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Subject: Redenhall with Harleston and District Peace Initiative
Attachments: Cranes - for Grapevine.docx; Untitled attachment 00147.txt

Dear Linda Ling,

You will know from Barry Woods and Ian Carstairs about the art installation being hosted for display during the summer by St John's Church - a project to fly 1,000 paper origami cranes carrying peace messages from office holders, townspeople, students and schoolchildren, all leading in to marking the UN International Day of Peace in September. As you know the undertaking was the resolution of the community 2017 New Year Resolution. The 1,000 paper cranes are now almost fully assembled: a community crane will be signed by Barry Woods, Pat Webb and Norman Hart: and the work will be installed in St John's on 17 July, ready to be unveiled on Saturday 22 July.

I attach a brief background note for the next Grapevine - but that won't be published until after 22/07, and we should like to be sure that you and all Town Council members and staff, with guests, have the opportunity to look in to see it in situ on the first day. We should greatly appreciate it if you would use your contact network to email all those people to let them know. Please feel free to send them the attached text for Grapevine which gives the details and the invitation to come to see it and contribute their own individual thoughts and messages for peace.

My telephone number is on the attached if you need to contact me - and confirmation that you have been able to circulate the information/invitation would be welcome.

Many thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Lesley Rock

FLIGHT OF A THOUSAND CRANES – a “*must see*” summer sight

Harleston’s swifts returned in May to nest and rear their young in the growing number of new nest boxes provided by SwiftAction Harleston. And **now** a flight of 1,000 paper origami cranes has landed in a wonderful art installation that will be on display all summer fluttering from the rafters of St John’s Church. The work represents a deep desire and hope for peace at home and abroad: and fulfils the 2017 New Year Resolution made on behalf of the communities of Harleston and District. It is a precursor to the United Nations 21 September International Day of Peace. It has been put together for Harleston and District under the auspices of the Rotary Club and Harleston’s Future.

The paper cranes carry messages, thoughts and drawings on the theme of “peace” contributed by schoolchildren from Alburgh with Denton, Harleston, and Pulham Primary Schools; by students at Archbishop Sancroft High School; and by individuals, members and officers from our many senior institutions and groups. Visitors to the exhibition will be encouraged to add their own peace messages and observations. Tokens from the installation and its messages will be sent out further into the world when it is taken down after World Peace Day - with a proposed first stop in New York at the Peace Bell gifted by Japan to the UN in 1954. Watch this space!

Mrs Pat Webb, President of Harleston and District Rotary Club, who has overseen the contribution from the schools, said *“To make 1,000 origami cranes has taken members of the community a great deal of time and patience. How fitting, then, that this installation should be displayed in such a beautiful setting as St John’s. The Rotary Club of Harleston and District thanks all concerned for allowing us to use this wonderful space to show the flight of cranes at its best. We all hope that many, many families and visitors will call in to see it during the summer.”*

Exhibition continues until 15 September 2017. St John’s Church is open most weekdays until 4.00pm. Phone Churchwarden on 01379 851148 to confirm.

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