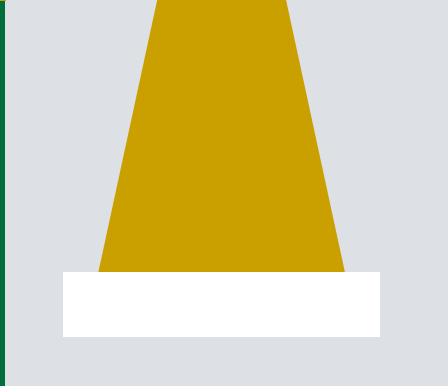
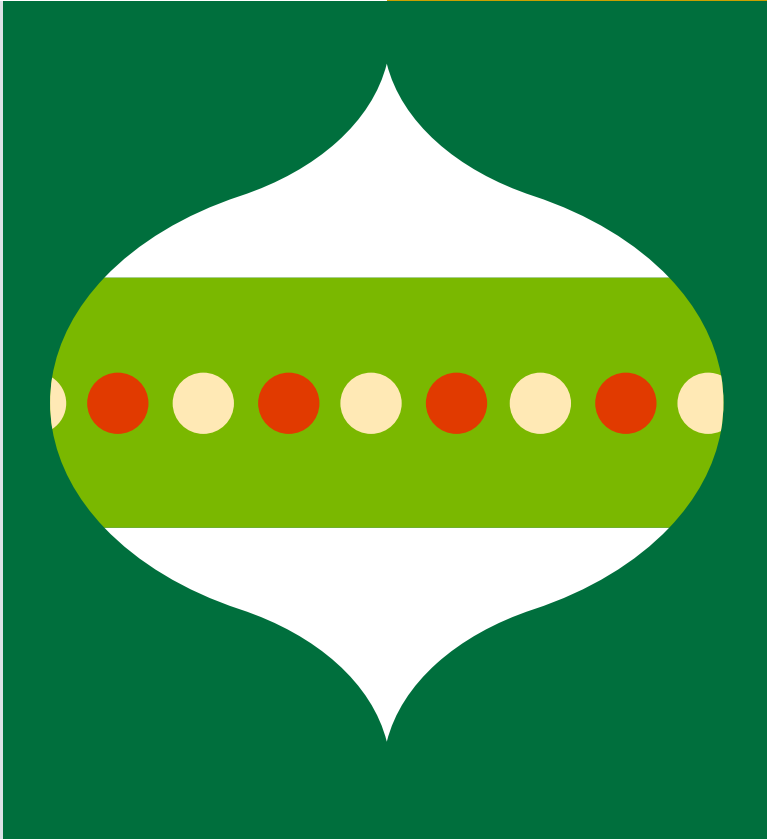
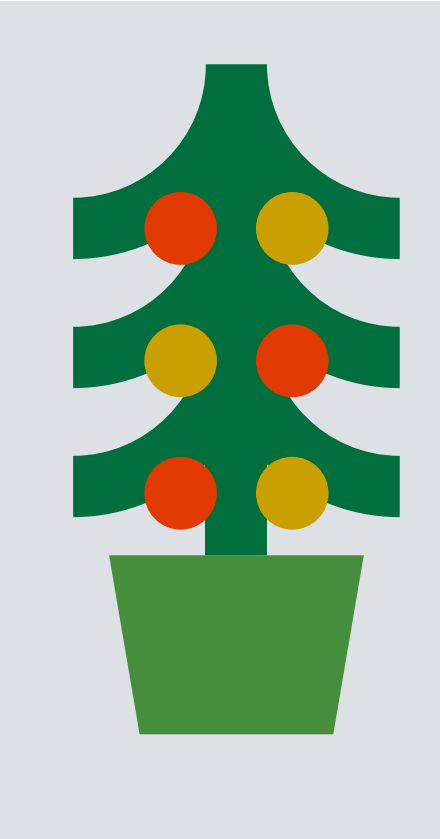
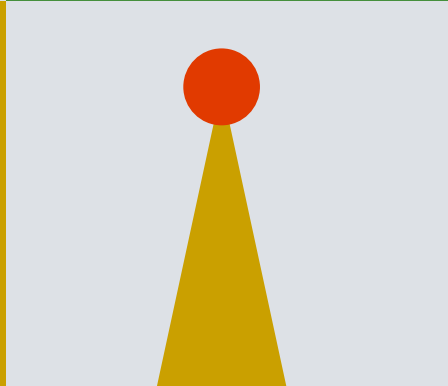
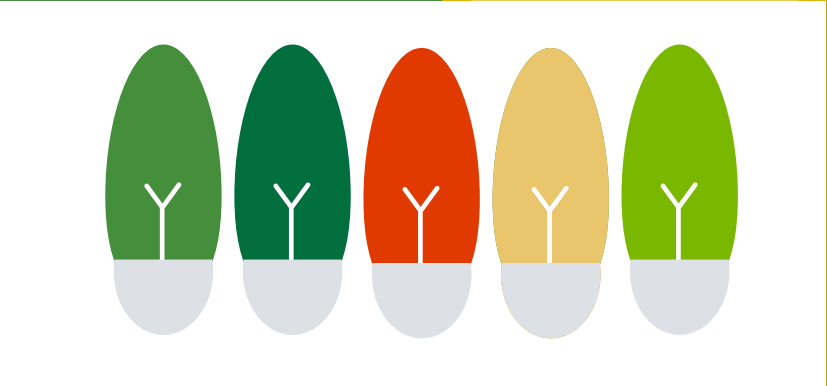
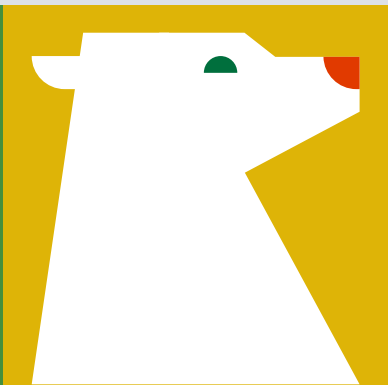
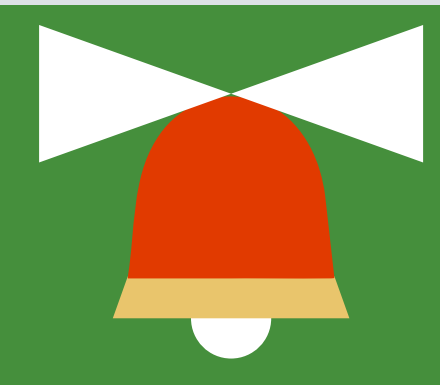




