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York plans to boost Internet services via federal program

By Mark Pavilons

York Region is taking the lead on trying to secure federal funding to boost internet services in rural areas like King Township.

York's Committee of the Whole last week approved a staff report to seek federal funding through the government's Connect to Innovate Program. The plan in York is to expand the broadband network in King, Georgina, East Gwillimbury and Whitchurch-Stouffville through a massive, 175-kilometre network.

Both York and its rural member municipalities have pegged broadband as a key priority. York wants to be a "Gigabit Region," where an innovative collaboration results in a connected lifestyle community. This means "raising the bar where there is underservice" and staying ahead of the curve.

King was well represented at the committee meeting, with councillors, staff and a representative of the King Chamber of Commerce all in attendance.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini told his regional colleagues just how important this is to King. He pointed out Internet is a needed service, not unlike roads. The CRTC has declared Internet access an essential service.

"This is the foundation for having high-speed (Internet) everywhere," the mayor pointed out.

"Connect to Innovation is so important to King," said Councillor Dave Boyd. He admitted there are a number of gaps in and around King, particularly in the outskirts of Nobleton and throughout Laskay. Staff have gathered data to present to regional staff.

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Cold Creek hosts Syrupfest

The sap now running at thousands of sugar maple farms across the province, and it's a great time to get out and learn about the syrup-making process, support local producers and enjoy this tasty treat. Cold Creek Conservation Area is hosting its Maple Syrupfest Saturday, March 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. On tap will be a pancake breakfast, taffy making, demonstrations, hikes and sleigh rides.

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

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Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2075 King Road

Monday, March 20, 2017

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole
Public Meeting: re: Zoning by-law amendment
File Numbers: Z-2015-02 and SPD-2015-02
Applicant: Condor Properties (ADG) Inc.
Location: 191 MacTaggart Drive, Nobleton

Monday, April 3, 2017

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole
Public Meeting: re: Zoning by-law amendment
File Numbers: Z-2016-11 (King City) and Z-2016-12 (Schomberg)
Applicant: Township of King
Location: All lands within the defined King City, Nobleton, and Schomberg urban area boundaries.

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- IT Desktop Support (student)
- GIS Student (student)
- Economic Development (student)
- Integration Camp Counsellor (summer camp)
- Camp Counsellor (summer camp)
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (contract)
- Recreation Coordinator – Outdoor Education (maternity leave contract)
- Planning Technician (9-month contract)
- Planning Technician (12-month contract)

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

VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 2017 GRANTS

Non-profit community organizations which provide or develop recreation, cultural or social opportunities within the Township of King are advised that applications for Grants from the Township of King for 2017 must be completed and submitted to the Township by **Friday, March 31st, 2017**.

The Community Grants Policy Information and Application are available on the Township website at www.king.ca, or please contact:

Kathryn Moyle Telephone: (905)833-5321
Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement Fax: (905)833-2300
Township Clerk E-mail: kmoyle@king.ca
Township of King
2075 King Road
King City ON L7B 1A1



Nobleton Streetscaping – Public information session

The Township of King will be hosting a public information session to inform residents and business owners of several large street-scaping initiatives taking place in 2017/2018 within the village of Nobleton.

Date: Thurs., March 23

Time: 6 pm to 8 pm

Location: Nobleton Arena (15 Old King Road, Nobleton ON)

Half-load restrictions

The annual half-load period to limit vehicle weights to 5,000 kg per axle has been implemented on designated Township roads effective Wed., March 1, 2017 to Wed., May 31, 2017. For further information, please visit www.king.ca or call 905-833-5321.

PUBLIC NOTICES



Council of the Township of King are now accepting nominations for awards to recognize volunteer contributions and achievements in the following categories:

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

Nominations for Volunteer Awards must be submitted on the nomination form obtained from the Clerks Department and will be received by the undersigned until **4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16th, 2017**. The nomination form and further information regarding the criteria for each category is available at the Township office or on the Township website at www.king.ca, under the "What's New" tab.

Awards will be presented at the Volunteer Appreciation Night on **Thursday, April 20th, 2017**.

Kathryn Moyle, Director of Clerks & By-law Enforcement
Township Clerk
E-mail: kmoyle@king.ca

UPCOMING EVENTS

King Township council and staff are looking for support for a great cause. Once again, they have registered a team for this year's Run or Walk for Southlake charity event called the King Marsh Muckers.

The event takes place on Sun., April 30.

The Run or Walk for Southlake is the evolution of the Bob Hartwell Challenge that began in 2002 to pay tribute to local businessman, civic leader and avid runner, the late Bob Hartwell. The Run or Walk for Southlake honours his legacy by raising much-needed funds for the hospital. Please visit <http://bit.ly/2IDoRu6> to either donate to or join the King Marsh Muckers team.

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Rural King poised to get high-speed Internet service

From Front Page

In February, York regional councillors met with federal government officials to articulate York's infrastructure priorities, which include expanding the broadband network. The presentation focused on the opportunity to expand this network to facilitate economic development across York, especially in more rural communities.

In January, it was announced that King will receive \$1.6 million in a joint federal, provincial and private partnership for fibre optic broadband expansion. Communications company Vianet, who will be responsible for providing the service to residents, will contribute the remainder of the project costs.

In June 2016, York council agreed that broadband was considered infrastructure that should be considered for both federal and provincial funding support and Regional staff would make applications.

In December of 2016, the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Economic Development announced the Connect to Innovate program, which plans to invest \$500 million by 2021, to bring high-speed Internet to rural and remote communities. The program anticipates direct public sector and municipal involvement.

York staff noted Connect to Innovate will fund up to 75% of the cost of providing "last mile connections" to customers. The program also requires extended services must connect to in-

stitutions like municipal offices, libraries, schools, hospitals, etc. The program also extends eligibility to rural areas if underservice can be proven. Every application to the fund must have a network of public/private partnerships.

King Township created "King Connects," to solicit public input and map where Internet services are lacking or non-existent. This data will help shore up York's application in the future.

York is well positioned to make an application, and has full support from its rural municipalities.

A proposed fiber loop in King means connecting Nobleton and Schomberg to the existing telecom network in King City. The King portion is roughly 38 kilometres, with a cost of \$2.88 million.

The proposed route is designed to maximize internet access to Regional and municipal infrastructure and facilities.

"It will also put thousands of existing and future households within 2 kilometres of the optical fibre backbone; placing them within reach of Internet service providers that lever-

age the network to deliver broadband services," the staff report noted. "Improved high-speed service to rural residents has the additional benefit of supporting the many home-based businesses in these areas."

The existing York Telecom Network is a natural vehicle for leveraging federal funding.

The total estimated cost to build the three proposed routes (175 kilometres) in York is roughly \$14 million, and an estimated \$8 million can be recovered from Ottawa. That leaves York on the hook for the remaining \$5.6 million.

At this time, York has not earmarked the funds and will have to identify potential funding sources. Staff hopes to bring these details forward as part of the 2018 budget process.

Mayor Pellegrini said it's spread out over three years, so it shouldn't be a problem for York to find the \$2 million per year.

The staff report and recommendations will go to regional council for final approval.

Schomberg, Amaranth duo win Cash for Life

Congratulations to Scott Feaver of Schomberg and Linda Gerrits of Amaranth, the latest winners of \$1,000 a week for life with Instant Cash for Life.

"I purchased a few Instant Cash for Life tickets and forgot about them for about a week," shared Linda while at the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto where the two colleagues picked up their winnings. "When I found them again a week later, I gave one of the tickets to my friend and colleague Scott because it was his birthday. Wouldn't you know it, the ticket I gave him was a big winner!"

Scott describes the moment he realized he had a winning ticket. "I just stared at it. I was a little confused because I thought it was a prank since we are friends."

The pair headed to the store to check their ticket. "We needed to know for sure. We didn't even use the ticket checker, instead handing it over to the retailer for validation. The terminal froze and OLG called the store to speak with us. We've been friends and co-workers for years. Sharing this win is pretty cool."

Plans are under way for the windfall. "First thing I want to do is get rid of my glasses," said Linda. "Laser surgery is on the horizon for me. Then I want to take a



trip to see my daughter in England and I would love to do that with my sister. I would also love to take care of hockey and dance classes for my grandkids."

Scott, meanwhile, also has plans for his portion of the win. "I have my eye on a specific motorcycle and I am going for it. I already have a bike so now I will have a small collection. My daughter's post-secondary education will be covered now," concluded Scott.

The winning ticket was purchased at Hasty Market on County Road 50 in Alliston.

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How are we all 'living the dream?'

Pinch me, because I'm not "living the dream" and I'd very much like to wake up!

We often toss around this sarcastic response about life, but I thought I'd delve deeper into this so-called "dream life" we're living.

Living the dream basically means doing what you want to do or living the type of life you want to live without any regrets. It's sort of like retirement when you've achieved all your goals and you can enjoy the fruits of your labour.

I think this concept is what has motivated our species for generations. We all want to succeed, have that dream job, raise that dream family and enjoy that fantastic lifestyle.

It's hard to say how many people actually attain that goal in all respects. I have met many people who are doing just that, with new money or old; with career and business success.

From all the people I have met, interviewed and questioned, success happens through hard work, seizing opportunities, taking risk and yes, luck, sometimes lots of it. Of course, those who've been given a head start through familial ties and wealth tend to reach their goals faster and with fewer hurdles.

Ideally, once you achieve the pinnacle of success, you don't have to "dream" anymore because your dreams have become reality.

