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Linda Pabst speaks openly about her cancer battle

By Mark Pavilons

Roughly two in five Canadians will develop cancer in their lifetime. And one-quarter will die of the disease.

No one fully appreciates taking on this ultimate battle unless you're faced with it.

Just ask Councillor Linda

Looking at Linda today, a little over a week since her last cancer treatment, you'd think nothing was wrong. She's bubbly and has that certain sparkle in her eye that belies the severity of her journey.

It comes down to inner strength and a positive attitude. While that may sound cliche, it's true, and Linda's doctors are quite impressed with her recovery.

She's laying low for a while, simply to avoid being exposed to any germs since her immune system is still compromised. There will be plenty of time for hugs lat-

"I hope I never hear the word 'cancer' again," she said defiantly.

She also attributes the tremendous support from family, friends and neighbours as a source of strength. Her family members were beside her all the way.

"The support I've had is amazing," she said. "The phone calls have meant so much." From kind offers, bouquets and well wishes, "everyone's been great."

She thanks her constituents for their patience in her responding to calls and concerns during this time.



E-waste collection day

King residents were encouraged to drop off their old electronic devices for the annual e-waste collection day, held Saturday at local arenas. Here, King Chamber of Commerce President Tom Allen and his son Glen, worked hard to fill the bin.

Submitted Photo





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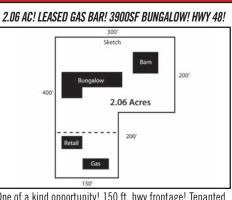
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Monday, May 11, 2015

6:00pm - Council/Committee of the Whole

Monday, May 25, 2015

6:00pm - Council/Committee of the Whole

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Please visit the Township website at www.king.ca for employment opportunities.

Manager of Engineering

COMPETITIVE BIDS

Please visit the Township website at www.king.ca for competitive bid opportunities.

NOTICE OF OFFICE CLOSURE

Municipal Offices and Libraries will be closed on Monday May 18th, 2015 for Victoria Day, re-opening Tuesday May 19th, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. for regular business hours.

In the event of an urgent Township matter, please call (905) 833-5321 and the Township answering service will relay your call to the appropriate personnel.

PUBLIC NOTICES

HALF-LOAD RESTRICTIONS



The annual half-load period to limit vehicle weights to 5,000 kg per axle has been implemented on designated Township roads effective Sunday, March 1st, 2015 to Sunday, May 31st, 2015. For further information, please visit the website at www.king.ca or call 905-833-5321.



The Township of King Public Works Department will be hosting a compost and wood chip giveaway day on Saturday, May 9th, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Works Yard located at 16735 8th Concession, Schomberg (corner of Lloydtown-Aurora Road and 8th Concession). Please bring your own shovels and containers. Arrive early - limited quantities available!

FARMERS MARKETS



The Sustainability Advisory Committee is thrilled to welcome back the Schomberg & King City Farmers' Markets to King this summer! Both Markets were recipients of the Sustainable King Grant Program, which offers funding to assist community organizations with new projects or initiatives that support the work of King in reaching its sustainability goals, as outlined in King's Community Sustainability Plan. Both markets offer a wide variety of farm fresh products and baked goods from our local farmers and businesses. See you there!

Schomberg Farmers' Market Dates

June 6th, June 20th, July 4th, July 18th, August 1st, August 15th, August 29th, September 12th, September 26th and October 10th (8am-12pm)

www.schombergfair.com King City Farmers' Market Dates

June 21st, July 5th, July 19th, August 2nd, August 16th, August 30th, September 13th, September 27th and October 11th (8am-1pm) www.kingcityfarmersmarket.ca

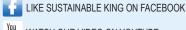
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Sara Puppi, Sustainability Coordinator: (905)833-4080 or sustainability@king.ca www.sustainableking.com





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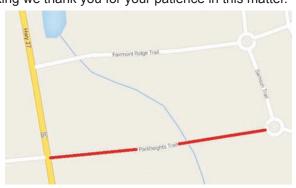
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF SERVICE DISRUPTION PARKHEIGHTS TRAIL TEMPORARY **ROAD CLOSURE**

There will be a scheduled temporary closure of Parkheights Trail between Highway 27 and Samson Trail in the Village of Nobleton from May 4th to May 18th, 2015. Alternative access to Highway 27 and nearby streets is available via Fairmont Ridge Trail.

Access will be maintained for residents directly affected by the closure. On behalf of the Township of King we thank you for your patience in this matter.



For more information, contact Randy Demmings (Engineer) at 905-738-6100, or Don Leung (Contractor) at 905-669-5400.

NOTICE OF SERVICE DISRUPTION **HIGHWAY 27 & KING ROAD, NOBLETON TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE**

There will be a scheduled temporary road closure of Highway 27 and King Road in the Village of Nobleton on Monday, May 18th 2015 between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. to facilitate the Nobleton Victoria Day Parade. Portions of Hill Farm Road, Wellar Avenue, and Old King Road will also be closed for the parade. Please see the route map below for details:



On behalf of the Township of King we thank you for your patience in this matter.

For more information, contact Jonathan Bell, Supervisor of Recreation Services, at 905-833-5321 ext. 5224.

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May 3 to 9, 2015

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

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NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in possession of land, in accordance with the Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter W.5, Sections 3, 16 and 23 THAT unless noxious weeds growing on their lands within the Municipality of the Township of King are destroyed throughout the season, the Municipality may enter upon said lands and have the weeds destroyed, charging costs against the land, as set out in the Weed Control Act.

(All properties ten (10) acres or less may have noxious weeds destroyed without notice to the owner).

The following changes to the Noxious Weed List came into effect on January 1, 2015:

- Smooth bedstraw Wild chervil
- Common crupina Jointed goatgrass
- Kudzu Wild parsnip
- Tansy ragwort Woolly cupgrass

Nodding thistle spp.

- Goat's beard spp Scotch thistle
- Wild carrot
- Johnson grass Black-seeded proso millet
- Yellow rocket
- Russian thistle Tuberous vetchling

For more information, consult the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs webpage regarding Weeds Act Frequently Asked Questions:

http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/crops/facts/faq_weeds_act.htm

Questions and concerns may be directed to By-Law Enforcement Services at 905-833-5321. The co-operation of all citizens is earnestly solicited.



(i.e. a change of clothes, toothbrush, photocopies of important documents

of time in case you need to



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Ansnorveldt, King City, Schomberg and Nobleton

In the Spring and Fall the Engineering & Public Works Department flushes all water mains and hydrants. As a result, residents over the course of the next few weeks may experience low pressure and/or discoloration. This process contributes to the safe, effective delivery of municipal water and does not affect the quality of your water in any way. Should you require further information please contact:

Engineering & Public Works Department at 905-833-5321

STREET SWEEPING NOTICE Street sweeping begins the week of April 27th, starting in

King City. In order to permit the street sweeping of Township roads, please refrain from on street parking between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

NOBLETON PHASE 2 SANITARY SEWERS Survey work is underway to

complete the detailed design for Phase 2 of the Nobleton Sanitary Sewer project. Please note: this work is to determine the sewer design only - the Phase 2 project has not been approved at this time. Notices have been distributed to homeowners in the Phase 2 area. If you have questions or require more information, please call the Sanitary Sewer phone at 905-833-4073. Your call will be answered within one business day. The Township thanks you for your cooperation in this matter.



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Council updated on Headwaters Horse Country initiatives

By Angela Gismondi

A progress report on the Headwaters Horse Country (HHC) partnership was presented at the April 13 Committee of the Whole meeting.

three-year partnership agreement through tourism," said Harris. with Headwaters Tourism Association (HT), which includes them in HHC assessed a broad range of areas the HHC marketing initiative and earns them a spot on the Headwaters Equine Leadership Group (HELG). Michele Harris, executive director of HHC, updated council on the initia- has become an aggregate and a hub tives and progress the organization has made over the past two years.

HELG was formed to promote the Headwaters area – which includes King, Caledon, Dufferin and Erin – as the premier equine region in Ontario. It uses a regional collaborative ap- ic Impact Report was completed in proach that draws upon the resources April of 2014 and indicates that Headand assets of the regional municipal- waters Horse Country is home to over

From Front Page

ities, business and economic develop- 23,000 horses, over 2,000 horse farms for the equine industry.

"HELG's mission is to position the Headwaters Region as a centre of In 2013, King committed to a equine excellence and to promote it ties, two of which are hosting eques- tate & Farms, Winsong Farm, Sene-

> in the equine industry and now have a good understanding of the industry. Over the past two years, HHC has been able to refine their mandate and for all information for the equine in- Horse Country reached 100,000 res- past two years and to gather insight, dustry in the HHC.

Harris also took a few minutes to discuss the initiatives that were undertaken in the second year of the partnership. The HELG Econom-

Harris explained.

ternationally recognized event facili- Township including WaterStone Estermined that King Township alone Equestrian Centre. has over 5,070 horses and 273 horse farms.

Country to market.

ters Visitor Guide," said Harris.

The new www.HeadwatersHorseCdustry and visitors to find horse focusing on in the years to come. country news, events, businesses and enthusiasts.

Harris added. Forty King equine months of June through the end of businesses were added to the data- August. base and uploaded to the website business directory most recently.

art piece to represent Horse Coun- Games equestrian event at Caledon try was conducted in the summer of 2014. The winning selection is now being used as part of the marketing Canada plans to launch A Canadian and promotion for HHC.

HHC. It kicked off with an Evening lated activities in Canada and the of Celebration which included enter-quality horses available from Canaditainment, culinary delights and horses. Over 500 guests had the opportunitional customers. Horse Experience ty to enjoy King Brewery and Holland 2015 will be held in parallel to the Pan Marsh Wineries offerings along with American Games in the Orangeville, culinary creations of some of the re- Caledon and Mono area. gion's best restaurants and chefs. The celebration also provided opportuni- by Township staff, recommended that ties to connect with horse enthusiast Council continue to support the HHC friends and colleagues while watch- partnership until March 31, 2016. The ing live demonstrations.

