

Gratitude

A group of geography students were studying the Seven Wonders of the World. Towards the end of the session they were asked to list what they considered to be the Seven Wonders... Though there was some disagreement, the following got the most votes:-

- 1 Egypt's Great Pyramids
- 2 Taj Mahal
- 3 The Grand Canyon
- 4 The Panama Canal
- 5 The Empire State Building
- 6 St. Peter's Basilica
- 7 The Great Wall of China

While gathering the votes, the teacher noticed that one student, a quiet girl, hadn't offered her paper for collection, and so asked if she was having trouble with her list. The girl replied, "Yes, a little, I couldn't make up my mind because there are so many." The teacher said, "Well tell us what you have, and maybe we can help." The girl hesitated, then said, "I think the Seven Wonders of the World are:-

- 1 To Touch
- 2 To Taste
- 3 To See
- 4 To Hear
- 5 To Run
- 6 To Laugh
- 7 And To Love."

Sometimes it's far too easy to look at the exploits of man and refer to them as 'wonders' while we overlook all God has done, regarding it as merely 'ordinary'. May you be reminded during this week, and throughout the autumn season, of those things that are truly wondrous, and in return be truly grateful.

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Friday 14th September.

Sedlescombe & District Garden Society members are reminded about the Vegetable Extravaganza at Friary Gardeners, Ore Place Farm. TN34 2RA at 6pm.

The Gardeners always put on a very interesting display and make us very welcome. See the Spring issue of your *Trug* for details.

Ore Place Farm is just off the Ridge, down the lane just next to the Veterinary Surgery, travelling from the Conquest Hospital. If you have reached the Cemetery, you have gone a little too far and missed the turn on the right.

The Royal British Legion

The next meeting of the Sedlescombe Branch will take place on the 19th September 10.30 a.m. at the Queens Head. This a members only meeting but should you be thinking of becoming a member then do come along, you would be most welcome. For further information of the branch please ring me on 870219.

Ernest Burgess, Chairman.

Sedlescombe W.I. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 19th Septem-

ber at 2 o'clock in the Village Hall. This meeting will be "Members entertain". Competition - a posy of flowers. Tea ladies: Mrs Berry and Mrs Bullen. A warm welcome awaits you, ladies!

"Fayre on the Green"— Saturday 22nd September - Fun for all the family! All proceeds raised will be given to aid the building of the new village Sports Pavilion so please support it by joining us with your family and friends on the Green for the afternoon.

We would be pleased to receive any of the following prior to the event and can be delivered to : Books – The Queens Head, Bric a Brac – 4 Streetlands, Tombola prizes – 2 Forge Cottages, The Green. Also, we are having a Cake Stall and would be grateful for contributions. Please ring 870688 or leave in porch of 2, Forge Cottages on the morning of the Fayre. Many thanks.

Chapel Hill Church (URC) celebrates Harvest! You are cordially invited to celebrate Harvest at Chapel Hill Church on Sunday, 23 September at 3 p.m. Gifts of fruit and

UNITY 15	
Readings:	Exodus 32.7-14 Psalm 51.1-10 1 Timothy 1.12-17 Luke 15.1-10

Services and Meetings this week

SEDLESKOMBE	WHATLINGTON
St John the Baptist	St Mary Magdalene
Unity 15 [16]	Sunday [16]
8.30 am Parish Communion, Junior Youth Church	8.30 am Parish Communion
8.30 am PCC Meeting in Church [17]	
5-7.30 Rootz 'n' Shootz at Chapel [18]	Next Sunday [23]
Next Sunday, Trinity 16 [23]	8.30 am Parish Communion
8.30 am Parish Communion, Junior Youth Church	

Chapel Hill Church - United Reformed

Monday 16 September	10.30 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Pat Reigh.
Tuesday 18 September		No Home Group this week. 6.15 pm Rootz 'n' Shootz
Wednesday 19 September	10.30 am - 12 noon.	Coffee Morning in the Meeting Room.
Friday 23 September	3 pm	Harvest Festival Celebration led by Rev Roy Cole.
Advance Notice. Charity Christmas cards from Cards for Good Causes will be available at the Chapel on 17th November at 10 am.		

vegetables etc are welcome and will be sent to Turner House after the service. Collection in aid of farmers in Britain who have suffered due to the floods. Despite the wettest summer on record, let's thank God that we still have lots to eat.

Over the past year or so, the village has suffered the loss of a number of friends. For this reason, the Sedlescombe churches would like to invite you to a **Service of Thanksgiving** to commemorate our loved ones, on Sunday, 30th September, 6 p.m., at the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist.

We would very much like to see you all, and it would be helpful if you could let us know if you are coming - but please do come anyway. Would you also give us the names of anyone you would like to be remembered at the service. If you are unable to be with us, would you like us to light a candle for them, on your behalf? Please phone: Helen 01424 772473 or Hilary 01424 870397 (in this case you may get a taxi answerphone. Please leave a message, with your phone number.)

We hope you will be able to stay for refreshments after the service.
The Parish Church of St. John the Baptist and Sedlescombe United Reformed Church

Sedlescombe Societies Association — the group responsible for running the annual village fayre, will be

holding its AGM meeting at the Village Hall committee room 2 on Tuesday 9th October and we invite you to make an application for funds by writing to the secretary, Judy Torrance, Asselton House, The Green, Sedlescombe. **Please note that there is no cutoff date for requests.** However, it would be helpful if all applications could be received by 1st October in order to be considered at the AGM.

Sedlescombe Sports Association are holding a Casino Night on Friday, 28th September at 7.30 p.m. for 8 p.m. in the Village Hall. Tickets will be £10, which includes Supper and Playing Chips. There will also be a Bar. Dress casual but smart, i.e. no jeans or trainers. Come and support this fundraising event for our new Pavilion! Tickets available at the Post Office.

The Parish Church's Harvest Festival will be on 6-7th October. Saturday 6th: Film Show at 7 p.m. at the Church by Mr Anthony Shemwin, RIBA, followed at 7.30 pm by Traditional Harvest Supper. There is no charge but there will be a plate at the door for those who wish to contribute to Church Funds. On Sunday 7th at 6 pm there will be Evensong taken by the Rev John Wheeler. This will be a weekend when we give thanks to God for all his goodness to us. Please join us!

Peggy Evenden