

## PIZZA PARTY



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Megan Wakefield and Riley Lavinge were making pizzas at Wise Guys Friday night as Petrolia's pizza places were popping for the seventh annual Pizzafest. But it was a lot different than normal. It was virtual this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions on the number of people at events. Normally, hundreds of people sit under the trees at Victoria Park and listen to music while munching on pizza. This year, the pizzerias sold specials and the entertainment was streamed live on social media.

## MOH says Lambton ready to reopen; plans to question province

Heather Wright  
The Independent

Lambton's Medical Officer of Health wants to know why local businesses are being held back from opening when its neighbours are not.

It's a question Petrolia Mayor Brad Loosley would like an answer to as well.

Premier Doug Ford has loosened some of the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. Starting Friday, gathering in groups of 10 is permitted and churches may open their doors but can only use 30 per cent of the building's capacity.

The province also announced Monday 24 regions could begin reopening businesses including more access to restaurants, hair salons and personal care services. Lambton is not among them and that has public officials questioning why.

At the beginning of a council meeting Monday afternoon Loosley said county officials and the medical officer of health are looking into why

Lambton isn't on that list.

"We're hoping to resolve this or at least hopefully in a week or so to move on so we're allowed to do some of the items in stage two."

Dr. Sudit Ranade says Lambton is meeting the markers the province has set for reopening so he's "not sure holding us back is consistent... the numbers are such that we should be able to move along with our neighbours."

"If you're going to say we cannot move forward with our neighbours here, you need to have an argument that the risk level here for the population is materially different from that of our neighbours and I'm not sure looking at our data that I could actually say that."

Then, Ranade added the economic "burden of public health measures falls unequally between jurisdictions" if the province isn't consistent with the rules. He pointed out Grand Bend is partly in Lambton, which can't open, and partly in Huron, which can.

**SEE LAMBTON PG 2**

## Petrolia man arrested in shooting

Heather Wright  
The Independent

A Petrolia man is facing charges of aggravated assault in Kitchener.

Waterloo Regional Police arrested the 22 year-old man almost a year after the original daylight shooting on Fairway Road.

Police were called to a plaza on Fairway Road June 24, 2019 at 5:40 pm after residents called saying there were gunshots. Police found one man and two women, shot inside.

Police say the man was critically injured, is out of hospital now but sustained life altering injuries. The women were treated and released.

Police say the shooting was sparked from a dispute between two men. As

they started throwing punches, police say another man approached them and fired a number of rounds which struck three people.

The man fled.

Police say forensic evidence helped track down the man accused in the shooting.

On June 4, investigators arrested Brandon James of Petrolia.

He's charged with three counts of aggravated assault, one count of attempted aggravated assault, careless use of a firearm, possession of a dangerous weapon, carrying a concealed weapon, unauthorized possession of a firearm and possession of a prohibited firearm with ammunition.

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Petrolia tattoo artist Josh Douwes stands in front of his business on Petrolia Line. Douwes has been anxious to restart his service to the community in the wake of COVID-19 restrictions, but continues to wait for provincial approval.

# The wait and frustration continues

Heather Wright  
The Independent

Josh Douwes business has been booming. In three years, Black Room Tattoos has grown to the point where Douwes was considering buying his own building in downtown Petrolia.

Then came COVID-19 and the restrictions that left him, and almost every other business, sidelined as the country tried to stop the spread of the respiratory virus.

Slowly, Ontario businesses were given more leeway to provide goods and services, keeping their distance, limiting the number of people in a store and for some wearing face masks.

But as Douwes approached the 12 week of keeping his doors closed, he started questioning when he might be able to open.

Douwes hung a sign in his window saying “Why am I still closed?”

He went to sit in front of the Lambton Public Health building holding up his sign and asking everyone when he would be able to return to work.

Douwes says he’s willing to follow public health guidelines, if he can only get back to work adding “I already have these precautions.”

Even before COVID-19, Douwes wore a mask while he worked, the shop is large

enough to make sure the customers are two meters away from anyone but the tattoo artist, and he does a lot of cleaning between clients.

Monday, when the premier announced the second stage of reopening businesses, there was some hope. Personal services like tattoo artists and hair and beauty salons would be able to open Friday. But once again, Douwes, and the rest of Lambton’s businesses were left behind. The province says Lambton must remain closed because of the border and the fear that COVID-19 cases could be more prevalent. That’s something local health officials dispute.

Douwes is more hopeful about reopening, now that the province has begun the process. But he’s still waiting.

And Douwes was not alone in his concern, social media posts from local hair and beauty salons have also expressed frustration with the continued wait.

Jen Taylor in a post from her business, The Rooted Bohemians says “While we are beyond disappointed with this decision we will however continue to follow the guidelines set out by the government.”

And at New You Professional Hair Design, clients were told “We are all very bummed and frustrated but we need to abide by these guidelines as we all need to stay safe and healthy.”

# Lambton questions why businesses can’t open

## CON’T FROM PG 1

Ministry of Health officials have told *The Independent* Lambton was left off the list because it is a border community and the province is concerned about COVID-19 transmission across the border.

Hayley Chazan, the senior manager of media relations for the minister of health, confirms there are concerns with border communities. Windsor-Essex and the Niagara Region are among the communities which cannot open further.

“In consultation with local medical officers of health, border regions, including Lambton, are remaining in stage one as we continue to keep a close eye on essential

travellers and their potential impact on new cases,” says Chazan in an email to *The Independent*.

Ranade says there have been “no cases related to travel across the border” in Lambton.

The medical officer of health will be questioning the province and hopes to convince officials Lambton is ready to reopen. Provincial officials say they are constantly reevaluating the situation.

“At the beginning of each week, the government will provide an update on the ongoing assessment of these regions, and whether they are ready to move into stage two at the end of the week,” says Chazan.

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# ‘Bombard’ feds with complaints says McCallum

Heather Wright  
The Independent

An Enniskillen councillor is frustrated Health Canada doesn’t seem to be doing much to make sure cannabis operations follow the rules. And Mary Lynne McCallum says residents may have to “bombard” officials with complaints to get anything done.