The seventh annual Headwaters ment associations, sector and citizen and hundreds of businesses that sup- Horse Country Stable Tour took groups to support, grow and advocate port these horses and their owners, place on October 4 and 5. Four of the 11 equine facilities participating in The area is also home to four in- the Stable Tour were based in King trian events for the Toronto 2015 Pan ca College King Campus Veterinary When they first took on the project, American Games. The report also de- Technology Program and Gimcrack

> On October 24, 2014 the Headwaters Equine Leadership Group host-HELG also took Headwaters Horse ed an industry forum in Orangeville to present an overview of accom-"The message of Headwaters plishments and initiatives over the idents in southern Ontario with the experiences and feedback from lodistribution of the Hills of Headwa- cal equine industry stakeholders. According to Harris, the forum was important in establishing how the orountry.ca website was also launched ganization will move forward in 2015 last July and offers a vehicle for in- and beyond, and what they should be

> As for upcoming initiatives, the and information. The HHC uses an Headwaters Equine Leadership e-newsletter to communicate with Group is also presenting the Headthe industry on a regular basis. It waters Parade of Horses, a unique delivers news and happenings each series of outdoor horse sculptures month to 1,000 equine stakeholders featuring 20 life size fiberglass horses, which have been transformed by Social media programs such as talented local artists. A minimum of Facebook and Twitter are now being four horse statues will be prominentused as a primary way of engaging ly displayed in King during the 2015 and keep stakeholders up to date, Pan American Games and for the

The 2015 Stable Tour will also be taking place over three weekends An art contest to find a signature in July to coincide with the Pan Am Equestrian Park in Palgrave.

In terms of partnerships, Equine Horse Industry Showcase to demon-October 2014 was a busy month for strate the diverse range of horse-rean breeders for domestic and interna-

> A report on the matter, submitted recommendation was approved.



Linda Pabst

her advice to others is the often-heard "live every day as if it's your last and don't take anything for granted."

Linda also learned another valuable lesson – just how important she is to oth-

Her 15-year-old cat would agree, and he hasn't left her side.

She will never forget the day she got the terrible news, the worst thing anyone will ever year - "you have cancer."

That was February 8.

strong, assertive survivor.

Going through such a scare really

does change your priorities in life. And

The diagnosis followed a routine checkup, MRI and biopsy.

The day she found out she went to council as usual. When she ran into fellow Councillor Bill Cober, she broke down and "fell apart." Her colleagues, both councillors and staff, were so very supportive.

She had plans to travel to Florida with a friend and the two hopped in a car the next day for their anticipated getaway. Roughly six hours into the trip, Linda's phone began ringing with doctors requesting tests and beginning a treatment schedule.

That lightning fast response "blew me away," she admitted. "It was a whole lot

to take in." They turned around and she's glad she did.

Her radiation treatment thinned her hair a bit, and "whacked the heck out of me." She also had a pick line bottle she could wear around her neck for the chemo therapy. She was lucky in that she could return home every day.

But that doesn't mean those six weeks of treatment were a picnic, not by any means.

She's getting stronger every day, and her walks are getting longer. Her doctors

see her as one tough cookie. She's not sure. She must have done something right in her life.

Linda Pabst has a long service to this community, as King's most veteran coun-

She can now proudly add "cancer champ" to her list of accomplishments.









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Editorial, Letters & Opinion

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~ Frank B. Kellogg

Enjoying the feeling, music of summers past

There's nothing quite like a Canadian summer, when the sun gently kisses your cheeks.

It's as soothing as any aromatherapy or spa treatment.

These quiet, peaceful moments in the backyard or back 40 should be cherished and embraced.

I was lucky enough to enjoy a few moments of sun-soaked reflection on the weekend, one of the nicest to date.

While our house is in a subdivision in Bolton, we back onto a forest, that proverbial million dollar view. It's calming, even medicinal. I grew up on a four-acre parcel north of Bolton so I'm well acquainted with country living. Our former home is where most of my family memories were crafted.

Most King residents fully understand an appreciation for nature and natural

What's also important is the mind set, the mental massage that makes every-

There have been many occasions when I've relaxed in my backyard, corralling the setting sun, forcing it to take me back to a time less complicated. As the afternoon sun caresses me goodbye, after a BBQ to cap off the day, I close my heart-felt, spot-on commentaries pull it eyes, and free fall into the past.

My wife often tells me not to live in the past, but I protest. I stress that these bygone days of my youth have a unique appeal. This was a time when boys and girls were boys and girls and a kiss under the bleachers was something special. The music, on the radio in our dad's car, was equally important. The tunes of the day told stories and we hung on those words, and the advice of DJs who spun the vinyl. We had tape decks and casettes.

Boom, 97.3, which plays hits of the 1970s, '80s and '90s. These may not sound like "classics," but I'd like to point out that 1990 was 25 years ago! Yes, I'm shudder- a song from that era? I could name a cou-



Mark Pavilons

ing right along with you.

There's no question we 45-plus Boomers have a special insight into human nature and simply "get it."

I have become quite fond of the station's morning host Stu Jeffries, whose all together. Stu cleverly draws upon the past and applies tried and true methods to current issues. He connects with listeners and I'm just one fan, one listener who appreciates it.

While I haven't quite convinced my wife to join the legion of 97.3 fans, my kids have warmed to many popular tunes of that era. In my opinion, those decades turned out some interesting music and artists and really defined modern pop and rock. Musicians of that era were These days, my car radio is set to multi-talented - they sang, played an instrument and wrote music. They were the definitive storytellers.

Who doesn't have a memory linked to

ple of dozen hits that I never get tired of Mitchell), Summer of '69 (Bryan Adams), hearing.

youth so memorable.

Dashboard lights of the radio beck- glasses at Night (Corey Hart). oned and while we had to crank the windows open by hand, we enjoyed the sim-tunes from the '80s, spark up the BBQ ple things life had to offer.

Even today, a Canadian summer isn't and family. There's nothing like it! complete without Patio Lanterns (Kim

The Boys in the Bright White Sports Car And nothing makes Canadian sum- (Trooper), Young and Restless (Prism), mers more pleasant than connecting Photograph (Nickelback), American with hits that made the summers of our Woman (The Guess Who), Rocking' in the Free World (Neil Young) and Sun-

So, to my fellow Boomers, crank the and share some lemonade with friends

Missing a mother's smile

Dear Mom,

It's hard to believe it's been five years since you headed off on your final jour-

I still recall your departure with crystal clarity. I was getting ready for a parttime evening shift when the hospital called. I really can't remember what was said on the phone and I darted around the house for a few minutes before heading down to visit with you one last time.

I remember sitting there for what seemed like hours, chatting about my day, the kids, some of our recent excursions. I also recollect sharing some fond memories with you, about some of the good times we shared. I wiped away some tears, kissed you on the forehead and then I left.

I hope you hadn't ventured too far away and were able to enjoy our last talk. I know in my heart you wanted to go – staying behind was too painful. Just my luck that I missed seeing you off.

I imagine things are great where you are – the weather always perfect, reconnecting with family members and of course the entire knowledge of the universe and all that.

I really hope you are allowed to look down on us and catch a glimpse of our lives as they continue to unfold.

I know it's not your fault, but there's a void left behind, a hole in all of our hearts. The kids still refer to the TV room as "Oma's room," even though the wall was removed and it's been redecorated.

At Easter, we carried on the family tradition of cracking our eggs. You would have chuckled and shouted with delight during the height of "competition." Please tell dad we're keeping this pastime alive and well.

I know you'd be pleased to hear I'm having a ball in King Township. Tell dad he can chat with his heavenly buddies about his son's newspaper work! Happy Mother's Day!

Your Son, Mark

Letter to the Editor

Farm Tour a success

While the day started with no power in Schomberg and surrounding areas and fog as thick as pea soup but in spite of these conditions the Schomberg Agricultural Society 2015 Farm Tour was a great success.

Steve Peers and Janet Orr (co-chairs of this year's Farm Tour) and their committee want to thank the farms and businesses that opened their doors to the public for the tour.

The Farm Tour included S.B. Brethet Holsteins (Scott Brethet and family), Beasley Farms (Warren and Noreen Beasley and Richard and Sylvia Dixon), Winsong Farm (Bill and Winnie Stott), Green Tractors - Nobleton (Barb and Karl Davis) and Ruffsport (Heather McLeod) that put on two performances with her agility dogs at the Schomberg Fairgrounds.

We would also like to thank all the businesses that sold tickets for the tour including Alliance Agri-Turf, Bolton; Nobleton Feed Mill; Tottenham Feed Service; Tottenham Home Hardware, Schomberg Rona, Schomberg Tru Country & Garden, Richvale Saddlery and Brownsville Pharmachoice.

An event like this cannot be held without the help of fair board members and many other volunteers. Thank you to all of them!

Special thank you goes to all of the people that attended and supported the farm tour. We hope you had fun, learned some things about agriculture in our area you didn't know, and even enjoyed some homemade soup or chili for lunch in the community hall.

Steve Peers

THIS WEEK'S

QUESTION

Do you plan to

Victoria Day

celebration in

a) Yes

b) No

80%

attend the annual

Nobleton this year?

So go to the website

and cast a vote!

Director, Farm Tour Co-Chair Schomberg Agricultural Society

REMINDER REMINDER REMINDER Mother's Day! Call your Mom to apologize Send card for Buy a card for Mother's Day Mother's Day for late card A MONTAGNE

Brainteaser

What is the only word in the English language that has 6 letters, all in alphabetical order?

Last week's answer: Succeed, exceed and proceed.

King Township Trivia

Cold Creek Conservation Area consists of 190 hectares within the Humber River watershed.

KING

a) Yes

b) No

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Science speak and other strange languages

By Skid Crease

Ages ago, one anonymous wordsmith stated: "If there is no meaning to words, there can be no truth among men."

I would have added my mother's impatient quip when an answer to a simple question she had asked became too complicated: "I just need to know the time; if I had wanted to know how to build the clock, I would have asked."

So it is with the difference between science reports and theories based on that data collection, and the language used to explain that to the public, government, business, and industry lead-

ago I referred to Arctic Amplification and Arctic Acceleration to explain the forces behind some of our recent wacky winter weather. The actual term used by scientists is Polar Amplification Weath-

A true meteorological researcher would never use a phrase like "wacky weather," but a storyteller trying to put the science research into understandable terms for the general public can. Similarly, I chose Arctic Amplification and Arctic Acceleration (my term, by the way) to convey the impact of the methane greenhouse gas positive feedback loop on the Canadian Arctic caused by accelerated thawing of the permafrost – OK, too much already – see what I mean.

