

COZY CORNERS

**Bethel-Maidstone United**

The flowers in the sanctuary were placed in loving memory of Brandon Steward by his grandmother Bev Holland.

Bible Study continues on Wed. Feb. 14 at B-M from 7-8:15 p.m. All are welcome.

Soup and sandwiches will be served Sun. Feb. 18 following the service.

Community Social Time for the area continues on Mon. Feb. 26 from 1-3 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

The Sunday school children and teachers are having a Pancake Supper on Tues. Feb. 20 from 5-7 p.m. Any help is greatly appreciated.

The next Noon Hour Lenten Service will be at Bethel-Maidstone United on Wed. Feb. 28 with Major Paul Gilbert speaking. Lunch follows. A free will offering is appreciated.

World Day of Prayer will be held on Fri. Mar. 2 at 1:30 p.m. at the Salvation Army in Essex. Program is by the Women of Paraguay.

Tai Chi has returned with a set time and day every Friday at 10 a.m. in the hall beginning Feb. 16.

There is an Elders meeting on Sun. Feb. 25 at 7 p.m.

The Official Board Meeting for both churches will be on Sun. Mar. 4 at B-M at 7 p.m.

Please remember all the sick and shutins especially Marcy McKenzie, Gary Coomber and Olly Triolet, as well as any others who are not well, in your thoughts and prayers.

-Beverly Holland

PAQUETTE

Installation of Officers for Parish Council will take place at St. Stephen's on Sun. Feb. 18 and at Redeemer on Sun. Feb. 25.

Church school needs the following articles for crafts: small Pringles containers for Feb. 25; 6 or 7 zippers any colour; brown paper leaf or grocery bags.

Someone is needed to accompany on the organ the monthly services at Oak Park, LaSalle. See Rev. Jane if interested.

Church of the Redeemer requires a 27" TV and DVD player for children and educational programs. Please contact Rev. Jane.

ACW Essex Deanery Annual Meeting will be Sat. Apr. 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Stephen's

Anglican Church. All are welcome. Lunch will be a nominal fee.

Lil Abner will be presented at UMEI on Fri. and Sat. Feb. 16, 17, 23, 24 at 7:30 p.m. and Sun. Feb. 18, 25 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available from Ruth Harnadek.

Dessert Card Party at St. Stephen's on Thurs. Feb. 15 at 1 p.m. All are welcome.

There will be a simulcast event featuring Beth Moore on Sat. Feb. 24 from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Meadow Brook Fellowship, 210 Talbot St., Leamington. Bring a bagged lunch or call to order a sub lunch (519-326-3605).

First Communion will be on May 27 at St. Stephen's. If your child (aged 7 and up) is interested, please contact Rev. Jane before Mar. 10 so supplies may be ordered.

Women Alive Conference on Thurs. Feb. 22 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Ciociaro Club. Guest speaker is Connie Cavanaugh and music by His Season with a fashion show and decadent desserts. You must pre-register by Feb. 15, see Rev. Jane for information.

Congratulations to Muriel and Bernard Niece who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary.

Ash Wednesday Services at St. Stephen's will be on

Wed. Feb. 21 at 9:30 a.m. Holy Communion with imposition of ashes and at 7:30 p.m. Choral Holy Communion with imposition of ashes.

Soup Days at Redeemer are Feb. 18 and Mar. 18.

Lenten Newsletter will go out shortly so please get anything to be included to Barb immediately.

Next week at Redeemer we welcome into God's family through baptism Madison Avery Girard, daughter of Shelley and Stephen.

BROOKER

Bev Kerr hosted a Valentine Party at her home last Friday night for the children and young people of the church. They had a great time playing games and especially enjoyed the hot tub. Thanks Bev.

The first Essex Ministerial Lenten Service for this year will be held at St. Paul's Anglican Church on Wed. Feb. 21 at 12 noon. Father Larry Brunet will be the speaker. Lunch will follow. A free will offering is accepted.

