

COTTAM

Last week at the Annual Telephone Meeting Ross Levy (Past President of Cottam Rotary) mentioned they will be hosting their Annual Rotary Horse Show on Sept. 23.

On March 23 some members of the Essex/Kent Jr. Farmers travelled to Stratford for their Annual March Conference to meet up with other Jr. Farmer Clubs from across Ontario. At the Conference Heather McLeod from Essex/Kent received the Jr. Farmers' Association of Ontario, Most Outstanding Member of 2007 and also received the J.F.A.O. exchange to the United Kingdom. Heather leaves in June for the exchange.

Brian Sterling, a member of Essex/Kent Jr. Farmers received the award for Most Outstanding New Member. Adam McLeod from Essex/Kent Jr. Farmers became Executive Director of Membership of Jr. Farmers Association of Ontario.

The next event of the Essex/Kent Jr. Farmers are planning is a "Pre Planting Party" at the Comber Community Centre on Fri. Apr. 27 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music, games, bar, social. You don't have to be a farmer to be a member or to attend this event. Gather up your friends and come out for some fun. The profits will be split between the Chatham/Kent Food Bank, Essex Food Bank and the Essex/Kent Jr. Farmers for future events. Call Heather or Adam at 519-839-5351 for tickets.

"Dancing Fiddles" concert of old time dance music by Canadian Fiddle Champion Scott Woods at Essex United Church on Fri. Apr. 13 at 7 p.m. Call 776-5121 for more information.

This week is a special time for Christians around the world. There are many events happening in local churches in your area if you wish to attend. Have a joyous Easter.

Cottam United

Wed. Apr. 4 Easter Luncheon at 12:30 p.m.
Thurs. Apr. 5 Maundy Thursday Service at 7 p.m.
Fri. Apr. 6 Good Friday Service at 11 a.m.
Sun. Apr. 8 Easter Sunday Service at 10:15 a.m.

More members are needed to serve on the Worship Committee. Please speak with Pastor Kim.

Thurs. Apr. 12 Session Meeting at 7 p.m.

Sun. Apr. 15 Missions Committee Meeting following worship.

Please keep Bill Miller, Laura Brown and others who are in need in your prayers.

Happy birthday blessings

to Chris Mayville on Apr. 14, Isobel McLeod and Danny Anger on the 8th, Rob Shuttleworth on the 10th, Cindy Jones on the 11th, Bruce Armstrong on the 14th and Deb Galos on the 15th.

Happy anniversary to Christine and Larry Morand on Apr. 6.

- Helen McLeod

Trinity Anglican

Holy Week and Easter Sunday Services:

Thurs. Apr. 5 Maundy Thursday. One service only at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's.

Fri. Apr. 6 Good Friday. One service only at 3 p.m. at Trinity.

Sun. Apr. 8 The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day. 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity.

Baptism date is set for May 27. If you wish to participate or bring forth a child to receive the sacrament please call the office.

If you are over the age of 12 and are interested in Confirmation please let the rector know by contacting the office so that preparation can be made for classes.

St. Paul's and Trinity are now online. The email address is stpauls.trinity@bellnet.ca. We would like to put together a web page. If you have any knowledge of how this can be done, please contact the office.

St. Paul's Pasta Dinner, for the month of April, will be on Friday, April 13 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Movie Night at the Church as part of our celebration of the Diocese's Sesquicentennial. Come and watch a showing of "Huron Our Story" a documentary that brings to life the legacy of our first bishop Benjamin Cronyn. April 18 at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity (movie review on bulletin board). If you need or would like a ride please call the office.

The Anglican Fellowship of Prayer presents a workshop "Joy in Prayer" Sat. May at East London Anglican Ministries, 2060 Dundas St. E. from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Please bring a bag lunch. Refreshments supplied. Please call 519-433-7164 to register or email marianhaggerty@sympatico.ca

Diocese of Huron Sesquicentennial Children's Festival Sat. May 12 from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Cathedral, London. Call 519-631-8750 or check out the diocesan web site www.diohuron.org for further details. Thank You contributions for April will be given to the Gideon's Bible Society.

PAQUETTE

Our first Saturday evening Communion Service will be on Apr. 21 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Stephen's.

