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# Permits drop in King in 2016, but values rise By Mark Pavilons

The amount of building permits and municipal revenue may have dropped in 2016, but the value of construction has risen.

King councillors received a report recently highlighting permit activity in 2016.

In the report, it notes the building division received 51 complaints last year. They dealt with things like construction without a permit, unsafe conditions of structures and construction not according to approved plans. All of these, according to Peter Lavrench, chief building official, were followed through until "satisfactory compliance was obtained."

The total number of permits issues and the resulting revenue decreased by 10-15% in 2016, over 2015 levels. There has also been a "substantial reduction" in sewer connection permits. This is fitting, staff noted, because capital works for both King City and Nobleton sewers have been completed.

The building division did see an increase in pool enclosures, accessory buildings and deck permits. This is likely due to the large number of new homes over the past few years.

Staff predict building permit activity for this year will be similar to 2016.

While the number of total permits dropped to 960 in 2016, from 1,124 in 2015, work value soared to \$334.9 million. The biggest jumps were in agricultural operations, industrial, institutional, semis and residential additions.

Last year's institutional value skyrocketed to \$62 million, largely due to expansion plans at Seneca College. Industrial work also rose last year by more than \$2 million. Decks on houses almost tripled last year.



# **Dufferin Marsh 12th annual Skate**

The Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection is holding their 12th annual Community Skate and Bonfire on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 3 to 6 p.m. on the marsh in Schomberg off Dr. Kay Drive, if ice conditions allow (alternate date is Feb. 18). Please bring your shovel to help clear the ice! Come out and enjoy a fun family time with hotdogs, marshmallows and hot chocolate. Donations accepted to support our work. Everyone is welcome.

Photo by Tom Wray



## **REGULAR FEATURES**

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Township recognized for efforts.

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CDS students bound for Oxford.

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- 89'x122' Reverse Pie Shaped Lot
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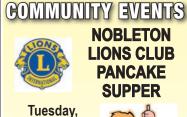
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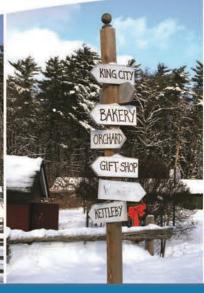














### **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

### **MUNICIPAL OFFICE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2075 King Road Monday, February 27, 2017

6 pm - Council/Committee of the Whole

Public meeting: re: Zoning By-law and Official Plan Amendment File Numbers: Z-2016-08 and OP-2016-04 Applicant: Steven Andreetta

Location: 30 & 50 Station Road and 10 West Street, King City

Public meeting: re: Zoning By-law Amendment File Numbers: Z-2016-17 and Related Site Plan Development

Application SPD-2016-74 Applicant: Sujan International

Location: 1956 King Road, King City, ON Part Lot 57, Plan 85

Monday, March 20, 2017

6 pm - Council/Committee of the Whole

To view full Council and Committee of the Whole agendas, visit king.civicweb.net/filepro/documents

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

- Crossing Guard for King City (Nicort Court): remains open until filled
- Parks Operator Afternoon Shift (seasonal/contract): Closes February 17
- Parks Summer Student: Closes February 17 Seasonal Parks Operator: Closes February 3
- Please visit the Township website at www.king.ca

for employment opportunities.

## **PUBLIC NOTICES**

### **NOTICE OF OFFICE CLOSURE** Family Day, February 20

Municipal Offices will be closed on Mon, February 20 for Family Day, and will re-open on Tuesday, February 21, 2016, 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.

# PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE

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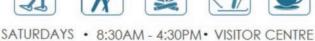












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Discover Curling Family Day - Feb 20 \_\_\_\_\_ KING

Bookings from 8:30am - 4:30pm The Trisan Centre \$5/person \$15/family

Register at www.kingcurling.com \*Registration deadline: Noon, Feb 18

Free Family Skate • Family Day, February 20 King City Arena (25 Doctors Lane) Noon to 2:00pm Presented by the Barclay Team

Nobleton Arena (15 Old King Rd) 12:30 to 1:50pm Sponsored by Royal Bank



### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

### TAX AND WATER DUE DATE REMINDERS

### **PROPERTY TAX**

First Installment Due Date: February 24, 2017

"First" Tax Notices have now been mailed with installments due on February 24 and April 25, 2017. In order to avoid penalty/interest charged to your property tax account, please ensure all installment amounts are paid in full on or prior to the due dates.

### **WATER BILLS**

Due Date: February 9, 2017

WATER BILLS have now been mailed. Please contact the Finance Department immediately if you have not received your bill.

### **PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

Tax	Water	Bill Payment Options
Х	Х	By pre-authorized bank withdrawal
Х	Х	At most financial Institutions, including via personal on-line banking
Х	X	By cheque
	Х	Through the Township Online Services portal at www.king.ca

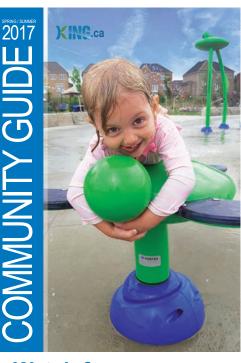
If paying in person at a financial institution, please present the entire bill.

When making payments electronically:

- Property Tax: enter your 15 digit roll number with no decimal (i.e. 000123456780000)
- Water: enter your 10 digit account number with no decimal (i.e. 1234567890)

After hours tax/water payments can be left in the drop box located to the left of the Council Chambers entrance at 2075 King Road, King City.

**Pre-Authorized Debit Program (PAD):** PAD programs are available for both <u>property tax</u> and <u>water</u> accounts. The enrolment form (same for tax & water) is available at <a href="www.king.ca">www.king.ca</a> (search for "PAD")



Watch for your copy of the 2017 Spring/Summer **Community Recreation Guide in the February 16 edition** of the **King Weekly Sentinel** 

We are trying to speed things up in King when it comes to internet service.

But we need your help.



Canada's telecom regulator (CRTC) recently declared that high-speed internet is now a basic service, just like a current landline

The issue in King is that large pockets of land - mainly in rural areas - don't currently have access to high-speed internet. Some areas don't have access to the internet at all.

That's why we are trying to access federal grant money to build more high-speed internet infrastructure in King. To do this, we need to collect data on areas in King that don't currently have access to high-speed internet.

We're asking all residents with internet service to either call our dedicated phone number, email us or visit our website to provide us with your name, address, internet connection speed\* and internet If you do not have access to internet services at your home or business, we need to hear from you

too. Please leave us a message stating your name, address and that no internet service is available To provide your information, please call 905-833-4020, email kingconnects@king.ca or visit www.king.ca by Feb. 10.

\*If you do not know you internet connection speed, please visit <a href="www.speediest.net">www.speediest.net</a> – press the go button and wait for the speed information to display. The display will show your upload and download rates. 
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# **MEET THE MAYOR &** WARD COUNCILLORS

Tuesday, February 7 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Councillors

David Boyd & Linda Pabst

Tuesday, March 28 Schomberg Library 77 Main Street 6:30pm to 8:00pm

King City Library 1970 King Road 6:30pm to 8:00pm Councillor Bill Cober

Monday, April 10 Thursday, April 27 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Cleve Mortelliti & Debbie Schaefer

Councillor Avia Eek

Informal Meet & Greet Discuss Ward/Township Issues

All Welcome!

# Few homes added to registry

By Mark Pavilons

Adding a handful of homes on Keele Street to King Township's Heritage Register met with mediocre success recently

Township staff and heritage committee members recommended 13 properties along Keele in King City, given their significance in the community. After opposition from homeowners, only five were added to the Register.

Despite continual efforts by staff and councillors to assure homeowners the Register has no negative impacts, property owners remain retiscent and adamant about it.

Barbara McClelland appeared before council, said the committee failed to provide sufficient reasons to warrant its inclusion in the Register. "We know of no historic significance," she said, adding placing the property on the Register may adversely affect their ability to seek mortgage financing in the future.

Councillor Debbie Schaefer, who's been a diehard supporter of the Register and the work of the committee, said all of the properties met certain criteria. She said the committee held a well attended open house to give residents an opportunity to understand the Register and to ask questions.

