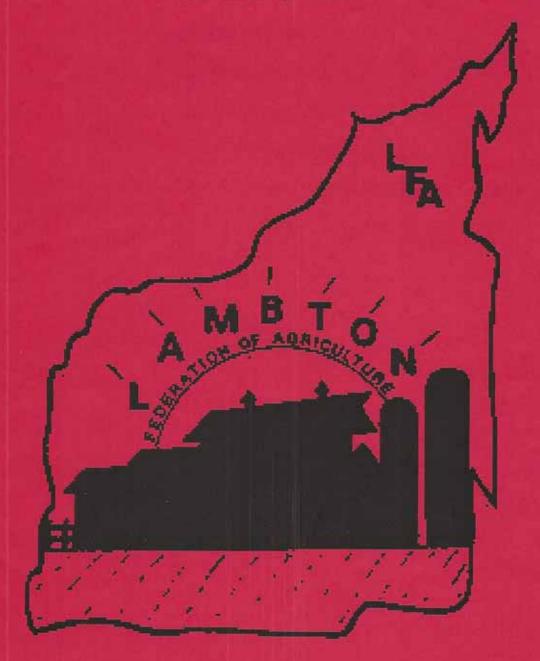
# LAMBTON FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE ANNUAL BANQUET AND MEETING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2011 FAIR BUILDING, WYOMING



The mission of the LFA is to be an Advocate for Agricultural Producers through Networking, Education and Communications with Community and Governments.

### SPECIAL THANKS TO

Zekveld's Garden Market &

Zone 1 Egg Farmers

Egg Farmers of Ontario

For the contributions to our "Taste of Lambton" appetizers and favours

### Program for Lambton Federation of Agriculture Annual Banquet & Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2011

CHAIRPERSON FOR THE EVENING: KEVIN FORBES, PRESIDENT

6:00 P.M. Social Time

A taste of Lambton table featuring egg appetizers

6:30 P.M. Welcome O Canada **Kevin Forbes** Matthew Krall

Approval of Minutes of the last meeting as printed

Motion to approve Reports

- Treasurer's report
- Appointment of Auditor for 2011-2012 Fiscal Year
- Committee Reports

Report of Nominating Committee

& Election of Officers

Gayle Bogart

- Motion on how to vote for election paper/show of hands
- Appoint scrutineers
- Declare all offices vacant nominations from floor
- Election of directors
- Election of President
- Election of 1st Vice
- Election of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice
- Motion to destroy the ballots

Resolutions

**New Business** 

Proposed Constitution changes

7:00 P.M.

Grace

Harry Buurma

Debbie Gilliard

Dinner

Introduction of Head Table Introduction of Guests Thanking Fair Board for dinner President's report

Debbie Gillilard Chris Williamson **Kevin Forbes** 

Greetings from:

- Bev Shipley, MP for Lambton-Kent-Middlesex (written letter)
- Pat Davidson, MP for Sarnia-Lambton (written letter)

Monte McNaughton, MPP for Lambton-Kent-Middlesex (written letter)

Bob Bailey, MPP for Sarnia-Lambton

Introduction of Guest Speaker

Brooke Leystra Konin.

Bryan Boyle, Bryan Boyle & Associates

Thank guest speaker

Peter Greydanus

Debbie Gilliard/Bill Milliken/Bryan Boyle

Presentation of scholarships:

- William & Dorothy Abraham scholarship
- Joyce Anderson scholarship
- Bell scholarships (2)
- Timothy & Patrick Kerrigan scholarship
- Dona Stewardson scholarship
- Lois Wakefield scholarship

Presentation of scholarships by Women's Institute

Presentation of pins to new directors and executive

Ann McGugan

Door Prizes

Martien Kusters/Brad Anderson

Announcements

### LFA Annual Meeting November 19, 2010 Wyoming Fair Building, Wyoming

6:00 pm

Appetizers served "Taste of Lambton"

6:30 pm

Welcome - Kevin Forbes

Singing of "O Canada" - led by Jonathan Krall

It was moved by Debbie Gilliard, seconded by Bill Milliken to approve the agenda, carried.

