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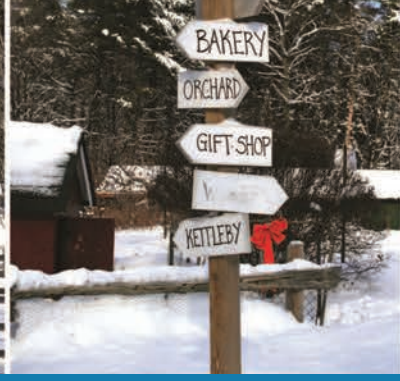
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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2075 King Road

Monday, February 26, 2018

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

Public meeting: Zoning By-law Amendment and a proposed Plan of Subdivision

File Numbers: Z-2017-03 and 19T-17K01

Applicant: 632025 Ontario Ltd. (Gougoulas)

Location: 13330 Dufferin Street, King City, ON; Part of Lots 8, Concession 3

Public meeting: Functional Servicing/Development Area Study for the north-east quadrant of King City

File Number: FSDAS-2017-01 (King City East)

Applicant: King City East Landowners Group

Location: Part of Lots 7 to 10, Concession 3; King City

Monday, March 19, 2018

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

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

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Tuesday, February 20, 2018

7 pm – King Township Public Library Board
Schomberg branch, 77 Main Street

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

7 pm – Sustainability Advisory Committee
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2075 King Rd.

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

6 pm – Committee of Adjustment
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2075 King Rd.

Thursday, April 12, 2018

3 pm – Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board
Trisan Centre, Boardroom - 25 Dillane Drive, Schomberg

Thursday, March 8, 2018

7 pm – Heritage Advisory Committee
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2075 King Rd.

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

1 pm – Accessibility Advisory Committee
Municipal Office, 2075 King Rd.

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- **Parks Summer Student – Operator (student) – extended until Feb.16**
 - **Parks Operator – Afternoon Shift (contract) – extended until Feb. 16**
 - **Seasonal Parks Operator (contract) – extended until Feb.16**
 - **Administrative Assistant to the CAO (maternity leave contract) – closes Feb. 20**
 - **Customer Service Clerk (contract) – closes Mar. 2**
 - **Outdoor Program Facilitator (P/T, seasonal) – closes Mar. 5**
- Please visit the Township website at www.king.ca for employment opportunities.

**NOTICE OF OFFICE CLOSURE
Family Day, February 19**

Municipal Offices will be closed on Mon., February 19 for Family Day, and will re-open on Tues., February 20, 2018, at 8:30 am for regular business hours.

In the event of an urgent Township matter please call (905) 833-5321 and the Township answering service will relay your call to the appropriate personnel.

REMINDERS

PROPERTY TAX BILLS

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Due Date: February 26, 2018**



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X	By cheque

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After hours tax payments can be left in the drop box located to the left of the Council Chambers entrance at 2075 King Road, King City.

Pre-Authorized Debit Program (PAD): PAD program is available for Property Tax accounts. The enrolment form is available at www.king.ca (search for "PAD").

To ensure the PAD enrolment takes effect on the **2018 Final Tax Notice**, the enrolment form must be received by **June 1st 2018**. Please visit our website for details.

PUBLIC NOTICES

REVISED NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

KING CITY EAST – NORTH LANDS FUNCTIONAL SERVICING/DEVELOPMENT AREA STUDY

A public meeting will be held by the Council of the Township of King to inform the public and receive comments in regard to a "Functional Servicing/Development Area Study" (FS/DAS) for the north-east quadrant of King City on:

Monday, February 26th, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.
Township of King Council Chambers
2075 King Road, King City, ON

The lands subject to the FS/DAS are comprised of the area shown on the below map.

Prior to the approval of new plans of subdivision, the *King City Community Plan* requires a comprehensive series of studies, collectively called a FS/DAS, to be approved by the Township for the subject study area. The purpose of the FS/DAS is to coordinate and layout the major components (roads, open space, areas for environmental protection, parks, servicing, etc.) of the future development within the study area to ensure that future plans of subdivision are properly integrated and coordinated between themselves and the existing community.

The FS/DAS for the new development areas within the north-east quadrant of King City (west of Dufferin Street, north of the railway corridor, and south of 15th Sideroad) has been submitted to the Township by the King City East Landowners Group.

SUBJECT PROPERTY

Location: Part of Lots 7 to 10, Concession 3; King City, as shown on the attached map.

Applicant: King City East Landowners Group

File Number: FSDAS-2017-01 (King City East)

Any person may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed official plan amendment, zoning by-law amendment or draft plan of subdivision.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A copy of the proposed FS/DAS, as well as related background and supporting information, are available for inspection at the Planning Department, Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or by telephone at 905-833-5321, quoting **File Number FSDAS-2017-01 (King City East)**. Written comments may be mailed or personally delivered to the Planning Department and will become part of the public record.

Dated at the Township of King this 6th day of January February, 2018 Correction



Kathryn Moyle
Director of Clerks & By-Law Enforcement
Township Clerk
Township of King
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Comments and personal information (PI) are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P.13 as amended, and become part of the decision making process of the application as noted on this form, also become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of personal information (PI), please contact the Planning Department, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.



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For more information about the Committee visit [Richmond Hill, ca/2018Election](http://RichmondHill.ca/2018Election) or email elections@richmondhill.ca.

To apply, visit RichmondHill.ca/2018Election. The application deadline is 4:30 p.m. on **Friday, February 16, 2018**.



Look for a copy

of your Community Guide in the February 15th edition of the King Weekly Sentinel. Additional copies the Guide can be picked up at each municipal community centre, libraries, Town Hall, or available for download at King.ca.



MEET THE MAYOR & WARD COUNCILLORS

Tuesday, February 6	Thursday, March 8	Thursday, April 5	Tuesday, April 10
Nobleton Library 8 Sheardown Drive 6:30pm to 8:00pm	Schomberg Library 77 Main Street 6:30pm to 8:00pm	Ansaret Library 18997 Dufferin Street 6:30pm to 8:00pm	Council Chambers 2075 King Road 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Councillors David Boyd & Linda Pabst	Councillor Bill Cober	Councillor Avia Eek	Councillors Cleve Mortelliti & Debbie Schaefer

Informal Meet & Greet ■ Discuss Ward/Township Issues

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Staff, public have concerns about plan for 88 homes

By Mark Pavilons

A plan for 88 homes near King City drew concerns from both Township staff and residents.

Bushland Heights Ltd. is looking for amendments to both the Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw to permit their plans for 88 detached homes, east of Jane Street and north of King Road. The applicant is looking for relief to increase residential density and reduce environmental buffer zones on the property.

This was the first public meeting in the council chambers, and a mandatory public open house has yet to be held. Yet, the applicant has already appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board. Planning staff will continue to work with the applicant to review and address issues expressed by councillors and the public; gather input and agency comments and report back to council with their recommendations. They are also reviewing the OMB appeal documents.

Staff pointed out there are several concerns relating to this proposal, including a potential connection to the Mansions of King development to the east.

The property, currently used for agriculture, contains various environmentally sensitive areas.

Concerns with the proposal include a potential road connection to Manitou Drive in Kingscross; increased traffic; impacts to groundwater and wells and a reduction in environmental buffers.

Staff noted that estate residential policies permit one house per hectare and this plan is looking at nine homes per hectare. Current minimum vegetative buffers are 30 metres, and in some areas of this plan, the applicant is asking for only 10 metres.

Staff is opposed to reducing buffers because the Township has “consistently emphasized the ‘environment first’ principle of the King City Community Plan and the need to reflect this principle in the planning and consideration of new development.”

Both the KCCP and draft Official Plan include significant environmental protection policies and overall sustainable development.

