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Beautiful new mural shares rich heritage



This stunning mural shares a rich First Nations heritage with the community. It can now be seen when passing the Shell Manufacturing Centre north of Corunna. To learn more about it, see page 14.

Corunna Legion holds memorial for Queen Elizabeth

On Monday, Oct. 19, Royal Canadian Legions across Canada held memorials to mark the death of Queen Elizabeth. The Cenotaph at the Corunna Legion was the site of an event reminiscent of a Remembrance Day service, with the parade of the colour guard, the solemn sound of the bagpipe, a wreath laying, a time of prayer led by Branch 447 Padre Paul Woolley, and the wearing of a poppy. Those in attendance were encouraged to add their poppy to the two wreaths as an individual act of remembrance.

See more photos from the event on page 8.



After laying a wreath during the Queen's memorial, Sgt. at Arms Robert Chambers and Br. 447 President Eric Hancock offer a final salute.

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MUNICIPAL NOTES

~MUNICIPAL ELECTION DAY~

October 24, 2022

*Inaugural meeting
of new Council
November 21, 2022*

By-Law for election signs

By-Law 27 of 2022 requires that campaign signs not exceed 20 square feet in size. No permit is required to install election signs in any zone, but they cannot be installed on private land unless the owner's permission is obtained.

Signs posted on municipal road allowances will be restricted to areas and locations that do not obstruct vision for vehicular or pedestrian traffic, and they are subject to the consent of the adjacent land owner. They are also not permitted in municipal road allowances abutting public lands, including parks.

Any signs removed in this way will be done at the expense (\$200 per sign) of the candidate, and the money will be considered part of the candidate's own contribution to their campaign. Confiscated signs will be recoverable after Oct. 24. Signs must be removed within 48-hours after the day of the election.

St. Clair Medical Centre parking discussed

During the planning of the St. Clair Medical Centre proposed for 389 Murray Street and 206-208 Hill Street, a shortfall in parking requirements was found. This finding took into consideration that the clinic would require more parking spaces than offices for sole practitioners in a non-medical practice. A section of land has been identified for additional parking and a Temporary Use Bylaw has been approved for a two-year trial period. For it to become a permanent land use, a zoning bylaw amendment, combined with a site plan amendment, will be submitted for approval.

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Council Meeting Schedule

All regular council meetings are open to the public, but will continue to be available online by going onto the township website at: www.stclairtownship.ca. On the St. Clair Township home page, look for a link to the meeting near the top of the page. The Facebook link is added just before each meeting is slated to begin.

Upcoming meeting is October 11 at 3 p.m. Anyone wishing to contact the municipality or to find out more about making a presentation in-person or via Zoom, can call 519-867-2021 for further information.

Candidate List

(Listed in the order the candidates registered)

MAYOR

Tracy Kingston; Jeff Agar; Chad Shymko

DEPUTY MAYOR

Steve Miller - **ACCLAIMED**

COUNCILLOR Ward 1 (north of Bickford Line)

Charles Mortley-Wood; Cathy Langis; Pat Brown; Holly Foster; Bill Moran; Michelle Maitland

COUNCILLOR Ward 2 (south of Bickford Line)

Bill Myers; Gary Martin; Craig Bezaire; Brad Langstaff

LKDPS BOARD TRUSTEE

Heather Skolly; Kathryn Shailer; Greg Agar

SCCDSC BOARD TRUSTEE

Jann Tooshkenig - **ACCLAIMED**

**See Candidate Profiles ONLINE in the
September Beacon**

Notice to property owners to destroy noxious weeds

Notice is hereby given to all persons in possession of land, in accordance with the Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter W.5, Sections 3, 13, 16, and 23, that unless noxious weeds growing on their lands within the municipality of the Township of St. Clair are destroyed throughout the season, the municipality may enter upon said lands and have the weeds destroyed, charging the cost against the land, plus an administration charge as set out in the Act. (Minimum charge per parcel is \$80.) The cooperation of all land owners is earnestly solicited.

Jeff Baranek, Clerk
519-867-2021



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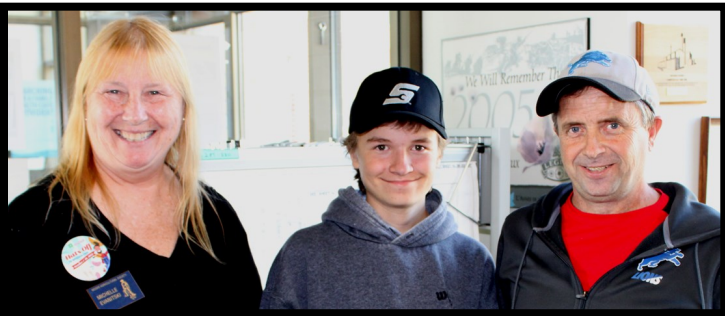
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OPG delegation reports on progress at Lambton G.S. site

It's been several months since the Lambton Generating Station was demolished, leaving only the Unit 3 and 4 absorber units standing. At the Sept. 12 meeting of council, Cathie Sanford, Senior Manager of Projects at the site, updated progress being made with the site cleanup and plans for the mechanical demolition of the two remaining absorber unit. She said explosive demolition is not an option because of the units' closer proximity to the switch yard, which is an important element of the southwestern

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MCRF grants awarded at Sept. 12 meeting



Three worthy township groups received grants from the Moore Community and Recreational Foundation during the September meeting of St. Clair Township Council. They included: 1- The Brigden decorating team comprised of three families who make sure the village is beautiful through the summer and ready for Christmas during the holiday season; 2- The Moore Agricultural Society, for new windows in the Plowman's Diner, kitchen upgrades, and two energy efficient freezers. 3- At the Moore Museum, the funds will be used for upgrades to the Trinity Chapel. The arbour has started to rot and will be replaced. The chapel is used for programming and events, and is rented out for weddings and other ceremonies. Upgrades are also needed in some of the other structures that were without maintenance during the COVID pandemic.

Above from left: Michelle Evanitski, representing the Moore Agricultural Society; and Logan and Rick Mitchell, representing the Brigden decorating team. The team also included Chris and Diana Anderson, and Dave and Loretta Kraan. Absent: Moore Museum Curator Fiona Doherty and volunteer Dave Taylor. *Stevenson photo*



Mayor Steve Arnold retires from office

Reflections by Mayor Steve Arnold



As you many of you know, I was first elected in 1985. That election and all other ones have always been a humbling experience for me knowing that so many people put their trust and confidence in my ability to represent them in an effective way for the betterment of our community. Time after time, they sacrificed time and energy to help me to be elected. Without their help, I would never have had the chance to serve our community. I appreciate you all and I'm thankful for your support.

As I look back on my time in municipal office, I have served on and chaired most committees at the township and county, as well as the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority. I thank those that went before me in these roles for their influence and wisdom. They showed me that we are not really politicians, but facilitators for our people.

I have met so many knowledgeable people, carrying our message directly to several prime ministers, premiers, various ministers and senators. I have been fortunate to have been involved in many local improvements, projects and activities including province-wide 911, recycling and immigration policy, to roads, bridges, museums, arena, parks, firefighting equipment, sewer, water, firefighting, drainage improvements, high-speed Internet, shoreline improvements, emergency preparedness, splash pads, the Canada 150th celebrations, the Olympic Torch Relays and the celebration of Derick Drouin's Olympic medals. None of these things would have been possible without great council members, staff, our MP's and MPP's. I was also pleased to be County Warden for two years, travelling and speaking across Canada and the United States.

