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ANOTHER GREAT SPORTS DAY

EXCITEMENT and sporting events were the order of the day on June 22 in the park at Coolgreena Close. A large crowd attended and along with the sporting events we had a Bouncy Castle, a Clown and the Wheel of Fortune. After an hour into the afternoon of fun there were a few claps of thunder and the rain came down, luckily we had a tent nearby for shelter.

When it cleared a little we held the Glamorous Granny Competition and with 7 entries it was great fun. May Meehan was the winner of a beautiful bouquet of flowers and a Voucher for the Hairdressers. The Trendiest Grandad Competition attracted 5 entries and after showing off their muscles and their legs, Pierce Dunne was chosen as the winner. He was presented with his prize, also a Hairdressers Voucher. Our clown on the day was the judge of these competitions, and the prizes were presented by Noreen Maher.

The Committee of the Beaumont Residents' Association wish to thank the following businesses for their wonderful and most generous support for the Children's Sports & Fun Day. Lanigans Funeral Directors, Sean Haughey, Supervalu, McLaughlin's Pharmacy, Alan's Hairdressers, Byrnes Butchers, Flowers Unlimited, Londis, Coca Cola Company, Karizma Hairdressers, O'Sullivan's Chemist Swords Road and the Priests from St. Fiachra's for the use of their Wheel of Fortune. Many thanks to all our helpers—Ann and Michael McNulty, Michael Maher, Patricia Doyle, Noel Ellis, Ciaran Redmond, Derek Doyle, Eddie Foy, Charlie Moore,

Dave Barron, Fran Maher and also Aidan and Breda Buckley for the use of their electricity on the day and also for helping out. Also a big thank you to all the young boys and girls, namely Alan and David Doyle, Shane Maguire and Andrew Maher, Aisling Higgins and her friend who helped

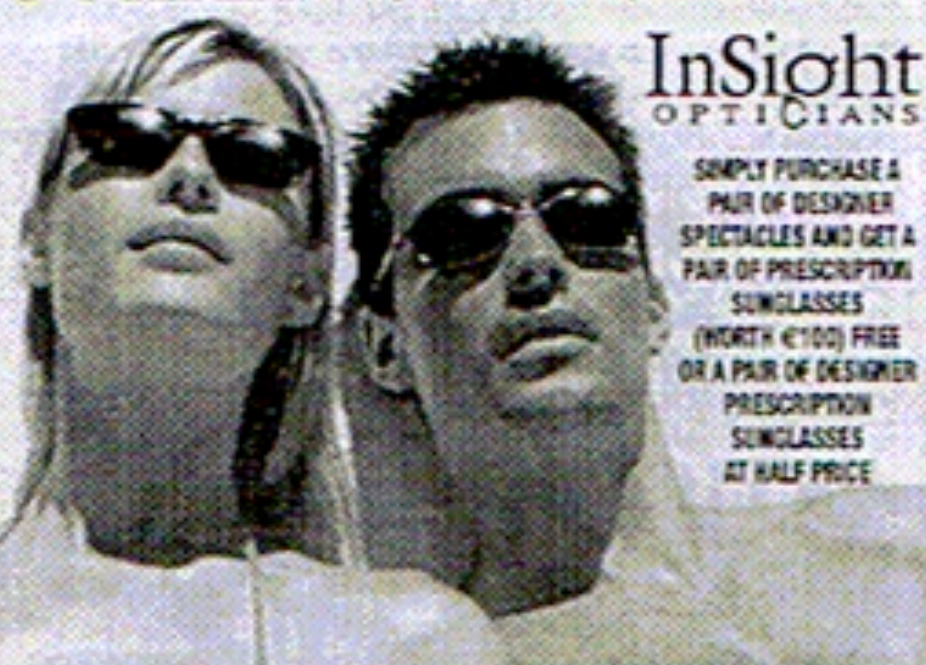
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THE HUG

*It's wondrous what a hug can do,
A hug can cheer you when you're blue,
A hug can say, "I love you so",
Or, "I have to see you go".
A hug is "Welcome back again!"
And "Great to see you!" or
"Where've you been?"
A hug can soothe a small child's pain
And bring a rainbow after rain.
The hug! There's just no doubt about it,
We scarcely could survive without it.
A hug delights and warms and charms,
It must be why God gave us arms.
Hugs are great for fathers and mothers,
Sweet for sisters, even for brothers,
And chances are some favourite aunts
Love them more than potted plants.
Kittens crave them, Puppies love them,
Heads of state are not above them.
A hug can break the language barrier,
And make the dullest day seem merrier.
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- Anon

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JOINING THEIR FAMILY IN CANADA

ITS Bon Voyage to Terry and Kitty Wickham of Shanglas Road who left Beaumont after nearly 50 years for a new life in Canada. Terry was formally on the Neighbourhood Watch committee for many years and he was also a committee member of the current Residents' Association, which was set up almost 6 years ago. We wish both of them every happiness and good health in their new home in Canada. With four of their six children settled and married in Canada, it will be also home from home for them.