Staff pointed out York Region and Toronto Region Conservation Authority have yet to comment on the applica-

tion.

The Bushland Heights plan as it stands has only one access to Jane Street. There is a potential connection to King, via the Mansions of King development.

Glen Lucas, of Lucas & Associates, spoke on behalf of the applicants. He admitted there are several key areas on the property that include habitat, wetlands and water courses. All have been mapped and he said the plan generally provides the 30-metre setback from these sensitive features. Some points do, however, drop to 20 metres and even 15 metres.

The proponents have been in discussions with Mansions of King to try to coordinate some of their plans.

Lucas said the decision to go to the OMB is a “friendly appeal,” albeit a bit unusual. This, he said, shouldn’t be taken as an unwillingness to work with the municipality, but rather a strategy to deal with the uncertainties contained in Bill 139, which replaces the OMB with a new tribunal.

Local ratepayers came armed with a lot of information in opposition to these plans.

Mary Muter, co-chair, Kingscross Ratepayers Association, presented findings in a report by consultant Garry Hunter. The report was paid for by the KRA.

She pointed out neither the Mansions of King nor the Bushland Heights projects have prepared a formal hydraulic analysis to determine the Regional Flood Line for the East Humber River Valley and the principal local tributaries passing through the site. The East Humber is considered a major river within the region and carries floodplain restrictions.

Bushland’s plan of subdivision will require extensive landform cut and fill grading and deep sanitary sewers to transform the existing East Humber Valley steep slopes to urban uses. Extensive filling will be required in the west part of the plan to achieve road grades conforming to Township design criteria.

The applicant, she said, has proposed a deep sanitary sewer about 6 to 7 metres below existing grade and the deep sewer trench will interfere with shallow groundwater flow and natural seepage discharge to the adjacent wetlands.

The environmental effects of deep sewer trenches have not been considered. Slope stability and especially erosion may also be issues.

KRA also expressed concern with impacts to wells on nearby Jane Street.

Muter said this application is “incomplete” and does not comply with the Oak Ridges Conservation Plan or King’s OP policies.

The issue of a connection to Manitou, and access to Kingscross, was a point of contention.

Manitou Drive resident Hans Martin said runoff and flooding caused by the development make him fearful of future consequences.

Ian Hillely, who also lives on Manitou, said this road isn’t designed to handle any more traffic. He too, is concerned about impacts on wells and these should be monitored now, to determine their sustainability.

A Jane Street resident said he was concerned about the elevation and the fill needed for the project. Jane Street is already a busy commuter route and this development will only add to the

traffic woes.

Another Manitou homeowner said the road is not conducive to more traffic.

Debbe Crandall, of Save the Oak Ridges Moraine (STORM), said the ORMP is designed to protect ecology, hydrogeology and maintain environmental integrity of the Moraine.

Planners and developers, she said, have to do things differently and be cognizant of the environment with every new project. Council, she said, has the power to demand more from developers and the private sector.

Resident Bruce Craig, of the Concerned Citizens of King Township (CCKT), said the KCCP specifically mentions environmental protection. He urged the developer to build something that’s more compatible to the environment.

Another Manitou Drive resident said she finds this proposal “invasive” and will cause a lot of collateral damage.

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~ Michael Connelly

The fire of love needs to be constantly stoked

"The best thing to hold onto in life is each other."

~ Audrey Hepburn

Love is the predominant theme of the human condition. It's what makes us humans unique in the universe.

Love may be all we really need, but some sweets now and then are pretty good, too.

Most of us likely rushed around picking up cards, flowers, chocolates or making dinner reservations for St. Valentine's Day. It's the one day that really heats up a rather dull and dreary February.

Men and women have been confused and confuddled by one another since the beginning of time. While we still don't really know what happened in those primitive caves, I'll bet the man was the hunter-gatherer and the woman was in charge!

In some cases, the longer we men are married, the less we show how much we love our wives! I know, it doesn't make sense. One of the reasons we are saddled with this struggle between the



Mark Pavilons

sexes is our inherent differences and internal wiring.

I often tell my wife that our brains are wired differently, and men and women

rely on different neural pathways to express feelings, make decisions and take action. There are times we look at each other, dumfounded at the other's lack of understanding of a situation.

In France, they follow the rule "vive la difference," but here in North America we go out of our way to get into each other's head and try to figure each other out. It's a life-long challenge - that's why so much has been written about it.

In love, I think we have to toss out all the rules, regulations and "thinking" too much. We simply need to revel in it and roll around in it like a dog twists and turns on the carpet.

I can rationalize all of the good qualities that attract me to my wife - she's strong, assertive, smart, compassionate and hard working. She knows where her priorities are.

To me, women (and moms) are the strongest creatures on the planet. Shakespeare said that a woman scorned is quite a handful. But beware the "mama bear;" she is the most formidable force on earth.

Women also require demonstrations of our love, on a regular basis. When we date, men go above and beyond to win the heart of their love. This is a time when a man's nature reveals itself. In the beginning, I was quite giving, chivalrous and romantic. I scribbled poems and messages of love on restaurant napkins. I was fixed on Kim's gaze and taken by her beauty. There were many times we were lost in each other's embrace.

We travelled, saw amazing sunsets and soaked up life like bread on a plate. We spent most of our time together, and when we were apart, could think of nothing else.

Love can't really be rationalized or "figured out." It can't be explained and the data can't be entered into some sort of computer program for analysis. It just is.

But men and women are different. And these differences should be celebrated. But as we grow, age and mature, these differences become more noticeable.

If you're familiar with John Gray's "Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus," you'll have some insights into why we behave the way we do. Just like plants, we thrive in different conditions. We need different things to make us content.

In my case, I show my affection by taking care of things and being a type of "Mr. Fix-It." I try to make

sure things run smoothly at home. I help with homework, but admit I get frustrated. I try to be the go-to person for advice, information and solutions. I am the chauffeur. And that's fine with me.

Growing up, I had a decent family life, but my parents seldom showed any affection for one another. Perhaps it was the generation. We all vow to be different, and better than our parents.

I will admit it, my romantic expressions leave a lot to be desired. If corporal punishment was still in vogue, I would need to spend some time in the stockade for my transgressions.

The other day, my wife called up several photos on her iPhone. We spent an hour taking a trip back in time, when our kids were young and acting silly. We were transported back in time, to family vacations, individual accomplishments and periods of fun and freedom.

It made us smile and laugh. The product of our love and commitment is evident in the hearts, minds and yes, attitudes of our children, who will one day change the world.

We did okay. As parents, we're so busy running a household and so consumed by helping our kids, that we often forget ourselves. Our roles are increasingly demanding and we let things slip.

We know we love one another. We are comforted by the fact we are each other's rock, anchor and "old reliable."

The spark isn't gone; it never really leaves.

We need to make an effort to constantly remind ourselves how our journey together began. Every summer, I work hard at making campfires and getting them blazing. I should approach my relationship the same way. Every day I need to build the foundation, light the spark and blow the heck out of the embers!

Maybe Valentine's Day is simply a reminder of what we need to be - loving people who care deeply.

Letter to the Editor

Zero doesn't really mean zero!

As I read the Feb. 8 edition of the King Weekly Sentinel, I did so with a great deal of skepticism and incredulity.

There were three separate articles dealing with the topic of the Township of King's 2018 property taxes. The themes were old ones - how the current council and staff are all doing a wonderful job when it comes to the fiscal affairs of the Township and how the Province of Ontario is causing problems via the agency responsible for property assessments (MPAC).

With respect to my skepticism, one of the three articles had the headline "No increase in King's 2018 budget." Well there was an article in the June 15, 2017 edition with the headline "Zero tax increase in King's amended 2017 budget." When we received the final tax assessment for our house, it was really an 18.6% increase in the Township of King's portion of our 2017 property taxes. Zero = 18.6%?