Being 50-something, I'm from the tail end of the Baby Boom. My parents were post-war immigrants who arrived on our shores with nothing more than a suitcase and a strong work ethic. That allowed them to create a decent life for themselves and their children, on modest incomes. Of course, everything's relative. They were able to afford a modest house, car, food and provide for their children. We weren't wealthy, but we really had no cares in the world and were quite comfortable living frugally.

I'll never forget some of the discus-



Mark Pavilons

sions I had with my dad, trying to convince him that credit cards were the way of the future! He got one a year before his death and managed to rack up a bit of a bill at the casino! He never lived to see Kim and I in our first home; never got a handle on the Internet and never had a cell phone.

His dream was having a house that was mortgage-free and raising kids who were equipped to go out on their own.

Did he succeed? Partly. My sister died in her mid-40s, and suffered through dialysis, a kidney transplant and blindness.

I followed the traditional path offered to most of us, albeit a bit later. I went to college, worked in my profession, fell in love, got married and became a father.

Not very exciting or adventurous, but enough for many people.

Once kids reach a certain age, parents basically work for them, and put their own needs aside. We've done that. We accept the costs and sacrifices that are necessary to give our kids what they

need.

I try, but I can't really think back far enough to remember what I once believed was the "dream life." I remember being in high school and telling my best friend that I wanted to own a Porsche one day. At the time a 911 sold for a whopping \$37,000.

Other than that, we never thought very far into the future. I think we just assumed we'd get married and have kids, just as it had been done for millennia.

For years, I've tried to uncover what others believe to be the true definition of success and happiness. I've kept a journal of sorts with their responses, hoping to one day publish the results. People I've solicited have been more than happy to offer their insights.

Some of the better ones include:

"Happiness is, for me, a state of mind making me content with what I am and what I have."

"Do things as they happen, complete them and close the file."

Happiness is "feeling good about the direction your life is taking" and success is "attaining the goals I've set ... with consideration for the outside factors that I cannot control or change."

Happiness is a "feeling of contentment which comes from maintaining a positive outlook on things."

Most point to the value of family and friends and the fact money or material things are not the measure of happiness

or success.

With one child in university and our boy getting his driver's licence for the first time, our focus is on them. We don't have the time or money to plan for expensive Caribbean holidays, new cars or home renovations. These are things we simply have to accept.

Have we abandoned our dreams? Not entirely.

Kim and I are hoping to get away one day, to rekindle those embers on some hot, sandy beach. We'd love to do some home repairs and fix up the basement - it seems our kids may be with us longer than we'd hope. We have outstanding bills to pay.

Keeping my nose to the grindstone and keeping things intact on the home front are what motivate me. Kim still has a couple of attainable career goals she's pursuing.

To ask me now what my ideal life looks like, I'd have to say to continue on the straight and narrow; leverage opportunities; network, and enjoy the people I meet every day. I've always tried to be myself - to dance to my own music and not be afraid to wear vintage clothing. I know what my responsibilities are, but I do like to joke around quite a bit. A sense of humour has served me well.

We can heed life advice from gurus like Tony Robbins. We can be brave and optimistic. We can believe in ourselves.

And we can dream.

What's yours?

Letter to the Editor

Thanks for drive support

I have to start by saying we have gained some amazing new supporters in the last two years since we are no longer affiliated with the Nobleton Public School. It has been a big learning curve to figure out everything and we are still for sure a work in progress. So thank you to all who continue to support us and to all the wonderful new people and organizations who have stepped up to help from the bottom of my heart I thank you.

Thank you to The Nobleton Lions Club, Nobleton Tim Hortons, Joe Buscema and family, Nobleton United Church, Cathy McClure and family, Rhonda Hayhoe and family, King Chamber of Commerce, North Flow Yoga, St. Mary's School (Jennifer Bianco), Jimmy & James (Kars), Alloro Fine Foods, Township of King, Nobleton Tree Lighting, King Crafts, Rotary Club, Angie Draskovic and family, Mrs. Doris Ripley, Showa, Karen Kastner, Chantel Fiacco, Brown Family, Cristiana Deachman and family. A huge thank you to all who donated, without you we could not possibly help all the families and children have a wonderful Christmas.

On a personal note I would like to especially thank Jim Wall and everyone at King Fire, who tirelessly help get all the toys to me so we can help make sure every child has a toy at Christmas. Your support is so overwhelming and means the world to me. Thank you Jim and staff from the bottom of my heart. Thank you also to my wonderful husband Kevin Lyons who without him this would not be possible. Another amazingly successful year, thank you again to all who help in anyway, you make this town a better place. Remember it takes a village.

Mimi Buchanan/Lyons
Nobleton Christmas Drive



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Brainteaser



I have a nose, but I don't breathe. I have feet, but I don't walk. I am always sleeping. What am I?

Last week's answer: A tadpole is a frog with no legs!

King Township Trivia

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b) No **75%**

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THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Will you be celebrating St. Patrick's Day?

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Development undermines provincial growth plan

New research by the Neptis Foundation shows that unprecedented amounts of subdivision development are paving over thousands of acres of Ontario's prime farmland surrounding rural towns and villages across the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH).

This sprawl is occurring in areas where it was supposed to be discouraged by the provincial Growth Plan. This ongoing sprawl flies in the face of provincial policy, paves farmland, weakens the Greenbelt, and it doesn't build the communities and affordable housing people need or make new transit possible. Ultimately, it further erodes the quality of life for residents in our region.

"This report shows that the development industry has been undermining the Growth Plan every chance they get," said Tim Gray, executive director of Environmental Defence. "It proves yet again that despite tens of thousands of hectares of land being available for development, Growth Plan rules are being gamed and need to be strengthened.

"Developer 'alternative facts' about the Greenbelt causing housing affordability issues are just false," he continued. "There is more land than the size of 1.5 Torontos available right now for development within urban boundaries and the industry wants to use rising housing prices as a diversion to seek support for destruction of farmland

and natural areas. They seek to divert the public's attention away from the fact that they are unwilling to shift their industry away from the cookie-cutter, low density, car-dependent, property tax heavy development model that makes the industry the most profits.

"We're sick of the lies. It's time for OREA and BILD to put up or shut up in a public discussion that ends this self-serving spin once and for all," he concluded.

Ontario's Greenbelt and Growth Plan are an attempt to shift the GGH towards more compact, complete community growth where new neighbourhoods that are built are walkable, served by transit, close to shops and greenspace. These communities support a mix of housing types offering affordable options to families of all sizes and provide a high quality of life for residents. Undermining the Growth Plan encourages sprawl and makes for a poorer, less competitive, environmentally degraded southern Ontario.

"This goes against the spirit and intent of the Province's Growth Plan and its promotion of complete communities," added Joyce Chau, executive director of EcoSpark. "These rural settlement areas were specifically excluded by the Province from the built boundary where growth should not occur because of a lack of servicing."

The proposed Growth Plan creates a loophole where sprawling greenfield developments could be manipulated to count as intensification. The intent of the Growth Plan is to direct major growth to areas with existing roads, sewers and other major infrastructure in the GGH.

The more than 400 rural towns, villages and hamlets at risk are peppered across the Oak Ridges Moraine, Greenbelt and throughout the GGH.

"The proposed Growth Plan, if not amended before its final release, will permanently transform the character of our rural countryside," stressed Caledon's Debbe Crandall, Policy Advisor for STORM. "This underlying development pressure threatens areas with vulnerable water sources and where we've asked the Province to grow the Greenbelt."

Simcoe County has the largest portion of rural settlement areas under threat. The Neptis Foundation identified that 65% of the draft approved intensification in Simcoe County are in greenfield areas with 83% for sin-

gle-family detached housing.

"These loopholes open the door to costly and unsustainable communities in need of major infrastructure services," noted Joshua Wise, Greenway Program Manager for Ontario Nature. "Pipes and roads will fragment important natural areas and pave over prime farmland."

"The Province has chance now to close these loopholes," said Margaret Prophet, co-chair of the Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition. "It's an opportunity to invest in creating complete communities that are cost-effective and better for our environment, farmland and families."

The proposed Growth Plan permits an archaic formula for growth where few developers profit at the expense of our water, nature and communities in the GGH. EcoSpark, STORM, Ontario Nature and Earthroots are leading voices for natural areas protection in the GGH and growing the Greenbelt. The partnership wants the Province to close this loophole before finalizing the Growth Plan.

Letter to the Editor

Looking at the actual costs

I read the editorial by Mark Pavilons, "Government spending priorities a bit wonky" (Feb.16).

You quote a Fraser Institute report blaming teachers' and staff's excessive salaries and benefits costs for the high cost of education.

Has The Fraser Institute included the exorbitant tuition fees charged by corporatized universities in Ontario, \$7,259; Saskatchewan, \$6,394 and Nova Scotia \$6,185? Note, the considerably lower tuition fees in Newfoundland, \$2,644; Quebec, \$2,653 and Manitoba, \$3,779.

Did the Fraser Institute report indicate which of these universities are operated on a "for profit" corporatized basis and which heads/staff receive excessive remuneration?

You may consider viewing: apps.policy alternatives.ca for another point of view on this issue.

Scapagoating teachers/staff for the high cost of education is like blaming the cost of staff at Tim Hortons for the "high" cost of Tim's coffee!

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King Township Food Bank holds distribution, donations continue

By Carol Ann Trabert

The regular monthly distribution of food and food cards occurs this Saturday, March 18 at three centres across King Township from 9-11 a.m. Those wishing assistance who are not registered are requested to get in touch via email ktfoodbank@gmail.com or by phone 905-806-1125. Food is shipped only for those registered, so notification of new clients is needed to determine the amount of food and the right centre for Distribution.

