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Historic sign donated to King Museum

A piece of King's history has been saved. A large sign for Stan Roots Fuel Oils was presented to King Museum curator Kathleen Fry recently.

The business operated in King for many years. A street in King City was named after Stan.

Tina Peter, who grew up in King, saw the sign in David Hall's business and asked about it. Her family had previously donated items to the museum, and she asked Hal if he would donate it. He was happy to oblige.

In the photo for the presentation were (l to r) Tina Peter, Bob Roots (Stan Roots's son) David Hall, Kathleen Fry, King Museum curator.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

MUNICIPAL OFFICE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
2075 King Road

Monday, January 8, 2018

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

Monday, January 22, 2018

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

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

PUBLIC NOTICES

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION
DRAFT 2018 BUDGETS & BUSINESS PLAN**

Council Chambers located at 2075 King Road, King City, ON

RE: Council Meeting: Monday, January 22, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
Draft - 2018 Budgets & Business Plan

The Township of King Draft 2018 Budgets & Business Plan, will be tabled at the January 22, 2018 Committee of the Whole 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 web-site at www.king.ca as of Thursday, January 18, 2018.

RE: Council Meeting: Monday, February 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
Consideration of By-law for Adoption: 2018 Budgets & Business Plan

The Township of King adoption of the 2018 Budgets & Business Plan, will be tabled at the February 5, 2018 Committee of the Whole 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 web-site at www.king.ca as of Thursday, January 18, 2018.

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
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HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURE

The municipal offices at 2075 King Road will close for the holidays at 4:30 p.m. Fri., Dec. 22 and reopen at 8:30 a.m. Wed., Jan. 3.

If you have an urgent matter requiring attention during the closure, please call the Township's answering service at 905-833-5321 and your call will be forwarded to the appropriate personnel.

King Township's libraries will be closed Dec. 24, 25, 26, 31 and Jan. 1.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Building Inspector (12-month contract) – closes Jan. 5
- Summer Camp positions (various) – close Feb. 2
- Aquatics positions (various) – close Feb. 2
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (P/T, seasonal) – closes Mar. 5
- Program Instructor (P/T, seasonal contract) – closes when filled
- Crossing Guard, Nobleton (P/T, contract) – closes when filled

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

REMINDERS



REMINDER! Help us keep your streets clear of snow and safe for passage. To ensure effective snow removal, Winter Parking Restrictions are in effect from **November 1st to April 15th**. On-street parking is prohibited on any roadway from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. during this period.



On behalf of Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Members of Council, we wish all of our residents and their families warm wishes for this Holiday Season.

May it bring happiness, peace and prosperity for the year ahead.

2018 Calendars will be mailed mid-December



Waste Collection Calendar 2018



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**2018
Community Report**

BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY

Community building is an important field of practices directed toward the creation or enhancement of community among individuals within a regional area (such as a neighborhood) or with a common interest.



Be sure to check out King Township's 2017 Community Report that is included with this edition of the Weekly Sentinel. There is also a fully interactive version of this report at 2017communityreport.king.ca. In it you will find links to additional content and online resources.

'Tis the Season to be Careful



ENJOY A FIRE SAFE HOLIDAY

WHAT'S THE RISK?

Smoking and cooking are the **top 2 causes of fatal fires** during the holidays (Nov, Dec, Jan).

Injuries caused by smoking account for **1 in 10 home fire injuries** during the holidays.

Smoking accounts for **30%** of all home fire deaths during the holidays.

Cooking fires account for **19%** of all home fires during the holidays.

27% of all home fire injuries occur in cooking fires during the holidays.

Alcohol is a factor in many fatal fires involving smoking and cooking. **DRINK RESPONSIBLY!**

How do I protect my family during the holidays?

- ❖ Always stay in the kitchen while cooking. If you must leave, turn off the stove.
- ❖ Keep an eye on any drinkers in your household and make sure all cigarettes are properly extinguished and the stove is off before going to bed.
- ❖ Cigarettes can smoulder among upholstered items for hours before igniting. Check sofas and chairs for cigarettes that may have fallen between the cushions.
- ❖ Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers.
- ❖ Wet cigarette butts with water before discarding.

ARE YOU PROTECTED BY SMOKE AND CO ALARMS?

- ❖ In **34%** of fatal home fires there is **no smoke alarm warning**.
- ❖ Install smoke alarms on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas.
- ❖ CO alarms are required outside all sleeping areas if your home has a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage.

Office of the Fire Marshal & Emergency Management
www.ontario.ca/firemarshal

Statistics for Ontario between 2010-2014.

Residents provide input into gas bar and car wash

By Mark Pavilons

Residents provided a host of ideas for a proposed commercial development in King City.

The community is engaged in the repurposing of a gas bar at King and Dufferin. Hopes are this site will get extra attention as a "gateway" to the village.

Staff presented the details of the project at the first public meeting recently. Suncor Energy, along with Blaine Culley, are asking for zoning changes to redevelop the 1.8-acre site to include a gas

station, drive-thru car wash, restaurant and convenience store, along with 25 parking spots.

Staff noted the project should complement the "heritage theme" of the commercial plaza to the northwest. They are also asking the proponent for some sort of gateway feature. Both of these would reflect the character of the area.

Staff pointed out these are important, since the site "will have a significant effect on the image of the King City community given its location at

this prominent entry gateway into the village."

They are also asking the proponents to improve the exteriors of the car wash and gas bar canopy to fit in with the community character. The Township is asking for additional trees during landscaping to beautify the property.

Dufferin will be reconstructed and the entrance from King Road will be shifted farther west of the existing access point.

Township staff will continue to work with the applicant on parking, traffic and noise mitigation issues.

Nicola Mitchinson, of Mitchinson Planning & Development Consultants Inc., noted the application consolidates the parcels into one property and will simplify zoning on the site. The gas station has been operating roughly 50 years. She will be taking public comments into consideration when the plans are revised.

A lot of studies have been completed and they're dealing with stormwater management, lighting and noise. Following early discussions with

Township staff, buildings were shifted around the property, but this resulted in some smaller setbacks.

Regarding aesthetics, she said Suncor has certain branding standards and couldn't offer "historic" peaked roofs for the gas bar.

They will bring the property up to standards and create an attractive spot, she said.

Resident Bruce Craig said he would like to see a quality project on this property and appreciates the planned tree planting. He suggested even more trees be placed throughout the site to offset the parking lot. He asked that electric vehicle charging stations be considered. That was supported by Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Suncor has agreed to place one on the property.

Mitchinson said they plan to install fencing and with vegetative screening, and the proponents will try to make it look as nice as possible.

Councillor Cleve Mortelliti said he wants an opportunity to sit and talk with staff and the applicant, as plans draw closer to fruition.



Villanova student meets Michelle Obama


Celeste Gordon, a Grade 9 student at Villanova College, had the opportunity to attend a conference hosted by the Economic Club of Canada Nov. 28. The keynote speaker was former First Lady Michelle Obama, who delivered a talk entitled "The Economics of Equality: Advancing Women & Girls to Change the World." Ms. Obama gathered together with the youth leaders of Canada to lead an in-depth discussion about all that is possible when women and girls have equal opportunity.

Ten tickets were donated to girls in Vaughan and Celeste was the lucky recipient of one of the tickets. As a bonus, Celeste wrote an essay about her mentor and sent it in to the Economic Club of Canada five months ago. After reading Celeste's submission, the Club awarded her VIP tickets to a Meet & Greet with Former First Lady Michelle Obama after her talk.

Celeste was able to meet her role model, and shared a moment with her. "I was just so excited to meet Michelle Obama," said Gordon. "She is such an inspiring speaker and she challenged me to continue working hard to be the best that I can be."

Celeste presented Ms. Obama with a small gift, a Villanova College journal - which the former First Lady accepted with gratitude.

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Editorial, Letters & Opinion

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

~ Frank B. Kellogg

Our inner character will stand the test of time

"Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value."
Albert Einstein

We all struggle, from time to time, with our purpose in life. We contemplate our role and our responsibilities. We stress over the little and the big things.

Parents can offer our children some guidance and gems of wisdom. Of course, given the whirlwind changes in society over the past decade, some of our "wisdom" may be a tad out of date.

Even we 50-somethings are ill equipped to predict the future, or be able to adequately prepare our kids for an uncertain future.

I am reminded, however, by my attentive 12-year-old daughter, that the future is not meant to scare us, and the past is not meant to harm us.

The beauty of our existence is that, like a fine wine, people do get better with age. We are better equipped to handle those curve balls life throws at us and we tend to be more practical in finding solutions.

But for my 16-year-old son, it comes as little comfort.

He's constantly struggling with his subject choices and is overwhelmed by planning a career strategy. We went to see a guidance counsellor/consultant who provided some assessment tools to narrow down career paths based on personal characteristics and strengths.

Liam would love to get involved in astronomy and maybe one day become an astronaut. Lofty plans to be sure. These require some university degrees and a



Mark Pavilons

lot of work. The future of the space industry is also tricky, with more being assumed by private enterprise.

He has also been toying with the idea of going to the Royal Military College and perhaps becoming a pilot. Sounds good to me. This route would require some intestinal fortitude and discipline, but these things never hurt anyone.

Liam is a good-hearted soul. He's also witty and quite smart when he applies himself. And yet, he gets bogged down in the "process" and is easily derailed. He worries. He has no use for morons and always takes a logical approach.

We try to tell our children that "book smarts" aren't the be all and end all. As Einstein pointed out, and Martin

Luther King Jr. elaborated on, what's important is the content of one's character.

I told Liam recently that we are not always remembered for our accomplishments or accumulated wealth, but by our compassion, love and dedication to our friends and family. My children - all of our children - will come to know these things one day.

Like any young adult, Liam is dealing with self-esteem and confidence issues. He's developing social skills and is trying to be patient and understanding. Again, these things take time, and a heck of a lot of practice!

"Show class, have pride, and display character. If you do, winning takes care of itself."

Paul Bryant

My generation, and likely many of the Baby Boomers, didn't get much out of our parents in terms of solid pep talks or self-esteem tools. And so, we learned on our own. I was a worrier too, in my teenage years. Despite the fact I did well in school, I stressed before every test and exam. I became outgoing and bit of a joker, to overcome my drawbacks. And it took me almost a decade to become comfortable and confident in my career and meeting new people day in and day out.

We all try to find our niche and our comfort zone. Some of us are still searching.

It's funny where you find peace and solace in life.

Liam is going on his third humanitarian mission trip shortly, with a small group from his high school. They go to the Dominican Republic, and work to assist destitute Haitian sugar cane workers. The experience is eye-opening, challenging, sad at times, and joyful at others. It puts everything into perspective in a very real way.

It is there, in a small facility run by the Daughters of Mary, where Liam finds himself. He sheds all stress and tension of this society, to focus on the needy. Not

only does he rise to the challenge each day, he exceeds all expectations and is never shy to roll up his sleeves and do what needs to be done.

I joined Liam this past January to see for myself. As a writer, I can describe the conditions, geography, political climate and even the looks on the faces of the children who lined up for food or clothing donations. But it's the feeling, deep inside one's soul, that sometimes defies explanation. I would strongly recommend a humanitarian trip or project to everyone.

I often think about the Dominican and Haitian children we met. I know they are survivors. They are resilient. I can't help but think there is always more to do and more to contribute to such "causes." I want to return. I want to help make their lives better. I want them to succeed, go to school and become the leaders of tomorrow. It's really easy to give, almost addictive.

Helping in a meaningful way takes character. But it also takes money. That's a reality of our world. The mission trip is not subsidized, so students and their parents have to come up with the money every year. A portion of the cost goes directly to the "troops on the ground" to carry on their good work. Last year, I received donations from many King residents and I delivered the funds directly to Sister Maude, the diminutive powerhouse of determination who leads her congregation.

Our donations mean the world to her, and her charges - the workers in the field, the school children and seniors under her care. She stretches every dollar as far as she can to help others. She makes a difference.

You cannot help but be touched by such altruism.

If you would like to help Liam and his group deliver much-needed aid, please contact me directly (editor@kingsentinel.com).

"Character is what God and angels know of us."

Thomas Paine

Letter to the Editor

Roads need to be opened up

This is an open letter to Mayor Pellegrini, King Township councillors and residents.

Do we have a long-term plan to open up some of the many unfinished roads in the Township? With poor transit, I believe that the economic viability of our Township is still dependent on the vehicle, for which there are many impediments.

Any accidents, closure, road work or rush hour backups have significant time impact on most members of the local population, from high school kids on a bus, to commuters and local businesses.

Comments were provided to the 2014 Township Master Transportation Plan PIC on a number of improvements for cycling, effective automobile connections between Nobleton and King and to open up a few of the many dead end roads that surround Nobleton and should be part of a grid network. This latter suggestion didn't seem to have made it into the plan.

For instance, it is unfair to Mill Road residents that their road is the only alternative north/south means out of Nobleton. There are 6 concessions, or sideroads that have as little as 360 metres missing to make them a through road. For Nobleton, no alternative routes to arterial roads are possible in 3 out of 4 compass directions. Looking around both Nobleton and King City using any web based map, I've counted 11 grid arranged roads that have gaps.

The long-term York Region Master Transportation Plan lists a future East-West corridor just south of the present King-Vaughan Road. Will Highway 27, or Weston Road remain our only means to access this corridor? Can we open up the 7th or 8th Concession to relieve Mill Road and offer up alternatives in that direction?

Meanwhile, King-Vaughan is a rapid means to access the King City GO station when King Road is congested.

As short-term measures, I look forward to the planned intersection improvements on King Road at both Weston Road and Highway 27. But with growth happening all around and no plans to close the gaps on some of these dead end roads, we will be enduring rush hour issues for many years to come.

Tony Komljanec
Nobleton



Brain teaser

A farmer has 20 sheep, 10 pigs and 10 cows. If we call the pigs cows, how many cows will he have?

Last week's answer: A die has 5 sides, is always 5 (exposed faces) and it's 15-20 (sum of exposed faces).

King Township Trivia

Nobleton was named after John Noble, who had a store on the northeast corner of Lot 5, Concession 9.

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Results from last week's poll:
Are you excited about the upcoming Royal wedding?

a) Yes **18%**

b) No **82%**

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you think tractor trailers cause too many accidents?

a) Yes
b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!

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Thanks abound for 'A Main Street Christmas'

The Schomberg Village Association (SVA) once again would like to thank everyone who volunteered to make "A Main Street Christmas" such a wonderful event.

Every year hundreds of individuals, community groups, schools and businesses in, and around our village, step up and contribute to the event in a variety of ways. Whether an hour or a day, decorating the street or working the

Letters to the Editor

gate, new volunteers or seasoned ones - we are deeply grateful and humbled!

A Main Street Christmas continues to dazzle young and old, and we should all be very proud - not bad for a small village like Schomberg!

An event like "A Main Street Christmas" cannot be presented without con-

siderable costs, and through our sponsorship program contributions from our local businesses are the backbone of our finances. Many of our businesses also support the event directly through in-kind gifts like traffic bollards, free wood, the use of a gator and free coffee, just to mention a few. We strongly encourage everyone to support our sponsors who so generously give to the community! Thank you local businesses!

The support of business owners, property owners and residents on the street, and beyond, never ceases to amaze. We understand what an inconvenience it is to have your street blocked off and filled with huge crowds, even having your business hours reduced, yet again and again you support us - thank you!

With crowds like the ones we have at "A Main Street Christmas" safety is always a huge consideration and we would like to recognize the York Region Police for their guidance and presence, and St. Johns Ambulance and Schomberg Firefighters for their support every year.

We would like to thank Deb Schulte MP King-Vaughan, and King Township mayor and council for being our guests of honour and participating in the Santa Claus parade. And thank you Schomberg residents and visitors from "away" for attending, and contributing to making "A Main Street Christmas" such a magical event.

As the tradition at A Main Street Christmas is to close with the Farmers Parade of Light, so will we close with a heartfelt thank you to our farmers! They always astound us with their creativity as these great monster machines wind down the street to the delight of young and old. As a farmer's work day is not a 9 to 5 day, and often dictated by mother nature, we are especially grateful for the time and effort taken to ensure "A Main Street Christmas" goes out with a bang, every year better than the last one! Thank you!

Merry Christmas!

