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# Chalfont St Peter Village Voice

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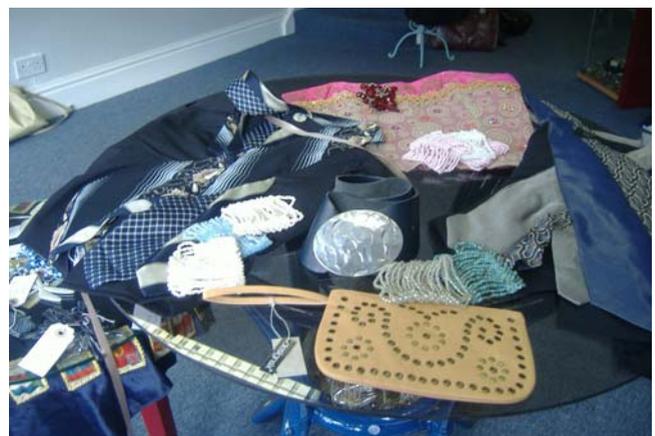
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THREE young ladies have come to 11 High Street Chalfont St Peter to brighten up this corner of the village. The shop is opposite Budgens' car park and the Library.

ADELE KELLY from Chalfont St Peter, has just opened FLAG, though the sign hasn't yet been delivered. However, you can't miss the eye-catching window to entice you in to her lovely display of affordable designer clothes for all ages. There are some really super designs, some you will have seen worn by young media stars such as Kiera Knightly, Sienna Miller and Geri Halliwell.

Adele sources all her items from young designers and suppliers who can provide something different, even quirky at times and they are the type of clothes more likely to be seen in the London boutiques. However, you don't need to go up to London to find something special, it is right here on your doorstep. There are some very ingenious and original styles that will make the wearers stand out



from the crowd.

Jewellery, belts and handbags, pashminas, shrugs (very unusual), are also special and different and Trilby hats are predicted to be all the rage, so Adele has a range of these also. There are also some basics like 'T' shirts and knitwear, but they are sometimes just that little bit different and interesting with Adele's way of presenting them.

She has created the decor of the shop herself, painting the furniture and putting her own special stamp on it. She has been a Fitness Instructor and also worked in fashion, taking her collection round to house parties, so she has lots of knowledge about how to make something look good on all sorts of shapes. When you go into browse, you are sure to find something that looks just right on you. Tel: 07802 839762.

Upstairs there are two more young ladies to visit, though neither was there at the time I called. EMMA has beauty essentials and treatments are available for Manicures, Pedicures, Facials, waxing, Eye Treatments, Body Massage and Ear Piercing. To call for an appointment, tel: 01753 890404. Mobile 07770911799.

BECKI JAMES is also upstairs at No. 11. She is a House of Colour expert and can lead you to understand which colours enable you to make the most of yourself.

You really cannot afford to miss popping in to see what is on offer, if you want to be turned out beautifully.

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**A TABLE TOP SALE** is being organised by the Conservatives on **Saturday 20th October** at the Community Centre in Gravel Hill, Chalfont St Peter from 9.30 - 1.00. To book a table please ring 07831 874044 or 01753 883935

**CHALFONT ST PETER** Youth Centre has seen a hive of activity at Tithe Barn, largely due to the Subway Painting Project. Nine months of hard work on the part of our young people and volunteer youth leaders, assisted by two professional street artists, was finalised with the official opening of the subway in August. This came about because of conversations, presentations, consultations with County, District and Parish Councils, followed by practice and design sessions throughout the spring and summer. Village residents were included in the consultations and were asked for their personal vision of what Chalfont St Peter means to them. (The competition winner was presented with a London Hotel/Theatre break for two people). These contacts led the young people to seek out more information with old and new images and the words that senior generations would have used to communicate when they were young. The design was based on these findings – childhood memories and more recent changes, forming the basis of the concept.

