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BY-LAW CONTACTS

Water related Emergency, call 1-888-522-0117, Public Works Emergency (non water), call 519-882-2351 General By-Law Enforcement, call 519-845-5420, Parking Enforcement, call 519-312-1238, Animal Control, call or text –519-312-1322, or reach us through our online portal https://petrolia.civicweb.net/Portal/

We are always here to answer your questions! Please call us at (519)882-2350 from Monday—Friday, reach out to us on Facebook or Twitter or send an e-mail to petrolia@petrolia.ca!

Do you want the monthly Petrolia Connection delivered to your e-mail inbox? Send an e-mail to

petrolia@petrolia.ca!

IODE MEETINGS:

2nd Monday of Each Month—
December through June Please
contact Wendy Loosley for more
information! (519)882-2073 Or visit
www.iodemargaretstokespetrolia.ca or
find us on Facebook!

REMINDER: OVERNIGHT STREET PARKING is permitted as of MAY 1.



Thank you!



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JULY EVENTS

- 1—Canada Day Events—see page 1. 8 & 9
- 1—Petrolia Farmers' Market
- 3– Municipal Office Closed for July 1 Holiday
- 4-23—Victoria Playhouse Petrolia presents "Yesterday Once More: 1973" On stage at Victoria Hall
- 7 & 8—Art in the Park—see page 8
- 8—Petrolia Farmers' Market
- 8—Barn Dance—see page 6
- 10—Council Education Session 5pm
- 10—Regular Meeting of Council 7pm
- 15—Compost Depot Day
- 15—Petrolia Farmers' Market
- 22—Petrolia Farmers' Market
- 29—Petrolia Farmers' Market



Pedestrian Crossing Lights Not Working - Residents are Advised to Use Caution

Following the storm last Thursday evening, and subsequent inspections by Bluewater Power following reports of malfunctioning lights on the controlled crossing at Petrolia Line and Greenfield Street, it has been determined that the units were heavily damaged due to a possible lightning strike.

As options for replacement of the damaged controlled crossing components are considered, residents are asked to treat the crossing as an unmarked crossing and to use caution when crossing Petrolia Line.

Pedestrians, please wait, look carefully and then point in the direction you wish to cross and proceed only when it is safe to do so. Drivers, please watch carefully for pedestrians, and wait for them to fully cross to the sidewalk on the other side of the street before proceeding.

As we obtain more information and a repair timeline, we will advise the public. There are signs on the buttons at the crosswalk to remind users to use extra caution, while we look for a timely resolution.

RECURRING EVENTS

Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Planner Hours at Town Hall

Every other Tuesday—Petrolia & Area Kiwanis Meat Raffles at Black Gold Brewery

Every Thursday – Lambton Central Optimist Meat Raffles at Crabby Joe's Petrolia 6-8pm

Every Thursday - Petrolia Lions Club Meat Raffles at Haywood's Tap & Grill 6-8pm

Every Saturday - Royal Canadian Legion Lunches - 12pm

Third Wednesday – Royal Canadian Legion – Jamboree's – 12-4pm

Second & Fourth Friday—Petrolia Community Refrigerator—Salvation Army complimentary hot meals served

Third Sunday – Royal Canadian Legion Breakfast – 9am

Every Tuesday—Toastmasters, 7-8 p.m. at St. Andrew's Church, 416 Queen Street

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DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION?

LET US HELP YOU!

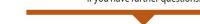
THIS IS THE FIRST STEP TO FINDING AN ANSWER FOR YOUR QUESTIONS!

Please ask your question to our friendly administrative staff.



Call Town Hall • 519.882.2350

or visit www.town.petrolia.on.ca or find us on Facebook If you have further questions:



Ask for the Department Director or the Clerk

If you don't know the department you need, our friendly staff can help direct you.



Do you still need more information?

Please ask for the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)



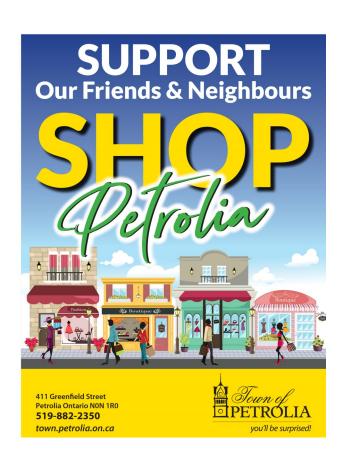
Contact Your Members of Council

Their contact information is available by visiting www.town.petrolia.on.ca/town-hall/mayor-council/



Town Hall Business Hours Monday to Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

If you are still not pleased with the response you are welcome to **Attend a Town Council**





New collaboration between The Salvation Army Community Outreach Truck & Petrolia's Community Refrigerator

When- Every Second & Fourth Friday of the month Where-Community Refrigerator, Petrolia, 4169 Petrolia Line





The Salvation Army (TSA) will be serving hot meals to any person who needs one. No information is needed, which ensures it is kept anonymous. TSA will also be offering numerous amounts of resources as well.