ON a Saturday night, Terry Wickham Jnr. was named 2002 grand marshal of the March 17 St. Patrick's Day Parade. "He created the folk festival event," parade founder Denis Byrne told some 375 black-tied guests at the Grand Marshal's Charity Ball at The Westin. "He's a well liked guy who has contributed substantially to the community." Byrne, owner of O'Byrne's, The Druid and Scruffy Murphy's Irish pubs, said the ball raised \$25,000 for the Edmonton Food Bank and Youth Emergency Shelter.

Terry Wickham Jnr. Was born in Beaumont, north Dublin in 1955. He emigrated to Calgary in 1976 after completing a moderatorship in Economics/Administration at Trinity College. He worked at a variety of jobs and decided to pursue music after a successful concert with the Chieftains. A stint as programmer at the Jack Singer Concert Hall in Calgary led to his appointment as producer of the Edmonton Folk Music Festival. Since 1996 he has also produced the Calgary Folk Music Festival. He lives with his wife Lories and their two daughters, Maeve and Emily.

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ANNE CAREY and Family would like to thank friends and neighbours for their kindness and Masses during Paddy's illness. A Mass will be said for your intentions.

WE wish Fr. Donal Byrne O.Carm. a speedy recovery after his recent heart attack, and we hope to see his smiling face at the Church again very soon.

CONGRATULATIONS to Christopher Murphy of Murphy Jewellers, SuperValu whose team recently won First Prize in the Annual St. Kevin's Football Club Golf Outing held in Donabate. Over forty teams competed in this strongly contested outing, proving to be very successful again this year. St. Kevin's would like to thank all local businesses for their support, it's very much needed and appreciated.

GRATEFUL THANKS—Shay Donohoe R.I.P. late of Coolgreena Road - His wife Sheila, his children, Michelle, Shane and Colin would like to thank most sincerely everyone who helped them at the time of Shay's death. Mass has been offered for all your intentions.

SINCERE sympathy to the wife and family of Paddy Cardiff, who died recently. Paddy was the first owner of the shop now known as Flowers Unlimited, Shantalla Road. It was known then as Cardiff's so too was Pick of the Crop also known as Cardiff's. We are sure you all have your own memories of Cardiff's shops back all those years ago.

SINCERE sympathy to the wife and family of Paddy Hopkins, once an owner of Shantalla Stores a few short years ago. Paddy died suddenly on June 1st.

SINCERE sympathy to the wife and family of Bernard Tobin of Coolgreena Road, who died on June 6th after a long illness. May he Rest in Peace.

OUR Neighbourhood Watch meeting was held in May at Santry Garda Station. The meeting was very well attended by all of the Residents Associations in the H District. We were given an account of the crime committed in each area, and also how many are detected. Also a little discussion on anti-social behaviour took place. Under age drinking is quite a big problem and any adult caught buying drink for people under 18 years of age can be fined €300 if caught. A discussion on traffic problems also took place. Our new Community Garda Barry McCann was introduced to those in attendance. He represents Beaumont and Santry areas. We concluded our meeting at 9.10 p.m. Remember if you are a Victim of Crime please phone Victim Support at 842 6481.

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VERY YOUNG IRISH

A VERY BIG THANK YOU to the boys and girls of St. Fiachra's Schools for participating in this competition and thank you also to their teachers. Prizes will be forwarded to the winners when the school re-opens after the Summer Holidays.

MY SCHOOL TOUR (1st Prize Senior School)

ON Monday May 13, 2002 I went on my school tour to Sonairte, Laytown, Co. Meath. We left school at 9.10, we got onto the bus to go there I saw sheep and horses on our way there. I sat beside Jodie and Helen. We played hangman, X and Os, we had a quiz as well. When we arrived at Sonairte we had a bit to eat. Then we went out with a woman called Sandra, we played games with her. One of the games was about water, air and sunlight.

