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King Mayor Steve Pellegrini joined the Budweth family, and assisted Margarete Budweth with the ribbon cutting for the Bud-

weth Park Sunday. The park in Nobleton is named for the late Alf Budweth, who was part of the very fabric of Nobleton.

## **Budweth Park honours long-time resident**

**By Mark Pavilons Editor** 

A beautiful fall day blessed residents and local officials for the official dedication of Budweth Park in Nobleton.

The park honours the late Alf Budweth Sr., who simply loved Nobleton and its people. A resident since the 1960s, he was known to sit and chat and share stories. The Nobleton Feed Mill, in many ways, was his personal "coffee shop."

"Alfred Budweth is fondly remembered as a pillar in the Nobleton community. In his role as a King Township councillor, Alf was committed to the betterment of his ward, the Township and to all he served. He was truly a kind, generous and wise man. Alf's legacy continues to shine through today with the Budweth family's ongoing involvement, dedication, and love for the Nobleton community," said Ward 2 Councillor David Boyd.

Alfred Hermann Budweth passed away Oct. 24, 2014 in his 86th year.

The tireless farmer was a pillar in the community, from establishing a local business to serving in pubic office. Harmony with nature and his family were his true loves.

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The lure of the land led him to the tiny town of Nobleton in King Township where he purchased a 100-acre farm.

Alfred lived a rich and happy life on the gently rolling hills of his beloved farm "on the 10th." He became a pillar of the community and a leader in the field of agriculture. He embraced new ideas and technologies that are commonplace today.

The purchase of Nobleton Feed Mill in 1978 allowed him to combine his passion for agriculture with his strong head for business. Together with David and Alf Jr. that business has grown to the country's largest independent Master Feeds dealer feeding many Olympic Champions, Queen's Plate winners and family pets over the decades.

Alfred Sr. loved the daily interaction with customers in the Mill. Many start up farmers and inexperienced young horsemen benefited from his sage advice and the occasional free bag of feed. Whether you were a bank chairman with a hobby farm or full-time farmer, Alfred enjoyed trading stories, giving advice and talking politics. From his perspective everyone had something interesting to say.

The Budweth Park is a fitting tribute to the man who loved his town and his neighbours.

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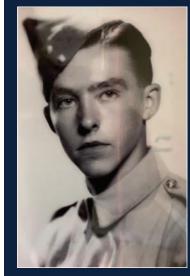
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#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

#### **COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Mon., Nov. 15 6 pm - Council and Committee of the Whole Virtual meeting live streamed at http://king.ca/meetings

Mon., Nov. 29 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

#### **COMMITTEES AND BOARDS**

Tuesday, November 16 6 pm – King Township Public Library Board (virtual meeting)

Wednesday, November 17 6 pm - Committee of Adjustment Virtual meeting live streamed at http://king.ca/meetings

#### Wednesday, November 24

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

#### **BID NOTICES**

For all bid opportunities, please visit https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

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

All applications must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on the day they close.

- Policy Planner Deadline Nov. 12
- Equipment Operator Deadline Nov. 9
- Cold Creek Maintenance Facilitator Weekend Staff (Contract) – Deadline Nov. 12
- Facility Customer Service Staff (Contract) Deadline Nov. 18
- Cold Creek Site Operator (Contract) Deadline Nov. 19

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#### PUBLIC NOTICES



#### Proof of vaccine for King's recreation facilities and programs now in effect

Although we're delighted to be able to welcome our residents back into many of our facilities—some on a limited basis—both Provincial and Regional guidelines require proof of COVID-19 vaccinations for entry to our recreational facilities and programs.

We ask you for your patience and understanding as our staff work to implement the Provincial and Regional requirements.

A Letter of Instruction was recently issued by the Region of York regarding vaccination requirements for indoor sports facilities. The Letter requires patrons aged 12 to 17, all coaches, volunteers and officials to be fully vaccinated in order to participate in organized sports, starting Oct. 1, 2021.

The Township is electing to request compliance of the public as of today, but full enforcement will not take place until Nov. 1, 2021. As a result, at this time, no individual who is currently exempt because they are participating in an organized sport (participants aged 12 to 17 years or coaches, volunteers or officials) will be turned away if they are unable to provide proof of full vaccination or medical exemption.

The Township will be using a model of enforcement that includes education and encouragement as required. As part of this approach the Township will require patrons of our indoor sports facilities to have a first shot by Oct. 1, 2021 and reinforce the Regional mandate that by Nov. 1, 2021, they must be fully vaccinated to be allowed entry. The procedure allows patrons time to get their vaccination. King Township will be requiring all patrons to be fully vaccinated by Nov. 1, 2021 to be allowed entry.

We thank the residents of King for continuing to be responsible and community-minded by getting vaccinated and following all public health guidelines.

#### Step Three Update - Expanded Services Available for In-Person Appointments

Limited in-person services are available by appointment every Wednesday at the King Township Municipal Centre (2585 King Road, King City). For a full list of services please visit <u>www.king.ca</u>. To schedule an appointment for any of the services, email <u>serviceking@king.ca</u> or call 905-833-5321. Visit King's COVID-19 Information Hub for all the latest updates at www.king.ca/covid19

### THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KING NOTICE OF UPCOMING BUDGET RELATED MEETINGS

KING TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY The Library is seeking to fill a position for Branch Programmer with Circulation Duties -Nobleton branch Please see the complete posting for this position on LIBRARY our website at kinglibrary.ca for details



#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

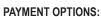
#### Remembrance Day remote office closure

Although our municipal offices remain closed to the public due to COVID-19 (with limited in-person services) all staff continue to work remotely and will be offline on Thurs., Nov. 11 due to Remembrance Day. Staff will return to normal working hours on Fri., Nov. 12. For urgent matters, please contact our 24/7 after hours service at 905-833-5321.

#### WATER BILLS

Due Date: November 15, 2021

WATER BILLS have now been mailed. Please contact Service King at serviceking@king.ca or call 905-833-5321 immediately if you have not received your bill.



- Pre-Authorized Debit bank withdrawal (PAD)
- · Online with your financial institution
- · By Credit Card- Visit the Township Online Services Portal at www.king.ca
- · By Mail (must be stamped and mailed prior to due date and received on time)
- · Drop off box located at Municipal Centre, 2585 King Road, King City

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

- Due to COVID:
- the Municipal office is closed, and we are not accepting cash payments and;
- · the water department will enter homes to check water meters by appointment

When making payments electronically, search for "King" and select Water, enter your 10 digit account number with no decimal (i.e. 1234567800).

Pre-Authorized Debit Program (PAD): PAD program is available for Water & Sewer accounts. The enrolment form is available at www. king.ca (search for "PAD").

Please visit our website for details.

#### Municipal water flushing

In the spring and fall the Public Works Department flushes all water mains and hydrants in King City, Nobleton, Schomberg and Ansnorveldt. King City and Nobleton have been completed and Schomberg has started. As a result, residents over the course of the next few weeks may experience low pressure and/or discoloration. This process contributes to the safe, effective delivery of municipal water and does not affect the quality of your water in any way. Should you require further information please contact the Public Works Department at 905-833-5321.

#### Yard Waste Pickup

The last week for yard waste collection is the week of Nov. 22. There is no limit on the number of containers that can be put out. Residents are able to use rigid open-top containers (i.e. blue boxes) to help alleviate the need for trips to the store for yard waste collection bags. Please have yard waste out to the curb by 7:00 AM on your regularly scheduled collection day.

If you require additional information or have questions, please contact ServiceKing at 905-833-5321 or email serviceking@king.ca

Please see more King Township notices on page 3

#### 2022 BUDGETS (OPERATING & CAPITAL) & BUSINESS PLAN and BY-L 2022 FEES & CHARGES BY-LAW, 2022 WATER & WASTEWATER RATES BY-LAW

As the Municipal Centre is now closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic, these will be electronic meetings held remotely (virtually) and live streamed via https://king.ca/meetings

RE: Virtual Public Information Centre (PIC): Tuesday, November 9, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Presentation of Draft 2022 Budgets COMPLETE

A Virtual Public Information (PIC) Session has been scheduled for November 9, 2021 to provide information on the Township of King's preliminary Draft 2022 Budgets and allow all interested parties an opportunity to review and provide feedback. To participate virtually, you must pre-register in advance with the Finance Department by emailing Peggy Tollett at ptollett@king.ca

Virtual Council Meeting: Monday. November 15. 2021 - 6:00 p.m. RE:

> Draft - 2022 Budgets (Operating & Capital) & Business Plan and Budget By-law (Consideration of By-law for Adoption, Monday, November 15, 2021)

The Township of King's Draft 2022 Budgets (Operating & Capital) & Business Plan will be tabled for consideration at the November 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting. The 2022 Budgets (Operating & Capital) & Business Plan By-law will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, November 15, 2021, Council Meeting. The Draft Budget documents (the 2022 Budget Book), will be available on the Township website www.king. ca as of Monday, November 1, 2021. The Budget staff report will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Wednesday, November 10, 2021 or contact Peggy Tollett ptollett@king.ca for further information. Interested parties are invited to participate virtually to ask questions and comment.

(Note: Budget adoption may be deferred to the November 29th, 2021 Council meeting at the discretion of Council if required)

RE: Virtual Council Meeting: Monday, November 15, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.

2022 Fees & Charges Report

(Consideration of By-law for Adoption, Monday, November 15, 2021)

The Township of King 2022 Fees & Charges Report will be presented at the Monday November 15, 2021, Committee of the Whole Meeting. The By-law will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, November 15, 2021, Council Meeting with an effective date of January 1, 2022. The Fees & Charges staff report will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Wednesday, November 10, 2021.

Virtual Presentation of 2022 Water & Wastewater Rates: Monday, January 10, 2022 - 6:00 p.m. RE: (Consideration of By-law for Adoption, Monday, January 10, 2022)

The Township of King 2022 Water and Wastewater Rates Report will be presented at the January 10, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting. The Bylaw will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, January 10, 2022 Council Meeting. The 2022 Water & Wastewater Rates information will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, January 6, 2022 or contact Peggy Tollett ptollett@king.ca for further information. Interested parties are invited to participate virtually to ask guestions and comment.

For further information regarding the 2022 Budgets (Operating & Capital) & Business Plan, please visit the Township's website at www.king.ca or contact: Peggy Tollett, Director of Finance and Treasurer, ptollett@king.ca

Note: To VIEW the above COUNCIL and COMMITTEE meetings live virtually (except for the PIC) go to https://king.ca/meetings the day of the meeting. NO Pre-registration is required. To pre-register to participate in any of the meetings remotely (by audio-telephone), contact the Clerks' Division at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting.

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Director of Corporate Services/Township Clerk

#### Winter Parking Restrictions

Please be advised there is no vehicle parking on any roadway between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. from Nov. 1 to April 15 each year. Also, there is no parking at any time if it interferes with snow removal.

Temporary on-street Parking Permits for municipal roads are available to accommodate overnight guests, deliveries, or driveway repairs.

Permits are free and are valid for a period of 24 hours and there is a limit of 4 permits during annual winter parking restrictions.

Permits are not valid for York Regional roads or during snow events when snow removal is required. Requests to park on Regional road must be made to York Region.

To apply for a temporary parking permit visit https://parkking.ca or email parking@king.ca.





Thursday, November 11, 2021 - THE WEEKLY SENTINEL - 3

## King revamps its tourism plan

#### **By Mark Pavilons Editor**

Tourism is crucial to King's economv.

Staff presented its Community Tourism Plan, showcasing just what the municipality has to offer to visitors.

Aimee Artinian-Wong, King's economic development coordinator, noted work on the plan was derailed by the pandemic, but volunteer members of the Tourism Task Force (TTF) reassembled recently. She said you could feel their energy and passion in working on strategy. In-person meetings, she said. are crucial in gathering valuable information and input. Recent work really "reignited" the plan, bringing it to the draft stage.

The plan and list of Township assets is not a complete list, but rather a "snapshot" of what's available in King.

The first tourism plan was created back in 2014, in partnership with Central Counties Tourism. In the fall of 2019, the process for a refreshed plan began and a group of diverse stakeholders was assembled. The TTF includes an amazing selection of some 22 residents from all walks of life, along with Township staff.

The intent was to review assets. markets, challenges, gaps and opportunities and after a pandemic-induced hiatus, work began again this past August.

The new vision is as follows:

"King Township is an idyllic countryside community where visitors refresh, recharge and revitalize. We have a strong sense of pride in our community and treasure our unique tourism, cultural, recreational and hospitality experiences which we will continue to showcase and share with the world."

Four goals were identified in the process and included supporting and enhancing tourism coordination; increasing visitation; building greater awareness with both residents and visitors, and building on what brings visitors back.

The staff report noted King has more than 165 tourism spots and the top five

visitor markets include outdoor enthusiasts, festival and event attendees, equestrian enthusiasts, golfers and food lovers.

Tourism in York involves some 81,000 jobs and an estimated \$356 million in revenue annually. Province-wide, tourism is a \$34-billion industry and employs almost 400,000 people.

King has a number of what's called secondary attractions, which can not only motivate people to visit, but actually lengthen their stay. King does, however, lack accommodations to house visitors.

Along with challenges, there are always opportunities to explore. The pandemic revealed just how versatile people and businesses can be to attract and retain customers.

The action items addressed in the plan will help guide King over the next five years. Staff noted the document is a "living/breathing" plan which evolves over time.

A well-executed Community Tourism Plan creates "pride-of-place" for residents, something that grows exponentially as residents understand the important of the visitor economy.

Key messaging, along with leveraging other tourism networks, will expand King's appeal.