After a little digging, I determined that "zero tax increase" for 2017 really meant that council, in its infinite wisdom, had not adjusted the residential mill rate relative to what was applied in 2016. They simply let the increased MPAC property assessments do the dirty work for them and declared the zero tax increase strictly based on no change to the residential mill rate. I would not go as far as to call the positioning sneaky but it definitely was not as transparent as it should have been.

A fiscally responsible council would have decreased the residential mill rate for 2017 to bring the increase of the Township's portion of the property taxes for individual properties to be roughly equal to the projected annual inflation rate (which came in at 1.6%).

So based on 2017, I anticipate that the headline "No increase in King's 2018 budget" really means another 18.6% increase? Only time and the final tax assessment for 2018 will tell.

As for the incredulity, it really comes down to some simple yet outrageous numbers. The current council's mandate covers tax years 2015 to 2018 inclusive. During the first three years of this mandate, council has approved annual budgets that have resulted in an increase in the Township's portion of the property taxes for our house of 36.7%. Yes, the Township's portion of our 2017 property taxes was 36.7% higher than it was in 2014. During the same time period, annual inflation resulted in a compounded increase in the cost of living of 4.2%. And for a couple of other rather interesting comparisons for the same three years, York Region's portion of our property taxes went up 4.6% and the York Region District School Board's portion went up 3.3%.

A zero tax increase for 2018 (if it truly turns out to be zero) may be just fine in isolation, but when you consider council's full four year mandate, the term fiscal irresponsibility comes to mind. I consider any property tax increase above the annual rate of inflation to be troubling. I honestly do not have any socially acceptable words to describe the increase inflicted during the past three years.

The burden of this increase will continue year after year as the previous year's budget becomes the baseline for the current year. A zero increase for 2018 still means we are paying 36.7% more than we did in 2014.

Oh yeah, 2018 is a municipal election year. Things that make you go hmmm.

Ross Hamilton

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Results from last week's poll:
Do you like the new gender-neutral version of the National Anthem?

a) Yes **20%**

b) No **80%**

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Have you been watching the Olympic events?

a) Yes
b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!



Brain teaser

Which one of the following does not belong with the others - binoculars, eyeglasses, goggles, handlebars, jeans, pliers, scissors, shoes?

Last week's answer: Concrete floors are very hard to crack!

King Township Trivia

Dr. M.K. Dillane practiced medicine in Schomberg for fifty-six years, and attended five full generations of many families.

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Have your say on rep hockey partnership

Here's the thing, we don't have to give up our hockey town. The buzz around the community is that the partnership between Schomberg and Nobleton has happened and it's a done deal. This is simply not the case.

This partnership is a trial. It is an exploration to see if, in fact, joining the two towns for rep hockey would be mutually beneficial for the communities and their young players.

As a resident of Schomberg for over 20 years and hockey coach for over 17 of those years, I can assure you that it has been far from beneficial to the community we love and live in. But, that's okay. This is, after all, just a trial.

No one is asking us to give up the small town hockey we're proud of just yet. We just have to remember that we are in control, we have a voice, and we can exercise our right to vote for the things that we value.

This season was year one of the trial partnership and it's time we reflect on the past few months and consider the shortcomings of the merger. The only way to do this, is to remember the things we value as a small community

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and decide if what we've seen happen this year aligns with those values.

First, we value the hard work and giving nature of our community members. We're proud to call Schomberg home. So important is our sense of community that the rink our young children play hockey in was built by the stimulus money of our government and the initiative of the Schomberg community. Shouldn't we fight to keep it ours?

Second, I'm confident that there isn't one person who feels that hockey belongs to the rep players only. Hockey is our Canadian sport. It's our game. And, as such, it's critical that we respect the local league.

Shouldn't young boys and girls who love this game be given the same chance as rep athletes to have a competitive season? The executive doesn't think so. Consider that we watched them add more additional entry teams despite promises not to. Shouldn't we question their motives and reflect on if this move hurts or harms our local

league?

Third, we value progress. But, progress isn't about being bigger and better. Progress isn't about change for the sake of change. Progress honours the legacy a community has built over decades and encourages young families to plant roots. Schomberg is a strong hockey community. Our very steady numbers of hockey registrants (180-220 for as long as I can remember) compared to neighbouring towns declining registrants is proof that we're progressing.

We don't need a partnership to improve hockey, we've got everything we need right in our own community from committed parents to aspiring young talented hockey players to consistent volunteers.

Consider that last year, prior to the partnerships, all the teams got a chance to go for the All Ontario quest. All the kids got to experience it. This year, only 2 teams from midget to novice actually qualified for the OMHA playdowns. That buzz of fans and players and the

hope for a championship is missing at the rink this year. Is that progress?

I want to remind everyone who values small town hockey that we do have a voice. We don't have to accept the cards we've been dealt. We can continue to challenge the shortcomings of this merger by questioning decisions, seeking amendments and voting when the time comes.

Really reflect on how this year has gone for you and your child. Do you feel they've progressed? Do you feel they have a sense of community? Do you feel they're proud of who they play for? If partnerships are supposed to make us stronger then why does it feel like we're losing?

This is a critical time for our small, beautiful, Schomberg community. Once these three years are up there's no turning back.

Come out and vote on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. at the Trisan Centre.

Frank Di Febo

CDS presents In the Heights

The Country Day School's upcoming Senior School drama production of Lin-Manuel Miranda's *In the Heights*, takes place on Thursday and Friday, March 1 and 2 at 7 p.m. There is also a matinee performance on Saturday, March 3 at 1:30 p.m. All three performances are open to the public, and tickets are \$20. All ticket proceeds from the matinee performance will be donated to one of two charities: Immigrants: We Get the Job Done Coalition and Unidos: Disaster Relief and Recovery Program to Support Puerto Rico.

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VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

Thursday, April 26, 2018

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
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- Youth Award of Merit
- Special Recognition
- Senior Citizen Award of Merit

Nominations for Volunteer Awards must be submitted on the nomination form obtained from the Clerks Department and will be received by the undersigned until 4:30 p.m. Monday, March 12th, 2018. 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 26th, 2018.

Kathryn Moyle, Director of Clerks & By-law Enforcement
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Chance of Shower High 5C° Low -2C° <1mm/~1cm Wind SW 20k	Sun/Clouds High -2C° Low -15C° - Wind NW 30k	Sun/Clouds High -4C° Low -9C° - Wind SW 17k	Mainly Sunny High 1C° Low 0C° - Wind S 18k	Light Rain High 5C° Low 0C° 2-4mm/1-3cm Wind S 16k	Light Snow High 3C° Low -4C° <1mm/~1cm Wind NE 10k	Sunny High 1C° Low -7C°

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Road works, taxes were discussed at Nobleton forum

The first the “Meet the Mayor and Ward Councillors” gathering of the year was held Feb. 6. Residents joined Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Councillor David Boyd for an evening of engaged discussion at the Nobleton Library.

The open format sparked a well-rounded discussion on a number of topics such as, storm water management, upcoming road work, streetscaping, bylaws and community policing.

Mayor Pellegrini began the forum outlining ways residents can help the York Regional Police make our communities safer. The Road Watch program is ideal for reporting traffic safety concerns when the vehicle and or its driver is identifiable. The mayor also indicated that the YRP will collaborate with area residents to establish Neighbourhood Watch Programs. Councillor Boyd encouraged residents to use the YRP Community Concerns Online Reporting tool to report traffic violations, loitering at public parks or plazas, graffiti incidents or any ongoing activity that affects the enjoyment of our community.

