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Christmas traditions of long ago live again at Moore Museum

The Christmas season brought hundreds of school children to the Moore Museum once again this year. They experienced *An Old Fashioned Christmas*, an educational program that has been offered for the past 28 years. Two generations of children have had the opportunity to discover the simpler traditions of Christmases past, visiting a log cabin decorated for a pioneer family as well as the one-roomed schoolhouse with its hand-made trimmings. Victorian ornaments were admired and old-time toys provided the students with old-fashioned fun. They enjoyed making and pulling taffy and they made a craft to take home.

In an email sent to the museum, Jen Parsons wrote: "I grew up in Courtright and we used to go on a school trip every year to the museum before Christmas...It is a wonderful memory of my childhood. I now have children of my own and would love to do the taffy pull with them as a Christmas tradition...I was wondering if there was any way you could send me the recipe..."

Moore Museum curator Laurie Mason said, "The museum was delighted to receive this email because this is a great example of what we hope to achieve - helping people discover and create their own memories to carry into the future."

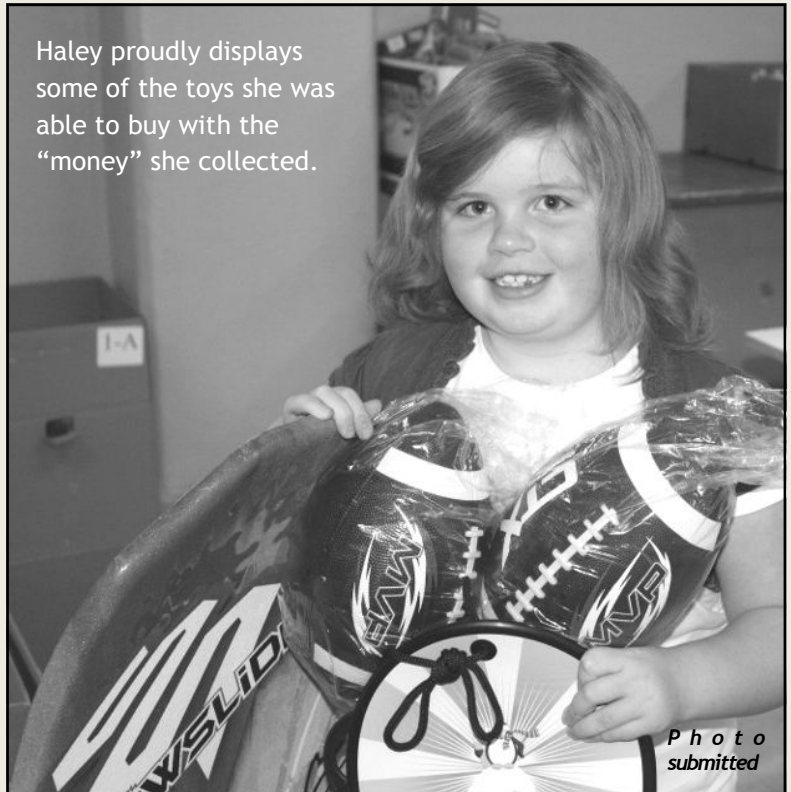


Students Mary, Matthew and Sarah, who attend school in Corunna, select a piece of taffy they have just finished making at the Moore Museum.

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It's never too early to know the joy of giving

Haley proudly displays
some of the toys she was
able to buy with the
"money" she collected.



Young Haley McKinlay, a student at Col. Cameron Public School, recently collected \$124 in Canadian Tire money from friends and the coffee club at Thompson Gardens. She used the "money" she'd raised to buy toys to donate to Operation Christmas Tree. The smile on Haley's face proves that it's never too early (or too late) to know the joy of giving.

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Municipal Notes

Council recently heard a presentation by Solar Powered Network representative Joel Gardner regarding a new proposal to establish a solar panel array on property known as 487 Polymore Drive. During his proposal, Mr. Gardner identified two options and stated that a third option, which would provide upfront payment to the Township with a reduced annual payment for each of the 20 years of the proposed agreement, could be considered. He also stated that, if the project proceeds, many of the questions posed by members of Council could be addressed in the rental agreement between Solar Powered Network and the Municipality.

