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York Region passes budget with 2.97% hike

By Mark Pavilons

York Regional Council approved its \$2.7 billion 2015 budget, which includes a game plan to pay down the debt and aim to ever-increasing tax hikes for the remainder of the term.

The budget includes \$826 million in funding for capital projects and \$1.9 billion to deliver high quality services to the Region's residents and businesses.

The 2015 budget carries a 2.97 per cent tax increase, representing an additional \$64 for an average residential property in York Region.

Locally, both King Township's and York's budgets each increased by 2.97%. Assuming that the education tax rate remains unchanged for 2015, the blended impact of tax rate supported budgetary requirements will result in an overall increase of 2.33% for 2015. For a home assessed at \$614,000 (average assessment in the Township of King) this will add approximately \$135 to the total 2015 property tax bill.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini said this budget concentrates on paying down York's debt. While it may take a few years, York will soon have more resources than debt. That comes as very good news and will help restore the Region's AAA credit rating.

"Taxes have to be reasonable," Pellegrini said, adding residents have to feel comfortable that they're getting value for their tax dollars.

"There has to be an efficient use of every dollar," Pellegrini said. "We have to be respectful of the hard-working residents of York Region."

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Pond hockey tourney a success

The Restoration Classic Pond Hockey Tournament held Sunday at Spray Lake was a huge success. The weather cooperated and teams took to the ice, all in support of raising funds to help restore two antique fire trucks owned by the Schomberg firefighters.

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Firefighter gives back in many ways.

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

MUNICIPAL OFFICE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Monday, March 9, 2015
6:00pm - Council/Committee of the Whole
- Public Meeting Re: Zoning By-law and Official Plan Amendments
File No.: Z-2014-10 & OP-2011-06
Address: 17250 Highway 27

Monday, March 23, 2015
5:00pm - Working Session - Fire Services: Superior Tanker Shuttle Service Accreditation
6:00pm - Council/Committee of the Whole
Public Meeting Re: Zoning By-law Amendment and Site Plan Development
File Nos.: Z-2015-02 & SPD-2015-02
Address: 191 MacTaggart Drive, Nobleton

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

- Summer Student Positions

COMPETITIVE BIDS

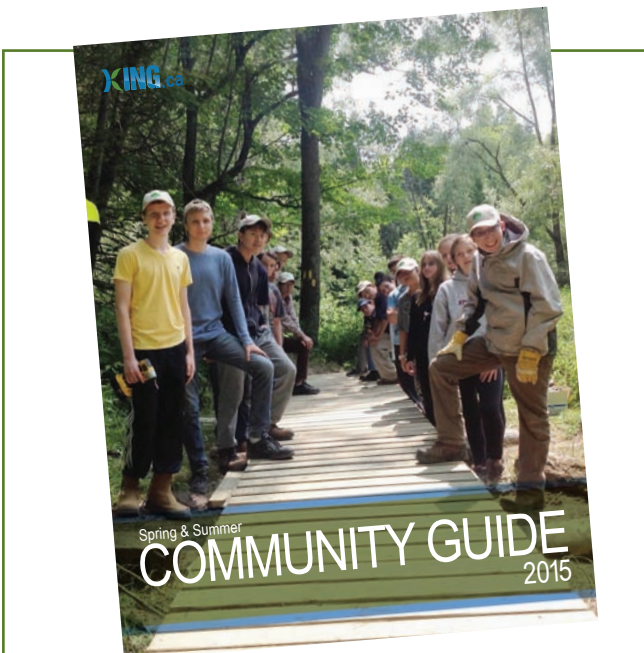
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REMINDERS

VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Non-profit community organizations which provide or develop recreation, cultural or social opportunities within the Township of King are invited to submit applications for Grants from the Township of King for 2015. Applications must be completed and submitted to the Township by **Tuesday, March 31st, 2015.**

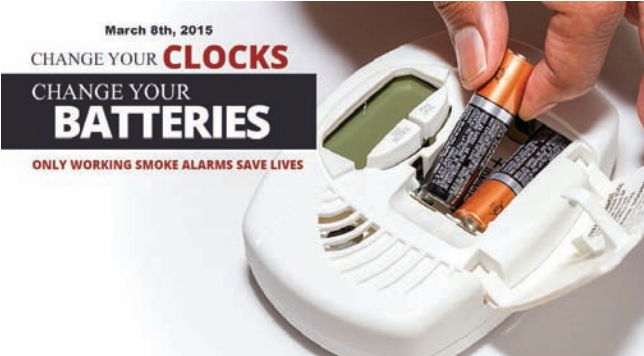
The Community Grants Policy Information and Application are available at the Township municipal office, or on our website at www.king.ca, under the "What's New" heading.



The 2015 Spring & Summer Community Guide is here!

Copies were distributed to all households in the February 26th edition of the King Weekly Sentinel.

Additional copies are available at all Township locations.



PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King will hold a public meeting on: **MONDAY, MARCH 23RD, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M.**

at the **Township of King Council Chambers** at 2075 King Road, King City to consider a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment under Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13.

The application for Zoning By-law Amendment under file no. Z-2015-02, submitted by Condor Properties (ADG) Inc., concerns a vacant property measuring 0.49 hectares (1.22 acres) located in the Village of Nobleton, at the south-west corner of Highway 27 and MacTaggart Drive. The property is municipally known as **191 MacTaggart Drive** and legally described as Block 100 on Plan 65M-2877.

The application proposes to rezone the property from "Transitional (T)" to "Commercial Shopping Centre (C4) - Exception Section 14.XX" to facilitate the development of a three (3) storey commercial plaza with at grade and underground parking. The application proposes to allow for a range of professional office, service and commercial uses including drive-through facilities for restaurants and banks. Several development provisions are proposed to be amended including front, side and rear yards, lot coverage, height maximum, as well as loading space, parking space, and planting strip requirements. A Site Plan Development application (file#SPD-15-02) has also been submitted detailing the specific engineering and design aspects of the development.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of King before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Township of King Council to the Ontario Municipal Board.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of King before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.



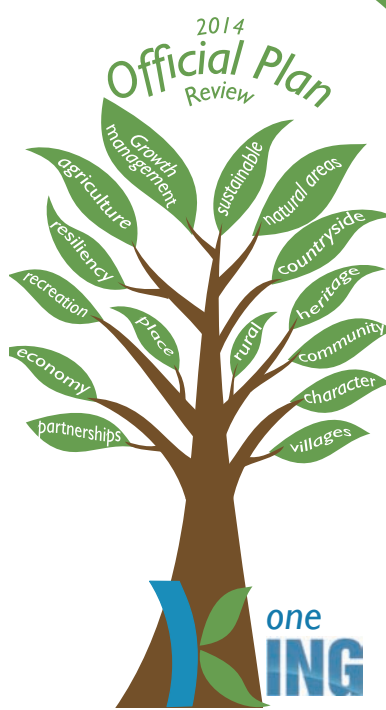
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION relating to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, including the proposed Draft Zoning By-law for the site, is available for inspection at the Township Office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or inquiries may be directed to the Planning Department quoting File Number Z-2015-02 at (905) 833-5321 or 1-800-688-5013.

DATED AT THE TOWNSHIP OF KING THIS 2nd DAY OF MARCH, 2015.

Kathryn Smyth, Clerk
Township of King

Comments and personal information are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter c.P. 13 as amended, and will become part of the decision making process of the application as noted on this form. Personal information will be protected in accordance with Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), all information received other than personal information may be included in the documentation which will become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of personal information, please contact the Planning Department, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.

REMINDERS



Join us at the upcoming Official Plan Review

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

King Township has completed a Background Discussion Paper for Phase One of its Official Plan Review project.

You are invited to attend a Public Open House to learn about the key planning issues addressed in our Phase One Discussion Paper. This is an informal gathering to give members of the public an opportunity to ask questions and provide input on information we have collected with respect to options for moving forward. This is the rebooking of the previous meeting which was postponed in January, 2015.

Date: Tuesday March 10, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m. Presentation/Facilitated Discussion: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Trisan Centre
25 Dillane Drive
Schomberg, Ontario

To learn more about the Official Plan Review and view copies of relevant background material, visit <http://www.king.ca/Government/Departments/Planning/OfficialPlanReview/Project/Pages/default.aspx>.
Additional information and updates relating to the Official Plan Review are available by contacting the Planning Department: 905.833.5321 ext. 4066
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Council of the Township of King are now accepting nominations for awards to recognize volunteer contributions and achievements in the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Lifetime Achievement
- Youth Award of Merit
- Special Recognition
- Senior Citizen Award of Merit

Nominations for Volunteer Awards must be submitted on the nomination form obtained from the Clerks Department and will be received by the undersigned until 4:30 p.m. Friday, March 20th, 2015. The nomination form and further information regarding the criteria for each category is available at the Township office or on the Township website at www.king.ca, under the "What's New" tab.

Awards will be presented at the Volunteer Appreciation Night on Thursday, May 7th, 2015.

Kathryn Smyth, Clerk
E-mail: ksmyth@king.ca



VOLUNTEER FIRE SERVICE PERSONNEL

The Township of King Fire & Emergency Services is currently accepting applications for the position of a recruit volunteer fire fighter.

For more information, or to pick up an application, please contact:
James Arnold – Deputy Fire Chief @ 905-833-2800.

Applications are available at Station 34 in King City (2045 King Road) 8:30am – 4:30pm Monday to Friday

Applications will be accepted in person at Station 34 in King City until Friday March 6th, 2015 until 4:30pm



We thank all applicants and advise that only those selected for an interview will be notified. Personal information is collected under authority of the Municipal Act and will be used to determine eligibility for potential volunteer employment. Personal information (PI) will be protected in accordance with Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA). Questions about the collection of personal information (PI) should be directed to Fire Chief, Township of King, 2075 King Road, L7B 1A1 or Fire Chief at (905) 833-2800.

Council moves forward on phase 2 of Nobleton sewers

By Mark Pavilons

Despite concerns about costs and time schedules, King councillors okayed preliminary design work on the second phase of sewers in Nobleton.

After reviewing a report from staff, council okayed giving the Ainley Group

the contract for the design and administration of phase two.

While the matter seemed straightforward, councillors were concerned about the underestimated project costs, and the accelerated time schedule included in the contract.

When the Township sent out the

RFPs, nine bids were reviewed, with Ainley Group coming out on top. They weren't the lowest bidders, coming in at \$498,850, but they scored highest on technical merits.

Out of this amount, \$413,735 is for detailed design, tender documents and approvals for phase two, while \$79,115 is for full-time contract administration and inspection for the installation of the sewers, replacement of watermain and road reconstruction on Nobleview Drive.

The staff report noted the design work is necessary, regardless of the timing for construction.

The concern was that only \$226,667 was estimated for the work in the recently passed 2015 budget and the approved amount is roughly twice that.

Manager of Engineering Mike said the budget estimates were based on older amounts. He did say the current bids are in keeping with recent work done in Nobleton.

The schedule was accelerated in the RFP and this, too, caused some concerns.

Some councillors wondered about the quality of the work, given that the project, which typically takes a year to complete, is being done in roughly six months. Some wanted to know whether the extra manpower used to complete the task ballooned the costs.

The admittedly frugal Councillor Bill Cober said time is money. One of the reasons councillors asked that this project be done quickly is to be in line for federal grants, should they arise. Grants are given if infrastructure projects are under way.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini pointed out staff did exactly what council asked for and they should move ahead.

Councillor Debbie Schaefer was concerned about the quality of work in the accelerated schedule, noting the Township doesn't have the best track record of sewer work in Nobleton.

The mayor noted several very qualified companies submitted bids within these confines, all indicating they can do it.

Cole added quality control and monitoring are built into the process.

York budget boost reserves

From Front Page

The York budget also includes an outlook for each of the remaining three years of council's term. The outlooks propose decreasing tax hikes of 2.85 per cent in 2016, 2.69 per cent in 2017 and 2.35 per cent in 2018.

