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IT'S BRIGDEN FAIR TIME AGAIN!



The new Brigden Fair Ambassador, Eve Pettit, center front, with her court and outgoing ambassador Julia Lester, standing.

More on page 7.

The Brigden Fair has been a highlight of the Thanksgiving season for 168 years, and a lot has changed during that time. What hasn't changed is the way the fair brings the community together to celebrate and showcase all that is good about our community. The photo above left, taken in 1907, captures a moment in



A BIRDSEYE VIEW AT THE BRIGDEN ONT ANNUAL FALL FAIR

Photo courtesy
Moore Museum

time that shows us how much everything has evolved, from the "Sunday best" clothes the people are wearing to their mode of transportation. Come and find out what the fuss is all about. **More information on pages 8 and 9.**

Mail-in ballot a convenient way to vote

St. Clair Township residents will be able to vote for their next municipal council and school trustees in the privacy of their own home using mail-in ballots. **Anyone who does not receive their ballot by October 9 should call the township office at 519-867-2021.**

Residents are encouraged to fill out their personalized ballot according to the instructions on the top of the ballot, then place it in the secrecy envelope and seal it closed. Please ensure you sign the declaration but **DO NOT** enclose it inside your secrecy envelope. Once those two steps are complete, place **both** your separate signed declaration and sealed



secrecy envelope into the pre-paid return envelope, then seal that envelope. To return your ballot, drop it into the mail. You can also hand deliver the envelope to the St. Clair Township Civic Centre at 1155 Emily Street in Mooretown during regular business hours,

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (except holidays), until voting day, October 22, and up to 8:00 p.m. on that day.

Please keep in mind that any ballots arriving after October 22 will not be counted, so it is recommended that they be mailed back to the municipal office by October 17, 2018.



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MUNICIPAL NOTES

Municipal Election 2018

**Oct. 22, 2018 is
Municipal Election Day**

St. Clair Township ballots should be received by October 9. If you haven't received your ballot by then, contact the township office at 519-867-2021.

Are you registered to vote?

Residents are urged to confirm their voter information by using voterlookup.ca. If you do not have access to a computer, you can also call 1-866-296-6722 for information.

You are qualified to vote if: You are 18 years of age or older; a Canadian citizen; and either a resident of the municipality or a property owner or tenant or the spouse or same sex partner of an owner or tenant in the municipality during a specific time just before the election.

HAVE YOUR SAY.
LOG ON TODAY.

Voter
LookUp.ca

Registered candidates

Candidates registered for the 2018 Municipal Election in St. Clair Township are:

-Mayor-

Steve Arnold, Jeff Agar, Brian Everaert, Ed Linton.

-Deputy Mayor-

Peter Gilliland, Steve Miller.

-Ward 1 (former Moore Township) Councillor-

Tracy Kingston, Michelle Kelly-Maitland, Pat Brown, Neil Fulkerson, Jim DeGurse.

-Ward 2 (former Sombra Township) Councillor-

Rose Atkins, Bill Myers, Robin Donahue-Parsons.

-South Lambton East Kent Separate School Board Trustee-

Carol Ann Bryden, Patricia Ann Pook.

-Central Lambton Public School Board Trustee-

Greg Agar (Acclaimed July 30)

-Conseil Scolaire Viamonde Trustee

(French Public School Board)-

Pierre Lambert, Genevieve Smith.

-Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence Trustee

(French Separate School Board)-

Sylvie C. Chmielewski, Louis Guimond, Emilie Sylvain-Lindsay.

The final list of nominated candidates can also be found online at: stclairtownship.ca/municipal-election-2018/current-nominees-for-the-2018-

Council Meeting Schedule

St. Clair Township Council meetings will now take place once per month at 5:30 p.m. on the following dates: Tuesday, Oct. 9; Tuesday, Nov. 13; Monday, Dec. 10 (new council inauguration).

Anyone wishing to address council should call the municipal office at 519-867-2021 for further information.

Please note that these dates are accurate at press time but are subject to change.



ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP 2018 FINAL PROPERTY TAX TENTATIVE DUE DATE

The 2018 TENTATIVE Final Tax due date is
Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018

***Note: This date is tentative and may change**



Sewage Service Line Warranty Protection Mail-Out

The Township of St. Clair Council endorses the **Service Line Warranties of Canada Inc. (SLWC)**, an independent organization to offer the National Service Line Warranty Program to homeowners located in our municipality. The Service Line Warranty program offers **voluntary** warranty protection at an affordable price for sewage lines in the event of a failure. This **new optional** warranty service mail-out began the first week of August, 2018. Homeowners should have received a letter in the mail from SLWC.

The SLWC Warranty Program offers protection against normal wear and tear, which is not covered under most traditional homeowners' policies. If lines break, leak or clog - SLWC will repair the line using local, licensed contractors who are familiar with local code and can ensure a timely response. This sewage program provides up to \$8,000 in coverage per incident. Additionally, the program has no annual or lifetime limits, service fees or deductibles - just protection when you need it most. SLWC provides first-class customer service with a 24/7 repair line and the use of licensed and thoroughly researched local contractors - keeping dollars in the local economy. Pay a monthly price of \$5.75 or \$64.00 annual (plus applicable sales tax).

To enroll call SLWC at 1-866-616-8444 and a live operator will be available to help, or visit www.slwofc.ca

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Works Dept. Notices

Contact Information

Public Works/Roads.....519-867-2993
 Water.....519-867-2128
 Engineering.....519-867-2125
 Fax.....519-867-3886
 Email.....publicworks@twp.stclair.on.ca
 Civic Centre, 1155 Emily Street, Mooretown



HYDRANT FLUSHING

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

7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 Fall 2018

For current areas affected refer to stclairtownship.ca

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 Department.



SEWER MAIN FLUSHING

Public Works will be flushing sewer mains connected to the St. Clair Township sewer system during the hours of

7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 Fall 2018

For current areas affected refer to stclairtownship.ca

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 Department.

Call before you dig!

Ontario One Call could save you money and save your life.

If you're planning to dig anywhere on your property this fall, all it will take is one simple call to make sure the buried pipes and cable under the surface will not be damaged or severed. Cutting a power cable or gas line can be a dangerous thing for you or whoever is doing the work, and any infrastructure that is damaged could prove costly for you.

Call Ontario One Call at 1-800-400-2255.

Water utility appointments require 48 hours notification

St. Clair Township By-Law 41 of 2017 user fees requires that property owners provide at least 48 hours in advance before scheduling appointments with the Public Works department to avoid service fees.

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Streetlight replacement Corunna Downtown

September 2018 - October 2018

Streetlights along Lyndoch Street between Cameron St and Beckwith Street will be replaced. During these installations, 5 or 6 streetlights will be out at a time for 1-2 days.

