THE DAILY WARD

COUNTY OF BRANT & BRANTFORD EDITION

Issue 40 · Tuesday, November 24, 2026

Today: Flurries, then sun, high 3°C

LOCAL NEWS · COUNTY OF BRANT COUNCIL

The County of Brant gets down to real business tonight

First regular business meeting of the new council: 6 p.m., Council Chambers, 7 Broadway Street West, Paris. Agenda: 2027 fees and charges public hearing (RPT-0356-26); Nominating Committee report (committee appointments); December 2026 and 2027 council meeting schedule. **p. 5** · **Agenda →**



Nov. 16 inaugural. Photo: County of Brant

ON THE ROADS

Hwy 403 Rest Acres ramps: three closures today, one through Friday; Watts Pond stays closed **p. 15**

LIFESTYLE & ARTS

Fusion Beats is free tonight at the Sanderson Centre **p. 22**

THE GOOD NEWS NETWORK

A Paris raffle for cancer-patient rides, and 35 Christmas boxes packed with love **p. 11**

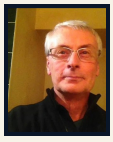
READER MOCK VOTE · OPEN NOW

Who gets your vote? Open until Monday


Bory
Ind.


Byers
CHP


Carrol
Ind.


Clancy
Ind.


Davis
CPC

MOCK VOTE


Kissinger
Green


O'Donnell
Liberal


Tarrant
PPC


Ward
NDP

Open now. Closes at the end of Monday, Nov. 30. Unscientific reader vote, not an official ballot. One vote per device. Real advance polls: Nov. 27 to 30; election day: Dec. 7. **p. 3** VOTE NOW

The five questions we ask and their responses: Bory · Byers · Carrol · Clancy · Davis · Kissinger · O'Donnell · Tarrant · Ward

Photo credits: p. 3. Candidate list: Elections Canada, Nov. 18.

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READER MOCK VOTE · OPEN NOW THROUGH MONDAY, NOV. 30

Nine names on the ballot. One mock vote each. Here's how it works

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

The mock vote opened Monday. Readers can still cast one mock ballot in the Dec. 7 federal by-election in Brantford–Brant South at **thedailyward.com/poll/byelection**. Voting closes at the end of Monday, Nov. 30, the last day of advance polls, and we will print the results after it closes. It is an unscientific reader poll, not an official ballot, and it does not replace your real vote.

One vote per person. Our system refuses a second ballot from the same internet connection, the same device or the same browser. It keeps only scrambled codes, never your IP address, and never links a code to the candidate it chose. A household or workplace sharing one connection gets one vote. We cannot check Facebook accounts, so the poll does not limit votes per Facebook profile.

The five questions we ask and their responses: Leslie Bory · Dirk Byers · Dave Carrol · Mike Clancy · Kevin Davis · Kathryn Kissinger · Joy O'Donnell · Anthony Tarrant · Brad Ward

How to vote for real. Advance polls: Friday, Nov. 27, to Monday, Nov. 30, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Election day: Monday, Dec. 7, 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. You can also vote at the local Elections Canada office, 102 Wellington Street, Brantford, until 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 1. Find your polling place at **elections.ca**.

*Candidate list: Elections Canada, confirmed candidates issued Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2026, re-checked Monday, Nov. 23: **elections.ca**. Dates and local office: **Elections Canada, Ways to vote**. Answers: The Daily Ward, Issue 34, Nov. 18. Photos: Bory, Brantford Expositor video still (Susan Gamble, Aug. 6, 2026); Byers, supplied by the candidate; Carrol, davecarrol.ca (A.E. Wild Photography / Amanda Frank); Clancy, his Facebook profile; Davis, public campaign photo via the Brant Civic Accountability Association Facebook page; Kissinger, public campaign photo via the Brant Civic Accountability Association Facebook page; O'Donnell, public campaign photo via the Brant Civic Accountability Association Facebook page; Tarrant, People's Party of Canada candidate page; Ward, public campaign photo via the Brant Civic Accountability Association Facebook page.*

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Events, milestones, good news from the County of Brant

THE COUNTY OF BRANT • TUESDAY, NOV. 24

County council sits tonight in Paris, with a public hearing on 2027 fees

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

The County of Brant council meets tonight, Tuesday, Nov. 24, from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. in Council Chambers at 7 Broadway Street West, Paris. The first item after the opening formalities is a public hearing, under the Municipal Act, 2001 and Ontario Regulation 244/02, on the proposed 2027 fees and charges.

The agenda also asks council to consider approving those 2027 fees, to take effect Jan. 1, 2027, unless the by-law says otherwise, and a holiday schedule that would close County municipal administration offices at noon on Dec. 24, 2026, and reopen at 8:30 a.m. on Jan. 4, 2027. None of those items is decided until council votes. Alternative formats are available on request at 519-442-7268 or accessibility@brant.ca.