As I leave public office and pass the baton to the next mayor and council, my advice to them is to be patient, as most projects and positive changes take a lot longer than you hope; stick with it if it is the right thing to do to protect or make life better for our people. Many times, a motion you make may be lost, but a good idea always comes back to be voted on again and hopefully, becomes implemented.

And always remember that the volunteers of our community are the glue that holds everything together. We need to appreciate and be thankful for their enduring commitment to our community.

So, to everyone in St. Clair Township, thank you for trusting in me to do a good job. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve the people in St. Clair Township and Lambton County.

~Mayor Steve Arnold

Vote-by mail procedure outlined in St. Clair Township By-Law 1 of 2022

On Election Day, Oct. 24, counting will begin no earlier than 2 p.m. at the St. Clair Township Civic Centre by approved election workers who will be sequestered in a controlled access area. Designated ballot package opening times will be posted on the township election website, and all candidates or their scrutineer may attend each and any session. No results will be announced until after the 8 p.m. close of the polls.

IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR VOTER'S KIT, PLEASE NOTIFY THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE AT

519-867-2021. The kit must be filled out as instructed and returned by Oct. 17 (if it is being returned by mail) and, if by some other means, by 8 p.m. on Oct. 24.



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Ontario power grid.

Ms. Sanford assured council the two units had been thoroughly cleaned of any remaining materials and there had been no asbestos found during that process. Their demolition will involve the weakening of the units' foundations in such a way that they would fall in the right direction. Wind speed and direction will also be considered to ensure that anything airborne would not go into the river or intrude on surrounding properties. In a letter to Mayor Arnold, Ms. Sanford wrote, "While the remaining structures do not contain any hazardous materials, environmental protection measures, including air and water sampling, vibration monitoring, covers over the forebay, intake, and outfall channels, will remain in place until the demolition of both absorber buildings is complete." She explained the structures are hollow, making the lighter than the three stacks were and likely to cause only minimal vibration.

The demolition of the Unit 3 absorber is set for the end of September or early October, and Unit 4 is slated to be brought down in mid November.

In regard to the four kilometre ammonia pipeline that runs between CF Industries and the Lambton G.S. site, it has been decided the pipeline will remain in place due to the potential for future development of the site. The pipeline has been taken out of service, purged and cleaned, making it safe and

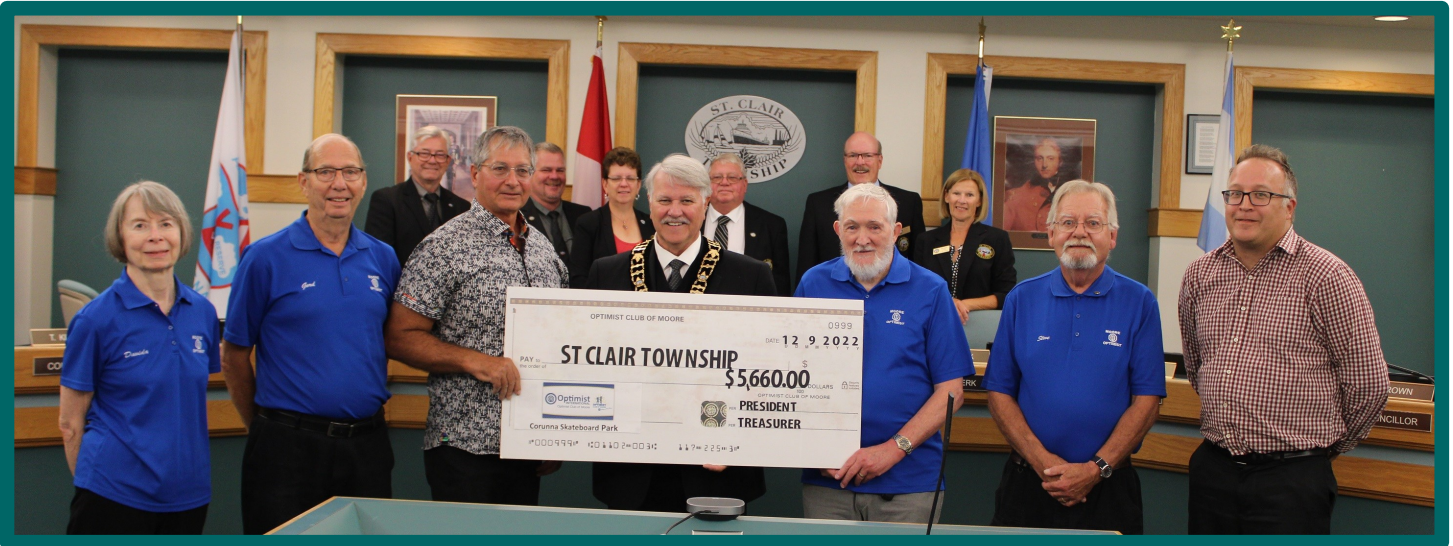
St. Clair Township service awards presented



St. Clair Township honoured some of its staff with service awards during a ceremony at the St. Clair Parkway Golf Course. Those receiving the award included: Michelle Rottier, 5 years; Nova VanderSlagt, 10 years; Glen Rosso, 15 years; Aaron Jardine, 10 years; Ryan Duffy, 20 years; Lenny Wagner, 20 years; Peggy Murray, 20 years; and George Lozon, 20 years. Staff was treated to a celebratory lunch and the awards were presented by Mayor Steve Arnold and CAO John Rodey.

Above: Although some of the honourees were unable to attend the proceedings, in-person awards were presented by Mayor Arnold, left, to: Michelle Rottier; Nova VanderSlagt; Glen Rosso; Councillor Tracy Kingston; Deputy Mayor Steve Miller; CAO John Rodey. *Bonnie Stevenson photo*

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Skateboard park repayment made: The Optimist Club of Moore recently presented a cheque to St. Clair Township on behalf of the Corunna Skateboard Park Committee. The donation will be put toward the committee's partnership agreement with the township which requires both parties to pay for half of the \$200,000 cost of the new park. Donations to the project are welcomed and fundraisers will be ongoing until the balance is paid. Committee member Geoff Dale says about 50 per cent of their share is already paid back. On hand for the event were, from left: Optimists Davida Nimmo, Gord Dawson, President Stan Marsh, Mayor Steve Arnold, Ken Nimmo, Steve Inglis, and Corunna Skateboard Park Committee member Geoff Dale. *Stevenson photo*

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environmentally sound until a decision is made regarding any future use.

Fence drama continues

Another fence that does not comply with the township fence by-law was considered at council when the owner, believing the fence to be "grandfathered" before he built a new one, sought a variance to allow the new one to remain in place. No variance was granted and the owner was instructed to bring the fence into compliance with the by-law. The fence by-law is available for review at the St. Clair Township website or by visiting the township office. Anyone considering putting in a new fence or replacing an old one should check the CURRENT by-law to make sure the fence they wish to construct is in compliance with that

document.

Note: In years past, councils of the day granted a few variances to too-tall or replaced fences which resulted in negative results for the property owners as well as the council. The current by-law has been made, and is being enforced, to clarify the matter for everyone. Failure to abide by the law can prove costly. PLEASE INQUIRE FIRST.

Report on Brigden splashpad reviewed

Summer is over and the children of Brigden were unable to enjoy time in the community splashpad thanks to the bad condition of the concrete pad on which it was built. Council was informed the finishing of the concrete was rough and heaving, and unfit for the children to play on. There was also a problem with the facility's drainage. The contractor has been notified and the splashpad will undergo repairs.

