

Jill Dunlop, Minister of Colleges and Universities; Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, and David Agnew, President of Seneca, joined in announcing Seneca's new nursing degree program.

## Seneca offering new nursing program

The Ontario government is providing a new pathway for ties for students to access a high-quality education. nursing education with the launch of Seneca's new standalone four-year Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at the King Campus.

Details were shared last Friday by Jill Dunlop, Minister of Colleges and Universities, who was joined by Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan and David Agnew, President of Seneca.

"I'm here today to highlight an important milestone for postsecondary education in Ontario. Seneca will offer a stand-alone nursing degree independent of a university partner at its campus in King City," said Minister Dunlop. "By allowing colleges and universities to both offer standalone nursing degrees, our government is increasing choices and reducing barriers to high-quality, local education for Ontario's students."

The new program builds on Ontario's recent changes allowing both publicly-assisted colleges and universities to offer a baccalaureate degree in nursing to increase opportuni-

"Ontario's nurses go above and beyond to provide exceptional care to patients and we are grateful for their continued efforts throughout the pandemic," said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "Seneca's new Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program will provide students with more choices for nursing education, further strengthening our health care workforce as more Ontarians pursue this important career."

Seneca will welcome the first cohort of new nursing students starting in September 2022.

"Our government announced the addition of over 5,000 new and upskilled registered nurses and registered practical nurses, and to do that, we are leveraging the good work of Seneca's new Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program that will help keep students closer to home," said Lecce, Education Minister and MPP for King-Vaughan.

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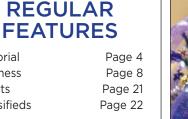
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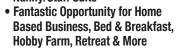
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#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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

Mon., Nov. 29 6 pm – Council and Committee of the Whole Virtual meeting live streamed at http://king.ca/meetings

Monday, December 6 6 pm – Public Planning Meeting Virtual meeting live streamed at http://king.ca/meetings

Monday, December 13 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**

#### **Thursday, December 2**

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

#### Thursday, December 9

3 pm - Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board Electronic Meeting (noon) on the day of the meeting

#### Tuesday, December 14

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

Tuesday, December 14

6 pm – King Township Public Library Board (virtual meeting)

#### Wednesday, December 15

6 pm – Committee of Adjustment Virtual meeting live streamed at http://king.ca/meetings

#### **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.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**



#### King Township Services

As part of a cautious approach to maintaining public and staff safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, King continues to gradually reopen in-person services, including at the King Township Municipal Centre.

The following in-person customer services are available at the Township Centre from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., as of Monday, Nov. 22:

- Garbage, bulky item and appliance tags
- Green bin, kitchen catcher and blue box sales
- Yard composters and rain barrels
- Payments for taxes, water bills and recreation programs
- Dog Tags

Passive screening and mandatory masking will be in place.

The following services are available in person each Wednesday and can be booked in advance by contacting <u>clerks@king.ca</u> or calling 905-833-4069:

- Marriage licences
- Commissioning services.

The following services are available in person each Wednesday and can be booked in advance by contacting serviceking@king.ca or calling 905-833-5321:

- Planning applications and some planning services
- Building permits and some building services.

Most in-person recreation, cultural and library services are in place with ongoing COVID-19 safety guidelines and restrictions.

#### Visit www.king.ca/recreation-living.

See a full list of services, below. For information about King and COVID-19, visit www.king.ca/covid19.

#### 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.

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

- Climate Change Coordinator Deadline November 26
- Program Instructor (Seasonal, Part-Time) Deadline November 29
- Manager of Transportation Services Deadline Dec. 1
- Administrative Clerk Clerks Support Coordinator (Contract) – Deadline December 2
- Fitness Instructor (Contract) Until Position is filled
- Personal Trainer (Contract) Until Position is filled
- Fitness Floor Monitor (Contract) Until Position is filled

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**



#### **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.

#### **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 5

(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

TAKE 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

- VIEW THE MEETING live virtually at <u>https://www.king.ca/meetings</u>. 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.
- SPEAK TO COUNCIL remotely (by audio-telephone) by pre-registering with the Clerk's Division at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no 3) 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 clerks@king.ca.

#### 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 <u>www.king.ca</u> on Thursday, December 2nd, 2021.

For further information contact Kristen Harrison by email at kharrison@king.ca 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.

## York Region is ready to vaccinate five to 11-year-olds

and our partners are diligently finalizing plans for the administration of Health Canada authorized Pfizer-BioN-Tech COVID-19 vaccine to children 5 to 11 years of age across York Region.

York Region is working alongside local school boards to launch schoolbased vaccination clinics in targeted

The Regional Municipality of York school locations. In addition, five to 11-year-olds will be able to access popup clinics and community hub clinics across York Region. We anticipate starting to administer the vaccine in clinics for this age group as of Nov. 26. This date is subject to availability of vaccine supply from the province.

Appointments must be made for five



## **Degree program an investment**

From Front Page

"By expanding access to Seneca in King's high-quality postsecondary education, we are helping more young people access well-paid, in-demand jobs in this field and meeting our province's growing health care needs as the population ages.'

"Seneca is delighted to add a baccalaureate degree in nursing to our credential options for health care professionals," said Seneca President David Agnew. "This degree builds on 50 years of nursing education at Seneca and allows us to support the urgent need for registered nurses in Ontario."

As part of the government's recently announced \$35 million investment to increase enrolment in nursing education programs in publicly-assisted colleges and universities across the province, the province is also providing up to \$1.2 million to help increase enrolment in nursing education programs at Seneca, supporting the training of 55 new practical nursing students and 80 new Bachelor of Science in Nursing students.

To become a registered nurse in Ontario (and be registered with the College of Nurses of Ontario). individuals must obtain a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

Investing in nursing education supports the government's Long-Term Care Staffing Plan that was launched last year. At the centre of this plan, the hours of direct care for residents in long-term care will be increasing to an average of four hours per day over four years. To implement this initiative, the government will be making overall investments of \$1.9 billion annually by 2024-2025.

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 11-year-olds. Beginning at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 23, residents can book an appointment online at york.ca/COVID-19Vaccine or by calling 1-877-464-9675.

York Region's COVID-19 Vaccine Task Force and our health system partners, which includes primary care physicians and pharmacies, continue to finalize plans for the approximately 91,000 children ages five to 11 in York Region who will be eligible for the vaccine. Vaccine distribution will be based on supply.

The proposed vaccine for this age group will be a lower dosage of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine. As with previous stages in the vaccine rollout, we will follow the direction of the Province on how to prioritize vaccine administration.

COVID-19 infections can have serious consequences for all age groups, particularly given the circulation of new variants of concern. An approved COVID-19 vaccine for five to 11-yearolds represents significantly more protection for children, their families and the community as a whole.

York Region's planned rollout for this age group will be supported by a wide-ranging marketing campaign which includes print, broadcast, digital and social media, all in multiple languages. The campaign will use kid-friendly creative aimed at parents and caregivers of children five to 11 years old.

Every effort will be made to make the vaccination process as comfortable as possible for children and families, including support to reduce anxiety and vaccine-related fears. Parents and caregivers with questions about the COVID-19 vaccine for children, especially for children with complicated medical histories or specialized needs, can speak to a York Region Public Health Nurse by calling 1-800-361-5653 or a pediatric Registered Nurse though the SickKids COVID-19 Consult Services.

Vaccination is accessible and convenient in York Region; for a list of current vaccine clinics or to book an appointment, visit york.ca/COVID-19Vaccine

#### YRP holds annual Holiday Heroes toy, food drive

Members of York Regional Police are excited to be back with our 25 th annual Holiday Heroes campaign. We're ready to support those less fortunate this holiday season and we need your help.

This year's campaign will run to Dec. 17. Members of the public can participate by dropping off new, unwrapped toys, new children's clothing, gift cards or monetary donations at any York Regional Police facility:

#1 District Headquarters - 240 Prospect Street, Newmarket #2 District Headquarters - 171 Major Mackenzie Drive West, Richmond Hill #3 District Headquarters - 3527 Baseline Road, Sutton #4 District Headquarters - 2700 Rutherford Road, Vaughan #5 District Headquarters - 8700 McCowan Road, Markham York Regional Police Headquarters - 47 Don Hillock Drive, Aurora Community Resource Centre – 10720 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill.

YRP is also accepting online donations at yrp.ca/hhdonate. Financial donations are used to buy groceries and other items that are desperately needed, but are not commonly donated during the drive, such as winter clothing, diapers and formula. The best part about the campaign is that 100 per cent of donations go directly back to those in need here in York Region.

Collaborative efforts with the community, along with generous corporate partners, means YRP can provide holiday cheer to thousands of people who have registered for assistance through local Salvation Army programs and Victim Services of York Region.

YRP will be holding several events at various locations throughout the campaign accepting donations. The dates and locations can be found on our events calendar at https://www.yrp.ca/en/community/Events-Schedule.asp

Since 2008, Holiday Heroes has raised more than \$2.1 million in monetary donations, new toys, new children's clothing and food. As always, all donations raised in York Region, stay in York Region.

For more information, please visit yrp.ca/holidayheroes or email holidayheroes@yrp.ca.



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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

## Here's some advice in the marathon of life!

"I'm just thankful for everything, all the blessings in my life ... I think that's the best way to start your day and finish your day. It keeps everything in perspective.'

- Tim Tebow

It's been said you will know when you get there.

Get where? Just how do I know where I'm going and what do I do when I get there? Am I there already?

We make so many choices in our lives, it's hard to keep track of them all. We navigate twists, turns and forks in the road. Heck, sometimes we end up in the ditch and roll down an embankment.

It may not seem like a journey, but our lives are the longest, most intense adventures we will ever undertake. It's a wonder we even make it out in one piece.

Everyone's path is entirely different, since we are all unique. The phrase,

in the lounge. Others run down the hallway, boarding pass in hand, and just Their journeys all converged to this make it. And there are those who miss point in time. the first flight entirely, but catch the second, or the third.

Many people say it's the actual odyssey that's the fun part, not the ultimate The world is an oyster, they say. What if destination. Maybe it's a little of both.

I don't really recall all of my minor hard-working European parents. I went of marriage and children. to college.

came good friends. Then we got mar- hurdles, challenges and obstacles, none ried, travelled and settled down to have will be simple or straightforward. But children. While each child's arrival is a that's not to say they won't be a blast. I bit blurry in my mind, Kim can recall say get some good hiking shoes and exevery moment with a mother's clari- plore! ty. I can't clearly remember their first



#### **Mark Pavilons**

"the one and only" applies to each of us. words or first steps, but they are now Some get there early, and like to wait young adults, interesting human beings embarking on their own quests.

> There were many bumps and bruises along the way, but I think their sojourns, from here on in, will be most exciting. you don't like oysters?

Our ultimate "pearls" may include choices that led me down my path. I was joy, wisdom, accomplishments, travel, average, growing up in rural Caledon to enlightenment and the age-old staples receive help at certain points of our

While these voyages may seem simi-I met my wife, we bonded and be- lar, each is exclusive. And given today's

I know some may find it hard to be-

## Editorial King council and staff deliver

King Township always has the best interests of taxpayers at heart. This is not an opinion, but a fact, when you look at the way our staff and council

lieve, but I'm not perfect. Nevertheless, I worth repeating. have tried to be there for my kids, teach they could have had worse. I provide. learned by doing. And I try to challenge their minds.

thinking about leaving a legacy. It's not ences, but I can't recall any of them. my thing. My children don't belong to own wagon trains to unexplored desti- best buds, I do miss him sometimes. nations. They will leave the homestead. I hope they learned from dad how to stant support and love. make a good chili.

I am hoping to witness their travels on my own journey. and be part of their life stories.

I'm as proud as a peacock. I'm not sure what really led Kim and I on the parenting track, but our three human beings are our gifts to humanity. Perhaps society will thank us one day.

Maybe they'll marry, maybe they won't. Maybe they'll dance at their 60th wedding anniversaries with their children.

In the wise words of Baz Luhrmann, sing, stretch and read the directions, even if you don't choose to follow them!

Choices, according to some, are half chance. Worrying won't get you anywhere, trust me on this one. Real troubles tend to blindside you.

I think we all need to take advice and leave terra firma. lives. Everyone has advice to give, but prize, look back once in a while, and feel it's one of the most recyclable things we have. Many wise tidbits are good ones,

I'm not talking about touching a hot them, guide them, laugh with them. stove or sticking your tongue on a pole I may not be the best role model, but hey, in the winter. These are lessons best

Unfortunately, our sage advice often At this stage of my wagon ride falls on deaf ears. I'm sure my dad tried through the old west, this cowboy ain't to impart some of his learned experi-

I found an old black and white photo me and once they assert their individ- of him as a young man. It now sits on uality to the fullest, they will lead their my dresser. Even though we weren't

My mom was always there for con-

They were unique. They started me

I'd like to think I have amassed a cou-Regardless of which path they choose, ple of fragments of insight along the way.

> Here's some of mine, for those embarking on their own tour of the world.

> Love your siblings and parents - you don't know how truly valuable they are until they're gone. You will miss them.

> Enjoy your youth because one day you will look back at your old photos. Your reaction – smiling or frowning – depends on you.

> In life's marathon, at some points you will be ahead, at others far behind. It's a very long trek and often your only opponent is yourself.

The long and winding road is long my friends and may even continue after we

If you choose to keep your eye on the blessed by what you have.

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create their annual operating and capital budgets.

This year was no exception and brought even greater challenges. Council directed staff, earlier this year, to come to them with a zero net increase in the budget.

That task alone was not easy. Staff delivered, with an initial tiny increase and by finding ore than \$500,000 in efficiencies. The mayor and councillors opted to set aside more money for the Township-Wide Recreation Centre, and offer residents some enhanced services. The end result was a budget with a .75% increase to taxpayers.

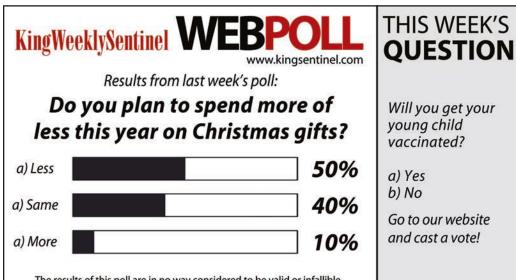
The uber nice rec centre carries a \$75 million price tag. The good news is that with government grants and large contributions by developers, the Township is only picking up roughly \$600,000 of the tab. And they don't want to be caught short when the centre opens. That will require a lot of money and being forward-thinking, they're not leaving anything to chance.

This Township, and its elected representatives, have proven, time and again, they care. They provide as many services and capital projects as they can on a limited budget.

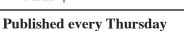
King residents should feel extremely lucky and blessed every time they visit the Municipal Office, the Trisan Centre, the new Library and Seniors Centre. When the Rec. Centre opens, it will be the jewel of the GTA, if the not the entire province.

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Quote of the Week



"Your soul knows the shortest, safest route to your true destiny. Why is your ego behind the wheel?"

– Anthon St. Maarten

### **Trivia Tidbits**

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## King is a 'responsive government,' mayor says

#### By Steve Pellegrini Mayor, King Township

King stands out from other municipalities in the Greater Toronto Area. We enjoy an exceptional rural lifestyle with green space that includes the Holland Marsh and Oak Ridges Moraine, while accessing the amenities we need within easy reach.

King is a responsive government, providing high-quality service to our residents and a supportive environment for business.

We also have one of the lowest average annual tax increases over the last five years in the GTA.

On Nov. 15, Council approved a 0.75-per-cent increase in the Township's portion of the 2022 budget, maintaining a tax increase of close to zero per cent for the Township portion of the annual property tax. The average increase for the Township portion of municipal tax is now 1.11 per cent for the period between 2018 and 2022.

The Township reached out to residents for input, hosting an online public information session and gathering input through an online survey before proposing the increase to Council.

The Township portion of King's annual property tax funds operating

budgets to provide current service levels, programs, and services as well as capital infrastructure. This includes snow removal from roads and sidewalks, road and bridge repairs and maintenance, fire and emergency services, parks, arenas, facilities and library branches.

To ensure the Township's ongoing financial health, the annual budget contributes to the Township's reserve funds. The contribution for 2022 is \$7.4 million.

The Township's Development Charge fees help pay for the cost of infrastructure needed to support and service new growth. Development Charges will be collected and used to build the new Township-Wide Recreation Centre, new parks and partially fund the reconstruction of the 10th Concession Road from King Road to 15th Sideroad.

Here are some key projects approved for funding in the 2022 Budget;

The Township Wide Recreation Centre (TWRC) is a multi-use recreational facility to be constructed on leased lands on the Seneca College Campus for 99 years for a dollar.

The facility will feature: two NHL sized ice pads, a six-lane recreational pool, with separate leisure pool, community rooms, multipurpose athletic and fitness centre and an in-

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door walking track.

Total funding for this project is \$75,849,090 from (2018-2024), of which \$38,849,090 would be Federal and Provincial Funding, \$16,120,000 Developer Contributions, \$20,268,300 from Development Charges and only \$611,700 from the Growth and Infrastructure Reserve Fund.

Other projects include bridge and culvert rehabilitation, Tasca Community Park – Phase 2, Cold Creek Conservation Area Restoration, Osin Community Park, Trail Development, Nobleton Drainage Improvements, Nobleton Sewer Phase 3, 10th Concession – King Road to 15th Sideroad to Hwy 27, Schomberg Watermain Repairs and Replacement, Land Manager System Replacement and Stormwater Works.

The budget is about more than dollars and cents. It is about building and maintaining a community where we all can live, work and play. And it's about providing programs and services that meet the needs of the community today and tomorrow.

King's 2022 budget strikes the right balance.

I want to thank King's budget team for finding efficiencies that allow us to support our residents during the COVID-19 pandemic, approving a fiscally responsible increase to the Township portion of the tax-based



budget in 2022.

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Thank you, also to our residents and businesses for your input into King Township's 2022 budget process. Together, we are planning the future of King, a future that is reflected in the decisions we make through our budget process. As always please shop local and volunteer!

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King Township



#### PUBLIC NOTICES

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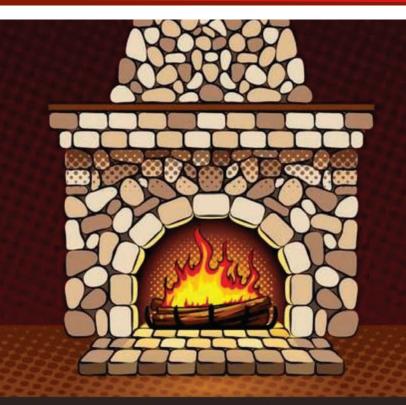
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## 6 - THE WEEKLY SENTINEL - Thursday, November 25, 2021 Urgent action, not rhetoric, needed on climate change

By Debbie Schaefer Ward 5 Councillor Director, Climate Action King

COP26 has dominated the media over the last three weeks. It has been easy to be immersed in the drama of seeing which countries would be bold with their goals and which countries would increase financial support to developing countries.

Anxiety has been acute at times, as the science says that we are not on track to cut carbon emissions in half by 2030, which is a prerequisite to keeping the planet from warming beyond the 1.5-degree threshold.

With this knowledge it is particularly frustrating to see Ontario deliberately increasing greenhouse gas emissions with no indication of urgency to correct this. The upward trend is because electricity production will be increasingly dependent on gas fired generators. These generators were built originally as back up for peak times, but they will now become part of the base load pro-

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duction as the Pickering nuclear plant is shut down.

Ontario is on track to lose 40% of the benefit achieved when coal generation was shut down in 2010. Our electricity system will produce 300% more greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 and 400% more by 2040 compared to emissions in 2017.

Thirty-two municipalities in Ontario, representing 60% of the population, have endorsed a phaseout of gas fired generators from the electricity supply mix in Ontario to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Very specifically the municipalities asked the Independent Electricity Supply Operator (IESO) to return to the emissions level achieved in 2017 and to eliminate gas fired generators completely by 2030.

Due to the significant public interest expressed, the Minister of Energy directed the IESO to develop a plan for achieving the goals expressed by the municipalities. On Oct. 7, the IESO released its report which not surprisingly

made headlines: the 2030 goal was feasible but there would be rolling blackouts, and residential electricity rates would increase exponentially.

It is easy to describe these headlines as classic fear mongering. How can it be that the analysis shows ability to provide 99.7% of required electricity by 2030 but that it is not feasible to provide the remaining .3%; or that there will be rolling blackouts when in fact 20% of the current gas fired generation capacity is under contract until 2040 and could be fired up to prevent a blackout.

And what about the impact on consumer costs? The forecasted impact on the rate charge to residential consumers is grossly overstated. The savings achieved by eliminating the use of natural gas and its carbon tax has been understated by assuming a \$50/ ton tax versus the \$170/ton promised by the federal government in 2030; the IESO calculated a \$30.5 million savings whereas it really is a \$2-billion savings opportunity. In addition, the IESO has assigned 60% of the cost for the transition to a gas free supply mix to residences whereas the industrial and commercial sector pay for only 40%.

The Minister of Energy Todd Smith deserves some credit for his Oct. 7 let-

ter to the IESO in which he told them "to evaluate a moratorium on the procurement of new natural gas generation stations and develop an achievable pathway to zero emissions in the electricity sector."

Sadly, his direction lacks any sense of urgency. Without that urgency the IESO will continue to ignore our proximity to Quebec and its clean electricity: with current transmission lines, electricity purchases from Quebec could be tripled; and the capacity of the current corridor could be significantly increased with the installation of new lines along existing corridors.

With no urgency there will be no increase in incentives to promote conservation nor to recommend financing new green energy sources.

We need Minister Smith to express urgency to the IESO to deliver a plan to shift our electricity grid to a low carbon one with a combination of low-cost renewables, energy efficiency, energy storage and other clean solutions. With no urgency we will not meet our own climate change targets.

And we will become another jurisdiction known for lots of talk about climate change but no action; in other words, it's "blah, blah, blah!"

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## Remembrance Day should be a holiday for everyone

#### By Robert Belardi

Annually, we commemorate the lives of Canadian Soldiers who fell in World War I with a moment of silence, with the purchase of poppies. Every day, on the hour of 11 of the day of 11 on the month of 11 we stand in silence. We acknowledge; although might not understand, the bravery of these men and women that gave us our freedom.

Worldwide, in one way, shape or form, every nation honours their fallen. In the commonwealth it is November 11 and a tradition began by King George V. Other non-commonwealth nations do the same but some honour their fallen on different days.

I've come to think that the day also known as Armistice Day should be a statutory holiday. You might say to me as you're reading this, but wait, it is a statutory holiday? Not in all provinces. Every province and territory except for Ontario, Nova Scotia, Quebec and Manitoba have this day as a stat holiday. Over in France and Belgium, this is a national holiday.

It would be an incredible opportunity to do more than we already do. Many

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where parents take their children to a local war memorial. Where war fairs and events can be hosted.

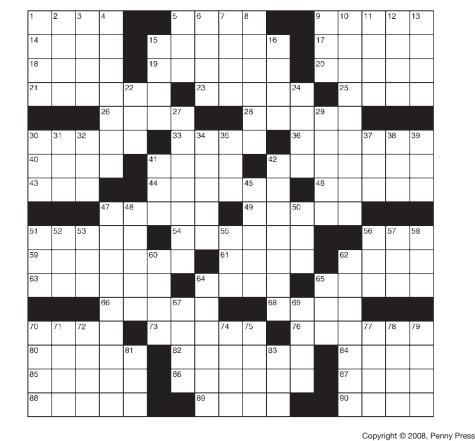
Of course, then it begs the question I have in mind, should something be done on September 2?

On Sept. 2, 1945, Japan formally surrendered on the U.S battleship Missouri that ended the global tyranny of the World War II lasting six years. In May of 1945, Germany had surrendered to the Soviets.

Yes, there can be congruent arguments that Canadians had more of a role in the first World War than in the second. With notable battles of Vimy Ridge and Passchendaele in our rearview mirror those two moments of history most definitely speak volumes.

