



# THE TALKING DRUM



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The talking drum (aka dondo, adondo, atumpan, or gan gan) is a variable pitch pressure drum that has been used for centuries as a tool for communication within and between West African rural communities. By squeezing and beating the drum simultaneously the dondo can be made to mimic the syllables and intonations of human speech.

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The North American Black Historical Museum and Cultural Centre Inc. is a community-based, non-profit museum that tells the story of African-Canadians' journey and contributions, by preserving and presenting artifacts that educate and inspire.

## Sharing Our Stories



Proud to support the Freedom Landing Festival Black History Forum.

We're working together with festival organizers to make a difference in our communities.



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On Saturday, January 15th, our Board of Directors met in the United Way Windsor Board Room to review the previous strategic plan, acknowledge our successes, and plan for the next two years. The session was facilitated by Dan Allen, Director, CACI and John McVean, Management Consultant, Toronto Ontario.

A new vision statement was discussed. We decided that something short and sweet, that encapsulated the museum's mission, was needed. We chose "Sharing Our Stories." Our history can be related through the stories of the people who lived it and those who



Board President, Monty Logan and Secretary, Paul Hertel

are willing to share their memories and family stories. Many of them hold back, thinking that their experiences are of no import, but that's the stuff of which history is made. Today's stories become tomorrow's history.

- Kenn



John McVean & Dan Allen facilitated



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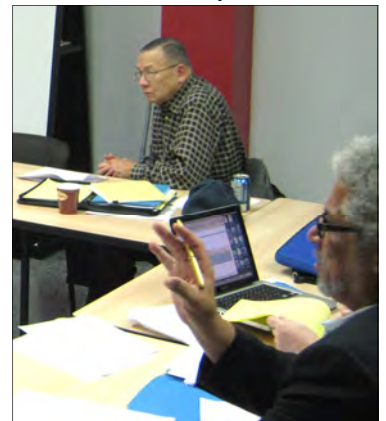
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**Museum Membership is annual**

## 2013 Memberships

Members listed = 76  
 Unlisted members =  $\frac{0}{76}$

(In 2012 we had 230 members.)

Privacy laws require that we have  
 your written permission to  
 publish your name in this  
 membership list.

## Welcome to New or Returning Members

Murty Family  
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## 2013 Memberships

Corporate Memberships

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Family Memberships

Gardner Family:  
 Marion Hayden  
 Gbadamosi Family:

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# Upcoming Black History Month Events

- From Essex County Black Historical Research Society

A few Black History Month events have already happened (and I know that some of you were in attendance at them.) The Freedom Landing History Forum at the North American Black Historical Museum in Amherstburg on Saturday was fantastic and I am glad to hear that other events were also a success.

Here are some additional Black History Month events that are happening around our region.

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**A Collection of Black Artists:** A Visual Art Exhibition, highlighting the work of Chatham-Kent and regional artists of African descent, continues at the St. Clair College Capitol Theatre, 238 King St. W. in Chatham, through February 28<sup>th</sup>, daily 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Every Tuesday in February from 5:00 until 6:45 p.m. there will be a **Black history program for kids** at the Central Branch of the Windsor Public Library, 850 Ouellette. There is also a display of Black history-related material at the Central Branch this month.

### February 5th:

Tuesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> 5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Windsor Public Library, Central Branch, 850 Ouellette. Celebrate Black History Month with the **Library Live Children's Club**. Who are Marshall Taylor, Bessie Coleman, Lewis Howard Latimer or Portia White? Come and find out the answer to this and more as we celebrate Black History Month. Registration is required.

**AfroFest 2013** continues in the CAW Student Centre at the University of Windsor. On Tuesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> events will include a speakers' corner and open floor discussion on Tuesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. followed by an all men's panel at 4:45 p.m., then a 5:45 p.m. screening of the film *The Colour of Friendship* and an open floor discussion.

**Ray Robertson, 2013 Writer in Residence** at the University of Windsor, will be reading from his book *David* on Tuesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at Biblioasis, 1520 Wyandotte St. E. in Windsor. Join Ray for a reading, some snacks and some informal conversation. *David* is a historical novel which combines fictional characters and plotlines with some real life events and people connected to Black history in our region. This event is brought to you by the University of Windsor Department of English and the Northstar Cultural Community Centre.