Source: ***County of Brant Council agenda, Nov. 24, 2026****. Full story:* ***thedailyward.com/issue40/local/***

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Ward 4

Ward map

Burford · Scotland · Harley · Cathcart · Falkland

Councillors Robert Chambers · Ben Clement

1. **Comments due Dec. 1:** planning@brant.ca (Bishopsgate Road application).
2. **Fri. Nov. 27, 5 p.m.:** Light Up the Night, Burford Village Square. *(reminder)* **County**

Ward 1

Ward map

St. George · Glen Morris and area

Councillors John MacAlpine · Steve Schmitt

1. **Thu. Nov. 26, 6:30 p.m.:** tree lighting, Snowball Park, St. George. *(reminder)* **More**
2. **Sat. Nov. 28, 10 a.m.:** Christmas market, St. George United Church. *(reminder)* **Listing**

Ward 2

Ward map

Paris: Woodslee, fairgrounds area

Councillors James McCulloch · Steve Howes

1. **Since Monday:** Consolidated Drive is closed at Dundas Street East. **Detour**
2. **To Fri. Nov. 27:** Watts Pond Road closed to Robbins Ridge. **Detour**

CITY OF BRANTFORD

Ward 1

Ward map

West Brant · Tutela Heights

Councillors Darryl Casey · Bob Sproul

1. **Wed. Dec. 9:** free holiday photos, Shellard Lane library. **More**
2. No other new items this week. **Find My Ward**

Ward 2

Ward map

Holmedale · Terrace Hill · Fairview

Councillors Gino Caputo · Dave Malcolm

1. **Fri. Dec. 4, 7 p.m.:** Brantford Lights switch on, Glenhyrst. **Arts**
2. **Sat. Dec. 5, 5 p.m.:** free guitar orchestra concert, Glenhyrst. **Arts**

Ward 3

Ward map

North Park · Brier Park

Councillors Trevor J. Cherewka · Arron Jeavons

1. **Thu. Nov. 26, 2 p.m.:** The MIND Diet talk, St. Paul Branch library. **More**
2. **Sat. Dec. 5, 9 a.m.:** Breakfast with Santa, Fairview United Church. **More**

*Councillors: **County**, **City**. Communities placed on official ward maps (**County**, **City**). Two items per ward; the rest online.*

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Ward 3

Ward map

Downtown Paris and area

Councillors John Bell · John Peirce

1. **Sat. Nov. 28, 9 a.m.:** Kiwanis Breakfast with Santa, St. James hall. *(reminder)* **Listing**
2. **Sat. Dec. 5, 6 p.m.:** Paris Santa Claus Parade, downtown. *(reminder)* **Parades**

Ward 5

Ward map

Cainsville · Onondaga · Mount Pleasant · Oakland · Langford

Councillors Ella Haley · Mike Gatopoulos

1. **Sat. Nov. 28, 1 p.m.:** wreath-making, Onondaga Community Hall. *(reminder)* **Listing**
2. **Sat. Nov. 28, 10 a.m.:** Langford Church Christmas Market, cash only. *(reminder)* **Listing**

County-wide

Contacts

every ward of the County of Brant

Mayor Jennifer Kyle

1. **Tue. Nov. 24, 6 p.m.:** public hearing on 2027 fees, Council Chambers, 7 Broadway Street West, Paris. Tonight. **Notice**
2. **Model homes:** comments to policy@brant.ca before Dec. 17. **Notice**

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Ward 4

Ward map

Echo Place · Lynden Hills

Councillors Linda Hunt · Nicole Callander

1. **This week:** no other new item in this box; more online.
2. **Sat. Dec. 5, 7 p.m.:** Christmas carols, Hope Christian Reformed. **Arts**

Ward 5

Ward map

Downtown · Eagle Place

Councillors Karleigh Csordas · Brian Van Tilborg

1. **Sat. Nov. 28, 6 p.m.:** Santa Claus Parade, Harmony Square party. *(reminder)* **Parades**
2. **Wed. Nov. 25:** free holiday photos, Main Branch library. **More**

City-wide

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every ward of Brantford

Mayor and Council

1. **By Fri. Dec. 4:** apply for a seat on nine City boards. **More**
2. **Wed. Nov. 25, 8 p.m.:** Brant Ave. one lane at Dalhousie St. **More**

Every ward, online → thedailyward.com/issue40/local/ • Every Santa Claus parade → thedailyward.com/calendar/

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Everyone charged is presumed innocent unless proven guilty in court. Everything here comes from police releases or published reports.

Community Crime Report

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

No new reports: Ward 4 (Burford, Scotland, Harley, Cathcart, Falkland); Ward 1 (St. George, Glen Morris); Wards 2 and 3 (Paris); Ward 5 (Cainsville, Onondaga, Mount Pleasant, Oakland, Langford). Monday's Brant County OPP releases, which do not name a settlement, are on p. 9.

Brantford: no new Brantford Police Service release since Friday, Nov. 20 (checked 1 a.m. Tuesday). **Read the Brantford Police release**

Six Nations of the Grand River: no new Six Nations Police release since Nov. 18 (checked 1 a.m. Tuesday).

"No new reports" means no new official release naming that community between Issue 39's cutoff and early Tuesday, Nov. 24.

