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Agriculture, food, focus of Harrow Fair

BY DANIEL SCHWAB

For Pat Fitzpatrick, of all the things the Harrow Fair has to offer, nothing beats the food.

The Harrow Fair board director looks forward each year to nothing more than the pies, muffins, breads and baked goods entered by local residents.

The fair ran from Aug. 31 to Sept. 3.

This year, 101 pies were auctioned, with \$7,442.50 raised for the John McGivney Children's Centre in Windsor.

With the proceeds, the centre will be able to provide rehabilitation services for children with physical or mental disabilities.

Fitzpatrick said the fair's

consistent "country-theme" encourages people to participate in entering an assortment of baked goods and to become involved in all the agricultural aspects of the event.

"If you enter something you get a pass into the fair," she said. "So they're free to come back and forth and enjoy themselves."

Brad Anger, first vice-president of the Harrow Fair board, said maintaining the agricultural tie to the event is the board's first priority.

"The urban people come out and see what the agriculture is all about," Anger said. "And hopefully they can have a good time as well."

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RIDING HIGH - Members of the Chatham-Kent Canadian Cowgirls Rodeo Drill Team stand on horseback during 152nd Harrow Fair parade down King Street in Harrow Sept. 2.

Caxeiro withdraws, new candidates join hopefuls in upcoming municipal election

BY DANIEL SCHWAB

Residents following the municipal election news may have noticed some changes during the past week.

Bill Caxeiro, councillor for Ward 3 has withdrawn his nomination papers for a second term on Essex town

council. Caxeiro filed for re-election in January. He did not give a reason for his decision last week, but said an explanation was forthcoming.

In Lakeshore, Mayor Bob Croft announced that he will not seek re-election in November. The former mayor of Maidstone

Township spent close to 20 years in municipal politics and cited personal reasons for his decision.

Aside from Caxeiro and Croft's news, three new candidates have filed nomination papers to run in the upcoming municipal election. All three are new to politics and consider this to

be an asset.

"I'm a fresh, independent voice and that will really be an advantage," said Jim Augerman, who filed nomination papers Aug. 28 for Kingsville town council. Augerman, 36, is a financial planner with Clarica and Sun Life Financial.

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Town prepares for election, looking for poll workers

BY FREE PRESS STAFF

The Town of Essex is starting to make preparations for the upcoming municipal election in November.

The list of eligible voters in the municipality comes from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation. Anyone on that list who has

registered to vote can show up at any of the 48 polls in the municipality to cast a vote, says Town Clerk Jerry Marion. Early voting is also available on Nov. 4 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The town will hire two employees for each poll, a deputy returning officer and a poll clerk.

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