After considerable discussion, a motion was made to ask Solar Powered Network to provide additional options for Council to consider regarding the possibility of establishing a solar panel array on Township property known as 487 Polymore Drive, with an initial upfront payment and an equal annual payment over the course of the proposed 20 year agreement. The motion was carried.

In addition, Mr. Gardner was asked for contacts and addresses for current locations of these solar panel installations so

Final installment for Corunna splash pad is paid

The splash pad located in Corunna Athletic Park was a joint initiative of the Optimist Club of Moore and St. Clair Township. Both contributed half of the \$160,000 price tag in order for local youth to enjoy refreshing summer fun. The Optimists agreed to repay their \$80,000 share of the cost within five years and the club recently made good on that agreement by handing St. Clair Township Council an \$18,000 cheque for the final installment.

During the presentation on Nov. 19, Optimist Fred Strickland thanked council on behalf of the club for its faith in allowing the club the opportunity to provide this well-used facility to the community. On behalf of Council, Mayor Arnold thanked Mr. Strickland and his fellow volunteers for their participation in "this important community asset development."



There were smiles all 'round as the Moore Optimists complete the repayment of funds used to create the Corunna splash pad located in the Corunna Athletic Park. On hand for the presentation of the final installment were: Moore Optimists Lorne Powell, Nina Strickland and President Mary Lou Abrams, Mayor Steve Arnold, and Optimist Fred Strickland.

Photo by Bonnie Stevenson

Solar power options being explored

that Council can acquire further information from those who are already hosting them.

Local Doors Open event report

The Heritage St. Clair Committee Discovery Phase group reported that the St. Clair Township component of the Doors Open Lambton tour in late September was generally well-received by both visitors and property owners or managers. The group noted an average of 70 to 80 people visited each site during the two-day event. Another Doors Open event is being considered for 2014.

Creative County Committee struck

Council was made aware that community representatives are being sought to be part of the Creative County Committee that was formed in 2012. The committee is tasked with encouraging, partnering and funding activities that build a better sense of identity, history, and pride of place in Lambton County.

Community representatives will help review, rank and decide approvals for funding as well as implement goals of the Lambton Cultural Plan, which can be found online at www.lclmg.org.

Representatives selected to serve with the committee must demonstrate history of involvement in Lambton County's cultural community. County Councillor and Committee Chair Bev MacDougall says, "Experience and insight will be of great assistance as the committee looks to expand the local cultural economy." Remaining committee members include the County Warden, St. Clair Township Deputy Mayor Peter Gilliland, Oil Springs Mayor Ian Veen, and Bill Weber of Lambton Shores.

Interested parties are asked to contact any of the committee members. The first meeting will be held Jan. 16, 2013.

Council meeting schedule

The St. Clair Township council meeting schedule for January, 2013 had not been set at press time. Regular meetings are generally held on the first and third Mondays of each month. Anyone wishing to address council or to observe meetings should call the St. Clair Township office at 519-867-2021 for more information.

Overnight parking on streets prohibited

Motorists are reminded that overnight parking on all municipal streets is now prohibited until April 1, 2013. This ensures that snow plow crews will be able to clear the roads safely and efficiently. Vehicles left parked on the streets will be ticketed.

Residents are also asked to refrain from shoveling snow out onto public roadways. The Ontario Highway Traffic Act prohibits this practice and penalties will be levied on those who break this law. Unexpected quantities of snow on public roads are hazardous to vehicle traffic.





Township of St. Clair Holiday Waste Collection Schedule

The following schedule changes to curbside collection of household waste is in effect this Christmas holiday season.

Garbage collection

Regular scheduled day

Tuesday, Jan. 1

Wednesday, Jan. 2

Thursday, Jan. 3

Friday, Jan. 4

Holiday schedule

Wednesday, Jan. 2

Regular collection, Jan. 2

Regular collection, Jan. 3

Regular collection, Jan. 4

Remember that regular waste restrictions apply. Collection shall be limited to six items (containers, bags, boxes, Christmas trees, etc.) and each item shall not exceed the 50 lb. limit. St. Clair Township encourages everyone to recycle whatever they can.

