

# THE PETROLIA CONNECTION

A monthly publication of all things Petrolia!



# GRAND OPENING

## Petrolia Farmers' Market

- Great Vendors!
- Live Music!
- Giveaways!
- Free Breakfast Sandwiches! starting at 9:00AM (while supplies last)
- IODE will be selling their famous Butter tarts! (while supplies last)

Thank you!



get cracking.  
Egg Farmers of Ontario

May 23, 2026

7:30AM-12:00PM



For your generous support!



396 Fletcher St  
(Behind the Library)



**IODE MEETINGS:** Second Monday of the month, except July and August. Please contact Dawn McNally at 519-882-4919 for more information! Visit us at [www.iodemargaretstokespetrolia.ca](http://www.iodemargaretstokespetrolia.ca) or find us on Facebook!



### 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 519-845-5420, Animal Control, call or text -519-312-1322, or reach us through our online portal <https://petrolia.civicweb.net/Portal/CitizenEngagement.aspx>

## OPERATION CLEAN SWEEP

Let's beautify Petrolia!  
**We need Your Help**  
to clean up Petrolia!

No one has to be reminded of the long, hard winter we have had. It has left it's mark with leaves, fallen branches and garbage of all sorts. Our mission is to give the town a good spring clean up!  
If you accept this challenge and would like to help, please join us...

**Saturday, May 2, 2026**  
9 am - 12 noon

Meet at the Farmers' Market at 8:45 am... so we can organize the clean up crews

Please bring your work gloves, rakes & brooms

Please contact Thera with any questions - [twagner@petrolia.ca](mailto:twagner@petrolia.ca) (519)882-2350

A Town of Petrolia & Petrolia Business Association Initiative

Royal Canadian Legion  
Petrolia Legion Br 216  
4129 Glenview Rd., Petrolia  
(assisted by the Ladies Auxiliary)



Saturday, May 23, 2026

### PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

1:00 p.m. \$10.00/person

Lunch \$8.00 at Noon

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

For more informaton call 519-331-3143



**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](mailto:petrolia@petrolia.ca)

Do you want the monthly Petrolia Connection delivered to your e-mail inbox? Send an e-mail to [twagner@petrolia.ca](mailto:twagner@petrolia.ca)

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Persons may be nominated as candidates in the Municipal Election for the positions set out below by filing a nomination paper in the prescribed form along with a \$100 filing fee payable by cash, certified cheque or money order. Identification of the candidate must be produced at the time the nomination paper is submitted. A \$200.00 filing fee is required for the Head of Council of a Municipality.

Nomination papers may be filed anytime during normal office hours from **Friday, May 1, 2026, to Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026. On Nomination Day, Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026,** nomination papers may be filed anytime between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Nomination papers shall be filed at the office of the Clerk of the Municipality in which a person intends to run for office, or in the case of School Board, the office of the Clerk designated to receive nominations for that particular office. Nomination forms and full particulars of the nomination process can be obtained from the office of the Clerk in which nomination papers must be filed.

Where more certified candidates are nominated for an office than the number required to fill the office, an election will be held.

If, by 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026, the number of certified candidates nominated for an office does not exceed the number of vacancies, those nominated will be acclaimed to office. Additional nominations for any remaining vacancies will be accepted on Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

## 2026 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS NOMINATIONS

Notice to the municipal electors of the



### MUNICIPAL POSITIONS TO BE ELECTED:

Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston MAYOR 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS 4 <i>Janet Denkers, Clerk</i> Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston	Township of Dawn-Euphemia MAYOR 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS 4 <i>Donna Clermont, Clerk</i> Township of Dawn-Euphemia
Township of Enniskillen MAYOR 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS 4 <i>Christine Poland, Clerk</i> Township of Enniskillen	Village of Oil Springs MAYOR 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS 4 <i>Martha Gawley, Clerk</i> Village of Oil Springs
Town of Petrolia MAYOR 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS 6 <i>Mandi Pearson, Clerk</i> Town of Petrolia	Town of Plympton-Wyoming MAYOR 1 DEPUTY MAYOR 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS 5 <i>Erin Kwarciak, Clerk</i> Town of Plympton-Wyoming
Township of St. Clair MAYOR 1 DEPUTY MAYOR 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Ward 1 3 Ward 2 2 <i>Jeff Baranek, Clerk, Township of St. Clair</i>	Township of Warwick MAYOR 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS 4 <i>Jessica Anderson, Deputy Clerk</i> Township of Warwick

## PETROLIA LIONS CLUB



## COME & JOIN US

at the Lions Hall

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

DOORS OPEN 6:00 p.m.

