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The **DEADLINE** for
submissions to
The Beacon is the
third Monday of each
month by 4 p.m.

Email:
beacon@twp.stclair.on.ca

Township riders pedal for heart health



When the Big Bike visited St. Clair Township, a team comprised of municipal staff and council stepped up to the challenge of raising money in support of the Heart and Stroke Foundation. The team, shown here after a spirited ride around Corunna, raised \$1,460 for the cause. Thanks are extended to Linda Kennedy for organizing this successful effort and to everyone who supported the riders.

Photo submitted



Moore Museum's 40th anniversary a reason to smile

The recent celebration of the Moore Museum's 40th anniversary had a lot of people smiling, including these two young museum volunteers. Madelyn Westfall, left, and Tegan Taylor were in costume and ready to help out with the day's activities. For more, see Heritage Corner, page 6 and 7.



Municipal Notes

Council meeting schedule

St. Clair Township Council will be observing a summer meeting schedule during July and August. Upcoming meetings will be held at the St. Clair Township Civic Centre, 1155 Emily Street in Mooretown on Monday, July 20 and on Monday, August 10 at approximately 5 p.m. after the Committee of the Whole meeting at 3 p.m. Anyone wishing to address council should call the municipal office at 519-867-2021.



HYDRANT FLUSHING St. Clair Township

Affected Residents South of Bickford Line

Public Works is now undertaking the annual flushing of fire hydrants connected to the St. Clair Township Water Distribution System during the hours of:

7:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Thursday, July 2 to Friday, July 31, 2015

During this maintenance procedure you may notice some water discolouration using your taps, flushing toilets, doing laundry, etc. as some sediment may be drawn into your residence. We recommend that you run the cold water tap for a few minutes or until the discolouration disappears.

If discolouration of the water continues after 10-15 minutes of normal use, please notify *Public Works* @ 519-867-2993.



SEWER MAIN FLUSHING St. Clair Township Residents

Public Works is now flushing sewer mains connected to the St. Clair Township sewer system during the hours of **7:30 AM to 4:30 PM** and will continue to do so into the fall. During this maintenance procedure you may notice some gurgling noises in drains.

If conditions persist after 24-48 hours of normal use, please notify *Public Works* @ 519-867-2993.

Council requests report on Toby's Act

Council has requested a report regarding the ramifications of the new provincial legislation, Bill 33, known as Toby's Act. The act will amend the Human Rights Code with respect to gender identity and gender expression. Delegate Curtis Bryce raised concerns surrounding the act in respect to the uninhibited use of washrooms, change rooms, and public shower facilities.

Toby's Act is defined as the right to be free from discrimination and harassment because of gender identity or gender expression. Mr. Bryce pointed out that the act might pose risks if it is abused; for instance, would the shock of finding a man in a women's washroom present an uncomfortable, disturbing situation for a young girl? "Our daughters, wives, and mothers should feel safe in public places," said Mr. Bryce.

Council agreed that new policies should be investigated and municipal staff will undertake the development of a report that will address issues that could arise from the new act. The goal will be to find solutions that will respect everyone's rights.

Committee struck to negotiate OPG Lambton Solar Project

Council has struck a committee that will be tasked with negotiating the conditions of the Lambton Solar Project, a solar power installation being proposed for construction on property adjacent to the Lambton Generating Station near Courtright.



P. O. Box numbers required by Township

**~Attention all Township residents with
P. O. boxes~**

If you haven't already done so, please provide the Township office with your P.O. box number so that your bills can be delivered in a timely manner. ***Please note that failure to receive a tax or water bill DOES NOT excuse a ratepayer from responsibility of payment nor relief of liability of penalty for late payment.***

The Water Department can be contacted at 519-867-2993 or by email at: public-works@twp.stclair.on.ca The Tax Department can be contacted at 519-867-2024 or by email at: taxes@twp.stclair.on.ca

Household Hazardous Waste disposal

The County of Lambton and Clean Harbors Canada hosts Household Hazardous Waste disposal events through the summer at the 40900 Telfer Road site off Petrolia Line. Upcoming events are slated for Saturday, Sept. 26, and Saturday, Oct. 31.

For more information, go online to: www.lambtononline.ca or call 519-845-0801.



Notice of Court of Revision - Marsh Creek Drain North

Township of St. Clair Drainage By-Law Number 18 of 2015—Marsh Creek Drain North

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision on the Marsh Creek Drain North will be held in the St. Clair Township Council Chambers at the St. Clair Township Civic Centre, 1155 Emily Street, Mooretown, on July 20, 2015 at the hour of 6:05 p.m. This meeting will allow for the hearing and trials of appeals made against the above assessment, or any part thereof, in the manner provided by the Drainage Act. A notice of such appeal is to be served on the Clerk of the Municipality of the Township of St. Clair at least ten days before the meeting of the said Court.

Any owner of land or public utility affected by the drainage works, if dissatisfied with the report of the engineer on the grounds that it does not

comply with the requirements of the Drainage Act, or that the engineer has reported the drainage works cannot be constructed under Section 4, may appeal to the referee, and written notice of appeal shall be served upon the council of the initiating municipality within forty days after the mailing of this notice. And further notice is hereby given that any person intending to appeal to the Tribunal under Section 48 (1) must, within forty days of mailing this notice, serve written notice of appeal to the Council of the initiating municipality.

Dated at the Township of St. Clair, Mooretown, this 22nd day of June, 2015.

Jeff Baranek, Clerk



St. Clair Township 2015 Property Tax Due Dates

The final tax due dates
will be **Aug. 5, 2015** and **Oct. 7, 2015**

The 2015 final tax notices for non-capped properties were mailed out the beginning of July, 2015.

Most chartered banks and financial institutions will accept payment of your current taxes on or before the due date (any bank charges will be the responsibility of the ratepayer.)

Tax payments by cheque can be mailed to the return address provided on the tax notice.

The following methods of Tax payments may be utilized:

- * Automatic Bank Machines
- * Telephone and Internet payments through bank
- * Payment at most financial institutions
- * Post-dated cheques
- * Counter services, cash, cheque or debit
- * Mail the payment to or use the drop box at:

St. Clair Township Civic Centre
1155 Emily Street
Mooretown, Ontario
N0N 1M0

Pre-authorized payment plans
are also available and encouraged.

