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## LSTAR Market Update

*\* Statistics from London St. Thomas Real Estate Board*

### Total Units Sold

(2 storey, bungalow, ranch, townhouse)

Sept 614 Oct 408 Nov 348

### Average Price of SOLD Homes

September \$240,160

October \$261,380

November \$261,060

## We are Passionate about OUR community

### Upcoming London Events

Jan 16-18	London Wine & Food Show - Western Fair District
Jan 23	Keith Urban - Bud Garden
Jan 24-26	Lifestyle Home Show - Western Fair District
Jan 30 - Feb 02	Disney on Ice - Bud Garden
Feb 4	Barenaked Laides - Bud Garden
Feb 6	Veterans of SNL - Centennial Hall
Feb 8	Jason Aldean - Bud Garden
Feb 15	Blue Rodeo - Bud Garden
Feb 23	Kings of Leon - Bud Garden

## 5 Hot Home Decorating Trends for 2014

Just when you have successfully scoured home sense for the latest home décor trend it is a new year which means new looks, colors and accents! By doing some online research I have formulated this list of a few of the decorating trends for 2014.

1. Art is in – incorporate large abstract pieces into your home. Use them as a headboard or focal point to a living room. Easily add bright colour by simply adding a large canvas to any space.
2. Old mixed with new – look for older vintage pieces to mix with your newer furniture to give your room an interesting look. Antique furniture is not only aesthetically pleasing but is made so well and is worth spending money on refinishing as these pieces are built to last.
3. Plain is out! – When it comes to fabrics, choose lavish fabrics such as velvet or silk. Adding elegance to any room is never a bad thing.
4. Move over white walls – When it comes to paint, dark is in. Mixing dark wall colours with metallic accessories will create drama and glamour.
5. Mix up Metals – it's officially acceptable to mix and match gold and silver.

## Warm up with a Homemade Vanilla Steamer

If you are looking for something delicious and new to sip on while you're curled up on the sofa with a good book? Try this;



### Vanilla Steamer with Cinnamon

1 c milk  
¼ tsp vanilla extract  
1 tbs honey  
Whipped cream, optional  
1/2 teaspoon ground  
cinnamon

Warm milk in a saucepan over medium heat and pour in the honey and vanilla extract. Allow the milk to warm while mixing with a whisk to make the milk frothy. Pour the milk into a heatproof cup and top with whipped cream (if desired), and a sprinkle of cinnamon.

## January Home Checklist

- Take Down the Christmas Tree and Carefully store decorations and ornaments
- Load up on Holiday decorating items at Boxing week sales
- Buy a bird feeder to hang outside and fill with seeds
- Deep clean your kitchen including oven, fridge and backsplash. It will need a deep cleaning after all that holiday entertaining.
- Change up your mantel - scape. Try displaying four photos in silver frames and add a pretty potted orchid

Styleathome.com

## Leading London's Featured Listing 25 Franklin Ave, London Ontario MLS 532292 Asking \$314,800

Welcome to 25 Franklin Ave! This meticulous well-kept home is located on one of the most beautiful streets in Old South. This gorgeous 4 bedroom, 3 bath (one bathroom on each floor!) with finished basement home features a gorgeous Master loft closet complete with custom built in armoire!! The main level of this home features traditional hardwood floor, functional kitchen, full washroom, dining room and 2 bedrooms! A large open rec-room hard wired for surround sound, awaits your use in the basement of this home complete with a large 3 pc washrooms, the perfect place for the kids to play or entertain your guests! A spacious back



yard surrounded with mature trees is a welcome added bonus to anyone's must have list, featuring a huge deck, the perfect spot to make those summertime memories with family and friends. Ownership pride is evident!

*May everyday of the New Year be filled with good cheer and happiness for you and your family. Happy New Year!*