BINGO 7:00 p.m.

REFRESHMENTS

AVAILABLE

INFORMATION

519 882-8728

Proceeds to Local Projects



### BOARDS OF EDUCATION:

<b>ENGLISH LANGUAGE LAMBTON KENT DISTRICT SCHOOL</b> NORTH LAMBTON: Lambton Shores, Plympton-Wyoming, Warwick. <i>Nomination paper filed with: Clerk, Municipality of Lambton Shores, Theford, On</i>	(1) TRUSTEE
<b>CENTRAL LAMBTON:</b> St. Clair, Brooke-Alvinston, Oil Springs, Petrolia, Enniskillen. <i>Nomination paper filed with: Clerk, St. Clair Twp., Mooretown, On</i>	(1) TRUSTEE
<b>SOUTH LAMBTON/NORTH KENT:</b> Dawn-Euphemia, Chatham-Kent. <i>Nomination paper filed with: Clerk, Municipality of Chatham-Kent, Chatham, On</i>	(1) TRUSTEE
<b>ENGLISH LANGUAGE ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC DISTRICT</b> NORTH & CENTRAL LAMBTON: Brooke-Alvinston, Enniskillen, Petrolia, Oil Springs, Plympton-Wyoming, Lambton Shores, Warwick. <i>Nomination paper filed with: Clerk, Town of Plympton-Wyoming, Wyoming, On</i>	(1) TRUSTEE
<b>SOUTH LAMBTON/EAST KENT:</b> Dawn-Euphemia, St. Clair, East Kent. <i>Nomination paper filed with: Clerk, St. Clair Twp. Mooretown, Ontario</i>	(1) TRUSTEE
<b>FRENCH LANGUAGE PUBLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD</b> Conseil Scholaire Viamonde - Area 8 geographic area 8 comprised of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, and Counties of Elgin, Haldimand, Lambton, Norfolk, and Oxford <i>Nomination paper filed with: Clerk, City of Sarnia</i>	(1) TRUSTEE
<b>FRENCH LANGUAGE SEPARATE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD</b> Conseil Scholaire Catholique Providence - Area 1 geographic area 1 comprised of the Counties of Bruce, Grey, Huron, Lambton, and Perth <i>Nomination paper filed with: Clerk, City of Sarnia</i>	(1) TRUSTEE

## Mother's Day SHOPPING EVENT

SATURDAY MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> to SATURDAY MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>

ALL WEEK LONG FOR YOUR SHOPPING CONVENIENCE  
**IT IS EASY!**

Stop by any participating merchant store & find the...

**Mother's Day Kids Shopping Table**  
with a great selection of gift ideas valued from \$25 to \$50!



**PLUS**  
every purchase gives you a chance to  
**WIN \$100**  
in Petrolia Bucks!

### PARTICIPATING MERCHANTS

- Hogan Pharmacy
- Windovers
- Suncoast Natural Health
- The Urban Pet
- Petrolia Home Hardware
- Stafford Brothers Meats
- Petrolia Mercantile & Tea
- Stitcharie
- Grandis Jewellers
- Red Apple
- The Cottage
- The Country Barn Boutique
- Total Hair and Body Care
- Coffee Lodge
- Pet Valu

Brought to you by The Petrolia Business Association

# KARAOKE Night

EVERYONE WELCOME  
Come On Out & Enjoy!

EVERY FRIDAY

8 PM - CLOSE

IT'S HAPPENING AT THE 216

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2– Operation Clean Sweep– 9:00a.m.– Farmers’ Market
- 8– Fish Fry– 4-7p.m.– Petrolia Lions Hall
- 9– Spring Craft & Gift Sale and Tart Festival-9-4p.m.- L.C.C.V.I
- 9 & 23– Compost Transfer Site is open– 8a.m.-12p.m.
- 10– Leo’s Mothers’ Day Brunch– 8:30-11a.m.– Lions Hall
- 11 &12– Wood chipping
- 12– Order of the Eastern Star Open House– 10a.m.– Coffee Lodge
- 12-29– On Stage at Victoria Hall– I Do! I Do!
- 13-Gift Card Bingo– 7p.m.– Lions Hall
- 15– CEEH Aux. Tag Day
- 23– Farmers’ Market Grand Opening– 9a.m.– 12p.m.
- 23– IODE Buttertarts at the Market– starting at 7:30a.m.

