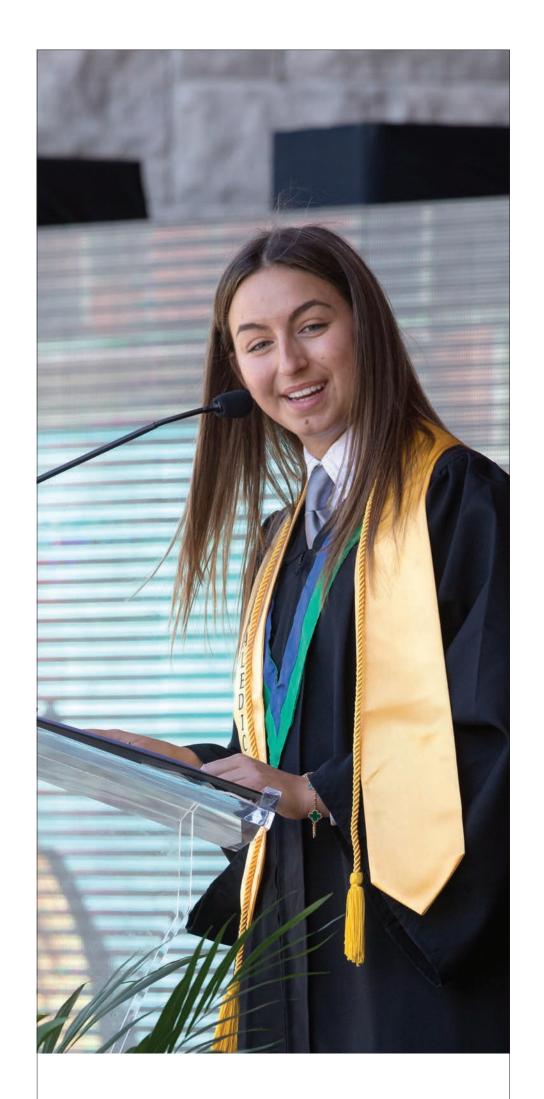


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King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce, Mayor Steve Pellegrini and King-Vaughan MP Deb Schulte join together to celebrate government funding to improve the trail in King City.

Upgrades coming to the King City trail

By Mark Pavilons Editor

get some upgrades, thanks to investments by both the federal and provincial governments.

Governments are looking at active transportation methods that help Canadians get around in faster, cleaner and more affordable ways. Pathways and trails for cycling, walking, hybrid e-bikes and scooters, and wheelchairs gives everyone the opportunity to get out, get active, and access public transportation.

Deb Schulte, MP for King-Vaughan, Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan and Mayor Steve Pelligrini, announced joint funding for an active transportation infrastructure project.

The Government of Canada is investing \$156,173.60 to make enhancements to Station Trail, through the COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream of the Invest-

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ing in Canada Infrastructure Program. The Government of Ontario is contributing \$39,043.40 to this project.

The project will improve the trail from King Road to the The trail in King City connecting the GO station will King City Go Transit Station by upgrading the existing limestone pathway to asphalt and adding light fixtures to a 1.3-kilometre section of the trail. The project will increase the overall safety and accessibility of the trail.

"Canadians deserve using safe paths and trails to get around. It's a great way to stay healthy, enjoy nature, and it is good for the environment. By improving trail access to the King Go Transit Station, (this) announcement will mean improved access to transit and more people biking and walking outdoors in King," Schulte said.

"York Region is home to some of Canada's most incredible natural scenery, and this investment will make it more accessible to King-Vaughan families and seniors so that they can stay active and healthy," added Lecce.

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COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, June 28

6 pm - Council and Committee of the Whole Virtual meeting live streamed at http://king.ca/meetings

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

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Thursday, July 8

6 pm - Heritage Advisory Committee (Virtual Meeting - Not Live-Streamed) If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, register by emailing cpang@king.ca by 12pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Wednesday, July 21

6 pm - Committee of Adjustment

Virtual meeting live streamed at http://king.ca/meetings

BID NOTICES

For all bid opportunities, please visit the Township of King's website www.king.ca, click Popular Topics and click **BID OPPORTUNITIES.**

Or visit on the following link https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Cold Creek Maintenance/Environmental Facilitator (seasonal) - closes July 2 at 4:30PM
- Cold Creek Site Operator (mat leave contract) closes July 2 at 4:30PM
- Cold Creek Site Operator closes July 2 at 4:30PM

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

PUBLIC NOTICES

Nobleton sewer works



Phase 2, Contract 3 sanitary sewer and concurrent works in Nobleton will take place in and around the following road ways: Sheardown Drive, Dobson Court, Cain Court, Hazelbury Drive, Chamberlain Court, Russell Snider Drive, Witherspoon Way, Mactaggart Drive, Holden Drive, Robb Drive and McCutcheon Avenue affecting approximately 200 homes. Weather permitting, work is scheduled to take about 27 months to complete.

LATEST UPDATES

- · All mainline sanitary sewer has been installed within the limits of Contract 3.
- Sanitary services to houses continue to be installed along Russel Snider
- Curb is being installed along McCutcheon and Robb Drive
- Sheardown, Cain Court, Hazelbury, and Dobson have been paved.

Residents who have any questions about the project can visit https://www.king.ca/majorprojects or contact ServiceKing at 905-833-5321 or serviceking@king.ca.

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PUBLIC NOTICES



Due to the constantly changing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects, this information may not be current. Please visit www.king.ca/covid.19 for the most up-to-date information.

- The Municipal Centre at 2585 King Rd. is closed to the public until further notice. However, many services—including payment options, licenses and permits—are being offered online at www.king.ca/onlineservices,
- All essential services will continue, including Fire and Emergency Services, water, wastewater, waste collection and roads and sidewalk maintenance. Citizens can still do business with King on our website at www.king.ca, by phone at 905-833-5321 or by email at serviceking@king.ca.
- King Township Public Library remains closed but is offering curbside pickup service. Visit www.kinglibrary.ca for more information.
- King is encouraging residents to support local businesses during the lockdown as much as possible.

LATEST UPDATES

Based on the province-wide vaccination rate and continuing improvements in key public health and health system indicators, the Ontario government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, moved the province into Step One of its Roadmap to Reopen.

For more information on what Step One entails, please visit https://www.ontario.ca/page/reopening-ontario. **King Township COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic**

First dose

York Region residents age 12+ who live, work or go to school in York Region are now eligible to book an appointment for their COVID-19 vaccination.

Second Dose

Individuals who live, work or go to school in #YorkRegion and who received their first mRNA dose on or before May 9, 2021 are now eligible to book a second dose appointment at http://york.ca/covid19vaccine. Vaccines are delivered by appointment ONLY; walk ins are not available. Anyone who had 1st dose on or before April 18

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Certain highest-risk health conditions

For the most up-to-date information on King Township's vaccination clinic at the Trisan Centre in Schomberg — including clinic hours, vaccine availability and eligibility guidelines—please visit http://king.ca/covid19clinic.

BURLAP BAND TRAP INSTRUCTIONS

The best time to check the burlap band

aterpillars seek refuge from the heat f the mid-day sun.

STEP 4

Gypsy moth/Lymantria dispar dispar (LDD) Life Cycle

*Graphic taken from York Region (york.ca/LDDmoth)

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TASCA PARK PHASE II The design process for Phase II of Tasca Park includes working with the community to gather input in regards to options for programming and other improvements. Potential Phase 2 components include an off-leash dog area, pump track, pickleball courts, area for ice skating and permanent washroom facilities. The data collected will be used to influence which elements will be incorporated into the final design.

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Councillors adamant about zero increase

By Mark Pavilons **Editor**

King Township councillors sent a clear message to staff that the next budget will have a zero net increase for local taxpayers.

In developing the budget cycle for the 2022 operating budget, council directed Treasurer Peggy Tollett to not only aim for, but achieve, a 0% tax levy.

Staff had originally estimated an increase of no more than 3.28% as a starting point. But councillors wanted it clear in the report and direction that zero is zero.

Staff is aware of council's desire and they will work to develop a plan to work towards the zero goal. The aim is to have the preliminary 2022 budget ready by November for presentation to council. Hopes are it will be approved by Dec. 13.

King has adopted a multi-year approach to budgeting, which began in 2019. That year marked the first iteration of the current format, taking us through 2022.

Council approved the 2021 operating budget that included a zero net tax levy. The forecast for 2022, however, is

a 3.28% hike "with the expectation that 2022 and the Township is anticipating we will strive to bring the budget down similar to the 2021 budget."

Next year marks the final year of the multi-year approach and it is directly aligned with the current term of coun-

Base budgets and department business plans are all geared to working in this framework. Staff is being asked to provide information on mandatory provincial spending requirements; inflation; utilities; growth; employee compensation and finding efficiencies.

Tollett, in her report to council, noted "departments are required to find base operating budget efficiencies without a reduction to current service levels."

Discussions won't be confined to internal staff. The Township will engage the public through various methods, seeking input on budget matters, through October 2022.

A working session of council for the preliminary budget presentation is scheduled for Nov. 15.

All budget materials will be posted on the Township website for public consultation and review.

The financial burdens of the pandemic will continue to filter through

a reduction of investment income. Also expected are reduced participation levels in community pogroms. Slower economic growth is likely through this year and even into 2022.

Staff suggested using reserve funds, from the Tax Stabilization Reserve, to help offset costs and to reach their goal of a zero increase.

"The 2022 budget cycle wil require staff to re-evaluate resource deployment (financial, human and capital plans, consider how to structure delivery of municipal services in anticipation of an economic slowdown and the need to ensure citizens of King Township experiencing the impacts of COVID-19 are factored into the recovery strategy," Tollett's report noted.

Councillors noted that council has done an excellent job in keeping up the reserves and it may be time to tap into those funds. Council is asking staff just how to use those reserves efficiently and maintain existing service levels.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said it's vital to use those reserve now.





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"This investment will also connect with a key transportation hub – supporting our economy by allowing working families to get to and from work," added Lecce.

"On behalf of council and residents, I'd like to thank the federal and provincial governments for another significant investment in improving the quality of life in King Township. The trail improvements come at an opportune time as they align with our recently passed Active Transportation Strategy which calls for the implementation of new and upgraded sidewalks, multi-use pathways, paved shoulders and off-road trails," said Mayor Pellegrini.

