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Sale of current municipal building to fund new offices

By Mark Pavilons

As work on King Township's new municipal office building progresses, council has set in motion the plan to sell the current property off of Banner Lane in King City.

Councillors approved staff recommendations which declared the lands surplus. A call for proposals will be made early in 2017.

The Township will look after the sale and marketing itself, saving money.

There are several conditions attached to the sale and these include a 10% deposit of the bid; buying the property "as is;" a commitment to the current lease agreements on the property and allowing the Township to remain in their offices rent free until they move to the new complex, estimated in the spring of 2018.

The proceeds from this sale make up the main source of funding for the new

Staff, back in August, went ahead with a zoning bylaw amendment for the current property. This will allow redevelopment of the strip plaza for mixed uses, including residential and commercial. This will make the property more attractive to potential buyers and also achieve some objectives for the King City core area. The zoning amendment, staff noted, is now in effect.

ASK hosts community group meeting

For many years, Arts Society King (ASK) has gathered members of King Township's community groups to come together to prosper from shared information and resources.

Please join them at the 2017 meeting and share this information with your organization and invite and include your key members.

It will be held Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the King Heritage and Cultural Centre.

RSVP for planning purposes only to Info@ArtsSocietyKing.ca



Owners looking for missing 'gentle giant'

The owners of a very gentle dog are anxious to get him back. Mack, a 200-pound tan Irish Wolfhound, went missing Tuesday, Jan. 3 in the area of Keele Street and the 17th Sideroad in King Township.

A search was undertaken with volunteers, a drone and even an animal tracker, but as of press time, there was no word on Mack's whereabouts. Being a registered seniors and Alzheimer's therapy dog, he is very approach-

If anyone has any information on him please contact Julie Allen at 416-949-0344 or 905-727-1932.



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COUNCIL MEETINGS

MUNICIPAL OFFICE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2075 King Road

Monday, January 23, 2017

6 pm - Council/Committee of the Whole

• Consideration of 2017 Budgets & Business Plans for Adoption

Monday, February 6, 2017

6 pm - Council/Committee of the Whole

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Outdoor Program Facilitator (P/T, 6 month contract) closes Feb.6
- Aquatics Supervisor (seasonal) closes Feb. 3
- Aquatics Instructor/Lifeguard (seasonal) closes Feb. 3

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

PUBLIC NOTICES

Christmas tree pickup

Christmas trees will be picked up on Monday, January 16 only. Please remove all decorations, nails, tree stands and plastic tree bags. Crews will not dig out a tree or climb a snowbank to retrieve one and tress over six feet tall in height must be cut



PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF REPORT TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (DEFERRED TO THE JANUARY 23, 2017 MEETING)

Please be advised that a report is being prepared for Council's consideration at the Monday, December 12, 2016 meeting at 6pm recommending adding the following properties to the Township's Heritage Register:

> 12853 Keele Street 12911 Keele Street 12861 Keele Street 12917 Keele Street 12865 Keele Street 12936 Keele Street 12871 Keele Street 12958 Keele Street 12877 Keele Street 12959 Keele Street 12883 Keele Street 12966 Keele Street

For further information

If you have any questions, require further information regarding the property, or concerns with respect to the possible listing of your property on the Township's Heritage Register, please do not hesitate to contact Jeff Elkow, Planner II/ Heritage Coordinator at the Township offices, either by phone 905-833-4061 or by email at jelkow@king.ca.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETINGS DRAFT 2017 BUDGETS & BUSINESS PLAN

RE: Council Meeting: Monday, January 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Consideration of By-law for Adoption: 2017 Budgets & Business Plan

12905 Keele Street

The Township of King adoption of the 2017 Budgets & Business Plan, will be considered at the January 23, 2017 Council Meeting. Interested parties are invited to attend. Budget information will be available for review at the Township of King Municipal Offices at 2075 King Road or on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, January 19, 2017

For further information regarding the Budget process please visit the Township's website at www.king.ca or contact:

Allan Evelyn, Director of Finance and Treasurer, aevelyn@king.ca Brandy Elliot, Manager of Budgets and Accounting, belliot@king.ca

Telephone: 905-833-5321, Fax: 905-833-2300

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

REMINDERS



REMINDER! Help us keep your streets clear of snow and safe for passage. To ensure effective snow removal, Winter Parking Restrictions are now in effect until April **15th**. On-street parking is prohibited on any roadway from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. during this period.















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Councillors David Boyd & Linda Pabst

Tuesday, February 7 Thursday, March 23 Monday, April 10 Thursday, April 27 Nobleton Library Schomberg Library King City Library Ansnorveldt Library Schomberg Library 77 Main Street 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Councillor Bill Cober

King City Library 1970 King Road 6:30pm to 8:00pm

18997 Dufferin Street

Councillors Cleve Mortelliti & Debbie Schaefer

Councillor Avia Eek

Informal Meet & Greet Discuss Ward/Township Issues

All Welcome!

New smart hospital in Vaughan is all about people

By Mark Pavilons

Health care in York is more about people than beautiful facilities.

People caring about people is the theme driving the Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital project. King councillors received an update on the project from Altaf Stationwala, president and CEO of Mackenzie Health.

He said the planned 500-bed facility will be the first smart hospital in the region, bringing some 1,000 construction jobs, 180 staff and 100 new physicians when it arrives in 2020.

The state-of-the-art centre will feature modern, open spaces, large windows and abundant landscape features, all conducive to improving people's health.

They've moved quickly through the process, Stationwala said, since it was announced in 2010. The ground-breaking was held this past October. They've learned from previous hospital projects and they will engage patients in new ways.

The project also features a new, unique partnership among stakeholders – from data providers to property managers.

The facility will be managed by the Plenary Group, an independent longterm investor, sponsor and operator of public infrastructure.

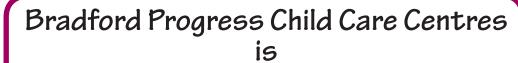
According to Stuart Elgie, senior principal of Stantec, they're providing architectural, engineering and environmental services to the project.

This facility will be an important foundation to the surrounding community and they're providing a real people perspective and a connection to nature. Designing a nurturing environment actually gets people better faster and many unique features are being utilized in the design.

The concept drawings show a bright, spacious facility that sets new standards in work spaces, treatment and patient rooms. Elgie noted they've made it flexible to accommodate future expansions.