Here's another example from a recent United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) report on Permafrost Melting:

"Thawing permafrost could emit 43 to 135 Gt of CO2 equivalent by 2100 and 246 to 415 Gt of CO2 equivalent by 2200. Uncertainties are large, but methane emissions from thawing permafrost could start within the next few decades and continue for several centuries, influencing both short-term climate (before 2100) and long-term climate (after I would indeed keep it simple. Go for it.'

plex and use careful language like "uncertainties are large," anthropogenic simple terms without losing the valid-(human caused) greenhouse gas emissions "could emit," and thawing permaniers love to jump on the slightest unfrost "could start" to release emissions certainty in language or a blip in the for several centuries.

speed, fueled on by methane gas from a Minister.

Next Year and \$ave!



For example, in an article a few weeks rapidly warming Arctic." See how much easier that is to understand.

Scientists must, by the very nature of the discipline, be cautious about absolutes, except for the exceptions of birth, death, gravity, thermodynamics, and evolution. An advisor at NOAA recently wrote me regarding my wacky weather article, that he would not have put it in quite so certain terms, suggesting that most peer reviewed scientific papers would have stated:

"These results suggest that as the Arctic continues to warm faster than elsewhere in response to rising greenhouse-gas concentrations, the frequency of extreme weather events caused by persistent jet-stream patterns will increase." That being said he added there is a "difference between careful science language and efforts to communicate effectively."

Similarly, my former advisor at Environment Canada reviewed that same article and noted: First reaction was "Skid, you're oversimplifying." The relationship between the change in northsouth temperature gradient and meandering jet streams is complex (since the gradient is the reverse in the stratosphere). However, upon second thought,

The trick is to get valid scientific re-These reports are technically comports from practicing, published, and peer-reviewed scientists and put it into ity of their work. Climate change deresearch and pump it out on full volume My translation: "As far as acceler- in the media as proof that accelerating ating climate change is concerned, the climate change is all really just a "sotrain is out of the station and gaining cialist plot," to quote our current Prime

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port surfaced, courtesy of the deniers, policies we need to mitigate our accelerfrom a 1922 Washington Post article ation into a rapidly changing future. warning of a warming Arctic, claiming was really nothing new. I sent the report speak for the Truffula trees? to another retired advisor from Environment Canada, who wrote me to say: "There is very little we can say to refute Arctic reports written in 1922. The Arctic region was fairly unknown then and I expect reports in the Washington Post (not my preferred scientific reference) were largely speculative or actually fictitious."

He did not bother to mention the obvious that would have made the 1922 report questionable: the increase in the number of weather stations, the technological improvements in data gathering equipment, the advent of satellite sensing systems, or the global network of computer modelers now researching accelerating climate change. The first successful TIROS-1 weather satellite for the United States wasn't launched until 1960 and currently the GOES 12, 13, and 15 weather satellites provide the USA and Canada with most of their weather

So, between the quality of weather stations, instrumentation systems, and computer models now available to us, combined with the plethora of legitimate scientific reports, all we need now are good science reporters who will not twist the words of the guardians of our galaxy.

It is critically important that we as a democratic citizenry, demand that our Canadian scientists have uncensored access to their peers at global conferences, to the general public, and to each other on open dialogue. The free and unedited sharing of their research may

Recently, an ancient newspaper rejust give us the opportunity to create the

And, of course, we must demand acthat this global warming phenomenon cess to good storytellers. Who else can

> Skid Crease is an award-winning outdoor and environmental educator, a keynote speaker, a storyteller, an author, and a community volunteer. He taught with the North York and Toronto District School boards for 35 years, and officially "retired" from the Faculty of Education, York University, where he was a Course Director and Environmental Science Advisor. Skid has worked with scientists from Environment Canada (pre-2005), NASA, and the Hadley Centre for Climate Prediction and Research in a quest to put an understandable story behind the wealth of their scientific data.

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Township committed to tourism initiatives

By Mark Pavilons

King is poised to market itself as a tourism destination, and it's an exciting time for Township staff.

While the sky's the limit in terms of ideas and strategies, everyone has to be committed to the cause.

That's the message contained in a report by Jamie Smyth, King's economic development officer, as he updated councillors on the progress of the three-year tourism strategy.

Smyth sees his role as one that fosters connections in the tourism industry and monitors the economic impact. The strategy contains all the ingredients necessary for success, but it takes a concerted effort. He urged council to support ongoing implementation and refinements to the plan.

"Continued implementation will lead to a more cohesive and guided effort toward tourism advancement, and most importantly inject new money for marketing and promotion. This ship will leverage partnership funds into King's economy," he wrote.



represents a portion of King's commit-Council budgeted a "modest" \$11,000 ment and as we progress, the Town-

through the private sector, tourism community groups.

King, Smyth said, could be the "plavground for the GTA," and we need to Township to act as a unifying force by promote the township in three areas tourism, hospitality and recreation.

There are some really neat little pockets of tourist destinations and the challenge is to bring them all together. Smyth noted the majority of council and staff do appreciate the economic impact of investing in tourism, hospitality and recreation promotion.

Together with Parks, Recreation and Culture, Economic Development will cross-promote and leverage internal partnerships.

They're almost ready to launch a micro website and tourism vignettes, looking at a mid-June debut.

The plan is to encourage visitors to come for the entire day or make it a weekend.

Moving forward, Smyth will monitor all financial and staff resources that are put towards tourism initiatives.

Tourism is directly aligned with King's economic development strategies. These include partnerships with Headwaters Equine Leadership Group to leverage awareness of the equine industry; pursuing opportunities to expand land uses that are conducive

to tourism; developing a cultural plan and asset map to bolster arts, culture and recreation. The Township will continue to promote popular events such as the Holland Marsh Soupfest, Pumpkin Pie Trail and York's Farm Fresh initiative.

Smyth pointed out that analysis shows that tourism spending in King hovers around the \$2.6 million mark annually. If we want to keep pace with the provincial average, we should grow another \$739,000 of spending in King each year. The benefits of increased tourism could provide a domino effect.

Smyth offered some background in his report. King partnered with Central Counties Tourism back in 2013 to create their plan and the three-year strategy was approved by council in the spring of 2014. King did manage to acquire some matching funds from this destination marketing agency for this year's campaign.

The plan included five major components that concentrated on attractions, agencies, government programs and infrastructure, hospitality, business and promotion.

"Above all, there is a need for the acting as an umbrella organization focused on tourism destination marketing within King. There are individual groups making their own efforts resulting in a very fragmented push and inefficiencies. There needs to be one entity that facilitates and coordinates all tourism efforts and initiatives that will also monitor, measure, and report on progress being made."

Some tourism goals include establishing coordination and leadership in King; increasing tourism, and providing friendly and hospitable service.

Staff will continue to push forward and update council on the progress made.



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Dr. Eastman uses the Proadjustchiropractic in order to er to analyze a patient's spine pin-point areas of nerve the human body in such impingement syndrome causing mal-

love getting adjusted with traditional manual techniques, all of which are safe and effective. But there are a large number of people who never get to experience the amazing benefits of chiropractic because they are scared to have their spines adjusted in that way," says Dr. Eastman. Now, there is no longer a reason to be leary. The ProAdjuster is perfect for anyone who has been thinking about going to a chiropractor, but hasn't yet made that decision. Dr. Eastman wants everyone to be able to experience these same benefits and if you have any of the following conditions, the ProAdjuster may be the answer you've been looking for...

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CROSSWORD

Mysteries of Eaton Hall unearthed by author

By Mark Pavilons

The history of Canada's power elite is as colourful as you can get.

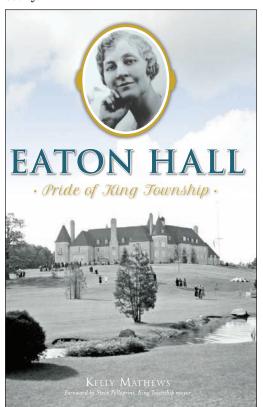
The legendary Eaton Family's contributions to our history are well documented. There's no denying their role in the shaping of our province and our

One woman's contribution to Canadiana rivals that of the Eaton Family

Kelly Mathews has explored the mystique surrounding one of Canada's most famous castles - Eaton Hall in King Township. Her first book, "Eaton Hall - Pride of King Township," is the definitive, compelling account of this iconic residence. Mathews, like a modern-day Sherlock Holmes, has come up with an accurate historical account of the property, dispelling myths and laying to rest all the urban legends surrounding this idyllic getaway on Lake Seneca, on the Seneca College King Campus.

Mathews didn't set out to become an author, researcher and historian, but her journey of discovery has made her all three, and perhaps a little bit more. Her twin sister Kim has referred to her as an "artist."

Her passion and enthusiasm for this project is obvious, almost contagious. And her's is the "most unique author story."



After posting information on line about Eaton Hall, a Michigan author came up for a visit and tour of the estate. He was so engaged by Mathews's interest and knowledge of the place, that he urged her to write a book. The History Press of the U.S. approached her with the proposal and embraced the book. With that came a very aggressive nearby Mary Lake property. It took two timeline – Mathews had less than six years to assemble the entire 700 acres. months to create a book, complete with Lady Eaton moved into Eaton Hall three

task with both hands and scoured lo-

cal, provincial and national archives to obtain as much material as she could about the building and the family matriarch, Lady Eaton. She spent countless hours and thousands of dollars obtaining the rights to historic photographs to complement the history.

"It was an unbelievable undertaking," she said. "I would have paid 10 times the amount to have answers to the questions I had."

She had to sift through the fiction, the anecdotes and tales, to decipher the truth. But all of those myths are what made it all the more interesting.

"These things speak highly to the degree of interest in the property and the family itself," she said.

The project was not about selling a book. Mathews was sparked by a thirst for knowledge and finding answers to the multitude of questions she had.

"Iturned over a great may stones," she admitted.

Mathews is a testament to tenacity. If you have a passion for something, you simply have to follow it through to fruition, she said.

Just for the record, there were no tragedies and there are no ghosts haunting the estate. But that's not to say the past doesn't speak to you from time to time.

She had to abide by strict guidelines set out by the publishers in terms of word length and number of images.

She found she was often distracted by dozens of unrelated stories and tales. These, she said, could have kept her going forever.

"It was a ton of fun," she said with a

Mathews is the manager of community recreation, camps and Outdoor Education Centre at Seneca College on Lake Seneca.

