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The spring thaw presents many dangers for residents and officials are urging caution near waterways.

Officials warning of ice thaw dangers

By Mark Pavilons

Local officials are warning residents of the dangers associated with rising water levels and the spring thaw.

Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) is reminding residents of the dangers that exist near bodies of water, particularly around this time of year, and urges people to keep family and pets away from the edges of all water-

With warmer temperatures, people look forward to getting outdoors but spring also brings rain, melting snow and shifting ice, which contribute to higher, faster flowing water in watercourses.

LSRCA pointed out that although we have experienced a few thaws this winter, the snow cover throughout the Lake Simcoe watershed is typical for the beginning of March. The ground remains frozen and local rivers, streams and lakes are mostly covered in ice. With warmer weather, comes melting snow and potential rain which will contribute to higher water levels and increased velocities in local watercourses. As well, slippery and unstable stream banks and extremely cold water temperatures can also lead to very hazardous and dangerous conditions close to any body of water.

The sentiments were echoed by York Regional Police.

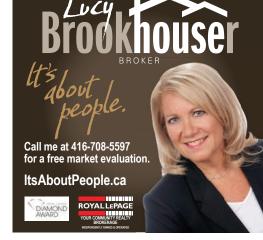
Each year, members of YRP's Marine Unit respond to calls of people, vehicles and pets that have fallen through the ice. Citizens are reminded to keep pets and children away from all ice surfaces during these times where the ice is melting.

Officers have spotted open areas in the ice near the mouths of rivers and where there is moving water. The thickness of the ice on Lake Simcoe can vary based on currents below the surface and temperatures above. Uneven cracks can quickly form, resulting in hazardous obstacles for snowmobilers.

"Remember: No surface of ice or body of water is ever completely safe. It is crucial that citizens take individual responsibility in evaluating the dangers of any recreational activity. If you make educated choices regarding safety, accidents can be prevented," police stress.

The LSRCA offer the following safety tips:

Keep family and pets away from the edges of all bodies of water. Avoid all recreational activities in or around water.



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Monday, April 1, 2019

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

6 pm – Special Council Closed Session Meeting

- Litigation or Potential Litigation Affecting the Municipality; and Personal Matters about an Identifiable Individual(s)
- Legal, Planning and Enforcement Departments Report Re: Legal/Planning/Enforcement Property Matters

Monday, April 15, 2019

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

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

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

6 pm - Sustainability Advisory Committee

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

1 pm – Accessibility Advisory Committee

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

6 pm - Committee of Adjustment

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Thursday, April 11, 2019

3 pm – Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board, Development and Engineering Services, Boardroom, 305 Barrie Street, Bradford

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

6 pm – King Township Public Library Board Meeting Nobleton Branch: 8 Sheardown Drive

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Equipment Operator closes March 29
- Program Instructor (PT seasonal contract) closes
 when filled
- Arena Assistant I (casual contract) closes when filled
 Parks Maintenance Worker (6-month contract) closes
- Parks Maintenance Worker (6-month contract) closes when filled
- Parks Seasonal Worker (seasonal contract) closes when filled
- Parks Seasonal Worker Afternoon Shift (seasonal contract)
 closes when filled
- Crossing Guard (contract) closes when filled
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REMINDERS

2019 Animal Licensing

It's time to renew your dog's life time tag or obtain a new tag for your dog/cat. Cats are required to be



licensed. Visit the municipal office to apply or complete the online animal licence application at www.king.ca and submit by email. Apply before April 15 to save \$5.

Half-load restrictions

The annual half-load period to limit vehicle weights to 5,000 kg per starts on designated Township roads effective Fri., March 1, 2019 to Fri., May 31, 2019 per our By-law 2010-141. For further information, please visit half loads or call 905-833-5321.



REMINDER! Help us keep your streets clear of snow and safe for passage. To ensure effective snow removal, Winter Parking Restrictions are in effect from **November 1st to April 15th.** On-street parking is prohibited on any roadway from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. during this period.

Please see more King Township notices on page 5

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Special Council, Closed Session Meeting will be held on:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2019 - 6:00 P.M.

IN THE KING CITY (163) - COUNCIL BOARDROOM THE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL OFFICE CENTRE 2585 KING ROAD, KING CITY, ON

1. The purpose of this special meeting is to accommodate a necessary Committee of the Whole Closed Session Meeting regarding the following:

Motion to move into Closed Session pursuant to Part 5, Section 39 of the Procedural By-law Number 2018-60 to consider the items as set out in the Agenda.

Part 5, Section 39, Subsection 39.1(e) - Litigation or Potential Litigation Affecting the Municipality; and Subsection 39.1(b) – Personal Matters about an Identifiable Individual(s)

Legal, Planning and Enforcement Departments Report Re: Legal/Planning/Enforcement Property Matters

Kathryn Moyle Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement Township Clerk



Tuesday, February 5

77 Main St. 6:30pm - 8:00pm Councillor Bill Cober

Schomberg Library

Thursday, April 4

Ansnorveldt Library 18997 Dufferin St. 6:30pm - 8:00pm Councillor Avia Eek

Wednesday, March 20

Nobleton Library 8 Sheardown Dr. 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Councillors David Boyd & Jakob Schneider

Tuesday, April 16

Jordan Cescolini

Township of King Municipal Centre 2585 King Rd. 6:30pm - 8:00pm Councillors Debbie Schaefer &

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A representative from York Regional Police will be at all the meetings to provide information and answer questions on policing issues like how to protect your home or business from break-ins.

TOWNSHIP OF KING VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 2019 GRANTS

Non-profit community organizations which provide or develop recreation, cultural or social opportunities within the Township of King are advised that applications for Grants from the Township of King for 2019 must be completed and submitted to the Township by **Monday, April 1st, 2019**.

The Community Grants Policy Information and Application are available on the Township website at www.king.ca, or please contact:

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Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement Fax: (905)833-2300
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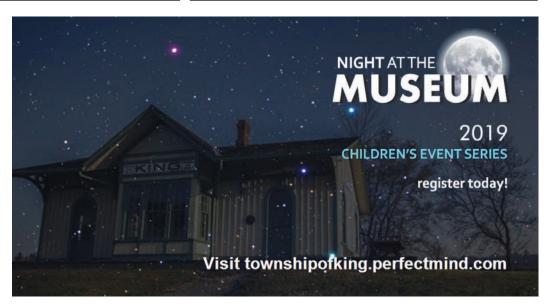
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Budget carries 2.3% hike

By Mark Pavilons

Cognizant of every tax dollar, King's treasurer presented the 2019 operating budgets with minimal impacts to taxpayers.

After being told by councillors to trim some staff expenses, Allan Evelyn presented the 2019 budgets Monday in a marathon council session.

Based on an average property assessment value of approximately \$835,500, residents will see an increase of \$51 on the Township portion of their 2019 property tax bill.

For every residential tax dollar collected by the Township, the estimated portion retained by King is 40.03 cents. York Region gets 40.39 cents and the province gets 19.58 cents for education.

The total approved 2019 operating and capital budgets are \$71.7 million.

Initially, Councillors Jordan Cescolini and Jakob Schneider said they wouldn't support the budget, citing deficiencies in their wards that take priority over other projects. After some discussion, which included a review of long-term capital projects, and a vow to hold workshops, they agreed to support the 2019 operating and capital budgets.

Staff had originally proposed a budget that carried a 2.8% hike, but achieved further efficiencies. Staff accomplished this through a combination of identifying incremental sources of revenue, deferral of personnel requirements, and a reliance on an appropriation from the tax rate stabilization re-

Evelyn said this budget "represents a responsible request for access to resources and establishes a path toward predicability of future tax rate impacts through 2022, while also creates a clear path of infrastructure investments that will serve the Township for decades."

Staff deferred some staff additions and also made revisions to the fouryear forecast for capital works.

Evelyn stressed that residential taxation is the Township's primary source of revenue and they have to make sure they don't erode their reserve contributions.

To help offset some of the projected increases and costs over the next four years, they will dip into the tax rate stabilization reserve, which currently sits at \$1.2 million. Any draws through 2022 will be replenished, he said. The Township will generate supplementary taxes from new growth. The Township has incurred debt, but has a solid debt repayment plan.

Nobody is happy with tax increases, said Councillor Bill Cober, noting this budget process has been responsive and responsible. Councillors all asked for road improvements in their wards and they got it.

See 'King's' on Page 9

Township names its new CAO

By Mark Pavilons

King Township will have a new CAO, as long-serving Susan Plamondon retires. King has appointed Daniel Kostopoulos as its incoming Chief Administrative Officer effective April 1.

Kostopoulos, a professional engineer, has over 28 years of experience in the municipal sector.

Much of his career has been spent with York Region where he served in several progressive capacities; as its Commissioner of Transportation Services. In this role, he had overall responsibility for delivering roads, transit and fleet services, and as Director in Environmental Services responsible for delivering major capital infrastructure programs for Water, Wastewater and Waste Management.

Most recently, Kostopoulos was the Chief Administrative Officer of the City of Vaughan.

"Daniel's obvious skills and experience - combined with his track record and interest in citizen satisfaction and employee engagement - make him an

ideal candidate to be King's next Chief Administrative Officer," said Mayor Steve

The mayor added council's vote was unanimous and Kostopoulos is "the right fit for us at this time."

Pellegrini noted his experience will serve King well considering our need for addressing infrastructure and roads.

In his previous roles, Kostopoulos was responsible for leading as many as 2,000

employees and for delivering large-scale programs and public services. "I am very much looking forward to working with the mayor, members of council, staff and the community to advance council's priorities, deliver public ser-

vices and oversee the business obligations of King Township," said Kostopoulos. Kostopoulos will be replacing Susan Plamondon who is retiring at the end of

March. Susan, a lawyer by profession, brought to the Township of King 25 years of direct experience in municipal government. Most recently, she was the Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of Georgina. Her previous experience includes establishing the Town of Newmarket's "in house" legal department and serving as its first municipal solicitor. In this role she became Newmarket's first commissioner with a portfolio that included overall responsibility for the planning, building and bylaws, economic development and legal departments.