Contact Information-

Community Refrigerator- 519-882-1390

The Salvation Army Sarnia Community & Family Services-970 Confederation Street. Back Door, 519-344-1142



2023 DATES

April 17 & 18

May 23 & 24

June 12 & 13

September 11 & 12

October 16 & 17

For more information: 519-882-2350

Collection is NOT STREET SPECIFIC, residents can place their brush to the curb on any of these days and it will be processed.

Residents are asked to place the brush no sooner that 4:00pm, the night before a collection date, and to have all brush at the curb by 7:00 am the day of collection, and are requested to not impede sidewalk access.

Tree limbs and branches can not exceed 4" in diameter.

Not permittable items include hedge clippings, vines, roots, perennials and any other compostable materials. Resident will be responsible for removal.

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Reminder



In all Petrolia Parks.
Thank you!

2023 Season Hours
PETROLIA DISCOVERY
Historic Oil Field
OPEN FOR GUIDED TOURS
JUNE SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS
10AM-4PM

JULY AND AUGUST

THURSDAY- SUNDAY 10AM – 4PM
OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT
519-882-0897
petroliadiscovery.com



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Tickets on sale NOW at all Petrolia banks

For information, contact Denise Thibeault: 519-882-4359



Do you know what is acceptable to recycle in Petrolia? Have you ever wondered if something you are recycling is supposed to be recycled or thrown away?

Check out www.RORR.com and find out all about it! PS—You can even recycle this newsletter when you're finished reading and sharing it!

Please do your part, and clean up after your pet.



Dogs are not permitted to run at large or be off-leash in Parks.

Concerns with lost/found dogs, dogs running at large or general dog complaints (example: barking) Please contact:

JSG Animal Solutions (Jeff) at (519)312-1322 (call or text)

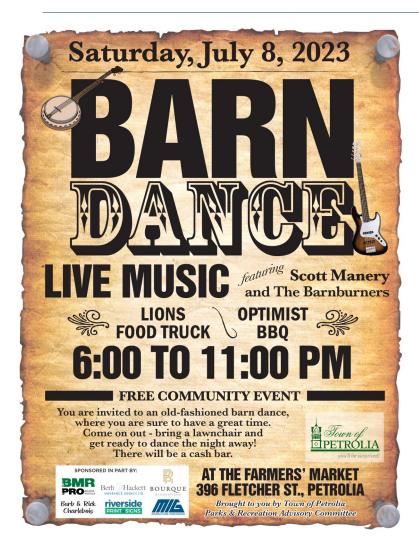




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BBQ Starter

In every home there are products that need special care. You will recognize them by these warning signs.

When you use these hazardous products, you use them carefully. When you don't need them any more, you should dispose of them carefully. That's what Household Hazardous Waste Day is all about - an opportunity to clear potentially hazardous waste out of your home and protect our environment - water, land, and air - at the same time. If hazardous products are thrown in the regular garbage, they can Injure sanitation workers and cause long-term environmental problems. Bring your Household Hazardous Waste to the special depot, and it will be dealt with by experts, at no cost to you.

ALSO ACCEPTED: Sharps (Hypodermic Needles)

NOT ACCEPTED: PCB's, commercial, industrial or radioactive astes, tires, explosives (flares, ammunition)

For safety reasons, residents are asked to segregate lithium batteries from all other battery types prior to drop-off.

May 27

PERMANENT HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DEPOT at Clean Harbors Canada, Inc., 4090 Telfer Road, St. Clair Township, Ontario



For more information call the County of Lambton Public Works Department at 519 845-0801 /1-866-324-6912



FREE services for job seekers!

lambtoncollege.ca/CES

» 519-882-4333



Community **Employment** Services



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Questions? Please contact the Clerk's Office



411 Greenfield Street Petrolia | ON | NON 1R0 519-882-2350 own.petrolia.on.



- Don't let your sewer turn on you and your neighbours
 Never pour FOG down the drain!

PREVENT FOG (FATS, OIL and GREASE) in our sewers

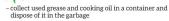
What is FOG?

FOG (Fats, Oil and Grease) is the most common cause of sewer back-ups

FOG is a by-product of cooking and can be found in butter, margarine, salad dressing, gravies, sauces, lard, shortening, baking goods, meat fats and dairy.

Did you know the sewer system is only designed for the 3 P's? 1 Pee

2. Poo 3. Paper (toilet paper)



What can you do to help?