Through the Investing in Canada infrastructure plan, the Government of Canada is investing more than \$180 billion over 12 years in public transit projects, green infrastructure, social infrastructure, trade and transportation routes, and Canada's rural and northern communities. Ontario is investing \$10.2 billion in this program.

Through the COVID-19 Resilience stream, over \$3 billion is available to provide provinces and territories with added flexibility to fund quick-start, short term projects. The federal cost share for public infrastructure projects is 80 per cent in the provinces, and 100 per cent in the territories and for projects intended for Indigenous communities.

The Government of Canada has invested over \$13.9 billion in more than 3,200 infrastructure projects across Ontario under the Investing in Canada plan.

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~ Michael Connelly

Today is our new starting point in life

Emerging from our caves should be a bit of a reawakening for all of us.

We're seeing the bright light of day for the first time in months. Soaking up the sunshine is amazing, and you can see the joy on the faces of those enjoying outdoor patios.

Humans are social creatures. Sure, we come complete with a plethora of shortcomings, but we also have some rather nifty qualities, too.

God gave us strong shoulders to bear many burdens. My dad always commented on what he saw as my strong, broad shoulders.

Over the years, however, they've drooped a bit. The weight, it seems, never wanes, but the muscles tire and tendons stretch.

I came across a great quote, from an America's Got Talent contestant: "You can't wait until life isn't hard anymore to decide to be happy."

This came from a 30-year-old singer who's battling cancer. She nailed it. Life of them. will always be hard, or at least challenging in many ways.

God also gave us the amazing ability to cope, keep going, combined with strong neck muscles to hold our heads most always seek "the truth" or argue

Pretty cool if you think about it.

tried to give everyone the benefit of the events, but you can't always perfectly doubt. I've encountered literally thou- recall them because people all have difsands of individuals over my career, ferent senses, perceptions, blinders and and I take away something from each biases. and every one of them.

fortunately, this trend continues. People dle. Nothing is black and white and themselves are the spice of life and in more often, it's a few shades of gray. my opinion, the more unique, the bet- Most of the time, those gray textures ter. I still smile when I think of some of mix together into a truly unique colour the odd characters I've met and written palette all on its own.

chair critics, watchdogs, outspoken poli- involved. ticians. There were people who achieved greatness, and those who suffered way years is that almost everyone has their too much. There were high-achievers, own personal agenda. It may be subtle, and wrongly incarcerated. There have clear and robust, but often it's hidden, been brilliant scientists and those suf- neatly disguised. fering life-altering illnesses.



Mark Pavilons

In society, it's quite easy to be judgmental and cast stones, even if your house is made of tinted glass.

I try to look at all the sides. People althat what's presented "isn't the whole truth." From experience, I know that It made me think about a lot of things. the real truth is often a matter of per-In my life and my career, I've always ception. Sure, you can verify facts and

The truth, or a reasonable variation I have met many "characters" and thereof, almost always lies in the mid-

Sure, it makes my job (and likely There was the cane-stomping minis- many others, too) difficult and someter who was an outspoken opponent to times near impossible. Some say that's same-sex relationships back in the day. the beauty of it all - things are so in-There were local business owners, arm-teresting and weird where people are

Another thing I've learned over the

Do members of the public, govern-God bless them, each and every one ment and various agencies take ad-

in their own self-interest. But in a way, I do. I feel bad sometimes about decithat's part of our mandate, to help pro-sions or actions that may have hurt mote and publicize.

ing field," but I don't even know if that's or hardship. Do they plague me? Somepossible. We are all so different, from times. But again, that's what my shouldifferent walks of life, different back- ders are for. grounds and different socio-economic levels that it's virtually impossible for in reverse. We are here. This is our new everyone to be equal.

We have fundamental laws and rights enshrined in our Charter of Rights and time to time, to get a feeling for what ing and being open to new things. this country should be like. It comforts me that we have such a document and our fellow citizens, we should be grateset of rules. I am reassured that in the ful that we're part of our rich society. We end, our tolerance, compassion and ac-should be cautious in our judgement beceptance of others will prevail.

ety gets "back to normal," maybe it's or lost a loved one to COVID. We don't time to tweak our perceptions, maybe know if they're recovering from trageeven get our eyes checked. We need to dy, or if they've just won the lottery! see differently.

And we need to make amends.

I have been blessed most of my life. all on my own. Sure, I made mistakes. ter a very trying year.

vantage of the media? Of course. It's Who hasn't? Do I have regrets? Sure others, mostly unintentionally. I am I often hear the term "level the play- sorry if I caused anyone undue pain

We can't put the brakes on and travel starting point. This is the place from where we move on and move forward.

I firmly believe in treating people Freedoms. I revisit this document from fairly, being pleasant and cordial, forgiv-

As we walk down the street, and see cause we don't know if that person who And that's where I'm going. As soci- holds the door open for us has cancer

> For this reason alone, we need to treat people better. We need to BE better.

Let's make that our new battle cry as Most of my challenges I brought about we grow, evolve and succeed together af-



Letter to the Editor

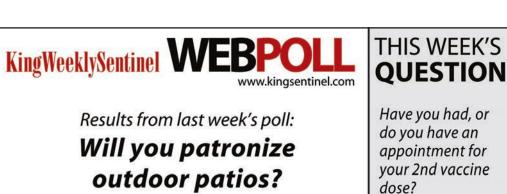
Struggling with gypsy moths

I would like to express my frustration and disappointment with the Township of King's lack of support to its residents for the very serious gypsy moth caterpillar infestation which has ravaged the trees in my neighbour hood and in the township as a whole.

Many neighbouring jurisdictions have taken a variety of actions to control the infestation but here in King residents are struggling to save their trees on their own with largely ineffective homespun methods or by paying for professional services.

Like many citizens, we have invested thousands of dollars to purchase and plant trees for both aesthetic and environmental enhancement. The Township's lack of action is a flagrant contradiction to its often proclaimed "King loves its trees."

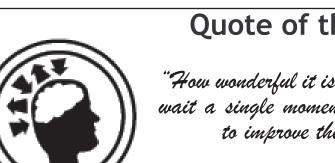
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A challenging course ahead to oil-free future

By David Suzuki

Thirty-three years ago, NASA scientist James Hansen told a U.S. congressional committee the agency was 99 per cent certain a global warming trend was not natural, but caused by a buildup of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, mainly from burning fossil

"Global warming has reached a level such that we can ascribe with a high degree of confidence a cause and effect relationship between the greenhouse effect and observed warming," Hansen said, adding, "It is already happening now.

George Woodwell, director of the Woods Hole Research Center in Massachusetts, testified that wide-scale forest destruction would speed the warming, as dying forests release stored carbon dioxide.

It's shocking that so many people decided the best course would be to shrug and carry on as usual in the face of dire, compelling statements from scientists who thoroughly examined the problem – not to mention evidence building since Joseph Fourier's discoveries in the 1820s to a U.S. National Academy of Sciences report in 1977 and congressional hearings on climate in the early 1980s held by Rep. Al Gore (later senator, then vice-president). There was talk but little action.

Now all those warnings are reality: rapidly escalating temperatures, rising sea levels, increasing extreme weather events and more. More than 30 years after Hansen's testimony, we're in crisis because industry and governments failed to act.

Can that change over the next 30?

A new report from the International Energy Agency notes that a growing number of governments worldwide are pledging to zero out emissions over the coming decades. "But the pledges by governments to date - even if fully

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achieved - fall well short of what is required to bring global energy-related carbon dioxide emissions to net zero by 2050 and give the world an even chance of limiting the global temperature rise to 1.5 °C."

One silver lining in "Net Zero by 2050: A Roadmap for the Global Energy Sector" is its finding that reducing, capturing and neutralizing emissions will benefit human prosperity and well-being beyond simply slowing global heating — although it warns the path "is narrow and requires an unprecedented transformation of how energy is produced, transported and used globally."

Following recommendations from the report's "more than 400 milestones" would create "millions of jobs in clean energy, including energy efficiency, as well as in the engineering, manufacturing and construction industries," an IEA release said. The report stresses governments must minimize hardships for people and communities affected by the energy transition, with regional aid, retraining and locating clean energy infrastructure near affected communities to maintain jobs.

Measures such as providing electricity and clean cooking solutions to those who lack them would bring major health benefits by cutting pollution and could prevent 2.5 million premature deaths a year.

But it means getting off fossil fuels quickly. Unwillingness to start the transition when we first became aware of the need means we have no time left to lose. The report finds fossil fuel use must fall from four-fifths of energy supply today to around one-fifth in 2050, and that demand will continue to plummet. There's no place for new coal, oil or gas development, including pipelines. Remaining fossil fuels must be "used in goods where the carbon is em-

in facilities fitted with carbon capture, and in sectors where low-emissions technology options are scarce."

The immediate goals are to rapidly phase out coal power and internal combustion engine vehicles and halt new oil and gas development.

The report notes most CO2 reductions through to 2030 can be made using available technologies but that "in 2050, almost half the reductions come from technologies that are currently at the demonstration or prototype phase." Electricity must "play a key role across all sectors, from transport and buildings to industry."

The road map shows that by 2050, 90

bodied in the product such as plastics, per cent of global electricity generation could come from renewable sources, 70 per cent from solar photovoltaic and wind. A David Suzuki Foundation study also found getting to net zero means electrifying just about everything: cars, buses, trucks, home and building heat pumps, industrial furnaces and more.

The era of coal, oil and gas is over. We've done too little for the past 30 years. For the next 30, let's work toward a cleaner, healthier future for all.

David Suzuki is a scientist, broadcaster, author and co-founder of the David Suzuki Foundation. Written with contributions from David Suzuki Foundation Senior Writer and Editor Ian Hanington. Learn more at davidsuzuki.org.



Look for moth masses

Gypsy moths are beginning to pupate now. They sometimes do this by balling up leaves or forming hairy masses on the bark of trees. Now is the time to remove these before they turn into moths and the cycle begins again.