In addition, there will be a Clothing Giveaway at the King City Distribution Centre starting at noon.

The next distribution will be Easter Saturday, April 15. Please note that this regular distribution is happening on Easter weekend.

King Township Food Bank is a registered charity comprising about 30 volunteers whose efforts collect and distribute a week of non perishable food monthly, along with produce and breads, along with raising over \$80,000 annually to cover food and food card costs. Only about 5% of the annual budget is needed for the operation of the organization.

In addition to funds raised, donations of food are important to the Food Bank. Thanks are offered to Hillside Gardens (vegetables), Engel & Volkners (breads) and anonymous farmer (English cucumbers seasonally) and Dorio's Bakery (Italian breads) along with Schomberg Tim Hortons (baked goods, sweet and savour) for their generosity to the project.

Personal donations are received,

even in the depths of winter, and the shoppers at Foodland Schomberg continue their generosity with over \$1,000 of Foodland food cards donated since the end of the Christmas season.

The Food Bank is perennially grateful to Rocco Macri and the staff and shoppers at Foodland for their support. Thousands of dollars flow in to the Food Bank through a combination of pre-packed grocery bags and food cards.

Shoppers at No Frills deposited coupons last fall, during a 2 week "Save it Forward" Loblaw campaign that resulted in a cheque for over \$600 being received by the Food Bank recently. John Ciarallo, the "John" of John's No Frills is committed to year-round support for the Food Bank, from the presence of a very user-friendly donation bin up to and including their annual Platinum sponsorship at Sip & Savour.

Christmas in King has received one more donation. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church sent a cheque for over \$1,000 to be used for this purpose, putting the project into a surplus, and providing a nice kick-off for 2017.

Antique show

The first annual Aurora Antique Show, in support of the Alzheimer Society of York Region, will take place on Sunday April 30, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the beautiful Aurora Seniors Center, 99 John West Way. Admission is \$3 per person. In all, 25 select vendors will showcase everything from furniture to fine furnishings, art, jewelry, fine china and glass, Contemporary chic to Country charm, European and Canadiana, primitive, vintage and retro.

King 7-Day Weather Outlook

From Thursday, March 16 to Wednesday, March 22

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Mainly Sunny High 0C° Low -11C°	A Few Flurries High 2C° Low -1C°	Light Snow High 2C° Low -6C°	Mainly Sunny High -1C° Low -9C°	Sun/Clouds High 2C° Low -2C°	Sun/Clouds High 3C° Low -8C°	Light Snow High 0C° Low -10C°
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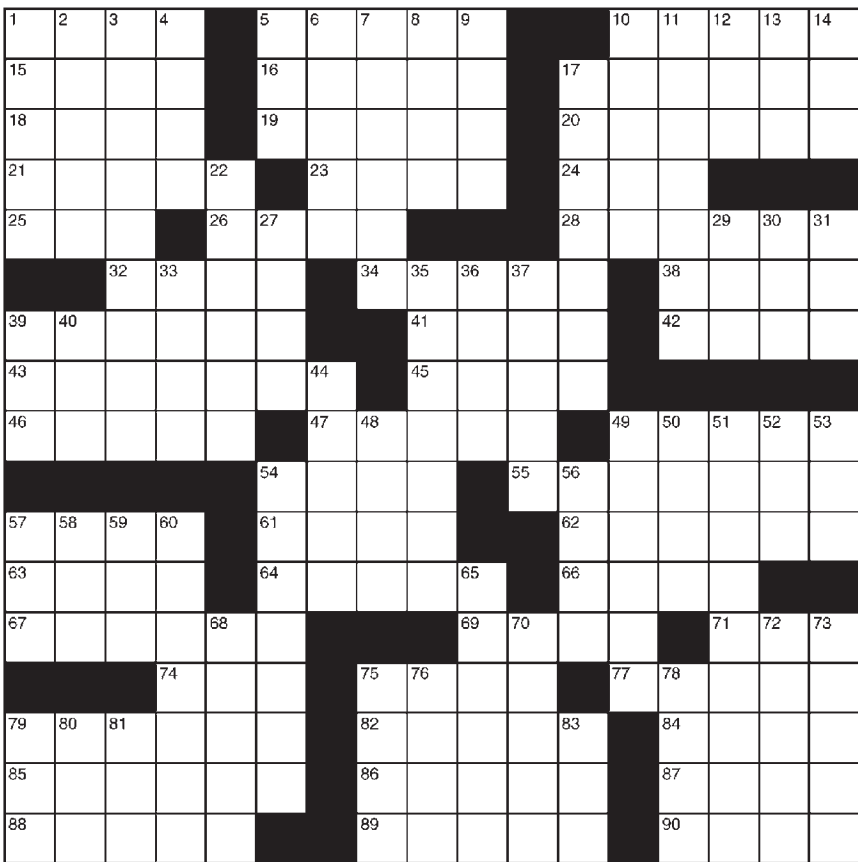


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- And
- Well-being
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- Turn in
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- Fischer's specialty
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- Spills
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- Wild sheep
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- Wine sediment
- Card game of yore
- Mariner
- Sound of doubt
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- Fugitive from prison
- Lunar body
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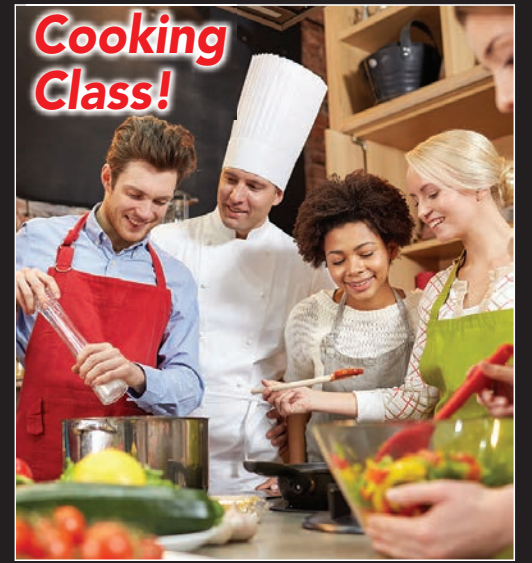
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- 4 tablespoons grapeseed oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, minced
- Kosher salt and freshly cracked black pepper
- 2 cups cooked brown rice, cooled (a microwaveable bag works great)
- 1 cup roughly chopped peeled raw red beets (about 1 large beet)
- 1 cup walnuts
- 1/2 cup yellow raisins
- 1/2 teaspoon granulated garlic
- 2 large eggs
- Bibb lettuce leaves, for serving
- Citrus-Caper Aioli, recipe follows

Citrus-Caper Aioli:

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons capers
- 1 tablespoon honey mustard
- 1 teaspoon orange zest plus 2 tablespoons fresh orange juice
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper, optional

Directions:

Heat a skillet over medium heat and add 2 tablespoons of the oil. Add the onions, season with salt and pepper and saute until slightly golden, about 10 minutes. Set aside to cool. Add the brown rice, beets, walnuts, yellow raisins, granulated garlic and cooled onions to a food processor and pulse about 10 times, until the mixture is ground similar to ground beef. Transfer to a bowl and add the eggs, 1 teaspoon salt and some pepper. Mix by hand until uniform, then tightly form into 4 patties. Heat a nonstick skillet over medium-high heat and add the remaining 2 tablespoons oil. Season both sides of the patties with salt and pepper. Gently add the patties to the oil and sear on each side until crisp and browned, about 10 minutes a side. Place the patties on 2 to 3 Bibb lettuce leaves. Dollop a bit of Citrus-Caper Aioli on top and serve.

Citrus-Caper Aioli:

Mix the mayonnaise, capers, honey mustard and orange zest and juice in a bowl. Adjust the seasoning if necessary with salt and pepper.

Recipe courtesy of Jeff Mauro

Enjoy!



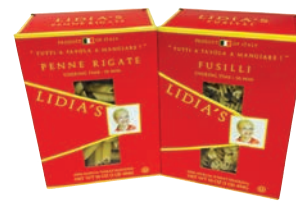
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York developing Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy

By Mark Pavilons

Agricultural interests in York and King are being brought to the forefront, thanks to work by York Region officials.

The Regional Municipality of York, with the support of the York Region Agricultural Advisory Liaison Group, is developing an agriculture and agri-food strategy to provide direction for the long-term growth of the agricultural and food production sector in York

Region.

Producers, processors and other food production-chain members in York Region are encouraged to participate and provide input through an online survey. The survey will be available until the end of March.

As part of the stakeholder engagement, telephone interviews may also be conducted as needed. All participant comments will give focus to the challenges and opportunities that may be

pursued in this strategy.

King Councillor Avia Eek is a member of the advisory group and she's "thrilled that York Region has agreed to work with us on this long-overdue strategy as it aligns with the York Region Economic Development Action Plan 2016-2019. As our Region continues to grow, it is becoming more apparent that we need to have a Strategy in place for agriculture, agri-food, agri-business and agri-tourism."

Developing a York Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy is the first priority to enhance a thriving agricultural economy. The objectives of creating a plan are:

- Support York Region's agricultural and food production sectors.
- Gain an understanding of the economic impact of the agriculture sector in York Region.
- Identify agricultural and Agri-food sub-sectors with the greatest potential for creating and sustaining employment and investment in the agricultural industry in York Region.
- Identify possible policy and process changes to support agriculture and agri-food in York Region.
- Identify gaps, key areas and recommend actions for York Region to make an impact in supporting the growth of the agriculture and agri-food sector.