She said these properties are all important to the streetscape and look along Keele Street.

Some residents believe it's too late to resurrect the charm of Keele by maintaining a historic feel.

"I don't think all is lost," Schaefer said. "It's important we take steps to preserve the streetscape of Keele Street."

She reminded her council colleagues

that planning policies and provincial directives do point to preserving our heritage.

"Clearly, property owners have different views on it," Schaefer added.
"No one else but us is paying attention" to the community's aesthetics.

The Ontario Heritage Act gives municipalities the responsibility for identifying, evaluating and conserving heritage properties. Provincial policy statement says: "... built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes shall be conserved where they have been determined to have cultural heritage value or interest for the important contribution they make to our understanding of the history of a place, an event or a people."

The main tool municipalities have is the Heritage Register. Basically, adding a property to the list means the owners have to give 60 days' notice of demolition to the council, which gives the municipality time to decide whether a house should be saved.

King's heritage committee evaluates properties under provincial regulations.

King began its work plan to review and evaluate more than 500 properties on the built heritage inventory back in 2012. Since then, 174 properties have been reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, and 137 properties have been added to the Register. To date, 150 properties are on the Register, as well as 34 properties designated under the Ontario Heritage Act.

The staff report noted a total of 75 properties were considered within King City and surrounding area, and some 49 are being considered. Staff will hold information sessions throughout the year.





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# Editorial, Letters & Opinion

"Public opinion shapes our destinies and guides the progress of human affairs"

~ Frank B. Kellogg

# We can, and do, help change the world

It is possible to change the world. In fact, it's being done, little by little, in every corner of the globe.

I just returned from Mission Team 2017's humanitarian adventure in La Higuera in the Dominican Republic. This work trip is an annual campaign led by St. Michael Catholic Secondary School in Bolton and Father Goetz in Mississauga.

Nine high school students and six adults formed this team of "pilgrims" working under our host, Sister Maude Rhenuad and the Congregacion Hijas de Maria. For decades, this diminutive powerhouse has been championing the rights of her people – the Haitians who toil to eke out a meager existence in an unforgiving land.

I joined my son and was the first "outsider" on this adventure. I wanted to witness the compelling and strangely alluring experience.

I was warned this mission involved hard work, from sun up to sun down. After a couple of days, every part of my body ached, but it was a good pain, a well deserved wake-up call. We worked hard to make the lives of strangers a little better, more tolerable, less empty.

We concentrated our efforts on providing food, clothing and necessities to the Haitian sugar cane workers, who are persona non grata in the Dominican. Sister Maude oversees some 55 bateys (ramshackle villages), helping upwards of 10,000 souls! To them she is truly a godsend and she's dedicated her life to improving their plight.

Thanks to the team's effort and financial support, she's been able to upgrade her facility, which includes accommodations for visitors, a church, school, seniors' centre and clinic. Her small compound is the focal point of the community.

While I've seen and written about the human condition over the years, in this case we lived in the middle of it. You could not help but be moved in different of tears, the next your laughing with

be lived simply.

Did we make a difference? You bet!



Mark Pavilons

sugar cane workers and their families. The bags contained rice, flour, sugar, beans, cooking oil and sardines. We also added hats, shirts and work gloves. This not only provides a week's worth of food, it gives them a break and eases their financial burden. You can see this, and other videos on YouTube: https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=wwpP\_ MZGzI4&sns=em

In those two days we spent hours standing in the back of a pickup truck, bouncing around roughly 120 kilometres of dirt paths. We were hot, sweaty and dirty, but no one complained. Never in my life would I have thought I'd be traversing the wilderness with a group of teens, helping the destitute.

On another occasion the teachers purchased groceries and a team chopped, cooked and prepared fresh, hot food, which we took to the bateys. I believe we fed some 150 people that day, which involved amazing teamwork to pull off such a potentially precarious move.

I watched some of them eat their ways. One moment you're on the verge meals. For that short time they felt the comfort of a warm meal brought to their doorstep. Perhaps they took com-I marvel at the fact life was meant to fort in the fact that a group of Canadi-

In one afternoon, we visited three people shouted, jostled and asked for included Marc Anthony Corallo, Karbateys and handed out clothes to more more. We could have doubled our efforts than 200 people. The next day we delivate and it still wouldn't have been enough. ered food care packages to another 100 But with focus and cooperation we de-

livered our aid with a smile, handshake and "God bless."

The number of young mothers with babies and toddlers in tow was astonishing. These beautiful children are growing up in rather dismal conditions, yet they are priceless.

We were welcomed and thanked. I handed out crosses and rosaries to the weathered men in their 50s and 60s, who are fueled by faith alone.

In one batey, we were invited in to a typical dwelling. The one-room "house" has a bed and some shelves for their meager possessions. I have no idea where everyone slept or ate, but I imagine they are quite resourceful.

The President's Choice reusable grocery bags were prized for their multi-purpose practicality. The suitcases we left behind become storage con-

On our final day there, we took a group of school children to the beach. Despite living on a tropical island, they have never seen the ocean and they were quite overwhelmed by the experience. Some were timid and afraid of the slopping waves. One girl grasped my hand firmly and confidently directed me to walk with her, out a little farther. This one will go far in life!

The real changes and improvements in the community speak for themselves. A local man has made enough money from the sale of handmade bracelets (mostly to our group alone) to pay down some of his debt and open a make-shift store next to his home. We purchased an expensive, commercial grade stainless steel stove that will be used for many years, preparing daily meals for the school children and seniors. The school saw the addition of a partition and the beginnings of a new library, thanks to our donations. Our contributions will and donated clothes, school supplies, help fund the seniors centre. Our donations of over-the-counter medications will stock the shelves of the clinic for months. We funded the construction of a new well. Some of our funds will be used to build a public washroom where

All of this was made possible by the a price on that! ans cared enough to make the gesture. mission team and the generosity of Of course, there were occasions when others. St. Michael's "Magnificent 7" ask Maude Rhenuad. olina Drozd, Liam Hesketh-Pavilons, more durable than stainless steel, glass Daniel Iaboni, Daniel Jerman, Victoria and mortar. We created a sense of re-"Dynamic Duo" included Joy Abubakar for us.



and Jessica Duarte. The best teachers on the planet who led the group were Chaplain Urszula Cybulko, Christopher Fielder, Michael Gallo, Lisa O'Donnell and Joann Mansfield.

The generosity of my supporters played a big part in the success of our "pilgrimage." I'd like to extend our deepest thanks to Carol Ann Trabert, the Parish of Lloydtown, artist Helen Lucas, residents of Carrying Place, Hard at Work in Kingscross, Wilson Markle, Jasmine Montreuil, Pat Ruffolo, John Ciarallo from John's No Frills in Nobleton, Joe Genara from Mary Lake Shrine, Holy Family Church in Bolton. There are many others who pitched in

No, we did not break the cycle of poverty but maybe we detoured it a bit. By paying it forward this mighty bunch of teens planted a seed, and set in motion a cycle of generosity and compassion for our fellow human beings. You can't put

Progress can be painfully slow. Just

What we left behind is perhaps much Verni and Noah Wright. Father Goetz's newed hope and potential, for them, and

Letter to the Editor

# How is 2.98% hike justified?

In whose world is 2.98% a low increase for taxes?

Please help me understand how council can justify this amount. The Township of King, and most other GTA areas, are enjoying windfall incomes from vastly increased property assessments. The Township of King is also enjoying almost unprecedented residential growth with most homes now selling for well above \$1

The federal government said the cost of living is 1.6%. With all these factors, how do arrive at 2.98%? Surely it isn't salary increases, which are nowhere near 3%, as far as I know, and surely it isn't due to hydro increases. Yes, now is the time to focus on infrastructure and capital projects, but with lending rates at the lowest rates in history, why not borrow money from the bank and keep taxes down?

> Angela Rose Schomberg

# KingWeeklySentinel WEBP Results from last week's poll:

Premier Kathleen Wynne has killed Toronto's plan to establish toll roads. Did she do the right thing?

**58%** a) Yes 42%

The results of this poll are in no way considered to be valid or infallible.