Silvia Phillips, President
Schomberg Village Association

Community comes together for Nobleton tree lighting

The holiday season officially arrived in Nobleton with plenty of festive cheer at the Tree Lighting Ceremony last week. It was great to see so many of you enjoying the evening with family and neighbours. The hard work and collaborative efforts from numerous community groups, volunteers and generous sponsors was clearly evident.

Special thanks to Alloro Fine Foods, Raffaele's Cantina, Sasso's Trattoria, Sunset Grill and Two-For-One Pizza & Wings for their contributions. Also appreciated is the support from Tim Hortons, Condor Properties, TD Bank, RBC, Nobleton Feed Mill, Green Tractors, Boye Landscaping and Jennifer Sanginesi.

Performances by the Nobleton Children's Theatre, St. Mary's Glee Club and the Nobleton Public School Choir were thoroughly enjoyed and entertaining.

The Nobleton Lions, Knights of Columbus, Kleinburg and Nobleton Rotary Clubs also played a major role in the success of the evening. The crafts were a huge hit thanks to the Nobleton Library. Shout out to King Fire Emergency Services and a special thanks to Alf Budweth, Ken Atkinson, Jakob Schneider and Gord James for displaying their farm machinery decked-out for the holidays.

Thank you to the King Township Parks and Recreation planning team for delivering a fantastic event. Also worth mentioning was the outpouring of support for the Nobleton Christmas Drive. Holiday spirit is alive and well in Nobleton - wishing you all a safe and happy holiday season.

David Boyd
Councillor Ward 2

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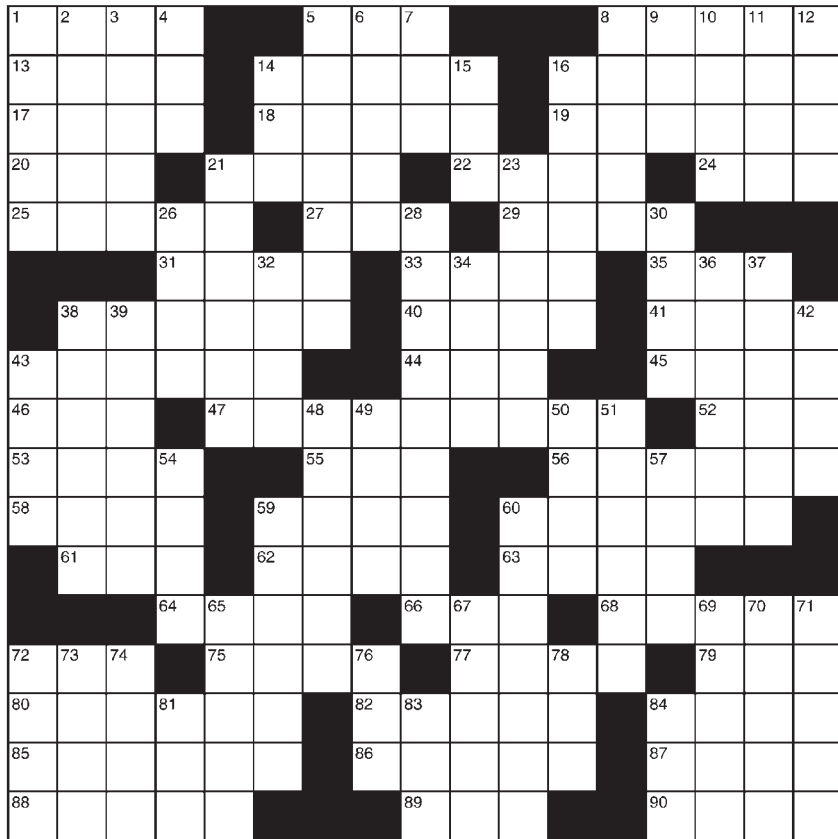
Rita Mizzoni, Mary Buchanan and Len Mizzoni gathered last week to celebrate Tim Hortons donation to the Nobleton Christmas Drive. The \$1,100 came from proceeds from the annual Smile Cookie campaign. Buchanan is the founder of the Nobleton Christmas Drive, now in its 22nd year. For years Buchanan has raised money to help families in Nobleton buy Christmas gifts and other practical goods during the holiday season.

Body found in King Township

York Regional Police Homicide Unit is investigating and seeking witnesses after a body was found in the Township of King. On Friday, Dec. 8, at approximately 4:40 p.m., York Regional Police responded to a construction site located in the area of Jane Street and Mount Mellick Drive, after reports that a body of a deceased male was located. The Homicide Unit has taken over the investigation and are appealing for anyone who observed anything suspicious in the area to please come forward. The victim has been identified as Richard Layton, 46, of no fixed address. He was known to frequent the area of Sherbourne Street and Dundas Street in Toronto. Investigators would like to speak to anyone who knows him and may have seen him in the area prior to December 8, 2017. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Homicide Unit at 1-866-876-5423 ext. 7865, or email the Homicide Unit at homicide@yrrp.ca, or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS, or leave an anonymous tip online at www.1800222tips.com, or text your tip to CRIMES (274637) starting with the word YORK.

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- Bone-dry
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- Supervise
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- Hole for a shoelace
- Slippery stuff
- Faction
- Carpentry joint
- Golfing device
- Beat
- Astronaut's affirmative
- Make indistinct
- Gifts of charity
- Cyano's feature
- Arctic abundance
- Rivulet
- Comply with
- Epic tale
- "___ Weather"
- ___ ton soup
- Door handle
- Upper-body limb

DOWN

- Long short story
- Struggle (for)
- Crowd noise
- Pub order
- Struck with sudden horror
- Toward the center of
- Wearing clothes
- Apprehend
- Obtained
- Wedding symbol
- Angler's tool
- Woeful expression
- Shapely curve
- Herring
- Wayside lodging
- Concept
- Untidy situation
- In the past
- Trucker's fuel
- Vine
- Coyote State: abbr.
- Shake mad
- Shade of purple
- Icicle's spot
- Grasslike marsh plant
- Under the weather
- Brown songbird

DOWN

- Young sprout
- Ghostly
- Domain
- Pipe joint
- Cutting remark
- Slide
- Benefit
- Louisiana marsh
- Dollar bill
- Shaker's filling
- S-shaped molding
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- Fiber plant
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- Roman date
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The word around King

What are your plans for the holidays?



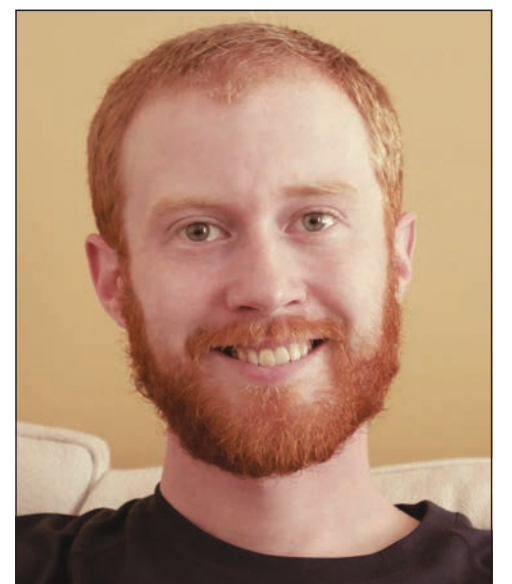
Kaitlin Blakstad
"Going to my parents."



Nancy DeRungs
"Just being around family."



Monica Birchfield
"A lot of relaxing with my feet up."



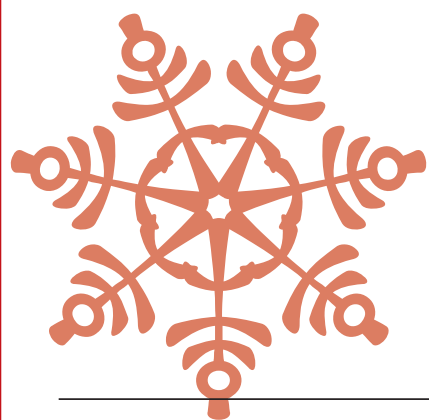
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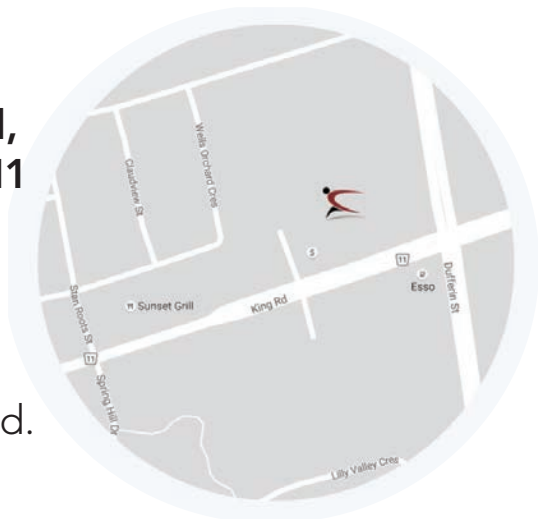
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Allstone installs massive rock art in Scarborough park

By Mark Pavilons

The handiwork of Schomberg's Allstone Quarry Products is now proudly displayed at a Scarborough park.