Blue box collection

Regular scheduled day

Tuesday, Jan. 1

Wednesday, Jan. 2

Thursday, Jan. 3

Friday, Jan. 4

Holiday schedule

Wednesday, Jan. 2

Thursday, Jan. 3

Friday, Jan. 4

Saturday, Jan. 5

Christmas tree collection

Christmas tree collection in the urban areas of the Township of St. Clair (areas which receive yard waste collection) will take place on **Friday, Jan. 11.**

- ◆ Trees must be placed at the curb by 7 a.m.
- ◆ Trees must be free of all ornaments, stands, etc.
- ◆ Trees must **NOT** be placed in plastic bags.

For all other areas of the township, Christmas trees may be placed out with regular garbage. **Christmas trees will be considered one item of the six item limit.**

**For more information,
call the Public Works Department at 519-867-2125.**

Lyndoch Street receives ceremonial name

In honour of Corunna's Olympic champion, Derek Drouin, Lyndoch Street now has a new ceremonial name. Decorative street signs bearing the bronze medal high jumper's name now grace main intersections along the downtown street.

Free tutoring available in Corunna

Free tutoring in reading and math is available in Corunna for children in Grades 1 through 7. A Skill and Drill program is offered at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Registration is ongoing throughout the school year based on availability. This program is sponsored by the Organization for Literacy in Lambton. To register your child, call 519-332-4876.

MAS awards certificates at annual dinner

At its recent annual dinner, the Moore Agricultural Society (MAS) presented three certificates in acknowledgement of achievements by MAS members.

The first award recognized long-time volunteers Jean and Howard Maw, who have been associated with the fair for 54 years. The Maws, shown below with MAS President John Scott, left, received the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies Service Diploma.

Also recognized was David L. Robinson, who has dedicated 50 years of service to the fair. Mr. Robinson received the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies Accomplishment Award.

The third certificate, recognizing their service to MAS and their 2012 title of Brigden Fair Parade Marshalls, was presented to Marilyn and Cameron Shaw.



Jean and Howard Maw receive their certificate from John Scott.



Corunna K of C member wins top honours

Knights of Columbus District 40 District Deputy Boyd Fraser of Corunna was recently recognized as one of the order's top 10 achievers in Ontario. The honour was awarded during a ceremony in Toronto by Joe Salini, the Ontario State Deputy of the Ontario Knights of Columbus, and Past State Deputy Arthur Peters.

The Merit Award is presented for outstanding effort, dedication and excellent contribution to the Knights of Columbus organization in Ontario.

Mr. Salini noted that District Deputy Fraser was a good model as a District Deputy in the Catholic men's family organization as well as an inspiration to his colleagues, and that the Ontario State Board wanted to highlight and recognize his contribution and achievement.

The Knights of Columbus is a worldwide organization of over 1.7 million members and their families. Ontario has 500 councils in 100 districts, with a membership of 57,000 under the guidance of the State Board Officers and their team.



HERITAGE CORNER



PORT LAMBTON - THE VILLAGE THAT WON'T QUIT

Courtesy of the Sombra Museum

Port Lambton is one of the oldest communities in St. Clair Township and there are two good reasons why this came about - the presence of abundant woodland and the good business sense of the people who settled in the area.

The community was first settled in 1820, when Duncan MacDonald traveled north from Ohio to build on Lot F, Concession 7. Soon, he had erected the first frame house in what became Sombra Township. His son built a steam mill south of the house and became one of the leading businessmen in the community.

At that time, the area boasted thick forests, and this led to the area being given the name Sombra, the Spanish word for "shade". The lumber industry thrived and, at its peak, Port Lambton was known as the liveliest little river town south of Sarnia.

The area had two saw mills, a shingle mill, a planing and turning mill, and other industries, all steam-operated. A continuous 450-foot long dock extended out into the river and there was a Customs house, storehouses and warehouses handling the extensive ship traffic. The village itself had eight stores, three hotels, three liverys, and two telegraph offices. A school staffed by two teachers served the village and surrounding countryside.