Susan has also been active in her community over the years in varying capacities. She sat on the board of directors of the Country Day School and was the King Township/Town of Aurora elected Trustee to the York Region District School Board for 9 years. While a Trustee, Susan served as vice-chair of the board for many years. Susan and her husband Rob Wilson have raised their family in King Township having lived in King for almost 40 years.

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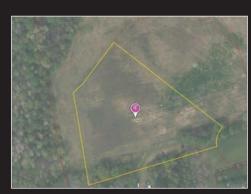
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Squeeze the joy out of every single moment

"The best way to pay for a lovely moment is to enjoy it."

Richard Bach

It's funny how small moments in our daily lives can have profound meaning and impact.

Maybe it's all a matter of perspective and simply taking note of the small

We are presented with untold millions of precious little moments. The key is to completely absorb yourself in it while it's happening. Wrap your eyes and ears around it like a blanket and feel its warmth!

Last week, my wife and I took two of our children to Snow Valley for an afternoon of fun. Kim wanted to introduce both of them to skiing, since she's quite an accomplished skier herself. She really wanted her kids to embrace the sport, as she did.

In case you're asking, yes Kim spent a day trying to teach this left-handed, While shopping can be tiresome for us left-footed man the sport several years ago, with very limited success.

I admire those who excel at anything, especially sports related activities. To see seven-year-olds whipping around like pros is just amazing.

I can't tell you how much my chest swelled and heart expanded as I saw my children take to the slopes. Sure there frustration, but I really enjoyed this af-

I also enjoyed big brother helping little sister out. Maybe there, on the snow, ondary learning and begin to chart a true feelings slip through and love course for his life. shines. It did for me.

My wife and I huddled together I think he will become a fine man. watching the events unfold. To some, this may seem relatively bland or even and many studies and reports indicate

present at Coach. Both she and Liam gets to their destination, as long as they



Mark Pavilons

males, a surprising thing happened. Both of my older two kids stepped up to the plate and paid for the gifts, without prompting! I'm still somewhat confounded by it all, but it made this frugal consumer quite happy.

we did and didn't even know it!

My son turned 18 and he is no longer was trepidation and the typical teen a boy, but a man. He's also a towering young man so now I owe him respect of

He is now ready to engage in post-sec-

Today's career paths are challenging, boring. But to us it became much more. the new generation moves from job to Later that afternoon, we stopped by job, profession to profession. I suppose the outlet mall to get Kim a birthday it doesn't really matter how someone share March 15 as their special days. make it. I liken it to swimming in a lake,

and eventually reaching shore, pulling ty in each moment. yourself up on the beach and basking in

errands to ensure our offspring have ev- Snow Valley! erything they need.

dogs can learn new tricks.

The key to enjoying life is to strip away the crap - the negative trappings – to reveal something enjoyable. It's ly understand the down time shared by like cracking a nut to get to the goodness our European and Mediterranean coundeep inside. We know there's a nugget terparts. Life in some parts of the world in there somewhere, and it often takes involves a mid-day siesta, a time to take a lot of effort, but once it's revealed it's a break, relax and recharge. Maybe if priceless.

I likely inherited some of my "grumpiness" from my dad and my wife says I complain too much. To me, I think it's more a case of trying to apply logic and a step back, and shrink the "big piccommon sense to a world that's lacking ture." What's important, he said, is not in both of these qualities.

You can't teach generosity, or perhaps things. I worry and dread the long drive to London where my daughter Lexie attends university. But, alas, the drives that way, we'll find we have many more tend to be pleasant journeys if the successes than failures; more bright weather's nice. Long drives can actually be cleansing, I've found. I constantly ly when travelling these days.

Based on what I witnessed last week, to live in the present, launch our- and letting the sun kiss her cheeks. selves on every wave and find eterni-

I think we are so busy and our lives a bit too hectic for our own good. When There are a lot of things parents have was the last time you simply spent a to do, and are obligated to do, on a reg-quiet moment just sitting and looking at ular basis. That includes shuttling the the trees outside your window? I think kids to and fro and constantly running I had one of those moments last week at

It has been a while since we were away This can take a lot of enjoyment out in the tropics, but we try to get away to a of life, and blur those special moments. lake every summer. I find just looking at Chores are called chores for that very the water and hearing the waves lap the shore so intoxicatingly soothing, that I have just recently learned some- nothing compares. In those moments, thing new, which proves that yes, old all the stress melts away and the most pressing chore is getting up for another

> We in North America have yet to fulwe were forced to take stock on a regular basis, we'd be happier and more productive.

Viktor Frankl said we should take the whole meaning of life, but the spe-I think we also tend to complicate cific meaning of a person's life in a given moment.

> If we take his advice and look at it spots than dark times.

We know the bleak periods will come, worry about everyone's safety, especial- so we should revel in the sunlight. My mom's most favourite moments were Henry David Thoreau said we have sitting in the back yard, closing her eyes

I like those moments, too.

Provincial Politics

Online consultation on governance

The Ontario government is seeking local input on how to improve governance, decision-making and service delivery for regional governments and member municipalities.

All people who live or work in the 82 upper- and lower-tier municipalities included in the review are invited to share their thoughts through the online consultation. The deadline to submit comments is April 23.

"We promised the people of Ontario that all levels of government would work harder, smarter and more efficiently," said Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. "Our government is ... seeking local input on how to improve governance, decision-making and service delivery for regional governments and their member municipalities.'

In addition to meeting with municipalities and stakeholder groups, Special Advisors Michael Fenn and Ken Seiling will assess the feedback received through the online consultation. They will provide their advice and recommendations to Minister Clark this summer.

"I look forward to receiving the recommendations and hearing what is working in the regions and Simcoe County, and what can be improved," said Clark.

The government is committed to working with municipalities to help ensure that they have effective local governance and decision-making, and are providing services quickly and efficiently.

To participate, visit https://www.ontario.ca/page/consultation-regional-government-review

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Brainteaser

Two men come to a river and there is only one single-seated boat. Both cross the river, how?

Last week's answer: Both are fake. No coin is dated BC (since Christ had yet to be born) and King George was referred to as just George.

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A short-sighted decision with far-reaching impact

heritage," no doubt Kettleby would be considered one of the most well-preserved historical communities in the Township today.

Dating back to 1842, this charming little hamlet is cherished by its residents as well the broader community. It is home to the Township's Canada Day celebrations, and for many years thousands attended the annual Kettleby Fall

Back in the 1990s the residents formed the Kettleby Village Association (KVA) following an Ontario Municipal Board challenge of road access to the Loopstra development via Loren Ave. and opposition to the Township's proposed expansion of the historic Kettleby bridge to 2 lanes. The KVA was formed out of a belief that protecting the historical character was important.

For many years the KVA has championed efforts to improve the streetscape, decorating the street with Christmas

On the subject of King's "cultural time greenery, planting spring bulbs, future generations. removing invasive plant species in Tyrwhitt Park and organizing the annual village spring cleanup. Further, the village residents organized the annual Kettleby Fair and the Township's Canada Day celebrations. Their many efforts and dedication have allowed large numbers of citizens to enjoy the quant village each year.

It is so very disheartening to learn of the recent approval of a demolition permit, granted to the owner of one of the oldest homes prominently located in the heart of the village. It is beyond my comprehension to understand the thinking behind council's almost unanimous decision, which oddly placed the desires of a single landowner above the interests of the broader community. I expect the Township's Heritage Committee must be scratching their heads, wondering what role and influence they now have regarding protection of the Township's built heritage for our

It's very sad to see the end of an era for Kettleby, where historic properties were seemingly protected from re-development. By council's decision one must conclude that the original homes are not considered of value to protect from landowners who care more about having big, shiny new, modern homes, that fool no one into thinking they are original. Remember that the Township doesn't have control; they can suggest but not dictate the architectural style of new builds.

So as the expression goes "it's a slippery slope," which historic home, church or how about the old Kettleby General Store building, will be next to face the re-developer's bulldozer.

Beyond the real threat of losing this charming historic streetscape, not surprisingly, this controversy has had a marked impacted on the morale within the community. Understandably residents are shocked at this ridiculously

short-sighted decision by King council. One wonders what will become of it over time. Will disillusioned residents leave Kettleby a skeleton of what it was. with no heart or soul?

> Andrea Scott-Pearse Former Kettleby resident

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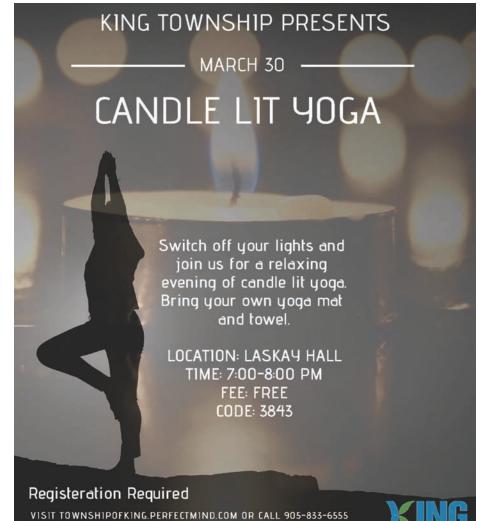
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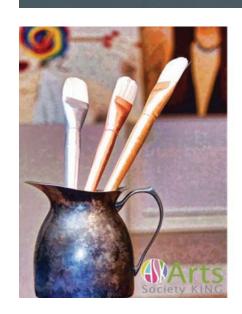


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Thurs 21st

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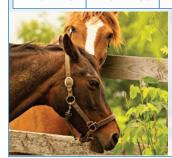
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MPP Stephen Lecce is joined by Noor Din, CEO of Human Endeavour, and a large group of excited seniors, celebrating the purchase of a new mobile transportation vehicle.

MPP Lecce celebrates mobile transportation van for seniors

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, joined by Noor Din, CEO of Human Endeavour, and a large group of excited seniors, celebrated the purchase of a new mobile transportation vehicle through the assistance of a capital grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

"Our government is firmly committed to improving the quality of life and accessibility of our seniors in King-Vaughan and across our province. The government of Ontario's investment in Human Endeavour through the purchase of a mobile vehicle will enhance the health, well-being, and social inclusion of the greatest generation, our seniors," Lecce said.