CRIME & COURTS FEATURE · FIRST-PERSON ACCOUNT

A crime reporter inside the grand jury room

BY JOHN SPRINGER, REPRINTED WITH PERMISSION FROM JOHNSPRINGER.COM

Subpoenaed over his friend of 34 years, fugitive Kosta Diamantis: "I added zero to their case."

*First published Nov. 18, 2026, **johnspringer.com**. Full account online: **thedailyward.com/issue40/crime-courts/***

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County OPP: two new charges, and a 2022 appeal

Brant County OPP reported Monday that a 35-year-old from the County of Brant is charged with assault causing bodily harm (choke, suffocate or strangle) after an assault between two people who knew each other at a workplace in the County, about 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20. Court: Feb. 19, 2027, in Brantford. **Read the OPP release**

After a traffic stop on Brant County Road at Johnson Road about 3:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Duke Philroy Green, 37, of Brampton is charged with possession of property obtained by crime over $5,000, driving while under suspension and using a plate not authorized for the vehicle. Court: Feb. 11, 2027. The OPP give the time as 3:30 a.m. **Read the OPP release**

Police are also asking for information about the Sept. 25, 2022, fatal hit-and-run on Muir Road North near 3rd Concession that killed Kevin Lee Taylor, 65, of Hamilton. Investigators believe a Ford pickup with front passenger-side damage and a missing passenger-side mirror was involved. Call 1-888-310-1122 and quote incident E221145961. **Read the OPP appeal**

Everyone charged is presumed innocent. Sources: ***BrantBeacon, Brant OPP Crime Wrap, Nov. 23****;* ***Brantford Expositor, Nov. 23****, both reporting Brant County OPP; official releases:* ***OPP West Region****. Last week's Hwy 403 and Colborne Street East reports:* ***BrantBeacon, Nov. 22****; full text online.*

Report a crime or a tip

Emergency: 9-1-1. Brant County OPP, non-emergency: 1-888-310-1122. Brantford Police Service, non-emergency: 519-756-7050.

Phone numbers as published by the OPP and the Brantford Police Service in their releases.

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WEATHER • THE COUNTY OF BRANT AND BRANTFORD

A chance of morning flurries, then sunny; high plus 3, wind chill minus 10 to start

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3°	4°	4°	4°
Flurries, then sun	Sun and cloud	Chance of showers	Chance of showers

Environment Canada calls for a mix of sun and cloud on Tuesday, with a 40 per cent chance of flurries in the morning and early afternoon, becoming sunny in the afternoon. Wind up to 15 km/h, a high of plus 3, a morning wind chill of minus 10, and a UV index of 2, or low. Tuesday night is clear, becoming partly cloudy near midnight, with a low of minus 9 and a wind chill of minus 14 overnight.

Wednesday is a mix of sun and cloud with a high of plus 4, then cloudy overnight with a low of minus 1. Thursday is cloudy with a 40 per cent chance of showers and a high of plus 4; Thursday night carries a 60 per cent chance of rain and a low of plus 2. Friday stays cloudy with a 60 per cent chance of showers, a high of plus 4 and a low of plus 1.

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Paris raffle tops last year by $230

On Saturday the Paris Legion was full all day for the No Road Back music event. Early the next morning, James Wreaks posted the first numbers from the raffle he organizes: $1,230, already $230 more than last year. He said the day may beat last year's record of $4,100 in all, and that he will post again when every number is in.

He thanked the musicians, the Legion staff, and Jim Young, who has organized the event for 14 years. "You have done good work sir for the Wheels of Hope program," he wrote.

Source: James Wreaks, Facebook, Nov. 22, 2026. ***Original post →***



Photo: JIL Church, Brantford/Facebook

35 boxes of hope from JIL Church

JIL Church in Brantford has 35 Operation Christmas Child boxes ready, each filled with love for a child in need around the world. "God bless each gift and every giver," the church wrote.

Source: JIL Church, Brantford, Facebook, Nov. 22, 2026. ***Original post →***

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Song swap raises almost $1,200 for the food bank



The Bell City Song Swap. Photo: Tyler Wilson/Facebook

Source: Tyler Wilson, shared by the Brantford Food Bank, Facebook, Nov. 22, 2026.

Original post →

Saturday night's Bell City Song Swap raised almost $1,200 and multiple barrels of food for the Brantford Food Bank. Tyler Wilson thanked everyone who made it possible: "Let's do it again sometime!"

Warm Saturday, warm coats: every donation given away



Saturday's winter-clothing and sandwich handout in Brantford. Photo: Bob Martin/Facebook

Source: Bob Martin, Facebook, Nov. 22, 2026. ***Original post →***

On such a nice Saturday, Bob Martin wrote, it was hard to believe they were handing out winter jackets. Every donation went out. "So many people expressed heartfelt gratitude knowing that someone cares about them." Christmas gift bags are due Dec. 15; details online.

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What a public hearing on fees actually is, and how to be heard tonight

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

A public hearing is not the same as a regular council debate. On tonight's County of Brant agenda it is listed under the Municipal Act, 2001 and Ontario Regulation 244/02, specifically for the proposed 2027 fees and charges. That is the window the law sets aside for people to speak before council is asked, later on the same agenda, to approve those fees and the by-law that would put them in force on Jan. 1, 2027, unless the by-law says otherwise.