It was moved by Lauren Van Ewyk, seconded by Kathy O'Hara Wilson to accept the minutes of the 2009 annual meeting, carried.

It was moved by Dan Carron, seconded by Dennis Bryson to accept the financial reports as presented, carried.

It was **moved** by Lauren Van Ewyk and **seconded** by Debbie Gilliard that World Data Centre be appointed as auditor for the 2010 – 2011 fiscal year, **carried**.

Don Burgess, MSR lead the elections. It was **moved** by Kevin Forbes and **seconded** by Kathy O'Hara Wilson that Bryan Boyle and Gayle Bogart be appointed scrutineers for any required election, **carried**.

The nominating committee advised of the following nominations:

Brooke-Alvinston – Bill Milliken Dawn-Euphemia – Don Dunlop Enniskillen – Kathy O'Hara Wilson Lambton Shores – Chris Williamson Plympton-Wyoming - vacant St. Clair Township – vacant Sarnia – Kevin Forbes Warwick – vacant

Directors at Large: Lauren Van Ewyk (PAC), Roger Buurma (PAC), Peter Greydanus (PAC), Ken Dunlop, Tony Beernink, Debbie Gilliard, Brooke Leystra, Ron MacDougall, Don McCabe, Joe Dickenson.

Nominations were closed. All listed above were acclaimed.

It was **moved** by Debbie Coke, **seconded** by Dennis Bryson that the elected board of directors be given authority to fill any of the vacant Director positions on the board, **carried**.

The nominating committee advised that Kevin Forbes had agreed to let his name stand for the position of President. No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Kevin Forbes was acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Ron MacDougall had agreed to let his name stand for the position of 1st Vice President.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Ron MacDougall was acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Chris Williamson had agreed to let her name stand for the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Chris Williamson was acclaimed.

There were no resolutions presented.

7:00 pm

Grace - Bill Milliken

Introduction of Head Table – Debbie Gilliard Introduction of Special Guests – Kevin Forbes Thank You to Fairboard – Kathy O'Hara Wilson

President's Report - Kevin Forbes

Introduction of Guest Speaker - Dennis Bryson

Guest Speaker - Colleen Smith, Executive Director, Ontario Agri-Food Education Inc.

Topic - agricultural education in the classrooms Thank You to Guest Speaker - Brooke Leystra

### Greetings from:

Pat Davidson, MP, Sarnia Lambton

Bev Shipley, MP for Lambton Kent Middlesex

Maria Van Bommel, MPP for Lambton Kent Middlesex

Letter from Bob Bailey

Presentation of Scholarships - Kevin Forbes, Ron MacDougall & Bryan Boyle

### The 2010 scholarships were presented to:

Nicole Stewardson	\$500.00	Bell Scholarship
Carissa White	\$250.00	William & Dorothy Abraham Scholarship
Dale Miner	\$250.00	Bell Scholarship
Laura Marie Lebert	\$500.00	Joyce Anderson Scholarship
Jaime Van Riel	\$200.00	Timothy and Patrick Kerrigan Scholarship
Lindsay King	\$500.00	Dona Stewardson Scholarship
Christina Lunn	\$500.00	Lois Wakefield Scholarship
Presentation of Women's		

There were no new directors present for OFA pins.

Door prizes were handed out by Lauren Van Ewyk, being the big vegetable baskets on the tables and home-made pies by Debbie Gilliard.

A silent auction took place and the buyers of the items were acknowledged. The proceeds will be donated to the "Christmas for Everyone" project.

Retiring director Dennis Bryson was acknowledged.

Joe Dickenson gave a short promotion of the Young Farmer's Forum coming up at the annual convention in Toronto.

Wayne Black talked about the Farmer's Day the Pork producers are arranging in Stratford.

Kevin thanked Debbie Gilliard and Brooke Leystra for decorating the hall for the evening and for the donations to the silent auction.

At 9:40 pm, it was moved by Ron MacDougall, seconded by Brooke Leystra that the meeting be adjourned.

### WORLD DATA SERVICE LTD.

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Petrolia, Ontario

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Phone (519) 882 2230

November 4, 2011.