One of the foremost reasons for the village's prosperity came from the sale of cordwood to the steam tugs that towed the great sailing ships north against the current of the St. Clair River to Lake Huron. But as the forests were cleared and wood became less available to support local industries and shipping, coal and bunker fuels were used for steam and the village went into a period of hibernation.

It enjoyed an impressive revival as a tourist town in the first part of the 1900s. Until the 1940s, Port Lambton's beautiful surroundings made it a prime vacation destination and many visitors came from the U.S., particularly Detroit. There were cottages for rent and rooms were available at establishments such as the Washburn Hotel. Ships like the *Tashmoo* stopped daily during its summer runs and the Dawson ferry served international traffic between Canada and the U.S.

During the Prohibition Era in the U.S., Port Lambton was a short cut to Cuba for rum runners who operated out of the area, although none of the liquor ever made it to Cuba. It was deposited along the Michigan shore less than a kilometre away. The notorious Purple Gang owned cottages and homes in the village to maintain a local base of operations for their rum running operations.

With the end of World War II and the return of a strong economy, local residents found work in factories in Wallaceburg and Sarnia. The era of the passenger steam ship ended as people began to travel to their destinations in motor vehicles. The tourists seemed to forget about the beautiful St. Clair River as a vacation destination.

Today and over the past couple of decades, a resur-



PHOTOGRAPHER SPEAKS IN SOMBRA: Photographer Larry Towell was at the Sombra Museum recently to speak as part of the museum's fascinating lecture series, which takes place on the last Tuesday of each month. Mr. Towell told his audience how photographers like himself have had to re-invent themselves due to the closure of publications such as LIFE magazine. He has accomplished this by taking photos in Afghanistan and writing music and lyrics to illustrate them. For example, while showing some of his work in Pakistan, he also showed pictures accompanied by background human voices or gun fire, depending on what he was photographing. His work transported the audience to that location as if they were with him on his journey. Sombra Museum curator Shelley Lucier says the presentation was memorable and those who attended the lecture came away with a more vivid understanding of what was happening overseas.

For more information about the Winter lecture series at the Sombra Museum, see page 8.

gence has taken place in the Village of Port Lambton. A drive through the village along the St. Clair Parkway reveals the presence of many new homes, some of which have replaced the old structures that bore witness to the area's early days. Many of the older structures that remain have been repaired or remodelled.

Most of the homes along the river have sturdy steel docks lining the river shore where boats can be secured, swimmers can enjoy the cool, refreshing waters of the St. Clair River, and leisure time can be pleasantly spent lounging out over the water with friends and family.

In the village core, Dedecker Park offers a pleasant stretch of green shoreline where visitors and passers-by can stop to enjoy the scenery. The park was named in honour of Sombra and later, St. Clair Township Mayor Joe Dedecker, a resident who served his community in municipal government for over 26 years.

Shake the Winter blahs at Mooretown Sports Complex

Now that the Christmas season is behind us, there may be something else behind us as well. Those extra pounds we've acquired while enjoying all of that delicious holiday food may be tagging along, making clothes fit tighter and sapping our energy.

Don't let these unwanted "hitchhikers" become a permanent part of your body. Shed the extra pounds and shake the Winter blahs by participating in one or more of the great programs offered at the Mooretown Sports Complex. Here are some examples of fitness strategies you can use to feel and look your best.

Winter swim lessons offered

Winter swim lessons begin the week of Jan. 7. It's never too late to learn how to swim or to become a better, more confident swimmer. Call 519-867-2651 to register now.

Stretch & Strengthen fitness classes

Have fun while getting fit at these group fitness classes. Improve your strength and flexibility, and make new friends who share your fitness goals. Classes are Monday and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at a cost of \$4.50 per class, \$45 for a 12 visit pass, or \$243 per year for a full fitness membership.