When developed, the York Region Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy will guide York Region's future efforts to support the agriculture industry. Eek said from King's perspective, the strategy aligns and addresses the op-

portunities and action items in our Economic Development Strategy and BR+E (Business Retention and Expansion) project that was undertaken in partnership with Whitchurch-Stouffville back in 2012.

Eek urged residents to take part in the survey to identify the challenges and opportunities that should be pursued in York's agriculture and agri-food sector. The survey should take approximately 10 minutes to complete and is targeted at agriculture and food producers, businesses and organizations. To participate in the online survey, visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SGPVP3F>

York Region is home to more than 820 working farms and more than 400 food processing companies. The Region also represents 16 per cent of all farming land in the Golden Horseshoe, and the local agriculture and agri-food sector greatly contributes to success of the Region's economic vitality.

The York Region Agricultural Advisory Liaison Group is a volunteer advisory committee created by York Regional Council in 2001 as a means to support the agricultural industry and promote healthy rural communities. The group continues to play an important role in overseeing initiatives that connect residents to local farmers and markets, creating opportunities for engaging the agricultural community in addressing regulatory challenges, and assisting farmers with issues that affect their ability to successfully operate their businesses.

Steady growth for King since 2011

By Mark Pavilons

King Township experienced a 23% population increase over the past five years. While King may be outpacing its York Region counterparts, progress is slow and steady.

Figures from the 2016 Census by Stats Canada show King's population in 2016 stood at 24,512, a 23.2% increase over the 2011 population of 19,899. That works out to an average of 920 more people per year.

The number of dwellings in King rose to 8,736 in 2016, up by only 592 from 2011. King Township's land mass of 333.25 square kilometres boasts a population density per square kilometre of 73.6.

Compare that to the almost 630 people per kilometre on average throughout York Region.

As a whole, York's population grew by just over 77,000 in the past five years, to 1.1 million in 2016. That represents a 7.5% increase. The number of dwellings in York hit 369,928 last year, up almost 13,000 since 2011.

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Winery celebrates Earth Hour with Scannura

Holland Marsh Wineries invites the public to join them for an Earth-friendly concert this March 25 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The event coincides with Earth Hour and will feature a performance by acclaimed Flamenco guitarist and composer, Roger Scannura.

Holland Marsh Wineries hopes to raise awareness for climate action while also raising funds for the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation. The winery will donate a portion of proceeds from the event to LSCF, to support their efforts for a cleaner and healthier Lake Simcoe watershed.

The winery's spokesperson, Norie Nersisyan, explained: "Wine production relies on the health of our climate. Grape vines respond to their environment, so we want to protect their environment."

The afternoon concert features a performance by Roger Scannura, an acclaimed Flamenco guitarist based out of Toronto. A self-declared disciple of Paco De Lucia, Scannura has been called "a gifted composer whose music is as beautiful as it is haunting" (The Globe and Mail).

The concert will take place in Holland Marsh Wineries' Clubhouse which overlooks their 12-acre vineyard, and it will also feature wine tasting and light snacks. Tickets are \$25 and available for purchase directly through Holland Marsh Wineries by email (info@hm-wineries.ca) or phone (905-775-4924).

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Southlake celebrates official ground-breaking of hospice

Southlake Regional Health Centre held an official ground-breaking ceremony recently, celebrating a new 10-bed regional residential hospice being built on Queen Street in Newmarket.

The Margaret Bahen Hospice for York Region will offer a comfortable, home-like environment for patients who are in the final stages of a terminal illness. When completed in late 2017, the hospice will serve about 250 patients and their families from York Region and surrounding areas, each year.

“As our community continues to grow, it is important to ensure that our population has access to compre-

hensive palliative services,” said Dr. Dave Williams, president and CEO of Southlake Regional Health Centre. “The Margaret Bahen Hospice for York Region will help meet the growing need for hospice services through compassionate and personalized care in a home-like setting.”

Patients can live out their final days at the hospice, surrounded by family, friends and a healthcare team specially trained to meet their needs.

The hospice is named after Margaret Bahen, one of Southlake’s most generous donors. Mrs. Bahen and her family are long-time philanthropic partners of the hospital, having sup-

ported numerous programs, including the Regional Cancer Program’s Bahen Chant Radiation Treatment Centre and the John and Margaret Bahen Rehabilitation Program.

“We are so very grateful to the many donors who have come forward to support this project, especially Margaret Bahen and her family,” said Neila Poscente, president and CEO of the Southlake Foundation. “Together with the community we have raised \$4 million towards our campaign goal, and are so appreciative of the philanthropic support of our community partners that will enable the hospice to provide compassionate, round-the-clock care for patients and their families as they go through one of life’s most difficult journeys.”

The hospice construction and fit-out, including furniture and equipment, will be 100 per cent community funded through Southlake Foundation’s \$12 million love lives here campaign. As the hospice will serve all of York

Region, Southlake has partnered with the Central Local Health Integration Network (Central LHIN). The Central LHIN has selected an operator for the hospice, Better Living, which will oversee day-to-day operation of the hospice.

“Bringing the Margaret Bahen Hospice to York Region is a result of extraordinary leadership and collaboration between Southlake and the Foundation, Margaret Bahen and family, and the many donors who support palliative and end-of-life care as a patient and family priority,” said Kim Baker, CEO of Central LHIN. “The addition of this hospice is a tremendous asset that will enable us to continue to enhance services right across Central LHIN together with our providers and partners and through our regional palliative care teams to better coordinate care for patients and families.”

For more information or to make a donation to the campaign, visit www.southlakefoundation.ca.

Former MP Sinc Stevens had long political career

By Bill Rea

Former MP, and minister in two Progressive Conservative governments, Sinclair Stevens passed away recently.

Mr. Stevens died unexpectedly Nov. 30 after suffering a severe heart attack at his King Township home. He was 89.

“It was very unexpected,” his wife Noreen said. “He had been active up until the day before.”

He was first elected to the House of Commons in the 1972 election as a Progressive Conservative in the riding of York-Simcoe. Mr. Stevens ran as a candidate in the 1976 Progressive Conservative leadership convention. He finished seventh on the first ballot, and withdrew in favour of the eventual victor Joe Clark. He served as President of the Treasury Board in the short-lived Clark government.

Mr. Stevens was handily re-elected as the Member for York-Peel in the 1984 general election that saw the Progressive Conservatives under Brian Mulroney sweep to power.

He was named Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion in the new government, but resigned in 1986 when conflict of interest allegations were raised against him. A lengthy public inquiry concluded he had been in conflict. Mr. Stevens had been nominated by the Tories in a newly-created riding to run in the 1988 campaign, but Mulroney refused to sign his nomination papers and he left Parliament.

There was vindication in 2004 when a Federal Court judge overturned the inquiry report.

The Progressive Conservatives merged with the Canadian Alliance in 2003 to form the Conservative Party of Canada. Mr. Stevens was never a fan of that arrangement, nor did he have much use for the new Conservative Leader Stephen Harper. He expressed satisfaction when the Conservatives were defeated by the Justin Trudeau Liberals in 2015.

“I think it was good to get rid of Harper,” Mr. Stevens said in an interview a couple of days after the election. “He’s very right wing.”

“He brought in a lot of things that will have to be undone,” he added.

Mr. Stevens was affiliated with the Progressive Canadian Party, which formed after the merger, eventually becoming its president.

“He was always active and interested in politics,” Mrs. Stevens said.

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By Wendy-Sue Bishop

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Anglican Parish By John Arnott

With song, sermon and shamrocks, St. Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church Schomberg marked upcoming St. Patrick's Day Friday, March 17 in this past Sunday's Holy Communion service. Our treasured organist Joy Gannicott filled the church to overflowing with wonderful Irish music that included "Morning Has Broken, Simple Praise, The King of Love, My Shepherd Is, Be Thou My Vision" with St. Patrick's Breastplate serving as our Gradual and of course "Danny Boy (Londonderry Air)."

Born in Roman Britain into an influential wealthy family Patricius was a rebellious teenager often skipping school to roam the streets of his seaside town. In 403 AD he was in the wrong place at the wrong time, seized by Irish pirates and taken to Ireland, there to be sold as a slave.

Bought by an Irish noble from the

Ballymena region in Northern Ireland he was put to work looking after his master's sheep. Much regretting his wild ways he began to remember and pray the prayers of his childhood. After 6 years of hard work and often harsh treatment he managed to escape. Travelling at night he evaded recapture several times and finally reached the Irish coast where he got working passage on a merchant ship sailing to Gaul (France).

Once there he was able to reconnect with his still distraught family. And when he told them of his plans to become a priest they were surprised but readily supported him.

Back in Gaul he studied under Germanus of Auxerre, a future saint, and some 15 years later he was consecrated a bishop by his mentor and friend. Now he revealed that he felt he'd received the call to return to Ireland as a missionary.

In 432AD, Patrick as we know him, once again set foot on Irish soil. At Tara in east central Ireland he spoke before Laoghaire the high king of the day and converted his 2 daughters. After this breakthrough he began travel the country spreading his Christian message, many times challenging and confounding the powerful and dangerous pagan Druid priests. He wrote that daily he expected to be re-enslaved or killed. But within 12 years he had enough followers to establish his headquarters at Armagh, Northern Ireland from where he continued his ministry.

Today St. Patrick's Church of Ireland (Anglican) Cathedral stands on the hill in Armagh site of his first church while St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Cathedral stand on the hill facing. Patrick, apostle to the Irish, died in 461 AD and is buried on the grounds of the Church of Ireland cathedral in Downpartick, Northern Ireland.

Please keep in mind AA Meetings are held at St. Mary Magdalene's (118 Church St. in Schomberg) every Monday evening starting at 7:30 p.m.