Allstone's Joe Melo and his crew placed several massive granite pieces at Knob Hill Park, wrapping up the work Nov. 30.

The final, piece de resistance was an enormous piece of granite, 29 feet 6 inches long, weighing roughly 63,000 pounds. Despite its size, "The Rock" as it's called, was gently and expertly put in place by Allstone's crew. Previously, on Nov. 23 the crew assembled a large inukshuk, known as "The Man." Once completed, Melo called the artistic assembly "beautiful."

The inukshuk ended up being a bit

taller than expected, with the addition of a four-foot pedestal, bringing it to roughly 13 feet in height.

Melo took extreme care during the installation. The existing grass was protected by plywood and grass was cut with precision to create a tailored look.

This project was two years in the making and patience was the key. Melo had made some mental notes and sketches for placing the stones at the park. He knew, from the very beginning, how these massive pieces would come together as a unique collection of art. He was confident it would be something the city would be proud of.

And that they were.

Deputy Mayor and Scarborough City Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker was simply thrilled with the project. The



rock art pieces are "big, bold and fit right in with Scarborough," he said.

He had no qualms about "stealing" King's talented experts to make Scarborough better.

The project was a long time coming. De Baeremaeker recalls taking a trip to Allstone's quarry at French River back in 2013, when scouting some pieces for the Scarborough Civic Centre Library. With Melo's help, they found the ideal granite marvels. De Baeremaeker was taken by Melo's passion right away.

"I believe him when he says the granite speaks to him. He is an artist."

Funding for art at the library fizzled and De Baeremaeker, an active, hands-on councillor, didn't give up. He told Allstone to save these pieces and he'd work on funding. He came through and the rest is history.

Just minutes after the rocks were installed, local children were playing in the park, and climbing all around the inukshuk, which Melo guarantees is

virtually indestructible.

The spectacular display will last forever.

"These will be there as long as there are human beings in the GTA," De Baeremaeker observed.

Granite is one stone whose appearance never changes and is never affected by the elements. It was not only created by nature, but also finished by moving glaciers during the last ice age.

Melo, an expert landscaper, is also a large rock artist. He's thrilled when a project comes together and all involved are happy with the results.

"It has to tell a story," he said. "If you please people, you please yourself."

"The Cube" and "The Couple" – two other remarkable pieces – also adorn the park. They are all connected.

Melo credits De Baeremaeker for his vision and commitment to the project.

This process, and the finished result, "brings people together," Melo observed.



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Word is coming on the GTA West Corridor, Minister Del Duca says

By Bill Rea

There will be some word coming "soon" on the GTA West Corridor, but there is no word on just how soon.

Transportation Minister Steven Del Duca said that some word would be coming in the "relatively near future."

The contact, which was initiated by Del Duca's office, was originally in response to an appearance in Caledon the previous evening by Progressive Conservative Leader Patrick Brown. Much of Brown's address was a promotion of the PC's campaign platform for the 2018 election, which had been unveiled a couple of days before. But Brown also pledged a Tory government would complete the environmental assessment (EA) on the corridor. Work on the EA was suspended about two years ago, and there's been no definite word on whether it will resume or when.

Del Duca appeared at a party function in Caledon in December 2016. He pointed out at the time that the Transportation Ministry paused the study on the EA in order to seek more input and advice. That work was continuing, he said.

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

He still doesn't. "It will be soon," he said. "I'm not in a position to confirm a date yet, but it will be soon."

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Greenbelt expansion is good news, but more needed

By Mark Pavilons

The Province's move to expand and seek public input into the Greenbelt is being lauded by environmental groups.

It's an important step forward, but some say even more needs to be done.

The province is considering expanding the Greenbelt to include areas in the outer ring of the Greater Golden Horseshoe, an area that is experiencing significant growth and is under pressure from urban development.

The public, municipalities, conservation authorities, stakeholders, and Indigenous communities and organizations are invited to provide input on a study area for potential Greenbelt expansion. The consultation comprises seven areas most in need of protection, including moraines, cold water streams and wetlands located in the outer ring of the Greater Golden Horseshoe. This area also includes valuable water resources that communities rely on for their water supply.

Comments may be submitted online, through the Environmental Registry or at an open house in January or February 2018.

The hydrological systems under consideration provide high-quality drinking water, manage wastewater and stormwater, sustain plants and animals, and support climate change mitigation including reducing flood risks. They also provide a competitive advantage for industries, such as agriculture and the agri-food sectors.

The recent review of four land use plans for the Greater Golden Horseshoe

highlighted the importance of protecting water resources in the Greater Golden Horseshoe.

The Advisory Panel for the Co-ordinated Land Use Planning Review recommended that the province lead a process to grow Ontario's Greenbelt to protect areas of ecological and hydrological significance where urbanization should not occur.

Ontario's Greenbelt permanently protects roughly 810,000 hectares of green space, farmland, vibrant communities, forests, wetlands and watersheds.

Approximately 10,000 hectares were added to the Greenbelt in 2017, including 21 new urban river valleys and associated coastal wetland areas that connect to Lake Ontario.

The Greater Golden Horseshoe is one of the fastest growing regions in North America, with a population projected to reach about 13.5 million by 2041.

More than 120 groups are calling on the government to establish a 1.5 million acre "bluebelt" in the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH) region to permanently protect water sources. The government's map is missing key areas that are urgently needed for the over 1.25 million residents, farms and businesses who access drinking water directly from the region's groundwater and rivers. These areas also flow to the Great Lakes where millions more get their drinking water.

"Four million more people will call this region home in the next 25 years, so now is the time to secure future water supplies," said Tim Gray of Envi-

ronmental Defence. "Features like moraines, wetlands and headwaters that filter and store water must be off limits to development. We need expansive protective measures to safeguard our water supplies for generations to come."

With a changing climate, the pressure on our water reserves, farmland and green spaces is even more intense.

"Water connects us all," said Margaret Prophet of the Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition. "It is more important than regional politics and geography. There are Simcoe residents who already are experiencing dried-up wells, water restrictions, water bans, and sub-standard water quality and boil water advisories. We need action now."

One of the threats to water systems is urbanization. The new provincial Growth Plan directs more growth to existing urban areas, but only the Greenbelt Plan provides permanent protec-

tion to secure water supplies long term.

The province's consultation document identifies seven areas in the study including water systems flowing off the Niagara Escarpment into Simcoe and Dufferin County, the Oro Moraine, Orangeville Moraine, and the Paris Galt Moraine.

"We need the province to expand the Greenbelt's protection to sensitive areas like the Iroquois Plain, Wellington County and the headwaters of Carruthers Creek," Gray continued. "That's why we are urging Ontarians to participate in the three month consultation and to tell the government to create a 1.5 million acre bluebelt before it's too late."

The #ProtectOurWater initiative is a collaboration between organizations and associations representing more than 120 groups, and 300,000 members across Ontario.

King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

One of the hottest tickets of the year is now available. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for the New Year's Eve party on Sunday, Dec. 31. Tickets are \$45 each and include a fully catered dinner and great entertainment. Don't miss out - call Vince now at 905-833-6305 to buy your tickets.