### February 6th:

**AfroFest 2013** continues in the CAW Student Centre at the University of Windsor. Wednesday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> events will include a presentation by the AIDS Committee of Windsor at 1:00 p.m., a Pedagogy of Action

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Davis, Irene Moore  
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Davis, Shelley  
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Dennis, Frances  
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Logan, Florence  
MacDonald, Hazel  
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McGlaun Family: Norvell, Paula, Norvell Tyrell  
Montague Family: Spurgeon, Ellen,

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module at 1:30 p.m., a women's panel at 2:00 p.m. and booths and displays. Thursday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> events will include spoken word poetry at 1:00 p.m., storytelling with Mama Liz at 1:03, and dance and drum presentations beginning at 1:25 p.m.

### February 8th:

The **Artists of Colour** Annual Group Exhibition is happening Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> at Mackenzie Hall (excluding Monday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>.) The opening reception for this year's exhibition, The Stories We Tell, will occur on Friday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>. Doors will be open from 6:00-10:00 p.m.; the opening ceremonies will happen at 6:45. All are welcome! Over thirty artists are featured this year, including Dennis K. Smith, Anthony R. Bacon, Jerry Crosby, Phillip Crosby, Irene Moore Davis, Nile Dew, Patricia Neely-McCurdy, Lois Larkin, Lindy James, Dolores Harold, Michael Horner, Donna Jean Kennedy, Connie Lee-Turner, Cheryl Rock, Monte Scott, Lana Talbot, Nicole Talbot, Paul Taylor, Valerie Tillman-Coon, Darcelle Turner, Manzella Vincent, Susan Johnson Washington, Jim Walls, Jazzus, Trading Places, and more. Mackenzie Hall is open Tuesday through Saturday 10-5 and Sunday 11-4. Special events during this year's exhibition will include Conversations with Artists, Sat. Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> 12:30-3:00 p.m.; An Evening of Poetry and Song Sat. Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (\$10); and children's art, photography, music and writing workshops all day on Family Day, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> (\$5/person per workshop or \$10 for 3 people.)

### February 9th:

The Trinidad and Tobacco Cultural Association is hosting a **Carnival Dance** on Saturday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 p.m. at the newly renovated Caribbean Centre, 2410 Central Ave., Windsor. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. For info or advance tickets contact Kamla at 226-787-3424, Hurley at 519-962-6772, or Herb at 519-944-5387.

### February 10th:

The Caribbean Centre's annual **Black History Lunch** is happening on Sunday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15.

The Church Aid Society at Ontario Chapel BME Church, 685 University Ave. E. in Windsor, is hosting its 82<sup>nd</sup> annual **Valentine's Tea** on Sunday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. with guest speaker Dailah Mulder. Parking is allowed on streets around the church that day. This event has been happening for over eighty years (!) and is always a great opportunity to meet and greet some of the elders of our community.

The Chatham-Kent Black Historical Society presents **Black History Breaks**, a series of films related to Black history, on Sundays Feb. 10, 17 and 24 at 2:00 p.m. at the Chatham-Kent Black Historical Society, 177 King St. E., Chatham. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. Admission by donation.

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### **February 11th:**

The St. Clair College Capitol Theatre presents **Dance! Dance! Dance! Traditional Afro-Caribbean Dance Workshop** on Monday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> (238 King St. W., Chatham.) Schools may participate at 12:00 p.m.; the public may participate at 7:00 p.m. Using the fundamental movements of African and Caribbean dance and under the direction of professional dancers from Ballet Creole, participants will learn movements from a traditional dance accompanied by live percussion musicians. The resounding beat of the drums educates and motivates! Instructors are from Ballet Creole, a premier black, contemporary dance company from Toronto. Registration is by donation. Contact Lesley Grand at 519-380-0174 to register.

### **February 12th:**

Tuesday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> 5:00-6:45 p.m. Windsor Public Library, Central Branch, 850 Ouellette. **Mardi Gras with the Library Live Children's Club**. We will be discussing African American Mardi Gras traditions and making masks.

### **February 15th:**

Ballet Creole, in partnership with African Master Djembefola and Cuban Master Drummers, presents **Toukande**, meaning "the gathering of the people," a dance and musical extravaganza that celebrates the rich cultural heritage of the Malinke people. There are two performances at the Chatham Capitol Theatre, 238 King St. W., Chatham: Friday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. (\$5) and Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (\$20.) Visit [www.chathamcapitoltheatre.com](http://www.chathamcapitoltheatre.com).

### **February 16th:**

On Saturday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-3:30 p.m., the Buxton Historical Society presents **"How to Trace Your Roots: Genealogy 101"** at the Buxton Museum, 21975 A.D. Shadd Road, North Buxton. The workshop will be presented by author, historian and lecturer Bryan Prince. Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptops. RSVPs are appreciated at (519) 352-4799. Registration by donation.

