Sizzling way to raise funds

A BARBECUE will be held in aid of Terrington St Clement parish church on Saturday.
The barbecues will be held in the garden behind Ann and Peter Flower’s Farm Shop in the village, from 6pm.
Tickets are £5 for adults, £3.50 for children under 16, and free for under-fives, and are available from the shop on Lynn Road. Call 01553 890691 for more information.

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Time Team’s discoveries at Terrington

TV dig unearths village secrets

The buried secrets of a Marshland village were revealed recently with the help of an expert from Channel 4’s Time Team programme.

Carenza Lewis, a presenter of the archaeology series, visited Terrington St Clement to dig some test site tests, assisted by villagers and local schoolchildren.

Ms Lewis hailed the dig a great success, as many treasures were unearthed, including the floor of a medieval building to the west of the church.

“It was remarkable and stunningly successful. We found an area of mortar with a post hole, where the timber support would have been.”

“We didn’t know this was there before,” she told the Lynn News.
The group dug ten test pits of a square metre in size, going down about a metre, mostly along Churchgate Way, and with one on Roman Bank.

“These were interesting areas to work in because they were around the church.” Ms Lewis added.

“We were looking to throw some light on the development of the village in the Anglo-Saxon and medieval periods.”

“A great deal of soil was found in the pits, showing that the area was under water until the 11th century.

Pottery, including Anglo-Saxon and medieval jugs and bowls, were also found.

As our picture shows, a child’s tooth was also unearthed, as was a market token, which would have been given out to traders in the 16th and 18th centuries to customers instead of change.

Ms Lewis said the tooth was probably from a burial site.
The pieces are currently with specialists and will then be returned to the landowners.

The floor of the building has been uncovered again.

Norfolk County Council will record the dig’s findings on the Norfolk Historic Environment Record, a database of archaeological sites and finds.

More information can be found online at www.norfolk.gov.uk/ emma.rees@lynnnews.co.uk

Channel 4’s Time Team presenter, Carenza Lewis, learns about the history of Terrington St Clement with the help of Stuart Dunlop and Andrew Wright, students of Nestle Wade Community College in March. Pictures: PAUL TIBBS (05/07/899) www.photostoday.co.uk

A child’s tooth, probably from a burial site, and a market token, a form of money used in medieval times. These were among the finds unearthed at the archaeological dig in Terrington St Clement. (05/07/896)