On Tuesday evening, March 21 starting at 7 p.m., the Lenten Evensong series themed "Creating Communities of Hope and Compassion" begin in Christ Church, Kettleby Hall on Kettleby Rd. mid-way between Jane and Keele St. Following the Evensong service there will be an interesting speaker and dis-

cussion and light refreshments with tea coffee or juice. The series continues on Tuesday, March 28 and Tuesday, April 4 - same time same place.

Souper Thursday with soup and games happens again at St. Mary Magdalene's on Thursday, March 23, 5 to 7 p.m. It's great fun, be sure to come!

Palm Sunday with procession observed at regular morning Holy Communion services - 9:30 a.m. at Christ Church., Kettleby and 11:15 a.m. St. Mary Magdalene's Schomberg.

York Pines United Church

Live at Curiosity Cafe, Sunday, March 19 at 6:30 pm, Linda Hemerez will be sharing her story of a journey that began in Syria and still continues today in Canada as a positively contributing Canadian. She's lived in Canada for a number of years and now, her parents and brother's family have joined her here with the support of King for Refugees. Hear her compelling story, meet her family and relax and listen to some live music before and after.

Curiosity Cafe is a coffee house experience that fosters a feeling of community through lively conversation, musical experiences and exploration of current issues. We meet at York Pines United Church, every Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. (1350 Lloydtown Aurora Road). Join us to satisfy your curiosity of the world around you and maybe make a friend or two in the process!


As usual, Sunday service begins at 10:30 a.m.

On Tuesday, March 21, the Knitters begins at 1:30 p.m. Anyone is welcome to join this group for an enjoyable afternoon spent knitting, crocheting, and sharing fellowship time. Shawls and other created objects are blessed and distributed to those needing some comfort.

Wednesday, March 22 at 7 p.m., the Book Club begins in the Friendship Room and will be discussing Half Blood Blues by Esi Edugyan. Blues music meets Nazi ideals in 1939 Berlin. All are welcome (even if you haven't read this month's book, just come for discussion and fellowship!).

Also, watch out for YPUC's "Spring Pop-Up Market" on April 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.


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King resident joins women of the Toronto Sportsmen's Show

Amanda Lynn Mayhew is making a strong case to incorporate women into the Toronto Sportsmen Show's historic name.

The founder of the Ontario Women's Hunting Association will be part of a special outdoors panel of four women at the Toronto Sportsmen's Show this month which will showcase a hunter, an angler, a recreational shooter and a trapper from all demographics of the province as part of an increased demand for education from female outdoor enthusiasts.

Mayhew from midwestern Ontario is an official ambassador and is host of the Great Outdoors Stage of the event. She said it was important to recruit female industry leaders and professionals in a male-dominated field. Mayhew said the surge of women who hunt, fish and trap is impressive which prompted a larger focus on education.

"The women on the panel are leaders in their industry promoting and inspiring these aspects of the outdoors to keep our heritage alive in the future," Mayhew said. "All women are involved in educating others in all aspects of their field."

The panel is well stocked with industry professionals with impressive

credentials. Emily Sandford Brown started shooting at the Peel Gun Club in Brampton at the age of 12, while she tried several shooting disciplines, she settled quickly on shotgun sports, specializing in trapshooting. To hone her skills she participated in upland game hunting while living in Alberta. She currently sits as a director on the board of Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Association, the Canadian Trapshooting Association and is a member on the Ontario Council of Shooters.

Katie Ball from Thunder Bay is the trapper representative on the panel for Northwestern Ontario Sportsmen's Alliance. She trapped along side her father ever since she was old enough to carry a trap. Her love of animals and her understanding of the balance of nature and the intricate relationship between humans and nature were learned aside

her father on the trap line.

Becky Gardhouse from King is an avid angler on the panel who was hooked on the sport at age 4 when her dad gave her a fishing rod. She often snuck away from chores so she could throw a line in the water in the river that ran through the family farm. After years of fishing in and around southern Ontario, she moved to Minnesota where she experienced world-class walleye, bass and pike fishing. She was fishing four to five times a week on water and ice, 10 months of the year. Two years ago she started tournament fishing but 2012 was her rookie season competing in the CSFL BM 100 division. Her passion is bass fishing but also enjoys the hunt for trophy walleye, pike and musky.

Shannan Haviland grew up in Warton, and got her feet wet at a young

age while salmon fishing on Georgian Bay with her dad. She started hunting with her dad at a young age and hunted moose and bear in northern Ontario.

Mayhew will moderate the outdoors panel and will lead a seminar on How to Choose the Correct Firearm. She will be located in Booth 1409 at the show, which is being held through March 19 at the International Centre in Mississauga. Included in Mayhew's Booth is Polaris Big Bore 850, Promotion for Just Hunt on Canada Hunts on WILD TV, Cabela's Giveaway, Camillus Brands and 5.11 Giveaways.

More details on her panelists at the Sportsmen's show can be found on the following links:

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There will be tons of vendors, crafters, local artisans, demonstrations, food and entertainment for the whole family.

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Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection

The Dufferin Marsh society encourages everyone to "Use Your Power" on Earth Day Saturday, March 25.

Everyone is invited to meet at the Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, on Main Street at 7 p.m. for a Lantern Workshop where you can make your own Lantern. Please bring a glass jar that you can decorate.

Then, at 8:15 p.m. the group will leave the Emanuel Presbyterian Church on Main Street, and with lanterns they will walk to the Dufferin Marsh for a bonfire to celebrate Earth Hour.

Or you just turn off your lights and join the group at the Bonfire, in the Marsh, at 8:30 p.m. for marshmallows, hot chocolate and fellowship celebrating Earth Hour.

For further information about the Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection and all its events please contact Mary Asselstine at 905-939-7544 or visit their website at www.dufferinmarsh.ca

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The Juvenile Red Wings took game three of their OMHA final against the Port Dover Pirates 3-1 at Trisan Centre on Sunday.

Hornets poised to clinch series vs. Stayner

By Brian Lockhart

The Alliston Junior C Hornets have taken a 3-0 lead over the Stayner Siskins in the championship best-of-seven series for the Carruthers Division of the North Conference title of the PJHL.

The Siskins finished the regular season in first place so it's a bit of a surprise that the Hornets could take the first three games and they did it with some pretty good results.

They blanked the Stayner squad 5-0 in game one on March 9, and they did it on the Siskins home ice.

Scoring came from Matt Hamilton, Drake Board for two, and a pair from Stephen Nosad – one on a shorthanded effort.

The return to the New Tecumseth Recreation Centre on Friday, March 10, saw the Siskins take an 2-1 lead in the first period.

That turned around in the second frame on goals from Nosad and Ryan Young to make it a 3-2 Alliston game entering the third period.

Goals from Young and Will Ferguson sealed the deal for a 5-3 Alliston win and the Hornets were leading the series by two games.

Game three of the series was back in Stayner on Sunday, March 12.

The teams played to a 2-2 tie in the first period then matched goal for goal in the second to enter the final period tied at three.

The third period was all Hornets when they scored three unanswered goals for the 6-3 win and found themselves one game away from a series win.

The series returned to Alliston on Tuesday (March 14) for game four with results not available at press time.

If the Hornets come out on top they will claim the 2016/17 Conference Championship and go on to play the winner of the Pollock Division in the North Conference final.

If the Siskins manage to keep the series alive, game five will take place in Stayner on Thursday, March 16.

Red Wings still alive in OMHA finals

By Jake Courtepatte

A pair of Red Wings teams are still battling it out to determine the top teams in Ontario.

The Minor Midget Wings are hoping to keep their hot hand going with just one loss so far in the OMHA playoffs, suffered at the hands of the Pelham Jr. Panthers last weekend in game one of the final at Trisan Centre.

They followed up with a decisive 4-0 shutout in game two to tie the series, with game three of the first-to-six-points series scheduled for Wednesday following a lull for March Break.

The Juvenile Wings, competitors in the OMHA finals for the past three seasons, have found a strong opponent in the Port Dover Pirates, splitting their series 1-1-1 through the first three games.

After splitting game one at Trisan

Centre 2-2 last week, both teams picked up a win at home in a home-and-home lineup on Saturday and Sunday, Port Dover taking game two by a score of 8-2 and Schomberg taking game three 5-1.

The puck drops on game four Saturday in Port Dover.

With both teams still needing to secure three points to take the championship, the series will be moving back to Trisan Centre on March 25 for game five.

The Bantam Wings have reached the local York Simcoe League championship series, after taking down the TNT Tornadoes in three straight games in their semifinal match-up.

They battle the Whitchurch-Stouffville Clippers, who had a similar undefeated path through the Barrie Jr. Colts to reach the penultimate series.

Schedules can be found at www.schombergminorhockey.com.



Royals soccer team on hot streak

The U14 King City Royals boys' soccer team continued their recent hot streak in the Hershey Centre winter league with a 5-0 shutout victory over Glanbrook FC on March 4.

Over the past two seasons, King City was winless against Glanbrook and in the first half of this game, both teams played solid defence as the majority of the play was centred near midfield. Both teams had one shot on goal in the half as they headed to the break scoreless.

Glanbrook stormed out of the gates to start the second half as they had another shot on goal one minute in. The shot from outside the 18 yard box handcuffed goalie Anthony Bruno but he was able to make the save to keep the game scoreless. One minute later, Zack Donsky pressed the Glanbrook defence deep in their zone creating a turnover where winger Mario Fratto set up Marco LaVerde in front of the Glanbrook goal to make it 1-0 King City.