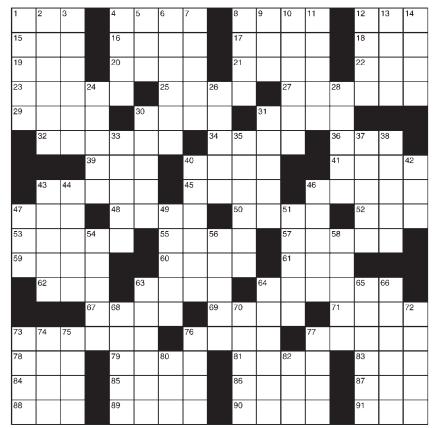
The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) is an agency of the Government of Ontario responsible for awarding over \$120 million to some 700 projects last year to support Ontario communities.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation approved a capital grant to Human Endeavour to purchase a vehicle to help seniors get to wellness and social inclusion pro-

"Our experience demonstrates a fundamental correlation between physical and emotional well-being and mobility. The addition of new van enables us to enhance our transport services for the benefit of seniors," said Noor Din.

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 - 28. Piece of wood 30.Usefulness
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- 56.Prevent 58.___ Christmas
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- 70.Bitterly pungent 72.Call up 73. Willing's partner
- 74. Sneak a look 75. Molding 76. Encourage in crime 77.Heal
- 80. Vase 82. Buck's companion

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The word around King

Do you think Kawhi Leonard will stay with the Toronto Raptors next season?



Damien Ovalez

"No, he's going to LA."



Anthony Ciarello

"Hopefully."



Artie Wiggins "No."



Andrew Waldermann "Yes."

Residents return to their homes after Bolton flood

By Joshua Santos

Roughly 250 people in Bolton were evacuated from their homes after a heavy flood spilled onto the streets on March 15.

Six ice jams that blocked the flow of water caused the Humber River to burst its banks. Caledon OPP, York Regional Police and other emergency personnel rushed immediately on the scene blocking King Street East between David Street and Evans Ridge.

"The water has gone back," said Mayor Allan Thompson at a media conference on March 16. "Pretty much, all the water has left the roads and a lot of the private properties now. People are still pumping out their basements, but a lot of people we're allowed to move back home. The ones that are behind the yellow tape here, some of the homes have flood conditions were the hydro and gas has been shut off."

Darryl Bailey, Caledon Fire and Emergency Services Chief said they reached out to residents on social media to contact them about their homes.

The flood receded considerably on Sunday, March 17 and into Monday morning. Most of the residents should have been back in their homes by then.

Mayor Allan Thompson said about 80 homes were affected but 30 were heavi-

some of the family members that were affected.

"I was here all (Friday) night, and the big thing is the safety of everybody," said Thompson. "It was after midnight, about 1:30 a.m. when we did the next evacuation as the water started to infiltrate other streets here in Bolton. We had to expand the area to move people

"Safety is key. I know a lot of people were trying to keep the sump pumps going to keep the basements dry, but at some point, when the water starts to flood the house, safety becomes an issue."

Six homes were particularly hit hard. James Dick Construction and Marrex Construction, among other companies, worked to brake-up the dangerous ice accumulations.

"The efforts continued into the night and heavy equipment was brought in," said Bailey. "We were able to free up some of the ice jams that were downstream. Unfortunately, due to access, behind the apartment building, there is a very rural area. There's a lot of trees and slopes. We had to call off the excavation at about five this morning and we reconvened at first light (Saturday) morning."

Bailey said they received assistance

ly impacted. Thompson said he spoke to from Brampton Fire and Emergency ley said that posed another challenge Services who used a high-tech drone to for them. provide critical information on the locations of the ice jams.

temperatures descended at night. Bai-

The flood receded considerably on Sunday, March 17 and into Monday Water on the streets froze up as cold morning. Most of the residents should have been back in their homes by then.



King warns motorists to drive with caution on local roads

The recent weather cycles of extreme cold followed by warmer temperatures has resulted in poor driving conditions on local roads.

Because of this, King Township is asking motorists to drive with caution as crews work to bring the roads back to good condition.

King Township closed Old Bathurst Road last week to all but local traffic due to its poor condition. Other roads may need to be temporarily closed as well.

King Township roads maintenance staff are out assessing the conditions of roads. King maintains around 300 kilometres of roads in the municipality.

Temporary closures will be advertised through King's website (www.king. ca) and Twitter (@Kingtownhship) and Facebook (www.facebook.com/townshipofking) feeds.

Some of the poor conditions include potholes, ponding and soft spots, both on paved and gravel roads throughout King Township.

Potholes appear on roads when frost leaves the ground, creating heaves in the pavement. The continual freezing and thawing loosens the asphalt.

Public Works staff check roads regularly for potholes and make repairs as quickly as possible, however the repairs cannot take place until the roadway and its base are relatively dry.

Throughout the winter and during colder months, potholes are repaired with a temporary patch, called cold mix. During the summer months, regular hot mix asphalt is used. Hot mix is a more permanent fix.

Although Township roads have been constantly monitored by staff patrollers, motorists are asked to drive with caution and call the local office of the department at 905-833-5321 to report any safety concerns, such as washouts, severely eroded shoulders or sinkholes.



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Ontario's government is working for the people by making it easier and more efficient to deliver services and do business with the province. By finding savings for the taxpayers, the government is protecting education, health care and all the vital services the people of Ontario rely on.

The government is streamlining back-office processes and services, reducing unnecessary duplication and removing waste across government. Through the centralization of the province's public sector procurement and by creating more efficient delivery processes, the government is projecting savings of \$1 billion annually.

"For far too long, smart procurement practices in Ontario have been ignored," said Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy, president of the Treasury Board. "We have a tremendous opportunity to better leverage the volume of purchasing across the Ontario Public Service and broader public sector, ensuring purchases are more competitive and achieve the best value for the taxpayer. This is all part of our plan to bring the rigour and language of business to the business of government."

Ontario is committed to building a modern centralized procurement system that will drive significant cost savings through the streamlining of purchasing processes across vendors and the consolidation of contracts for health care products, from pacemakers to bandages, to computer and IT hardware across the Ontario Public Service and broader public sector. This new system will apply to Ontario ministries, provincial agencies, as well as broader public sector organizations such as hospitals and schools.

As well, the province has created a new Lean and Continuous Improvements Office that will provide value to citizens by modernizing how services are delivered, increasing productivity, and basing individual and business supports on what citizens want. It is also removing multiple, redundant, and unused voice services across government to reduce waste, saving up to \$8 million annually.

"As part of our plan to make it easier to deliver services, we are introducing more efficient processes and systems that will make government more effective. When we design services and supports around the needs of the people of Ontario, we will improve their experiences with government," said Bill Walker, Minister of Government and Consumer Services. "The Lean and Continuous Improvements Office will help streamline how we deliver services by applying lean practices and building a culture of continuous improvement. We will take the time needed to get this right, ensuring we buy better, and have an efficient and effective system in place."

"Centralized procurement is already under way in some areas of government, and we have already seen the savings potential from the Ontario Public Service alone in areas such as print services, mobile devices, and office furniture," said Stan Cho, Parliamentary Assistant to the president of the Treasury Board. "Expanding this model to

the broader public sector just makes sense. It is the right thing to do for our partner vendors, and most importantly, for the taxpayers of Ontario."

In the coming weeks, the government will engage with leaders in the industry on centralizing the province's procurement. The government will also reach out to the Ontario Public Service and the broader public sector to gather data to help inform the development of modern, efficient procurement system that works for the people of Ontario. The vendor community will also be engaged to build a system that addresses the needs of Ontario's businesses.

Centralizing Ontario Public Service and broader public sector procurement will build on the progress made to date in reducing procurement spend. For example, the province manages a Vendor of Record program that has helped to reduce procurement spending across ministries for com- annual savings of up \$8 million.

mon goods and services. Savings realized through this program include: mobile devices - over \$80 million estimated over 10 years; office furniture - over \$80 million estimated over 5 years; courier services – over \$70 million estimated over 7 years; managed print services - over \$15 million estimated over 5 years.

Centralized Procurement is aligned with the independent, line-by-line review of government spending, which revealed opportunities for efficiencies and cost savings through the modernization of Ontario Public Service and broader public sector procurement.

Under the Voice Services Initiative, the government will cancel phone lines that are not required and reduce the use of voicemail — which will continue to be provided to frontline and essential employees and those who serve customers directly — resulting in estimated

York approves 2019 to 2023 Strategic Plan

York Regional Council approved the 2019 to 2023 Strategic Plan: From Vision to Results, outlining the Region's priorities over the next four years to meet the evolving needs of our communities.

"Maintaining the quality of life in York Region over the long term requires strategic focus and a detailed course of action," said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "This plan outlines the goals and activities we need to accomplish over this term of Council and will guide us in working towards our vision of strong, caring and safe communities."

The plan builds on the success of previous plans and represents the Region's commitment to making progress in the following four priority areas:

- Increase economic vitality.
- Support community health, safety and well-being.
- Build sustainable communities and protect the environment.

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"The Strategic Plan is based on the collaborative efforts of our dedicated staff" said York Region CAO Bruce Macgregor. "It aligns with the Region's multi-year budget process to ensure we move forward in serving our communities."

Highlights of the 2019 to 2023 plan include:

Advancing the Yonge Subway extension into Richmond Hill to provide the growing population and workforce with efficient and convenient transit.

Supporting the creation of new affordable housing units so more York Region residents can find and keep appropriate housing.

Continuing to collaborate with local municipalities to educate residents about the "four Rs" - recycling, reducing, reusing and the recovery of energy - to maintain the percentage of residential waste diverted from landfills. Maintaining public confidence in Regional government by increasing public

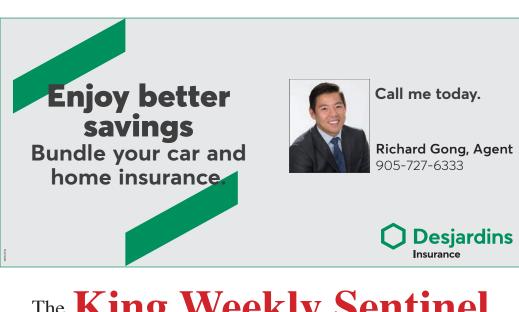
awareness of programs and services. Visit york.ca/stratplan for more information about the 2019 to 2023 Strategic

Plan: From Vision to Results and future annual progress reports.