Happy faces celebrate a cleaner St. Clair River



B. Stevenson photo

Members of environmental groups from both sides of the St. Clair River celebrate their successful efforts

A group of happy environmental warriors took a Duc d'Orleans cruise down the beautiful St. Clair River recently to celebrate the 50-year milestone of the binational Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement (signed by U.S. and Canadian officials in 1972) and the redesignation of four Beneficial Use Impairments (BUIs) to "Not Impaired".

A BUI indicates a location in the Great Lakes Basin, which includes the St. Clair River, that has one or more environmental challenges. Of the 12 BUIs identified in the St. Clair River in 1991, seven have now been restored and remedial strategies are being developed for the remainder. Since 1987, the St. Clair River has been identified as a binational Area of Concern (AOC) and a Binational Public Advisory Council (BPAC) which includes both U.S. and Canadian members, has been operating. This council of community-minded people works hard to convey public opinion, offer advice on problem identification, plan methodology, encourage public involvement, gather technical information, identify available remedial options, and select remedial actions, then develops recommendations. Members from Ontario and Michigan represent a cross-section of

communities including agriculture, business and industry, Indigenous communities, and tourism.

The vast improvement in the water quality and safety of the St. Clair River is thanks to the combined efforts of every level of government working together for the common good. Kris Lee, Canadian co-chair of BPAC, says the partnership will continue to work to improve the health of the St. Clair River. "We continue to make progress towards our goal of removing the river from the list of Great Lakes AOCs thanks to the commitment and support of all our dedicated partners."

Rick Hobbra from the Michigan Department of Energy, Great Lakes and Environment said, "One of the beautiful things is the community partnershiping together. It's a local, provincial, state and federal partnership coming together. The OAC is designed to work itself out of a job."

Aboard the celebratory cruise were members from BPAC, the Remedial Action Plan group, the binational Friends of the St. Clair, federal agencies, local elected officials, and members of the Aamjiwnaang and Walpole Island First Nations.



Public Works Department

Public Works/Roads...519-867-2993

Engineering.....519-867-2125

Website..... www.stclairtownship.ca

After hours emergency
~ 1-888-441-4204 ~

Water Utility.....519-867-2128

Fax.....519-867-3886

Civic Centre, 1155 Emily Street, Mooretown

Water utility appointments require 48 hours notice

St. Clair Township By-Law 16 of 2022 requires at least 48 hours notice in advance of scheduling appointments with the Public Works department to avoid service fees.

Yard Waste and Brush Collection

Fall Yard Waste Collection 2022

Fall yard waste and brush collection is back this month!

Yard waste will be collected on Monday for the South Township and Wednesday for the North Township starting October 17th, 2022 and ending November 23rd.

Yard waste includes; grass, leaves, garden plants, hay and straw (loose not bailed). Sticks and branches are not permitted in yard waste and could result in a rejected collection.

Yard waste must be placed in paper bags or open containers with handles clearly marked with an "X" on both sides (open container does not include recycling bins or cardboard boxes). Any yard waste placed in clear plastic bags will not be collected during yard waste collection dates.

Brush Collection will be on November 28th, 2022 for the South Township and November 30th, 2022 for the North Township. Please note that this is a brush only collection day.

Brush will be collected following these guidelines: 4' maximum length, 1" maximum diameter, cut ends all in one direction, neat piles (not tangled) and tied and placed at the curb. These bundles can include woody ornamental grasses, woody plants, rose bushes, vines and cornstalks. Bundled brush must be tied with compostable material such as jute or twine, duct tape is not acceptable.

Contact *OntarioOneCall* before you dig!

Can ya' dig it?

Be sure to call 1-800-400-2255 or visit OntarioOneCall.ca
5 days before you dig.



For more updates on information related to Public Works, including Waste and Recycling collection, follow up on Facebook @stclairwppw.



PUBLIC WORKS IS NOW LIVE ON FACEBOOK!

Follow or like our page for all the latest updates and notifications. Visit our page at <https://www.facebook.com/stclairtwppw>

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Public Works Department

Hydrant Flushing

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.

May 2022 - Fall 2022

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.

Sewer Main Flushing

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.

May 2022 - Fall 2022

For current areas affected, refer to stclairtownship.ca

During this maintenance procedure, you may notice some gurgling noises in your drains. If conditions persist after 24-48 hours of normal use, please notify Public Works at 519-867-2993.

WORKS in progress



Above: Vic O'Leary(right) and Wayne Bradburn are working at the intersection of Hill and Lyndoch Streets in Corunna. They are preparing the road surface for the reapplication of pavement markings.
Works Dept. photo

State of Infrastructure Wastewater Collection

Asset Type	Inventory	Asset Value	Condition (LoS)
Force Main	35 km	\$53 M	Good
Gravity Main	90 km	\$135 M	
Pump Stations	30	\$6,9 M	Good

In Summary

Mains

- Currently meeting LoS targets
- Backlog determined of \$30.5M in 'works'
- Current spend insufficient to maintain Condition
 - Township does not have a set budget, \$150,000 previous annual spends
- Needs approximately \$4.7M additional funding over the next 10-year timeframe

Pumping Stations

- Currently meeting LoS targets
- Ten-year capital plan developed including 41 important projects identified and prioritized
- Annual expenditure ranges from \$110,000 to \$700,000, average of \$183,191
 - Expected reserve funds will be used to cover the plan costs

The Asset Management Plan is posted on the Municipal Website
<http://stclairtownship.ca/asset-management/>

AMSC – Asset Management Steering Committee

Emergency Preparedness

FACT SHEET

hydro
one

for COMMUNITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATORS

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How to Contact Hydro One

In the case of an emergency or power outage you can reach us by calling one of our emergency numbers below.

- **Hydro One Power Outage & Emergency Line:**

1-800-434-1235

Use this number to report a power outage, fallen tree hazard or emergency (24 hours, 7 days a week)

- **Hydro One Media Relations:**

416-345-6868 or 1-877-506-7584

After-hours, on weekends and holidays: 1-888-254-3992

- **Hydro One Community Relations**

Hydro One's Media and Community Relations staff members are available to answer questions and concerns from elected officials (e.g. MPP's, Mayors, Reeves)

Monday - Friday: 1-877-345-6799

Would you be prepared to handle a minimum of 72 hours without outside aid?

Emergencies don't wait until we are prepared for them - do it now!

Make an emergency kit that includes: an adequate supply of warm blankets and clothing, flashlights, food, safe drinking water, necessary medications, a First Aid kit, *pet supplies, *baby supplies, etc., and have a designated safe shelter area. Develop a fire escape plan and designate an outside meeting place.

Make sure your emergency strategies are prepared and be ready for unexpected emergencies.

Go online to: www.getprepared.gc.ca for more information.

** if applicable*

Remembering Queen Elizabeth

Below: The Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Br. 447 Colour Guard parades to the Legion hall Cenotaph led by piper Tom Rankin.
Page Right: From the left, Councillors Pat Brown and Tracy Kingston, Br. 447 President Eric Hancock, Padre Paul Woolley, Mayor Steve Arnold. Inset: Wreath placed for Queen Elizabeth.



LAMBTON COUNTY PLOWING MATCH 2022 MARKS 100 YEARS OF AGRICULTURAL EXCELLENCE

FOR PLOWING MATCH RESULTS, SEE PAGE 13

Kathleen MacRobbie keeps her team in line.



Agricultural royalty graced the fields to show off their own plowing prowess during the plowing match. Right: Lauren Elliott of St. Clair Township, the current Lambton County Queen of the Furrow, and Anna Lennox, the Ontario Queen of the Furrow for 2022, used huge John Deere tractors to make their mark on the competition field, below.



Above: St. Clair Township Councillor Tracy Kingston took a turn at the wheel during the Municipal Class plowing exhibition. Muriel Wright from Plympton-Wyoming Council also tried her hand, along with six other municipal council members.