She had nothing but praise for Seneca College administration for supporting her project.

exceeded my expectations" providing a flexible work schedule and boosting her along the way. "This college promotes its people," she

There are many buildings on the 700-acre property that is home to the 35,000-square-foot mansion. It was designed to be the Eaton family country estate and was also a working farm, producing things like butter, milk and flowplanned to retire in King.

Lady Eaton was 60 and a grandmother when the estate was completed by 1940.

Lady Eaton and her husband, Sir John Craig Eaton, acquired their first parcels of land in King Township in 1920 on recommendation from their friend Sir Henry Pellatt, who owned the years after demolishing her city man-There was a surprising lack of back-sion, Ardwold. Eaton Hall is adjacent ground information on the estate. to a body of water named Lake Seneca



Kelly Mathews is thrilled with her first book, "Eaton Hall - Pride of King Township," that chronicles the history of the iconic Canadian estate.

John David Eaton's

first and middle names). According to Mathews's records, the lake has been known by six names in the past 100 years. Upon completion, it contained 72 rooms and it became a beloved gathering place for the Eaton Family, owners of the Eaton's department stores based in Toronto.

Design was started in 1932 by architects from the firm of Peter Allward and George Gouinlock. Construction was completed in 1939 and was supervised by John W. Bowser of the Aurora Building Company. Bowser had just worked on the Empire State Building and his Aurora gravesite contains a marker in the shape of that New York landmark.

Eaton Hall, parts of which are still used by Seneca College students and for special events, has undergone two major renovations. Considering it's marking its 75th year, that's not bad. Mathews calls it the "cat of landmarks" because it has enjoyed so many lives.

She was thrilled to come across the ers for the Eaton stores. The Eatons had original blueprints for the house during

her research. "That was a great pleasure and it's a great treasure," she noted.

She also came across the ledger books that contained all the original construction costs.

Advanced sales are available online with Amazon, Chapters/Indigo and some other online sites. It won't be available in store until June 27. If you could like to contact Mathews directly, email her at kellymathews@hotmail.com. Follow the Twitter page for the book @EatonHallEstate or Kelly's personal Twitter account @AllThingsRegal.

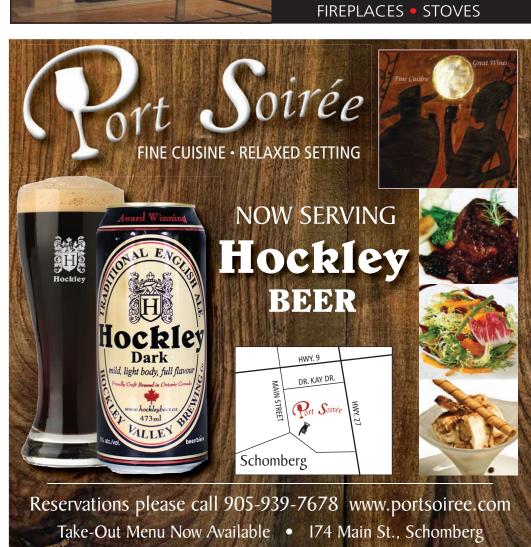
The building is getting a new set of windows so Mathews is optimistic it "has a next chapter."

In fact, Seneca president David Agnew has said "we're open to all possibilities ... we aren't putting any defined parameters on its use."

That means some exciting prospects could be in the offing. Private and public partnerships could very well bring Eaton Hall back to life.

Maybe Kelly Mathews will write a se-







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Scotiabank nestles into their Nobleton home

By Mark Pavilons

It's almost like they've been here for a long time.

Nobleton's Scotiabank invited the public to a day-long party last week, to mark the first anniversary of their first King institution. Their sense of commitment to their new home was reflected in the atmosphere of the open house.

Service and generosity to the community was front and centre last week.

Staff presented Margaret Hastings, fundraising chair of the King Township Food Bank, with a cheque for \$500, as part of their ongoing commitment to local causes.

Hastings noted when she canvassed for support for their inaugural Sip & Savour gala fundraiser, Scotiabank was quick to get involved. They were the first sponsor and have been regular contributors ever since.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini was delighted they were able to work with Scotiabank and make this particular model work. It's a top-notch company and the resulting branch is simply "outstanding."

"You've jumped in with both feet, helping King events," he said, extending his thanks to branch staff.

Fulvia Cantarutti, Scotiabank's District Vice-President for GTA North, noted family roots run deep in Nobleton use because today's event is the result and the small town charm has been embraced by bank staff. Since their opening in June of 2014, they've been very involved in the community. Their goal is to make it a "pleasure to come home tage and history," she said. to your branch.'

Sharer, a retired Scotiabank district manager, was on hand to offer some remarks. He was one of the first residents to open an account at this branch.

He recalls when the bank did a survey of Nobleton in the early 1980s and little community."

It has grown to become King's second gether. largest village.

Claude Norfolk.



Joining Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Councillor David Boyd with the ribbon cutting were (back) Jesse Federico, Claude Norfolk (DVP), Helen Dasilva (Sr FA), front Fulvia Cantarutti (DVP), Joe Luca (Business Advisor), Antonia Lalli (FA), Gianni Zeppieri (FA), Natalie Latchman-Greaves. Below, Natalie Latchman-Greaves (Branch Manager), Claude Norfolk (SVP), Monika White (MCS) present a cheque to Margaret Hastings from the King Township Food Bank.

Photos by Mark Pavilons

of a lot of hard work by so many. The branch took over two years of planning to ensure its location was ideal and the construction fit in with Nobleton's heri-

"Our branch opened for business on Long-time Nobleton resident Bob June 16, 2014 and we were warmly welcomed by Nobleton residents. We have continued to meet residents and build relationships with the people of Nobleton, Schomberg and King. Scotiabank has a long history in the Greater Toronto Area and today marks the next chapthey described the village as a "sleepy, ter in our ability to serve our customers and contribute to our community to-

"I want to emphasize that we are very Natalie Latchman-Greaves, branch glad to have the privilege of serving manager, welcomed visitors and Sco- many of you as customers. I hope we tiabank management, including Se- can enjoy many more years together nior Vice President of Toronto Region, building relationships, meeting your financial needs and working as partners "This is a very important moment for to make our community stronger."



Protect yourself against West Nile virus

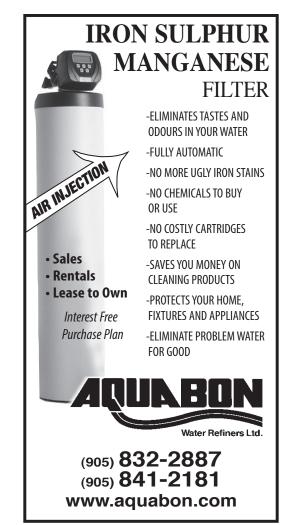
The Regional Municipality of York will begin annual West Nile virus and Lyme disease monitoring, control and public education activities this May to track mosquito and tick activity in 2015. Although the risk of contracting a vector-borne disease in York Region is low, self-protection is the best way to stay safe outdoors.

"West Nile virus activity remained low in York Region in 2014 with no confirmed human cases," said Dr. Karim Kurji, York Region's Medical Officer of Health. "Last year, four Lyme disease cases in York Region were linked to travel, however, blacklegged ticks have been found in the Region. Personal protection against mosquitos and ticks when outdoors is the best method of protection."

West Nile virus is spread through the bite of an infected mosquito. Everyone who is outside during the warmer months is at risk and should take steps to prevent being bitten by mosquitoes.

Lyme disease is passed to humans through the bite of an infected blacklegged tick. If you find a tick, remove it quickly and safely and contact York Region Health Connection for tick identification and testing.

More information is also available at york.ca/westnile, york.ca/lymedisease or in the Fight the Bite! video.





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Horse statues looking for some homes in King

By Mark Pavilons

the Pan Am Games this summer and the equestrian industry is gearing up for the world-class show.

King residents are encouraged to hosted in nearby Caledon and Mono. Games. King will be hosts to the Pan Am torch

The Headwaters Equine Leadership horse sculpture. Group is welcoming visitors with a novel idea – the "Headwaters Parade

of Horses," a whimsical and unique opment officer, said he would love to case local artists and show your Horse The world is coming to the region for turing fiberglass horses transformed for some high visibility areas in King. through the creativity of talented arti- He would like one to have a permanent ect manager for Headwaters Horse

The Headwaters Parade of Horses statues will be displayed throughout join the enthusiasm as events will be the Headwaters Region during the 2015 5 feet tall (or 15 hands), 6

The Headwaters Parade of Horses relay June 25 with two local torchbear- is also an opportunity for individuals or businesses to own a one-of-a-kind

> There are still five available for sale. Jamie Smyth, King's economic devel-

series of outdoor horse sculptures fea- have someone acquire these statues Country pride! home in Nobleton at a business or pub- Country, at 1-800-332-9744 or vicki@the-

Each horse statue is approximately

feet long, and weighs approximately 250 pounds, and are available for purchase for \$3,500. These horses will be displayed in prominent locations across the region from June through to August, and will be transported to their rightful purchasers late August and Septem-

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Free floral arrangement classes on Mother's Day weekend

Seasons Floral Studio, a Schomberg-based floral studio and school, has moved to a new location in the Foodland plaza (intersection of Highway #9 & Highway #27) and they're marking the occasion with a two-day grand opening this Mother's Day weekend.

The celebration takes place on Saturday, May 9, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, May 10, from noon to 4 p.m.

On both days, as part of the festivities, the studio will be hosting a free Mother and Daughter Floral Arrangement Class for the first 10 people who call or email to book their spot. The class will take place on Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to noon and on Sunday from 2-3 p.m.

"We've got a delightful two days planned," explains Seasons Floral Studio principal designer and owner Darlene Rupke. "We're taking over the plaza's outdoor courtyard and turning it into a floral escape complete with beautiful flowers, appetizers, punch, live music and our free Mother & Daughter Floral Arrangement Class where we'll be teaching our guests how to create a vintage tea cup floral arrangement. It will be a wonderful, unique way for moms and daughters to celebrate Mother's Day together."

Seasons Floral Studio creates inspiring floral designs for the general public and corporate clients, as well as offers lessons to individuals and groups in the art of floral arranging. The business has been in operation for over 11 years and is owned and managed by Darlene Rupke, an award-winning floral artist, who has been in the industry for over 25 years.

To learn more about Seasons Floral Studio, visit www.seasonsfloralstudio.com or contact Darlene at 905-936-3337.



Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Councillors Cleve Mortelliti and Debbie Schaefer cut the ribbon with Amanda and her team at Distinct Nails and Spa. Below, the mayor and councillors got the full treatment at the spa.

Photos by Jake Courtepatte

Distinct Nails and Spa opens its doors

By Jake Courtepatte

King City's plaza at 1700 King Road continues to grow, with a new nail and spa business holding their grand opening recently.

Distinct Nails and Spa specializes in manicures and pedicures, all while receiving a massage from their state-of-the-art massage chairs.

"It's a beautiful business and a prime location," said King Mayor Steve Pellegrini. "I wish them all the best."

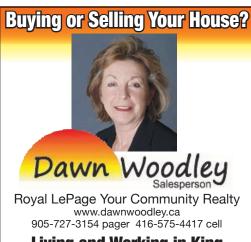
Having opened their doors just over a month ago, Distinct Nails and Spa is now looking for a regular customer base.



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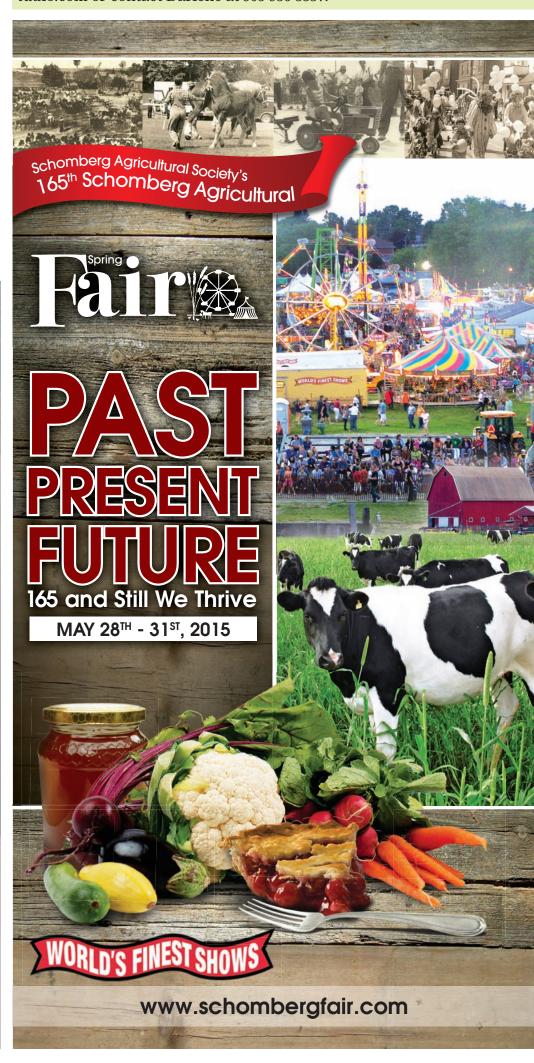
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Council approves community grant allocations

By Angela Gismondi

ty groups.

Through the 2015 budget process, \$20,000 was set aside for community grant allocations, of which \$5,500 was approved through the budget, and \$14,500 had yet to be allocated. The deadline for grant applications was March tional \$10,000 in funding for various

Various groups applied but only certain groups were granted funding. A selection panel, consisting of the Towntreasurer and clerk, reviewed the applications submitted and assessed the re-

Policy. The panel recommends which Alliance, \$500 for the York Region 55+ King Council has approved a few groups should receive funding and how more grants to support local communi- much they should receive based on community benefit of the organization and council's past commitments to their

In addition to the community grants approved by council at through the budget process, council allocated an addigroups at the meeting on April 27, including \$2,500 for Big Brothers Big Sisters of York, \$500 for Community Home Assistance to Seniors, \$750 to the Dufship's Chief Administrative Officer, ferin Marsh Native Connection, \$750 for Hospice King-Aurora, \$500 for the Kettleby Cemetery, \$2,500 for the Southlake

requirements of the Community Grants tion, \$1,000 for the York Environmental understands why the Nobleton Tennis program.

> Tennis Club, the Nobleton Village As-Schomberg Village Association's scarecrow competition and tree lighting cer-Councillor David Boyd said while he year.

Club did not receive a grant, he asked Games and \$1,000 for an arts bursary that the Township consider providing a loan to the club to help them make im-Other groups that applied but did not provements to their facility. In 2008, the receive funding include the Nobleton Township loaned the King City Tennis Public School Council, the Nobleton Club the funds to resurface their court with the understanding that the funds sociation for the tree lighting and toy be repaid in full over a 10-year term, he drive, the Schomberg Community Farm pointed out. Boyd asked that the same for a honey bee colony for the farm, the model be made available to the Nobleton Tennis club.

Staff will bring forward an additionemony. Most of these groups and com- al report for council's consideration of munity events are supported through grant allocations upon receipt of addithe Township's Parks, Recreation and tional applications. Council has access Culture department and are advised to to residual grant funding for additional discuss the matter with the department. requests as they arise throughout the



Let's promote our local merchants and let everyone know that it pays to shop locally.

Child ID event at the Fair

This year's Spring Fair, sponsored by the Schomberg Agricultural Society, will offer a Chid ID program, courtesy of MasoniChIP Ontario.

Volunteers will be set up in the old arena on Saturday, May 30 and Sunday, May 31, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days.

Since its inception, MasoniChIP Ontario has provided Identification Kits to over 50,000 families and the some piece of mind that if one of their loved ones goes missing they are prepared with information to provide to the authorities.

Union Masonic Lodge of Schomberg are the operating sponsors and support-

The program provides a CD on each child which includes a video, finger prints and all pertinent information. Included in the package is a wax impression of teeth and a DNA swab.

The identification process takes about 15 to 20 minutes.

The only information retained by the Masonic Fraternity is the signed parental permission records.

For more information, visit masonichipontario.ca or contact George Burt at 905-590-0139.





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Schomberg Should Know

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Schomberg United Church

The Property and Finance Committee of the Schomberg United Church is sponsoring a Plant, Bake & Craft Sale at the Church (31 Church St.) on Saturday, May 9 from 9 a.m. to noon.

This sale features home-grown. home-made, and hand-made wonders of our lives like plants from our gardens, baking from Mom's kitchen, precious items like soaps, jewellery, stitched and sewn creations, preserves ... the imagination runs wild.

The Nursery School that was housed for years in the basement of the church has closed down. Included in this day's sale is all the stuff that was left after the Nursery School left. There are books, educational puzzles, dolls, toys, doll clothes, games and all kinds of furniture, shelving units, etc. Everything has been washed down and looking for a new home - hopefully yours!

King Public Library

Sandra Miceli is the facilitator for a wonderful Mother Daughter Book Club (reading level is approximately Grade 3+) held at the King City Library

They will be discussing "Tuck Everlasting" by Natalie Babbitt on Monday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m.

The Tuck family is confronted with an agonizing situation when they discover that a 10-year-old girl and a malicious stranger now share their secret about a spring whose water prevents one from ever growing older.

Sandra will get the books for you so just ask the good people at the circulation desk for information.

Actually, King, Schomberg and Nobleton branches all have adult book clubs as well.

King and Nobleton meet on the 2nd Thursday night of each month at 7 p.m. and Schomberg meets the last Wednesday morning of each month at 10:30 a.m.

circulation desk for information.

Schomberg Lions

Our busy and dedicated Schomberg Lions Club are at it again.

They invite everyone to a Euchre Night in the Curling Lounge at the Trisan Centre on Friday, May 22 starting at 7 p.m. The cost will be \$10 if tickets are bought in advance and \$12 per person if you pay at the door. You can phone 905-939-4024 or you can get them online at their website www.schomberglions. com. There will be a cash prize, refreshments and a cash bar. All proceeds from this and other Schomberg Lions events go towards their Schomberg Lions fundraising projects which support our com-

Schomberg Horticultral Society

This year the SHS is celebrating its 80th anniversary. It's always said that Schomberg has a lot of roots and no more that the SHS!

On Saturday, May 9 the SHS will hold its annual Plant Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Schomberg Community Hall on Main Street.

There will be trees, shrubs, planters, perennials, native plants, hanging baskets and tried and true plants right out of the gardens of the Society's members themselves!

Leukemia garage sale

The 3rd annual garage sale in front of the Beer Store in Schomberg takes place May 23 starting at 9 a.m. All items are on a donation basis with all money being donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Canada.

Items for sale include lamps, vases, glasses, books, collectibles, punch sets ... too many things to list. This is a large sale with many interesting items that have been donated by members of your community.

York Pines United Church

There are many ways you can assist the recovery and reconstruction efforts in Nepal. One way is to make a donation at your local United Church. Monies donated will be matched dollar

itarian relief and rehabilitation and will be administered by the "Alliance of and non-governmental agencies in Ne-

Eighty-five per cent of your donation on-going. will go directly to "Nepal Earthquake Relief." Fifteen per cent is used to support emergencies that do not receive into the denomination's Mission and Serthis year will be a used book sale.

Again, just ask the good people at the for dollar with funds from the federal vice Fund provides staffing for emergovernment if they are received at the gency response work. Please make your national church office by May 25. Your cheque payable to the "United Church financial support will provide human- of Canada" and on the memo line write, "Nepal Earthquake Relief," and mail or bring it to the York Pines United Church Churches Together" which works with by May 17. Prayers for the tens of thougovernment institutions, UN agencies sands whose lives have been suddenly and violently shattered, their loved ones, homes and livelihoods lost, are

> On Saturday, May 23 from 9 a.m. to noon the annual U.C.W. Plant Sale is being held. Seeds have been planted; tense media coverage and response. No cuttings have rooted, and growth is hapadministration fees are deducted from pening so that you can purchase pots of your donation since regular donations vegetables and plants. An added feature



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Bocce tournament at Seneca in the books

By JAKE COURTEPATTE

There was an unprecedented international presence at King City's Seneca College campus over the weekend, where 24 teams converged for the 2015 International Special Olympics Bocce Tournament.

Teams travelled from as far as Italy, Greece, San Marino and Malta for a weekend of friendly competi- it." tion and companionship.

ada President, said the popularity of bocce continues to grow – in large part due to its inexpensive nature miss the championship round. and simple execution.

York Region work with the youth bocce program each year.

pic welcome upon their arrival Thursday, taking part in an opening ceremony before retiring to their al. rooms in a makeshift athlete's vil-

Sami Jo Small, a three-time Olympian in women's hockey, was a guest speaker at the ceremony, a performance. and praised the athletes for their efforts in a sport that is still looking to make a strong impact in Canada.