During this replacement procedure, if you have any questions or concerns please contact Public Works @ 519-867-2125.

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Changes to recycling collection

Attention: St Clair Township residents
 January 1, 2019

Beginning January 1, 2019, recycling will only be collected in blue recycling boxes. **Clear or blue bags will no longer be accepted.**

Blue boxes are available to purchase at the Civic Centre Public Works Department and will be sold at a **reduced price** of \$5.75 starting September 1, 2018 until January 1, 2020.

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Crossing guards - St. Clair Township

The Township of St. Clair requires a fill-in crossing guard to assist school children crossing in Brigden. The work involves one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon on school days. The current compensation is \$30.55 per day. This position will be on a "call in" basis and hours will vary widely depending on need. Please send applications to publicworks@twp.stclair.on.ca or in person at the Civic Centre.

Be a
Better Recycler
 with the
Recycle Coach™ app

You get:

- A personalized collection schedule
- Custom pick-up reminders
- A 'What Goes Where?' search tool
- And more!



Search "Recycle Coach"



Electric vehicle charging stations now available throughout county

Each year, fully electric vehicles are becoming increasingly popular offerings from almost every car manufacturer. But until now, the usefulness of these vehicles was limited to short haul excursions due to the scarcity of recharging stations. A new Lambton County initiative has seen the installation of 13 new publicly-available charging stations at locations throughout the county.

Lambton County Warden Bill Weber says the county is in the process of increasing the availability of these stations as a way of encouraging the use of these 'green' powered vehicles. "These charging stations represent an opportunity for our community to generate a positive impact on local greenhouse gas emissions," he said. "This series of installations also substantially expands the local network of charging stations available to electric vehicle drivers in Lambton."

The stations were partially funded to the tune of \$104,000 by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation. They operate on the FLO network, a Canada-wide charging station network with over 2,000 charging stations. A media release issued by Lambton County says payment at the charging stations is easiest by using an FLO payment card, which links to a user's credit card.

More information about the stations in Lambton County and the FLO network can be found at

LambtonOnline.ca under the heading "Residents", click on "Electric vehicle charging stations".

County of Lambton County charging stations can now be found at these county facilities: **Oil City** - Oil City Public Works depot - 1; **Lambton Shores** - Lambton Heritage Museum - 1 and North Lambton Lodge - 2; **Oil Springs** - Oil Museum of Canada; **Petrolia** - Lambton Meadowview Villa - 2 and Petrolia Public Works depot - 1; **Plympton-Wyoming** - Lambton County Administration building - 2; **Point Edward** - Lambton Public Health building - 2; **Sarnia** - Marshall Gowland Manor - 1 (installation pending).

St. Clair Township has yet to host a charging station, but Mayor Arnold says they will be coming as part of the county's future installation projects. "Unfortunately, St. Clair Township did not receive any (stations) during this initial round of installations, but as additional funding becomes available, the township will become part of this county-wide network," he said. "Transportation is changing and we want to be a proactive part of the change."

He noted the township currently has two charging stations for electric scooters; one at the Mooretown Sports Complex and one at the civic square in Corunna.

Oversized load corridor to benefit area economy

Recent funding of \$1.2 million has been received by Lambton County to help pay for the new oversized load corridor (OLC) that is currently under construction. The corridor is a designated protected route along existing highways that connects local industrial fabricators to Sarnia harbour. This will allow the unimpeded export and shipment of oversized products to and from fabricators and Sarnia-Lambton's industrial base.

In a presentation recently made to Ontario Minister of Infrastructure Monte McNaughton, local representatives from Lambton County, St. Clair Township, Sarnia, the Sarnia-Lambton Industrial Alliance, and Sarnia-Lambton Economic Partnership listed the corridor's benefits to the community to include: improved competitiveness of local fabricators and large industry by reducing shipping costs, creating new jobs, and increasing the potential for the export of valuable locally manufactured vessels, reactors, and equipment modules.

The minister was told Sarnia-Lambton fabrication shops will be able to accommodate the needs of Alberta, the east coast, U.S. gulf coast, and international markets, amounting to billions of dollars in fabrication contracts over the next 25 years. Highly skilled labour will be required to

achieve these fabrication projects and Sarnia-Lambton facilities are well-established and will be able to support the manufacture of these products.

St. Clair Township Mayor Steve Arnold, who was part of the delegation to meet with Minister McNaughton, says, "It will be good for the township and I have supported the concept with the Minister of Infrastructure and the PA for the premier's office. Both the Lambton County Council and St. Clair Township Council have pledged financial support for the project. It is meant to provide jobs for this township in the industrial park as well as in the Brigden area." Mayor Arnold added the corridor project has been in development for about six years.

An oversized load reaches the construction site.



Final hazardous household waste disposal opportunity

The final household hazardous waste disposal opportunity is being offered for this year in a partnership between Lambton County and Clean Harbors Canada Ltd. There will be no charge for this service.

The final collection will be held on Saturday, October 27.

Materials accepted include: batteries, drain and oven cleaners, pesticides, rat poison, pharmaceuticals, cleaning fluids, pool chemicals, ammonia, bleach, aerosols, gasoline, paints, barbecue starter, oil, solvents,

and propane cylinders.

Materials not accepted include: PCBs, commercial, infectious, radioactive, tires, explosives/ammunitions including flares.

Please note, commercially generated hazardous waste and containers larger than 20 litres or weighing more than 25 kg (55 lb) will NOT be accepted. For more information, call the Household hazardous waste phone line at 519-845-0809, option 6.

HERITAGE CORNER

Brigden Fair parking lot has changed a lot since 1911



The mode of transportation for getting to the Brigden Fair, or anywhere for that matter, has changed radically since this photograph was taken in 1911. This field filled with horse-drawn carriages has morphed into a field filled with metal carriages and man-made horsepower.

Photo courtesy of the Moore Museum archives



Sun shines on the Downriver Craft Sale

A sunny, warm Sunday provided perfect conditions for the record-breaking number of shoppers who flocked to this year's annual Downriver Craft Sale on Sept. 16.

An expanded new vendor layout gave shoppers wide berth to check out the impressive variety of hand made and unique goods on offer.

Moore Museum curator Laurie Mason says, "We had the largest craft sale crowd in over two decades."

She noted there were 1,770 paid adult admissions plus children, bringing the total attendance to well over 2,000.

"We want to thank all of the attendees, crafters, vendors and our volunteers for their support of this museum fundraiser," said Laurie.

Laurie Mason photo

Ghost towns of St. Clair Township - Duthill

The pre-amalgamation municipalities of Moore and Sombra Township once boasted many small communities spread out across the land. Some were merely crossroads and others, such as Becher, still exist in some form, and others are marked by the skeletal remains of old buildings.