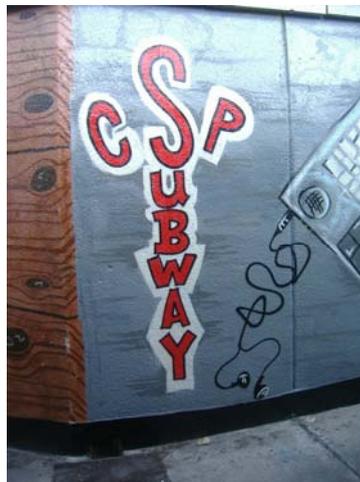


One wall depicts the landmarks of Chalfont St Peter as it was in living memory (100 years ago) in old-style artwork with detailed stencil work referencing the play of young people of those days. The facing wall depicts the young people's interpretation of their village now and moving on into the future. The geographic proximity to London is represented by the signpost as well as the much appreciated natural countryside surrounding the village. Points of focus were the Common and Market Place, also the skate park. It was felt the village bunting had to feature in celebrating the village and the young people's enormous achievements on this project.

The third wall reflects the changing language and methods of communication used throughout the last century. The words of today's youth face the 'senior' wall and the words of yesterday's youth face the modern wall. The old words are in old-style fonts on paper sheaths resting on a wooden writing desk with pen and ink.



In contrast the new words are brightly coloured stickers with modern styling on a laminate desk surrounded by laptops and mobiles.



Fun and friendship were two very strong themes coming from this activity and thanks go to everyone who contributed in some way to the project, in particular for the grant from the Youth Opportunities Fund, £5000 of which was spent on the paint. Please take time to visit the subway and see the work – this makes the safest crossing from one side of the village to the other a most enjoyable experience.

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**MISBOURNE** Art Society meets at Chalfont St Peter Community Centre at 2.15pm on the first Saturday of the month. October 6 - Susanne Carr - Picasso, Beautiful or Ugly? Tender or Cruel? November 3 - Martin Smith - Society, Seascapes & Saints. **November 15-17 - Annual Exhibition in Church Hall CSP. This is always worth a visit.** December 1 - Christmas Party, Competition - Christmas Box.. Quiz and presentations by members.

**THE VOPAG** meeting will be held in the Parish Council Office from 10.30 am. to 12.30 pm, on Thursday 18th. October, Tuesday 20th. November and Thursday 13th. December. Do go along and join in.

**AFTER** 15 years running **CHALFONT OFFICE DIRECT**, John and Anita West decided that it should have a refit and the shop is now bright and airy with everything easily on view. A wall has been removed to display the merchandise to the best advantage and plans are afoot to have an Art section with all the materials for arts and crafts available right here in the village.

John and Anita are very active in village matters and, you may remember that Anita showed her brainpower by winning The Weakest Link, when Chalfont St Peter fielded a team in the programme. True to her public spirit, she donated the prize money to Chalfont St Peter funds.

They also provide the paper for the



newsletter that goes round the Village each month, which along with the Parish Council providing the printing, enables Village Voice to continue, after The Bucks Advertiser discontinued

**ST JOSEPH'S** Youth Club is starting up with a new leader. Maure Kennedy is keen for young people to go along and join in the activities, Wednesdays, year 7-9, 7 – 8.30pm, with the theme on the 34d “Who is the STRONGEST LINK? Year 5-6 begin on 10 October to celebrate completion of the 11-plus exams with an icecream party. The Youth club needs to borrow an exercise bike for a fundraiser. If anyone has one to offer, please contact Maure on 07517 235017.

**YOGA** classes are at the CSP Community Centre on Thursdays at 1.30pm. Contact: 01494 677094 or 07811 138589.

**PARENTING** classes at Gold Hill Baptist Church, started at the end of September but may there may still be some places. More information from Katrina Reading on 01753 887173 or email [katrina@goldhill.org.uk](mailto:katrina@goldhill.org.uk).

**BADMINTON** players are needed by a friendly club that plays Wednesday evenings in Chalfont St Peter Middle School. Contact John on 01494 873527 or Linda on 01494 875486.

**NATIONAL** Council of Women meets in the CSP Community Centre at 2.15pmm the last Thursday of each month.

**CLAIRE CALLAGHAN** is bringing her book sale back to the Church Hall, Church Lane and now has an even better display for your enjoyment. She has teamed up with a friend who has really superb handbags, belts and pashminas to add to the array. The Sales are, as usual, on Saturdays from 9am-4pm and the dates to put in your diary are 27th October and 24th November. Perfect timing for Christmas gifts, but also for just having a good browsing session on a Saturday, to set you up for the weekend. Do please go along and see what is on offer.