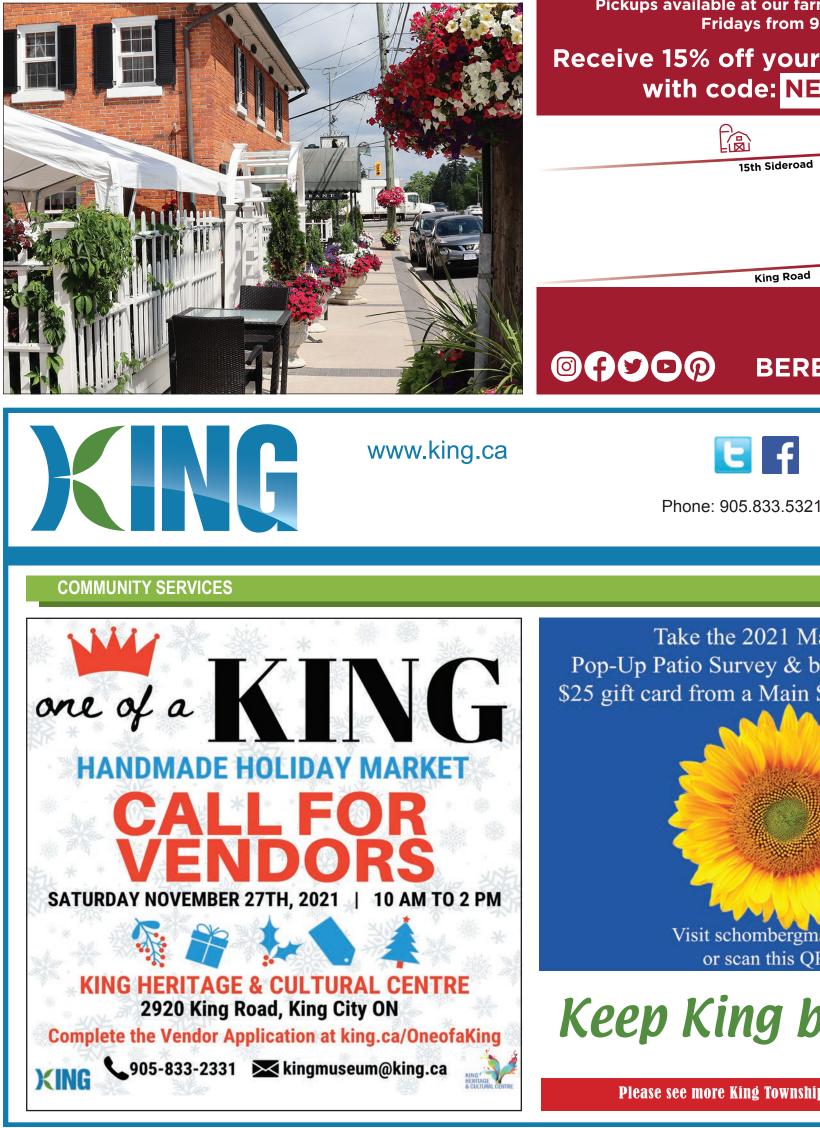
"With a township full of proud residents eager to talk with visitors about the best things to see and do, King will be thriving and driving new revenues and attracting new residents and businesses," states the plan summary.

With council's endorsement, the idea is to launch action items within the plan to ensure tourism is supported and elevated.

The plan is also to continue the TTF and hold regular meetings, to help build pride.

"It is a critical time for King's tourism operators and stakeholders," said the staff report. "Moving forward ... will help provide the guidance and direction to support and grow this important sector in the municipality."

No new money is needed and the Community Tourism Plan will use the existing annual budget of \$10,000.





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## Editorial, Letters & Opinion

"A newspaper is the center of a community, it's one of the tent poles of the community, and that's not going to be replaced by websites and blogs."

#### ~ Michael Connelly

## Mirrors can never reflect our true selves

When you look in the mirror, what do you see?

What more can you bring out and what more can you give?

These may not be questions we routinely ask ourselves, but perhaps they should be part of our daily ritual, like brushing our teeth or skipping breakfast.

For me, I avoid those glass and metal contraptions because I'm not a glutton for punishment.

There are versions of me better forgotten, buried deep and left for dead.

I found a photo of myself prior to a procedure I had done on my nose. It had become inflamed by a somewhat rare condition known as rhinophyma. It typically results in large masses on the lower half of the nose, which takes on an almost cauliflower-like appearance.

I resisted treatment because it was cosmetic and came with a hefty price tag. The turning point came when a mother and her daughter, sitting on a ferris wheel at the Bolton Fall Fair, strength just to make it through the day. pointed at me, laughed and actually took photos of me.

It took everything I had inside to stay calm for my child in tow but she could tion, all I see are flaws, dings, scratches, sense my turmoil.

tery, basically an electrically charged I see a road map, one that resembles an ring-shaped scapel that melts and carves untravelled dirt road through the desert the affected tissue. Roughly two-thirds or some uncharted land. of the way through, the freezing began to wear off, and tears flowed from my mirrors only show part of the truth. eyes because I was helpless in the chair.

than the emotional ones.

I'm reminded of that phrase, "what doesn't kill you ...'

alone with my thoughts, that I almost I've wondered about for years. preferred death.

I think it's a good example of the deli- we look like to the outside world. Our cate emotional balance of looks and eyes are out front, not at the sides like "what's on the inside."



#### **Mark Pavilons**

- who have to dig deep to find the I'm also almost certain they avoid mirrors, too.

When I glance at the horrible invendents, lines, crevices and fjords. Instead The procedure involved electrocau- of a manly, well proportioned visage,

But enough about beauty. After all,

Doreen Virtue once said that since I actually embraced the physical pain we're creations of God, we "reflect the (and scars) because it was far better Divine qualities of creativity, wisdom, and love."

Just how do we come face to face with ourselves, looking exactly as we There was a moment, in that chair look to everyone else? It's a conundrum

We walk around, trying to hold our I share this unpleasant story because heads high, but really have no idea what a chameleon (even though that would I'm sure there are many, many souls have some advantages). I don't have my who suffer with conditions - scars, own image etched in my mind and have birthmarks, or physical limitations a hard time even describing what I look

like to others. When meeting new peo- comfort and lofty things, not superficial ple for the first time, I simply say I'm purposes! tall with glasses.

see yourself.

Also, it's a misconception that mirrors flip the image - they reflect exactly what they see, it's our brain that flips the image.

As members riding the same passen- mirror ger train in our society, we are partially to blame for the whole image thing. Looks are important in TV commercials, movies, fashion and designer everything. We eat it up, then complain place about it.

When you look at old photos, or even make a change." turn-of-the century clippings, you will notice our forefathers and mothers see in that vile, nicely framed reflector, were well dressed and always prim and our talents, accomplishments - heck proper. They were not what you'd call hunks or starlets. Being well groomed was important in that it showed you had down, guide, teach and lead by example. "breeding" and manners.

They were part of the decor, not something you spent a great deal of time in even, dare I say, optimistic. front of.

So, fellow average looking types, let's take comfort in that fact we're built for are worth their weight in gold.

You don't need movie star looks to Some say a mirror is not a true reflec- send a rocket into space or solve hunger tion of who you are, but rather how you and prevent the destruction of the rain forests. You don't have to be attractive to make a difference.

As Michael Jackson said in Man in the Mirror:

"I'm starting with the man in the

I'm asking him to change his ways

And no message could have been any clearer

If you wanna make the world a better

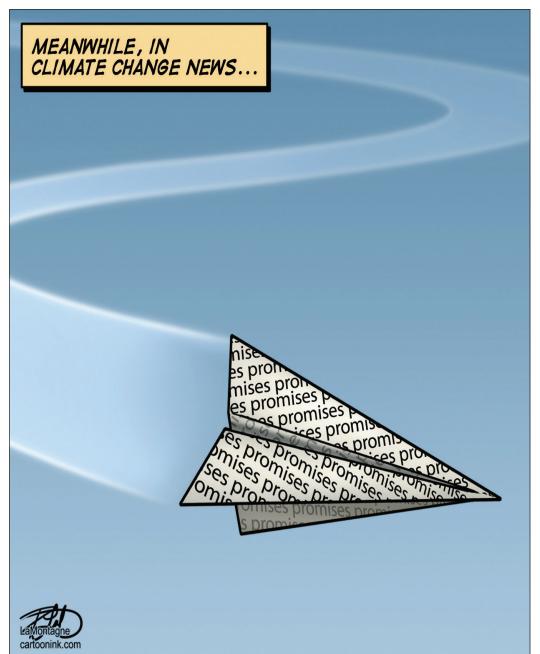
Take a look at yourself and then

So my friends, regardless of what we our endless potential - are what matter. We have the ability to give, share, pass

Regardless of our outward appear-Antique mirrors were, in themselves, ance, we are blessed, simply to be here, works of art. The frames were much right now, in this day and age. We have more beautiful than the glass itself. abundance and we have freedom. We are tolerant and compassionate. We're

We have the ability to spread joy.

Our smiles, crooked as they may be,



#### Letter to the Editor

### Resident wants climate change action

The following letter, to Energy Minister Todd Smith, was submitted to the Weekly Sentinel.

I am concerned about climate change. Insurance companies are concerned about climate change. World leaders are meeting right now in Glasgow to talk about climate change.

So is Ontario going to bury its head in the sand and ignore all the extreme weather, the severe storms, the floods, the droughts, the wild winds and not take this issue seriously?

Don't we need to start to phase out the use of natural gas? Don't we need to increase imports from Quebec from their hydro-electric generators, since it is cheaper? Haven't the costs of greener energy, wind and solar, come down substantially?

Or are we going to be ostriches and bury our heads in the sand and ignore the evidence of climate change?

Be a leader, Minister Smith, and let the Premier know that Ontarians expect leadership in climate change policies, not the "same old, same old" and hoping for a better outcome.





Quote of the Week

"The aim of art is to represent not the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance."

— Aristotle

**Trivia** Tidbits Mr. Potato Head was the first toy advertised on TV, on April 30, 1952.



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#### PUBLIC NOTICES



#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC PLANNING MEETING

pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act. R.S.O. 1990, as amended

TOWNSHIP OF KING ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE COUNTRYSIDE MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

(Electronic Meeting pursuant to Section 238(3.1)(3.3) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

As the Municipal Centre is now closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this is an electronic meeting held remotely and live streamed via http://meeting.king.ca.

#### Purpose of the Public Planning Meeting

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{TAKE}}$   $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NOTICE}}$  that Council for The Corporation of the Township of King will be holding a virtual Public Meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act to consider a new Zoning By-law for the Countryside. The purpose of the virtual Public Planning Meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Zoning By-law, which relates to lands within the Countryside and Hamlet designations, as well as the Nobleton Village Reserve Lands (shown in yellow, on the map, right). The rural area excludes the Villages of Nobleton, King City and Schomberg.



#### Purpose of the Rural Zoning By-law Review Project

A Zoning By-law is prepared under the requirements of Section 34 of the Planning Act. The Zoning By-law regulates the types of land uses and the character, height, location, size and massing of buildings for all lands in the study area.

King Township is undertaking a review of its zoning for the rural areas of the Township, which are currently regulated by the Township's Comprehensive Zoning By-law 74-53, as amended and the Oak Ridges Moraine Zoning By-law 2005-23 (applying to lands within the Oak Ridges Moraine Area).

The review of zoning for the rural area follows updates to zoning in the Township's urban areas (the Villages), through the Nobleton Urban Area Zoning By-law 2016-71 and the King City and Schomberg Urban Area Zoning By-law 2017-66, respectively.

There is a need to review and update the Zoning By-law 74-53 and 2005-23 primarily to ensure that the zoning conforms to local, Regional, and Provincial policy, and addresses the Township's new Official Plan. We are seeking input and feedback on the proposed Final Draft Zoning By-law for the Countryside.

#### How to Participate in the Public Meeting

- 1) VIEW THE MEETING live virtually at https://www.king.ca/meetings. No pre-registration is required.
- 2) SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS to the Township Clerk at clerks@king.ca by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting. Comments will form part of the public record and will be circulated to Council and the Planning Division.
- 3) SPEAK TO COUNCIL remotely (by audio-telephone) by pre-registering with the Clerk's Division at

#### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE A PROPERTY OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 29 PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990 AS AMENDED

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King intends to designate lands and premises described as Plan 51, Pt Lot 20, Pt Lot 21, RS65R779 Part 1, and municipally known as 342 Kettleby Road, in the Township of King in the Regional Municipality of York, Province of Ontario, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV, S. 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.

#### **Description of Property**

Located on the north side of Kettleby Road, west of Keele Street and east of Jane Street, the property is known municipally as 342 Kettleby road in the Hamlet of Kettleby, in the Township of King and legally described as Plan 51, Pt Lot 20, Pt Lot 21, RS65R779, Part 1.

#### Statement of Cultural Heritage Significance

The two-storey dwelling is of a Victorian Vernacular style with Ontario gothic elements and built circa 1890. The form of the dwelling is preserved with the L-shaped plan and tail. The tail (north east corner) is reputed to be part of the 1875 log cabin built on site. The physical design of the building includes the bay window on the projecting front gable, the two brick chimneys, the wooden windows and the decorative bargeboard along the projecting front gable and the front porch. Contextually, the property at 342 Kettleby Road is important in defining, maintaining and contributing to the unique rural profile and characteristics that are found in the Hamlet of Kettleby, which is strongly shaped by its natural environmental topography created by the Kettleby Creek and the mature natural trees and vegetation that surround the properties.

#### Notice of Objection

Any person wishing to file a notice of objection to the designation must file such notice of objection together with a statement of reasons, with the Township Clerk of the municipality within 30 days (December 11, 2021), after the date of publication of this notice in the King Weekly Sentinel newspaper. Further information respecting the proposed designation is available by contacting Colin Pang. Planner II/ Heritage Coordinator at 905-833-4067 or email at cpang@king.ca.

Publication Date: November 11th, 2021. Deadline for Objections: December 11, 2021

Objections should be directed to: Kathryn Moyle Director of Corporate Services / Township Clerk Township Clerk 2585 King Road King City, ON L7B 1A1

#### **KING FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES**



905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Monday, December 6th, 2021. Provide your full name, address, telephone number and the item you wish to speak to. Upon receipt of your registration, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions for participating by telephone. All comments addressed to Council will form part of the public record.

Please provide your full name, address, contact details and the item you wish to speak to when contacting the Clerks Department. Please note that all comments will become part of the public record.

#### Appeal Procedure

If a person or public body that would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King to the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT"), does not make oral submissions at a virtual public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of King before the Township of King the proposed Zoning By-law for the Countryside is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a virtual public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of King before the proposed Zoning By-law for the Countryside is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT") unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

#### How To Stay Informed

If you wish to be notified of the decision of Council of the Township of King regarding the proposed Zoning By-law for the Countryside, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Township of King, 2585 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1A1, or by email at <u>clerks@king.ca</u>.

#### Additional Information

A copy of the proposed Final Draft Zoning By-law for the Countryside and related information and material will be available for inspection via the Township's public engagement website, SpeaKING at: https://speaking. king.ca/rural-area-zoning-by-law-review, on Monday, November 15, 2021. The staff report will be available at www.king.ca on Thursday, December 2nd, 2021.

