

EXHIBITIONS

Friday, 9th May to Saturday, 28th June, Horncastle

An exhibition of work by adult education students, 'Classes of 2003' will be taking place at the college 9am to 6pm, Mondays to Saturdays. Tel: 01507 522449.

Saturday, 17th May to Sunday, 22nd June, Barton on Humber

'Urban', an evocative exhibition of paintings and prints by artists influenced by the sounds, smells and noise of urban living, is on at the Ropewalk, Malkiln Lane, from 10am to 5pm, Tuesday to Saturday and 10am to 4pm on Sundays. Tel: 01652 660380.

Saturday, 17th May to Saturday, 19th July, Lincoln

'Robert Grosseteste and his World', an exhibition of medieval manuscripts and archives to mark the 750th anniversary of the death of Robert Grosseteste, Bishop of Lincoln from 1235 to 1253, is taking place in the Cathedral library every day except Wednesdays and Sundays from 11am to 3pm. Tel: 01522 544544.

EVENTS

Sunday, 25th May, Metheringham

The former RAF Metheringham will be holding an Open Day with displays of Second World War military vehicles, classic cars and aviation memorabilia, vintage bus rides, Lincolnshire sausages and, weather permitting, a flypast by the only Lancaster bomber still flying. Tel: 01526 378270.

OUT AND ABOUT

Saturday, 3rd May, Barton upon Humber

The village's oldest house, 51 Fleetgate, will be open to the public from 10am to 3pm. The house has a rare, fifteenth-cen-

SHAKESPEARE AT THE BROADBENT

Familiar faces from Lincoln's amateur theatre groups come together as Buckleswash Theatre Company for a production of Shakespeare's bright, fast and hilarious story, 'The Comedy of Errors'. It takes place in the Broadbent Theatre from Tuesday to Saturday, 13th to 18th May, at 7.30pm each night with a 2pm matinee on Saturday. Tel: 01522 807880.



ture timber crown post roof and some of the fabric has been dated back to the fourteenth century. Civic society members will conduct tours. Tel: 01652 660630.

Mondays 5th and 26th May, Wrawby
Wrawby Windmill near Brigg will be open from 2pm to 5pm. Admission £1 adults, children 50p. Contact Ivy House, Wrawby, Brigg, DN20 8RL, tel: 01652 653699.

Sunday, 10th May, Bardney
Go along to Chambers Farm Wood at 4.30am to hear the dawn chorus and other birds establishing their territories. Tel: 01673 842899.

Friday, 16th May, Bardney
If early mornings are too much for you, go to Chambers Farm Wood at 9pm to hear the nightingales. Tel: 01673 842899.

Sunday, 18th May, Manby
The Lincolnshire Landrover club will be holding an off-road driving day at Manby Showground from 10am. All makes of 4x4s welcome. Refreshments and free technical advice. Tel: 07974 082262.

Saturday, 31st May, Bardney
Book up for the RSPB's Dawn Chorus and Organic Breakfast in Chambers Farm Wood, starting at 4am, by telephoning: 01522 888842.

MUSIC

Thursday, 1st May, Tealby
A harp and flute duo will be playing from 7.30pm at the D'Eyncourt Memorial Hall, Tealby. Tel: 01673 828478.

Saturday, 3rd May, Heckington
Lincoln Orpheus Male Voice Choir will be presenting a varied programme of songs and other items in St Andrew's Church at 7.30pm. Tickets at £5 available from 01529 460302.

Wednesday, 7th May, Alkborough
A concert by New Orleans Heat is being given at St John the Baptist Church, Alkborough, near Scunthorpe, at 7.30pm.

Tickets at £7.50 to include light refreshments from 01724 721069.

Friday, 9th May, Market Rasen
Stephen Bullamore, second assistant organist at Lincoln Cathedral, will be giving a recital in St Thomas' Church, starting at 7.30pm. Tel: 01673 828478.

Saturday, 10th May, Sibsey
East Lincolnshire Arts and the Friends of St Margaret's Church, are presenting an evening of folk, blues, swing and classical music in St Margaret's Church, Sibsey, starting at 7.30pm. Tel: 01205 750496/01754 765645.

Saturday, 10th May, Spilsby
The New Fanfare Bigband is returning by popular demand to Spilsby Theatre at 8pm. Tel: 01790 752936.