Then we went up to the top of a hill and she gave us a touch box. We had to find things that were sharp and blunt. Then we went with Frances, he showed us how to feed horses. Then we looked at different kinds of plants. We saw how compost was made. Then we went to the energy garden, it had bicycles. When we went there we listened to the trees and birds, we had to write things down about the. Then we got mirrors and held them up to our noses—it looked like we were walking on the air. When that was over we went back for more to eat. Megan had her camera so we got a picture with teacher. Then we got onto the bus and went home.—*Mary Maher, 4th Class. Teacher: Miss Gorman.*

YESTERDAY we went to Sonairte in Laytown in Co. Meath. We were split into groups. We went on the nature trail and into the gardens. We learned about solar panels and how they make their

own compost from leaves. We learned about what a tree needs to grow. We learned why you should rotate your crops every year, and had fun at the same time. We had lunch and then went home. —*Gary O'Donohue 2nd Prize - Teacher Miss Gorman.*

The standard was so high it was very hard to pick a winner from each class. Unfortunately I had to pick one so I tried to pick the ones that were just a little different than the rest. -Editors Note.

MY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (Junior School)

ON my First Holy Communion day, I had to get up at twenty to seven. I had to be in the hairdressers at 7.00 and then Mags did my hair. Then we went home and I got ready at half ten. When the Mass started we started off by singing "Happy in the Presence of the Lord". Later on in the Mass I said a reading, and I received the Body of Christ. Then at the end of the Mass we sang "Go now in Peace". After the Mass we went outside and took photos. Then we went to my Mam and my Grandad's grave in Fingal. Then we went to Les Amis with my two Grandad's, my two Nannies, my two Aunties, my Uncle, My Dad and my Stepmam. Then after lunch we went to see Hussain. Hussain is an Indian man who is really nice to me, because I look like his niece. My Mam and Dad get less to pay on the bill because he give me free starters, free main course and free dessert. That night I changed out of my dress and went to the Bilash with my Mam, my Dad, Auntie and Uncle to see Hussain. That day was the best day of my life so far. I'll never forget it. —*Paula Mahon. Room 18. Teacher: Miss Doyle.*

I WOKE up at half 6 on Saturday. I stayed in bed for 3 hours. Then I got up. I couldn't get dressed because I could not close my buttons. My Mammy came down at half 10. My Daddy got up when I was having my shower. I got dressed after that. To my surprise my brothers were already dressed. Then my Granny came up. She gave me a card and an angel. We went to the Church. I knew where I was to sit. I was to sit on the third seat. Chelsey, Conor and I played a tune on the tin whistle. We were a little nervous. I think we played well. I was filled with joy when I received Communion. It was like a party. After Mass we took lots of photos. I got lots of cards. Then we went to the Pastoral Centre. I ate lots. We sat outside because it was a beautiful day. I went home then. I was tired of visiting. I nearly visited everyone one the road. I couldn't wait till dinner time and when it came I had duck, potato and vegetables. My Mammy made dinner and the apple tart. My relations came up. My little cousins came up. I want to be at 10 o'clock I had a great day. —*Laura Sheehan, aged 8. Teacher Mrs. Murphy.*

ONE morning I was very excited because it was my First Holy Communion. I got out of bed and ran down stairs and checked the time. It was half past seven. I watched TV until my Mum woke up. When she woke up she made me my breakfast. After my breakfast she gave me a card I opened it there was one hundred euro in it. Then I went upstairs and took a bath. When I got out of the bath I got dried. Then I put on my suit. My Mum put on her clothes too. Then my Dad put on his suit. Then we went to the Church in the car. When we went into the Church I said hello to my friends and I saw what they were wearing. When everyone stopped talking Fr.

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WRITERS?

Joe said Mass. We sang songs and the choir sang songs too, like Happy in the Presence of the Lord. After that we went up for Communion. My Mam and Dad brought up the candle. When I got Communion I was very happy because I got Jesus in-side of me forever. At the end of Mass the teachers and Mrs. Boyle went up to the altar and they got flowers and we clapped. When we got out of the Church Ciaran's Mum, Reece's Mum and Andrew's Mum gave me a card. I visited lots of people and went to a restaurant and had a nice dinner and then I went home and went to bed. That was the best day ever. - *Calvin O Beirne, Aged 8. Teacher: Mrs. Murphy.*

ON Saturday the 18th of May it was my First Holy Communion. I washed my hands, face and teeth. I done a reading. I felt so nervous going up to the reading, the choir made me even more nervous, that I think my face went red. When the Mass was over Father Joe said that there was food and drinks across the road. 10 minutes later I went home. After I had finished opening the cards I went to the Maples. The Maples was the name of them restaurant I went to. My Mammy took a thousand photographs and my lips are sore from it. It was the best day of my life and I will never forget it. - *Sinead Burns, Room 22. Teacher: Miss Pauline Reilly.*