Directors and Members Lambton Federation of Agriculture.

Dear Members:

RE: 2011 Year End Review.

We have reviewed your accounting records and statements as at September 30,2011 with your secretary, and have found them to be in balance for the year then ending.

The statements and records were verified to Bank and other records and found to be in balance and properly kept in accordance with good accounting principles.

The statements attached here to reflect the position of your association at September 30,2011.

Thank you for the opportunity to have been of service to you in this year of 2011.

Yours truly

World Data Service Ltd.

### LAMBTON FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE

### BALANCE SHEET

### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**

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\$132,675.86 **Total Assets** 

MEMBER EQUITY Balance from 2010 \$120,411.17 \$ 12,264.69 Profit for 2011

> **Total Equity** \$132,675.86

SCHOLARSHIP MONEY HELD IN TRUST

\$15,000.00 Bell-Federation Kerrigan \$ 2,000.00

> \$17,000.00 Total

### LAMBTON FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### October 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011

### RECEIPTS

Annual Meeting	\$ 1,352.00	
Bryan Boyle Open House	\$ 5,230.00	
Donations	\$ 381.57	
Interest	\$ 337.90	
Map Income	\$ 100.00	
OFA Rebate	\$55,565.50	
Other (sale of table)	\$ 20.00	
Scholarship Interest	\$ 740.50	
Total	\$63,727.47	

### **EXPENSES**

Advertising & Newsletter	\$ 2,902.53
Annual meeting	\$ 2,872.21
Bank charges	\$ 127.14
Bryan Boyle Open House	\$ 5,230.00 <
Consumer Relations, PR, Promotion, Training	\$ 3,471.93
Contract Labour	\$ 4,827.50
Convention	\$ 6,921.25
Donations	\$ 5,621.50
Insurance	\$ 1,038.96
Internet Maintenance	\$ 166.11
Map	\$ 1,839.50
Mileage	\$ 2,677.68
Miscellaneous	\$ 621.13
Office expenses	\$ 2,468.38
Per Diem paid to directors	\$ 7,165.20
Political Awareness	\$ 588.58
Regional Meeting	\$ 223.18
Scholarship payments	\$ 2,700.00
Total	\$51,462.78

Profit for 2011 \$12,264.69

### BELL FEDERATION SCHOLARSHIP

(In Trust)

October 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011

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Balance October 1, 2010 \$15,000.00
GIC Interest \$ 240.00
From General Fund \$ 510.00

Withdraw \$750.00

Total \$750.00 \$15,750.00

GIC \$15,000 Laurentian Bank 2.2%

### KERRIGAN SCHOLARSHIP

(In Trust)

October 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011

INCOME:

 Balance October 1, 2010
 \$2,000.00

 GIC interest
 \$ 90.00

 From General Fund
 \$ 110.00

Withdraw \$200.00

Total \$200.00 \$2,200.00

GIC \$2,000.00 Laurentian Bank 4.5%

### BILL & DOROTHY ABRAHAM BURSARY

(LFA money)

October 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011

INCOME:

 Balance October 1, 2010
 \$3,500.00

 GIC interest
 \$ 157.50

 From General Fund
 \$ 92.50

Withdraw \$250.00

Total \$250.00 \$3,750.00

GIC \$3,500 Laurentian Bank 4.5%

### ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP

### (LFA money) October 1, 2010 – September 30, 2011

	\$6,500.00
	\$1,500.00
	\$ 104.00
	\$ 22.50
	\$ 373.50
\$ 500.00	
\$ 500.00	\$8,500.00
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# STEWARDSON SCHOLARSHIP (LFA money)

October 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011

INCOME:		
Balance October 1, 2010 <sup>1</sup>		\$6,500.00
Balance October 1, 2010 <sup>2</sup>		\$1,500.00
GIC interest <sup>1</sup>		\$ 104.00
GIC interest <sup>2</sup>		\$ 22.50
From General Fund		\$ 373.50
Withdraw	\$ 500.00	
Total	\$ 500.00	\$8,500.00
<sup>1</sup> GIC \$6,500.00 Effort Trust 1.6%		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>GIC \$6,500.00 Effort Trust 1.6% <sup>2</sup>GIC \$1,500.00 Effort Trust 1.5%