Shinny hockey is in full swing

There's fun and action on the Mooretown Sports Complex rink when the adult shinny hockey players take to the ice. This activity, which is open to people age 18 and over, takes place on Tuesday mornings from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at a cost of \$5 per person, or Wednesday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at a cost of \$6 per person.

Book ice time now

Ice time is available throughout the Winter on Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Tuesday, Wednesday and

Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Ice rates: Prime time** - Monday through Friday after 5 p.m. and all day Saturday and Sunday, \$150 per hour (tax included). **Non-prime time** - Monday through Friday before 5 p.m., \$95 per hour (tax included). **March Break ice time** is available as follows: March 11 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; March 12 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; March 13 from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; March 14 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and March 15 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. To book ice time, call 519-867-2651.

Shallow and deep water aerobics

If you find regular fitness classes too challenging, why not try a different approach. Use the rejuvenating power of water to accomplish a variety of exercises that target posture, muscular endurance, strength, cardiovascular, flexibility, and balance. **Shallow water classes** are slated for Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. **Deep water classes** are held Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. The cost is \$4.50 per class, \$45 for a 12 visit pass, or \$195 per year.

Water therapy for arthritis and fibromyalgia

This program includes cardiovascular training, functional fitness, muscular endurance and strength, balance and flexibility training with the goal of improved mobility. Classes are held Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at a cost of \$4.50 per class or \$45 for a 12 visit pass. Join any time.

The Mooretown Sports Complex also has a well-equipped workout room and many other sports and leisure programs and activities to offer throughout the year.

For more information, call the Mooretown Sports Complex at 519-867-2651.

Corunna Santa Claus Parade garners large crowd of spectators and a great lineup

The 2012 Corunna Santa Claus Parade, sponsored by the Optimist Club of Moore, was a big hit this year, attracting an estimated 3,000 spectators.

Parade entries awarded trophies in their respective categories include: Shell Canada for best large commercial entry; Evolution Hair Salon for best small commercial entry; Scouts and Guides for best community entry; and St. Clair Township Fire Department Courtright Station for best fire truck. Organizers report that the OPP Corunna detachment and the County and Community Radio Club offered excellent cooperation and assistance to keep spectators and participants safe.

The parade included: Santa (of course), two colour guards, three bands, ten floats, two teams of horses, a team of mules, 11 fire trucks,



and several other floats and decorated vehicles, plus well over 200 children who walked or rode along the parade route. After the parade, Santa spoke to an eager group of children at the Corunna clock tower park, the SCITS band played, and the Corunna Horticultural Association served hot chocolate and Christmas tree-shaped cookies. Parade organizers extend thanks to all who participated and helped to make the parade a happy, memorable one. See more photos or make a donation to the 2013 parade online at: www.CorunnaSantaClausParade.ca.



Community Contact

Cinderella Story volunteers sought

Organizers of *Cinderella Story*, a group that offers formal attire and accessories for girls who cannot otherwise afford to attend their school proms, are looking for volunteers for their fourth annual Dress Boutique next spring. Volunteers must be 19 years of age or older. They will greet the young ladies who attend the boutique and assist them with selecting their dresses. They will also make sure each girl receives the products and services available to them. Those who wish to volunteer can email: cinderellasarnialambton@live.ca or call 519-864-1161. *NOTE: Those who have gently-used formal or semi-formal dresses to donate can drop them off all year long at the Sarnia Lambton Business Development Corporation, 109 Durand Street at the corner of Christina Street. The Cinderella Story Dress Drive will be held in late March, 2013.*

Fundraiser at Brigden fairgrounds

An on-going fundraiser is in progress at the Brigden fair office. An old woodstove stands in the corner there gathering donations to help with the cost of installing a new furnace system in the Brigden fairgrounds exhibition hall. Donations can be dropped off during business hours.

Lambton Dragons invite challengers

The Lambton Dragons Sledge Hockey team invites any hockey team, sports group, or work group to come to the Mooretown Sports Complex on Sunday mornings to enjoy a friendly game with the Dragons. Extra sledges and equipment are available. To participate, call Karen or Jim McNeil at 519-862-4756 or Jackie White at 519-862-4039.