Traffic remained the focus of discussion as Pellegrini described road works planned for the 2018 construction season. The Nobleton area will benefit from major infrastructure investments from both levels of government. The Regional project planned for Highway 27 and King Road has been awarded and works are scheduled to begin this spring.

Boyd added that the Highway 27 improvements may also provide the opportunity to reconfigure the village core lanes to improve traffic flow, enabling extra safety measures at the No Frills entrance, Hill Farm Road and surrounding areas. The Township is also planning to undertake a substantial project investing in Nobleton’s perimeter roadways as part of the 2018 Budget and Business plans. Funds have been allocated to reconstruct the 15th Sideroad, from Highway 27 to the 8th Concession. Reconstruction

of the 10th Concession to the 15th Sideroad and 15th Side Road to Highway 27 is planned to occur in 2019. Boyd cautioned these works are bound to cause delays and frustrations, while reminding those in attendance that these road improvements are in response to community demand.

Once the work is completed, it will provide a safer community, help ease congestion, and increase walkability with new sidewalks and streetscaping.

Residents questioned the current construction on King Road east of the 8th Sideroad. Pellegrini informed residents that the emergency road repairs are continuing, but lanes will remain open and the work should conclude in the spring.

Concerns were raised regarding the need for the Township to develop a Storm Water Management Plan. Pellegrini explained that need has been identified and staff are actively working on this issue and anticipate moving forward with a comprehensive study this year.

Mayor Pellegrini shared with residents that the 2018 budget passed with a zero per cent increase to the net levy. He further clarified that council directed staff to decrease the tax rate (mill rate) on the Township portion of your bill by eight per cent to help ease the effects of the 2016 MPCA re-assessment. Pellegrini also noted that although the Township is responsible for the collection of taxes, the Township portion is only 0.40 cents of every dollar; as 0.41 cents goes to the Region and the remaining 0.19 goes to the school board.

The evening concluded with positive feedback regarding the dedication of King Fire and Emergency Services Volunteer Fire Department and their commitment to the community. Their smoke detector programming and partnership with the Lions Club on the red light alerting systems were also commended. Residents were encouraged to reach out to the fire department for more information to ensure that their homes are fire safe.

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- Herbal beverage
- Leaf’s angle
- Incense
- Variab resistor
- Stream
- Boorish fellow
- Opal or sapphire
- Column’s support
- Called
- “Eyes of Laura _____”
- Hearty
- Verge
- Computer symbol
- Romanov title
- Make lace
- Naughty child
- Gizzard
- Gloat
- Choir gown
- Empty inside
- TV’s “_____ Buddies”
- “Charro!” star Balin
- Two cups
- Cabbage’s cousin
- Fraternity letter
- Chop up
- Revolve
- “_____ and Tell”
- “Take Good _____ of My Baby”
- Blunted rapier
- Garden flower
- Do the wrong thing
- Den
- Ladder rung
- Fit
- Grand
- Narrow trail
- Expedition
- Sluggishness
- Hive occupant
- Muscle spasm
- Force
- Side dish
- Black bird
- Hawaiian goose
- Shad delicacy
- Fragrant bloom
- Mil. unit
- A long way off
- Certain amphibian
- Road for Cato

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- Feel great pity
- The other guys
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- Furry swimmer
- Stubborn
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- Mongol
- Along the middle
- Cereal grass
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- Type of golf club
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- Of an earlier time
- Speck
- Sarcastic
- Bathroom
- Like anchovies
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- Greek letter
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- Giraffe’s kin
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- One’s equal
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- Carry along
- Permitted by law
- Contour feather
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- Ink smudge
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- “CSI” evidence
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"This is an excellent opportunity for the discerning buyer," said Shakir Rehmatullah, president of FLATO Developments Inc. "Quality homes with this level of finishing and attention to detail on large acreage in such a pristine setting are extremely rare, if not impossible to find these days."

Palgrave Estates consists of five, four to five-bedroom homes ranging in size from 4,044 up to 6,0176 square feet on two- to eight- acre lots. There are five floor plans to choose from with prices

starting from \$1.99 million. Projected closing dates for these homes is mid-2019.

These stunning homes have 10' main floor and 9' second floor ceilings; imported 12" by 24" porcelain matte tiles; stylish 3 1/4" wide strip red oak hardwood flooring on main and second floors (except for ceramic tile areas); graceful oak staircases; dining rooms; living rooms; family or great rooms with gas fireplaces; libraries or offices; powder rooms with vanity cabinets, upgraded granite/quartz counters and under mount sinks; laundry rooms with front load washer and dryer, single laundry tub, as per plan, and granite/quartz countertops; basements with cold cellars and rough-in three piece plumbing for future bathroom; high efficiency gas furnace; heat recovery ventilator and central air.

Spacious eat-in gourmet kitchens feature islands, serveries and walk-in pantries, as per plan where applicable.



Other features include upgraded cabinetry with crown molding on upper cabinets, upgraded granite or quartz counters with imported subway tile backsplash; under mounted stainless steel double compartment sink; stainless steel fridge, dishwasher and dual fuel range with stainless steel exhaust hood.

Bedrooms have walk in closets and luxurious ensembles including quality cabinetry, upgraded granite/quartz counters, tiled showers and elongated toilets, while master ensembles have a freestanding tub and frameless glass shower with upgraded rain shower head.

The exteriors of these homes are architecturally detailed and feature clay brick and stone with quality trim details; 20-year self-sealing asphalt roof shingles in blended colours; pre-finished maintenance free soffits, fascia and downspouts; covered front entry porches; steel insulated front entrance door with coach lamp, grip set, dead bolt and inset windows; attached three and four car garages with paneled sectional roll-up garage doors with door openers, remotes and exterior keypad; maintenance free vinyl casement windows throughout; French garden doors at rear and/or leading to porches/patios, as per plan; 8' x10' rear yard wood deck; precast concrete patio slab walkway from driveway to front porch, including precast steps at front or rear where applicable; paved driveway and graded and sodded lot.

Palgrave is a quaint, historic village situated within Caledon. It is a friendly, supportive community that boasts plenty of small town charm, a main street with a unique mix of shops and services and is a short drive to Bolton with its major retailers, restaurants, services and amenities. Part of the Peel District School Board, Palgrave and area has a variety of quality schools and daycare choices.

Nature lovers will appreciate its location on the Oak Ridges Moraine, a beautiful, protected 160-kilometre-long ridge of hilly terrain that is surrounded by breathtaking wilderness, conservation areas and nature trails. It is home to the world renowned Caledon Equestrian Park which is set against the picturesque backdrop of the Niagara Escarpment and has hosted numerous prestigious Canadian and world class equestrian competitions including the 2015 Pan Am Games. The Albion Hills Conservation Area is located 2 km. south of town and has 27 km. of groomed cross country ski trails and some of the best mountain biking trails in Ontario, as well as swimming, hiking, fishing, picnicking, camping, skating and tobogganing. To the northeast, the Palgrave Forest and Wildlife Area sits on 306 hectares covered by dense forest that provides habitat to many plants and animals and offers 33 km of trails for hiking, biking, horseback riding and cross country skiing.

In addition, the 35-km Caledon Trailway is a non-motorized multi-use regional trail that follows the path of an abandoned rail line right through town, while the Bruce Trail, one of Ontario's major recreational hiking trails passes the town to the west. The Palgrave Mill Pond is a reservoir lake that is transformed into a community skating rink every winter and The Palgrave Tennis Club has 4 tennis courts and offers a wide range of programs for all age levels as well as hosting tournaments, clinics and events.

"Palgrave Estates gives homebuyers luxury, location and an unparalleled quality of life. And since it is still part of the GTA, residents don't have to give up any of the amenities of larger centres," concludes Rehmatullah. "This is truly a once in a lifetime community."