The Regional Municipality of York consists of nine local cities and towns and provides a variety of programs and services to 1.2 million residents and 51,000 businesses with 620,000 employees. More information about the Region's key service areas is available at york.ca/regionalservices







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Province unveils vision for education, focus on STEM

Students and parents in Ontario can to protect." look forward to stronger math, STEM, and financial literacy curricula, a province-wide ban on cell phones in the classroom and improved skilled trades opportunities.

"A modernized education system that returns to the basics, with a renewed focus on math fundamentals and STEM in the classroom, and greater emphasis on skills training and financial literacy, will ensure we set up our young people to succeed and compete in a modern economy," said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan.

"The previous government left us an outdated system that did not prepare our students for the realities of today," said Logan Kanapathi, MPP for Markham-Thornhill. "We are going to be investing in education and students in a way that is focused on student achievement and well-being."

The government's plan, "Education that Works for You," will protect a sustainable world-class education system for the students of today and the future and modernize the province's classrooms and curriculum.

The province will ensure students are leaving school with the skills they need to build good lives, families and careers right here in Ontario while ensuring our education system is both fiscally sustainable and respectful of parents.

"Our government has been clear from the beginning that we are listening to parents and consulting with our education partners to modernize and improve Ontario's education system from kindergarten to Grade 12," said Paul Calandra, MPP for Markham-Stouffville. "We welcome conversation with any stakeholder who wants to work with us in good faith to ensure our plan always puts students first and remains fair to our educators."

"Shortly after we came to office we did what the previous government had been afraid to do - and threw the doors open to real, meaningful public and parental input into our education system," said Education Minister Lisa Thompson. "We heard from more than 72,000 parents, teachers, students, employers and organizations making this the largest consultation of its kind in Ontario history. The people told us what wasn't working and what we need

The new vision will modernize Ontario's classrooms and provide students with more learning opportunities to prepare them for success in post-secondary education, apprenticeship and training, and the workforce.

The plan would include:

- · Modernizing classrooms by expanding broadband, developing a new policy that will ban the use of cell phones during class except for educational purposes and modernizing the approach to assessment and evaluation with a renewed focus on equity across the province.
- · Introducing changes to education funding that keep resources focused on students in the classroom.
- · Supporting teacher mobility and bringing greater transparency, fairness, consistency and accountability to school board hiring practices of teach-
- · Maintaining class sizes for kindergarten to Grade 3, establishing a consistent approach to class sizes for grades 4 to 8 and aligning secondary class sizes more closely with other Canadian jurisdictions, while introducing a new approach to e-learning and reducing pressure on school boards to put students in portables and split classes.
- Curriculum reform that will include: · A new math curriculum that will
- focus on math fundamentals for all grades.
- · A renewed focus on STEM, skilled trades and financial literacy.
- · A modern and age-appropriate health and physical education curriculum that will keep students safe.

There will be clear provisions for parents who wish to exempt their child or children from sexual health education, and online modules will be available for parents who want to discuss sexual health topics at home whenever they feel their child is ready.

"After holding the largest public consultation on education I am pleased with Minister Thompson's announcement," said Daisy Wai, MPP for Richmond Hill. "With a focus on Math and Financial Literacy, it ensures students are leaving school with the skills they need to build good lives, families and careers. An age-appropriate Health and Physical Education Curriculum will keep students safe while respectful of parents. A ban on cell phones in the

classroom will help students to focus at school."

The government is committed to discussing the key elements of the proposed plan, including hiring practices and class sizes, through a consultation process that allows partners to provide the benefit of their expertise, experience and ideas.

Ontario's government held the largest public consultation on education in the province's history. The consultation included more than 72,000 engagements across three different consultation channels, which included an open submission form, online survey and telephone town halls held in every region of the province.

King's budget keeps taxpayers in mind

From Page 3

Mayor Steve Pellegrini pointed out King's budget is so small in the big picture, they keep track of every penny. He pointed out York Region's \$3 billion budget includes adding more staff than King currently employs. The tax mill rate has actually dropped this year, by an estimated 7%.

The Township, he said, is eager to get at the many road improvement projects on the books. The 2020-2022 capital budgets, which were not passed, include 138 projects worth \$125.7 million. Over the term of council, the proposed capital program will support new construction and rehabilitation of buildings, new fleet requirements, roads, bridges, parks and recreation and the new library. Of that total, only 14%, or a little over \$18 million, is coming from taxes. The long-term forecast is just that, but Cober stressed it's vital for them to have a "financial GPS."

King has also put together a budget quick reference guide which can be accessed at www.king.ca. You can also find a complete set of documents related to the 2019 budget at www.king.ca.



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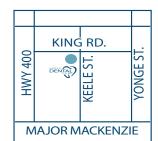
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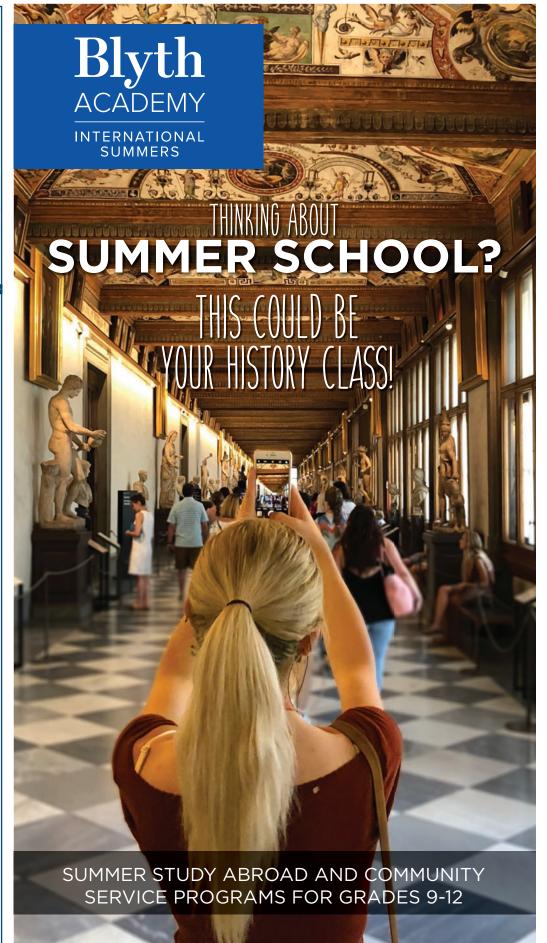
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'Be A Hero' aims to help the community's smallest fighters

By Brock Weir

In a room full of police officers, paramedics and firefighters, it was agreed that one of the smallest people in the room, young Lily Meagher, just might be the biggest hero.

Lily, the daughter of York Region paramedic Matt and Gillian Meagher, has certainly shown her mettle. Diagnosed with cancer at the age of two, she endured hundreds of treatments. including more than 50 surgeries and procedures to make it.

And make it she has, and she's now lending her smile to local First Responders to be the face of their 2019 "Be a Hero" campaign, benefiting the Pediatric Oncology Unit at Southlake Regional Health Centre.

Since its inception 15 years ago, the Be a Hero campaign has been dedicated to showing support for young people touched by cancer, having raised more than \$275,000 towards cancer research. This year, York Regional Police is teaming up with Central York Fire Services and York Region Paramedic Services, as well as York Region Transit to make this year's fundraising campaign bigger and better than ever.

This year's fundraising campaign will culminate next month on Saturday, April 6, at Upper Canada Mall for a big head-shaving event.

Lily and her family were joined at Wednesday's campaign launch at York Regional Police's Aurora Headquarters by members of all three Emergency Response groups, the Transit team, representatives from Southlake Regional Health Centre, the Southlake Foundation, the Aurora Lions Club and more.

Here, Matt underscored what it means for families like his to have cancer treatment available close to home.

"When my daughter Lily got diagnosed with cancer, it felt like a death sentence," Matt shared, noting that when his sister received the same diagnoses of acute lymphoblastic leukemia at the same age she lost her battle the

Following Lily's diagnosis, she underwent hundreds of treatments, 51 surgeries and procedures, and there were multiple times he and Gillian weren't sure she was going to make it through the night, but thanks to treatments at Toronto's SickKids Hospital, she made it.

"One thing you'll find out if you ever have treatment at SickKids, every appointment must be at 8 a.m.," Matt continued, "and they pretty much book 20 kids at 8 a.m. even though they know they are not going to (get in at that time). If you show up at 9 a.m., there is a good chance you might miss out on your appointment. We had to leave two-and-a-half hours at 5 a.m. to make it down in the rush hour instead of going to Southlake.

"My understanding is only 10 years ago, Southlake got their pediatric oncology clinic and that clinic is not very well supported through the government. It is very much supported through donations, through POGO and donations through the Southlake Foundation. We can see it there that the staff and the nurses and the volunteers are incredible at everything they do.

"In fact, you wouldn't believe how much the staff and the volunteers themselves purchase on their own: juice box-

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es, cookies, granola bars – every little all of us," said Mullen, adding a warm thing you can think of. The lollipops, that is all the staff. That is them taking from their own money. Same with the toys. There is a lot of other things that Southlake needs for their clinic, and I think the money we can raise here through this raffle, these haircuts, the shaving of heads, can give us lots of tangible results within Southlake."

Susan Mullen, president and CEO of the Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation, underscored the need to have services closer to home, noting her own journey with a young family member battling cancer.

"The fact that we are able to have the pediatric oncology clinic at Southlake where we can deliver leading-edge care close to home is really important for

thanks to the Meagher family for sharing their story, and the first responders for answering the call. Matt is right, we don't get funded for equipment needs at the hospital, which is surprising. Everything from IV poles to stretchers to beds to toys for kids relies on the community for support. It literally is everything, from the high-tech equipment that we need to purchase to the basics.

"It is important for the patient experience and it is also important for our staff to have the most up to date equipment and the Be a Hero Campaign will really help us make sure that our staff have the right tools in their hands to support families like yours".

For more information visit yrp.ca/ BeAHero.



