### A PEEK INTO OUR LIBRARY

We have many family trees already here at the library.

Maybe one is yours?

Our library is run by volunteers. We are open three days a week. Come say hi, share your stories, and learn about the history of Essex and local communities.







## Essex and Community Historical Research Society July 2022 Newsletter



The top 10 reasons to learn about your family tree:

- 1. It gives you a sense of identity.
- 2. It connects you with others, maybe even across the world.
- 3. It gives you compassion for your ancestors, especially those who came from hard times or areas.
- 4. It helps you make better health choices.
- 5. It creates new conversations in families.
- 6. It makes history interesting and personal.
- 7. It develops your research skills.
- 8. It can uncover inheritances.
- 9. It connects you to bigger stories in history.
- 10. It fosters creativity, collaboration, and clarity.

### Member's Space

If you're a member with ECHRS, we will research your family history for you through Ancestory.ca and other online and physical resources.

From browsing through births, deaths, marriages, boat passenger lists and more, we can generate a family tree that can go back as far as the 1500s.

If your family has lived in Essex County for multiple generations, we may already have a book or binder of your family history here in the library. Come visit us to find out, we'd love to see you!



#### LOCAL EVENTS

# The **Ontario Genealogical Society**

hosts their July webinar on July 7, featuring Penny Walters who will be speaking on implications of where our ancestors came from, terminology used, and generally how to answer the "Where are you from?" question. Register online at www.ogs.on.ca.

St. Anne's Parish will be offering guided tours to celebrate the Town of Techumseh's 100's birthday on July 4, from 2pm to 4:45pm. Find more events celebrating the Town online at www.techumseh.ca/techumseh100.

On July 16th from 10am to 3pm, **Colassanti's Tropical Gardens** is

hosting a Classic Car Show & Crafter's Market. The car show has a \$10 per vehicle admission fee but is free for spectators. Their garden center, mini golf, petting zoo and arcade are all open from 10am to 5pm. The restaurant will be open from 10am to 6pm.

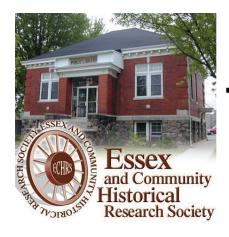
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#### Trivia Time

- 1. What is the birthstone of July?
- 2. Which countries celebrate their Independence Day in July?
- 3. Who was the month of July named after?



### The Town of Techumseh **Turns 100**

The town of Techumseh near Windsor, Ontario turns 100 this year. Celebrations will be held from July 2-4.

The town was incorporated in May of 1921 and Mayor Dr. Paul Poisson was elected. He had served in WWI and continued serving the Canadian Military for 41 years until his retirement in 1945.

#### This Month in History

July 9, 1900 - Queen Victoria approved the uniting of Australian colonies to make it the single country we know it as today.

July 12, 1817 - American philosopher Henry David Thoreau was born.

July 14, 1789 - The Bastille prison in France was stormed, and every year after on July 14, Bastille Day has been celebrated as the beginning of the French Revolution.

July 16, 1945 - The first atom bomb was successfully tested in a desert of New Mexico.

July 18, 1918 - Nelson Mandela was born in South Africa and later served as President of South Africa from 1994 to 1999.

July 29, 1958 - NASA, The National Aeronautics and Space Administration was established.

If you enjoyed reading our newsletter please consider making a cash donation at the Essex and Community Historical Research Society located in Essex, Ontario. We wouldn't be here without your generous donations! Thank you.



#### ADVOCATE'S **CORNER**

Wondering how you can support the Essex and Community Historical Society and all that we do? Consider one of the following or give us a a call!

#### **Call for Volunteers**

We're seeking help documenting the historical land deeds we have had in our collection for some time.

#### **Enjoy the Stories**

Personal and family stories have the power to change lives. The next time you're with someone you care about, ask them to share a story you haven't heard before. Appreciate that they have a different story from you.

#### **Reduce Reuse Recycle**

The next time you think something is too old or out of style, think about the time and effort that went into creating that item and getting it to you. Could it be reused or donated instead of thrown away?

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Tuesday 1:00pm - 7:00pm Thursday 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Saturday 10:00am - 5:00pm

3. Julius Ceasar Bahamas, and the Maldives.

2. United States, Venezuela, Argentina, Belarus, Belgium, the 1. Ruby

Trivia Time Answers: