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Couples Hair Design gives away haircuts for students

By Mark Pavilons

A local hair salon is giving back in a big way.

Couples Hair Design & Aesthetics in Nobleton is giving back to the community that has supported them throughout their many years of business.

If you are an elementary school student living in Nobleton (JK to Grade 8), visit Couples to pick up a free haircut voucher and meet their friendly staff. Vouchers must be redeemed by Sept. 9 and appointments will be available on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. A portion of the 100 free haircuts will be donated to the King Township Food Bank.

"This is an outstanding example of the growing community spirit present in Nobleton," said Councillor David Boyd. "It was a pleasure to work with Couples' owner Dominic Polito to help bring this unique opportunity together. This is also a good reminder to shop local. We are fortunate to have many dedicated businesses in our neighbourhood - it's vital to continue to support them and strengthen the partnership between business and community."

This special offer is sponsored in part by Clif Bar & Company and Blue Diamond Almond Breeze. Some of these products are available locally at John's No Frills, Mario's Bake Shop and Cappuccino Bakery. Couples Hair Design is located in the Nobleton Plaza. For more information visit their website, www.coupleshairdesign.com and "like" their Facebook page.



Ride supports our veterans

The Communities for Veterans Foundation Ride Across Canada made its way through King Township last week, stopping just south of Nobleton. Paul Nichols, his wife Terry and their team, are mid-way through their seven-month, cross-Canada trek, to raise awareness for Canadian veterans. Turn to Page 11 for the full story.

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

MUNICIPAL OFFICE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2075 King Road

Monday, August 24, 2015

- 5:00 pm – Special Committee of the Whole Working Session
 - Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) – Property Assessment 101
- 6:00 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole
 - Public Meeting Re: Zoning By-law & Official Plan Amendments File No.: Z-2009-06 & OP-2009-02
 - Location: Dufferin Street west side, south of King Road
 - Fees & Charges Review: Parks, Recreation & Culture
 - Delegation By-law Review: Noise Exemption procedures

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

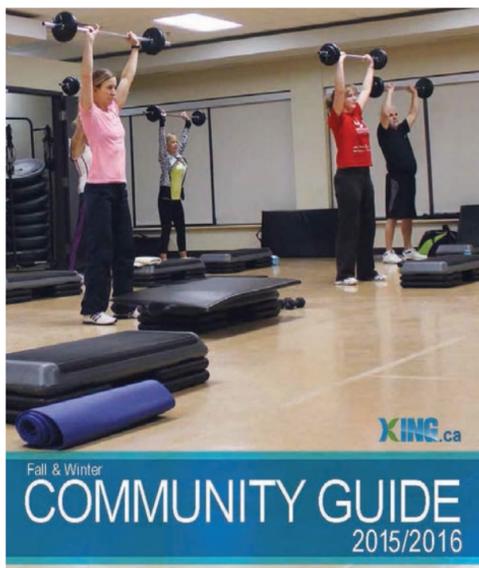
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- Equipment Operator I
- Lead Hand - Arenas
- Community Engagement Supervisor (maternity leave)

COMPETITIVE BIDS

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

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE



The 2015/2016 Fall & Winter Community Guide will be delivered in the August 20th edition of the King Weekly Sentinel. Look for it in your local paper!



Township of King Community Maps are now available at the municipal offices and all library and arena locations for \$10. Pick up yours today!

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FARMERS MARKETS



Schomberg Farmers' Market
Trisan Centre from 9:00am-1:00pm

August 15th, September 5th, September 19th, October 3rd & October 10th

King City Farmers' Market
All Saints Anglican Church
from 8:00am-1:00pm

August 16th, August 30th, September 13th, September 27th & October 11th
www.kingcityfarmersmarket.ca

PUBLIC NOTICES

Explore Township of King Summer Walking Series

Enjoy the benefits of getting active in nature this summer in the Township of King.

Explore King City Trails
Tuesday, August 4, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Parking Lot (13190 Keele St., King City)

Explore Cold Creek Conservation Area
Tuesday, August 11, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Cold Creek Visitor's Centre (Concession Road 11 North of King Rd.)

Explore Happy Valley Forest
Tuesday, August 18, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Oak Ridges Trail Entrance (Intersection of Concession Road 7 and 16th Sideroad)

Explore Thornton Bales Conservation Area
Tuesday, August 25, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Trail Parking Lot (19th Sideroad East of Dufferin Street)

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NOTICE OF MEETING

Special Committee of the Whole Working Session

Finance Department -
"Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) Presentation: Property Assessment 101 – A Presentation by MPAC on the State of Assessment, Present and Future, in King"

Council of the Corporation of the Township of King will hold a Special Committee of the Whole, Working Session for Finance Department – "Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) Presentation: Property Assessment 101 – A Presentation by MPAC on the State of Assessment, Present and Future, in King".

Monday, August 24, 2015 - 5:00 p.m.
In the
Council Chambers
2075 King Road
King City, ON

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

NOTICE OF MEETING

Clerks Department Re: Delegation of Powers and Duties By-law Review – Noise Exemptions

Council of the Corporation of the Township of King will consider a staff report regarding revising the Township of King's Delegation of Powers and Duties By-law #2008-75 to establish guidelines and procedures for the issuing of Noise Exemptions under delegated authority, on:

Monday, August 24, 2015
In the
Council Chambers
2075 King Road
King City, ON

Information and copies of the staff report will be available for review at the Township of King Municipal Offices at 2075 King Road or on the Township web-site at www.king.ca as of Thursday, August 20th, 2015.

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

NOTICE OF MEETING

Parks, Recreation and Culture Department Re: Fees and Charges Update

Council of the Corporation of the Township of King will consider a staff report regarding potential increases to the fees and charges of the Parks, Recreation & Culture Department for services within the Township of King on:

Monday, August 24, 2015
In the **Council Chambers**
2075 King Road, King City, ON

Information and copies of the staff report will be available for review at the Township of King Municipal Offices at 2075 King Road or on the Township web-site at www.king.ca as of Thursday, August 20th, 2015.

Kathryn Smyth
Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement
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For information about pool rentals please call 905-833-5321 or e-mail facilitybooking@king.ca

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Please use the alternate pedestrian-friendly pathway highlighted below as another route during this period.



All businesses will remain open during the closure. On behalf of the Township of King we thank you for your patience in this matter.

For more information contact Lyndsay Brannon in the Township of King Parks, Recreation & Culture Department at 905-833-5321.

Alliance says corridor not in our best interest

By Mark Pavilons

Ontario's leading environmental groups believe the planned GTA West Corridor is not in the public's best interest. In fact, they see no real need for it at all.

In the submission to the province, Tim Gray, executive director of Environmental Defence, on behalf of the Ontario Greenbelt Alliance Steering Committee, noted there's insufficient information currently available to make any route suggestions.

"Once the cost data is tabulated, the climate change impacts accounted for and the demand of employment uses is considered we don't believe this highway will be needed," he said.

"Building the GTA West in the Greenbelt is not in the public interest, as it is a costly use of our limited infrastructure dollars and is contrary to the provincial climate change vision and provincial growth strategies. Further, the Greenbelt Plan infrastructure policies require that need is demonstrated, and that there is no reasonable alternative."

Two urban growth centres in the provincial Places to Grow act - Brampton and Vaughan - are serviced by the 407 and 410 and expansions are planned for the 427, 400 and 410. The GTA West corridor is approximately 13 kilometres north of the Vaughan City Centre. Gray said they believe that need has not been demonstrated and that a further review of the 2041 growth targets for York Region and Peel will show that this highway is not needed.

"We strongly believe that there are viable alternatives that must precede building new highways which cut through the Greenbelt. These alternatives include investing in public transit; expanding existing roads; increasing rail capacity and connections, and providing incentives for trucks to use the 407 ETR."

Regional official plan growth projections through 2041 indicate that the substantial growth in Peel and York will be located in the northeast of Vaughan and Brampton areas which will be serviced by the 410 and 427 and 407 highways. According to a report from York Region based on 2041 growth scenarios the employment demand in the area does not justify the number of interchanges or the need for this highway as they anticipate most of the new employment growth to be in office employment and the service industry. Overall, "the trend in employment growth is expected to occur without an increase in square foot space."

King's Susan Swail, Greenbelt pro-

gram manager with Environmental Defence, said it's important to look at this highway in the context of our regional planning. The Regions of Peel and York are currently undertaking 2041 planning exercises with the purpose of planning future infrastructure needs.

The focus of new growth in the regions is within or adjacent to existing urban growth centres where transit, sewer and road infrastructure exist, such as Brampton, Vaughan City Centre, Markham. Building a new highway 13 kilometres above these growth centres is not consistent with the Growth Plan or the Greenbelt Plan.

One of the purposes of the highway is to move goods through the GTA. The environmental groups suggest the province considers further study of an east-west rail link between the Keele St. CN yard, the Bolton yard, Brampton yard and the new Milton rail yard.

"Today, both transit and rail alternatives are more efficient, sustainable and a publically more acceptable option over new highway development. We urge the province and this study to give further review of the rail options," Gray said.

They contend the GTA West Corridor will have "substantial environmental impacts."

The highway will cut through the Credit river watershed and Humber watersheds and it will also impact many tributaries of these rivers.

They are also concerned about a lack of concrete cost estimates by the province.

"We believe that once full cost accounting is completed for this project that the costs will outweigh any benefits to neighbouring municipalities. Just using construction costs fails to account for substantial expropriation costs which we estimate would be \$2 billion considering land costs of \$100,000 per acre. The costs component will also be impacted by the kilometres of road and the number of bridges required for each route option," Gray observed.

If the highway is to be built, the groups recommend the route be moved further south to the urban centres; that natural heritage systems be avoided where possible; that interchanges into the Greenbelt or small towns be avoided, and that restoration of habitat loss be considered.

The OGA is a diverse multi-stakeholder coalition of over 100 groups who shares a common vision for protecting and expanding the Golden Horseshoe Greenbelt. Environmental Defence is the coordinator of the Ontario Greenbelt Alliance.

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King Township Food Bank news

The Backpack Committee wants to thank all who donated to the project. This year, they will be distributing backpacks and supplies to 49 students, the same number as last year.

As a totally community supported organization, the Food Bank regularly seeks donations in addition to the seasonal projects like the backpacks and Christmas in King (which partners with KTFB). It is gratifying to the dedicated volunteers to know that there is room in the hearts of the community to support everything.

The three distribution centres will be open this Saturday, Aug. 15, from 9-11 a.m. for the distribution of food (including pet food), grocery cards and fresh produce.

Local gardeners wishing to share their bounty are encouraged to call Carol Ann at 416-559-7898 to make arrangements for pick up of produce you wish to share.

Visit the Food Bank at www.kingtowshipfoodbank.ca for more information on this federally registered charity. And be sure to mark your calendar to attend Sip & Savour on Thursday, Oct. 15 at Nobleton Lakes.

If you need a bit of help to get through tough times, call the Food Bank at 905-806-1125 so they can accommodate you this Saturday. Your call is confidential and will be returned promptly.

King City Farmers' Market dates

King City Farmers' Market is just down the road at All Saints Anglican Church (12935 Keele St). Fruit and veggies are fresh and locally grown within 100 kilometres. It is held every other Sunday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. with special themes - Everything Tomato (Aug. 30), Corn Roast and Bake Table (Sept. 13), Wine Tasting, Pumpkin Pie Trail (Sept. 27), Thanksgiving (Oct. 11).

Fresh cooked treats are available for lunch - peameal bacon on a bun, spring rolls, salami and deli meat, honey, wine, artisan and gluten-free breads and baking. Kingcrafts, unique giftware and clothing, and handcrafted cosmetics round out the market. There is something new each week.

The culmination of the Farmers' Market season is the spectacular Field to Table event which is created by chefs Ian and Janet Rodger, using all fresh local harvest. Mark it on your calendars - Oct. 18, 5 to 9 p.m. It sells out quickly.

The King City Farmers' Market is in its third year. The local growers need your support. Tell your friends. Come and savour the experience.

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

Detail Design for the Holland Drainage Canal Bridge Replacement on Highway 9 G.W.P. 2188-08-00

THE STUDY

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained **Stantec Consulting Ltd.** to complete the Detail Design for the replacement of the Holland Drainage Canal Bridge on Highway 9, located in the Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, as shown on the key plan.

BACKGROUND

The project includes:

- Replacement of the Holland Drainage Canal Bridge on a new alignment approximately 10 m north of the existing structure;
- Reconstruction of the Bridge approaches on Highway 9 to accommodate the new structure; and
- Installation of steel beam guide rail on all four quadrants of the Bridge approaches.

The final design will be carried forward as a Design-Bid-Build Contract and not as a Design-Build Contract as previously indicated in the Notice of Submission for the Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) Addendum.

THE PROCESS

The TESR Addendum received environmental clearance in 2013. The TESR Addendum documented the pre-design, preferred plan, consultation, existing conditions, associated impacts and proposed mitigation. This project is following the approved environmental planning process for Group 'B' undertakings under the MTO's *Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)*, with the opportunity for public input throughout the project. Upon completion of the Detail Design, a Design and Construction Report (DCR) will be prepared and filed for a 30-day public review period. A Notice of Submission will be published in local newspapers identifying locations where the DCR can be reviewed.

COMMENTS

If you wish to obtain additional information, provide comments or be added to the study mailing list, please contact one of the individuals below:

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Editorial, Letters & Opinion

"Public opinion shapes our destinies and guides the progress of human affairs"

~ Frank B. Kellogg

Pursuing the creation of artificial intelligence

"Success in creating AI would be the biggest event in human history. Unfortunately, it might also be the last, unless we learn how to avoid the risks."

Stephen Hawking

I love science fiction. And I love the idea that we may one day have robots among us, performing various tasks in our society. But ultimately, it's a sort of catch-22 in our evolution.

I find it odd that our scientists are spending a lot of time and effort trying to create artificial intelligence (AI), especially when we know so little about our own intelligence, or lack thereof.

When inventors or science fiction writers first sat down and conceived robots, they made them in our image. For some reason, we want robots to look and act like people. What's wrong with just fine-tuning people and leave the androids for another time?

We've been taking baby steps in the AI field since the first supercomputers came into the picture only a few decades ago. Some people may already have some form of AI in their homes today – a robot vacuum cleaner, voice activated amenities, etc.

A robot developed by Computer Science Ph.D. candidate Justin Hart GRD '13 at the Social Robotics Lab may pass a landmark test by recognizing itself changing in a mirror.

Self-awareness, the ability to recognize oneself as distinct from one's surroundings, is a mark of higher-level cognitive skills. This test was first developed to test the presence of self-awareness in animals, and requires the subject to recognize a change in its appearance by looking at its reflection.

In the mirror test, developed by Gordon Gallup in 1970, a mirror is placed



Mark Pavilons

in an animal's enclosure, allowing the animal to acclimatize to it. At first, the animal will behave socially with the mirror, assuming its reflection to be another animal, but eventually most animals recognize the image to be their own reflections. After this, researchers remove the mirror, sedate the animal and place an ink dot on its frontal region, and then replace the mirror. If the animal inspects the ink dot on itself, it is said to have self-awareness, because it recognized the change in its physical appearance.

Only chimpanzees, bottlenose dolphins, magpies and elephants have passed the test.

Ambarish Goswami, a principal scientist at Honda Research Institute in California, said that a robot could never be self-aware in the same way an animal can be. Instead, the kind of limited self-awareness for which the

researchers plan to test is "purely an image-processing program."

Putting this to the test, Hart has said he would run a program that would have Nico, a robot that looks like a jumble of wires with eyes and a smile, learn a three-dimensional model of its body and coloring. He would then change an aspect of the robot's physical appearance and have Nico, by looking at a reflective surface, identify where his body is different.

Hart's research postulates that robots can demonstrate some of the characteristics that qualify as self-awareness — in this case, recognizing the spatial relationship between mirrors and real life.

If Nico passes the self-awareness test, the technology could have important implications for the field of robotics, including a robot's ability to self-calibrate.

A self-aware robot could also repair itself if damaged, or at least compensate for damage sustained.

The field of artificial intelligence is a fairly new one, but the robotics community would still benefit from the technology required to create self-aware robots.

With a self-aware robot, keeping robot models updated will be significantly easier.

It's sort of like your home computer updating itself regularly, adding more memory, debugging itself and running better as time went on. There would be no need to ever get a new computer.

Hart has used Nico for purposes be-

yond self-awareness. In 2010, Hart ran a study in which Nico played rock-paper-scissors with participants, occasionally cheating. When Nico cheated, participants grew angry and blamed Nico.

But fear not. A self-aware robot, Hart said, is not a thinking or feeling robot — instead, it is a robot programmed to know itself.

Hart said he plans to conduct the test within the next few months.

Any science fiction fan knows all too well the pitfalls with androids and AI. Currently, the TV show *Humans* is a really interesting look into the not too distant future. While used as household servants, a few of these "synthetics" have become self-aware and act "human."

Human beings have created "things" to make our lives easier and future robots would be no exception. They would be our servants, doing everything from dangerous tasks to making breakfast. It's all very weird at this point.

I believe such research and pursuits are useful if and when they have a direct bearing on the human condition. If we can learn more about our own brains through AI, great. If we can program android surgeons to perform delicate operations, even better. If we can cure disease with "smart bots" I'm game.

But to have a bunch of synthetics among us, driving us to work and doing our grocery shopping, doesn't really further humankind's evolution.

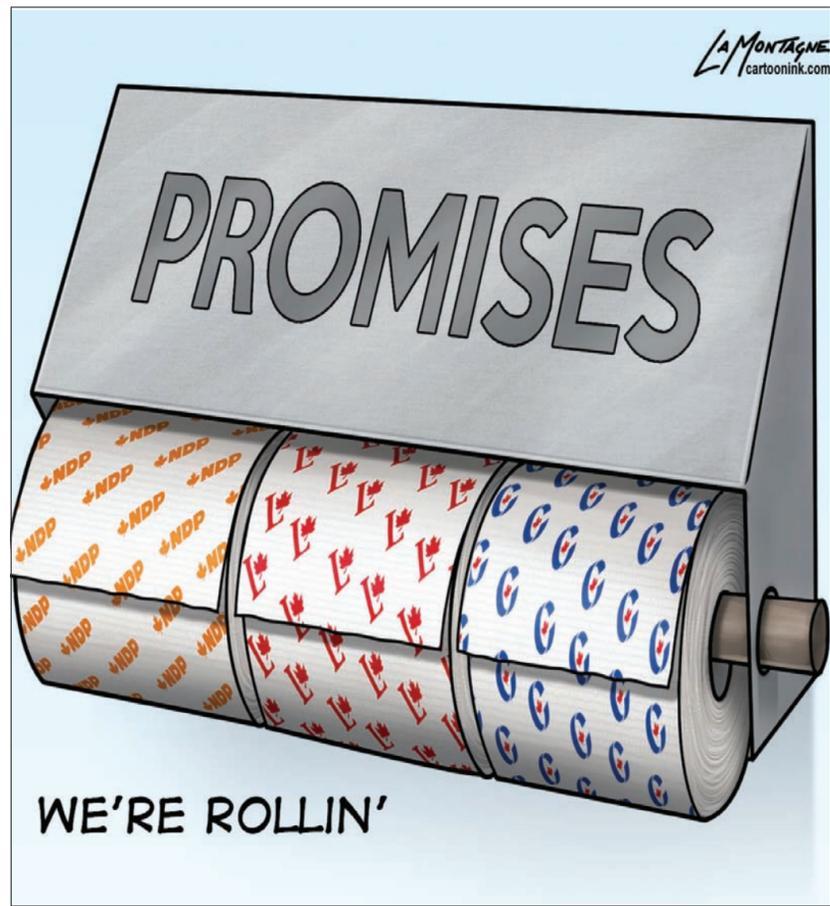
Comment

MP Van Loan welcomes extended child care benefit

The Hon. Peter Van Loan, MP for York-Simcoe, celebrated the first installment of the Harper government's boosted Universal Child Care Benefit (UCCB). The newly increased child care benefit pays almost \$2,000 every year for each child under 6 and \$720 for each child aged 6 through 17. With a retroactive payment from Jan. 1, 2015, the government transferred almost \$3 billion to \$3.8 billion to families — the largest single-day direct payment to families in history.

"Our Conservative government is continuing to make life easier for hard working families. With the enhanced Universal Child Care Benefit and the expansion to include children between the ages of 6 to 17, now all York-Simcoe families will benefit," said Van Loan.

In addition to the boosted UCCB, families recently received nearly \$2 billion in tax refunds this spring through the Family Tax Cut. The Family Tax Cut allows couples with children under 18 to split their income and reduce their tax burden by as much as \$2,000. Payments to families will also continue under the Child Tax Benefit, which remains unchanged.



Brainteaser



How do you divide 10 apples between 11 people and everyone must have the same amount?

Last week's answer: Pressure is above you when you're under it.

King Township Trivia

The first post office in Nobleton was opened May 6, 1851. Mail was delivered tri-weekly by stage coach from King via Laskay and King Creek to Nobleton.

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Results from last week's poll:

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has dissolved Parliament for the Oct. 19 federal election several weeks before he had to. Is this long election period a benefit for Canadians?

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| a) Yes | <div style="width: 20%; background-color: black; height: 15px;"></div> | 20% |
| b) No | <div style="width: 80%; background-color: black; height: 15px;"></div> | 80% |

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Are you concerned by recent gun violence in Toronto?

a) Yes
b) No

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Recycling is fraught with inconsistencies

By Skid Crease

As my wise old dad used to say, "Son, always leave your campsite cleaner than you found it." That adage really hit home when I began to look at my own community as "my campsite."

The Laudato Si' encyclical from Pope Francis, and the Climate Summit of the Americas in Toronto recently reminded us, Earth is home - Earth is our campsite. While we are waiting for municipal, provincial and federal governments to take intelligent action in keeping our "campsite" clean, we should examine our own personal responsibilities.

Over the summer this column will review what resources already exist in our community's environmental support network, and how we can fill in the gaps until the less well informed catch-up. Let's start with our household waste.

First, if it not reusable, recyclable or compostable, it is garbage. And only if it can't be reused, recycled or composted should it be put in the garbage. Is this difficult to understand in York Region?

Apparently so. In spite of the fact that York has clearly communicated the correct location for our household excess through its "bindicator" guidelines, we have trouble translating this into action.

For example, much of our compostable material and our recyclable material is contaminated by us when we put the wrong materials into the wrong bins. Compostable materials make up from 30% to 50% of our household waste. If we did it properly, that would be a huge diversion from landfill. However, that would require full participation from every household and business, and full compliance with the guidelines.

Toronto estimates that they have only a 50% participation rate, and at least 20% of its Green Bin compost is diverted to the garbage stream because of contamination by non-compostable materials. In some jurisdictions, the contamination rate is as high as 70%, which means the contaminated compost ends up in our, or Detroit's, landfill sites.

There is also a problem of standards between regions over what is acceptable in the recycling and composting programs and what is not acceptable.

For example, while Peel Region will not accept diapers or animal waste in its Green Bin program, York Region will - and that is a problem. Toronto

has the same guidelines as York and has been dealing with the fallout over contaminated compost that is unhealthy to be put back on residential gardens. Diapers and tampons are not known for their biodegradability excellence, and why York Region accepts them in the green bins, along with pet waste and kitty litter is a mystery.

Until such time as we do achieve an ecological standard for healthy compost contents, we are bound to follow our own municipal guidelines. And if we do that properly, we can at least guarantee full compliance for diverting that stream of household yard and kitchen waste into productive compost for our yards and gardens.

The same concerns are equally true for recyclable materials. That part of the waste stream can also be easily contaminated by putting the wrong materials into our blue bins, by the vagaries of demand for the recycled materials, or by the availability of appropriate recycling facilities.

Household Hazardous Waste is another concern for King residents. Hazardous household wastes are those products that are poisonous, corrosive, explosive and flammable. The closest depots in York Region are both out of our Township, with one at 2840 Rutherford Road in Vaughan and 23068 Warden Avenue in Georgina. Those depots are for all of our household cleaners and detergents, paints and solvents, motor oil and windshield washer fluid, wet and dry cell batteries, and fluorescent tubes and mercury containing fluorescent energy efficient light bulbs (all other old light bulbs and LEDs go in the regular garbage). In Caledon our depot even takes spoiled gasoline from chain saws and mowers and old gas cans.

The latest data from the Toronto Environmental Alliance comes from a 2012 - 2014 waste audit done for the City of Toronto and shows that 71% of what goes into our garbage bags could have been diverted to organics, recycling, re-using, and hazardous depots. For apartment dwellers that figure climbs to 86%.

The problem isn't lack of facilities. The problem is a failure to utilize the existing programs to the fullest. This is the direct responsibility of the homeowners and citizens of our Regions to be properly informed as to their rights and obligations to their community. And then to act accordingly.

Across from my house is a beautiful park. There is a basketball net and a playing pad in the park and a garbage can beside the net. The local boys cycle over and the neighbourhood dudes drive over regularly to have an afternoon game throughout the summer. At the end of a couple of hours of play, the area around the garbage can is littered with individual plastic drink bottles - I have picked up dozens (38 at one count)

at the end of each afternoon.

Now, you would think that big boys who drive fast cars and can hit a hoop from 10 metres away, could find the top of the garbage can for their waste. They know what to do - they just don't. This is the difference between ignorance and stupidity. Our communities should neither tolerate nor demonstrate any more stupidity.

Time to clean up the campsite.

King-Vaughan Vote 2015 Schulte endorsed by MPPs

Former regional councillor Deb Schulte is running to bring integrity, fiscal discipline and a better vision to Ottawa. She has already earned the support of the riding's two local MPPs.

"I am excited for this election, and the opportunity to present voters with a better plan forward. Mr Harper has now led Canada into a second recession under his watch, the only Canadian prime minister to ever do so. It's clear his plan just isn't working," said Schulte. "I am running on my record of proven results with a plan to bring positive change."

Local MPPs - the Hon. Steven Del Duca and the Hon. Dr. Helena Jaczek - will serve as Schulte's honorary campaign co-chairs.

"I've had the privilege of working with Deb Schulte to improve the City of Vaughan. Whether as a regional councillor or an engaged citizen, Deb has worked hard to improve our traffic, build transit, protect our natural environment and grow the local economy. She is the right choice to be our MP," said Vaughan MPP Steven Del Duca.

Dr Helena Jaczek, MPP for Oak Ridges-Markham, said: "Deb Schulte brings a strong record of getting things done for her constituents. Her years of work to protect our environment, her time as a regional councillor and her dedicated advocacy are exactly what the residents of King-Vaughan deserve in an MP. I am pleased to support her."

Schulte outlined her three main priorities, saying, "I want to do in Ottawa what I did during my time at city hall: focus on bringing integrity, accountability and respect for tax dollars to government; invest to solve our traffic problems; and protect our beautiful natural environment for generations to come, while growing our economy."

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Are you looking forward to this fall's federal election?

Margaret Tompson

"Yes. I hope everyone is."

Emily Jarvis

"I always do."

Tim Lewis

"I don't pay much attention."

Gary Bodziac

"I'm curious, but not looking forward to it."

Local student on historic European adventure

By Mark Pavilons

A high school student in King is connecting with her past through a flagship scholarship program.

Palma Gurdulic is currently on an amazing, two-week trip to Europe, as the national winner of the prestigious Beaverbrook Vimy Prize.

Gurdulic was tops out of 200 applicants from across Canada and overseas.

The prize includes the fully funded, two-week educational program in England, France, and Belgium to study Canada's tremendous First World War effort. It includes classroom education and daily field trips to important First World War sites, including Vimy Ridge.

The Battle of Vimy Ridge was not simply a First World War battle. Students will learn how this event was Canada's coming of age.

As Vimy Foundation Executive Director Jeremy Diamond noted: "Our forces gained such a reputation that their success and sacrifice resulted in Canada earning signing rights for the Treaty of Versailles and control over its foreign affairs, an important step toward full nationhood and independence. It was a seminal moment in our history, a victory that helped give us our own voice around the world."

For Palma, the Beaverbrook Vimy Prize is an opportunity to connect in a deeply personal way with her family history.

Her great-great-grandfather was mustard gassed during the war and she wanted to try to get a sense of his times, his terrors, his triumphs, by walking the same ground he did.



Palma Gurdulic

She said she found his old medal in some of her dad's stuff and he said it was from the First World War and that it was his great-grandfather's.

"That was all we knew, but then I investigated further and I found it was a Service Medal. I wanted to learn more, and when I saw a notice for the Vimy Award in a history magazine we have at home I thought that might be a great avenue to access experts and open up more resources. Now that I've been learning more about Vimy and both World Wars, my motivation is simply to receive the knowledge that this trip will bring and to care for it with respect to pass it on to others."

She was "super excited" that her sub-

missions were chosen.

Stella Begic, the Vimy programs manager, noted that Palma was one of the youngest candidates ever, having been just 14 when she submitted her application.

"I was totally floored that I made it this year," Palma said.

Her submission involved a 500-word motivation letter, a 1,500-word submission answering the question of the role of youth in the remembrance of wars, and also a 500-word analysis of a work of art from the World War I collection of the Canadian War Museum.

She answered one of the questions using her actual investigation and discovery process with the service medal.

"I genuinely had a conversation with myself and asked questions about what I aim to learn and answering with the concept of wanting to learn how to learn. Our role as youth is to learn how to learn, and what to learn, in order to prepare our minds and become the vessels for the holding of knowledge and to continue to pass it on."

She really enjoyed her submission on art, choosing "Mustard Gas," by Sir Eric Henri Kennington.

Her great-great-grandfather Robert Ewan fought in the trenches of World War 1. He was mustard gassed at the German attack on Ypres Dec. 19, 1915 and was the only one to survive in his unit. This mustard gas attack was actually pretty big news at the time.

Through her research, Palma discovered that her great-great-grandfather served as a private in the 5th West Yorkshire Regiment. That part of her family were all involved in the wool and textile trade in some way, which Yorkshire is famous for. Robert Ewan was no exception, and he first began as a clerk at Morrison's linen merchants in Knaresborough. He later married Mary Brazier in 1916, with World War I still going on.

"I'm still trying to figure out where my great-great-grandfather is buried - all I know so far is it's not in Canada and it's not at one of the wartime cemeteries in France or Belgium."

"That story, and the tellers interpretation of what it means, has now been heard by five generations and I guarantee my children and grandchildren will also hear it from me one day."

Palma is also excited about the research, presentations and site visits

during the trip.

Even after the trip, students have a responsibility to the Vimy Awards and for supporting Remembrance Day events.

"I definitely feel like I've been invited to join a special group, that I have a duty to give back in any way I can."

There are 15 other participants as well as volunteers and Vimy staff who will be enjoying this experience as well. There are participants from the UK, France and Canada.

Palma believes the historical landmarks will imprint a sense of understanding that she didn't have before.

"It was really the personal connection that started it but I have to say that I am completely in awe of what I have already learned. The world wars were events on a scale unlike anything the past three generations of people have experienced in their lifetimes. They were both heroic and horrific and should never be forgotten. I wish more kids my age could really connect and see how this part of our collective history was so exciting, scary, romantic, awful and so very, very real. Hollywood movies can never do it justice."

Palma admitted she's just getting a firm grasp of it all. To this point, she has read and researched and, first-hand experience takes place.

"I expect to get a sense of my great-great-grandfather's times. I will try to imagine his terrors and triumphs by walking the same ground he did, breathing the air and hearing the waves crash on the landing beaches. I expect to read about the stories of others of his generation and better understand the factors at play and the grander arcs of history at work. I hope it makes me connect with the fact that these events really happened."

"I hope seeing these landmarks will keep reinforcing that reality, seeing rows and rows of graves of young people and knowing that I only exist today because my great-great-grandfather had the luck not to be one of them."

Palma is going into Grade 10 this September and her hobbies include all kinds of art, reading and writing poetry and reading novels. She started playing rugby.

Her dream is to one day attend Oxford, a place the group will be visiting this month.

CFUW seeks new members

The Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) has been active for almost 100 years and is still going strong. The Vaughan chapter is seeking new members to become a part of a group of like-minded women who are active in public affairs, working together for the equality of women and girls socially, economically, and politically as well as to improve education, the environment, peace, justice and human rights.

CFUW Vaughan offers you the opportunity to meet other women in the community and to enjoy and learn from interesting guest speakers at monthly meetings. The first meeting will take place at the Pierre Burton Resource Library located at 4921 Rutherford Road in Woodbridge on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 7:30 p.m. The club has several interest groups including Restaurant, Symphony, Gourmet, and Book Club and is always open to suggestions! If you wish to enjoy the fellowship of active women, go to www.cfuwvaughan.yolasite.com or email Kathy at cfuw.vaughan1@gmail.com.



Seneca Gerontology graduates are ready for Canada's future

By Tuktuk Islam

According to the most recent York Region report on seniors, *A Profile of Baby Boomers and Seniors in York Region*, the region's senior population is predicted to grow by 148 per cent from 2011 to 2031 - nearly four times the total projected population growth.

With an outlook like this, the field of gerontology provides rewarding opportunities for individuals interested in a fruitful career. Students graduating from Seneca's Social Service Worker - Gerontology program can look forward to many career opportunities, with the added satisfaction of helping one of Canada's fastest growing populations - especially as more baby boomers approach retirement.

Seneca's program integrates the knowledge base, professional values and skill-sets of social service work with a specific concentration on the needs and concerns of Canada's aging population.

"Our talented graduates have learned how aging affects individuals in all spheres of life, whether it be physical, financial, cognitive or social changes, and how to help seniors address these challenges and optimize their quality of life," says Michele Green, professor and co-ordinator of Seneca's Social Service Worker - Gerontology program. "It's no surprise that a high percentage of our graduates find employment shortly after graduation."

One such graduate is Jennifer Fellowes, a recreation programmer at CHATS - Community and Home Assistance to Seniors in Richmond Hill.

Fellowes, who graduated from Seneca's Gerontology program in 2013, has always admired people in the gerontology profession, especially those who so lovingly took care of her grandmother in her last years.

While in the program, Fellowes had the opportunity to gain experience and create industry relationships through the program's substantial field work component. Placements take place at both long-term and community facilities, giving students a taste of both these crucial, yet inherently different, models of senior care. Courses that covered topics like death and bereavement also made Fellowes more open-minded and ready to handle the complex issues facing seniors.

"No one wants to grow old in a society where there aren't people, like me and my colleagues, there to help and understand," says Fellowes. "I am extremely grateful to work with this amazing demographic. I love what I do."

Now, as one of the hundreds of successful Seneca Gerontology graduates, Fellowes works at CHATS developing programs for seniors that promote emotional, intellectual, physical, spiritual and educational well-being. Fellowes arranges activities including sing-alongs with '50s classics and information sessions about staying cool on hot summer days. Every activity is different, but each contributes to providing seniors with the best quality of life possible.

For more information about Seneca's Social Service Worker - Gerontology program, visit: www.senecacollege.ca/fulltime/SSWG.html

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Hoedown proceeds help keep kids fit – physically and artistically

By Brock Weir

This past spring marked a first for Aurora's Marquee Theatrical Productions. With the help of the York Region Children's Aid Society, the company hosted a March Break camp for local kids in need to "gain amazing life skills through the arts."

It was a runaway success for the group, said Marquee's Sheryl Thomas, but next year there is going to be a lot more room to help broaden these kids' horizons.

The non-profit Marquee has once again been selected as one of 15 local charities and non-profit organizations to partner with Magna for the annual Wild, Wild West Hoedown. In the weeks leading up to the September party, these groups will be hitting the pavement – and social media – selling raffle tickets for the event. In exchange, they will each get an equal share of the proceeds raised during York Region's biggest annual fundraiser.

"We have made great strides in the last year," says Ms. Thomas. "We have gained charitable status now and we have partnered with the Children's Aid Society. Last March, we had kids we comped to come to camp and the relationship just worked so brilliantly. Our fundraising efforts are now dedicated to helping underprivileged kids come to

camp and our youth programs to gain amazing life skills through the arts – because that is exactly what you get when you come to Marquee."

Applying this year to partner with Hoedown, Marquee said their share of the profits would help at least five kids take part in the programs, along with good, strong skilled staff to make it all possible. If proceeds are as high as they have been in the past, this program of five could expand to 20 or more placements.

"I know we can do well more than five," says Ms. Thomas. "That is our goal."

This year's Hoedown will go a long way in helping each of these organizations achieve what once might have appeared to be rather lofty goals. The Aurora Barbarians Rugby Club, for instance, is earmarking their share of the pot for something they have always wanted to do, but something that has been just out of reach: a rugby house league for kids under the age of 14 spanning both Aurora and Newmarket.

"This is our second time as a recipient," said Tim Brochu of the Barbs. "We probably need close to \$100,000 over the next five years to keep it going so having this organization help us out will (go a long way). Rugby is almost always rep, even though they're kids from very young ages, but a mini-tournament today might be in Oakville. We want to reduce the travel time and reduce it to a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday so people can go to their cottages on the weekend."

Rugby, says Mr. Brochu, is a sport in which interest is growing in York Region. Participation in the Barbs alone is up 12 per cent compared to this time last year, particularly among youth. Part of the reason for this growth is the affordability of the sports. Compared to other sports, participation in rugby usually results in less of a hit on the wallet, but is also emerging as a more popular sport within schools' phys-ed and team programs.

"The amount of elite players we have in our club as well definitely helps," Brochu added. "We have one of the girls in Pan Am right now. We have three girls who just got back from the National 15s championships in Edmonton."



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The Barber Shop in Schomberg keeps the tradition alive

By Mark Pavilons

There's a certain charm surrounding the traditional men's barber shop. It's a place where men gather, talk shop – a man cave with a purpose.

The Barber Shop in Schomberg will also sport the iconic barber pole.

The vacancy left by the former long-time barbers was quickly filled by Jo-Anne Ellens, of Jo-Anne's Hair & Necessities. She assumed the spot adjacent to her salon and searched for the ideal barber. She wanted to find someone who could literally hit the ground running.

She found Scott Bayley, who has wanted to be a barber as long as he can remember.

Bayley said he loves meeting new people, who hopefully will become old friends. The barber shop is a place where stories and tall tales are heard and shared.

He loves the small-town atmosphere and is already making new friends from King and New Tecumseth.

Modern salons have largely replaced traditional barber shops, but the

Schomberg location is bringing it back to life, with a modern flare.

Both Scott and Jo-Anne are hoping to find a traditional barber's chair and Scott will be offering shaves for his male customers. This, he said, is becoming popular again as men are taking the time to concentrate on their personal grooming. A shave just tops it all off.

Men can come in, grab a quick cut and dash out, if they're on a tight schedule. Others prefer to come in, relax, chat and have a coffee.

It's the epitome of personal service.

Bayley said short hair is popular these days with some option for crew cuts. The younger men and teens do like the sides shaven.

Jo-Anne is happy with the expansion. She's been in the business several decades and has been serving clients at the Brownsville Junction Plaza for the past 15 years.

She considers Schomberg her home town and this latest move will serve residents well.

Jo-Anne and her daughter Beth are the hairstylists. Beth also does the esthetics (manicures, pedicures, waxing and facials) as well as helping out with the barber side.

Walk-ins are welcome at The Barber Shop. The shop's hours are Tuesday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For Jo-Anne's Hair & Necessities, appointments are preferred. They are open Tuesday to Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursdays they are open later by appointment. They're open Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. For appointments, call 905-939-1116.

That personal touch is alive and well in Schomberg.



Scott Bayley, Beth and Jo-Anne Ellens are pleased to serve customers with the launch of The Barber Shop in Schomberg.

Photo by Mark Pavilons

Municipalities can apply for funding

By Mark Pavilons

King Township will be looking into funding avenues available through the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund.

Staff will be reviewing criteria to see if the Township qualifies for provincial funding.

The province is inviting small, rural and northern municipalities to apply for infrastructure funding to build and repair critical infrastructure, like roads and bridges, under the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund.

To be eligible for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund, municipalities must have a population of less than 100,000 as of the 2011 census or be located in northern or rural Ontario. Eligible municipalities will have access to \$100 million per year to revitalize core infrastructure and support asset management planning.

The province approved 78 projects under the first intake of the fund, and expressions of interest for the second intake will be accepted until Sept. 11.

The fund uses a formula to allocate \$50 million per year across 426 communities to support improvements and repairs to road, bridge, water and wastewater projects through the \$50 million application-based portion of the fund.

A Conference Board of Canada report estimated that Ontario's public infrastructure investment would add more than \$1,000 to the average annual income of Ontarians in 2014 and lower the unemployment rate by about one percentage point.

"This second intake of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund will help municipalities across Ontario repair crucial infrastructure. The province's commitment to investing in small and rural infrastructure will help keep our communities strong while creating jobs," said Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

"Our government is committed to working with communities across Ontario to provide stable, predictable infrastructure funding to build better roads, bridges and transportation. Investing in infrastructure generates significant economic activity in local communities, creates jobs and helps maintain a strong regional business climate across the province," said Brad Duguid, Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure.

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Event marks 400 years since our first visitors

Did you know that a member of Samuel Champlain's expedition in 1615 followed the Carrying Place Trail through King Township and became the first European to set foot in Ontario and see Toronto and Lake Ontario?

His name was Étienne Brûlé. The 400th anniversary of French presence and his passage through Ontario is being commemorated in King on Saturday, Sept. 12 from approximately 4 to 5 p.m. With provincial support, La Société d'histoire de Toronto is organizing a re-enactment with a 40-kilometre canoe voyage starting in Orillia followed by hikers continuing from Holland Landing 85 kilometres south to the mouth of the Humber Riv-

er in Toronto. The hikers/canoists come from Ontario, all across Canada and from the First Nations. Some are even from Champigny-sur-Marne, Étienne Brûlé's native village in France. Everyone - sports lovers, history lovers, heritage lovers, students, families - is invited to join them, by canoe or on foot, for the entire journey or a few steps along the route.

At various points along the portage local heritage associations and communities are expecting them. The welcoming of the hikers/canoists echoes what Champlain recorded in his diary in 1615: "In all these villages they received us very courteously and kindly."

It is in this spirit that King Township and Toronto Regional Conservation Authority will welcome the hikers at the end of their hike on Saturday, Sept. 12 at Weston Road and the 16th Sideroad between 4 and 5 p.m. In addition to celebrating their arrival with music and refreshments, there will be an unveiling of a new historical plaque at the site with a map of The Carrying Place Trail.

Come join and learn more about a part of Canada's early history that happened right here in King! To learn more about the whole re-enactment go to <http://www.sht.ca/english.html>.



King-Vaughan Vote 2015 Greens give MPs freedom to vote

By Ann Raney
Green Party Candidate
King-Vaughan

The Green Party first attracted me because of its realistic economic policies that take into account a changing climate, and as I learned more about its structure, policies and platform, I became a supporter.

It is not like the other parties. The Green Party takes the long-view and looks well past the next election. It uses fact and science when developing its platform and not ideology or popularity polls.

From the beginning, they have recommended action on climate change, and now it is clear that mitigation of and adaptation to climate change is paramount.

The Green Party of Canada, which was built in 1983 and shares founding principles with Green Parties in the world like Germany, has grown steadily as a grassroots democratic party governed by an elected body with representatives of all the provinces and territories. The Green Party knows that democracy works best when there is respect and co-operation and conducts itself accordingly.

Since the late 1960s, more power has been gathered in the Prime Minister's Office making Parliament less relevant as a democratic body. We have watched negative and personal attacks ads made against individuals in government become successful when they used to fail in Canada. Our democracy is threatened in several ways, but hyper-partisan political parties is perhaps the most obvious and has had far-reaching effects.

One concrete example of how partisanship has weakened our democracy, is vote-whipping, where the leader of a party tells their MPs how to vote. The Green Party was designed to resist influences of partisanship, be transparently democratic, and respect the Canadian Constitution and the Westminster Parliamentary system. A Green MP will never be told how to vote by the leader or party. All Green MPs are responsible to their constituents first and foremost.

This freedom for MPs to vote and speak out on behalf of their constituents, and to advocate for their constituency is our constitutional right. Outside of the House of Commons, a "free to represent" MP can be a much more effective agent and advocate for the riding and its residents. However, all three other national parties whip votes and restrict this freedom to speak out. The negativity of party partisanship has eroded trust in our government and divided our country. We can each do our part by voting affirmatively for the candidate we feel would best represent our values.

As defined in the Canadian Constitution, all MPs are equal, the Prime Minister being the first among equals. Leader Elizabeth May has demonstrated what one MP can do when able to speak freely on behalf of their constituents. She has been declared "most effective, hardest-working" and "best orator" by her peers. All Canadians benefit from her presence in the House of Commons as we would in any future leader debates during this campaign.

The party and our leader, Elizabeth May, know best how to mitigate climate change and how to ensure that Canada's economy thrives not just survives, so that we can take better care of ourselves, our country, and our future. It would be my distinct pleasure to work for you and represent you in Ottawa as a Green MP.

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Roberts pushing for waterskiing as Olympic sport

By JAKE COURTEPATTE

Paul Roberts represented both Water Ski Wakeboard Ontario and the sports as a whole when he carried the Pan Am torch in July.

The once-in-a-lifetime opportunity proved how instrumental he has been to the budding extreme sports, still looking for the ultimate establishment – an introduction to the Olympic Games.

The Schomberg resident held the position of Sport Organizing Committee Chair of water ski and wakeboard at the Pan Am Games, one of the largest international competitions for the mostly young athletes involved. He was happy with how the event played out.

“We had the smallest pool of athletes, but it’s one of the more challenging sports out there, and amazing to watch,” said Roberts.

With the men at an international competition jumping anywhere up to 250 metres past the ramp, the strength and timing that the sports take is often a challenge that people may be scared to take up, according to Roberts.

“It can be a scary obstacle when you’re coming up at it at 70 miles an hour,” said Roberts. “It can appear quite daunting to a lot of people. Jumps vary in height depending on the age division of the athlete, but they’re quite tall.”

Technique isn’t a factor when it comes to competition – it’s all about

the distance. Aside from playing a large role in the completion of the Pan Am course, Roberts was also involved in the modern technology it takes to accurately measure just how far a competitor has jumped.

“We survey a grid onto the water, we superimpose that grid onto a computer screen, and we video the landing. The computer will convert the video image into the exact distance of the ankle of the skier from the top of the jump.”

The man-made channel, made along Lakeshore Boulevard in Lake Ontario, was a great experience for Roberts, the President of Water Ski Wakeboard Ontario.

“Pan Am is as high of an international level as we compete at. The whole experience really opens up your eyes even more to the international competition out there.”

Roberts said there has been a push “for many years” to get the sport to the Olympic level. It was a demonstration sport in 1984 at the Olympics in Munich, Germany.

“The IOC (International Olympic Committee) was concerned about the mechanized system in a motorized sport. I think that’s still the major block for us to become an Olympic sport.”

Still, Roberts does hope to one day see the sport he loves in the Olympic Games.

“There’s certainly an opportunity, just some kinks to get around. Hopefully sooner rather than later.”



Schomberg’s Paul Roberts not only helped design the water ski course for the Pan Am Games in Toronto, he’s a strong advocate for the sport, pushing for it to be an Olympic sport.

Submitted Photo

Sprinter competes in World Championships

By Jake Courtepatte

Maple resident and Villanova College student Arielle Tessier stepped up to one of the biggest stages of her life in her search for track stardom.

Tessier debuted on the international stage at the IAAF World Youth Championships in Cali, Columbia, competing in the 110-metre sprint event.

Racing against competitors from all over the world, Tessier finished fifth in her heat, registering an impressive time of 12.24 seconds. It was about a quarter of a second off of qualifying her for the semi-final race.

“It was close to my personal best, I was happy with my time,” said Tessier. “The competition was amazing. It was so fast.”

The soon-to-be 16-year-old was the second fastest Canadian in the field, behind Jordan Savoury of Montreal, who advanced to Thursday’s semi-final with a time of 11.95.

“I learned so much, met so many cool people from around the world, and had a blast representing my country at the international level,” said Tessier. “Definitely one of the most amazing experiences in my life.”

Heading into her junior year at King City’s Villanova College, the track sensation is already a two-time OFSAA champion in both the 100 and 200-metre finals.

As for her future in racing, the young sprinter has aspirations of international stardom after getting a taste of wearing the red and white.

“It was something that I want to do again and again,” said Tessier of representing Canada. “It means a lot to have ‘Canada’ on my chest and I feel like it makes you want to compete even harder.”

Having raced and trained almost exclusively in Ontario before the event, the trip to Columbia was a big one for the high school student.

“I’m so used to racing people within Ontario and within Canada, it was cool to see all the different backgrounds. Everyone has their own pre-race routines and it was cool to see all the different ways runners prepare themselves and race.”

Outside of racing for team Canada, Tessier competes with the Project Athletics Track and Field Club.



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Veteran on cross-country journey to raise awareness

By Jake Courtepatte

For many veterans of the military, the battle doesn't end upon returning to civilian life.

This is a struggle that Paul Nichols knows all too well.

"To land in a community that doesn't often recognize their contemporary veterans, pretty soon you stop telling your stories," Nichols said. "And then you start spending a lot of time inside your own head kind of wondering and questioning whether your service is worthwhile."

Nichols served in Bosnia and Croatia in the 1990s, most significantly serving in Operation Medak Pocket in 1993.

When he settled down in a small town in British Columbia, he found it difficult to return to the proper mindset. Luckily, his wife and his horse were able to help him out, but many veterans don't have the support they need.

That's why Nichols is in the middle of a cross-country horseback journey, collecting the stories of veterans and raising awareness along the way.



"The day to day routine of life on the road for us has been exhausting ... we're here because we believe we can make a difference and we believe that a difference needs to be made."

Nichols and his crew made a stop in King Township last Thursday, arriving at a farm on the King-Vaughan Town Line Thursday evening.

"It's a beautiful area," said Nichols. We had a great day here."

From King, the group is heading

east, after beginning his journey in B.C.

"When I look back on the photos and everything of the vets that I've met up with along the way, I'm reminded of our purpose," said Nichols. "To change the face of Canadian veterans."

Nichols and his team are collecting donations along the way to help cover the costs of the cross-country trek. Any other funds will be allocated to

veteran's programs within Canada. Information about the journey can be found at www.communitiesforveterans.ca.

Hike in Happy Valley Aug. 18

By Mark Pavilons

Happy Valley Forest has a rich cultural and natural history. It's waiting to be explored.

Guided and narrated walks, courtesy of Thom Unrau, conservation technician with the Nature Conservancy of Canada, are opening the forest to visitors and giving them a new perspective.

Happy Valley Forest is one of the largest remaining intact upland deciduous forests on the Moraine.

Unrau will lead visitors of all ages in three more upcoming hikes. They are slated for Aug. 18, Sept. 26 and Oct. 17. All walks run from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. You can sign up or register contact Thomas.Unrau@natureconservancy.ca.

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St. Mary Magdalene

This coming Sunday, Aug. 16 Father (Canon) John Wilton recently retired from St. George's -on-the-Hill, Etobicoke, will return as guest celebrant for the combined Anglican Parish of Lloydtown 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion service at St Mary Magdalene's Church on Church St. in Schomberg. All are welcome to attend. Light refreshments with coffee, tea and juice follow the service.

Rev. Henry Bath Osler later Canon Osler related to renown Canadian physician Sir William Osler from Bond Head was the first rector of the Parish of Lloydtown staying 31 years (1843-

1874) making him the parish's longest serving priest. At one point during this time he held a morning service in St. Mary Magdalene's then still in Lloydtown, went on to Nobleton for an afternoon service and finished his day with an evening service in Pinegrove (Woodbridge) and all his travelling was done on horseback. Arduous at any time of year but horrendous in winter!

Young and handsome Rev. (Canon) J.H. Colclough (1911-1918) guided the parish through the traumatic years of the First World War and second longest serving priest Rev. (Canon) Frank Vale Abbot (1935-1952) brought the parish through the bitter Great Depression and the darkest days of the Second World War during which his own son went missing in action.