Eight minutes later, the same threesome combined for another goal as Zack Donsky sent a through ball to Mario Fratto down the right wing and he crossed it to Marco LaVerde again to make it 2-0. Striker Marco LaVerde scored his natural hat trick two minutes later when Mario Fratto won the ball at midfield, chipped the ball over a Glanbrook defender and fed him near the centre circle where the striker ran half the length of the field to make it 3-0. That was Marco's team leading ninth goal of the season.

Defensively, King City kept the high powered Glanbrook offense at bay all night as the Royals made it 4-0 with ten minutes left. King City were passing the ball beautifully in the midfield zone where Nico Toledo-Duenas finished the passing play off with a superb pass to Luca Lupinetti on the right side where he finished it to score the first of his two goals on the night. With that goal, Luca was the eighth different King City player to score so far this season. King City finished the scoring off two minutes later with an almost identical play but this time to the left side where Nico-Toledo Duenas fed Luca Lupinetti to make the final 5-0. Goalkeeper Anthony Bruno picked up his second clean sheet of the year with the win.

The Royals are now 4-4-0 (12 points) and will try to extend their winning streak on March 18 when they face off against the Burlington Bayhawks.

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Last shot heroics in King Curling Club action

The great curling at this year's Brier seems to have inspired the competitive juices of King Curling games over the last few weeks. Playoffs always bring up the intensity for most players, but sportsmanship is never put aside and laughs and handshakes are plentiful.

There is no other physical activity that can be equally accessed by young,

middle aged, seniors, wheelchair, men, women, and played on a level (well pebbled!) surface with the same competitive opportunity! It is truly remarkable and a very Canadian sport.

Men's League

After 21 games it came down to last

rocks to determine the final placings and the playoff match-ups for Monday Men's. First place would ultimately go to last year's champions Karl Davis, Joe Brunato, Steve Broad and Gary Boose, who defeated arch nemesis Team Dave Barber 6-3 and then got the first place nod on a head to head tie breaker; these teams have not seen the last of each other. There are three weeks of playoffs left and it is win or else, so get ready for some intense battles.

Final Standings Men's League

1. Davis; 2. Barber; 3. Sheardown; 4. Smith; 5. Stronach; 6. Brown; 7. Scott; 8. Gerrits; 9. Boynton; 10. Howard; 11. Lee; 12. Macdonald; 13. Muller; 14. Wright; 15. Livingstone; 16. Sidon; 17.

Groombridge; 18. Duffy; 19. Wither- spoon; 20. Lostraco

Mixed Competitive League

Quarter-final games in the Mixed competitive proved to be very compelling as all games were very close and competitive. Sheardown would have a last rock pick on a take out and lose 8-7 to Gerrits in a well-played back and forth match. Barber would make a great angle raise to the 4 foot to defeat and game Team Howard 7-6. Sidon battled back to lose 7-6 to Team Broad. Team Clark fell behind early but would take a big 5 ender in the 6th end to overcome the always strong Team Davis. Mixed league takes March break off for a fun game before stepping up with Barber versus Broad, and Clark vs. Gerrits in the semi-finals.



The King City Lions varsity basketball team, included (l to r) Jaden, Zavion, Coach Rob Aurich, Eric, Jeremy, Arsal, Tyrese, Shane, Jeff, Ethan, Spencer, Tyrek, Alex and Daniel.

Photo by Julia Bianchi

KCSS steps it up in YRAA playoffs

By Jake Courtepatte

When the King City Lions tipped off against Father McGivney recently in the YRAA basketball semi-finals, they were facing a giant.

That is because King City was playing at an unprecedented level, the only Tier 3 team remaining in the conference's playoffs, competing against the best of Tier 1 and 2.

Finishing second in Tier 3 in the regular season behind Milliken Mills, the Lions took their 6-1 record and cruised past their tier two opponents Woodbridge College in the preliminary round 89-79.

They then took their game to Sacred Heart, the overwhelming favourite in the quarters after finishing in second place in the tier one division, and claimed a surprise victory by a narrow margin of 73-71.

Father McGivney, Tier 2's top team, booked their ticket to the final with a win over King City, but not without the Lions staking their claim as a team to beat in the York Region Athletic Association.

Coach Rob Aurich found chemistry in his team through four starting seniors, Arsal Chohan, Tyrese Campbell, Jeff Reiner and the reigning MVP, Eric Zalutin.

They combined with freshman Zavion Myrie to put up six straight wins in the regular season, only falling to Holy Cross in the schedule's final game.

Thornlea defeated Father McGivney in the finals to claim the YRAA title, while the overwhelming favourite Vaughan Secondary School earned the AAA championship.

Mackenzie Health receives accreditation with Exemplary Standing for second survey

Mackenzie Health is proud to announce it has achieved what few organizations have – earning Accreditation with Exemplary Standing from Accreditation Canada for the second consecutive evaluation! This award is the highest level of accreditation and confirms our organization's commitment to going beyond the requirements of Accreditation Canada with demonstrated excellence in quality improvement.

Accreditation is a voluntary process that highlights a health care provider's commitment to quality and patient safety by comparing programs and processes against demonstrated national and international standards of excellence.

From Feb. 6-9, five surveyors from Accreditation Canada met with staff, physicians and volunteers from across the hospital to learn about our programs, policies and procedures. In releasing their decision, Accreditation Canada highlighted Mackenzie Health's many strengths and praised our programs, patient-focused care, teamwork, and organizational culture. The surveyors evaluated Mackenzie Health on 1,800 standards reviewing everything from governance, communication, and patient engagement to infection control and clinical care. Mackenzie Health met achieved 99.8% compliance.

In its decision letter Accreditation Canada commended the organization and said "this is a milestone to be celebrated, and we congratulate you and your team for your commitment to providing safe, high quality health services."

"This achievement is a testament to the hard work our teams do every day to provide safe, quality health care services for every patient and family. Earning this outstanding result for a second consecutive time is rare and affirms our commitment to delivering excellent care to create a world-class health experience," said Altaf Stationwala, president and CEO, Mackenzie Health.

"This outstanding result is a reflection of Mackenzie Health's commitment to providing the best possible care for patients and families in our growing community. It confirms the quality and safety of the care provided by the Mackenzie Health team by an internationally respected independent body," noted Anthony Ianni, chair of the board, Mackenzie Health.

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King City United By Earle Laycock

Do you remember the Parable of the Fig Tree? Rev. Evelyn McLachlan based her sermon on Luke 13: 6-9 where Jesus tells a story about a vineyard owner who tells his gardener to cut down a fig tree that has not produced fruit in 3 years. His gardener asks that the tree be given one more year and then if it produces nothing be pulled out. In that year, the gardener fertilizes and loosens the soil around the tree to encourage good life. God has not given up on us although we may have failed over and over again to live up to our potential.

Rev. Evelyn said, "... God tends to us, giving us more time to turn, to bear fruit, to love, to give, to do justice, to make for peace." The congregation was challenged to choose one thing that could be done now to "bear God's fruit" in their lives.

Did you know that St. Patrick didn't banish snakes from Ireland as legend has it? Scientists credit the last ice age for clearing out the snakes and being limited swimmers, they couldn't repopulate the island when conditions im-

proved! Despite this, you still have time to order your tickets for our St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Friday, March 17 at 6 p.m. Tickets are only \$15 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. The dinner consists of Irish Stew, soda breads and dessert. Music is provided by the Old Tyme Connection. Call the church office 905-833-5181 for more information and to reserve your tickets. A few tickets will be available at the door.

During the season of Lent, King City United will be holding a supper and discussion about two movies. The first movie is at the theatres now and is entitled "The Shack." You are invited to go to the cinema on your own and watch the movie and then on Tuesday, March 21 meet at the church at 6 p.m. for a pot luck supper and to discuss the movie. On Tuesday, April 11 come to the church at 6 p.m. for supper (provided for you) and watch the movie Chocolat which was in movie theatres in 2000 and has been on TV. It's about 2 hours long. Please sign the list in the Narthex or call the church to say that you are coming so that enough food can be prepared for you.

The United Church Women are collecting new or gently used clothing for children and youth. Please drop items

off at the church. Items will be shipped at the end of May.

Bible study meets every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

Tea & Talk continues every Friday morning at 10 a.m. at Sunset Grill in King City. There's always lots to talk about! Join us for some discussion and delicious breakfast. We usually are sitting at the table inside the doors.

Have you renewed your subscription to the United Church Observer yet? For \$25 you get an amazing magazine that covers diverse and interesting topics concerning faith in the world today. Call the church office to get more information on this literary bargain or visit www.ucobserver.org/subscribe/

King City United is located at 50 Elizabeth Grove, King City. Worship is every Sunday at 10 a.m. There is Sunday school for the young people. 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 March 19! Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series on the Churches of Revelation with "Je-

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Horticultural Society

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708 OBITUARIES



Comeau Pauline Ann

Age 89, of The Meadows Home for Special Care passed away peacefully at the Meadows on March 4, 2017. Born in Yarmouth on January 25, 1928 she was a daughter to the late Irving and Etta (Deveau) Melanson. Pauline was a loving mother and grandmother who loved her family dearly. She was known to be kind, compassionate and the neighbourhood Mom with an open door policy for all. For most of her working career she was a talented seamstress. Known as a prankster she always knew how to make people laugh. In her spare time she LOVED to walk and earned the nickname "The Roadrunner". She is survived by her loving children, Anne Nelson, Ontario; Sharon Corporon, Yarmouth; Myra LeBlanc, B.C.; Nancy Wesley, B.C.; Karen LeBlanc, Toronto; Wayne LeBlanc (Cheryl Phillips) ON; Jimmy LeBlanc, B.C.; brothers, Brian, Malcolm, Lester, Guy; sister, Louisa, and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Besides her parents she was predeceased by her son, Sonny LeBlanc; sister, Evelyn; and brother, Burgess "Frenchy". Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Sweeney's Funeral Home and Crematorium, Yarmouth. A memorial service was held Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 2 p.m. from Sweeney's Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Larry Pennell officiating. Private family Interment will take place in Salmon River Cemetery. Donations in memory may be made to the Juniper House, or the Meadows Home for Special Care. On-line condolences may be sent to: sweenysfh@eastlink.ca or you may sign the guestbook on-line at: www.sweenysfuneralhome.net

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King's Corners

From Page 14

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

St. Andrew's was thrilled to be introduced to newborn Lydia Anne Grace Vissers via the flatscreen TV photo. She is the Vissers' first grandchild, born to Amber and Joel Vissers, March 7.