Responding to concerns regarding traffic congestion, the budget will invest more in transportation during the term of this council than during any previous term. Over the next five years, York Region will invest \$809 million in roads. With federal and provincial partners, the Region will also invest \$1.9 billion in transit.

Some of the budget highlights include:

- Adding 33 police officers and 13 civilian staff.
- Hiring 20 additional paramedics to service high-call volume areas and 23 paramedics converted from casual to permanent.
- Opening of the state-of-the-art transit operations, maintenance and storage facility.

The 2015 Operating Budget includes \$520 million for Environmental Services; \$442 million for Community and Health Services; \$316 million for York Regional Police; \$311 million for Transportation Services.

The 2015 Capital Budget includes \$223 million for wastewater; \$155 million for York Region Rapid Transit Corporation; \$134 million for Regional roads and \$123 million for water.

As part of York's \$2.7 billion 2015 budget, council also adopted an enhanced fiscal strategy.

The fiscal strategy is an integrated approach that reduces debt, saves for the future and manages the capital plan.

To reduce debt, the fiscal strategy better aligns the timing of infrastructure investments to when they are needed, reducing the need to issue new debt. This approach will reduce the need for new debt by \$1.3 billion over the next 10 years.

To save for the future, York Region is contributing more to reserves that will pay for the future rehabilitation, replacement or addition of assets.

This year council allocated \$75 million to asset replacement reserves. York Region's total reserves are now at \$1.7 billion. Reserves are expected to grow by \$2.5 billion in 10 years.

Approximately 85 per cent of York Region's debt was acquired to invest in the infrastructure needed to support growth and will be repaid by development charges.

Development Charges are paid by developers to the Region for the essential infrastructure, including water supply, sewers and sewage treatment facilities, roads, bridges and public transit that must be in place before homes can be built.

In 2013, York Region created a new debt reduction reserve to be used to pay for infrastructure that does not meet the needs of growth and cannot be funded by development charges. This reserve effectively eliminates the need to issue new tax-supported debt in the future.

To take action now to pay down debt, York Region will pay back \$173 million in principal in 2015. The fiscal strategy helps the Region to maintain its superior credit ratings, allowing the Region and the nine area municipalities to finance debt at the lowest possible cost.

ASK winter show comes to a close

If Winter comes..., Arts Society King Winter Renewal Pop-up art show at the King Museum, is drawing to a close on Saturday, March 7.

ASK artist renditions of winter depict contrast. Brown grasses poke up, unhindered by the weight of pristine white snow drifts. Frozen ponds retreat from view, leaving only trickles of blue in between frozen rocks. Barren grey trees are dressed in icy splendor. Pine cones lie dormant against a background of brilliant snow. Yellow and gold sunlit streaks create shadows on sparkly landscapes.

Similarities in the artists' winter portraits are striking. The cold jumps off the canvas and grabs the viewer just as this past winter's biting winds and sub-zero temperatures did. There are no signs of humans or animals – the solitude is overwhelming.

Visit the King Township Museum, 2920 King Road, this weekend for one last look at the power and beauty of winter ... if you dare ... can spring be far behind? (Shelley, Ode to the West Wind, 1819)

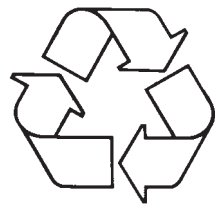
How will King artists see the next season? In anticipation of the upcoming show, Spring Emergence, we offer a few possibilities: Crocuses and tulips in bright purples and pinks rear their sturdy heads through the warming earth, saying "See? We made it!"

Delicate blossoms and buds rise up proudly from tree branches, declaring spring has finally arrived. Rivers flow freely once more, carrying winter's debris downstream. Birds settle on egg-filled nests, butterflies open their wings to the sun, and frogs float in melting ponds.

Visitors to the King Museum can verify these predictions beginning on Saturday, March 13. Expect to find paintings and photography on the walls, jewelry and wood items in the showcases, art cards and small prints on the tables. It's time for everyone to come out of hibernation and enjoy the emergence of spring.

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Assisted suicide will become a reality

Canada will have legislation governing physician-assisted suicide, ending decades-long debates about the touchy subject of euthanasia.

Similar to discussions and heated exchanges on abortion, the euthanasia issue has two distinct camps – pro life and pro choice. Granted, we are talking end of life, not the beginning, so it can be argued that it's radically different.

I have heard and read it all over the years. I recall vividly the actions, debates and eventual incarceration of euthanasia activist Dr. Jack Kevorkian, often referred to as "Dr. Death."

Kevorkian claimed to have aided some 130 terminally ill patients end their lives and was seen as both a champion and a monster. He was fond of saying "death is not a crime."

In Canada, politicians have shied away from making any firm commitments one way or another. It's a very personal and delicate matter.

Obviously, the time has come for the federal government to act.

The Supreme Court's unanimous decision reverses its own decision and gives Parliament a year to draft new legislation that recognizes the right of consenting adults who are enduring intolerable suffering to seek medical help ending their lives. The current ban on doctor-assisted suicide stands until then.

The high court judgment notes the ban infringes on the life, liberty and security of individuals under Canada's constitution. It had been illegal in Canada to counsel, aid or abet a suicide, an offence carrying a maximum prison sentence of 14 years.

"The law allows people in this situation to request palliative sedation, refuse artificial nutrition and hydration, or request the removal of life-sustaining medical equipment, but denies the right to request a physician's assistance in dying," the ruling noted.

The coming year will undoubtedly see a slew of discussions, debates and public consultation on the issue and intricacies of fine-tuning this legislation.

Brace yourself for a great deal of emotion-filled sentiments, pleas, protests and the gamut of conflicting information.



Mark Pavilons

Almost everyone has an opinion about this subject. So do I.

From where I sit and from what I have personally experienced, I believe the only people with credence to give input into this debate are those directly involved – palliative care professionals, terminally ill patients and their families.

Lawmakers, politicians, civil servants and pencil pushers have no valid viewpoints to offer, unless of course they've seen the face of death themselves.

I have laid to rest three close family members who died of terminal illnesses. I've lived the worst-case scenario several times. I admit it, I am biased and jaded. Here is just one story.

My mother, tired of living on her own after my dad and sister passed, wanted to come and live with me and my family. We made the necessary preparations and physical renovations and she was "home" with us and her grandchildren. We enjoyed almost three years together.

One summer evening, as we gathered in the back yard to roast marshmallows, my mom slumped in her chair and began to slur. She had a stroke.

That was the night "oma died," according to our youngest. She was quite right.

Several months at the hospital followed, along with failed rehab. She was permanently paralyzed on one side and never came home.

While the hospital stay was decent enough, there came a point where she had to be placed in a long-term care facility.

Thus began one of the most trying and depressing processes I've been through. While I discovered some very nice places, the top ones came with lengthy waiting lists. Unless you have a fair bit of money, you're destined to live out your days in relative discomfort, in rather dreary digs.

She ended up at an older care facility, on the floor where people are often forgotten. I will never forget my visits to this place. I wish I could.

While this was the most agonizing time for me, I can only imagine how she felt in such a place. There is no doubt in my mind that if she had all her faculties and was fully aware of her plight, she would have asked to end it all.

Considering that things went from dreadful to horrific, I would even have supported it.

After less than three months in this facility, she died. They discovered she had advanced pancreatic and lung cancer, conditions that went undiagnosed at the hospital and care facility. She had told us all for many months she was in pain.

You can imagine how I felt when I

discovered that she lingered in what must have been excruciating pain, all the while untreated by her caregivers. I met with administrators at both institutions to voice my displeasure (that's putting it mildly). We arrived at an understanding.

Letters to various agencies, bureaucrats and even the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care were largely ignored. I did contact a lawyer, only to be told that a senior's life "isn't worth anything."

So there you have it. My mom's life, wrapping up in one of the worst possible ways. There was no dignity; not one iota of an existence; no life by any description.

I could go on and on, recounting the numerous terrible moments we encountered during the final months of her life. The end was a blessing, no question.

So, while activists, politicians and citizens debate the pros and cons of the right to die, it's almost insulting to those of us who really know.

This ordeal killed something inside me. The guilt never wanes. I wish that no one else ever has to go through something similar.

But people suffer and loved ones die on a daily basis. How we face death is just as important as how we face life.

Let's hope we can come up with unanimous, compassionate guidelines that satisfy everyone.

Letter to the Editor

Support for suggested park name in Nobleton

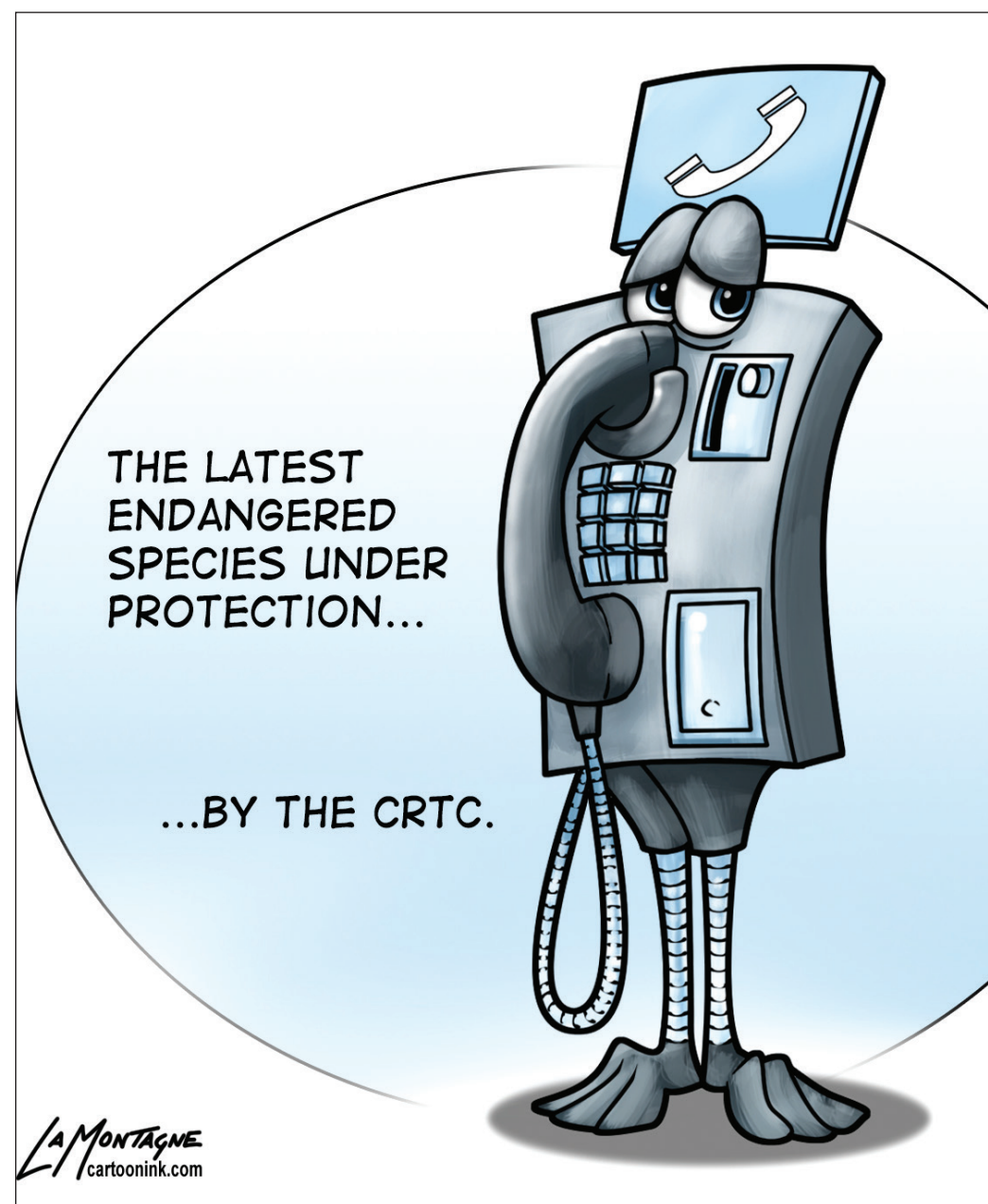
I second the motion to council! Surely, the new park in Nobleton has to be named "Tasca Park."