Saturday, 10th May, Lincoln
The internationally acclaimed Morrington Orpheus Choir from Swansea will be performing a concert in Lincoln Cathedral at 7.30pm in aid of St Barnabas Hospice. This is the choir's first appearance in the Cathedral and the only opportunity to see them in the county in 2003. Tel: 01522 683383/544544.

Friday, 16th May, Spilsby
One of the UK's finest vocalists, Midge Ure, will be at Spilsby Theatre, supported by the new voice of British R'n'B, Lavinia. Starts at 8pm. Tel: 01790 752936.

Saturday, 17th May, Lincoln
Walton's 'Portsmouth Point', Elgar's 'Sea Pictures' and Rachmaninov's Symphony No 2 will be performed by the British Police Symphony Orchestra at 7.30pm in the Cathedral. Tel: 01522 544544.

Friday, 23rd May, Lincoln
'Eliza is the Fairest Queen', a chamber concert of music from the reign of Queen Elizabeth I, is being performed to mark the 400th anniversary of her death, in the Wren Library, Lincoln Cathedral, at 7.30pm. Tel: 01522 544544.

Friday to Monday, 23rd to 26th May, Cleethorpes
There will be four days of music and dance displays from forty acts at this year's Cleethorpes Folk Festival taking place at the Winter Gardens. Good food will be served all day and there are craft stalls, real ale and children's events. For full details contact 01472 322094.

Friday, 30th May, Lincoln
The Hallé Orchestra, will be playing a programme of works by Wagner, Berlioz and Dvorak in the Cathedral, starting at 7pm. Tel: 01522 544544.

Saturday, 31st May, Gainsborough
The final in the Battle of the Bands competition for secondary schools in West Lindsey takes place in the Trinity Arts Centre at 7pm. The winners will receive £100. Tel: 01427 810710.

THEATRE

Thursday to Saturday, 6th to 10th May, Grimsby

Silhouettes Operatic Society present 'Crazy for you', the new Gershwin musical at the Grimsby Auditorium. Details from 01472 311311.

Friday 9th May to Saturday 17th May, Gainsborough

Gainsborough Theatre Company presents Alan Ayckbourn's 'A Chorus of Disapproval' at the Old Nick Theatre, Spring Gardens, 7.30pm every day except Sunday. Tel: 01427 810616.

Wednesday, 14th May to Saturday 24th May, Louth

Louth Playgoers present Lerner and Loewe's 'Camelot' in the Riverhead Theatre at 7.30pm each night. Tel: 01507 600350.

COURSES AND MEETINGS

Tuesday, 6th May, Gainsborough

Agricultural chaplain Terry Miller will be giving an illustrated talk, 'Beating the Bounds', to the Friends of Gainsborough Old Hall at 7.30pm in the Old Hall. Tel: 01427 612017.

Thursday, 8th May, Lincoln

The Lincoln group of the RSPB will be hearing Ann and Phil Farrer's talk, 'The Venezuelan Llanos' in The Lincoln Suite, The Lawn, Union Road, at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome. Tel: 01522 804799.

Friday, 9th May, Lincoln

Horncastle Movie Makers will be visiting RB Camera Club at the first floor, 5 Silver Street, starting at 7.30pm. Tel: 01522 532309/805295.

Thursday, 8th May, Gainsborough

Comedy writer Vince Powell will be talking to the Ladies Luncheon Club in the Weston Rooms starting at 12.30pm. Tel: 01427 610050.

Monday, 12th May, North Hykeham

The Lincoln Railway Society will be hearing Bob Goodman's talk, 'Trains in the West' at 8pm in St Hugh's Church Hall. Tel: 01522 884557/804847.

Thursday, 15th May, Sleaford

Douglas Hoare will be explaining 'What the Victorians did for St Denys' Church' to members of the Sleaford History Group at 7.30pm in St Denys' Church Room, Market Place. Tel: 01529 455327.

Thursday, 15th May, Little Hale

Professor Keith Laybourne of Huddersfield University will be giving a talk, 'Ramsey MacDonald - Lucifer of the Left' to the Lincolnshire branch of the Historical Association in Little Hale Methodist Chapel, starting with tea at 4.15pm. Everyone welcome. Tel: 01529 460553.