# Celebrate the Holidays in Huron!

Your guide to Huron's seasonal parades, events, and experiences.



# Santa Claus Parades

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## Saturday, November 16

- **Bayfield Santa Claus Parade**  
11:00 a.m. | Main Street
- **Exeter Santa Claus Parade**  
Organized by the Exeter Lions Club  
6:00 p.m. | Main Street
- **Goderich Santa Claus Parade**  
7:15 p.m. | Downtown Goderich

## Friday, November 22

- **Wroxeter Santa Claus Parade**  
7:00 p.m. | Main Street
- **Seaforth Santa Claus Parade**  
7:00 p.m. | Main Street

## Saturday, November 30

- **Wingham Santa Claus Parade**  
11:00 a.m. | Main Street

## Sunday, December 1

- **Zurich Santa Claus Parade**  
6:00 p.m. | Main Street

## Friday, December 6

- **Clinton Santa Claus Parade**  
Organized by the Clinton Kinsmen and Kinettes  
7:00 p.m. | Main Street

## Saturday, December 7

- **Brussels Santa Claus Parade**  
5:00 p.m. | Main Street

## Saturday, December 14

- **Blyth Santa Claus Parade**  
Organized by Blyth Community Betterment  
11:00 a.m. | Main Street

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Ontario's West Coast,  
Huron County Immigration Partnership, and  
Huron Business Centre  
[huroncounty.ca/economic-development/newsletter-sign-ups](http://huroncounty.ca/economic-development/newsletter-sign-ups)

Huron County Museum and Historic Gaol  
[huroncountymuseum.ca](http://huroncountymuseum.ca)



# Seasonal Light Displays

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## Wingham Lighting of the Lights

November 15 | 6:30 p.m. | Cruickshank Park  
Enjoy this lighting of the lights celebration.