## RECURRING EVENTS

- Every Monday and Thursday– Royal Canadian Legion Zumba with Lisa– 7-8 p.m.
- Every Tuesday–Petrolia & Area Kiwanis Meat Raffles at Black Gold Brewery
- Every Tuesday–Toastmasters, 7-8 p.m. at St. Andrew’s Church, 416 Queen Street
- Every Tuesday– Royal Canadian Legion Yoga with Adina– 7-8p.m.
- Third Wednesday– Royal Canadian Legion– Jamboree’s 12-4p.m. Lunch Available \$10
- Every Wednesday– Royal Canadian Legion Euchre 7p.m.
- Every Friday– Royal Canadian Legion Karaoke– 8pm
- Second & Fourth Friday–Petrolia Community Refrigerator – Salvation Army complimentary hot meals served
- Every Saturday (starting May 16)- Petrolia Farmers’ Market 7:30a.m.-12:00p.m.
- Every Saturday – Royal Canadian Legion Lunches – 12-2p.m. with the meat draw starting at 2p.m.
- Fourth Saturday– Royal Canadian Legion Progressive Euchre Tournament– Lunch at noon and Euchre from 1-5p.m.
- First Saturday– Royal Canadian Legion– Kids Karaoke from 5-8p.m.
- Third Sunday– Royal Canadian Legion & LA Breakfast –11:30a.m.

**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS**

We're looking for dedicated, caring local community members who are ready to lend a helping hand at LCDS upcoming events.

- LCDS Auction Committee
- Fusion Event Volunteers
- Annual Fish Fry Dinner

**ARE YOU READY?**

Send an email to [fundraising@lcds.on.ca](mailto:fundraising@lcds.on.ca) or contact our Administration Office at 519-882-0933.

WINTER RESTRICTIONS FOR OVERNIGHT STREET PARKING ENDS MARCH 31, STREET PARKING WILL RESUME ON APRIL 1.

Town of PETROLIA

PETROLIA IN BLOOM  
COLOUR FOR 2026  
PINK, ORANGE AND WHITE!

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION  
PETROLIA BRANCH 216 (assisted by the LADIES AUXILIARY)

**SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026**  
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**BREAKFAST**

Scrambled eggs, quiche, bacon, sausage, baked beans, fresh fruit, fresh home fried potatoes, juice, coffee, tea

Per Serving: Adults \$13; Children age 6 to 10 \$6.00; Children under age 6 free  
Menu and Prices Subject to Change

4129 Glenview, Petrolia

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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](http://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/](http://www.town.petrolia.on.ca/town-hall/mayor-council/)



you'll be surprised!

**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 Meeting**

## COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

▶ Looking for a Job? **FREE** Employment Consultation



This Employment Ontario program is funded in part by the Government of Canada, the Government of Ontario, and the Windsor Regional Employment Network.

90's & NOW POP CULTURE

Big Brothers Big Sisters OF SARNIA-LAMBTON

# TRIVIA NIGHT

HOSTED BY TRAVIS JOY

WEDNESDAY May 20th

at Black Gold Brewery Game starts at: 07:00pm

**BLACK GOLD BREWERY**

Register Your Team Here

2 TICKETS  
BIG SHINY TOONS BOAT CRUISE  
COOLER+ KOOZIES +  
CAN PROTECTORS  
CANDY BASKETS +  
GIFT CARDS

WINNER

BLACK GOLD BREWERY

Candy Slice

Optimist Club of Lambton Central-Petrolia  
and  
Petrolia & Enniskillen Agricultural Society

# Craft & Gift Show and Tart Festival

Saturday, May 9th  
9am - 4pm

L.C.C.V.I. (High School)  
4141 Dufferin Ave., Petrolia

Enter the show from the back parking lot

FREE Admission ~ FREE Door Prize Draws

Tonie Table Raffle ~ Optimist BBQ Food Booth

FOR MORE INFO: DEB KOHOUTEK  
Phone: 519-330-1802 Email: [d\\_kohoutek@hotmail.com](mailto:d_kohoutek@hotmail.com)

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR EVENT & OUR COMMUNITY!

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**Petrolia Eats, Beats and Boutiques**

June 6, 1-9pm  
Downtown Petrolia!

