

# Essex in Bloom

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Hudak was impressed by the number of people who participated in the Essex in Bloom competition and by the creativity of the gardens. She said the judges had a difficult time determining the winner in some categories.

"I live out in the county and have mainly been on the streets in Essex where my family and friends live," Hudak said July 28. "Some of the streets were absolutely gorgeous and I was really impressed. I was also impressed by the Amador Apartments and Orchard Park. At

Orchard Park, a woman came out and explained the garden to us and told us that they had a dedication."

Hudak said the Communities in Bloom judges were also impressed by Essex. Although the outcome of the competition won't be known until September, Hudak said the judges commented on Essex's gardens and specifically the Maplewood Community Garden. Two residents of the apartment complex created a vegetable garden in September and invited everyone to participate. The residents share the vegetables.

"They were especially impressed by that area," Hudak said.

Essex in Bloom winners, clockwise from top right: Mary Lou Kwiatkowski - Best Blooming Residential Front Yard; residents of Maplewood Apartments - Achievement Award; G.L. Fraser and Associates - Non-Residential Award.



## Essex in Bloom honourable and special mentions

### Non Residential

Honourable Mention: Royal Canadian Legion  
Special Mention: DPM Insurance, Home Hardware, IFM International, Essex District High School courtyard, Essex Seniors Centre

### Residential Complex

Honourable Mention: Orchard Park Apartments  
Special Mention: Crystal Apartments, Cranbrook Apartments

### Best Blooming Street

Honourable Mention: Centre Street  
Special Mention: The 200 and 300 block of Iler Avenue, the first block until No. 168 Gosfield Town Line East

### Naturalized Garden

Honourable Mention: 27 Hanlan St.

—Cindy and Justin Shultz

Special Mention:

212 Centre St. — Howard and Judy Martin,  
64 Maple Row —Margaret Boddy

### Best Blooming Residential Front Yard

Honourable Mention: 47 Centre St.

— Robin and Victoria Bencoe

Special Mention: 241 Fairview Ave. East

— Lynn and Mark Moroz, 293 Irwin Ave. —

Pauline Tremblay, 137 Irwin Ave. — Wilma

Fawdry, 109 Brien Ave. East Apt. 37 — Barb

Hayes, Apt. 39 Sandy Morris, Apt. 45 Daniel and

Carol Labonte, 134 Gosfield Town Line East —

Patricia Hostine, 10067 Arner Town Line — Lori

and Mike Kujbida, 125 Brien Ave. West —

Darlene Perry, 10033 Arner Town Line —

George and Teresa Tytgat.

## Calling all family historians and custodians of photographic heirlooms ...

# WE NEED YOUR HELP!

During the lazy, hazy days of summer, we want you to dig out your old photos - the ones that show how our ancestors used to live in Essex and the surrounding areas. Local people, events, places and things are all welcome - even if they have previously appeared in our newspaper or are available for viewing elsewhere.

The purpose of the Essex Free Press Historic Photo Archive is to preserve images of our community as it has evolved over time, along with detailed information about the people, places and things in each photo.

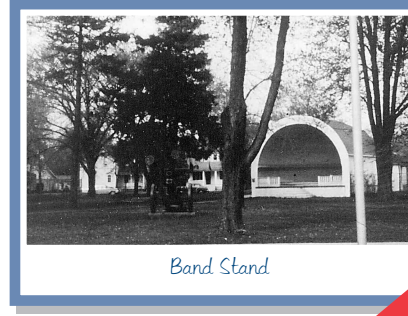
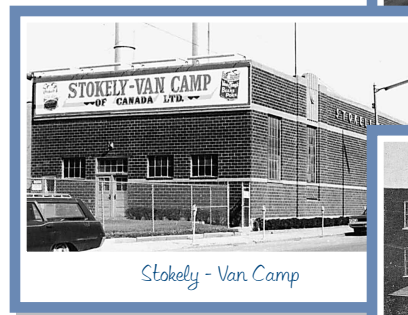
To participate, simply bring your photo to our office for scanning ... 16 Centre St., Essex or email a scanned image (300 dpi preferred) to our email address ..

[essexfreepress@on.aibn.com](mailto:essexfreepress@on.aibn.com)

We need to know as much as possible about each photo: who is in the photo, when it was taken, what is happening in the photo, why was the moment important. Be sure to include your name, address and phone number so that we can contact you, if necessary.

**FOR INFO: 519-776-4268**

The **ESSEX**  
FREE PRESS



**Celebrating our  
110<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary!**