Locally, the area was representand the Aurora Rollers. The Aurora team got off to a great start with a 9-6 victory, but it was their inex-

perience that cost them with backto-back losses, failing to reach the championship rounds on day two.

But in their first year of competition, they can certainly take pride in how far they have come.

"They've come really far," team manager Jeff Hauley said. "It's great to see how well they've all picked up the game, and it seems like we have players that will want to stick with

York Region, meanwhile, took a Lee Prioriello, Youth Bocce Can- 3-0 round-robin record into the second day of competition, only to fall to a team from Toronto and also

An impressive four high schools Over 400 special needs kids in from York Region sent delegates to the games, including the Sacred Heart Crusaders, who barely lost The athletes were given an Olym- the bronze medal in a hard-fought and well-attended game on Sunday.

Port Colborne won the gold med-

At the closing ceremonies, Newlage to rest up for play the next day. market's own Justin Hines, who has used his singing to raise millions for charities involving disabilities, gave

Special Olympics Ontario of Aurora will start their outdoor program back up in June, with a number of returnees from the winter program ed by the York Region Bocce Rollers and some fresh faces. For more information to join, check out www. aurora.specialolympicsontario.ca.



Circilo Richiardi celebrates a well-placed shot in the bronze medal game against the Sacred Heart Crusaders on Sunday at the 2015 International Special Olympics Bocce Tournament. Richiardi went on to win the game. Below, Justin of the Sacred Heart Crusaders celebrates a shot in the bronze medal game against Circilo Richiardi on Sunday. Jean Vanier representatives enter the gymnasium at the opening ceremonies of the 2015 International Special Olympics Bocce Tournament.







King entry sought in Adventure Relay

By Diane Hughes

The Oak Ridges Moraine Adventure Relay is being offered for the ninth year in a row. An enthusiastic team of volunteers has already started to plan one of the largest events of its kind in Ontario that annually engages 500 canoeists, runners and trail cyclists covering 160 kilometres of beautiful Oak Ridges Moraine trail. The big event is on Saturday, June 13.

Organizers are hoping that some King Township area residents might create and register recreational, corporate or elite teams. Many teams are formed from neighbours and friends in communities all across the Moraine, as well as further afield. Please consider starting your own team to compete in this exciting event.

To find out more, check out the Adventure Relay website, http://www.oakridgestrail.org/adventure-relay/ and follow us on Facebook: 'Moraine Adventure Relay June 13, 2015' https://www.facebook.com/groups/21365674512

For more information on registering for the Relay or volunteering for the event, call Michele at 905-833-6600 or 1-877-319-0285 or email info@oakridgestrail.org.





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Schomberg man cycles to help conquer cancer

By JAKE COURTEPATTE

For Jason Ortepi, charity has taken on a number of meanings, from exercise, to rehabilitation, and most importantly, philanthropy.

The 38-year old father of two from Schomberg has managed to raise close to \$20,000 for the Enbridge Ride to Conquer Cancer since 2008, and is looking to push that number higher and higher.

As curious as it is, Ortepi's connection to the Ride to Conquer Cancer began in 2008 shortly after his father-inlaw had a bilateral hip replacement.

"He's ridden his bike all his life," said Ortepi of his Trinidadian-born father-in-law. "He had actually founded a cycling club back home when he was younger, and was in the dumps after his surgery."

They set a goal to get him back on his bike as a rehabilitation method, and what better way than a 200-kilometre journey from Toronto all the way to Niagara Falls, benefitting the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre it kind of blows you away." along the way.

intent has changed in Ortepi's partic- the first cancer diagnosis in the Orteipation.

"What ended up happening is we kind of forgot about his hip replace- That's the thing with cancer. Everyment, and the focus ended up being one is affected." just raising money."

will be taking a backseat in this year's incarnation of the Ride, Ortepi will be one of over 5,000 participants cycling - a number that truly brings out the meaning of the event.

"It's surprisingly overwhelming, the support that you get," said Ortepi. much looked like a Toys R Us on our "You don't really realize how much it means to people until you see them all cheering you on ... it's amazing."

Ortepi particularly recalls a specific time riding through Halton Hills, when he passed a house with a sign on the lawn reading "thank you riders cancer survivor lives here."



Fast forward seven years, and the home with Jason in recent years, with pi family hitting a close relative.

> "Everybody knows somebody.

It's been a financially successful While his 80-year-old father-in-law ride for Ortepi, having raised his five-figures donation mostly through family and friends. He also hosts an annual garage sale to raise funds, tentatively planned for Mother's Day weekend this year.

> "The first year we held it, it pretty driveway," Ortepi joked. "We'll pretty much take anything."

> He wishes to remind Schomberg residents to look out for signage in the coming months around town.

Now with roots in Ontario, British Columbia, Alberta and Quebec, the mid-June event is looking to surpass "I don't know, they just kind of re- the staggering \$20 million raised in mind you about what it's all about ... last year's Ride. Ortepi distinctly re-

The Ride has hit even closer to ing the number each year he rode, as 1-877-699-BIKE (2453). the Ride has become a large part of the Ortepi family.

Those interested in the Ride can com.

members his father-in-law anticipat- visit www.conquercancer.ca, or call

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Aurora and King baseball begins after merger

By JAKE COURTEPATTE

A new baseball season is upon us, and with it comes the newest joint venture troubles with having kids who want to between Aurora and King Township in play. In the older divisions, however, they sports.

The 2015 season will be the first for the numbers in the past. newly formed Aurora King Baseball Association, or the AKBA, marking the merger of the Aurora Baseball Association and the King Township Baseball Association.

Both towns have worked together in the past, with the associations beginning to interlock in 2014. The merger creates a prime opportunity for talented baseball players within King to reach the higher be put under the umbrella of the Aurora level.

While King lacked a higher program and logo upgrade just a few years ago. outside of the local house league, the Aurora Jays are an established rep organilarger pool of players.

"Aurora has a good program, but it's considered small by Ontario Baseball Oakville the day before was the key to Association standards," said Jason Sorlilo, the Rep Director for the AKBA. "So it gives us more of a talent pool, to get some

tryouts."

Speaking of sign-ups, Sorlilo said the have experienced a significant lack of

King's house league program will remain the Cobras, playing out of the same parks in Nobleton, King City and Pottageville. The slogan for the program seems to be "Business as Usual," used on both the Facebook page and the King Cobras website.

As for the reps, players from King will Jays name, which underwent a uniform

The first game has already kicked off for one of the program's teams, with Sorzation who can now draw from an even lilo's Minor Peewee Jays taking on the North York Blues on the road Sunday.

> An exhibition double-header in getting in some early-season practice, as they moved to 1-0 beating the Blues 10-8.

After press time, the midget squad has

away series.

a Minor PeeWee tournament on the May www.akba.ca. long weekend. All games will be held at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex. sponsors. Any company interested in Four more tournaments will follow in Ausponsoring a local youth sports team is rora throughout the summer season.

If your child is interested in joining akba.ca. either the rep or house league programs,

stronger teams and have more kids out at also opened the season with a home-and-there's still an opportunity. Sorlilo said that select tryouts are currently ongoing. A number of tournaments are also on All information, including registration, younger divisions usually don't face many the schedule for the AKBA, first hosting schedules, and scores, can be found at

The organization is also looking for invited to contact Matt Giesen at mattg@



Salma Vahle, Benjamin Bell, Olivia Smith, Jackson Garner, William Stacey, Jacob Switzer, Alberto Cuddemi of Purdy Center for the Arts, earned some medals at the annual CNGK

Purdy students excel at championships

The Purdy Center for the Arts participated in the 30th Annual CNGK Championships in Elora April 12.

It was a competitive day with over 225 martial artists from varying GOJU styles there to test their skills at the tournament.

Sensei Blair Purdy, who is the head instructor at the PCFA, prepared 9 of his students who brought back five 1st place standings, 5 - 2nd Place standings, and three 3rd Place standings for a combined 13 honors for the day. There were 18 divisions offered for the different ranks and ages including Kumite (sparring), Kata (forms) and Kobudo (weapons).

Successful students were:

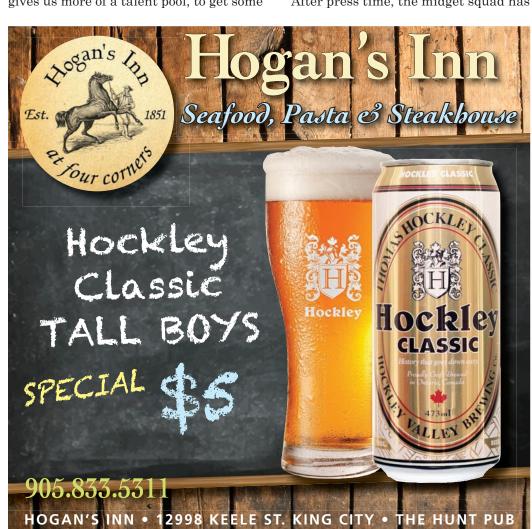
Jackson Garner of King took gold in Kata, bronze in Kumite. Salma Vahle of Schomberg earned gold in Kata, silver in Kumite. Alberto Cuddemi of King won gold in Kumite, bronze in Kata. Calen Ancheta of King earned gold in Kumite. Olivia Smith of Schomberg won gold in Kata. William Stacey of King earned a silver in Kumite, and silver in Kata. Connor Ancheta of King won silver in Kumite. Benjamin Bell of King earned silver in Kumite. Jacob Switzer of Schomberg took bronze in

The Purdy Center for the Arts is part of the Canadian Naha-Te GoJu Karate Association (www.cngk.ca) and is proud to take part in the tournaments and seminars made available to the school.

Although Sensei Blair holds a Third Degree Black Belt in Goju Ryu Karate, he pushes his curriculum at the PCFA with the influences of Kung Fu, Boxing, and Mixed Martial Arts.

The school is in its 11th year in King Township, and will be doing a martial arts demonstration early in the afternoon on Saturday, May 30 on the main stage at The Schomberg Fair.

For any information regarding classes please call 905-751-0812 or check the website www.purdycenter.com.







St. Mary's pasta night arrives Friday

Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone 905-859-5174

St. Paul's Church

On Friday, May 8, the St. Paul's Community Youth Group will meet at celebrate the life of Ozzie Harris, a dethe church at 7 p.m. for a Taco and Fiesta Night!