- Petrolia Merchants
- Petrolia Restaurants
- 100 Street Vendors
- Live entertainment On 3 Stages
- Beer Garden
- Much More!

**Available Now!**

## SWIM PASSES

Learn all about it!

10 youth passes \$70  
10 adult passes \$110  
10 senior passes \$100  
10 family passes \$225

[www.town.petrolia.on.ca/residents/ymca/](http://www.town.petrolia.on.ca/residents/ymca/)

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.circularmaterials.ca/resident-provinces/ontario](http://www.circularmaterials.ca/resident-provinces/ontario) and find out all about it! PS—You can even recycle this newsletter when you're finished reading and sharing it!

Learn more at [www.visitpetrolia.ca](http://www.visitpetrolia.ca)

Oil Field History... in Action.

## Petrolia Discovery

1860s Working Oil Field Historic Site

**Open for Tours:**  
JUNE: Sat and Sun 10-4  
JULY & AUG: Wed to Sun 10-4

Other tour times available by appointment - 519-882-0897  
[petroliadiscovery@outlook.com](mailto:petroliadiscovery@outlook.com)

**Antique & Unique Sale**  
Saturday June 27th  
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

4281 Discovery Line, PETROLIA • [www.PetroliaDiscovery.org](http://www.PetroliaDiscovery.org)  
Please use entrance off Petrolia Line through Bridgeview Park north.

## PETROLIA LIONS FRESH PICKEREL FISH FRY

Friday, May 8, 2026

Petrolia Lions Hall, by the Arena, Rain or Shine

**COLE SLAW - FRESH CUT FRIES - BAKED BEANS**

**4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. \$30.00**

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM LION MEMBERS OR CALL 519 882-8728  
EAT IN OR TAKE OUT  
CASH, DEBIT OR CREDIT

INSIDE SEATING AND PICNIC TABLES AVAILABLE

BEER, WINE AND COOLERS AVAILABLE

PROCEEDS FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS

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## Volunteer Week 2026

### Join Us!

### Why volunteer?

“Everybody has a talent, which could be something as simple as listening. Volunteering gives a person enormous self esteem and it could help someone who needs your talent. Many organizations count on their volunteers, so you then become part of their team. You belong to something greater than yourself.”

- Jane Cadman



Call (519) 464-4400 ext. 5406.  
for further information.




CEEH Auxiliary lends a hand to Lions Club

Tickets at the Boutique!  
Cash Only



**Share the Wealth**  
\$5 for 1    \$20 for 5  
**Winnings:**  
**\$5000, \$3000, \$2000**  
Draw: June 25<sup>th</sup>/26  
Sarnia Lions Club

Proceeds go to



**Cancer Clinic**

Permit # M877518

## 2026

# COMPOST

PETROLIA RESIDENT \$30

TRANSFER SITE!

Maude Street Transfer Site- 546 Maude Street

**2026 RESIDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A PASS TO ACCESS THE SITE**

Passes are available at Town Hall now, and at the Petrolia Farmers' Market during the 2026 season

## MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2026

Visit: <https://www.registertovote.ca/>  
& make sure you're on the list!




-8AM UNTIL NOON-

April 11 & 25 May 9 & 23	June 13 & 27 July 11 & 25	Aug. 15 Sept. 12 & 26	Oct. 10 & 24 Nov. 7
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#### PETROLIA COMPOST DEPOT REQUIREMENTS

ACCEPTED	NOT ACCEPTED

Depot staff reserve the right to refuse any materials that do not conform to the requirements. Paper bags are required to dispose of compost materials.

#### TIPS

1. Yard waste and brush will be separated into two bins - please do not bag it together.
2. Please use paper bags or reusable bins.
3. Brush must be of reasonable size & length.
4. Residents will be asked to take unacceptable items home.

DON'T MISS OUT!

## Petrolia Eats, Beats and Boutiques

JUNE 6, 1-9PM DOWNTOWN PETROLIA!  
Learn more at [www.visitpetrolia.ca/](http://www.visitpetrolia.ca/)







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**Petrolia & Enniskillen Agricultural Society**

**Town-Wide Garage Sale Weekend**

**June 12 & 13, 2026**

**Greenwood Park**  
In the Quonset hut across from the arena



The Petrolia & Enniskillen Ag. Society will be hosting a garage sale and BBQ fundraiser!





**Want to sell your own items?** Vendor spaces are available!

**\$10 per space**

- Tables available if needed
- Indoor space available in case of poor weather

Come shop, grab a bite to eat, and support the Ag Society!

