. It caters for men and women at the following times: - Men - Mon.Wed.Fri.5.45-9.45pm and Tues. & Thurs. 6.45-7.45pm. Women Mon.Wed.Fri.10.00am-noon and Tues. & Thurs 7.45-9.45pm. Instructor on duty to assist in construction of your personal program.

To get 2 free sessions in the Multigym Centre please cut out this voucher.

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Templeville Road, Dublin 6.

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Complimentary

Allows 2 sessions in our gym for keepfit, muscletoning etc. with instructor during listed PHONE: 966749 times.



Councillor Laing.

Dear Residents.

Since last I reported to you some progress has been made following my representations on a number of local matters.

You will remember I requested an examination of the Fortfield Park/Templeville pedestrian light in conjunction with my canvass of the surrounding area. This has now been conceded and the Traffic Study Group will undertake further counts (the last one being in 1978) to see if a change to full traffic signals would be recommended.

In conjunction with this, the traffic study group will undertake a full examination of the parking requirements, a further pedestrian crossing, double yellow lines on the corner approaching Templeogue Bridge and a change of the bus stop in view of the increased traffic and business in the Templeogue

Many people received a sudden shock when the Traffic Warden arrived recently and as a member of the Road Safety Committee I am now taking this matter up with the Traffic Department to ensure that traffic markings are up dated.

During the last month the Minister for the Environment wrote to the Council requesting that the Council further examine a section of the Southern Cross Route This was debated at Council and I had no hesitation in supporting my colleagues in opposing this request and asking that the Minister speed up the necessary procedure so that full agreement can be reached on the Route and that plans might be put into action for its speedy implementation.

Lastly, may I offer a gentle warning to car. drivers over 10,000 prosecutions were enforced last year for failing to wear seat belts and this programme will be further extended in the coming months.

> Local Councillor Stanley Laing.

P.S. I have just been informed, following my request for Roundabout 'Yield Signs', that these have been approved by the Traffic Study Group and will now go to the Council Roads Department for erection.

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1st - 3rd February 1985

"Anois teacht an Earraigh" - and our annual Feile opens on the feast-day itself this year, which pleases the Organisers.

Competitions commence in Our Lady's School on Froday 1st February at 5.30 p.m. and continue through to Sunday, finishing at approximately 3 p.m.

This year being European Music Year and International Youth Year, we are pleased so many young people will assemble for this our 6th Feile week-end. Over 300 Solo entries have been received as well as a total entry of 31 choirs/groups.

The closing concert is at Terenure College Concert Hall on Sunday, 3rd February at 8 p.m. The Concert performers will be the Trophy Winners only. Prizes will be presented by the noted Irish Concert Violinist, Geraldine O'Grady.

A full report will be found in our March issue, D. V. Meantime, we pray for a successful week-end and hope competitors will gain the advice and help they need.

May O'Neill.

CREDIT UNIO

The 14th A.G.M. of Templeogue and District Credit Union Ltd., took place recently.

The financial accounts showed that at the year-end members' savings amounted to £334,000 and loans to members were £336,000. This underlines the fact that all the money loaned to members comes from members' savings.

Reserves amounted to £20,000. The dividend which was 4% for the past few years was increased to 5%.

The number of members is now almost 1,200 and to cope with thework a computer was purchased during the year. The change-over to the computer system had been accomplished without any serious problems.

The Credit Committee had loaned out £305,000 to members during the year. The amounts varied from £50 to £4,000 and were mainly for holidays, home improvements, transport (cars and insurance) and household items.

William Kinsella, who was re-elected as Auditor, congratulated the Treasurer on his work and the directors and helpers for their voluntary unpaid efforts which resulted in the continued success and growth of the Credit Union.