# THIS WEEK'S **QUESTION**

Are you enjoying the relatively mild winter in the GTA?

a) Yes b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!



# **Brainteaser**

Two men play 5 complete games of checkers. Each man wins the same number of games, with no ties. How?

Last week's answer: Autobiography because it is not a work of fiction.

# King Township Trivia

In the late 1830s Laskay had a woolen mill, general store, post office, shoe shop, photograph shop, tavern and cooper



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# Greenbelt fund helping residents discover local food

The Ontario government, in partnership with the Greenbelt Fund, is investing in Ontario's apple farmers and encouraging residents to choose local apples more often.

The funding is helping the Ontario Apple Growers increase food literacy with consumers by highlighting the benefits, versatility and availability of Ontario apples. The project will share apple recipes, host educational farm tours and tell the stories of apple growers in Ontario. It will also help support the growth of Ontario's produce sector by encouraging the purchase of locally-grown apples across the province.

"Ontario's apples can't be beat in taste, and this project with the Ontario apple growers will remind folks to get out and enjoy the fresh, local apples we are lucky to have here," said Burkhard Mausberg, CEO of the Greenbelt Fund. "Approximately 40 per cent of Canada's apples are produced here in Ontario, and this project is going to help more Ontarians discover new ways to use this delicious and nutritious local fruit."

"Our government is making it easier for Ontarians to enjoy locally-grown produce by helping more people across the province learn where their food comes from and about its local availability. I'm delighted that our government supports local food initiatives by organizations like Ontario Apple Growers," said Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. "By increasing Ontarians' awareness ing with the Greenbelt Fund and the of the benefits and availability of locally-grown apples, we have the potential to improve their health while at the same time, growing our apple sector and supporting our province's thriving agri-food sector."

"About three in seven apples purchased in Ontario are grown here," said Charles Stevens, Chair of the Ontario Apple Growers. "If we can increase that number to even five in seven, we will see a huge return on this investment and significant boost to Ontario's economy. We're thrilled to be partner-

province to make sure every resident in Ontario chooses a locally grown apple."

Ontario is supporting the Ontario Apple Growers with a \$49,000 investment, bringing total funding to almost \$3 million this year to support projects across the province. Through the Local Food Investment Fund, the Ontario government is helping to bring more locally-grown and raised food to people across the province. The program is administered by the Greenbelt Fund, which has seen a 13:1 return on investment on its grants made since 2010.

# MPP Munro targets improper personal injury lawyer behaviour in new Private Members' Bill

Julia Munro, MPP for York-Simcoe, signaled her intention to introduce a Private Members' Bill that would protect accident victims and other consumers from certain legal practices.

The Bill would incorporate key elements of former MPP Tim Hudak's Private Members' Bill, the Protection for Motor Vehicle Accident Victims and Other Consumers from Unfair Legal Practices Act, specifically, sections dealing with high contingency fees, referral fees, and aggressive advertising. MPP Munro is expected to table the Bill in early 2017.

"Some members of the legal profession have been attracting clients and then referring cases out to other lawyers in return for hefty referral fees," said MPP Munro. "Clients are often unaware that the firms they contact will refer them

agreements in Ontario. Because of this lack of transparency, Munro argues, injury victims are often ill-equipped to make informed decisions on whether to enter into a contingency fee agreement. Meanwhile, victims are often shocked at the amount of their settlement that goes towards legal fees.

"Ontarians deserve a system which clarifies the process. With this Bill, I will continue to fight for increased transparency," added MPP Munro. "I urge all my colleagues from all parties to stand up, be counted, and support my Bill to help protect Ontario consumers."



The Bill will also tackle the lack of transparency surrounding contingency fee



For all of you who have a love music, here is your chance to enjoy Canada's flagship choir. The Elmer Iseler Singers will be performing at St. John's United Church in Alliston (across from Shoppers Drug Mart), on Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

This 20-voice fully-professional choral ensemble is based in Toronto, and are considered one of the finest choirs in North America.

Tickets for Elmer Iseler Singers are \$35 and are available at St. John's United Church, 56 Victoria St. E, Alliston, Rustic Roots in Jackson Plaza in Beeton, Paper Moon, 47 Victoria St. W, Alliston, Herbert's Western Wear, 85 Victoria St. W, Alliston. You can also call John Dodington at 705-718-0545 or Mardi Andrew's at 416-451-1504.







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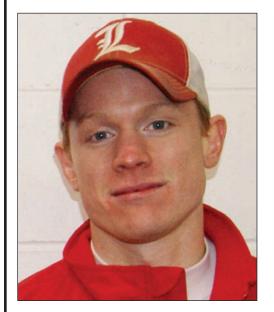
This is just one of the ways King Campus programs are contributing to building healthy and safe communities.



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# The word around King

Are you optimistic about Donald Trump's presidency?



**Sean Freeman** "No."



**Lucas Debrowski** "Trying to be."



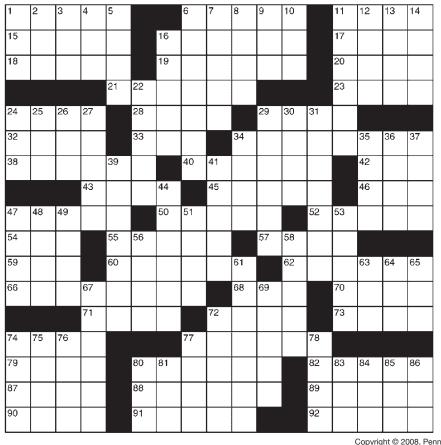
**Marc Deroche** "No."



**Lindsay Masterton** "Not at all."

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# **Robotics team Tecking 6046** is in full swing in King City

Students from King City Secondary School Robotics Team Tecking 6046 attended Kingbridge Centre for the 2017 FIRST Robotics Canada Kick-off "Steamworks" Jan. 7. This is the second year Team 6046 has participated in this competition, last year seeing the 10 student team awarded the 2016 Rookie Inspiration Award.

The team this year is much larger, consisting of about 35 students from programming, engineering, marketing, fundraising and organization interests. Together, they have six weeks to build a 120-pound robot, under strict guidelines, to

compete in two competitions in early spring.

The robot must be able to carry nine plastic balls, shoot or dump them into a chimney stack or hopper on a stand-alone "star ship." As well, the robot must be able to collect and deliver 10-inch-diameter plastic "gears." At the end of each match, the robot is required to hoist itself off the ground to earn additional points.

(Check out https://www. youtube.com/watch?v=EMiNmJW7enI to see the challenges and the competition simulation our students will be participat-

After the live stream video presentation, Team 6046 executive members conducted a brain storming session on specifications and robot design.

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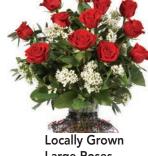
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The announcement was made at PowerStream's head office as part of an official cheque presentation ceremony involving several company officials including Maurizio Bevilacqua, PowerStream board chair and Mayor of Vaughan; Frank Scarpitti, board member and Mayor of Markham; Jeff Lehman, board member and Mayor of Barrie; Brian Bentz, president and CEO; Dennis Nolan, EVP, Corporate Services & Secretary and Campaign Co-Chair; and Bill Schmidt, VP, Information Services and Campaign Co-Chair. They presented the cheque to Daniele Zanotti, CEO, United Way Toronto & York Region; and Dale Biddell, CEO United Way Simcoe Muskoka.

The donation is consistent with PowerStream's commitment to support the communities in which its customers live, work and play. The company's annual campaign includes a variety of employee-focused initiatives that help to raise funds for the United Way and its agencies. In 2016, the initiatives included payroll deductions, a corn roast, employee bingo, 50/50 draws and the company's charity golf tournament.

"Giving back to the communities we serve is an integral part of Power-Stream's culture," said Bevilacqua. "Every year, it is a privilege to witness the level of consistency shown by our employees in their commitment to support a great cause like the United Way."

"Being a leader in corporate social responsibility is something we value highly at PowerStream," said Brian Bentz. "Further to this, our employees recognize the importance of giving a helping hand to those in need and our successful annual employee campaign is a testament to this."

PowerStream's Charity Golf Tournament held in September 2016, generated over \$140,000 for the campaign. Other funds were raised through payroll deductions and other internal employee initiatives.