Find out who won the Horse Division class competition on page 13.

Lambton County Library branches offer much more than books

The summer rush is ending and it's time to relax with a good book or a great online offering from the Lambton County Library. If you have a library card, you have access to the books, paper or digital, and a lot more. *And if you don't have a library card, get one. They're free!* For more information on locations, services and hours of operation visit www.lclibrary.ca



***Brigden** (519-864-1142): Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Wednesday, Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

***Corunna** (519-862-1132): Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to

7 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

***Courtright** (519-867-2712): Tuesday, Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Thursday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

***Mooretown** (519-867-2823): Monday, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wednesday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

***Sombra** (519-892-3711): Tuesday, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Thursday, Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

***Port Lambton** (519-677-5217): Monday, Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

***Wilkesport** (519-864-4000): Tuesday, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Thursday, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

If computers are not your thing, get the latest paper version of the **St. Clair Township Beacon** at your local library!

2022-The Year of Change and Adaptation

One noticeable change is the **relocation of the Entertainment tent** to the area flanked by the Commercial building, the cement block washroom, and the Junior Building/ Workshop area facing the infield. **New to the tent will be: The Chapelaires; The Randy Satchell Band; Barry Betts; and Buck and the Boys.**

BRIGDEN FAIR SCHEDULE 2022—"Hats off to Brigden Fair!"

FRIDAY OCTOBER 7TH

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

- 9:00 am Exhibit Buildings Open
- 10:00 am Agriculture Awareness Day (til 4 pm) (C)
- Emergency Response Displays
- 11:00 am Crystal Gage (ET)
- 11:30 am Official Fair Opening (ET)
- 12:15 am Crystal Gage (ET)
- 2:00 pm Pickin' n Fiddlin' at the Fair (ET)
- 7:00 pm Southwest Ontario Tractor Pullers Association & Good Times Truck Pullers Association (C)
- 8:00 pm Exhibit Buildings close at 8 pm



SATURDAY OCTOBER 8TH

Admission \$10.00
Elementary Students & Younger - Free

- 9:00 am Exhibit Buildings Open
- 9:00 am Mid Western Horse Show (HR1/2)
- 9:00 am Haflinger Show (HHR)
- 10:30 am Standard and Bantam Poultry Show (PB)
- 11:00 am Open Sheep/Market Lamb Show (C)
- 11:00 am ProRider Freestyle MX- Show, Meet & Greet (G)
- 11:25 am Bluewater Chordsman (ET)
- PARADE at NOON
- 12:30 pm Randy Satchell Band (ET)
- 1:00 pm Beef Cattle Breed Show (C)
- 1:00 pm Canadian Great War Society Cavalry - Formation Riding demonstration (HR3)
- 1:00 pm ProRider Freestyle MX- Show, Meet & Greet (G)
- 1:15 pm IPM Awards Presentation (ET)
- 1:30 pm Pie Auction (CS)
- 1:30 pm Randy Satchell Band (ET)
- 1:30 pm Ontario Vintage Tractor Pullers Association (G)
- 2:00 pm Cavalry - Skill at arms weapons display. (HR3)
- 2:30 pm Dino Craft Centre (CS)
- 2:45 pm Steppin' Up Dance Club (ET)
- 3:30 pm Jacklyn Wills (CS)
- 3:30 pm Christine Storey and Friends (ET)
- 4:00 pm ProRider Freestyle MX- Show, Meet & Greet (G)
- 6:30 pm Team Sorting (C)
- 8:00 pm Exhibit Buildings Close at 8:00 pm



SUNDAY OCTOBER 9TH

Admission \$10.00
Elementary Students & Younger - Free

- 9:00 am Exhibit Buildings Open
- 9:00 am Mid Western Horse Show (HR1/2)
- 10:00 am Brigden 4-H Sheep Show (C)
- 10:00 am Children's Rabbit & Guinea Pig Show (FY)
- 10:00 am Meet & Greet - Superheros (CS)
- 10:00 am Western Ontario Outlaws - Lawnmower Races
- 10:30 am Ducks & Geese Show (PB)
- 11:00 am Interdenominational church service with the Chapelaires (ET)
- 11:00 am Dino Craft Centre (CS)
- 11:00 am ProRider Freestyle MX- Show, Meet & Greet (G)
- 12:15 pm Buck and Boys Classic Country (ET)
- 12:30 pm Working Wagon Teams Show (HHR)
- 1:00 pm Meet & Greet - Fairytale Characters (CS)
- 1:00 pm ProRider Freestyle MX- Show, Meet & Greet (G)
- 1:15 pm Piano Time with Barry Betts (ET)
- 1:30 pm Intercounty 4-H Sheep Show (C)
- 2:00 pm Dino Craft Centre (CS)
- 2:15 pm Buck and Boys Classic Country (ET)
- 3:00 pm Western Ontario Outlaws - Lawnmower Races
- 3:15 pm Joan Spalding and Friends (ET)
- 3:30 pm Meet & Greet - Fairytale Characters (CS)
- 4:00 pm ProRider Freestyle MX- Show, Meet & Greet (G)
- 6:00 pm Exhibit Buildings Close at 6:00 pm



MONDAY OCTOBER 10TH

Admission \$10.00

Elementary Students & Younger Free

9:00 am	Farm Truck Displays – All Day (G)
9:00 am	Exhibit Buildings Open
9:00 am	Heavy Horse Show (HHR)
9:00 am	Brigden 4-H Beef Show (C)
9:30 am	Open Light Horse & Miniature Horse Show (HR3)
9:30 am	Brigden Fair Open Speed Show (HR1)
10:00 am	Beef Cattle Feeder Club & Market Lambs (C)
10:00 am	Baby Show 9 – 12 months (CS)
10:30 am	Pigeon Show (PB)
11:00 am	Great Canadian Lumberjacks (LS)
11:30 am	Baby Show 5 – 8 months (CS)
12:00 noon	Sarnia School of Irish Dance (ET)
1:00 pm	Shane Cook and the Woodchippers (ET)
1:00 pm	Ontario Four Horse Hitch (HHR)
1:00 pm	Intercounty 4-H Beef Show (C)
1:00 pm	Beef Cattle Breed Show (C)
1:00 pm	Great Canadian Lumberjacks (LS)
1:30 pm	Baby Show 0 – 4 months (CS)
2:00 pm	Mark Blaney (ET)
3:00 pm	Shane Cook and the Woodchippers (ET)
3:00 pm	Great Canadian Lumberjacks (LS)
4:00 pm	Exhibit Buildings close at 4:00 pm

ASSORTED INFORMATION

Midway opens 10 a.m. Daily
Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday

Helicopter Rides with Zimmer Air (Sat/Sun/Mon)

Dinosaur Park Walk Thru Exhibit

(Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon)

Thresher Machine Exhibit (Agricultural Field)

Saturday & Sunday

Masoni CHIP (Child Identification Program)

10 am – 4 pm near the OPP trailer
(Large Flag Pole)

Exhibition Hall

Quilts, Creative Crafts, Fine Arts, Culinary Crafts,
Photography, Junior Department

Brigden Fair Lunch Counter

Homemade Lunches and Pies

Fri. Sat, Sun 9 am-6 pm; Monday 9 am-3 pm

Ploughman's Farmyard

Located in Cattle Barn 1 – all weekend
Live Animal display, Interactive Children's
Activities & More!

Jr Fair/Fruits & Vegetable Building

Canning, Heaviest Pumpkin, Fruits, Vegetables,
4-H Displays, Giving Back to the Community,
Industrial Arts

**NOTE: TIMES & LOCATION SUBJECT TO
CHANGE**

Check www.brigdenfair.ca or Brigden Fair
Facebook page for Attractions schedule and
program time adjustments.