Some new directors were elected at the meeting, and the board for the coming year is:

Chairman & Credit Committee: Vice-Chairman &

JOHN SMYTH

Chapter Delegate: Treasurer: Asst. Treasurer:

DONAL KELLY BOB ELLIOTT DECLAN MAGUIRE

Correspondence Sec. & Membership Officer: LENA SHAW

Minutes Sec. & Credit Committee:

MARIE FORDE

Director &

Credit Committee: RONALD DUGGAN

Director &

BERNADETTE HUGHES

Credit Committee: Director &

Delinquency Officer: BILLY ROCHE TIM McCARTHY DERMOT MCGRATH DENIS RING

Director: Director: Director: Director: Director:

IRIS MOLLOY ROSEMARY O'SHEA GABRIEL PEELO

Director: Supervisor & Insurance Officer:

NOEL MCKENNA

Supervisor: Supervisor:

CYRIL BATES LARRY DAWSON

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TEMPLEOGUE COLLEGE PARENTS ASSOCIATION

RACE NIGHT

AT

GRANGE GOLF CLUB

FRIDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1985

Admission: £1.50

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claire o'regan

residents' association

Neighbourhood Watch. This scheme is now in operation four months. Street co-ordinators and Area co-ordinators meet regularly and have consultations with the Gardai, maintaining a master file on activities in the area.

Co-operation between neighbours contributes considerably to prevention of crime. Refore you go away on holidays or even a day it is suggested you make reciprocal arrangements with your neighbours to keep an eye to your home in your absence.

Do not leave ladders or garden tools available which could be of assistance to gaining entry to your home.

Do not leave notes. Tell your milkman to discontinue deliveries.

Do not draw your curtains or blinds.

If your home is fitted with a burglar alarm do not go away without notifying the Gardai of the name, address and phone number of your keyholder.

It is recommended that security locks be fitted to all accessible windows and a good security chain with sturdy fittings is most desirable on your front door.

Well-sited lighting outside your house can be an effective way of deterring the burglar.

Recording serial numbers of bicycles, televisions, radio, stereo units, will help identify your property in the event of a burglary.

If you are keeping an eye on your neighbour's home, do not hesitate to phone the Gardai if you are suspicious of persons or vehicles. Basically, anything that seems even slightly out of place, or is occurring at an unusual time of day, could be a criminal activity and should be reported, thus reducing the opportunity for crime.

Local Garda Station No. 905417, 900580. Emergency Dial 999 Non-urgent activities to be reported to your Street Co-ordinator.

It is recommended the fitting of fivelever mortice locks on exterior doors. The door used as the final exit from the dwelling should, where possible, be visible to passers-by.

Garage doors should be kept locked at all times. If there is a communicating door between your garage and your dwelling, you should consider supplementing your garage door lock with a good padlock. Prevent the thief having a view into your garage by fitting curtains to windows or using frosted

We hope that some of these suggestions Will assist you in protecting your home against burglary.

GARDEN COMPETITION At a function held in Terenure College the presentation of prizes took place.

by Webbs Hardware, Templeogue, was won by Mr. and Mrs. N. Purcell, 90 Templeville Rd.

Second Prize Mr. & Mrs. Cahill, 8 Hyde Park.



Third Prize Mr. & Mrs. Gallagher 34 Fortfield Park.

Highly Commended

Mr. & Mrs. Donaghy 36 Fortfield Park. Mr. & Mrs. Ryan 149 Fortfield Road Mr. & Mrs. Feldman 7 Hyde Park. Mr. & Mrs. Coubrough 141 Fortfield Road. Mr. & Mrs. O'Connor 47 Fortfield Park.

The marks awarded to the winners were very close and in general the inspectors were impressed by the standard of gardens in the area, with a few exceptions.

TEMPLEOGUE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUE

As 1985 is the International Youth Year we, the committee, are taking steps to accommodate the needs of the Youth in Templeogue Parish.

Our activities include Table-Tennis, Pool, Snooker, Day Trips, Week-ends away and periodic films and socials and nter-club quizzes. Light refreshments are served during the course of the evening.

Our most recent venture was to Our Lady's Hospital, Crumlin. Gifts donated by Youth Club Leaders and members were distri-buted to the delight of the young children by Santa. We have also organised, in conjunction with the Garda Juvenile Officer, an Educational Dublin-by-Night Tour.

The Club wishes to extend an invitation to the youth of the parish between the ages of 12 and 15 years to join our club. We open in St. Pius X School Hall on Saturday evenings between 8-11 pm. We would also like to invite the Parents to come and visit us any Saturday evening to see the club and meet the Leaders. THE COMMITTEE OF T.C.Y.C.