Early this year, McCallum sent a letter to Health Canada voicing concerns about the smell coming from High Park Farms on Lasalle Line. Neighbours have long complained about the skunk-like odour coming from the 16-acre complex. One family, the Brands who live directly across from the operation, have filed a complaint with the Normal Farm Practices Protection Board over the issue of light and smell. It has been stalled by the restrictions around COVID-19. McCallum’s letter to Health Canada asks what exactly the federal government can do to keep the odour under control. David Pellman, director general of compliance with Health Canada’s Cannabis Branch, says High Park

Farms was inspected in June 2019 and “odours were detected outside the facility.” “Health Canada issued a report to the licence holder with a citation for release of cannabis odours.” Pellman says High Park submitted “corrective action and a prevention plan..that was deemed acceptable.” McCallum says what High Park has done has never been revealed. “I’d love to say here, this is what they did,” she says. “Even in the third reply, I said, you know, I’d love to see what the action plan was.” McCallum says there has been some improvement to the smell over the past three years but “I don’t think it’s ever going to go away.” And the councillor fears there is little Enniskillen can do now. “Our problem was it was existing greenhouse and they were just converting it. We were told Health Canada is regulating all these nuisances and they’re not,” she says. “The only thing we can do, is to like what Trevor (Brand) is doing right now. He’s appealed to the Normal Farm Practices board. Well, that’s going to take a year,

two years, who knows. And it’s going to cost them 30 40, 50 \$60,000.” McCallum adds the municipality can stop future expansion by going to the Local Planning Advisory Board, “and I don’t think that’s a good way to spend our taxpayer dollars.” McCallum says the municipality is working with planners from the County of Lambton to come up with a Cannabis bylaw, but it won’t govern the Lasalle Line facility. She places the blame for the excessive smell squarely on Health Canada, saying they led the municipality to believe they would be making sure the operation would follow the rules. “If there were no intentions for them to do that, they should have told us.” McCallum feels for the neighbours putting up with the smell. “They can’t do anything at all, other than sending emails to the cannabis hotline. People who complained to me, that’s what I tell them, bombard them. Every time you smell it send them an email.... If they go out five times a day and smell it send off another email to Health Canada.”

## CONGRATS TO THE GRAD



HEATHER WRIGHT PHOTO

Teachers from LCCVI, including Charlotte Wright-Boyd, fanned out across Petrolia and Central Lambton Thursday to honour the 146 members of the Class of 2020. This year’s graduation is being delayed until November, but each student is being recognized with a sign on the lawn. Wright-Boyd presented Cam Hackett with his graduate sign in Wyoming.

# Petrolia gives hospice \$3,000 to help provide palliative care services in Lambton

The Independent

Petrolia is donating \$3,000 to St. Joseph’s Hospice this year, even though it wasn’t in the budget. The facility asked council to consider the donation and

Councillor Ross O’Hara suggested the town could find the money in the current budget even though it wasn’t planned. Donations to charitable groups are generally discussed during budget. But O’Hara says many

people in the community use the palliative care services there. Councillor Joel Field agrees. “I believe that they are struggling this year, not being able to have some of the events that they normally do, and they do raise a

ton of money and have a ton of volunteers. “So, I think it’s definitely...a facility that needs help.” Councillor Grant Purdy agrees. He says as a paramedic, he often goes to hospice with patients.

“The community rely on these services and they just treat people and families with such dignity that I think it’s very worthwhile.” Councillors approved the donation saying hospice should make its next request at budget.

## Organic Farmer meeting increased demand for fresh, safe, local food

### Looking to expand to Petrolia & Central Lambton

The owner of River Bell Market Garden says health concerns over COVID-19 have meant that residents throughout southwestern Ontario are looking for safe, local alternatives for their food source.



Since the World Health Organization declared the virus a global pandemic in March, demand for organic vegetables has shot up by leaps and bounds at the Dresden farm, said Joseph Grootenboer, owner of the operation. “For several weeks, every day we had multiple new customers signing up from Chatham-Kent and

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Sarnia-Lambton,” he commented. “And our existing customers increased their orders by about 35% weekly.”

In order to tackle the demand, River Bell has increased its fruit and vegetable options available from a partnership with Pfennings Organic Farm in New Hamburg, ON as well as procuring more seeds for a larger local crop.

“Large plots of lettuce, spinach and greens are already nearing harvest,” said Grootenboer. “Increased sweet corn is already transplanted in the field and soaking the sun, and extra rows of cucumber, tomato and peppers are reaching for the sky.”

River Bell harvests through the week, but especially the three days leading up to delivery day, Thursday. The cold storage is utilized immediately at harvest to preserve freshness. During this pandemic, customer’s value minimal handling,



said Grootenboer. “One employee packs the box on Thursday morning and you put it in your fridge that same day. Zero time on shelves for any of it,” he said.

And while customers in Chatham-Kent rave about the freshness and flavour of their products, River Bell plans on expanding its services into Lambton County, serving Petrolia and Central Lambton as early as June if the response is good. A pick up point is planned for Petrolia.

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# Editorial

## Reopening Ontario

The reopening of the province has to happen, but is it the right time and is the Ontario government going about it the right way?

It's the million dollar question that no one really can answer.

Monday, the province unrolled its plans to reopen some of the province. By Friday, a crowd will be 10 people and up to 30 per cent of church members will be allowed to go to their building for worship.

And in 24 communities, a number of businesses will be able to reopen. Restaurants are now able to open outdoor patios. Hair salons tattoo parlours, barber shops and beauty salons, guided tours of places like wineries and breweries, opening outdoor splash pads swimming pools, and beaches, private camping may all open to the public.

Outdoor recreational facilities can be used, with social distancing. Drive in and drive through theatres, concerts, animal attractions and art installations are okay.

While the province has okayed the opening of these communities, Lambton is not among them. Provincial officials say there is concern for more for the spread of COVID-19 in border communities.

Lambton's medical officer of health says Lambton's statistics meet the province's own guidelines. He and local politicians will spend some time trying to convince the province of that. He says the economic burden of the COVID-19 would weigh heavily on Lambton businesses unfairly because of the border when we already meet the provincial standards.

While the powers that be try to figure this out, Lambton businesses wait anxiously - not just to reopen but to figure out what the future holds.

Whenever we reopen, it won't be easy. There will be new protocols to follow. And even if Lambton opens next week, there will still be businesses who won't survive this.

For Lambton to return, we need to support our community, both with kind words and with our pocketbooks.