For further information contact Kristen Harrison by email at <u>kharrison@king.ca</u> by telephone at 905-833-4065. Written comments may be mailed or emailed to the Planning Division and will become part of the public record.

#### Dated at the Township of King this 11th day of November, 2021.

Kathryn Moyle Director, Corporate Services Township Clerk Township of King 2585 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1A1

Comments and personal information (PI) are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P.13 as amended, and become part of the decision making process of the application as noted on this form, also become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of personal information (PI), please contact the Planning Department, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.



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Eligible parking tickets include those received between **November 1st and November 14th** for:

- parking in excess of three (3) hours, parking between November 1st and April 15th from 2:00 am to 6:00
- · parking to interfere with snow removal,

The Toys for Tickets program allows ticket holders to donate the value of their ticket. Where the complete value of the parking ticket is donated to the Toys for Tickets program, it <u>will</u> be considered paid in full.

Proceeds will be donated to Christmas in King, a sister-organization of the King Township Food Bank that will use the donation to purchase toys to distribute to underprivileged children in the community.

Parking tickets issued between November 1st and November 14th **must be** paid by November 30th.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, online payments are preferred, but cheques can be mailed or dropped off at the Township. Please make cheques payable to the Township of King and clearly indicate that the payment is for the Toys for Tickets program. Visit **king.ca/toysfortickets** to donate the value of eligible parking tickets.



Please direct all inquiries regarding the Toys for Tickets program to the By-law Enforcement Services Division at 905-833-4002 or parking@king.ca.

Mail or payments being dropped off should be sent to addressed to the Township of King at 2585 King Road | King City, ON | L7B 1A1.

## **Ontario expanding booster eligibility to residents**

sultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, is expanding eligibility for booster doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to additional groups of high-risk individuals.

This will provide an extra layer of protection against the Delta variant. Over the coming months, Ontario is also prepared to gradually roll out booster doses to all Ontarians aged 12 and over.

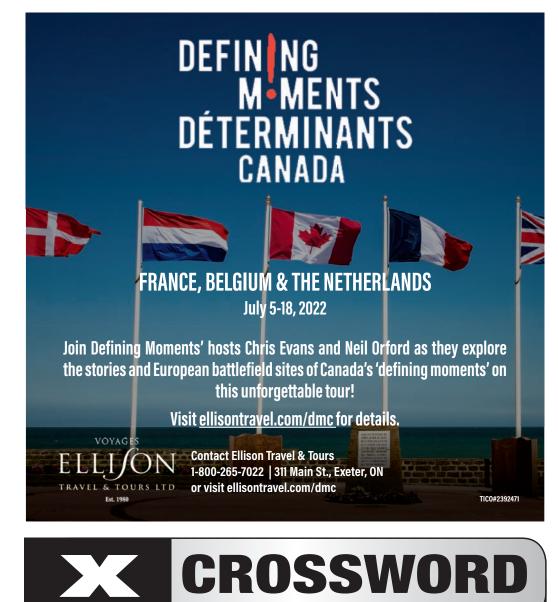
While the province continues to report one of the lowest rates of active cases in the country and continues to make steady progress in vaccinating more individuals, offering the extra layer of protection provided by a booster dose will contribute to the fight against COVID-19.

"As Ontario continues rolling out our Last Mile Strategy, our government is providing an extra layer of protection, starting with our most vulnerable," said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan. "We will continue to follow the advice of the Chief Med-

The Ontario government, in con- ical Officer of Health to keep King-Vaughan families safe as we cautiously reopen our province and manage COVID-19."

> "Keeping a low rate of infection in our communities and protecting our most vulnerable is how we can keep our schools, businesses and social settings as safe as possible while avoiding further lockdowns," said Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health. "To provide every individual the best protection while learning to live with the virus for the long-term. we are prepared to expand booster eligibility to all Ontarians pending clinical recommendations, with eligibility expanding this week to individuals who face a higher risk of contracting COVID-19."

> Based on the recommendation of the Chief Medical Officer of Health and in alignment with the National Advisory Committee on Immunization's (NACI) recent recommendation, the province will begin offering booster doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to



the following vulnerable populations if at least six months have passed since their last dose:

in 1951 or earlier).

• Health care workers and designated essential caregivers in congregate settings (including long-term care home and retirement home staff and designated caregivers).

· Individuals who received a complete series of a viral vector vaccine (two doses of the AstraZeneca vaccine or one dose of the Janssen vaccine).

• First Nation. Inuit and Métis adults and their non-Indigenous household members.

Booster doses are being offered to these groups based on evidence of gradual waning immunity six months after receiving their second dose and a higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19.

Eligible individuals are able to book their booster dose appointment through the COVID-19 vaccination portal or by calling the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre, directly through public health units that use their own booking systems, through Indigenous-led vaccination clinics. select pharmacies, and primary care settings. Hospital-based health care workers are encouraged to reach out to their hospital employer to get vaccinated directly through their hospital's vaccination program.

In addition, Ontario is once again supporting northern and remote fly in First Nation communities by launching Operation Remote Immunity 3.0. this time through the co-development of plans with Health Canada's First Nations and Inuit Health Branch, to support Sioux Lookout First Nations Health Authority and Weeneebayko Area Health Authority, First Nation health organizations, to administer booster doses in their communities with transportation and vaccine supply assistance from Ornge and local public health units.

While the COVID-19 vaccine is highly effective, the province is prepared to expand eligibility for a booster dose to all Ontarians over time. Based on Ontario's COVID-19 vaccination rollout for first and second doses, expansion of eligibility for booster doses will be based on age and risk, with an interval of six to eight months from the second dose.

"Ontario is continuing the success of our vaccine rollout by expanding eligibility for a booster shot based on age and risk," said Christine Elliott. Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "As we continue rolling out

During the height of Ontario's COVID-19 vaccine rollout, a large population of Ontarians received their • Individuals aged 70 and over (born first and second doses at a longer interval than indicated on the product monograph. This longer interval has now been shown to improve duration of protection, and the National Advisory Committee on Immunization now recommends an optimal interval of eight weeks between first and second doses.

> "The expansion of eligibility for booster shots is one more step that our government is taking to protect Ontarians and keep our communities safe," said Solicitor General Svlvia Jones. "As with the initial administration of COVID-19 vaccines, the phased rollout of booster shots ensures that vulnerable groups are prioritized and can easily access booster shots through pharmacies, clinics and health care providers."

> COVID-19 vaccine eligibility for children aged five to 11 is subject to Health Canada approval. Ontario is working with public health units across the province to prepare to vaccinate children aged five to 11. The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for children aged five to 11 is a distinct formulation at a lower dose and supply of vaccine that will be rolled out in parallel to booster doses.

> Ontario was the first jurisdiction in Canada to begin offering third/ booster doses to select vulnerable populations. To date, Ontario has administered more than 150,000 third/ booster doses to Ontarians.

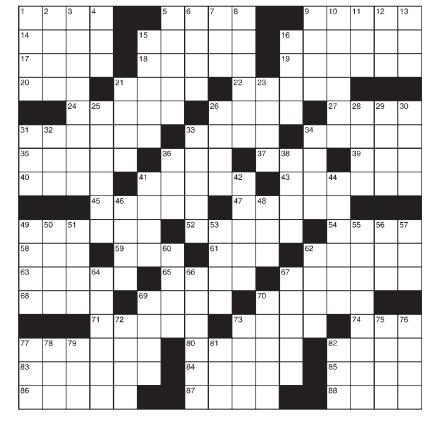
> All booster doses will be mRNA vaccines, unless contraindicated. Mixing COVID-19 vaccines is safe, effective, and enables Ontarians to benefit from the protection of a booster dose.

> As booster eligibility expands, the province is encouraging all Ontarians who are receiving their booster dose to get their flu vaccine at the same time.

> As of Nov. 2, more than seven million enhanced certificates with QR codes have been downloaded through the COVID-19 vaccination portal and there have been more than 1.3 million downloads of the Verify Ontario app.

> As of Nov. 2. Ontario has administered more than 22 million doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, with more than 88 per cent of Ontarians aged 12 and over having received at least one dose and more than 84 per cent having received a second dose.

> If you have questions about your eligibility, please contact the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre at 1-833-943-3900 (TTY for people who are deaf, hearing-impaired or 1-866-797-0007). speech-impaired: which is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and capable of providing assistance in more than 300 languages.



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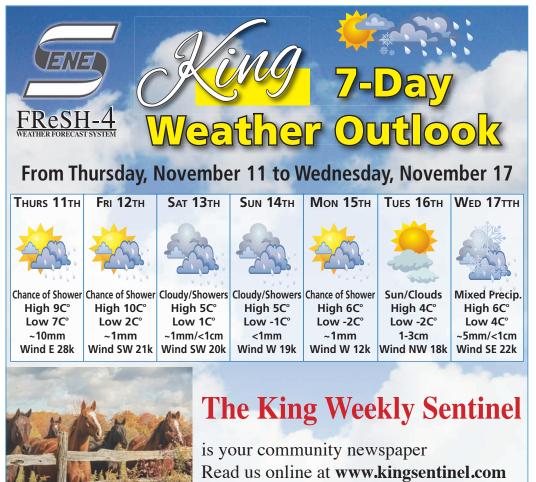
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our Last Mile Strategy to vaccinate as many Ontarians as possible, providing an extra layer of protection starting with our most vulnerable is critical as we continue to safely reopen and manage COVID-19 for the long-term."





## Ontario will fully fund the Bradford bypass

The Ontario government is taking another step toward relieving gridlock by advancing planning for the Bradford Bypass, a new four-lane freeway connecting Highway 400 and Highway 404 in Simcoe County and York Region.

Both regions are expected to experience rapid growth over the next 10 to 20 years and investing in this new corridor is required to ease congestion on Highway 400 and existing east-west local roads. This is part of the government's plan that's building Ontario.

"With both Simcoe County and York Region expected to grow at incredible speed, building the Bradford Bypass is a no-brainer," said Premier Doug Ford. "Delivering on this and other important infrastructure projects will create good jobs, help stimulate our economy and reduce highway congestion as our government delivers on our mission of building Ontario."

The government is building Ontario by putting shovels in the ground for highways, hospitals, housing and highspeed internet in communities across the province. This is how Ontario is creating the conditions for long-term economic growth and job creation.

"Historic transportation infrastructure investments, like the Bradford Bypass, will move people faster, get goods to market quicker, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions resulting from bumper-to-bumper traffic," said Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation and York-Simcoe MPP. "The Bradford Bypass will set up local families and businesses for success by not only easing congestion that already exists, but also unlocking housing opportunities and job creation in the region, securing Ontario's growth and prosperity for generations to come."

This project will build Ontario up into the future and is expected to support more than 700 jobs per year on average during construction and generate more than \$70 million in annual real GDP. Motorists and trucks are anticipated to see more than a 60 per cent savings in travel time when using the new freeway compared to existing routes along local roads, which will save up to 35 minutes.

"Tomorrow's prosperity depends on getting shovels in the ground today, which is why our government is committed to building the Bradford Bypass and relieving gridlock so drivers spend less time trapped in bumper-to-bumper traffic and more time with friends and family," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance. "We are steadfast in our commitment to a recovery fueled by economic growth, which will ensure that the people of Ontario benefit from jobs, prosperity and opportunity."

On Nov. 4, the government released the 2021 Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review: Build Ontario. The plan lays out how the government will build the foundation for Ontario's recovery and prosperity by getting shovels in the ground on critical infrastructure, attracting increased investment, restoring leadership in auto manufacturing and other industries, and supporting Ontario workers. The plan also protects Ontario's progress against the COVID-19 pandemic.

The government has invested approximately \$2.6 billion in funding for 2021–22 in support of the Ontario Highways Program, which features more than 580 expansion and rehabilitation projects including the Bradford Bypass.

The proposed highway will extend from Highway 400 between 8th Line and 9th Line in Bradford West Gwillimbury, will cross a small portion of King Township and will connect to Highway 404 between Queensville Sideroad and Holborn Road in East Gwillimbury.

A Preliminary Design and environmental assessment in accordance with Ontario Regulation 697/21 for the project is currently underway and is expected to be completed by December 2022.

Ontario is committed to ensuring environmental impacts are assessed and mitigated in an open and transparent manner in accordance with the streamlined planning and assessment process.



## Food Bank thanks lead sponsor

The King Township Food Bank is grateful to Capital Power York Energy as lead sponsor of this year's Sip & Savour fundraiser.

The success of this annual event, now in its 8th year, would not be possible without the support of the community, including local businesses and individuals by way of sponsorship, donations, volunteerism and overall participation.

This year, Capital Power York Energy supported Sip & Savour with a total of \$10,000 combined between sponsorship and donation.

Shown here from left to right are Geoff Simpson and Gary Vogan, board directors with the King Township Food Bank; Catherine Li, Capital Power York Energy Centre plant administrator; KTFB board member Leona Zadoyko and Terry Myers, operations maintenance manager at Capital Power York Energy.

### Ontario raises minimum wage to \$15 per hour

As part of the 2021 Fall Economic Statement, the Ontario government will in-



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troduce legislation that, if passed, would raise the general minimum wage from \$14.35 to \$15 per hour effective Jan. 1, 2022.

Under the proposed changes, the special minimum wage rate for liquor servers would be eliminated and they would be entitled to the general minimum wage. Students under 18, homeworkers and hunting, fishing and wilderness guides would also see an increase in their special minimum wage rates.

Liquor servers have previously received below the general minimum wage, based on the belief customer tipping can make up the difference. However, many of these workers have increasingly seen their tips pooled and redistributed among many staff, making it harder for them to make ends meet. If the legislation is passed, liquor servers would be treated more fairly and see an unprecedented 19.5 per cent increase in their minimum hourly wage, as it changes from \$12.55 per hour to the harmonized \$15 per hour minimum wage.

Students under the age of 18 who work 28 hours a week or less when school is in session, or work during a school break or summer holidays would see an increase from \$13.50 to \$14.10 an hour.

Homeworkers (those who do paid work out of their own homes for employers) would see an increase from \$15.80 an hour to \$16.50 an hour.

A full-time worker making the general minimum wage could see an annual earnings increase of \$1,350 in 2022 under the proposed legislation.

From January-August 2021, there were 763,500 workers at or below the proposed general minimum wage of \$15 in Ontario (StatsCan Labour Force Survey, 2021).