Maybe we have a holiday for November 11 and a moment of silence on September 2. Maybe we look forward to being passionate Canadians. If you have not seen the film "The Forgotten Battle" on Netflix, please do so. Canadians are mentioned for their efforts in the battle of Scheldt.

Just some food for thought and simply nothing more. This year Canada introduced a stat holiday for only federal employees for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. We need to change Remembrance Day and make it a national holiday for everyone in Canada. End of discussion.



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sports teams, news networks and companies all honour our current veterans and those before us. Schools educate children on what this day means in Canadian history.

But imagine this day being a statutory holiday for all. It could be a day







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## **Ontario enhancing COVID-19 winter testing locations**

The Ontario government is enhancing COVID-19 testing by expanding the number of testing locations and making it more convenient to access publicly funded testing for those who need it. These new testing options are being deployed as more people head indoors and attend family gatherings during the colder winter months.

"While vaccination remains the best way to protect against COVID-19, testing remains a key part of our pandemic response by detecting cases earlier and providing an additional layer of safety," said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "As we head into the colder months we are enhancing our testing strategy to ensure that every Ontarian, regardless of where they live, can access testing closer to home when they need it and get a test result as quickly as possible."

In the coming weeks, the government will be deploying several testing strategies across the province to increase access to testing and mitigate the increased risk of transmission over the winter months. These include:

Access to publicly funded COVID-19 PCR specimen collection in select pharmacies for all individuals eligible for testing, including symptomatic individuals and close contacts. Pharmacies must choose to opt-in to this service and will be required to follow stringent infection prevention and control measures to protect staff, patients and customers against COVID-19.

Providing take-home PCR self-collection kits for eligible individuals, allowing them to pick up their free test and drop off their specimens at participating pharmacies across Ontario, providing a more convenient and consistent testing option in rural and remote areas.

Expanding ID NOW rapid PCR testing to select assessment centres and pharmacies across Northern Ontario in the coming weeks, increasing access to convenient local testing and allowing individuals to get quick results in these communities.

Bringing asymptomatic testing directly to Ontarians with pop-up testing sites in higher-traffic public settings to provide vaccine education and help reduce the risk of transmission over the holidays. Starting in mid-December, testing options will be offered to people without symptoms in various settings across the province. Sites will be announced in the coming weeks and will be selected based on a risk analysis of hot-spot zones.

Building on Ontario's plan to keep schools safe and open for in-person learning, specific testing measures will also be implemented for school communities:

Providing take-home PCR self-collection kits to all publicly funded schools for students and staff who are eligible for testing as per the provincial testing guidance. All private and First Nation schools have also been asked if they would like to access take-home PCR self-collection kits. Students will be able to drop off their specimens at a convenient community location, including participating pharmacies across Ontario.

Distributing 11 million rapid antigen screening tests to all public schools ahead of the December break to add an additional layer of protection over the holiday period and as students return to school in January. Each student will take home a pack of five rapid antigen tests to use over the holidays and throughout the return to in-person learning. All First Nation schools will also have the opportunity to participate.

"Ontario's plan for safer schools has delivered improved ventilation, supported high vaccination rates for youth, and restored extra-curricular activities and sports - all critical to student mental and physical health," said Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education. "By expanding testing options over the winter holiday, putting in place additional safety measures, and returning to normal timetabling, we are taking action to ensure schools reopen safely while supporting a more positive learning environment for students."

As the province moves into the winter season, increased contact indoors among staff, parents and children may present an increased risk of COVID-19 transmission in elementary schools. To support safer schools while Ontario's vaccination rollout continues, the province is introducing updated guidance, including short-term measures designed to limit the number of contacts for unvaccinated populations such as:

Reminding school boards to communicate to staff, students and families about established federal international travel policies in advance of the Decem-

## Neighbourhood Network presents holiday gift drive

Neighbourhood Network's annual Holiday Gift Drive will operate very similar to last year, because despite the challenges of COVID-19 restrictions it was a huge success and continues to promise plenty of impact.

es in January related to post-travel requirements.

Virtual-only school-wide assemblies for elementary schools starting in January 2022.

Restricting lunches/breaks to classroom cohort when indoors where distancing between cohorts cannot be maintained in elementary schools.

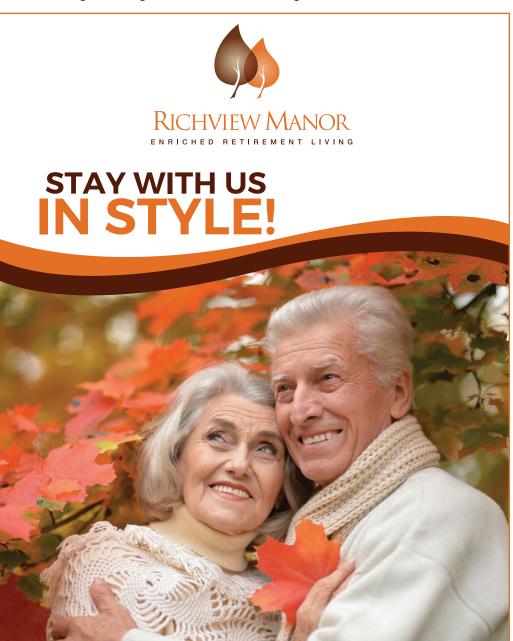
In preparation for the second half of the school year, the government is providing school boards with access to the remainder of the \$1.6 billion in COVID-19 resources announced in May 2021 to help keep schools safer and open. Additionally, school boards will be permitted to access up to two per cent of their reserve funds to further support safety measures.

With new guidance and enhanced testing options in place, secondary schools will also be permitted to resume a regular timetabling model of four courses a day starting February 2022. Doing so will provide a more normal, in-person learning experience for students and promote positive mental

ber break in an effort to prevent absenc- health and is supported by high rates of vaccination amongst youth aged 12 to 17, which have helped reduce the number and frequency of outbreaks among high-school aged students.

> "Getting vaccinated, adhering to public health measures and maintaining consistent and timely access to testing will be key to responding to potential outbreaks or surges," said Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health. "As we prepare to head inside over the winter months, and while we have paused the next step of our reopening plan out of an abundance of caution, enhancing our testing strategy is critical to protect our hospital capacity, health care resources, and the progress we have made together so far in learning to live with and manage COVID-19 in the long term."

> As COVID-19 continues to evolve, Ontario's testing strategy will remain responsive to any scenario to ensure that anyone who needs a test, as outlined in the provincial testing guidance, can get a test free of charge in a timely manner with quick access to their results.



The program supports local families in need who reside in the partnered communities of Aurora, East Gwillimbury, Georgina, King Township, Newmarket, and Whitchurch-Stouffville. The Holiday Gift Drive is now open and closes Friday, Dec. 17.

"We will continue to work with our partners and their clients to make this holiday season a happy one," says Program Coordinator Tanya Dennis. To view a list of urgently needed items, as well as how to donate to each partner agency go to https://neighbourhoodnetwork.org/program/holiday-gift-drive. This year, like last, we are predicting that there will be a strong request for gift cards.

"Each family has a different set of needs and requests, and we will do everything we can to support those in need. It is important for us to help our neighbours, whether it is making sure a child has warm bedding, a single mom gets a coffee maker, or that a family receives some board games to enjoy," Dennis said.

To follow Public Health and Safety Guidelines of COIVD-19, Neighbourhood Network aims to minimize the amount of donations delivered to their office and is working hard at making direct connections for people looking to help with agencies who need support. All participants are reminded that masks are required during shopping and donation delivery.

For more information on how to help or if you are looking to support a family please contact Neighbourhood Network.

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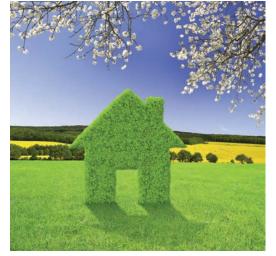
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## King budget demanded efficiencies in the face of increased costs

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

King councillors and staff created their 2022 operating and capital budgets with a less than 1% tax increase.

And it was a tough road to get there. Councillors Nov. 15 approved the budget with a 0.75-per-cent increase for additional service enhancements in the Township's portion, maintaining the base tax increase of zero per cent.

King's operating budget for 2022 is \$47.3 million and the capital budget is \$56.4 million for a total budget of \$103.7 million.

Staff delivered their 2022 Operating Budget and Business Plans, with an initial .16% tax hike. A move supported by councillors saw the increase inch up to .75% to include some added services and additional funds set aside for the new Township-Wide Recreation Centre.

Roughly \$127,000 extra is being allocated to the centre, with further contributions earmarked in 2023 and 2024. Council also opted to direct a little over \$100,000 towards a permit coordinator, hiring a part-time student for horticulture, weekend staff at Cold Creek and winter maintenance of trails and pathways.

Treasurer Peggy Tollett explained staff found more than \$500,000 in reductions and efficiencies to offset any impacts of the modest increase.

In the coming year, priorities include developing the corporate strategic plan, the addition of software, a community services recreation master plan, design and construction of the Township-Wide Recreation Centre and running the upcoming municipal election.

Tax dollars go to upgrade roads, culverts and bridges, as well as running all

Township facilities such as arenas, the cultural and heritage centre and libraries. The Township also has to maintain a fleet of vehicles.

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Pressures on King's budget include increases in salaries, with hikes in CPP, EI and more. Insurance rates are up and utilities have also increased noticeably.

Costs related to running the new Recreation Centre may be a couple of years away, but they are estimated at close to \$1 million. To prepare for the centre's opening, the Township is phasing in contributions to this eventuality, to lessen the impact.

King does have a healthy infrastructure reserve fund. While the Township does have debt, it doesn't impact the tax rate to a large degree.

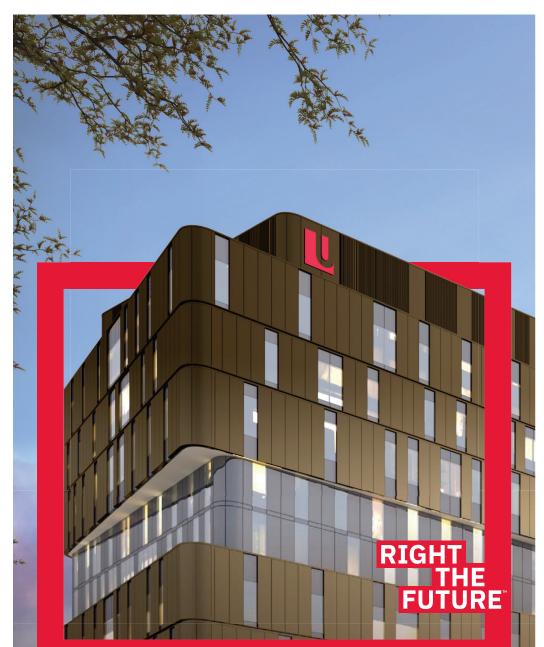
The 2022 budget includes an estimate of some \$150,000 in assessment growth. The municipality will also assume \$10 million in debt to fund the Parks and Recreation Development Charge Reserve and Wastewater.

Staff noted as part of a rolling, multiyear forecast, initial estimates show the following:

Two per cent increase in labour costs; upwards of 2.5% in increased revenue; 10% increase in insurance; increases in materials and contracted services, and finding revenue for the new Township-Wide Recreation Centre.

Staff pointed out that with two years of a zero per cent budget increase, "steps will need to be taken to look at the assumptions and impact of growth. The next few years do present a challenge, however, we will need to address the impact of the flat budget in future years."

The budgets include funds to deliver roughly 48 projects (through 2024), which include the \$75 million recre-



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ation centre; annual bridge and culvert rehabilitation; Nobleton drainage improvements and sewers; 10th Concession road improvements; Schomberg watermain repairs and restoration Cold Creek Conservation Area.

Staff pointed out that sources of funding from reserve funds are directly linked to the timely development of the north-east quadrant of the King City Community Plan. Any delays in this work and collection of development charges would also delay infrastruc- dollars," said Councillor David Boyd.

ture work.

The Township's projected outstanding long-term debt stands at almost \$20 million, \$16.5 million of which is related to tax supported capital projects and another \$3.1 million for water and wastewater work.