Alzheimer Society writing contest

"Remember when..." is the theme of the writing contest currently being held by the Alzheimer Society to raise awareness of the disease and related dementia. For more information about the contest go online

to: www.alzheimer.sarnia.com or visit the Alzheimer Society office at 420 East St. N. in Sarnia.

Voice your concern over school issues

Anyone who has concerns or comments about local school issues can contact local school trustee Judy Krall at 519-882-1055 or via email at: jkrall@ciaccess.com.

Photo I.D. cards available

Anyone over age 16 who does not have a valid driver's license can obtain a government-issued photo I.D. card at the Corunna Motor Vehicle License office at 379 Lyndoch Street.

Corunna Legion winter hours

Winter hours continue as follows at the Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Branch 447: Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. The hall is closed Sundays except when special events are held.

Elimination draw at Corunna Legion

The Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Branch 447 is now selling tickets for its third annual Elimination Draw, with proceeds going to Corunna Legion programs. Tickets are \$20 each and only 250 will be sold. For tickets and more information, call the Legion at 519-862-1240 during hours of operation (see above).

Pennies for Pavement program

Your spare change can help the St. Clair River Trail Committee raise funds for the trail's upkeep and maintenance. Drop off your spare pennies (and other spare jingly coins) at the following locations: Shaykin Bait Variety in Port Lambton or the Pic-N-Pay in Sombra Village. Every penny will be matched 2:1 by St. Clair Township Council. Where else can you double your money this easily?

Handyman/Handywoman program helps seniors

Seniors who require help with household maintenance and minor repairs can call the Lambton Seniors Association (LSA) Handyman/Handywoman program. This United Way funded program helps seniors remain in their own homes by offering a wide range of services including: yard maintenance, home maintenance, housekeeping, snow removal, eaves trough cleaning and much more. For more information, call the LSA at 519-339-8866 or 1-800-219-4717.

OPP drive-through campaign benefits Operation Christmas Tree



The 2012 Operation Christmas Tree (OCT) food and toy drive received a welcome boost on Dec. 8 when the Corunna OPP office held its annual drive-through donation event. OCT organizers report the event collected 784 items of food and 336 toys, plus \$658.66 in cash donations. Although the weather was cold and damp, spirits were high as Santa greeted motorists to receive their generous donations. Volunteers who helped with the event included members of the OPP and the Corunna Community Policing Committee (CCPC) - standing from left: Staff Sgt. Paul Bradley; OPP Insp. Scott Janssens; Corey Janssens; Moore Optimist/CCPC member Kevin Jung; Santa with youth volunteer Evelyn; CCPC member Ron Skreptak; Mark Godek; Const. P.J. Primeau; Cameron Primeau; DawnMarie Primeau. Kneeling left: CCPC member Pat Brown; OPP Community Representative Todd Monaghan; CCPC member Andrew Veale.

Photo submitted

More Around The Township

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those who don't want to bowl, a craft session will be held across the road at the Courtright Community Centre. Please register for this family event by Feb. 13. Call Mary Lou at 519-862-3950. **Note: This is an opportunity for students to acquire some school volunteer hours. Call the number above for more information.**

Forever Fit classes offered

Forever Fit classes, sponsored by Lambton Elderly Outreach (LEO), are held in Sombra and Corunna each week. In Sombra, the classes are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the Sombra Community Hall. In Corunna, classes are held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. at Thompson Gardens, 198 Beckwith Street. These classes will be offered until early May. For more information, call LEO toll-free at 1-800-265-0203.

Seniors luncheons offered in Corunna and Port Lambton


Lambton Elderly Outreach (LEO) is sponsoring an ongoing series of seniors lunches in Corunna and Port Lambton throughout the winter. In Corunna, the lunches are held the third Wednesday of each month at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 447 hall, with doors open at 11:30 a.m. In Port Lambton, the lunches are held at the Community Hall on Stoddard Street with doors open at 11:30 a.m. Both events feature a speaker or entertainer. These lunches will be held until June. For more information, call LEO toll-free at 1-800-265-0203.