The Artists of Colour Exhibition, "The Stories We Tell," continues at Mackenzie Hall through Feb. 18th. **An Evening of Poetry and Song** is happening Sat. Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (tickets \$10). Families are invited to participate in children's art, photography, music and writing workshops all day on Family Day, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> (\$5/person per workshop or \$10 for 3 people.)

### **February 18th:**

Uncle Tom's Cabin presents **"Stitching Stories of the Underground Railroad"** on Monday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. (Family Day.) Performing in period costume as a character born into slavery in 1852 Alabama, April Shipp shares her passion for quilting and explores its historical, spiritual and familial connections to Black history and the Underground Railroad. Uncle Tom's Cabin (29251 Uncle Tom's Road, Dresden) will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The performance takes place at 1:00 p.m. Admission by donation; no pre-registration required.

### **February 19th:**

Tuesday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> 5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Windsor Public Library, Central Branch, 850 Ouellette. Learning about **inventors of African descent**, including Essex County's own Elijah McCoy, with the Library Live Children's Club.

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**February 21st:**

African American actor, singer and activist Paul Robeson's visits to Windsor to support the local labour movement will be the focus of this month's talk at the **Essex County Black Historical Research Society's** monthly meeting, occurring Thursday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the United Way. All are welcome. (Note: The ECBHRS meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. There are always new things to learn about our history.)

**February 23rd:**

The **African Community Organization of Windsor** invites you to its **Black History Month Celebration** which is taking place on Saturday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Hungarian Cultural Centre, 790 Hanna Street East. The ticket price is \$20 which includes dinner and a cultural fashion show.

The **United Voices of Detroit** will appear at the St. Clair College Capitol Theatre, 238 King St. W., Chatham, Saturday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Classical music, spirituals, anthems and popular music will be sung by the well respected chorale ensemble. Tickets are \$20: visit [www.chathamcapitoltheatre.com](http://www.chathamcapitoltheatre.com).

**February 24th:**

The Caribbean Centre's **Black History Tea** will occur on Sunday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> (time TBA. Contact the Caribbean Centre for details.)

**February 26th:**

Tuesday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> 5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Windsor Public Library, Central Branch, 850 Ouellette. Freedom to Read, with the Library Live Children's Club. **YOU CAN'T READ THAT! OR CAN YOU?** Participants will explore some books that have been challenged. You will be surprised what some people believe you should not be reading.

**February 27th:**

Wednesday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> 12:00 p.m. Reflections on **African American Spiritual Writings and Hymns**, with Irene Moore Davis and Sharon Wilson, at All Saints' Anglican Church, 330 City Hall Square West, Windsor. A low-cost lunch will follow. This is part of All Saints' Lenten Noonday Series, happening weekly on Wednesdays from Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> through March 27<sup>th</sup>. For more details visit <http://allsaintswindsor.ca/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/2013-Lenten-Series.pdf>.

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Simpson, Robert  
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Sutherland, Norma  
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Tucker, Bruce  
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White, Gloria  
White, Rosa  
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## From the African Community Organization of Windsor

Dear Friends and Community Partners:

In the past few months, our research team and staff have been engaging a few of our finest young people to form the Youth Advisory Committee and to get their input concerning the research survey.

To this end, we are now in the process of commencing with the pilot survey in both English and French. We require a total of 45 participants from the African, Caribbean and Canadian Black communities. If you know of any young people between the ages of **16 and 30** who might be interested and, from the communities listed above, please ask them to contact any of the ACBY staff.

**Participants will be paid for completing the survey which will take between 45-50 mins to complete. The survey is strictly confidential and participants have the choice of preferred location (YCA, U of W, or as stipulated).**

For any further information, please contact our office at **University of Windsor-ACBY 519-253-3000 ext. 4075 or 4076 or email: [info@acby.ca](mailto:info@acby.ca)**. You can email me as well.

The Black community will continue to pursue excellence in all that we do. Our ultimate goal remains the same for all young people and believing that all can live in a safe, caring and welcoming community. I am calling on our community partners and major stakeholders to assist us in promoting the health of our young people in Windsor and Essex County.

ACBY is a community-based research project studying HIV/AIDS vulnerability of the African Caribbean and Black Youth in Windsor and Essex County.

I thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kenny Gbadebo, MA; MEd; CGC; CACII; CPGC  
President, African Community Organization of Windsor  
Co-PI-ACBY Project  
c/o 109-647 Ouellette Ave.,  
Windsor, ON N9A 4J4  
(519) 254-8145

### Mac Simpson Award Application now available!

Every year the museum presents a financial award of \$1500 in honour of Melvin "Mac" Simpson, the founder of the museum.

