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### **Cottam A wins Church Softball**

The Church Softball season is over for another year. It was a very good year and very eventful for all the participants and also the interested spectators. You never knew who was going to win the games each week.

The season ended for everyone with a pasta supper for the players and helpers at Epworth United Church Memorial Hall hosted by the Epworth Faith Formation and Christian Development Committee. The meal was enjoyed by all present.

After supper the awards were given out. Cottam A team won the championship and was awarded a trophy (handmade at that) and a plaque. Epworth was second place winner and received a trophy and a certificate. Trinity, who had won the most games during the season, 12 out of 13, took third place and the Kingsville Community Church, fourth. They had been right in there all season with their eyes focused on the first place trophy. The Kingsville Anglican Church took the Consolation award. They were very excited about the whole season since it's been quite a long time since an Anglican team has taken part in the games. To top it off they had the most people at the final event. We hope to see them ready for the games next year.

The Amherstburg Community Church, Kingsville Baptist and Cottam B also played great games during the season. They too are anxious for the games to begin in 2013.

#### Fundraiser aids Charitable Alliance





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The first annual fundraising event for the recently former Neighbourhood Charitable Alliance was held on Saturday, September 8. The event included a golf tournament with a field of 96 players, and an evening dinner that attracted 310 people. Matt Isaacs, who chairs the group, stated that their purpose is to help families in need across Essex County. "We want to be able to assist families who may have a sick child and may be in financial need," said Matt. "We will also be donating funds to the Kingsville Food Bank and Brady Rogers Memorial Fund." Pictured during the golf event, Marcel Asschert tees off, watched by Sharlene Locke, Dan Breau and Cody McGuire. Also pictured are some of the committee members including Tim Dobson, Sandy Newman, Matt Isaacs, Suzette Smit and Crea Know.

# 20th Annual Apple Bowl to raise funds for CLEC

The Ruthven Apple Festival Steering Committee is pleased to announce the 20th annual Apple Bowl. The Apple Bowl, a fundraising bowling event, is part of the annual Ruthven Apple Festival and will be held at Empire Lanes in Ruthven on Sunday, October 14 at 2 p.m.

Everyone is invited to participate in a couple of hours of fun for a great cause. Simply put together your own group of four or five friends collect a minimum of \$20 each in pledges and bowl. It's that simple!

Participants can look forward to great prizes for top pledges collected, two games of bowling, and refreshments. For more information or to register your team, call Tony DeSantis, Manager of Community Relations with Community Living Essex County at 519-776-6486, ext 246.

The 33rd Annual Ruthven Apple Festival will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 29th and 30th at Colasanti's Tropical Gardens. For more information go to www.communitylivingessex.org. To date, the Ruthven Apple Festival has raised \$685,000 on behalf of Community Living Essex County.