Visit www.brigdenfair.ca or like us on Facebook

Brigden Fall Fair Demolition Derby Get your Motors Running!!!!

Saturday, October 15, 2022

Registration opens at 9 am and closes at 12 pm
Like to hear the sound of crashing vehicles,
motors roaring, the whining of tires, the oohs
and ahhs of the crowd, then you don't want to
miss this!!! Lots of vehicles, lots of excitement.
Bring the family.

Gate Admission: \$10 - Everyone pays with the
exception of Elementary and Pre-School Children
who are free.

Derby begins at 1pm

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Annual Pie Auction

will be held at the
Community Showcase on

October 8 at 1:30 p.m.

proceeds to go to

St. Joseph's Hospice, Sarnia Lambton.

Come out and support a great cause.

The Moore Agricultural Society (Brigden Fair) welcomes new members and volunteers to help with the fair and many other great activities and events that take place at the fairgrounds each year.

NEW FEATURES THUNDERING INTO BRIGDEN FAIRGROUNDS

The Canadian Great War Society Mounted Section

The cavalry will be saddling up at the Bridgen Fair on Saturday, October 8. Starting with their appearance in the fair parade, they will be performing a Formation Riding Demonstration in Horse Ring #3 at 1 p.m. At 2 p.m. there will be a Skill at Arms Weapons display.

The Canadian Great War Society group was started in 1996, with a mounted section added in 2005. Their mounted section wears uniforms and uses cavalry tack/saddles from the Great War. Their saddles date back to the Great War and have been rebuilt. The riders carry the same kind of equipment used by the Canadian mounted soldiers of WW1.

The participants ride the same formations once used by the Canadian Army and all British Empire mounted units. Today, this kind of precision formation riding is also performed by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Musical Ride.

Weapons used by the group are the P08 sword, P68 lance, and the Lee Enfield Rifle Mk3. These weapons are the same as those used by the Canadian army in WW1.



The cavalry is coming!

The group will demonstrate the sword and lance with traditional drills used to train the soldiers.

The mounted riders are from Southwest Ontario; one rider is currently with the RCMP and participated in two tours with the RCMP Musical Ride. Bruce Lamb, owner of the horses, is an accomplished eventer, and the team's instructor, Bill Finlay, is a former RCMP instructor with the Musical Ride.

The Canadian Great War Society Mounted Section is honoured to be part of the 2022 Bridgen Fair.

Thundering hooves of the Ontario Four Horse Hitch



Photos submitted

Bridgen Fair and title sponsor St. Clair Mechanical Inc. is honoured to welcome the Ontario Four Horse Hitch to Bridgen Fair! On Monday, Oct. 10, fair attendees are invited to come and enjoy the highest standards of horsemanship, sportsmanship, and stewardship of the draft breeds as they perform at the Bridgen Fair. Weighing in at one ton each, the gentle giants of the equine world are decked out in patent leather and chrome harness, accen-

tuated by mane flowers, mane rolls, and tail bows. Skilled drivers will navigate their powerful teams of Clydesdale, Shire, Percheron and Belgian horses as they pull traditional wagons around the ring. Thirty-one exhibitors are eligible to be a part of this Four Horse Hitch Series.

Shows will accommodate community groups, tour groups, families, and residents from the surrounding communities. Follow brиденfair.ca for more information.

Results from the Lambton County Plowing Match held Sept. 3

*Issued by the Lambton County Plowmen's
Association*

Municipal Class (no particular order)

Marty Souch (Petrolia)
Muriel Wright (Plympton-Wyoming)
Steve Arnold (St. Clair Township)
Bob Woolvett (Plympton-Wyoming)
Tracy Kingston (St. Clair Township)
Kevin Marriott Warden Lambton County
Dave Ferguson (Brooke - Alvinston)
Jackie Rombouts (Warwick Township)

Class A Open Antique Drag Plow

1. Ken Milligan
2. Richard Elliott
3. Winston Roberts
4. Chris Wismer
- 5 Randall Ellwood

Class B Open Antique Mounted Plows

1. Jim Cox
2. Paul Hodgson
3. Brian Helkaa
4. Mike Lassem
- 5 Doug Smith
6. Allan Ellwood
- 7 Hugh Henderson
8. John Johnson
9. Albert Tuinstra

Class C Open Classic Class

1. Jack Bycraft
2. 2. John Gilliard
3. Ed McLachlin

Horse division H-1 Walking Plow

1. Nelson Sage
2. Kathleen MacRobbie
3. John Dekroon
4. Robert MacRobbie

H-2 Riding Plow

1. Graham Proctor
2. 2. Steven Proctor

Class 1 Open-Over 18 yrs.

1. Brian Sterling
2. Rob Sterling
3. Mark Vaarkamp
4. Matthew Sterling
5. Kody Vandevence, Steve Speller (tied)
6. Patrick Sanders



7. Brandon Crow

Class 2 Open 18yrs or less

1. Luke Wardell

Class 3 Lambton County Resident Over 18 yrs. old

1. Dennis Bryson

Class 4 Lambton County Resident 18 yrs. or less

1. Cameron Vos
2. Eva Vos
3. Tanin DeGurse

Class 5 Open Ladies Class

1. Katrina Sterling

2. Stephanie Sanders

3. Morgan Rombouts

Class 7 Open 4 or more furrows

1. John Vossen

Class 8 Lambton County Resident 2 or more furrows 1st and 2nd yr plowing contestants

1. Ken Kingdon

No contestants in Class D open 1 Furrow Class

Class 6 Lambton county Resident Team 1 Jr (20yrs and younger) 1 senior (over20 yrs)

Class 9 Open Reversible Plow

Specials

Ferguson Trophy for the Best Finish by a Lambton

County Person -Kody Vandevence

Best Plowed Land by a Lambton Resident by Lamb-

ton County -Kody Vandevence

Neil and Margaret Campbell Memorial Trophy for

Best plowed land Ladies Class - Morgan Rombouts

Allan & Katherine McNeil Trophy

Best Plowed Land 20 years and younger by a

Lambton County Person-Cameron Vos

Leonard McNeil Memorial Trophy presented to a

4-H or Intermediate Plowing competitor for best

plowed land. Donated by Brooke Alvinston -

Cameron Vos

Best Restored Outfit in Antique Class by Steam

Threshers - Albert Tuinstra

Kucera Best Plowed Land by a Case IH Tractor-

Kody Vandevence

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About 150 were served a roast beef supper by the Moore Agricultural Society Ladies. Hats off to Michelle Evanitski and her kitchen volunteers for a fantastic meal.

Left: The Queen of the Furrow competition was held and Morgan Rombouts from Warwick Township, shown left with bouquet, was crowned. Morgan will be representing Lambton County at the IPM in 2023 in the Municipalities of Amaranth and Grand Valley Sept. 19-23, 2023. Autumn Bressette of Brooke- Alvinston, beside Morgan, was the runner up.



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For further information about programming or updates about the exciting new updates, completed or underway, here's how to contact us:

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Artist John Williams documents First Nations heritage story



Above: Artist John Williams with the original mural painting.

The First Nations heritage story is as old as the rivers and forests of St. Clair Township, yet it has never been forgotten. It's deeply ingrained in the culture and it survives in the oral history passed on from generation to generation. With every beat of the drum, every step of the dancers, and every image artists use to tell their stories, the precious legacy of the Indigenous ancestors have survived through the generations.