The meeting is at Council Chambers, 7 Broadway Street West, Paris, from 6 p.m. The agenda itself is already posted. Alternative formats and communication supports are available on request from the County's Accessibility and Inclusion Coordinator. Nothing on the agenda is decided until council votes. If you want to know what is being proposed, the staff report and the proposed 2027 fees document are attached to the agenda.

Source: ***County of Brant Council agenda, Nov. 24, 2026****.*

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THIS WEEK

Your week: council tonight, Fusion Beats tonight, advance polls Friday

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

Tue. Nov. 24, 6 p.m., Paris: County of Brant council, including a public hearing on 2027 fees, Council Chambers, 7 Broadway Street West. **Agenda**

Tue. Nov. 24, 7 p.m., Brantford: Fusion Beats, free, at the Sanderson Centre, 88 Dalhousie Street. Doors at 6:30 p.m. **Laurier release**

Today through Friday, Highway 403 at Rest Acres Road: intermittent ramp closures, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (MTO schedule updated Monday). Today, the westbound (S-W) and eastbound (N-E) on-ramps and the eastbound (W-S) off-ramp; Wednesday to Friday, the eastbound (N-E) on-ramp. Check 511on.ca. **County notice**

Through Friday, Paris: Watts Pond Road is closed between Grand River Street North/Pinehurst Road and Robbins Ridge. Consolidated Drive remains closed at Dundas Street East; use Green Lane and Iarocci Boulevard. **Maps, p. 15**

Wed. Nov. 25, 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., Brantford: night work at

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WHERE THE DETOURS GO THIS WEEK

Watts Pond closed to Friday; 403 ramps all week

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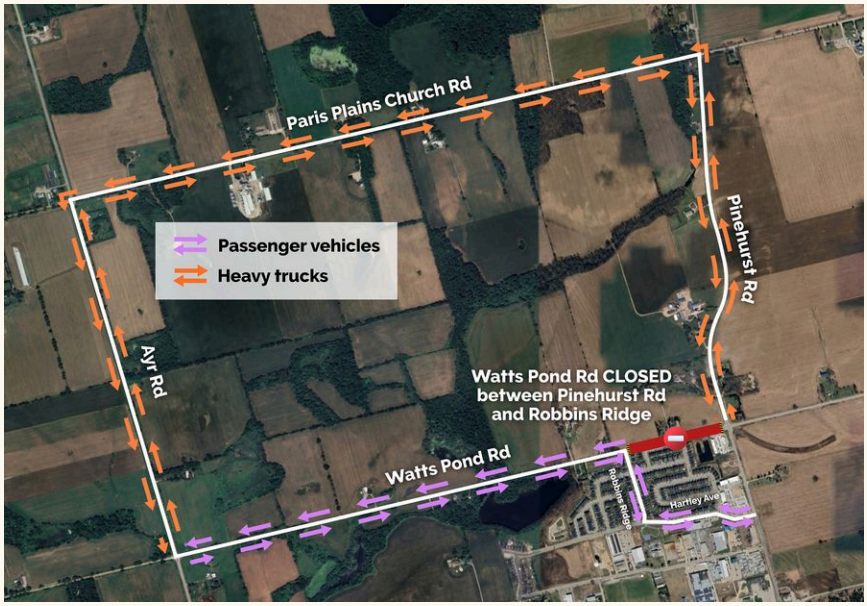

Official detour map, Watts Pond Road, Paris. Heavy trucks are sent to Paris Plains Church Road; passenger vehicles may use Robbins Ridge and Hartley Avenue. Map: County of Brant, Nov. 19, 2026.

Watts Pond Road in Paris is fully closed, Monday, Nov. 23, through Friday, Nov. 27, between Grand River Street North/Pinehurst Road and Robbins Ridge, so a new storm sewer main can be installed as part of the Grand River Street North reconstruction. Dates are tentative. Follow the posted signs.

Hwy 403 at Rest Acres Road (MTO schedule, updated Monday), intermittent, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.: today, the westbound (S-W) and eastbound (N-E) on-ramps and the eastbound (W-S) off-ramp; Wednesday to Friday, the eastbound (N-E) on-ramp. Map, p. 16. Check 511on.ca.

*Sources: **County of Brant, Watts Pond Road closure, Nov. 19**; **County of Brant, Highway 403 ramp closures update, Nov. 23 (MTO schedule)**. Official maps reproduced from those notices.*