But their names live on. In Sombra, the names Avonry, Bickford, Henry's Corner and Charlemont still linger in the memories of our older residents, just as Moore residents recall Ladysmith, Kimball, Cromar, and Sykeston. They were all an important part of the development and history of the municipality we now call St. Clair Township.

One of these important communities was Duthill at the intersection of Holt Line and Duthill Sideroad. First settled in 1840, Duthill boasted a strong Scottish and Presbyterian presence, so

it's no surprise the name Duthill paid tribute to a parish in Invernesshire, Scotland

The first settler was James Reid, although the Grant and Tulloch families were also early settlers and still have descendants living in the area. As it grew, Duthill had a post office, a school, a United Church, a cemetery, and a ferry that spanned the Sydenham.

Of special interest to those who traveled the roads near Duthill was an old elm tree that stood in the middle of the intersection. It became a popular fixture of downtown Duthill. It was also an important survey point and reference point in the township. The 18 metre tall, two metre wide tree survived until 1951 when it was deemed a traffic hazard and cut down.

~With files from the late and much missed Allan Anderson

Brigden Fair Ambassador 2018/2019 crowned

By Bonnie Stevenson

The new Brigden Fair ambassador for 2018/2019 is 17-year-old Eve Pettit, from McCullum Line in the Wilkesport area.

Having grown up on a mixed farm, Eve's interest in agriculture is understandable, but she has also cultivated a diverse range of interests from soccer and swimming, to music, drawing and reading. She also has her NLS lifeguard certification.

She is deeply involved with 4-H Club, having completed about 20 4-H Clubs, both life skills and livestock. Her community and school involvement include performing with the LCCVI Jazz Attack, and several sports, and she is a volunteer for the Moore Agricultural Society. Eve will be a Grade 12 student at LCCVI this fall, and she is looking forward to a high tech future. "I want to find a good university for engineering," she said, adding her objective is to study a cutting-edge field like mechatronics, robotics or electronics. "I think it would be really cool to work with robotics in the medical field," she said. But for now, she is completing her SHSM in agriculture to complement her rural roots.

Going into the competition, Eve says she was hopeful but not too sure of herself. "Winning was surreal," she said. "I wanted to (win) but I was worried about my speech... I knew my interview was good."

The next year holds a lot of exciting times for Eve, but it sounds like the challenge will be well met. "I'm going to enjoy the opportunity to represent the fair and the community I live in," she said.

Eve Pettit



Christmas hamper programs plan to deliver holiday smiles



The Christmas elves in St. Clair Township are getting ready to put smiles on the faces of the community's less fortunate families.

In Ward 1 (former Moore), Operation Christmas Tree (OCT), coordinated by the Optimist Club of Moore, will kick off its efforts with a annual Poor Boy lunch at the Corunna Legion hall on Thursday, Nov. 15 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This event is supported by the Corunna Br. 447 Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

The OPP Drive through drop-off event is slated for Saturday, Dec. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Corunna OPP parking lot at the corner of Lyndoch and Hill Streets. New unwrapped toys, non-perishable food, or monetary donations will be much appreciated.

The OCT headquarters will once again be located in the St. Clair Township Emergency Services Building at the corner of Lyndoch and Hill Streets. All donations of non-perishable food, new unwrapped toys, and cash will be gratefully received. Donations will be accepted weekdays during business hours.

OCT work is a perfect place for teens to get community service points and help is always needed to sort and pack the Christmas

hampers.

Applications to receive a hamper will be accepted at the St. Vincent de Paul shop in Corunna from Monday, Nov. 12 to Saturday, Nov. 17 and Monday, Nov. 19 to Saturday, Nov. 24 between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, call Lorne at 519-862-1978.

In Ward 2 (former Sombra) the Sacred Heart food bank has its own Christmas program.

Charity Night will be held Saturday, Nov. 3 at the Sacred Heart Church hall at 7 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. and an auction to follow.

The Sacred Heart food bank fall meeting is set for the Sacred Heart Church hall on Sunday, Nov. 4 at noon. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Cookie Walk is set for Saturday, Nov. 17 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Port Lambton Community Hall.

The door-to-door can drive is slated for Sunday, Nov. 25. Volunteers will meet at 1 p.m. at St. James Anglican Church. **Volunteers are needed.**

Fowl bingo will be played at the Sombra Community Hall on Monday, Dec. 3 at 7 p.m.

The Christmas hampers will be ready for pickup on Saturday, Dec. 15.

Cinderella Story program ending

The Board of the Cinderella Story is so thankful to each and every one of our supporters who have given their time in the past. Many of you have been with us for several years, some only a short time.

It is with a heavy heart that I tell you there will be no Boutique in 2019. The Cinderella Story of Sarnia Lambton is dissolving its operations. We are hoping another organization steps forward to continue serving Lambton County in some way.

With your support, we helped make prom dreams come true for over 625 young girls in Sarnia-Lambton in 9 years.

Congratulations to all who donated to this program and once again, thank you.

Debbie Anderson
President/Founder

Cinderella Story of Sarnia-Lambton
info@cinderellasarnia.org
www.cinderellasarnia.org

Corunna Lady Giants U10 Mites win first ever PWSA provincial gold



With files from Jason Nisbet

The Corunna Lady Giants program can now boast its first ever provincial title thanks to the fantastic efforts of the Lady Giants U10 Mites. The team recently achieved their season-long goal of winning the PWSA Provincial Softball "B" Championship in Cobourg, Ontario.

The Grand Championships got off to a rocky start with a 10-5 loss to the rival Chatham Golden Eagles but the team faced every game for the rest of the series with unbeatable determination to take the gold medal.

The players, coaching staff, parents and fans would like to thank the team sponsors for their generous support this season. These athletes achieved the ultimate prize with the help of: Canadian Structural and Mechanical; Selena Marie Photography; ATTEC; Gauvin Construction; Holme's Automotive; Riverview Dental; and the Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Branch 447.

Front row, left: Kendle Adams, Jaelyn (Mad Dog) Devine, Emma Gauvin, Sydney Nisbet.

Middle row, left: Alyiah Nelson, Haley Pepper, Abbey Ong (PWSA Top Player), Miyleigh Brandon, Lennon Smith, Addison MacLeod, Ella Routley.

Coaches, left: Jason Nisbet, Mike Smith, James Devine, Tanya Devine, Chris Ong.
Absent from photo: Lainey Johnson, who was injured just before provincials, inspired the team all weekend long to "win one for Lainey".

Submitted photo



Local sisters off to play university ball

Sisters Killian and Kori Irwin of St. Clair Township are off to the University of Windsor to play baseball for the Lancers while studying kinesiology. Both are honour students who attended Sombra Township Child Care, Riverview Public School, and Wallaceburg District Secondary School.

