

ESSEX

Christian Reformed

Join us for worship on Sunday at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. with Pastor Fred Heslinga. Sunday school for children ages 3-11. Nursery is provided.

Youth meet on Sundays from 7-9:30 p.m.

For more information call the church at 776-5071.

Essex Retirees Social Club

On May 11 we will be holding another Spaghetti Fundraiser for the roof. We will start at 5 p.m. Tickets are being sold in advance. Please call the office (519-776-6689) to purchase your tickets.

Al Lucier will be entertaining on May 8 after the potluck. Bring a dish to share with friends and neighbours and enjoy the music.

Don't forget to purchase your 50-50 lottery ticket at the office. If all 600 tickets are sold, you could win \$15,000.

Monday Pepper winner was Helen Slavik, most Peppers Ruby Robertson, booby prize Doug Fields.

Tuesday Pepper winner was Ethel Queen, most Peppers Julia Drouillard, booby prize Dorothy Lane.

Wednesday Pepper winner was Betty Fields, most Peppers Diana Dennis, booby prize Cecilia Edwards.

Thursday Bridge winners were Euta Johnson and Ethel Queen.

Holy Name

K of C Fish Fry on Fri. May 11 from 4-7 p.m. with takeout available. Proceeds to our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Tickets will be available after all masses on May 5 and 6 for the annual K of C Car Raffle.

CWL is sponsoring a Patio Set Fundraiser to send students to Steubenville. Available in our parish office. Draw is on May 13.

Thanks to Pauline Biekx, Caitlyn Bondy and Julie McEwen who filled in at our parish office while our secretary was on sick leave.

Wendy will return to work on Monday. Welcome back.

Do you have children books around your home that you no longer use? If so, please bring them to church with you. The Kids Care Foundation will send these books to children and libraries in the Philippines.

Middle Earth final youth group meeting will be laser tag night on Wed. May 9.

Register at 776-8483 or 776-7708 by Sun. May 6 so we can inform the XS Family Fun Centre of how many will be attending.

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre on Sat. May 26 at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Name Parish Hall. Tickets are available at our office or from a Life Teen member. Tickets will not be available at the door. To benefit Steubenville trip.

Happy 70th anniversary to the Vangriesvens. Also happy 90th to Monica Vanderra. May God bless you with many more years.

God bless you all and have a great week.

- Therese Lecuyer

Salvation Army

Transportation is available for a ride to Sunday school, call 519-776-4628. We also have a chair lift.

We also have adult Bible Study at 9:45. The theme is "Why Israel".

Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Home League, all women welcome.

Thursday at 6:30 p.m. CCM at Woodslee Lodge. Band practice at 7 p.m.

Women's Ministries Spring Luncheon in the lower hall has been changed to May 4 starting at 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Our Altar service for Partners in Mission will be May 20 during the morning service.

Please pray for our sick and shutins.

Essex United

Sun. May 6 choir practice at 9:30 a.m. Regular worship service with Communion at 10:30 a.m. S.S.C. volleyball in the gym at 7 p.m.

Thurs. May 3 Communion Service at Iler Lodge at 10:30 a.m.

S.S.C. volleyball in the gym at 7 p.m.

Sun. May 6 Gesstwood Challenge Walk from 2-4 p.m. at Gesstwood Camp. Support our teams from Essex.

Sat. May 12 Children's Festival "Under God's Big Top" at Gesstwood Church Camp from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. for children 4-10 yrs. Lunch will be provided.

WOODSLEE

Thirty-five awesome War Brides were honoured Tues. Apr. 24 at Church of the Living Word. Piper, Bryon Knight played as they greeted and hugged old friends and met new ones. Everyone enjoyed viewing the wedding pictures on display, the Pier 21 scene,

WWII books and other war memorabilia. Rose Stanley of Kingsville delighted the crowd by modeling her wedding dress, worn on Apr. 7, 1945. Gifts were given to Mary St. Louis, the youngest bride present and to Cecilia Burling the eldest bride present. A bridal bouquet adorned with horse shoes, an English tradition, was won by Edna Girard. Each lady received a gift bag which included a personalized certificate from Pier 21, Halifax, N.S. and other Pier 21 leaflets and booklets depicting scenes of their arrival there in the 1940's. Also they received a Lakeshore pin, a Windsor Coat of Arms pin and a Canada pin.

The Woodslee Credit Union graciously sponsored their lunch. Barb Stanley made the beautiful decorated cakes, depicting an English theme on them. The St. John's ladies served a delicious lunch to the 140 people in attendance.

A group picture was taken in the sanctuary during which the ladies sang, "Sentimental Journey" and "We'll Meet Again". Hopefully they can keep in touch and will meet again.

Organizer, Joanne McMurren was pleased to help create this memorable reunion for them. The 35 War Brides who attended were Eileen Baker, Pauline Bortolotti, Audry Boutette, Cecilia Burling, Margo Carmichael, Mary Cathcart, Bunty Clarke, Gwen Davidson, Ethel Deslippe, Edna Girard, Phyllis Guatto, Marj Harris, Joyce Hodgson, Stella Holland, Dorothy Hunter, Grace Knight, Betty Labombard, Eileen Lebert, Hilda Lefaive, Doreen Leigh, Alice Micsimsky, Peggy Nagy, Margaret Nelles, Ann Paolatto, Jane Purdie, Ruby Robertson, Peggy Saunders, Doreen Scholey, Rose Stanley, Mary St. Louis, Eileen Stowe, Bernadette Szejbut, Mary Tessier, Chris Wadge, Betty Wilton.

