



Northstar Cultural Community Centre

NORTHSTAR NEWS

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October Edition

**. WE
NEED
YOU!!**



Three Little words ...

Can you answer this riddle?

What three words are displayed on the Northstar logo?

If you do not know what they are just read the next 2 pages to discover a key word within the text for each described event. ...

When the actor Sherman Hemsley died on July 24, 2012 many people in our community experienced a hearty laugh remembering the antics of the infamous “George Jefferson” character from such iconic shows as “All in the Family, Amen and The Jeffersons”

The George Jefferson and Deacon Earnest Fry roles that Sherman portrayed were that of a man who was proud of his achievements and his ability to get things done the way he thought they should be done.

On a more musical note his prideful attitude was exemplified through the words of the theme song from “The Jeffersons” sitcom.

Well we’re moving on up,

To the east side.

To a deluxe apartment in the sky.

We’re movin’ on up

To the east side

We finally got a piece of the pie.

As fate would have it one of our Northstar members noticed a “FOR RENT” sign in the window of a location on ERIE STREET EAST about the same time in July and the rest is history!

The Board of Directors visited the location with a focus on the future needs of our members and programme presentations. The vote to relocate was unanimous with a move in date of October 1, 2012. The Grand Opening is planned for November 17, 2012 (details to follow)

THANK YOU, George Jefferson for displaying a sense of *Pride* that reinforces one of NCCCentre’s foundational beliefs!



New Address:

225A Erie Street East

Windsor, ON

N9A 3X2

519-252-7143

A War of 1812 Day of Recognition

The flyer on the next page (pg.3) will give anyone who is interested in *history* the opportunity to celebrate the historic events that took place on October 13,1812.

Major-General Sir Isaac Brock who was in command of all military forces in Upper Canada (present day province of Ontario) played an important role in repelling the American invasion at Forts Mackinac and Detroit.

The Province of Ontario has proclaimed that October 13, 2012 will mark the 200th anniversary of Brock's historic final victory at Queenston Heights. This act proclaims :

1. October 13 in each year is proclaimed as Major-General Sir Isaac Brock Day
2. This act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent (24 April,2012)

3. The short title of this act is the Major - General Sir Isaac Brock Day Act 2012.



Portrait c.1809, possibly by William Berczy^[1]

He is often referred to as “The Saviour of Upper Canada.”

The Colored Corps

Several people who visited the War of 1812 Book Display at the McDougall Street Reunion commented that they did not know that people of African descent had fought in this war.

The Federal Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration distributed a poster in February 2012 for Black History Month titled

The Contributions of Black Soldiers in the Fight for Canada and the text reads-

“Blacks in British North America had a tradition of military service that long predated Canadian Confederation in 1867. Many, including Upper Canada farmer Richard Pierpoint, had served with the Crown during the American Revolution. At the outset of War in 1812, Pierpoint urged, at first unsuccessfully, that a Black militia unit help defend the

Niagara District. By July 1812, a small Black militia company had been formed that would fight at several major battles, including Queenston Heights.”

Unfortunately, Richard Pierpoint was not allowed to head a fighting company. The command of this Black company was turned over to Robert Runchey, a Captain in the 3rd Lincoln Militia and the unit became known as “Runchey’s Coloured Ranger’s.” (approximately 38 men)

Unity is the key!



(see literacy Comes alive page 6)



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A War of 1812 Day of Recognition

Saturday, October 13, 2012 is the day to...

- **CELEBRATE** this date designated "Major-General Sir Isaac Brock Day" by the Province of Ontario
- **RECOGNIZE** the historical significance of the Duff -Baby House in the War of 1812
- **HIGHLIGHT** significant events of the battle of Queenston Heights fought on October 13, 1812
- **ACKNOWLEDGE** the role of the "Coloured Corps" also known a "Ranchoy's Coloured Company" at the Battle of Queenston Heights

at
Bedford United Church
3340 Sandwich Street
(parking lot accessed behind church, off Russell St.)

&
Sandwich Public Library
3312 Sandwich Street

1:00pm to 2:00pm - Local Historian Presentations & Drama student vignette
2:15pm to 3:15pm - Tours of Duff-Baby House located at 221 Mill Street
(1 block down Russell St. from church)

Exhibit area to include Windsor Public Library Canguru Mobile Unit
Publisher's Sale of War of 1812 books and Showcase of "Coloured Corps" paintings

Sponsors



Supporters

WINDSOR PUBLIC LIBRARY



**Older Towne
Sandwich B.S.A.**

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www.northstarcentre.org



HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

Have **YOU** completed a **STRATEGIC PLANNING SURVEY** yet?

If your answer was **YES!** Thank you very much but we still need more people to respond so keep spreading the word. We need to hear from everyone!

If your answer was **NO!** Please take a few minutes to complete the questions! We need to know which events ***THAT YOU ATTENDED IN THE PAST.*** We need to know what types of events ***THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND IN THE FUTURE!***

We need to know if you feel that we are addressing the needs of youth families, seniors etc. to facilitate future planning.

We need to know about *You* as a person in our community.