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# YRP Services Board releases draft budget

The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board and York Regional Police are pleased to release the draft 2017-2019 Business Plan for York Regional Police and are inviting public comment and feedback.

"I am pleased to present the 2017-2019 draft Business Plan on behalf of York Regional Police," said York Regional Police Services board chair Frank Scarpitti. "The Business Plan was developed in consultation with York Region residents, businesses and community partners, as well as members of York Regional Police. The plan will ensure high-quality and cost-effective policing services today and into the future."

Highlights of the 2017-2019 Business Plan include a continued focus on evolving and serious crimes that affect the community, effective and efficient delivery of service, maintenance of a high level of public trust and satisfaction and a greater emphasis on youth engagement and partnerships with diverse communities.

"The strategic priorities identified in the Business Plan will ensure York Region remains safe for years to come," said Chief Eric Jolliffe. "Our members are committed to achieving the objectives outlined in the plan as we modernize our service, continue to find efficiencies and deliver professional, superior-quality service. The views of our community are welcome and encouraged."

The draft 2017-2019 Business Plan is posted at YRP.ca/BusinessPlan. They are looking for your comments and feedback about the draft until Feb. 17. Contact the Planning, Research & Evaluation Unit at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 2052.



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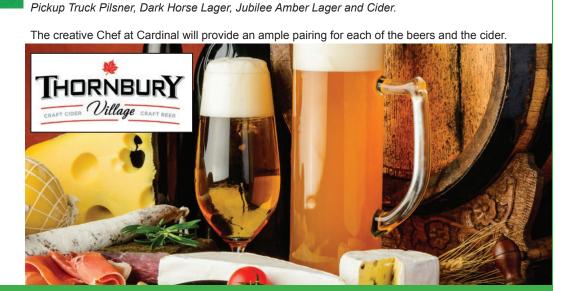
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Mike Cole, deputy director of engineering and development, and John Vandenberg, environmental project manager, with the Award of Merit. The Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority gave the award to Cole and Vandenberg for their efforts in drafting a policy to protect the Lake Simcoe watershed.

# King recognized for conservation work

King Township was recently named the annual winner of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) Award of Merit.

The award was given in recognition of King Township staff contributions to a storm water management policy working group.

"Sometimes individual efforts aren't enough," said Rob Baldwin, LSRCA's general manager of planning and development. "Today's complex problems require collaboration with many different partners to achieve results beyond the ordi-

The working group's main focus was drafting storm water technical guidelines for developers to follow in the Lake Simcoe watershed. The group included representatives from the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, the building industry and other watershed municipalities.

King's representatives were Mike Cole, deputy director of engineering and development, and John Vandenberg, Environmental Project Manager.

One of the highest priorities for the group when drafting the policy was recognizing that the Lake Simcoe watershed is extremely sensitive to excess phosphorous. Elevated levels of phosphorus can lead to algal blooms and accelerated plant development which can have negative impacts on the watershed's ecosystem as a whole.

"The group came up with a policy that is progressive, streamlines the development application process while improving the health of Lake Simcoe," Cole said. One of the ways the new policy does this is by requiring developers to build storm ponds to retain storm water longer than merely letting it run off.

"Retaining the storm water for longer periods of time allows the phosphorous loads and other potential contaminants to settle out instead of running directly into the lake or other receiving bodies of water," Vandenberg said.

The guidelines cover development, including new development, redevelopment and infrastructure, such as roads, bridges and parking lots.

"The net impact to residents will be a higher degree of safety from flooding," Baldwin said. "The greatest impact will be on the health of our streams and Lake Simcoe."

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# Two CDS students bound for Oxford next fall

ity De Simone and Olivia Railton, Grade 12 students at The Country Day School. Both girls had this date highlighted in their calendars for months.

This was the day that all shortlisted candidates for Oxford University heard via email whether they had been accepted. By 7 a.m., both Trinity and Olivia were grinning from

The school's university placement record has always been strong, but even the Oxford Office of Undergraduate Admissions reports that "it is very unusual for schools to have more than one offer holder."

Both students are passionate academic learners with a great depth of knowledge who were drawn to Oxford's tutorial teaching style of learning (most classes are taught either one-on-one or one-on-two, not lecture style) early in their high school careers. Initially, they both viewed it as a long shot, but as the years passed, it seemed to become more attainable for each of them.

Trinity De Simone first dreamed of going to school in the UK while on a family trip to London in Grade 6. She has demonstrated her passion toward many things since arriving at CDS

January 11 wasn't an ordinary day for Trin- in Grade 7, including social justice and inclu- school had just been accepted and Olivia imsivity, writing, reading and poetry, as well as drama and music. After Grade 10 she realized her academic average would allow her to be competitive and apply to universities outside of Canada. Meanwhile her thirst for knowledge and desire to explore topics in depth led her to establish a unique rapport with her philosophy teacher – the Director of Academics for Middle/Senior School, Dave Harvey.

> "Our conversations have been central to why I got into Oxford. I needed someone to talk with me about the things that I was interested in. Mr. Harvey was able to provide that for me through weekly one-on-one conversations." It wasn't until a vear into these in-depth conversations that Trinity realized how much they paralleled Oxford's tutorial system.

> According to Harvey: "Trinity is naturally compelled to explore philosophical and psychological issues - it is at her core. She is also very engaged by ideas and acts on her beliefs." He has been recommending reading materials to her for the past two years.

> In pursuit of an even greater intellectual challenge last summer, Trinity attended a three-week course at Cornell University called Genius and Madness in Literature. Similar to

> > the interdisciplinary course she and Olivia took at CDS last year (On the Nature of Change), this university course was mostly literature based with some philosophy and psychology elements peppered throughout.

Students were assigned to read a text every day and a book every weekend. A pivotal moment for Trinity came after reading Kant's views on aesthetics and listening to a guest lecturer speak about it the next day.

"That was the moment for me when I knew I was going in the right direction in terms of philosophy and psychology – being able to use logic to explore concepts that are important and relevant to every day life."

In writing her personal statement, she endeavoured to convey how much she loved her subjects and hoped that this degree of passion would carry through and be noticed.

Olivia Railton first set her sights on attending Oxford at a debating tournament at Queen's University in Grade 9. A fellow debater from another CAIS

mediately set about to learn more.

Her CDS debating coach, Kerstin Wyndham West, is an Oxford graduate and as a seasoned member of the CDS Debating and Public Speaking team for the past six years, Olivia has spent countless hours training with Ms. Wyndham-West and travelling to tournaments throughout Canada, parts of the U.S. and Hong Kong. She has achieved a great deal of success in her high school debating career, including a 2nd place finish at the World Championships last year in Pittsburgh, PA (fellow CDS debater and friend Natalie Ganzhorn captured 1st); 1st overall and top speaker for the second year in a row at the International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition and numerous other accolades.

According to Ms. Wyndham-West: "Olivia has researched numerous current affairs and human rights topics during her years of debating. She has developed excellent critical thinking skills and the ability to articulate her ideas effectively in both written and verbal form using real-world examples to back up her points. Not only have these abilities contributed to her success on the global stage, but they are also phenomenally important life skills that will no doubt stand her in good stead in her law studies at Oxford University."

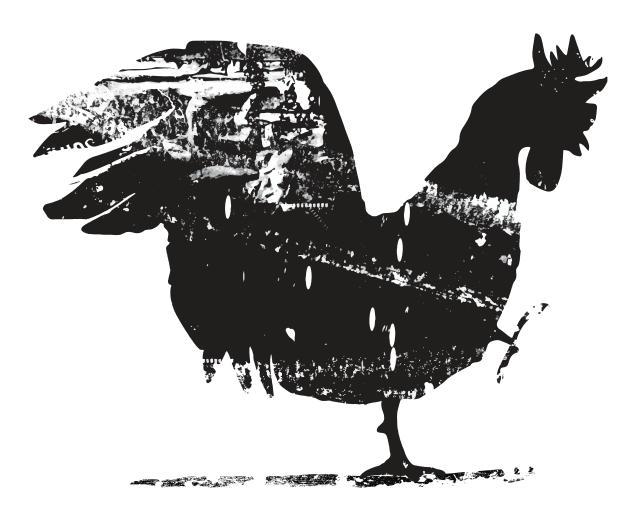
The National Debating Championships take place next month in Winnipeg and Olivia hopes to qualify for Worlds for the third time - taking place in Sydney, Australia this April. Ultimately, debating at the Oxford Union has been her ultimate dream, as it is reportedly the most prestigious debate society in the world.

