

ESSEX

Essex Retirees Social Club

Special thanks to Betty Fields and all the volunteers who helped put on the Pepper Tournament on July 25 at the Centre. Sixty players from various clubs in the area joined us for a nice lunch and an afternoon of card playing. The winners were Regina Garrod, Blanche Gagnier and Evelyn Vivier. A very successful and fulfilled afternoon. Thanks to all who participated.

The Racetrack trip is on Fri. Aug. 4. If anyone is interested in going please call the office and leave your name and phone number.

Volunteers are needed to deliver the Meals On Wheels for Aug. and Sept. If you are interested please call 519-776-6689.

Pepper winners on July 17 were Betty Fields, Nina Towle, Polly Mikolash Most Peppers and Floyd Cascadden booby prize.

July 18 Pepper winners were Larry Lane and Dorothy Lane, Jean Jenner tied with Betty Fields for Most Peppers and Bernard Shuttleworth won the booby prize.

The Pepper winners on July 19 were Floyd Cascadden first, Ethel Ford second, Cecile St. Denis Most Peppers and Bob Matthew booby.

July 24 Pepper winners were Nina Towle and Betty Fields, Most Peppers to John Simpson, booby to Judy Kelly.

Pepper winners on July 26 were Louis Perrault and Pat Merrit, Evelyn Vivier and Rusty Loiselle tied for the Most Peppers and Cecilia Edwards on the booby prize.

Holy Name

If you want to know more about how to become a Catholic, and what is involved in the RCIA

process, contact Claire or Fr. Larry in the parish office.

Enjoy your special day on Aug. 11 and may God bless Fr. Larry with many more happy and healthy years.

If you have a child who will be entering grade 8 in the fall, it is time to register them for Confirmation. We encourage you to attend the pre-Confirmation Rally Day on Sept. 23 in London. Please call Claire to register as soon as possible.

Young people ages 3-9 are invited to join us for Super Hero Training Camp Aug. 14-18 from 9:30 a.m. to noon in the hall.

Aug. 6 Life Night at the home of Laurie and Chris Lapain, 561 Cty. Rd. 34 following 7 p.m. mass. On Aug. 20 we will be having a picture scavenger hunt following mass.

There will be a gathering for Youth Ministry Leaders on Wed. Aug. 23 at Claire's house. Mark your calendars for the weekend of Sept. 16-17 for a training/preparation weekend.

Never Borrow Sorrow from Tomorrow

Deal only with the present

Never step into tomorrow,

For God asks us just to trust Him

And to never borrow sorrow.

For the future is not ours to know

And it may never be,

So let us live and give our best

And give it lavishly.

For to meet tomorrow's troubles

Before they are even ours

Is to anticipate the Saviour

And to doubt His all-wise powers.

So let us be content to solve

Our problems one by one,

Asking nothing of tomorrow

Except "Thy will be done".

Essex United

Sun. Aug. 6 regular worship at 9:30 a.m. in the lower hall with Normalie Voakes conducting the service.

Please note that Talbot Street will be closed from Brien Ave. to Arthur Ave. this Sunday due to the special Memorial Service at the cenotaph at 9:30 a.m. sponsored by The Firemen's Association. Please use the Irwin St. entrance.

The choir camp has been cancelled so there will be no presentation on Sunday but there will be special music.

For pastoral emergencies while Rev. Doreen is on vacation, call Rev. David Steadman.

Salvation Army

Thursday at 7 p.m. Band Open Air Ministry at the home of Jean Altenoff, 216 Irwin, Amador Apartments. All are welcome.

Furlough list: Aug. 20 Dave and Denise Wallingford (Leamington), Aug. 27 Anne Louise Bechar, Sept. 3 Fraser and Marilyn Lear (Leamington), Sept. 10 Major Vi Chaulk (Hotel Dieu-Grace).

Condolences to the families of those who suffered losses.

We still have several on our prayer list.

WOODSLEE

Woodslee United

The 'Friends of Woodslee' are looking for a representative from our church to help out with the cake cutting on The Doc Millen Day (Aug. 6) at the Millen Centre. If you are interested please call 519-975-0078.

Iona College is offering summer programs for children 7-12 yrs. of age from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 14-18 and/or Aug. 21-25, Treasure Seekers: Digging Deeper into God's Word. For more information phone 519-973-7039 or go to www.iono college.edu.

GESTO

If anyone is in hospital please inform Rev. Lilian Patey at 519-723-2284, 519-995-8820 or 519-250-9662.

There will be an open house for Arnold and Dorothy Baldwin's 50th wedding anniversary on Sat. Aug. 12 from 1-4 p.m. at Gesto U.C. Best wishes only.

Bethel-Maidstone is organizing a trip to Stratford for Sat. Sept. 23. Stratford Festival of Canada presents "South Pacific at the Avon Theatre". Tour includes motor-coach transportation, buffet dinner and musical theatre ticket. Call 519-737-6614 or 519-839-5475 for more information or tickets.