## Exeter Lighting of the Park

November 15 | 6:45 p.m. | MacNaughton Park  
The annual Exeter Lighting of the Park in partnership with the Exeter Lions Club is the official kick-off to the holiday season.

## Christmas in Bayfield Tree Lighting Ceremony

November 15 | 7:00 p.m. | Clan Gregor Square  
Enjoy the tree lighting ceremony in winter wonderland and Santa will greet children after the tree lighting in the Gazebo.

## Goderich Festival of Lights

November 15 | 7:00 p.m. | Harbour Park  
The lighting of the Angel Tree at Harbour Park.  
November 16 | 6:30 p.m. | Downtown Goderich  
The official Lighting of the Lights and kick-off to the holiday season in Downtown Goderich. Live entertainment will be playing on the performance stage (snow or shine).

## Jessica's House Hospice Angel Tree Memorial Event

November 17 | 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. |  
Jessica's House Hospice  
Create meaningful memories and celebrate the lives that have touched ours by hanging a tag on our tree in honour of someone you may have lost in the past.

## Clinton Light Tunnel

November 12 to February 13 | Main Street  
The Light Tunnel, Sculpture Garden, and the Radar Antennae will be lit up for the holiday season.

## Giving Back This Holiday Season



The Huron County Christmas Bureau provides gift cards for the provision of groceries and gifts for children, ensuring every family in Huron County has access to food on the table and presents on the holidays. Donations and fundraising efforts from the community fund the Huron County Christmas Bureau. Please consider donating to them this holiday season to support this very special Huron County holiday tradition. If you're experiencing hardship this year, there are resources in Huron County that can help.



# Holiday Markets and Shopping

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## Ladies Night in Goderich

November 14 | 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Downtown Goderich

This annual event invites ladies to enjoy extended shopping hours, special promotions, draws, and more.

## Ladies Night in Blyth and Londesborough

November 15 | 2:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Greyhaven Gardens, Nature's Nest, The Old Mill, and The Blyth Inn

These local businesses are partnering to offer a fun night out of great shopping and dining!

## Christmas in Bayfield

November 15-17 | Village Merchants

Visit Bayfield and enjoy shopping, live entertainment, and complimentary horse buggy rides.

## 6th Annual Holiday Market

November 16-17 | 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |

Brussels Four Winds Barn

Get a head start on your holiday shopping or treat yourself to over 70 vendors, food trucks, and more!

## Holiday Market at Dark Horse Estate Winery

November 17 | 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |

November 24 | 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |

December 1 | 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |

Dark Horse Estate Winery

Come to shop local vendors with wine in hand and find unique gifts for your loved ones!

## Zurich Agricultural Society's Homemade Market

November 16 | 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |

Zurich Community Center Hall

Step into the magic of the season at this holiday market extravaganza featuring unique gifts, seasonal treats, and a joyful atmosphere. This event has something for everyone!

## Hensall Horticultural Society Craft Show, Penny, and Plant Sale

November 16 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Hensall

Arena and Community Centre

Annual craft show and penny sale with plant sale, lunch, and potential demonstrators.

## Christmas Bazaar

November 16 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Trivitt

Memorial Anglican Church

There will be a silent auction table, a homemade goods table, and many friendly faces to help you ring in the festive time of year.

## Christmas in the Country Market

November 22-23 | Friday from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. |

Birch Creek Greenhouse

You do not want to miss the Christmas ambiance in the greenhouse with so many makers ready to help you get into the holiday spirit!

## Annual Toy and Craft Show and Sale

November 23-24 | Saturday from 9:30 a.m. - 4:00

p.m. and Sunday from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |

Seaforth and District Community Centre

Get your holiday shopping underway with this long-standing show and sale!