**YOU** are invited to enter a team of three members in the Association's annual Fun Quiz at 8pm on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, in the main hall of the Community Centre. As previously, the evening will be informal, as this has proved to be more enjoyable for both participants and audience. All teams will receive the same questions at the same time. They can consult with each other and papers will be provided for the team's answers. The winners will be presented with the Stringer Cup at the conclusion of the evening. **To book your team of three, please contact 01753 885778 email: [cspca@btconnect.com](mailto:cspca@btconnect.com)** If not taking part, please go along and support the teams from the audience -50p door entrance.

**CAREERS** Springboard is a self-help group and regular participation in the Monday evening meetings should help to stimulate your job search skills. The meetings also provide the opportunity for you to share your views and problems with others. Volunteers are available to give personal advice and appointments should be booked through the administrator Chris White on [careers.springboard@virgin.net](mailto:careers.springboard@virgin.net) The Monday meetings take place 7.15 for 7.30pm at St Andrews United Reformed Church Hall, Packhorse Road, Gerrards Cross. Topics are: October 8 - Networking, October 15 – Networking Practise/ October 22 – Breakout Groups: CV's covering letters: Working with Recruiters; Tell Me About Yourself & Get to know YOUR Skills October 29 – Interviews 1 and November 4 – Interviews 2.

**TITHE BARN**, on the other side of the bridge across the A413, has rooms to let, if you are looking for a venue for Parties, group meetings or one-off bookings for activities etc. It is very competitive price-wise, for example weekdays and weekends are £8 per hour or £10 per hour after 6pm. Telephone 01753 883712 to book or for more information.

**THE LONDON & SLOUGH** run on Mondays to take food to the homeless, is struggling to get enough donations of sandwiches, fruit, biscuits and soft drinks, as many of the regular givers are away. Help would be much appreciated if you can take donations of these items, sandwiches labelled please, to St Joseph's Priory in Austenwood by 4pm on Mondays.

**CHALFONT ST PETER** WI meets on the second Wednesday in the month at the Church Hall, Church Lane at 2.15pm. On September 12 Dr Audrey Hogarth will give a talk on Perestroika. **GERRARDS CROSS** Flower Club next meets in The Memorial Centre, Gerrards Cross at 2pm on September 19 when Katherine Lee, a national level demonstrator, will present “Diversity”. The competition is An exhibit “Basket to feature Garden Flowers” for the Sunnyhurst Cup.

**POP-IN** meets every Thursday morning during term time from 10-11.30am in the Gold Hill Baptist Church and there is a crèche for babies and activities for pre-school children. Subjects in July are: Fantastic food for kids, Through tough times to good, with Patsy Wyatt. This is a non-denominational group and all ladies are welcome to join the Thursday meetings.

**CHALFONT** St Peter and Gerrards Cross History Society holds it's meetings, generally one a month, on Fridays at 8pm in the Memorial Centre, East Common, Gerrards Cross. Visitors are welcome For further information, the secretary can be contacted on 01494 873831

**ALL SAINTS'** church music festival's next date is Saturday, October 13, when The Ionian Singers will perform at 7.30pm in the Church hall. A chamber choir consisting of 35 singers, they have a national and international reputation based on performances throughout the UK and abroad, as well as many recordings. They will be presenting a varied programme of both sacred and secular music. Tickets £12: from **01753** - 883384 or 882426.

**FOLLOWING** the successful Chalfont St. Peter W.I Spring fashion Show, they will be presenting A Winter Fashion Show with Bucks. Leather Centre and M. & Co. " Parties and Presents" In the Parish Church Hall at 7.00 p.m on Friday 23rd November.2007 Entry £5.00 to include Wine and Nibbles. Everyone very welcome.

**CHALFONT St Peter** Community Association was established on 3rd October 1957 and so this year makes its 50th anniversary. the original community centre building was formally opened 45 years ago in April 1962. To celebrate these landmarks, an open day was held at the Centre on 2nd September and over 30 groups that regularly use the centre participated, mostly staging an exhibition of their work, but also organisations gave successive active demonstrations in the main hall. Chalfont Common W.I. provided much needed refreshments. The day was a great success and at noon a "head count" indicated that there were above 200 people in the centre at that time.The Association thanks all the participants, for without their enthusiasm and involvement the event would not have taken place.

**FRIDAY** market in the Church Hall, Church Lane is worth a visit. 9am – 2.00pm

**BINGO** is on Friday, 7-9.30pm at the CSP Community Centre for some light entertainment and maybe an exciting win.

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