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Arts & Entertainment

World's fastest car at the Canadian AutoShow

The Canadian International AutoShow will feature the fastest production car on the planet. The holder



of five world speed records, the Koenigsegg Agera RS supercar, will be a feature attraction at the annual show, which runs Feb. 16 to 25.

While the Agera RS will have made its North American auto show debut a month earlier at Detroit, the Canadian International AutoShow is going it one better. As well as the car, Toronto has attracted the founder and CEO of the Swedish high-performance manufacturer Koenigsegg Automotive AB, Christian von Koenigsegg, who will address reporters on Media Day Feb. 15 and introduce the bullet car to their new Canadian market.

"The growth of Koenigsegg Automotive (he founded the company in 1994) is a source of inspiration for many, not just my family and our employees in Sweden," said Christian von Koenigsegg.

About coming to the Canadian Inter-



national AutoShow, he added: "It is truly a pleasure for our company to make our Canadian debut this year, to share this wonderful car with our enthusiast community.

"Thanks to our partners at Weissach Performance (the exclusive Canadian distributors for Koenigsegg), our first Canada-bound vehicles are nearing delivery and we look forward to seeing the first Koenigseggs on Canadian roads in the very near future."

On Nov. 4, 2017, Koenigsegg AB took the Agera RS to the Nevada desert and smashed five existing production car speed records to smithereens. The new marks set that day include the highest top speed achieved by a production vehicle (two-way average) - 447.19 km/h (277.87 miles an hour); zero to 400 km/h - 33.29 seconds; flying kilometre on a public road (two-way average) - 445.63 km/h (276.9 mph); flying mile on a public road (two-way average) - 444.76 km/h (276.36 mph), and highest speed achieved on a public road (single direction) - 457.94 km/h (284.55 mph).

"We're very pleased that Koenigsegg have chosen to present this special record-setting car at the Canadian International AutoShow, and welcome Christian to share his remarkable story about a small brand challenging and beating the world's automotive heavyweights," said Said AutoShow GM Jason Campbell. "It marks a trend we're

seeing for rare exotic supercars like the Agera RS to seek a prominent role in our show's opening day activities - one that makes sense given Toronto's international profile and status as the fourth largest consumer market in North America."

The Koenigsegg Agera RS world record run was recently hailed by the Wall Street Journal as "The most memorable automotive story of 2017" and Canadian AutoShow attendees will be able to see the actual record setting car on display for the duration of the Show in Auto Exotica on the 100 Level of the convention centre's north building from Feb. 16 to 25.

Follow news about the AutoShow at www.autoshow.ca, <https://www.facebook.com/autoshowcanada>, <https://twitter.com/autoshowcanada> and <https://instagram.com/cdnintlauto-show>.

With more than 650,000 square feet of exhibits, displays and attractions at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, the Canadian International AutoShow is not only the largest automotive expo in Canada, it is also the country's largest consumer show - a leader in lifestyle, technology and all things automotive boasting more than 1,000 cars, trucks, SUVs, concept cars, exotics, classics, muscle cars, fully electric and autonomous vehicles. Nearly 340,000 attended the 2017 show.

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Province nixes plans for GTA West Corridor

By Mark Pavilons

Queen's Park has nixed plans for the large-scale GTA West Corridor.

The Province accepted an expert advisory panel's recommendation that this corridor, also known as the 413, is not the best way to address changing transportation needs.

After carefully reviewing the GTA West Advisory Panel's advice, a narrower corridor that is approximately one-third of the size of the analysis area of the environmental assessment will be protected from development, while the province assesses what infrastructure, such as new transit or utilities, will be needed to support the growing region. In light of the panel's recommendation, the transportation needs of the corridor will be evaluated from a regional perspective through the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH) Transportation Plan, which considers the many ways people and goods move around the region, and will incorporate new and emerging transportation technologies into future projects.

The GTA West Advisory panel, made up of industry experts, was appointed to assist with an internal review of the GTA West highway corridor environmental assessment. The Northwest GTA Corridor Identification Study will ensure that lands are protected so that new infrastructure, such as transit or utilities, can be developed to support and accommodate future growth and development. Any infrastructure proposed within the corridor will be subject to an environmental assessment.

"We have an obligation to respond to new and emerging technologies that impact the movement of people and goods, and we want to be sure that we make the right choices for this region. I would like to thank our advisory panel for their work, and for helping us to envision a transportation system that meets the needs of today and tomorrow," said Transportation Minister Kathryn McGarry.

The scaled-down corridor comes as good news to environmental groups, such as Environmental Defence.

"We applaud the province of Ontario for ending the environmental assessment for the GTA West highway and in doing so, cancelling this unnecessary highway," said Tim Gray, executive director.

"The highway was slated to cut through portions of the Greenbelt and pave over thousands of acres of prime farmland and the largest remaining forested areas in Vaughan."

Part of the corridor was originally slated to cut through southern Caledon and just past Nobleton.

"Stopping this highway is a game changer. Shifting the billions this highway would have cost to public transit will benefit far more people, improve the health of our communities and reduce carbon pollution.

"We hope that this decision marks a turning point away from an outdated and costly sprawl growth model.

"Studies have shown that when a highway is built, more people drive, which adds to congestion, air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions. By investing in public transit, biking infrastructure, and more efficient goods movement we can shift to building healthy walkable communities.

"This decision shows the province listened to expert evidence and decided to take a more climate-conscious, public-transit oriented approach to solving the GTHA's transportation challenges. With over 30 per cent of Ontario's carbon emissions coming from transportation, cancelling the GTA West (Highway 413) demonstrates a step in the right direction in addressing climate change and building a better region."

The Town of Caledon, on the other hand, said the cancellation will have a negative impact on the municipality. The GTA West Corridor has been identified as a necessary piece of growth infrastructure to help alleviate congestion on Caledon roads and gridlock throughout the GTA, which has a significant impact on our plans for growth and overall economic competitiveness.

"I am disappointed that the Province has discontinued the EA process," said Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson. "Literally hundreds of jobs are at stake while major investors that we know of are forced to hold up planned investments without adequate transportation access."

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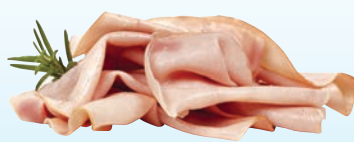
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Household expenses put taxes in perspective

By Mark Pavilons

Typical King homeowners spend more on fossil fuels than they do on municipal services.

King Township released a graph, comparing typical household expenses, to what they pay in taxes, to the municipality. It's meant to put their taxes in perspective.

Of the total tax bill, King keeps only

40%, while York Region receives another 41% and the provincial government, through the education levy, gets the remaining 19%.

On a tax bill of \$7,295 (based on an assessment of \$784,300), King gets \$2,918, while York receives \$2,991. The education portion is \$1,386.

Statistics Canada reports that the average Canadian household spends about \$241 per person on food each

month. For a family of four, that translates to \$11,500 per year.

If you have a home of 2,000 square feet, you spend an estimated \$3,085 on hydro and natural gas.

Your cable, Internet and phone bill would be at least \$2,300.