What this couple has done over the years for the Nobleton community is absolutely wonderful.

Yes, you will see Joe, forever out working for all the Nobleton Lions' events and Bernice, working quietly with the Nobleton Women's Institute.

Council, go for it!

Dave Platt
Mill Road



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Results from last week's poll:

Feb. 15 marked the 50th anniversary of the Maple Leaf becoming Canada's national flag. Should that date be a national holiday?

a) Yes	<div style="width: 45%; background-color: black; height: 10px;"></div>	45%
b) No	<div style="width: 55%; background-color: black; height: 10px;"></div>	55%

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Teaching assistants at University of Toronto went on strike Monday, possibly disrupting the academic year for students. Should people be allowed to strike if it can negatively impact students?

a) Yes
b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!

Brainteaser

What is special about the number 8,549,176,320?

Last week's answer: A mirror turns everything around!

King Township Trivia

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Opinions abound on high court ruling

By Mark Pavilons

Canadians will have a new law allowing physician-assisted suicide, ending years of debate on euthanasia.

Canada's highest court struck down a ban on doctor-assisted suicide for mentally competent patients with terminal illnesses, declaring that how people choose to confront such conditions is "critical to their dignity and autonomy."

The Supreme Court's unanimous decision reverses its own ruling two decades ago and gives Parliament a year to draft new legislation that recognizes the right of consenting adults who are enduring intolerable suffering to seek medical help ending their lives. The current ban on doctor-assisted suicide stands until then.

The judgment said the ban infringes on the life, liberty and security of individuals under Canada's constitution. It had been illegal in Canada to counsel, aid or abet a suicide, an offense carrying a maximum prison sentence of 14 years.

"The law allows people in this situation to request palliative sedation, refuse artificial nutrition and hydration, or request the removal of life-sustaining medical equipment, but denies the right to request a physician's assistance in dying," the ruling stated.

"This is a sensitive issue for many Canadians, with deeply held beliefs on both sides. We will study the decision," said York-Simcoe MP and Government House Leader Peter Van Loan.

The Quebec association for the right to die with dignity (AQDMD) commended the Supreme Court's decision.

These very reasonable parameters will help patients, families, caregivers and physicians reach the outcome of a complete therapeutic relationship, based on empathy, trust and respect for the other as a whole person, in complete dignity, unimpeded by their own beliefs, the group said.

This decision from the Supreme Court translates to peace of mind for the few people at the end-of-life stage who find no physical or psychic relief in quality palliative care or no longer wish to see their bodies gradually lose humanity and autonomy once their minds are gone.

Conversely, the Campaign Life Coalition urged Parliament to resolve what they called a "disappointing" Supreme

Court decision.

"Giving people the legal right to kill others in whatever state of life they are in is something Canadians must never support," said Jim Hughes, president of Campaign Life Coalition. "This decision potentially puts people living with disabilities, the elderly and those who are terminally ill in greater risk of being abused and killed under the umbrella of 'dying with dignity.' This is not acceptable."

Campaign Life Coalition points to what is happening in Belgium and the Netherlands. What began with tight restrictions for euthanasia and assisted suicide, within a few years has led to the legalization of killing children, people living with disabilities, and people with mental health issues. In some cases, without their consent. The Supreme Court explicitly states in their decision that they do not take these issues in their reasoning.

"Canadians are afraid of dying a painful death, and we understand that, but the solution to suffering is not to be killed, it is proper pain management and proper support from the medical system, family and friends," said Johanne Brownrigg, Public Affairs, Campaign Life Coalition. "This decision also raises another important concern. What about medical practitioners who have no interest in killing people? What will happen to them if they refuse to assist in suicide or to inject a lethal dose?"

Canadian nurses are calling for a principled framework to guide the implementation of the new law.

"Nurses play a critical role in end-of-life care and have much to offer to the development of the new legal framework," said RNAO Chief Executive Officer Dr. Doris Grinspun, commenting on the court's decision. "End-of-life care is top-of-mind for nurses who work across the health system and in all sectors, from providing palliative care including appropriate pain management, to working with families on a do not resuscitate order; to helping patients with advanced-care planning to make sure loved ones are prepared. Nurses are heavily involved in helping to ensure Canadians die with peace and dignity."

RNAO's members passed a resolution in April 2014 approving a set of principles to be considered when discussing assisted suicide and/or euthanasia, some of which are already contained in

the Supreme Court ruling.

"RNAO will continue to engage with members, the public and other health professionals in shaping new mechanisms and regulations that, above all else, protect the public and respect their wishes, as well as protect health providers," emphasizes Grinspun, adding that: "We all have a right to our own views, but it's dangerous to disregard those who don't share the same perspectives. We need to work together to ensure this process is respectful, and keeps the pa-

tient's best interest and wishes at the forefront."

Nurses also have a duty to help ensure the public better understands palliative care, and RNAO will step up its advocacy to make sure universal access for palliative care exists anywhere in Ontario and Canada. "Palliative care is not about going somewhere to die. It's about living, as fully as possible, and it's our duty to continue to spark this discussion," noted RNAO's president, Dr. Vanessa Burkoski.

Federal government support for families increases

By Mark Pavilons

Local families with children under 18 will benefit from increased federal support.

The Honourable Peter Van Loan, MP for York-Simcoe, noted the federal government introducing new measures to help Canadian families by expanding the Universal Child Care Benefit, increasing the annual child care expense deduction limits by \$1,000 dollars for every child, and allowing income splitting for families.

"As a result of the announcement today every single York-Simcoe family with a child under the age of 18 will benefit from our government's support for families. All parents want to be good providers for their children and sometimes it can be difficult. That is why our government wants to ensure we are putting more money back into the pockets of parents, because they know what is best for their children and how to provide for them." Van Loan Said.

The Universal Child Care Benefit for children up to age 5 will increase to \$160 per month (up from the current \$100/month). In addition, a benefit of \$60 per month will be introduced for all children aged 6 to 17.

The Child Care Expense Deduction allows child care expenses incurred to be deducted from income for tax purposes. To better reflect the cost of child care expenses, the government is increasing this by \$1,000 for each child. This results in a possible maximum income tax deduction of \$8,000 for each child under 7 and \$5,000 for each child aged 7-16.

This announcement also fulfills a 2011 commitment to allow for income splitting for couples with children under the age of 18. Now couples can transfer up to \$50,000 in income from the higher income earner to the lower income earner for tax purposes. It will provide a maximum benefit of up to \$2,000 for Canadian families.

The Universal Child Care Benefit increases will be automatic for those who are already receiving the benefit. Families already receiving the Canada Child Tax Benefit will automatically receive the Universal Child Care Benefit. However, anyone who is not currently receiving these benefits will need to apply.

York Region continues to partner with area municipalities to enhance communities

York Regional Council committed up to \$1 million to the Municipal Streetscape Partnership Program. This program provides Regional funding towards streetscape enhancements such as decorative lighting, raised street tree planters and pavers along curb and intersection quadrants to improve public areas on Regional streets.

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Cathy Hodginson

"I'm more of a supporter through my husband, but my son is excited, too."

Firefighter has a passion to serve and give back

By Mark Pavilons

The simple fabric patch on a firefighter's sleeve is a badge of honour, a signal they're willing to put it all on the line for someone else.

Their sense of duty runs deep, no matter where they serve.

For Schomberg's Doug Cross, his career has taken him from the modern facilities of King Township and a nearby military base, to one of the poorest nations on earth.

Cross is a private in the Canadian Armed Forces, engaged in firefighting training at CFB Borden. He'll be spending the next few months at Borden, running calls and learning the intricacies of fire and rescue at the base. The military training concentrates on aircraft fires, structural fires and hazardous material fires.

Borden, located in Simcoe County, is home to the Canadian Forces Support Training Group, which trains some 16,000 personnel annually.

He had to undergo three months of basic training at St.-Jean, Quebec, something he called "quite an experience." All the cliches are true about military life and expectations - new recruits are up at 5 a.m. and subject to strict discipline, shined boots and attention to every detail.

When his training is complete, sometime this July, he'll be posted to any one of several military bases across Canada. Currently his preference is CFB Trenton, which is still close enough for

Getting to know those who serve

him to balance his work and personal commitments.

CFB Trenton is a 960-acre facility that's home to RCAF's tactical and strategic airlift aircraft. It plays a key support role for the National Search and Rescue Program. It's also home for 8 Wing squadrons.

One of those commitments is as a volunteer with King Fire and Emergency Services. He's worked out of the Schomberg station for roughly four years now and has found this to be the perfect training ground for his profession.

His roots also run deep in the community. His family members were key players in the early days of Nobleton, helping to establish St. Paul's Church, as well as some early subdivisions. His dad David was a 10-year volunteer firefighter, working out of the Nobleton station.

Doug also honed his hockey skills in Schomberg, earning a provincial championship in 2008 and a silver stick in 2009 with the Red Wings. He's been behind the bench coaching for the past few years.

He's always wanted to be a firefighter, from the time he was a youngster.

The self-described "home town guy" loves making a difference and has been to some "tough calls." He recalls one of his first responses was at the scene of a double homicide.

Cross doesn't limit his service to his fellow citizens.

He's eager to see the world and he's already travelled on two humanitarian mission trips to Nicaragua in 2013 and earlier this year. He made the trek in conjunction with Pan Missions, a Christian mission serving Nicaragua since 1997.

During his first trip in 2013, he helped build a school and got a chance to tour fire halls in the area outside the capital of Managua.

He discovered they really don't have the equipment necessary to get the job done. "They really do need some help," he observed.

He was called back in January and asked King Fire Chief Jim Wall if there was any equipment to spare. The local service rose to the challenge, putting



King's Doug Cross (below and above) not only serves as a firefighter in King and with the Canadian military, he has helped with a humanitarian mission to Nicaragua.

together some 10 sets of bunker gear. Cross had it all packed up and sent down.

The donations were given to two stations in the historic city of Grenada and Tipitapa Township (both with populations of roughly 124,000 each).

The equipment is put to very good use and the locals were very appreciative of the donations. "A lot more needs to be done," Cross observed.

He did note that despite the cultural and geographical differences, firefighters the world over share a common bond, a sense of "family."

"You could see this bond and sense of duty (there),"

Cross said.

He had a chance to speak to a local fire chief and he asked him what they needed most. "Everything" was the response.

Nicaragua is among the poorest countries in the Americas. According to the UN, 48% of the population lives below the poverty line and 80% lives on less than \$2 per day.

Cross will continue to try to amass

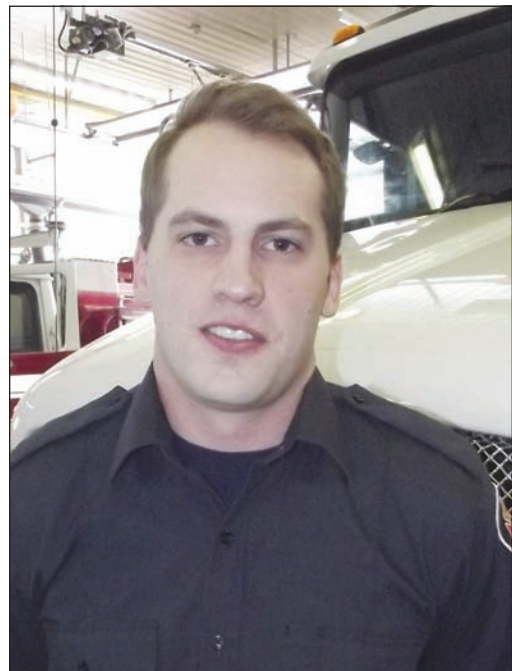
some supplies through Pan and ideally, he'd love to send down some breathing apparatus and defibrillators.