The Friends of Woodslee had a successful Yellow Ribbon Troop Campaign on Sun. Apr. 15 at The Memorial Park and the results as of Fri. Apr. 27 is: 27 troop boxes packed to the very top and 109 Tim Hortons gift certificates. This shipment will be sent on Tuesday to the Armouries in Windsor and they in turn send everything to the troops in Afghanistan. As a tiny hamlet we are extremely thrilled to be able to show support in this way to the

families of a soldier serving in that country and happy that the soldiers have something packed with love from Canada to open. We also sent notes of encouragement. Thanks to everyone who donated. The Friends of Woodslee (serving community). If you want to donate after April 30 please contact Donna Roubos at 519-975-2634. I will make sure your items get to the troops.

Golden Links card game winners on Fri. Apr. 27 were Cecile St. Denis, Madeline Diesbourg, Don McMurren, Bob Matthew, R. Mogyorodi, Joanne Diesbourg and Thomas Allison. Door prizes to Vera McMurren and George Diesbourg. The next card party will be on Fri. May 4 at 7:30 p.m.

The Woodslee Friendship Club's April 23 card party winners were Irwin Bauer with the men's highest score and Don McMurren with the most lone hands. Lucky ladies were Helene Manley with the highest score and Dianne Renversez won for most lone hands. Join us on Mondays at 1 p.m. at the Millen Centre for fun and friendship. New players are always welcome.

Woodslee United

The minister will be in the office at the Woodslee Church on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Other days and times may be arranged by appointment.

Rev. James Forsythe, a former minister at the Woodslee Pastoral Charge passed away on Sunday. Cards of condolence can be sent to his wife Kerry at the following address: Mrs. Kery Forsythe, 825 Cathcart Blvd., Sarnia, Ontario, N7V 2N7.

The Council on Aging is looking for adult volunteers to provide a falls risk assessment for seniors in their own home. Orientation and training is provided. For more information call 519-971-9217.

Join us "Under God's Big Top" at the Children's Festival on Sat. May 12

from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Gesstwood Church Camp. For children ages 4-10 yrs. Lunch provided. Presented by the Essex Presbytery Christian Development.

Belle River United Church Spring Bake Sale and Bazaar on Sat. May 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch is available and there are lots of gift ideas for mom.

Garage and Bake Sale on Sat. May 12 at Tecumseh United Church, 333 Lacasse Boulevard, Tecumseh from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

For information on summer and fall 2007 workshops at the Five Oaks Education and Retreat Centre call 519-442-3212.

Please remember non perishable food items for the Downtown Mission and keep saving used postage stamps, Zehrs and Sadler's grocery tapes, Campbell Soup labels and Canadian Tire Money.

BAKERVILLE

Weather this past week has been a mix mash - nice and sunny and rainy but May is here now so nice weather is coming and the farmers are ready to get in the fields soon.

The Pleasant Valley Community Club held a Pepper party last Tuesday with the lucky winners being Charles Chevalier, Howard Armstrong, Ethel Ford, Helen Slavik, Don Ames and Ruth Ferguson. Come join in the fun on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday the lucky winners were Josie Dresser, Ron McLean, Don Kettle, Reba Knight, JoAnn Diesbourg, Herald Ferguson and Shirley Ouellette. Door prizes to Jean Pepper and Maxine Knight. Everyone is welcome to join friends and neighbours at a great game of euchre on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Happy anniversary to Howie and Marg Hanson as they celebrate #12 next Sunday.

Happy birthday wishes to Claude Cowan of Elmvale, Ontario as he celebrates

another year next Tuesday. Let's fill his mailbox with birthday cards.

Get well wishes to Jim Campbell as he has been under the weather lately. Send your prayers his way.

PAQUETTE

Redeemer will be having a Strawberry Social and Yard Sale on Sat. June 16. Dig out all those buried treasures.

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.

Diocese Huron Sesquicentennial Children's Festival 2007 will be held on Sat. May 12 at St. Paul's Cathedral in London from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Each participant is asked to bring an offering of school supplies or non-perishable food items to be distributed to local charities throughout the Diocese and/or cash donations to support Children's Ministries in S. Africa. For further details go to www.diohuron.org

Holy Eucharist on Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at Redeemer.

A Bible Study based on the Andy of Mayberry series will begin on May 3 at Redeemer from 7-8 p.m. and run for six weeks.

St. Stephen's Sunday school is growing and we are in need of an adult teacher to help with the younger children. Please contact Carrie of Jane.

Anglican Fellowship of Prayer presents Joy in Prayer on May 5 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at ELAM, 2060 Dundas St. E., London. Bring a brown bag lunch. Register at marianhaggerty@sym.patico.ca or 519-433-7164.

St. Stephen's Parish Council meets on Tues. May 15 and 7 p.m. Please note change of date.

Special birthday wishes to Alva O'Neil, Dorothy Sykes and Howard Craig.

- Barb Mactier



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SERVICE CANADA INFORMATION SESSIONS: Essex Community Services will be holding 2 information sessions. Both will be presented by Service Canada. The first one will be on Tuesday May 15th at 10:00am. It will be a Pre and Post Natal information session. The second one will be on Thursday May 17th at 10:00am. It will be a Canada Pension information session. Both are free of charge and open to anyone. *Please call 519-776-4231 to reserve your spot.*

THANK YOU!!!! Essex Community Services would like to extend our sincere thanks to the following businesses and organizations in Essex. They have been collecting cell phones, printer cartridges, Zehrs and Sadler's tapes for us. These donations help us deliver the programs and services that we do to the community. Without them and the many individuals out there, we would be forced to cut the services we provide. So a special Thank You to: **Stationery and Stuff, Hydro One, Woodslee Credit Union, Essex Town Hall, and Bethel Maidstone United Church** for your generous donations over the past year.