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Jan/feb Edition

Whose face will be on the Canada Post Black History Month stamp?



It ' s about time ...

When the clock struck 12 midnight on Thursday, December 31st the awareness of time (for those who were awake) became very focused.

Some people let their memory cells drift back to recall either fond memories or moments of sadness while others excitedly yelled “**Happy New Year**” and forged ahead developing a list of resolutions with hopes of successfully reaching their goals.

The year **2010** heralds a new decade amid debate as to proper pronunciation. Which is correct anyway ? - twenty ten or two thousand ten?

The Board of Directors, staff, members and community friends of Northstar Centre have realized another year of continued growth amid the struggles associated with the economic downturn affecting our country, province and the City of Windsor.

One major disappointment was the cancellation of the 7th Annual McDougall Street Reunion due to the prolonged municipal worker strike!

This event is one of our major fundraisers so the monies available for charitable causes was somewhat effected.

There are many exciting projects /events being planned for 2010 which include:

- ◆ Member/Volunteer Appreciation Open House (see page 2)
- ◆ Passport to Freedom Project (to be launched on Feb. 3) see pg.3
- ◆ Proclamation Week to honour James and Robert Dunn (Windsor’s first Black aldermen)

Dates to be announced for -

- Local History Interest
- Group meetings (monthly)

Please take the Time to read this newsletter!

Take note of the events/ activities that are of interest to you!

Call a friend and share the information.

“**NOW** is the time to show your support—We need you!!!

Fundraising Project 2010

Find a container to be used to “**collect loose change.**” Bring containers to NCCC office - we’ll roll, bank and give you a tax receipt for every \$20



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS
MEMBERSHIP /VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION
OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

4pm to 6pm

At

BME Church Fellowship Hall
685 University Ave. @ corner of Louis Ave.

Launch of 2010 Membership Drive!!!



Refreshments will be served

Parking is allowed on street without permit



“HUGS AND Kisses to these HEARTY PEOPLE who accepted Cupid’s Challenge in February 2009 to volunteer some of their time...

Directors - Jim Allen, Cheryl Ball, Jackie Brown, Edwin Chunn, Valerie Henderson-Davis, Dileana Nolan-Larkin, Greg Martin, George Napier, Sherri Riley, Carolyn Robinson, Dale Talbot

Staff -Nancy Allen, Annette Middleton

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| Burton Allen | Vina Allen | Elsie Bishop | Gale Carter –Moore | Evelyn Cartier |
| Teryll Chase | Ted Collins | Richard Davis Jr. | Richard Davis | Arnetta Glenn |
| Joyce Gordon | Barb Henderson | Ettolla Johnson | Margurite Johnson | Rodney Jones |
| Gloria Jung | Trevor Leigh | Thomas Leigh | Lois Larkin | Linda logan |
| Jessica McKay | Nicole McKay | Marie Martin | Robert Martin | Kris Middleton |
| Vicki Middleton | Irene Moore-Davis | Sharon Pingue | Patricia Quates | Mark Ricketts |
| Bonita Seecharan | Charmaine Scott | Dennis Smith | Andre Strain | John Woods |

If any volunteer name was not listed, please let us know so that that name can be published in the next Newsletter!

We are hosting a GOLD & SILVER PARTY

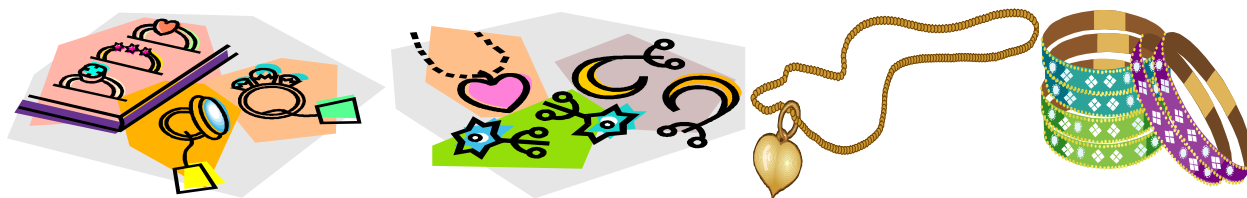
Who: You start collecting all of your gold or silver jewellery, coins etc. and bring to...

Where: Northstar Cultural Community Centre

When: Date to be Announced

A licensed specialist will be present to evaluate items for you then pay you cash on the spot!