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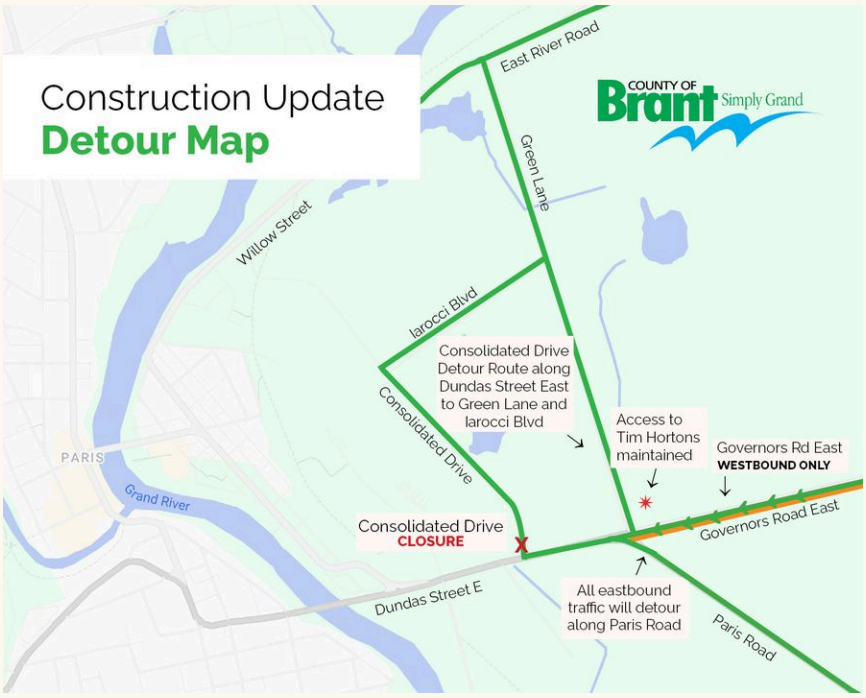
DETOURS **Dundas Street East and downtown Brantford • continued**



Official detour map, Consolidated Drive at Dundas Street East. Green Lane is open; use Green Lane and Iarocci Boulevard. Map: County of Brant, Nov. 21, 2026.

As of Monday, Nov. 23, Consolidated Drive is closed at Dundas Street East. Motorists can reach Consolidated Drive by Green Lane, which is now open at the Dundas Street East and Paris Road intersection, and by Iarocci Boulevard. Beginning Wednesday, Nov. 25, Governor's Road East will be reduced to one lane, westbound only, from Dundas Street East to about 100 metres east; eastbound traffic will be detoured along Paris Road. The County says the changes are needed to finish sanitary main work and are expected to last through late December. Businesses remain open.



Official MTO ramp-closure map, Rest Acres Road, Nov. 23 to 27. Map: County of Brant, Nov. 23, 2026.

Sources: ***County of Brant, Dundas Street East, Nov. 21***; ***City of Brantford, Downtown Revitalization weekly update, Nov. 20***

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SPORTS

Bulldogs host Sudbury Wednesday; Leafs win 4-2 on Long Island

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

The Brantford Bulldogs beat the Brampton Steelheads 4-2 on Sunday, Nov. 22, at the CAA Centre, their second 4-2 win in a row after Friday's result in Sudbury. Aiden Kelly, Cullen McCrate and Aleksandr Sementsov scored in the second period, and Kaden McGregor restored a two-goal lead in the third after Brampton had closed to 3-2. Vilmer Salen Forsberg was in net.

Next for the Bulldogs: Sudbury Wolves at Brantford, Wednesday, Nov. 25, 7 p.m., TD Civic Centre; Owen Sound Attack at Brantford, Friday, Nov. 27, 7 p.m., TD Civic Centre; Brantford at Niagara IceDogs, Saturday, Nov. 28, 4 p.m., Meridian Centre.

Sources: ***Brantford Bulldogs / Canadian Hockey League****, "The Viking conquers, Bulldogs claim 4-2 victory against Steelheads," Nov. 22, 2026;* ***Bulldogs / OHL schedule*** *(HockeyTech feed, checked 1:30 a.m. Tuesday).*

Paris Mounties

The Paris Mounties (PJHL) edged the Hespeler Shamrocks 5-4 on Saturday, Nov. 21, at the Brant Sports Complex. Their next home game is Saturday, Nov. 28, at 7:30 p.m., against the Norwich Merchants.

Sources: ***GameSheet****;* ***Brant Events****.*

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National Hockey League

Sunday, Nov. 22, final: Carolina 5, the New York Rangers 2; Buffalo 6, Tampa Bay 2; St. Louis 5, Edmonton 4 (shootout); Dallas 1, Pittsburgh 0; Chicago 6, Vancouver 3.

Monday, Nov. 23, final: New Jersey 3, Columbus 2; Los Angeles 2, Montreal 1; Ottawa 2, Calgary 1; Toronto 4, the New York Islanders 2; Winnipeg 4, Utah 2; Seattle 3, Anaheim 2; Minnesota 5, San Jose 2.

*Sources: **ESPN NHL scoreboard**, checked 1:30 a.m. Tuesday.*

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

Tough one for the Bengals



Final. Stats via Glenn Hughes.

Commanders 22, Bengals 20 (final). Washington beat Cincinnati on a field goal by Drew Stevens as time expired at Northwest Stadium, after Evan McPherson's 56-yard kick had put the Bengals ahead 20-19 with 46 seconds left. Jayden Daniels' two deep throws to rookie Antonio Williams set it up. Bengals now 7-3, Commanders 4-5-1.