Submitted photo

Skill and Drill children's program

The Organization for Literacy in Lambton offers a free evening Skill and Drill children's programs in Brigden and Corunna from Oct. 9 to April 4 (excluding December and holidays).

Parents can register their children by calling 519-332-4876, online at www.readsarnia.com, or by email at oll3@bellnet.ca

Space is limited so please register by Friday, Oct. 5.

These programs are for children in Grades 1-7 and are offered with the help of Lambton County Libraries. Children are helped to improve their math and reading while improve their self-confidence in learning.

WELCOME TO THE 168TH BRIGDEN FAIR

FRIDAY OCTOBER 5TH

Seniors/Student Day
Admission \$5.00 until 5 pm then \$10.00
Elementary Students & Younger - Free

EXHIBIT BUILDINGS - CLOSE 8 P.M.

- 9:00 Exhibit Buildings Open
- 9:30 Agriculture in the Classroom (C)
Emergency Response Displays
- 11:00 Crystal Gage (ET)
- 11:30 Official Fair Opening (ET)
- 12:15 Crystal Gage (ET)
- 2:00 Pickin' N Fiddlin' at the Fair (ET)
- 7:00 South Western Ontario Truck & Tractor Pull (G)



SATURDAY OCTOBER 6TH

Admission \$10.00
Elementary Students & Younger - Free

EXHIBIT BUILDINGS - CLOSE 8 P.M.

- 9:00 Exhibit Buildings Open
- 9:00 Open Hunter Horse Show
- 9:00 Mid Western Horse Show
- 9:00 Haflinger Show
- 9:30 Children's Mutt Show (ET)
- 10:00 4-H Wild Woolies Sheep Show (C)
- 10:30 Standard and Bantam Poultry Show
- 11:00 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)
- 11:00 Open Sheep/Market Lamb Show (C)
- 11:30 Bluewater Chordsman (ET)
- PARADE at NOON
- 12:30 Christine Storey & Friends (ET)
- 1:00 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)
- 1:00 IPM Awards Presentation (ET)
- 1:00 Beef Cattle (C)
- 1:20 Christine Storey & Friends (ET)
- 1:30 Pie Eating Contest (CS)
- 1:30 Ontario Vintage Tractor Pull (G)
- 2:30 Pie Auction (CS)
- 2:30 Ashley Giles & Friends with ElectricALL StoRM (ET)
- 3:00 Lambton Kent Mini Pullers (G)
- 3:30 Balloon Workshop with Dan the Balloon Man (CS)
- 3:30 Steppin Up Dance Club (ET)
- 4:00 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)
- 4:10 Ashley Giles & Friends with ElectricALL StoRM (ET)
- 4:30 Balloon Workshop with Dan the Balloon Man (CS)
- 6:30 Team Sorting (C)

SUNDAY OCTOBER 7TH

Admission \$10.00
Elementary Students & Younger - Free

EXHIBIT BUILDINGS - CLOSE 6 P.M.

- 9:00 Exhibit Buildings Open
- 9:00 Mid Western Horse Show
- 9:00 Ontario Xtreme Cowboy Race
- 10:00 Brigden 4-H Sheep Show (C)
- 10:00 Children's Rabbit & Guinea Pig Show (Farmyard)
- 10:00 Great Pumpkin Weigh In
- 10:00 Baby Show Registration (CS)
- 10:30 Baby Show (CS)
- 10:30 Ducks and Geese Show
- 11:00 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)
- 12:00 Thorn & Roses (ET)
- 12:00 Giant Pumpkin Competition Display
- 12:30 Story Time with Paw Patrol (CS)
- 12:30 Working Wagon Teams Show (HR)
- 1:00 Neufeld School of Highland Dance (ET)
- 1:00 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)
- 1:00 Speckle Park Cattle Show (C)
- 1:00 Paw Patrol Meet & Greet (CS)
- 1:30 Western Ont. Outlaw Xtreme Lawnmower Races (G)
- 1:30 Regional 4-H Sheep Show (C)
- 1:30 Balloon Workshop with Dan the Balloon Man (CS)
- 1:45 Thorn & Roses (ET)
- 2:00 Story Time with Alvin (CS)
- 2:30 Alvin Meet & Greet (CS)
- 3:00 Balloon Workshop with Dan the Balloon Man (CS)
- 3:00 Joan Spalding & Friends (ET)
- 3:30 Story Time with Masha and the Bear (CS)
- 4:00 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)
- 4:00 Masha and the Bear Meet & Greet (CS)
- 4:30 Paw Patrol Meet & Greet (CS)

Midway opens daily at 10 a.m. Bingo is back in the midway!

Free parking on fairgrounds

MAKE TRACKS TO THE BRIGDEN FAIR

MONDAY
OCTOBER 8TH

Admission \$10.00
Elementary Students Free

EXHIBIT BUILDINGS CLOSE 4:30P.M.

- 9:00 Exhibit Buildings Open
- 9:00 Zoo2You (9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) (CS)
- 9:00 Heavy Horse Show
- 9:00 Brigden 4-H Beef Show (C)
- 9:30 Open Light Horse & Miniature Horse Show
- 9:30 Brigden Speed Show (NBHA/OBRA Sanctioned)
- 10:00 Beef Cattle Feeder Club & Market Lambs (C)
- 10:30 Pigeon Show
- 11:00 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)
- 11:00 Beef/Hog/Lamb Auction (C)
- 11:00 President Choice SUPERDOGS (G)
- 11:15 Rebound Rocks (ET)
- 12:15 Sarnia School of Irish Dance (ET)
- 1:00 President Choice SUPERDOGS (G)
- 1:00 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)
- 1:00 Regional 4-H Beef Show (C)
- 1:00 Beef Cattle (C)
- 1:00 Winterline (ET)
- 2:00 President Choice SUPERDOGS (G)
- 2:10 Sabrina Rankin with Lindsay Myers & Friends (ET)
- 3:00 President Choice SUPERDOGS (G)
- 3:15 Winterline (ET)
- 3:30 West Coast Lumberjack Show (LS)

Western Ont. Outlaws Extreme Lawntractor Racing

Western Ontario Outlaws Extreme Lawntractor Racing was established in the fall of 2006 as a family friendly activity. There is no prize money in the sport, called the "poor man's NASCAR", and machines can reach 160 km/h with engines having from eight to 90 horsepower and costing from \$500 to \$5,000 to build depending on the racing class. Each year, the club members financially sponsor a charity of their choice and, for the past three years, this has been the Petrolia Food Bank. The club provides a lawn tractor racing venue at its track in Petrolia, as well as at fairs and special events in addition to ten regular Sunday afternoon events at the home track. The Outlaws will be featuring their race on Sunday afternoon in front of the grandstand. Check www.brigdenfair.ca for exact time.