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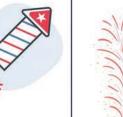
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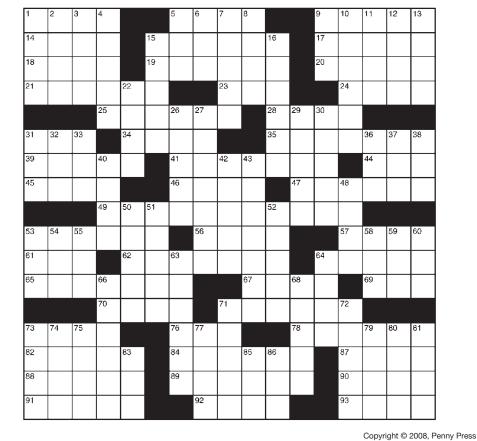
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King Mayor serves on York Regional Police Services Board

The York Regional Police Services Board welcomed its newest member, King Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

Mayor Pellegrini was appointed by York Regional Council on June 1, for the remainder of the 2019-2022 term of Regional Council.

"I would like to welcome Mayor Pellegrini to this Board and as his colleague on Regional Council, I am confident he will be a valuable asset to the Board and to the community," said Board Chair and Vaughan Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua.

Pellegrini is also King's Regional representative on York Regional Council. He was sworn into office in 2010 and is now serving his third consecutive

"We welcome Mayor Pellegrini to the Police Services Board and know his knowledge and experience will be a tremendous addition, bringing vision and insight with him," said Board Vice

Chair and York CEO Wayne Emmerson. In addition to his continuing service in King, Mayor Pellegrini worked for over 35 years in the municipal sector, recently retiring as a Manager of the Project Management Office (PMO).

Mayor Pellegrini strongly believes in giving back and has been involved in many boards in his community. Currently, he is Chair of York Region Transportation Services, Vice Chair for YorkNet, a Board member on the Ontario Heritage Trust, Housing York Inc., Toronto Region Conservation Authority and Holland Marsh Drainage System

Joint Municipal Services Board. Mayor Pellegrini also holds a number of honourary positions such as Honourary Governor of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, Honourary Chair of King Township Food Bank and Hon-

ourary Chair of Arts Society King. Pellegrini's past service includes chairman for Communities in Bloom for King Township, Treasurer for Parks and Recreation Ontario, Director of the Association of Ontario Sport and Recreation Administrators and KingFest



In his spare time, Pellegrini also coached baseball, soccer, and hockey as his children moved through their child-

hoods. "It is my honour to be a member of the Police Services Board," said Pellegrini. "I truly believe York Regional Police is one of the finest organizations, and as a resident we are thankful for their service. I look forward to contributing and working with all board mem-

bers to making the service even better." The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board is a seven-member civilian Board that oversees the York Regional Police and is comprised of one member as Head of Municipal Council, three members are appointed by resolution of Regional Council and three by the Lieutenant Governor of

King's 'Hometown Heroes' profiled

Ontario.

Earlier this year, King Township asked citizens to tell them about people, organizations or businesses that are making a positive impact on the

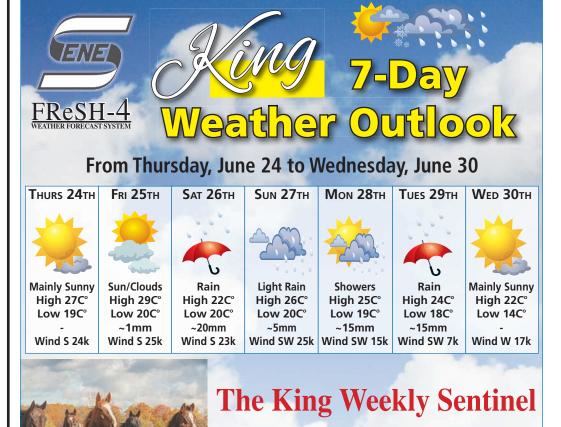
community during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Township received many submissions from the community and

have put them together in a video. Congratulations to all those nominated. And to those of you making a positive contribution without public acclaim – thank you. You are all

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Province to add 360 hectares of land to the LSRCA

By Mark Pavilons Editor

The government of Ontario is delivering on its promise to grow and enhance the Greenbelt by planning to add 360 hectares of privately owned lands, which is currently slated for development, to the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority.

This enhancement will ensure that the environmentally sensitive wetlands in Georgina's North Gwillimbury Forest are under the protection of the Greenbelt. And that comes as great news for residents and conservationists.

The lands to the west and south of Woodbine Avenue and Metro Road North received development permissions decades ago, before the establishment of the Greenbelt, and before Provincially Significant Wetlands were recognized. Transferring the lands to the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority will ensure that these important lands will be conserved without development for generations to come.

"Today marks a huge moment for Ontario, and for the Simcoe community," said Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. "Under the previous government, these lands were slated to be developed. Under Premier Ford, we have ensured that these 360 hectares of green space will be protected by the Greenbelt and by the Lake Simcoe Conservation Authority. I am also proud to commit to adding two acres of protected and enhanced green space for every acre of land developed through the use of an MZO. We are balancing responsible growth with protecting the environment for future generations."

The Ontario government announced its intention to Grow the Greenbelt this winter and is currently looking at other opportunities to expand and enhance Greenbelt protections. Minister Clark will be issuing a Minister's Zoning Order to ensure that the 360 hectares in Georgina's North Gwillimbury Forest are under the protection of the Greenbelt.

"The wetlands in Georgina's North Gwillimbury Forest are an important part of York - Simcoe," said Caroline Mulroney, MPP for York-Simcoe. "We are a community that loves to be outdoors and conserving these lands will

mean that residents and visitors can continue to experience what York-Simcoe has to offer. Ontario is taking the right steps to protect our beautiful green spaces, while also leading projects that will help us manage the province's rapidly growing population."

This is part of Ontario's plan to Grow the Greenbelt and enhance existing protections.

This unprecedented decision in the Lake Simcoe watershed also represents the single largest land donation and secures the opportunity to preserve 360 hectares of important natural heritage and environmental features, according to the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority.

Over the next several years, the Authority will assess the feasibility of restoration and enhancement projects on the property to improve and ensure the future health of the watershed and Lake Simcoe.

"This momentous endowment, and significant addition to the Greenbelt, comes with a great deal of responsibility and the Authority intends to establish a long-term plan for the future of this property," said a statement from LSRCA.

The citizen-led fight to protect these lands has highlighted the importance of community organizing and local environmental non-governmental organizations. It was citizens, residents, and the North Gwillimbury Forest Alliance, and the Town of Georgina Mayor and some councillors, who recognized the importance of these wetlands to the Lake Simcoe watershed's health, and who championed its protection. In fact, due to this engagement and leadership by local elected representatives, including Councillor Dave Neeson, these lands were protected from development by a LPAT ruling at the end of 2019, after a protracted battle with the Lake Simcoe Conservation Authority and the DG Group, who were planning on building over 1000 units there.

"We applaud all those involved for so many years to ensure that Lake Simcoe's wetlands are properly valued and maintained, so that the health of the lake and its watershed can be restored and we can continue to count on it for generations to come," the group says.

However, while MPP Mulroney and Minister Steve Clark proclaim the importance of Lake Simcoe and its health



Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Chair Wayne Emmerson, Minister Steve Clark, Minister Caroline Mulroney made the announcement last week.

with this announcement, they are "simultaneously ignoring the most important wetland in the watershed, the Holland Marsh wetland, which is slated to be the future home of a 16-kilometre, 6-lane highway called the Bradford Bypass.

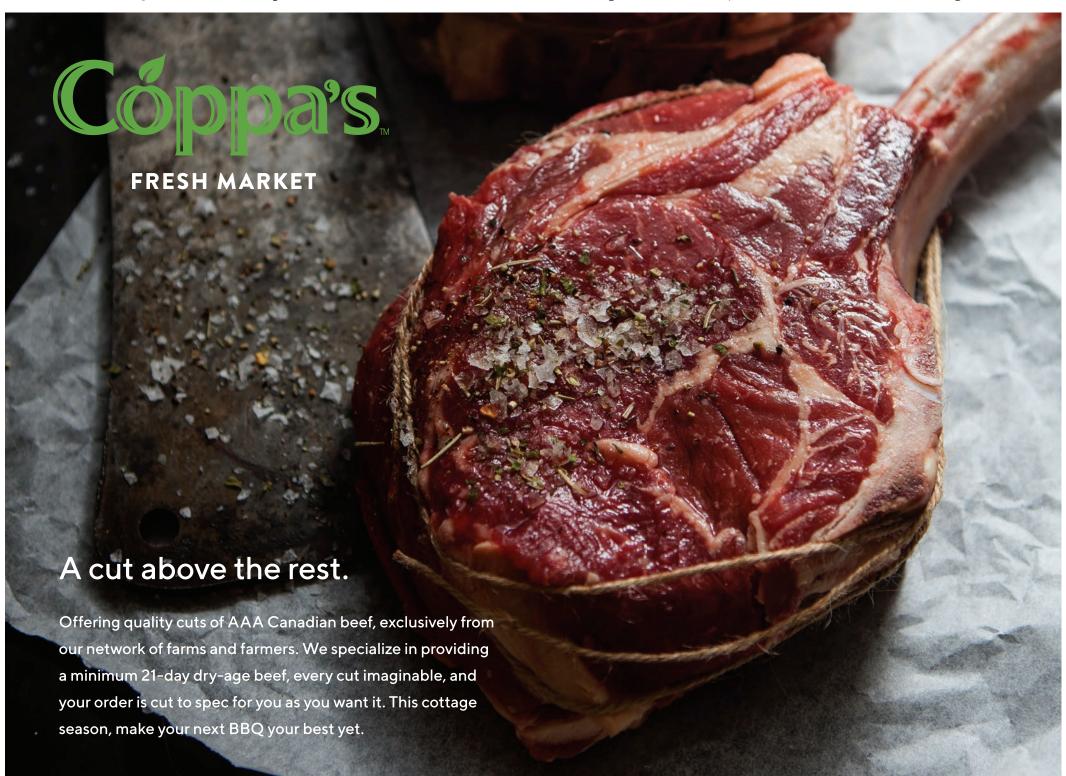
"According to the (now over two-decades old and hopelessly outdated) Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Bradford Bypass, it will directly remove 22.1 hectares of higher quality woodlands, 17.1 hectares of Holland Marsh, 32.7 hectares of significant wildlife habitat, 190.37 high capability mineral soils and 154.3 active agricultural production lands, totalling a direct loss of 416.57 hectares of lands significant and important to the health of Lake Simcoe.