It is this legacy that Aamjiwnaang artist John Williams has honoured in a stunningly beautiful mural he created for the Shell Canada refinery's 70th Anniversary celebration. He says his heritage has been a lifelong passion for him. "As a child, I had a fascination with my culture," he said. His grandmother told him stories about their heritage and culture, subjects that are now manifest in the masterwork he has produced. "I hope it will be a beacon of light for others who are seeking their past," he said.

The mural he created started out as a large painting. It was then photographed and sent to be rendered as the storage tank-sized mural that can now be seen from the St. Clair Parkway at the north end of the Shell site.

John cited two examples of how he drew inspiration from nature for his mural. "The drum was painted during a thunderstorm and when I first saw the tank, an eagle was flying over it. In our culture, an eagle flies close to the creator," he said.

John's mural was unveiled during a special event at



Above left: Aamjiwnaang First Nations drummers Nim Plain, left, and Nodin Cottrelle and provide the rhythm and vocals to set the dancers in motion. Each of the dances was done for different reasons such as healing and

Stevenson photos

the Shell site on Sept. 16. It began with Elizabeth Plain conducting a smudging ceremony that involves the burning of a medicine plant such as sage, cedar, tobacco or sweetgrass. She explained that the burning of one of these four sacred medicines "lifts prayers to the maker and induces clarity." During the event, First Nations drummers played an honour song in honour of John and his accomplishment, while dancers demonstrated traditional dances dressed in regalia specific to the region where each dance originated. Drummer Nim Plain said drumming songs don't have to be taught, they come naturally. "It's a social thing. Children grow up hearing it and they learn from what they hear." He also noted women traditionally give the drums to the men and drumming is usually done by the men.

Olwen Gover, corporate relations advisor for the Shell Manufacturing Centre, says Williams's mural "recognizes the longstanding relationship with and connection to the Aamjiwnaang First Nation."

HERITAGE CORNER

What's new and what's coming up at the Moore Museum

New exhibit honours Corunna baseball star

A new Rob Thomson display has been completed at Moore Museum.

Robert Lewis Thomson, local baseball star, grew up in Corunna. Rob represented Canada at the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles, California, where he participated in the baseball demonstration sport. He was then selected by the Detroit Tigers in the 32nd round the following year and found himself playing catcher and third baseman in the Minor League.

In 1988, Rob went from playing baseball to coaching. From 1990 through 2017, Robert joined and held various positions with the New York Yankees in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. In November of 2003, Rob was named to the Major League Baseball's New York Yankees Major League Coaching Staff. On April 4, 2008, due to Major League Baseball's New York Yankees Manager Joe Girardi's respiratory illness, Rob was chosen to manage that night's game. This made Robert "Thoms" Thomson the first Canadian full time manager in Major League Baseball since 1934. During his time with the New York Yankees, Rob secured five World Series Rings in 1996/98/99, 2000 and 2009. Rob was hired by the Major League's Philadelphia Phillies in December of 2017 as their bench coach (right-hand man to the team's manager/assists in decision making).

On June 15, 2019, Robert Thomson was inducted into Canada's Baseball Hall of fame. "I am humbled and honoured to be inducted into Canada's Baseball Hall of Fame!" said Thomson. "Growing up in Corunna, Ontario, I would have never dreamt that such an honour would be bestowed onto me." On July 13, 2022, Interim Manager Robert Thomson managed a game against the Toronto Blue Jays at the Roger's Center in Toronto, Ontario. This made Robert "Thoms" Thomson the first Canadian to manage a Major League Baseball Game in Canada. ~Curator, Fiona Doherty



A Christmas program in progress.

Holiday programming back for the holidays

Moore Museum's most popular school program "Community Christmas Celebrations: Traditions of the World Arrive with the Settlers" is set to begin for pre-booked groups in November. A real favourite with students is pulling taffy, as well as creating a tree ornament to take home. We hear each year of families who make the placing of this decoration on their tree an annual tradition. The program's long-term popularity is evidenced by parent chaperones who recall making a decoration here when they were children themselves.

This program about Christmas traditions has become a tradition itself! Both popular activities, along with a tour highlighting the traditions and decoration ideas early settlers brought with them from their various countries of origin, provide a two-hour program suited to the Ontario curriculum. This offers rich learning experiences related to both the Grade 2 *Changing Family and Community Traditions* and the Grade 3 *Communities in Canada, 1780 - 1850* topics. The program can also be adapted to suit Kindergarten students to provide an opportunity for exploring a part of the community, with hands-on activities.

~Curator Fiona Doherty

Downriver Craft Sale a hit!

The 2022 Downriver Craft Sale and Gift Show was a tremendous success, with almost 100 tables and booths offering the most varied selection of goodies ever seen. One of those unique products was crafted by Robert (Gus) Gostick of Brigden, far right, who turns retired propane tanks into works of art like Halloween pumpkin lanterns and an ingenious Batman hot dog cooker. The Shaw building, above center, was prone to pedestrian traffic jams, the entire museum site was populated by vendor tents, and the food tent ran out of food long before the event was over. In short, the Downriver Craft Sale was a big hit.



MORE HERITAGE CORNER

Moore Museum's Shaw building receives artistic paint job

Before the pandemic shut down, the Moore Museum received a grant from the Creative County Grant Program to fund three murals. Local artist Tim Allen was commissioned in 2020 to create them. He was the artist that painted the fantastic locomotive mural for the main building.

For those who aren't familiar with the Creative County Grant Program, its goal is to "nurture creativity and imagination through arts, culture and heritage projects; promote innovation and support new, dynamic efforts in the creative community with the goal of financial self-sufficiency and continuity; develop unique

cultural resources and enhance the health and vitality of our communities; support the development of new and diverse audiences for cultural activities and programs; encourage inclusion and celebrate diversity through our rich creative community; foster creativity by encouraging collaborative partnerships; promote culture as a key component of economic growth and quality of life."



The west side of the Shaw building now has two faux window murals that represent activities that might have taken place inside a century ago.

Fire Prevention Week a time to plan for safety

As Fire Prevention Week approaches, the St. Clair Fire Department reminds residents that "Fire won't wait! Plan your escape!"

It is important for everyone to plan and practice a home fire escape. Everyone needs to be prepared in advance so that they will know what to do when the smoke alarm sounds.

Given that every home is different, every home fire escape plan will also be different. Have a plan for everyone in the house. Children, older adults, and people with disabilities may need assistance to wake up and get out. Make sure someone will help them.

St. Clair Fire urges everyone to read and heed these key home fire escape planning tips:

- ⇒ Make sure your plan meets the needs of all your family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.
- ⇒ Smoke alarms are required to be installed on every storey of the home and outside the sleeping area.
- ⇒ Know at least two ways out of every room, if possible. Make sure all doors and windows open easily.



Accident victim receives community support through Corunna Legion event

On Sunday, Sept. 11, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 447 held a breakfast to support accident victim Mike Watts, who was injured in a motorcycle accident in the U.S. Mike is well known in St. Clair Township, and our community came out in full force to show their support for him.

A total of \$4,615 was raised to support Mike in his journey back to good health. We would like to thank Chris at Corunna No Frills for donating the food, and our volunteers who helped to cook, serve, and clean up. Everyone's support is greatly appreciated by the Branch 447 and the Watts' family. Left: Eric Hancock, President of Branch 447, right, presented a cheque from the breakfast proceeds to Jeremy Watts, Madi Watts and Christina Watts.