St. Clair Township Tax Department
519-867-2024

Brigden Fair Ambassador Competition Information

Brigden Fair 2015 is on the way and that means it's time to invite young women and young men ages 17-24 (as of Aug. 1, 2015) to participate in the Brigden Fair Ambassador Competition. The event is slated for Sunday, Aug. 9 at 2 p.m. at the Brigden Fairgrounds exhibition hall.

To register for the competition or for more information, go online to the fair Website at www.brigdenfair.ca or call the fair office at 519-864-1197. Applications are available online. They must be completed and returned to the fair office by 4 p.m. on July 17.

For those who apply, Information Night will be held on Wednesday, July 15 at 7 p.m. in the Brigden Fairgrounds exhibition hall board room.

The competition winner will be expected to represent the Brigden Fair (Moore Agricultural Society) at various events and functions throughout his or her reign.



2014-2015
Ambassador
Jory Fulcher



TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR

YARD WASTE/BRUSH COLLECTION 2015

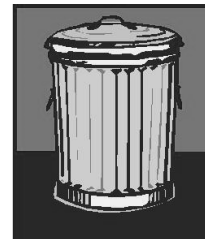
The Township of St. Clair offers a yard waste/brush collection program for defined areas, in order to reduce the amount of compostable material directed to the landfill site.

“Yard Waste” is collected separately from regular waste, on a weekly basis, in urbanized areas of the Township (collection begins at 7:00 AM). Yard waste from the balance of the Township is collected with the regular waste collection.

COLLECTION SCHEDULE:

Collection will be on Wednesday or Friday, each week, depending on the service area.

- Wednesday:** Corunna (including Froomfield area)
- St. Clair Parkway (North of Emily St., Mooretown)
- Friday:** Brigden, Courtright, Mooretown, Port Lambton
- Sombra Village, Wilkesport, Chenal Ecarte, Leeland Gardens
 - St. Clair Parkway (South of Emily St., Mooretown)



Spring yard collection is now over. During the months of July through September yard waste will be collected with the regular waste collection, subject to the 6 item limit.

Fall yard waste collection will begin Wednesday, October 21st and Friday, October 23rd, and will continue until Wednesday, November 25th and Friday, November 27th.

WHAT IS YARD WASTE?

Yard waste includes the following: grass, leaves, garden plants, hedge trimmings, and twigs, (generally plants with stems smaller than a lead pencil). Kitchen waste, earth, stones, tree stumps, logs, body wood, large brush, and whole shrubs with root ball attached are not permitted. (Brush Collection see below)

Yard waste placed at the roadside for collection must be bagged in clear or transparent plastic bags, paper bags, or open containers clearly marked with an “X” on both sides and must be free of all non-compostable material such as plastic, glass, metal, or other debris. Open containers **DOES NOT INCLUDE**: blue boxes or cardboard boxes.

Containers must not exceed 23kg / 50lb and yard waste placed in regular garbage bags will not be collected.

BRUSH COLLECTION:

The next small brush collection will take place on October 23rd with the following guidelines: 4’ maximum length, 1” maximum diameter, cut ends all in one direction, neat piles (not tangled) and tied & placed at curb.

For further information call: St. Clair Township Public Works 519-867-2125 or visit our web site at:
www.twp.st.clair.on.ca

Lawn watering restrictions continue

Lawn watering restrictions will until Aug. 31. Even numbered houses may water lawns on even numbered days and odd numbered houses may water lawns on odd numbered days.



ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
Website

For the latest information about St. Clair Township, its departments and associated services, and *The Beacon*, go online:
www.twp.stclair.on.ca

Moore Optimists host Hillbilly “tailgate party” Zone 5 meeting

A hall full of fun-loving Optimists were in “hog heaven” on June 8 as the Optimist Club of Moore hosted the Zone 5 meeting. Several Optimist Clubs from Zone 5 and Zone 6 were represented at the Hillbilly tailgate party-themed event, with chicken and ribs on the menu and a many items of club business to tend to.

The event, held at the Courtright Community Centre, lovingly referred to as the Silverdome, allowed each club to report on the progress they had made in membership growth and fundraising efforts, all in the name of service to youth.

One of the items of interest came from the Moore Optimists, who sponsor the annual Operation Christmas Tree (OCT) effort each year. Most St. Clair Township residents who live in the north end of the municipality are aware of the OCT’s Christmas initiative to provide ample food and toys to the less fortunate residents in their community. However, the OCT initiative actually functions all year ’round.

Two vivid examples of this service were seen in 2014 when two devastating residential fires (Brigden and Courtright) left eight people homeless and one person dead. The Moore Optimists, through the OCT fund, were able to provide each person with \$1,000 as a springboard to recovery. The family of the young man who lost his life was able to use the money to help with funeral expenses.

Club spokesperson Gord Dawson says OCT not only looks after the needs of the less fortunate on a seasonal basis, but also when dire need arises throughout the year. He added victims of catastrophic events receive welcome financial assistance that helps them cope with the initial challenges of their situation.

Two honoured guests at this year’s Zone 5 meeting were emergency responders who have attended such events. OPP Cst. Jason Doran says the OCT support is much appreciated by those who find themselves dis-

placed by emergency situations. “When the family needs this support the most, it may not come from another family member right away. (The support of the Optimist Club) is accepted because they know it comes from a source that cares,” said Cst. Doran. “It makes them feel like things are going to get better and it brings the community together.”

St. Clair Township Volunteer Firefighter Russell Struck agreed with Cst. Doran’s appraisal of the good OCT funding does, both at Christmas time and throughout the year. “It’s a real morale booster,” he said.

The Optimist Clubs are always looking for new members to help further the Optimist mandate of “Helping Kids Shine”. Anyone interested in becoming a member of their local Optimist Club can email: mooreoptimist@gmail.com or go online to: www.optimist.org for more information.



Optimist Club of Moore President Tracy Kingston, kitted out in her finest Hillbilly style, presents Respect for the Law plaques of appreciation to OPP Cst. Jason Doran, left, (who complied with the club’s Hillbilly dress code for the evening), and St. Clair Township Volunteer Firefighter Russell Struck.

Photo by Bonnie Stevenson

Batten down the hatches!