Call NCCCentre office for further details (519) 252-7143



BOWL OF CHILI OR CHILI DOG



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 2010

AT

**B.M.E. CHURCH HALL
685 UNIVERSITY AVE. E**

FROM 4 P.M. UNTIL 7 P.M.

PRICE - \$ 7.00

**INCLUDES DESSERT AND PUNCH
COME OUT AND SUPPORT THE CENTRE**



**A
NORTHSTAR CULTURAL COMMUNITY CENTRE
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Monday to Thursday

10:00am TO 2:00pm

Friday (closed)

(by appointment)

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**Comments or
Suggestions?
(519) 252-7143**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Community Announcements

Feb 5th to 17th-Artists of Colour @ Mackenzie Hall "Courage of Creativity"
For details www.theartistsofcolour.com or (519)255-7600

Feb. 7th Black History Month Tea @ Caribbean Centre 12:00 noon-5:00pm \$15.00

Feb.14th - Valentine Tea @ BME Church,3p.m. Guest speaker is Pastor Maynard Hurst ,Mount Beulah Church (free will offering)

Feb.27th Windsor District Black Coalition Gala (Awards) Honouring Ron Jones & Shelley Harding Smith@ Serbian Centre, Tickets \$45.00 dinner at 7:00pm (portion of proceeds to Haiti)

DONATIONS

Please remember the gift of community and consider making a **donation** to the Northstar Cultural Community Centre. Your gift will be used to continue the work of the Centre in providing services and programs to your community.

Donations of \$20 or more will receive a charitable tax receipt for income.



Northstar Cultural Community Centre

2010 Membership Registration

Individual: \$25.00/yr **Family:** \$50.00/yr **Seniors:** \$15.00/yr **Student:** \$15.00/yr
(60 yr.& over)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov/State: _____ Postal Code: _____

Country: _____ Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____ Date: _____



PASSPORT to FREEDOM

(A SPECIAL PROJECT FOR 2010)

The “Passport to Freedom” project was developed to provide an incentive for members of the community at large to attend Heritage group meetings and historic events/activities, to explore displays at designated museums/heritage sites or to participate /volunteer at local festivals.



Individuals who choose to participate will receive a pocket sized passport booklet (monthly calendar format) to keep a personal record of their participation in/at any of the venues mentioned above.

The passport booklets were donated by “Your Neighbourhood Credit Union” which has two local branches in Windsor and LaSalle.

****Note–** Individuals with a passport can mark Jan15th or Jan 16th if they attended any event associated with the Freedom Landing Festival (Movie Night, Conference or Concert presented by the North American Black Historical Museum in Amherstburg.

Passports to Freedom are available at:

Northstar Community Centre - 647 Ouellette suite #109 (use Pelissier entrance)

North American Black Historical Museum - 277 King St., Amherstburg

Carmen’s Salon 215 - 215 Erie Street East, Windsor

Valerie’s Salon -7843 Broderick Rd., LaSalle

Corner Café - 188 Erie Street East, Windsor

Participants will receive a registration package which includes passport stamps, maps, heritage bus tour information and special group gatherings!



**LET’S MAKE 2010 THE YEAR TO
SEEK NEW EXPERIENCES
& MEET NEW PEOPLE**

“ Your Passport to Freedom was given to you by your ancestors ”

CANADA POST CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH

(answer to Black History Trivia Question on page 1)



A Victoria Cross, a simple and understated bronze pattee with a matte finish, hangs from a blue ribbon in the Nova Scotia Museum's heritage collection. Its inscription, "For Valour," summons the outstanding courage of its Nova-Scotia-born recipient, William Hall, and the blue ribbon, set apart from the traditional crimson, denotes his naval service. When he was presented his Victoria Cross on October 28, 1859, Hall was the first black person, the first Nova Scotian, and the first Canadian sailor to receive this outstanding honour. This February, to celebrate Black History Month, Canada Post will issue a commemorative stamp in his honour. *(excerpt from Canada Post press release)*

A 2010 HERITAGE WEEK PRESENTATION:

Early Black Pioneers in Municipal Government

You are invited to attend a special presentation honouring

James L. Dunn and Robert L. Dunn

City of Windsor Councillors 1887-1888 and 1893- 1903

Hosted by Irene Moore- Davis

The great great granddaughter of Robert Dunn

at

Windsor Public library (main branch)

850 Ouellette Avenue

Fred Israel Auditorium (lower level)

Wednesday, February 17,2010

7pm to 9pm