He hopes his flexible military schedule will allow him to return to Nicaragua in the near future.

Visiting this poor nation "humbles you" Cross said, adding life is simple there and people work hard for a living.

Whether it's on a runway tarmac, fighting a grass fire in King, or training firefighters in Nicaragua, Doug Cross will continue to impact the lives of others.

He is a firefighter after all.



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8. Grassy field
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20. Came in first
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22. ____ Bator
23. Reproductive cells
24. Energetic
26. Hand warmer
27. Watch out!
29. Apart
31. Dripping
32. Just
35. Mind
37. Punctuation mark
40. Pokes
42. Parasite
45. Common phrase
46. Sneaker feature
48. Make tea
50. Spasm

51. Mexican entree
53. Of a historic time
55. Actress Merkel
56. Mongolian dwelling
58. Artist's workplace
60. Fix
62. Cowboy's ride
64. Clothes
65. Bristles
66. Simmer
68. One-deity believer
70. 23rd Greek letter
73. Gush
75. Cut one's choppers
79. Historical record
81. Useful legume
84. Kind of room, shortly
85. Beguile
86. That thing's
87. Bird that gives a hoot
88. Type of pickle
89. Bald eagle's kin
90. Legal thing
91. Bloomin' necklace
92. Lethal vessel
93. Rod's companion
94. Previous to, in verse
95. Parabola
96. Curdle

DOWN

1. St. John's-bread
2. Oil source
3. Tropical bird
4. Quilter's gathering
5. Attorney
6. Before long
7. Talking bird
8. Lemur's cousin
9. Call forth
10. Do sums
11. Disgusting
12. Aflame
13. Desire
14. Principle
24. Had aspirations
25. Perhaps
26. Chromosome component
28. Cartridge-box contents
30. Alluvial deposit
33. Throw out
34. Sketch
36. Young society woman
37. Salt Lake ____
38. Antipathy
39. Extremely small
41. Toboggan
43. Vinegar container

44. Hair dye
47. Eaten away
49. Walk in water
52. Lively
54. Drop off
57. Bathroom feature
59. Eccentric
61. Dispense
63. Holiday tune
67. Shine
69. Type of type
70. Harness-racing horse
71. Van Winkle's sound
72. Wacky
74. Mario Van Peebles film
76. Warble
77. Word of greeting
78. Showy display
80. Figure-skating maneuver
82. South American weapon
83. Water jug
86. Great wrath
88. Physician, briefly

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Public involvement urged in 2015 plan reviews

By Mark Pavilons

The official launch of the 2015 review of environmental legislation has all groups fully engaged in this important process.

The provincial government launched the much anticipated public review of the plans that protect the Oak Ridges Moraine, Niagara Escarpment and Greenbelt last week. This review is an important opportunity to strengthen these plans to further protect water, nature and communities in the Greater Golden Horseshoe.

"When these plans were first introduced over 10 years ago, they represented the leading edge in conservation planning and protection of our invaluable land and water resources," said Debbe Crandall, policy advisor for Save the Oak Ridges Moraine (STORM) Coalition. "This review positions the province to re-commit to a strong environmental agenda by strengthening these plans and eliminating policy gaps that have emerged, with the goal of leaving a protected landscape for the next generation of Ontarians."

The appointment of former Toronto mayor David Crombie to lead the 2015 review comes as good news to environmentalists.

Crandall said she's "inspired" by Crombie's appointment. "It's really good news," she said.

Crombie, she noted, has the big picture mentality, credibility and smarts to lead this review.

"It's a really excellent start to the review (process)," she said.

STORM is part of the Oak Ridges Moraine Partnership for 2015, a coalition that includes EcoSpark, Earthroots and Ontario Nature.

A key feature of this area is the Oak Ridges Moraine, a 160-kilometre long landform stretching from Caledon and the Niagara Escarpment in the west, running through King to the Trent River system in the east. The moraine, together with the Niagara Escarpment and Protected Countryside, comprise Ontario's Greenbelt; over 720,000 hectares of protected natural habitat, productive agricultural lands and unique rural communities.

The moraine provides countless benefits to communities at no cost," said Joshua Wise, Greenway Program manager at Ontario Nature. "It stores and filters our water, helps to control floods, regulates climate, and provides habitat for wildlife as well as places for outdoor recreation."

This review is an opportunity to make sure that these plans remain true to their intent - the ongoing protection, enhancement and restoration of southern Ontario's natural heritage.

"It's not good enough to protect islands of nature; we need to connect these embattled landscapes. This review should strengthen, not simply maintain, southern Ontario's natural legacy," he added.

"This review of the plans provides an opportunity to address activities like the dumping of contaminated soil, unmonitored water takings and sprawling developments that were approved more than a decade ago and still threaten this landscape," added Josh Garfinkel, senior campaigner at Earthroots. "Our groups are working with community members to make sure a strong grassroots voice is heard throughout the review."

Joyce Chau, executive director of EcoSpark said: "Our partnership will be active throughout the review to engage Ontarians and demonstrate the incredible public support for the moraine



The picturesque Oak Ridges Moraine, along with the Greenbelt, will undergo a review starting this year. Environmental groups are excited about the appointment of John Crombie to lead the review process.

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and Greenbelt."

"In the last decade, developers have bulldozed an area of farmland larger than twice the size of the City of Ajax. That's at least 20 per cent of the farmland between Lake Ontario and the Greenbelt," said Tim Gray, executive director of Environmental Defence. "Some municipalities are blatantly disregarding the provincial Growth Plan and continuing to sprawl."

"By successfully limiting urban sprawl and directing growth to urban areas, the Greenbelt has protected Ontarians' access to local food, drinking water and natural areas. But the plans need strengthening. It shouldn't be possible to shrink the Greenbelt, or put a mega-highway on Greenbelt land."

King's Susan Swail, also of Environmental Defence, said they're pleased about Crombie's appointment.

"He has shown his strength in the past as a facilitator who ensures diverse views are heard.

"As the review gets under way we hope people will make an effort to attend the meetings and submit their views about how we can improve the Greenbelt, Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan and the Places to Grow Growth Plan."

"Going forward, there is a need to change our growth patterns and I think we'll see that many municipalities still have a long way to go in this regard. King for instance, is still in the midst of our Official Plan review process. It is fairly evident that if we want to protect our resources like clean water, farmland and nature we are going to have to grow differently. The provincial plans require us to examine our patterns of growth. I think we'll see redevelopment in our town cores which should help local economic development efforts. But it is important to note that well designed three storey buildings can accommodate the growth targets in the smaller urban centres.

"I think there is a growing recognition that we need to focus our infrastructure investment and future growth along transit lines, especially in our large urban growth centres like Brampton and Vaughan where there are regional transit stations and subways."

Ontario's Places to Grow Plan and Greenbelt Plan are designed to work together to stop sprawl by aligning future growth with infrastructure to reduce traffic congestion and costs and to support sustainable development. But some municipalities and developers aren't implementing growth plan targets, which keep sprawl developments from paving over farmland and nature.

Every 10 years, the province reviews these plans to see if people and nature are thriving in the Greater Golden Horseshoe or if improvements are needed.

Within the Greenbelt, natural areas and farmland are at risk. Threats include more sprawl development, as well as proposals for unnecessary infrastructure, such as the proposed GTA West mega-highway that would pave over farms and forests, contribute to poorer air quality, and generate more greenhouse gases.

Gray notes stronger policies can pro-

tect our forests, drinking water sources and farmland while encouraging the growth of healthier communities.

"We need stronger policies that align the region's growth with transit hubs to create urban centres where people actually want to live in. By directing growth to urban areas, we can create vibrant, walkable, transit-friendly communities," Gray stressed. "We need to strengthen the Places to Grow and Greenbelt to create this future."

The Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation is looking forward to working with the province on the review.

"We expect our participation will be part of an open, transparent and robust process that allows for full public input," said chair Caroline Schultz.

"The ORMF has led extensive consultations with a wide range of stakeholders, and has coordinated research on the ecological importance of the Moraine. The Foundation's Recommendations Report outlines priorities that are consistent with those of the Province, and is intended to address key issues facing the Moraine as the government begins its review of the ORMCP."

She noted that since 2002, more than \$14.1 million of the original provincial investment, as well as an additional \$35.8 million leveraged through the ORMF's partners, has been allocated to 177 projects in the areas of land securement, land stewardship, education, research, and support for the Oak Ridges Moraine.

"We believe it is in the best interest of the Ontario Government to strengthen the ORMCP to sustain and enhance the Moraine's critical ecological and hydrological functions, and while doing so, reinforce a clear focus on the geological, ecological, recreational, social and economic attributes of the Oak Ridges Moraine as a distinct entity," Schultz added. "The province must ensure our hydrological and ecological resources remain protected, secured and enhanced for our future."

The 2015 Provincial Review of the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan must put the moraine first, and support by a governance model dedicated to stewardship and land securement, Schultz urged.

"A renewed provincial commitment to the moraine is a vital step to maintaining and enhancing this unique resource."

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Caledon development may impact protected lands

By Bill Rea

There's not much concern about the lands proposed for a 28-lot estate subdivision in the northeast part of town, but lots of concerns about the possible impacts on surrounding lands.

Those were the main issues raised at a public information meeting to discuss the proposed draft plan of subdivision and zoning for the development known as Halls Lake Estates development. It will take up about 56.3 hectares at the southeast corner of Old Church Road

and Mount Wolfe Road at Lot 20, Concession 10, Albion.

The meeting was hosted by the Town of Caledon.

This development proposal has been discussed for some time. James Kennedy, of KLM planning Partners Inc., said the discussions started in 1998.

"It's had a somewhat colourful history," he added.

The property is irregularly shaped and the northeast corner of the site comes very close to Hall Lake. Lavecchia said it contains both wetlands and woodlots.

He also said the property contains two policy areas in Caledon's Official Plan, one which allows residential development, while the other doesn't. That means about 23 of the 56 hectares can be developed, while other parcels are to be set aside for open space, environmental protection, storm drainage, etc. The development is slated mostly to the southern portion of the site, with large areas intended to remain in public ownership.

One issue that was raised a number of time is this matter is currently before the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB).

A pre-hearing conference was held Friday, where it was established that the developer referred the matter to OMB because the Town had not acted on the application within 180 days. Another pre-hearing conference has been scheduled for May 1, with the actual hearing now scheduled to start Oct. 5.

But there were a number of people at last Wednesday's meeting who asked why the session was even taking place, since OMB was now involved.

Casey Blakely, manager of development - east for the Town of Caledon, said the idea was to let residents know what's going on, and that they can express concerns and get involved with the OMB process.

The impact on surrounding lands, much of which has been set aside for protection through easements, took up the bulk of discussion at the meeting.

Briony Glassco said her grandparents bought four of the surrounding properties in 1946; one in Caledon and the other three in neighbouring King Township. She said the lands couldn't be farmed because the topsoil has eroded, so they made a long-term commitment to return it to nature. Over the years, they have planted more than 250,000 trees there.

"It was a huge community engagement," she said.

Glassco expressed concerns about Halls Lake, pointing out it's a kettle lake that feeds into the Lake Simcoe watershed. She wondered about the runoff from the development.

The development is slated for lands that straddle two watersheds, controlled by the Lake Simcoe and Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA). She also observed the two municipalities that are involved, and was concerned that King was not represented at the meeting.

As well, Glassco was concerned about wetlands, pointing out they support a variety of wildlife, including two colonies of deer.

The plan is to have the 28 lots serviced by individual septic system. Glassco wondered about the impacts on the groundwater from the septic. She said there's not been enough testing conducted.

She also added a lot of people were not aware that the matter is before OMB, and some were not given enough notice of last week's meeting.

"It doesn't look good when you don't consult the public properly," she said.

Stephanie McVittie, senior development planner with the Town, said notices of the meeting were mailed out to surrounding property owners and signs have been posted on the property. As well, she said advertisements were placed in two Caledon papers, as well as one in King.