IT was my First Holy Communion on the 18th of May. I woke up for a start. Then I woke up my family. We all had breakfast together. After breakfast my Mam started to do my hair. It took ages for her to do that. After that I got my dress on. While I was doing that my Granny and Grandad came. My Grandad had a camcorder so he could video my big day. My Granny came up stairs and gave me my earrings. I looked lovely. When we were ready we went to the Church. All the girls looked fabulous. All the boys looked like men. Father Joe said a lovely Mass. After the Mass I went to the Pastoral Centre. The Pastoral Centre had all kinds of lovely foods. After all that I had a party in my house. Everybody said I looked fabulous. When the day was over I was a bit sad, but tired. - *Aisling Dunne, Aged 8. Teacher: Miss Dunne.*

ONE morning I woke up and it was my Communion day and I felt great, excited and very happy. I was not nervous one bit! Well OK I was a tiny bit, but I was OK! I went downstairs and woke my Mam, Dad, Brother. I woke him up because it was his birthday as well Saturday 18th May, 2002. He was 3 years old. I put on my lovely suit and got my hair gelled in Roberts Hair Studio. My Mam, Dad and brother got ready and looked lovely. Then we went to my Nana and Grandad's house. My aunts and uncles were there and they looked nice. Then my Mam's friend Deeby came to my house and she brought her little baby and I went to his Christening. It got lots more than €600.54c I went to my family and friends houses. And I went to the restaurant with Mad, Dad and brother for a small meal. We went to the Church and said all the prayers with the priest and there was even a choir. I got some Holy bread and lighted my candle. Father Joe was there and all of my family was there. There was a big party the next day. My family and my brother will have our lovely meal tomorrow. - *Luke Cronin Room 21. Teacher Miss Louise Hoban.*

I WAS very excited about making my Communion. I found it hard to sleep. I woke up very early on Saturday the 11th May. I had my bath first and then I got my hair done by my Granny. Last of all I put my dress and veil on and went to Church for 11 o'clock. Joe said the Mass and my friends Laura and Peter were in the choir. I brought up the offering of flowers then we received the Bread. After the Mass we all went over to the centre and I got something to eat and drink. My friends Carmel and Gerry had a lovely lunch for my family and friends. I did a bit of visiting and then I went for dinner with Mam, Dad and Ellen to a nice restaurant. The water they gave me was in a special glass. I enjoyed my Communion Day so much. I wish I could do it all over again. - *Miss Prendergast's class. Name with teacher.*

Things you would never know if it weren't for the movies . . .

It's easy to land a plane, providing there is someone in the control tower to talk you down.

If you are beautiful, your makeup never rubs off, even while scuba-diving or fighting aliens. However if you are overweight, your mascara will run and your lipstick will smear.

The ventilation system of any building is the perfect hiding place.

No one will ever think of looking for you in there, and you can travel to any other part of the building without difficulty.

You're very likely to survive any battle in any war unless you make the mistake of showing someone a picture of your sweetheart back home.

Should you wish to pass yourself off as a German officer, it is not necessary to speak the language. A German accent will do.

A man will show no pain while taking the most horrific beating, but will wince when a woman tries to clean his wounds.

If staying in a haunted house, women must investigate any strange noises in their most diaphanous underwear, which is also what they happen to be wearing when the car breaks down.

If someone says "I'll be right back", they won't.

Even when driving down a perfectly straight road, it is necessary to turn the steering wheel from time to time.

All bombs are fitted with electronic timing devices with large red read-outs so you know exactly when they're going to go off.

A police detective can only solve a case after he has been suspended from duty.

If you decide to start dancing in the street, everyone around you will be able to mirror all the steps you come up with, and hear the music in your head.

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SPORTS DAY 2002

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us in so many ways to make the day such a success. Its great to see them taking such an interest and they are a shining example of the youth of Beaumont. Well done!! Also thanks to Sergeant John O'Driscoll and our new Community Garda Barry McCann who gave the children turns in the Garda Jeep up and down the road with the sirens on. The children just loved it and it gave them a chance to get to know our Community Garda. Also bike marking and mobile phone marking took place and there was a great sense of Community Spirit present on the day.

RESULTS ON THE DAY

Boys 1 to 6 - 60m - 1 Jonathan Mulcahy; 2 Steven Cassidy; 3 Joseph Moran.

60m Girls - 1 Ciara Flanagan; 2 Ellen Barron; 3 Louise Redmond. **u/5 - Sprint** - 1 Max Martin; 2 Niall Swan; 3 James Mulcahy.

Sack Race - Mixed u-6 - 1 Stephen Cassidy; 2 Ellen Barron; 3 Gareth Moran & Adam Hynes.