WAKEFIELD SCHOLARSHIP (LFA money)

October 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011

INCOME:		
No investment		
From General Fund		\$500.00
Withdraw	\$500.00	200.00
Total	\$500.00	\$500.00

### Annual Report for Lambton Federation of Agriculture

2011 -An OFA Perspective

### Submitted by Don Burgess Member Service Representative Lambton-Middlesex 1-877-668-3276 or don.burgess@ofa.on.ca

### Issues of the Last Year

There are approx. 150 issues that the OFA are working on at any one time. Here are just a few of the major issues:

In the Fall of 2010 the Ontario Government announced the "Open for Business" initiative which is covered under Regulatory Reform. It is said that there are over 500,000 Regs. in Ontario. OFA was asked to lead the consultations with the farm and agri-food sector across the province. Many of you may have experienced the frustration of having to get approval for a project and the countless government agencies that have to give their stamp of approval before you can proceed. Any improvement is welcomed!!

For many years the OFA has been promoting the National Food Strategy. In **St. Andrew's, NB** - Canadian farm and industry leaders met with federal, provincial and territorial agriculture ministers to discuss the National Food Strategy (NFS) developed by key actors along the value chain. Part of the National Food Strategy was the implantation of a Risk Management Program to cover the non supply managed commodities of Beef, Pork, Sheep, Veal, Grains, Oilseeds, Fruits and Vegetables. The program is to be funded through premiums from producers and the Federal and Ontario Governments. The OFA and CFA continue to Lobby the Federal Government to ante up with their 60%.

In the Spring the Supreme Court of Canada ruled that farm workers are protected through the Agricultural Employee Protection Act and mandatory coverage under WSIB and safe work places with the Occupational Health & Safety Regulations. This was good news for those producers that rely on outside farm workers to bring in the harvest. Giving farm workers access to exclusive representation (The United Food and Commercial Workers International Trade Union) would have created a significant imbalance between worker and employer, and that would be detrimental for the agriculture sector.

This year it was announced that the compensation for livestock predation is to be increased. The OFA is still lobbying to assure that the compensations matches the actual value of the livestock involved and that crop losses are also added to the list.

On Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> the next round of the Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) was started. It is clear that there is a need to have increased funding for this program as the monies are taken as soon as the doors are open.

### Retirements

I would like to extend a BIG THANK YOU to Maria Van Bommel the former MPP for Lambton-Middlesex. Maria was one of our own, sitting in the office that I now occupy. Her faithful years of service to the Agricultural Community will always be remembered, both as a MSR of OFA and later as your MPP. It has been an honour to work with her and I hope that she will enjoy a well deserved rest with the members of her family. Another person that we will dearly miss as your OMAFRA Representative for Lambton is Bryan Boyle. I have only known Bryan for a short time, but found him articulate and one that seemed calm, even under pressure. If anyone has ever attended a meeting that Bryan was leading, you would know that he has the gift to bring out ideas from people that would otherwise sit speechless. I wish Bryan well in his new endeavours and look forward to working with him again.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at the office or the above number. My office door, when I am there, is always open.

Don Burgess, MSR Lambton-Middlesex

### **Presidents Report**

This year concludes my second term as President of the Lambton Federation of Agriculture. It seems that this was a much busier year for farmers with the late planting, drawn out summer and late harvest this fall. Combined with a Federal and Provincial election it didn't seem that we made the progress this year that we were hoping to. All was not a loss though. The LFA has made great strides in developing its reputation as the leading voice for agriculture in Lambton County.

I remember in years past we would show up at the Chamber Showcase (hosted by the Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce) and people would ask us why we were there and what agriculture had to offer the business community. This year more than ever people recognized us and what we are doing to represent the agriculture industry. We also had several invitations to sit down with Tourism Sarnia Lambton, Sarnia Lambton Economic Partnership, and S-L Chamber of Commerce. We were also asked to meet with MP Pat Davidson for budget consultations, the City of Sarnia to help develop their new Official Plan, NextEra Energy for consultation on their proposed Jericho Wind Energy Project and many others.