Eligible students are:

Of African decent, currently attending a secondary school in Essex County, registering at a post-secondary institution full time for September 2013

**\*\*Submission Deadline is May 1st, 2013\*\***

Application with additional instructions: [www.blackhistoricalmuseum.org](http://www.blackhistoricalmuseum.org)



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# *In Remembrance*

In the last 13 months, several of our members have died. We remember them in recognition of the support and encouragement they provide to this museum. The text below is from their obituaries in the Windsor Star.



**Eleanore Patricia Alexander (Knight)**

9 January 2012

Pat was extremely active throughout her life, thriving on and promoting community involvement. She has served as: Chair of the Windsor Police Services Board, First Woman President of the Multicultural Council of Windsor and Essex County, Carrousel Chair for more than one season and Director of The Afro-Canadian Village, President of the Hour-A-Day Study Club, Director of the Afro-Canadian Ensemble, Director of the Black Girls Club of Windsor, member of the Board of Directors of Windsor Regional Hospital, member of the Panel of Concerned Women, Chair of the Black Studies Education Committee, Director of The Black Heritage Committee, long-time supporter of the Windsor West Indian Association, member of the Board of Directors of Crime Stoppers of Windsor, Coordinator of the Local Youth Network and Community Services (L.Y.N.C.S.), Canadian Girls in Training (C.G.I.T.) Leader and Camp Counselor, and Sunday School Teacher at First Baptist Church of Windsor.



**Waynard Johnston Shreve**

25 November 2012

(Obituary contained only a listing of relations)



**Leona Olbey**

27 January 2013

Leona was an active participant of the BME Church in Windsor and for the past 50 years a member of the Women's Missionary Club. An active member of the Women's Auxiliary of the North American Black Historical Museum in Amherstburg. She worked as a volunteer for 20 plus years raising funds for many charities. She was treasurer of New Horizons Canteen for 15 years and Secretary / Treasurer of the scholarship trust fund that awarded scholarships and bursaries to young black students in Windsor and Essex County for over 25 years. In 1992 she was presented the Ontario Senior Achievement Award.



**Joseph Lyle Browning**

30 January 2013

Lyle was a successful businessman with an extensive resume including ownership of Browning Engineering and Manufacturing Company. He was also very active in community events and politics. In 1943 he started a long association with the Liberal Party by working with the late Charles Clarke and the Hon. Paul Martin, Sr. to establish the first Young Liberals Club and served as its first president. He later served as secretary of the Ontario Liberal Association in 1945 and secretary of the Young Liberal Federation of Canada in 1948. While his bids for election at the provincial and municipal levels did not prove successful, he remained a political and community activist throughout his life. The true embodiment of voluntarism, Lyle served on numerous organizations and committees including the Board of Governors of St. Clair College, the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, where he was a Senior Life Member, the Board of the Junior Achievement Association of Windsor, and the Windsor and District Chamber of Commerce, to name just a few. As a long-time and former president of the Windsor Downtown Lions Club, he played a lead role in establishing the Lions Manor on Riverside Drive East in 1979. Lyle was secretary and vice president of the Central Citizens' Association of Windsor, which paved the way for many of the African Canadian social action groups that exist in Windsor today. He has been the recipient of numerous awards and honours including the Melvin Jones and Helen Keller Fellowships, the two highest International Lions Awards. Lyle was chosen as the 2005 Black Community Leadership Award recipient to honour his service to the Black community of Windsor and Essex County. He played a key role in the establishment of the North American Black Historical Museum and Cultural Centre in Amherstburg. Lyle was also a member of the Underground Railroad Monument Committee of Windsor and the Essex County Black Historical Research Society. Most importantly, throughout the years, he has been an outstanding example of leadership both within and beyond the Black community whose presence will be greatly missed.





**ACOW**  
 African Community Of Windsor  
 Presents:  
**The 1st Annual  
 Black History Month  
 Celebration!**



Saturday February 23, 2013 6:00pm - 1:00am  
 Hungarian Cultural Centre  
 790 Hanna St. E.