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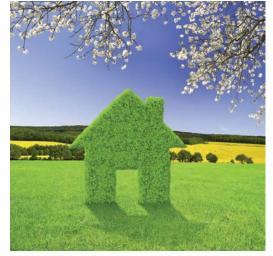
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## **King Public Library and Seniors Centre officially open**

#### By Robert Belardi

In front of a heart-warming crowd, many residents came out to celebrate the official introduction of the King Public Library and King Seniors Centre this past Monday.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini, MPP of King-Vaughan Stephen Lecce, MP of King-Vaughan Anna Roberts, CEO of King Public Library Ashley Nunn-Smith and Chair of King Seniors Centre Frank Moskoff all had kind words to share with the public.

Since the construction began in 2018, this brand-new, 21,000 square-foot facility has a clean modern look and is situated at 1970 King Road. It is across the street from King City Secondary School and has King City P.S right behind the building as well.

"It's a lot of excitement for me. I joined King Township Public Library in June. I know that this project has been years in the making and as I said in my remarks, I get to just join in and celebrate. I feel very privileged to be in that position," Nunn-Smith said.

"I know that the staff have all been anxiously waiting to welcome the public inside."

"Anyone who would have been at the previous library would remember it was about 7,000 square feet. This building is about 21,000 square feet and the library is 16,000. This is more than double in size," Nunn-Smith said.

"We have space for group study and to congregate and chat. We have places for quiet study we have study rooms which the previous place did not. We have a beautiful children's area with interactive technology so kids can play and interact with each other. As the mayor mentioned we have a beautiful lab with all kinds of coding and robotics."

Looking ahead, Nunn-Smith said this is a wonderful place for students to come from both the elementary and the high school. There is a teen section







in the library and a console gaming system in there as well. Staff will be going to speak with students in all of King Township relaying what services they provide and education on how to research as well.

For those who want to apply for a library card, you can do so online or you may walk into the library to obtain a physical copy. King Township Library is subject to reciprocal borrowing, meaning you do not have to live in King to be part of the library.

As for the Seniors Centre, many seniors lined up after the presentations to walk inside and check out the facility for themselves.

Mayor Pellegrini joked in his speech, he will be there one day to play euchre with them all.

"I am proud of all three of King's library branches. The Schomberg and Nobleton branches reopened in the past few months," he said. "This branch includes meeting and study spaces, a reading lounge, book and out-of-the-box collections, public-use technology, children and teen areas and a Make-It Lab."

The Seniors' Centre includes rental space, community space and program areas.

The mayor pointed out that although libraries are priceless in what they offer, the cost of the building construction was \$11.2 million.

In addition to being open and bright, with a view of green space, this building has special environmental features that include:

Efficient heating and cooling; use of energy-saving LED lighting; exterior window glazing to reduce daily electricity use; electric vehicle charging station and storm water infiltration system.

"Thanks to Township Council for supporting and funding the project, to the Library Board and staff team for its leadership and vision, and Township staff who worked with the contractor to make this building – and the vision behind it – a reality."



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## **Province releases its Fall Economic** Statement, builds on recovery, prosperity

The 2021 Ontario Economic Outlook ton GO station. and Fiscal Review: Build Ontario lays out how the government will build the foundation for Ontario's recovery and prosperity by getting shovels in the ground on critical infrastructure, attracting increased investment, and restoring leadership in auto manufacturing and other industries. The plan also protects Ontario's progress against the COVID-19 pandemic.

"With rising inflation at the federal level, we are focused on delivering tax relief, increasing wages, and creating good-paying jobs," said Stephen Lecce. MPP for King-Vaughan. "We are also focused on improving the health of families in King and Vaughan by opening the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital, and hiring over 5000 new registered nurses and registered practical nurses, as well as 8,000 PSWs in Ontario. We are committed to school safety by expanding take-home PCR tests, investing \$600 million to improve air ventilation and 70,000 HEPA units to classrooms, resulting in one of the lowest case rates for youth under 20 across Canada."

"As we continue to protect the hardwon progress against the pandemic, our government is looking forward with our plan to build a better and brighter future for families, workers and businesses in Ontario," said Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy. "By unlocking critical minerals in the North. harnessing our manufacturing capacity and building critical infrastructure, our plan will drive our economic recovery and prosperity for every region of our province."

The plan includes support for King-Vaughan, including:

• Opening Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital, Ontario's first net new hospital in 30 years, and temporarily dedicating the facility to COVID-19 patients during the third wave of the pandemic. This has helped alleviate hospital capacity pressures experienced in York, Peel and Toronto.

• Transforming the GO rail network into a modern, reliable and fully integrated rapid transit network that will support future generations to come, through projects that include extending the Richmond Hill rail line north to the new King GO station and Blooming-

Protecting Our Progress: The government has a plan to build a health and long-term care system that delivers the quality of care our loved ones deserve.

#### **Highlights include:**

To strengthen the health and longterm care workforce, Ontario is investing \$342 million, beginning in 2021-22, to add over 5,000 new and upskilled registered nurses and registered practical nurses as well as 8,000 personal support workers. In addition. Ontario is investing \$57.6 million, beginning in 2022–23, to hire 225 nurse practitioners in the long-term care sector.

To help hospitalized patients continue their recovery and rehabilitation at home, where they are most comfortable, the Province is investing an additional \$548.5 million over three years to expand home and community care. This funding would support up to 28,000 post-acute surgical patients and 21,000 patients with complex health conditions every year.

To support the mental health and well-being of health and long-term care workers across the province, the government is investing \$12.4 million over two years starting in 2021-22 to continue rapid access to existing and expanded mental health and addictions supports.

To ensure long-term care resident safety, the government is providing an additional \$72.3 million over three years to increase enforcement capacity including doubling the number of inspectors across the province by 2022-23. This will make Ontario's inspector to long-term care homes ratio the highest in Canada.

Building Ontario: The government has a plan to build Ontario's future with shovels in the ground for highways, hospitals, housing and highspeed internet. With these investments, the government will expand our health care capacity, provide access to critical mineral resources in Ontario's North, and cut down on the time drivers spend in gridlock so they can spend more time with friends and family.

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## 2021 Fall Economic Statement

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the government has invested approximately \$2.6 billion in funding for 2021-22 in support of the Ontario Highways Program, which features more than 580 construction, expansion and rehabilitation projects. As part of the Highways Program, the government has committed funding to build and advance the Bradford Bypass and Highway 413.

Working in partnership with Northern and First Nation communities to create jobs, unlock critical minerals and bring economic prosperity to Ontario's North, the Province has committed close to \$1 billion to support the planning and construction of an all-season road network, as well as other projects that will provide a corridor to prosperity for the remote First Nations in the Far North. The Government of Canada must step up and match Ontario's commitments in this critical project.

Ontario is responding to the need expressed by municipalities through the doubling of its annual investment in the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund program. This additional multi-year investment of \$1 billion will bring the total investment to nearly \$2 billion over the next five years beginning in 2021-22, to provide certainty and predictability to 424 small, rural and Northern communities so that they can build and repair roads, bridges, and water and wastewater infrastructure.

To provide all regions of Ontario with access to affordable, reliable highspeed internet by the end of 2025, the Province made a historic commitment of nearly \$4 billion over six years.

To address decades of neglect and help those waiting to get into long-term care, Ontario plans to invest an additional \$3.7 billion, beginning in 2024-25, to build an additional 10,000 net new long-term care beds and upgrade 12,000 existing beds to modern design standards. This would bring total investment to \$6.4 billion since spring 2019 a historic investment that will lead to more than 30,000 net new beds by 2028 and about 28,000 upgraded long-term care beds across the province.

To support growing demands on the health care system, Ontario is investing \$30.2 billion over the next 10 years to build, expand and enhance hospitals, a historic commitment to ensure people can get the care they need in their communities.

Working for Workers: The government wants workers in a race to the top, not a race to the bottom. This is why the government has a plan to build up Ontario's workers by proposing to raise the minimum wage, providing funding workers can learn new skills, and

attracting investment in critical minerals, automotive manufacturing and other industries to create good-paying jobs.

#### **Highlights include:**

To support workers, the government is proposing to increase the general minimum wage to \$15 per hour effective Jan. 1, 2022, and to eliminate the special minimum wage rate for liquor servers by raising it to the general minimum wage.

To strengthen Ontario's position as one of North America's premier jurisdictions for responsibly sourced critical minerals, the Province has announced plans to develop its first-ever Critical Minerals Strategy. An abundance of critical minerals in the province will help secure investments such as new electric vehicle technology and create new opportunities for Ontario workers.

To protect and create jobs in the automotive sector, the Province has secured investment commitments of \$5.6 billion from major auto manufacturers for electric vehicle supply chain capacity.

To address growing competition for investment and supply chain challenges, Ontario is creating a new province-wide two-year \$40 million Advanced Manufacturing and Innovation Competitiveness stream, which is part of the Regional Development Program.

To help workers get good jobs, Ontario is investing an additional \$90.3 million over three years starting in 2021-22 in the Skilled Trades Strategy. Key new initiatives include creating a skilled trades career fair as well as enhancing the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program and the Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program.



#### Form 2 Expropriations Act Notice of Application for Approval to Expropriate Land

IN THE MATTER OF an application by the Ministry of Transportation for approval to expropriate land, pursuant to s.11(2) and subsection 11.1(3) of the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act, being in the Geographic Township of King, Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, Province of Ontario

FOR THE PURPOSE(S) OF: Property is required for the widening of two sections of Highway 400 from six to ten lanes, to accommodate a buffer separated high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane and 4 general-purpose lanes in each direction. This widening of Highway 400 will take place from north of King Road to south of 16th Sideroad and from north of 16th Sideroad to south of Lloydtown-Aurora Road in the Township of King within the Regional Municipality of York and all works related thereto.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the land described in the schedule attached hereto.

The approving authority is the Minister of Transportation with an address of:

Minister of Transportation 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor, Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8 tel: 416-327-9200

Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given, who desires to comment on the proposed expropriation of the land for the described purpose(s) may do so by submitting the comment within the time stated herein to the Assistant Deputy Minister,

#### SCHEDULE A

All right, title and interest in the following lands in the Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, Province of Ontario, being:

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- 1. Part of PIN 03383-0111 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Parts 2, 3 and 4 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0149, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35206, subject to an easement over Part 3 as in Instrument KI26820.
- Part of PIN 03365-0162 (LT), being Part of Lots 9 and 10, 2. Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Parts 1 and 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0151, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35262
- Part of PIN 03365-0012 (LT), being Part of Lot 9, Concession 5, 3 in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 3 on a

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Transportation Infrastructure Management Division, Ministry of Transportation, in writing.

The Ministry will review the comments for their technical/ engineering information, having regard to the need for the land for the purposes of the project.

The Assistant Deputy Minister must receive the comments within thirty days after the owner is served with this notice, or within thirty days after the first publication of the notice.

The comments must be sent:

Property.Process@ontario.ca By e-mail to: Or by mail to: Assistant Deputy Minister, Transportation and Infrastructure Management Ministry of Transportation 4th Floor, Garden City Tower 301 St. Paul Street, St. Catharines, ON L2R 7R4

Please include the municipal address of the land in the comment.

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It's important not to forget the efforts of some long-time residents who made a difference.

Thelma Donnelly was born and raised on a farm at the south end of Schomberg. "Aunt Thelma" left a warm feeling for all young people and gave them confidence and taught them that kind people have an easier life than others do!

Thelma graduated from the University of Toronto when most women did not get to go to university.

She married Jim Donnelly and had five daughters and five sons, who all did well. Thelma had many grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

In Schomberg, at the west end of Roselena Drive, a street named for Thelma's mother, she played a big role in recent years to help maintain the stand of huge, tall trees intact. They connect both ends of the street, making for a wonderful, mile-long walk.

Thelma had 10 brothers and so Thelma's many, many nieces and nephews will always cherish the memory of this marvelous matriarch.

Thelma passed away June 26, 2021, just shy of her 92nd birthday.

#### Submitted by a grateful nephew





#### Thursday, November 11, 2021 - THE WEEKLY SENTINEL - 11

## Traffic volume and collision rates down 40% in 2020

York Regional Council received the annual Traveller Safety Report which provides a breakdown of traffic and collision data occurring on Regional roads during the previous calendar year.

"Traffic volume and collision rates decreased significantly on Regional roads in 2020 when compared to 2019 and previous years. These decreases are largely due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the result of our communities' adherence to provincial stay-at-home orders and other public health measures," said York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "As we continue to cautiously reopen and return to pre-pandemic activities, traveller safety when using York Region's road network, whether walking, cycling, taking transit or driving, remains a priority for Council."

In 2020, more than 30% of fatal collisions on Regional roads were related to speeding. Enforcement statistics over the past five years also identify speeding as the top traffic violation, representing more than 60% of all traffic offences.

Stunt driving is another concern in York Region and across the province. York Regional Police reported stunt driving infractions almost doubled in 2020 when compared to 2019.

Additional key findings in the 2021 Annual Traveller safety report include:

• Annual traffic volumes decreased by 20% to 50% during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020.

• More than 60% of all traffic offences

York Regional Council received the were speed related and more than 30% of fatal collisions are speed related.

• Annual collision rate decreased by approximately 40%.

• Pedestrian collision rate decreased by 42%.

• Cycling collision rate decreased by 35%.

• Pedestrian and cycling collisions, 94% and 84% respectively, resulted in injury or death.

"We have seen vehicle trips being used less during the pandemic, but in that same time, we have seen more people walking and cycling for recreation and exercise," said King Mayor Steve Pellegrini, Chair of the Region's Transportation Services. "These travellers are most vulnerable and have a right to use the pedestrian and cycling facilities along the Regional road network. Drivers can help by slowing down and following the rules on the road, designed to keep everyone safe."

The Region continues to put measures in place to address safety concerns including:

• Implementing a Region-wide 10 km/hour speed limit reduction by time of day in school zones, using the new school zone maximum speed sign.

• Piloting a two-year limited use, automated speed enforcement program in school zones at select locations to reduce speed.

• Rehabilitation pavement programs which improve traction leading to a reduction in rear-end collisions as well as extending the life of the road.

### YRP charge 25 motorists with stunt driving

Twenty-five motorists were charged with stunt driving and racing-related incidents and their vehicles impounded for 14 days between Nov. 5 and 7 on York Region roads.