Captain William Kidd and his crew are powdering up the cannons, polishing the poop deck, and preparing to set a course for the Corunna Athletic Park. The Captain and his scurvy crew will arrive on Friday, July 31 to kick off the 30th anniversary of the annual Captain Kidd Days weekend. From the crowning of Miss Teen Corunna on Friday night and the 11 a.m. Saturday morning parade, to the Sunday evening fireworks, Corunna is in for a swashbuckling old time!

Oh...by the way...if you happen to see Jack Sparrow, tell him Bill is looking for him.

Has anybody seen Jack Sparrow?





HERITAGE CORNER



Moore Museum celebrates 40 years of heritage preservation



The 40th anniversary of the Moore Museum attracted a large crowd of well-wishers, volunteers, former volunteers, and curious residents, some of whom had never set foot on the museum grounds before. During her remarks, Moore Museum Curator Laurie Mason commented that people who visit the museum site are always pleasantly surprised by what they see. "People are surprised when they see the size of the museum," she said. "They are looking at the size of the community when they should be looking at the size of the heart of the community."

ABOVE: In the case of Connie and Michael Courtney, their story is closely linked to the museum. The rustic cabin they are standing in front of was actually built by Michael's great-grandfather around 1874. Now known as the Courtney Cabin, the building is one of 12 that now graces the Moore Museum site. A photo of Michael's great-grandmother, Elizabeth, hangs on the west wall of the building.



TOP RIGHT: Susan Shaw who, along with her husband, Scott, volunteered at the Moore Museum for 20 years before moving to London, watches the anniversary ceremony with her fascinated grandson, Miller.

RIGHT: Rev. Brock Saunders, who was present for the initial planning of the museum and was a member of the 1975 Moore Museum Board, recounts memories of the early days of the facility and of some of the first artifact donations made to it.

Left: Museum organist, volunteer, and steam engine enthusiast Jeff Searson and Ron McLean of Wallaceburg treated visitors to the Trinity Chapel with a stirring version of *Amazing Grace*. The instrument is a vintage Doherty Organ made in Clinton, Ontario. *Photos by Bonnie Stevenson*



VOLUNTEERS are always welcome at the Moore Museum, 519-867-2020, and Sombra Museum, 519-892-3982 (seasonal). A lot of opportunities are available, from helping with major projects to staffing the special events that take place. Call to find out how you can help and make new friends, too.

NEW BOOK! *Farm Stories, Volume Two* now at Sombra Museum

The second volume of *Farm Stories* is now available at the Sombra Museum.

The book is compiled and issued by the Sombra Historical Society.

MORE HERITAGE CORNER



Anniversary open house is a reason to celebrate

The heritage of St. Clair Township is being preserved for future generations thanks to the efforts of the municipality's two great museums. Mayor Steve Arnold commended the ongoing efforts of the Moore Museum's staff and volunteers during the facility's 40th anniversary celebration on June 14.

The occasion was marked with heritage demonstrations throughout the site as well as free hot dogs and anniversary cake. In spite of less-than-perfect weather, the event drew an impressive crowd.

Sombra Museum is All Dolled Up with a doll exhibit this summer!

The joys of childhood come alive as the Sombra Museum presents its new exhibition, *All Dolled Up: Downtown*. This collection of 184 dolls was recently donated to the museum from the collection of the late Marlene Robbell, who was a collector of composite dolls dated from 1913 - 1950. Marlene and her husband, Bob, spent hours painstakingly restoring many of these dolls to their original condition.

A *Composite Doll* is a doll made partially or

wholly out of **composition**, a material composed of sawdust, glue, and other materials such as cornstarch, resin, and wood flour. The first composite dolls were made in the 19th century. Some of the well-known dolls in the collection are the Mamma dolls, the Dionne Quintuplets, Kewpie, Marilyn Monroe, and Shirley Temple.

This remarkable exhibit will be unveiled on Sunday, Aug. 2 during the annual Blueberry Social and Concert On The Porch event from 1 - 4 p.m.

Sarnia-Lambton's Federal election candidates ready to do battle

Four candidates have been chosen and are ready to vie for the important job of MP for the riding of Sarnia-Lambton.

Conservative candidate Marilyn Gladhu views the creation of jobs as an important component of her platform; specifically, she hopes to make employment conditions better locally so that young people will not have to leave the area to find jobs. The needs of the aging population will also be on her priority list. Ms. Gladhu, a professional engineer, is a former riding association president and is currently a business director at WorleyParsons.

Liberal candidate David McPhail believes it is important to restore the vibrancy of the manufacturing sector in southwestern Ontario using the region's skilled labour force. Mr. McPhail is a retired teacher and principal, as well as past-president of the Ontario Public School Principals' Association and Chair of the St. Clair Child and Youth and the Sarnia-

Lambton Chamber of Commerce. The experience he has gleaned from these various positions is an asset he feels he can use to serve the community as MP.

NDP candidate Jason McMichael intends to go door-to-door to listen to the concerns of Sarnia-Lambton constituents to find out what issues are on the mind of the public. Mr. McMichael is a Canada Customs officer and has been the national vice-president of the Customs and Immigration Union for the past six years.

Green Party candidate Peter Smith believes that there must be a substantial change in the way the government operates in matters such as job creation and the economy. Mr. Smith is a retired professional engineer with a serious interest in the subject of climate change and global warming. He worked in Chemical Valley at Polysar and TransAlta during his career.

OPP Retired Member Appreciation Day held in Corunna



Every year around June 6, several OPP detachments host a special day for their OPP veterans in order to celebrate their achievements and contributions to the OPP. OPP officials feel veteran officers are a crucial part of our police service and play a vital role in its history. In order to show appreciation, local members of the Lambton OPP detachment host a social gathering for retired police officers featuring light refreshments and a look at some of the operations involved in today's policing. This group of happily-at-leisure retired lawmen includes, from left: Tom McKenna; Garnet Matthews; Phil Bezaire; Paul Philips; Don Fraser; John Flesher; James Demars; Tom Randall; Charles Nagge; Gordon Miller; Bob Bossence; Jack Stirling; Ralph Finkbeiner; and current Lambton OPP Inspector Scott Janssens.

Photo submitted

Mosaic Lambton Project will honour Canada's 150th birthday in 2017

St. Clair Township has a tremendously creative population and the upcoming anniversary of our country will now provide an opportunity for these talented residents to shine.