"So, it seems, while one hand of the government gives, the other hand so casually takes it away, and Lake Simcoe's health hangs in the balance. The recent announcements to study the Upper York Sewage Solution further, due to an munities and a thriving Lake Simcoe."

outdated EA, and protecting the North Gwillimbury Forest and wetland, ring hollow so long as plans to plough a massive highway, through one of the most sensitive and ecologically important parts of the watershed remain. These plans will greatly increase access to lands owned by developers and enables more sprawl.

"We maintain our request for a new full provincial individual EA of the Bradford Bypass, a complete update to the 1997 EA, including an examination of alternatives to the highway, and an examination of need. We also would like a transparent review by the Federal government of endangered species and fisheries impacts.

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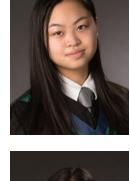








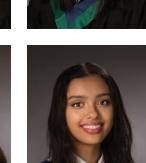










































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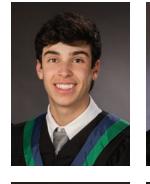




















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'Living Lab' concept is blossoming at Kingbridge

By Mark Pavilons **Editor**

The Kingbridge Innovation Hub and Living Lab is bring a fresh approach that will be meaningful for King Township.

Kingbridge executive director Karen Dubeau told King councillors about their initiatives during the recent virtual council meeting.

Dubeau noted the centre has the luxury of time to spend building out its assets. Technology, long-term, high-potential solutions are all part of the plan to make an impact. Nurturing the land and the environment is part of Kingbridge's mantra.

Dubeau said the idea is to create a network of living labs, for demonstrations, research, education and immer-



sive experiences for both residents and visitors. They plan to encourage community engagement to help "co-create" solutions.

Kingbridge, she said, is not an "ivory tower" facility and the key to success is listening, engaging and building partnerships of purpose.

Hopes are the centre will develop 30, 60 and 90-day action plans with partners such as Seneca College and the King Chamber of Commerce. Working closely with York Region and King Township, the connections and plans will spiral outward.

Areas of interest include priority needs, strategic partnerships, project opportunities and scalable ventures.

Dubeau said they've stared with some outdoor projects by planting trees, in keeping with the federal government's plan to plant one billion trees across the country. Their tree nursery is a forest incubator and includes species at risk.

The incubator would involve species migration studies, tracking invasive species, seed banks, demo sights and

"The solution isn't trees. It's trees plus math. It's an issue of scaling."

The Hub can help support start-ups that need infrastructure and need to demonstrate the value of their propositions. The Hub can be their first ecosystem partners and first customers. They'd like to help foster innovative farmers, agri-innovators, environmental engineers and environmental designers.

Dubeau also told councillors of their newest residents – some 80,000 honey bees. It's part of a project that includes showing the important of pollinators to agriculture. It will be experiential to visitors and residents. They will part-



ner with Seneca and the research on hives will provide data and modelling across King Township.

The plans for the rest of this year include launching demonstrations, expanding visibility and reach and reviewing 10 potential venture opportunities. Dubea said they hope to old some events, including in-person visits.

In 2022 and beyond, the Hub hopes to secure investments and attract ventures and talent to King. This will generate revenue and also create employment opportunities.

Dubeau extended an invitation to councillors to tour the property and share their insights.

She said they hope to prepare an MOU this fall, which identify concrete projects and investment opportunities. These, she said, will closely align with King's strategic plans.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said the Township is excited about the plans and is impressed by how the Hub has integrated everything so brilliantly.



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Seneca establishes endowment

Seneca College is establishing The support are: Jane Fund, a \$12-million investment • Financial aid to improve access dedicated to supporting student-to- for students from racialized and equicused Equity, Diversity and Inclusion ty-seeking communities. (EDI) initiatives.

The Jane Fund is endowed, providing resources in perpetuity for EDI-related student financial aid, support programs, projects and research initiatives. It will be Seneca's single largest endowed fund.

"The Seneca community spoke with one voice in our reflections on how we as an institution could contribute to building a world free of racism and discrimination," said Seneca President David Agnew. "We heard that words are not enough – action is required.

"We are responding with a significant and permanent investment dedicated to building the equitable Seneca through concrete measures such as financial aid and supports for students from racialized and equity-seeking communities."

The name The Jane Fund reflects communities along North York's Jane Street, including the long-standing Yorkgate Campus serving the Jane-Finch community. Seneca's board of governors unanimously approved the establishment of the fund at its latest meeting.

"The Jane Fund will be a permanent legacy and we invite like-minded individuals, corporations and organizations to join us in supporting student-focused EDI initiatives," said Agnew. "This will allow us to reach deeper into target communities and provide meaningful and sustainable support to many more students."

Among the initiatives the fund will senecacollege.ca

- · Matching external donations to establish or augment existing EDI bursaries and scholarships.
- · Supplementing services to help guide students through their postsecondary journey.
- · Academic programs that target priority communities and neighbourhoods.
- · Other EDI Initiatives such as community outreach; research projects; student mobility programs.

The Jane Fund is one of several initiatives that are building the equitable Seneca. Others include student and employee demographic censuses, revamped EDI training for students and employees, human resources and student policy reviews and curriculum initiatives.

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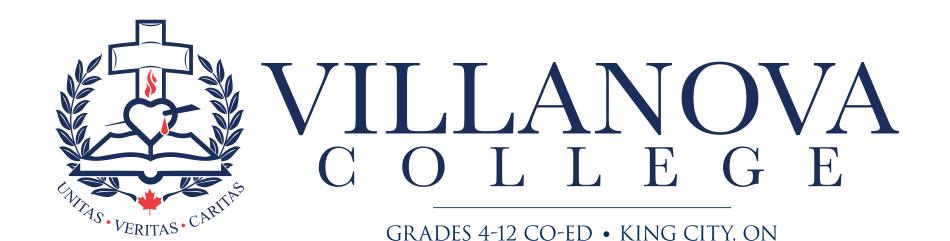


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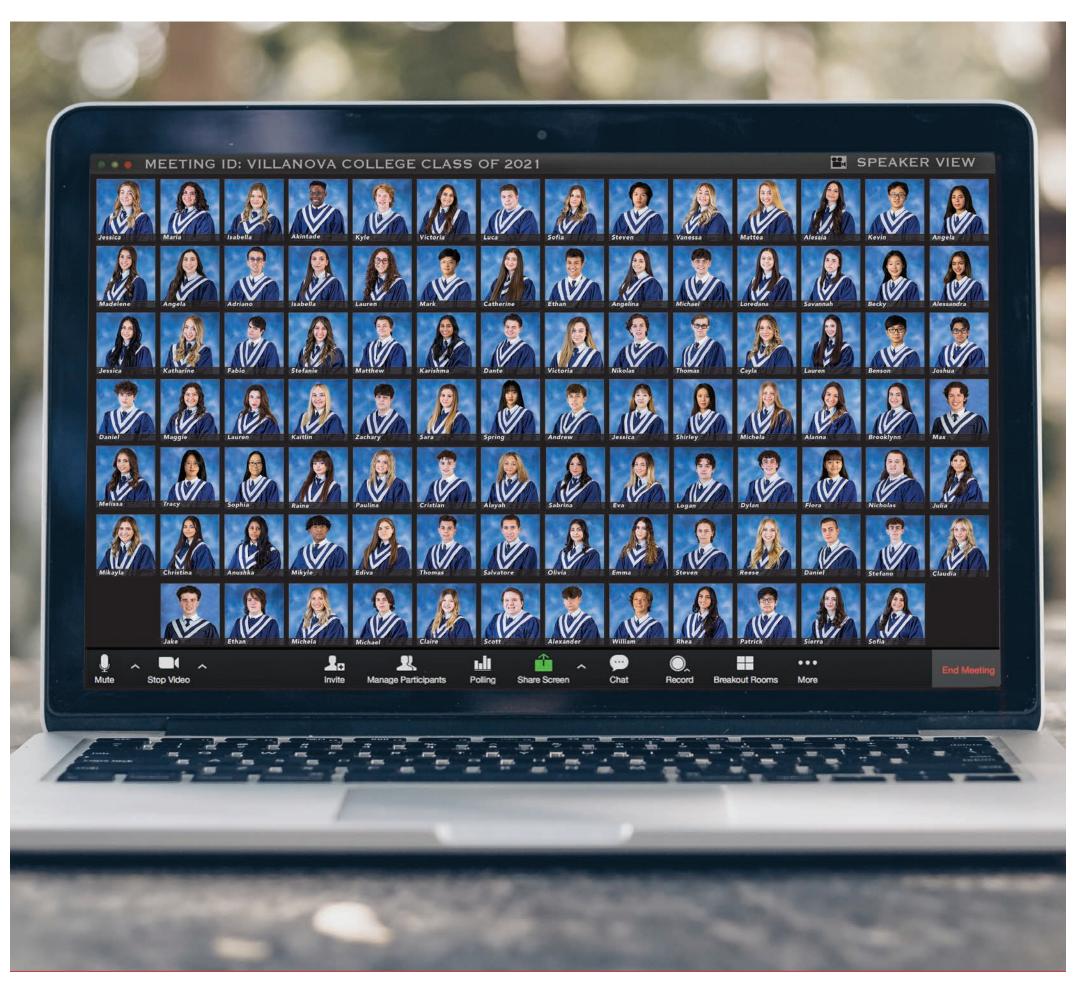
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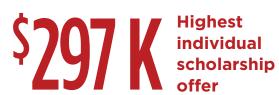
Congratulations to the 96 graduates of the Class of 2021! This formidable group has continued to demonstrate dedication, determination and resiliency throughout their educational journey at Villanova College. They are ready to enter the world as confident, compassionate leaders. We are proud of their many accomplishments including 525 acceptance offers, an individual scholarship offer of over \$297,000 and acceptance to 28 prestigious international, national, and provincial universities.











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The Charitable Chef fundraiser heads outdoors

virtual fundraiser, The Charitable Chef, is moving the venue from Zoom and taking it outdoors for the summer.