*Lots to see and do at
the Brigden Fair*

Highlights:

**World's Finest Shows MIDWAY
OPENS 10 A.M. DAILY**

- Helicopter Rides with Zimmer Air
- Masoni CHIP (Child Identification Program) - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Near the OPP Trailer
- Livestock Shows
- Monster Truck Ride • Westcoast Lumberjacks
- Quilts • Creative Crafts • Fine Arts • Culinary Crafts • Photography
- Junior Department: Canning • Heaviest Pumpkin • Fruits • Vegetables
- 4-H Displays • Giving Back to the Community
- Industrial Arts
- Soper Wildlife Rescue • Live Animal Displays
- Interactive Children's Activities & More!
- Pie Eating Contest and Pie Auction
- Pickin' N Fiddlin' at the Fair
- South Western Ontario Truck & Tractor Pull • Ontario Vintage Tractor Pull
- Lambton Kent Mini Pullers
- Team Sorting, Ontario Xtreme Cowboy Race
- Paw Patrol • Alvin & the Chipmunks
- Masha & the Bear Shows and Meet 'n Greet
- President's Choice Superdogs
- Zoo2You • Dancers • Winterline
- and lots, lots more...

**No pets on grounds
during Brigden Fair
unless part of a
show or exhibit**

ATM available in exhibition hall

**NOTE: ALL EVENTS AND TIMES
ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**
Check www.brigdenfair.ca
For full schedule and times

Harvest of Gold 2018 50/50 DRAW

Price \$5 each or 3 for \$10
To be drawn Monday, Oct. 8 at
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The Moore Agricultural Society would like to extend an invitation to all to join us in the Coliseum on Monday, Oct. 8 at 11 a.m. for the Feeder Club Auction.

This auction gives local youth the chance to sell the livestock they have raised.

All proceeds will go to the 4-H sponsored clubs under the Youth Fair Association at Brigden Fair.

Catering - Rentals

Contact our fair office about our hall or grounds rentals, and our in-house catering services. Our generator system ensures that the hall will be available despite weather conditions. Please check our Facebook page and website at www.brigdenfair.ca for details.

Winter Storage

Storage for boats and recreational vehicles will be available at the fairgrounds starting Saturday, Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, Nov. 10 from 9 a.m. until noon.

Keep off winter weight at Mooretown Sports Complex

Don't let a sedentary winter lifestyle leave you weighed down with extra pounds. Let the many programs at the Mooretown Sports Complex help you manage your weight, keep you healthy and keep your energy levels up.

Fall swim lessons - late registration

There is still time to register for fall swimming lessons. Classes are only a few weeks into the session. Call 519-867-2651 today if we can find a class that fits your schedule.

Spinning Classes

Join the certified spinning instructors for a great workout that improves cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength and power! Join any time for a 12 week session for \$10 per class or buy a 10 pass admission for \$85. Morning spin classes are held on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 7 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. If you're a beginner, there are classes designed for you on Tuesday evenings from 7:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you're looking for strength training combined with a spin workout, come to the Bikes & Bells class on Monday or Wednesday evenings from 5 p.m.-6 p.m. or Friday from 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.



Muscle Mix Group Fitness Classes

The Muscle Mix group fitness class includes kettlebell training that will build lean muscles, improve strength and power in the upper body, core and lower body and increase co-ordination, joint mobility and overall endurance. Classes are Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$7/class, or \$5.50/class/senior \$50/10 visit pass, or \$275/year for full fitness center membership.

Get fit and have fun with POUND®

POUND® is the world's first cardio jam session inspired by the infectious, energizing and sweat-dripping fun of playing the drums. Classes are Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$7/class, or \$5.50/class/senior \$50/10 visit pass, or \$275/year for full fitness center membership.

Cardio Kick Boxing

The Cardio Kick Boxing fitness class is a high energy, cardio workout with martial arts moves to get your metabolism revving. Classes are Monday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$7/class, or \$5.50/class/senior, or \$50/10 visit pass, or \$275/year for full fitness centre membership.

Shallow & Deep Water Aerobics

Enjoy and experience the rejuvenating power of the water! Programs include a variety of exercises that target posture, muscular endurance, strength, cardiovascular, flexibility and balance. Shallow water classes are

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Deep water classes are Monday and Wednesday from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Cost is \$7/class, \$5.50/class/senior, \$50/10 visit pass or \$225/year or \$205/year/senior or included in full \$275.00 fitness centre membership.

Water Therapy -

Arthritis, Fibromyalgia Water Exercise

This program includes cardiovascular training, functional fitness, muscular endurance and strength, balance and flexibility training with a goal of improved mobility. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Cost is \$7/class, \$5.50/class/senior, \$50/10 visit pass or \$225/year, or \$205/year/senior or included in full \$275.00 fitness centre membership. Join any time!

Indoor/Outdoor Walking Exercise Program - FREE!

This West Lambton CHC sponsored walking exercise program begins Oct. 10 and will be held every Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Call 519-867-2651 for more information.

Red Cross Babysitting Course

This course is offered on PA days, Friday, Oct. 26 or Nov. 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It is designed for youth 11 years and up who want to become babysitters. The babysitting course covers the responsibilities of a babysitter, safety tips for children of all ages, basic child care skills, and what to do in case of an emergency. The cost for the program, including the manual, is \$60 per child.

Shinny Hockey is back!

Adult Shinny Hockey is now being held every Tuesday morning from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. The cost is \$5/person.

Public Skate

Public skating is now being held on Sundays from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Cost is \$2.50/child, \$3.75/adult, and \$7.50/family.

Parents, Tots & Seniors Skate - FREE

Families are now invited to enjoy free skating on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Lifeguard & Swimming Instructor Courses

Become a lifeguard and swimming instructor! Contact the Mooretown Sports Complex for more information!

PA Day Camp offered

School students are invited to join us for a PA Day Camp from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 26. The cost is \$30.00 per day. Early drop off and late pickup available for an additional cost. Call today for more information - 519-867-2651!

To get more information or to register for any of these programs, contact the Mooretown Sports Complex at 519-867-2651.



**CANADIAN
RED CROSS**

Heritage St. Clair seeking old photos of St. Clair Township's past

Heritage St. Clair is still seeking the help of township residents to gather old photographs (over 20 years old - the older, the better) depicting St. Clair Township (and former Moore and Sombra Townships) from the past.

Photos that are precious to you can be scanned and returned to you.

If you would rather see them in a place that will care for

and preserve them for future generations, Heritage St. Clair can help you find a suitable home for them.