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## Our Story



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What could be better than some time in a park. This Pesha Photo shows Petrolia's Victoria Park at the turn of the century.

## Thinking of the joys of summer and the Class of 2020

This time of year has always been magical for students - those last few moments of the year filled with fun and anticipation of the freedom of summer.

I remember June as one of the best times of the school year. There was usually a school trip somewhere nearby - maybe a provincial park or Storybook Gardens in London.

There were hot lunches to make the last days of the year special.

There was field day - normally a bust for me but still a day that didn't involve sitting in a hot classroom with my legs stuck to a plastic chair.

And there was usually some cool treat at the end of the day as our dust feet were released from their running shoes.

High school meant exams, which were stressful, but it was also a signal of the promise to come, complete

freedom from school for a couple of months.

Not that we had complete freedom mind you - my mom put us to work in the garden almost daily and the season of pea picking was a particular bane on my existence.

But even that seems good to me today as I watch this year's students. At home, only seeing their friends via computer or by talking to them on SnapChat, most are longing for the school year to be over because it has been a difficult couple of months.

Now, it is fair to say this time of pandemic has been hard for almost all of us, and to someone on the verge of losing their business or who lost a loved one to COVID-19, the worries of a student may seem minor.

But, this has been tough for students, too, particularly the Class of 2020. They've missed those last few months

of being together, making memories with things like prom, sports and graduation.

It's great to see local schools trying to make things special for them - trying to give them something good to remember about the Class of 2020.

They will remember this of course. The pandemic will shape their thinking - and, if we continue to lift them up - hopefully, the memory will be one of a community that cares - not just the memories that were never made.



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HELPING OUT



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The parking lot of New Life Church in Petrolia was busy Sunday as members dropped off food to help fill the shelves of the local food bank. Christine Zonneville says the Petrolia Food Bank needed some staples and so the mission group decided to have a Drive By Food Drive. “The food bank is actually accepting everything but there was a list of golden items that they really needed ...hamburger helper, maple syrup, because they always get pancake mix but never the syrup; canned tomatoes, saltine crackers.” Zonneville says the church members brought by many of the needed items and much more during Sunday’s two hour event.

Advocates threaten lawsuit if families are not reunited

Heather Wright  
The Independent

Lambton’s medical officer of health says its important people in long-term care homes are not isolated from families. That as the Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms asked the provincial government to allow families back into long term care or face a lawsuit. Jay Cameron penned the letter which pointed out it is a violation under the Long-Term Care Homes Act to isolate residents from their family. But Cameron says the call is about more than the rules. It is about the quality of life of the residents. “Physical and cognitive decline takes place very quickly in with the elderly sometimes and families are being prevented

from getting in and providing their family members with socialization, with exercise, with enjoyment, with touch, and, they are there witnessing remotely and over phone calls... that there’s a very significant decline happening. “These people are essentially being locked down it rooms and deprived of the enjoyments which make life worth living including the company and, the companionship of their family members.” Cameron pointed to the problems uncovered in some long-term care homes by the Canadian Forces and says family members need to be the eyes and ears of people who cannot express themselves because they have dementia or Alzheimers. “The fact that they can’t express it doesn’t mean that

they aren’t suffering. And so, their rights have to be able to be exercised by their children, by their family members. And, you know, the comparison I made to a reporter yesterday was about blurring the lines between care and incarceration. “They (families) need to be able to go in and check and make sure that conditions are okay and that their loved ones are okay.” Cameron says the national organization has been receiving calls from across the country on the issue, however some provinces have relaxed the rules. He says by far the most complaints in the last month have come from Ontario, particularly after the military issued its scathing report about the quality of care in some of the worst homes in the province. Cameron says the

organization has received between four and five emails and calls a day from Ontario residents. Lambton’s Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Sudit Ranade, agrees it is time to let families back into the homes. “I completely agree that it is so important that people in long-term care homes are not socially isolated from their families,” he told reporters Tuesday when asked about the Justice Centre’s request. “And we have to as I’ve been talking about, we need to figure out a way to live with it (COVID-19), which includes allowing people who live in congregate settings to have connection to their loved one.” Cameron says the centre will see how the province responds before taking legal action.

Petrolia councillors frustrated by lack of transfer site progress

Heather Wright  
The Independent

Ross O’Hara is getting frustrated by the delays to get Petrolia’s compost transfer site open. The town closed down the site on the Maude St. extension in 2018 after the Ministry of the Environment noted a number of problems

including issues with paper work. Since then, a deal was struck with Waste Management to do the job. But O’Hara has been advocating the site return. And council gave approval last year to move ahead with getting MOE approval to use the site as a transfer station. However the approval has yet to be granted. Town staff

told O’Hara Monday it appeared they were reviewing the request and had been asking questions. But so far, there has been no time frame for approval. O’Hara says residents are frustrated as he is. “I’m questioned by residents all the time. What’s the progress on it?” he told council. “I just am concerned that

things like this, that what I look at as kind of a minor situation ... it seems to take the province or our consultants this long to come up with a simple solution.” Mayor Brad Loosley agreed. “We were just amending the license we already had, which you would think would be a little faster.”

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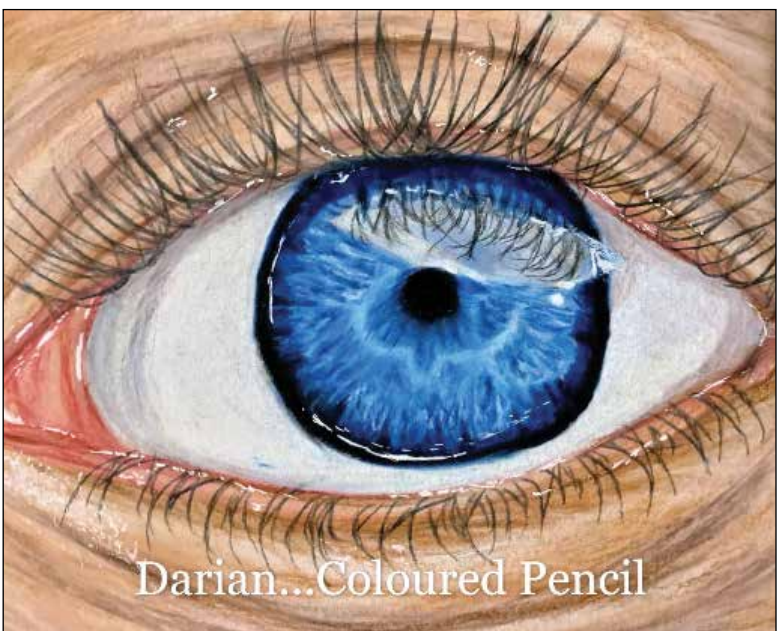
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# Student art goes virtual for Victoria Hall’s annual show