The arrests included that of a 44-year-old man charged with Dangerous Driving, Stunt Driving and Speeding after he was caught driving 178 kilometres an hour in a 50/km an hour zone. His licence has been suspended for 30 days. The vehicle was pulled over at 12:45 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 7, on Major Mackenzie Drive, west of Pine Valley Drive, in the City of Vaughan. It was stopped safely and impounded for 14 days.

The York Regional Police Road Safety Bureau continues to prioritize road safety with proactive enforcement efforts focused on speeding, stunt driving and street racing.



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## Schomberg gallery celebrates third anniversary

celebrates its 3rd anniversary in November! It has been a roller coaster ride, we'll blame it on COVID, but the gallery artists look forward to continuing to welcome local residents and visitors alike to the gallery!

The gallery began as a pop-up store in November 2018. It was George Burt and Pat Earl's vision to provide an opportunity for local artists to show and sell their work in a permanent setting while at same time add some more life to Main street.

Schomberg's historic Old Feed Mill (c 1844), on Main Street was the perfect setting with it's history, original wood floors and beams, large spaces and charm. It continues to be a destination favourite today!

The Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe operates as an artists' cooperative, run by and featuring local artists and artisans. Ten local artists have their work on display and for sale. The walls and floors are filled with displays including jewellery, paintings, fused glass, quilts, scarves and clothing, wood products made from local wood, basketry and more! All Nov. 19.

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The Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe work is original, unique and Canadian made! Because there are so many wonderful things to choose from. Gift certificates of any denomination, are also available to make your gift choices easier.

To celebrate the 3rd year anniversary and as a thank you always to the wonderful community support, a draw for a \$100 gallery gift certificate will be available for visitors to enter. The winning ticket will be drawn on Dec. 19, just in time to use on a gallery purchase for that special gift.

Visit this charming Gallery nestled in the historic Old Feed Mill in Schomberg. With up and coming holiday season, gift exchanges, weddings and retirement gifts, the Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe is the place to start your shopping!

And be sure to fill in your ballot to win the \$100 gallery gift certificate! No purchase necessary!

They're located at 357 Main Street, Schomberg. The galler is open Wednesdays to Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays until 8 p.m. beginning





George Burt and Pat Earl had a vision in 2018 for a pop-up art store. It has blossomed into the Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe, a unique collective on Main Street now celebrating its third anniversary.



## **CURBSIDE TAKEAWAY**

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**Questions re: dinner** Ian McClelland 416-573-7463

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## Pumpkin carving contest brings out the local talent

Schomberg hosted its annual Community Pumpkin Carving Contest, drawing plenty of creative entries.

Overall prize for best pumpkin carving is a pair of sunglasses compliments of Schomberg Eye Care. Winners were Teresa Ciccone and Family.

The Most Creative, a Maple Leaf Relief carving compliments of Katherine McManus, went to Lisa Pace.

Laura Baggetta won the velvet pumpkin candle, courtesy of Cottage and Crown.

A basket of hair products from the new hair salon in town, Christine L Mallia at PNG Hair Design, went to Mary Bachlow.

The Spookiest, a \$50 gift card for Koharu from Jessica Burnie, went to Cordelia Vincent.

Sarah Ogborn (Kylie) won the cotton wreath from Vintage Peony.

A spooky Halloween arrangement courtesy of Seasons Floral Studio, went to Chelsea Mcphee.

In children under 12, a Basket of candy compliments of Nik Nak Nook and a \$ 25 gift ard from McDonald's compliments of Francesca Guccione Dickson (3 prizes), were won by Lisa Cole (Declan age 9), Alexa Wojtiw (Gabriella age 4) and Tee Mavi (Aleks age 10).

For the Schomberg or King theme, Julian Bachlow won a family pack of tickets to next year's Fair compliments of Cathy D'Alessandro A gift card for 12 custom cookies compliments of The Cookie Duchess, went to Jessica Sgro.

A \$25 gift card for Sugar & Spice Bakeshop and Cafe was given to Melanie Simpson.

Organizers also ended up raising \$1,600 for King Township Food Bank.













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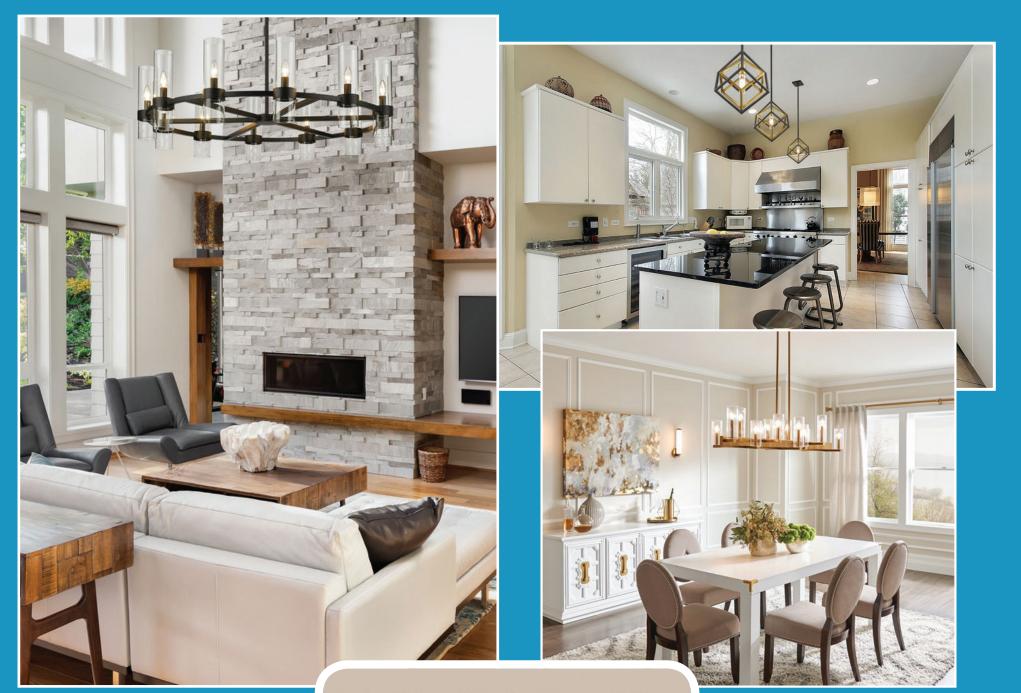




## Kettleby service well attended

A strong showing of support boosted the Remembrance Service at the Kettleby Cenotaph. Roughly 40 people turned out on the beautiful November day.

Among those in attendance were Anna Roberts MP, Stephen Lecce MPP, Mayor Steve Pelligrini, Debbie Schaeffer Councillor, Supt. Dosanjh with two patrol officers representing YRP, and Mubarak Ahmed, director of Muslims for Remembrance Campaign.



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## Hospice partners with businesses to spread hope

#### By Brock Weir

Attention will soon turn to the holiday season – and one area hospice is partnering with local businesses to not only support them through trying economic times but also help residents along their journey.

Hope House Community Hospice, which serves Aurora and King Township, has partnered with dozens of York Region businesses for a new initiative called Baskets of Hope.

Featuring a variety of local products, two Baskets of Hope are available to order: Fun & Pamper, as well as Food & Drink.

"In these uncertain times, Hope House wanted to help the local businesses that have so generously supported our programs and services for almost 40 years," says Hope House Committee lead Laurie Calvert. "The businesses that participated are local or have a connection to a community member.'

Each have the opportunity to showcase their fabulous products – right in their own neighbourhood, says Hope House, with Ms. Calvert adding, "We're so pleased to have such a great response and over 40 businesses have supported our efforts by offering their best price or by donating items.'

Baskets are now available to both order and pick up from Hope House, well in time for Christmas and the holidays.

One hundred per cent of the proceeds from each basket sale will go towards supporting Hope House programs, many of which have been influenced by the ongoing global pandemic, says Hope House Executive Director Heidi Bonner.

"I think they would make an amazing gift for the holidays and because not only is the person receiving them getting this fabulous basket of incredible goodies, they are supporting local suppliers and, of course, hospice," she says. "There is a real variety of items in each of the different types of baskets.

"One of the areas of great need (for our hospice) during this pandemic is our grief and bereavement support programs. Because people are losing loved ones during these terrible times and many of them weren't able to have funerals of any sort, it has really led to some difficult times for people. We have had quite an increase in referrals

in our grief and bereavement groups fect, Sheila Darnowski, TaLii Tow- Love Boutique, Westview Golf Course, and we're actually going to be running a young adult bereavement group and a children's group coming up as well. One of our greatest needs right now is support for our grief and bereavement for which we receive no funding.'

People seeking out Hope House services are still feeling the affects of the pandemic, particularly when it comes to loss, says Ms. Bonner. People are coming to Hope House months after a loss when they find they are having difficulty navigating "the journey through the grieving process."

"We have run three Loss During COVID programs and those were specifically for individuals who have had a loved one die during COVID, but it doesn't necessarily have to be because of COVID. We listen to the needs of our community and we're able to create support programs specific to what the community needs (and that) is where those bereavement groups stem from."

Additional programs that have been developed in response to community needs are wellness programs for individuals diagnosed with illnesses, their family caregivers, and those who are dealing with a death of a loved one. Focused on stress management, these programs include yoga, meditation, qi gong, and aromatherapy.

For more information on how to purchase a Basket of Hope, visit www.hopehousehospice.com/baskets-of-hope.

Participating businesses, services and individuals include Barrons Warehouse, Black Forest Nursery, Bridgedale, Canadian Natural & Specialty Brands, Canadian Tire - Newmarket, Coconut Village Spa, Cookie it Up!, Cottage & Crown, Cousins Market Nobleton, Craigleith "B" Honey, Doug Rankin Ent. Inc., Ernest Cider Co., For All Occasions, fraktals, Greco's Fresh Markets, Healthy Planet Aurora, Hong Gao, Horton Tree Farm, Joy Rudyk, Leslie Hobson, Laurie Calvert, Linda Haarer, Lovely Nails by Lala, Lynnette Lanning, Marilyn Redvers Tennis Centre, Marina Brown, Market Brewing Company, Market Candle Company, Nature's Emporium, Neal Brothers Foods, Northern Girl & Co., Oakridge's Fashions, Pioneer Brand Honey, Pine Farms Orchard, Red Threat Brewing Co., Replenish General Store, RISE Market, Sandy Sheridan, Schomberg Foodland, Schomberg Quality Meats, Sew PerBrittle, The Nut Shoppe, The Story of Street Winery.

els, Tall Blond Crafter, The Decadent Winterdance Dogsled Tour, and Yonge





## **Ministers tour Mircom facility**

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, joined Minister Monte McNaughton in Vaughan to tour the Mircom facility recently.

King and Vaughan-based founders of Mircom provided a walk-though of their dynamic business that exports to over 100 countries. The Government is committed to helping small and medium sized businesses get products to new export markets, support job creation, and opportunities in the skilled trades.

"We are proud of Canadian enterprises and the immigrant success stories that define our community," said Lecce. "Our government is taking action to support the creation of good paying jobs, increasing access to the skilled trades, and proudly promoting 'Made in Ontario' products at home and abroad."



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Dr. Michael Paluch, Assistant Head, Director of Academics



## **King Weekly Sentinel** SECTION B **Sports • News • Community Events Classifieds** • At Your Service



## No silver platter in curling, just a silver lining

**By Shellee Morning** 

When the skips from each match-up go rock for rock end for end, the twohour contest becomes more like a clinic than a game.

Sylvain Pelland, known for his atomic weight take-outs, didn't disappoint in Wednesday evening play as he eliminated competition rocks just to keep it close. Opposition skip George Gerrits and his light-touch approach counter-acted end for end that would eventually collect the win for his team.

A win that put Gerrits within a single point of Team Ian Broadhurst and his squad for the top spot. The next 4 teams share 3rd place with 3 wins a piece. Right behind with 2 wins are the next 4 teams which exemplify the parity of this fun and flamboyant Wednesday Social league.

Thursday Mixed league has a 4-way tie for the leadership role between Teams, Barber, Sheardown, Inglis and Clark. The remaining 8 teams are close enough that a win could move them substantially within the field. The showdown between Inglis and Barber last week resulted in the exchange of scores back and forth that concluded in a tie game. Both Sheardown and Clark respectably won their games to remain in the top of the standings.

The heavy hitters of the Men's League have to earn every shot in every game. Nothing is handed over on a "silver platter" as the competition is fierce between the 16-team Roster. A shot that is missed by either too heavy or too light opens the door for the opposition. Teams Inglis (A Pool) Lostracco (B Pool) are currently playing at 100% with a 4-0 record but the field behind them are hungry and ready to pounce.

As King curlers face team challenges each week, they also confront the ice and its finely tweaked characteristics. In a sport that is played by accuracy and at times within a millimeter, ice reading is crucial. All four sheets express a different canvass where the skips feverishly try to conquer ahead of in the members and their camaraderie their rival. The hard work of Ice Tech- because when the clock runs out the nician Richard Quick who maintains fun and smiles just keep on ticking.

the surface daily has once again produced a rink of perplexing but pristine conditions.

#### **Socially Driven**

This year's Sunday evening Social League has amalgamated with the Sunday afternoon League and while their focus is on improving their skills this great group of curlers are league leaders when it comes to the fun and social aspect of the game. Reading of the ice, weight selection and which handle to curl are the same requirements to any curling game whether it's amateur or professional and this league is no different.

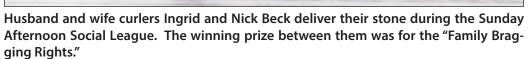
What's different is how they achieve it. They do it with Encouragement and Fun. Examples of this were evident on all sheets last week with exceptions going to the league skips.

Regular Skip Clark Judge stepped aside allowing Nick Beck to take over the role as skip with their opposition being non-other than Skip Ingrid Beck; his wife. Judge, who was seen as the tutor in helping both (Skips) may have been too generous with his knowledge as Ingrid and her team went on to easily win the game.

On the neighboring sheet another husband/wife match-up were battling for bragging rights between Jeff and Debbie Holmes. Jeff and his rink got off to a strong start and healthy lead only to watch Debbie and her team work there way back within 3.

The final end had several rocks in play, with only one of Debbie's nestled in a position to steal. The call was a tough angle hit to push her husband's rock out of scoring position. With a valiant attempt that narrowly missed its target Debbie requested to try the shot again. Without hesitation, Jeff encouraged her to try again. Unfortunately the rock had a mind of its own sliding through the rings without making cor tact.