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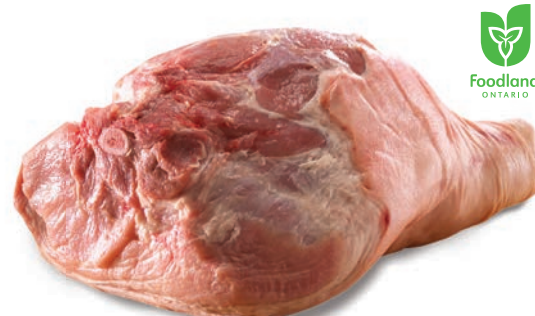
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Annual Country Toy Tea raises impressive \$25,000



The 13th annual Country Toy Tea was held last Wednesday and, with the help of Santa, his merry elves, and a group of dedicated volunteers, the event raised over \$25,000 and collected thousands of toys for local children in need. (Above) Santa and his merry elves, lending a hand from King's Country Day School, celebrate a job well done. (Top left) The Country Toy Tea Committee: Leslie Ewing, Linda Brown, Kim Nichols, Stacie Stanton, Lori Masse, Andrea Marshall, Judy Totten, Molly Fitzpatrick, Andrea Webb and Amanda Langston. (Left) Two of the elves, McKinley Masse and Riley Hayes, sit among the massive display of toys that were later distributed to local children in shelters.

Photos by Diane Buchanan



Nobleton Tree Lighting ceremony

The residents and business community came together recently to usher in the holiday season, with the annual Nobleton Tree Lighting ceremony. Several organizations were involved, including the Lions Club. The event enjoyed carols by the Nobleton Public School choir, a performance by the Nobleton Children's Theatre, decorated tractors, crafts and more.

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Helping our own has paid dividends

By Mark Pavilons

The annual yuletide lunch put on by the King Chamber of Commerce resulted in record donations for children in our community.

The annual event is in support of the Nobleton Christmas Drive, a community based support program spearheaded by Mary "Mimi" Buchanan for the past 22 years.

King Fire Chief Jim Wall, and King Fire and Emergency Services, has been a strong supporter of the drive for several years now. Local fire stations accept donations and bring them to Santa's Workshop at Nobleton Public School.

Buchanan began the drive out of necessity more than 20 years ago, along with some friends and associates on the parent council at the public school.

Over the years, they have helped hundreds of families, some who endured lengthy financial challenges.

The number of needy Nobleton families has dropped steadily over the years. This year, the drive will assist roughly 15 families with everything from food and clothing to toys under the tree.

Chief Wall pointed out now, after two decades, some of these early recipient families are now paying it forward. The children helped out in the 1990s are now adults.

Wall pointed out these efforts are a "hand up" and involve a lot more than



just toys for Christmas.

"It's helping," he said.

Any items left over from the holidays are used to help families all year long and find a good home, often at birthday parties.

Buchanan has her "finger on the pulse" of the community.

The fire department, Wall said, is happy to help and be part of the campaign.

"We need to be involved in the community on a different level," he said.

Chamber activity

Robin Priestly, Chamber secretary-treasurer, said the organization will hold its AGM Feb. 15, 2018 and they are seeking new board members to fill some vacancies. She said it's a great way to network and get involved.

That sentiment was echoed by Mayor Steve Pellegrini, who urged local business people to volunteer. Board members get to know the business landscape and learn a great deal about King in the process.

The King Chamber is asking for a meeting with King-Vaughan MP Deb Schulte, to discuss the ramifications of federal tax changes on small businesses.

Breakfast forums are being planned for 2018, starting in March.

There are plans for a trade show, bringing together a collection of King businesses, for sometime in 2018.

Mayor Pellegrini thanked the Chamber and its member businesses for what they do for the community.

"That's what I love about this community ... I'm so proud to be mayor," he said.



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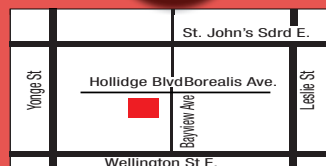
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Villanova students take a stand against violence

December 6, 2017 marked the 28th anniversary of the Montreal Massacre, where 14 female engineering students were killed by a gunman at Montreal's Ecole Polytechnique. Students at Villanova College in King City commemorated this important day by bringing awareness to the issue of violence against women and supporting local women's shelter Yellow Brick House, a shelter and safe haven in York Region for women and children who are victims of abuse.

Over 100 student leaders at Villanova College are working to bring awareness, fundraise and educate their peers about the consequences of abuse. This social outreach initiative evolved into a collaboration between a group of male students who were planning the school's annual White Ribbon campaign to raise awareness about violence against women and one of the school's social outreach groups. The results of this collaboration are nothing short of amazing – the students were not only able to raise awareness in the school community, they were also able to collect over \$5,000 of worth of goods for the women and children at Yellow Brick House and are well on their way to reaching their goal of \$7,500 worth of much needed items with the generous support of the students and families of Villanova College.

This campaign was kicked off at a school assembly where a representa-

tive from Yellow Brick House spoke to students about the different forms of abuse and the importance of building healthy relationships, sharing a message from Lorris Herenda, executive director, which read, "Your presence is felt here every single day. You make it possible for women and children to walk through this door with sometimes nothing but the clothes on their backs. And when families walk through our door, it finally feels like home. It is with your support that we can provide them with safety, healing and love."

Over 5,000 women used Yellow Brick House's services last year, and this number continues to grow. The donations collected through this campaign consist of household items, strollers, car seats, and grocery gift cards. The organization uses these items to support women when they first arrive at the shelter, as some women show up at their doors without so much as a pair of shoes or a toothbrush. Furthermore, these much-needed items are given to women as they rebuild their lives and find their independence in new living spaces.

In light of the Christmas season, and the spirit of giving, the students of Villanova College hope that their story will bring awareness to this issue and inspire others to give generously to those in our community who are in most need.



Lions honoured for 55 years of service

The Nobleton Lions Club was honoured for its service and many contributions to the community since its founding 55 years ago. Pictured are Lion David Harper, a charter member, Lion Surinder Sharma, District A-711 Governor, and Lion Rick Zuzek, club president.

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John Ciarallo honoured through 'Portraits of Giving'

By Mark Pavilons

The efforts of a very special King resident and entrepreneur is being showcased through the annual Portraits of Giving.

The display, currently at the King Heritage and Cultural Centre, includes John Ciarallo, community cornerstone and owner of John's No Frills in Nobleton.

Tour organizers and local dignitaries gathered last week to pay tribute to Ciarallo.

He's recognized for his work to improve the lives of local residents through the King Township Food Bank, as well as the King Chamber of Commerce.

This is the final stop of the Portraits

tour, which began this past spring.

Portraits of Giving, now in its eighth year, is the brainchild of Richmond Hill photographer Karen Merk, who wanted to shine a light on York Region's unsung heroes through her evocative black and white portraits and stories written by local writers. This year's exhibition honours 12 outstanding individuals from all corners of York Region.

Merk hopes the program will inspire others to give back.

"I always believe that we can't say thank you enough times to people who help their community," she said.

The tour has also raised \$14,000 for York hospitals.

Ciarallo was nominated by the King Township Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by BMO Bank of Montreal and Plan B Promotions.

Ciarallo said he's humbled to be among an amazing group of Portraits recipients, which include the late Dalt Hicks and Elsa-Ann Pickard.

Being in the food business, the King Food Bank has a special place in his heart. He feels for families who have to stretch their grocery dollars to put food on the table.

Helping out the Food Bank "makes me smile."

And that, he has said, is the biggest reward.

To stress his point, Ciarallo presented a cheque to Carol Ann Trabert, head of the Food Bank, for \$3,759.64. The funds were raised at the store through various methods, including customer donations. No Frills also supports the Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini said he



vividly recalls welcoming Ciarallo and the store to the community in November 2012. Right off the mark, Ciarallo showed his interest in the community and he's been continually engaged ever since.

"These people take the time out of their busy lives to give back to their community," said Ms. Merk. "We really hope that exploring the stories behind the portraits will inspire you to continue giving back. We are definitely inspired."

Each portrait was taken in a location near and dear to the subject's heart and, in Ciarallo's case, that was just inside the door of his Nobleton No Frills location with a custom-built bin accepting food bank donations.

"He has travelled throughout Ontario and Canada and has yet to see anything more important to families than providing food for their children," reads his citation. "His most memorable moments giving back happen daily

as he observes his customers and staff donating to the King Township Food Bank in a bin he had custom designed and built to assist the volunteers in collecting those food donations.

"John is also an active member of the King Chamber of Commerce, which allows him to interact with many local business owners who share the same passion for community. He supports causes not for the recognition but for the personal goodwill that comes from it. It is John's hope that his example will inspire others to contribute their time, services or dollars for the betterment of the community."