The Lambton Mosaic Project (LMP) is now underway in Lambton County. A six-member Need To Read committee, established through Organization For Literacy In Lambton, has developed this as a Confederation project to honour Canada's upcoming 150th anniversary on July 1, 2017.

All residents of the 14 communities within Lambton County (11 Municipalities and 3 First Nations Communities) will be encouraged to participate in this project. The objective will be to create a mosaic map of Lambton County.

The map will show all of the Municipalities and Communities. It will display creations of artistic and literary contributions showing what people love best about their local communities in a creative form that is most comfortable for them; drawings, paintings, photos, poems, crafts, and short stories will be among the creations will be included.

It is hoped that the project will inspire and motivate people to better

integrate, communicate, and promote cultural arts, literary arts, and education. The mosaic will offer contributors exposure for their completed works, which will be showcased on a special Website.

An unveiling event will be held in 2017 to display the Lambton Mosaic Project, recognizing the community partners and contributors, while at the same time, honouring the 150th anniversary of Confederation.

The Organization For Literacy In Lambton has been awarded a 2014 grant from the Lambton County Creative Fund (LCCF) to get the project underway and will be seeking further funding from future LCCF intakes, along with requests for funding from its community partners, to sustain the entire project through to completion. This project is sponsored by: Organization For Literacy In Lambton, the Creative County Fund, Sarnia-Lambton Workforce Development Board, Rotary Club of Sarnia, Tourism Sarnia-Lambton, Margaret Bird.

Contributors must use their talents to demonstrate what inspires them most about their community. The project is open to all age groups and submissions to the project will be accepted until March 31, 2016. For more information, go online to: www.Lambtonmosaic.com

New Executive chosen to lead Royal Canadian Legion Branch 447, Corunna



Meet the new Executive for the Royal Canadian Legion, Leslie Sutherland Branch 447, Corunna. This group of enthusiastic Legion members includes: Front row, left - Treasurer Jon Neely; President Dan Watson; 1st VP John Cormier; 2nd VP Marg Emery; Immediate Past President Malcolm Boczek. Second row, left - Service Officer Gerry Den Hartogh; Florence Winger, Lottery Licensing; Jim Mitchell, Membership, Chair; Judy McKechnie, Hall Convenor; Sgt.-At-Arms Doug Heath; Executive Member Lyn Boczek; Executive Member Bob Churchill. Missing from photo: Poppy Chair Robert Chambers; Youth Education Chair Marion Maki; Padre Rev. Paul Wooley.

Photo submitted

Third Journey of Hope benefits fight against Childhood Leukemia

In spite of a badly injured right leg, Port Lambton resident Don Wells is determined to continue with and complete his third Journey For Hope fundraiser.

Mr. Wells was due to make a 160 km. journey on foot to raise money to benefit the fight against childhood leukemia. He was forced to change his strategy after tearing leg muscles and dislocating a knee cap during a household fall.

At the time of The Beacon's publication, the modified journey was scheduled to take him through Walpole Island, Wallaceburg, Dresden, Chatham, and Windsor where the journey will terminate at the Windsor Tunnel on June 22, his 66th birthday. He will be traveling by car alongside volunteers who have offered to walk in his place.

The goal of this year's journey was to raise \$7,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society.

During the first two Journeys, Mr. Wells raised over \$5,000 to benefit the fight against prostate and breast cancer, and several thousand to benefit an Owen Sound soup kitchen and homeless shelter. Donations can still be made through TD Canada Trust Branch 3792 or the Canadian Cancer Society.

Corunna OPP officer retires from force



A familiar face at the Corunna OPP office is Sgt. John Flesher, who recently retired from the force. In 1985, Sgt. Flesher and three other officers were tasked with the assignment of putting together a policing committee for the Corunna area. In 1990, the Corunna Community Policing Committee (CCPC) was born. As a show of gratitude for his efforts, the CCPC recently presented him with a leather motorcycle jacket. Above: Presenting the retirement gift to Sgt. Flesher, middle, are CCPC Chair Shaun Antle, left, and OPP Cst. P.J. Primeau.

Photo submitted

Take the road to better health with the Rapids Family Health Team

August 2015 Program Schedule

Most monthly health and wellness sessions normally slated for the Rapids Family Health Team clinic located in the Shell Health Centre, 233 Cameron Street, in Corunna will not take place this month due to continuing renovation activity at the facility. Please watch this column for information regarding future sessions.

The following sessions will be held at facilities as noted. There is no charge for participation but space is limited so registration is required. Call 519-813-9800 or go online to: www.rapidsfhteam.ca

Healthy Kids Camp

The Rapids Family Health Team, Optimist Club of Moore, and the Township of St. Clair will once again offer the FREE Healthy Kids Camp at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Corunna from Monday, July 27 through Friday, July 31 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Children will enjoy this interactive camp, preparing and eating delicious and nutritious meals. To register by email, contact: ndeivin@rapidsfhteam.ca For more information regarding the Rapids Family Health Team, call 519-339-8949 or go online to: www.rapidsfhteam.ca

~Temporary lab relocation required~

The laboratory at the 233 Cameron Street facility is currently temporarily relocated to Thompson Gardens at 198 Beckwith Street in Corunna while extensive internal renovations are made to the Cameron Street facility. The lab will operate Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The renovations are possible thanks to a generous donation from Pembina.

Lab open weekdays

The lab at the Shell Health Centre has been temporarily relocated to Thompson Gardens until late June. It is open on week days from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for all residents of St. Clair Township.

Wellings of Corunna seniors development now underway

By Bonnie Stevenson

The Wellings of Corunna seniors development was officially started with a sod-turning ceremony on June 16. Representatives of the developer, Nautical Lands Group, joined township council on the site of the new development adjacent to the No Frills grocery store south of Corunna.

Phase one of the new development will involve the construction of a four-storey, 132 unit building containing one- and two-bedroom apartment-style suites. It will be the second of a new breed of seniors apartment complex that features elegant elements such as a spacious ground floor to roof atrium. Kevin Pidgeon, COO of Nautical Lands Group, says the atrium is bound to be a much-appreciated feature of the building. "The atrium gives residents summer in the winter," he said. The apartment hallways surrounding the atrium will have an unimpeded view of centre indoor courtyard. Also of note is the use of Marquise hospitality, which offers healthy meals in an elegant atmosphere.