Girls 7 & 8 - Sprint - 1 Eimear Tuohy; 2 Sarah Roche; 3 Laura Martin. **Egg & Spoon** - 1 Laura Martin; 2 Aisling Egan; 3 Arabella Cassidy. **Sack Race** - 1 Arabella Cassidy; 2 Sarah Roche; 3 Eimear Tuohy.

Boys 7 & 8 - 60m - 1 Robert Mulcahy; 2 Ryan Coyle; 3 Brian O'Brien. **Egg & Spoon** - 1 Robert Mulcahy; 2 Thomas Roche; 3 Paul Redmond. **Sack Race** - 1 Robert Mulcahy; 2 Ryan Coyle; 3 Brian O'Brien.

Girls Sprint - 9 & 10 - 1. Ciara McGuinness; 2 Ciara Roche; 3 Eimear Ellis. **Egg & Spoon** - 1 Ciara Roche; 2 Jane Barron; 3 Jenny Nulty. **Sack Race** - 1 Alex Swan; 2 Orla Buckley; 3 Ciara Roche.

Boys 9 & 10 - Sprint - 1 Gary O'Donohoe; 2 Jona-



than Martin; 3 Alan Pearoy. **Egg & Spoon** - 1 Paul Dillon; 2 Gary O'Donohoe; 3 Cameron St. Leger. **Sack Race** - 1 Gary O'Donohoe; 2 Jonathan Martin; 3 Alan Parkes.

Girls 11 & 12 - Sprint - 1 Joanne MacMillan; 2 Sarah Trueman; 3 Lisa Dillon. **Egg & Spoon** - 1 Michelle Moran; 2 Joanne McMillan; 2 Michelle Salter. **Sack Race** - 1 Michelle Salter; 2 Joanne McMillan; 3 Sarah Trueman.

Boys - 11 & 12 - Sprint 1 Shane Maguire; 2 Daniel Maher; 3 Ciaran Toner. **Egg & Spoon** - 1 Daniel Maher; 2 Christopher Parkes; 3 Shane Maguire. **Sack Race** - 1 Daniel Maher; 2 Christopher Parkes; 3 Liam O'Neill.

Boys 13 & 14 - 1 George Ingram; 2 Carl Moore; 3 Paul Maguire. **Egg & Spoon** - 1 David Doyle; 2 Christopher Toner; 3 Ciaran Toner. **Mixed ages Sack Race** - 1 George Ingram; 2 Ciaran Toner; 3 Alan Doyle.

Under 10 Wheelbarrow - 1 Paul Dillon/Jonathan Martin; 2 Orla Buckley/Jane Barron; 3 Gary O'Donohoe/ Kevin Fitzsimons.

Under 14 Wheelbarrow - 1 Carl Moore/Paul Maguire; 2 Joanna MacMillan/Michelle Salter; 3 Shane Maguire/Christopher Parker

PENALTY SHOOT OUT -

Under 10 - 1 Cameron St. Leger; 2nd Paul Dillon; 3rd Alan Parkes.

Under 12 - Paul Maguire; 2 Ciaran Toner; 3 Andrew Salter.

Under 14 - 1 Karl Moore; (2) Daniel O'Shaughnessy (did not receive his medal yet?); 3. Christopher Toner.

A Very Special Thank You to all the Committee Members present on the day who made this event possible.





AN INSULATION OPTION?

HAVE you ever considered Cavity Wall Insulation as a solution to heat loss and to rid yourself of that cold wall feeling?

This is not suitable for all houses, the house would have to be constructed using cavity blocks in the first place. Most of the houses in Beaumont were constructed by this method. For example the houses on Cooleen Avenue and Coolrua Drive etc. were built by this method.

Filling the space in cavity walls it is said will reduce heat loss by up to 30% - the cost it is said is recovered in 4-5 years. This is not a DIY job and must be done by professionals. If your house is suitable choose a firm which is registered with the appropriate body. There are several methods—mineral fibre threads expanded polystyrene beads and ureaformaldehyde foam. Solid walls call



Holes are drilled into the walls and ureaformaldehyde pumped in under pressure.

for different measures. Place aluminium foil behind the radiators to reflect heat back into the room. The easiest structural way to cut down heat loss is to dry-line the room with thermal plasterboard. There is a snag—it must be 2 in. thick to be worthwhile and that will reduce the size of the room.

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English is really crazy

THERE is no egg in eggplant nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins were not invented in England or French fries in France.

Sweetmeats are candies, while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat. We take English for granted. But if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square, and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig.

And why is it that writers write, but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce, and hammers don't ham?

If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth beeth? One goose, 2 geese. So, one moose, 2 meese?

One index, two indices? Is cheese the plural of choose?

If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught?

If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

In what language do people recite at a play, and play at a recital?

Ship by truck, and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell?