Legion photo



COMMUNITY CONTACT

Sacred Heart food bank - help your community thrive

The need for donations of food, personal, household supplies, and back-to-school items like juice boxes still looms in the community. Shortages are a common situation at local food banks and the need continues to be great. Thank goodness for our neighbourhood food banks as they continue to come to the aid of the community. Nourishing food and daily supplies like personal hygiene items, baby needs, and household cleaning supplies, as well as grocery store gift cards and monetary donations, are always gratefully accepted. In Ward 2, The Sacred Heart Food Bank has shelves that need to be replenished on a regular basis, not just on special occasions. Please keep the Sacred Heart food bank in mind when you shop for your own groceries.

St. Andrew's food bank continues to help those in need

The food bank at St. Andrew's Church on Colborne Street in Corunna is open every Wednesday evening from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. and every Thursday morning from 9 a.m. to noon. It operates in association with the Inn of the Good Shepherd in Sarnia.

The food bank serves those in need, offering a variety of food products to help people eat healthily, including milk, eggs, bread, and meat, as well as daily requirements like household cleaning supplies, toiletries and baby needs. The fresh food supplied at the food bank costs approximately \$75 per week to purchase. Anyone wishing to make a financial donation to the food bank can do so through Food Bank, C/O St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 437 Colborne Drive, Corunna, Ontario, N0N 1G0. Gift cards to Foodland and No Frills are also welcome.

St. Joseph-St. Charles Catholic Church Community to participate in food program

The St. Joseph-St. Charles' Catholic Community in Corunna, along with the Catholic churches in Petrolia, Forest, and Watford, has worked collaboratively with the Boys and Girls Club of Sarnia-Lambton to extend Project Backpack, a food assistance program, into Lambton County. The program provides a bag of nutritious food that can be easily distributed to people ages 14-24 who are in need of a healthy meal. Each bag also contains hygiene items and helpful information from

community partners. People who qualify for this program can find these bags at the St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish office at 346 Beresford Street in Corunna during regular office hours (Monday from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Tuesday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.). Program organizers say the program will continue into the fall and they hope to continue it as long as there is a need for it.

The Optimist Club welcomes new members

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 226-402-3870.

Lambton County Junior Optimist Club invites new members to get involved

The Lambton County Junior Optimist Club invites youth from age 10 through 18 to join and discover the fantastic feeling of volunteering in the community. Members put on their own programs and find creative ways to fundraise for other youth programs. Hours spent volunteering with the club count toward the volunteer hours needed at school. The club meets the first Monday of every month at 6 p.m. Meetings are now held at the Emergency Services Building in Corunna at the intersection of Lyndoch and Hill Streets. For more information, call Mary Lou at 519-862-3950.

Local TOPS weight control group meetings

Local TOPS weight control groups can be contacted for information as follows: **Brigden**—519-864-1865; **Corunna**—519-381-5584. People of all ages are welcome to attend.

Brigden United Church activities/service

Brigden United Church holds regular Sunday services at 10:30 a.m. More information regarding the Brigden United Church schedule is available 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. **For more information about support options during the COVID-19 emergency, contact Rita at 519-867-2932. More mental health resources include: Lambton Mental Health Distress Line, 519-336-3445 or 1-800-307-4319; Lambton Public Health mental health and addiction line, 519-464-4400, ext. 5370.**

Why not be a Moore Agricultural Society member?



The Moore Agricultural Society (Brigden Fair) is looking for new members and/or special event volunteers to help with the annual fair and a range of other community and special events that come to the fairgrounds each year. Those who wish to become a member can drop off payment and member information (name, telephone number, email address, home address) at the Brigden Fair office or use e-transfer at Finance@brigdenfair.ca. **Memberships are \$20 per person until further notice.** For more information on the membership or volunteer role, contact:

info@brigdenfair.ca.

***It's a great way to do something good for
the community and yourself.***



Mental Health & Addictions Supports

For those who face the mental health or addiction challenges, the world can be a bleak place. The Sarnia-Lambton Ontario Health Team has the information that can point the way to a happy, sober life.

The place to start is with your primary care provider. He or she will know more about treatment options and local support/resources available to you.

To talk to someone about local resources, call Connex Ontario, 1-866-531-2600, or the Family Counselling Centre Care Pathways, 519-336-3600. In crisis? Call CMHA Lambton-Kent and talk to a mental health professional 24/7 at 1-800-307-4319. These are just a few of the resources available to you. Don't hesitate to call.

For full local listings, visit: agefriendlysarnialambton.ca

Brigden Optimist Club
Presents the

HALLOWEEN THEME

**KIDS SCAVENGER HUNT
& ADULT'S POKER WALK**



Saturday, Oct. 29
1 - 4 p.m.

Brigden Optimist Ball Park Pavilion
1587 Mill Street
Poker Walk fee - \$5 donation

Bring the whole family and enjoy the day!
Walk through the beautiful town of Brigden
dressed in your costumes to win prizes for both
adults and kids.

Prizes for best and worst poker hands.
Treat bags for the kids.

All donations go to the community
and food banks.

In case of rain, meet at the pavilion for the
poker walk and goodie bags will
still be handed out.

BRIGDEN OPTIMIST CLUB PRESENTS

**A Little
Country Christmas**



NOVEMBER 19TH
2PM to 8PM
OUTDOORS

DOWNTOWN BRIGDEN, ONT
3016-1 BRIGDEN RD

Jane St to Courtright line on Brigden Rd will be closed

New Kids Secret Santa Shop
Kids will be able to shop from 2pm to 6pm
Elf's will be on hand to help and wrap gifts for the kid's

SHOP 30 LOCAL VENDORS

KIDS CRAFT STATIONS 2PM TO 6PM
SANTA'S ARRIVAL 6PM
CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS 7PM

PICTURES AT THE TRAIN WITH SANTA
GOODIE BAGS FOR THE FIRST 150 KIDS

DONATIONS TO OPERATION CHRISTMAS TREE
NON PERISH FOOD & CAN GOODS
NEW UNWRAPPED TOYS
NEW HATS & MITTS



Royal Canadian Legion Branch 447 Corunna Remembrance Day set for Clock Tower War Memorial

The 2022 Remembrance Day service will be held on Friday, Nov. 11, 2022, with ceremonies taking place at the War Memorial by the Clock Tower on Lyndoch Street (Derek Drouin Drive). This year's Remembrance Day Service will be back to normal. The parade will form up at 10:40 a.m. at Lyndoch and Beckwith Streets. Attendance will be open to Legion Members, Veteran's, Colour Party, Dignitaries and the general public. All wreaths will be laid. Dignitaries will be standing in front of and facing the Memorial. Wreaths will be prepositioned. These wreaths will include Federal, Provincial, Municipal, Legion, and Ladies Auxiliary only. Other wreaths will be laid three at a time as they were prior to COVID. If you wish to purchase a wreath please contact the Corunna Legion at 519-862-1240. Spectators are encouraged to attend, however, you may choose to wear a mask and/or practice physical distancing as a precaution. We are happy to advise that we will stream the ceremonies live on the Corunna Legion Facebook page so you can watch from home, school, or work.. Find our page on Facebook (Royal Canadian Legion, Leslie Sutherland Branch 447 Corunna) and 'like' our page, then go to the page at the date and time noted at the top of this notice. You will see the entire ceremony.

Marg Emery, Corunna Legion, Branch 447

Thank you for your participation.



AROUND THE TOWNSHIP

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Remembrance Banquet Honours & Awards

The Royal Canadian Legion Br. 447 Corunna will hold its *75th Anniversary Celebration Remembrance Banquet-Honours and Awards* on Saturday, Nov. 5, with cocktails at 5 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. Veterans, members, and the public are all welcome to attend. Tickets are \$10 per person and are available at the Club Room bar at the Br. 447 hall. (Veterans no charge.) **Remembrance Day Service on Nov. 11 will be hivback to normal. See page 18 for full schedule.**

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- Build math and reading muscle
- Gain confidence as a learner
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Literacy Lambton offers *Train Your Brain*

The *Train Your Brain* program is offered at both the Mooretown Sports Complex and the Petrolia Lions Hall.