For more information, contact Heritage St. Clair by email: secretaryheritagestclair@gmail.com. Or visit the St. Clair Township site: www.stclairtownship.ca under the "Residents" or "Recreation" tab to find Heritage St. Clair. Or call Ian at 519-864-1119 or Dave at 519-862-3797.

Rapids Family Health Team

The following sessions are being offered at the Rapids Family Health Team clinic, located at the Shell Health Centre, 233 Cameron Street in Corunna. There is no charge for participation but you must register for each one you take. Please note that space is limited. If we are unable to accommodate you for the day of your choice, we will put you on a waiting list for future sessions. **For more information, go online to: www.rapidsfhteam.ca or to register, call 519-813-9800 and speak to reception.**

Living With Diabetes

This is a two hour session that provides a general overview of diabetes. We will discuss some of the most common myths about diabetes, learn what "good control" is, and discuss some of the things you can do to manage diabetes. The next sessions, led by a Registered Nurse Educator, will be held on Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on: Oct. 9; Nov. 6; and Dec. 4. **Please note: a physician referral is required.**

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Diabetes Healthy Eating and Keeping Active

This is a two-hour session for people who have already attended our Living with Diabetes class or who have had past education on the basics of Diabetes and want more information on diet. We will discuss the basics of healthy eating, what types of food affect your blood sugar levels, reading food labels, when and how much to eat, and how to increase your physical activity level. The next sessions, led by a Registered Dietitian, will be held on Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on: Oct. 16; Nov. 13; and Dec. 11.

Please note: a physician referral is required.

A Guide To Diabetes Prevention

This is a 1.5 hour group session for those who want to learn about diabetes and how to prevent it, or for those who have been told they are at risk of getting diabetes. This session is led by a Registered Nurse and/or a Registered Dietitian who will discuss what diabetes is, risk factors for getting diabetes, and how to decrease blood sugar levels through lifestyle changes. The next sessions will be held on: Monday, Oct. 22 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.; and Wednesday, Nov. 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. **The program is open to the public and no physician referral is required.**

Healthy Eating and You

Healthy Eating and You is a series of four sessions lasting two hours each. The aim of this program is to help you make permanent lifestyle changes. This is **not** a diet program. You will set your own healthy eating and physical activity goals and learn how to make plans for achieving them. Some topics that will be discussed include: carbohydrates, protein and fats (good and bad); physical activity—what types and amounts are beneficial; emotional eating strategies; sensible portions and portion control strategies; group discus-

sions that will help you learn from the experiences of others. The next session is planned for Wednesday, Nov. 7 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. **This program is open to the public and no physician referral is required.**

Teaching kitchen

Healthy cooking classes will not only help you build your knowledge of healthy eating, but also help you apply them in a friendly group setting. A wide range of health conditions and topics include: heart health, digestive concerns, vegetarian, cooking for one, increasing fruit and vegetables, high blood pressure and more. **Cooking classes are open to the public and no physician referral is required.**

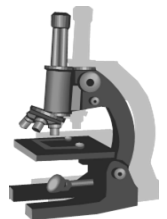
The next classes will be held as follows: Meatless Wednesday, Oct. 24, 10 a.m. - noon; Dining with Diabetes, Wednesday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m. - noon; and Healthy Holiday Baking, Wednesday, Dec. 12, 10 a.m. - noon.

Note: Class dates, times, and location within Corunna is subject to change/cancellation depending on number of patient registrations.

Laboratory Services offered

Laboratory services at the clinic are available

Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.



New patients being accepted

A family medical practice is in operation at the Shell Health Centre (Rapids Family Health Team), 233 Cameron Street, in Corunna. Applications are available by calling 519-813-9800.

Ticks and mosquitos still active

Lambton Public Health reminds everyone ticks and mosquitos will be active in this area until temperatures are consistently below freezing. Both kinds of insects are known to carry potentially dangerous illnesses, Lyme disease and West Nile Virus, and LPH advises everyone to take precautions when outdoors.

Use insect repellent, wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants, and do a tick check after outdoor activities.

So far this year, LPH checks done in the Corunna area have yielded two mosquito pools that tested positive for West Nile Virus.

Wanted: Motivated youth looking for rewarding challenges

The Royal Canadian "1st Hussars" Army Cadet Corps Petrolia invites boys and girls ages 12-18 to learn new skills, marksmanship, orienteering, hiking, leadership, pipes and drum band, and teamwork, participate in many new challenges, make new friends and attend great summer camps, all at no cost. Cadets are not required to join the military. Join us today! For more information, call 519-332-6555 or visit: www.petroliacadets.com

COMMUNITY CONTACT

St. Andrew's foodbank needs supplies

The food bank at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Colborne Street in Corunna is in operation every other Wednesday evening from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. October dates will be Oct. 10 and Oct. 24. The food bank is also open on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

The need for donations exists throughout the year in this community and all communities throughout Lambton County. Non-perishable food, baby care, and personal care items are always needed. At this time, the St. Andrew's food bank is experiencing a shortage of the following items: pudding/fruit cups; canned tomatoes, toilet paper, and pancake syrup. Please support your local food bank.

Lambton Youth Choir accepting new members

The Lambton Youth Choir is accepting new members. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday during the school year from 6:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at LCCVI in Petrolia. The choir is comprised of youth attending Grade 4 and up as of Sept. 2018. For more information, contact D. O'Dell at 519-882-2315 or email: odelld@cogeco.ca Check out the Lambton Youth Choir Facebook page.

Volunteer hours for secondary students

Secondary school graduation is fast approaching and the Brigden Fair office is the place where students can find many ways to get the volunteer hours they need to graduate. Call the office at 519-864-1197. *Volunteer opportunities are available all year long.*

Let the St. Clair Trail help you lose weight; walk to a donation location and empty the spare change from your pocket!

It's the easiest way to lose weight. Walk to one of the following locations and donate your loose change to the on-going upkeep of the St. Clair River Trail, one of the most scenic trails in the country: Shaykin Bait Variety in Port Lambton or the Riverview Restaurant in Sombra Village.



Your donations will be matched 2:1 by St. Clair Township Council and your pockets will be a lot less noisy. 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

Taoist Tai Chi in Corunna

Weekly Taoist Tai Chi classes are held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church hall, 437 Colborne Drive in Corunna on Wednesdays

from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Beginners are welcome. The group is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the health benefits of the Taoist Tai Chi arts by making them available to all who want to learn. For more information about tai chi or class times, call 519-344-0346.

Be a community builder with the Optimist Club

The Sombra Optimist Club is looking for new members who want to help their community thrive. This volunteer organization exists to make their community a better place by doing great things for the youth in their area. Be a friend of youth - join the Optimist Club of Sombra. For more information or to become a member, call Carla Aarsen at 519-892-3536.