**Alex Kurial**  
Local Journalism Initiative

The Victoria Hall Art Committee’s annual student showcase looks a little different this year, but still showcases the work of talented Lambton artists. Each May, the committee partners with students from the LCCVI to display artwork at Victoria Hall. With restrictions due to the COVID-19 outbreak however, the plan had to be shelved. “This is not fair to the children, they didn’t ask for this,” said VHAC member Tracy Tobin. “They work so hard all year and they deserve this recognition and a chance to exhibit. This can really boost morale and somebody’s confidence.” Tobin saw that the Visiting Artists in Local School Program had decided to put on a virtual show to highlight their students

work, and thought the idea would be perfect for Petrolia. Soon the call was out, not just to LCCVI students, but to all young artists in Lambton County who wished to submit their work. In total the art committee received 27 submissions from 12 students, ranging from artists age eight to recent LCCVI grads. Mediums included graphite, acrylic, woodworking, ink and marker, colored pencil, charcoal, water color, digital graphic, paper collage, and even a henna tattoo design. “The whole committee once they saw all the work was like wow, what an arrangement of media,” Tobin said. “These kids are just brilliant, we’re over the moon excited.” Tobin then incorporated the works of art into a short video that is online. “We need positivity, we need creativity, we need expression in a



PHOTOS VIA VICTORIA HALL ART COMMITTEE

Students in Petrolia and Central Lambton had a chance to showcase their art, even though the popular Victoria Hall Art Committee show wasn’t able to be held in person. The group curated a show online.

# Prision sentence for Thedford man guilty of armed robbery at his hometown gas bar

**Alex Kurial**  
Local Journalism Initiative

A shocking armed robbery in his own hometown has earned a Thedford man a lengthy jail sentence. But Dillon Wellington says it has been the eye opener to change his life for the better. Wellington, 25, went to the Goco gas station in Thedford last September. During the robbery Wellington waved a knife and threw a computer monitor at the clerks. Wellington and two others fled with the cash register. One of the clerks is still traumatized. “She still

has fear for her safety and security, indicating that when customers come into the store she fears something will happen. She fears working outside of the store, she is scared to open the cash register when customers come into the store,” Crown attorney Melanie Nancekievill read from the statement. Wellington and the two men were arrested soon after by Lambton OPP. While in jail, Wellington and two other inmates attacked a man in the shower, resulting in extensive injuries to the victim. Wellington plead guilty

to the unprovoked jail attack, along with the armed robbery and having his face masked, June 5. A joint submission of two years for the armed robbery and six months for the assault was accepted by Justice Krista Leszczynski. Wellington also received two years probation, a lifetime weapons ban, an extensive list of people he is banned from contacting, and an order to repay the approximately \$7,000 of damage caused during the robbery. Wellington’s lawyer says the robbery was a “drug-induced” idea, fueled by

a lifelong escalation of drug use by Wellington that resulted in the use of hard drugs like dilaudid, hydromorphone and methamphetamine. Sarah Donohue submitted apology letters written by Wellington, both to his victims and the community itself. “I’m truly sorry for what I’ve done, and I will do what it takes to show my family and community that I’m a new and improved person, father, friend, son and grandson,” Wellington wrote. “This has been an eye opener that has changed my life for the better.”

“At this point in your life you have a choice to make,” Justice Leszczynski said. “My hope is that you will find it within yourself to appreciate that you deserve that second opportunity, and you need to give that

opportunity to yourself so that you can be a better person. “I encourage you not to give up and to continue working hard and remaining committed to that goal,” she added.

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## Lambton Farm Safety News

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*“See details on adjoining poster.”*

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# Cocaine possession nets probation

Alex Kurial  
Local Journalism Initiative

A Lambton man apologized and said he’s hoping to move forward after being sentenced for cocaine possession.

On June 30, Rayal Hill, 24, and two other men were observed by police in Grand Bend smoking marijuana inside a truck. Police approached the vehicle, which took off.

It was quickly stopped however, and the truck searched.

Hill, a passenger, was found in possession of marijuana and 0.3 grams of cocaine.

“I’m overall sorry to my family and ...with respect to how I did treat the cops,” Hill said while entering his guilty plea.

“Smoking in the car and all that was unnecessary for us to do. Overall I’m sorry, and I’m trying to get better.”

“He understands that this is wrong,” defense attorney James Melnick said.

“This would send the proper message of general deterrence, that these situations have

to be dealt with, that counselling should be ordered.”

Justice Deborah Austin agreed, accepting a joint submission of a conditional discharge with a 12 month probation. She especially credited the remorse Hill expressed.

“That’s a very important aspect of why I support the leniency and the second chance that’s being given to you in this joint submission,” Judge Austin said.

“The absence of a past record, your plea of guilty and apparent remorse and positive steps and attitude that you’ve demonstrated, and the circumstance you’re working through gives me some hope that you have not only earned a second chance here.

“But take advantage of it, and we won’t see you repeating that kind of mistake, and that you will take the second chance as an opportunity to follow through with some constructive counselling and move forward in your life.”

Hill will also be required to take counselling.

# Motorcyclist dies in St. Clair accident

One person is dead after an accident in St. Clair Township.

Around 12:20 am, OPP, paramedics and the St. Clair fire Department were called to the St. Clair Parkway for an accident between Stanley Line and White Line

Tuesday morning between a motorcycle and two vehicles.

The motorcycle driver was taken to hospital and was pronounced dead.

Police are still investigating and have not released the name of the motorcycle driver.

# New roads may ease Corunna confusion

Alex Kurial  
Local Journalism Initiative

St. Clair Township councillors say its time to look at the layout of a local subdivision around Sir John Moore School which is “ridiculous” navigate.

The area east of Bentinck Dr. and south of Cameron St., which includes Sir John Moore public school and the YMCA Child Care Centre, was discussed for issues of speeding and difficult navigation of the roads.