Ernestine Tahedl shares a moment with Alexandria Hesketh-Pavilons during a fundraiser at the Olde Mill Gallery in Schomberg.

Tahedl supports student at gallery

By Mark Pavilons

Renowned artist Ernestine Tahedl, and the artists at the Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe in Schomberg, welcomed a humanitarian into their fold.

Original works by Tahedl and Helen Lucas are up for sale, with proceeds going to aid a humanitarian mission to Rwanda by a university student.

Money raised will support University of Western student Alexandria (Lexie) Hesketh-Pavilons, who will be doing volunteer mission work in Kigali, Rwanda through the university's interdisciplinary experiential learning course. She will engage in five weeks of active and interactive community service, working with Rwandan youth. She will be an "ambassador" of not only Western University, but of Canada.

Hesketh-Pavilons visited the gallery Saturday, meeting with artists and members of the public. She outlined the purpose of her upcoming adventure and the issues facing Rwandans.

The pieces of art will remain at the gallery for the silent auction, through this weekend.

Meet the artists and enjoy shopping locally at the Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe at 357 Main Street in Schomberg. You will discover one of a kind pieces of art including jewellery, paintings, scarves, greeting cards, wood turned bowls and vases as well as small tables and stools. The Olde Mill Gallery & Shoppe values and supports local artists.

Located right beside the Scruffy Duck, the gallery is open Thursdays to Sundays from 12 to 6 p.m.

If you can't make it to the gallery, find out more about Lexie's efforts at https:// www.gofundme.com/help-local-volunteer-help-others-in-rwanda

If you need more on the paintings, email mpavilons@rogers.com



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Visitors enjoy Maple Syrup Fest

Visitors from far and wide enjoyed a day of family fun at Cold Creek Conservation Area recently. The Township-sponsored Maple Syrup Fest included a variety of activities for families to enjoy, including roasting marshmallows and sleigh rides. Staffer Hannah Harper helped keep an eye on the boiling syrup.

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Reforms won't lead to privatization, Elliott says

By Brock Weir

Newmarket-Aurora MPP Christine Elliott is rejecting claims by the Ontario NDP opposition that recently announced changes to the Province's health care system will open the door to privatization.

Elliott, who also serves as both Deputy Premier and Minister of Health & "transformation" of Ontario's Health Care system is to "centre care around patients" and provide connected care.

"There has been some suggestion by the Opposition around privatization and I want to ensure everyone in Ontario, and particularly my constituents. that we are not looking at bringing forward privatization as an issue in Ontario. We're looking at strengthening our Public Health Care system."

When asked whether the government would consider an additional tier of health care, Elliott's response was an emphatic, "absolutely not."

"We believe in the fundamental right of all Ontarians to have universal access to a publicly funded system," she said.

The provincial government announced sweeping changes to how health care is delivered, billed as a way to "break down barriers to better patient care."

Once approved by the Legislature, the proposal would do away with the Local Health integration Networks in favour of a larger system that is interconnected and reorganized "as one coordinated team, focused on patients and specific local needs."

Patients, said Elliott, would experitient's history, and when the home care

care provider to another, including the transition from hospitals to home health care providers ("one patient story, one patient record and one care plan"), integrating provincial agencies and specialized provincial programs into a single agency, and improving access to secure digital tools.

"One measure (of success) will be a Long Term Care, says the goal of the reduction in hallway health care and right now we have over 1,000 patients a day in hospitals across the province that are receiving care in hospital hallways, storage rooms, and so on," said Elliott. "We will see a reduction in that, and we'll also see a reduction in re-admission of patients who have been discharged from hospital because of complications.

"Right now, what's happening is when people are discharged from hospital, perhaps after surgery, who need home care, by the time they leave the hospital they often don't know who is going to be the homecare provider, when they will be coming and what care they will be receiving. On the other end of things, the provider of home care often doesn't know anything about the patient's history, really, and what services they are going to need.

"Sometimes people don't get connected to homecare in a timely manner. Days go by and in the meantime the patient develops complications and ends up back in the hospital. Under the new system, the person will know before they leave the hospital who will be providing the health care. In many cases, they will have met the home care nurse, the nurse will also understand the pa-

that home care provider will be able to connect back with the hospital in order to be able to deal with the issue and be able to treat the patient in their own home, so they won't have to become hospital patients again."

Here at home, Elliott says one of the leaders in this form of integrated care is Southlake Regional Health Centre, which has seen a rise in patients who don't necessarily need to be in hospital but haven't been able to find either a spot in long-term care or the supports they need to return home.

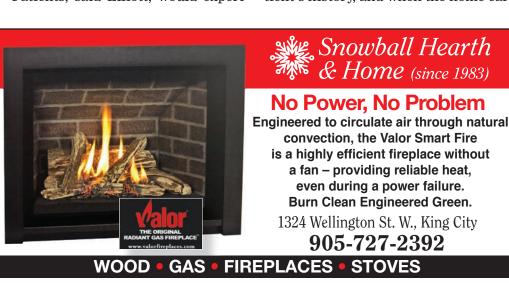
"They have started a program called their healthcare journey."

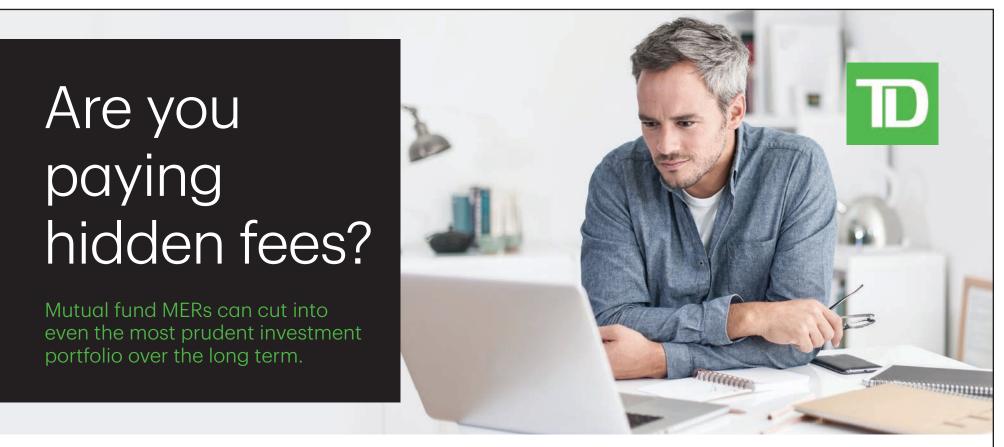
ence easy transitions from one health is provided, if there are complications, Southlake At Home, which the hospital is working with two home care providers to get some of those alternate levels care patients back into their own homes with the home care supports they need," she said. "I believe that is going to have a significant impact on reducing Hallway Healthcare in Newmarket-Aurora and Southlake Hospital to make sure that people can get home where they want to be. That's the goal of the entire transformation: to centre care around patients, families and caregivers and make sure people have that connected care they need throughout



Lions help skating club

At a recent Nobleton Lions Club meeting, Katrina Litwin and Karlene MacDonald, from the Nobleton Skating Club, presented an informative update on the club's activity this year, noting that enrollment is strong again with 150-160 members from Nobleton and surrounding communities. Here, Vice-President Rick Evans presents a donation in support of the contribution the skating club makes to the community.





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Ribbon cutting celebrates intergovernmental partnership

The most exciting part of the new interchange at Highway 400 and Line 5 in Bradford West Gwillimbury is not the pavement itself - even though the new point of access to the highway and the expanded roadway mark a significant step in improving traffic movement and preparing for a growing population.

The most exciting part is what lies beneath.

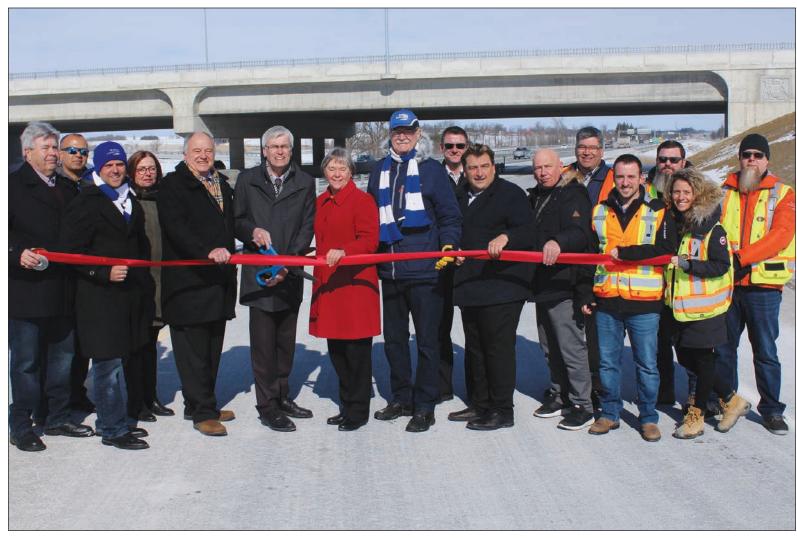
The three-year project included installing municipal watermains and sanitary force mains to service the employment lands located along Highway 400. Now that this is complete, this area of BWG is ready for business development.

Funding for the project was provided by Infrastructure Canada, the Ministry of Transportation Ontario and the County of Simcoe in addition to the Town of BWG.

"The new Line 5 and Highway 400 interchange in Bradford West Gwillimbury will reduce traffic congestion, improve safety along this route, and support future growth in this area. Investing in modern and efficient roadways will ensure the continuous and safe flow of people and goods," said Deb Schulte MP for King-Vaughn, representing the Honourable François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities.

"Our government is committed to making life easier for people in York-Simcoe and across Ontario. Investments in highway infrastructure on Highway 400 are important for families, workers and job creators in our communities, and we will continue to work with partners to move forward on our plan to make Ontario open for jobs," said Caroline Mulroney, MPP for York-Simcoe.

"The County of Simcoe continues to invest in vital infrastructure in Bradford West Gwillimbury and the south portion of our County to ensure that the flow of people, goods and services aligns with growth across our region," said County of



A ribbon cutting was held to officially mark the opening of the new Line 5 interchange. On hand were various politicians and dignitaries, including King-Vaughan MP Deb Schulte.