Indoor walking and fitness in Brigden

Let it snow outside and still enjoy your walking and fitness routine by going to the Brigden fairgrounds exhibition hall every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Indoor shoes are required for this activity. For more information or to register for the program, call 519-344-3017, ext. 237. This program is sponsored by the West Lambton Health Centre, the Moore Agricultural Society, and Ontario's Community Health Centres.

Corunna coffee club meets at Thompson Gardens

The Corunna Coffee Club meets at Thompson Gardens Monday to Saturday at 9 a.m. The club is open to everyone.



If you have a non-profit or charity event or activity coming up in St. Clair Township, or if the event will benefit the residents of the township, promote it free of charge in *The Beacon*. The deadline for submissions is the third Monday of every month by 4 p.m.

Email: beacon@twp.stclair.on.ca

Who needs the NHL when these teams are on the ice!

Are you missing the NHL games this year? How about looking closer to home for first rate hockey excitement. The Mooretown Storm Midget Ae and the Mooretown Storm Pee Wee Ae teams have both been delivering the goods performance-wise this season.

The Midget Ae team, left, recently captured the Regional Silver Stick tournament in South Huron and will be moving on to the International Silver Stick tourney in Pelham, Ontario in January. Players include: Goalie Riley Eyre; Derek Williams; Alex Machan; Austin Smalls; Spencer Cowan; Kyle Smith; Eric Walsh; Ben Scott; Mark McLachlin; Mitchel McKeegan; Keenan Smith; Joey Stock; Devin Brown; Zach Sutherland; Noah Saunders; Luke Charrette; Eric Ken-



Mooretown Storm Midget Ae

nedy; and Bryn Williams. Coaches are: John McLachlin; Ken Williams; Chad Sutherland; and Cliff Scott.

As for the Pee Wee Ae team, these dynamos recently snagged the Motown Tournament championship in Detroit even though the players had to adjust to a different style of play in the U.S. Players are: Evan Musson; Jake Vandersteen; Jason Heggie; Pascal Plante-Hunter; Ryan Janjatovic; Jeffery Barclay; Scot Newman; Matthew MacDonald; Joseph Kraayenbrink; Hunter Round; Riley Brown; Isaac Smith; Kyle Robson; Bryce Little; Jake Prudom; and Isaac Doxtator. Coaches are: Craig Prudom; Andrew Vandersteen; Kevin Barclay; and Chris Brown.

Congratulations to both of these teams and to all of the local teams who work hard and do their best each time they take to the ice!



Mooretown Storm Pee Wee Ae

Around The Township

Corunna Legion to host New Year's Eve bash

A New Year's Eve Mardi Gras-themed party featuring DJ JAGA will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 447 hall on Dec. 31 from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. The event will include finger foods until 10 p.m., a buffet offering Louisiana cuisine served after midnight, "bubbly", and door prizes. Tickets are \$30 per person (\$25 for Legion members) and only 120 will be sold. Tickets are available at the Legion. Free local rides home will be available.

International Silver Stick in Mooretown

The Mooretown Sports Complex hosts the 40th Annual International Juvenile Silver Stick finals on Jan. 3 through 6. Daily admission is \$5 per adult, \$3 per student or senior, and \$14 for a weekend pass.

Euchre parties planned for Sombra

A series of euchre parties are planned for the Sombra Community Centre on Fridays at 1 p.m. on the following dates: Jan. 4, 11, 18 and 25; Feb. 1, 8, 15 and 22; March 8, 15 and 22; April 5, 12, 19 and 26. All are welcome.

CCPC meeting open to public

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Corunna Community Policing Committee (CCPC). The next meeting is slated for Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 7 p.m. in the training room at the Emergency Services Building, corner of Lyndoch and Hill Streets.

Winter Country Jamboree in Brigden

Now that Christmas is over, cure those holiday let-down blues with a rousing good afternoon of music at the Brigden fairgrounds exhibition hall. The *Winter Country* Jamboree will brighten your spirits on Sunday, Jan. 13 at 1 p.m., so come on out with your instrument, sing a few songs, or just listen and dance. Admission is only \$2 for the afternoon of music, and if you wish to stay for a ham and scalloped potato dinner at 5 p.m., limited tickets will be available at the door, so get there early.