Stationwala is especially proud the new facility will be efficient and smart. They plan to promote hourly rounds for patients and combine tools and technology for record-keeping and medical assistance. They hospital will have a long-term contract with Philips, which will supply, service and upgrade the medical equipment. Compugen will manage the facility's data systems that include smart badges, smart beds and smart infusion pumps. This interconnection will save precious minutes in an emergency.

Many of these new procedures are currently being tested. The Mackenzie Innovation Institute (Mi2) is Mackenzie Innovation Institute is the bridge that brings together healthcare, academia and industry. By leveraging the expertise of these partners, Mackenzie Innovation Institute will remain on the leading edge of advancements. This means its vendors have a stake in the future of health care delivery.



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With programs ranging from Police Foundations to Nursing to Early Childhood Education, King Campus is contributing to building healthy and safe communities. Our sincere thanks to Magna for this significant investment in our students and the communities they will serve. We're pleased to partner with you as we build a new space for our future leaders and caregivers.

With donors like Magna we are one step closer to our goal.

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Editorial, Letters & Opinion

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

~ Frank B. Kellogg

Saying farewell to silly trends of 2016

Most of us work through our own ups and downs year after year.

We make plans, and break plans. We set goals, and hopefully we achieve one or two. We try to keep our personal ships on an even keel.

Whatever the case, no one can dispute the fact that 2016 was filled with more than its fair share of challenges, surprises and tragedies.

In our modern, high-tech society, it's very easy to take a "snapshot" of our world. In fact, it's being done every second of every day around the globe. We are so connected that nothing escapes our attention.

In many ways, that's a very good thing. History is being recorded by average citizens around the world on their smart devices. We are documenting, sharing and saving vital pieces of our human puzzle.

These instant images show tragedies as they happen. They catch bad guys in the act. They highlight the very best, and the worst, of our species.

any way?

Not on your life!

As I recall some of the social "trends" of the past year, I not only feel old, but have had cause to stand on my office chair and shout: "I'm not going to take it any more!"

As I slip and fall off my chair, and land on my floor, that video is immediately uploaded to YouTube for all to see!

the way the human race has turned out. rights activists. Today, social trends are



Mark Pavilons

When I think about things like self-Does all of this make us smarter in ies, the mannequin pose, Snapchat filters, the running man and idiocy of our fellow men and woman, I feel somewhat embarrassed and ashamed.

Can you imagine the reaction from aliens if a passing space craft stopped briefly around our globe and tuned in to YouTube? They would put the saucer in overdrive and high-tail it out of here!

It used to be that trends of any description were being created and dictat-I often wonder if God is happy with ed by decision-makers, leaders and civil

being created largely by self-serving, the 1960s pop culture. It has served us bored, lazv souls.

Just how many photos of oneself with dog ears and big floppy tongues does anyone need?

The "mannequin pose," while quaint for the first five minutes, is another of and flows in popular music. I imagine our biggest accomplishments in the they are one of the biggest consumers past year! A friend of mine put it quite of the stuff. well, saying we've made a trend out of absolutely nothing, and doing nothing. Wow. We've sunk to a new low when of Disney Channel creations. doing absolutely nothing has become a

This does not bode well for the future and for our young leaders of tomorrow.

I understand that major corporations are now targeting, and profiting from. a massive youth market of teens, even match-making advice from toddlers? pre-teens. Let the free market economy operate as it does.

I really don't relish the idea of any trends being set by teenagers.

When I was young, our parents and have proven this. society curbed the bad behaviours of voungsters. We knew our boundaries and when not to cross them.

Today, it seems that all bets are off. We not only give our young people leeway, we let them run with their silly ideas. We even encourage them and profit from them.

Who remembers Pokemon Go?

Yes, my kids had a brief obsession with that during the summer. I never fully grasped the fascination of this passing fad.

While I'm still a novice with all the capabilities of my iPhone, I have succumbed to cute texting abbreviations and Emojis. Yes, I admit it, "sad face, crying eyes, hands on mouth."

py face or "Smiley" being an icon from glasses!

well and actually means something. But I really don't want any emoticon going down in history as a representative image of the 2000s.

Our youth now has altered the ebbs

Today's "hits" are coming from the mouths of babes themselves and a host

Many top pop stars today are well under 20. What does a 17-vear-old know about love, relationships, breakups, or commitment? Why is anyone listening to this and taking advice from teenvboppers? Since when are we heeding

In the process, these same child stars are earning millions of dollars. They're ill equipped to handle the pressures of "real life" and many of their life stories

On the up-side of music, many young people today are actually taking a shine to "our music" from the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s. They are embracing groups like Styx, Supertramp and even KISS.

In 2016, the world said goodbye to many music and entertainment icons, legends and trendsetters. Most will leave a lasting impression on our hearts that goes far beyond fleeting Instagram posts or Tweets.

There's no doubt we will remain intimately connected in the future. Our devices are becoming even "smarter" every day. We will go way beyond the evils of Orwell's Big Brother.

Like it or not, our species will continue to evolve, in plain view for everyone I don't have a problem with the hap- to see. I think I'll start wearing sun-

Letter to the Editor

Macdonald deserves recognition

January 11 marked the 202nd anniversary of the birth of Sir John A Macdonald, who 150 years ago, pulled together 4 squabbling backwoods British North American colonies to form the nucleus of a Canada that would eventually stretch from sea to sea to sea.

Without this man, his energy and his vision there would probably would be no Canada to stand on guard for. And we'd all be waiting in fear and trepidation for a Donald to take office as our leader. Yet the day likely passed with very very few of us taking a moment to give a thought to this man, or even know who he is. This the founder of our nation! I'd be willing to bet in the vast majority of schools across this country the day will pass with out his name even being mentioned and yet a week later events and commemorations will take place in these same educational institutions and highlighted by our media to mark Martin Luther King Jr. Day (a great man no doubt but still a foreigner whose contribution to Canada is less than negligible compared that of Sir John).

Shame, shame on us Canadians. In any other country this would be a day of celebration, a national holiday. Well, we did put out a postage stamp to mark his 200th anniversary two years ago.

John Arnott

Summer Jobs 2017 accepting applications from employers

To get a greater number of Canadian youth working next summer during Canada's 150th anniversary year, all not-for-profit organizations, public-sector employers, and small businesses with up to 50 employees can now apply for funding from the Government of Canada.

The Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) program creates summer job opportunities and valuable work experience for full-time students aged 15 to 30 years old.

In King-Vaughan, the priorities focus on organizations that provide programs and services for the community, but all eligible applicants are encouraged to apply. The application period runs until Jan. 20, 2017. Applicants approved for funding will be able to hire students as early as April 2017.

Not-for-profit employers can receive up to 100 percent of the provincial/territorial minimum hourly wage and mandatory employment-related costs. Public-sector employers and small businesses with up to 50 employees can receive up to 50 per cent of the provincial/territorial minimum hourly wage.



Brainteaser

It takes the town hall clock 6 seconds to strike 4 o'clock in the afternoon. How long does it take to strike midnight?

Last week's answer: "What" was the dogs' mother's name.

KingWeeklySentinel WEBP Results from last week's poll: Do you think things are

looking up in 2017? 78% a) Yes

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

THIS WEEK'S **QUESTION**

Are you enjoying a return to a typical Canadian winter?

a) Yes b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!

King Township Trivia

The Nobleton Women's Institute was formed in April 1908.



b) No

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The corruption of our electrical power

By Skid Crease

"Power tends to corrupt and absolute power corrupts absolutely." John Dalberg-Acton (1834-1902)

Lord Acton's full quote went on to say: "Great men are almost always bad

In reality, they don't have to be either great or bad to be corrupted by power. We don't consider any of our current politicians to be great. We don't have, for example, a provincial leader like the late and truly great Peter Lougheed. We have no national leader on the global stage with the courage of Mbande Nzinga, the very late and truly great Queen of Angola.

Instead, we have bureaucrats, mandarins, and politicians incapable of "seven generations" thinking. It was glaringly apparent when the common cents Conservatives sold the 407 ETR to a foreign conglomerate.

Now, the current ruling party is trying to sell off Ontario's publically owned power generation to private enterprise. As financially incompetent as our public utilities are sometimes, the thought of our plutonium privatized in the hands of Bruce Nuclear makes me very nervous.

Recently at Queen's Park, we have seen very angry people protesting over the high electricity prices, very angry about the big bite that these rising energy costs are taking out of their flat-line paychecks. If people are getting that angry, then we all need to take a step back, take a big breath, and look for solutions. After one month of global research, Eureka! That big idea LED light bulb over my head came on in full energy saving brilliance.

tralia has come up with "Fair Electricity Pricing" using a "capacity tariff" combined with "time of use" smart

metering. Based on their research and educators have been telling us for years. doing some calculations that appreciate the Ontario situation, here's what could be a workable solution:

Every household/business gets a basic survival supply of electricity at the lowest kwh cost. It would cover lighting, heating, utilities, and tech needs.

It would be based on the number of people in, and the dimensions of, the household/business, balanced to your work day, and whether or not you are a senior. It would also calculate costs based on the season in which the metering is occurring. However, if more than the "basic needs" quantity of electricity is used, then a premium would be paid, increasing in cost with the amount of electricity used.

So, if you are a conservation of energy type of person, your bill is going to be low. If you are an electricity hog, then you are going to pay up big time, household or business, as you should. The incentive here is simple, use energy wisely or go bankrupt. The planet is telling us more clearly day by day: Pay me now or pay me later.

The beauty of this system is that the bright tech boys in the back room can program the smart meters (that have not been used wisely vet) to do all this.

Scrap the current "time of day" usage that only benefits the few 9 to 5 regular workers and businesses. Scrap the Insulate, identify and plug the "heat hole" leaks, supper insulate your attic, provide fresh air circulation, switch to LED lighting, and if you don't need it, unplug it! On a bigger scale, get a solar water heater back up. Then, hook it to a closed loop on-demand hot water system. Hang your clothes outside in the summer and over the hot air vents in the winter.

Install radiant glycol tube heating in the floors (easier if built into new homes), put in a Tesla Powerwall 2 that will give you three days of back-up solar electricity (for a conservation based home) in these days of fire and ice. Go for the FIT program when you install your solar panels/shingles/paint/micro hydro generators in your home/ business. As another back-up for heat, the wood/biomass burning stove has evolved into a very efficient model of old tech heat radiating model that looks like a pizza oven. Eat, pray, conserve.

This is the 21st century, and the days of warming our caves with chunks of coal, fracked gas and globs of bitumen is neither feasible nor intelligent with 7.5 billion of us heating and lighting our

global village.

Instead of building more fossil fuel pipelines, we should be retrofitting our existing ones to meet the most stringent international safety standards. And we should be investing in research, development and application of every solar, water, wind, tidal, geothermal, and as yet unimagined renewable energy source available.

We should have building codes that insist on LEEDS Gold/R2000 criteria as a minimum building standard for very new residence, school, business, and municipal office to federal edifice.

Those solutions will lead us back to the vision we once had of becoming a conserver society. If not us, who? If not now, when? I choose us, now.

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How did you celebrate New Year's Eve?



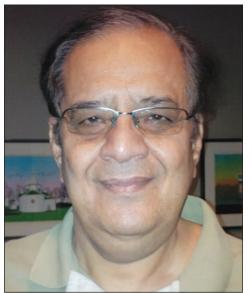
Karen Knox "At a friend's chalet."



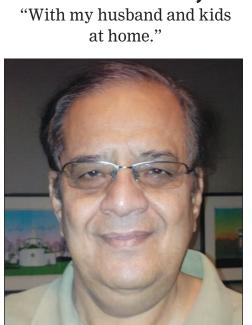
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Rachelle Zigomenko "With my boyfriend's family up north."

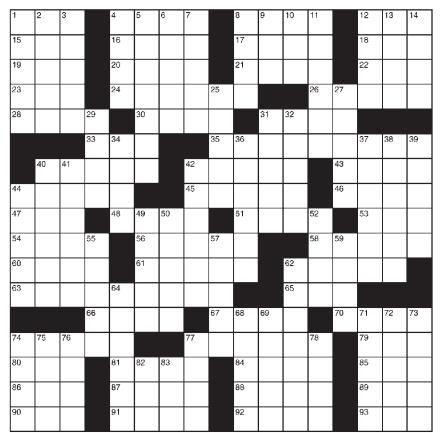


Mainuddin Singh "With my family."





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- 9. Each and every

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- 29.Stoat's kin

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- 74.Presidential refusal 75.Shackle
- 76. John Doe, e.g. 77.Part of a dollar 78.Tense
- 82. Tarzan's chum 83.Provoke

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Food drive a success

Neighbourhood Network held its Fall Food Drive in support of the King Township Food Bank bak in October at John's No Frills in Nobleton. Shoppers filled bags of needed items, and many donated cash to support the cause. In all, the day raised

Submitted photo



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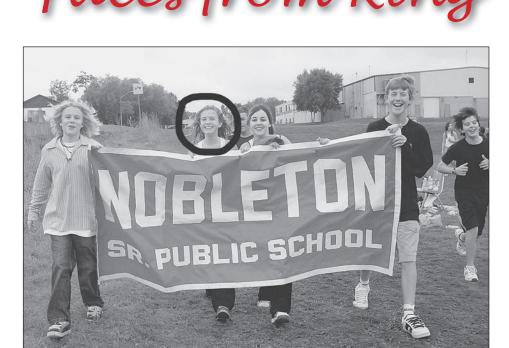
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INGREDIENTS

- 4 lemons
- · 2-3 heads of garlic • 1 whole chicken 4 to 5 pounds
- · Fresh rosemary, or any fresh herbs
- · All-purpose steak seasoning or salt and pepper

INSTRUCTIONS

Cut garlic heads and lemons in half and lay in bottom of slow cooker. Cut the bottoms off the lemons so they lay flat. Add a sprig of rosemary, or any herbs. Remove insides from chicken, rinse chicken and pat dry. Season chicken well, inside and out, with all-purpose steak seasoning or salt and

pepper. Lay chicken on top of garlic and lemon slices and stuff the chicken with a garlic head cut in half, and a lemon cut in quarters. Cover top of chicken with additional lemon slices and rosemary. Turn slow cooker to high, and cook for about 4 hours, or until chicken reaches 165 degrees. Slow cooker cooking times vary. Important: Use a meat thermometer to check for doneness. When chicken has reached 165, turn off slow cooker and let chicken rest for about 15 minutes. Remove from slow cooker, carve and serve. Liquid from slow cooker can be strained and served over chicken. Recipe courtesy of Melissa @ No. 2 Pencil



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Minister promises news on GTA West Corridor is coming

By Bill Rea

News on the GTA West Corridor and the proposed highway running along it is coming, and soon.

It's just not known exactly when.

That word come straight from Transportation Minister Steven Del Duca, who addressed a gathering of the Dufferin-Caledon Provincial Liberal Association in Caledon recently.

"I don't have any update act this point of time," the Minister was quick to state when the issue was mentioned to him.

He pointed out the Transportation Ministry (MTO) paused the study on the environmental assessment (EA) on the corridor a year ago in order to seek more input and advice. That work is continuing, he said.

"I expect to have an update from them in the relatively near future," he said, adding he had no further time frame to offer

"I understand the concern and impatience," he added, pointing out residents, affected municipalities and othwhat's coming.

Del Duca was able to provide some more definite information when it came to the planned extension of Highway 427.

It's coming he said, with construction starting early in 2017. He also pointed out preliminary widening work has already started on the stretch of road south of Steeles Avenue, and the completion is set for 2020 or '21.

"It's a big project," he acknowledged, adding there's "a great deal of interest and anticipation for that."

The Vaughan MPP said he's lived in the area some 30 years, so he's well aware of how people are looking forward to the extension, which has been talked about for many years. The road is slated to be extended to Major Mackenzie Drive, and Del Duca pointed out it's taken a lot of work, effort and resources to get to this stage. There has been talk that the road should be extended further, like to Highway 9. Del Duca confirmed he's aware of that talk, adding he understands why people keep

er stakeholders are anxious to know asking about it. But he had no further of rhetoric, and that's what the govcommitments to offer.

> "We're focused on the extension to Major Mac at this time," he stated.

> Del Duca said his ministry has been in contact with municipal leaders on the matter, adding MTO has strong reason for working closely with its municipal partners, and gathering input from

> He also said he enjoys the opportunities to get out and talk to party members and voters in more informal settings.

> "I love getting away from Queen's Park," he said, adding it gives him a chance to get a feel for what's really happening, unlike at the legislature, where "we're always taking to the same people."

> "There's such enormous growth happening in all our communities," the Minister stated, adding that brings a share of challenges.

> He pointed out that prior to 2003, there had been under-investment in critical infrastructure in Ontario. That obligated the new Liberal government to play catch-up, on top of the demands of keeping up with the growth.

> Del Duca added the government of Kathleen Wynne campaigned in 2014 on a plan for infrastructure investment, including \$31.5 billion, most of which was to go toward transportation. That's part of a \$160 billion commitment over 12 years on all aspects of infrastructure.

> "We have made a very clear commitment to make sure we get these shovels in the ground," he said, adding people have been clear that they want to see the work proceed.

> Del Duca added the party received a mandate in 2014 to put results ahead

ernment's been doing. But the work is not yet complete, and he said they need leaders at all levels to see the need for this infrastructure.

"I believe we've made tremendous progress over the last two-and-a-half years," he commented.

Del Duca observed that previous governments falling behind on infrastructure investment has created a feeling of disbelief among skeptics.

"I call it a credibility deficit," he remarked, adding one reason to try and get shovels in the ground is to show these people the government has a plan and is delivering on it. "That's how we got the buy-in from the people."

With some 18 month to go until the election, he commented on the need to make sure the political infrastructure is strong. He told the local party members he, his cabinet colleagues, members of the caucus and the whole party are ready to work with them. He added Wynne is a hard-working, passionate believer in government's ability to get things done.

"You have all of us on side," he said.



The Canadian Federation of University Women Aurora/ Newmarket(CFUW) is celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2017. Monthly meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of the month at the Royal Canadian Legion, 105 Industrial Pkwy. N. in Aurora. Doors open at 7 p.m. for meeting at 7:30 p.m. CFUW empowers any woman's life through friendship, education, outreach and advocacy. For more information, contact cfuwauroranewmarket.com or Syl 905-836-4291. Our topic this month is Astronomy presented by Chris Vaughan. Come and check us out!











Art auction supports humanitarian mission

The 2017 Mission Team of students from St. Michael Catholic Secondary School in Bolton will travel to the Dominican Republic in late January for a week to serve the people in the bateys in La Higuera. Under the care and leadership of Sister Maude Rhenuad and the Congregacion Hijas de Maria, the team will distribute basic necessities such as food, clothes and medicine.

Support from the community has been integral to the success of these mission trips. Funds raised go directly to serving the people in La Higuera.

An original acrylic on canvas, by famed Canadian artist Helen Lucas, known for her large, floral

works, is up for auction, to assist this mission.

"Wild Flower" is a 4'x4' work, signed by Lucas. Similar pieces in this series have been valued by Shelley Lambe Fine Art Consultants at between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

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Environmental Commissioner calls on Province to lead stormwater funding reform

Ontario's Environmental Commissioner, Dianne Saxe, warned that most Ontario municipalities do not have adequate funding models to properly manage

"Stormwater runoff – from heavy rain or snowmelt – can cause flooding, stream or river-bank erosion, and water pollution," said Commissioner Saxe. "Properly managing stormwater is critical to protect our communities and environment."

Municipalities are largely responsible for this important, but often invisible, service, but the province sets the regulatory frameworks.

The Commissioner's report, Urban Stormwater Fees: How to Pay for What We Need, calls on the province to require municipalities to recover the full costs of managing stormwater runoff; for example, by charging landowners a separate stormwater fee based on runoff volumes.

Following decades of declining investments, Ontario's municipalities are now facing a \$6.8 billion deficit to fix existing stormwater infrastructure and to accommodate future growth. This financial gap could get even bigger as municipalities deal with larger flows and more polluted runoff, as landscapes are paved over to meet growth pressures. There may also be additional costs to deal with changes in precipitation, and thus runoff, from climate change. The Commissioner surveyed municipalities and found that only about 35% currently recover the full costs of managing stormwater.

As a first step towards cost-recovery, the Ontario government should also require all municipalities to prepare asset management plans for both their grey (pipes, drains, etc.) and green (wetlands, green roofs, permeable pavement, rain gardens, etc.) stormwater infrastructure. Asset management plans help municipalities know what their actual costs are and how much money they need to recover. But 40% of the municipalities that responded to the Commissioner's survey do not have asset management plans for their stormwater infrastructure.

The Commissioner calls on the Ontario government to provide better support to municipalities that want to charge a separate stormwater fee as a way to recover the costs of managing stormwater. "Cities need to explore innovative approaches; for example, Kitchener-Waterloo and Mississauga use stormwater fees," reports Saxe. "Stormwater fees are a great option for cities to shift to cost-recovery, better protect the environment and become more resilient to climate change," says Saxe. Stormwater fees not only provide a dedicated and fair funding source for municipalities, they can also nudge property owners towards better stormwater treatments on-site. In Ontario, these fees can range from \$3.95 to \$14.92 per month for an average home.

The Environmental Commissioner's report, Urban Stormwater Fees: How to Pay for What We Need, can be downloaded at eco.on.ca.

Nashville Reserve's winter bird walk and count

Whether you are a hiker, nature enthusiast, experienced bird watcher or just want to learn more about this Reserve and its trails and birds, you're welcome to participate. You will join an experienced hike leader and bird expert for a onehour walk through the Humber Valley in the Nashville Conservation Reserve.

The event takes placer Saturday, Jan. 21 from 9:30 am. to noon. It is sponsored by the Nashville Conservation Reserve Stewardship Committee & Humber Valley Heritage Trail Association (HVHTA) Kleinburg Chapter.

Participants will meet at the Kline House, 8 Nashville Road, Kleinburg at 9:30 a.m. where you will be organized into groups with your hike leaders and head out to the reserve for the bird count. After the count we will gather for some warm drinks and snacks to tally up our count. The data collected will be submitted to eBird, a global, real-time, online checklist program to report and access information about birds.

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Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop

Blood Donor Clinic

The first blood donor clinic for 2017 is planned for Wednesday, Feb. 15 at the Trisan Centre from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Schomberg's clinics are always a roaring success so remember "You have it in You to give!"

King Public Library

Aziza Amarshi's monthly Health Seminars resume Monday, Jan. 23. It will be at the King City Branch from 7-8 p.m. and she will be outlining "The Elements of a Healthy Diet." These seminars are free and open to all.

"Health is a state of complete harmony of the body, mind and spirit."

Schomberg Skating Club

The CanSkate Winter Session starts up again this month. The Tuesday class began Jan. 10. The Saturday class will begin on Jan. 21 and the ice-time is 9:05 a.m. This all happens at the Trisan Centro.

Saturday, March 11 from 9:05 to 9:50 a.m. is the Annual Spring Friends and Family Skate at the Trisan. Everyone is welcome and this is a free event!

The Schomberg Skating Club is your

local skating club affiliated with Skate Canada. It has been in operation for many decades and is run entirely by parent volunteers. They employ professional Skate Canada certified coaches and offer CanSkate and StarSkate programmes that develop skills for hockey players, recreational skaters and figure skaters alike. Everyone is welcome to come out and watch the skaters, help the skaters, and help the club, whereever your talents may lie – coaching, fundraising, administration – it all helps!

Check out their website www. shomberskatingclub.ca

Anglican Parish

Happy New Year from to all from the parishioners in the Anglican Parish of Lloydtown.

Holy Communion services are held every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in Christ Church, Kettleby (in the church hall) on Kettleby Rd. mid-way between Keele and Jane Sts. with coffee/tea time following and at 11:15 a.m. at St Mary Magdalene's, 116 Church St. in Schomberg.

AA Meetings are held at St. Mary Magdalene's Schomberg Monday evenings starting at 7:30 p.m. Visitors are welcome to attend the last Monday of each month.

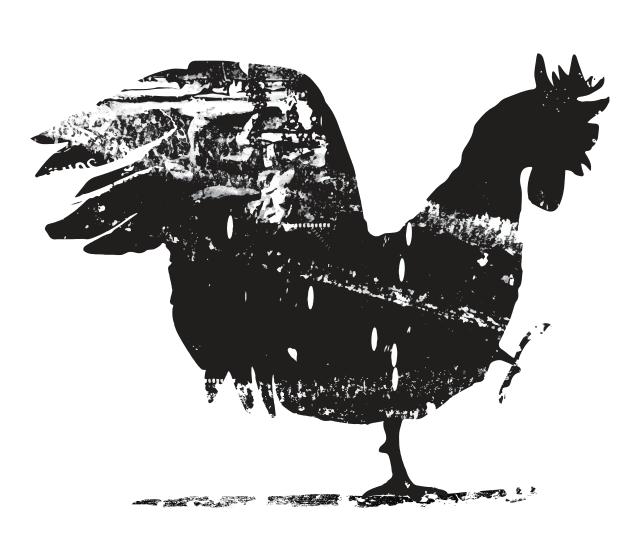
King City Seniors Centre travel plans

The Travel Club will be visiting the Famous People Players on Thursday, March 9 to enjoy the presentation "Running Wild" a musical tribute to the 50s. Contact Jane at 905-833-5870 to save your place for this popular trip.

Your Travel Club cordially invites you to the annual Destinations party planned for Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 2 p.m. This is an afternoon of light entertainment, light refreshments and an opportunity to hear what trips are planned for 2017. Spoiler alert! One of those trips will be to Woodbine Race Track and Casino in early April. Get the details at Destinations.

Pot Luck

Friday, Jan. 20 is the date for the next pot luck lunch. It is held at the centre starting at 12:30 p.m. Attendees are asked to contribute to either the main course table or the dessert table. This is a great opportunity to share delicious food and good conversation with friends old and new.



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Juvenile Red Wings capture Silver Stick title

By Jake Courtepatte

The Schomberg Juvenile Red Wings weren't about to let history repeat itself

After a heart-breaking 2-0 loss to the South Bruce Blades in the 2015-16 International Silver Stick finals, the Red Wings captured this year's incarnation of the continent's most prestigious minor tournament in Mooretown, Ontario last weekend.

In their third C division title match in three seasons, the Wings battled nine other teams that had qualified from Canada and the United States before defeating the Port Dover Pirates 5-1 in Sunday's final.

And for the second straight year, the boys in red and white entered the elimination rounds undefeated.

They exacted revenge on the Blades with a 6-2 win to open the tournament on Thursday, before disposing of the Beverley Bandits 3-1 the following day.

A whopping 10-3 win over the Goderich Sailors Saturday morning set up a rematch with the Bandits in the tournament semifinals later that afternoon, in which the Wings eliminated the Bandits by a score of 4-2.

There they met the Pirates, winners of the Silver Stick three years prior, and swiftly earned their second C title in the past three seasons.

The win was a much safer bet than their championship in 2014-15, when they needed three overtimes to topple the Loyalist Jets.

Schomberg, a perennially successful team, has enjoyed a stellar season that sees them sitting in second place in the York-Simcoe Juvenile standings. With only five games left to go in the regular season and OMHA playdowns set to kick off in early February, they hold a



The Juvenile Schomberg Red Wings defeated the Port Dover Pirates 5-1 in Mooretown to win the International Silver Stick tournament on Sunday.

record of 9-6-3, just two points back of the Ajax Knights.

The Wings reached the OMHA finals last season before falling in four games to the Cayuga Stars.

Next home game is Sunday at the Trisan Centre against the Goulding Park Rangers. Puck drop is set for 5:10

For schedules, visit www.schomberg-minorhockey.com.

Tough loss for Royals soccer team

After a four-week holiday break, the U14 King City Royals boys' soccer team continued their winter season at the Hershey Centre on Jan. 7 with a tough 2-1 loss to the Etobicoke Energy.

Both teams had a lackluster start as they showed signs of rust early in the match thanks to the long layoff. The pace of the match finally picked up midway through the first half as the Royals forced a corner kick. Unfortunately Etobicoke forced a turnover shortly after the corner kick deep in their end and fed a long pass to a winger down the left side near midfield who ran the length of the field unabated on a breakaway to score the game's only goal of the opening half.

In the second half, both teams started off slowly again until another turnover off a pass deep in the Royals' zone gave Etobicoke a 2-0 lead with about 8 minutes remaining. This goal actually sparked some life into the Royals as they played their best soccer in the remaining minutes as Marco LaVerde ran down the left wing shortly after the Etobicoke goal and scored to make it 2-1.

The Royals had a few more chances from inside the 18 yard box late but could not find a way to beat the opposition goalkeeper to make the final 2-1.

King City will play their next game Jan. 21 when they face Erin Mills SC.

Cougars move to 6th in standings

By Jake Courtepatte

The Junior C Schomberg Cougars are celebrating the new year in style.

A combined 17 goals over two games upon returning from the holiday break has moved the club up the standings ladder in their Provincial Junior Hockey League division, vaulting past the Orillia Terriers into sixth place in the Carruthers division.

Returning to action Thursday at the Trisan Centre, a barnburner against the high-flying Midland Flyers resulted in a 10-8 win for the Cougars.

With Midland up 3-2 after the opening period, Schomberg potted three unanswered goals in the second, in a matter of just over three minutes to take a 5-3 lead.

The floodgates burst open in the third, when the teams combined for seven goals and the Cougars took an 8-7 lead into the final two minutes of play.

J.P. Crescenzi added two empty netters to complete a hat trick, while Midland

scored on a late penalty shot, to cap off the Schomberg win.

Crescenzi, Kiefer McIntosh, and Brennan Young led the way for the Cougars,

Crescenzi, Kiefer McIntosh, and Brennan Young led the way for the Cougars, each putting up their highest point totals of the season. The trio combined for fifteen points, including four goals off the stick of McIntosh.

On Saturday in Orillia, it was team-leading scorer Connor May's night for his first hat trick of the year, helping the Cougars to a 7-2 win over the Terriers. Schomberg took a 4-0 lead into the first intermission, while Nicholas Nabuurs was solid between the pipes in stopping 22 of the 24 shots he faced.

The Terriers' struggles as of late allowed the Cougars to take over sixth place following the game, one point up on the Orillia squad. Both teams closed off the week Sunday with a loss, the Terriers a lopsided defeat at the hands of the Stayner Siskins, and the Cougars a 6-3 loss to the Caledon Golden Hawks.

Though a move past the Terriers in Carruthers standings is a start, the Cougars will have to keep pressing in order to earn a favourable draw in the first round of the PJHL playoffs. Sixth and seventh places will draw either the Siskins or the Alliston Hornets, far and away the top two teams in the division with records of 31-3-0 and 28-4-1 respectively.

Schomberg plays their next three games on home ice at the Trisan Centre, where they have struggled this season. They bring a home record of 5-10-1 into Thursday's crucial rematch with the Terriers, with puck drop set for 8:30 p.m.

The home stand continues Monday when they host the Siskins, and ends next Thursday when the Penetang Kings (15-18-2) come to town.

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Nobleton Notes

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Edward graduated from Victoria College (which is associated with the United Church) and later decided to become a Dominican priest (part of the Catholic faith). He has a keen interest in history, drama, opera and medieval studies. He is often invited to lead services for both Catholic congregations and United congregations. We are honoured to have him lead our services this week at both Nobleton United at 11:15 a.m. and at Schomberg United at 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday Jan. 17, from 5-7 p.m., will be the next Messy Church with lots of activities for children from 2 to early teens related to a money theme, story time about Jesus and money, and a meal. Children must be accompanied by an adult or two. All welcome. You will enjoy the evening.

Looking ahead, we will be having student minister Carol-Ann Rodgers lead our services on Jan. 22 and 29. Carol-Ann is very good at linking present day events to the lessons from the Bible. She also welcomes little ones to attend and provides them with something special for them to do.

On Saturday, Jan. 28, King City United is having a Pasta Dinner and a Concert by Sandra Kirby, vocalist, and her collaborative pianist Dr. Oleg Samokhin. The tickets are \$25 for the dinner at 5:30 pm and the concert at 7 pm. Sandra has a beautiful voice and has sung at our church, most recently at our packed Christmas Afternoon Eve service. For tickets, please call King City United at 905-833-5181.

For more info, visit nobletonunitedchurch.com, our Facebook page, or call 905-859-3976. The church office is normally open on Wed. and Thurs. mornings. Messages are picked up regularly. We are located at 6076 King Rd., north side, about 6 buildings west of Hwy 27. We have a big parking lot at the rear of the building, an accessible ramp, chair lifts and accessible washrooms.

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Nobleton Tennis Club

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Anglican Parish By John Arnott

In 313 AD Roman emperor Constantine the Great granted Christianity equal footing with the traditional long established Roman religion and its many Olympic gods and goddesses inherited from ancient Greece, although he himself only became a Christian just before he died in 337 AD. Once Christianity became legal the small Christian communities in the western Roman Empire (Europe) began to expand.

The St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton notes that at first Christians took over abandoned Olympic temples, often just ruins, reconsecrating them as Christian places of worship Later they began to build from scratch plain unadorned one roomed buildings that would become known as churches.

Once Christianity began to gain a

measure of stability and acquire some wealth and power it was felt these original church buildings should be replaced with something grander thus many of these original churches were altered beyond recognition or completely demolished.

Today it is very difficult to identify a building from the time of the western Roman Empire that was originally built as a Christian church.

But one of the oldest - if indeed not the oldest - surviving buildings in Europe originally built as Christian church and still in use is the Panagia Ekatontapiliani (Church of 100 Doors) on Paros Island in Greece. It is thought this church incorporating an even older Christian chapel was founded by St. Helena, Emperor Constantine's mother, in 326 AD when she stayed on the island during her pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

A second original church that is one of the oldest in Europe is San Nazaro in Brolo founded in 382 AD in Mediolanum (Milan) Italy by early Christian leader St. Ambrose.

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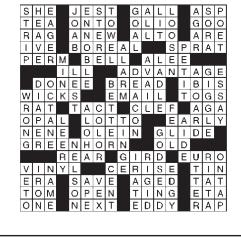
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King City United By Earle Laycock

Rev. Evelyn McLachlan based her sermon on Luke 3: 1-22.

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Crowds apparently followed this man despite his unusual clothing and ideas. Although popular with many, be careful what you ask John as you might not like his response. John even used the delightful (!) phrase "brood of vipers" to describe those seeking baptism. Perhaps they were, but after baptism and hearing John's preaching of repentance and new life, they were changed. If John were preaching amongst us today in King City, how would he challenge us? Do we carry our faith beyond the church and into the community or are we just "Sunday Christians?" Are we fair in our dealings with others, especially those less fortunate? Are we good neighbours as Jesus commanded?

The worship was followed by a potluck lunch where the "Jar of Blessings" was opened and read. The congregation was asked to add little notes of what they saw as blessings in their life throughout the year. Sometimes it's easy to be overcome with the doom and gloom of the world but it's also good to take time to appreciate the wonderful things have happened throughout the year.

Bible Study resumes on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel. You don't need extensive knowledge of the Bible to attend this group. As Rev Evelyn

says, "Even if you are not too familiar with the layout of the Bible or too many of the stories it contains, then come along ... you're who we're looking for! We look at the upcoming scripture for Sunday and then hopefully worship and the sermon make a little more sense! Come and check it out!"

Tea & Talk continues on Fridays at 10 a.m at Sunset Grill in King City. Join us for a delicious breakfast and make some new friends over discussion of your faith. Do you live alone and desire the occasional companionship of others? This is one opportunity to share time with others and make new friends.

Lift your spirits with "When Life Gets Tough ... Songs of Inspiration." Hear Sandra Kirby, vocalist, accompanied by Dr. Oleg Samokhin, collaborative pianist in concert on Saturday, Jan. 28 at King City United Church. There will be a pasta dinner at 5:30 p.m., followed by the concert that will inspire you and give you pause for thought. Tickets are \$25 for the dinner and concert or \$20 for the concert only. Call church 905-833-5181 for tickets so sufficient food can be prepared. Limited tickets available at the door night of

Mark your calendar to attend the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, Feb. 5 following worship.

King City United is located at 50 Elizabeth Grove, King City. Join us for worship every Sunday at 10 a.m. There is Sunday school for the young folks. For more information, call our office administrator Kristen at 905-833-5181 or visit our website at www.kcuc.ca

King Bible Church

We welcome you to join us for Worship service on Jan. 15! Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series on the Churches of Revelation with "Smyrna-The Persecuted Church."

Please take advantage of our excellent children's ministry. Our Sunday morning "Celebration Zone" provides age-appropriate programs for children aged 4 to Grade 8. Our children's program is staffed by screened volunteers who care about your kids! The children in Grades 1-8 will join their parents for the beginning of the service until they are invited to go downstairs. The children in kindergarten can go directly to their class at the start of the service.

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St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

Welcome to St. Andrew's! Sunday worship service is at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday school running concurrently. Stay afterwards for coffee and a chance to chat and meet new friends.

Pastor John Mills will be leading us in worship throughout January except for Jan. 29 when the Rev. Dr. John Vissers will be with us.

Last Sunday John Mills's sermon was "God's Got the Wheel" which was about the sovereignty of God. Good to know when we start a new year!

Ladies' Tuesday morning Prayer Time continues at 9 a.m. for an hour. Join us as we pray for one another and give thanks to our Lord and Saviour for His many blessings. God is with us as He promised, hearing and an-

swering our prayers, offering comfort, hope, and direction.

The Coffee/Soup and Conversation groups have resumed on Thursdays in the church office. Coffee and Conversation is at 10 a.m. and Soup and Conversation is at 6 p.m.

Youth Group is starting up again on Fridays at 7 p.m., running the first and third Fridays of the month. Contact Lynn Vissers for further information.

Should you have pastoral care needs please contact Lynn Vissers, our Director of Congregational Ministries at the office, 905-833-2325. 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 Anglican Church By Diana Armitage

Elizabeth is visiting the Holy Land for the next couple of weeks. We wish her a safe and informative trip.

Thank you very much to Aileen Van Ginkel for leading the Morning Prayer services last Sunday.

Bishop George Elliott will be conducting the worship services at All Saints this Sunday, Jan. 15 and on Sunday, Jan. 22.

Bible Study is on Monday nights at 7 p.m. Please contact the church office to find out where it will be: 905-833-5432.

The Book Club begins again on Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Room.

The All Saints Youth Group extends a big Thank You to parishioners and friends for all the bottles and cans received in the last few weeks to raise funds for Youth Group activities.



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King native is fighting a 'growing epidemic'

By Brock Weir

Little more than a year ago, Darren Mason was just like any number of those "absolute idiots" you see on the road every day.

He was something of a slave to technology, texting and driving, but last July a personal tragedy helped transform his life and now the former Aurora student is taking his message on the road to make distracted driving a thing of the past.

Mason, 49, a King native, and a graduate of St. Andrew's College, returned to his old stomping grounds recently with a simple, universal language: keep your eyes on the road.

Last year, he lost a very close friend and his friend's father in a car crash caused by a 17-year-old distracted driver. His friend's daughter, close in age to Darren's own, survived the crash.

"(Our friends) got together a year ago to remember Dave and we said it looks like there is an epidemic of texting and driving," said Mason before delivering a speech to the entire St. Andrew's College student body. "Dave was such a warm, great guy. Like everybody, he had his stuff, we all have our stuff to deal with, but he never showed it."

To honour Dave's memory, Darren and his friends decided to pool their resources to launch a grassroots "Eyes on the Road" campaign distributing wristbands and spearheading an awareness campaign so drivers - and passengers - follow that simple message and stow their phones.

"The hardest part was realizing I was

and driving," explained Mason. "Now the phone goes in the glove box. On the one hand, technology is great and everything is Bluetooth, and you can use Siri without even going to your phone. In some regards, technology has helped you but on the other hand, technology has allowed you to see cat videos when you're driving. It's quite a bit of that two-sided sword.

"Part of the tragedy was the driver whose car left its lane and ran into Dave's was charged with distracted driving at 17 years old. I have a boy who is 17 and when he gets into the car I know he is looking for that song on Spotify. We can't do it. Nobody can handle doing the multi-tasking, but the number of hits young people are getting on their phone [is] like a drug. I get it, but what can I do to help prevent these tragedies?"

Coming back to his school Mason said he was not just trying to target kids and tell them to keep their eyes on the road, but also feel "empowered" to go home and tell their parents, grandparents and anybody they see to shape

"I want them to have the courage to tell people, 'You're playing Russian Roulette, but not with a gun. It's a grenade," he said. "I struggled a bit (with the message) because here I am going to go in front of a school and (the reaction could be), 'Here's this dad, this old guy, thanks, Pops,' but I wanted the message to be, 'It's not just you, it's the people around you, the people you care for, family members,' and give them a message that empowers them and makes them an absolute idiot beforehand for texting realize they can make a difference, they

can control the situation, and re-raise that it is socially unacceptable now to text and drive. It's not cool."

And, following the assembly, this message will be on the wrists of every student who each received a band to wear or dangle from their rear-view window.

Before his graduation from SAC in 1986, Mason said he still remembers one assembly where a man came to give a talk about drinking and driving. At that point, he said, it was becoming a particular epidemic among youth. The man shared a story about how he lost a friend to a drunk driver and it stuck with him. Nearly 20 years later, he is carrying on this legacy by imparting this same experience - albeit with a different root problem – with the students of today.

"I wish I didn't have to go to Dave's funeral and I wish I didn't have to see the look on his daughter's face," he said. "Tragedy is going to happen, I get it, but this was truly senseless.

"It is everybody's responsibility to change this epidemic and we all have the power to do it. Knowing we all know it is a stupid thing, let's change the dynamic. Let's change people's mind sets and let's change this epidemic.'

A grassroots campaign, as "Eyes on the Road" gains momentum, Mason said he and his group would like to see this grow into a global awareness campaign geared towards millennials. Interest has already been shown in countries ranging from the United Kingdom to Turkey and here at home they would love to have their wristbands distributed through the school systems and by

police at RIDE checks.







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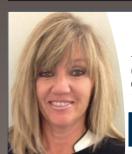


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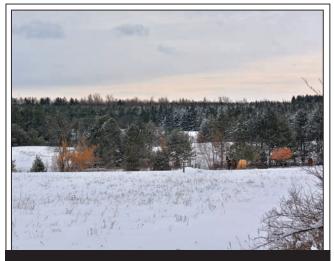


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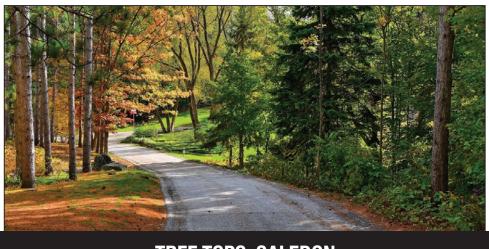
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