Train Your Brain is a FREE program for Grade 3 & 4 students and registration open. All programs run from 6 p.m. to 7:30pm. The Mooretown Sports Complex will host the program on Wednesday nights and the Petrolia Lions Hall will host it on Thursday nights. Registration can be done online at:

<https://www.literacylambton.org/programs/family-literacy-program/train-your-brain/>

New website reveals Lambton's contributions to the global oil industry

The Oil Museum of Canada, National Historic Site, has launched a new website showcasing the important contributions to the world-wide oil industry by local International Oil Drillers. From the mid-1870s until the mid-1940s, more than 800 international drillers from Lambton County provided Canadian oil drilling expertise and equipment to nearly 90 countries.

This new website explores their stories and shares some of their letters, photographs, and souvenirs. The multi-year project was funded by Digital Museums Canada (formerly the Virtual Museums Canada program) which is dedicated to online projects by the museum and heritage community. Research for the website was conducted by Museum staff and more than 600 artifacts were photographed or digitized for this project with nearly 250 individual drillers featured with stories, artifacts and videos. A comprehensive list of all known International Drillers and an interactive map showcasing the locations around the world are also included in the site. The website is available in both in English and French. Visit:

www.internationaloildrillers.ca to learn more.

West Lambton Community Health Centre

Please visit <https://www.nlchc.com/services/wellness-programs/> (Make sure you specify which program you are registering for on top of the form.)

Mooretown Low Impact: Thursdays at the Mooretown Sports Complex, 1166 Emily Street at 9 a.m. Low impact exercises performed using body weight and resistance bands.

Shibashi: Fridays at Canatara Park at 10 a.m. Easy to learn and perfect for beginners. Meet at the picnic pavilion adjacent to the children's playground (closest one to the Point Edward park entrance).

Line Dancing: Wednesdays at 1 p.m. until Nov. 9 at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, 120 Russel Street in Sarnia. All abilities welcome and no previous experience required. Space is limited.

Nature Trail Walks: Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. For trail locations call 519-786-4545, ext.327.

Virtual Yoga Fusion: Tuesdays until Nov. 17 at 11 a.m. via Zoom. This version of yoga combines yoga postures, breath work, and fitness repetitions to tone and strengthen the body. Feel nourished, connected, and renewed with this gentle practice. To register and receive the Zoom link, call 519-786-4545, ext. 327.

Virtual Anger 101: On Oct. 18 at 2:30 p.m. learn the basics of healthy vs. unhealthy anger, identify your anger triggers, and learn basic skills to manage anger. To register, call Rebecca at 519-344-3017, ext. 277 or email reveraert@nlchc.com.

Dietician Visit: On Oct. 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Petrolia EarlyON Centre, a dietician will be available to answer questions regarding feeding your child (e.g. breast feeding, bottle, first foods, picky eating, etc.). Additional dates and locations can be found by emailing EarlyON@nlchildcare.ca for more information.

Garden Fresh Box: The Garden Fresh Box is an inexpensive monthly food buying club for anyone who wants fresh vegetables and fruit all years around.

Virtual Heart Health Conversation Class: On Monday, Oct. 31 at 1:30 p.m., a Zoom presentation will be presented for those who are worried about heart health. Learn how to manage cholesterol and blood pressure. To join this free class, call 519-786-4545, ext. 307 or 519-344-3017, ext. 259.

Virtual Mindful Eating: This group will be held Oct. 5 to Nov. 10 at 1:30 p.m. to address emotional eating and food craving management. To register, call 519-786-4545, ext. 307.

Night Light: This class will run from Oct. 27 to Dec. 15 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the West Lambton Community Health Centre, 429 Exmouth Street in Sarnia. Find hope and wellness while managing anxiety and depression. Space is limited.

Opening Doors: Healthy Lifestyle program for individuals living with mental illness or seeking mental health support. For information, call 519-344-3017, ext. 277.

AROUND THE TOWNSHIP

Brigden Fair family Agriculture Awareness Day planned

The Brigden Fair Agriculture In The Classroom school program will not be held this year due to the conflict with P. A. Day for Lambton Kent Elementary School students. However, the fair will be offering "Agriculture Awareness Day" in the Coliseum area on Friday, Oct. 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For MUCH MORE information see page 18.

Brigden Legion to hold raffle after fair parade

The Royal Canadian Legion Br. 635 will hold a raffle on Saturday, Oct. 8 at 1:30 p.m. after the Brigden Fair Parade. There will also be raffles at 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 22, Nov. 5, Nov. 19, Dec. 3, and Dec. 17.

The Brigden Legion will be selling soup and chili with a bun during the Brigden Country Christmas.

Remembrance Day service in Brigden

The Royal Canadian Legion Brigden Br. 635 will hold its Remembrance Day service beginning at 10:45 on Friday, Nov. 11. A time of fellowship will be held at the Legion hall following the service.

Corunna Legion events set

The Royal Canadian Legion Corunna Br. 447 will host the following events:

- Oct. 29: Halloween Open Jam (prizes for best costumes)
- Nov. 11: **Remembrance Day service** (see page 18)
- Nov. 20: Johnson Memorial Cribbage Tournament
- Nov. 26: Open Jam

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E-mail:

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The DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS is the third Monday of each month for the following month.

NOVEMBER deadline for submissions:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, by noon.

(Autumn/Christmas events should be submitted now.)

Dec. 1: Christmas Turkey Bingo

Dec. 3: Christmas Turkey Raffle

Dec. 10: Christmas Horse-drawn Wagon Rides

Dec. 17: Open Jam

Dec. 31: New Years Dance (entertainment by British Beat 66)

Jan. 1, 2023: New Years Day Levee

The hall is wheelchair accessible and all are welcome. Call the Corunna Legion for more information closer to event dates at 519-862-1240. The Beacon will also list information as it becomes available.

Christmas Brigden Market set for fairgrounds

Spend some productive Christmas shopping time at the Christmas Brigden Market slated for Dec. 3 at the Brigden Fairgrounds. Be sure to mark your calendar and have a great shopping experience finding perfect gifts for those "hard-to-buy-for" people on your list. Watch for details on the Brigden Fair website or here in the November issue of The Beacon.



Experience the Benefit of Tai Chi

An Introduction to Tai Chi class will start Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Canon Davis Memorial Anglican Church Hall, 380 Russell Street North in Sarnia. Beginners can register at that time. You Classes will be held Wednesday and Friday, and everyone is welcome. (Parking is diagonally across the intersection with Maxwell Street.) For more information, contact Canadian Tai Chi Academy - Sarnia, email: sarnia@canadiantaichiacademy.org or call Fernando at 519-332-1222.

Heritage St. Clair to dedicate new story board to Courtright magician Stewart James

In the world of magic and illusion, Courtright native Stewart James is a familiar name. He developed fantastic magic tricks and illusions that are still the used by magicians all over the world. His incredible story will be told on Oct. 15 at 10 a.m. when Heritage St. Clair dedicates a new storyboard that is being installed at Courtright River Front Park. A short presentation will be made at that time.

Brigden Country Christmas

The Brigden Country Christmas downtown is slated for Nov. 19 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information see poster on page 18.



Halloween Scavenger Walk and Adult Poker Walk in Bridgen

On Oct. 29 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Bridgen will be the site of a Halloween Scavenger Walk for the kids and an Adult Poker Walk. For more information see poster on page 18.

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