For vendor space or more information:  
Contact the Petrolia & Enniskillen Agricultural Society: demikrall@gmail.com


Town of Petrolia, ON 

## Text the town to find information and report issues!

Text **Hi** To:  
**289.769.9799**

Additional Keyword Options:

- Contact
- Water Issue
- Events
- FAQ
- Taxes
- Waste Services
- Report
- Council
- By-Laws

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### T-shirts are now available!



Order by going to our website <https://town.petrolia.on.ca/news> or come into Town Hall for assistance. Cost is \$20.00 per shirt!

**LEGION**  Branch 216

**JAMBOREE**

**WEDNESDAY MAY 20TH**  
**ALL AGES ARE WELCOME**  
**ENJOY COUNTRY AND SOFT ROCK**



**LIVE MUSIC - 2-4 PM**  
**\$10 LUNCH 12-1 PM**  
**DANCE FLOOR & CASH BAR**

50/50 DRAW - IN SUPPORT OF THE LOTTERY PROGRAMS  
DONATIONS TO THE BUILDING FUND ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

4129 GLENVIEW ROAD

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Optimist Club of  
Lambton Central ~ Petrolia



## Weekly Meat Raffles

at **CHUCK'S ROADHOUSE** Every Thursday  
BAR AND GRILL Starting at 6pm  
Petrolia 6 Rounds

**COME & JOIN US ON THURSDAYS!**

**Tickets ONLY \$1 each**

**1 of 3 - \$40 Meat Packages OR 1 of 3 - \$40 Gift Cards**

Meat Packages & Gift Cards, supplied by Wyoming Foodland

1st Ticket drawn: Choice of Meat Package or Gift Card  
2nd Ticket drawn: \$5 Chuck's Roadhouse Gift card

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR CLUB AND ALL THAT WE DO!**

## Tuesday Night MEAT RAFFLES

IN SUPPORT OF THE KIWANIS CLUB OF PETROLIA AND AREA

Every Tuesday  
6:00-8:00 PM





Lunch starts at NOON

Join us in the Petrolia Legion 216 Lounge for prizes, fun, food and drink



## PETROLIA FARMERS' MARKET

EVERY SATURDAY  
MAY 16 - OCT 17, 2026  
from 7:30 AM - NOON



396 Fletcher Street, Behind the Library

*Proudly Local.*  
**PROUDLY CANADIAN**

PETROLIA LEGION BRANCH 216

## Saturday MEAT RAFFLES BACK ON!

10 MEAT DRAWS!

3 50/50 DRAWS!

**\$2 PER TICKET**

**DONT MISS OUT!**

EVERY SATURDAY FROM 2-5PM



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## PETROLIA LEOS CLUB MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST



SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2026

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Adults \$12.00

Children 5 - 10 \$5.00

Children 4 & under FREE

Sausage, Peameal Bacon,  
Scrambled Eggs, Hashbrown  
Potatoes, Pancakes, Toast, Jam,  
Coffee, Tea & Juice

Petrolia Lions Hall  
451 Huggard St., Petrolia

Proceeds to  
Petrolia Leo Club Projects



**"Treat Mom on Her Special Day"**



Age-Friendly Expo 2026

Sponsored by:



## Empower your Wellbeing

LEARN • CONNECT • PREVENT



Join us to explore staying healthy, connecting with the community, and taking action for a stronger, happier you!



Wednesday, May 6



9am-6pm



210 Monk St, Point Edward, ON N7V 1N2

All ages event

Free raffles and swag

Over 100 vendors!

No admission fee



For more information or to volunteer at the event  
agefriendlyarnialambton.ca  
agefriendlyarnialambton@gmail.com



Volunteer Firefighter's use Green Flashing Lights while responding to the Fire Station

WATCH FOR FLASHING GREEN LIGHT FIREFIGHTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE

ontario.ca/firemarshal

Please use the carts for your regular waste and bins for recycling. LARGE ITEMS can be placed on the curb as that collection has not changed.

## 2026 LARGE ITEM COLLECTION

KEY DATES FOR WASTE COLLECTION

JUNE 15 - 19 Large Item Collection

OCT. 19 - 23 Large Item Collection

Please do not place items at the curb prior to 7:00 p.m. the night before, and no later than 7:00 a.m. the day of collection.