## 2nd Street Light Estate Winery Christmas Market

November 24 | 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. | 2nd Street

Light Estate Winery

Visit the winery for an afternoon featuring incredible local vendors, sweet treats, wine, and live music.

## Clinton Christmas Market

November 24 | 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |

Clinton Legion

Avon, Scentsy, 3-D printing, Gelmoments, crystals, beeswax, sewing, paintings, and much more!

### **Blyth Friday!**

November 29 | 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Downtown Blyth

This family-friendly event is the perfect start to the holiday season. Shops will offer samples, treats, and special deals.

### **Coastal Coffee Holiday Markets**

November 30, and December 7, 14 | 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Coastal Coffee

Christmas shop unique local artisans and vendors and enjoy holiday treats and delicious beverages.

### **Goderich BIA Christmas Open House**

December 1 | 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Downtown Goderich

Get moving on that holiday shopping list by visiting Downtown Goderich where you'll find special deals and a lot of festive cheer!

### **Seaforth Ladies Night**

December 5 | 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Downtown Seaforth

The street and shops will be bustling in Seaforth with fun and great deals and even some sweet treats and a chance to win prizes.

### **Dungannon's Annual Christmas in the Country**

December 7 | 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Dungannon Agricultural Hall and Dungannon Community Centre

Find gifts, goodies, and more! There will be a kid's shopping corner, toonie draw, and a lunch booth.

### **Oakwood Resort's 6th Annual Artisan Christmas Market**

December 7 | 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Oakwood Resort

Experience the magic of the holidays at Oakwood Resort! Explore a curated selection of artisanal treasures by talented artisans from the community.

# Holidays at the Library

## **Homemade Holidays**

@ Goderich Branch  
Various dates & times

## **Homemade Holidays**

@ Bayfield Branch  
Various dates & times

## **Holiday Crafts for Kids**

@ Clinton Branch  
Saturdays, Nov. 30-Dec. 21  
2:30-3:30 p.m.

## **Blyth Santa Claus Parade**

@ Blyth Branch  
Dec. 14, 11-11:30 a.m.

## **Holiday Cactus Craft**

@ Exeter Branch  
Dec. 14, 2-3 p.m.

## **Wings of Fire Week dragon-inspired activities**

@ Goderich Branch  
Dec. 23-Jan. 4 during regular  
branch hours



For full event details and more, visit:  
[www.HuronCountyLibrary.ca](http://www.HuronCountyLibrary.ca)



# Celebrations and Events

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## **Poinsettia Festival, Candlelight Evenings**

November 13-16, 20-23, 27-30, and December 4-7 | 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Huron Ridge Greenhouses  
The greenhouse is lit entirely by thousands of Christmas lights and candles. You have to see it in person to experience this event's festive and cozy nature.

## **Christmas in the Country**

November 22 | 7:00 p.m. | Kingsbridge Community Centre  
Spend the evening with a group of talented musicians spreading holiday cheer with an evening of Christmas music.

## **Howick Township Festival of Lights**

November 23 | 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. | Howick Community Centre  
Enjoy many holiday-inspired activities like the Winter Olympics, an alumni hockey game, glow skating, and fireworks.

## **Sound of Goderich**

November 24 | 3:00 p.m. | Lakeshore United Church  
An afternoon of beautiful music featuring the Goderich Laketown Band and Meghan De Jager that will surely help you find your Christmas spirit!

## **Winter Wonderland Dinner and Dance**

November 30 | 5:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. | Belmore Hall  
Gather your friends and enjoy an evening out this festive season while supporting the Belmore Homecoming 2025!

## **Candy Cane Hunt**

December 1 | 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. | Varna Nature Trails  
Walk through the accessible Varna Nature Trails to collect candy canes, then enjoy a hot chocolate when you are done with your hunt!

## **A Country Christmas Concert**

December 1 | 2:00 p.m. | Northside United Church, Seaforth  
Enjoy music from Crystal Gage (country singer) and Ryan St. Dennis (Canadian fiddler) and the Southbound Classic Country Band.