Earlier this year we sponsored the Green Energy, Agriculture and Bio-Science Career Fair held in Sarnia. The LFA in conjunction with the OFA put in a booth in order to help educate youths about the career opportunities within agriculture. This year we hosted 4 successful All Candidates meetings (two for each election), we participated in the BDO Farm Tax Seminar held in Alvinston. We also hosted our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Locally Lambton Map Tour which is slowly gaining momentum every year. We also hosted a farm tour for the S-L Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. The Chamber has always been strong supporters of agriculture even though many of them have no farm ties or experience. The Tour was a real eye opener for them as to the scale and technology of farms today.

A few of our members were quite concerned this year that the Lambton County Junior Farmers group had folded. So they partnered with Bryan Boyle and a few young farmers and started the Lambton Young Agriculturalist group. This is an organization where young people can network, have training seminars, debates and farm tours to learn more about farming.

Kevin Forbes

### 2011 Political Awareness Committee Report

2011 was an interesting year for Political Awareness Committee, with both a Federal and Provincial election. LFA organized all candidates meeting in the Sarnia-Lambton ridings and worked with Middlesex and Kent Federations to hold all candidates meetings in the Lambton Kent Middlesex riding. The meetings had a number of good questions for the candidates covering agri-food issues as well as rural society issues such as health care.

The committee also brought forth a Land Use Policy which LFA adopted. The main point within the policy is the protection of Lambton's valuable agricultural land base.

The committee organized a farm tour for the Sarnia-Lambton Chamber of Commerce. This provided an excellent opportunity to educate Chamber members on agricultural issues within Lambton County.

I would like to thank the committee for their support and work during the year. The members of the committee were, Brad Anderson, Tony Beernink, Joe Dickenson, Kevin Forbes, Doug Krall, Brooke Leystra and Ron MacDougall.

### Farm Safety Update

2011saw a few developments in the Farm Safety venue. The winter workshop hosted the OPP and saw an information session on the new rules of the road regarding farm implements and uses of the road.

The Progressive Agricultural Farm Safety Day was held in Alvinston in July. Olympic Gold Medalist Ms. Darta Sales spoke to over one hundred children about her life experiences after being in a farm accident. This event actually assisted her in becoming a Gold Medalist in the World Olympics held in Sydney, Australia. Children visited over nine stations learning about various aspects of farm and personal safety. Next year the Farm Safety day will be held in Wyoming.

The school Safety Program has been aligned with the Lambton Public Libraries so that everyone has access to the new information on Farm Safety, Fire Safety, ATV safety and Personal Safety. DVDs are still available through the Lambton Farm Safety Unit.

Submitted by Kathy O'Hara Wilson

### **Map Committee**

The LFA Map committee organized its 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Map tour this year. Eight stops in the Sarnia and neighbouring area were included in this years' tour with approximately 300 people participating.

Participants this year visited any or all of the following businesses and farms; Purdy's Fisheries, Macklin's Farm Produce, Korny Korners, Vrolyk Farm Produce, Kusters Dairy Goats, Dickenson Farms, Country Yarns and Windover Nurseries. New for this year was the inclusion of bus tours.

The Locally Lambton map is gearing up for the reprint in 2012 and is now accepting applications.

### Lambton Children's Safety Village

**Program Goals** 

Our primary goal is to help reduce child-related injuries in the communities of Lambton by creating a setting where young people will learn Safety Awareness and will be motivated to learn how to make smart choices in their daily lives.

Lambton Children's Safety Village will introduce Lambton County students at the kindergarten to grade 8 levels to safety on the streets, bicycle safety, farm safety, water safety and internet safety in a child size protected village of streets and buildings.