"The 2022 budget has been a collaborative effort that demonstrates hard work by staff to find efficiencies and council's commitment to responsible management of your hard-earned tax

## Barrie calls for action on facility

Barrie council last week unanimously passed the latest motion to move forward the proposed Holland Marsh Phosphorus Recycling Facility. The proposed facility will reduce phosphorus runoff that collects in the Holland ty amongst all southern Lake Simcoe Marsh basin by up to 85%, removing an municipalities to call on York Region estimated 2.5 tonnes per year from the watershed. "Lake Simcoe is Barrie's jewel, but we share that jewel with many municipalities, and that's why teamwork on an issue like this is so important," said Barrie Councillor Sergio Morales, who sponsored the motion. "I'm happy to see Barrie's General Committee add our city's name to supporting this initiative that will reaffirm our strong track record of being environmental champions for our water ecosystem," said Morales. "We're thrilled to see Barrie join all other municipalities in the southern Lake Simcoe watershed to call on York Region to deliver on their commitment to build the phosphorus pollution plant," said Georgina Councillor Dave Neeson, one of the organizers behind these efforts. "We've had positive meetings with provincial ministers and federal officials, and we need York Region to honour their promise to deliver this

facility as quickly as possible. York Regional Council needs to make their position clear."

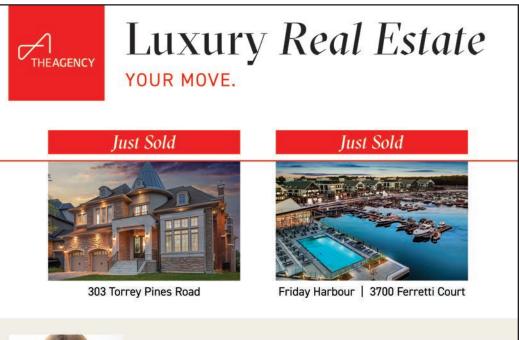
"With the City of Barrie joining, this represents unprecedented unito move forward with the project they first proposed. We need all levels of government to work together to deliver this vital phosphorus reduction infrastructure at long last," said Councillor Jonathan Scott of Bradford, who introduced the first motion this summer. "The province has made clear they will work to reduce phosphorus pollution, the federal government has already committed funding; municipalities are clear this must move forward. The time to deliver is now." The facility is proposed by York Region to be built on the Holland River between Bradford and King. The federal government is contributing \$16 million towards the estimated \$40-million cost. However, the project is currently on hold because York Region says they were planning to include it as part of their overall "Upper York Sewage Solution" scheme, which the province has paused indefinitely to review environmental concerns.

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## **King approves annual share to Marsh Drainage Board**

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

King Township is helping to keep the valuable Holland Marsh intact.

Councillors approved \$75,000 in funding for the Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Service Board's 2022 budget. The funding was included as part of King's own operating budget.

The HMDSJMSB was created in 2007 by both King and Bradford West Gwillimbury. The board has been delegated the duty of the municipalities under the Drainage Act.

In 2022, the board will oversee 56 municipal drains and eight pump stations. On tap for King next year will be Drain 8 and Branch 8C, King Drain 9 and King Drains 10 and 14.

An engineer has been appointed to prepare a report on King Drain 16, located west of Highway 400.

The budget includes staff, overseeing the drainage system and small drains.

The importance of the drainage system in the Marsh can't be overstated.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini said 60% of the Marsh is located in King and it's a huge asset to the municipality.

Councillor Avia Eek, a Marsh farmer herself, said the drainage system is unique in Ontario.

Frank Jonkman, drainage superintendent for the board, said they give tours to visitors from around the world. He noted one group ventured all the way from Egypt to see how the Marsh is managed.

don't fully understand the intricacies of the drainage and canal systems that make up the Marsh.

She pointed out it all started 90+ years ago when this swamp was first being drained in order to be farmed by those early settlers who understood how to farm this type of land.

Back in the day the ditches were all hand-dug to permit water to leave the polders. The large and small drainage schemes act as water management, but not just for water that runs off the Marsh.

In Eek's case, they are situated in the Holland Marsh Basin, and receive the water from lands that are what they call "highland" (for obvious reasons). The water from developments, highland farms, etc. in nearby municipalities finds its way here.

The canal system, and the Holland River, also act as sources of water for irrigating crops, since the flow of water to, and from Lake Simcoe, can be controlled through the unique drainage system. Pumps push excess water on the fields from spring thaw and rain events out of the polders. When we are experiencing a drought, water can be let back in as needed for irrigation.

"As our climate continues to change, it is my opinion that protecting the Holland Marsh from people who wish to build estate homes here, and from other destructive land uses is imperative," she said. "Our soil is muck, organic based soil. Think of a giant compost bin which has been creating this soil for thousands of years."

Eek noted the soil holds nutrients Eek explained that many people for plants to feed, and acts as a giant



sponge in rain events.

"As a result of our unique drainage system here in Ontario, we have the necessary water infrastructure in place to feed people."

The Holland Marsh is commonly referred to as Ontario's "vegetable patch" because of its incredible variety and copious amounts of fresh produce. Produce selections range from more traditional crops such as carrots, onions and celery, to more diverse options like Chinese broccoli, Asian radish, and water spinach. The ability to grow and harvest these crops, which cumulativelv amount to over \$50 million worth of produce per year, results from a combination of dedicated farmers and incredible muck soil.

In the early 1900s, successful vegetation experiments by Professor William H. Day demonstrated that there was fertile muck soil on what was previously unoccupied Holland Marsh swamp grounds. The Holland Marsh Drainage Scheme consisting of canals and dykes constructed around the Marsh, drained the swamp which exposed the fertile Marsh grounds that farmers have been using ever since.

The Marsh occupies approximately 2,833 hectares and is primarily organic soils. The canal and dyke system is 28 kilometres, which circles the marsh, acting to keep storm water and upstream drainage from entering the marsh.



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The contest invites the public to visit the King Heritage & Cultural Centre and "vote" for their favourite tree on display.

tokens in the buckets in front of their favourite trees. Which ever tree earns the most tokens wins!

All proceeds from this years votes go to support the Southlake Foundation.

The event is support by councillors and local community groups. There's a wide variety of interesting trees on



Southlake Foundation members were on hand to help launch King's Trees of Giving event. Shown are Rhonda Flanagan, Director of Development; Lesley Ring, Vice President Major Gifts and Campaigns and Melanie Osmond, Events and Partnerships Coordinator.

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Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Councillor David Boyd decorated the Township tree.







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## *Excitement builds for Christmas in King light tour*

#### By Patti Skrypek

Back by popular demand, the Christmas in King Holiday Light Tour will be shining brightly again this year. Do you want to share that brightness and help light up someone else's Christmas?

The Holiday Light Tour is open to local residences, businesses, schools and churches (and any building that is lit up and can been seen from the road).

This year, Christmas in King will touch the lives of more than 300 people, providing gifts, gift cards, festive food hampers and other holiday items to help make their holiday season brighter.

Criteria for participation in the Holiday Light Tour:

• Register for free at christmasinking.ca to participate by Nov. 30. Maps will be available for purchase through the website by Dec. 7.

• Exterior lights/display must be visible from the road.

• A sign (provided) must be displayed near the road to help map purchasers easily identify your property.

• Lights/display must be turned on from 6 to 10 p.m., Dec. 7 to 31 inclusive.

Let your lights shine and share your display while helping others have a happy holiday season! Register today at christmasinking.ca. The addresses of participants will be published on a map, available for purchase for just \$10 from christmasinking.ca.

The 2021 Holiday Light Tour has been generously sponsored by Private Wealth Management Spence & Associates. Visit their website to get your free financial snapshot at http://www.spenceandassociatespwm.com.





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## Be a Santa to a senior this holiday season

As isolation continues to impact local seniors, Home Instead Richmond Hill and Vaughan is once again presenting ist long=standing Be a Santa to a Senior program.

It supports older adults hwo may be overlooked, isolated or alone during the holiday season.

This program collects gifts to share with older adults. This year, donations will come from residents at local retirement communiteis and they will be shared iwth other seniors who will be spending Christmas in Cotellucci Hospitl and Mackenzie Health Richmond Hill Hospital.

"Be a Santa to a Senior shows the older adults in our community that they are valued and thought of during the holidays, even if they are spending it in the hospital," said Brenda Enright, co-owner of the Home Instead office serving Richmond Hill and Vaughan.

The items collected include toiletries, clothing and blankets all make a big impact and help area seniors combat the holiday blues.

Since the program's inception 18 years ago, Be a Santa to a Senior has helped provide more than two million gifts to more than 750,000 seniors in North America. It has attracted roughly 65,000 volunteers. This year, the program aims to help an additonal 70 seniors in Vaughan area hospitals.

"A small act of kindness can make a big diffrernce. And a hearfelt gift brightens the lives of olders adults who ay feel alone during the season," Enright said. "Finding ways to care and support one another is important now more than ever."

For more information about the program, visit BeaSantatoaSenior.com or call 905-597-4757.









and help someone else's by registering to decorate the exterior of your home or business by November 30 to be part of the Christmas in King **2021 Holiday Light Tour.** 

Visit christmasinking.ca for details and to register your property. Put yourself on the map that will raise funds to share the holiday spirit with others less fortunate. Registration closes November 30.



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## Letter asks municipalities to reconsider support for bypass

#### By Mark Pavilons Editor

There's growing public pressure for area municipalities to consider their support for the Bradford Bypass.

Local groups drafted a letter, pointing to the "faulty process" and high costs as reasons to nix the plan.

The 16.2-kilometre route will connect Highway 400 to 404, cutting through King. The freeway will include interchanges at Highway 400 and the 10th Sideroad.

Following four high profile "Greenbelt Not Asphalt" protests against the building of new highways in environmentally sensitive areas, area advocates sent a letter to all Lake Simcoe municipalities, asking them to reconsider their level of support for the project. In light of concerns about changes to process and costs, the groups asked municipalities across the watershed to demonstrate their concern for Lake Simcoe by requesting the federal government conduct an Impact Assessment.

The letter, penned by Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition and the Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition, points out that Barrie, Brock and Georgina councils (and to some degree Innisfil) asked for greater scrutiny and protection of Lake Simcoe through the Environmental Assessment process for the proposed Bradford Bypass. But on Oct. 7, the province of Ontario did what the environmental organizations and community partners feared – they exempted the Bradford Bypass from the Environmental Assessment process.

"As a result, there will be even less transparency than before and less pro-

to process and costs, the groups asked tection of the environment," the letter municipalities who depend on those north-south routes for commuters and

Even East Gwillimbury and Bradford West Gwillimbury, whose councils support the Bypass, have routing change requests that are yet unaddressed. Meanwhile, the province is racing ahead with "early works" such as building the interchange at Yonge St. just north of Bradford, before studies and design are complete. "Starting to build while ignoring local requests for route improvements is not a brilliant way to serve the needs of local commuters," said Claire Malcolmson, executive director, Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition.

Ministry of Transportation's studies demonstrate that congestion on the 400 and 404 will be worse with the bypass than without. This raises questions about how other watershed municipalities who depend on those north-south routes for commuters and movement of goods will benefit from the project. While the province announced a potential \$800-million price tag, a recent estimate puts it well over \$2 billion, to be paid by all Ontarians. The significant cost of this highway should concern all Ontarians, especially those municipalities whose economy and quality of life depend on a healthy Lake Simcoe.

As a result of these significant changes, three local community organizations submitted a new request to the federal Minister of the Environment last week, asking for an Impact Assessment of the Bradford Bypass, in part because of the province's move to exempt this project from completing the Environmental Assessment.

The letter to councils ends with: "We understand that municipal Councils need to balance many competing and contradictory interests. But your aim should always be to make sure that resources are spent intelligently. Thus, we urge you to request a Federal Impact Assessment in order to stop the half-baked, cloaked in secrecy, irresponsible, future boondoggle highway proposal.

"It does not address municipal traffic and routing concerns, it will be bad for Lake Simcoe, and if you support it, it will hang around your neck as an example of a completely foolish and outdated, massively expensive piece of infrastructure that will not fix the problem. This needs a refresh, and that is what a federal Impact Assessment will allow."

An Oraclepoll Research survey, conducted for Lake Simcoe Watch, indicates the majority of residents oppose the highway.