## **South Huron Community Choirs Christmas Concert**

December 6 and December 8 | 7:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. | Exeter United Church and Oakwood Resort  
Experience the magic of the holiday season with sing-alongs, handbells, and a performance from KidsChoir.

## **Vanastra's Christmas in the Village**

December 6-8 | Events happening throughout the Village  
Enjoy a village Christmas lights contest, a Christmas lights walkabout, a visit with Santa and the Elves, winter crafts workshops for kids and free swim passes for Christmas break.

## **Breakfast with Santa – Clinton**

December 7 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Clinton Legion  
Come and enjoy a traditional breakfast with Santa!

## **Breakfast with Santa – Seaforth**

December 7 | 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. | Seaforth and District Community Centre  
Enjoy breakfast and pictures with Santa!

## **Breakfast with Santa – St. Joseph**

December 8 and 15 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | White Squirrel Golf Club  
Book your table for Breakfast with Santa in St. Joseph!

### **Breakfast with Santa - Bayfield**

December 8 | 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | The Albion Hotel

Santa Claus has time in his schedule to come down from the North Pole to visit Bayfield!

### **Breakfast with Santa - Goderich**

December 14 | 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | Christian Reformed Church

Enjoy breakfast, and crafts, and meet with Santa for photos!

### **This Season of Magic**

December 14-15 | 2:00 p.m. | Huron Country Playhouse

Huron Waves presents This Season of Magic: An Afternoon with Susan Aglukark and special guests The Flight Children's Choir.

### **New Year's Eve Fireworks by Blyth Community Betterment**

December 31 | 6:30 p.m. | Blyth Fairgrounds

Start your new year with a bang! Join Blyth Community Betterment at the Blyth Fairgrounds for fireworks.



**Huron County Museum & Historic Gaol**

# Give the gift of a Museum Membership

It's the gift that gives all year long!

**Purchase by Dec. 20 to be entered into a draw!**  
For full membership details, visit: [www.HuronCountyMuseum.ca](http://www.HuronCountyMuseum.ca)



### **Protect Your Mental Health From Holiday Stress**

The "most wonderful time of the year" can be fraught with challenges and situations that affect our mental health. Be prepared. If you're dreading the holidays, don't let them just happen to you. Get out in front of them. And take good care. If, despite your best efforts, you feel overwhelmed with feelings of anxiety or sadness, or if your negative feelings are persistent or get in the way of your daily life, you should reach out for mental health support:

- Canadian Mental Health Association
- Farmer Wellness Initiative

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## Reasons to Shop Local This Holiday Season

### 1. Supports Job Creation Locally

Small businesses in Canada employ 10.7 million individuals which is almost two-thirds (63.0%) of all employees. By comparison, businesses with 100 to 500 employees employed 3.6 million individuals (21.0% of employees), and businesses with more than 500 employees employed 2.7 million individuals (16.0% of employees).

### 2. Puts Money Back into Our Community

Shopping local contributes to our community. For every \$100 you spend locally, \$63 remains in the community — compared to as little as \$14 from some big box stores and online retailers.

### 3. It's Better for the Environment

Shopping locally benefits the environment by reducing carbon emissions, conserving energy, preserving natural resources, and supporting sustainable practices.

### 4. Support for Local Community Groups and Non-profits

Local businesses are more likely to invest in their people, join local fundraisers, support sport teams, and run campaigns that benefit their community than their national counterparts. Small businesses donate 250% more than larger businesses to local non-profits and community causes.

### 5. Healthier and Tastier Holiday Meals

Huron County produces a lot of food! Purchasing ingredients for your holiday spread from local producers and growers provides a fresher, healthier, and tastier way to indulge and entertain this season.



**SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY**  
November 30, 2024  
Take part in this special day to celebrate shopping and dining locally during the busy holiday season.

\*The information included in this brochure was an accurate and up-to-date list at the time of printing.

### Community Events Calendar

Check out the Huron County Community Events Calendar for a full listing of what's happening across the region:

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