Phase one will cost approximately \$27 million and there may be up to three phases included in the Wellings complex in the future. The second would see the construction of 15 one-storey buildings, each containing four bungalow units.

Noting that today's seniors demand a rethinking of the traditional seniors accommodations, Kirk Hoppner, President and CEO of Nautical Lands Group, says, "For 22 years, we've been building traditional seniors residences but seniors won't put up with that any more." He noted that the Corunna area is an ideal place for the new facility. "We like the market here," he said. "It's a pretty impressive area." Further, Mr. Hoppner emphasised that the company sources its construction work force locally. "We like to use all the local trades," he said.

The timeline for the completion of phase one is about 18 months according to Mr. Hoppner. "In 18 months, we look forward to our first residents moving in," he said.

The modern paradigm shift in senior living is a trend that Mr. Hoppner says has worked well in Prince Edward County where the first Wellings development is located. He noted that offering this new alter-



On hand for the sod-turning, from left: Deputy Mayor Peter Gilliland; Nautical Lands Group (NLG) COO Kevin Pidgeon, NLG Director of Development Peter Gregor; NLG President/CEO Kirk Hoppner; Fire Chief Walt Anderson; Mayor Steve Arnold; Deputy Fire Chief Steve Bicum; Councillors Tracy Kingston; Jim DeGurse; Darrell Randell; St. Clair Township CAO John Rodey; and Councillor Steve Miller.

Photo by Bonnie Stevenson

native will give seniors the amenities they are looking for, keeping them in their own community.

During his opening remarks, Mayor Steve Arnold welcomed the project as a positive component of the municipality that has been needed for some time. "We appreciate your interest in coming here," he said. "We look forward to a long relationship with your company."

Energize your Summer at the Mooretown Sports Complex

Community Service Website

Check out our new Website at:
www.stclairtownshipcommunityservices.ca

We're still perfecting the site, but we're ready to give you the latest information on the wide variety of programs and activities offered at the Mooretown Sports Complex and at our campgrounds.

Summer Day Camp - ages five through 12

Treat your young student to a summer of fun at the Mooretown Sports Complex. Crafts and activities of all kinds will fill their days with laughter and socialization with new friends. The camp began June 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will continue until Sept. 4. Early drop-off and late pick-up are available.

Fees are \$27 per day, \$110 per week, or \$861 for the entire summer. Family rates are available.

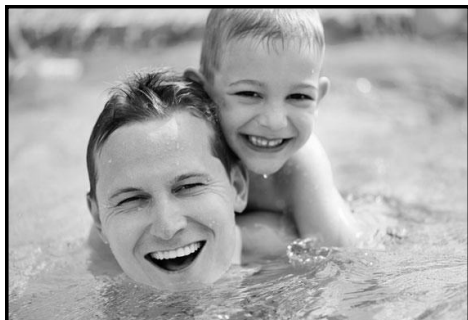
Summer Sports Camps - (Minimum age seven)

Young sports enthusiasts will enjoy honing their skills at summer sports camp. The day camps run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily with early drop-off and late pick-up available.

Fees will be \$110 per week per child. **Camps include:** Golf - July 6 - 10; 20 - 24; Aug. 10 - 14. **Sports Combo** - July 13 - 17; July 27 - 31; Aug. 17 - 21. **Track and Field** - Aug. 4 - 8.

Tim Horton's sponsored free swims

Tim Horton's Café and Bake Shop will sponsor free swims every Friday throughout the summer from July 3 to Aug. 28 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Reminder:



Any children unable to comfortably swim two widths of the Mooretown Sports Complex pool, all children under seven years of age, or under

48 inches tall, and non/weak swimmers, must be directly supervised in the water by an adult (maximum two children per adult).

Fitness Centre

The fitness centre features a 10-visit pass for \$45. Call now for information about spin and fitness class times.

Summer swim lessons

Daytime classes (four sessions) will take place as follows: June 29-July 10; July 13-24; July 27-Aug. 7; Aug. 10-21 at a cost of \$48 per child.

Evening group lessons will begin on July 8 and will continue once per week through the summer at a cost of \$38.40. **Private lessons** are available during any of the four summer sessions or on Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday evenings.

Summer water aerobics/therapy & adult swims

Shallow water aerobics will be held Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Deep water aerobics are planned for Mondays and Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Adult swims will be offered Monday to Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and noon to 1 p.m., and on Monday to Thursday from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Arena floor rentals/summer ice

Arena floor rentals can be booked for lacrosse, ball hockey or special events. The cost is \$55 per hour for adult use and \$45 per hour for Minor use. Special event rates are available.

August summer ice rentals: Prime time - Monday to Friday after 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday - \$130 per hour. Non prime time - Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. - \$100 per hour.

St. Clair Township Parks

If you're looking for a lovely spot to hold your wedding, family reunion, or special event, why not book a spot in one of our scenic parks? It's as easy as calling 519-867-2651.

Book your campground site now

Don't wait until all of our great campground sites are booked. There are still openings at our Mooretown, Cathcart, and Branton Cundick parks. Here is the contact information for these three campgrounds: Mooretown - 519-867-2951; Cathcart - 519-892-3342; and Branton Cundick - 519-892-3968. Summer doesn't last very long so book your piece of paradise now.

For more information about these programs or to register for a program listed above, call the Mooretown Sports Complex at 519-867-2651.

St. Clair Parkway Golf Course information

For the latest information about
St. Clair Parkway Golf Course, go online
to: www.stclairparkwaygolf.com
or call: 519-867-2160.



Local Ontario Early Years Locations

The OEYC Sarnia-Lambton is a free family drop-in program operated by Sombra Township Child Care Inc. for families with children ages 0 to 6.

Best Start Hub - Riverview Central School

3926 St. Clair Parkway, Port Lambton
519-892-3151

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday: 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Best Start Hub - St. Joseph's School, Corunna

535 Birchbank Drive, Corunna

519-862-5071, ext. 224

Hours of Operation: Monday: 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. & 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Friday: 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Brigden United Church, 2420 Jane Street, Brigden
519-892-3151

Hours of Operation: Friday: 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

For a complete listing of hours and parent/caregiver workshops, go online to: www.ontarioearlyyears.ca.