It revealed that 48% opposed it; 23% were undecided and 29% supported the project.

The group noted the EA that was done for the highway in 1997 warned that it would result in contamination of surface and groundwater, loss of significant wetlands and habitats, increased air pollution and loss of farmland.

The telephone survey was conducted in three of Lake Simcoe's provincial ridings (Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte; Barrie-Innisfil; and York-Simcoe) between Nov. 6 and 11. The survey reveals strong support for cleaning-up Lake Simcoe.

## York Regional Council appoints new Medical Officer of Health

York Regional Council has appointed Dr. Barry Pakes as York Region Medical Officer of Health.

This position requires approval from the Minister of Health, and was approved Nov. 18.

"Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the health and well-being of our communities has been Regional Council's number one priority," said York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "We continue to rely on public health guidance and expertise from across all levels of governments and are confident the leadership of Dr. Pakes will deliver on the high-quality public health care our residents and businesses both deserve and expect."

Dr. Pakes has worked at York Region as a Public Health Physician in support of the COVID-19 pandemic response for the past year.

Prior to joining York Region Public Health, Dr. Pakes was the Program Director of the Public Health and Preventative Medicine Residency Program at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto, which trains physician specialists to be Medical Officers of Health.

Dr. Pakes has held various senior level positions, including Associate Medical Officer of Health roles at the Regional Municipality of Halton, the Regional Municipality of Peel and Middlesex-London Health Unit. He also served as Deputy Chief Medical Officer at the Government of Nunavut.

Other educational leadership positions include Global Health Lead, Post-Graduate Medical Education and MD Program at the Temerty Faculty of Medicine and Chair of the Continuing Professional Development Committee for Public Health Physicians of Canada.

Dr. Pakes is a graduate of McGill University and received his Doctor of Medicine from the University of Toronto, and a master's degree in public health from Harvard University. He completed specialty training and became a fellow in Public Health and Preventive Medicine in 2007. In 2014, he completed his Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Public Health Ethics from the University of Toronto.

Dr. Pakes practices clinically in urgent care and emergency medicine and has a diploma in tropical medicine and hygiene.

Regional Council, as York Region's Board of Health, is responsible to carry out its legislative duties and responsibilities under the Health Protection and Promotion Act.

Under the Health Protection and Promotion Act, the Medical Officer of Health provides public health expertise, supports health surveillance, population health and infectious disease control initiatives on issues of public health importance. Under the Act, a Medical Officer of Health has the authority to issue orders to protect the public with respect to health hazards, infection prevention and control and communicable diseases.

Dr. Karim Kurji, York Region's previous long-standing Medical Officer of Health, retired earlier this year. Since Dr. Kurji's retirement, Dr. Richard Gould has been York Region's Acting Medical Officer of Health. Upon Dr. Pakes' appointment, Dr. Gould will now resume his previous role as York Region Associate Medical Officer of Health.

"We look forward to continuing to work with Dr. Pakes and are proud to have him represent York Region on Public Health matters," said Bruce Macgregor, York Region Chief Administrative Officer. "I wish to thank Dr. Gould and the entire York Region Public Health team for their commitment and resiliency during these leadership changes."

The Regional Municipality of York consists of nine local cities and towns and provides a variety of programs and services to 1.2 million residents and 54,000 businesses with 650,000 employees. More information about the Region's key service areas is available at york.ca/regionalservices

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## Entrepreneurs create clean burning candles

**By Mark Pavilons** Editor

Consumers are demanding more when it comes to their home essentials.

A move to a cleaner environment hasn't gone unnoticed.

A Canadian couple has answered the call, creating a unique sustainable steel candle that never melts. Everlasting Candle provides "endless" clean burning ambiance to every home. The real flame candle combines an elegant design and ambiance in this totally new take on a household staple.

Tamara and Jesse Furgason come from completely different career backgrounds - Tamara is a doctor with a PhD in public health, and Jesse an entrepreneur with a sales and marketing degree.

The couple has always admired the warmth a candle brings to the atmosphere. While they loved the aesthetics of a tapered candle, they didn't love the waxy mess it leaves behind. This family invention was modernized by the duo as a way to connect creatively and



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share in a love for home décor and creative design.

The focus, they said, was put on clean, simple lines, minimalism, and functionality without sacrificing beauty.

Their Wylie coloured sets consist of an elegant hand blown vase with a smooth matt finish. You simply add the oil and metal "wicks" and you're good to go.

There's no denying that candles signify a sense of celebration, but they also bring a sense of calm, relaxation and warmth to the atmosphere. Whether you're gathering around a fireplace at home or a campfire in the wilderness, a real burning flame always brings people together – "which we would classify as essential." Now more than ever, people are spending more time indoors and possibly away from family and friends and a candle sent from a loved one can signify togetherness from afar.

The Furgasons understand how important it is to know the products you're burning in your home are safe, which is why Pristine Oil<sup>™</sup> was specifically designed with that in mind. It's a pharmaceutical grade mineral oil that's clean burning, smoke free, scent free and doesn't produce soot.

"We're so proud to have a product for everyone, particularly those with scent sensitivities, plants and pets."

The candles come beautifully packaged, showing a lot of care in what they do.

The creators never imagined the company would take off the way it has. What started as a side passion project with production by hand in their home garage, has now become their sole focus and income. The response from customers and vendors has resulted in Everlasting Candle products being sold in over 200 stores across Canada and the U.S. Customers love the minimalist design, sustainability and ambience it brings to their homes.

All products are available on the website at everlastingcandleco.ca, or one of 150 Canadian retailers. Any questions can be directed to hellocanada@everlastingcandleco.ca

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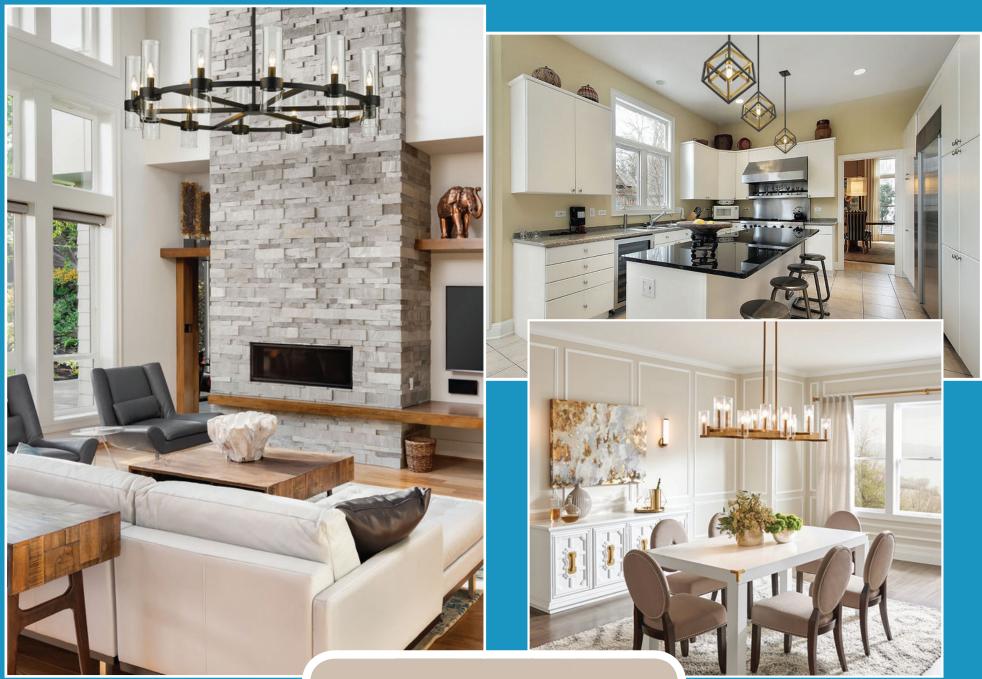


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#### **By Bert Duclos**

It doesn't look like much, certainly not much different than any other stretch of this or many other rivers. Flat, sparsely wooded, lots of reeds.

It's the winter of 2012 and I'm on the east bank of the Holland River East Branch in East Gwillimbury. The easy, 10 minute, <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of a kilometre walk along a path west of the north end of Yonge Street brought me to this pleasant, but not unique, setting. Looking around there is nothing to suggest what once was. But then, what did I expect?

To the Anishinaabe people the river was known as Escoyondy by the Chippewa and as Miciaguean by the Mississauga. Records, historical maps, and the research of many, confirm this as the site of the Lower Landing, one of a variety of place names imposed on it by Euro-Canadians. Other post-contact names included Pine Fort, Landing Place, Fort Gwillimbury, Old Indian Landing, Steamboat Landing, Old Soldier's Landing. We name places that have meaning to us.

But why this place? Geography made it necessary. Around these parts, before the introduction of the horse, people got around by foot or by water. For millennia, Indigenous peoples used this area of the Holland River as a junction to get to and from other places. In dry seasons the Holland River could be a difficult paddle south of here. From the south were trails from Lake Ontario following the Don River and running northwest from the lake along the Rouge River. Further west, starting at the mouth of the Humber River on Lake Ontario, the Toronto Carrying Place and its trails took foot travellers north to its termi-



nus on the Holland River West Branch where both the river and, its believed, a trail headed east to join up here on the Holland River East Branch.

But for many it was to the north that was the destination. For countless generations the area north of here was home to the Wendat and other Algonquian and Iroquoian-speaking peoples. To these people the Lower Landing area was the natural focus of their travels between points south and home. Going beyond that though, the water route to the upper Great Lakes along Lake Ontario, the Niagara River, Lake Erie and the Detroit River and onward was long,

difficult and often through enemy territory.

The much safer and quicker way to reach Lake Huron was via Lake Simcoe and two alternate routes. One by canoe though the narrows into Lake Couchiching and the Severn River and its many rapids to its outlet at Georgian Bay. The other was by canoe to the west end of Kempenfelt Bay then overland nine miles to the Nottawasaga River and its mouth at Nottawasaga Bay.

Indigenous peoples' knowledge of the value of the Lower Landing was shared with others. It's believed the first Europeans in the Lower Landing area were Jesuit missionaries Fathers Jean de Brébeuf and Joseph Chaumonot passing through on their return to the Wendat in the spring of 1641. Notable French explorer René-Robert Cavelier, Sieur de La Salle used the route on his August 1681 voyage to the Mississippi. For over 150 years the fur trade, including coureurs de bois, voyageurs, and the North West Company, used this route to the upper Great Lakes and beyond. The first definitive record of the Lower Landing's use is of that by Lieutenant Governor John Graves Simcoe and his party on October 11, 1793. They stopped here on their return from Georgian Bay to the new capital of Upper Canada at

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York while seeking a northern military route. Alexander McDonell, Home District Sheriff, who accompanied Simcoe, wrote in his journal:

"11th - About 9 Oclock left our encampment, embarked and soon got out of the Lake, paddled up the River about three miles, then got in to another River, and about 2 Oclock got to the landing place at the red pine fort."

On their October 1793 map, Lt. Robert Pilkington, Royal Engineer, and Alexander Aitken, Deputy Surveyor, also of Simcoe's party, marked this location as Landing Place.

Recognizing the military and supply value of this northern launch point, Simcoe lost no time in ordering the laying out of a cart road, Yonge Street, to here from York. Following a survey by Augustus Jones, Deputy Surveyor General, work cutting out a trail by the Queen's Rangers began on January 4, 1796 and reached the area of the Lower Landing on February 16. The importance of this to the fledgling colony cannot be understated. In a February 27, 1796 letter to the British Secretary of State for the Home Department Simcoe wrote:

"The Road from York to the Head Waters of Lake Huron has been opened, and by these means, a very excellent Tract of Country is rendered available to future settlers."

From then on the Lower Landing became of strategic importance to the British colony, its military, its traders, and its settlers. Soon after, a depot of hewn log trade and storage buildings was erected by the North West Company to support its vast fur trade empire. Here Indigenous traders regularly arrived from all over the upper Great Lakes by fur laden canoes to do business. Records speak of no less than 30 large wigwams at times clustered about the banks of the Holland River.

In 1812, David Thompson, the great cartographer and explorer of Canada's west and participant in the Boundary Commission, stopped at the Lower Landing on his way home to Montreal.