For More information and details about what will be collected:  
www.town.petrolia.on.ca



## KIDS KARAOKE

SATURDAY, MAY 2

5-8 PM

EVERYONE WELCOME!

BRING OUT YOUR YOUNG STARS

THE PETROLIA LEGION 216 LOUNGE

Free Admission

## Art in the Park

PETROLIA

VICTORIA PARK, PETROLIA

Friday, July 10 - 11 to 7  
Saturday, July 11 - 9 to 5

Over 50 artists and artisans!  
Oil & acrylic painting, photography, pottery, home decor, woodworking, fabric art, metalwork, jewellery, glasswork, soaps, leather, florals, beadwork, clothing & more!

Live music in the bandstand  
Tie Dye booth, Petrolia Sings! Youth Contest, Petrolia Optimists Kids Craft Area, Artist's Demonstrations, Petrolia Lions Food Truck

details at: [www.artintheparkpetrolia.com](http://www.artintheparkpetrolia.com)

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LOVE IS ALL YOU NEED



2026

HERE'S TO THE LADIES WE LOVE

*Divine WOMEN 2*

APRIL 21 - MAY 1

A LIFETIME OF MUSIC & LOVE

*I DO! I DO!*

MAY 12 - 29

IF YOU LOVED WINGFIELD...

*Ed's GARAGE*

JUNE 9 - 26

SUN, SURF, AND SUMMER LOVE

*GOOD VIBRATIONS*

JULY 7 - 24

LOVE FOR THE GREATS ON THE 88'S

*PIANO LEGENDS*

AUGUST 11 - 28

ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE

Music of *THE BEATLES*

SEPTEMBER 15 - OCTOBER 2

*STARBRIGHT CHRISTMAS*

NOV 17 to DEC 6, 2026

*THE VPP HOLIDAY JAMBOREE*

DEC 11 to 13, 2026

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**



**1.800.717.7694**  
**thevpp.ca**

LAMBTON WORKS CENTRE

**2026: WORK LOCAL. LIVE BETTER.**

**FREE EVENT**

Business Expo & Career Fair

MAY 28  
11 AM - 6 PM  
GREENWOOD ARENA  
PETROLIA



RSVP:  
Scott Case  
519-344-2062 ext 2180  
scott.case@county-lambton.on.ca

In Partnership with:




2026 PETROLIA

*Curbside*  
**WOOD CHIPPING**



Collection will be divided with off-setting days, with NORTH side of Petrolia Line being picked up on Monday's and the SOUTH side of Petrolia Line being picked up on Tuesdays.

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

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


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

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

It is not meant to replace the cost of professional arborist services, to offset your business expenses for branch disposal, or to provide service to non-residents.

<b>NORTH SIDE OF PETROLIA PICK UP ON MON</b>	<b>SOUTH SIDE OF PETROLIA PICK UP ON TUES</b>
APRIL 13	APRIL 14
MAY 11	MAY 12
JUNE 15	JUNE 16
SEPT 14	SEPT 15
OCT 19	OCT 20

For more information :  
519-882-2350  
www.town.petrolia.on.ca



WALKING PATH EXTENSION STARTING THE WEEK OF APRIL 27!

~Woodland Park~

From the pavilion North to meet the sidewalk on Garfield Street near the community mailboxes.

A loop around the playground equipment will also be added.

Residents are asked to avoid the area while the work is completed. Thank you to the Petrolia Trails Committee for your work, and the to Rotary Club of Petrolia for your donation to connect our community!




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## CAO's Corner

### 2026 Municipal Budget – Town General (not Water, nor Sewer)



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 the municipal level of government.

This is the third installment of my three articles highlighting Council's 2026 Budget which was adopted at the end of November 2025. This was our Town's first Budget using the new provincially legislated "Strong Mayor Powers". Our municipality has three separate budget entities: Water System (includes all water capital and operating budgets which are funded by water rates); Sewer System (includes all sanitary and storm capital and operating budgets which are funded by sewer rates); and Town General (all the other services provided by our Town which is funded mostly by property taxes).

Today, I am writing about our Town General activities which includes everything except Water and Sewer. This includes Fire Department; Library; Heritage; Planning & Development; Cemetery; General Administration; Facilities Maintenance; Protective Services; Public Works; Community Centre (Petrolia Y); Arena; Parks & Recreation; Community Events; Farmers Market; and Marketing.

