



# Perth County Federation of Agriculture

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## PCFA Annual/OFA Regional Meeting held

The Perth County Federation of Agriculture PCFA held their Annual Meeting on Friday, October 14 at the Mitchell Golf Club.

Elections were held for all positions. County Directors were all acclaimed to their positions and are: North Perth – Tim Halliday, Robert Martin, Brent Royce, Darryl Terpstra; Perth South – Bill Denham, Joanne Innes, Kirk Rankin; Perth East – Larry Biesinger, Julie Danen, Jason Follings, Sharon Weitzel; West Perth – Joanne Foster, Bert Vorstenbosch, Sara Wood. Robert Martin was elected President and Tim Halliday Vice President for the coming year.

OFA Policy Advisory Councillors (PAC) and Delegates and Alternates to OFA Convention were also elected at the meeting with the following results:

Perth North/West: PAC - Tim Halliday; Delegates – Robert Martin, Darryl Terpstra, Sara Wood; Alternate – Chris Wood; Perth South/West: PAC – Joanne Innes; Delegates – Joanne Foster, Bert Vorstenbosch Sr., Alternate– Bill Denham; Perth East: PAC – Julie Danen; Delegates – Larry Biesinger, Jason Follings, Sharon Weitzel;

Alternate – Gary West.

The following resolution was passed and will be sent to OFA convention for consideration.

Whereas Rural Communities across Ontario have identified transportation and infrastructure as growth barriers; and

Whereas the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund has seen excessive cutbacks and is being phased out; and Whereas Municipalities have faced numerous downloads of essential services, excessive regulation in how they have to run things and the reality that supposedly revenue neutral trading of programs has never worked out for but have all contributed to difficult financial management;

Therefore, be it resolved that OFA provide support to a collaboration between Rural

Municipalities and local County Federations for a unified voice regarding the Farm Property Tax Rate Program, the Farm Area Measure Tool and Equal Fund Distribution and the need for a strong re-investment in Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund or a similar program.◊

## Ontario Young Farmers Forum November 20-21

The 2016 Ontario Young Farmers Forum (OYFF) will be held Sunday, November 20 and Monday, November 21 at the International Plaza Hotel in Toronto.

The OYFF attracts some of the brightest and most innovative young farmers (aged 18-40) from across the province for a two-day forum in conjunction with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) annual meeting and convention.

Again this year the Perth County Federation of Agriculture will be sponsoring attendees from Perth County.

Contact the PCFA office at:

perthcountyfedofag@gmail.com or call 1-866-829-8866 to put your name on the list for sponsorship.◊

## WANTED

### PICTURES OF AGRICULTURE IN PERTH COUNTY

We are looking for pictures of agriculture in Perth County for a slideshow at the Harvest Gala.

Photos can be emailed to the PCFA office:  
[perthcountyfedofag@gmail.com](mailto:perthcountyfedofag@gmail.com)

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**DIRECTORS MEETING  
NO MEETING IN NOVEMBER**

## Plan on attending and celebrating Agriculture in Perth County

P E R T H C O U N T Y



*Celebrating the Excellence of Agriculture and the People Who Make It Happen*

**Saturday November 19, 2016**

Stratford Rotary Complex

6pm Social • 7pm Dinner

\$60 per person / \$400 table of 8



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