St. Stephen's Sunday school is in need of at least one more adult Sunday school teacher. Please contact Carrie.

To all the good people of St. Stephen's and Redeemer, thank you for the very generous gift recently received after my surgery in Ottawa. Your generosity overwhelms me. Thank you for your ongoing support over the past year with your cards, flowers and good wishes. The kindness of so many will be cherished and remembered always, Janet Bezaire and family

Someone is needed to accompany on the organ the monthly services at Oak Park, LaSalle. Several people could share in this ministry. See Rev. Jane if interested.

A.C.W. Deanery Annual Meeting on Sat. Apr. 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Stephen's. Lunch will be a nominal fee. All welcome.

A.C.W. Annual Meeting on Sat. Apr. 28 at St. Paul's Cathedral in London. Registration at 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at 2 p.m.

St. Stephen's Yard and Bake Sale on Sat. Apr. 28 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Donations (no clothing, shoes and purses) and baked goods welcome.

53rd Weekend will be held on June 1-3. Add a little music to your weekend with 3 Cantors in Concert. Weekend with the Primate: Archbishop Andrew Hutchison, theme speaker.

Pasta Dinner at Redeemer on Sat. Apr. 28 from 4:30-7 p.m. Tickets from parish council members.

Strawberry Social and Yard Sale on Sat. June 16 at Redeemer. Dig out all those buried treasures.

Holy Week Services: Apr. 1 Passion Sunday with liturgy of palms and Holy Eucharist; Apr. 4 mid-week Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. at St. Stephen's; Apr. 5 Maundy Thursday Institution of the Lord's Supper with the washing of feet and stripping of the altar at 7:30 p.m. at Redeemer; Apr. 6 Good Friday, The Way of Sorrows, a Tenebrae service at 11 a.m. at St. Stephen's; Apr. 7 Easter Vigil, This is the Night, 7:30 p.m. at St. Stephen's, a service of word and music that carries us from darkness to light, from bondage to freedom, from death to life, from promise to fulfillment; Apr. 8 Easter Sunday, 8:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. Stephen's, 9:30 a.m. Sung Choral Eucharist at Redeemer, 11 a.m. Sung Choral Eucharist at St. Stephen's.

- Barb Mactier

BROOKER

Keenagers will meet on Tues. Apr. 10 at 11:45 a.m. for a potluck dinner at the

church at noon. The entertainment following the meal will be provided by Betty Johns. Plan to attend and bring a friend to enjoy good fellowship.

Greg Gemmill of Midland spent the weekend with his mother Norma Gemmill.

We will be meeting at the Church of the Living Word at 10:30 a.m. on Good Friday for a Joint Service with them. The offering this year will go to Matthew House, Windsor.

This is April and the canvassers will be out for the Cancer Society. Your contribution, big or small, is very much appreciated.

Bible Club Banquet on Sat. Apr. 28 at Meadow Brook Fellowship, Leamington. See Murray Newman for tickets.

Remember those in prayer who are having health problems. Margaret Robinson, Don Birch, Luke Robinson, Judy, Morgan Dobson and Pastor Steve's mother.

COZY CORNERS

Bethel-Maidstone United

Easter Services are as follows: Maundy Thursday is on Apr. 5 at 6:30 p.m. at Gesto. Pot luck supper. Good Friday service will be held on Fri. Apr. 6 at Gesto. Easter Sunday will be held at both churches at their regular times.

Community Social Time at B-M for the area on April 9 from 1-3 p.m. and on April 23 to come and play cards, games and to socialize and have fun.

Gesto U.C. is having a Tea Party on April 13. There will also be a silent auction, games and a light snack. Donations greatly appreciated with all proceeds going for a new roof for the church.

U.C.W. meeting will be on Mon. Apr. 16 at 7 p.m. Kathy McCarthy will be speaking about flowers. All are welcome.

B-M Garage and Bake

Sale will be on Sat. Apr. 21 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. All donations will be appreciated. Start your cleaning now. Your junk is another one's treasures.

The Sunday school March Break Fun Day was a great success with 17 children attending. Special thanks to Diane Battersby, Sandra Livingston, David Woodman, Krista MacKenzie, Jerry Farough, Kay Ackwood, the Tai Chi Class, Jacob and Jordan Weir and Stephanie Pierre.