Join us Sunday, May 10 at 10 a.m. as Paul Mason.

In and Through. FirstLink child care (for children 3 years of age and younger) is provided during the gathering and our Regular KidzKonnection and NextStep Program (for children ages 4 to 11) takes place at the same time.

Jeff has a blog and he records his weekly messages there after worship each Sunday. Anyone interested in lispassionatelyhis.com to hear them.

For more information about any of

Nobleton United By Nancy Hopkinson

On Saturday, May 9, at 1:30 p.m., we voted husband and father and a faithful member who loved to sing.

On Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10, at Family Sunday. There will be two bap-Jeff's message this week - Living tisms: Connor Harris and Felix Rogers. Come and celebrate with us.

> third Messy Church. Doors open at 4:45 p.m. The theme is "Love Your World" (based on Psalm 8). There are choices of activities that appeal to various ages from 2 years to teenagers. The acstory. The children must be accompais welcome.

our website at www.stpaulsnobleton. make dinner. Wear clothes that could tonunitedchurch.com to register that get messy! There is no charge for this. person for the challenge, so that we can When we finish eating, you can return post the times that each person will be to the activities or socialize.

Messy Church is always the second Tuesday of the month. This is an intermusical service and communion. generational activity of faith, food and fun. We will sing "He's got the whole world in his hands." Come when you

we welcome our new Music Director 11:15 a.m., we are celebrating Christian place on Victoria Day, May 18 outside St. Mary's Catholic Church basement the Nobleton Arena. This is a fundrais- hall. Tickets at the door, \$10 per adult, er and 100% of the profits will be used \$5 (children 3 to 12), children under 2 for Outreach Ministry which supports free. All welcome to come and enjoy an Tuesday, May 12 from 5-7 p.m. is our Youth programs (Messy Church), se- authentic Italian dinner. niors' programs and other community based events. The cost is \$5 for 3 balls, their 18th annual Golf Tournament on or \$2 for 1 ball. We have 10 confirmed May 14. Tee off at Nobleton Lakes Golf nominees to be dunked: Mayor Steve Club, Nobleton. The cost, including Pellegrini, Councillor David Boyd, tivities relate to the theme of the Bible Jim Streb, dentist Dr. Pesin, Minister Brian Nicholson, firefighters Alf tening to his messages can go to www. nied by a responsible adult. Everyone Budweth, Dave Budweth, Dan King, Nick Consalvo and Gino DiFebo. We mari at 905-859-3707. Proceeds to the Messy Church gives busy parents need some women to be dunked! It's Building Fund & other events. our activities or events, please contact fun and faith time with their child(ren) fun. Do volunteer. If someone agrees

the church office at 905-859-0843 or visit without the pressures of having to to be dunked, visit our website nobleavailable to be dunked.

On Sunday, May 31, we will have a

St. Mary's Church

St Mary's annual Pasta Night is The Dunk Tank challenge takes Friday, May 8 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at

> St. Mary's Knights of Columbus host lunch, golf and dinner, is \$200 per person. It's a team scramble format and includes cart and prizes.

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Peacefully after a long and courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by the love and affection of her family, at

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HARRIS: Osmond

A memorial service for Mr. Osmond Harris will be held at Nobleton United Church on Saturday May 9, 2015 at Loving partner and 1:30 pm.

SADLON: Margaret Elizabeth

Peacefully passed away, surrounded by her family on Saturday, May 2, 2015 at Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre, Barrie. Margaret (nee Metcalf) of R.R. #2 Bradford in her 81st year. Beloved wife of Paul for 60 years. Loving mom of Jan (Ron) Daly, Paul (Kara) Sadlon and Joanne Blanchard. Proud Nana of Sara, and Devyn. Dear sister of late Bill, late Bruce, Jack, late Gordon and late Ethel Weller. Margaret will be fondly remembered by her nieces and nephews. Friends called at SKWARCHUK FUNER-AL HOME, 30 Simcoe Rd., Bradford (1-800-209-4803) for visitation on Wednesday from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Funeral service held at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 53 Millerpark Ave., Bradford on Forever Loved and al-Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 11 a.m. Interment Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Bradford. In Margaret's memory donations may be made to the Alzheimer Society.

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IN LOVING MEMORY of Pam Kirkpatrick who died on May 7, 2006. You are remembered, Pam, with love and affection by your family and your many friends. With love, from your family.

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friend who passed away May 9, 2014 You can shed tears that

he is gone Or you can smile because he has lived You can close your eyes and pray that he will

come back Or vou can open vour eyes and see all the love he has left

Your heart can be empty because you can't see

Or you can be full of love that you shared You can turn your back on tomorrow and live in yesterday

Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday

You can remember him and only that he is gone Or you can cherish his memory and let it live on You can cry and close you mind, be empty and turn your back

Or you can do what he would want... Smile and open your eyes, Love and go on.

ways in our hearts Marion, Randy and Kelly, Steve and Laurie, Mark and Wanda, Michael Melissa, Megan, Kaitlan, Lucas, Cayla and Shawn; And loving father, father-in-law and grandfather of his family Carol and Dan, Sue and the late Andre, Lynne and Richard, Ann and Keith; Grandchildren Daniella and Amiea, Jean Pierre and Kim, Allissa, Erik and Rene. Jaelyne, Alex and Jack; Great granddaughter

Marie Andre

Garage sale approaches

Nobleton Women's **Recreational Softball**

If you are interested in playing softball, there is a league starting. The bers at this time. If you are interested games will be played at the diamonds in helping your community become a close to Nobleton Arena in Nobleton. better place to live while having lots of We would like people who are interfun, please call Bob Phillips at 416-522ested in playing recreational softball 9675. to visit our website at www.qksl.ca (Queens of King Softball League) to review upcoming registration dates. For any information kindly contact Vicki at 416-520-9610.

Garage Sale at Beer Store

of the Beer Store in Schomberg will be May 23, starting at 9 a.m. All items are on a donation basis with all money being donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Canada. Items for sale include lamps, vases, glasses, books, collectibles, punch sets ... too many things to list. This is a large sale have been flaunting their bright yelwith many interesting items that have low-green leaf buds. Wild viburnums been donated by members of your com- shrubs who've held fat promising buds munity. Please come out and support a all through the cold snowy winter have great cause!

Nobleton Lions

rina Walk for Dog Guides is planned for May mornings. Trilliums have pushed Sunday, May 31. This walk helps provide funding for six different specialty fallen leaves and the red ones somestreams including Canine Vision dogs, times colourfully called wake robins Hearing Ear dogs, and Service dogs to are in a tight race with the white ones help challenged Canadians overcome to be the first to open. Wild geraniums a variety of impairments. Check out that have stayed green under the deep www.purinawalkfordogguides.com for snow have shaken themselves awake much more information, and think and here and there among their green about coming out to walk.

After that comes the Nobleton Lions Club Annual Fund Raiser being held small pungent heart shaped leaves have this year on June 7. This year, the Fund appeared as have the speckled leaves Raiser will consist of a Charity Golf Tournament to be held close to home, morning I passed a patch of wild garlic at Nobleton Lakes Golf Course. This green and glowing that I'm sure wasn't event will be the major fundraiser for there yesterday! the club, and proceeds from the event go to sponsor numerous organizations still tenaciously cling to their silver in and around town. Golfers and hole sponsors are invited to contact Jim shaped buds formed late last summer Kassam at KARS on King Road west of Highway 27 at 905-859-5277.

Watch this space for further details and why not check out our website at www.nobletonlions.com.

Contact the Township of King for defollowing Monday, May 25.

tails on how to get your message up there at no charge.

Your support is greatly appreciated by the Lions, and those who we support, in keeping with our motto, "We Serve."

The Lions Club is seeking new mem-

Horticulture By John Arnott

Almost overnight patches of bloodroots, those early blooming wild flowers with bright white daisy like blooms, have appeared in the conservation bush The 3rd annual Garage Sale in front near my Tecumseth Pines (Tottenham) home and spring seems well and truly here.

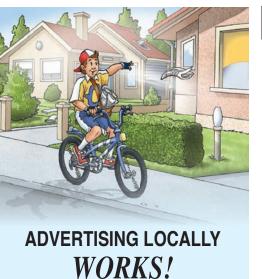
As I've walked up through the woods daily over the last few weeks with Victory my little Boston terrier, there have been hints of spring here and there. The willows at the edge of the marsh slowly unfolded them revealing their hidden flower clusters cupped in their hand like leaves. The honeysuckles have almost fully leafed out and short-The Lions Foundation of Canada Pu-ly white or pink flowers will greet mid up through last year's thick carpet of is a new tiny bright red leaf.

> Swathes of wild ginger with still of yellow dog tooth violets. And this

> Last fall's dried brown beech leaves gray branches but I notice the thorn are beginning to swell and will soon dislodge these hangers on.

By the by keep in mind Nobleon these events as the dates get closer, ton-King City Horticultural Society's big plant sale on Victoria Day Monday, May 18 on the grounds of the Nobleton Free advertising is available to non Arena. Offered are quality plants at profit groups in and around Nobleton bargain basement prices. And come to via the electronic sign at the library. our May meeting and flower show the

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King's Corners

King City United By Eleanor Fry

so fitting, told by Rev. Evelyn.

A man was walking along a beautiful sandy beach on an "island in the sun." Far ahead of him he could see someone picking something out of the sand and tossing it into the ocean. He noticed all the starfish laying in the sand. He knew, of course, star fish lived in the water. They need to be in the ocean to survive. They would perish laying in the sand.

When he got closer to the stranger, he realized it was starfish he was tossing into the ocean. He asked "Why are you wasting your time. Do you know how many sandy beaches there are on this United our UCW will sponsor an eveisland? You will never make any difference. One star fish doesn't matter!"

The stranger looked him in the eye, bent over, picked up another one and tossed it into the ocean. Smiling, he replied "But it does to that one!"

No matter how small your faith is, if vou talk about it to even one person, it matters. Remember Jesus's parables. He told his stories to one group of people at a time. Even if one of them shared the faith they learned, it would spread. Hamilton Conference. Eventually those ones spread it to all the world.

Who shared their faith with you? Tell them how thankful you are. Write them a letter. Share yours with a neighbour. They may pass it on to a friend who is refreshments and our local news. For trying to find some peace, something to believe in.