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This league's silver lining lies with-

## Cougars scored 14 goals over two games, crushing their opponents

#### By Robert Belardi

The Schomberg Cougars crushed their arch rivals the Alliston Hornets 7-1 last Thursday before heading out to Midland to take on the Flyers and taking care of business in a 7-2 affair.

At this point in the season, it's not much of a surprise that the Cougars can put teams away like this as the boys continue to make a name for themselves across the PJHL as one of the most potent offensive clubs in the league.

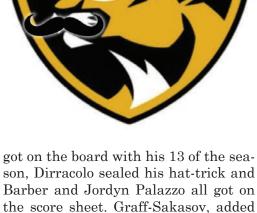
The Cougars took the Hornets' stingers right off their backs, plunging in four goals inside the opening frame and the game was done from there.

Zach Gallow scored his fifth goal of the year, Stuart Barber's two goals added his tally up to five on the season. James McLean put two of his own in the net as well giving him 10 goals n the year and Marc Bottero got in on the action scoring his 12 of the season. Tristan Szymanowski earned his fifth win of the season. The Cougars netminder improved his GAA to 2.50 and currently holds a 0.862 save percentage.

The next night in Midland it was practically the same story and with the same beginning. Gallow put up his sixth of the season early to get the Cougars on the board in the first period, before Chris Dirracolo potted home his fifth of the season to make it 2-0.

Ryan Graff-Sakasov put the Flyers within one, but Dirracolo got on the board again to take his tally to six on the year.

In the second period, Cameron Kokelj



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an insurance goal but that second period drubbing sealed it for the Cougars.

With a 9-2-0-1 record so far, the Cougars move up to second place in the North Carruthers Division.

The Cougars are at home this whole week as the boys will host the Huntsville Otters Thursday night at the Trisan Centre before taking on the Hornets once again on Saturday night.

Both puck-drop times are at 7:30 p.m.





### Nobleton Notes

#### **By Angie Maccarone**

#### St. Paul's Church By Linda Blydorp

We welcome you to join us in-person for worship this Sunday. Masks still must be worn and households are to be kept two metres apart from each other.

Our pastor, Jeff Loach, who will be leading our worship this week. 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).

We, at St. Paul's will be coordinating with the King Township Food Bank in the distribution of "St. Paul's Love Bags." These bags will include items that are seldom donated and are in high demand to those less fortunate. If you would like to help by contributing to this mission, please check www.stpaulsnobleton.ca to check the items that there is a high demand for, and for further contact information.

"A Message for All Time" is now available for on-demand viewing. This is God's message of salvation brought to you in love by imperfect people ... who said yes. This is far from a professional production but it is a perfect message. We invite you to access the YouTube link on the home page of St. Paul's website, stpaulsnobleton.ca.

Our Women's Life Connect Group meets Tuesday mornings at 9:30 to 11 a.m. via Zoom. For details, be in touch with us at stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect.

#### St. Mary's Church

In this month of November the Church prays for the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

We continue to welcome our parishioners back to St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Church for our regular Holy Mass Schedule.

We have sent the weekly parish bulletin for the weekend of Nov. 6/7, 2021 to all parishioners on our list.

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If there is anything we can do to support you, please call the parish office on 905-859-5522 or email us at: stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org

We will be checking emails and phone messages periodically as the parish office will remain by appointment only until further notice.

You may continue to request Mass Intentions, Roses for Our Lady of Guadalupe devotion, as well as weekly Sanctuary Light Offering and intentions. You may contact the parish office with your request.

Please note, the Sacrament of Confession is available at St. Mary's Church on Saturdays after 4 p.m. by appoint-

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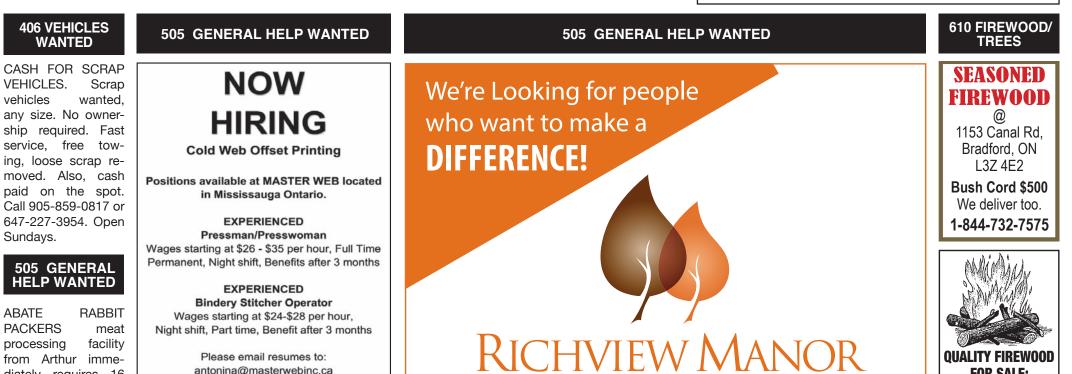
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#### **By Sheryl Sinka**

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While we pause on November 11 at 11 a.m. for 2 minutes, we will take the time to remember all those who have served, sacrificed and fought for our freedoms, past, present and future. We must never forget "the precious sacrifice of the soldiers who took the burdens for the progress of human history."

The full sermon is available on our website at kcuc.net

Weekly worship has resumed and if you would like to attend worship Sunday, Nov. 14 at 10 a.m. please RSVP to the office at 905-833-5181 or email kcuc@ bellnet.ca. We are requiring those who attend to confirm that they have full vaccination status with a Health Canada approved vaccine and there is a full list of protocols and precautions on our website. The online worship will be available later Sunday afternoon for those who worship from home and previous weeks worships, are available on 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.

The Women's Prayer Circle is still "open for business," and we are still praying 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 it's safe.

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 Sundays at 10:30 a.m. 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) at www. kingbiblechurch.com

Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series Witness of a New Era – the Book of Acts.

We will be having a Pop Up Clothing, Toy and Book Giveaway event on Saturday, Nov. 13 from 10 a.m.to 1 p.m. Please don't forget to wear your mask!

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."

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#### St. Andrew's **By Kathy Patterson**

Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, King City meeting in person at 10:30 a.m. We are so pleased and blessed to have Lynn, Konnie and Alison with us throughout the fall, leading us in worship. They are presenting the genealogy of Jesus as outlined in Matthew 1 leading up to Advent.

The worship service videos can be found either on YouTube (St. Andrew's, King City) or by going to our website. The "in person" services are recorded and posted later each Sunday afternoon around 4 p.m. (standrews-kingcity.ca).

Do keep in touch and let us know how we may be a blessing. We are happy to pray with you or for you, in confidence. 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."

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## **King Weekly Sentinel**

## Schomberg Should Know

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

#### A Main Street Christmas

Village Schomberg Association (SVA) and all the folks involved with our "A Main Street Christmas" respectfully ask you to save these dates - Friday, Dec. 3 and Saturday, Dec. 4. This will be our 2nd AMSC drive-through "Parade of Lights."

Putting safety in the forefront, this is a morphed version of our traditional,beloved Main Street Christmas celebration but it is surely a spectacular way to share Christmas cheer and joy and lights and entertainment within the confines of health and safety for all!

The cars will follow the route from Church and Western Avenue, along Western through to the parking lot of the old arena. As you enter the parking lot, you will be able to turn on your radio and hear the narration as it begins to take you through the Christmas Wonder World of our MSC. You will hear a brief introduction to all our special farmers, their hard-working implements and their amazing lights as you drive past them, in the fairgrounds.

While all this is happening, you will be regaled with lights, decorations and entertainers everywhere.

The longer video version of this narration, which will include an in-depth history of our farming families, showing the closeness and dedication of our farming community, will be able to be viewed on our SVA Facebook page and on our website, after our event.

We're still working on the timing and ticketing arrangements, but I will let you know as soon as that is all determined.

I invite you all to come out on the 3rd and 4th of December to celebrate our festive time of year, but also to appreciate the effort, dedication and contribution our farming community gives every year to make the Parade of Lights a spectacular event and a grand ending every year to our traditional MSC.

Anyone who would like to volunteer to help us, in any way - it could be gates, traffic calming, entertaining, decorating, costumes or costume-makwelcome your input.

You can call myself at 905-590-0054 or Charles at 905-939-9297.

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Patricia Edmonds led the Remembrance Day Service on Sunday. It was very moving. Patricia did not even know her Dad until she was three when he came back from World War 2. She said that she did not know what it was like for her mother to say "goodbye" to her husband when he left to serve in the war. She did not know if she would ever see him again. She also did not know what it was like for her grandmother to say "goodbye" to her son, after having already lost one son to the war. Thinking about relationships in this way really brought the war home to me. My eyes started to leak! We also remembered members from our churches who served in the war and some of our friends who served in the military since the great wars, with a slide show presentation.

This coming Sunday Nov. 14, the worship leader will be Doug Reid. He is married with 6 children and 10 grandchildren, who live on either coast and places in between. He lives in Lefroy and sings in the choir as a baritone at Eglinton St. George's United in Toronto. He is a licensed lay worship leader and has worked in a number of churches, including a 7 month on and off again stint at Gravenhurst United Church, where our former minister Carol Ann Chapman now resides.

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On Saturday, Dec. 11, Nobleton United will again host a Drive Thru "Nativity and Santa" event at 6 p.m. No reservation is required for this event. There is no charge for this event, but a Free Will offering will be accepted as a donation to the church. We are hoping to have Phil the donkey again, along with a live Mary and Joseph at the manger. Santa will once again greet and provide a little gift for each child in the car. A gift bag per car will be given out to the first 50 cars to enter the Drive Thru.

We continue to have a Zoom Coffee hour on Thursday mornings 10 to 11 a.m. Let me know if you want to be included in the email blast or want to join via phone. Contact me, Nancy, at 905-859-0761 or nancy@hopkinson.ca. Our chat topics are wide-ranging.

#### **Schomberg Lions Remembrance Day**

The Schomberg Lions Club is proud to once again honour the veterans who have served their country and made sacrifices we can only imagine. On Thursday, Nov. 11 at 10:30 a.m. we will pay homage at the annual Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Cenotaph located outdoors at the Trisan Centre, 25 Dillane Drive., including a moment of silence at 11 a.m.

Fire Chief Jim Wall will guide the service, with readings from Rev. Evelyn McLachlan and LCol. (Ret'd) Susan Beharriell, Lowell Tipping playing Taps and Rouse, and Evelyn Elmer on piano with soloist Catherine Hughes. Representatives of our three levels of government – MP Anna Roberts, MPP Stephen Lecce and Mayor Steve Pellegrini – will lay wreaths, as well as leaders of our many community groups. While outdoor capacity limits have been lifted, we would like to remind attendees to maintain 2 metres distance from each other and wear masks where they cannot do so. Veterans and their families are especially welcome. Please identify yourself to a Lion in a yellow jacket upon arrival.

#### **Reverse Advent Calendar** for King Food Bank

The Schomberg Lions have partnered with the King City Lions Club and the Nobleton Lions Club to present a unique, inspiring, important and necessary month-long event. The "Reverse Advent Calendar" asks participants to buy one food item each day of the month which will be gathered and delivered to the King Township Foodbank on Dec. 4. Details can be found at https://www.facebook.com/ SchombergLions/posts Please consider those in need as we approach the holiday season.

#### **Coats for Kids**

Carla Day, our resident Chiropractor in town, is up to her Christmas Good Cheer Hijinx Coat Drive once again!

The program is called "Coats For Kids" in York Region and Carla has been running this for many years. This coat-boot drive, benefitting kids in all of York Region, is looking for gently-used children's coats, snowsuits, boots, hats, scarves and mittens. These items can be dropped at Schomberg Chiropractic in the courtyard of the Brownsville Junction Mall, on Highway 27 from now on until Dec. 15.

Your support this year and every year is appreciated by Carla and all the kids of York Region who might otherwise go without-thank-you!

#### **Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection**

On Sunday, Nov. 14 at 4 p.m. the good folks of the Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection invite you all to their 2021 Virtual AGM and "Turtle Talk."

The meeting will start with a presentation on turtles by Marc Dupuis-Desormeaux who is a course director at York University and has worked closely with Vince D'Elia of the TRCA. He has played a valuable role in promoting citizen science turtle monitoring programs, population studies, road mortality data analysis and reports and mitigation projects.

Marc's talk will immediately be followed by the business portion of the AGM.

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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 Bible Study. Please check re their change of time to the afternoon.

For pastoral care please call Lynn Vissers: 416-998-4652, or our new Interim Moderator, the Rev. Jonathan Dennis: 1-905-724 -1979.

If there are questions re St. Andrew's in person or virtual services, please contact us.

#### All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

A popular PWDRF Indigenous-mapping exercise workshop, which examines indigenous presence in our land and relations with settlers and helps on our journey of reconciliation and understanding, is being offered on Monday, Nov. 22 on Zoom 6:30-9 pm. Contact Kristen to get materials and to preregister. (allsaints3@Bellnet.ca)

Fr. Michael preached on a passage from Ruth 4: "Then the women said to Naomi, 'Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-ofkin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life'" (Ruth 4:14-15)

Ruth has much to say about the faithfulness of God and about how God's good purposes for us are shown by the faithfulness of Ruth and Boaz. The women celebrate Ruth's child at the end and say to Naomi that God "shall be to you a restorer of life," showing that God is the faithful one who lifts us out of sorrow and death. That is the message we hear in Ruth.

The Book of Ruth begins with disaster, the famine that takes away Naomi's husband and sons, leaving her and her daughters in law as destitute widows.

The faithfulness of Ruth that is our clue to where God is in this story. We see God in the kindness of people, like Ruth and Boaz, who see the need before them and whose actions represent God's faithfulness and good purposes.

"The story moves to Naomi's inner hunger. She finds herself old, embittered, living the precarious life of a widow. She's come back to her late husband's town, Bethlehem, but she has no bread, no security, and concludes that God has abandoned her.

Think about how the character of Ruth might help us help those in despair. She hears the full lament of her mother-in-law. Through her loyal companionship, she finds a way to show God's love to a person who feels cut off from God. For those of us who might be nervous around those experiencing grief and sorrow, the lesson of Ruth is simply to be the good friend who walks with another through grief and sorrow.