Glassco's brother Rufus had some more comments about his family's efforts to create a nature reserve on their lands.

He said they have posted signs warning illegal fishermen and poachers about trespassing, although he said it hasn't always stopped them. He said

they don't want to have to act as game wardens, adding they might have to put up bigger fences to keep poachers out, and that would impede the movement of animals.

Glassco also said the soils there are porous, adding they feed aquifers in the Oak Ridges Moraine. He also said roads in the proposed development will channel water, possibly resulting in it flowing into the lake.

Kennedy replied studies have been done on that, and the results will be submitted to the Town.

Glassco also expressed concerns with the naming the development Halls Lake Estates. Kennedy said that could be discussed, adding he's only been on the project about four months.

Conservation easements on the Glassco lands are held by the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust (ORMLT). Susan Walmer, executive director of ORMLT, said there are 382.5 acres of protected land on the four properties. She said the lands have been kept as a wildlife refuge, and the plan is to maintain that. The problem, she said, is how to protect lands in perpetuity.

Walmer also charged her group received no notice of the OMB hearing, adding neither did a lot of people in the nearby community.

Debbe Crandall, of Save the Oak Ridges Moraine (STORM) Coalition, said she understood these lands were regarded as transitional, but she wasn't sure if the proposal meets the necessary terms. She asked if the Town was ready to raise the issue as to whether this was transitional before OMB.

Blakely said the development application came in first in 1998, before the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan came into effect. She added studies have been updated to reflect the transitional provision in the Plan.

GTAH mayors, chairs strengthen their ties

By Mark Pavilons

The mayors and chairs of the Greater Toronto Area and Hamilton (GTAH) are strengthening their ties and acting as a common front.

This large consortium of municipal leaders are lobbying other levels of government with a common message, according to King Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

He attended the GTAH meeting in Whitby Feb. 6, that included remarks by federal Finance Minister Joe Oliver and Toronto Mayor John Tory.

Pellegrini observed that municipal politicians have to get beyond thinking within municipal boundaries. Here's a group looking for dialogue and ways to find solutions to issues that face everyone in the GTAH.

"That's existing throughout the GTAH," Pellegrini observed. "We're working together to bring a common message."

The local leaders told Oliver that they appreciate the gas tax revenue, but would like to see steady, predictable and planned infrastructure funding.

The mayor observed that municipalities have the smallest portion of taxes, but impact residents' lives the most, much more than the provincial or federal levels.

He's quite pleased that Premier Kathleen Wynne has called for a summit at the end of March to discuss issues with municipal leaders.

Museum is renamed the King Heritage and Cultural Centre

By Mark Pavilons

In an effort to make the King Township Museum and property a hub of the community, it's getting a face lift and name change.

King council approved moving forward with re-positioning the site. It will be called the King Heritage and Cultural Centre.

In a report by Kathleen Fry, Museum curator, and Chris Fasciano, director of Parks, Recreation and Culture, it noted they've been looking at rebranding the site since last fall, transforming the museum site to celebrate our vibrant cultural and heritage features. Major stakeholders - Community Museum Board, Arts Society King and King Township Historical Society - were asked to support this transition and ensure there are no potential funding drawbacks.

The museum has served King for more than 40 years, 15 years under the direction of the Township.

"The positive economic and social contributions of the arts and culture in King are recognized and celebrated at the Museum," the report stated. "The goal is to build on the current operational successes and attract additional visitors through enhanced programming, direct and indirect service models. To achieve this, partnerships will play a significant role. The next few months will be critical in beginning to frame this transition and bring all the key components together to enhance the operations of the site."

To bring it all together, it was decided to rename it as the King Heritage and Cultural Centre, which was identified as being more inclusive and fitting with the future plans.

Staff are looking at renewing formal agreements with local groups that share the facility, including KTHS, ASK and KTA. Space may be leased to other parties as well.

Staff will be looking at physical improvements to the site as well, which will include new signs, parking, window upgrades, installing a kitchen, upgrades to the washrooms to meet accessibility requirements, and additional storage space.

As it all comes together, Township staff will boost the level of arts and cultural programming at the site and within the community.

Elevating the Museum to this new cultural "hub" is in keeping with all of King's strategic plans, including the Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan, Museum Strategic Business Plan and Sustainability Plan.

The changes will be done right away and the Township was able to secure some extra funding from a federal grant, and the Fawcett Bequest Fund, for the shelving and display case purchases. Any additional funding has been included in the 2015 facilities division work plan in the current budget.

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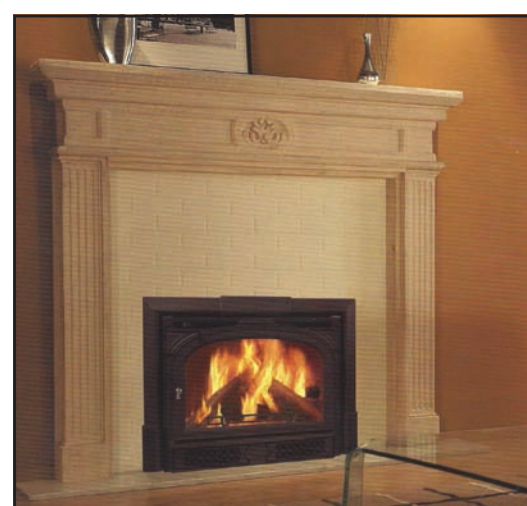
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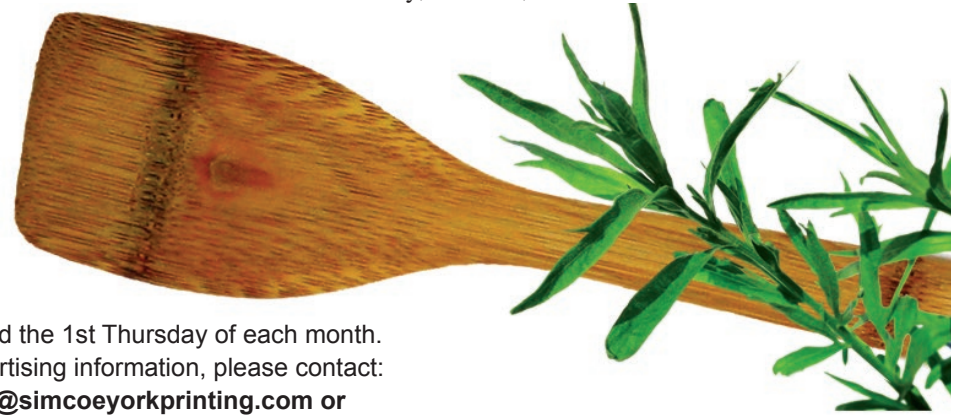


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St. Patrick's Day

While St. Patrick's Day may now be most quickly associated with parades and green beer, for many celebrants the day also marks a chance to indulge in Ireland's native cuisine.

When asked to think of Irish cuisine, many people might immediately think of corned beef and cabbage or even the versatile potato. But the Emerald Isle is rich in culinary history, and some might be surprised to learn Irish cuisine is about more than just the staples served on St. Patrick's Day. For those who want to try their hand at something new this year, consider the following recipe for "Cider-Braised Chicken and Cabbage" from Margaret M. Johnson's "The Irish Pub Cookbook" (Chronicle Books).



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Cider-Braised Chicken and Cabbage - Serves 6

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1/3 cup all-purpose flour 6 5- to 6-ounce bone-in chicken breast halves, skin on 1/4 cup olive oil 4 to 5 cloves garlic 3 carrots, peeled and thickly sliced 1 large onion, thickly sliced 3 bay leaves 1/2 cup golden raisins 2 tablespoons minced fresh flat-leaf parsley 2 tablespoons fresh rosemary 2 cups shredded Savoy cabbage 1 cup canned low-sodium chicken broth, or 1 chicken bouillon cube mixed with | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 cup boiling water 1 cup Irish cider, preferably Magnier's brand Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Preheat the oven to 325 F. Combine the flour, salt and pepper in a shallow bowl and dredge the chicken in it, shaking off the excess. In a large skillet over medium heat, warm the oil. Add the chicken in batches and cook for 3 to 4 minutes on each side, until lightly browned. Transfer the chicken to a large ovenproof baking dish. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Tuck the garlic, carrots, onions, and bay leaves in between the chicken pieces. Sprinkle with the raisins, parsley and rosemary. Place the cabbage on top, season with salt and pepper, and pour the stock or broth and cider over the meat and vegetables. Cover with foil and bake for 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 hours, or until the chicken is tender. To serve, place a chicken breast in the center of each of six plates, and spoon the vegetables and sauce over the top. |
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Dog Tales sanctuary in King saves more horses

By Mark Pavilons

Leaders at a King animal sanctuary rallied the troops once more, saving some magnificent horses from the worst fate of all.

Dog Tales staff visited an auction Saturday (Feb. 28) that is frequented by “kill buyers” who purchase horses that are put to hard labour or go to sale for slaughter (meat).

According to Georgette Dunn, media director for Dog Tales, they were able to intercept and bid against meat dealers on three horses, including a young pair of pulling Shire horses. They were marched through the sales hall harnessed up together but one could tell that they were young and not trained for this type of work.

She said when the seller thought that the price might be compromised due to the lack of training he asked the auctioneer to say that they have never been off property, but that they are willing and will work all day long.

“This was pathetic, meaning that he wanted them to go for a higher price,” she said. “Also they made mention of the total weight of the two of them, obviously trying to attract a meat dealer.”

Dog Tales also won a Belgian draft horse that was very big and heavy that was at risk of going for meat that was significantly lame on his hind legs.

“All in all it was a fantastic rescue day and we welcome our three new horses to Dog Tales.”

Last November Dog Tales staff picked up 11 draft horses, one mule and one Arabian horse, loaded them up and brought them to their new King home. While they may have ruffled some feathers at the auction house, they were simply carrying out their mandate – saving horses and giving them a comfortable place to live out the rest of their days.

The equine rescues are not ridden or adopted out, but rather live out their lives in comfort. Most are older, perhaps 20. They live upwards of 25 to 30 years.

Dunn said many of these animals tend to be long-service working draft horses, who’ve performed their menial tasks faithfully for years. Their last stop, she said, is the meat buyer.

While some meat is sold in Ontario, most is exported to foreign markets. Some horse meat is used as byproducts in pet food.

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada reported that 71,961 horses died in Canadian slaughterhouses in 2013 – more than 1,380 per week. There are five federally licenced plants in Canada, but none in Ontario.

Almost 60% of these horses originate from the U.S. where horse slaughter ended in 2007.

The 48-acre property in King has plenty of room to roam and the animals are also encouraged to socialize with one another.

For more on the rescue efforts of Dog Tales/Horse Haven, visit www.dogtales.ca.



Dog Tales staff saved three horses from auction last week, including a beautiful Belgian draft horse.

Submitted Photos

Society Farm Tour is March 14

The Schomberg Agricultural Society or the “Ag Society” as it is affectionately known, is celebrating its 11th annual Farm Tour on Saturday, March 14.

This drive-yourself car tour gives everyone a chance to see what some aspects of farming are all about, pet a calf and talk to a farmer. The tour lasts from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the 14th and they ask that you please leave your dogs at home.

Four farms and farm equipment places will open their gates to you and at the Schomberg Fairgrounds you will be treated to performances by Agility dogs.

You can pick tickets up for this popular event at these different merchants in the area one week before the tour – Nobleton Feed Mill; Tottenham Feed Service; Tottenham Home Hardware; Brownsville Pharmachoice; Richvale Saddlery; Schomberg Rona and Schomberg TruCountry & Garden.

The tickets are \$10 per car and with that you get a map that allows you access to the farms involved with the tour. You’ll get a personal tour, have your questions answered and get a peak at a way of life that otherwise you may never be privy to!

Tickets will also be available on the day of the tour at the Schomberg Community Hall, 325 Main Street, Schomberg. This is the headquarters for the day-and where you can purchase a light lunch at some point during the day and free face painting is available for the kids.