The Annual Business Meeting will be held following the worship service on Sun. Feb. 25. Please give your reports to the Pastor

a.s.a.p. so the Report Booklet can be made up.

Rev. Cliff and Marion Rummenie of Midland will be here on Sun. Mar. 25 to help us celebrate our 131st anniversary.

The Bible Club Banquet will be held on Sat. Apr. 28 at Meadowbrook Fellowship, Leamington. Rev. Jim Bagley will be the guest speaker and the Essex County Male Chorus will provide special music. Keep this date open on your calendar.

GESTO

Community Social Time at Bethel-Maidstone on Mon. Feb. 26 from 1-3 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Tai Chi every Friday at 10 a.m. at the Bethel-Maidstone hall starting Feb. 16.

Please note Gesto's Annual Church Meeting will be on Sun. Feb. 18 at 7 p.m.

Gesto will be having a baptism on Sun. Feb. 25. Mya Faith Fenton will be baptized.

Lent Service at Bethel-Maidstone on Wed. Feb. 28 at noon. Major Paul Gilbert will speak on an arresting soldier.

World Day of Prayer on Fri. Mar. 2 at 11:30 p.m. at

the Salvation Army in Essex.

Official Board Meeting for both churches at Bethel-Maidstone on Mar. 4 at 7 p.m.

Essex Presbyterian U.C.W. Annual Meeting on Thurs. Feb. 15 at Leamington United Church. Registration is at 9 a.m.

Lenten Services in Essex area are Feb. 21 at St. Paul's Anglican, Feb. 28 at Bethel-Maidstone, Mar. 7 at Essex United, Mar. 14 at Brooker Baptist, Mar. 21 at Holy Name, Mar. 28 at Christian Reformed. All at 12 noon.

What's black and white and READ all over?

Your ad in the Essex Free Press.



Call Ron today

@ 519-776-4268

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

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

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.

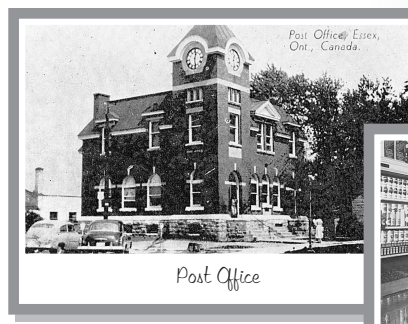
To participate, simply bring your photos to our office for scanning ... 16 Centre St., Essex or email a scanned image (300 dpi preferred) to our email address ...

essexfreepress@on.aibn.com

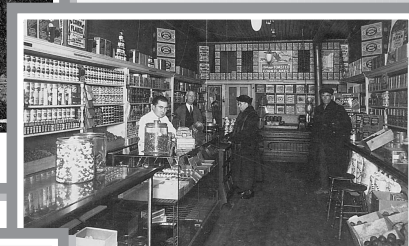
We need to know as much as possible about each photo: who is in the photo, when it was taken, what is happening in the photo, why was the moment important. Be sure to include your name, address and phone number so that we can contact you, if necessary.

FOR INFO: 519-776-4268

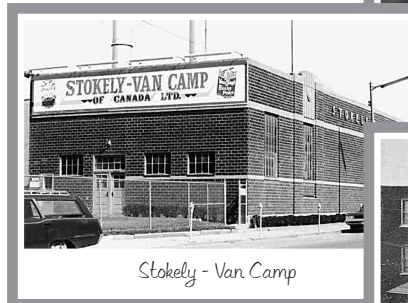
The ESSEX FREE PRESS



Post Office



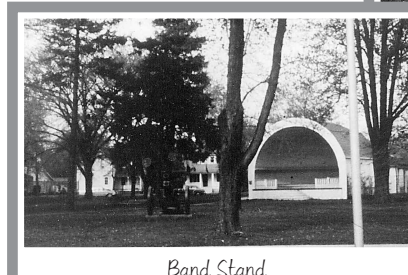
Grocery Store



Stokely - Van Camp



Canning Factory



Band Stand

Celebrating our 110th Anniversary!