Boaz, Naomi's kinsmen, is the other character in this book that embodies God's faithful purposes. Ruth goes to Boaz's farm to scrounge for scraps. She gleans behind the reapers' gathering what fell to the ground left behind by the men who gathered the harvest. Boaz knew what the law of Israel said about gleaning: 'And when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap all the way to the edges of your field, you shall leave them for the poor and the stranger.'

Boaz's kindness to Ruth is rooted in God's law. So, Ruth is allowed to glean but Naomi wants more security for her. We come to Naomi's instruction to Ruth to use her charms to entice Boaz into marrying her. An older bachelor will surely fall for an attractive young woman. Think about all the possible earthy human circumstances in which marriage can take root. Think about the blessings that marriage offers – acts of love and joy, home and children and grandchildren and years of companionship and friendship. How can God not be at work in these things.

'He shall be to you a restorer of life.' These words of the women of Bethlehem to Naomi are true on many levels. God in Christ is the restorer of life who finds those to walk with us in our darkest times. God in Christ is the restorer of life who achieves in our ordinary lives things that we can't yet imagine. God in Christ is the restorer of life who is the babe born in Bethlehem that we shall joyously await in a few weeks. God in Christ is the restorer of life who walks with us to the grave and who meets us on the other side."





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By Julien Laurion The Big Tuna of Real Estate

Hi Julien, I am a long-time reader, and I very much enjoy your articles and social media! Julien, I am a renter, and I am starting to look into buying a home. I've noticed online some listings will say things like 'new composite decking' or 'new 25 year shingles'. Are these important to consider? Thank you in advance, Clara.

#### HI CLARA, congratulations on starting your home search! It can be both overwhelming and exciting.

Upgrades are tricky and take a lot of consideration both as a new homebuyer and as the listing agent since it is subjective. It is no secret that certain upgrades do add value to a home, however, some upgrades decrease the value of the home, and some just justify the asking price.

For example, as a long-time reader, you probably read my article about the shower beer fridge. This was an upgrade that if it was not well thought out it could potentially decrease the value of the home. Pools are also a great example of this. Some buyers will pay a premium for this; however, some buyers find pools a burden and an extra expense they may need to take on.

In your example regarding composite decking, this is

## When paying for upgrades make sense

I would point this out to my clients and look to see that the home matches this upgrade to help me understand what the best price to offer should be if they want to try to buy the home. Whereas I have been on a showing with a client and they didn't like composite decking at all because they did not like how composite decking tends to be warmer on the feet in the summer months.

regarding things like decking, roof, furnace etc., it is to indicate the home was cared for and justify their asking prices. You are getting a quality home.

Clara, it is pretty simple. If you walk into an unkempt home that has aged everything, you will not be willing to pay top dollar. However, if the home is clean and cared for with thoughtful upgrades, then it may make sense for you to pay close to the listing price. As I said, upgrades are tricky and subjective, so it is best to work with a Realtor like myself to help navigate those waters. Happy house hunting!

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a natural upgrade.

When I see this when showing homes, it shows me that the current owner cares for the home. Composite decking is expensive compared to its wood alternatives,

Major upgrades like kitchens, bathrooms, bedrooms, floors etc. typically add value and justify a higher asking price depending on your neighbourhood average. When listing agents put comments in their listings

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## DIY PROJECTS TO TACKLE SO

(NC) Home renovations are on the rise. A new report by Re/Max Canada found that more than half of Canadians renovated their home last year for personal, non-ROI reasons. Of this, 29 per cent did so for recreationinspired DIY projects.

When it comes to do-it-yourself home renovations, there are things you can easily try and some that are better left to the pros. Here Zac Matchett-Smith, a professional contractor, shares some popular DIYs.

#### SWAPPING YOUR SHOWERHEAD

A simple showerhead swap can truly transform your bathroom experience. Most showerheads easily unscrew from the showerhead arm - a job that can be completed in in 10 to 15 minutes. Changing the colour of your showerhead can also instantly enhance your bathroom. Matchett-Smith recommends replacing old showerheads and moving away from a chrome finish.

Try choosing a sleek and functional matte black showerhead. Almost all showerheads share the same threaded connection, so compatibility should not be an issue.

PRO TIP: Always apply fresh Teflon tape to the showerhead arm connection before attaching your new showerhead. Using tape as a proactive measure can prevent future leaks.

#### **REPLACING YOUR FAUCETS**

Bathroom and kitchen faucets can also be replaced easily for an instant refresh, but don't forget to shut off

the water lines before getting started. The clean lines of the Delta Kitano collection deliver elevated style to any contemporary bath for a fresh look.

PRO TIP: Prior to purchasing, make sure your new faucet is compatible with the holes cut in your countertop.

#### APPLYING A FRESH COAT OF PAINT

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PRO TIP: Before getting started, remove everything that you can from the area and cover up the rest with drop sheets, including your floors, or you'll end up with paint in undesired places no matter how careful you are.

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#### Should I be worried about chemicals and pollutants in my home?

(NC)You probably use many household chemicals in and around your home and garage. These may include cleaning products, drain cleaners, paint and paint thinners, liquid laundry detergent packets and pesticides.

Be aware that these types of products can be dangerous and cause burns, poisonings, fires and explosions if not handled safely. Keep you and your family safe by following these tips:

- · Always read and follow the instructions on the labels of household chemicals. The label must include instructions on how to use and store the product safely. It also shows hazard symbols and cautionary statements of potential hazards.
- Never mix household chemical products together. Some mixtures can produce harmful gases.
- Ensure proper ventilation by opening windows or doors and running exhaust fans, during and after using the product.
- Use protective clothing such as goggles and rubber gloves as required to protect your eyes and skin when using the product.
- · Wash your hands with soap and warm water after using the product.
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# 3 easy tests that can help sell your home



(NC) Planning to put your home up on the market? While this can be a stressful time, there are a few things you can do for a more seamless process and to help make your property more attractive to prospective buyers. Here are some evaluations to consider before listing your home:

#### INDOOR AIR

Even before the pandemic, we spent about 90 per cent of our time indoors. And with COVID-19 making us more aware of ventilation and what we breathe, top indoor air quality can be a great selling point in a home.

Fortunately, testing for everything from allergens and mould to dust and formaldehyde can be done with simple DIY test kits available at your local hardware store. If you have the dollars or want a more thorough evaluation, you can also call in a professional.

#### 2 WATER QUALITY

Canadian private and public drinking water supplies are generally of excellent quality. But contaminants can sneak into your water supply via plumbing including pipes and fittings that connect homes to water mains and well casings. Potential buyers will want to know your water is safe, especially if your home is in a rural area or you're selling a cottage or property with lake access.

That means testing the quality of your water can be a smart idea. For an easy and affordable option, consider services from My Water Quality, which uses an accredited and licensed laboratory to bring water supply sampling and reporting to homeowners across Canada. You'll receive a DIY test kit, including return shipping label and sampling instructions. An easy-to-read report card will arrive within five to 20 days and provide you with all the results, which have been reviewed by a professional hydrogeologist.

#### **3** ASBESTOS

Older homes, cottages and other buildings across the country still have asbestos in them, which can cause cancer and other health issues diseases if inhaled. While it's not dangerous to have asbestos that's undisturbed, if you or the new owner plan to undertake a remodel or renovations, it can become a serious problem.

To give potential buyers peace of mind, have a professional come in to test for asbestos - it's mostly found in attics, vinyl asbestos flooring tiles, soundproofing ceiling tiles, roof shingles and insulation. If the test reveals asbestos, never try to remove it yourself. This can be dangerous, so hire a pro.

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## Winter outdoor entertaining tips: How to host a cold-weather get-together



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(NC) When the winter weather turns frightful, staying warm

indoors is delightful. But the arrival of cold temperatures also means taking on the

added costs that can come with

spending more time at home.

energy savings with these three tips:

LOCK IN WARMTH

weather-stripping or sealant.

(NC) Over the last year and a half, many of us have embraced outdoor living and started enjoying our balconies, patios and backyards to the fullest. But just because it's cold out doesn't mean spending more time outside needs to stop. Be a great cold-weather get-together host by following these tips:

#### ALWAYS KEEP GUESTS WARM

Probably the top concern when it comes to coldweather get-togethers is making sure everyone is warm and comfortable. Fortunately, you can accomplish this in style with a rustic firepit, chiminea or patio heater. You can also light candles and provide cozy blankets for some added warmth.

#### DECORATE WITH SEASONAL ITEMS

Enhance the theme of a festive winter get-together with country and farmhouse décor, like plaid linens and pillows. You can also create a nature-inspired tablescape with fresh pinecones and evergreen branches. A vintage wooden sled makes for a charming side table to set with drinks and snacks.

#### SERVE COMFORT FOOD AND DRINK

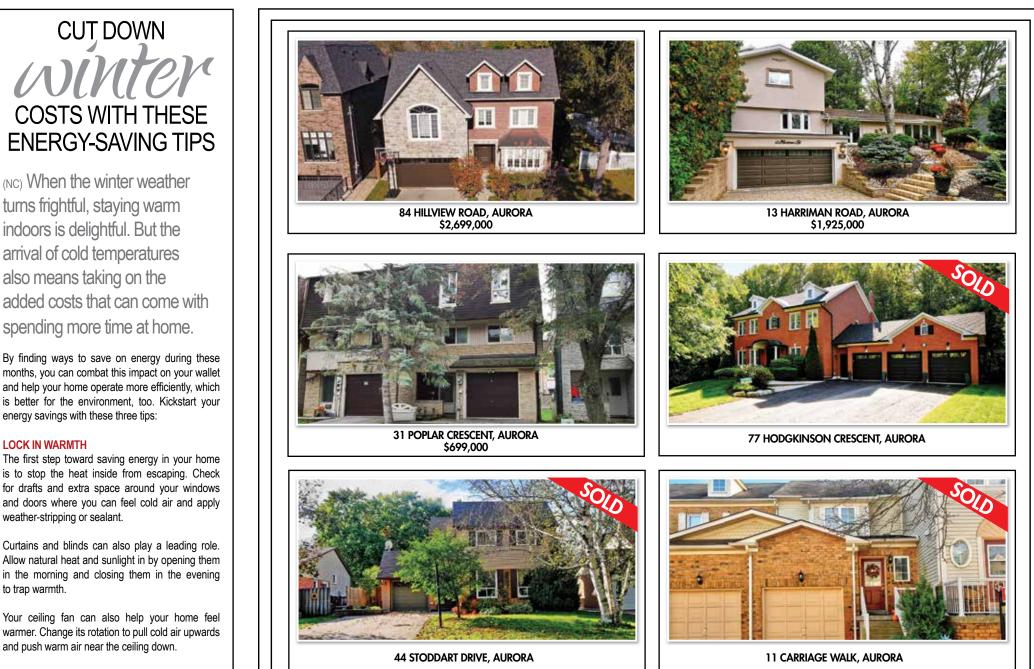
There's nothing like old favourites to make spirits bright. You'll never go wrong with a classic hot chocolate and marshmallows or s'mores by the fire. If you're feeling creative, try French toast fingers

dipped in maple syrup. Want to give guests a hearty meal? Make some chili earlier in the day and reheat it, or fire up the grill for some maple-glazed wings and stuffed squash to add some extra warmth.

#### **EXPERIMENT WITH SOUND**

Nothing sets a positive atmosphere quite like some good music. Bring people together and create the perfect ambience for an evening with friends or family with ad-free music from SiriusXM. Simply connect the SXM App to your smart speaker and browse through the extensive catalogue of genres and artists to find the right soundtrack for a memorable, merry gathering.

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#### **BE WATER SAVVY**

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and push warm air near the ceiling down.

Saving can be as simple as finding ways to make everyday tasks more energy efficient, such as doing laundry in cold water and only running the dishwasher when it's full.

Being savvy with your water also includes knowing what you are covered for in your home insurance policy — and where you can save. For example, if you have up-to-date mechanical systems that are kept in top operating condition you may be eligible for savings with companies like Belairdirect.

#### **REMEMBER TO UNPLUG**

Your electronics and appliances still use energy when plugged in, even if turned off. Try disconnecting electronics when not in use and, for larger appliances, see where you can use a toaster oven, microwave or electric kettle before turning on your stove or oven.

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## Learn about DIY **HOME SECURITY**



Homes are a safe haven and comfortable retreat for individuals and families. Home invasions can compromise that feeling of safety and security, making people feel uncomfortable and unsafe in their own homes.

Although the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics indicate property crime rates have seen a significant decline in the last few years, there are still roughly 2.5 million burglaries a year, 66 percent of which involve home break-ins. Break-ins are 6 percent more likely to occur between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. when people are out at work or running errands than at other times of the day. Homes without a security system are 300 percent more likely to be burglarized, according to the National Council for Home Safety and Security.

Installing a security system may be the goal of homeowners looking to protect themselves and their belongings. Thanks to the availability of new, user-friendly products, do-it-yourselfers can, in many instances, install their own home security systems.

Safety.com says smart home integration, mobile apps and wireless connectivity are hallmarks of modern DIY home security systems. Many have the same components as traditional home security systems but do not require professional installation or monitoring, even though such options are available. When shopping for home security systems, people can look for the following features to compare offerings.

SENSORS: Sensors will detect motion and activity in the house. Sensors also may be attached to doors and windows to determine if either is open. Some systems are designed to send alerts to a phone when triggered.

CAMERAS: Working in conjunction with sensors, cameras can provide an eye on activity in and outside of a home, adding another layer of protection.

SMART FEATURES: With smart home connectivity, security systems can be engaged and turned off from remote locations.

Many DIY versions of home security systems work wirelessly and can be set up in a relatively short period of time. While wired systems use existing electric and telephone lines to connect security components, wireless systems connect components to the main panel via radiofrequency. One of the benefits of wireless tech is that it enables DIYers to add components and replace them as needed without major hassle. In addition, wireless security systems do not require construction during the installation process.

More and more homeowners are embracing DIY home security systems to keep their homes safe.



## Organize and declutter room-by-room

Clutter can be a major source of stress that affects how individuals feel about their spaces.

Psychology Today indicates messy homes and workspaces can contribute to feelings of helplessness, anxiety and overwhelming stress. Clutter bombards the mind with excessive stimuli, makes it more difficult to relax and can constantly signal to the brain that work is never done.

Tackling messes no matter where they are lurking is not a one-time project. Much like losing weight and getting healthy, clearing a home of clutter requires dedication and lifestyle changes. With these organizational tips and tricks, anyone can work through their home room-by-room and conquer clutter.