Park on driveways and drive on parkways? How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites?

How can the weather be hot as hell one day and cold as hell another?

When a house burns up, it burns down. You fill in a form by filling it out, and an alarm clock goes off by going on.

When the stars are out, they are visible, but when the lights are out, they are invisible. And why, when I wind up my watch, I start it, but when I wind up this essay, I end it.

Community Garda Barry McCann writes



IT IS sometimes hard to believe but summer is well and truly upon us. Summer time is and should be an enjoyable time for us all but especially the youngsters. No study books, no teachers and the chance to get plenty of fresh air. The bright evenings afford people the time to stay out later than normal which is great but unfortunately along with this comes the problems of underage drinking and vandalism.

The term 'vandalism' is used in many different contexts to describe a variety of behaviors. Generally, however, it is held to be the destruction or damage of property, carried out for trivial motives, or simply because of carelessness and disregard. In this way we could describe as vandalism, the breaking of car aerials, the smashing of telephone kiosks, the painting of graffiti, the damaging of trees, or even the indiscriminate discarding of glass bottles and rubbish. Vandalism is never harmless or funny and there is no escaping the fact that we all pay for vandalism. Public money is limited. What is used in one way, cannot be used in another. This means that if we spend money to replace things which we destroy, then we cannot afford to pay for other recreational facilities. We cannot afford to improve our environment with additional parks, improved waterways, leisure centres, revitalised town centres. We cannot afford to have vandalism without paying the price in terms of poorer services, and a poorer quality of life.

Another cause for complaint from local community groups is underage drinking and drinking in public. Dublin Corporation introduced by-laws that prohibit the consumption of intoxicating liquor on streets and public places. These by-laws came into force on the 6th October 2000. It is now an offence to drink in public places within the Dublin Corporation area and the Gardai have strong powers under this Act. A breach of this Act can result in a 30 Euro fine. Further to this under the Intoxicating Liquor Act it is also against the law to :-

- sell intoxicating liquor to a person under 18 and/or allow that person to drink intoxicating liquor on a licensed premises
- buy intoxicating liquor if you are under 18 years of age
- represent yourself to be over 18 years for the purpose of buying intoxicating liquor
- consume intoxicating liquor, if you are under 18 years, in any place other than a private residence in which you are present either as of right or permission

We would like to reiterate the responsibility of every parent to know where their children are and what they are getting up to at all times. Through awareness and support from every parent we can all enjoy the summer months to their full potential.

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Thanks to St. Fiachra's

WHERE have the last 14 years gone? It only seems like the blink of an eye since I brought my first son at 4 years of age to St. Fiachra's in January 1988 until my youngest son graduated on 25th June this year.

The teachers I have come across over those years have been incredibly professional and dedicated in their approach to the needs of the children in their care. While I know the teachers cannot remember the children and parents who have passed through their care in that time, a few of the names I will always remember with respect and gratitude are; Miss Walsh, Mrs Maguire (who was blessed with the patience of a saint), Ms Harford, Mrs Ryan (who was described by my junior infant as KIND), Ms Crowley, (nobody will ever forget her ability with the choir) Ms Mangan, Mrs O'Connor, Ms Mannion, Ms O'Dea, Mrs Creadon, Mr Creadon (who has instilled what I hope will be a life-long love of writing and drama in one of my boys), and Mr G Barrett.

Of course I can't forget the two people who put so much of themselves into the school and have made it what it is today - Mrs Boyle and Mr T. Barrett. Those of you who have been involved with the school over a number of years will I am sure, agree with me that we have been truly blessed to have such a school and such great staff available to our children. Those of you who are only starting off as St. Fiachra's parents will quickly realise how lucky you are that your children are attending this school.

So as St. Fiachra's heads into its 25th year let me once again thank those people who have played such a big part in my children's formative years and wish the school and its entire staff the very best for the next 25 years. - Patricia Doyle.