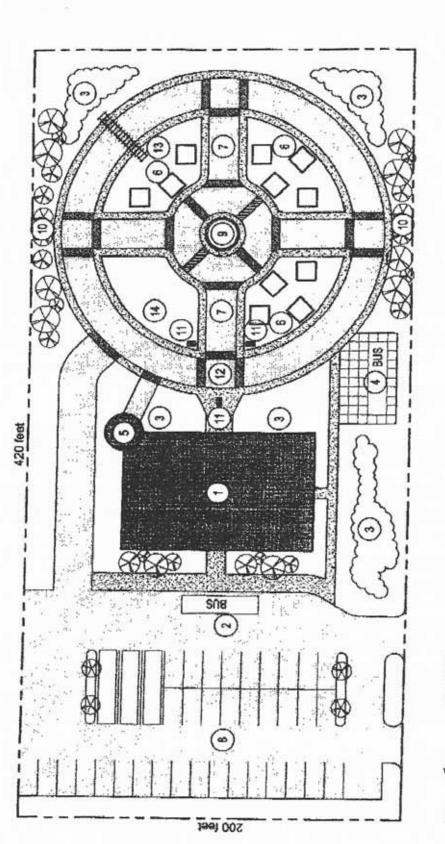
Lambton Children's Safety Village will be designed:

- To promote an awareness of safety aspects in the daily lives of all our children
- To provide a setting which will allow student groups to experience safety awareness education
- To provide a setting where people of all ages who have been designated as special for whatever reasons will have a safe, secure fully accessible location to learn safety awareness at their own pace.

The first phase of development and organizing this village was to produce architectural drawings of the proposed Safety Village. The funding for the architectural drawings of the Safety Village was graciously provided by the Lambton Federation of Agriculture. The next phase was determining the location and property where the village is to be built.

On November 22, 2011 the location of the property will be revealed along with the anticipated start date for construction.

Debbie Gilliard



# Lambton Children's Safety Village Concept Drawing

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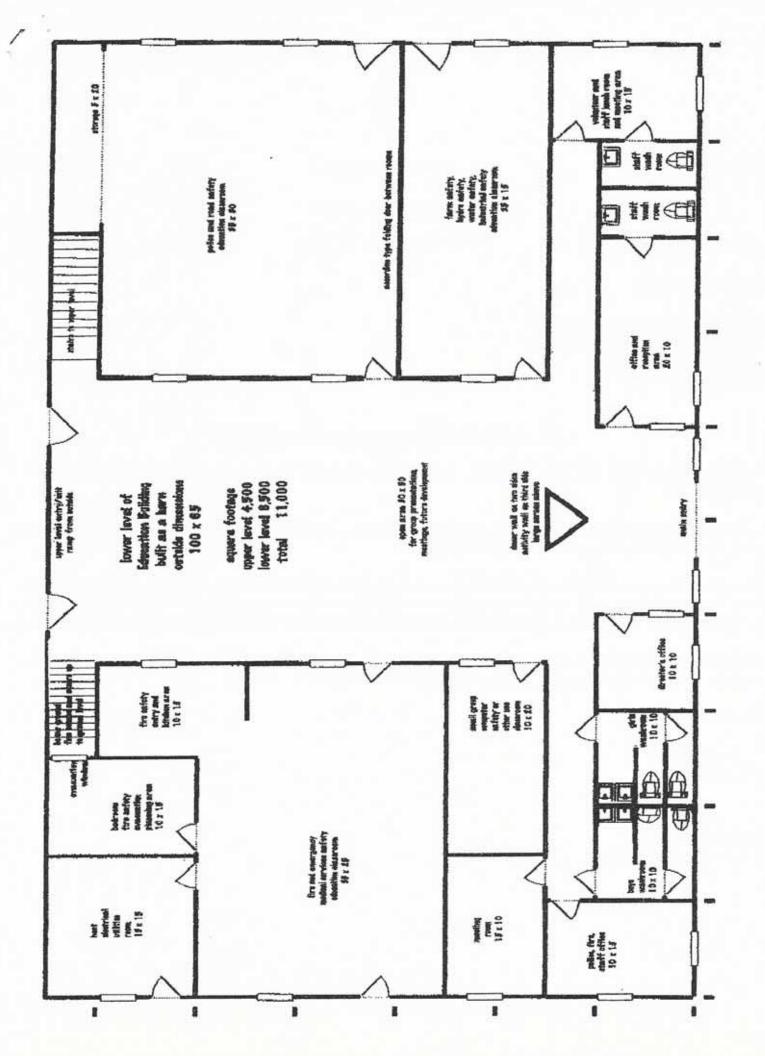
1) INTERPRETIVE BUILDING