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The Charitable Chef is a meal expe-

King Public Library names new CEO

King Township Public Library's Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Ashley Nunn-Smith, as the Library's new Chief Executive Officer, effective

Nunn-Smith has extensive library experience, having spent the past four years as Manager-Content, Access and Innovation with the Aurora Public Library and 10 years with the Halifax Public Library, where she held a variety of positions from Youth Services Librarian to Collection Development Librarian.

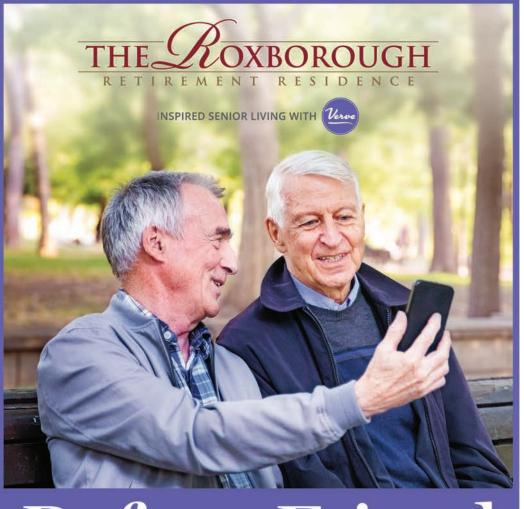
"Following an exhaustive search the King Township Public Library Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Ashley Nunn-Smith as the Library's new CEO," said Library Board Chair Michael Presta. "We look forward to having Ashley join the KTPL team. Her leadership style, forward thinking and broad-based library experience make her the ideal candidate to lead the Library into the future. On behalf of the entire board we wish Ashley a warm welcome to King Township and look forward to working together to continue the great work of staff to date and create an even better tomorrow."

Career highlights and accomplishments include playing a key role in branch expansions, outreach to underserved populations, and staff leadership and team-building. While at Halifax Public Library she served as media liaison for all Francophone community relations and was chair of the regional staff collection development and weeding teams. At Aurora Public Library, she reduced barriers

to access and played a vital role in the COVID-era adaptations required for a hugely successful curbside pickup window service.

Originally from Halifax, Nova Scotia, Nunn-Smith holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and French and a Masters degree in Library and Information Studies from Dalhousie University in Halifax, as well as a Masters in Children's Literature from Hollins University in Roanoke, Virginia.





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Your main dish will be a delectable asparagus-smoked cheddar quiche in a flaky pastry, served with local mixed greens topped with freshly harvested strawberries and spiced pecans. Wrap up this delightful day with a summer classic – pavlova topped with strawberries. Beverages and preserve add-ons are available to accompany your meal.

"This summer we are taking the Charitable Chef outdoors to backyards, decks and parks. We've all been cooped up spending a lot of time in front of our screens and we're looking forward to some much needed outdoor time. Our kits are a perfect way to reconnect with family and friends in small outdoor gatherings. A delicious meal experience where all proceeds raised from this fundraiser will support YRFN's essential food security programs," said

York Region Food Network's (YRFN) purchase a ticket for The Charitable rience like no other. The Summer Kit Kate Greavette, executive director of

YRFN is a resourceful non-profit organization whose small and dynamic team connects and empowers people to access healthy food through education and advocacy. Our work is guided by the fundamental belief in the right to food. Their innovative programs and services are designed to create opportunities for community members of all ages and backgrounds to come together, enjoy local and healthy food whilst developing valuable social networks.

Simply purchase a ticket (\$40 - \$50 provides a full meal kit for one).

Select your pick-up date from York Region Food Network in Aurora.

Find your spot outdoors to enjoy the

This event is a way to highlight York Region's agricultural treasures while also supporting York Region Food Net-

work's community food programs. Kit Pick Up Dates: Summer Starter Picnic Kit runs through June 24. The Summer Grilling Kit goes July 20 to 22, and Reap the Harvest Kit (plant based)

will be available Aug. 24 to 26. Registration: https://www. eventbrite.ca/e/the-charitable-chef-summer-starter-picnic-kit-tickets-156971601285

Mental Health in Motion goes to the dogs

The first virtual Mental Health in Motion is striving to attract more participants – and pets! – in its goal to raise more than \$125,000 by the end of June.

Mental Health in Motion is the Canadian Mental Health Association York Region and South Simcoe's biggest fundraising event of the year to raise funds and awareness for youth mental health programs. With more than 300 registrants already signed up from its goal of 450 registrations, the community is invited to tune in for the Virtual Kick-Off event on Sunday, June 13, to help drive more participants and donations for this important cause.

This year, the annual Mental Health in Motion event is entirely virtual and participants can choose how and when they get involved. Between now and the end of June, participants are invited to fundraise by running, walking or riding 5 km, 10 km, 20 km, 100 km, or choosing their own adventure. There are many opportunities to virtually connect with other participants and win prizes along the way. Funds raised will support mental health programs and services for young people ages 12 to 25 years old in York Region and South Simcoe.

To donate or for free registration visit cmhainmotion.ca. To learn more about Mental Health in Motion, visit www.cmhainmotion.ca. Follow CMHA York Region and South Simcoe for updates on social media @CMHAYork.

There's also another new twist. One of the teams entered in Mental Health in Motion called the Paws in Motion Team, is made up of "petfluencers" a.k.a. social media active pets who are putting their paws together to raise awareness and funds for youth mental health services. The Paws in Motion Team has put together a BINGO dog walking challenge to encourage people to get active with their pets while raising money. Their participation has also sparked a conversation on social media about the role pets play in human mental health.

"We were so excited to get this opportunity to represent such a great cause," said Ksenia Seliverstova, whose Labrador Retriever Zuma is on the Paws in Motion Team. "It's amazing to see the feedback and support that we have already been receiving from people and their dogs."

Zuma and some of the other Paws in Motion Team members will also be appearing in the Virtual Kick Off event on Sunday, donning their Mental Health in Motion shirts, alongside an amazing lineup of speakers from all walks of life.

Members of the Paws in Motion team have been encouraged by the donations that they have received to date, with support from as far as Australia.



The Paws in Motion team has already raised more than \$2,500, but don't plan to stop there, with a goal of \$5,000.

As an additional bonus, anyone who donates to any member of the Paws in Motion Team, will also instantly be entered for a chance to win great prizes from Not Your Everyday K9s Dog Training and Walking, Alpha Dog Raw, Patient by Design and more. To read more about the Paws in Motion Team, register your pet for the team, access activities or make a donation visit www.cmha-yr.on.ca/paws-in-motion.

CMHA offers a variety of programs for those aged 12 and above including MOBYSS (pronounced mo-bies), Ontario's first and only mobile health clinic for youth ages 12 to 25. MOBYSS travels to where youth are in York Region and South Simcoe, offering free support for mental health, physical health, and sexual health support. Learn more about the bus at www.mobyss.ca.

Additional youth services include supportive telephone counselling line, Youth Wellness, BounceBack Ontario's free guided self-help for youth and adults experiencing mild-to-moderate depression, newcomers support, housing support services, employment services, case management, recovery-oriented groups and more. CMHA York Region and South Simcoe also offers Family Support Groups for those who are caring with a loved one with mental illness. For more information visit cmha-yr-on.ca/programs/youth

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Lions spruce up King City Lodge

The King City Lions Club donated and planted 17 various perennial plants at the King City Lodge nursing home, on June 5. Shown are (top, I to r) Lions Past President Jay Harding, Ken Orr, Dave Ground, Som Sukla, and Som's dog Huxley.

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Congregation shows its support with ribbons

By Rev. Evelyn McLachlan

People across Canada have been shocked, dismayed, saddened and horrified at the recent discoveries of unmarked graves of Indigenous children at various former residential schools in Kamloops BC, Brandon MB, Carlisle SK and Lestock SK. There have been vigils, signs, teddy bears and even shoes across the country to mark their passing.

As a minister with the United Church of Canada I have been deeply affected by this.

In 1986, the United Church offered an apology to the Indigenous elders at our General Council that was held in Sudbury. It was a first step, along with The Healing Fund that annually grants a total of \$100,000 to healing initiatives for survivors of the residential school system and its ongoing intergenerational impacts.

Many name a need for mending, restoring, and celebrating – a sense of loss, along with hope for rebuilding

identity. Indigenous communities may apply up to \$10,000 to create healing, culture, and/or language projects. The Healing Fund started in 1994.

It was with all of this in mind, that the Nobleton and Schomberg United Church congregations offered the community an opportunity to reflect, remember and honour those who have died at various residential schools.

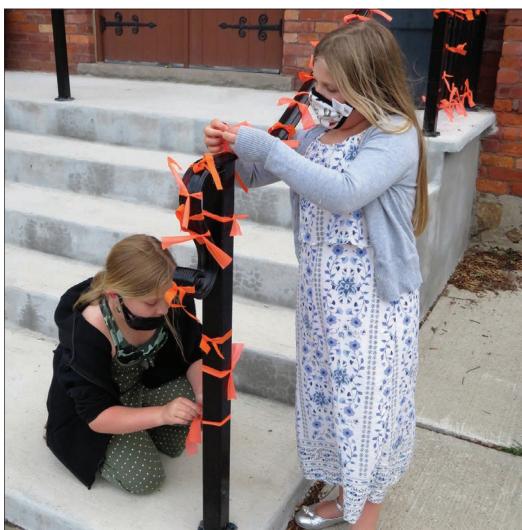
On June 14, people came wearing a mask, received a prayer that was written by the Moderator of the United Church, the Right Rev. Dr. Richard Bott, and a ribbon to tie to the railing at the front of the church. Rouighly 27 people came and went. It was a moving moment for many of them, including some children.

One child who came, Mayha Carroll, is Indigenous and seeing her tie a few ribbons made me see this with new eyes.

Every child does indeed matter. May we do better. May we remember we are all created as God's children, in God's image







Patience is a virtue



Last year at this time, we were all scrambling for toilet paper, hand sanitizer, and did not know what would happen next. However, the world put forth a global charge to create a vaccine, government and central banks injected massive amounts of stimuli and we quickly learned how to work from home. Twelve months later, there are four vaccines, the markets are much higher and we can all see some sort of light at the end of the tunnel.