The pivotal role of the Lower Landing in the survival of the young Canadian colony during the War of 1812 is immeasurable. The September 1813 defeat of the British Navy by the Americans in the Battle of Lake Erie was of strategic importance. This heightened the risk of American invasion of Canada as well as their recapture of Fort Michilimackinac, a military and trade outpost strategically located at the straits between Lakes Huron and Michigan, and the resulting British loss of control of the northwest and upper Great Lakes. Lt. Col. Robert McDouall of the Glengarry Light Infantry Fencibles was ordered to strengthen Michilimackinac's defences. This being the only practical and safe departure point remaining for a route to Lake Huron, in February 1814, with 10 officers, 220 infantry and artillerymen, and 20 seamen McDouall travelled to York and made his way to the Lower Landing, now an important military and naval depot. Following the trek to the Willow Creek Depot at the end of the portage to the Nottawasaga River, south of present day Edenvale the company built a fleet of 29 bateaux to carry supplies and the reinforcements for Michilimackinac. Arriving at Michilimackinac on May 18, McDouall set about strengthening its defences. On August 4, American Captain Arthur Sinclair with 600-700 troops and a fleet of four brigs anchored off Michilimackinac and attempted a landing.

**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, 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, and all works related thereto. 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.

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

#### 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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- Part of PIN 03383-0038 (LT), being Part of Lots 18 and 19, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0152, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35293.
- Part of PIN 03383-0039 (LT), being Part of Lot 18, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0152, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35293.
- 3. Part of PIN 03383-0040 (LT), being Part of Lot 18, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 3 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0152, being a Reference Plan deposited inthe Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35293.
- 4. Part of PIN 03383-0044 (LT), being Part of Lot 19, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 4 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0152, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35293.
- 5. Part of PIN 03383-0467 (R), being Part of Lots 19 and 20, Registered Plan 154, in the Township of King, designated as Part 4 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation

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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:

- By e-mail to: Property.Process@ontario.ca
- 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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The expropriating authority is the Minister of Transportation with an address of:

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

Minister of Transportation Per:

c/o Yvonne Grossi Conveyancing Supervisor 159 Sir William Hearst Avenue 3rd Floor, Bldg. D, Toronto, ON M3M 0B7

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## Lower Landing is very much a heritage resource

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With McDouall's preparation, the fort's defenders successfully defeated the attack on Michilimackinac resulting in Sinclair sending most of his ships back to Lake Erie.

The Royal Ontario Museum's 1815 painting by Robert Irvine of the Royal Naval Depot Holland Landing shows the many buildings and wharves that stood at the Lower Landing at the time of McDouall's use.

Throughout the 1800s, the Lower Landing continued to show its importance. On the second of his three Arctic expeditions, in April 1825, renowned explorer Sir John Franklin leading the Mackenzie River Expedition is recorded as arranging passage across Lake Simcoe from the Lower Landing.

During the first decades of the century, the annual distribution of gifts to First Nations from across Upper Canada took place here. At times these events were the occasion of large missionary meetings. One such was attended by the Rev. Peter Jones, (Kahkewquonby) Ojibwe chief and Methodist minister, who described the events in his journal of August 13-15, 1828.

From the middle of the 19th century until the building of the railway, the Lower Landing's docks were a bustling departure point for many steamers carrying mail, cargo, and passengers across Lake Simcoe.

No evidence remains visible of the significance held by this strategic place. Other than the efforts of a few individuals to move forward its identification and commemoration, no formal attempts have been made to conserve the site of the Lower Landing. Its cultural heritage value to the people of Ontario is no less than that of the Willow Creek Depot at the end of the Nine Mile Portage.

Yet, the Willow Creek Depot rightfully, successfully, and enviably, enjoys the attention and financial assistance of many authoritative groups.

The site of the Lower Landing is under imminent threat of total loss by the province's proposed plans for the Bradford Bypass. The route of this highway joining Highway 400 and Highway 404 will put the Lower Landing under the bulldozer and tons of concrete. It's tough to read a heritage plaque at 120 kilometres per hour.

The province's official agency tasked with promoting its cultural heritage is the Ontario Heritage Trust. The Trust speaks of the story of Ontario as the story of the interaction of people with each other and with the land for over 10,000 years and of the efforts to conserve and protect these stories of may legally protect a property that has historical value or associative value because it has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community, or that it yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.

Does the Lower Landing meet any of these criteria? Should there be efforts to use these tools to conserve the site of the Lower Landing?

Recently, on the afternoon of a late spring day, I kayaked the placid waters of the Holland River East Branch to the Lower Landing site. Plenty of bulrushes, swallows darting about, bucolic, yet still appearing unexceptional. Looks are deceiving.

On the contrary, we know this place that shaped the province is more than exceptional.

#### Canada's Wonderland hosts WinterFest

Canada's Wonderland is all decked out for the holidays for the return of WinterFest.

Running select dates until Dec. 31, this magical outdoor event is bigger than ever with the expansion of the North Pole themed area featuring more live entertainment, holiday lights, décor, an ice wine bar, family rides and a stunning new LED tunnel called "Northern Starlight."

For the full list of shows and attractions, operating hours, tickets and reservations, please visit https:// www.canadaswonderland.com/winterfest

Canada's Wonderland has implemented a mandatory vaccination policy for guests at WinterFest. All guests 12 years and older will be required to present proof of full COVID-19 vaccination (plus government-issued ID) for admission into the park, beginning Nov. 13. Reservations for WinterFest will also be required. More information on safety protocols can be found online.



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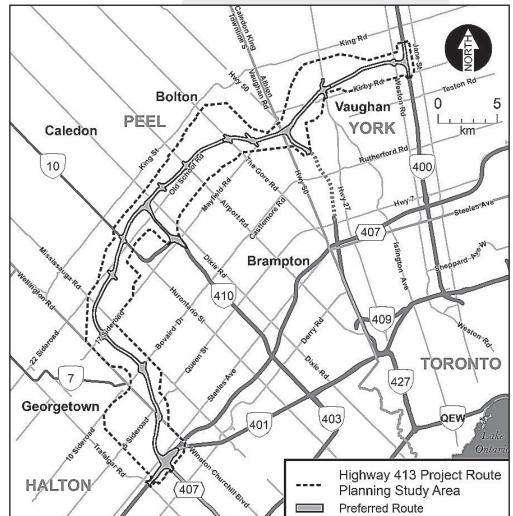
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#### THE PROJECT

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the people, places and events that have shaped our province.

Unlike obvious built heritage examples such as Toronto's Union Station or Richmond Hills' Dunlap Observatory, cultural heritage landscapes, like the Lower Landing, don't attract the public and the media's attention towards conservation.

Yet, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario expects it.

Provincial policies under the Planning Act define cultural heritage landscapes as a defined geographical area that may have been modified by human activity and identified as having cultural heritage value or interest by a community, including an Indigenous community. These policies require significant cultural heritage landscapes to be conserved and that development and site alteration shall not be permitted on these lands unless its cultural heritage resources have been conserved.

In addition, there is expectation of the Legislative Assembly that the province and its municipalities conserve these places of cultural importance by use of the tools under the Ontario Heritage Act and criteria defined by its regulations. The province itself may legally protect a property that yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of Ontario's history, while a municipality



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is in Stage 2 of the Highway 413 Transportation Corridor Route Planning, Preliminary Design and Provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) Project, formerly known as the GTA West Study. Building on the recommendations from Stage 1, the EA is identifying the route, determining interchange locations and completing the preliminary design for a new transportation corridor within the Route Planning Study Area. The new highway and transitway will include: a 400-series highway, transitway and potential goods movement priority features.

On May 3, 2021, the Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change designated the Highway 413 Project under the Federal Impact Assessment (IA) Act. MTO is preparing an Initial Project Description (IPD), which covers preliminary consultation and engagement, the need for the project, potential alternatives, existing and future conditions, and the studies being undertaken to inform the potential changes as a result of the project. The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) will use the IPD to inform their decision on whether a Federal IA of the project is required. Submission of the IPD to IAAC is anticipated in early 2022.

#### PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE (PIC)

You are invited to attend an upcoming Public Information Centre (PIC) to help shape the content of the IPD and to ensure that your community's interests are captured appropriately in the IPD prior to submission to IAAC. This meeting will exclusively focus on

sharing the reason for the Federal designation, reviewing the IA process, discussing the technical studies being added to the project in response to the Federal designation, obtaining your feedback on our understanding of the socio-economic contexts of your communities, and obtaining your feedback on our understanding of the key issues raised by stakeholders in your communities and Indigenous communities and how we are addressing them through the project. The PIC will be conducted as an online session hosted through the Zoom platform and the materials for each event will be specific to the regions identified for each meeting date.

#### **December 7, 2021 – Peel Region** 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**December 9, 2021 – York Region** 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**December 14, 2021 – Halton Region** 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

To register for the PIC, please visit www.gta-west.com/consultation-2 and click on the Zoom registration link under the Upcoming Opportunities for Input section. If you have accessibility requirements, please leave a message on the toll-free telephone line at 1-877-522-6916 or e-mail project\_team@gta-west.com. For the best experience, we encourage you to join the PIC on Zoom through an electronic device. If you don't have access to an electronic device, you can listen to the PIC through your telephone. A recording of the event will be posted on the project website. Again, this PIC will focus on the Federal IA process for the project and questions regarding the Provincial EA should be submitted separately to the Project Team.

#### COMMENTS

Comments and input regarding the project are encouraged. This material will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and the *Access to Information Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. Project information is available at www.gta-west.com. Des renseignements sont disponibles en français en composant 289 835-2484 (Yannick Garnier).



## Golf tournament proceeds helps Vitanova's programs

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

A fundraising golf tournament has resulted in a scholarship to help others.

The tournament, in support of Vaughan's Vitanova Foundation, raised more than \$60,000. Of that, \$8,400 will be put in the scholarship fund that will be in Andrew Robinson's name.

Vera Robinson, who owned a business in Bolton for many years, organized the tournament in aid of the Vitanova Foundation, and in memory of her son Andrew.

Robinson noted Andrew was a victim of the opioid crisis. He was a natural athlete, intelligent young man with hopes and dreams. Andrew was a kind-hearted, well-intentioned sensitive soul who worked hard and volunteered his time to inspire and support others.

He passed away in 2020.

"It was an emotional day for myself and my family although a happy day as we saw how many people loved and cared about Andrew and how many lives he touched," she said.

"Helping others helps me ... this has always been my thought process in life, however, very much so now that I am grieving the loss of my son. It was emotionally difficult to work through organizing the tournament but rewarding at the same time.

"I feel my heart brimming with pride at the meaning that has been carved from his life. The positivity and laughter that has been generated today only came about because of Andrew's life. And that is where I find my peace. The one cruel irony is that Andrew can't be here to enjoy it with us.

"Thank you, just eight letters, two small words, seems insufficient to capture what today means to me and to the individuals whose lives will be saved by the generosity of your spirit, your time and of course, your money. So from the bottom of my heart ... thank you."

Cindy Cepparo, executive director of Vitanova, noted their are partially funded by the Ministry of Health for their day program offered to both men and women.

They also have a 34 bed inpatient program for men that is not funded and we rely on the community to help keep our doors open.

Vitanova began in 1989 and in 1998 because of absolute need they began our inpatient program for men. To date, they have served over 18,000 clients and their families.

"Our mission is simple – to help put lives back together again ... And with your help today we can do it," she said. 'You see, addiction is not a moral issue, nor a justice issue but a health issue. And together we can continue our fight against addiction and end the stigma

against addiction."

Cepparo said we are currently dealing with a pandemic but we are also dealing with a global addiction crisis a pandemic of its own.

Last year we lost more than 2,500 people in Ontario to a drug overdose, leaving families, friends, colleagues to grieve and struggle with the loss of their loved one. This is a 60% rise from the previous year.

"We believe these were preventable deaths, and with your help we can continue our fight against addiction and help save more and more lives."

"Andrew was a member of our Vitanova family - he was loved by everyone. He had a contagious smile and was always ready to support a friend in recovery."