- wipe out visible fats, oil, grease and food residue from dishes, pots and pans with disposable paper towels
- put solid waste and food scraps in the garbage
- be aware of hidden FOG's in salad dressing, sauces, gravies, cheese and desserts
- use a strainer in the sink to remove excess food debris encourage neighbours to keep FOG's out of the sewer



- pour oil and grease down the sink, drain or toilet
- scrape food scraps down the sink, drain or toilet pour liquid food down the sink, drain or toilet
- run hot water over greasy dishes or pans the FOG will cool and stick to the inside of the pipes
- use a food waste grinder to get rid of food and grease use washable cloths to wipes greasy dishes clean







EVENT SPONSORS





TICKETS

ON SALE JULY

at the Petrolia Farmers' Market on "Market Saturdays" or at Town Hall







Sown of PETROLIA

TABLE OF SIX

Advance Purchase Only

Limited Tickets Available

For more information





5th Annual **Outdoors** at the Petrolia Farmers' **Market Pavilion**

THE IN HOME CHEF will prepare the meal with local food items purchased from Petrolia Farmers **Market Vendors & Area Farmers**

Saturday, **September 16, 2023** at 6:00pm

Doors Open at 5:00pm

Dinner Entertainment and **Dancing Under The Stars**

Entertainment by

the Victoria

Playhouse Band

iverside

Cash Bar with

Local Beer & Wine

BOURQUE

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SCOTT MANERY & THE BARNBURNERS 6:30pm - 11:00pm Saturday, July 8, 2023 Petrolia Farmers' Market

farm to Harvestiest September 16, 2023 table Petrolia Farmers' Market







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PETROLIA MAYOR REQUESTS EXTENDED MEDICAL LEAVE – LONGTIME COUNCILLOR JOEL FIELD TO CONTINUE IN ACTING MAYOR ROLE FOR THE DURATION OF 2023

Petrolia's long-serving member of Council, Joel Field will continue to support the community in the coming weeks as appointed Acting Mayor while the current elected Mayor, R. Brad Loosley takes a longer leave to focus on a medical issue.

Councillor Field was appointed by his peers, and on the recommendation of Mayor R. Brad Loosley during the closed session meeting held during the regular council meeting.

Traditionally, when the mayor is unavailable for an engagement, meeting or other event, an acting Mayor will be appointed. The Town of Petrolia has, through by-law, a schedule of acting Mayor's that rotate between Councillors in two-month periods.

For this temporary leave, the Council approved that there would be an appointed Acting Mayor for the remainder of 2023 in the role, thus continuing the tradition of support for the community and Council and providing a clear point of contact. Acting Mayor Joel Field will attend County Council and many events on behalf of the Municipality, when unavailable to fulfill a commitment, just as they regularly would through the acting mayor by law, other Councillors will continue to support Acting Mayor Joel Field during these events as required.

We thank residents for continuing to contact Acting Mayor Joel Field with items that would otherwise be directed to Mayor R. Brad Loosley during this approved time.

Councillor Field continues to be humbled by this appointment and the trust of Mayor Loosley and his fellow council members and is honoured to continue to serve the Town of Petrolia in this capacity.

On behalf of the Council and staff, we continue to wish Mayor R. Brad Loosley the absolute best and look forward to his return to his seat as the Head of Council for the Town of Petrolia.



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CAO's Corner—

Our Victoria Playhouse Petrolia (VPP)

Hello everyone! I hope you are finding my CAO's Corner articles interesting and informative. I know that municipal government plays many important aspects in our daily lives and that municipal affairs can sometimes seem complicated and foreign which can lead to misunderstandings. The purpose of my articles is to help demystify municipal government and reduce confusion.

Today, I will write about our VPP. Our Town is very fortunate to have our theatre which brings many benefits to our community. In 2017, the Canadian cultural industry was one of Canada's major industries generating about \$60 billion in economic activity. The cultural industry represented about 2.8% of our Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and employed over 700,000 Canadians. The Canadian oil



Rick Charlebois, Chief Administrative Officer/Treasurer—Town of Petrolia

and gas industry generated about 6% of our GDP. Our VPP provides employment to about 100 people each year. The VPP also provides volunteer opportunities to about 160 local residents. I have met many of these volunteers and they are all enthusiastic to help at our theatre find the experience very rewarding.

The VPP has been financially self-sufficient since 2014 and accumulates annual operating surpluses to fund any future operating deficits and capital project requirements. The VPP brings in over 40,000 patrons annually. The estimated local economic impact of our VPP is \$6M annually. The VPP is the

largest tourist attraction in Lambton County. When I became your Chief Administrative Officer five years ago, I wanted to have a better understanding of the local economic impact of the VPP. I decided to eat lunch at each of our local restaurants on VPP matinee show day and non-show day. I quickly acquired an appreciation of the economic impact of the VPP. Our VPP also partners with our businesses.

We are fortunate to have a very artistic, innovative and dedicated team including Director Laurissa Ellsworth, our Artistic Directors David Rogers and David Hogan, Music



Director Mark Payne, Callandra Dendias our Development Coordinator, and a very talented cast and crew, front of house team and box Office. I have spoken to many patrons over my 10 years work for our Town, and I am always impressed by the strong positive feedback that I hear. The people are impressed by the "world class shows put on by the VPP".

The current season is listed in our Petrolia Connection, and I encourage you take in a show. As mentioned before, I welcome any feedback including suggestions for topics. Have a great day.