“You get back in that subdivision and it’s ridiculous to get out of

it,” says Councillor Tracy Kingston.

Council also received a letter from a resident of the neighborhood expressing concern about speeding on roads within the subdivision.

Councillor Pat Brown agreed, and in an effort to resolve both issues made a motion to speed up construction of a connecting road between the Paddock Green area and Birchbank Dr.

Mayor Steve Arnold also suggested that a cost be evaluated for a connection between Birchbank Rd. and Rokeby Line to the south

to make the area even more accessible.

Arnold also asked if it was possible to pave the entrance to the St. Clair Parkway Golf Course.

“I rattle my chiclets every time I drive in there,” the mayor says. “I’d really love to see if somehow we could put a lift of asphalt to fill in the ruts.

“It’s one of our big showpieces, and yet for us to get in and out of there, to start out with it’s not a very good impression.”

Councillor Bill Myers said summer would be a good time to complete this.

# Medical resident returns to Petrolia

The Independent

The Central Lambton Family Health Team has recruited another doctor.

Dr. Alex Leonard, who was a rural medicine resident in Petrolia and has been working in the Emergency Department at Bluewater Health Sarnia, is joining the family health team.

“After how much I enjoyed my two years of residency here, I couldn’t imagine opening a

practice anywhere else,” he said in a news release Monday. I am looking forward to seeing all those familiar faces again and meeting new ones along the way.”

He is a longtime resident of Wallaceburg where he resides with his wife Michelle.

Leonard begins his family practice Aug. 1 and will be accepting patients. He’s the fifth new doctor to come to Petrolia in the last five years.



Dr. Alex Leonard

# Sarnia business man new chamber chief

The Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce has a new president.

Allan Calvert – who has most recently been the sales manager at Lexus in Sarnia, has been named the new CEO.

“We had several strong candidates, but Allan Calvert was the ideal choice. Allan brings over 30 years of diverse business, sales and operational experience to the Chamber. With his exceptional background and skill-set, Allan is

uniquely positioned to represent all stakeholders in Sarnia-Lambton,” says Board President Mary Jean O’Donnell.

Calvert came to Sarnia in 1984 to develop the Drawbridge Inn, he’s volunteered with Crimestoppers, the Rotary Club, the Southwestern Ontario Travel Association and the Bluewater GranFondo.

Calvert started work at the chamber Monday.



Allan Calvert

## TOWN OF PETROLIA NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petrolia will hold a **Public Meeting on Tuesday, July 7th, 2020 at 3:20 p.m.** to consider a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment under Section 36 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

**THE PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT** would amend the Town’s Zoning By-law 63 of 2017 as it applies to a property described as Part Lot 12, Concession 10; Lots 10 and 11, Plan 44; Part 3, RP25R5756; and Parts 1 to 3, RP 25R 7485. The subject property has a municipal address of 413-415 Albany Street. The property is located on the west side of Albany Street, south of Petrolia Line. The intent of the proposed amendment is to rezone the property from “General Commercial (C1)” to “Residential - 3 (R3)”. The proposed amendment would allow redevelopment of the property for a single-storey apartment building.

**ANY PERSON** may attend the public hearing and/or make written or oral representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. If you wish to submit a written or make an oral presentation at the public hearing, please contact the Town of Petrolia no later than 4:30 p.m. on July 6, 2020. The public hearing will be held via a ZOOM Teleconference format.

**WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS** in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment can be made to Mandi Pearson, Clerk, Town of Petrolia.

**IF A PERSON** or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Petrolia before the By-law Amendment is passed the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Petrolia to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal.

**IF A PERSON** or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Petrolia before the By-law Amendment is passed the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

**IF YOU WISH** to be notified of the passing of the proposed Amendment, you must make a written request to the Town of Petrolia at the address below.

**THE KEY MAP** shows more particularly the lands affected.

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# Roundabout on Petrolia Line clears first hurdle

**Heather Wright**  
The Independent

Lambton County councillors say its time to consider a roundabout at the corner of Petrolia Line and Kimball Road.

Joleen DeGurse MacDonald started a petition for the county to rebuild the intersection after a gravel truck collided with an SUV in early May killing the transport driver. DeGurse MacDonald’s family has lived at the intersection for generations and she wrote a passionate letter explaining

how many people had died and how it had impacted the people who witnessed the crashes.

St. Clair Township championed the idea. Mayor Steve Arnold says a roundabout is the only way to avoid T-bone accidents like the one in May.

Some councillors wanted to allow staff to look at other options, but Arnold says short of a traffic light at the corner, a roundabout is the only solution.

Arnold admits there are some people who have voiced concern that

heavy loads moving to and from the Chemical Valley might not be able to get through the traffic circle.

“There could be temporary barriers there that could be removed at the time. Anything can be engineered,” he says

“If we could move forward on this one look at the design and hopefully we can have the safety issue rectified.”

County staff will include the costs of the roundabout in the 2021, for councillors to decide if it should move ahead.

# Oil Springs man gets probation after contacting ex

**Alex Kurial**  
Local Journalism Initiative

An Oil Springs man has received a suspended sentence of 12 months probation for breaching the no-contact terms of his bail.

Nathan Pettit, 36, plead guilty in the Ontario Court of Justice on June 4 in front of Justice Deborah Austin. Petti and his wife exchanged messages following the couple’s separation after Pettit was charged with domestic

violence in August 2019.

Those charges were resolved through a peace bond in November, which included an order not to contact his wife. In April, the woman alerted police of calls and messages between her and Pettit that began in December, resulting in Pettit’s arrest.

The court heard both parties had been responsible for initiating contact with the other at times, which factored into Justice Austin’s decision to limit Petti’s sentence to probation. The criminal

harassment charge was withdrawn. He will also have to take counselling for healthy relationships and substance abuse.

“The sentence was intended to strongly denounce the breach of the common law bond,” Crown attorney Nila Mulpuru said. “The other important component of the sentence focused on addressing in a meaningful way his serious addiction, which I think he would agree has led him down this path.”

# Online crime reporting up 99 per cent

The Independent

It seems Ontario residents are taking to online crime reporting.

Officials with the OPP say in the first five months of the year, there has been a 99 per cent increase in online reporting of crime compared to the same time last year.