Tournament sponsors included Caledon Hill Private Wealth (Kim Seipt), Marty Williamson, Town of Caledon, Sandra Brown-Mowatt, Lynn Leitch, Wendall Dowe, Lori Lynn Dowe, Goolnar Haw, Costa Printing, Linda Detomasso, Sunglass Safari, Grande Cheese, James Oman Enzo Crognale, Mayfield Golf Club, Canadian Tire Bolton, Canadian Tire Woodbridge, Divine Balance, Kevin Thistle (PGA Canada), MPR Golf Services, Turnberry Golf Club, Grumblin Granny's Barry's Bay, Costco Kanata, Valu-mart Barry's Bay, Salt Cave Bolton, Innisbrook Golf Club, Harbourview Golf Club, Glen Ea-

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King Township Food Bank volunteers Kerstin Kerstin Wyndham-West and Patti Skrypek gratefully accept a cheque from Justin Mizzoni, son of Nobleton and King City Tim Hortons owners Len and Rita Mizzoni, and Henrietta Marfoh, general manager, from proceeds earned from the 2021 Smile Cookie campaign.

## Hortons' cookies sale result in record amount going to Food Bank

more than \$8,000 to be donated to King Township Food Bank.

Restaurant owners from King City and Nobleton are donating 100% of proceeds from sales of Smile Cookies to King Township Food Bank this fall.

Across the country, Tim Hortons and customers broke a new Smile Cookie record by raising more than \$12 million for local charities across the country.

This year, the King City and Nobleton Tim Hortons restaurant owners Len and Rita Mizzoni and guests helped raise more than \$8,000 to support the King Township Food Bank, an increase over last year's campaign. The funds raised will be used to help ensure a supply of non-perishable groceries, grocery cards, produce, and pet kibble are provided to any household in King Township needing food assistance.

"The 2021 Smile Cookie proceeds have set yet another record in the yearover-year increase in cookie sales. Sincere thanks are offered to the Mizzonis and the staff at both their King City and Nobleton restaurants," said Carol Ann Trabert, president, King Township Food Bank. "Patti Skrypek and her team again dedicated time, en-

Local Tim Hortons outlets raised ergy and expertise to help bring about this wonderful success, with support from the King Weekly Sentinel and Mark Pavilons. But, in the end, it was the generous response of customers from King and beyond who bought like never before. Hats off to you for buying more than 8,000 Smile Cookies this year!"

> "Each and every year, Tim Hortons restaurant owners continue to go above and beyond to help raise funds for our annual Smile Cookie campaign and it's truly inspiring to be a part of something so great and impactful," said Hope Bagozzi, Chief Marketing Officer for Tim Hortons.

> Tim Hortons restaurant owners across Canada will be presenting their local charity partners with Smile Cookie cheques throughout the next month.

> In 2020, the Smile Cookie campaign raised \$10.56 million across Canada

> The Tim Hortons Smile Cookie program started in 1996, originally raising funds for Hamilton Children's Hospital. Twenty-five years later, the annual charitable campaign has now raised a total of more than \$77 million for charities selected every year by restaurant owners.



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## King trainer has worked with notable athletes

#### By Robert Belardi

It isn't every day somebody new walks into your town and says they have trained the likes of Steven Stamkos, Michael Del Zotto and even Michael Peca.

We all know by now with more education being brought forth about exercise, generally what it takes to make sure athletes are prepared for their respective sports. Players are in the gym almost every day north of two hours, building up their bodies and gearing up their minds for professionalism.

But if we time-travel 40 years back, society wasn't always like this. Working out in the gym wasn't completely popular among everyone.

"It's funny. When I was 15 years old, my friend and I, we were probably the ones at the time in our school working out," Randy Smith recalled, the owner of BodySmith International.

"My dad went out and bought us a dumbbell set from Canadian Tire. It had the sand in it. So, we worked out in my basement and we would be at the local elementary school practicing long jump and sprinting. And I always thought, there's nobody around to teach us all of this. This would be a good thing to get into when I get older."

Smith comes from a background full of sport. He was on the football team and basketball team when he went to Huron Heights Secondary School. He was offered a basketball scholarship at Niagara State University for basketball. He competed in track and field at the Ontario level and learned a lot from former Olympic coach Andy Higgins at the U of T Track and Field Club.

"To be quite honest with you, when I decided this is what I wanted to do, Andy Higgins and a gym teacher named Dave Rutherford when I was at Huron Heights, really had a big influence on me."

When Smith reached 20-years-old, he began working in gyms and bringing in clients. He received his first pay cheque and it all has snowballed from there.

In 1994, he met up with Donovan Bailey's nutritionist Gunner Zeke and he helped Smith come up with the brand name of his business. He got the name BodySmith.

Having had a location in Stouffville for some time now and being a client at The King City Natural Health Centre, Smith has known Tim Houlton and inquired about a small space inside to open a second location.

Over the course of his career, Smith recalled how funny it is that he has predominantly worked with hockey players coming from a football and basketball background. He had a friend call him and knew of a hockey agent looking for a trainer. It was how Smith was set up training Peca and the likes of Nicholas Boynton. Eventually he continued with hockey players. He has been the trainer of the Stouffville Spirit Jr. A side since 2003 and of course, moved on to train Steven Stamkos amidst all this.

At this current location, Smith is currently training King City native and pro rugby athlete for the Exeter Chiefs McKinley Hunt. But he wants to focus on a lot of young athletes right here in King.

He said any young player who is willing to get better can start with body





weight and stability exercises from the age of nine or 10. Then, weight training programs can begin as athletes get older.

Players will have a one on one experience with Smith, while in a calming and nature-enhanced experience in the health centre.

To contact Smith for any details regarding this and if you are not a high performance athlete but wish to receive one on one private classes instead of doing so in a commercial gym, you can call Randy at 416-930-1062.

#### Curlers enjoy 'hump day' and dinner out **By Shellee Morning**

Wednesday afternoon social league consists of seasoned curlers, new curlers and migrant curlers from other leagues. The beauty of this league is the time in which they play. Between the hours of 3:30 to 5:30 on what some call "Hump day," this hurry hard crew executing all the traditional required shots that create a great game of after-

as the remainder of the game continued to its completion. Both skips were seen seated at the table following the game doubling their congratulatory beverages and efforts of a game well played.

The after dinner curlers of the Wednesday evening league gathered for their version of fun with a bit of curling and their weekly competition. assembles on 4 sheets of ice collectively Currently at the top of the menu is Team Broadhurst who holds the top spot with Wasylkiw and Gerrits ju rock behind. The tight back and forth game between Broadhurst and Wasylkiw was no less tense or competitive than that of a Kevin Koe versus Brad Gushue type of game. The first few ends were relatively routine between the two squads after the exchange of points that ultimately led the match to a last end decision. Skip Peter Wasylkiw and his crew of Karin and Michael Tarriff and Sharon Dorney were down by 3 after the 5th end (6-3) when the shift occurred. Scoring 2 in the 6th brought the score within 1 for a 6-5 tally. The time clock confirmed enough time to continue play for one more end. Skip Ian Broadhurst, Tom Allen, Andre Zupanic and Jim Van Roestel were left with some pretty precise shot making in order to keep the lead for the win. The added pressure by team Wasylkiw resulted in great rock placement and timely hits sealed the deal with a steal of 3 for a come from behind victory of 8-6. The close game with unlimited hits and draws by both squads grabbed the attention from fellow players as the standings grow closer and closer together.

## **Cougars lose to Terriers**

#### By Robert Belardi

The Orillia Terriers took down the Schomberg Cougars 8-5 in the Cougars' only match-up last week.

Travelling north and into hostile territory, the Cougars knew this was going to be a tough match-up. The Terriers sit in second place in the North Carruthers Division whilst the Cougars sit one spot behind.

In a clash of the titans it took six minutes for the game to open up. Austin Holenski (5) and Devin Edmonds (7) two minutes later gave the Terriers a quick lead. Cougars forward Marc Bottero put home his 14 goal of the season to put the game at 2-1.

In the second period the Cougars came out pouncing. Stuart Barber put home his ninth of the year, Jordyn Palazzo got his fourth and Luke Miehm earned his sixth to give the Cougars a splendid 4-2 lead.

But in a game where momentum had its way with everyone's hopes, the Terriers thrashed in three goals of their own towards the end of the period to make it 5-4.

In the third period, Broderick Black put in his eighth of the year and former

Cougar Sam Pink put his seventh of the season past his former team. Zach Gallow got the Cougars within two but Black put his ninth goal of the season in with 46 seconds left to seal the victory.

Tristan Szymanowski stopped 35 of 42 shots in the loss.

Wade Monague stopped 41 of 46 shots for the Terriers.

With this win the Terriers improve their record to 12-3-0-0 while the Cougars have their record set at 10-4-0-1 on the year.

Marc Bottero leads the team with 28 points (14G, 14A) and captain Cameron Kokelj is right behind him with 26 points (13G, 13A). Stuar Barber is the third Cougars player to have north of 20 points this year, as the new signing this offseason has 21 points (9G, 12A).

The Cougars will look to end off November this week at home against the Midland Flyers this Thursday at the Trisan Centre before heading out on the road to take on the Caledon Golden Hawks on Sunday.

Puck drop is at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Thursday) and at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday.

noon curling.

Many agreed that once the game and after-game social period has completed. then it's off to the local pub for dinner to conclude their afternoon of curling.

As with any league there is a variety of close and not-so-close scoring games, but with the social leagues promoting fun and being socially driven, the Wednesday (day or night) crew are infamous for their high standard of social skills.

Sheet K featured Steve Bradley and Gavin Bloom whom both can predict a finely tuned strategic round didn't waiver between their teams from the get-go. Consumed with pristine shot making allowed minimal scoring with an average of a single point per end, savoured a sheet of entertainment at its best.

David Grosse and Joe Becker along with their squads conducted their own version of back to back deuces in their collective ends. Just a dash of tension was sprinkled on this sheet with a 1-point deficit by the conclusion of the round.

Skip Diane Howard gave up a 3-point end in the opening frame to her opponent, Skip Maria Ruska who was very much in control. The wake-up call arrived in the second end for the Howard team getting back a deuce then spicing it up by earning stolen points in the next 4 ends. The real winner determined by the critics was the ice as it mystified the players throughout the match.

The main course was between Rosie Kamstra and Craig Honey who truly cook up a game of fun. Kamstra who never disappoints her audience with her jokes and body language was definitely on her mark. At one point of the game after a teammate's shot, Honey said "I don't know what to tell you, the shot seemed great. I don't know what happened."

Kamstra and her contagious smile jumped or curled at the opened door chance with a comeback statement "Miracles can happen." A huge round of laughter followed as did the next end

Other victories were given to teams Rhind, Clark, Johns and Pringle.





#### **King City United By Sheryl Sinka**

The season is upon us. This Sunday we celebrate the beginning of the Advent season and will light our first candle, the candle of hope and we will also partake in the Sacrament of Communion.

More than 2,000 years ago the world was offered hope through the birth of a child, the birth of Jesus. Hope, Peace Joy and Love, the four Sundays of Advent bring with them the desire for a better, more just, more peaceful world. Let us work together in our generosity this season to make it so.

We hope that you will take the time to worship with us virtually or in person though the Advent season and if not in person, sermons and the link to the online recording will be available on our website at kcuc.net

Weekly worship has resumed and if you would like to attend worship next Sunday, Nov. 28 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 King City office at 905-833-5181.

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 is deemed safe to do so.

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

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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.

Please visit our website for links and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com

We also have virtual Bible studies over Zoom. Further information is on our website under "Small Groups."

If you have any questions please email Lisa Lethangue at lisa@kingbiblechurch.com.

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

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, King City invites you to join us this first Sunday of Advent.

The Rev. Konnie Vissers will be taking this special worship service at 10:30 a.m. where she will also preside over a membership ceremony and Holy Communion. Please note that we are being very careful to follow the Public Health rules and regulations for York Region.

If you cannot join us, the worship service videos can be found on YouTube (St. Andrew's, King City) or by going to our website. The in-person services are recorded and posted later each Sunday after 4 p.m. (standrews-kingcity.ca).