When applying to schools in the UK, similar to the U.S. system, one must write a personal statement and take a standardized test, depending on which school you're applying to. Throughout the UK's UCAS system, applicants may apply to up to five schools through one common application with an earlier deadline of Oct. 15 for Oxford. Students then learn if they are shortlisted for an interview by the end of November. It is strongly advised that all applicants travel to take part in their personal interview in early December.

Olivia and Trinity both made the trip across the pond, but were scheduled a week apart. The interview process was extensive, Olivia had three interviews and Trinity had four. Trinity applied open, which means she was randomly assigned to the college of Lady Margaret Hall, which was then deemed her "first choice" and where she stayed during the interviews.

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# Students passionate learners

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She also got additional interviews at a randomly assigned "second-choice" college, Pembroke, Olivia applied to her first choice, Wadham College, for Law with European Law which will allow her to study in The Hague in the Netherlands – home of the U.N.'s International Court of Justice and the International Criminal Court during her third year.

"British universities don't put as much emphasis on extra-curricular involvement," explains Olivia, who is especially excited about the opportunity to study law in The Hague. While she admits that her debating skills were a tremendous help, she had to present a compelling argument as to why debating would help her become a good law student in constructing her personal

According to Harvey, Olivia's verbal reasoning skills are unparalleled. "As a world class debater, her verbal acuity is quite amazing. She also distinguished herself by pursuing an AP class in psychology on her own."

Distinguishing herself comes naturally for Olivia, and she has done it continuously since arriving at CDS in Grade 2. Her background in public speaking and outgoing nature have contributed to her success as a Student Ambassador for Admissions, and she is a wonderful addition to the School's Band and Coffee House evenings as a saxophonist, guitar player and singer: including doing duets with Trinity.

As one would expect, their interviews were intellectually rigorous. Trinity's were all on the same day, and included in-depth dialogues following pre-readings that she was given 20 minutes in advance, and the question, "Can computers think?" in which she engaged in a 20-minute one-on-one discussion. Olivia's interviews were spread out over three days and included writing applications of the law, an interview with two law professors seated across from her in an Oxford boardroom, and a final one conducted entirely in French.

Through Olivia's involvement in the international debating circuit, she has developed a global network of friends, which she added five more to (four Brits and a German) during her interview stay. On their last evening, they promised to contact each other on Jan. 11, regardless of the outcome. And as luck



and smarts would have it, all six will reunite at Wadham next fall.

"Both of these students are extremely passionate learners and have been known, supported and nurtured at CDS," explained David Huckvale, the School's Director of Admissions and University Placement. "When it comes to writing personal references, it is often a team effort, and there were many willing contributors for both students. Now the entire community gets to share in the rewards of their accomplishment."

These students not only persevered, they triumphed. However, both girls realize the magnitude of this opportunity and have pledged not to let their guard down over the next two terms as they are expected to maintain their high

Oxford University is always ranked in the top 10 among the world's university rankings and is currently #1 in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. The oldest university in the English speaking world (having developed rapidly since 1167), it has accepted an average of 10 Canadian students a year to its undergraduate studies in the last decade.

On that fateful Wednesday morning, Mr. Huckvale's office was the girls' first stop upon walking into school together. According to Olivia, "He gave us the confidence to apply and it was really nice that Trinity and I could make him proud."

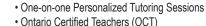
Huckvale has helped CDS graduates earn acceptance to top calibre colleges and universities across Canada, the U.S. and UK for the past eight years. While this is outstanding news to start off the acceptance season, he remains excited about what is still to come for the other members of the Class of 2017.



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# Plenty of activities at the Dufferin Marsh

# Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop

**Blood Donor Clinic** 

The first blood donor clinic for 2017 is planned for Wednesday, Feb. 15 at the Trisan Centre from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Schomberg's clinics are always a roaring success so remember "You have it in You to give!"

### **Schomberg Skating Club**

Saturday, March 11 from 9:05 to 9:50 a.m. is the Annual Spring Friends and Family Skate at the Trisan. Everyone is welcome and this is a free event!

The Schomberg Skating Club is your local skating club affiliated with Skate many decades and is run entirely by parent volunteers. They employ professional Skate Canada certified coaches and offer CanSkate and StarSkate programmes that develop skills for hockey players, recreational skaters and figure skaters alike. Everyone is welcome to come out and watch the skaters, help the skaters, and help the club, wherever your talents may lie - coaching, fundraising, administration – it all helps!

Check out their website shomberskatingclub.ca

### Running/Walking groups

Spring Running/Walking Groups are getting prepared to start up again on Tuesday, April 4 at 7:15.

There will be a walking program added to this group in the spring. Anyone who would like to get a group going now and needs help please contact info@schomberg chiropractic.ca

### **Dufferin Marsh Committee**

The Dufferin Marsh Committee is conducting their 20th Annual Great Backyard Bird Count from Feb. 17 to 20.

Become a citizen scientist and join the Dufferin Marsh People on Monday, Feb. 20 at 10 a.m. for the Great Backyard Bird Count. This is a guided bird walk where participants help collect information on winter birds in our area. Dress for the weather and bring binoculars (some will be available to borrow) and meet by the bulletin board on the south side of Dr. Kay Drive in Schomberg.

You can submit your observations online at birdcount.org

For further information please call Mary Asselstine, at 905-939-7544.

This group is also planning their annual Community Skate on Saturday, Feb. 11 at 3 p.m. in the Marsh. If the ice is not safe it may have to be postponed

It is a great event for the entire family and there will be a bonfire, hot dogs, marshmallows, hot chocolate, coffee.

Donations to the Dufferin Marsh Committee are always appreciated. For further information please contact Mary at 905-939-7544 or www.dufferinmarsh.ca

### **York Pines United Church**

The Annual General Meeting for YPUC will be held after the church service on Sunday, Feb. 12.

YPUC next Book Club Meeting is Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. and they will be discussing Pierre Berton's epic "Vimy." All are welcome.

### **Anglican Parish**

Joyful hymns including "Jesus Bid Us Shine, This Little Light of Mine" and "Let There Be Light" filled Christ Church, Kettleby and St. Mary Magdalene's Schomberg and spilled out on to the streets as this past Sunday (Feb. 5) the Anglican Parish of Lloydtown reclaimed and celebrated the ancient Christian holiday of Candlemas observed secularly on Feb. 2 as Groundhog Day. It was noted that while candles are no longer the main source of light in churches today neither are they just a decorative touch but rather a symbol of God's real presence there with us as

Please keep in mind St. Mary Magdalene's upcoming Souper Thursday on Feb. 16, from 5 to 7 p.m. Come and enjoy a good bowl of homemade soup with a fresh crusty roll, tea coffee or juice. Hopefully those who come to eat in the church's basement hall will stay around for the planned after dinner fun and games.

An overnight snow tubing experience for parish young people is planned for Friday, Feb. 24. This absolutely fun filled event started by parish priest, Rev. Sheilagh Ashworth now includes young people from All Saints King City, Church of the Evangelists Tottenham, Trinity Aurora and St. Paul's Newmarket and a good time is had by all. Come on along and have lots of fun no experience necessary!

Contact the church office at 905-939-2314 for more information.



# Somerville boosts Christmas in King

Elizabeth Furlano (holding the cheque), General Manager of Somerville, and Heather Bones are flanked by some of the Somerville staff who supported the Christmas in King drive for funds. With company matching donations, the amount given to Christmas in King totalled over \$2,100.

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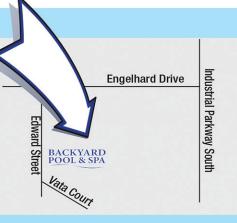
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# Township hockey organizations are starting talks for a merger

By Jake Courtepatte

King is one step closer to a jointly-run King Township minor hockey rep program for next season.