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Tolling bells honour the 215 children on Indigenous People's Day, June 21

In consultation with Indigenous peoples, Christ Church and Kettleby community members came together to honour the lives of the 215 children whose remains were recently located in an Indian Residential School in Kamloops, BC.

Since the team at Christ Church began discussing how to honour these children and their families, knowing that we were told at the TRC that this had occurred, we now also know that a number of other sites have been revealed at other Indian Residential School locations, and there will be more.

On June 21 – National Indigenous People's Day – Christ Church bells tolled 215 times, once for the life of each child buried in Kamloops IRS.

The congregation will also be planting a heart garden, consisting of 215 paper heart flowers. This gesture initially took place at Rideau Hall as part of the closing ceremonies of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in memory of "children lost to the residential school system, to honour residential school survivors and their families and (to) support the legacy of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission."

At this time, COVID protocols prohibit an assembly at the church. Supporters were encouraged to wear an orange shirt on this day which is a reminder that "Every Child Matters" and is regarded as an opportunity to keep the discussion of the impact of residential schools occurring (as per Orange Shirt Day which is held annually on Sept. 30).

Anyone wishing to assemble a package of 10 hearts for the garden is welcome to contact Janet at christchurchkettleby@gmail.com





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York's Medical Officer of Health set to retire

At a special meeting of York Regional Council, York Region Medical Officer of Health Dr. Karim Kurji announced his retirement, effective Thursday, Sept. 30.

"On behalf of York Regional Council, I want to thank Dr. Kurji for his professionalism, dedication and commitment to supporting the health and well-being of the more than 1.2 million residents who call York Region home," said York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "With almost four decades of public service, there are so many accomplishments to highlight. However, for York Region, Dr. Kurji's legacy will be his instrumental role in our ongoing fight against COVID-19."

Over the past 18 months, Dr. Kurji has been leading York Region's COVID-19 response. Under his leadership, key elements include:

- Establishing real-time reporting systems and leveraging data to make informed decisions related to the local pandemic response.
- Focusing resources and efforts throughout the pandemic on contact tracing and case management to interrupt the chains of transmission of COVID-19; an essential public health tool for controlling the virus.
- · Supporting federal and provincial direction and mandates related to various public health measures, including the Keeping Ontario Safe and Open Framework and the recently announced Roadmap to Reopen plan. • Administering almost 913,000 doses
- of COVID-19 vaccine, vaccinating almost 75% of York Region residents (age 12+) with at least one dose and almost 21% of York Region residents (age 12+) receiving both doses of the COVID-19

Dr. Kurji joined York Region in

2005 as an Associate Medical Officer of Health and shortly after was appointed the Region's Medical Officer of Health.

In addition to his leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic, York Region has benefited from Dr. Kurji's guidance to introduce and advance many important public health programs and services. These include:

- · Implementing the new Ontario Public Health Standards.
- · Leading the H1N1 influenza pandemic response.
- Responding to emerging new diseases such as West Nile virus, Lyme disease and Zika virus.
- · Responding to a growing opioid crisis through the development of York Region's Opioid Action Plan.

Prior to joining York Region, Dr. Kurji held senior positions with the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, including Ontario's Associate Chief Medical Officer of Health and Physician Manager, Population Health Services. During his time with the province, he also served briefly as Chief Medical Officer of Health and Acting Assistant Deputy Minister of Health.

Dr. Kurji is a Fellow of the Faculty of Public Health of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom and a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

"COVID-19 is a public health crisis like one we have never experienced, but with the support of York Regional Council, we have been able to continuously respond to the ever-changing needs of our community," said Dr. Kurji. "I have also been enormously blessed to have the privilege of working with such talented York Region staff over the

past 16 years. Whilst I am considered the "face" of the York Region COVID-19 response, there continues to be many, many staff working tirelessly to keep our communities safe, both during and after this pandemic ends."

Dr. Kurji initially planned his retirement for early 2020, but when the pandemic was declared, he postponed retirement to help lead York Region's Public Health response.

Dr. Kurji plans to spend more time with his family and grandchildren, as well as resume some hobbies sidelined during the pandemic.

Recruitment for Dr. Kurji's replacement is under wav.



Dr. Karim Kurji



Lecce provides lunch for volunteers

King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce visited the vaccine clinic at Trisan Centre last week, dropping off lunch for the volunteers. "I am incredibly grateful to the volunteer and medical team in King stepping up to ensure every resident gets the two-dose summer they deserve. King has Ontario's largest community-based vaccination clinic because we have dedicated volunteers, a strong work ethic and a commitment to innovation. My message to our community - for both the dedicated volunteers and the residents for enthusiastically signing up for vaccines - is one of gratitude. Thank you, King" he

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Plan now for health and long-term care costs

By Rob Payne

If you're close to retirement, you'll have several financial issues to consider. But you'll want to pay attention to one of the most important of these issues: health care and long-term care costs. How can you prepare yourself for these expenses?

The best way to begin is to get an early start on estimating these care costs. According to the Edward Jones/Age Wave Four Pillars of the New Retirement study, retirees' greatest financial worry, however, is not economic uncertainties like recessions, inflation or taxes—even during the extreme uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Their greatest financial worries are encountering unexpected expenses and the cost of health care, including long-term care. Among those age 75 and older, healthcare and long-term care costs (47%) outrank unexpected expenses (43%) as the biggest financial worry. And women retirees are noticeably more worried than men about healthcare costs (54% vs. 40%).

The annual out-of-pocket costs for traditional medical expenses may not be insignificant, but it's certainly a number that can be addressed by careful planning. The national averages for public long-term care homes range between basic rooms and private rooms is \$22,696 to \$34,236 per year (\$22,696 and \$32,419 per year based on Ontario Ministry of Health & Long-term Care 2019.) The preference for most people is to be able to continue to live in their own home as long as possible, the cost for private home care can be significantly higher than the cost of moving into a long-term care facility

Clearly, between regular medical costs covered by your provincial medical plan or those not covered by it, and costs resulting from the possible need for long-term care, your health care and long-term care bills can mount. To meet these costs, you need to plan ahead - and take action.

For example, it's essential that you incorporate health care expenses into your overall financial strategy. You can also work with your Edward Jones financial advisor to run some "what-if" analyses to see if your strategy would be derailed by a potential long-term care stay. And your financial advisor you work with may be able to suggest specific protection vehicles that can help you meet the costs of long-term care.

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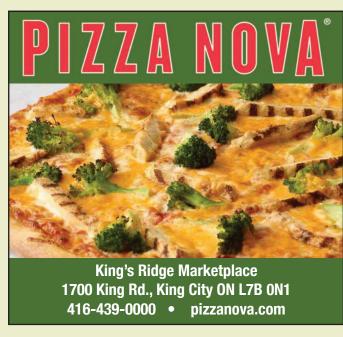
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King City Skating Club triple-axles into the outdoors

By Robert Belardi

Since the Ontario government released their plan on June 14 for a safe return to sport, it has left sport organizations with butterflies flying around in their stomachs. And it also provided adequate direction for clubs on what to do and how to do it.

Take King City Skating Club for instance. King Township has closed all indoor facilities and the ice will not be reinstated until September. With Skate Ontario giving the go ahead for clubs to resume practice, coach Brenda Ferreira was left to think outside of the box.

The club has taken their team to the outdoor rink at King City Arena with roller blades on instead of skates. Each child will be using inline roller blade wheels that will effectively replace a skate blade and all of its capabilities.

"It was my daughter Julia, who saw the wheels online. She looked into them and tried them out herself. We can see they really work," Ferreira said.

"We contacted the figure skating boutique in Thornhill and they just had brought them in. We began sending information out to the parents and the parents got interested."

For this year, parents will not be

paying any membership fees. The club is free of charge for the summer. The only cost is to purchase wheels, boots, elbow and knee pads and wrist supporters for the summer.

For those who want to remove the blade from the boot to install the wheels, Ferreira recommends you head to the boutique to do that. The positive, is, it is possible to do so.

For the past week or so, King City Skating Club has hosted a few practices in the middle of the rink. Of course, these must be weather permitting and the surface must be dried up as water pools in the area.

As of right now, it is a first come first serve area but Ferreira said, Mayor Steve Pellegrini is looking into providing the club a permit to use the area free of charge.

"The skating club is so appreciative of the mayor, after he said he would look into getting a permit for us. I gave him the times that we would like and the club would like to thank him for coming out."

As of now, Ferreira has brought on two more skaters on board to the program. Of course, following all health measure she would like a few more kids for the summer.

To inquire about this latest movement, you may contact Ferreira directly at brendaferreira@sympatico.



To be 'Stronger' sometimes you have to change, OMHA says

By Robert Belardi

If someone asked you what would September 2021 be like, many citizens might have a puzzled reaction and a very unsure response.

But in an ideal world and especially for families with an interest in hockey, Executive Director of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association Ian Taylor most definitely has an idea.

"We're trying to see some light at the end of the tunnel for September. Kids will be back at school. Kids will be back on the ice. I hope all the summer sports get to have some sort of season because they've been hit twice," Taylor said.

In a period where many have counted their losses and tried to look forward, OMHA introduced a movement they call "Stronger."

Before the pandemic, Taylor said registrations had seen a lot of children sign up and a lot of them drop out. He recognizes there are a lot of options children have now in society and hockey, might not be the first choice for everyone.

"Then we go through the year we've had and the kids that did sign up didn't get to play a whole lot. There were restrictions on numbers. There were shutdowns and lockdowns. The second part of this is basically saying we're here and we'll be here. We want you to come back."

The OMHA has tried to find ways to make it easier for children to get on the ice. They've provided equipment to certain organizations but above all, the OMHA understands the mental disparity that speaks loudly to the adverse effects the pandemic has had.

"This is a campaign. A registration campaign. For the first time ever, we realize people won't just sign up and sell our game a little bit."

To do so, the OMHA headlines that hockey provides more than just fun on the ice or in this case, a mental stress reliever if you will. The benefits of playing the sport stem farther out to also being involved in the community and learning life skills that will forever remain as a young child continues to grow.

Certain organizations are trying to introduce pricing packages to limit the costs incurred with registering your child to play the sport. Taylor is also trying to reach out to new Canadians to enroll their children not just for a chance to play hockey but also for new Canadians to feel welcome in communities and make friends.