News items from Lambton County

West Nile watch in progress

Lambton Public Health has started its annual Dead Bird Surveillance and on June 12, the first dead crow to test positive for West Nile virus in 2015 was discovered in Sarnia's north end. West Nile virus is spread through the bite of infected mosquitos.

The majority of people infected with West Nile virus do not become sick and those who do usually experience mild flu-like symptoms such as fever, headache, skin rash, or muscle aches. Less than one per cent of people infected with the virus become seriously ill.

Property owners are urged to keep breeding areas such as stagnant water puddles and eaves troughs drained, and bird bath water changed frequently. To avoid being bitten, wear protective, light-coloured clothing, use repellants containing DEET, avoid areas with high mosquito populations, and take extra precautions between dusk and dawn.

The public is encouraged to report the sighting of all dead birds to Lambton Public Health by calling 519-383-3824, toll free at 1-800-667-1839, ext. 3824, or online at www.lambtonhealth.on.ca. Dead adult crows and blue jays may be considered for testing if they have been dead for less than 24 hours.

Hoopla offers entertainment

A new site called *hoopla* is now available through the Lambton County Library. The site gives library members access to thousands of movies and television shows, as well as music. You can borrow up to seven items each month. Loan periods are three days for movies and seven days for music. The borrowed content can be accessed without limit during the checkout period.

To register for this service, you must have a valid Lambton County Library membership card and a PIN number. Go to your local library branch to register, to renew your membership, or to get a PIN number.

The site can be accessed on an Android device running version 4.x of the OS or higher. It is compatible with Apple devices running iOS version 7.1 or higher. On a PC or Mac, Explorer 10, Chrome 39, Firefox 32 and Safari 7 or newer is required.

Beach sampling now in progress

Lambton Public Health is now testing area beaches for signs of high bacterial levels. Beaches

that are found to be unsafe will be posted with warning signs.

The public is warned to avoid swimming at area beaches following a heavy rainstorm because the water may be temporarily polluted for up to 48 hours. If the water has become cloudy due to wave activity, bacteria from the bottom may become suspended and increase the risk of illness.

Beach water quality information is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by calling the Beach Water Quality Information Line at 519-383-3816, toll-free at 1-800-667-1839, ext. 3816, or visit www.lambtonhealth.on.ca

Educational Gale Courses now available online

Hundreds of free instructor-led courses are now available online to Lambton County Library card holders. Gale Courses offer well-crafted lessons, expert instruction, and interaction with fellow students. The free courses range from health and wellness to creative writing, computer programming, business and management, sales and marketing, and more. Courses run for six weeks with two new lessons released each week. New sessions begin each

month. For more information about the catalogue of courses offered, or to enroll in a course, go online to: www.lclibrary.ca and click on "eLibrary".

Text with 9-1-1 made available to local residents

St. Clair Township residents who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired now have an alternative method of communicating with 9-1-1 operators.

Text with 9-1-1 (T9-1-1) was slated to be available across Lambton County beginning on April 15. Cell phone users whose phones have the capability to send and receive text messages, and are compatible with the T9-1-1 program, must register for the service on their cell phone provider's Website.

In general, text messages sent to the digits 9-1-1 do not reach emergency services. Users registered with the T9-1-1 program can verify their service through their respective cell phone providers.

The T9-1-1 program is offered to all Lambton County residents courtesy of the County of Lambton and Sarnia Police Services. For more information about T9-1-1, go online to: www.textwith911.ca



Corunna Community Policing Committee seeks public input

Do you have something constructive to contribute regarding the way the Corunna area is policed?

The Corunna Community Policing Committee (CCPC) is currently seeking input from community residents regarding improvements and issues they would like to see addressed. What safety issues are you concerned about?

What areas of the community require better lighting, better signage, or increased police presence? What positive contribution can YOU make to the way law enforcement is carried out in YOUR community? The public is invited to contact the CCPC with suggestions and concerns. Visit the Website at: www.corunnapolicing.ca or find the CCPC on Facebook.

Community Contact

Two river trail fundraising bottle bins now benefit other community causes

Please note that two of the St. Clair River Trail Committee's bottle bins have been turned over to other organizations so that they can reap the benefits of these collection sites. The bottle bin at the Shaykin' Bait in Port Lambton will now benefit the Brander Park Splash Pad and the bin at the Pic 'N Pay in Sombra will benefit the Sombra Athletic and Recreation organization.

Support for trail upkeep encouraged

Funds raised through the *Pennies for Pavement* program continue to help keep the St. Clair River Trail well-maintained and ready to accommodate those who enjoy the healthful benefits of walking, cycling, and in-line skating along the scenic St. Clair River. You can support the program simply by dropping off your spare change at the following locations: Shaykin Bait Variety or the Canada Post office in Port Lambton or the Pic-N-Pay in Sombra Village. Every penny will be matched 2:1 by St. Clair Township Council.

And don't forget that bricks, benches, and blocks can still be ordered to commemorate a special occasion or to provide a lasting memorial to departed loved ones. To place an order, contact Laura at 519-862-2442 (north end of trail) or Janis at 519-892-3223 (south end of trail). You can also visit the trail Website at: stclairrivertrail.com

Brigden Fair offers volunteer opportunities for students

Students who will need volunteer hours to obtain their diplomas in the coming school year can find what they need by working at the Brigden fairgrounds. Volunteer opportunities are available in Brigden all year long, so call the Brigden Fairgrounds Fair Office at 519-864-1197 for more information.

Mosaic Lambton project Promotes literacy

Celebrate Canada's 150th Anniversary in 2017 with your creativity. *Need To Read* presents *Mosaic Lambton Project* is asking Lambtonians what inspires them most about their community. Submit poetry, short stories, art, photographs, music lyrics, video clips, or anything of a creative nature that tells a story. The project is open to all age groups and the creations will be part of a mosaic mounted on a County of Lambton map background. Submissions are now being accepted. For more information, call project coordinator Kathryn Evans at 519-332-4876 or email: MosaicLambton@gmail.com The Mosaic Lambton Project is a joint initiative of the following: the Organization for Literacy in Lambton; the Lambton County Library; the County of Lambton; Sarnia Lambton Workforce Development Board; the St. Clair Catholic District School Board; and the Lambton Kent District School Board.