Lynn Vissers has been explaining Psalm 23 to the children during Time for Youth and used the occasion to describe today's verse, verse 3 - "He restores my soul." God blessed the Vissers with much joy and contentment through the birth of this little one, restoring their souls! Pastor John Mills continues with the Lenten worship services leading up to Easter. Join us at 10:30 a.m. and stay afterwards for coffee and a chance to meet new friends. Sunday school runs concurrently.

Last Sunday's sermon was entitled "The Man Who Sold His Future," the story about Esau and Jacob and the consequence of being "godless," leaving God out of our decisions. Hebrews 12:14-17.

The Ladies' Tuesday morning Prayer Time continues at 9 a.m. for an hour. All are welcome to pray, give thanks, or just listen and be still before the Lord. God is with us as He promised, hearing and answering our prayers, offering comfort, hope, and direction. Do you have prayer requests or thanksgivings you would like to share? Let us know.

Coffee and Conversation is held on Thursdays with Lynn Vissers in the office at 10 a.m. and Soup and Conversation in the evening at 6 p.m.

Youth Group meets this Friday (first and third Fridays of the month) at 7 p.m. Contact Lynn Vissers for further information.

Sunday, April 2, following the service, all are invited to stay for lunch to discuss which three options the congregation feels are the most viable regarding the future of St. Andrew's, King. Mark your calendars, pray and plan to be there.

Should you have pastoral care needs please contact Lynn Vissers, Director of Congregational Ministries. Our church office number is 905-833-2325, located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd. A ramp is available for accessibility. www.standrews-kingcity.ca

All Saints Anglican Church By Diana Armitage

Happy and Healthy March Break everyone.

Come and celebrate our 160th Anniversary Year! Archbishop Colin Johnson will be visiting us on Sunday, March 26 for the 10:30 a.m. service. Let's give him a warm welcome!

Can't wait for Rummage 2017? Mark your calendars because our Best of

the Best Rummage Sale is on Saturday, April 29 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. We are receiving some mighty fine rummage this year. Thank you!

On Trinity Sunday, June 11, Bishop Peter Fenty will join us at the 10:30 a.m. service for the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows. Please talk to the Rev. Elizabeth if you are interested in being part of the group that is preparing for either of these.

King City Seniors Centre

By Carol Kanitz

Travel Club - Important. Please note the date change to April 22 for the Woodbine Race Track and Casino trip. Please be sure to let Jane know if this is a trip you want to join. The price is \$76 per person. The coach will pick us up at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 22. To book your place, please call Jane at 905-833-5870. This trip can only run if 40 people are signed up.

Floral Workshop - Create your own fresh floral centerpiece for Easter. The workshop will be held on Monday, April 10 at 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person. Contact Carolyn at 905-833-0792 to book your place.

Pot Luck Lunch - The next pot luck lunch will be held on Friday, March 17 at 12:30 p.m. Attendees are asked to bring a main dish or a dessert.

708 OBITUARIES

Hissink, Jan Willem (John)

July 23, 1928 - March 5, 2017

Peacefully at King City Lodge on Sunday March 5, 2017. John beloved husband of the late Christel. Loving father of William, and his late wife Judy Hissink of Essex, and Steven, and his wife Michele of Leaskdale. Dear opa of John, Michael, Vanessa, and Oliver. John was an active member of Kingcrafts in the stained glass group, an avid hobby farmer, and spent his entire career in printing, primarily for Ronalds in Richmond Hill. At John's request cremation has taken place. A Celebration of John's Life took place at the Thompson Funeral Home, 530 Industrial Parkway S., Aurora (905 727-5421) on Tuesday March 14 from 2-4, and 6-8pm. Donations to Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation would be appreciated by the family. On-line condolences may be left at www.thompsonfh-aurora.com



708 OBITUARIES

Mueller, Lita

(An employee of the King City Post Office)

At the Southlake Regional Health Centre on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 in her 95th year. Beloved wife of the Late Oscar. Dear mother of Lita Mueller and Ingrid (Rod) Butler. Loving grandmother to Michael and Karl Mueller, Jeremy Noakes and Michelle (Jeff) Small. A private cremation has been held and interment at the Kettleby Cemetery will take place at a later date.

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Nobleton Notes

By **Angie Maccarone**
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St. Paul's Church

The Youth Group takes place every Wednesday night at the church from 7-9 p.m. (unless there is a special activity planned). Come join in the fun. Check here for details, or contact our Youth Leader Taylor Scott at scottie_tay@yahoo.ca or 289-338-2539.

A2J is a program for kids in Grades 3 to 6. It's an evening of Bible stories, songs, games, crafts, self-confidence building and lots of fun. A2J meets the 2nd and 4th Friday evening of each month, through May. It's not too late to join. Contact the church office at 905-859-0843 for more information.

Join us Sunday, March 19 at 10 a.m. as Jeff continues his series entitled "Songs of L(am)ENT." His message these week - "My Chains Fell Off."

Child care (for children 3 years of age and younger) is provided during the gathering. Our KidzKonnection and NextStep programs (for children ages 4 to 11) take place at the same time.

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

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

St. Mary's Church

St. Mary's CWL invites you to a zepole sale for St. Joseph's Feast March 18

and 19, after all Masses. Proceeds to SM Mortgage Fund.

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Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord will be held March 25. All parishioners and families are invited to join us for a day of prayer in thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother's Fiat, at SM Church. The Feast of the Annunciation celebrates both Our Lady's humility and her faith in God's will. Please join us for any amount of time you can spare. For more information, please contact Deacon Don or Debra, 905-235-2335.

Nobleton United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

Our minister Carol-Ann Chapman invites you to join us for Sunday worship at Nobleton United at 11:15 a.m. or at Schomberg United at 9:30 a.m. and/or drop in to the office on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings for a chat. Please phone first to book an appointment during her office hours (905-859-3976).

If you like to sing, you are invited to join our newly created choir. We started practicing in March on Wednesdays at 7 to 8 p.m. We are a small group with Schomberg United. Dennis Kowal on piano and Barry Simpson on guitar and percussion are directing us.

Those of us with email were sent a video of "My Love Colours Outside the Lines" so that we could be familiar with the tune before our first practice. This piece is #138 in our "More Voices"

book. For more info, contact dennis5k@hotmail.com.

Our new Youth Music program is for children 10 to 16 years old, who are interested in learning guitar or improving on his/her skills. Dennis Kowal, our pianist, and Barry Simpson, our Facebook creator, are offering this program. If your child does not have a guitar, we now have six guitars, so everyone can have the opportunity to learn and practice on a guitar. If interested, please contact Barry Simpson at simpsonitservices@gmail.com

The Schomberg Youth Group meets at the Schomberg Public School on Fridays, 7-9 p.m. Dennis and Barry visited the last two weeks with the guitars and plan to be there again on Friday, March 24. Invite your child to come and see if they enjoy the experience of learning how to play guitar.

Our minister Carol-Ann mentioned in one of her recent sermons "The Perfect Family" video. She decided to show that video at Nobleton United on Thursday, March 23. Refreshments at 6:30 p.m., viewing at about 7 p.m., followed by discussion, ending by 9:30 p.m. There is no charge for this. We would welcome the community to enjoy the movie with us.

On Monday, April 3 at 7 p.m., there will be a special Covenanting Service for Carol-Ann Chapman and her new congregations, Nobleton United and Schomberg United. This service will be at Nobleton United and will have a guest speaker. More info next week.

Looking ahead, we have April 2, Palm Sunday; Apr. 9, Easter with special singer/guitarist Danny Szauter; April 23, Schomberg's Anniversary; June 18, Father's Day and Beatles Music; June 25, Canada Day Celebration with Orangeville's lively Day by Day guitar/sing-

ing group.

Our famous DiFebo Pasta Dinner was an outstanding success. We were totally sold out. Many thanks to Gino and Sue DiFebo for the delicious pasta and meatballs, and the bruschetta; Val Ball for the fruit, ice cream and pizzella crispy Italian wafer; and many others for the Caesar salad, set-up of the tables with the alternating red and white tablecloths, the decorations of lanterns on each table, the serving and clean-up. It was a great team effort.

We were thrilled that MP Deb Schulte left Ottawa on Friday afternoon, landed at Pearson at 6:30 p.m., and was driven directly to our dinner by her husband Dave. Deb was happy to enjoy the delicious food and camaraderie of the community with us. King City's Rev. Evelyn McLachlin who was enjoying our dinner, invited us all and Deb to join her church next Friday at 6 p.m. for a St. Patrick's Day dinner.

For more info, visit nobletonunit-edchurch.com, our Facebook page, or call 905-859-3976. The Nobleton United Church office is normally open on Wednesday and Thursday 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 at the rear of the building, chair lifts and accessible washrooms.