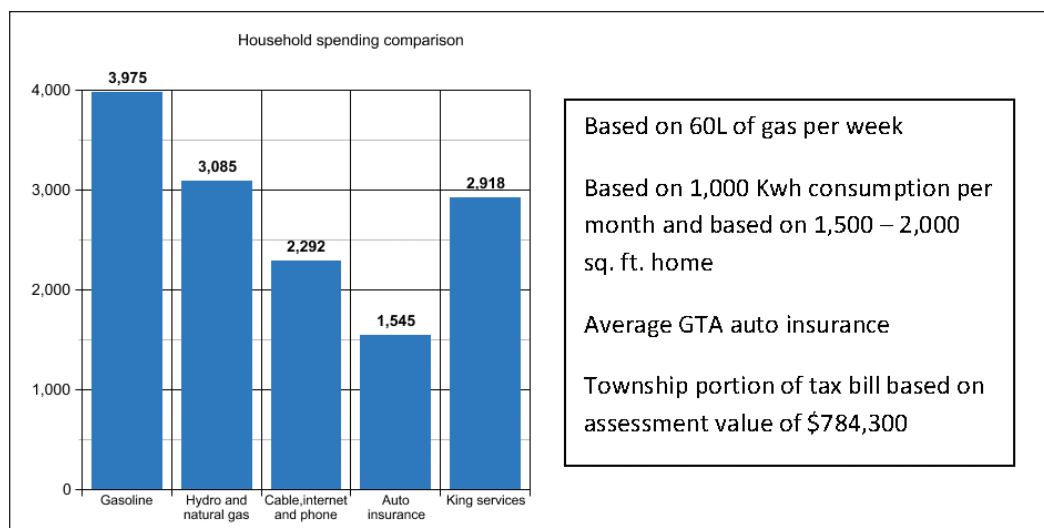
If you purchase 60 litres of gas for your car each week, you'll spend more than \$3,975 per year. And your car in-

surance would run you at least \$1,550.

House insurance would be at least \$1,200 per year.

And your summer vacation would easily match your tax bill.

Based on levels from the 2016 Census, clothing would cost a typical household \$3,400 per year. If you smoke, or play the lottery, add another \$1,500 to your annual tab.



Estate home development off to OMB

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A Kingscross resident said he's worried about water quality and reminded councillors "it's okay to say no."

Councillor Avia Eek said natural heritage features do perform a very real function, and what's needed is a balance. She would not support any reduction in buffers.

Councillor Debbie Schaefer would like a peer review of hydrogeology in the area. She is also concerned about a future access via Manitou.

Staff explained at this point, the case will go before the OMB. The actual hearing, according to staff, will likely not take place until the end of 2018.

When staff returns to council with a report, it will narrow the scope of the issues.

Food Bank distribution Saturday, many provide generous support

This month marks the 169th month that the King Township Food Bank has been offering a week of non-perishable groceries to families in King. At a conservative estimate, that's 17,000 weeks of food for individuals struggling with difficult times.

This could not have happened without the generous and often energetic support of the community through donations, sponsorships and various third party events that gathered up food and funds through schools, community groups, businesses, organizations, and private functions throughout 2017. As much as possible, these efforts were acknowledged in the press through the generosity of King Weekly Sentinel, but space and a wish for privacy did not allow all to be recognized publicly.

Outstanding invoices and tax receipts go into the mail this month, but feel free to call or write with concerns (contact information below).

For those registered with the King Township Food Bank, Distribution is open this Saturday from 9-11 a.m. If you are new, or did not attend last month, you need to call ahead of time, so that provision can be made for your arrival at the appropriate centre. Always on the third Saturday of the month, Distribution Centres provide food and/or food cards, along with pet kibble, bathroom tissue and fresh produce. 905-806-1125 or email ktfoodbank@gmail.com visit www.ktfb.ca for more information. Only proof of residency is needed to register.

The next "Pop Up Clothing Giveaway" is being planned for April.

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Sustainable King Committee lauds local 'Eco Schools'

In spite of the stock market, international conflict and bad news from around the world, King has lots to celebrate. Take, for example, the efforts of students, teachers and parents in five of our local schools.

These schools have each achieved the status of "Eco School" and are to be congratulated for this accomplishment.

So how did they each become an "Eco School?" The province-wide program is divided into the 6 segments of Teamwork and Leadership, Energy and Conservation, Waste Minimization, School Ground Greening, Curriculum and Environmental Stewardship. Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum level schools must reach strict standards, host regular inspections from the provincial staff and re-certify annually.

Such a wide range of tasks can only be completed through the combined efforts of the keen students, dedicated parents and caring teachers. These efforts do not stop at the school grounds but the Eco message continues to be spread in homes and the wider community.

We are all very proud of Nobleton Public School, St Mary's Catholic School, King Secondary School, Villanova College and Country Day School that have all earned the Gold Level. Congratulations all!

The King Sustainability Advisory Committee will soon be presenting these schools with special certificates to honour their achievements. Go green Eco Team!



Board vice-principals receive new human rights training

More than 160 elementary and secondary school vice-principals in the York Region District School Board received human rights training this month.

The mandatory training was designed to increase their understanding of:

- The human rights system and legislative context, including the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Ontario Human Rights Code, provincial law including the Education Act, and board policy.
- Social identity distinctions, including race, religion, ethnic group, first language, sexual orientation, gender identity, abilities, income level and class, and appearance.
- How to identify human rights concerns and violations.
- Measures to enhance equity and prevent discrimination and harassment.
- Best practices to address human rights concerns.
- The board's Human Rights Commissioner's Office structure, process and best practices.

More than 475 principals, vice-principals and managers have received human rights training in the past three months.

"Everyone in our system has a role to play in ensuring human rights are respected and embedded within our working and learning culture. Providing training will help to ensure that all our staff have a good understanding of Ontario's human rights system and what they can do in their respective roles to protect and promote human rights" said Anthony Anirud, Human Rights Commissioner.

Last August, the board appointed Human Rights Commissioner Anthony Anirud. The Human Rights Commissioner's Office is responsible for human rights compliance, processes and procedures to receive and respond to complaints of harassment and discrimination reported by students, families, staff and community members. The board has also appointed a principal, Human Rights to support schools in creating learning environments that promote and protect human rights.

York Region District School Board is the third largest school district in Ontario with over 124,000 students in 177 elementary schools and 33 secondary schools. York Region students consistently perform above average in provincial testing and the Board is one of the top achievers in Ontario. For more information about York Region District School Board, please visit the Board website and follow @YRDSB on Twitter.

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Eight years earlier, in 1935, 13 immigrant families from the Netherlands had settled in the Holland Marsh area, where they erected a building to hold worship services as members of the Holland Marsh Christian Reformed Church. Because the Christian Reformed Church has deep roots in the Christian education movement, these immigrants soon formed a Christian School Society and worked tirelessly to realize their dream of establishing such a school for their children.

In 1942, three acres of land, at a cost of \$150, was purchased on which to erect a school building. But when a building permit could not be obtained, the church council room was renovated to expand to accommodate students, and the first teacher, Mr. J.W. Uitvlugt, was hired.

Finally, in 1947, the School Society

purchased two army barracks and, with volunteer help, set them up on the purchased building lot and converted them into a school. By this time, 82 students were attending, with Miss Emma Knapper teaching Grades 1 to 4, and Mr. J. Uitvlugt teaching Grades 5 to 8.

In October of 1954, Hurricane Hazel hit the area, causing severe flood damage to the building. By 1957, a new brick building with 3 classrooms had been built as a replacement.

Meanwhile, on the west end of the Holland Marsh, the Springdale Christian School Society had erected a school of their own, to serve the community there. Springdale Christian School continued to operate independently from 1955 until 1974, when a process of amalgamation with the Holland Marsh Christian School was begun. The last year that the Springdale location was used as a school was 1981.

Now that all of the students from both schools were being taught in one building, the school added four new classrooms, a gymnasium, staff room, kitchen and resource room, and was now known as Holland Marsh District Christian School. The King Township Public Library also operated a branch out of a portable classroom at the front of the school.

By 1990, because of increased enrollment, the public library moved to



their own building near the school, and a year later HMDCS added four more classrooms, a new resource room, change rooms, a larger staff room and a new office area.