"If hockey is part of our culture. Then come into our culture. That's the open-door approach that we want to have," Taylor said.

To learn more information for this upcoming winter, contact your local minor hockey association for more details.







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King City SS receives \$5,000 from Flato Developments

By Robert Belardi

The Head of the Visual Arts Department at King City Secondary School, Tiffany Folmeg, is all about experiential learning.

"My structure of teaching is all about getting kids to experience things to see what they like to do as they grow through their high school tenure," Folmeg said.

"Also, to understand their place in society is and the community is important. They need to feel that."

She was notified that the Experiential Learning division at YRDSB were providing grants to experiential learning programs Folmeg dived deep into this and made a formal effort to be able to receive a grant. She inquired if art can be involved in any way in this. She filled out the application and received the "ok" from the King City SS admin and the YRDSB.

What she discovered was Alternative-Education wanted to build a garden as a course for entrepreneurs. With this creative idea, Folmeg approached Alt-Ed and they joined forces to plan and develop a sculpture garden at the school. King City SS has two courtyards on the premises.

To catapult what would be called the "Pilot Project," Folmeg reached out to the Arts Society King to see if they had an interest to be involved. Then came along Flato Developments. The company, with a volition to indulge in community affairs, were going to offer \$5,000 if Mayor Steve Pelligrini would show up to the photo-op along with a Councillor to confirm the donation, in a light-hearted challenge. And they did just that.

Last Friday in front of Wellesley Park, Mayor Steve Pelligrini, Councillor Debbie Schaefer, Folmeg, President and Founder of Flato Developments Shakir Rehmatullah and his son Usman Shakir were present for the donation of \$5,000 to King City SS.

"Getting young people involved in gardening and art will bring them life-long pleasure and happiness. We are honoured to support the students of King Township in this way," said Rehmatullah, in a press release written directly to the King Sentinel.

"We are committed to not just building homes but more importantly in building and supporting communities we build in," said representative Joe Medeiros.

The program, that is set to begin in September at the school, will teach students the value of a garden and how to begin to prepare it. Students will learn how to choose areas with proper lighting, structure the area for plotting and how to build planter boxes.

They will learn garden literacy while vastly rejuvenating the pond area at the school that is home to fish



and turtles on site.

"You'll get to look at flowers and plants. It will also be a vegetable garden. But currently we are in the planning stage. The goal is for people to be involved in a different way. And also, to showcase how does creativity is important in this type of space. It adds another element."

Folmeg will be teaching students also how to mold and carve through clay, wood, stone, and plaster since welding products are not available.

This opportunity is multi-faceted and integrational learning. In the first semester, they will learn these areas of gardening and preparations will be made. By the time second semester comes around, learning how to work with soil and planting flowers will follow suit.

The idea is to build two main gardens. One, which will be for aesthetic purposes and growing daffodils

for Mother's Day, and the other will be used for growing food. Students will learn how to be independent in growing their own food along with a food and nutrition component to the course.

Folmeg plans to involve local garden centre representatives and local farmers for the second phase. If students wish to complete their community hours or pursue co-op opportunities, she hopes they will be able to do so through those channels.

In the future, the hope is to build a greenhouse at the school to grow all-year-round. Some flowers and plants for the time being, will be grown indoors until the weather becomes suitable enough to transport the plant outdoors.

With the help of Flato Developments this grant will allow King City SS to gather the resources needed to begin educating students.

King takes strong actions to calm traffic

King Township is driving forward with measures to reduce speed and increase safety on local roads.

The latest effort includes the installation of permanent asphalt speed tables in numerous strategic locations. Speed tables are traffic calming devices that raise the entire wheelbase of a vehicle to reduce its traffic speed. Speed tables are longer than speed humps and flat-topped.

Speed tables will be installed at several locations in King City and Nobleton this summer.

In King City, they will be coming to 60 Banner Lane, 67 Banner Lane, 102 Banner Lane, 127 Banner Lane, 225 Banner Lane, 44 Elizabeth Grove, 109 Elizabeth Grove, 226 Elizabeth Grove.

In Nobleton, they will be installed at 12 Park Heights Trail, 20 Park Heights Trail, 30 Park Heights Trail, 71 Park Heights Trail, 78/80 Park Heights Trail, 226 Hill Farm Road, 218 Hill Farm Road.

The installation of the speed tables is the outcome of King's Traffic Calming Request Policy which was developed in 2020 with the goal of improving public safety for all road users by altering driver behaviour to encourage appropriate speeds on the Township's roads.







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Dental health gets a boost from a new technology

By Mark Pavilons **Editor**

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Dr. Yair Lenga

bonds between the surface of the tooth and the tartar and stains, allowing for easy removal.

He noted that overall, knowledge and understanding of personal dental care has become more robust with consumers over the years. This includes better understanding of tooth anatomy, the causes of decay, gum diseases and tooth loss.

"Consumers expect more from products beyond gimmicky marketing and grandiose claims," he said. "They want to hear the science behind the products and why they should invest in it.

"Every year I see this more and more, and I believe that this is where the entire dental market is headed. To have a product like ToothWave that uses DentalRF®, a revolutionary technology that is backed by science, is exciting. I think we are going to see more pressure in the marketplace for manufacturers to step up what they are offering to the public."

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Schomberg Should Know

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

Celebrate a good neighbour

As more and more of us are getting vaccinated, Schomberg Main Street patios are filling up and our special little town seems to be thriving. Life is aiming towards some sort of normalcy and more of us can gather, within the safety guidelines and following the dictated

Saturday, June 26, the beautiful home at 78 Main Street welcomes you to come between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and perhaps share some fond memories. This is the home of Grant and Barb Leonard.

Grant, a lifelong, popular resident of Schomberg and long-time respected, successful farmer and good neighbour of the Hulse and Somerville farming families, sadly passed away recently. This will be Barb's first step into the next chapter of her life. So come by on the 26 and wish Barb all the best and

have a good thought for Grant. If you can, share a memory of Grant with Barb. In the end, our memories are all we really are left with.

Horticultural Society

The Schomberg Horticultural Society is supporting "The Hope is Growing Campaign" by encouraging all residents, businesses and community groups in King Township to Plant Yellow For Hope! in their flower gardens, planters, boulevards and public spaces.

Check out www.hopeisgrowing.ca for further information.

Plant yellow for a chance to win a \$25 gift card from a local business. Just take a picture of your yellow masterpiece and submit it to SHSHopegarden@gmailcom anytime before Aug. 31.

It can be yellow vegetables, native plants, perennials or annuals. Just include your name, address and the common and scientific name of the plants. One entry per person. Good

We welcome new members, for membership inquires please send an e-mail to: schomberghortsociety@gmail.com

Nobleton and Schomberg United Churches By Nancy Hopkinson

Last year on July 1, there was a "Foodless Food Drive" for the King Township Food Bank, which was very successful! Rev. Evelyn McLachlan is going to do that again from 2 to 4 p.m. and will be needing some help for setting up the tent/awning so she doesn't get burned!

Rev. Ev will be setting up at 1 p.m. Please wear a mask when you come. Pass the word along so that we can match or even better last year's \$1,200 total!

When we have recorded worship services, it would be good for those watching to see someone besides Rev. Ev. If you would be interested in reading scripture, please get in touch with Rev. Ev and let her know which Sunday you would like to read scripture! You can record yourself at home or come to Nobleton United on the Tuesday morning when she comes to record. When you email Rev. Ev, you can work out the details. Rev. Ev's email is emclachlan@ bell.net.

On Monday, June 14, we tied 215 orange ribbons to the railings at the front

of the Nobleton UC. About 27 people came by to tie ribbons. It was a symbolic way for us to show our concern, grief and support with our Indigenous sisters and brothers.

On Monday, June 21, Schomberg UC at the invitation of St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church engaged in a variety of remembrances. At 1:04 p.m. the bell at the church was rung for 1 minute remembering the 104 graves that have been found near Brandon MB and then again at 2:15 the bell was rung remembering the 215 graves found at Kamloops BC. At 7 p.m. Fr. Greg and Rev. Ev began the vigil with a few words and prayers and then welcomed everyone to plant a heart in the garden by Rev. Sheilagh's tree. These hearts are orange and attached to a

stick to plant. We need photos of the congregations to include in a video to show prospective ministers who we are. Take a selfie of yourself and/or family with and without your Covid mask. Email your photos to nsphotos@bell.net Include a brief description in your email of who is in the photo. If you haven't got the equipment to do this, call Rev. Evelyn at 905-859-9077 and ask for help! We need the photos by June 26. Thanks.

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Nobleton Notes

St. Paul's Church By Linda Blydorp

We welcome you to join us in-person for worship this Sunday.

The government has moved up the first step of the reopening of Ontario, and that allows for us to have 15% capacity in our worship space. Masks still must be worn and households are to be kept two metres apart from each other.

Our Pastor, Jeff Loach, has entitled his message, "A Blazing Fire" based on Malachi 3.1-5. Our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on stpaulsnobleton.ca or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m. You can watch previous services or messages anytime, also on our YouTube channel (youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton).

Is there something we could pray about for you? We will be continuing our "Drive-Thru" prayer event the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Just drive on in and you will be directed to someone whose honour it would be to pray for you. You don't even get out of your car for this one. Our next "Drive-Thru" prayer event will take place Wednesday, July 7.

All our LifeConnect Groups have rick's Parish: https://stpatrickssc. taken a break for the summer, but will resume once again in September. Stay tuned for more upcoming information on "A Message for All Time." This is a story of redemption and hope as seen through the life and death of Jesus, and what this abundant life of Jesus offers us in our current times.

St. Mary's Church

We were so happy to welcome some of vou back to St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Church last weekend for our regular Holy Mass Schedule.

We hope to see more parishioners safely returning back to the celebration of the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass.

For those unable to attend Holy Mass in person, please join us online every Sunday for the livestreamed celebration of the Sunday Holy Mass at 9:30 a.m., from St. Patrick's Church, Schomberg.

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The Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry is officially on break until September. Thank you to all those who attended and supported this wonderful ministry.

