

# THE CHATHAM-KENT MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTER



Listed Properties in the  
Community of Dover

# Community of Dover

## 7119 Bay Line



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1890

**Historical Significance:** This dwelling is one of the first structures one notices on their entrance into Mitchell Bay. When it was built the home was one of the only buildings in the entire area.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The major architectural influences found in the design of this house are Gothic Revival and Queen Anne. The front veranda and steep front gables are the most distinctive design elements.

**Contextual Significance:** The home is a landmark in Dover Township. It is one of the first major estates seen when entering Mitchell Bay.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 12, CON. 13 (DOVER) DESIGNATED AS PARTS 1, 2, 3 & 4, 24R-3522, SUBJECT TO EASEMENT OVER PART OF LOT 12, CON. 13, AS IN 265521, DESIGNATED AS PARTS 2 & 3, 24R-603 & SUBJECT TO EASEMENT OVER PART OF LOT 12, CON. 13, AS IN 224208 DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 25950 Bear Line Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1855

**Historical Significance:** This home is one of the few farm houses that has been owned by the same family for several generations. The Rankins have raised their families and tilled this land since the nineteenth century.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The home, though humble in appearance, has a number of original features. The symmetry of the front façade makes it look like a ½ Georgian construction.

**Contextual Significance:** The house would have been one of the first structures built along Bear Line.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 19, CON. 10 (DOVER) DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 26466 Bear Line Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1880

**Historical Significance:** Grace Congregational Church was originally built by a Methodist group in the late nineteenth century.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** In recent years a number of additions have been made to the original church structure. However, these additions have not compromised the uniqueness of the building. The Gothic Revival design elements include lancet windows, gable roof, and cupola. The structure also retains its original attached drive shed in a modified state.

**Contextual Significance:** This church is a landmark along Bearline. The height of the tower is noticeable from a far distance.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 19, CON. 11 (DOVER) DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 8576 Dover Centre Line



**Date Added to Registry:** 8-Sep-2014

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** 1902

**Historical Significance:**

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This residence is designed in the Queen Anne architectural style. Some of the more notable features associated with this style include the large 2 ½ storey asymmetrical plan, steep hip roof complimented by multiple gables, broad veranda, and lacy details.

**Contextual Significance:** This is an example of the ubiquitous Queen Anne farmhouse with mature trees and large grassed lot, found throughout the Municipality

**Legal Description:** CON 10 PT LOT 24 RP  
24R189  
PART 1



# Community of Dover

## 7260 Grande River Line



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1885

**Historical Significance:** This house belonged to the Clements, a successful farm family in Dover Township, for multiple generations.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** Although difficult to see from this picture, the residence is an outstanding example of rural Gothic Revival architecture. It was made out of brick, has steep gables, and a number of other period features.

**Contextual Significance:** The home is located along the Thames River.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 13, CONCESSION 1, GEOGRAPHIC TOWNSHIP OF DOVER ; CHATHAM-KENT



# Community of Dover

## 60 Main Street



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1880

**Historical Significance:** Few structures are older than this church in Dover Township. This particular building is likely the oldest remaining in Mitchell Bay. The church would have been a focal point for early religious ceremonies throughout the sparsely settled area of Dover Township.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This church is a well preserved example of a vernacular interpretation of Gothic Revival architecture. The steep front gables, lancet windows, and rose window are marvellous examples of the style. The siding has been replaced in more recent years or has been kept in immaculate condition.

**Contextual Significance:** The building is on the corner of Main Street and Keller Street. The church is also in proximity to Mitchell Bay Marina. It is a landmark in the community.

**Legal Description:** LOTS 21 & 31, PLAN 768, TOGETHER WITH EASEMENT OVER PART OF LOT 12, CON. 12 (DOVER) AS IN 224209 & 233712 DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 24100 Winterline Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1855

**Historical Significance:** This house, formerly belonging to the St. Pierre family, is a wonderful example of an early French settlement structure. It would have been one of the first dwellings built in the Pain Court settlement.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This vernacular interpretation of Ontario Gothic Cottage architecture has two major distinctive characteristics. The twin chimneys and the steep front gable are excellent. The front porch has been modified from its original state. The use of brick on this home is also interesting. It would have been difficult to transport such a large amount of material when this house was built. It is a unique home in the municipality.