In that time frame, residents were told not to leave their homes because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

OPP officials say people used to be able to report crimes which had less than \$5,000 involved. Now, regardless of their values,

crime, where there is no evidence or suspects, can be reported online.

That includes theft, mischief and property damage, lost and missing people, stolen licence plates and driving complaints.

Users need to go to the OPP website and click on reporting to start their complaint.

Police say the increased use of online reporting helped to reduce the spread of COVID-19 by limiting direct contact between police officers and public while allowing officers to focus their efforts on urgent calls and crime prevention, officials say.



**CANCELLED**



**Wyoming Public Cemetery  
Annual Decoration  
Day Service**  
**Sunday, June 14th 2020**

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## CASH FOR CARTS



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Shop Like Charlotte has been able to help buy more equipment for Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital. The 2019 event raised \$3,500 which purchased two portable suction units. Here organizer Denise Thibeault-Sanders presents Owen Byers of the CEEH foundation with a cheque.



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# Sports

## Four Petrolians sign with Flags

The Independent

Petrolia Oiler grad Ethan Kerby has signed with the Mooretown Flags of the Provincial Junior Hockey League.

The 17-year old forward, who also played high school hockey with LCCVI this past season,

appeared in a handful of games as an AP with the Flags during the 2019-20 campaign.

Mooretown also signed Lambton Jr. Sting rearguard Matt Moore and Wallaceburg Midget forward Nate Highfield.

Moore played six games with the Flags last season, while Highfield was instrumental

in helping the Lakers win an OMHA title two seasons ago.

The Flags also welcomed back goaltender Adam Mino to the fold.

He appeared in 14 games with the Flags during the 2018-19 season with a 2.69 goals-against average and a .926 save percentage.

## Baseball legend Joe Panik dies

One of the most recognizable figures around minor baseball in Sarnia Lambton has died. Joe Panik Sr. passed away this week at the age of 81.

Panik, who was born of immigrant parents near Oil Springs in 1938, co-founded the Sarnia Braves minor baseball system with the late Stan Slack and was its president for 25 years.

Over that period, the Braves won 11 OBA titles and finished as runners-up on ten other occasions. He was also a long-time chairman of SMAA baseball.

Over his 60 plus years of

involvement in the sport, he was a player, manager, tournament convenor, umpire and fundraiser.

The latter led to considerable amounts of money being raised for improvements to both Errol Russell Park and Blackwell Park. He was inducted into the Sarnia-Lambton Sports Hall of Fame in 2017.



Joe Panik

## RACING RESUMES



HEATHER WRIGHT PHOTO

Harness racers were back on the track at Dresden Raceway Sunday. The venue reopened without fans in the grandstands. Sarnia owned horse Master Element won the fifth race.

## Plympton-Wyoming's Harper signs with Legionnaires

One of the top scorers in the Alliance League this past season has come to terms with the Sarnia Legionnaires of the Greater Ontario Junior Hockey League.

Austin Harper, who only turned 16 in February, had 23 goals and 28 assists for 51 points in 39 regular season and playoff games with the Lambton Jr. Sting Minor Midgets.

He was taken in the tenth round of the OHL draft in April by the Sarnia Sting.

In a post announcing the signing, the Legionnaires said Harper's quick acceleration and

speed are his greatest assets.

He had two points in four games as a call-up with the Legionnaires last season.

Forest's Bradyn Santavy and Keegan Decaluwe of Port Franks were among the other signees. Santavy played this past season with the Elgin-Middlesex Chiefs while Decaluwe toiled for the Parkhill-based North Middlesex Stars of the PJHL.

Sudbury Wolves draft choice Josh Hoover, Ryder Nienhuis and Wes Brooks from the Junior Sting organization have

also signed with Sarnia.

The seventh player to sign is blueliner Jack Stecho. He played this past season with the Goderich Flyers of the PJHL.

## Hockey to work COVID-19 rules

Hockey Canada is passing the puck to its 13 members to make the final decisions about when and how to implement Return to Play strategies in their jurisdictions.

"It is imperative to note that we are not ready to return to the game across the country..."

"Permitting our members the opportunity to decide on an appropriate return-to-hockey timeline will allow them to work directly with public health authorities

to determine when it is safe to return while also implementing specific safety measures and rules within their associations and leagues," said Hockey Canada in a statement.

All hockey activities have been on hold since mid-March.

As of press time this week, Ontario Hockey Federation, including minor hockey associations, has yet to make an announcement about its plans going forward.

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## Charlotte's Corner

### Gradual Re-introduction of Services Begins

Now that we're comfortably into June, we at Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital (CEEH) of Bluewater Health are looking forward to gradually re-introducing procedures and surgeries here and in Sarnia. We will continually assess how we need to adapt to changing local conditions related to the pandemic.

As the hospital re-opens services, it is important to remember we are still in a pandemic. We may be getting frustrated with physical (social) distancing but need to continue to stop the spread of COVID-19. At the hospital, we have put

additional measures in place to protect the safety and health of our patients and staff, such as additional cleaning, changing patient flow for outpatient clinics, and lowering the maximum seating in waiting rooms.

As services are re-introduced, physicians' offices will contact those whose appointments were deferred. Please arrive no earlier than 10 minutes before your scheduled appointment time. Enter through the main hospital entrance at either site, where hospital staff will ask you to provide appointment information. Visitors are still not allowed, so only those with appointments can come in. Screeners will ask you if you have a new cough, fever, or shortness of breath, and whether you've been asked to self-isolate over the last two weeks. They will provide instructions for moving through the hospital.

Testing for COVID-19 remains available to all. Please contact the Assessment Centre at the Central Lambton Family Health Team (519-882-2500) for an appointment. Do not go the Emergency Department specifically for testing.

You may wear your own mask, or the hospital will provide one for you. You will be expected to wear a mask for the duration of your time in the hospital. The Chief Public Health Officer of Canada has suggested wearing masks in public and if you have one, please consider wearing it when out and about in Petrolia. Remember to wash it daily and don't touch your face or mask. The best ways of preventing infection are washing your hands and physical distancing.

Please note appointments, arranged through your primary care provider, are required for X-rays at the Petrolia hospital so we can ensure the schedule allows for physical distancing.

The Sarnia-Lambton community is doing a great job of flattening the curve, but it's not over yet. Keep taking the precautions mentioned above and keep yourself, your loved ones and community healthy.