You are likely most interested in the changes to our property tax rates over the past few years. The graphic below depicts the inflation (Consumer Price Index – CPI for Ontario – All Items) from 2018 to 2024. The cumulative inflation over the past six years was 23.2%. The cumulative increases to our Property Tax rates over these six years was 5.6%. Therefore, our property tax rates are 17.6% lower than inflation. It is important to know that over the past ten years Councils have also completed significant investments to our Town General infrastructure: several millions on major road reconstructions; new Fire Ladder Truck; new Fire Tanker; order a new Fire Pumper/Engine; replacement current elevator at Town Hall; installed Kiwanis splashpad at Petrolia Y; created two new soccer fields at Petrolia Y; replaced HVAC at Town Hall and Petrolia Y; and many more.

Over the past 12 years, Councils have focused on revitalizing our Town General infrastructure. Councils focused on improving our Asset Management planning which has been a key provincial priority over the past decade. Petrolia is seen as leader in Asset Management Planning.

Our property tax rate increase for 2026 was 2%. Our 2026 Town General Capital program is \$1.5M including replacement of the current elevator at Town Hall; detailed engineering for three major road reconstructions (King, Edward/Valentina, and Hickory/ School) to be "shovel ready" for potential federal and/or provincial grants; Dog Park; final payment of new Fire Tanker truck (which arrived in January 2026); and many more

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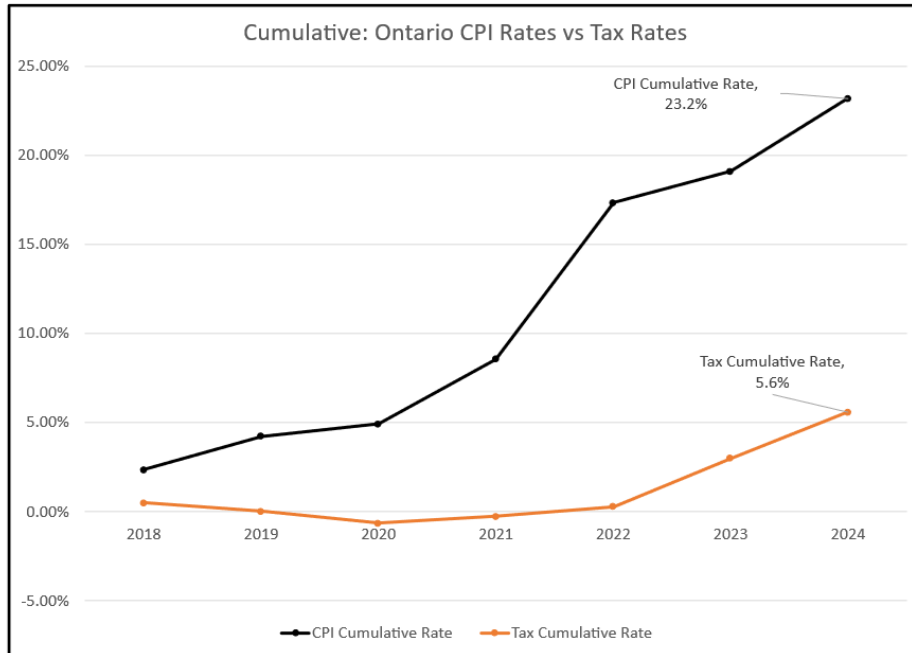
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projects. The table below depicts the *Estimated Impact for Every \$100, 000 of Residential Assessment*. The dollar impact of the 2% rate increase is \$20 per \$100,000 of MPAC residential assessment.

As mentioned before, I welcome any feedback including suggestions for topics. Have a great day!

Link to 2026 Budget on Town website: <https://town.petrolia.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Adopted-Budget-2026-final.pdf>



### Estimated Impact for every \$100,000 worth of Residential Assessment

	2025 Taxes	Proposed 2026 Taxes	\$ Change	% Change
Petrolia (approved)	\$1,022	\$1,042	\$20	2.0%
County (assumption)	\$524	\$540	\$16	3.0%
Education (approved)	\$153	\$153	\$0	0%
<b>Composite Property Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$1,699</b>	<b>\$1,735</b>	<b>\$36</b>	<b>2.1%</b>

**Note:**

1. Property assessments for 2026 will be 2020 assessments plus or minus any physical changes, eg, new house builds.
2. Assumption of 3.0% for County.
3. Average MPAC assessment is \$195K, therefore increase in property taxes would be \$70 per year (all three components).
4. Please note that MPAC is still using 2016 MPAC assessment values.