"The work I do within the community is to benefit the community and I don't really do it for the recognition," he said when the Portraits were first launched this past May. "I was a little taken aback that there was so much interest in what we were doing in King Township, but I am very glad because I hope that through this exposure other people will be motivated to help out in the community as well."

Portraits of Giving will be on display through Dec. 16.

Merk also extended her thanks to King Township Chamber of Commerce presidents for our special Canada 150 year:

Tom Allen, Lucy Belperio, Jennifer Coxworthy, Ron Ivany, Gerry Duffy.

"These are people who keep giving back to their community to help ensure that businesses thrive in King Township," she said.



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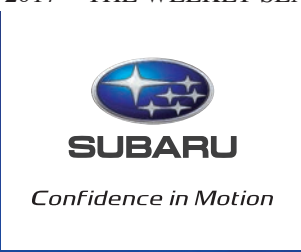
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Cougars split home-and-home with Penetang

By Jake Courtepatte

The race is heating up in the Provincial Junior Hockey League standings.

Now two-thirds of the way through the Junior C season, only two points separate three teams for the coveted third ranking in the Carruthers division.

Among them are the Schomberg Cougars, who tied a spirited home-and-home series with the Penetang Kings last week before falling to the undefeated Stayner Siskins.

Looking to exact revenge on the Kings in their 4-3 loss at Trisan Centre a week previous, the Cougars welcomed Penetang back to their home barn on Thursday in a game of skill over brawn.

A penalty-free first period was met with a flurry of scoring, Schomberg getting on the board first thanks to Curtis Dubeau's tenth of the year and Thomas Foulds's sixth.

Penetang came storming back in the second half of the first period, notching three straight goals to take a 3-2 lead into intermission.

Foulds tied it up for the Cougars late in the second, and after the team's each added one more, played the late-game hero in completing the hat trick with just over a minute left in regulation.

Friday night saw the two teams clash for the third game in a row, this time on Penetang's home ice, a place they have found plenty of success so far this season.

It was the special teams that was the undoing for Schomberg in this one, falling 6-1 after failing to capitalize on seven power play chances.

With bad blood boiling after 180 minutes of play against each other, the teams combined for 118 penalty minutes in the contest.

The Cougars wrapped up a busy week on Sunday with a visit to the 28-0-0 Siskins, where captain Liam Spurgeon scored the only Schomberg goal on the power play in a 9-1 loss.

Clock runs out

In previous week's action, the Cougars were beaten by the clock in their game against the Penetang Kings.

The Cougars fell behind early by two goals in the first period, both off the stick of Penetang's Ben Sly.

Owen Heilemann, a breakout star in his first year with the Cougars, managed to cut the lead in half with his tenth of the year early in the second, before Sly completed his hat trick just seconds later.

Schomberg went to the break down 4-1, though they managed 14 shots on net in the period.

It was all Schomberg in the final frame, who seemed to be revitalized after the break. Lucas Brockie, another standout rookie, potted his ninth of the year on the power play just past the seven minute mark, while Spencer Ripley made it a one-goal game with just under four minutes left in regulation.



Schomberg's Vince Decastro chases down a Stayner Siskins player in the Cougars' 9-1 loss to the Siskins last week.

Photo by Jake Courtepatte

Their late-game push came up just short, however, when they were beaten by the buzzer in a final score of 4-3.

Adriano Mamone was between the pipes for the Cougars, putting up a solid effort in stopping 29 of the 33 shots he faced.

The split with Penetang, as well as a Caledon Golden Hawks' loss to Penetang on Sunday, has complicated the standings in the middle of the Carruthers division pack.

Caledon currently sits in third place with 28 points, but are now followed

closely by both Schomberg and Penetang, who hold onto 26 points each.

Schomberg will have a pair of strong opportunities to make up the remaining ground this week, first hosting the 8-18-1-1 Huntsville Otters at Trisan Centre on Thursday, before a monster match-up with the Hawks on Friday in Caledon.

Puck drop Thursday is set for 7:30p.m.

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



King Rebellion at Lake Placid tourney

The King Rebellion peewee A team traveled to Lake Placid to participate in their first U.S. tournament recently. The boys were proud to represent our country as the only Canadian team in their division at the Olympic Arena in Lake Placid. It was a weekend full of hockey and team memories that will carry the boys through the rest of the season!

The opening ceremonies on Thursday were special, as Justin Plasa was selected to carry the torch into the arena. The boys shared the ice with teams from across Canada and the U.S., before getting ready for their first game.

The team went undefeated in the round robin games, and lost a heartbreaking semi-final game 1-0. The Bronze Medal game proved to be one of the most exciting and stress-filled games for the many fans who made the trip with the team.

In 3-on-3 double overtime, the Rebels scored the game winner to claim the bronze medal. In addition to this win, the boys won a relay race skills competition against other teams and were awarded the Fair Play Award for having the least penalty minutes in the tournament.

Many thanks to the parents, grandparents and siblings who made the trip down to Lake Placid. Thanks to Councillor David Boyd and MP Deb Schulte for supporting the team with their gift exchange between teams.

Finally, an extra special thank you to the players and coaches for being the center of a very exciting and memorable weekend for all!



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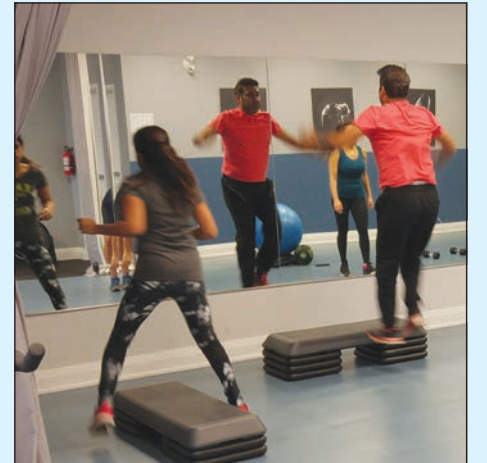
KNG Total Fitness Facility in Nobleton hosted a Fitness Class Marathon Dec. 2, in support of the King Township Food Bank.

A small but dedicated group of fitness enthusiasts attended a variety of group fitness classes which included a spin/circuit combo class, an introduction to Muay Thai, a Power Pilates class and wrapping up with a yoga/relaxation class to stretch out a weary group of exercisers.

Admission to this event was open to the public with a donation to the King Township Food Bank of a non-perishable food item.

December is Winter Food Drive month at KNG Total Fitness Facility with a goal of collecting as many donations as possible in support of the KTFB.

Pictured, participants learn martial arts skills under the watchful eye of Muay Thai instructor Natalie Yip. They also got a workout with a multi-station circuit class.



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Skip Torie Abbotts and her team lead by a 1/2 pt. after round one in the Ladies Team Entry League.

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Ladies deliver after the opening round robin action

By Shellee Morning

The Ladies Team Entry league has now completed their first round robin division of games and as there is no surprise as to who the front leaders are, the rest of the roster is so close any given game can switch up a position.

A total of 10 points separates the 10-team field of women curlers, all to whom have their eye on the end of season playoffs schedule.

Last week's games once again formed into to some fashionable high scoring wins while others took to the last rock of the last end to obtain a winner. Team Morning earned back-to-back wins for their first 2 in a row streak while Teams Jessop and Bones re-bounded with a solid effort back to the win column. Teams Gorsline and Abbotts both came up winners to close out the week.

The final standings are a true demonstration of the ability and intense style of play these ladies are displaying. Each week the lounge can be heard of shots that were career making and the narration of close end to end battles, for at times, the single point.

Team Abbotts and Team Frans are the leaders of the pack with Abbotts holding on by a mere 1/2 point. Team Gorsline is in 3rd spot with a 2 1/2 point spread over Team Bellarea-Reid for 4th. The next 3 teams; Sinclair, Jessop and Oakley are consecutively divided by a single point followed by Morning trailing them by a 1/2 point. Completing the union are teams Brown by just a 1/2 point followed by Stronach at 2 1/2 pts.

Teams will play towards playoffs and the ultimate prize to be League Champion. As the ladies league continues to grow, so does the calibre of curling. The games are seeing more intricate take-outs as well as a higher degree of complex strategies. The field no longer sees just one or two teams in control but more teams giving the competition a run for their brooms.