New members welcome -

Lambton County Junior Optimist Club

The Lambton County Junior Optimist Club is always on the lookout for youth who want to make a difference in their community. Club members ages 10 through 18 volunteer in the community and fundraise to put on their own programs and to donate to other youth programs. Hours spent volunteering with the club 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.

Down River Junior Optimist Club seeks members

New members are being sought for the Down River Jr. Optimist Club. Youth between the ages of 10 and 18 are invited to get involved with the community and make a difference for kids. The club meets at the Port Lambton Community Hall on the third Monday of each month. High school students can acquire volunteers hours needed for graduation. For more information, call Carla at 226-402-3870.

Brigden United Church activities/service

Brigden United Church holds regular Sunday services at 10:30 a.m. (10 a.m. July and August). The church also hosts **Messy Church** through May (except December) every last Tuesday of the month from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. And the **Mom and Tots Drop-in** is held at the church every Friday morning from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (excludes July and August). The program is sponsored by Sombra Rural Child Care. For more information, call 519-892-3151. And don't forget to check out

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Brigden United Church on Facebook.

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 Our Lady of Mercy Church rectory hall at the corner of Christina and London Road (entry off London Road) in Sarnia. For more information, contact Rita at 519-867-2932.

Local TOPS weight control group meetings

TOPS weight loss groups help members sensibly take off and keep off pounds. Three TOPS groups hold meetings in the St. Clair Township area and

everyone (all ages) is welcome to attend. **Brigden TOPS** hold meetings every Tuesday night at the Brigden Optimist Hall. Weigh-ins are from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Meetings are from 6:45 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. For more information, please call 519-864-1865. **Port Lambton TOPS** weight loss group meets every Thursday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. the Port Lambton Community Hall. For more information, call Margaret Ann at 519-677-5665 or just come out on Thursday nights. **TOPS Corunna** meets every Tuesday at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church at 437 Colborne Street in Corunna. Weigh-in is 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. with a short meeting from 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Wendy at 519-381-5584.

St. Clair Parkway Golf Course fall hours of operation

Fall is here and even though the days are getting shorter, golfers still have time to get in those final rounds of golf. The course will be open with carts as long as weather permits. Hawthorne's Restaurant will be open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. for breakfast and lunch, and Oct. 14 will be the last day for Sunday morning breakfast. Information is available online at: www.stclairparkwaygolf.com or by calling 519-867-2160.



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LEGION

Legion service officer available

Assistance for Veterans and Spouses available

Do you know someone who is living on the street or who might benefit from the "Soldier On" program? Are you interested in finding out if you qualify for assistance with problems like housekeeping, snow

clearing, grass cutting, hearing aids or other medical assistance? For information call the Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Branch at 519-862-1240 or the Brigden Branch at 519-864-1395, or Veteran Service Officer Shawn MacNeil at 519-383-9386.

Parkway Church in Corunna offering free clothing

Parkway Church at 551 Murray Drive in Corunna has free clothing available for children and young adults. The room is open Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by appointment.

Clothing donations are always accepted. They can be dropped off in the church's clothing bin at the side door or call 519-862-3380, ext. 21.

EarlyON
Child and Family Centres

EarlyON Child and Family Centres

The EarlyON Child and Family Centres 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:

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

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

535 Birch bank 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.

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519-867-5490.

Courtright Friendship Club plays cards

The Courtright Friendship Club plays euchre every Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m. and now plays Pepper every Friday evening at 7 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.

Weekly fun slated for Corunna Legion

The Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Branch 447 has four weekly fun events open to everyone. Every Thursday at 1 p.m., fun cribbage is played. On Fridays at 1 p.m., it's time for fun bridge. Don't know how to play? Come on out and learn from those who do. On Friday nights, enjoy Meat Darts starting at 7:30 p.m. And every Saturday at 4 p.m., get in on the meat draw. The cost is \$1 per stick. Join the fun, enjoy a beverage and camaraderie, and maybe even take home dinner.

Catch the Ace at Corunna Legion

The Catch the Ace lottery is now being played on Wednesdays at the Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Branch 447, 350 Albert Street. Ticket sales

will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and the draw will follow. The weekly draws will continue until the game is won. Food will be available and the hall is wheelchair accessible. Proceeds from the lottery will support the work of the Mooretown Optimist Club and the Corunna Legion. Rules are available at the Corunna Legion website, legion447.ca, or at the Legion branch.

Meetings planned to address seniors' needs

The desire of seniors to live in their own homes and communities for as long as possible will be the subject of a series of eight meetings throughout Lambton County. The Lambton-based seniors' care advocacy group, Navigating Senior Care Lambton (NSCL) will convene these meetings during October and November.

Seniors, their families, and others concerned about this issue are invited to attend these meetings to discuss what is needed to allow seniors to live in their own familiar surroundings as long as possible. This initiative is made possible through a provincial government Ministry of Seniors Affairs grant. Complimentary sandwiches and coffee/tea will be served.

In St. Clair Township, a meeting will be held at the Port Lambton Community Hall, 566 Stoddard Street, on Wednesday, Oct. 10 at 11 a.m.

Other meetings at: Dawn-Euphemia Community Hall in Florence, Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 11 a.m. and Petrolia YMCA on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 11 a.m.



BATTLE OF BRITAIN REMEMBERED:

The Battle of Britain service, held on Sept. 16 at the Golden Hawk memorial at Germain Park in Sarnia, was a solemn ceremony marked by the pinning of poppies onto a white banner. This act of remembrance was done in honour of those who died in World War II during the Battle of Britain. This battle, fought by the Royal Air Force against Nazi Germany's Luftwaffe, is recognized as the first major military campaign carried out entirely by air forces. **Left: Representing the Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Branch 447, President John Cormier walks away from the memorial site after placing a poppy.**

Bonnie Stevenson photo

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No matter where you are, you can read The Beacon. Back issues are also available online. Go to the St. Clair Township Website: www.stclairtownship.ca and click on **Beacon** on the black bar (top right).

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The guest soloist will be soprano Karianne Pasma of London, Ontario. She will perform solos such as "The Holy City". The service will be conducted by Rev. Ian Marnoch. Following the service, a time of fellowship and refreshments, apple and pumpkin pie, will be served. Everyone is welcome.

Mental health workshop planned

The Canadian Mental Health Association Lambton Kent branch will host Mental Health Works on Tuesday, Oct. 23 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Lambton College Residence and Event Centre on London Road in Sarnia. The workshop will cover topics such as stress, grief, anxiety, and depression. Presenters will be Allison Berkvens and Megan Walker. Space is limited to 50 participants at a cost of \$99 per person plus tax and online fees (includes refreshments and lunch). Registration can be done online at [Eventbrite Workshop](#) or by calling 519-344-2062, ext. 2142/2111 or 1-800-387-2882.