*Seán
Haughey T.D.*



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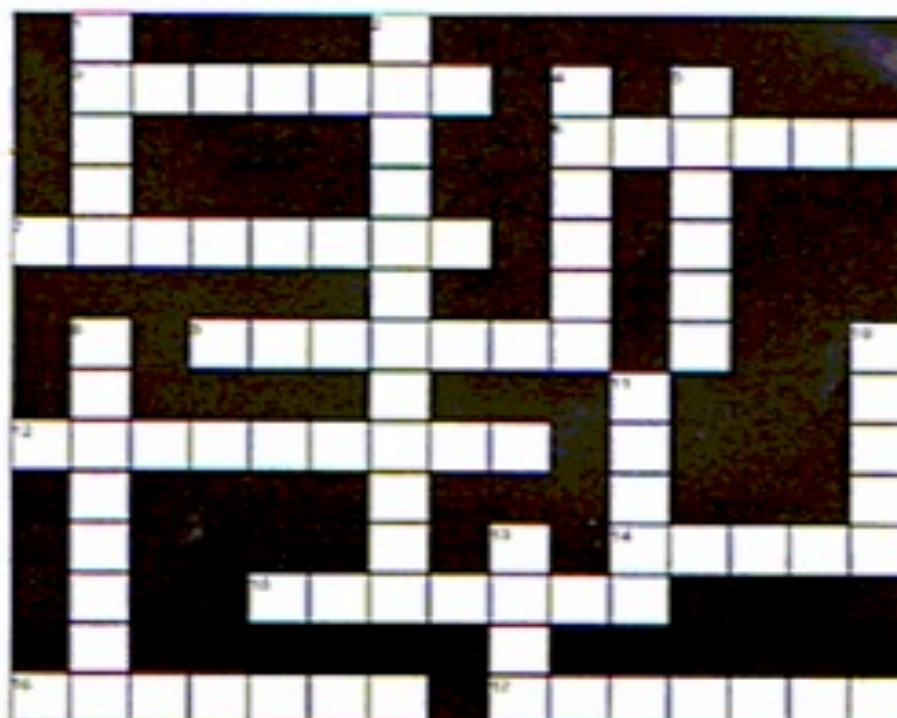
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CONGRATULATIONS to W. Bollins, Cooleen Avenue, Beaumont our last winner your prize will be sent shortly.

SOLUTION to last Crossword—Across: 5. Beach, 8. Polyester, 10. Bubble, 14. Color, 15. Canvas, 16. Print, 17. Dry. Down: 1. Umbrella, 2. Insideout, 3. Black, 4. Protect, 6. Handle, 7. Durable, 9. Plastic, 9. Fabric, 11. Strap, 12. Cover, 13. Clear.

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Father Joe's Column



SORRY I missed you in the last issue. I was on pilgrimage to Lourdes with young people from the Irish Pilgrimage Trust. It was a really beautiful experience. Things are winding down here in the parish for the summer months and we are looking forward to a bit of a break and please God some half decent weather. The primary school closed for the holidays last week. We wish all the girls and boys and their teachers a very pleasant holiday. We also want to remember those who were sitting exams. We wish you every success for the future. It must have been difficult to study with all the excitement about the World Cup. It was great to see so much bunting and so many flags on every street. It made you proud to be Irish. And it looks as if Dublin will do well this summer also. We wish them every success. We need all we can to cheer us up with all the poor weather we are having.

The refurbishment of the presbytery is finished and everyone is very pleased with it. We want to thank you for your patience while work was in progress and a very big thank you to so many people who so kindly offered us accommodation or a place to store things or other forms of assistance. May God reward you for your goodness because it meant a lot to us.

A big thank you also to all your support for our fund raising efforts for Triashill Mission in Zimbabwe. As you know, our Parish

is twinned with Triashill Mission and each year we run a Golf Classic in support of the people there. I am sure you have heard on the News of the drought effecting this area of Africa and also of the difficulties in Zimbabwe so the money raised will make a real difference to the people of Triashill. Thank you all very much. Please keep the people of Triashill in your prayers. We in this part of the world take so much for granted, it is good to remember that not everyone is in the same situation.

Our Parish Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday, 28th. of July next. Buses leave the Church grounds at 8.00 A.M. The all inclusive fare is Euro 45.00 which includes lunch and an evening meal or the bus fare only is Euro 18.00. Places can be booked in the Presbytery or Sacristy. The day in Knock is always very beautiful and the main celebration very moving. The Parish Resource Group is also organising a pilgrimage for early September. You may remember that last year we went to different places of religious interest in the Boyne Valley and it was very enjoyable and informative. This year, I hear, the plan is to go to Kildare so be sure to look out for further information.

Finally our Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place at the end of September, for further information call to the Presbytery between 7.30 to 9.00 P.M. any Wednesday evening.

This year we celebrate the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of our Church. We hope to have a number of celebrations during December when the Anniversary occurs. This is an opportunity to thank God together for the many blessing He has given us over these twenty-five years and to ask His guidance and protection for the future, a chance to remember and to celebrate.

Finally just to wish you all a very pleasant summer.

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

We have received a large number of letters from Members, on a number of issues. The following are our Answers / replies.