Spiel the wine

The ladies league have also begun

their preparations for this year's Annual Spiel the Wine Ladies Bonspiel. The 2 game, breakfast and lunch event will be held Feb. 3 and the ladies anticipate another great day of fun competition with curlers attending from across the surrounding area. Anyone interested in participating should contact Kelly Stronach 416-720-7345 or visit King-curling.com

Ladies toy drive

Once again the Thursday Day Ladies League will be collecting unwrapped toys to help those that are in need. Generous donations can be dropped off at the Curling Club by Dec. 21 and will be distributed by the King Township Firefighters to our local charities. If you would like to contribute and help make a child's Christmas special please contact Debby Johansson at the King Curling Club.

Team Harris qualifies

Codie Harris, Skip for King City Secondary School, along with Ben Harbridge as Vice, Matthew Murphy 2nd Jonathon Brunato at Lead and alternate Cameron Sheardown, played in their schools' first round OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletics Assoc.) game this past week. Solid efforts by each member allowed the squad to continue their winning streak with a victory. OFSAA Championships are held in March so with it being mid-season there are many games to go for these future stars.

At the Gore Mutual Zone Competition, the Harris team lost their first game against Central Dufferin District SS, who then went on to win the A Side.

With the loss, the boys dropped to the B side where they then won their next three games against Mayfield SS, Westside SS and then in a tight game in the final over St. Marguerite CSS to win the B Side. They now go on to Gore Mutual Regions to be held in Stayner on Feb. 3 and 4.

Good luck and good curling Team Harris!


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Nobleton Notes

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

Youth Group meets at the church on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. Come check us out! For more details, contact our Youth Leader Taylor Scott at scottie_taylor@yahoo.com or 289-338-2539.

A2J is a program for children in Grades 3 to 6 that runs on Friday nights from 7 to 8:30 p.m. They normally meet the second and fourth Friday of each month. A2J promises an evening of fun, learning, Bible lessons, crafts, snacks and more. A2J runs September through May. Everyone is welcome to join in.

Join us Sunday, Dec. 17 at 10 a.m. as Jeff continues his series on the Gospel according to John. Jeff's message this week - "Near to the Father's Heart." Child care (for children 3 years of age and younger) is provided during the gathering. Our regular NextStep and KidzKonnection programs take place during the gathering as well.

Our Carol Sing takes place at the

church this evening Dec. 17 at 7 p.m. Come sing with us and ignite the Christmas spirit!

Mark your calendars for our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day gatherings. On Dec. 24, we will have our regular Sunday morning gathering at 10:00 a.m. Later in the day, we will have our Christmas Eve gatherings - the first at 6:30 p.m. geared for children (and they can come in their pyjamas). The second at 8 p.m. for "older" children. On Monday, Dec. 25, we will have our Christmas Day carol sing gathering and communion. Come to one (or all four).

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

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

Nobleton United Church
By **Nancy Hopkinson**

This Sunday, Advent 3, we have "Joy" as our focus. During each Sunday in Advent, we have an Advent wreath with 4 candles around the outside and one

white candle in the middle. Three of the candles are purple and one is pink. The purple candles represent Hope (Advent 1), Peace (Advent 2), and Love (Advent 4). The Advent 3 colour is pink to represent complete and utter joy.

Each week, one more candle is lit, symbolizing getting closer to the birth of Jesus Christ (or Christmas). The white candle in the middle is the Christ candle. Children are welcomed and invited to participate in the service.

Christmas Eve is a Sunday this year. We are having a family friendly "Christmas Eve Morning" service at 11:15 a.m., with a light lunch afterwards. The talented Sandra Kirby will be singing three pieces and leading the singing of familiar carols. Minister Carol-Ann Chapman will tell the ABCs of Christmas using a box full of presents and children will be invited to participate.

If you are looking for an evening service, our sister church, Schomberg United, at 116 Church St., is having a series of lessons and carols at 7:30 p.m. and communion will be offered.

If you are interested in reading some sermons that our minister Carol-Ann Chapman has given, please visit our website and click on the button that says "Message from our Minister."

If you would like to meet our minister casually, come to Nobleton's Tim Hortons on Wednesday mid-morning. She plans to be there, if she is not needed elsewhere.

The recently held Christmas Pot Luck was well attended and very enjoyable with Christmas music by Dennis Kowal. Toonies for Turkeys were collected for Christmas in King and over \$200 was raised.

The next Messy Church will be on the third Tuesday of January, the 16th, from 5-7 p.m.

Our worship services are at 11:15 a.m. Sundays at Nobleton United at 6076 King Rd., Nobleton. Our sister church, Schomberg United, meets at St. Mary's Magdalene at 9:30 a.m. most Sundays, but at the Kitchen Breeding Manor on the first Sunday of the month. For more info, visit nobletonunitedchurch.com, our Facebook page, or call 905-859-3976. The Nobleton United Church office is normally open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Messages are picked up regularly. Nobleton United is on the north side of the King Rd., about 6 buildings west of Hwy. 27.

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Primary Responsibilities:

- Provides administrative and coordination support to Cedar Centre's Clinical staff and to all clinical programs, including group and individual services
- Answers inquiries and provides information about programs and services
- Conducts trauma-informed telephone intakes, including assessing eligibility for service, preparation of therapeutic files and making appropriate referrals, as required
- Ensures that all documentation of client-related information is recorded in an accurate and timely manner
- Maintains clinical file room and filing process, including organization of client files and individual case files
- Assists in the creation and maintenance of all clinical forms
- Participates in weekly program planning and supervision meetings and other agency meetings, as required
- Represents Cedar Centre at community meetings, as required
- Maintains the smooth and efficient delivery of service within the policies and practices of the organization

Agency Business:

- Demonstrates excellence in the area of client service
- Assists with front desk relief
- Organizes and maintains all clinical electronic files
- Provides logistical support for all trainings and workshops, including creation and distribution of community and group updates and notices
- Responsible for written, verbal and email communications to individual clients, contractors and community partners on behalf of the clinical team
- Maintains clinical appointment booking system and schedules for groups, supervision and trainings
- Attends professional development and training activities, as required
- Other duties as required by the Executive Director or Clinical Director

Data Management:

- Responsible for the collection, maintenance and reporting of all clinical program metrics

Community Outreach Activities:

- Maintains an active liaison with referring community partners

Qualifications and Qualities:

- Evidence of practicing from an Anti-Racist/Anti-Oppressive perspective
- Demonstrated ability to establish effective working relationships with diverse populations and community agencies
- Theoretical and practical knowledge of childhood sexual abuse and other forms of interpersonal childhood trauma
- Strong organization and administrative skills
- Strong interpersonal skills and demonstrated strength in client advocacy
- Previous experience working in a clinical environment
- Previous experience conducting intakes would be an asset
- Trauma-informed training would be an asset
- Thrives in a busy and dynamic work environment

Accountability:

The Clinical Administrator reports directly to the Executive Administrator, and ultimately to the Clinical Director.

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King's Corners

King City United
By Earle Laycock

We continued our journey through the second of the four Sundays of Advent celebrating: Peace, Hope, Love and Joy. Advent is the waiting period of four Sundays preceding Christmas Day when we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

In her sermon, Rev. Evelyn McLachlan recounted driving through British Columbia with her brother Bill in 1994 and seeing a sign for a Hope, BC business which said, "We are 20 Minutes Beyond HOPE."

This statement took Rev. Evelyn some time to absorb. Hearing the news and people's troubles, are we "20 minutes beyond hope?"

Returning to the Redemption of Scrooge, the study we are following prior to Christmas, Scrooge is shown his past by the Ghost of Christmas Past. A life where Scrooge could have been happily married, enjoying life with family and friends but instead he chose to amass a fortune at the cost of a satisfying and fulfilling life. Although late in life, Scrooge was offered a better future if he so chose and Jesus offers us a better life if we follow his teachings and focus on the important aspects of living.

Sunday afternoon, Rev. Evelyn conducted her last worship at Elginwood Long Term Care Residence before retirement. Marylee Skurdelis played the

piano and Wayne Lowdon brought his fiddle to help in a Christmas Carol Sing. Wayne stayed afterwards and did an impromptu 30-minute fiddle concert to the delight of the residents.