Dr. Winegard receives his flu shot.

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CANCELLED EVENTS

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	CONTACT INFO
Jun 12	Alvinston	Alvinston & District Optimist Youth Dance	
Jun 13	Sarnia	Kids Funfest 2020 at Clearwater Park	
Jun 13	Sarnia	Bluewater Anglers Shoreline Cleanup	
Jun 14	Watford	St.James Brooke Cemetery Annual Decoration Day Service	
Jun 14	Wyoming	Wyoming Public Cemetery Annual Decoration Day	
Jun 21	Petrolia	Petrolia Lions Fathers Day Breakfast	
Jun 21	Petrolia	Petrolia Discovery Car Show	
Jun 21	Watford	Watford Annual Yard Sale Day	
Jun 21	Sarnia	34th Annual Fundraiser Run/Walk/Skate/Bike for The Huron House Boy's Home	
Jul 1	Alvinston	Brooke-Alvinston Canada Day Celebration and Fireworks	
Jul 1	Watford	2020 Township of Warwick in person Canada Day Celebrations	
Jul 4	Sarnia	The Tragically Hits at Imperial Theatre	
Jul 5	Mooretown	Model Train Event at The Moore Museum	
Jul 9-10	Petrolia	Art in The Park Petrolia	
Jul 10	Sarnia	Sarnia Braves - Stan Slack Baseball Tournament at Errol Russell park & Blackwell Park	
Jul 10	Florence	Florence Truck & Tractor Pull	
Jul 18	Port Lambton	St. Clair River Run	
Jul 24	Dresden	Southwest Ontario Tractor Pullers Association Dresden Pull	
Aug 7-8	Bothwell	Bothwell Car Show & Optifest	

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Obituary

MINIELLY

Donald Gordon

Died suddenly at his home in Plympton-Wyoming on **Monday, June 8, 2020**. DONALD GORDON MINIELLY, was in his **90th year**. Don was a loving husband for 67 years to Marie (nee Wilkins). Don will be missed by his children Patti (Chuck) Leonard, Joyce (the late Lloyd) Fleguel, Mike (Lorraine) Minielly, and Kevin (Kim) Minielly, his grandchildren K.C. Christopher, Rachelle, Ryan, Randy, Reed, Kiera, and Kade and his eight great grandchildren. He will also be missed by his sister Carolyn (Ed) Judas and his niece Kathi McNeil. Don was predeceased by his parents Victor and Mildred Minielly. Don was a lifetime farmer, who also managed Bluewater Milk Transport for 32 years, and was a past president of Plympton-Wyoming Agricultural Society. Don was also a member of Model Lodge #147 IOOF. **Due to current restrictions a private service will be held. Interment will be in Wyoming Cemetery.** As expressions of sympathy memorial donations may be made to Heart and Stroke Foundation (www.heartandstroke.ca). Sorry, can we please add "Memories and condolences may be shared online at [www.needhamjay.com](http://www.needhamjay.com)

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Obituary

CHAPMAN

Robert

ROBERT EDWARD CHAPMAN, **83**, peacefully took his last breath with his family by his side on **Sunday, June 7, 2020** at Bluewater Health, Sarnia. He was a loving husband to the late Alma (nee Wright)(2006). Robert was truly a wonderful Father who's love and kindness left an indelible mark on the life of his son. Words cannot express how dearly missed he will be by his son Greg and his daughter-in-law Chance. Proud grandpa and great grandpa to his four grandchildren and his six great grandchildren who all gave him great joy. A loving uncle to his nephew Burton McKinlay and his niece Joan McKinlay-Kennedy. Bob shared many lifelong friendships; one in particular, his childhood and life-long friend and best man, Ray Lloyd. Robert was predeceased by his parents John and Beatrice Chapman, his sister Ruth (the late Don) McKinlay, as well as his infant brother, Burton Chapman. Bob dearly enjoyed gardening on his farm property, particularly his tomato garden, partaking in the fishing derby, along with being an avid traveller and camper. He was a retired process operator at Imperial Oil, a member of Alexandra-Inwood Masonic Lodge #503, Naomi Lodge #39 OES, and a member of Royal Canadian Legion Br. 249 in Alvinston. Bob's family would like to thank Dr. John Butler and his team, the VON, Lambton Meadowview Villa and the AEC Day Program as well as Needham-Jay Funeral Home and their staff. **A private family service will take place. Interment will be in Alvinston Cemetery.** As expressions of sympathy, memorial donations may be made to Adult Enrichment Centre (<https://www.lambtoncares.ca/donate/support-us/>) Day Program - Petrolia Site, Canadian Cancer Society ([www.cancer.ca](http://www.cancer.ca)), or Alzheimer Society of Sarnia Lambton (<https://alzheimer.ca/en/sarnialambton>). Memories and condolences may be shared online at [www.needhamjay.com](http://www.needhamjay.com).

Help Wanted/Employment

Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston  
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Parks & Recreation Supervisor

In developing an effective succession plan, the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston ([www.brookealvinston.com](http://www.brookealvinston.com)) invites applications for the Parks & Recreation Supervisor position. Reporting to the Manager, this position is intended to provide a hands on learning opportunity that may progress into the Parks & Recreation Manager position.

Preferred candidates must have a willingness to learn the arena facility & parks operation in full detail (ice maintenance, facility management, parks & playground maintenance included) and subsequently compliment this position with capital budget projections and various grant application writing. The successful candidate must be available to attend Council meetings as required.

The successful applicant will have Post-Secondary Education in an accredited community college in recreation or a related program (ORFA-CIT preferred) or a suitable combination of education and experience; strong communication and computer skills are required.

Further information is available from the undersigned. The job description is available upon request from the undersigned. Remuneration will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The Municipality offers an excellent benefits and package and pension.

Resume with a covering letter will be accepted until 12:00 pm on Friday, June 19, 2020 by mail and email ([jdenkers@brookealvinston.com](mailto:jdenkers@brookealvinston.com)) or delivered to the municipal office at the address noted below.