The dream of building a new school began in 2001. Finally in 2015, on Sept. 2, that dream was fulfilled with an official ribbon-cutting ceremony marking the occasion of the opening of the new school on a 15-acre parcel of land at the corner of the Graham Sideroad and Bathurst Street. Along with the move to new facilities came a change in name to King Christian School.

The school was founded by Christian parents who believed that the education of their children was a parental responsibility and that such education must be Christ-centred. Though many things have changed over the last 75 years, what remains the same is King Christian School's goal of providing quality, Christ-centred education where each student may grow in grace, wisdom, knowledge and wonder and so be enabled to responsibly serve God and others in all areas of life.

February has traditionally been a month of celebration for King Christian School. Students usually celebrate the school's birthday with a winter carnival, but as this year is the 75th anniversary, there will also be a celebration for the entire school community and alumni. On Saturday, Feb. 17, a program will commence at 1:30 p.m. including entertainment, refreshments, time to look back and remember the past, time to visit with past schoolmates, a light meal, and, finally, fireworks. All this

will take place at the school, located on Bathurst Street just west of Yonge, at 19740 Bathurst Street. All are welcome to attend. For more information about this celebration or King Christian School, please visit the school's website: www.kingchristian.ca.



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By Wendy-Sue Bishop
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Schomberg blood clinic

The next Schomberg Community Blood Donor Clinic is planned for Wednesday, Feb. 21 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Trisan Centre.

We found collecting blood last year was certainly a challenge, due in part to the change in frequency for females donors, who now must wait three months between donations, rather than two, as it was determined that females need more time for their iron levels to recover after donating blood. The well-being of our donors is a top priority, so while this change was a good move to benefit our donors, it has left us needing to “replace” the females who can’t donate as often with new donors, willing to make saving a live a part of their routine.

We had some great clinics in December (Schomberg’s clinic collected 102% of the target!) as donors clearly took hold of the festive spirit, donating blood as a way of giving back to their community. Unfortunately, many of those holiday donors don’t rebook to come back in February, and as explained above, any of the females who donated in December aren’t yet eligible.

As a result, the February clinic is booked at just 57%. I encourage those who have never donated to take the first step — take the Eligibility Quiz at www.blood.ca and donate if you can. The need for blood never stops and one day it may be you or someone you love who needs it. Your donation can help save a life.

Weather continues to affect our collections nationally. The so-called “weather bomb” that hit Atlantic Canada earlier this month caused the cancellation of our clinics in five cities. The impact of those uncollected units is still being felt across the country as we all encourage donors to find their way into a clinic to help “build up the bank” for all Canadians.

Schomberg United Church

This Sunday, Feb. 18, our service will be held at 116 Church St. at the usual 9:30 a.m. service time with the message “A Covenant of Love”, as it is the first Sunday in Lent. All are welcome.

Carol-Ann is offering a six-week Lenten Study series on Tuesdays at Nobleton United Church, starting on Feb. 20, 10-11 a.m., on “Why I Believe”

with devotions and reflections on faith and discipleship.

The next Messy Church is Feb. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Nobleton United. The theme that “God loves you no matter what” will be related to the story of the prodigal son and how his father treats him on his return. There are crafts and table tennis for the first hour, a short interactive story until 6:15, and then a dinner with raw veggies and dip, fresh fruit and something hot from the oven. Children must be accompanied with a responsible adult. Contact Nancy Hopkinson at 905-859-0761 if you would like to attend with your children aged 2 to young teens.

The most messy activity this month will be dipping one’s hand into jelly to find different pieces of food, as if you were the prodigal son who was starving and considered eating pigswill.

Coffee with the Minister will be held the last Thursday of the month, starting on Thursday, Feb. 22, at the Kitchen Breendon Manor, at 2-3 p.m., in the main floor lounge.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held with Nobleton on Sunday, Feb. 25, after the 11:15 a.m. service at Nobleton United and after a light lunch.

Nobleton United’s Pasta Dinner with meatballs and dessert is on Friday, Mar. 2 at 6:30 p.m. The tickets are \$20 per adult or \$45 for a family (12 and under). Call Linda Olsen at 905-859-0442. There is only one sitting, so call ASAP to reserve your seats. This is a lovely occasion, time to talk to your neighbours and fun with door prizes.

Schomberg United meets at St. Mary Magdalene, 116 Church St., at 9:30 a.m. most Sundays, but at the Kitchen Breendon Manor on the first Sunday of the month. For more info, visit nobleton-unitedchurch.com and click on the Schomberg United link, or call 905-859-3976. Messages are picked up regularly.

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Contact the Museum at 905-833-2331 or kingmuseum@king.ca for registration and further information.

Curling club’s ‘Suds & Stones’

The King curlers invite everyone to join them in their instructional session and introduction to their sport on Saturday, March 24 at the Trisan Centre. The on and off ice instructional session runs from 6:30 to 7 p.m.; from 7-9 p.m. curling on the ice, with pizza to follow in the curler’s lounge.

The sport of curling grew leaps and bounds after the Vancouver Olympics and the KCC is comprised of sever-

al different leagues-men’s, women’s, mixed leagues, as well as competitive and non-competitive leagues. There is curling every day of the week – literally something for everyone.

On top of all this, curling is a very social sport, both on and off the ice with bonspiels, always lots of food and a beautiful Curler’s Lounge where the winners are always happy to buy the losers the first round!

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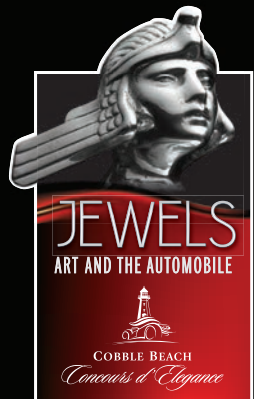
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CDS girls hockey keeping up with competition

By Jake Courtepatte

The Country Day School Cyclones are weathering the storm of the competitive CISAA girls hockey division in their inaugural year.

Thirteen years after first icing a highly-successful boys' program, the girls are taking the spotlight in the 2017-18 season, maintaining a 2-2 record so far against some much more established programs within the prep school league.

"We have a wide range of talent but no shortage of enthusiasm," said Karsen Roy, one of the founding members of the squad to bring the idea to the table.

She and a handful of other young hopeful students took the idea to Athletics Director John Andersen, whose sign-up sheet garnered a total of fourteen names from a wide array of talents, all of which has amalgamated into a core group of determined athletes.

Ranging in Grades from 9 all the

way to 12, the program looks well on its way to establishment after a failed startup was attempted in 2008, according to Andersen.

"This is an amazing group of girls who have been persistent and determined to get this team started," said Andersen. "The girls who spearheaded the initiative this year should be proud of what they have accomplished. Despite having a wide range of talent (from beginners to elite players), I can already see the support and camaraderie building on this team. I look forward to seeing this group of girls develop over the next few years. I think they are planning to keep this program running for years to come."

"Now that the team is official, girls are still asking if they can be part of it," said Karsen.

The squad came out of the gate flying in their historic inaugural game, shutting out Lakefield College School 6-0 in early January. They followed up with

a hard-fought 6-4 losing effort against the unbeaten Hillfield Strathallan College, though rebounded in their opening home game last week to take down Greenwood College School by a whop-

ping 10-2 score.

They have three more games on the regular season schedule, running until the end of February, before the CISAA finals get under way in early March.



The Country Day School Cyclones have proven they're a force in the CISAA girls' hockey division.



The Juvenile King Rebellion took game one of their OMHA opening round series with the Bradford Bulldogs 7-4 at Trisan Centre on Sunday.

Juvenile Rebellion open OMHA campaign with a win over Bradford

By Jake Courtepatte

The Juvenile Rebellion are off on the right foot in their attempt to reach their fifth OMHA championship in a row.

Opening the 2017-18 provincial campaign on Sunday against the Bradford Bulldogs, the Rebellion earned a decisive 7-4 victory to take the lead in the first round series.