Executives from both the Schomberg Minor Hockey Association and Noble-King Minor Hockey Association last week approved last a motion to merge the two programs at the representative level, creating one organization for all of King Township.

NobleKing president Mike Baldesarra and Schomberg president Kelly Harbridge released a joint statement about the future merger.

"We are extremely pleased to report that the negotiating committees of both organizations have worked extremely hard on your behalf, completing in a matter of a few months a comprehensive framework and the necessary agreements to create King Township Minor Hockey. Our proposal to create King Township Minor Hockey is an innovative minor hockey organizational structure that is unique to the needs, geography and communities of our municipality."

The merger is unique in that both centres will preserve both their Local and House League programs, allowing players at a recreational level to compete, as always, at a level they see fit.

"The original community based teams at the recreational Local level will remain the same, in order to preserve our rich hometown hockey traditions within the King Township villages," said Harbridge. "We believe it will offer the best of both worlds - allowing our hometown hockey heritage to continue at the local community level, while cooperating with each other to create a more competitive and dynamic Rep hockey experience for those players wanting to compete at a higher level."

"Our emphasis to our members is that this is not an amalgamation/merger per se, as a true merger destroys the original centres and only leaves one new entity going forward."

The new King Township organi-

zation will be jointly run by both the Schomberg and NobleKing organizations, in a 50/50 manner.

"The newly created King Township Minor Hockey will be responsible for administering the competitive rep hockey program for the entire Township, managed by a joint board of directors," said Harbridge.

All eligible players within King Township's recognized OMHA territory will be able to try out for the King Township rep teams.

It is initially anticipated that King Township will be categorized as an "A" level hockey centre, although the final categorization remains to be seen.

Team name and official colours are yet to be determined depending on a final approval, though rules stipulate they be "unique and distinct" from the current branding used by both the Schomberg and NobleKing organizations.

The final proposal for the plan is scheduled to come before both Schomberg and NobleKing executives on Feb. 21, where a vote will be held on whether to move forward with the

More information on the plan can be found on both organizations websites www.schombergminorhockey.com and www.noblekingminorhockey.com.

# Jr. C playoff standings

Around the Jr. C League, the Caledon Hawks provided an upset against the Stayner Siskins to tie their first-round series 1-1. The third-place Penetang Kings and sixth-place Orillia Terriers are also tied at one, while the fourth-place Midland Flyers lead the fifth-place Huntsville Otters 2-0.

For stats, schedules, and more information, visit www.schombergcougars.com.



Nicholas Nabuurs makes a stop on Ryan McReynolds in the Schomberg Cougars' 5-2 loss to the Alliston Hornets on Friday.

Photo by Jake Courtepatte

# Cougars squeak out OT win vs. Hornets

By Jake Courtepatte

In their third game of the Provincial Junior Hockey League post-season, the Schomberg Cougars have managed to do what only three teams could do all regular season.

That is to defeat the Alliston Hornets, one of the two PJHL powerhouses expected to cruise to the Carruthers division second round after a first round bestof-seven series.

Down two games to none heading back to the New Tecumseth Rec Centre on Sunday, Vince Michelizzi played the game of his life between the pipes in stopping 48 of the 51 shots directed at the Schomberg net. He allowed just one goal through two periods and the first five minutes of the

third, with Schomberg leading 3-1, before Ryan Young notched two late goals to send the game to overtime.

Just under six minutes into extra time, Connor May scored his third goal of the game to complete the hat trick and earn a crucial two points for the Cougars. Linden Sturrock was the Cougars' other goal scorer.

The game was a decisive turning point for Schomberg, who was on the wrong

end of two lopsided scores prior to Sunday. Thursday's opener at the Trisan Centre saw Alliston take a 4-0 lead into the third period, eventually winning 6-1.

The first game at New Tec Rec on Friday was a disaster of discipline for the Cougars, who allowed three power play goals in the first period. Scoreless 10 minutes in, Alex Acosta was handed a five-minute major and a game misconduct for cross checking, followed by a shot that was tipped twice that fooled Nicholas Nabuurs on the power play.

Sturrock managed to tie the game shorthanded just minutes later, though Young and Alliston leading scorer Stephen Nosad added extra-man markers with Cougars in the box for stick penalties late in the frame.

Alliston went four-for-six on the power play in an eventual 5-2 win, sending 41 shots in on Nabuurs' net. Brennan Young scored the second goal for the Cougars, early in the third period on the power play.

Both teams will lace them up again on Thursday at the Trisan Centre, when the Cougars host the Hornets in Game 4 at 8:30 p.m.

The series shifts to Alliston on Sunday for a 6:30 p.m. start time.

# King City basketball tops in York conference

By Jake Courtepatte

The Tommy Douglas Titans were no match for the highest scoring team in YRAA division III basketball, the King City Lions, last month in the King City

A second half comeback by the Titans was foiled by the fast break offence of the Lions, who won their sixth game in a row to maintain their position as the top contender in the division.

The lions jumped out to a quick 8-0 lead in the game, with three minutes of action before the Titans made a pair of free throws. King City took a 19-10 lead into the first intermission.

The second quarter saw a stalemate between the two teams for the first two minutes, before the Lions used their fast breaks to score eight unanswered points, and take the lead by a wide margin of 27-10.

It took the Titans until the final two minutes of the quarter to score their first field goal, entering halftime on a 40-18 deficit.

They came alive in the third quarter, notching 28 points to bring the deficit

The gap closed even further in the fourth, with the Titans calling a timeout while down by fourteen points. A quick three-pointer from the Titans then forced the Lions to call a timeout, who went into defensive mode for the last three minutes and held on for a 67-56 victory.

The win kept King City as one of two teams undefeated in the YRAA's division III, along with Milliken Mills. Their 12 points keeps them at the top of the fourteen team conference.

For schedules, visit www.yraa.ca.



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# Austin Broad competes at provincial championships

By Shellee Morning

King Curling Club was well represented this past weekend at the Ontario Curling Provincial Championships by none other than 11-year-old Austin Broad.

Austin took part in the provincial final on Saturday, Feb. 4 in Cobourg as part of the men's and women's Ontario championship to participate in the (youth) skills competition. Last December, the competition was open to all clubs in Ontario with a total of 700 kids taking part in 3 different age categories between 6-13 years old. Each athlete was required to perform and execute different shot making into the house (rings). Curlers were allowed 5 attempts at each shot where the scores were then recorded by where the rock landed in the house.

For example, 5 points were awarded for the rock that landed on the button, 4 points for the rock in the 4-ft. ring and so on. The club sent in their results, and once each club was totalled the top 10 from the 700 participants would then travel to Cobourg Ontario as part of the men's and women's Ontario Provincial Championships.

Austin Broad had the highest total of points for the Bantam category and was selected to advance to the Provincials representing the King Curling Club

King Curling had 13 kids that participated in December for this coveted event and Julie Oakley, one of the club's youth program coaches was thrilled with the kids enthusiasm and sheer excitement to be a part of something this big. A chance to be on the same ice as Glenn Howard and Rachel Homan, wow! It's an opportunity of a lifetime for any youngster to see some of the greatest players in their sport.

Austin accumulated a total of 5 points in the Hit, Draw and Tap Event while the winner scored a total of 9. Broad's outstanding achievement placed him in 4th place overall and to cap off an excellent day of curling the youngster got to meet the players from both the ladies and men's teams that are competing for the Ontario Provincial Championships titles.

The winners move on and will represent Ontario at the Canadian Curling

championships later this month.

After receiving autographs from the stars and a backpack, and sweatshirt in appreciation of participation, Austin clearly stated with excitement that he could not wait to do it all again next year! On behalf of the entire King Curling club and its members, we congratulate Austin on his tremendous accomplishments in Cobourg and wish him continued success in curling.

The results for each category held at the King Curling Club were as follows: Age 6 to 8 – William Ford, 1st place;

Austin Ford, 2nd place; Kyle Strano, 3rd place.