The survey is available online at:

- www.northstarcentre.org
- the NCCC office in a booklet format (can be taken home & returned)
- (or) -call for a volunteer to assist you by telephone conversation or home visit

FOCUS GROUPS

The next step with the “Strategic Planning Survey” will be our “Focus Groups” or roundtable discussions, which are being planned for November (see page 5). Each session will have 10-12 people and will be 90 minutes in length, including a video and a question and answer period conducted by our consultants Amanda and Zal

We sincerely hope that you will participate, and to accommodate specific stakeholders we will be having sessions dedicated to specific groups including seniors, youth and community partners. In case you miss our call for Focus Group participants, we encourage you to call the office (519) 252-7143 or email at

info@northstarcentre.org.

We look forward to hearing from you!





NOVEMBER NOTES

Take note of the events listed below!
Further details will be forthcoming in the November Newsletter.



FOCUS GROUP A

Wednesday, November 7, 2012

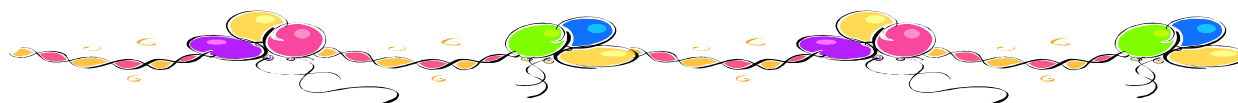
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FOCUS GROUP B

Wednesday, November 14, 2012

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GRAND OPENING at 225A Erie Street East

OPEN HOUSE 3:00pm to 6:00pm

SATURDAY, November 17, 2012



BOOK TALK BY DR. GORDON GIDDINGS

Monday, November 19, 2012

FOCUS GROUP C



Wednesday, November 21, 2012

Northstar Centre office—225 Erie Street East



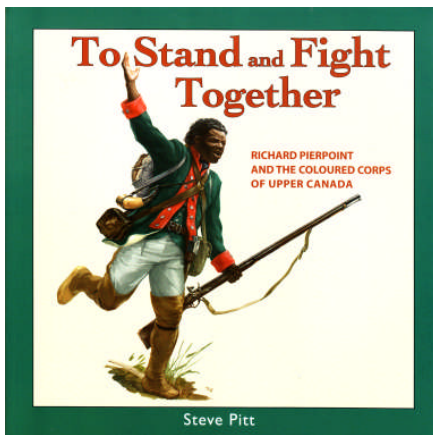
9TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Friday November 30th - 10:00am to 4:00pm

Saturday, December 1, 2012 - 10:00 am to 4:00pm

CALL NOW to reserve a table \$ 20 (space is limited)!

LITERACY COMES ALIVE



To Stand and Fight Together

Richard Pierpoint and the Coloured Corps of Upper Canada

By Steve Pitt

144 pages \$19.99

Dundurn Press has listed as teen Non-fiction but is useful to all ages.

* available Oct 13th and NCCCcentre office



Dying in the Land of Enchantment

By Dr Gordon Giddings

Palliative Medicine Physician

Windsor Regional Hospital

Palliative care and family support on aging and dying and how to help family members cope.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

The special projects listed in the July Newsletter have been cancelled until January when a published author will be available to assist with these projects. Writers workshops are to be scheduled also.

Book Club participants have been suggesting book titles for possible choices. The book title that has been most often mentioned is “The Book of Negroes” by Lawrence Hill.

Please call the NCCCC office if you have a suggestion!

More information will be in the next newsletter!

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

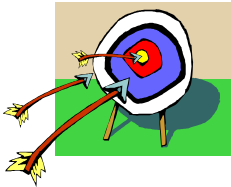
2013 MEMBERSHIPS are available NOW!!!

“A 10th Year Anniversary Challenge”

(In 2013 the Northstar Cultural Community Center will celebrate its 10th year)

PLEASE HELP US to ACHIEVE OUR TARGET

Project 10 by 10



The challenge is to RECRUIT or RENEW 100 members by the time the 10th anniversary celebration takes place in the Spring of 2013!

Remember, History, Pride & Unity can UNITE our COMMUNITY!!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

- *War of 1812 - Day of Recognition* - Saturday, October 13th from 12:30pm to 2:00pm (event set up, serve refreshments, assist tour guides, wrap up chores)
- *Grand Opening - Clean Up & Polish Day*, October 27 @ 225 Erie Street 10:00 am Bring a friend and your cleaning materials
- *Grand Opening* - Saturday, November 17, @ 225 Erie Street , 3pm to 6pm
A variety of jobs are available!

Call the office!(519) 252-7143

CHARITY BINGO NIGHT

Wednesday, October 24, 2012

Tuesday, November, 20, 2012

Wednesday December 19, 2012

Breakaway Gaming Centre

655 Crawford Avenue (behind Tim Horton's)

8pm to 10pm

Participants receive a free bingo card dabber, complimentary drink and a \$10 donation to Northstar Community Centre



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Monday: Closed
(by appointment)

Tuesday thru Thursday:
10:00AM TO 2:00PM

Friday: CLOSED
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Comments or Suggestions?
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Community Announcements

Rose City Players Productions
In partnership with The Artists of Colour

Present

Driving Miss Daisy

Show Only - October 11,12 & 18,19 Tickets \$15/\$12

Dinner Show - October 14 & 20,21 Tickets \$30

For tickets call (519) 800-7934 or (519) 564- 6980

Mindzenty Hall
(Hungarian Cultural Centre)
790 Hanna Street East
Windsor , Ontario

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.



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2013 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: _____