For our 144th anniversary, Reverend Evelyn accepted a special delivery letter from Fred, the Canada Postie. Through it, we recalled the history of the United Church, going back to John Wesley in email kcucmin@bellnet.ca the 1700s. Through the years of Methodism we remembered all the little hamlets that joined together to eventually become King City United Church. One special event, one of many, is in Rev. David Vipond's time when the huge cross above the communion table was created and hung. We all chuckled as she told us she had informed her previous congregation about it, and when the sermon was not good, a button was pushed and ... Kah - Boom! We give thanks that books, media games, toys, holiday through our ancestors sharing their faith and growing one at a time, we are ries, kitchen and household goods, treahere now to share ours, and to keep it growing in a world that needs some BBQ, draw and raffle. faith passed around.

A wonderful anniversary service, with special music presented, with Dorothy Gillies returning to lead the bell choir, Rosemary leading our vocal choir, and a wonderful solo "The Holy City" by John Kell. It was a pleasure to renew This is actually a children's story, but friendships with members who have now moved to other locations. Happy 144th anniversary!

Mother's Day Tea is Saturday, May 9 from 1-4 p.m. Come to celebrate with mothers, aunts, grandmothers and grandchildren. Special performances by the bell choir and Sandra Kirby. Tickets are \$10 per person, \$2 for the under

Mark your calendar for our annual Fish Fry, Friday June 12 from 4:30-7 p.m. Tickets are \$15, under 12 - \$5. Tickets now available.

On Tuesday, June 2 at King City ning presentation by Sarah Beer. She has been working for the past 4 years in Chiclayo, Peru as part of Women's Ministries in the Margins, Centro Esperanza in Chiclayo where she and colleagues carry out programs supporting women, youth, and community leaders. This promises to be a very interesting evening. Doors open at 6:30 with the presentation at 7 p.m. Freewill donation towards Sarah's travel expenses from

For Sunday, in Reverend Evelyn's absence, Wayne Lowdon will be leading us. As usual he will have lots of interesting events planned. Join us for a special hour. Sunday worship at 10 a.m. Stay for any ministerial emergencies in Rev. Evelyn's absence please call York Pines United Church 905-727-8118. Your call will be returned. For any information - our office - 905-833-5181 email kcuc@ bellnet.ca Reverend Evelyn McLachlan www.kcuc.ca.

Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart Church 14485 Jane Street King City will be holding a Bazaar on Saturday, May 23, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, May 24, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Many items available, including plants, garden accessories, sports, items, jewellery and fashion accessosures. Also on tap will be baked goods, a Garage Sale

The annual garage sale in front of May 23, starting at 9 a.m. All items are on a donation basis with all money beinclude lamps, vases, glasses, books, collectibles, punch sets ... too many things to list. This is a large sale with many interesting items that have been donated by members of your community. Please come out and support a great cause!

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on Monday, May 18 to the Nobleton Arena grounds.

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Students, if you are looking for community hours and would like to volunteer for the day please contact the above.

King City Cemetery Board

The 128th annual meeting of the King City Cemetery board of directors will be held Wednesday, May 20 at 7 p.m. in also have nursery available downstairs the King City Library. All plot holders are welcome.

Laskav Hall Sale

to noon) will include a wide variety of hardy locally grown perennials at very ments and singing a number of "old" reasonable prices, featuring drought songs. We will begin our time at 1 p.m. tolerant native perennials, flowering with a time of fellowship and refreshshrubs and vines. Gardening advice is ments. free! Hot drinks and home-made treats will refresh you as ponder your selections. Proceeds to Laskay Hall and other local charities.

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King City Seniors Centre

Evervone invited to the Seniors Centre for a special catered Potluck Lunch on Friday, May 15.

The Chartwell Valley Vista retirement residence has kindly offered to provide a lasagna lunch for 40-50 peothe Beer Store in Schomberg takes place ple, so only salads or desserts will be reguired. Lunch starts at 12:30 p.m..

The Seniors Centre board of manageing donated to the Leukemia and Lym- ment wishes to sincerely thank all of phoma Society of Canada. Items for sale our member volunteers who turned out in record numbers for the Annual Clean Up Day at the Centre on Friday, May 1. The donation of your time and generous effort was sincerely appreciated.

> King City Seniors Centre is hosting meditation classes with Ms. Marise Foster, a professional teacher in Source Vibration Therapy and Meditation.

The sessions will run from 1:30 to 2:30 Nobleton Victoria Day Fair is coming p.m. every Monday to June 22, not counting May 18. The cost is \$40 for the eight sessions, and a minimum of ten participants is required. For further details, call Carol Field at 905-833-3324 or leave a message at the Centre - 905-833-2824.

King Bible Church

Join us on Sunday, May 10 as Pastor Mark will be continuing our series "The Gospel Truth" with The Gospel Practiced-In The World Church.

We have Celebration Zone available downstairs for kids aged 3-Grade 10. We for babies 0-3.

We invite all ages to join us on Tuesday, May 12 as the Seniors Overtimers will have a musical get-together. We will be entertained by The Front Porch The plant sale Saturday, May 9 (9 a.m. Ladies: Ingrid, Linda, Helen and Gail, They will be playing a variety of instru-

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From Page 17

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

St. Andrew's invites you to join us on Mother's Day. Our worship service is at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday school and nursery care running concurrently.

The Rev. Dr. John Vissers will be the Great Commandment in his series of three sermons on three "Great" texts in Matthew's Gospel: The Great Confession, The Great(est) Commandment and The Great Commission. We read Matthew 22:34-40 stating that we are to "love the Lord our God with all our heart and soul and mind and to love our neighbours as ourselves."

Doesn't sound too hard until we try praise items or any questions or con-parish, with the expertise of Ian Rodger

it. That's when we need to rely on God's cerns, please contact the church office and Ed Millar, will prepare and serve resolve, "to reshape our will to mirror God's will," being persons of faith always. What a difference in our lives and in the world if we obeyed this Commandment, the first and greatest! The last in the series, the Great Commission will be Sunday, May 24.

Junior Youth will take place this preaching. Last Sunday we looked at Friday, May 8 and the next Family Fun event will be after the church service, May 24.

Ladies, you're invited to come and experience a special time of fellowship, sharing and caring at our Ladies' Prayer Time on Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. at the church. Take part or spend time in quiet contemplation.

Should you have prayer requests,

help to strengthen us and to give us the at 905-833-2325 or call Kathy Patterson, our famous Ladies' Dinner! Once again, Clerk of Session at 905-833-0391.

> rendous earthquake and how we can wear your dancing shoes! respond through prayer and monetary donation is available. PWS&D (Presbyterian World Service and Development) is responding through the ACT Alliance to meet basic needs. We are encouraged to make our donations by May 25 through the church to PWS&D marking be eligible for the Government of Canada's matching amount.

All Saints By Diana Armitage

This Thursday, May 7, the men of the

tickets are sold out. The evening starts Information regarding Nepal's hor- with hors d'oeuvres at 6:30 p.m. Ladies,

> Thank you to everyone who has brought in toiletries and personal hygiene items for the Food Bank, an initiative organized by one of our high-schoolers who is working on her Canada Cord award for Pathfinders.

The readings this Sunday reminded "Nepal Earthquake" on the envelope to us to love God and love each other. A gift of a fresh new toothbrush may seem small, but think of the sparkling smile!

> The King City Farmers' Market starts its third season on Sunday, June 21 in the All Saints' parking lot. Look for the new Farmers' Market banners on King City lamp posts soon!

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The Headwaters Hike was held at Thornton Bales Conservation Area April 26.

It was co-hosted by Save the Oak Ridges Moraine Coalition, Ontario Headwaters Institute, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, and the Friends of the Greenbelt Foundation. Nineteen adventurers went down the 99 Steps, through the conservation area to a pond in the Koffler Scientific Reserve.

The hike informed people about the ecological role played by the headwater areas of the Oak Ridges Moraine and encouraged them to participate in the current review of the Moraine, Greenbelt, and other plans.

A self-directed guide to the Hike can be found at ontario-headwaters.ca/hikes/.





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Wonderful 4 bedroom executive home in Schomberg on a massive lot with huge deck and swimming pool! Great layout for a growing family, formal living and dining rooms, finished lower level, superb location in a quiet court, mature landscaping and beautiful trees!! Must be seen!!

Open House Sat., May 9th!! Call Joe for details.



KING CITY BUNGALOW, RENOVATED THROUGHOUT, POOL!!!

Gorgeous bungalow in one of King's most desirable locations. Large private lot with ravine like setting and in ground pool, child safe court location and completely renovated! Professionally finished lower level, mature landscaping and more! Coming soon... call Joe today for details.



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Stunning Nobleton Lakes home on approx. 2 acres. Over 4200 SF, finished basement, quiet court surrounded by mature trees. Private driveway leads to spectacular home featuring high ceilings, hardwood floors, new custom kitchen with stone tops & appliances, fabulous great room with 18' ceiling heights with floor to ceiling stone fireplace, family size kitchen. Strip hardwood floors throughout. Huge master bedroom, designer decor, professionally finished lower level, 3 car garage & more!



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NOBLETON INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY \$659,000

Great opportunity for investor or user with tremendous exposure on Highway 27 in growing Nobleton! This home is very well maintained & in great condition. New bathroom, spacious layout, newer roof, eat-in kitchen with walk-out to balcony, walk-out basement/built-in garage, easily converted to commercial in downtown core - perfect for business use!



SCHOMBERG, 1.4 ACRE PARK-LIKE SETTING, TREES, STREAM! \$549,000

Beautiful country home on 1.4 acre treed lot, in park-like setting with towering pines & small creek! Cozy bungalow has been renovated with galley kitchen, hardwood flooring, newer bath & partially finished basement, wood burning stove, thermal windows, newer roof shingles, 2-car garage with access from house, oversized shed, newer exterior siding & stone. Great location in King!!



BEAUTIFUL CONDO IN MAPLE, 900 SF, ONLY \$299,900

Beautiful Unit Of Approximately 900 Sq.Ft., Totally Renovated!! New Flooring, New Kitchen/Baths, 9 Ft Ceilings, Open Concept Layout, New Appliances, Breakfast Bar, Living Room Has Walk-Out To Balcony, Master Has His/Her Closets & 4 Pc Ensuite, Insuite Laundry With Stacked Washer/Dryer. Great Location -- Walking Distance To All Amenities, Perfect For Seniors!!



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