Auditions for Nobleton Children's Theatre Co.

On Sunday, March 26 Nobleton Children's Theatre Co. will be holding auditions for their upcoming comedic, mini-musical "The History of King."

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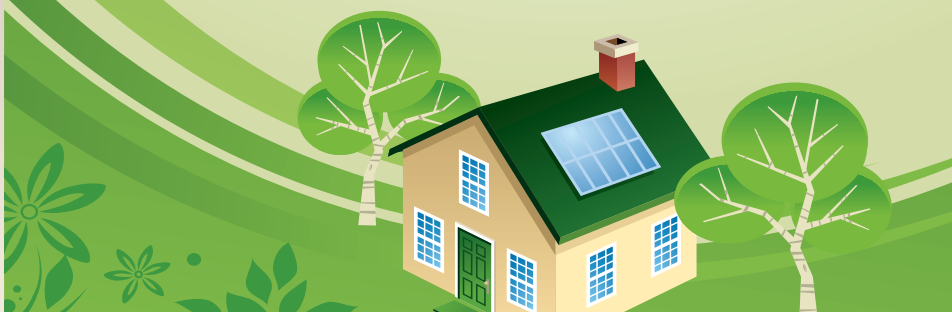
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It will be performed at the 150th Canada Day celebrations in Kettleby on Saturday, July 1. To book an audition time and for more information please contact Michele at nobletonchildrenstheatreco@gmail.com. Visit www.NobletonTheatre.com or follow our Facebook page - Nobleton Children's Theatre Co. for updates.

Nobleton Lions

The Lions Foundation of Canada Purina Walk for Dog Guides is planned for Sunday, May 28. This walk helps provide funding for six different specialty streams including Canine Vision Dogs, Hearing Ear Dogs, and Service Dogs to help challenged Canadians overcome a variety of impairments. Check out www.purinawalkfordogguides.com for much more information.

After that comes the Nobleton Lions Annual Fund Raiser on June 4. This year the event is a Charity Golf Tournament to be held close to home at Nobleton Lakes Golf Course. This is the major fundraiser for the Lions Club, with proceeds planned to go to numerous organizations in and around town. Golfers and hole sponsors are invited to call Jim Kassam at KARS on King Rd. west of Hwy. 27 at 859-5277.

Free advertising is available to non-profit groups in and around Nobleton via the electronic sign at the library. Contact the Township of King for details on how to get your message up there at no charge.

Your support is greatly appreciated by the Lions and those who we support,

in keeping with our motto, "We Serve." The Lions Club is seeking new members at this time. If you are interested in helping your community become a better place to live while having lots of fun, please call Bob Phillips at 416-522-9675.

Spring Skating with the Nobleton Skating Club

The Nobleton Skating Club is offering a spring skating session beginning on March 27. Our spring Canskate session runs on Mondays at 5:30 p.m. for 7 weeks. The spring session begins on March 27 at the Nobleton Arena, but then moves up to the Trisan Centre in Schomberg.

As always, the ice is taken out of the Nobleton Arena, so we offer our spring sessions out of the Trisan Centre. Canskate and Pre-power is offered Mondays at 5:30, and Starskate sessions on Mondays and Wednesdays.

New for spring is our on-line registration! Please visit our website, nobletonskatingclub.com for our full schedule and pricing details, and to submit your registration. Please pay attention to our dates for the spring session, as there are some no skating days.

St. Alban's Anglican Parish By John Arnott

Such was the force of that explosion that rocked Halifax when 2 ships, one carrying munitions, collided in the harbour on De. 6, 1917 killing and injuring thousands that a piece of window frame hurtled through the air lodging itself miles away with an earsplitting crack in the wall of historic St. Paul's Anglican church in the city's downtown, where it still remains. Other than

a few broken windows the church escaped the damage that completely devastated other areas. But the glass in one window on the second level shattered in such a way as to resemble the bust of a man who some say was a young priest hurled through it at the time of this horrific event.

If St. Columb Cathedral in Londonderry Northern Ireland is the first Anglican (Church of Ireland) cathedral built post Reformation and the first non-Roman Catholic cathedral in Western Europe and Holy Trinity Cathedral in Quebec City is the first Anglican church built as a cathedral outside Britain, then Halifax's St. Paul's claim to fame isn't its slight explosion damage but rather the fact that it is Canada's oldest Anglican church. King George 11 founded it by royal proclamation in 1749 but the placing of the cornerstone and actual construction didn't begin until the following year with the first service being held in the uncompleted building later that same year.

One, James Gibbs, a pupil of famed architect Sir Christopher Wren, designed the church in the popular Palladian style of the day. St Paul's is the first building in Canada built in the Palladian style (Palladio was a well respected 18th century Venetian architect).

The pre-cut timbers of pine and oak for the main part of the church came from Maine in the U.S. and remain as sound today as they were when the frame was built. Most other materials used in the construction such as the brick for the walls were acquired locally. It took 10 years to complete the interior of the original church.

Above the main entrance is the famous Palladian or Venetian window with its framed high arched central pane flanked on each side by shorter,

narrower flat/square topped framed panes. There is a beautiful Roman arched 3-pane stained glass window above the main altar and a magnificent crystal chandelier hanging over the chancel. Other beautiful stained glass windows line both exterior walls

The crypt beneath the main church contains the final resting place of some prominent Nova Scotians, one being Charles Inglis, first bishop of Nova Scotia and first overseas Anglican bishop. He used St. Paul's as his cathedral before a suitable one was built in Halifax. At the front of the main nave is the Governor's pew now called the Royal pew which has been well used by members of the Royal Family including our present Queen.

Attending services here have been General James Wolfe (Battle of the Plains of Abraham at Quebec) Prince Edward, Queen Victoria's father, Prime Ministers Sir Charles Tupper, Sir Robert Borden and U.S. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt There have memorial services held for victims of the Titanic, the Halifax Explosion and the more recent downing of Swissair Flight 111.

Over the years, additions have been made including wings to both sides of the building, allowing the main nave to have 5 aisles, each one lined by white painted square wooden pillars. Only very few Anglican churches worldwide can boast that many aisles. In its 268-year history St. Paul's has served as a garrison church, a source of reassurance and stability for urban pioneers and immigrants, a pro cathedral, a place of refuge for American refugees (United Empire Loyalists) fleeing the American Revolution, a place of hope and help for disaster victims and a place of worship for ordinary folk and royalty.

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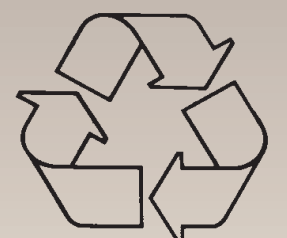
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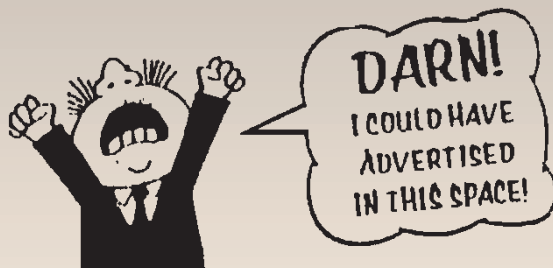
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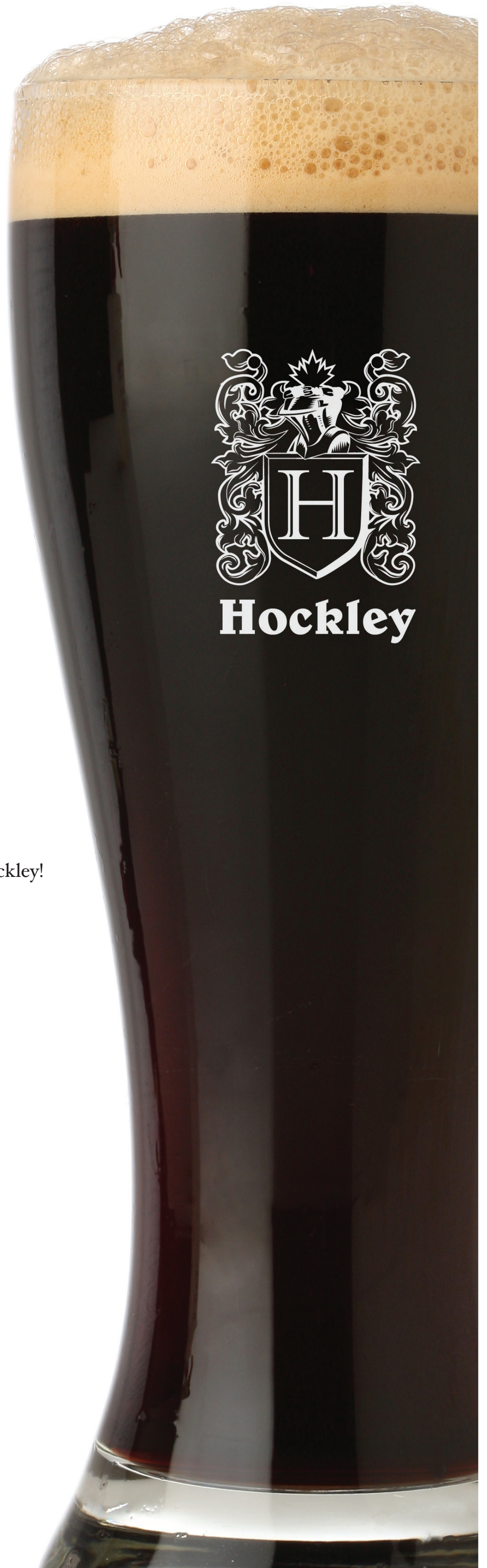
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