Do you have prayer requests or want to share thanksgivings? 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 More on Page 23

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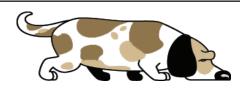
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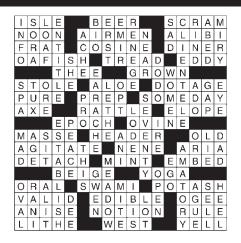
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thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Contact Lynn Vissers for more information about Art for the Soul on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. and the Tuesday Bible Study group. These groups have been online.

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

St. Andrew's is planning to be part of the Christmas in King Light Tour fundraiser again this year! Coming soon, an enhanced Christmas Story mural on our outside south wall of the church, by Lynn Vissers and her youthful, creative friends!

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 Inter- from the realities of everyday life. im 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.

Has your contact information changed? Please let Kathy Patterson know at 905-833-0391.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

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Where is the Kingdom of Heaven found? A sermon from Fr. Michael last Sunday:

When telling parables, Jesus often begins them with the phrase, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like ..." In these parables, Jesus uses ordinary images and simple stories to describe an alternate reality, something beyond the world his audience knows, where values, actions, and results are different

Today is called The Reign of Christ, the last Sunday before Advent. Our readings (Jn 18:33-37) and prayers remind us that Jesus is the Son of God, the Word that was with God before all things, the Alpha and Omega of Revelation who while outside time comes to every generation to live and walk and comfort us.

Our Diocese of Toronto has chosen this as FaithWorks Sunday. FaithWorks is the charitable work of the Diocese and its congregations that for 25 years has supported agencies that make the Kingdom of Heaven visible and real in our communities. Faith and Works together remind us that our belief put into action brings the Kingdom of Heaven closer to earth.

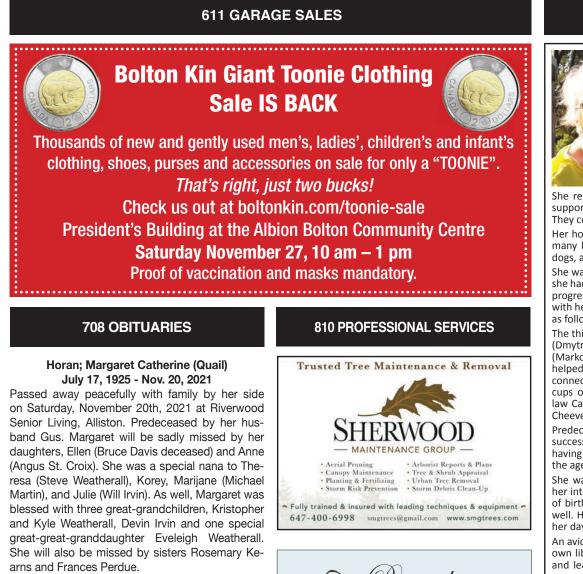
Today we will watch a video that describes the work of one FaithWorks supported agency, Samaritan House in Barrie. Imagine that you and your children experience physical and verbal domestic abuse. Where do you go? Samaritan House's Executive Director, Kerry Ploughman, explains how her agency helps victims of abuse find their feet in a safe environment so they can rebuild their lives.

How can All Saints help the work of

FaithWorks? This year the Diocese has challenged us to meet a target goal of \$3,800 in a campaign that ends on New Year's Eve. All Saints has already raised \$2,551.50 towards this goal, meaning that we only need to raise \$1,300 by the end of December to reach our goal.

I'm challenging each of you to write a cheque for FaithWorks for whatever you can manage and. If you're reading this message in the King newspaper, you can always join us by sending your support to All Saints,12935 Keele St, King City, ON, L7B 1G2, or by calling our parish office at 905-833-5432. Please answer Jesus's call to help make the Kingdom of Heaven visible on earth.





#### In her senior years Margaret loved to spend time out in the garden, visiting friends and often playing

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#### **709 IN MEMORIAM**

#### In loving memory of Nancy Nada Norrie (née Marko) (January 9, 1931 – November 25, 2020)

"No Act of Kindness, No Matter How Small, Is Ever Wasted" was a motto for her life, a life well-lived with much love and kindness for all living things.

Her loving spirit lives on in her children, Gregg (Marilyn), Lisa, and Keri (David), her grandchildren (Lee, Mark, Scott, Jamie, Danielle (Jamie), and Samantha) and her greatgrandchildren (Riley, Caleb, and Paisley).

She relished being 'Mana' to her grandchildren, as a close confidante and #1 supporter of their dreams, as well as willing accomplice for many adventures. They could share everything with her, and she loved spending time with them. Her home in King City will be well remembered for over 50 years of good times, many laughs, pool parties, and tobogganing, as well as a refuge for stray cats, dogs, and wild birds.

She was known to carry dog treats in her pockets and bird seed in her car in case she had the opportunity to aid an animal. "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated" was a favourite quote, with her helping many animals and animal rescues throughout her lifetime as well as following a vegetarian lifestyle.

The third of five children (Violet, Lily, Stan, Victor) of Sophia Marko (née Dimitroff (Dmytryszyv)) from Lvov, Poland (now Lviv, Ukraine) and Spero Vassel Marko (Markou) from Zhelevo, Macedonia, her experiences as a first generation Canadian helped to form her life view, one filled with hard work, strong compassionate connections with others, as well as enjoying the company of others over many cups of чај (tea). She is survived by her brother Victor (Anne) and sister-inlaw Carol, as well as her close extended Macedonian family, Kay Spero, Marina Cheevers, and Mike Markou. She loved you all.

Predeceased by her husband, John Alexander Norrie, she worked in their successful family business, Credit Valley Quarries, since the start of their marriage, having previously worked as a legal assistant and in her parents' restaurant since the age of 11.

She was known for her cheerful, humorous, and encouraging demeanour, and her interest in everyone she met, keeping copious notes in her neat penmanship of birthdays and other important personal details so that she remembered you well. Her childhood nickname of "Hap", short for Happy, was true to the end of her days.

An avid reader, especially murder mysteries, she recalled with pride receiving her own library card at a very young age, which spawned a lifelong love of libraries and learning. She enjoyed her daily crossword over coffee as well as frequent games of scrabble, with the sounds of PBS, Price is Right and Big Bang Theory often in the background on television.

709 IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Marty Walkem and **Darren Bradley** November 19, 1989. "Forever Young" Always fondly remembered by the McKeown family.



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a game of euchre. We will miss you so much, Mom. The family will receive friends at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, 1666 Tottenham Road, Tottenham on Thursday, November 25th, 2021 from 2-4 and 6-8 pm. Mass of Christian Burial will be held in St. James Church, Colgan on Friday, November 26th, 2021 at 12:00 noon. Interment to follow in St. Paul the Apostle Cemetery, Alliston. For those who wish, donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

She enjoved travel as well as studying history and languages and given the significance of WWII in her earlier life, she was moved by her travels with family to Poland, Italy, Germany, UK, France, Japan, US, Netherlands, and Hungary over the past decade. She was a traveler who enjoyed living in the community, meeting people, and learning at least the greetings of the language of every country she visited. She spoke of the importance of being a global citizen and lamented the rise of nationalism and bigotry, hoping that humans learn from their historical mistakes. Towards the end of her life, she noted that if she had the time, she would have visited her parents' home countries and lived part of her life in Italy, where she felt an especially close bond with the people.

While her regular visits with family in Ontario were not possible due to COVID-19, she passed away peacefully at her daughter's home in BC, comforted by her family and her cats, as she had hoped.

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### 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. Jeff has entitled his message, "Precious Cornerstone." 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.

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

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

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

Visit us on our Facebook page to join us virtually for the celebration of the Sunday liturgy.

Browse our websites:

St. Patrick's Parish: https://stpatrickssc.archtoronto.org/

St. Mary's Mission: https://stmarysno.archtoronto.org/

The Children's Liturgy of the Word Program is on Zoom every Sunday. More details in the parish bulletin or contact Rose Pallotto on: 416-605-6843.

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ebrate their First Holy Communion in 2022 and their siblings from JK to Grade 5.

Holy Rosary Group: Don't forget to join us every Monday at 7:30 p.m. to pray the Holy Rosary on Zoom.

New Meeting Code https://us02web. zoom.us/j/4383316713 or call on the new phone number: 647-374-4685 followed by the Meeting ID: 980 5411 8568#, Passcode: 079342

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 appointment. Please call the parish office.

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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.

#### **Nobleton Lions**

Your Nobleton Lions Club is up and running for another year. In a few months, we will mark 60 years of service to the community. Like many other groups, we meet via Zoom at our regular meeting times, and continue to oper-

We sang softly "Rejoice the Lord is ate to the extent allowed. The Club has proactively reached out to those organizations which we usually support, to offer financial aid in line with what we typically provide.

The Club wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to Susan, Dave, and Stephanie Zacchigna - "Team Zacchigna" for their ongoing support, marked by their latest effort, a community street sale held last month which raised more than \$800, which they kindly donated to the Club. Those funds will be put to good use in the community.

Joining with the Schomberg and King City Clubs, we are sponsoring a "Reverse Advent Calendar" whereby food items are be collected and dropped off in each town on December 4th, and will then be delivered to the King Township Food bank. Look for the large ads in the Weekly Sentinel, or on the Nobleton Lions website at www.nobletonlions.com

Just in time for Christmas shopping, the Club will be hosting an online auction featuring a host of new and gently used items. Watch this space and the Clubs website later this month for details.

Calling all knitters and crocheters! The Club has become aware of a need for cozy, homemade slippers at various Ronald McDonald Houses. It seems that people sometimes find themselves needing to stay in close proximity to hospitals when their children require hospitalization on an unexpected basis. Ronald McDonald Houses provide what they can, and here is a chance for us to help them. If you have the time and wool, patterns are apparently available on the internet, for slippers of any size or colour. The Nobleton Lions will collect them and forward them to various RMH's in south central Ontario. For followup details please contact Rick Evans at 1-905-806-9988.

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

In the meantime, we still welcome prospective new members. You may join us as a guest via Zoom at an upcoming meeting by contacting Lion Rick as above. From all of us to all of you, please respect the guidelines from our health authorities, get vaccinated when your turn comes.



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## Schomberg Should Know

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

#### **Christmas Tree Lighting**

We have found a new Community Christmas Tree and we think it is just perfect! It is the beautiful big Blue Spruce, by the Tennis Courts. Many thanks to the Township and our Parks Department for allowing us to use their tree, providing power and working with us so well in these strange COVID times.

The tree-lighting will be at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 28 and we encourage everyone to watch the proceedings on our Schomberg Village Facebook page.

The Gangl family is arranging some singers to entertain us at the Tree Lighting and Rory MacKinnon will bless us with his Bagpipes.

At 5 p.m. let's all turn our Christmas lights on altogether, lighting up our special town, our hearts and the path for Santa so he definitely makes it to Schomberg on Christmas Eve!

#### A Main Street Christmas

Schomberg Village 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.

Tickets will be \$10. a car and you book them at 15 minute intervals. This will help eliminate congestion of everyone coming at the same time. If you go to Schomberg.ca, it will lead you to a ticketing page. You can pick your time, your night-either Friday or Saturday. You can pay by PayPal or e-transfer and there is a donation button if you wish to donate something, as well.

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-making – whatever, please contact us, we welcome your input.

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

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#### Reverse Advent Calendar for King Food Bank

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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.

Your Schomberg Lions Club is our one Service Club for our Community. They have been chartered in Schomberg since 1947 and have been instrumental in many successful projects and charities, making our Community a better place to live, work and play!

#### **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.

#### **Emmanuel Presbyterian Church**

Emmanuel Presbyterian Church welcomes everyone to come out to their Second Annual Christmas Basket Sale on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3 and 4, celebrating our Farmers' "Parade of Lights" event. This sale is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days and for those of you who are new to town, the church is located on Main Street, beside the Sugar and Spice Bakery and across the road from Tony's Quality Meats. So you can do three things: Buy yourself a beautiful basket or complete your Christmas list; treat yourself to a coffee and a treat at Sugar and Spice and get yourself some wonderful meat products at Tony's.

#### **Rich Hill United**

Saturday, Nov. 27 is the day you can look forward to their delicious Roast Pork Loin Dinner with all the trimmings. To get a ticket please call Grace Tomlinson at 905-939-7764, in advance.





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