Holy Rosary Group: Don't forget to join us every Monday at (new time) 7:30 p.m. to pray the Holy Rosary on Zoom - dial in 647-558-2588 and use meeting ID:980 5411 8568#.

support you in these uncertain times. please call the parish office on 905-859-5522 or email us at: stp_stm_church@ hotmail.com. We will be checking emails and

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phone messages periodically as the Parish Office will remain closed to the public until further notice.

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Nobleton King City Garden Club

The garden club will meet Monday, June 28 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. For information on how to register, email us at nobletonkingcitygardenclub@gmail.com

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Antonio is a market gardener who grows a wide range of specialty and heirloom cut flower varieties and foliage. He employs small-scale/high-output techniques which allow him to grow on nothing more than half an acre. Antonio has been an avid gardener his entire life. As a child his father would set aside a small patch just for him in their one acre vegetable garden; Antonio, however, insisted on growing flowers there instead! As a student he worked as a gardener and landscaper, designing and planting gardens for neighbours and friends.

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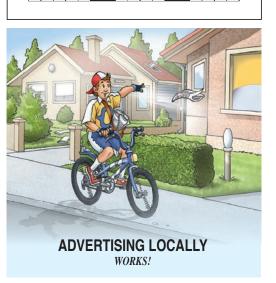
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King City United By Sheryl Sinka

We at KCUC hope everyone had a wonderful Father's Day and had a chance to get outside and enjoy our wonderful weather last weekend.

On Sunday, June 20 Rev. Lee's message inspired us to be faithful in the face of difficulties and not to fear, for the love of Jesus can overcome and will be with us as through the rough seas of our lives. For the full worship along with previous weeks worships, please visit our YouTube Channel at YorkUnitedMinistries or our website at kcuc.net.

If you would like emails with the link to the worship please contact the church at kcuc@bellnet.ca to be put on the list for the Sunday morning worship link.

KCUC will be suspending worship for 5 weeks through the month of July. Rev. Lee will be available through this time for pastoral care needs and for pastoral visitation and these can be arranged through the church office. An online worship option will be available through our website during that month.

The Women's Prayer Circle is still "open for business" and we can still pray together, even if not in person. Although our weekly Tuesday morning meetings at the condo building on Burns Blvd. are still suspended, they will resume as soon as the government rules are relaxed. Meanwhile, if you need prayer, for yourself or a loved one, please call Deana at 905-833-5375 and your request will be shared by phone with other prayer sisters. Surely we all agree that prayer is needed now, more

than ever. Be still and be well.

If you are in need of assistance or have any question please contact the King City office at 905-833-5181.

King Bible Church

Join us on Sunday as we're back in-person for our services. We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and You Tube.

Please visit our website to register for our services (we require everyone to pre-register for the service) as well as our in-person dates. We will be meeting in-person every other week while in Phase 1.

Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series The Church Defined: who we are vs. who we should be. Please visit our website for links and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com

We also have virtual Bible studies over Zoom. Further information is on

our website under "Small Groups." If you have any questions please email Lisa Lethangue (lisa@kingbiblechurch.com).

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

The series on the Fruit of the Spirit with Lynn and Konnie Vissers (Galatians 5:22, 23) will conclude this Sunday with Lynn Vissers taking the service and looking at the last Fruit of the Spirit, Self-control!

The Rev. Grant Vissers will provide our July sermon series on 5 Big Questions many have about Christianity, starting July 4 with "What about all the evil done in the name of Christianity?"

Join us Sundays at 10:15 a.m. at st andrews-king city.ca.

Konnie's sermon last Sunday looked

at Gentleness. Humility and Gentleness go together in many verses and she gave us the example of Jesus humbling himself, dying for us that we might live.

Grab your coffee and join "Coffee Time" following the service. Get in touch with Kathy at 905-833-0391 if you need the link or have any questions.

Tuesday morning Prayer Time will not be meeting over the summer, but know that we are praying for you. Philippians 4:6, 7 says, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

The Bible Study on Tuesday evenings will continue to the end of June. We are using one of the studies from rightnowmedia.org. Let Lynn know if you need the Zoom link.

Virtual Art for the Soul on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. will be taking a hiatus over the summer. Mark your calendars! We are planning for an Art-in-the-Park program for school-aged children! We're looking at the 4th week of August. More information to follow!

The King Township Food Bank continues with its safe food distribution each month. If you need more information contact ktfb.ca

Pastor Niyazi or Irada Bilgen of the Greater Grace Fellowship may be reached at 416-878-8499 regarding their Sunday evening Bible Study.

For pastoral care while Lynn is on vacation, please call the Rev. Paul Johnston, our Interim Moderator at 705-341-7738 or one of the Elders.

Remember to keep in touch over the summer, stay safe and If you need support getting your vaccination appointment or need a lift, let us know.

We are planning our re-opening for September 12. We'll keep you posted!

All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

Our incumbent, Rev. Michael Peterson went all out last Sunday to mark the National Indigenous Day of Prayer with indigenous music and prayer and special messages. Then on Monday, National Indigenous Peoples Day, the bell in our chapel was rung 215 times at 6:30 p.m. to honour the missing children from the Kamloops Residential School and all the children who died at these schools.

Our 10:30 service opened with a challenging video by a Lakota elder and native activist Richard Twiss. "When do we get to be who God made us?" he asked and urged us to love our indigenous neighbours and "their ways." We then saw a mother and son, Jess and Elias, from the Toronto Urban Native Ministry drumming and singing a children's healing song.

Our gest preacher was Padre Michael Bowyer Canadian Armed Forces, who is chaplain to 3rd Canadian Ranger Patrol Group, a predominantly indigenous unit which has responsibility for ensuring Canada's sovereignty in northern Ontario and for serving the many indigenous communities there. He insisted that our way was not the only way. He used a passage from Job when the Lord says: "Who is this that obscures my plans with words without knowledge?" to show the way we talk about indigenous people when we know nothing about them.

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Today he deals exclusively in wholesale to high end floral shops in the downtown Toronto area. He is a regular contributor on CTV's Your Morning.

Nobleton and Schomberg United Churches By Nancy Hopkinson

Last vear on July 1, there was a "Foodless Food Drive" for the King Township Food Bank, which was very successful! Rev. Evelyn McLachlan is going to do that again this Canada Day from 2 to 4 p.m. and will be needing some help for setting up the tent/awning so she doesn't get burned! Rev. Ev will be setting up at 1 p.m. Please wear a mask when you come. Pass the word along so that we can match or even better last year's \$1,200 total!

When we have recorded worship services, it would be good for those watching to see someone besides Rev. Ev. If you would be interested in reading scripture, please get in touch with Rev. Ev and let her know which Sunday you would like to read scripture! You can record yourself at home or come to Nobleton United on the Tuesday morning when she comes to record. When you email Rev. Ev, you can work out the details. Rev. Ev's email is emclachlan@ bell.net.

On Monday, June 14, we tied 215 orange ribbons to the railings at the front of the Nobleton UC. About 27 people came by to tie ribbons. It was a symbolic way for us to show our concern, grief and support with our Indigenous sisters and brothers.

On Monday, June 21, Schomberg UC at the invitation of St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church engaged in a variety of remembrances. At 1:04 p.m. the bell at the church was rung for 1 minute remembering the 104 graves that have been found near Brandon, MB and then again at 2:15 the bell was rung remembering the 215 graves found at Kamloops BC. At 7 p.m. Fr. Greg and Rev. Ev began the vigil with a few words and prayers and then welcomed everyone to plant a heart in the garden by Rev. Sheilagh's tree. These hearts are orange and attached to a stick to plant.

We need photos of the congregations to include in a video to show prospective ministers who we are. Take a selfie of yourself and/or family with and without your Covid mask. Email your photos to nsphotos@bell.net Include a brief description in your email of who is in the photo. If you haven't got the equipment to do this, call Rev. Evelyn at 905-859-9077 and ask for help! We need the photos by June 26. Thanks.

Nobleton Lions

Your Nobleton Lions Club has been practicing physical distancing, as mandated by health authorities. Like many other groups, we met via Zoom at our regular meeting times, and continue to operate to the extent allowed. The Club has proactively reached out to those organizations which we usually support, to offer financial aid in line with what we typically provide. Updates are shown on the Club's website at www. nobletonlions.com

The Club embarked on a new fundraising initiative this year. An online auction was held, and proved to be very successful. Access to viewing items was via the Lions website, available at www. nobletonlions.com. A very warm round of thanks to donors and bidders, you helped us raise funds in a challenging time. A list of winning bidders will be posted on the website. Watch for a repeat of this venture late next fall.

Calling all knitters and crocheters! The Club has become aware of a need for cozy, homemade slippers at various Ronald McDonald Houses. It seems that people sometimes find themselves needing to stay in close proximity to hospitals when their children require hospitalization on an unexpected basis. Ronald McDonald Houses provide what they can, and here is a chance for us

Thursday, June 24, 2021 - THE WEEKLY SENTINEL - 25 to help them. If you have the time and wool, patterns are apparently available on the internet, for slippers of any size or colour. The Nobleton Lions will collect them and forward them to various RMH's in south central Ontario. For followup details please contact Rick Evans at 1-905-806-9988. Support for this project has been very strong, and the Club, and RMH are profoundly grateful.

> The Club continues to offer a free service to people in self-isolation and others unable to leave their homes. The Lions continue to provide a free delivery service for Pharmasave prescriptions. Just call Club president Rick Evans, and we will drop packages outside your door, contact free.

> From all of us to all of you, please respect the guidelines from our health authorities, get vaccinated when your turn comes, and Stay Safe! We're in this together!

King's Corners

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"It would be hard to be normal after that physical and mental abuse. Imagine your mother or grandmother going through that." He reminded us that 13and 14-year-olds are still being sent far off reserves to go to high school and being mistreated.

We have to learn about the creator, he said. How the parent cares for the child and how God cares for us. God will pursue us with his love. Ask if you have pursued your neighbour with love care and compassion. God gives us children to show us simple love. He then went through the seven grandfather's teachings. Love is represented by the eagle. It takes courage to love and un-

derstand and respect. Honesty. God sees our hearts. Wisdom is represented by the beaver. All have a purpose. Humility by the wolf who is strong in family and community. The turtle shows the many facets of the meaning of life. Our perspective is often too limited. To listen and serve is reconciliation. He told us to go forth with compassion and love.









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