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Cyclones cap off perfect season with championship

By JAKE COURTEPATTE

In a regular season that saw Country Day School dominate from start to finish, the Cyclones took home the Senior Boys' DII CISAA championship in a 6-4 win on Friday.

They opened their postseason schedule with a trip to the semi-finals Friday morning, receiving a first-round bye after compiling a 9-0-1 record in CISAA action over the regular season.

Facing off against Crestwood Preparatory College, who they handily defeated 7-2 in a game mid-February, they continued their offensive onslaught by booking their trip to the finals with an 8-2 victory.

Meeting them in the finals was Toronto French School, who held the Cyclones to a close 3-1 game in their last meeting.

This would also prove to be a closely contested game, with the Cyclones coming out on top as CISAA champions in a 6-4 win.

The senior boys were able to hoist the trophy on home ice, winning both games at King City Arena.



In a closely contested game, The Country Day School's Sr. Boys' D2B Hockey team won the CISAA Championship against the Toronto French School, 6-4, in King City Arena on Friday. They topped Crestwood Preparatory College, 8-2, earlier in the day in the semi-finals. The Cyclones overall season record was 15-0-1.

Submitted Photo

Cougars ready to take on Hornets in championship

By Jake Courtepatte

The stage is set for the final act of the Georgian Mid-Ontario Hockey League season.

A double-overtime loss for the Alliston Hornets against the Orillia Terriers proved to be simply a bump in the road to the championship, as they closed out their semifinal series in five games on Friday with a resounding 5-0 win.

Waiting for the Hornets in the finals is the Schomberg Cougars, who have put together a somewhat Cinderella performance through two postseason series.

The sixth-seeded Cougars toppled the number-three Huntsville Otters in six games in round one, before disposing of the reigning league champion Penetang Kings in a four-game sweep in the semi-finals.

However, it is the Hornets that present their biggest challenge yet.

Not only did they lead the league in standings, but also sat atop the statistics page in goals-for and goals-against.

Perhaps the biggest obstacle facing the Cougars is their performance on the road. With Alliston holding home-ice advantage as the top seed, they could get to play in front of a home crowd up to four times, a crowd that has shown immense support throughout the season.

The Hornets had the highest attendance rating throughout the regular season, with over 350 fans per game showing up each night to cheer them on. They lost three games at home all season.

Meanwhile, the Cougars put up a less-than-mediocre 7-11-2 record on the road this season, countered only by a strong performance at the Trisan Centre.

The Cougars will be hoping that their nine-day rest period is an advantage over the still-warm Hornets, as they visit the rowdy New Tec Rec on Wednesday (after press time for Game 1).

The series resumes at home at the Trisan Centre on Thursday, where the Cougars have achieved resounding success this postseason. They are 5-0 when playing on home ice.

Alliston has been in every championship series since 2008, winning on six of seven occasions. Schomberg last won the Junior C championship in 2003 over the Stayner Siskins.

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

Nobleton Tennis Club registration

Nobleton Tennis Club registration for the 2015 season will be held April 8 at the Nobleton Arena from 7-9 p.m. Online registration will open April 1. Early bird registration fees are in effect until April 30, so register early! Come and join in for fitness and fun. There will be opportunities for people that are new to the sport and would like to learn to play as well as for players who have experience. For more, visit www.nobletontennisclub.com.

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Friday night 'tropicurl' in King curling action

By SHELLEE MORNING

With the average temperature of minus 14 this past month, and many people heading south for some sunshine and warmer weather, the Friday night social league decided to bring the "South" here, right down at ice level.

The social league, famous for its many different theme nights, didn't disappoint this past weekend with a "Tropicurl" twist in adding a bit more fun to their already entertaining style of play. Hawaiian shirts, leis, and sunglasses were just a few of the dazzling pieces of attire worn by curlers all taking part in forgetting the cold winter blues, and bringing a bit of sunshine to the rink.

The vortex of cold air that has surrounded the local tundra this past month has everyone wishing they were laying on a beach with a fruity beverage in hand and without a second thought to the shovelling, scraping, and 3 layers of extra sweaters that have been needed on a daily basis.

League convenor Rosie Kamstra, who dreams up most of the Friday league themes, said this is her way of bringing that island flavour to the rink for the less fortunate.

With playoffs lingering just ahead, the Tropicurl night of curling was a great way to bring in some fun before the serious game of curling returns. The hurry hard crew have played some great close games during the second half of the season and

the playoffs will undoubtedly be an exciting conclusion to the 2015 season. Stay tuned!

Cobras curl to victory

King Cobra Bantams were back in action this past weekend with a game against the Dixie Royal Ice Hawks. King, who was sitting in 5th place while Dixie was just behind in 6th overall going into the match, were both looking to improve in their standings.

After both teams collected a point each in the first 2 ends the game was setting up to be a tight rock-hugging match. In the 4th, a great draw to the centre 4 foot ring allowed King a 3 point end to take a 4-2 lead.

Lead Natasha Porocco delivered a pristine come around that settled in the back 8 foot rings during the 5th to start things off for the Cobras, but the house quickly clogged up with rocks after a series of light draws. Skip Mills called for a wide guard by (sister) Ashley but her stone feathered a wick off a Dixie stone then rolled it onto the edge of the 12 foot to lie 2.

Skip Mills threw a guard on his first but nerves got the best of him on his 2nd as the stone failed to reach the hog line leaving a small port for Dixie to draw for the single. The Dixie skip threw too light and his rock wrecked before entering the rings handing a steal of 2 now making it 6-2 for King. The 6th resulted in 2 points for Dixie bringing the score 6-4, but the hammer returned to King for the final 7th end due to time running out.

In the 7th there were more rocks in front then they would have liked and Dixie was setting up for a steal of 2 when Ashley Mills made a nice hit to remove the shot stone. Her shooter was left open for a hit and roll to sit 2 buried, but a couple of misses by the skips left her rock there for Skip Brent to nose and allow Dixie to score only one for a King 6-5 win.

Lead Natalia Porocco played a solid game making 10 out the 14 called shots upon her and the Mills siblings did their part with the hits and come-arounds.

Sweeping is as big a part to the game of curling as the draws and hits. A sweeper can help control the line of curl and drag a rock as it descends down the sheet to its resting point.

Nick Caradonna made the difference for his team with his immense sweeping ability that evidently kept his team ahead of the game.

The Cobras now boast a record of 5-2-1 for a total of 30 points in the Toronto Inter-club league and with only 2 games left in the schedule, it's sure to be an exciting finish.



Nobleton TKD members earned medals at their first-ever tournament recently.

Nobleton Taekwon-Do takes medals at tournament

By F. Adriano

Six members of Nobleton TKD, participated for the first time Feb. 21, at the 7th annual Legacy TKD tournament, run by Master Facciolo in King City.

The locals ranged from yellow belt to red-stripe.

For some of the students 6 to 13 years of age, this was their first foray into the two-minute sparring competition and they made their instructors, Mr. Adriano, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Rinna and Mr. Scarfo very proud.

Daniel Tofoli, Victoria and Adrian Tuppin and (living up to their last name) Alex, Olivia and Lily Champion each took home a medal for sparring and pattern competition. Daniel Tofoli, who took double gold, said: "I was a little nervous because I didn't know what to expect but it was really fun."

One of the black belt instructors, Mr. Gallo, commented that it is nice to see friendly competition where our students can see how they measure up to students from other clubs.

Nobleton TKD runs classes every Monday and Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Dr. William Lacey Nobleton Arena. New members are always welcome for a free trial classes.

View Caledon Pan Am Equestrian Park renovation progress in video

With just over 100 days to go until the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games, work crews have made excellent progress on the new builds at the Caledon Pan Am Equestrian Park this winter.

"The beauty and functionality of the Park will be celebrated by Caledon residents for years to come," said Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson. "To see the final phase(s) come to life is so exciting. Caledon is Pan Am ready!"

During February, the coldest February since 1875, the new structures have come to life.

Caledon's Bethany Lee, communications manager, was on-site to interview Sherry Brake, project manager, and Craig Collins, Chair of the TO2015 Sport Organizing Committee (Equestrian). Together they tour the site of the community room, which will seat 150 people, the indoor competition arena and the stabling area.

"We have done some research and have found that ours is the largest indoor competition ring in Canada," said Collins.

To see the tour, go to <https://vimeo.com/120736251>.



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Nobleton Karate students earn their belts, honours

Students at Nobleton Karate have been working hard to advance to their next belt level. On Wednesday, Feb. 25, the club held its grading.

Earning their blue belts were Sarah Fazari, Alejandro Huard-Tordecillas and Lorenzo Rossi.

Earning their green/blue stripe belts were Mario Barbieri and Adam Fortura.

Stephen Kolody earned his green belt.

Isabella Pillozzi and Juliano Pillozzi earned their orange/green stripe belts.

Advancing to orange belt were Luke Baldasti, Caitlin Morrison and Maddy Piccirillo.

A slew of students earned their yellow belts. They were Steven Collura, PeytonFlys, Abbey Kijewski, Isabella Kijewski, Julian Parisi, Jose Andres Ramirez, Juan-Sebastian Ramirez and Christian Zerillo.

Earning their yellow stripes were Shaan Banga, Ethan Costa, Jacob Costa, Noah Gullo, Kyla Ruthven, Lucas Vescio.

Two students received special awards from Okinawa, Japan. The Challenge Okinawa was issued on October 25, 2014 which is karate day in Japan. Students had to do at least one kata every day for 100 days witnessed by an adult.



Stephen Kolody received his award for performing one kata every day. Sarah Fazari, a student who last year was given the "Warrior Spirit" award, went above and beyond. She performed all her katas, a total of 8, every day for 100 days. It is this dedication and perseverance that makes a true martial artist, and to see this develop at such a young age is truly remarkable. Congratulations and well done!

Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games torch relay will come through King City

More than 180 celebrations are set to take place during the 41-day journey of the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay, presented by President's Choice® and OLG.

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Canadians can learn about the torch relay celebrations taking place in their community and mark the date in their calendar. More than 130 Ontario communities and five communities outside of Ontario will have the honour of hosting the Pan Am flame during community celebrations.

Runners will travel through King and stop at King City Public School on June 25, day 26 of the relay.

As it makes its way to the opening ceremony of the Pan Am Games, the torch relay will visit six Canadian Forces Bases, a national and provincial park as well as five First Nations communities, including the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, the official Host First Nation of the Games. The torch relay will also visit five national historic sites, including Fort Henry in Kingston and the Halifax Citadel.

"The Games are all about bringing people together, and the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay will unite Ontarians, Canadians and communities," said Saäd Rafi, chief executive officer of the Toronto 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games Organizing Committee (TO2015). "This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for people to experience the emotion, excitement and significance of the Pan Am flame."

The torch relay begins its journey when the Pan Am flame is lit during a traditional Aztec lighting ceremony at the Pyramid of the Sun in Teotihuacan, Mexico, before landing in Canada on May 30. From Toronto, the flame heads to Thunder Bay on May 31 where it will visit the Terry Fox Monument before arriving in Nipigon, the most northern town on the Ontario leg of the journey. The smallest towns the torch will pass through on its journey are Bruce Mines (population 566) and White River (population 607).

On July 1, the torch will take part in Canada Day festivities on Parliament Hill in the nation's capital, providing a chance to celebrate and share the Pan Am spirit during Canada's biggest birthday party.

Three-thousand torchbearers will carry the flame through communities across Ontario as well as Richmond, BC, Calgary, AB, Winnipeg, MB, Montreal, QC and Halifax, NS. The torch will see more than 60 modes of transportation while touring through Canada and exceed 5,000 kilometres on the road and 15,000 kilometres by air. The torch relay will finish in Toronto on July 10, 2015, to light the cauldron at the opening ceremony, signifying the start of the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games.

Specific timing for the more than 180 community celebrations will be confirmed beginning in May. The street-level route will also be confirmed in May.