The stadium lights went out with 11:59 left in the third quarter, just as Washington lined up on third-and-14, halting play for about four minutes. The cause, per ESPN's Joe Buck: the lighting vendor never disabled the stadium's automated 10 p.m. weekday maintenance shut-off for the Monday night game.

*Sources: **ESPN**; **CBS Sports / AP**; **FOX Sports**; **AP**; **USA Today**, Nov. 23, 2026.*

Full story and game breakdown online →

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Ottawa, Ontario back Ford's Oakville retooling

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

On Nov. 20 in Oakville, the federal government announced a $464.5 million investment through the Strategic Response Fund for Ford Motor Company of Canada's nearly $5 billion project at the Oakville Assembly Complex. The Government of Ontario is contributing $464 million. **Read more online →**

*Source: **Government of Canada, Innovation, Science and Economic Development, Nov. 20, 2026**.*

Monday's closes: grain, cattle and hogs

Mon. Nov. 23 close	Price	Change
Dec. corn (CBOT)	US$4.34¼/bu	−¼¢
Jan. soybeans (CBOT)	US$12.28¾/bu	+8¢
Dec. Chicago wheat	US$5.77/bu	+2¾¢
Dec. live cattle (CME)	US$224.55/cwt	+$1.55
Jan. feeder cattle (CME)	US$334.32/cwt	−$1.10
Dec. lean hogs (CME)	US$52.45/cwt	−15¢
Ontario rail-grade A steers / heifers	$480.00 / $479.00/cwt	delivered wk of Dec. 7

Ontario Stockyards Monday: 18 veal; veal calves 600 lbs+ $314–$341. Monday's Burford elevator bids were not posted by press time.

*Sources: **Brownfield Ag News closing futures, Nov. 23**; **Beef Farmers of Ontario daily report, Nov. 23**.*

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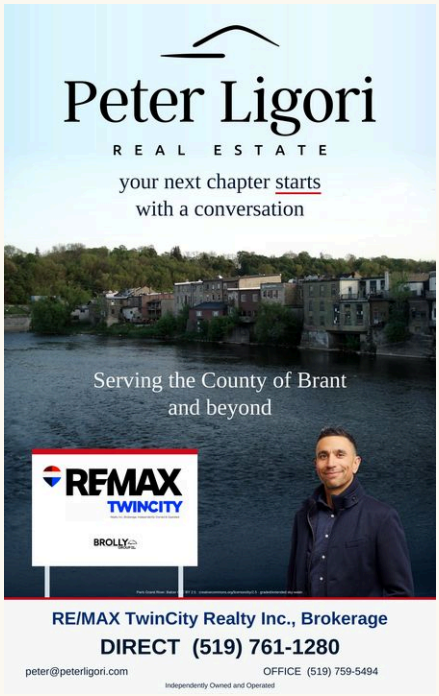



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AGRO NEWS

Every farm story in this issue

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Markets & prices — Monday’s CBOT grain and CME cattle and hog closes, plus Ontario rail-grade cattle prices. p. 19

Tractor Light Parade, Dec. 6 — decorated farm equipment at Brantwood Farms, for the new hospital, as first listed in Issue 39.

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LIFESTYLE & ARTS

Fusion Beats is free tonight at the Sanderson Centre

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

The fourth annual Fusion Beats showcase is tonight, Tuesday, Nov. 24, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Sanderson Centre for the Performing Arts, 88 Dalhousie Street, Brantford. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public. Organizers say people who register for a free ticket in advance will be eligible to win prizes, including ticket giveaways to upcoming Sanderson Centre shows; registration is appreciated but not required.

The evening is presented by Wilfrid Laurier University's Hub for Community Solutions, Laurier International Student Support, the City of Brantford and the Downtown Brantford BIA. Headlining is the Sonic Uke Ensemble, a southern Ontario collective. The official news release also names fiddler Bennett Honeyford, a Laurier Game Design and Development student at the Brantford campus, among the performers making a Fusion Beats debut.

"Fusion Beats is an opportunity for local performers to shine while celebrating the diversity that makes our city so vibrant," Pamela Pacheco, manager of strategic initiatives at

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Sources: Wilfrid Laurier University news release, Nov. 3, 2026;

COMMUNITY & EVENTS

Saturday is parade day in Brantford, and Breakfast with Santa in Paris

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

Brantford's Santa Claus Parade is Saturday, Nov. 28, at 6 p.m. The City of Brantford then hosts a free Parade After Party in Harmony Square, 89 Dalhousie Street, immediately afterward. That after-party is a city event; it is not presented by The Daily Ward.

In Paris the same morning, the Kiwanis Club of Paris-Brant serves Breakfast with Santa at St. James Parish Hall, with seatings at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Ticket enquiries: kiwanisparisbrant@gmail.com.

Santa flies in Saturday, Dec. 5, at Brantford Municipal Airport, 110 Aviation Ave., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; he lands about 10:15. Free; bring a non-perishable food item for a chance to win a sightseeing flight. Hosted by Brantford Flight Centre. **Register: flybfc.com/santa-fly-in**. Paris's Santa Claus Parade is that evening at 6.