Guest Speaker-Dr. Mohamed H. Mohamed, University of Windsor  
 Slide Show Presentation of Who's Who in the African Community  
 Artifact Display  
 Cultural/Fashion Show and Entertainment

Ticket Price \$20

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**BLACK HISTORY**

**WINDSOR WEST INDIAN ASSOCIATION  
 (CARIBBEAN CENTRE)**

ON  
**FEBRUARY 10TH, 2013**  
**12 NOON TO 5:00PM**

**MENU**  
**DELICIOUS CARIBBEAN CUISINE**

AT  
**2410 CENTRAL AVE**  
**WINDSOR, ONTARIO**

**ADULTS \$15.00 PER PERSON**  
**CHILDREN 12 & UNDER \$7.50**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION  
 AND TICKETS**  
**PHONE. 519-945-0213**

**The Artists of Colour**

Present Our Sixth Annual Art Exhibition

**The Stories We Tell**

"As a child, I heard the stories, as an old man I am the story."

**February 8 -18, 2013**

Opening Reception Friday February 8, 7pm

**Mackenzie Hall Cultural Centre**  
 3277 Sandwich Street West, Windsor, Ontario


For more information please visit our web site  
<https://www.theartistsofcolour.weebly.com>


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**Charity Bingo Night**  
 8 pm @ Breakaway Gaming Centre  
 Crawford at Wyandotte  
**Vote for NABHM**

If you're a Bingo player, please go to Charity Night and vote for the museum, NABHM  
 Each vote earns \$10 for the museum.

 **Fundraising Committee Meeting**  
 5:30 pm @ Hilton Park Terrace

 **Board of Directors**  
 10 am  
**Regular meeting**  
 @ United Way, Windsor

 **Programming Committee**  
 12:30 pm  
**Regular meeting**  
 @ United Way, Windsor

**Bingo Hosting**  
 Paradise Bingo  
 Dougall Ave, Windsor  
 8:45 am - 12:45 pm

**Hour-A-Day Study Club**  
 Hook & Ladder Meat Draw  
 Hook & Ladder Club  
 3690 Seminole, Windsor  
 3 - 6 pm

**Bingo Hosting**  
 Paradise Bingo  
 Dougall Ave, Windsor  
 12:45 pm - 2:45 pm

**February Community Events**  
 A listing in the calendar is not an endorsement by the museum.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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# Artists of Colour

**Opening Night Reception**  
 Friday, Feb. 8— Doors open at 6pm—Opening Ceremony 6:45 pm-10pm

**Conversations with the Artists**  
 Saturday, Feb. 9 12:30pm-3pm - Annex (Second Floor)

Photographer -Nicole Talbot  
 Artist-Monte Scott  
 Author of "David" Ray Robertson

Mackenzie Hall **Closed** Monday Feb.11 Exhibit reopens Tuesday, Feb. 12 - Feb 18

**An Evening of Poetry and Song**  
 Saturday, Feb. 16 7pm-9pm Tickets \$10 each Limited seating  
 Auditorium (Second Floor)


**Family Day**  
 Monday, Feb. 18

*Telling our Story in so many Ways* - Auditorium (Second Floor)  
*Let your children tell their story through photography, writing, music, and fine art.*  
 Starting at 12:30pm-3:30pm  
 Show will be Open Daily Tuesday - Sunday 10am-5pm

*The Maidstone & Area Historical Society invites you to join us for dinner and a walk back through time...*


## Richard Pierpoint

### Slave Soldier Settler



*Step back in time through story and song as we follow the life of one of Canada's early heroes.*

Saturday February 23rd at the **Maidstone Bicentennial Museum**  
 1093 Puce Road, Lakeshore.  
 Doors open 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
**Live entertainment. Silent Auction. Door Prizes.**  
 Dinner includes garden salad, rolls and butter, penne with meat or vegetarian sauce, dessert, coffee and tea.  
 Tickets are just \$15.00, in advance, available at the museum.



For more information, or to reserve seats for your family or group, please call Victoria at 519-728-1587 or 519-819-5318.

# Looking for Peterson Descendants

A Black History event is being organized by the Windsor Police Service to remember the contributions of its first three Black employees. Their descendants are being invited to attend. Parker and Watkins families have been found but not the descendants of Special Constable Peterson who served from 1930 to 1965.

Charles David Peterson was born March 18<sup>th</sup> 1900 in Hamilton. He was first hired as a mechanic in 1930, and later became a special constable. He retired in 1965. Peterson was the first Black employee of the service, and as such became the first Black member of the Windsor Police Association. He died on April 5, 1983 at 83 years old, and was buried at Windsor Grove. He had 3 children: Charles, Bonnie Wright, and Laura Lee Hackney. **Anyone who can help locate the family should contact: Mike Akpata @ (519) 255 -6700 ext 4334**



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