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- (2) BUS DROP OFF
- (3) GARDEN AREA
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  FOR ELECTRIC CARS
- SILO WITH STORAGE
  FOR ELECTRIC CARS
- MINIATURE CITY WITH ALLOWABLE EXPANSION
- CHILDREN'S SAFETY ROADWAYS
  - 8 PARKING
- 9 WINDMILL WITH POOL
- (10) MEMORIAL TREE GROVE

- (1) TRAFFIC SIGNAL
- (12) CROSSWALK
- (13) RAILROAD CROSSING
- (4) OPEN DISPLAY FOR EMS, FARM DISPLAYS OR OTHER EXHIBITS







Ber Shipley, M. P. Lambten Kent Middlesex

November 18, 2011

Lambton Federation of Agriculture Melissa Forbes, Secretary/Treasurer 5378 Waterworks Rd. Sarnia, ON N7T 7H3

### Lambton Federation of Agriculture Annual Meeting

Thank you for the kind invitation to attend your annual banquet and meeting. Unfortunately I am unable to attend this year.

As the MP for Lambton-Kent-Middlesex, I bring you greetings on behalf of the Government of Canada and the constituents of the Riding of Lambton-Kent-Middlesex.

I would like to commend the Lambton Federation of Agriculture, the current directors and the new directors that may come on for your commitment to agriculture. I would like to thank you for your hard work and dedication to the agricultural industry by helping to be the voice of the farmer to the communities across Lambton County.

I look forward to continue working with you to support and improve agriculture in Lambton County and across Canada. I wish you an enjoyable evening and a successful year ahead.

Sincerely,

BEV SHIPLEY, M.P.

Lambton-Kent-Middlesex



Pat Davidson, MP Sarnia-Lambton

November 17, 2011

Members of the Lambton Federation of Agriculture,

Thank you for the invitation to attend your annual banquet and I apologize that I was not able to be with you tonight due to a prior commitment.

I am proud to once again represent Sarnia-Lambton as your Member of Parliament and I continue to speak regularly to the Minister of Agriculture & Agri-Food on your behalf.

Your members should be pleased that representatives of the Lambton Federation of Agriculture keep your message before me. I appreciate hearing your comments at the round table meetings hosted by the Federation and also at my offices in Sarnia and Ottawa.

Continue your very important work to feed our nation, and a very Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year to you and your families.

Sincerely,

Pat Davidson, MP Sarnia-Lambton

### MONTE MCNAUGHTON, MPP LAMBTON-KENT-MIDDLESEX

Melissa Forbes, Federation Secretary, Lambton Federation of Agriculture 5378 Waterworks Road, Sarnia, Ontario N7T 7H3

November 17, 2011

### To the Members of the Lambton Federation of Agriculture

Greetings. I regret that I cannot be with you at your Annual Meeting tonight.

With just enough dry days in early November the corn is almost all in the bin and another interesting season of southwestern Ontario weather is drawing to an end. I have pledged to stand up for rural and small town Ontario, and farming has ever been and continues to be at the heart of our communities. I would like to recognize the Federation for being the voice of farmers in Lambton County. I would also like to thank those outgoing directors, and commend those who will be elected to represent their townships in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex

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### **Proposed Amendments to the LFA Constitution**

### **Existing constitution:**

### ARTICLE # 6 - VOTING PRIVILEGES AND OFFICE

- (a) Those that shall be granted the privilege of holding office or directorship in the Lambton Federation of Agriculture with full voting privileges include:
  - i) Immediate Past President of the Lambton Federation of Agriculture
  - ii) Lambton County Junior Farmers Association
  - iii) Lambton County Women's Institute
  - iv) Policy Advisory Councillors from Lambton to the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.
  - (b) A staff member of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs shall hold a non-voting Advisory position.
  - (c) A staff member of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture shall hold a non-voting advisory position.
  - (d)The Zone 6 Ontario Federation of Agriculture Director shall hold a non-voting advisory policy position unless they also hold a position of a Lambton Federation of Agriculture director.