BAKERVILLE

Weather in our area and across the entire country is hot but the forecast is for more moderate temperatures.

Happy 90th birthday to my aunt Grace Russell who will celebrate her birthday on Friday with her family by going to Pelee Island for the weekend. In all her years she has never been and would like to see the island.

On Saturday Mary Ellen Sturdevant will chalk up another year at Leamington Hospital in the critical care unit where she is a patient and has been for several months struggling with cancer. A card or visit would be welcomed by her.

Also on Saturday to Richard Trimble and Dick Reyner who share the day for celebrating another year; on Monday to Gillian Diemling who will celebrate her fifth and on the same day to Rose Smith and Don Chambers as they celebrate another year; on Wednesday next week to Cary Holt as he celebrates another year; on Thursday to Sharman Dickie in Glencoe as she celebrates another year.

Happy anniversary wishes to Carl and Rosie Smith as they celebrate

their 43rd on Monday.

The Pleasant Valley Community Club held a Pepper party last Tuesday and the winners were Mary Demars, Helen Slavik, Don Ames, Cecile St. Denis, John Neufeld, Vi Majors and Thomas Allison. Come out on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. for Pepper.

The regular card party winners were JoAnne Diesbourg, Elaine Taylor, Cecile St. Denis, Grant Beacom, Herald Ferguson, Jean Pepper and Percy Newman. Door prizes went to Shirley Ouellette and Jean Jenner. Come out for cards on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

The Essex County Steam and Gas Engine Museum Annual Show will be held Aug. 11-13 at CoAn Park in McGregor. Friday is seniors' day and opens at noon. On Saturday a parade from the church in McGregor to the museum grounds starts at 9 a.m. On Sunday the Cottam U.C. choir sings for our pleasure and a nondenominational service is held at 9 a.m. to start off the day. Come out and enjoy the many things going on all weekend long.

BROOKER

Pastor Steve's mother fell two weeks ago and is in the hospital in St. Thomas. She will not be able to live alone any longer and will be going into a nursing home.

Erin Jones of London was home for the weekend.

Pete Baker of Durham who works with New Tribes Missions will be our guest speaker this Sunday at 10 a.m.

The Western Association will be holding a summer picnic at Point Pelee National Park on Sun. Aug. 20. Worship service at White Pines Pavilion at 4 p.m. Faithful Friends, Rev. Richard Smith and Rev. Rosetta O'Neil will be participating. Bring everything you need for a picnic and join with us.

Amplify Christ Concert featuring Starfield and Manic Drive at 6 p.m. Fri. Sept. 8 at Essex Arena fair-

grounds. Proceeds will benefit Teen Challenge Farms.

Remember your contributions for Matthew House and Fill the Barn project.

COZY CORNERS

If anyone is in the hospital, rest or nursing home and would like a visit from Rev. Lilian please call her at 519-723-2284, 519-250-9662 or 519-995-8820.

The Stewards are planning a trip to Stratford on Sat. Sept. 23 to see "South Pacific" at the Avon Theatre. For more information or to reserve a seat call 519-737-6614 or 519-839-5475.

There will be an open house on Sat. Aug. 12 from 1-4 p.m. at Gesto U.C. to celebrate Arnold and Dorothy Baldwin's 50th wedding anniversary. All are welcome. Best wishes only.

Please keep all the sick and shutins in your prayers with a call, card or visit.

Erie Shores Quilters Guild

President Joan Gevaert called the meeting with 77 members and five guests present.

Our program for the night was a yard sale. Any member could bring out any books, material or notions to sell. Judging by the loaded arms when people left, there were a lot of things sold.

The hostesses for the night were Gail Hull and Dianne Moynahan. Pat Ryan won the feel good bundle. Door prizes were won by Trudy McHardy, Ann Ellis, Jacqui Flood, Linda Moore, Heather Preston, Krista Roach, M.J. Rivest, Bev Gillespie, Jane Piper and Martha Wiens.

Our next meeting will be on Tues. Aug. 15. We will have the ladies that went to CQ 2006 share what they learned. Also Sept. 30 and Oct. is our quilt show at U.M.E.I.

ESSEX & DISTRICT CHURCHES

Table listing various churches including Bethel Christian Church, Bethel-Maidstone United Church, Brooker Baptist Church, Church of The Living Word, Church of The Redeemer, Cottam Baptist Church, Cottam United Church, Essex Baptist Church, Essex Christian Reformed Church, St. John's R. C. Church, St. Mary's R. C. Church, St. Paul's Anglican Church, St. Stephen's Anglican Church, The Salvation Army Essex Citadel, Trinity Anglican Church, Unitarian Universalist Church of Olinda, Woodslee Prayer Community Church, Woodslee United Church, Essex Gospel Tabernacle, Essex United Church, Gesto United Church, Grace Baptist Church of Essex, Holy Name of Jesus R. C. Church, Rock of Help Christian Centre, St. Clair Baptist Church, St. Clement Church.

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