Lane Closure between Shantalla Drive and Beaumont Grove: A number of Residents on Shantalla Drive, expressed a strong desire to have this lane closed to the general public via security gates and have access restricted to residents who have rear garden access to the lane. Closure of this or any lane, is never an easy matter to achieve. Each and every Resident who has rear garden access to the lane must give permission for the closure. 100% agreement on issues are rare. However, to move this matter forward, a survey of all the effected Residents must be carried out in the first instance. Should there be a large majority in favour of closure, this Association will then take up the matter with Dublin City Council.

There is also an issue of 'right-of-way' from Shantalla Drive to Beaumont Grove.

Grass Cutting of Margins: A large number of complaints received regarding the lack of grass cutting and the mess caused by the grass cutters. We have made strong representation to Dublin City Council (DCC) on these issues. The grass margins are maintained under contract which stipulates that the maximum time between visits to all sites should not exceed two weeks and that the maximum growth height is 65mm. We are promised better policing of the contract by DCC.

Ramps on Shantalla Avenue & Shanboley Road: Requests received from some residents of the aforementioned for ramps to be installed on their avenue and road. In order to assess the level of interest and agreement for ramps, all residents must be surveyed. If the resulting survey shows a large majority in favour of ramps, this Association will then progress the matter with DCC.

Dromawling Road Ramps: Many complaints from residents of the

road in regard to the existing ramps not being adequate to slow traffic sufficiently. The current ramps are "only a confidence trick" according to one resident. Some residents want HGVs prevented from using Dromawling Road. As with all similar matters, we need to know precisely the views of all the residents of the immediate area. A survey is needed.

Bollards at Shantalla Road / Avenue junction: We have requested DCC to replace damaged Bollards and to add more Bollards at this junction. Reply and action awaited.

More Litter Bins: Members on Coolgreena Close requests more Litter Bins. The request has been passed on to DCC.

Coolatree Close: Complaints from Members in respect to grass cutting, cleaning and overhanging trees. The matter of the grass is dealt with earlier. The overhanging trees belong to near neighbours on Coolatree Road. Trees growing at the end of gardens of a few Residents on Coolatree Road appear to be the root of this problem. The owners of the trees should take effective action in order to remove the overhanging branches and ensure the trees are contained within their boundaries.

Coolgreena Road / Beaumont Road Junction: Many requests for remedial action to facilitate exiting from Coolgreena Road. A new 'Yellow-Box' has been authorised for this junction. This will alleviate some of the hassle and danger when getting onto Beaumont Road. A dangerous situation (as pointed out by one of our Members) will continue to exist for traffic turning right from Coolgreena onto Beaumont Road. The hazard being traffic travelling towards Collins Avenue (on the outer lane) and almost zero visibility to left. We have asked DCC to examine this particular hazard and propose a solution.

Beaumont Woods & Beaumont Hospital / Beaumont Road Junctions: We have had very significant success in our representations to Mr Owen Keegan, Director of Traffic, DCC in respect to these two dangerous junction - particularly for pedestrians. The junctions have been approved for the following enhancements;

Beaumont Woods: Reduce width to two lanes and construct a pedestrian island.

Both Junctions: Re-align the pedestrian crossings and provide tactical paving, build out the footpath to reduce the speed of left turning vehicles, redesign traffic signal sequence, provide countdown timer units (for pedestrians), provide safety barriers and a number of associated improvements.

Cycle Lanes: The recently constructed cycle lane on Beaumont Road is generally regarded as a very positive enhancement and a significant safeguard for cyclists. Members have requested an extension of the cycle lanes from Shantalla Road along Beaumont Road and Skellys Lane to Montrose Avenue and ultimately to Malahide Road. DCC are currently considering our request for the extension.

Rat-Running Coolgreena Road / Coolatree Park: A number of complaints about vehicles using Coolgreena Road and Coolatree Park as a 'short cut' from Beaumont Road to Santry. This problem is particularly acute during 'rush periods' morning and evening. There is no absolute deterrent, however, the addition of ramps to Coolatree Park would certainly present 'rats' with a bumpy ride and would probably minimise the problem by slowing 'rats' to a crawl.

Re: Site Development Beaumont Hospital—Trim Road Entrance—Landscaping will begin at the Trim Road entrance in May, 2002. The aim will be to improve the appearance of the area and also improve safety with the provision of fencing.

Footpath—A footpath will be laid around the perimeter of the hospital, commencing at the Trim Road entrance. It is hoped this work will commence late Summer/early Autumn.

Security Systems—In order to improve the security particularly on the hospital grounds a CCTV system will be installed on a phased basis commencing early Autumn.

Please continue to send your Questions, Queries, Concerns and Compliments to us. We are delighted to hear from you. It helps us to help you. Regrettably, we are unable to respond directly to individuals. Your questions will be answered in the BEAUMONT NEWS.—Des Maguire, Secretary, Beaumont Residents' Association.

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