Age 9 to 10 – Caleb Nowell, 1st

Age 9 to 10 – Caleb Nowell, 1st place; Carson Strano, 2nd place; Aaron Heise, 3rd place.

Age 11 to 13 – Austin Broad, 1st place; Jacob Switzer, 2nd place; Cody Jitta, 3rd place.



Austin Broad delivers his stone at the Youth Ontario Provincial Skills Competition held at the Cobourg CC this past weekend as part of the Ontario Provincial Curling Championships.



# **Atom As win Challenge Cup**

The NobleKing Knights Atom A team defeated the Clarence Rockland Crush 2-1 to claim the NobleKing Challenge Cup on Jan. 15. The coaches and parents are proud of their boys for their determination, perseverance and the teamwork that they portrayed during the tournament. Congratulations boys on the win!

# KING FAMILY DAY

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Cost: \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 for a family of 3 or more. Basic equipment (brooms, grippers & sliders) and coaching are provided in the above fee.

Clean footwear is a must! Children must be 7 years of age or older. Children under 12 years must bring & wear a helmet. All children must be accompanied on the ice by an adult/guardian/caregiver.

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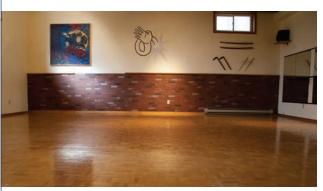


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**King City United** By Earle Laycock

Faith. Jesus once said that you could move a mountain with sufficient faith even so small as a mustard seed.

Sunday, Rev. Evelyn McLachlan spoke about great faith held by a Roman Centurion who had heard of Jesus and asked that he heal a trusted and loved servant who was close to death (Luke 7:1-17). The Centurion was not likely a follower of Judaism. But the Centurion had helped the Jewish people in the area and the elders pressed Jesus now to help him. When Jesus began his journey to the Centurion's house, he was met with the message that the Centurion considered himself unworthy of the visit but asked only that Jesus give the "word" and heal his servant. What faith! Are we waiting for "the word?" Sometimes we might use this as an excuse for inaction on our part. What word are you waiting to hear? to activate your faith?

As Rev. Evelyn said: "Each of us is invited to continue the work of Jesus in our own way. Few of us have the abili-

King's Corners ty to raise dead people and bring them back to life! But we are not to dismiss ty to raise dead people and bring them have to read music or be an accom- Elizabeth Grove, King City. Join us for the calling to do what we can to bring life to people who are hurting and to bring help to people who are vulnerable."

King City United Church held their annual general meeting following worship on Sunday. With the retirement of Rev. Evelyn at the end of 2017, new opportunities are opening up for the congregation. Thanks to our Office Administrator, Kristen Doyle, who did such a great job of putting together our Annual Report with so many photos recording the events of 2016. Sadly, we also remember the passing of many good friends, including Dorothy Isabella Lytle, John (Jack) Russel Wear, Michael Warden Whitehorn Jarvis and Donald Wayne Fry. Thanks also to Sheryl Sinka who chaired the meeting and kept it light and on topic.

Interested in learning more about scripture or having some interesting discussions? Come to Bible Study every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

King City United needs YOU! If you enjoy gospel songs, hymns and music in general, then consider coming out to choir practice. We are in need of new voices, both female and male. You don't

plished singer. Our terrific Music Director, Rosemary Karunaratne, gently guides us in learning our music. Give it a try and see if it's something you enjoy. The next practice is Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. We would love to have you share the enjoyment of singing.

Make new friends, enjoy a great breakfast and discuss the latest news both local and worldwide. Join Tea & Talk on Fridays at 10 a.m. at the Sunset Grill in King City. Tea & Talk is inspired by Martin Luther's discussions 500 years ago, with students over a beer at the local pub which led to the Reformation.

We look forward to welcoming and meeting the refugee family on Sunday, Feb. 12, that a number of area churches have sponsored (All Saints Anglican, Sacred Heart Catholic, York Pines United, All Saints Anglican in Collingwood, Holy Trinity Anglican in Thornhill and KCUC).

Rev. Evelyn will be leading worship at Elginwood Nursing Home Sunday, Feb. 12 at 2 p.m. Speak to Rev. Evelyn if you would like to attend and say hello to KCUC member Mildred Manson who resides there.

King City United is located at 50

worship every Sunday at 10 a.m. There is Sunday school for the young folks. For more information, call our office administrator Kristen at 905-833-5181 or visit our website at www.kcuc.ca

### **King Bible Church**

We welcome you to join us for worship service on Feb. 12! Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series on the Churches of Revelation with "Philadelphia - The Faithful Church."

Please take advantage of our excellent children's ministry. Our Sunday morning "Celebration Zone" provides age-appropriate programs for children aged 4 to Grade 8. Our children's program is staffed by screened volunteers who care about your kids! The children in Grades 1-8 will join their parents for the beginning of the service until they are invited to go downstairs. The children in kindergarten can go directly to their class at the start of the service.

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# King's Corners

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We are excited to welcome Richard Fangrad from Creation Ministries International-Canada on Sunday, Feb. 26! He will be speaking on "It's a Great Time to be a Christian!"

### St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

You're always welcome at St. Andrew's! Sunday worship service is at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday school running concurrently. Join us afterwards for coffee and a chance to chat and meet new friends.

The Ladies' Tuesday morning Prayer Time continues at 9 a.m. for an hour. All are welcome to pray, give thanks, or just listen and be still before the Lord. God is with us as He promised, hearing and answering our prayers, offering comfort, hope, and direction.

Coffee and Conversation is Thursday at 10 a.m. in the church office. Soup and Conversation meets at 6 p.m. Come and be part of the conversation.

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Should you have pastoral care needs please contact Lynn Vissers, our Director of Congregational Ministries at the office, 905-833-2325. Our church is located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd. There is a ramp available for accessibility. www.standrews-kingc-

### All Saints Anglican Church By Diana Armitage

The pancakes are back! All Saints will again be hosting an annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner. Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, Feb. 28. Hot sausages and pancakes, tasty desserts, and refreshments will be served between 5-7 p.m. Bring your appetites! Cost is \$5 per person at the door.

The word "shrove" is a form of the English word shrive, which means to obtain absolution for one's sins through Confession and doing penance. Thus Shrove Tuesday gets its name from the custom for Christians to be shriven before the start of Lent.

Sunday, March 5 after the 10:30 a.m. service, the Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Green will be offering an informal presentation about her pilgrimage and Journey of Justice in Israel and Palestine. Elizabeth will speak about her experiences, show some of her best photographs and share in an open discussion that may follow. There will be a potluck lunch. For more information speak to Elizabeth or email her at priestallsaintskingcity@gmail.com. All are welcome.

On Trinity Sunday, June 11, Bishop Peter Fenty will join us at our 10:30 a.m. service that will include the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows. The preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows requires communication, information and education.

It is an opportunity for adults and youth to learn and grow together as present day disciples of Jesus. The Rev. Elizabeth would like to form a group of those wishing to either be Confirmed and/or to Renew their Baptismal Vows. If you are interested or want more information please talk to Elizabeth or leave a message at the church office: 905 833-5432.

### Marsh 12th annual skate

The Dufferin Marsh Nature Connec-

tion is holding their 12th annual Community Skate and Bonfire on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 3 to 6 p.m. on the marsh in Schomberg off Dr. Kay Drive if ice conditions allow (alternate date: Feb. 18). Please bring your shovel to help clear the ice! Come out and enjoy a fun family time with hotdogs, marshmallows and hot chocolate. Donations accepted to support our work. Everyone is welcome. See you there!

### **Horticultural Society**

Nobleton King City Horticultural Society, that great group of growers, is already hard at work planning for the gardening season ahead. Look for great speakers on a variety essential gardening topics, colourful flower shows a time to exchange ideas and tap into gardening expertise.

Flower shows and meetings are slated for the 4th Monday of the month (July and August excepted) starting at 8 p.m. in the Nobleton Community on Old King Rd. with the first happening on Monday, March 27. Mark it on your calendar but most important come!

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# Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone 416-917-0406

### St. Paul's Church

The Youth Group takes place every Wednesday night at the church from 7-9 p.m. (unless there is a special activity planned). Come join in the fun. Check here for details, or contact our Youth Leader Taylor Scott at scottie\_tay@yahoo.ca or 289-338-2539.