#### FIND A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING

Clutter creeps up as people accumulate possessions over the years. Over time, failure to regularly go through

belongings and thin the herd can lead to the accumulation of clutter. But clutter also can accumulate if people fail to find a place to putitems. Racks for garages, organizational systems for closets and furniture with storage capacity, such as storage ottomans, are some storage solutions that can help people find a place for their possessions.

#### UTILIZE VERTICAL SPACE WHEN POSSIBLE

Getting items up and off the floor can maximize square footage in a home. Bookshelves, hanging wall shelves, hooks, cabinetry, built-ins, and other storage solutions that rely on walls and ceilings are simple and effective storage solutions. Unused space behind a cabinet or closet doors are some additional places to store belongings. Hang razors or toothbrushes on medicine cabinet walls and curling irons and other hair tools on the interior of cabinet doors in bathrooms.

#### **CREATE A CODING SYSTEM**

Home offices can be some of the more disorganized rooms

in a house simply due to the volume of electronics and paperwork within them. HGTV suggests using a colourcoded system for important files to keep them organized. Label important items, whether they're paper or digital files, in accordance with your system.

#### **PUT IT AWAY**

When you finish using an item, return it to its storage location. This eliminates piles of belongings strewn around the house and hunting and pecking for missing things. If you cant put it away immediately, have a few baskets on hand labelled for the different rooms in the house. Pop the items in the requisite baskets and then routinely take each basket around the house to return the items.

Investing in custom cabinetry and organizational systems also can help people organize their belongings. Tackle rooms such as the garage, basements, bedroom closets, and pantries, or those areas that tend to accumulate clutter the fastest





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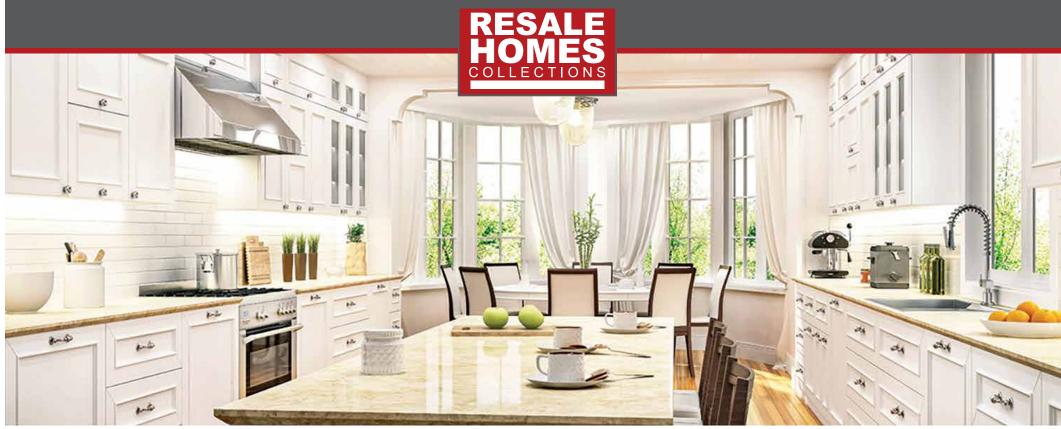




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## Signs it is time to overhaul your kitchen

Remodelling a kitchen adds value to a home. Remodelling Magazines Cost vs. Value Report indicates mid-range kitchen remodels cost about \$66,000, and homeowners can expect to recover about 60 to 80 percent of that cost at resale.

HOMEOWNERS may wonder if remodelling their kitchens is worth the investment. Homeowners should not just consider cost, but also the current conditions of their kitchens when deciding if a renovation project is the right move to make. These signs indicate it may be time to renovate a kitchen.

#### **BREAKERS ARE TRIGGERED:**

If the lights go dark from a tripped circuit breaker every time you try to microwave and run the toaster oven at the same time, your wiring is likely not up to the task of handling the workload and could be out of date. A kitchen remodel will assess wiring load needs, and an electric overhaul may be necessary.

#### LACK OF STORAGE:

One of the biggest hassles homeowners encounter in their kitchens is a lack of storage space. If making a meal involves a Jenga-like stacking and rearranging of kitchen tools, or if an avalanche occurs whenever you search for an item, you might need more storage. A carefully planned redesign can achieve this, even in a smaller kitchen.

#### **OUTDATED APPLIANCES:**

Even if your appliances are not avocado green or mustard yellow relics of the 1970s, they might still need to be replaced. According to CRD Design, appliances are only expected to last around 10 to 15 years. If appliances have become unsafe or energy hogs, it could be time for a remodel.

#### FAMILY IS EXPANDING (OR SHRINKING):

Kitchens often are the heart of a home. They need to meet the needs of the family that resides in that home. A remodel can add space as needed. On the flip side, when a couple becomes empty nesters, kitchens can be redesigned and downsized to reflect their new needs and desires, such as the addition of a wine chiller or espresso station.

#### **POOR LIGHTING:**

Task lighting is essential in a kitchen, but older homes may not be equipped with lighting where it's most needed. A carefully designed remodel can improve



lighting with under-cabinet lights, pendants, overhead lighting, and even natural light to make the space attractive and more functional.

#### FREQUENT RUN-INS:

The notion that you can have too many cooks in the kitchen refers to having too many people trying to pitch in or offer their opinions. However, it also can apply to when too many people are gathering in a

small space. Redesigning a kitchen can improve the efficiency of a space and make the room feel larger.

#### **AESTHETIC APPEAL:**

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# Things to consider before warming up next to your first five this winter

A warm fire can make even the coldest winter day more enjoyable. Fireplaces may not get much use in spring or summer, but come late fall and throughout the winter, the fireplace can be a great place for families to gather.

BEFORE FIREPLACE SEASON hits full swing, homeowners might want to brush up on a few fireplace facts so they can safely enjoy nights spent sitting by the crackling flames.

The Chimney Safety Institute of America advises homeowners with fireplaces to hire a CSIA-certified chimney sweep to clean their fireplaces. After a lengthy period of non-use, various issues could be affecting the chimney, many of which might not be noticeable to an untrained eye. Professional, certified chimney sweeps

have extensive knowledge of fireplaces, making them valuable resources who can let homeowners know if any safety issues developed since fireplaces were last used. The National Protection Agency recommends that chimneys be swept at least once per year.

A full inspection of the chimney might be in order as well. Chimney service technicians will conduct thorough examinations of readily accessible portions of the chimney exterior and interior and accessible portions of the appliance and the chimney connection. The CSIA recommends that homeowners who plan to use their chimneys as they have in the past request a Level 1 inspection, which will examine the soundness of the chimney structure and flue as well as the basic appliance installation and connections. Technicians also will verify if the chimney is free of obstruction and combustible deposits.

Homeowners also should inspect their chimney dampers before lighting their first fires of the season. Dampers should open and close smoothly. If not, a service technician can help fix or replace the damper. Firewood is another thing homeowners must

consider before lighting their first fires of the season. The CSIA says that well-seasoned firewood works best, noting that wood that is not well-seasoned will produce more smoke than heat. In addition, the home improvement resource This Old House recommends using dense wood that's been split and stored in a high and dry place for at least six months. Oak is an example of dense wood that, when stored properly, can make for an enjoyable fireplace experience. Avoid softwoods like pine. Pine can produce a lot of creosote, which is a byproduct of wood combustion. Creosote is highly flammable, and as it builds up in a chimney, the risk for a chimney fire increases. Choosing the right wood, making sure it's well-seasoned and having a chimney professionally cleaned can reduce the risk of a creosote-related chimney fire. A Level 1 inspection should determine if there are potentially dangerous levels of creosote deposits in the chimney.

Before nestling up to a fireplace this winter, homeowners should consider a host of factors and safety measures to ensure their fireplaces are safe and ready for the season ahead

### How to create a photo wall collage

(NC) A wall collage or gallery wall is a great way to display your favourite photos and memories in your home. It may seem daunting, but if you follow a few simple tips and tricks, you'll have a professional-looking focal wall in no time.

START WITH A THEME. Wall collages look tighter and more cohesive when the elements fit together around a unifying theme. Whether it's family vacations, nature shots or a special event like a wedding, pick one subject to curate your photos and stick to it

USE QUALITY PHOTOS. While taking photos with your phone is convenient, once you blow up and print them, these images won't be of high enough quality to display like artwork. For first-rate photos that look fantastic in print, try a camera from Canon. Available at Henry's, the brand has a range of cameras for all levels of expertise that give you more control over lighting, autofocus and creative possibilities.

IT'S ALL ABOUT LINES. What's the secret to sharp, Pinterest-worthy wall collage? Making sure your frames or canvases share similar lines across the space. Imagine a grid going across the space, with different pieces sharing a few grid lines. For example, the outer edge of the frame at the bottom-left corner should line up with the inner edge of the wooden letter in the top-left corner.

MIX UP THE AESTHETIC. Variety is appealing to the eye, so it's important to incorporate some diversity into your collage, whether it's a statement piece like an antler set, quotes on wood blocks or a range of frame sizes. If you want to stick to only photos, make sure to mix it up to create visual interest and keep the eye engaged.

TEST OUT YOUR LAYOUT. Practice the "measure twice, cut once" rule but for hanging. Start by experimenting with a few layout options on the floor before even thinking about hammering a nail. Play around with it, snap some pictures and take a day or two to sit on it. You can even try putting the outline of your layout on the wall in painter's tape. Once you've decided, a level is your best friend.





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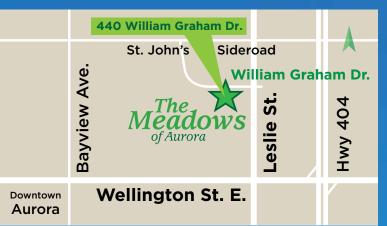
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## Support local with this tasty brunch recipe

(NC) Recently, many of us have started shopping for more local foods to support Canadian jobs. Not only does this help our economy, it also helps us reduce our carbon footprint and eat more sustainably.

For example, buying Canada Grade A eggs ensures your eggs have travelled from farm to grocery store in less than five days. This means cooking with eggs is an easy way to support local farmers and the other local businesses they support, all while boosting your protein intake.

In need of some local food inspiration? For your next brunch, try this tasty hash featuring delicious eggs and autumn flavours. You can customize it further by adding your own preferred selection of seasonal ingredients, be it another kind of squash or root vegetable. It's perfect for a cozy meal with family and friends.





#### Butternut Squash and Shallot Hash with Fried Eggs Preptime: 20 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes Serves: 4 INGREDIENTS: **DIRECTIONS:**

1 tbsp (15 mL) olive oil 1/2 cup (125 mL) chopped shallots 1/3 cup (75 mL) diced pancetta 1 red pepper, chopped 1 tbsp (15 mL) finely chopped fresh rosemary

2 1/2 oz (70 g) butternut squash, peeled, seeded and cubed

- 1/2 cup (125 mL) low-sodium chicken broth
- 3 tbsp (15 mL) butter, divided
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) apple cider vinegar
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) honey

4 eggs

1/4 cup (60 mL) grated Parmesan cheese

2 tbsp (30 mL) finely chopped fresh chives 1/2 tsp (2.5 mL) each salt and pepper, divided

Pinch hot pepper flakes

Heat oil in large skillet set over medium heat; cook shallots, pancetta, red pepper, rosemary and hot pepper flakes for 3 to 5 minutes or until vegetables start to soften and pancetta starts to brown.

2 Stir in butternut squash, ¼ tsp each salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally for 5 to 7 minutes or until squash starts to brown. Stir in broth, 1 tbsp butter, vinegar and honey.

3 Cover and cook for 6 to 8 minutes or until liquid is absorbed and squash is tender. Sprinkle with Parmesan and chives.

4 While hash cooks, melt 2 tbsp of butter in non-stick skillet set over medium heat; break eggs into skillet. Season with remaining salt and pepper.

5 Cover and cook for 2 to 3 minutes or until egg whites are just set for sunny-side up, or cook until done as desired. Divide hash among four plates. Top each serving with a fried egg.

TIP: You can substitute Parmesan for finely crumbled goat cheese or feta cheese. Or substitute a pinch of smoked paprika for hot pepper flakes if desired.

Find more recipes at eggs.ca.

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## What to do with your kitchen scraps

(NC) Many of us are trying to live a more sustainable life. Reducing waste and reusing what we have are cornerstones of helping to create a healthier planet. At the same time, it's important to evaluate how we follow these principles to make sure they are not doing more harm than good.

KITCHEN SCRAPS are an important example of this. For many farmers, the best thing to do with food waste or leftovers is to feed it to their pigs. These animals eat outrageous amounts of just about anything, so it's an economical and seemingly environmentally friendly solution to prevent waste in your kitchen.



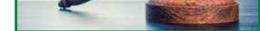
But overall, feeding any animal kitchen scraps is not the safest choice for their health. Not only can it lead to overfeeding and weight issues, but it could also potentially expose your animal to harmful diseases. For pigs, the risk of contracting African swine fever (ASF) is especially great.

ASF has not been found in Canada yet, but it's been present in countries across Africa, Asia and Europe. A virus that cannot be contracted by humans, it's highly contagious and deadly for pigs. It can survive for months in fresh, frozen, cooked or processed pork products. If contaminated food is fed to a pig it could start an outbreak, even from unts of the virus

- Making broth by simmering leftover bones and veggie scraps on the stove
- Freezing them, if your garbage collection is rare or inconvenient or until you have enough to cook with
- Getting creative—extra meat scraps from butchering can make sausages, chili or meatloaf to use up less desirable bits of meat

To avoid harm to your pets or livestock, always practice good biosecurity and follow regulations i n your area.

Find information about measures to

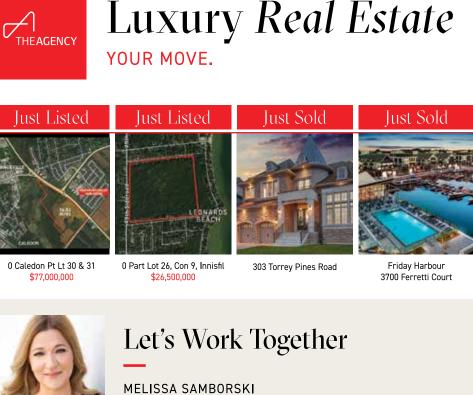


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Safer uses for food scraps include:

 Composting (as long as it's stored far from your pigs) - there's always a need for nutrient dense soil prevent African swine fever at inspection.gc.ca/ asfbiosecurity.

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