The Stewards are planning a day trip to the Victoria Playhouse in Petrolia on June 9 to see "Nunsensations - a nonsense Las Vegas Review". Dinner at the Countryview Golf Club. For more information or to reserve a seat please call 519-737-6614 or 519-839-5475.

Please remember all the sick and shutins, those in hospital and at home recuperating and those who mourn in your prayers and in your thoughts.

Happy Easter to all.

- Bev Holland

GESTO

Joint Maundy Thursday Service at Gesto on Apr. 5 at 6:30 p.m. (potluck supper).

Joint Good Friday Service Apr. 6 at 10:30 a.m. at Bethel-Maidstone.

Sunday, April 8 service at 9 a.m. after breakfast at 8 a.m. at Gesto.

Easter Luncheon at Cottam United Church on Wed. Apr. 4 at 12:30 p.m. Call 519-839-4165 no later than Mar. 30 to reserve a seat.

Community Social Time at B-M for the area on April 9 from 1-3 p.m. and on April 23 to come and play cards, games and to socialize and have fun.

Our turn to take the chapel service at Country Village on Tues. Apr. 10 at 10:30 a.m.

Elders meeting at Gesto on Tues. Apr. 10 at 7 p.m.

Support Gesto as they build funds for a new roof.

Join Gesto for a Tea Party on Fri. Apr. 13.

Sun. Apr. 15 service at 9 a.m. with breakfast after the service.

Garage Sale/Bake Sale at Bethel-Maidstone on Sat. Apr. 21 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Erie Shores Quilters Guild Meeting

Erie Shores Quilters Guild meeting was held on March 20 with 88 members and nine guests present.

From tickets sold on the charity quilt raffle at the E.S.Q.G. quilt show last fall a cheque for \$1503.68 was presented to Ross Barnwell for the L.D.M.H. foundation fund.

The program for the night was a trunk show put on by Michelle Dunn of Kallisti Quilts. She showed many quilts with Japanese fabrics and quilts made with Australian fabrics. She finally showed beautiful quilts made with African fabrics.

The hostesses for the night were Dianne Moynahan and Gail Hull. Marion Dibley and Joan Meuser each won a feel good bundle.

Door prizes were won by the following Jan Bergeron, Licia Cipkar, Ruth Gilliland, Joann Gignac, Lisa Hill, Bev Gillespie, Jacqui Flood, Marie Jeanne Rivest, Pat Laing, Edith Lechien, Frances Coulter, Lisa Cipkar and Irene Bellemore.

The guest vendor was Kallisti Quilts.

The block of the month winners are for Churn Dash first Marion Dibley and second Denise Pageau. For Jacob's Ladder the winners are first Bev Gillespie and second Meryl Richmond.

Our next meeting will be on Tues. Apr. 17 and it will be a show by The Bag Ladies.



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Easter Holiday Hours - Our Harrow and Essex offices will be closed on Friday April 6th and Monday April 9th to recognize the Easter Holiday. There will be **NO ESSEX CARE-A-VAN** service on these two days. We will resume normal business and transportation hours on Tuesday April 10th. *Have a great long weekend!*

Peer Support Network

- ✓ Are you looking for a meaningful and unique volunteer experience to help you gain transferable leadership and communication skills?
- ✓ Are you planning to go into a career in which you will be helping others?
- ✓ Need to strengthen your resume?

The **Peer Support Network** may be the volunteer opportunity for you!

We are training 16-21 year olds living in Windsor-Essex County to provide emotional support to other young people in their geographical area who have been victimized by crime or traumatic events. Potential volunteers must have good communication and leadership skills. They must commit to participating in 40 hours of training and one year of volunteering.

If interested, please contact Cynthia Roy at 733-8983 ext. 26 or croy@resourcenetwork.ca for more information.

NOVA TRAINING - Victim Services of Windsor and Essex County will be offering Nova Training (National Organization for Victim Assistance). Basic training will be held April 20-24 and advanced training will be held April 25-27. This training deals with crisis intervention to groups of traumatized people and community crisis response. For more information please contact Victim Services at 519-723-2711. *Registration deadline is April 13, 2007.*