Join us Sunday, Feb. 12 at 10 a.m. as Jeff continues his series entitled -"Being the Church." An exposition of 2 Timothy. Jeff's message this week -"Today, Two Thousand Years Ago."

A2J is a program for kids in Grades 3 to 6. It's an evening of Bible stories, songs, games, crafts, self-confidence building and lots of fun. A2J meets the 2nd and 4th Friday evening of each month, through May. It's not too late to join. Contact the church office at 905-859-0843 for more information.

Child care (for children 3 years of age and younger) is provided during the gathering. Our KidzKonnectiion and NextStep programs (for children ages 4 to 11) take place at the same time.

Jeff has a blog and he records his weekly messages there after worship each Sunday. Anyone interested in listening to his messages can go to www. passionatelyhis.com to hear them.

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33 day Novena to Jesus, begins Feb. 20. Preparation for the Total Consecration according to St. Louis de Montfort (book available on Amazon.ca).

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Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord will be held March 25. All parishioners and families are invited to join us for a day of prayer in thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother's Fiat, at SM Church. The Feast of the Annunciation celebrates both Our Lady's humility and her faith in God's will. Please join us for any amount of time you can spare. For more information, please contact Deacon Don or Debra, 905-235-

### **Nobleton United Church** By Nancy Hopkinson

We at Nobleton United are celebrating our first female minister, Carol-Ann Chapman Rodgers, who officially started Feb. 1. Carol-Ann is looking forward to getting to know our community and would warmly welcome anyone to come for a chat. Just phone the church (905-859-3976) to let Carol-Ann know. If she is not there, she will get back to you.

The next Messy Church is on Tuesday, Feb. 21, from 5-7 p.m., with lots of activities for children from 2 to early teens related to a money theme, sto-

Deacon Don, runs July 28 to Aug. 7. ry time about Jesus and money, and a meal. We will have cookies in the shape of bills, loonies and toonies to be decorated with various icings. There will be Monopoly for the older ones to play. There will be a grab game with strings and pretend coins and a timer. A different station will have play dough for sharing. There will be bills to create similar to five dollar bills, but with a promise to help someone with something, like washing up or walking the dog. Children must be accompanied by an adult or two. All are welcome.

Our Joint Annual General Meeting is on Sunday, Feb. 26 following the 11:15 a.m. service at Nobleton United and a lunch. Both Schomberg United and Nobleton United will be discussing their annual reports and their joint activities. All are welcome to attend and contribute ideas and goals for the coming

We are looking for two more good beginner guitars for our new Youth Music program to bring our complement to six. This will allow students to learn using them. There will be an opportunity for the students to perform at a community function after about 6 weeks of practice. Dennis Kowal, our organist, and Barry Simpson, our Facebook creator, are offering this program. If you have a guitar in your house that is no longer being used, and would be willing to either donate it or sell it at a reasonable price, please contact Barry at simpsonitservices@gmail.com. Bryan Curry at Bolton's Music 21 donated his time, talents and material to our Youth Music program by repairing one guitar with a full bracket replacement and on another one, replaced the faulty peg and gear, added a new string and adjusted the truss-rod. Hats off to Bryan Curry at Music 21!

Nobleton United will be hosting our famous Pasta Dinner with meatballs (Gino DiFebo's heritage Italian recipe) on Friday, March 10. Meatballs are served separately so those vegetarians amongst us can still enjoy the meal. The meal includes salad, buns and dessert (canned fruit, ice cream and a special crispy Italian wafer cookie called pizzella). Tickets are \$20 per adult, and \$45 for a family (12 and under). For tickets call Linda Olsen at 905-859-0442. The meal is organized by Gino & Sue DiFebo and Val Ball. There is only one serving, so call ASAP to reserve your tickets.

If you would like a subscription to the United Church Observer magazine, the cost this year is \$25. Please contact Joan Teather at 905-939-7776 before Feb. 19.

The next seniors' luncheon at Kitchen Breedon Manor in Schomberg will be on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at noon. Lunch will be catered and will be followed by a slide show and talk about a local couple's travels in Europe. This is part of an Outreach Program by Schomberg United. Contact Jack Campbell at 905-939-2992 if you would like to attend.

For more info, visit nobletonunitedchurch.com, our Facebook page, or call 905-859-3976. The Nobleton United Church office is normally open on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Messages are picked up regularly. We are located at 6076 King Rd., north side, about 6 buildings west of Hwy 27. We have a big parking lot at the rear of the building, an accessible ramp at the rear of the building, chair lifts and accessible washrooms.

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# Nobleton Notes

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### **Nobleton Lions**

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For more information on these and other events why not check out our www.nobletonlions.com

### **Mixed Volleyball**

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### **Nobleton Skating Club**

The Nobleton Skating club has been a part of our community since 1958. teaching countless children to skate. We pride ourselves on keeping group sizes small, and all skaters are with a coach at all times during Canskate. Skaters will be assessed on the first day of skating, and placed into groups.

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### **Anglican Parish** By John Arnott

When viewed from outside in Santo

Domingo's Columbus Square it may seem squat and fortress-like, but when standing on the floor tiles set in diamond shaped patterns in the nave (main part of the church) and looking up at the beautiful Gothic vaulted (arched) ribbed ceiling some 52 ft. above, one quickly realizes Santa Maria La Menor, the oldest church in North America and still in use, has an adequate but pleasing height giving the interior a lighter more airy feel.

Authorized by Pope Julius 11 (Michelangelo's patron) eight years earlier construction was started in 1512 using local honey coloured coral limestone to build what was originally a small church. And it is thought that Diego Columbus, eldest son of Christopher Columbus, placed the first stone.

The church was meant to serve the few Spaniards, mainly seamen, traders and adventurers, that frequented the area. But when colonists seeking a better life in the New World began to arrive in what is today the Dominican Republic, it soon became evident that a larger church was needed Thus in 1521 construction was begun to build the Santa Maria we see today.

Using the same honey coloured coral lime stone the front of the old church was enlarged and now featured a long intricately carved frieze (border) where wall and roof meet. A limestone porch with a Roman style vaulted ceiling, its entrance split by a Corinthian pillar, brings worshippers and visitors into the church. Pillared niches holding statues of saints climb the outer porch walls. From the back of the porch 3 doors, one of which has panels is covered in beautifully carved silver called plateresque, lead into the nave. The high (main) altar is also covered in silver similarly carved (plata is Spanish for silver).

1541 saw the church finished and rededicated to St. Mary of the Incarnation. It now contained a main aisle and 2 side aisles giving access to 12 small side chapels. Some 5 years later, Pope Paul 111 granted it cathedral status making Santa Maria La Menor the first

cathedral in the Americas. In the early 20th century the Vatican designated it a minor (menor in Spanish) basilica. For a few years the cathedral was the resting place for the ashes of Christopher Columbus. These have since been removed to nearby location.

Disaster struck Santo Domingo, capital of the Dominican colony, in 1586 when Sir Francis Drake the noted English pirate and his men captured the city. Looting and burning soon followed but because Drake quickly recognized the church's fortress-like qualities he made it his headquarters saving it from destruction.

The St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton that the United Nations (UNESCO) has declared Santa Maria La Menor a world heritage site.

# King City Seniors Centre travel plans

By Carol Kanitz

### **Travel Club News**

For any Travel Club information, please call Jane at 905-833-5870.

There is still time to book your trip down memory lane circa 1950. Join us at Famous People Players for their production of "Running Wild" on March 9.

A trip is planned to Woodbine Race Track and Casino on Saturday, April 10. In order for this trip to go we require a minimum of 40 people. This has been a popular trip in the past so get a group together and sign up now.

### Personal finances

Monday, Feb. 13 at 1:30 p.m. there will be a presentation on personal finances given by Terry Turner, a financial planner. In order to make this relevant to the attendees, you are asked to either send questions that you have with regard to financial planning to Carol Field at 905-833-3324 or bring them with you on the day. It is hoped that this will be a useful conversation for all participants.

### **Chess Club**

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