York Pines United Church

Children aged five to 12 are welcome to register for the Vacation Bible Camp program at the York Pines United Church in Kettleby. The dates are August 17-21 and the time is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Your child's lunch is provided. The cost is by donation. The theme is "God's Mission - Our Gifts." Come for games, stories, crafts, songs, fun and adventure. To register or for more information, please call the church office at

905-727-8118. The York Pines Church is located at 3150 Aurora Lloydtown Road, Kettleby.

Courtyard on Main

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Schomberg Public Library

The Mother-Daughter Book Club in King City is planning their next meeting for Monday, Aug. 17 at 6:30 p.m. The Book they will be discussing is "Ella Enchanted" by Gail Carson Levine.

How can a fairy's blessing be such a curse? At her birth, Ella of Frell was given a foolish fairy's gift - the "gift" of obedience. Ella must obey any order given to her, whether it's hopping on

one foot for a day or chopping off her own head! But strong-willed Ella does not tamely accept her fate. She goes on a quest, encountering ogres, giants, wicked stepsisters, fairy godmothers, and handsome princes, determined to break the curse, and live happily ever after.

Everyone is welcome to attend. The reading level for this book is approximately Grade 4.

School reunion

Schomberg Dunkerron School celebrated their 16th school reunion recently with over 43 people in attendance at the 1812 Restaurant. The Dunkerron School closed in 1958, the hamlet has dissipated, families moved away and passed on, yet their "Dunkerron" passion thrives as does their memories!



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Nobleton United hosts 'Messy Church' in Sept.

Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone
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St. Paul's Church

Through the summer months, the Youth Group will meet every other Friday. Check here for details or contact our Youth Leader Taylor Scott at scottie_tay@yahoo.ca.

The King Township Food Bank will be open Saturday, Aug. 15 from 9 to 11 a.m.

Join us Sunday, Aug. 16 at 10 a.m. as Jeff continues his series entitled "The Missing Peace." Jeff's message this week - Peace With Your Theology.

FirstLink child care (for children 3 years of age and younger) is provided during the gathering and our Summer-time KidzKonnection 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 lis-

tening 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.

Immanuel Reformed Church

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.immanuelreformed.com. If you are interested in meeting to learn about the Bible, call Pastor Maurice Luimes, 905-859-8581.

St. Mary's Church

August 15 and 16, Marian Procession, St. Mary's and St. Patrick's.

August 30, St. Patrick's cemetery mass, 2 p.m.

The Harvest Moon Gala will be held Friday, Oct. 2 at DaVinci Banquet Hall on Highway 7 in Woodbridge. Reception at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are Adult \$100 (\$40 tax receipt will be issued). Contact Linda at 905-859-4958 or Robert, 905-859-8306.

Proceeds for St. Mary's mortgage fund.

Nobleton United By Nancy Hopkinson

We Nobleton people have to get up earlier for church as it will be at our sister church, Schomberg United at 9:30 a.m. on August 16. Schomberg United is on Church Street in Schomberg. I recommend parking on Church St. as Schomberg's parking lot is small.

On August 23, we can sleep a bit longer as the service is at 11 a.m. It is a joint service with Schomberg United and Schomberg Presbyterian Church at the Dufferin Marsh. Please park on Dr. Kay Dr. In case of rain, we would likely go to the Schomberg Presbyterian Church.

On August 30, Nobleton United Church will have its regular service time of 11:15 a.m. in its own church and Schomberg United will have its regular service time at 9:30 a.m. at the Manor.

On Tuesday, Sept. 8, from 5 to 7

p.m., we will be having another Messy Church. If you have not tried this, you will have a treat. There are choices of activities depending on the theme of the story. There are always cookies in the theme to decorate and then eat. The story time is at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:15 p.m. We always have raw veggies and dip, and fruit, as well as some protein to complete the meal, meatballs, chicken nuggets, lasagna. I am not sure right now what that will be. When the meal is done, you can do more activities or just socialize. The parents and grandparents like to chat. The kids like to play. This is a good time of food, faith and fun and it is free, as Nobleton United provides the funding as an outreach activity.

On Thursday, Sept. 27, we are having a Harvest Dinner with chicken and all the fixings and dessert. Tickets will be available soon. You might want to call Helen Bible right now at 905-859-3924 to reserve your place as the space is limited. This is a sit-down dinner with white tablecloths and ample time to chat.

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708 DEATHS



Russell (Jackson), Sandra

Peacefully passed on Wednesday, August 5th, 2015, with her devoted loving husband of 25 years, Mark Walter Russell and her three beautiful sons, Benjamin, Mitchell and Owen by her side, after a courageous battle with ovarian cancer. Sandra was born in Basingstoke, England December 23rd, 1964. Loving daughter of parents Bill and Joyce Jackson and sister of Linda (Paul) and Chris (Peggy) and aunt of Sean, Sarah & Stewart and Matthew, Jennifer and Baby Archer. Loved also by her inlaws, Philip & Rosemary Russell and her brothers-in-law, Jeremy and Ian Russell and their families, Kirsty, Connor & Dylan and Sue, Callum & Zander. Sandra's legacy is the fabulous job she has done with her three boys Benjamin, Mitchell & Owen. She was a best friend, mother, personal trainer and a devoted hockey mom. Sandra became addicted to a fitness lifestyle, modelling it for her boys and clients. She took on roles of adult fitness supervisor at the YMCA in Wasaga Beach. Her career prior to the fitness industry was a variety of roles with Hamilton Health Sciences & St. Peter's Hospital. Sandra made many friends in several communities throughout southern Ontario as she supported Mark's career aspirations with TD bank and her sons' sports, hobbies and education. Each community was an adventure for the family, grounded in the support and nurturing environment Sandra created. Many of her traditions will live on for generations with the boys. She has created a lasting memory for all of them. Sandra never wanted to be the centre of attention even through her illness and fight with ovarian cancer. She showed unlimited strength in the five month journey from diagnosis to treatment and finally to palliative care. We have so many people to thank for the tremendous support and love; London Mustang hockey moms, the oncology ward and staff of Victoria Hospital in London and TD Bank. She will be forever in all our hearts with so many caring family & friends over a wonderful life of 50 years. In lieu of a funeral, please post condolences on Sandra Russell's page to remember (www.facebook.com/pagetoremember); a Celebration of her Life will come at a future time.

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Sadly missed by Jack, Greg, Julie, Mikaila, and Grace, Daryl, Julie, Sydney, and Owen, Cheryl, Mike, Matthew and Christopher

709 IN MEMORIAM

IN MEMORY OF: John Robert "Bob" Scheinhuette
February 8, 1966 - August 16, 2011
It is hard to believe you left us four years ago. Bob was a wonderful son, husband, father, brother, nephew and grandson. Bob was a very gentle soul whose greatest achievement in life was his family. He was the proud father of three children, Tristan, Melissa and Nicholas. He loved Christine and the children with all his heart. Bob will be remembered for his love of fast cars (Mustangs) great food, selling cars and his passion of playing Santa Claus. He loved small children. He will be loved forever in all of our hearts. Sadly missed by Mom, Dad, Christine, Tristan, Melissa, Nicholas, Leeann and family

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King City 39'ers hold BBQ at Spray Lake

King's Corners

King City United
By Eleanor Fry

Rev. Evelyn set aside her series of "The Genius of Jesus" and will return to it August 23. In its place she spoke about our General Council, which is meeting for 10 days beginning this past week in Corner Brook, N.L. This is a very intense look at the United Church of Canada as it is today. It represents congregations, presbyteries, conferences, ministers and lay people as decisions and long range plans are made. This is not a vacation.

The commissioners have 1,000-page workbook to devour. It's a tall mandate, seeking to honour our history, yet knowing we cannot hold on to the way it has always been. Rev. Evelyn compares it to the story of the disciples in the boat when the storm comes up. Jesus walks toward them on the water, telling them "It is I. Be not afraid." Peter says "If it is you, tell me to come to you on the water." Jesus extends his hand. Peter gets out of the boat and begins to walk, but fear overtakes him and he begins to sink. Jesus says "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" Is this not like us?

That's what we, as a congregation, need to do. Let go of our fears. Grab

hold of that hand. Step out on the water. Be bold. Seek a renewal of our faith. Our prayers are with General Council, that they will find some answers for our future and ways to show us how to strengthen our church and our faith that we can do that.

A blessed event took place in our church last Saturday. It was the beautiful wedding of Lisa Caruso and Michael van den Munckhof. We remember Lisa attending church with sister Emma, brother Josh, and mom Marilyn (Orr) and dad John. The Orr family has been cornerstones of our church for many, many years. Rev. Evelyn presented a beautiful white prayer shawl to the bride and groom that they may always remember their roots at King City United, and know we will always hold them in our prayers. This special prayer shawl was knit with much love by a member of our prayer shawl knitters group.