*Sources: City of Brantford, Parade After Party notice; Kiwanis Club of Paris-Brant; **Brantford Flight Centre, Santa Fly-In 2026**.*

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The 2027 Winter Guide arrives Dec. 17

The County of Brant's 2027 Winter Community Services Guide comes out Thursday, Dec. 17, with drop-in and registered recreation programs, parks, special events and 2027 summer camps. Registration opens at 6 p.m. on Jan. 4, 2027, for winter programs; Jan. 11 for summer camps; and Feb. 1 for youth 4-on-4 hockey. Read it at brant.ca/Guide or pick up a copy at any County customer service office, community centre or library. The County suggests making a COB Connect account before registration opens.

Source: County of Brant, "2027 Winter Guide arrives December 17," Nov. 20, 2026.

Comments on proposed zoning changes for model homes may be sent to policy@brant.ca before Dec. 17.

Source: County of Brant, "Notice of Proposed Zoning changes regarding Model Homes," Nov. 19, 2026.

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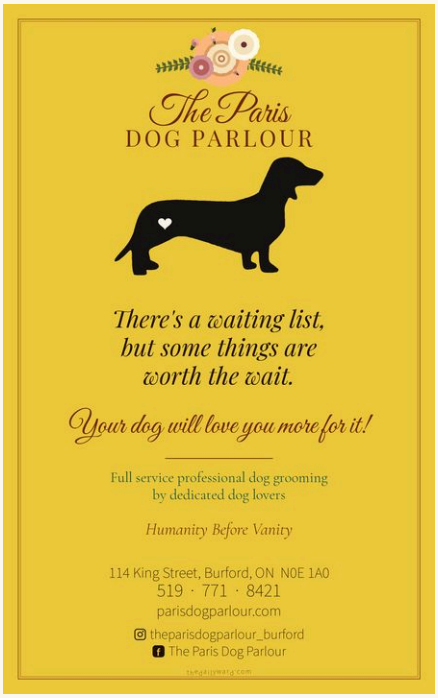

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RESIDENTS

Your say this week: five places to be heard

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

1. Tonight, 6 p.m.: public hearing on the County of Brant 2027 fees and charges, Council Chambers, 7 Broadway Street West, Paris. **Agenda**

2. Our reader mock vote in the Brantford–Brant South by-election is open now and closes at the end of Monday, Nov. 30. It is not an official ballot. **Vote now**

3. Advance polls run Friday, Nov. 27, to Monday, Nov. 30, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. You can also vote at 102 Wellington Street, Brantford, until 6 p.m. on Dec. 1. **Elections Canada**

4. Model homes zoning: comments to policy@brant.ca before Dec. 17.

5. Write to us. Events, corrections and good news: **editor@thedailyward.com**.

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BEYOND BRANT • ONTARIO

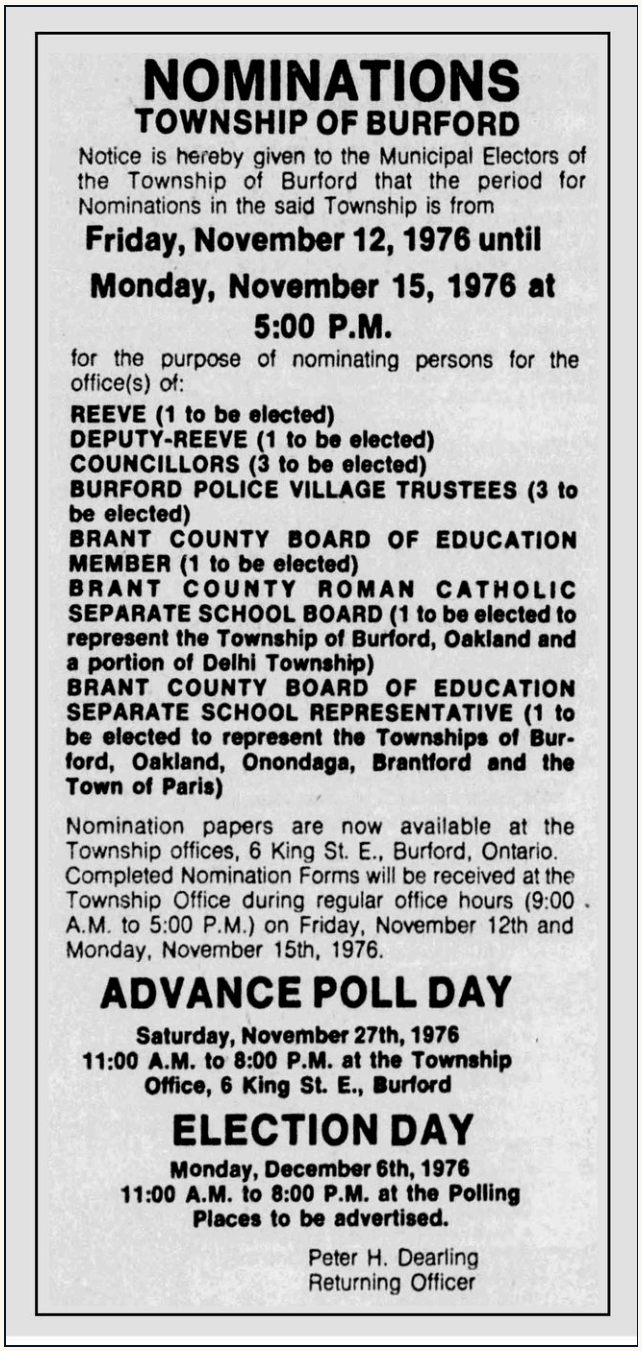
A nearly $5 billion Oakville retooling, with federal and Ontario support