Thanks to Alma Feindell and her crew for the fun "Lunch with Santa" on Saturday. Santa dropped by to visit his children, both young and more experienced ones at heart! There were lots of baked goods to buy and plenty of soup, pizza and desserts to enjoy. Wayne Lowdon auctioned some amazing Christmas ginger-bread creations. This was a fun event for everyone and thank you to those who supported this fundraiser in so many ways, especially Pizza House in Oak Ridges, Pizza Nova in King City and Tim Hortons.

Mea Culpa! Somehow, I left out a special thanks last week concerning the retirement party for our minister. As a parting gift, the King City United congregation presented Rev. Evelyn with a lovely portrait of herself drawn by local artist Deana Weyman. What a beautiful gift! You can see the portrait at: <http://www.theeclecticgallery.com/new-paintings-2016.html> Look for the entry entitled "Rev. Evelyn McLachlan, oil on canvas."

During Advent, we will be singing Christmas Carols prior to each worship so set your alarm clocks 10 minutes earlier and get to church to enjoy singing your favourite carols. Carol singing will begin at 9:50 a.m. Sundays (or earlier).

This coming Sunday, Dec. 17, worship will include a Christmas Pageant followed by a potluck meal. All are welcome to attend.

December 24 will be our Christmas worship at 10 a.m. focussing on Joy and Christmas Future as we finish the Redemption of Scrooge series. The Christmas Eve candlelight worship will begin at 7 p.m. followed by an informal communion for anyone who wishes to stay.

December 31 will be Lessons and Carols and we will be joined by York Pines United Church at 10 a.m. with a Christmas Leftover potluck following. This will be Rev. Evelyn's final worship service.

Do you like singing Christmas Car-

ols? Why not join us for a "flash mob" carol sing at King City Sunset Grill this Friday (Dec. 15) at 10 a.m. Put on your Christmas cheer and join in the fun. We will supply the song sheets. You will recognize the group by our Christmas attire including the odd set of antlers.

King City United holds worship services every Sunday morning at 10 a.m. Sunday school, for the young people, has resumed. Young folk are welcome to join their family in the sanctuary for worship and participate in a story for children every Sunday. King City United is located at 50 Elizabeth Grove, King City. For more information, call our Office Administrator Kristen at 905-833-5181 or visit our website: www.kcuc.ca

King Bible Church

We welcome you to join us for Worship Service on Dec. 17 as Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series, "What Child Is This?" this morning with "Joseph."

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 JK-Grade 8 will be in the service for the beginning until they are invited to go downstairs.

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St. Andrew's

By Kathy Patterson

St. Andrew's warmly welcomes you this Christmas season! Our worship service is at 10:30 a.m. with both traditional and contemporary music. Sunday school runs concurrently for children up to Grade 6. Join us in the lounge afterwards for coffee/tea.

Lynn Vissers will be preaching this Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent which signifies Joy. The second Advent Sunday, Peace was led by the Rev. Dr. Frank Kovacs. In his sermon we heard about Zechariah's song following the birth of his son, John the Baptist. With great joy and being led by the Holy Spirit, he prophesied that John would prepare the way for Jesus - "to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace" - all part of God's redemptive plan for mankind.

At Messy Church last Sunday evening Lynn Vissers talked about light and Jesus being the Light of the World. The craft was a beautiful silhouette of the nativity with a battery votive candle. The communal supper was scrumptious! Children are encouraged to bring their parents and friends to our Christmas Eve Messy Church program from 5-6 p.m. This is an intergenerational event for the community. Want more information? Call Lynn at the church 905-833-2325.

Our Family Christmas Eve Candlelight Service is at 7 p.m. and all are welcome to this special service of readings and carols.

The Tree of Warmth items for Evangel Hall were delivered to our downtown mission, thanks to Bonnie and Dennis Mooney. Thank you also to all who contributed these very needed items for the homeless.

Should you have pastoral care needs please contact Lynn Vissers, our Director of Congregational Ministries at the office or at 905-833-5762 or contact our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Paul Johnston, 705-341-7738.

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All Saints Anglican Church By Diana Armitage

All Saints Lessons and Carols service will be this Friday, Dec. 15, at 7 p.m. Glorious organ music and guest singers will join our choir. Come celebrate the birth of Jesus with Lessons from the Bible, music and candlelight. It is a beautiful Service!

Thank you to Peggy Belcher and her team for working hard to serve a delicious Christmas dinner for our friends

at Crosslinks this past Tuesday evening.

This Sunday, Dec. 17 is the Third Sunday in Advent and the Young People of All Saints will present their Christmas Pageant during the service.

A special Vestry meeting will be held on Sunday, Dec. 17 after our 10:30 service. It is a required meeting to appoint our new Deputy People's Warden. It will be short – probably 10 minutes!

Every once in a while Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday. Here is a unique opportunity to come to All Saints for 4 services in one day: the usual Sunday morning services will be at 8 a.m. in the chapel and 10:30 a.m. in the main church on Sunday, Dec. 24.

Later in the day, Christmas Eve services will be held at 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. in the main church.

The Christmas Morning Worship Celebration will be at 10 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 25.

Anglican Parish By John Arnott

As December deepens the Anglican parish of Lloydtown (St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton, Christ Church, Kettleby and St. Mary Magdalene's, Schomberg) has activities to look forward to and participate in so be sure to get involved in some or even all of them!

Lauds, the dawn candlelight irreverently nicknamed "yawn" services continue from 6:30 until 7 a.m. Tuesday mornings in St. Mary Magdalene's, 116 Church St. Schomberg. Feel free to bring coffee with you from home or Timmys.

Then on Tuesday evening Dec. 19 Evensong, the evening equivalent of Morning Prayer, takes place starting

at 7 p.m. in Christ Church, Kettleby on Kettleby Rd. mid-way between Jane and Keele Sts.

With food for the soul taken care of it's time for food for the body and to that end Christ Church, Kettleby holds its legendary Christmas Potluck Dinner this same day but in the evening starting at 5 p.m. People attending are asked to contribute an entree and/or a dessert to this festive meal.

St. Mary Magdalene's children's Christmas Pageant masterfully co-ordinated by Schomberg's Lisa Kokelj is to be held Sunday morning Dec. 17 during the regular 11:15 a.m. service. That same evening starting at 7 p.m. the parish will hold its much loved Lessons and Carols presentation, This beautiful service dating to the late 1800s was first held on the grounds of unfinished Truro Cathedral in Cornwall England.

King Township Food Bank open Saturday

By Carol Ann Trabert

This coming Saturday, the three Distribution Centres for Christmas in King will be open to distribute the regular monthly items plus the Christmas in King gifts, hampers, and wreaths. Frozen turkeys will also be given out to those requesting. Fresh turkey certificates will be given to families, also as requested.

At this time of year the Food Bank is greatly benefitting from the generosity of the community, with drives at all the schools in addition to many local businesses in King City, Nobleton and Schomberg. Last month, King West Chiropractic held a weekend drive. King Firefighters recently conducted a four-hour blitz at the three large grocery stores, bringing in three trucks full of food and over \$4,200 in cash. In addition, Foodland is running its Christmas Drive, KNG Fitness and Nobleton Optometry as well as Alloro Fine Foods are accepting donations. Orr Insurance in King City and Schomberg are raffling off hockey tickets in addition to accepting donations. The churches across King have been making donations to support the Food Bank and its sister organization, Christmas in King which touches the lives of about 230 people this Christmas.

King City Brownies, NobleKing Hockey and a host of anonymous families and individuals have been providing hampers and gifts. BTN is again donating the green wreaths, and thanks are also extended to Round the Bend farm for turkeys.

Hillside Gardens, Dorio Bakery and Tim Horton Schomberg continue to donate produce and bakery items every month.

A generous donation was recently received from the Hunt Family Charitable Foundation, as well as significant donations from others, both personal and foundation issued.

King Township Food Bank coffers are in a good state to begin 2018, and they will be able to cope with the rise in the number of registrants through the winter months and into summer.

Best wishes to all for all the joys of the Christmas Season and may 2018 be filled with blessings of every kind.



Boot, food drive a huge success!

King Fire Chief James Wall and Mariska Kempers are pictured above with the donations amounting to \$4,260 from the Boot and Food Drive held at Coppa's, Schomberg Foodland and John's No Frills on Saturday. It took three truckloads to deliver the mountain of food donated in addition to the cash and food cards.

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