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Notice

TOWN OF PETROLIA  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
CONCERNING A PROPOSED  
ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petrolia will hold a **Public Meeting on Tuesday, July 7th, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.** to consider a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

**THE PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT** would amend the Town's Zoning By-law 63 of 2017 as it applies to 3 properties described as Lots 46 and 47, Part Lots 42 to 49, Part Holland Street, and Part Brown Street, Plan 16. The subject properties have municipal addresses of 4467 Derby Street, 4469 Derby Street and Derby Street. The properties are located on the south side of Derby Street, between Holland Street and Oil Heritage Road. The intent of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is to rezone the south half of the lots (approx. 0.4 hectare / 1.0 acre.) from "Future Development (FD)" to "Residential - 1 (R1)". The proposed amendment would also add a regulation that requires accessory buildings, structures, or uses to be located at least 6 metres (20 feet) from the neighbouring property to the west.

**ANY PERSON** may attend the public hearing and make an oral representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. If you wish to submit a written or make an oral presentation at the public hearing, please contact the Town of Petrolia no **later than 4:30 p.m. on July 6, 2020**. The public hearing will be held via a ZOOM Teleconference format.

**WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS** in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment can be made to Mandi Pearson, Clerk, Town of Petrolia.

**IF A PERSON** or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Petrolia before the By-law Amendment is passed the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Petrolia to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal.


**IF A PERSON** or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Petrolia before the Zoning By-law Amendment is passed the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.


**IF YOU WISH** to be notified of the passing of the proposed Amendment, you must make a written request to the Town of Petrolia at the address below.

**THE KEY MAP** shows more particularly the lands affected.

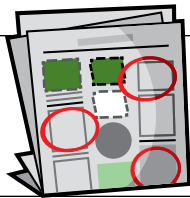
**DATED at the TOWN OF PETROLIA this 5th DAY of June, 2020.**

Mandi Pearson  
Clerk  
Town of Petrolia  
411 Greenfield Street  
Petrolia, ON,  
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Telephone: 882-2350  
Fax: 882-3373





**Classified Deadline:**  
**Monday @ 12 noon**



# Classifieds

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## Death Notices

June 1 to June 7, 2020

### MONDAY, JUNE 1

**BURGER, Raymond**  
Age 72, of Sarnia  
Smith Funeral Home

**ALLAN, Gary**  
Age 73, of Sarnia  
McCormack Funeral Home

**HAYES, Madeline**  
Age 75, of Sarnia  
McKenzie & Blundy Funeral Home

**WEISS, William**  
Age 94, of Sarnia  
McCormack Funeral Home

### TUESDAY, JUNE 2

**BREWSTER, Tenaya**  
Age 52, of Sarnia  
McCormack Funeral Home

**VANDENHEUVEL, Helen**  
Age 91, of Watford  
Denning's of Watford

**BENNETT, Jean**  
Age 96, of Sarnia  
McKenzie & Blundy Funeral Home

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

**GRENNAN, David Alexander**  
Age 54, of Sarnia  
Smith Funeral Chapel

**PANIK, Joseph Sr.**  
Age 81, of Sarnia  
McKenzie & Blundy Funeral Home

**McMASTER, Margery**  
Age 95, of Alvinston  
VanHeck Funeral Home

### THURSDAY, JUNE 4

**HUNTER-DUVAR, Edward**  
Age 85, of Alvinston  
VanHeck Funeral Home

**DAILEY, Melvin "Mel"**  
Age 78, of Sarnia  
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### FRIDAY, JUNE 5

**JOHNSON, Lisa**  
Age 60, of Sarnia  
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**DUFOUR, Dennis**  
Age 84, of Sarnia  
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**BOYLE, Matthew William**  
Age 86, of Sarnia  
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**ARNOLD, Carolyn Eva**  
Age 91, of Sarnia  
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### SATURDAY, JUNE 6

**DUBÉ, Lise**  
Age 61, of Sarnia  
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**MILLIER, Wayne Steven**  
Age 65, of Sarnia  
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**COUTTS, Edwin Torrence**  
Age 82, of Sarnia  
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**O'BRIGHT, Muriel**  
Age 93, of St.Clair  
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### SUNDAY, JUNE 7

**WRIGHT, Gwen**  
Age 69, of Sarnia  
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**EDWARDS, Pat**  
Age 80, of Watford  
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For detailed information, please refer to the funeral home website listing.

# Church DIRECTORY

### Christ Church Anglican

414 Oil Street, Petrolia

All worship services in the Anglican Diocese of Huron are suspended until further notice. Please continue to hold one another and our communities in your prayers.

Rev. Michelle Collins-Wongkee  
Church Office 519-882-1430  
[christchurchpetrolia@gmail.com](mailto:christchurchpetrolia@gmail.com)

### St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

416 Queen Street, Petrolia  
(Behind the Post Office)

In this time of Social distancing we invite you to join a virtual congregation and watch the Sunday morning worship at Knox Presbyterian Church in Thedford.  
9:30am Service - Live  
[www.kpcthedford.com](http://www.kpcthedford.com)  
[www.standrews-petrolia.ca](http://www.standrews-petrolia.ca)

### St. Paul's United Church

4169 Petrolia Line at Centre Street

We invite you to join a virtual congregation and watch the Sunday morning worship on our Facebook Page & Website.

Please Stay Safe!  
Rev. Susan Cameron

10:30am Service  
Church Office: 519-882-1390  
[stpaulsunitedpetrolia.net](http://stpaulsunitedpetrolia.net)

### First Baptist Church

418 Greenfield Street, Petrolia

SERVICE SUSPENDED until further notice in compliance with Ontario Corona Virus meeting guidelines

Pastor: Alex Craig  
Church Office 519-882-2480  
email: [fbcpetrolia@gmail.com](mailto:fbcpetrolia@gmail.com)  
[www.firstbaptistpetrolia.ca](http://www.firstbaptistpetrolia.ca)

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### Wyoming United Church

730 Second Street, Wyoming

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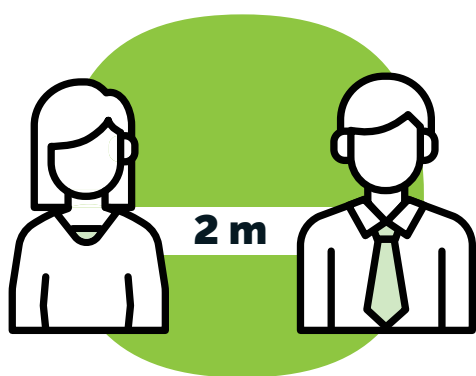
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