Simcoe Warden George Cornell. "Our investment in road infrastructure supports our economy, our residents, and our businesses and we're proud to partner with other levels of government to provide up to \$18 million, or one third of the total funding, towards this important project."

The full project involved demolition of the old bridge along Line 5 over Highway 400, construction of a new six-lane bridge, building a partial clover-leaf interchange, widening Line 5, realigning Sideroad 5 and Coffey Road, realigning Fraser Creek and installing signals, streetlights, watermains and sewer force mains. Work began in April 2016 with the closure and demolition of the previous Line 5 bridge. The barriers on the new bridge and intravelers to take advantage of im- the Holland Marsh.

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King natives lead OHL clubs to regular season titles

By Jake Courtepatte

Coming to the aid of his teammate, centreman Marco Rossi, Kody Clark dropped the mitts with the Peterborough Petes' Cole Fraser in the final Ottawa 67s game of the OHL season on Saturday.

Clearly, the apple doesn't fall far from the tree for the King City native, whose dad experienced plenty of his own rough stuff in his long and storied NHL career.

Thirty-three years after his father Wendel was drafted first overall by the Toronto Maple Leafs, Clark was taken in the second round, 47th overall by the Washington Capitals in last June's NHL Entry Draft.

Now at the age of 19, the younger Clark has led the 67s to the OHL's Eastern Conference title in his most successful year yet with the club.

The native of King City, where the Clarks settled following Wendel's illustrious career, spent his minor hockey career with the AAA Toronto Marlboros program. It was there he caught the eye of the Ottawa 67s scouts, who drafted him in the sixth round of the 2015 OHL Draft.

After one year playing for the St. Andrew's College Saints, his alma mater's varsity team and playing at almost a point-per-game pace, he made the 67s full-time for the 2016-17 sea-

This season the six-foot-two right winger managed a 46-point pace over 57 games, racking up close to a hundred penalty minutes in that time.

There's no wonder the Capitals see shades of Tom Wilson, a big, bruising Capitals forward that is a favourite among fans in the young Clark.

"Obviously the more elements that with a record of 46-15-6-1.

you can add to your game, the further you're going to make it in hockey and the more versatile you can be on an NHL or AHL roster, being able to play up and down the lineup," said Clark. "I think two things I really want to work on are obviously my play away from the puck, my defensive game and my physicality."

Capitals Director of Player Development Steve Richmond told the Washington Post in January that he has seen quite a development in Clark's game since he first dropped the gloves in October.

"I just think he's more confident in his offensive talents, he's really handling the puck and making plays all over the ice, not only for himself, but his teammates," Richmond told The Post. "I think the biggest thing though is his physical game has really come out. He's shown a lot more physical play than he ever has."

It is that type of play that led Clark and the 67s to the East title on Saturday, finishing with a record of 50-12-4-2 heading into the post-season.

More King flavour can be found on the opposite side of the board in Alex Formenton, who played an instrumental role in the London Knights also clinching the West title over the week-

Despite missing plenty of action earlier this season thanks to an injury sustained in World Junior Championship training camp, the speedy winger picked up a couple of assists in the final game of the regular season, bringing his total to 34 points in 31 games played.

The Ottawa Senators draft pick helped the Knights to a 99-point season, three up on the Saginaw Spirit



King City's Alex Formenton led the London Knights to the OHL's Western Conference title in the 2018-19 season, which wrapped up on Saturday.

Queen's York Rangers squad snipes air rifle zone medals

By Jake Courtepatte

The Queen's York Rangers were on the mark recently in their zone champion-

ship in marksmanship, reaching the podium several times.

The 'B' team, led by Team Captain Hannah Gabriel and comprised of Vivian Mullins, Stephanie Wang, Halley Ye, and Eric Zheng, placed first in both prone and standing and earned the first place position overall, bringing home a set of gold medals.

It was a second place finish for the Rangers' 'A' squad, with Team Captain Maya Neumann, Nicholas Ertl, Samantha Toh, Samara Parisi, and Brendan Ross each earning a silver medal for their shooting.

A salute also goes out to the junior team, comprised of cadets aged 15 and under, who placed 10th out of 24 teams in their division including an eighth place finish in the standing position. Those involved were Team Captain Kaiden Bulmer, Samuel Bennett, Ethan McCue, Yves Zaidfield, and Yuan Jin.

The Rangers also left their mark in the individual portion of the event, with both Parisi and Neumann reaching the top of the podium in the Junior and Open categories respectively.

Ye also earned bronze in the individual Junior event, while Gabriel and Ertl completed the Queen's York Ranger sweep of the Open category with silver and bronze finishes.

Honourable mentions go to Mullins who placed fourth in the Open, Wang who placed fifth in the Open, Toh who placed 13th in the Open, Zheng who placed eighth in the Junior and Ross who placed ninth in Junior.

Both the 'A' and 'B' squads will be moving on to the regional championships in

Meanwhile, the Rangers' girls' biathlon squad was in Prince Edward Island for the national championships after a stellar performance in their respective

Master Corporal Karen Poncelet, Corporal Leia Mullins, Warrant Officer Jessica Matile, and Sargeant Vivian Mullins all qualified for the competition after first place finishes in the team relay in Sault Ste. Marie.

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Youth curlers become Irish for the day at spiel



Cameron Sheardown, Logan Shaw, Mahra Harris and Cody Harris of the King Curling Club won the Shamrock U18 title becoming the first King team to win the champions trophy.

nual Shamrock Spiel was held this past week and the action was rink wide for the Little Rock and U18 youth curlers. The youngsters were piped in with 3 bagpipe musicians and saluted for a great game of curling. Participating clubs arrived from Milton, Mississauga, Stroud, Orillia, York, Bradford, Burlington and King. Equipped with draws to the button,

takeouts and guards, the games were back and forth with enthusiasm, exhilaration and a contagious sense of pride when the called shot was made. These future stars, with their unique approach to their game, played with integrity and never wavered from the traditional camaraderie to their oppo-

Opening games featured 2 King teams on Sheet 4 with Olivia Smith, Ty Tomlinson, and Quinn and Emma Morawetz against Kyle Strano, Matthew Dallaire, Austin Ford and Alex Del Vecchio. With the quick decision of broom placement and which way to curl the stone the challenge played favourably for Skip Strano through much of the game. Skip Olivia Smith never gave up calling a fairly competitive match. Ty Tomlinson with his smooth delivery from the hack delivered a great draw late in the game to get them on the scoreboard. Twins Quinn and Emma Morawetz were there for the fun, pizza and prizes, both agreeing that "the day was a lot of fun." Strano and his squad delivered a solid performance with a few pristine takeouts by Ford and Dallaire.

Gabriella Ground, Sierra Sheardown, Aaron Heisie and Jamie Harris opened their first game going brush for brush against their opponents. Although the game's victory went to the opposition, the foursome displayed great sportsmanship with smiles from ear to ear.

Game 2 for the Strano team was a nail biter pulling off a win to tie for overall points against the returning 2018 Champions from Milton. The King team unanimously chose Matthew Dallaire to throw the "Draw to the Button"

The Gordon Fogg Memorial 6th an- sudden death shot for first place, but in the end it was a perfect draw by the Milton team for the win.

The U18 curlers were just as enthusiastic but a degree more serious and a lot more intense. King would also have 2 teams in this category where both could play with parity against any adult team in the club. Effortless slides from the hack, exceptional sweeping skills and an attitude that was fearless. King 1 consisted of Cody Harris, Mara Harris, Logan Shaw and Cameron Sheardown. From the first push from the hack, the Harris team took control easily brushing to victory in game 1.

King 2 included Riley Broad, Darryl Middlebrook, Emily Peeler and Austin Broad. Playing against Team York, Broad and his rink got behind on the scoreboard in the early ends of the game, but never gave up. Broad kept his composer guiding his team throughout the match gaining confidence in the final 2 ends. Down by 4 in the 8th Broad was sitting with the tying point and a chance for 5 to win the game. A pound too heavy and an inch from the win, the game was tied. A Draw to the button was needed to decide the winner. Riley threw first but the win went to York.

Game 2 for Teams Harris and Broad were well strategized maintaining their focus and sticking to their game. The Harris team defeated the Burlington team to win the trophy and become the first King team to win the Spiel in its 6 years of operation. Team Broad also won their 2nd game to capture 2nd place adding to the historic record for the clubs first 1-2 podium placing.

The noise level in the lounge between games was a clear indication of the fun that was had for the kids on their March Break and once again for the success of the Shamrock. Julie Oakley in her 6th year of organizing the event was rarely seen without a smile of sheer satisfaction. She thanked the many sponsors that generously donated, and to the overwhelming amount of volunteers that all helped towards a triumphant event.





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King Curling Club's Austin Broad, Emily Peeler, Darryl Middlebrook and Riley Broad captured 2nd place champions in the Shamrock U18.

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By Wendy-Sue Bishop 905-590-0054 wsue52@hotmail.com

Horticultural Society

For the first meeting of this new year, the Schomberg Horticultural Society is delighted to welcome our special guest speaker who will prove we are just as current and relevant as can be.

Mark Depelham's timely topic is "Cannabis: the Controversial Plant."

Please join us on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Schomberg Community Hall on Main Street. You will have a chance to speak with Mark afterwards while enjoying some light refreshments. New members are enthusiastically welcomed.

Earth Hour

The Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection group invites everyone to come out and celebrate Earth Hour with them on March 30.

There will be a Lantern Walk from the Schomberg Public Library to the Dufferin Marsh, leaving promptly at 8:15 p.m. with a Bonfire at the Marsh from 8:30 p.m. Please make your lanterns and join the group. Please also turn off all your lights from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. in honour of Earth Hour.

The Connection is planning a frog monitoring training workshop on Thursday, April 4 at 7 p.m. at the Grackle Coffee Shop on Main Street.

This would be a great idea for high school students looking for community hours; for parents looking for an opportunity to bond with the kids without using a computer and a great project for teachers and their science programs.

For more information or to join the Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection, please contact Mary Asselstine at 905-939-7544 or the website www.dufferinmarsh.ca

Schomberg United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

On Sunday, March 24 at 9:30 a.m., the service is at St. Mary Magdalene. The congregation is invited to remain seated for the hymns, as many have trouble getting up and down.