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Nobleton Tennis Club gearing up for new season

Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone
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St. Paul's Church

We welcome our new Youth Leader - Taylor Scott - and invite all students from Grades 7 to 12 to come out and meet her on Friday, March 6. The group will meet at the church starting at 7 p.m.

Join us Sunday, March 8 at 10 a.m. as we welcome our intern Soong Huh to the pulpit. Soong will be starting a new series on the book of Nehemiah. First-Link child care (for children 3 years of age and younger) is provided during the gathering and our Regular Kidz-Konnection and NextStep Program (for children ages 4 to 11) takes place at the same time.

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

For more information about ANY of our activities or events, please contact the church office at 905-859-0843 or visit our website at www.stpaulsnobleton.ca.

Nobleton United

On Sunday March 8, Nobleton United will be worshipping at 9:30 a.m. at our sister church Schomberg United. Guest speaker, Rev. Darren Liepold, will speak on World Religions. This is the third Sunday of Lent where we remember that Jesus meditated in the wilderness for 40 days. A light lunch will be served afterwards.

There will be Lenten study throughout March on Wednesdays at 2 p.m. We are alternating locations. Last week was at Nobleton United. This week (March 11) we will study at Schomberg United Church. You are most welcome to join us.

Messy Church starts on Tuesday, March 10 and continues on the second Tuesday of every month, 5-7 p.m. The theme will be based on a Bible story with activities related to the theme.

There will be choices of activities each month that will appeal to the different ages (from 2 years old to teenagers). This is an intergenerational activity. We conclude by eating a meal together. Each child must be accompanied by a responsible adult (parent, grandparent, caregiver). We are inviting the community to participate at no charge. Donations gratefully received.

Many of the activities will be messy. The idea is to have fun while experiencing a Bible story each month. Please wear clothes that might get messy! At the conclusion, we will all eat together. Cappuccino Bakery has kindly offered to supply us with pizza. We will also have a veggie tray, a fruit tray, and pig cookies. To sign up or for more information, contact Nancy at 905-859-0761 or email nancy@hopkinson.ca, or send a message to the Church via our website www.nobletonunitedchurch.com.

Immanuel Reformed Church

Who Made It?

Sir Isaac Newton had a friend who, like himself, was a great scientist. But this friend was an unbeliever, and the two men often discussed the Christian faith.

Newton had a skillful mechanic make a replica of our solar system. In the centre was a large gilded ball representing the sun. Revolving around this were smaller balls fixed on the ends of arms of varying lengths, representing the planets in their proper order (Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars and so forth). These balls were so geared together by cogs and belts as to move in perfect harmony when the crank was turned.

One day, as Newton sat reading in his study with the mechanism on a large table near him, his friend stepped in. He recognized at a glance what was on the table. Slowly he turned the crank and, with evident admiration, watched the heavenly bodies moving at their relative speeds in their orbits. Standing off a bit, the friend exclaimed, "What an exquisite thing this is! Who made it?" Without looking up from his book, Newton answered, "Nobody!" Quickly turning to Newton, the unbeliever said, "Evidently you did not understand my question. I asked who made this thing."

Looking up, Newton solemnly assured his friend that nobody had made it, but that the aggregation of matter he so much admired had just happened to assume the form it was in. But the astonished man replied, getting warmer, "You must think I'm a fool! Of course somebody made it, and he is a genius. I'd like to know who he is."

Laying his book aside, Newton arose and laid a hand on his friend's shoulder. "This thing is but a puny imagination of a much grander system whose laws you know, and I am not able to convince you that this mere toy is without either designer or maker! Now tell me, by what sort of reasoning do you reach such incongruous conclusions?"

The man was at once convinced and became a firm believer that "the LORD, He is God" (1 Kings 18:39).

"All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made." (John 1:3).

"Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the Lord, and He will have mercy on him; And to our God, for He will abundantly pardon." (Isaiah 55:6,7)

Immanuel Reformed Church in Nobleton meets for worship service every Sunday at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. All are welcome to join us as we meet in the United Church building at 6076 King Road, Nobleton. See www.immanuel-reformed.ca. If you are interested in meeting to learn about the Bible, call Pastor Maurice Luimes 905-859-8581 for arrangements.

There is a ladies Coffee Break at the church (same as address above), Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Any ladies interested in studying the Bible are welcome to join. Call Mary at 905-729-2728 for more information or email immanuelcoffeebreak@gmail.com.

St. Mary's Church

The Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord, a day of prayer at St. Mary's Church, Nobleton March 25.

Please join us as we pray the Holy Rosary the entire day, so that we may send our heartfelt thanks to Our Lady for saying Yes to God's will.

Schedule: 7:30 a.m.: Beginning of 2,000 Hail Mary Devotion; 3 p.m., exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; 6:45 p.m., Benediction and 7 p.m. Holy Mass

Come, open your heart and share your love with Our Lady. Rosaries and Prayer books will be provided.

Nobleton Tennis Club

Nobleton Tennis Club registration for the 2015 season will be held April 8 at the Nobleton Arena 7-9 p.m. On line registration will open April 1. Early bird registration fees are in effect until April 30, so register early! Come and join us for fitness and fun. There will be opportunities for people that are new to the sport and would like to learn to play as well as for players who have experience. Visit www.nobletontennisclub.com.

Anglican Parish By John Arnott

This past Sunday, March 1 the Anglican Parish of Lloydtown marked the 2nd Sunday of Lent and the day the Christian Church honours St. David (Dewi Sant in Welsh) patron saint of Wales or Cymru as its Celtic inhabitants call it, the small mountainous country that is part of Britain.

Daffodils and leeks both emblems of Wales graced the front of Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church in Schomberg and a decorative bulletin cover told the story of the much loved saint.

Visiting priest Father Paul Robinson pointed out that according to tradition while fighting the invading Anglo-Saxons St. David told the defending Cymraeg (Welsh) who wore a variety of uniforms to fasten the onion like leek to their helmets so that in battle they could tell friend from foe. And thus this plant was adopted as a national symbol.

Worth remembering is this saying attributed to St. David: "Let us hold fast to faith and remember to fulfil even the small tasks entrusted to our doing."

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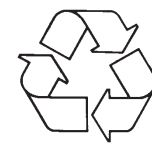
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York Region gears up for annual Southlake fundraiser

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The friendly competition challenges municipalities to raise the most in pledges for the largest annual fundraiser for the Southlake Foundation, with the winner taking home the coveted Mayor's Cup.

"It's a friendly way of getting everyone involved," said Dionne Malcolm, communications manager at the Southlake Foundation. "It gets the ball rolling early."

Mayor Virginia Hackson of East Gwillimbury took home the trophy last year, as her team raised just shy of \$10,000.

Taking place in late April at the Stronach Recreation Complex in Aurora, this family-friendly event raises funds for new and replacement hospital equipment that is not covered by the Government of Ontario.

This year's fundraising goal is \$175,000.

Registration is currently open for both individuals and teams at www.runforsouthlake.ca.



York mayors, including King's Steve Pellegrini (far right) show their support for this year's Run or Walk for Southlake.

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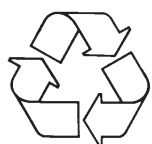
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- Balance daily A/R batches; prepare and distribute income reports and statistics to key personnel.
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- Form collection strategies to mitigate customer objections to making timely A/R payments.
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- Maintain a filing system for all financial documents.
- Ensure the confidentiality and security of all financial and employee files.
- Provide backup support to the receptionist for answering of phone calls.
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QUALIFICATIONS:

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704 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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707 BIRTHS

DOUBLE THE FUN! Michael & Karen Doyle are thrilled to announce the birth of two new grandsons. Quinton Raja was born at 9:41 am on Sunday February 8 in Southlake Hospital. He is welcomed by proud parents Amie & Michael Isaac and big sister Caroline. Our 8th grandchild, Shay Kenneth, was born on Sunday February 8 at 10:45 am in Southlake Hospital in Newmarket. Proud first time parents are Jessica and Adrian Brown. This makes 12 great-grandchildren for Nana (Earla McCullough). We never knew how much our hearts could hold till someone called us Grandpa and Grandma. Congratulations Chris & Ralph Brown and Pam & Ram Isaac!

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King's Corners

King City United
By Eleanor Fry

March is here! Can spring be far behind?

Rev. Evelyn talked about "The Nature of Justices" and "Unleashed Generosity." Have you ever been asked to do something that goes against what your faith is? That's a hard choice. We don't like having to make those decisions.

In the book of Esther, Mordecai knows that Justice must occur. He refuses to bow down to a mean, selfish, prideful man who wants to wipe out all the Jews. He stands up to Haman, whose ego is beaten and the Jewish people are saved. Parables are great stories that Jesus used of situations that the disciples and other followers would understand and be able to follow. Matthew wrote 12 parable between chapters 13 and 20. One of them tells of the owner of a vineyard who hires some workers for the usual daily wage. A while later he hires some more, and again even lat-

er in the day. Everyone ends up getting the same amount of pay. Of course the first ones hired were not happy.

Think back to what they agreed to, the usual daily wage. The owner says "I paid what we agreed to. Are you envious because I am generous?" It's not a fair parable. It's not a fair deal. It's about bestowing grace and mercy to all. God's grace abounds and there is more than enough to go around.

Johnny Carson joked one night about there being a shortage of toilet paper in L.A. The next day, everyone who watched the show went and bought toilet paper. The next day there really was a shortage of toilet paper. They hoarded more than they needed, leaving others with nothing at all. It's about sharing our wealth with all. It's about bestowing grace and mercy to all. There is more than enough to go around. "Unleashed Generosity."

We are so blessed with many musical talents in our midst. This one was a very special feature. Wayne has been part of our choir for some time, but had never sung a solo before. What a treat! His notes so clear and precise. He sang

"Where E'er You Walk." We are blessed, indeed.

World Day of Prayer Friday, March 6 at 1:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church 14465 Jane St. This is for all the congregations and for men and women. The program is arranged by the women of the Bahamas. Join us to learn about their people, their way of life, their hardships and their blessings. Refreshments will be served.

Earle needs your stories and events for our newsletter. Deadline is March 8. Leave them with our church office, or email them to vc3xcl@yahoo.ca.

The basket in the Narthex is for "Every Girl. Everywhere. Period." We now have lots of washcloths, but now need panties size M and L. Please leave them at the church by Friday. They will be delivered to Living Waters Presbyterial meeting on Saturday, March 7. For any information go to <http://www.daysforgirls.org>.

Bible Study continues each week Wednesday 10:30 in the chapel. Join in to share views and study the scriptures for the following Sunday.

Irish Supper will be Saturday, March

14 at 5:30 p.m. Adults, \$15, children under 12, \$5. Call our office to order your tickets. If you can help in any way please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Instead of giving up something for Lent, Do one act of kindness each day.

We welcome one and all to our 10 a.m. Sunday worship service with Sunday school. Stay for refreshments and conversation. We're at 50 Elizabeth Grove. Office, 905-833-5181, email kcuc@bellnet.ca, Reverend Evelyn McLachlan, kcucmin@bellnet.ca website, www.kcuc.ca.

King City Seniors Centre

Beginner Bridge has started on Wednesday afternoons at 1 p.m. Help and encouragement is available to all beginners and novices, so come out and give it a try.

Everyone is welcome to our annual Pancake Supper on Tuesday, March 10 at the Centre. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. It runs 5-7 p.m. Don't miss it.

See 'York' on Page 17

708 DEATHS

BRISTOW: Pauline, Edna, Lorene.