Friday, 16th May, Spalding

Members of the South Holland Family and Local History Group will be hearing

Peter Connolly's talk, 'The Opening of the Colosseum' in the Library, Queen Elizabeth's Royal Free Grammar School, at 7.30pm. Tel: 01775 714781.

Tuesday, 20th May, Grimsby

The Everyman Club's annual general meeting will take place in Grimsby College, Nuns Corner at 7pm, followed by an entertainment. Tel: 01472 879175.

Wednesday, 21st May, Louth

'My Russian ancestor - coachman to the Duke of Devonshire' is the subject of Eileen Beech's talk to members of the Louth branch of the Lincoln Family History Society in the Salvation Army Citadel, Church Street, starting at 7.30pm. Tel: 01507 327545.

Thursday, 22nd May, Lincoln

'Let's have fun with herbs', Ann Barnes will be suggesting to members of the Lincolnshire Herb Society in the Lounge of Burton Road Methodist Church starting at 7.45pm. Tel: 01522 689831.

Friday, 30th May, Lincoln

Mr Clifford Smith will be giving a talk, 'What do you mean, it looked better on the monitor', to members of the RB Camera Club, first floor, 5 Silver Street, Lincoln, starting at 7.30pm. Tel: 01522 532309/805295.

OPEN GARDENS AND FLOWER FESTIVALS

Thursday to Monday, 1st to 5th May, Spalding

The parish church of St Mary and St Nicholas will be holding a thanksgiving festival during which the church will be decorated. Refreshments in the church hall. Tel: 01775 722772.

Sunday, 4th May, Stixwold

The cottage garden and small turf maze at 2 School House, Stixwold, near Woodhall Spa, will be open from 2pm to 6pm. Teas. Tel: 01526 352453.

Sunday, 4th May, Stenigot

The spacious lawns, shrub roses, borders, water garden and kitchen garden at Stenigot House, Stenigot, near Louth, will be open from 2pm to 5pm in aid of the Red Cross. Tel: 01476 563378.

Monday, 5th May, Grimsthorpe

Grimsthorpe Castle, gardens and grounds will be open from 11am to 6pm in aid of the Lincolnshire Old Churches Trust. It is on the A151, four miles west of Bourne. Tel: 01673 828355.

Monday, 5th May, Harlaxton

The Grange in Rectory Lane will be opening its replanted Victorian Rectory garden to visitors from 2pm to 5pm in aid of the Red Cross. Tel: 01476 563378.

Sunday, 11th May, Aubourn

The gardens at Aubourn Hall near Lincoln will be open from 2pm to 5pm in aid of the Red Cross. Plants and teas available. Tel: 07816 202353.

SPALDING FLOWER PARADE

The forty-fifth Spalding Flower Parade and spring country fair is taking place in the town from Saturday to Monday, 3rd to 5th May. Events begin on Saturday at 2pm when floats decorated on the theme of 'Musicals on Parade 2003' will make their way round the town, starting and finishing at the Springfields Festival site.

The event also features exhibitions and trade stands, displays, a craft fair, helicopter rides, a funfair in Victoria Street car park and town-centre markets.

For more information about the weekend telephone 01775 725468.



Sunday, 11th May, Belvoir

The newly created and refurbished gardens with wonderful views at Belvoir Lodge, opposite Belvoir Castle, will be open from 2pm to 6pm in aid of Gifts Hospice Services, Grantham and Sleaford. (Signs on the A52 and A607). Tel: 01476 577884.

Sunday, 11th May, Welton le Wold

The Old Rectory with its four acres of fine trees, water garden and wide variety of plants will be open from 1.30pm to 5.30pm in aid of the Lincolnshire Old Churches Trust. Teas and plant sales. Tel: 01673 828355.

Wednesday, 14th May, Doddington

The four acres of wild garden at Doddington Hall near Lincoln, always at their best in spring, will be open in aid of the Lincolnshire Old Churches Trust from 2pm to 6pm. Tel: 01673 828355.

Sunday, 25th May, Wainfleet

Northolme Hall's gardens of shrubs, lawns, roses and vegetables will be open from 1.30pm to 5.30pm in aid of the Lincolnshire Old Churches Trust. Swimmers welcome to use the pool. Teas and plant sales. Tel: 01673 828355.