The Joyful Spirits just restarted their practices on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Nobleton United Church. We are learning "Down by the Riverside" arranged by Jay Althouse for the Schomberg anniversary on Sunday, April 28. We are a special occasion community group. Most choirs expect its members to attend church each Sunday to help guide the congregation. However, our group only practices and performs for special events, so if you like to sing, but not have to make a huge commitment, then this group might be for you! It is not too late to join us.

Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman started a four-part Lenten Series called The Final Week on March 19. The next ones are March 26, April 4 and 9. This is for 1 hour (10 -11 a.m.) followed by refreshments at 116 Church St., Schomberg. All are welcome. The group will look at people, places and decisions that culminated in the Easter that we celebrate each year.

Last week, at the Seniors' Lunch we enjoyed the St. Patrick's theme with Gerry Duffy. The ladies have already planned the next event. It is on April 23 at St. Mary's Magdalene church again with an Easter themed ham and scalloped potato dinner. David Pegg from Alliston will be bringing his sing-along and storytelling talents to entertain.

Last Sunday, we enjoyed having King City's Sandra Kirby as our worship leader. As it was St. Patrick's Day, all the hymns, chosen by our organist Dennis and our regular minister Rev. Carol-Ann, were written by Irish people. Sandra led the singing and provided us with a message about God's justice, as we reflected on the story of the labourers in the vineyard. Sandra wants us to know that we can come to one of her concerts on May 18 at King City United Church. There is a spaghetti dinner, at 5:30 p.m., followed by the concert at 7 p.m. with music from the Great American Songbook of Light Jazz/swing and love songs from the '60s and '70s. Reserve your ticket at 905-833-5181.

Anglican Parish

The Lenten series continues at St. Mary Magdalene's in Schomberg Tuesday evenings at 7 pm. Quest for Respect - the Church and Indigenous Spirituality series continues at Trinity Church just off Yonge St. south of Wellington St. They're holding "Lunch and Learn" for the parishes of the Oak Ridge Moraine, Sundays March 24 and 31 at 12:45.





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King City United By Sheryl Sinka

On March 17, the second Sunday in Lent, the message from Rev. Bruce was: Have faith, "burn the boat behind you, Bet your life on Christ."

Faith, like our bodies, needs to be "exercised regularly to grow and unused it can atrophy and be difficult to access on that rainy day. Faith, always in flux between certainty and doubt. is an ever growing thing increasing in strength and daring with the passing days," we just need to exercise it for it to grow.

However tentative we may be in our growth, in Rev. Bruce's words, "God's gift of faith is never in doubt. God never ceases to believe in us even when we refuse to believe in God." Thanks be to God.

Please Join us for worship on Sundays at 10 a.m. where we explore the word of God and connect with others in a welcoming environment. There is a fellowship time following worship for those who wish to stay.

Many thanks to all who helped set up, cook, and clean up for the Irish Din-

ner last Friday. The food was delicious King's Corners and a great time was had by all! Thanks to The Miller School of Irish Dancing for their wonderful performance and we wish them luck in their upcoming competitions. If we were the judges we would give them first place. Thanks also for the wonderful musical accompaniment of the Olde Tyme Connection Band who led his in a sing a long of Irish folksongs and lullabies. See you next year!

> The women's prayer group which meets at the Residences of Springhill at 80 Burns Blvd. meets on Tuesday mornings. The condo community is on the south side of King Road and meetings are in the small dining room on the main floor. Departure time is optional but please try to arrive just before 9 so as to be let in. Prayer is powerful and whether it is illness, anxiety or life situations for yourself or someone else, consider adding your voice to this ministry. For more information contact Deana at 905-833-5375 or Kathy at 905-833-0391.

Tea and talk meets on Friday mornings at the Sunset Grill (1700 King Rd) at 10 a.m. All are welcome to come out and join in a cup of coffee or tea and some conversation.

If you have any questions please contact the church office, 905-833-5181.

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King Bible Church

Please join us on Sunday, March 24 as Pastor Mark continues our series "Encountering God Through Spiritual Practices" with Corporate-Guidance.

"There is no greater place to regularly experience not only spiritual growth but also the presence of God, then participating in the spiritual practices laid out for us in God's Word. So why is it that many of our experiences with spiritual practices are of frustration and guilt rather than joy? There could be lots of reasons, but I wonder if at the heart is we don't have a clear picture of how God uses these disciplines to create something of beauty out of the mess. Let me invite you to join us over the next number of weeks as we look at 12 spiritual practices and how God uses them to mold us into the likeness of his Son."

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.

If you have children aged 0-3 then we invite you to bring them to our beautiful and safe nursery facilities which are located on the lower level. Caregivers will meet you there.

"Legacy" nights are our family Bible Study nights.

On March 19 the adults will begin an exciting new study by Jon Thompson; Pastor at C4 church in Ajax. "Convergence" explains why Jesus needs to be more than our Lord and Saviour for the church to thrive in a post Christian world.

"Convergence is when three unexpected things come together. Spiritual gifts, Spiritual disciplines and unusual works of the Spirit (revival) converge to form the authentic Christian life. What we will explore in this study is how Jesus modeled these three factors in convergence.

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St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

Join us this third Sunday in Lent at 10 a.m. as Lynn's daughter in-law, the Rev. Konnie Vissers leads us in worship. Sunday School for school-aged children up to 12 years old runs concurrently and a nursery is available.

During Lent, up to and including Easter Sunday, we are sharing our larger church space with the HanWool Presbyterian Church, King City. Our service now starts at 10 a.m. which allows the HanWool congregation to have their service at 11:30 a.m.

Last Sunday, Lynn Vissers continued to share her photos of her recent trip to Israel as she delivered her sermon entitled "Isn't this Joseph's Son?" Luke 4:14 -30. We saw photos of Nazareth where Jesus had lived as a boy. What happened to cause the locals to rise up against Him? Who do we say that Jesus is? Lots to think about.

The Women's Prayer Circle meets at 80 Burns Blvd., Tuesdays morning at 9 a.m. Contact Kathy Patterson, 905-833-0391 for more information.

A Bible study takes place Sunday evenings from 5-7 p.m. in the lounge at St. Andrew's, led by Niyazi Bilgen. All are welcome. Call 416-878-8499.

It was great having so many participate in the Art-in-the-Church last Wednesday during March Break. We're all looking forward to the warmer weather when Art-in-the-Park with Lynn returns. I'll keep you posted!

Messy Church returns this Sunday, March 24 from 5 to 7 p.m. Bring your school-aged children.

For pastoral care needs while Lynn is on Study Leave over the next week, contact Kathy Patterson, 905-833-0391 or contact our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Paul Johnston, 705-341-7738. We are located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd. www.standrews-kingc-

All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

New Bishop of Toronto coming to King – All Saints is pleased to be the first parish in the area to host a visit on Sunday, April 7 by our new Diocesan Bishop, the Right Reverend Andrew Asbil. Bishop Asbil is the chief pastor of the Diocese, with oversight of 202 parishes.

At his memorable consecration in September, he asked the congregation if they were "ready to row," referring to "Michael rowed the boat ashore," a spiritual sung during the service. His question was met with a resounding "yes."

"To be dressed today in a mitre, a chasuble, a ring, a pectoral cross and a staff, is to be literally wrapped in a story that can't help but pull the oar for life," he added. "In a world full of cynicism, doubt, fear, greed and violence, to pull on the oar is to pull for life itself."

When he delivers the sermon at our 10:30 service we can expect to be inspired by a call to action in a world that needs people of faith more than ever. Everyone is invited to share in the dynamic new approach he brings to our Anglican communion. Bring your friends – they will not be disappointed. Visit the Diocese's YouTube channel covering his consecration and installation to get a better idea of what he brings to the life of our Diocese.

Words to live by – Sanity in a week of insanity. Rev. Dr. Elizabeth reflected last Sunday on the tragic shootings in Christ Church, New Zealand. "Greed, power and hate is the way of the world," she said. "Acceptance, love and nonviolence is the way of God."

In these troubled times, we might find it difficult put our heartfelt prayers into words. Rev. Elizabeth reminded us that when we struggle with prayer, we can all take comfort in the Lord's Prayer. In her sermon on Sunday, Elizabeth reflected on the Lord's Prayer as understood from a Jewish perspective. She invited us to see the ways in which it unites God with people of all faith traditions. In a world that seems to be ever more divisive, the Lord's prayer unites us in our common need for God.

In short, Rev. Elizabeth assured us that the Lord's Prayer is a plea to God, for God to act now. The Lord's Prayer helps to ground us in God, to express our needs and concerns to God, and to unite us with people who differ from us. It is a prayer that helps to keep us sane when we are in the midst of insanity. "On earth as it is in heaven. For thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen."