Sunday Breakfasts at St. Joseph's Parish

St. Joseph's Parish Centre on Lyndoch Street in Corunna hosts a series of Sunday breakfasts and meat raffles during the winter and spring. The breakfasts will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following dates: Jan. 13; Feb. 10; March 10; April 7; and May 5. These popular breakfasts feature pancakes, sausage, bacon, ham, eggs, home fries, rolls, orange juice, coffee and tea at a cost of \$7 per adult, \$3 for children ages six through 12, and free for children under six. Take-out orders are available from 8:30 a.m. Call 519-862-1213, ext. 28.

Luncheon/card parties continue

The Mayflower Rebekah Lodge will host a series of luncheon and card parties at Thompson Gardens, 198 Beckwith Street in Corunna at noon on the following Mondays: Jan. 14; Feb. 11; March 4; March 25; April 22; and May 27. Everyone is welcome.

MAS general annual meeting slated

The general annual meeting and election of officers for the Moore Agricultural Society (MAS) will be held Monday, Jan. 14 at the Brigden fairgrounds exhibition hall. A pot luck supper will be shared at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting to follow, and all Moore

Agricultural Society members are encouraged to attend.

Robbie Burns Night in Corunna

The annual Robbie Burns Night will be held at Corunna United Church on Friday, Jan. 18 beginning at 6 p.m. You don't have to be a Scotsman to enjoy a night of tribute to this beloved Scottish patriot and poet, who is also responsible for the most famous New Year's song of all time, *Auld Lang Syne*. For tickets, please call Ken at 519-344-8626.

Parish breakfasts in Port Lambton

A series of Sunday parish breakfasts are planned for Sacred Heart Parish in Port Lambton from 10 a.m. to noon on the following dates: Jan. 20; Feb. 17; and April 28. The breakfasts include eggs made to order, bacon, ham, sausage, pancakes, toast, juice, coffee or tea. The cost is \$7 per adult, \$3.50 for children ages 12 and under, and free for children under the age of five. This event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Father Joseph P. Nelligan Council No. 10873.

Jam sessions continue at Corunna Legion

A series of open jam sessions continues at the Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Branch 447 hall at the intersection of Albert and Beckwith Streets. The sessions will be held on the last Saturday of each month beginning at 3 p.m. on the following dates: Jan. 29; Feb. 23; March 30; April 27; and May 25. Everyone is invited to attend and join in with an instrument or a voice, or just sit and listen to the great tunes. Food is available during these events. For timely information from the Corunna Legion, go online to: www.corunna.ca/legion/.

Sombra Museum winter lecture series set

The winter lecture series at the Sombra Museum will be offered on the last Tuesday of the Winter months. In January, learn your way around *Ancestry.com*, then enjoy learning more about shipwreck treasures in February. And in March, guest speaker Jim Clary will present the *Storm of 1913*, the story of a devastating storm that sent many ships to the bottom of the Great Lakes and took many lives. The cost is \$10 per lecture, or \$25 for all three. Student prices are \$7 per lecture or \$15 for all three. All lectures will be presented in the Sombra Museum Cultural Centre meeting room, 3476 St. Clair Parkway in Sombra village. To purchase tickets or obtain more information, call 519-892-3982 or email: sombramuseum@hotmail.com. You can also access Facebook at: [facebook.com/SombraMuseum](https://www.facebook.com/SombraMuseum).

Bentpath W.I. marks 100th anniversary

The Bentpath Women's Institute will celebrate its 100th anniversary on Monday, Feb. 11 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Zion Free Methodist Church on Bentpath Line. The event will feature musical presentations as well as celebratory comments by local dignitaries and Women's Institute officials. Refreshments will also be served.

Free Family Fun Day in Courtright

The Optimist Club of Moore will present a free Family Fun Day at Airey Lanes in Courtright on Monday, Feb. 18 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be free 10-pin bowling and a free lunch will be provided at the Courtright Community Centre. For