Rev. Evelyn and friends had a great "Tea and Talk" being joined by some guests from Nova Scotia. Anyone is welcome to join in just for a cup of tea or coffee, some questions or conversation - getting to know your neighbours. Fridays 10 to 11 a.m., but not this Friday, Aug. 14 as our Rev. has another commitments. We'll be back for August 21.

Have you signed up for the walkathon yet? Saturday, Sept. 12 starting at 9 a.m., from King City United Church. Walk

1km, 3km, 5km. How far can you go? Join Jean Kirby and her best 4-legged friend Zack as they walk around the church. If you can't go any further and need a ride, we have "valet service" (maybe a wagon) to pick you up. If you can't walk, come and cheer on those who can, sponsor some friends. How many sponsors can you recruit? Pick up your pledge sheet from our office Wednesday or Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. or call Nancy 905-833-5181 email kcuc@bellnet.ca to send one online.

How far did you travel this summer? Or are you still planning to go? Send a postcard or an email to our church from there. You may win the prize for the furthest away to be given on Sunday, Sept. 13. Send the cards to 1-50 Elizabeth Grove, King City, L7B 1H7. Current cards are posted on the board at the back of the church.

This is the last year for Sparrow Lake family camping weekend, Sept 18-20. Cost is approximately \$110 per family. It is a great place to canoe, hike, kayak, read, or just sit and chat, meditate. Bring some friends, relatives, neighbours. Call Serena 905-833-2707 email serena@spmi.ca.

If you would like to send a card or note to Don and Mary Barker anytime, please contact the church office for their address. Don and Mary are settling in, enjoying meals and still talking about their open house. Thanks to all.

Don't forget to send your news items, stories, pictures for the September newsletter to Editor Earle, ve3xel@yahoo.ca, or leave in the office door. Deadline is Sept. 6.

Are you available and willing? Volunteers are still needed for pulpit assistant, greeting, refreshments, counting for the rest of August. If you can help with any of these, please offer your name to Nancy in the office.

We welcome everyone to our 10 a.m. Sunday worship, stay to share conversation, have a coffee and cookie. You will enjoy Rev. Evelyn's words of wonder and faith. We're at 50 Elizabeth Grove, King City, Office, 905-833-5181; email kcuc@bellnet.ca; Reverend Evelyn McLachlan, kcucmin@bellnet.ca or visit the website, www.kcuc.ca

more information.

York Pines

Children age five to 12 are welcome to register for the Vacation Bible Camp being held at the York Pines United Church from Aug. 17-21.

The theme for the camp is "God's Mission - Our Gifts." The program is facilitated by a team of three youth and young adults hired and trained by the Living Waters Presbytery of the United Church.

The camp starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. For the convenience of families both a snack and a lunch are provided. Your donation helps to cover our costs. For further information or to register please contact the church office at 905-727-8118.

The York Pines Church is located at 3150 the Aurora/Lloydtown Road in Kettleby.

Horticultural Society

Fun and creativity abound at the 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 24 meeting of the Nobleton-King City Horticultural Society in Nobleton Community Hall. And it's all because we're having a hands-on workshop on how to create an eye-catching floral table centre. Bring your own flowers from any source a container and scissors - floral tape would be helpful. But most of all bring your own wonderful creativity. Several members of the society will be on hand to offer a hand if needed so grab your "blooms and bucket" and prepare to be amazed at what you can do with a little help from your friends! Sounds like lots of fun doesn't it?

King Bible Church

Join us on Sunday, Aug. 16 as Glen Eyre will be speaking to us.

During the summer months we have Celebration Zone available downstairs for kids aged 3-Grade 2. We also have nursery available downstairs for babies 0-3.

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

Church-in-the-Park at St. Andrew's is this Sunday at 10:30 a.m., weather permitting! Come join us in God's outdoor sanctuary. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the shade of the old maples on the west side of the church and stay afterwards for lemonade. Children are most welcome.

Mr. Soong Huh, a final year student minister and his family are with us this summer including the month of September.

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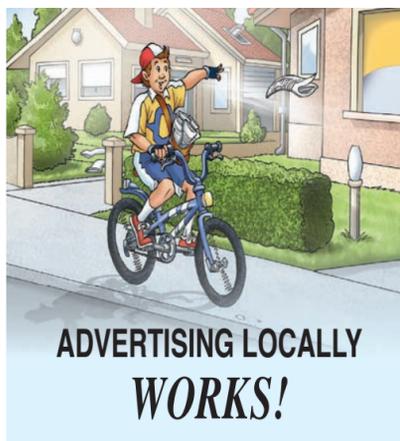
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Horticultural society meets Aug. 24

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We will be having a Joint Anniversary Service with Schomberg United on Oct. 25 at 11:15 a.m. in Nobleton. At that time, we will celebrate Nobleton's cross (the Baguley family created it), and the various stained glass windows of our church. We will also celebrate Schomberg United's history. We hope that our Nobleton and Schomberg communities will want to attend to admire these windows and the cross and to celebrate our histories with us.

Horticulture By John Arnott

Be sure to attend Nobleton-King City Horticultural Society's next meeting in the Nobleton Community Hall Aug. 24 starting at 8 p.m.

Watermelons

Think watermelon, think summer! Think watermelon think heat and humidity! Think watermelon think cool

and refreshing! Think watermelon think ancient history. What?

I wouldn't have thought so but when I began to research I found out a lot about one of my favourite summer coolers that really surprised me!

First of all I discovered a fruit that I'd always associated with the American deep South is not native to the Americas at all but rather to southern Africa. It developed thousands of years ago and this member of the cucurbita (Latin for gourd) family is still found growing wild in the Namibia (southwest Africa). Some wild watermelon species have sweet fruit while other species produce bland or even bitter tasting fruit. The fruit of these wild species seldom exceeds 8 in./20 cm in length.

The edible flesh of wild and early cultivated watermelons was light yellow.

Many paleobotanists think this wild watermelon citrilus (Latin for lemon yellow), colocynthis (from the Greek kolokunthis meaning round gourd) and the early cultivated species developed independently from a common prehistoric ancestor c. ecirrhosus.

I learned that watermelon were being cultivated in Ancient Egypt as far back as 2,000 BC. Watermelon seeds were found in King Tutankhamen's tomb and it is thought the melons mentioned the Bible as some of the food the Egyptians allowed the Israelite slaves to grow were indeed watermelons.

These melons were being grown in India by the 7th century AD and in China by the 10th century AD. Today China is the world's largest producer.

I also found out that the Moors introduced watermelon cultivation into Spain around 961 AD from where it spread to Italy and other parts of southern Europe. Watermelons rich in vitamins A and C have long been used in European herbal medicine.

Spanish and Portuguese colonists and later slavers brought watermelon cultivation to the Americas. Colonists were growing watermelon in Florida by the late 1500s while First Nations people in the Mississippi Valley were growing them by the mid 1600s. British settlers in Massachusetts had watermelon crops by 1630 and United Empire Loy-

alists brought watermelon seeds with them to Canada after the 1776 American Revolution.

The watermelon most common in our area is citrilus lanatus (Latin for woolly), with its large lobed coarse leaves, tough thick trailing stem and tendrils. Each plant carries both male and female flowers white to yellow inside and greenish yellow outside. The fruit produced has a smooth thick skin called a rind which is roughly striped light green or white on dark green. Young plants are covered in dense yellowish brown hairs giving them a woolly appearance hence their botanical name.

American botanist Charles Fredric Andrus work on developing watermelon cultivars that were disease and wilt resistant and by 1954 he had achieved his goal. Now other botanists set about developing a seedless variety and were successful.

While there are watermelons with yellow, green or even white flesh the fruit most often found for sale locally have deep pink flesh containing many seeds or none.

Church holds 'prayer walks'

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He is preaching a sermon series on "The Armour of God" from Ephesians 6. Last Sunday Soong spoke about the Shield of Faith. Are we picking up ours and using it well, having donned the foundational armour - the Belt of Truth, the Breastplate of Righteousness and our feet being fitted with the readiness that comes from the Gospel of Peace?

The Ladies' Prayer Group continues to meet most Tuesdays throughout the summer at 9 a.m. This is open to all ladies. God is there with us as He has promised! Come and pray with us or quietly reflect. You will be blessed. Let us know how our God can bless you.

Interested in finding out more about our Prayer Walks? Want to do your own, but would like a pamphlet with suggestions re Prayer? Please contact the church office at 905-833-2325 or call Kathy Patterson, Clerk of Session at 905-833-0391 should you have prayer requests, praise items or any questions or concerns regarding the prayer group or prayer walks.

Lynn Vissers, our Director of Congregational Ministries is on vacation. For pastoral care needs please contact the church office. 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.

All Saints By Diana Armitage

Summer Church services are at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. in the chapel. Nicole will be playing her harp for the next few Sundays. The church office is closed in August. However, telephone and email messages will be checked regularly. The Prayer Group will continue to meet every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the chapel. All are welcome!

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