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708 OBITUARIES

Chamberlain: Clive Wilson

Peacefully, surrounded by his loving family at Hospice Simcoe, Barrie, on Saturday March 16th, 2019. Clive Chamberlain, in his 79th year, beloved husband of Joan (Radyk). Loving father of Terry (Yvonne), Elizabeth (Paul) Thom-Shaw Jo-Anne (Donovan) and the late Richard Shaw. Grandfather of Courtney, Abby, Jessica Thomas, Emmy, Jessyka (Denton) Brvan, Randy Bryan, and Rodney Bryan. Sadly missed by his brothers and sisters-in-law, Ron and Norma Radyk, Evelyn and Bob Kitchener, John Radyk, the late Mary Radyk, and his many nieces and nephews. Dear brother of Christine Nelson (late Don), Craig (Carol) and the late Catherine (John) Weedon.A Celebration of Clive's life will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion, 55 Tecumseth Street, North, Beeton on Saturday March 30th, 2019 from 1 – 4pm. Donations in Clive's memory to Hospice Simcoe, 336 Penetanguishene Rd, Barrie, ON L4M 7C2 would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to Rod Abrams Funeral Home, Tottenham, 905-936-3477. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

708 OBITUARIES

Palmer, John Melvin John Melvin Palmer passed away peacefully at the

age of 73 after a long battle with heart disease on February 17, 2019. Predeceased by his parents John and Marion, John will be profoundly missed by his loving wife Vilda and sons JD and Charlie (Laura Herbert) and treasured granddaughter Audrey Quinn, sister Janet (Bud); sisters-in-law Ila Black, Delores Callin and Deborah Warkus (predeceased); nieces and nephews, Ennio, Karen, Paul, Andrew and Jennifer. A fiercely independent spirit, John is remembered for his unique sense of humour and gregarious nature. Early in life he was a gifted student of life drawing at OCAD and became a graphic artist. His passion for working with his hands exhibited itself in his life's work as a carpenter, builder and cabinetmaker. John maintained a lifelong interest in cars and motorsports and never found a machine he didn't want to tinker with. As an avid amateur photographer he carried on a tradition that was the Palmer family business dating back to the 19th Century. He dedicated many years to coaching minor hockey where he built lifelong friendships. John had a passion for the outdoors especially hunting and fishing. His pride was his property in New Tecumseth, part of the Oak Ridges Moraine, where he immersed himself in nature and wildlife. John leaves behind many close friends in his hometown of Toronto, as well as in Tottenham. Schomberg and the surrounding areas.A celebration of life event will be held at the Trisan Centre (25 Dillane Dr, Schomberg, ON L0G 1T0) on Saturday March 23rd, 2019 beginning at 12 PM with spoken remembrances at 1 PM, followed by a reception. Final arrangements have been made through Rod Abrams Funeral Home in Tottenham. Condolences may be left at www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com. A private family committal service will take place in Dundalk in the Spring. Donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or Southlake Regional Healthcare Centre (Cardiac Unit)

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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone 416-917-0406

St. Paul's Church

The Community Youth Group meets most Thursdays at the church from 7-9 p.m. Come join in the fun. Follow our Instagram account, "4.12.youth.group," to stay up to date on current events. Check this space for details, or contact our church office at 905-859-0843. A2J, our program for kids in Grades 3 to 6, meet the second and fourth Friday of the month at 7 p.m.

LifeConnect Groups are small gatherings for friendship, study and prayer. We have several LifeConnect Groups that meet throughout the week, one of which meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. We also have a Men's Life Connect Group that meets at the church on Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. Please feel free to contact the church office and we can give you further details.

We are blessed at St. Paul's to have diligent librarians who have worked for years on creating an amazing library with new books being added weekly.

This is a true gold mine if you are a reader. You're welcome to borrow from it anytime!

St. Paul's has almost 20 students away studying at colleges and universities. As has been done for many years, the students will receive a Final Exam Care Package which include all kinds of healthy snacks, cookies, chocolate, teas, notes and surprises. Each of these packages is personally mailed or delivered. Everyone is encouraged to contribute by means of a box that we have set up in the lobby until March 24.

The first and third Tuesday of the month we have a group of people that get together at 1 p.m. to do quilting. The second and fourth Tuesday of the month, the focus is on knitting. Last year alone we were able to donate 28 quilts for refugees, plus many knitted items. All handcrafted items are donated to various mission projects. Consider joining us.

This Sunday, Jeff will lead us in worship at 10 a.m. We offer ministry to children aged 0 to 11 during worship. Following the service we always enjoy some delicious refreshments. Come and join us. You will be glad you did!

Jeff's messages are posted at www. passionatelyhis.com each week. They

are also on Facebook Live and are available on the church's Facebook page (@stpaulsnobleton) and YouTube page (search St. Paul's Church, Nobleton), or

stpaulsnobleton.ca for viewing.

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St. Mary's Church

Heralds of the Gospel and Spiritual Talk, location: St. Mary's Mission, 190 MacTaggart Dr., Nobleton, Mondays at 7:30 p.m. (except holidays).

Lent lasts 40 days (excluding Sundays). The three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and alms giving. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting (one primary meal and 2 lesser meals and abstinence from meat. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat.

Nobleton United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

The next Messy Church at Church is this Sunday, March 24 at 11:15 a.m. in place of the regular worship service. We will gather in the Sanctuary for "Messy Communion" and songs and then go downstairs for various optional crafts related to Communion. One of the crafts is always decorating cookies – this time in the shape of a slice of bread and a goblet (wine glass). Another craft involves making real candles. Andre Flys of Pioneer Brand Honey has agreed to come and show us how to use beeswax sheets and a wick to make a candle. There will be 4 other activities. At 12:15 we will have lunch together. For more info, call Nancy at

905-859-0761.

The Joyful Spirits just restarted their practices on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. We are learning "Down by the Riverside" arranged by Jay Althouse for the Schomberg anniversary on Sunday, April 28. We are a special occasion community group. Most choirs expect its members to attend church each Sunday to help guide the congregation. However, our group only practices and performs for special events, so if you like to sing, but not have to make a huge commitment, then this group might be for you! It is not too late to join us.

Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman started a four-part Lenten Series called "The Final Week" on March 19. The next ones are March 26, April 4 and 9. This is for 1 hour (10-11 a.m.) followed by refreshments at 116 Church St, Schomberg. All are welcome. The group will look at people, places and decisions that culminated in the Easter that we celebrate each year.

For Palm Sunday, April 14, we are planning on having a shortened family-oriented service followed by an Easter Egg hunt. If you would be willing to help, please contact our church office at 905-859-3976.

On April 19 at 11 a.m., there will be a Good Friday service.

Last Sunday, we enjoyed having King City's Sandra Kirby as our Worship Leader. As it was St. Patrick's Day, and several people dressed in green and one Dad even wore a St. Pats hockey shirt and a green wig! All the hymns, chosen by our organist Dennis and our regular minister Rev. Carol-Ann, were written by Irish people. Sandra led the singing and provided us with a message about God's justice, as we reflected on the story of the labourers in the vineyard.

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

The next movie night will be held on Wednesday, April 3. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The Oscar winning "Green Book" will begin at 7 p.m. Admission by donation.

Part 1 of the Estate Planning seminar will take place at the Centre on Thursday, April 4 from 2 to 3:3- p.m. Part 2 will follow on Wednesday, April 10 from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

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Sandra wants us to know that we can come to one of her concerts on Saturday, May 18 at King City United Church. There is a spaghetti dinner, at 5:30 p.m., followed by the concert at 7 with music from the Great American Songbook of Light Jazz/swing and love songs from the '60s and '70s. Reserve your ticket at 905-833-5181.

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

Garden Club

A visual and auditory experience of plants awaits visitors to the next garden club meeting in Nobleton. Subtle plant and flower energy expressed in music and a beautiful slide presentation. It takes place Monday, March 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Nobleton Community Hall on Old King Road. New members and guest are always welcomed!

If you need more information visit http://www.gardenontario.org/site. php/nobletonking or email, nobletonkingcitygardenclub@gmail.com.

Nobleton Lions Club

The Nobleton Lions have a busy spring season planned, starting with the Annual Lions Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20 at the Pottageville pavilion.

This event is put on by the 3 Lions Clubs in King Township. Plan to arrive early, say 9:30 a.m. The Hunt starts at 10 a.m. sharp and is usually over in very short order!

Hot chocolate and coffee is supplied, and this event is free to all. If you need more info, contact Bob at 416-522-9675

Following that will be a new venture. The Club is hosting a night of Texas Hold'em Poker on April 26, right here in town at St. Mary's Church, and the club gratefully acknowledges the support of the Church and the Knights of Columbus. A maximum of 100 tickets will be sold at \$100 each, which covers a multi-course Italian style dinner with open bar, and the buy-in for the game. Dinner will be served at 7 and the game starts at 8. For tickets call Steve at 416-803-6310 or visit Jim at KARS automotive on King Road west of Hwy. 27, or at 905-859-5277.

The Lions Club is seeking new members at this time. If you are interested in helping your community become a better place to live while having lots of fun, please call Bob Phillips at 416-522-

Nobleton Skating Club

Sessions are offered Mondays and Wednesdays from April 8 to May 29. Canskate. Power and Adult Learn are all offered from 5:30-6:15 p.m. on both Monday and Wednesday. Spring skating begins Monday, April 8. Please note that spring skating takes place at the Trisan Centre in Schomberg. Registration is done on-line through our website nobletonskatingclub.com. Registrations are due by March 30. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us by phone or email.

Anglican Parish By John Arnott

Now with mid-March we have about an extra hour of daylight and the solemn church season of Lent has begun. Is there a connection? The St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton wants vou to know there really is for the name Lent is not based anything religious but rather on lencten the old Anglo-Saxon word for spring as well as the month of March and from which we get our modern English words length. lengthen and lengthening. The daylight hours are lengthening and spring is

In some early Christian communities Lent was not observed at all. But when fasting before Easter became a widespread practice the length of the fast differed from place to place and from one generation to another.

St. Ireneus of Lyons wrote that some Christian communities fasted for just 1 or 2 days before Easter while other Christian communities fasted for 40 hours commemorating the actual time Jesus lay in his borrowed tomb

By the mid-3rd century many Egyptian Christians, especially in Alexandria, fasted for 6 days while Christians in Rome held a 3-week fast.

It was in 325 AD when Constantine. the first Christian Roman Emperor, convened the Council of Nicaea in what is today Turkey to discuss a wide range of Christian issues that the Lenten fast became 40 days in length in recognition of the 40 days Yeshua spent in the semi desert of ancient Judea communing with God, praying and fasting before he began his ministry. Some biblical scholars question whether or not this 40 day desert event actually ever happened as there were no witnesses and it is not re-

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Gradually Christian communities extended the fast by several days then 2 or 3 weeks but it took years before the 40 day observance became widespread. And back then this fast was known by its Latin name Quadragesima meaning 40. And still is outside the English speaking Christian world.

There was a practical side to the Lenten fast as in northern, eastern and central Europe in medieval times by this point in the year food supplies put aside for winter into early spring use were running low. Church officials realized having a 40 day fast in place would help make these dwindling supplies last into the new spring growing season. And managing on less food for a good reason especially a religious one was more acceptable to the mind than going without food because there was no other choice. Thus body and soul could manage to survive a little longer!



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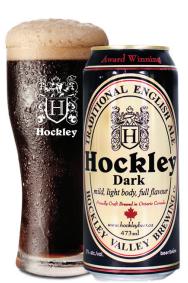
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