Trunk Sale at Cruickshank Centre

The Cruickshank Centre at Thompson Gardens will host a Trunk Sale from Alia/Tan Jay ladies wear of the Lambton Mall on Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Everyone is invited to come out and shop for the latest fashions.

Fall Craft and Vendor Sale planned

A Fall Craft and Vendor Sale is planned for Saturday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Port Lambton Community Hall, 506 Stoddard Street in Port Lambton. The sale, sponsored by the Port Lambton United Church, will feature the work of about 99 crafters, and vendor tables, plus a raffle table. Lunch will be available and admission will be free. This event is sponsored by the Port Lambton United Church.

Jamborees coming back to Brigden

Monthly jamborees will resume at the Brigden fairgrounds exhibition hall the second Sunday of each month beginning in November

and running until April, 2019. Doors open at noon and the music will start at 1 p.m. A cash bar will be available and supper will be offered. Musicians are invited to bring instruments and voices, and everyone who wants to enjoy an afternoon of music, dancing and socializing are welcome. Don't miss the fun!

Weekly Souper Thursdays in Corunna

The Parkway Church, located at 551 Murray Drive in Corunna, hosts a FREE **Souper Thursday** hot lunch every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come to the church and enjoy a homemade lunch to eat in or take out. Those who require assistance can call 519-862-3380 to have lunch delivered. For more information, contact the church online at: parkwaychurchmichelle@gmail.com

Cruickshank Community Centre hosts weekly activities

The Cruickshank Community Centre at Thompson Gardens in Corunna hosts several activities each week including: *the Coffee Social, Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Cost is 75 cents for unlimited coffee and good company. *Fun Bingo, Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$1 fee to participate and \$1 per card played. *Euchre on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. Cost is \$3 to play, which includes light refreshments. During the months of October, November and December, the first Tuesday of the month will be complimentary for everyone who wants to come out and play. Those who have never played euchre before or need a refresher can participate in the Intro to Euchre on Tuesday, Nov. 6. Registration is required so please call 519-862-1628 or 519-862-2629.

Pickleball held at Corunna Athletic Park

Another season of pickleball is underway in Corunna and games are held Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Corunna Athletic Park courts on Hill Street. Adults are invited to join the fun and lessons can be arranged. Come out and see how much fun this sport can be. For more information, call: Keith at 519-918-5359; Jim at 519-862-3447; or Michael at 519-813-9274, or Nora at

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Mooretown Flags Home Schedule

Another great season of Mooretown Flags hockey action is underway

*Go
Flags!*

Saturday, Oct. 6 - Wheatley, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 10 - Lakeshore, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 13 - Blenheim, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 20 - Petrolia, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 27 - Wallaceburg, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 3 - Amherstburg, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 7 - Lakeshore, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 10 - Wheatley, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 17 - Dresden, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 1 - Wallaceburg, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 8 - Blenheim, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15 - Essex, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 22 - Petrolia, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 2 - Lakeshore, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 12 - Essex, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 19 - Dresden, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 26 - Petrolia, 7:30 p.m.

AROUND THE TOWNSHIP

OPG Lambton G.S. demolition open house

A open house will be held at the Courtright Community Centre (Silverdome) on Thursday, Oct. 4 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. to inform the public and answer questions about the upcoming demolition of the Lambton Generating Station south of Courtright.

Legion members wanted for parade

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 635 members invite all Legion members to march with them in the Brigden Fair parade on Oct. 6. All interested members should meet at the Brigden Legion hall at 11 a.m. to prepare for the parade at noon. A light lunch and meat raffle at the branch hall will follow the parade.

Catch the Ace at Brigden Legion

The Royal Canadian Legion hosts Catch the Ace on Friday nights. Sales are from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and the draw is at 8 p.m.

Euchre set for Sombra Community Hall

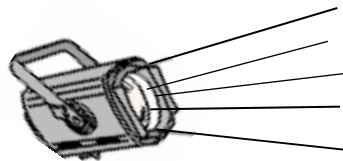
Euchre will be played at the Sombra Community Hall on the following Fridays at 1 p.m.: Oct. 12, 19, 26; November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

Brigden Fair Demolition Derby

The satisfying crunch of metal on metal and the cheerful steaming of defunct radiators can soon be savoured at the Brigden Fairgrounds as the Brigden Fall Fair Demolition Derby tears up the showgrounds on Saturday, Oct. 13. Gates



open at 9 a.m. and the show begins at 1 p.m. Adult admission is \$10 per person and elementary school-aged children and younger are free. Classes this year include stock, modified, and the kids power wheel derby. For more information or derby rules, please call 519-864-1197. You can also find it at [Facebook-Brigden Fair Demolition Derby](#).



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on your events in
The Beacon**

If you have a non-profit or charity event or activity coming up in St. Clair Township, or an event that will benefit the residents of the township, don't stress! Put your event in the spotlight **free of charge** here in The Beacon.

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Optimist Pumpkinfest in Courtright

Pumpkinfest is on the way! The Lambton County Junior Optimist and Moore Optimist Clubs will host this popular annual event at the Courtright Community Centre (Silverdome) on Sunday, Oct. 14 from noon to 3 p.m. Bring the family to carve some free pumpkins and have fun making crafts and playing pumpkin bowling. There will be hot dogs and hamburgers for sale as well as a bake sale. It's a spook-tacular way to spend an afternoon.



Lunch and Learn at Cruickshank Centre

The Cruickshank Centre at Thompson Gardens in Corunna will host a *Lunch and Learn Luncheon* on Wednesday, Oct. 17 at noon. Lunch will be \$12 per person and a presentation will be made by a representative of the Alzheimer's Society. Tickets must be purchased from the office by Monday, Oct. 15.

Lambton Children's Safety Village dinner

The Lambton Children's Safety Village presents its first annual *Nominate a Hero Awards Dinner* on Friday, Oct. 19 at 6 p.m. at the Lions Club Hall in Petrolia. Tickets are \$20 per person and are available by calling Mary Ann Buntrock at 519-332-2686.

Paranormal Investigation at Sombra Museum

Are you ready for some thrills and chills? Come to Fright Night at the Sombra Museum on Friday, Oct. 19 and Saturday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. and check out a Paranormal Investigation. Tickets are \$10 for the talk (the museum's October lecture) or \$20 for the talk and a chance to join the investigators while they work in the museum at night. Pre-registration is required to participate in the investigation. For more information and/or to register, call 519-892-3982.

Knox Moore Presbyterian Church celebrates 137th anniversary

The congregation of Knox Moore Presbyterian Church, 1354 Rokeby Line, will celebrate its 137th anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m.

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