Peacefully, with her son at her side at Collingwood General and Marine Hospital on Wednesday February 25th, 2015. Pauline (Vernon), in her 65th year, loving mother of Vicki and Rupert Hewison and Corey and Tiffany Bristow. Sadly missed by her grandchildren Tony, Chris, Sarah, Cameron, Nathaniel, Natalie Hewison and Charlie Bristow. Dear sister of Robert (Sandra), Dorene (Randy) and Darlene (John). Fondly remembered by Ernie Bristow, her dear friend Linda and her many nieces and nephews. Rested at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, 1666 Tottenham Road, Tottenham, 905-936-3477 on Monday March 2nd, 2015 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Funeral service was held in the chapel 11:00 am Tuesday March 3rd, 2015 followed by cremation. Donations in Pauline's memory to the Collingwood General and Marine Hospital, 459 Hume Street, Collingwood, L9Y 1W8 would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

FINDLAY: Rita Patricia Peacefully, surrounded by the love of her family, on Saturday February 28, 2015 at the Bob Rumball Home in Barrie. Rita Ryan, in her 91st year, beloved wife of the late William "Bill" Findlay. Loving sister of Frances Ryan, Kay Coles, and the late Mary Kearns, Rose Ryan, and Pat Ryan. Loved by her adoring Nieces and Nephew: Doreen Dubreuil (the late Ray), Pat Baguley (the late Bob), Linda Woolner (Doug), and Barry Kearns. Sadly missed by her great nieces: Michelle Brown (Jim), and the late Tracy Woolner, and her great great nieces: Miranda (Brandon) Browne, and Cassandra, and her great great great nephews: Jacoby and Karsyn. Forever in the hearts of all her extended family, friends, and staff at the Bob Rumball Home Barrie. The family will receive friends at Rod Abrams Funeral Home 1666 Tottenham Rd., Tottenham 905-936-3477, on Thursday March 5, 2015 from 2-4 and 7-9pm. Mass of Christian Burial will be held in St. James Church Colgan on Friday March 6, 2015 at 11am. Interment to follow in St. James Cemetery. For those who wish, donations to "Holy Spirit Church Building Fund" would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

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HANNAH: Vivian May (nee Eggleton)

Peacefully in her sleep at home, Brampton, on Thursday, February 26, 2015, Vivian Hannah, in her 96th year, beloved wife of the late Lloyd Hannah. Loving mother of Murray and his wife Gail. Predeceased by her son Gary. Adored grandmother of Kevin and Renee, Greg and Roxann, Brian and Krystal, Krista and Shannon. Cherished great grandmother of Sean, Mackenzie, Morgan, Aiden and Brandon. Remembered by her siblings Everett, Bert, and Norma, predeceased by Ormal and Shirley. The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S. (Hwy. 50), Bolton (905-857-2213) on Friday afternoon 2 - 4 and evening 7 - 9 o'clock. Funeral service was held in the chapel on Saturday morning, February 28th at 11 o'clock. Followed by cremation. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

HARRIS: Osmond Seymour.

Peacefully, surrounded by his family, at Mackenzie Health Care Centre, Richmond Hill on Friday, February 20, 2015, Osmond Harris, Nobleton, in his 87th year, beloved husband of Hazel Irene (nee Marwood). Loving father of Brenda and her husband Martin Hollern, and the late Gloria Harris. Cherished grandfather of Kerry and Alex, Amanda and Karol, and Michael. Predeceased by his brother Calvin and twin sister Gloria. The family wishes to thank the staff at Mackenzie Health Care Centre for their compassionate care of Osmond. Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date. If desired, memorial donations may be made in Osmond's name to CNIB, 1929 Bayview Avenue, East York M4G 0A1 or at www.cnib.ca. Arrangements by Egan Funeral Home, Bolton (905-857-2213). Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com



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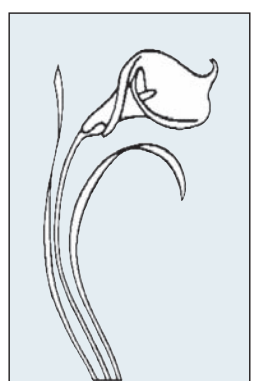
WOOD: David Ian, 50, of Squamish B.C. died unexpectedly on February 11, 2015. A gathering with friends and family to share memories, reminisce, and pay tribute to Dave will be held on Friday March 6th between 6pm and 8pm at St. Louis Bar & Grill at Unit #1 301 Queen St. South in Bolton, Ontario. David was born in Toronto, Ontario on March 11, 1964. He attended King City Secondary School. Dave found pleasure in the simple things in life enjoying taking in the natural beauty of our land, fishing, and scenic photography. He had a kind soul and a gentle spirit, which were captured in his poems. *It's about the rest of our lives* *It ought to take some time* *As babbling brooks Join as one* *To make a river run Through sand and pebble* *Worn from boulders On a mountain high* *As labyrinths of twisted roots* *Hold some banks together* *Others slowly sigh* *Some must wash away more quickly* *As time does pass them by*

David leaves his love to his daughter Tatiana. He is survived by his brother Neil; his sister Heather (Rob); his nephews; and the rest of his family and friends. His loving Mother, Agnes Wood, precedes David in death. Flowers are gratefully declined. David's family will be planting a tree in David's memory with the "Town of Caledon Memorial Tree Program". Anyone wishing to make a donation in memory of David may contribute to a Trust Account that has been set up for David's daughter, Tatiana. Donations will be accepted on March 6th at the gathering or can be made by contacting Neil Wood.

TINNEY: Raymond Garnet. At Royal Victoria Health Centre, Barrie, on Tuesday February 24th, 2015. Ray Tinney, in his 89th year, beloved husband of the late Wilma (Barr). Loving father of Elwood and Debbie of Bradford, Glen and Liz of Innisfil, Linda and Brian Fuller of Alliston, and Barry of Florida. Sadly missed by his 11 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Dear brother of Bruce, Connie and the late Bev, Shirley and Vera. The family will receive friends at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, 1666 Tottenham Road, Tottenham, 905-936-3477 on Saturday March 7th, 2015 from 10:30 am until time of Memorial service in the chapel at 12:00 noon. Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario 112 Commerce Park Drive, Unit 1, Barrie, ON. L4N 8W8, would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

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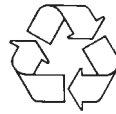
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Seniors' Travel Club

Are you ready for a full day of activity? Join the Travel Club on Wednesday, April 22 as we travel slightly west with a stop at the Windmill Country Market for some shopping (bakery, deli, gifts), then on to lunch at the Brantford Club before finally arriving at the Sanderson Theatre in Brantford, where elite members of the Golden Dragons Acrobats will flawlessly perform the newest spectacle "Cirque Ziva." The cost is \$104 per person, due by March 17. The coach leaves the arena at 9 a.m. To reserve your spot, call Jane at 905-833-5870, or Nora at 905-833-6162.

York Pines United

The community is welcome to participate in the following activities:

Stew Supper, Tuesday March 17; 5 to 7 p.m.

Comfort food for a cold night - beef stew just like Grandma used to make! Yummy bread pudding with maple syrup for dessert. All for only \$12 for adults; \$5 for children ages five to 12; children under age five dine free. Dine-in or take-out option. Limited tickets available, don't be disappointed; purchase yours early. Proceeds support the charitable

work of the York Pines United Church Women.

Yoga in Spirit. Stacey Hollings returns to York Pines. Plan to arrive for 7:30 p.m. and benefit from the stretching and meditation. The evening ends with refreshment and you are on your way by 9 p.m. Newcomers are welcome. Your donation is appreciated. Classes will be Tuesday, March 10, Wednesday, March 18, no class week of March 23, Tuesday, March 31, Tuesday, April 7, Tuesday, April 14, Wednesday, April 22 and conclude Wednesday, April 28.

The Dance Group meets on Monday nights. The more introductory class is at 7 p.m. Those who are better skilled are asked to gather at 8 p.m. The class is administered by Jackie Catto, 905-939-2233. Again, your donation is appreciated.

Shirley Sheardown is your host for the World Day of Prayer which at York Pines is celebrated on Tuesday, March 10 at 1:30 p.m. This year the Bahamas church has authored the service. The occasion is the monthly meeting of the York Pines U.C.W.

Worship of God in Jesus's name occurs on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome. For further information please check the website at www.yruc.ca or call the church office at 905-727-8118. The York Pines United Church is located at 3150 the Aurora/Lloydtown

Road, Kettleby.

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

As we approach the third Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 8, St. Andrew's invites you to worship with us as we prepare our hearts for Easter: Our Worship Service is at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday school and nursery care running concurrently.

The Rev. Dr. John Vissers took the service last week and presided over our Communion Service. He is continuing with the sermon series on the letters to the churches, found in the Book of Revelations. We looked at Revelations 3:1-6 and although these letters were written so long ago, they apply to us today! Come out to Coffee and Conversation, led by Lynn Vissers to find out more and discuss questions arising from the sermon, held Wednesday at 10 a.m. in her office.

The World Day of Prayer is this Friday, March 6 at 1:30 p.m. The Ecumenical

Service is at Sacred Heart this year and everyone is invited. The theme country is the Bahamas.

Our Annual Congregational Meeting is Monday, March 9 at 7:30 p.m. The reports were available last Sunday, both hard copy and digital. Call the office if you weren't able to pick up yours and wish to read it before the ACM.

The Ladies' Prayer Time is 10 a.m. each Tuesday, held in the church narthex or the office. Come for fellowship, a time of sharing or quiet contemplation. God promises to be there! How can our God bless you?

Should you have prayer requests, praise items or any questions or concerns, please contact the church office at 905-833-2325 or call Kathy Patterson, Clerk of Session at 905-833-0391.

For pastoral care needs please contact Lynn Vissers, our Director of Congregational Ministries. Our church is located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd. There is a ramp available for accessibility. www.standrews-kingcity.ca.

Schomberg Should Know

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

The Schomberg Agricultural Society or the "Ag Society" as it is affectionately known, is celebrating its 11th annual Farm Tour on Saturday, March 14.

This drive-yourself car tour gives everyone a chance to see what some aspects of farming are all about, pet a calf and talk to a farmer. The tour lasts from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the 14th and they ask that you please leave your dogs at home.

Four farms and farm equipment places will open their gates to you and at the Schomberg Fairgrounds you will be treated to performances by Agility dogs.

You can pick tickets up for this popular event at these different merchants in the area one week before the tour - Nobleton Feed Mill; Tottenham Feed Service; Tottenham Home Hardware; Brownsville Pharmachoice; Richvale Saddlery; Schomberg Rona and Schomberg TruCountry & Garden.

The tickets are \$10 per car and with that you get a map that allows you access to the farms involved with the tour. You'll get a personal tour, have your questions answered and get a peak at a way of life that otherwise you may never be privy to!

Tickets will also be available on the day of the tour at the Schomberg Community Hall, 325 Main Street, Schomberg. This is the headquarters for the day and where you can purchase a light lunch at some point during the day and free face painting is available for the kids.

For more information on this event or the Fair, in general please visit their website at www.schombergfair.com or call 905-859-0834.

Schomberg United Church By Jack Campbell

Schomberg United Church is introducing a new creative format to its services on a monthly basis. The first of these services will be held this Sunday, March 8 with invited guest speaker Rev. Darren Liepold. He will be leading the service and will speak on the topic of World Religions. His talk will explore several of today's predominant religions in our multicultural society and will include an informal time for questions and answers with the congregation. Our sister church Nobleton United will be joining us for this service.

The other new initiative at Schomberg United is taking its Sunday worship service monthly to the Kitchen-Breedon Manor: Since December the last Sunday of each month has been dedicated to holding a regular 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning service at the Manor. All regular church members and residents of the Manor are invited to these services. The convenience of having a Sunday service at the Manor, especially for those residents with limited mobility, has been well received.



Lishman raising money for book on moraine

Bill "Father Goose" Lishman, is working on a book about his beloved Oak Ridges Moraine and its importance to our food, water and environment. He's crowdfunding, which means you can donate and be part of the process. Watch his terrific video here and consider chipping in - <http://www.rockethub.com/projects/51778-bill-lishman-s-oak-ridges-moraine-from-above-limited-edition-book>. Lishman is best known for his work with Canada geese, and leading 16 of them to Virginia in his ultralight aircraft. He was the subject of the 1986 film, Fly Away Home.

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