Lambton County Junior Optimist Club seeks new members

New members ages 10 through 18 are being sought for the Lambton County Junior Optimist Club. Members volunteer in the community and fundraise to put on their own programs and to donate to other youth programs. The club develops great ideas and will hold events in the coming months. All hours spent volunteering can be used toward members' volunteer hours at school. The club meets the first Monday of every

month at 6 p.m. at the Courtright Community Centre. For more information, call Mary Lou at 519-862-3950.

TOPS group meets in Port Lambton

The Port Lambton TOPS weight loss group meets every Thursday night at the Port Lambton Community Hall. Weigh-in is from 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., with the meeting and fellowship held from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. This support group is a good way to help you meet your resolution to get healthy and achieve your weight goals. For more information, call Margaret Ann at 519-677-5665 or just come out on Thursday nights. Everyone is welcome.

Weight loss group TOPS Corunna meets weekly

TOPS Corunna is a non-profit weight-loss group that meets every Tuesday at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Colborne Street in Corunna. Weigh-in is 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. with a short meeting to follow. Drop in for the meeting or call 519-862-4119. All ages are welcome to attend.

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.

6th Annual St. Clair River Run coming

The 6th Annual St. Clair River Run will be held on Saturday, July 18. This certified race, presented by CF Industries, is a chip-timed 10 km run and a 5 km walk/run that follows the shoreline of the St. Clair River through the villages of Sombra and Port Lambton. All registered participants will receive a technical t-shirt and a finisher's medal. The children's Minnow Run will follow immediately.

Register at www.stclairriverrun.ca Register before July 1 and save \$5. All proceeds will go towards the maintenance of the scenic St. Clair River Trail.

For more information, call Rose at 519-677-5924.

Fundraiser sought for Children's Safety Village

An official fundraiser is being sought to help explore funding sources and opportunities toward the construction of the Lambton Children's Safety Village. Applicants should have: a working knowledge of Lambton County; computer experience; a driver's license and vehicle; and be well-organized and responsible.

Remuneration is negotiable.

If interested, please contact Mary Ann Buntrock, Chair, via email at web.mab@ebtech.net or mail: 1010 Kenwood Ave., Sarnia, Ont., N7V 3S2

Sports Disabled Lambton offers opportunities to play

Sports Disabled Lambton (SD Lambton) offers individuals with disabilities the opportunity to play sledge hockey, floor hockey, weight lifting, and bocce. Anyone interested in playing can register until August, 2015 and early registration is advised because spaces are limited. Pre-registration and an opportunity to try out a sport will be made available. If you have any questions about SD Lambton programs, registration or the organization, please email Joanne Somlai at jsomlai@cojeco.ca

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gion Corunna Branch 447 hall. The evening will feature scrumptious desserts, fellowship, and entertainment with proceeds raised going to the fight against Breast Cancer. Each table hostess invites friends to enjoy the evening, which includes a silent auction, a quilt raffle, and door prizes. For more information, call Patty at 519-862-5084, Juanita at 519-491-5911, or Val at 519-862-1935.

Connect with your community in *The Beacon*

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. Please double-check each submission for accuracy before sending.

Email: beacon@twp.stclair.on.ca

Moore Museum receives financial boost from RBC



The Corunna branch of the Royal Bank recently donated \$1,000 to the Moore Museum as part of the RBC Day of Service Grant program. Museum curator Laurie Mason says this donation is provided because of volunteer service provided by RBC employees. Six volunteers from the Corunna RBC branch spent the evening assisting with the Museum's reserve collection storage room project. These volunteers transferred artifacts between old and new storage areas, and created a large number of padded hangers for protective storage of the Museum's historic clothing collection.

Reserve collection storage areas are vital to a museum because they protect artifacts from light and handling. They also provide for variety in the items on display. Mrs. Mason says the Moore Museum sincerely appreciates the contribution of these funds from RBC, as well as the volunteer time and efforts of the RBC employees in our community.

Above: Moore Museum Curator Laurie Mason, standing top left, receives the donation from Corunna RBC employees, from left, Laurie, Kimberly, James, Aaron, Lacey, and Vicki at the volunteer evening.
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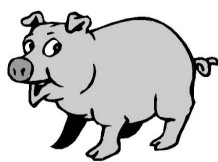
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Devin and printed by the Sombra Historical Society, will be on sale. The school, which can still be seen standing at the corner of French Line and Highway 40, was a one-room brick school house known as S.S. #15 Sombra. The building is 126 years old.

Summer Country Jamboree in Brigden

Come and dance the afternoon away at the August Country Jamboree at the Brigden Fairgrounds exhibition hall on Saturday, Aug. 15 beginning at 1 p.m. Doors open at noon and admission for the jamboree is just \$2. A cash bar will be available. When the jamboree is over, a ham and scalloped potato meal will be available at 5 p.m. Limited tickets for the meal will be sold at the door, so get there early. Whether you want to just listen and dance, or get up on stage and sing or play an instrument, you'll have a terrific time. For more information, go online to www.brigdenfair.ca or call the fair office at 519-864-1197.

Cook for the Cure pig roast planned



The 12th annual Cook for the Cure pig roast will be held on Saturday, Aug. 22 at the home of Bev and Guy Dion, 1256 Lambton Line (north of Wallaceburg on the Sydenham River). Doors open at 2 p.m. with dinner to be served at about 6 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person or two for \$25, and \$5 each for children ages three through 11. Only 250 tickets will be available and advanced purchase is preferred. They can be reserved by emailing: cbcfpigroast@hotmail.com or call/text 519-784-2220. The event will be held rain or shine, and a large tent will be onsite. BYOB and your own lawn chair. Picnic tables are available but fill up quickly. Rough camping (non-electric) will be available onsite. Please reserve your site in advance via email. All proceeds will go to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation. Over the past 11 years, this event has raised a total of \$21,188 for this worthy cause.

Moore Skate Club registration



The Moore Skate Club will hold registration for the 2015/2016 season for all skating programs including power skating on Saturday, Sept. 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Mooretown Sports Complex.