### Proposed amendment:

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  - ii) Lambton County Junior Farmers Association or Lambton Young Agriculturalists
  - iii) Lambton County Women's Institute
  - (b) A staff member of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs shall hold a non-voting Advisory position.

### **Existing constitution:**

### ARTICLE #8 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A Board of Directors of up to 23 members shall be elected for a term of one year at the Lambton Federation of Agriculture Annual Meeting with representation as follows:
  - (a) One representative per municipality as per Article # 7 Sec. 2
  - (b) The Policy Advisory Councillor(s) to the Ontario Federation of Agriculture as elected from the Members Regions(s) within Lambton County as established by and in accordance with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture Bylaws.
  - (c) One Director as appointed by the Lambton Junior Farmers
  - (d) One Director as appointed by the Lambton County Women's Institute
  - (e) Directors at Large be elected in order to maintain a Board of 23 members.

### Proposed amendment:

### #8-BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A Board of Directors of up to 23 members shall be elected for a term of one year at the Lambton Federation of Agriculture Annual Meeting with representation as follows:
  - (a) One representative per municipality as per Article # 7 Sec. 2
  - (a) Three Regional Directors so elected shall represent the Ontario Federation of Agriculture members from their region at the Ontario Federation of Agriculture's Policy Advisory Council Meetings and Annual Convention
  - (b) One Director as appointed by either the Lambton Junior Farmers or Lambton Young Agriculturalists
  - (c) One Director as appointed by the Lambton County Women's Institute
  - (d) Directors at Large be elected in order to maintain a Board of 23 members.

### **Existing constitution:**

### ARTICLE # 10 - STANDING COMMITTEES ON THE BOARD

- 1. Executive Committee shall consist of:
  - a) President
  - b) 1st & 2nd Vice Presidents
  - c) Past President
  - d) One (1) Duly elected Policy Advisory Councillor for Lambton County
  - e) Two (2) appointed members of the Board of Directors for the Lambton Federation of Agriculture

### Proposed amendment:

### ARTICLE # 10 - STANDING COMMITTEES ON THE BOARD

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## 33rd Farm Financial Management and Tax Seminar

Co-Sponsored by:

**BDO Canada LLP** 

Lambton Federation of Agriculture

Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

When:

Monday, December 12, 2011

Where:

**Brooke Alvinston Inwood Community Complex** 

Alvinston, Ontario

Time:

Starts at 9:30 a.m. (sharp) and finishes at 2:30 p.m.

### Agenda

### Chairman - Donald W. Dafoe, F.C.A., BDO Canada LLP

9:10		Coffee and doughnuts, provided through the courtesy of Farm Credit Canada
9:30	•	Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs–2011 update Jane Muegge, Regional Information Coordinator, OMAFRA
10:00	5	Making Agricultural Technology Pay Shawn Redick, South West Ag Partners
10:30		Break
10:45	-	Our Top 20 Management Tips BDO Canada LLP
11:15	-	Expanding the Uses of Agricultural Products Mike Hartmann, Executive Vice-President, BioAmber Inc.
11:50	-	Lambton Federation of Agriculture – 2011 update Kevin Forbes, President, Lambton Federation of Agriculture
Noon	•	Lunch Provided free of charge through the courtesy of Advantage Farm Equipment Ltd., Kucera Farm Supply Ltd., Podolinsky Equipment Ltd. and BDO Canada LLP
1:00	- 1	"Life Is What You Make It." Leona Dargis of Saint Vincent, Alberta. A board member of the Canadian Young Farmers Forum
2:00	-	Positioning Your Farm for Your Future Susie Abrametz, BDO Canada LLP.

Registration: You must pre-register by phone, fax or by email

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If anyone wishes to make a food or a cash donation at the door, it will be passed on to the Christmas for Everyone organization.