BY THE DAILY WARD STAFF

The largest Ontario business story of the past few days sits west of us, in Oakville. The federal government's Nov. 20 announcement put $464.5 million from the Strategic Response Fund behind Ford of Canada's nearly $5 billion retooling of the Oakville Assembly Complex, with the Government of Ontario contributing $464 million. Officials say the project will protect more than 2,000 jobs, add a new stamping plant, and give the complex the capacity to build up to 100,000 F-Series Super Duty trucks a year.

That is scheduled and announced support, not a local County of Brant or Brantford decision. It matters here because Oakville is part of the same provincial auto supply chain, and the official release ties the trucks to engines built at Ford's facilities in Windsor and Essex.

*Source: **Government of Canada news release, Nov. 20, 2026**.*



NOMINATIONS
TOWNSHIP OF BURFORD

Notice is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Township of Burford that the period for Nominations in the said Township is from

Friday, November 12, 1976 until

Monday, November 15, 1976 at 5:00 P.M.

for the purpose of nominating persons for the office(s) of:

REEVE (1 to be elected)
DEPUTY-REEVE (1 to be elected)
COUNCILLORS (3 to be elected)
BURFORD POLICE VILLAGE TRUSTEES (3 to be elected)
BRANT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER (1 to be elected)
BRANT COUNTY ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD (1 to be elected to represent the Township of Burford, Oakland and a portion of Delhi Township)
BRANT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SEPARATE SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE (1 to be elected to represent the Townships of Burford, Oakland, Onondaga, Brantford and the Town of Paris)

Nomination papers are now available at the Township offices, 6 King St. E., Burford, Ontario. Completed Nomination Forms will be received at the Township Office during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.) on Friday, November 12th and Monday, November 15th, 1976.

ADVANCE POLL DAY

Saturday, November 27th, 1976 11:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the Township Office, 6 King St. E., Burford

ELECTION DAY

Monday, December 6th, 1976 11:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the Polling Places to be advertised.

Peter H. Dearling
Returning Officer

Nov.4th, 1976 clipping showing the public notice for the municipal election nominations. The Expositor.

BURFORD – Years Ago

COMPILED BY CLAYTON BARKER

FLASHBACK 50 YEARS AGO: BURFORD – NOV. 1ST, 1976

WEEKEND BREAK-INS:

Intruders broke into a building at 59 King Street in Burford and stole $925 worth of tools. The building is occupied by William Fowler Industries and B.T.L. manufacturing…

Also in Clay's column today: Warning issued on rabies in Burford-area animals • Fintas seeks return as Catholic trustee • Burford Seniors • Candidates' night is set • Christmas

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REFERENCE: The above compilation is made up of clippings from the Brantford Expositor.

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Jobs · Careers · Training

Official job boards, starting with the County of Brant and Brantford:

- **County of Brant careers**
- **City of Brantford current opportunities**
- One listing still confirmed open as of Monday, Nov. 23: City of Brantford Operational Services Technologist, job ID 2639, closing Thursday, Nov. 26, at 4:30 p.m. Apply on the city's board.

Sources: County of Brant jobs board; City of Brantford current opportunities; Municipal World posting for job ID 2639. Older County career notices on the news page are dated October and are not listed here as open.

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Among them: Environment Canada (forecast issued 3:30 p.m. EST Monday, Nov. 23); the County of Brant (council agenda, road notices, the Nov. 23 Highway 403 ramp update relaying the MTO schedule, and official detour maps); the City of Brantford (downtown update, careers, Parade After Party); Elections Canada; Brantford Police Service; BrantBeacon reports of Brant County OPP investigations; Wilfrid Laurier University; Brantford Flight Centre (Santa Fly-In 2026 page); Kiwanis Club of Paris-Brant; Government of Canada (Ford Oakville, Nov. 20); Brownfield Ag News and Beef Farmers of Ontario (Monday markets); BrantBeacon and the Brantford Expositor (Brant County OPP, Nov. 23); Brantford Bulldogs / CHL and the OHL schedule; GameSheet and Brant Events (Paris Mounties); ESPN (NHL scores); ESPN, CBS Sports / AP, FOX Sports, The Associated Press and USA Today (Monday Night Football, Nov. 23; scoreboard figures via Glenn Hughes); Clayton Barker, BURFORD – Years Ago, from Brantford Expositor clippings; GNN posts by James Wreaks, Bob Martin, Tyler Wilson / Brantford Food Bank and JIL Church, Brantford (Facebook, photos credited). The masthead medallion is Glenn Hughes’s new Daily Ward medallion, used as supplied, starting with this issue.

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