**Contextual Significance:** The residence is a landmark in Pain Court because it rests at a major intersection (Winterline Road and Creek Line). It is also adjacent to the community cemetery.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 1, PLAN 721 DESIGNATED AS PARTS 1 & 3, 24R6474 AND LOT 2, PLAN 721 EXCEPT PART 2, 24R6474 ; CHATHAM-KENT





# Community of Dover

## 24121 Winterline Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1890

**Historical Significance:** This structure has had many different functions. In the past it had Francophone owners and it has served the community as an inn and restaurant. Prior to that it was a large private residence owned by one of the wealthiest local citizens.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This building has had a number of additions and renovations. The brick on the original part of the structure has been painted white. At the moment Italianate flourishes can still be ascertained.

**Contextual Significance:** The structure is on a large lot where Creek Line and Winterline intersect. It is a landmark in the community.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 29, PLAN 416  
DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 24124 Winterline Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1880

**Historical Significance:** This structure is the earliest known official bank structure in Pain Court, Bank of Montreal. Furthermore, it was one of the first banks to serve a predominately French speaking population in the former County of Kent. The building was also once used for kindergarten classes.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This two storey brick building has two very unique architectural features. The arched corner entrance and indented brick work along the cornice. The design shows elements of both Italianate and Renaissance Revival.

**Contextual Significance:** The structure is on a large corner lot at the intersection of Winterline and Creek Line.

**Legal Description:** LOT 49, PLAN 416 DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 24129 Winterline Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** 1906

**Historical Significance:** This commercial structure was built at the start of a new century. It was the hub of many early business interactions in the community of Pain Court. The business has been owned by a number of Francophone speakers throughout its history. This enterprise illustrates the early success and growth of Pain Court's Francophone population.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The dwelling has had a number of recent additions to meet the needs of their expanding products and customers. The original sector is the red building which has distinctive Edwardian dormers.

**Contextual Significance:** The building is a landmark in the community.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 29, PLAN 416,  
DESIGNATED AS PART 1, 24R-1804 DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 24253 Winterline Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1890

**Historical Significance:** This building is one of the oldest with a commercial classification in Pain Court. Few if any of the remaining commercial edifices date back to an earlier period. This structure illustrates the growth of the Francophone community through the need and success of a general store.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This structure is a vernacular interpretation of commercial architecture. The brick dentils on the front façade are interesting original features. The annex on the left was likely added as a home for the shop keeper. The addition on the right is a more recent adaptation.

**Contextual Significance:** The shop, turned private residence, was a landmark in Pain Court.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 22, PLAN 416, DESIGNATED AS PART 3, 24R-3524, TOGETHER WITH EASEMENT OVER PART OF LOT 21, PLAN 416, DESIGNATED AS PART 2, 24R-3524, AS IN 424139 DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 24254 Winterline Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1870

**Historical Significance:** In the past this building was known as the Dover Hotel. It was built as an inn and was a stop along the CW and LE railroad. The development of such an elaborate inn demonstrates the growing affluence of Pain Court's Francophone community. The building was built by Ed Gagner's grandfather, D.D. Gagner – his family lived upstairs.

The building has since been renovated into a residential unit called Dover Apartments.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This dwelling has had numerous renovations. The current style highlights a strong Tudor Revival influence. Nevertheless, when it was first built it likely had Italianate or Italian Villa features. The tower is an exceptional highlight of the aforementioned architectural style.

**Contextual Significance:** This property is a landmark in Dover Township.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 1, PLAN 428  
DOVER



# Community of Dover

## 25657 Winterline Road



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1945

**Historical Significance:** St. Philippe Catholic Church was closed in April of 2007. Following its closure the parishioners were consolidated with those of Immaculée Conception in Pain Court. It was closed because of decreasing church membership, increasing maintenance costs, and the availability of another French Catholic Church in proximity. The church is historically significant because it illustrates strong enough support for the Catholic Church, following the Second World War, to construct an elaborate place of worship.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The arched windows, arched openings in the bell tower, buttresses, and statues on the front façade are the most distinct features. The building has incorporated a number of different influences but appears to have adapted a number of elements from Renaissance Revival architecture.

**Contextual Significance:** The church is located on the corner of St. Philippe Line and Winterline. It is a landmark in the community of Grand Pointe.

**Legal Description:** PART OF LOT 4, PLAN 588  
DOVER