Kids Discover! Dinosaur and Fossils

Turn the clock back 200 million years and dig in to the *Age Of The Reptiles* display now on at the Lambton Heritage Museum, Hwy. 21 south of Grand Bend. Families can explore subjects like fossil classification and the process of fossilization through a variety of specimens, charts and written materials. This exhibit is on until Oct. 12. The museum is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday, and 11

a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday, and holidays. Admission is \$5 per adult, \$4 per student/senior, \$3 per child, and \$15 per family (two adults & two+ children under 18).

Lambton At War display at Heritage Museum

This exhibit, now on at the Lambton Heritage Museum until Nov. 11, explores the contributions of the men, women and children of Lambton County to various war efforts. It includes submissions of stories from residents across the county. For information about this and other programs/exhibits at the museum, go online to: www.lambtonmuseums.ca

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. Start your day with a good cup of coffee and some lively conversation.

Ongoing activities offered at Cruickshank Community Centre

Several ongoing activities take place at the Cruickshank Community Centre each week. These include: Euchre on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. costing \$3 per session which includes light refreshments; Scrabble on Fridays at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join the fun playing the game or games of their choice. In addition, the monthly Book Club sponsored by the Corunna library meets the first Monday of each month.

Courtright Friendship Club plays cards

The Courtright Friendship Club plays euchre every Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m. and Pepper every Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the hall located at 1533 Fourth Street in Courtright. Everyone is welcome to attend and try out their card skills.

Cribbage played at Corunna United Church

Cribbage is played every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Corunna United Church on Hill Street. Come out, test your skills, and enjoy a morning of fun.

Recovery support group meets weekly

Recovery International, a self-help group for those who struggle with mental health issues, meets on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at St. Luke's United Church in Sarnia. Issues that are covered include phobias, depression, anxiety, sleeplessness, and several others. For more information, contact Rita at 519-867-2932.

Mark you calendar...

Grand Dessert Gala in Corunna

Be sure to mark the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 7 on your calendar. You won't want to miss the popular annual Grand Dessert Gala at the Royal Canadian Le-

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Sombra Days on the way

Sombra Days are on the way the weekend of July 3-5. On Friday night, come out and dance, then enjoy co-ed ball, volleyball, and horseshoe tournaments throughout the weekend. The kids can enjoy inflatables, crafts, and bands. Of course, there will be lots of good food and refreshments available. To register for: baseball - contact Tony at 519-892-3965; volleyball - contact Ken at 519-892-6933; horseshoes - contact Jamie at 519-892-3908. Don't miss this popular annual community party!

Lambton County 4H Judging Night

The Lambton County 4H is holding its annual Judging Night on Wednesday, July 8 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. In honour of Ontario 4H's 100th Anniversary, we are seeking Lambton County 4H alumni to participate in a Masters Class and celebrate by bringing memorabilia of 4H from the past.

Model Train Time and Downriver Craft Sale coming to Moore Museum

Model train enthusiasts will be able to enjoy **Model Train Time** from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sundays, July 12 and Aug. 16. On these dates, visitors will have the opportunity for enhanced viewing of the Lionel model train displays. Volunteers will be on hand to discuss model railroading and all of the layouts will be running. Regular museum admission will apply. And capping off the summer season, the **Downriver Craft Sale** will be held on Sunday, Sept. 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This ever popular annual event will feature about 80 tables of homemade crafts and food booth will be on-site to fuel all of the energetic retail therapy our visitors will be engaging in. New craftspeople are welcome to participate and are invited to call the Moore Museum at 519-867-202 to be added to the mailing list. Admission will be \$2 per adult with children under age 13 admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

Lambton Sportsman's Club archery activities

The Lambton Sportsman's Club has set the following dates for **3-D archery shoots**: July 18; Aug. 18; and Sept. 19. Registration opens at 8 a.m. Cost is \$10 for non-members and \$5 for members. Children age 15 and younger are admitted free with a paid adult guardian. Lunch is available. Please wear suitable outdoor footwear and insect repellent is recommended. For more information, call Len at 519-344-7009 or Elsie at 519-867-3940.

Weekly Tuesday evening archery will continue until Sept. 19 subject to weather conditions. These are open to the public and first timers can try archery at no cost. There is no cost to club members, \$5 for non-members over age 15, and free for children under 15 who are accompanied by a paid adult guardian. For more information, call Len at 519-344-7009 or Elsie at

519-867-3940.

Lawn Concert at Sombra Museum

The popular annual Sombra Museum Lawn Concert will be held on Sunday, July 5 at 7 p.m., rain or shine. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy some fine musical entertainment.

Everest VBS kids' camp offered

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Corunna will offer *Everest VBS: Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power* kids' summer camp the week of July 6 to 10 from 8:45 a.m. to noon. The camp is open to children from Jr. K to Grade 6. They will enjoy memorable activities, sing catchy songs, play games, make and munch yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, and have fun with science-oriented gizmos they'll take home to play with all summer long. The children will also join in a local mission project to help support the food bank in Corunna. Registration is now underway. To reserve a place for your child, call 519-862-3641.

6th Annual St. Clair River Run

The 6th annual St. Clair River Run is slated for Saturday, July 18. The event will include a 10K, 5K Run/Walk, and Minnow Run for the kids. It is sponsored by CF Industries. See page 13. To register, go online to www.stclairriversrun.ca



Barbecue to benefit student nutrition program

The Southwest Regional Credit Union will host an outdoor barbecue on Friday, July 31 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at its Corunna branch location, 411 Lyndoch Street, Corunna. All proceeds from this event will benefit the St. Joseph Catholic School Student Nutrition Program.

Port Lambton Gala Days set

Port Lambton Gala Days will take place on Friday, July 31 through Sunday, Aug. 2 at McDonald Park. The event will feature athletic competitions, lots of activities and fun for kids, a licensed beer tent and lots more. Don't miss this popular annual event.

Blueberry Social/Music On The Porch set for Sombra Museum

The Sombra Museum will host a double treat this summer with its annual Blueberry Social and Music On The Porch events slated for the same afternoon, Sunday, Aug. 2 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is by donation at the door. The event will feature an art show by Velda Beggs and the unveiling of a new exhibit, *All Dolled Up: Downtown*. (See page 7 for more information.) All kinds of scrumptious blueberry desserts and beverages will be available to enjoy and a book, *Thornhurst School* by Margaret

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