All was not well off the opening draw at the Trisan Centre in Schomberg, when Bradford beat goaltender Justin Kolar on the first shot of the game, though Kolar settled in nicely for the remainder of the first period.

Taking a 1-1 tie to the intermission, Christopher Abad restored the hometown lead early in the second when he ripped a wrist shot from in close.

After Bradford managed to tie it back up, it was Mitch Harknett who put the Rebellion up for good, taking it in himself from centre and flipping it over the downed Bradford goaltender for a 3-2 lead.

James Barber's feed from behind the net set up Matt Toffoli for the Rebellion's fourth goal of the game, while Derek Biersteker was the recipient of a Barber pass early in the third to make it 5-2.

Bradford staged somewhat of a comeback, making it 6-4 with under four minutes to go despite a marker from Kyle Jacobs, though Cameron Zinner added an empty netter to secure the King win.

The Juvenile Schomberg Red Wings, as the team was known prior to the 2017-18 season, were runners-up in the two previous OMHA playoffs, champions in 2014-15, and runners-up as well in 2013-14.

The Juvies visit Bradford for game two of the best-of-seven series on Saturday, before returning to the Trisan Centre on Sunday for game three.

Puck drop Sunday is set for 6:30 p.m.

For schedules, visit www.kingminorhockey.com.



Legacy Taekwon-do brings ancient art form to Pottageville

By Jake Courtepatte

Legacy Taekwon-do wants to teach kids that their art form is more than about kicking and punching: it is about training the mind, body, and soul, suitable for all lifestyles.

Age groups as young as 3-5 (dubbed "Little Dragons") took part in the Legacy Taekwon-do Friendship Classic at the Kettleby Pottageville Lions Hall recently, hosting 12 schools from across southern Ontario and more than 180 competitors.

"This tournament is a great opportunity for students to familiarize themselves with the competitive environment and in turn help build self-esteem and self-confidence," said Master Facciolo, the owner of Legacy Taekwon-do and the organizer of the large-scale tournament.

Ranging in ages from three to 50-plus, the tournament was run by Legacy's Black Belts.

"Congratulations to all competitors and thank you to all the schools for your participation, making this tournament a success," said Facciolo. "I want to thank all Legacy parents and students for their continued support and for believing in me and driving my passion."

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Austin Broad, Sierra Sheardown, Kyle Strano and Austin Ford participated in the Ontario Youth Hit and Tap event held at the Huntsville Summit Centre. The King curlers advanced to the final event after qualifying in the top 10 in Ontario in their respected age group.

Young curlers hit, tap to stardom

By Shellee Morning

Huntsville was the place to be last weekend not only for the Men's Ontario Provincial Tankard (winner represents Ontario at The Brier), but for some very lucky youth curlers who qualified to participate in the Youth Ontario Hit and Tap event.

Austin Broad (11-13 yrs.), Sierra Sheardown (9-10 yrs.), Kyle Strano (6-8 yrs.), and Austin Ford (6-8 yrs.) of King Curling Club were ushered onto ice level just like the pros with the crowd cheering them on like this was the main event.

These four youngsters became eligible for the highly coveted event after qualifying within their own club competition and submitting their scores into the Ontario Data Base against 700 other youth curlers. Placing in the top 10 of Ontario in their respected age group qualified them to advance to the Finals at the Huntsville Summit Centre. The events included The Hit: hit a rock and where it ended up in the house indicated the score received. The Tap: tapping a rock up into the rings and where it stopped indicated the score. The last event was the Draw: closest rock to the button. Scores were awarded according the rings of the house – 5 points on the button, 4 pts. for the 4 foot rings, 3 pts. for the 8 foot area and 2 points for the 12 foot outer ring area.

Excitement radiated on their faces that spread rink wide as each threw their rock in an atmosphere that was electrifying. These future stars who relished with legends Glenn Howard and John Epping watching closely from the boards and no doubt wishing they too had the confidence and nerves of steel that these kids displayed.

Cheers of hurry hard were raised to new levels on the sound radar with every hit made and the smiles got bigger with every tap to the button. Pride was evident on coach Julie Oakley as her chargers did their best and made their club proud.

First-time participant Kyle Strano placed 3rd in his age group collecting the trophy for the 6-8 year olds.

Oakley said "all the kids did very well and seeing Kyle with the biggest grin on his face is moments like this that makes a coach very proud and keeps me coaching."

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Little Rockers Austin Ford, William Ford, Carson Strano and Kyle Strano represented King Curling at the Future Champs Bonspiel held at the Bayview Golf and Curling Club.

Little Rockers represent King at bonspiel

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The 36th Annual Future Champs Bonspiel was recently held at the Bayview G.C. Club and King Curling was proud to send a team of Little Rockers for the 3 6-end game contest.

Skip Carson Strano and his squad of Vice Kyle Strano, Second William Ford and Lead Austin Ford played in their first ever spiel. The challenge presented itself with the kids used to only practicing 3-end games and never before playing on ice rather than at their own club. Even though they lost 2 games and tied the 3rd, the kids placed a very respectable 6th place finish overall.

The games they lost came down to the last rock in the last end decision for a single point difference. Great sportsmanship by each player and the fun they had was tenfold. Coach Julie Oakley was very happy with their accomplishments and was elated by their excitement when she was asked where their next Bonspiel was. Congratulations team Strano on a fine debut performance.



Fundraiser for MARJOLAINE ALEXANDRE

THE SCRUFFY DUCK in Schomberg will be holding a fundraiser for MARJOLAINE ALEXANDRE on Saturday, February 24th, 2018 at 7 pm. MARJOLAINE was involved in a serious car accident recently, which left her with multiple injuries. Marjolaine is a single mother of three children and desperately needs the assistance of her friends, family and community.

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King City moving on in playoffs

By Jake Courtepatte

A referee's decision in the final three minutes decided the fate of the King City Lions and Stouffville Spartan varsity hockey teams on Monday afternoon, sending the Lions to the second round of the YRAA playoffs and the Spartans packing.

Needing only a tie to secure a spot in the second round, King City got into penalty trouble late in the game with the scoreboard reading 1-1.

Pressing for a late goal to win the game and bring the series to a deciding overtime period, Stouffville potted what they thought was the go-ahead goal with a shot from the point through traffic, but it was immediately waved off thanks to some heavy obstruction in the King City crease.

The Lions went on to hold on to the tie, despite a six-on-four advantage with the home goalie pulled, and now await their opponent in the semifinal round.

Sixth-place King City toppled third-place Stouffville 6-1 in the opening game of the first-to-three-points series in Nobleton last Thursday.

Moving on with King City are the St. Max Mustangs and the St. Theresa of Lisieux Lions, while the Sacred Heart Crusaders and Cardinal Carter Celtics are still battling it out as of press time.

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King City United holds worship services every Sunday morning at 10 a.m. There is Sunday school for the young people after the children's story during worship. 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 Feb. 18 as Pastor Mark will be continuing our new sermon series "The Five Solas" with "Faith Alone."

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lent 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

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Come for Coffee and Conversation Tuesday mornings at the church from 10-11 a.m. or Soup and Conversation (Soup's On!) in the early evening, 6-7 p.m. These are two options to enjoy fellowship while learning more about God's Word. All are welcome.

Lynn Vissers led us in worship last Sunday and preached from Matthew 5. Are we being "light in a dark world," reflecting the light of Jesus? Lynn will be leading us again February 18, the first Sunday in Lent. Sunday, February 25 will be a busy day! We look forward to the Rev. Dr. Robert Dean being with us for our worship service at 10:30 a.m. Our Annual Congregational Meeting will take place over lunch, and "Messy Church" will take place at 5 p.m., con-

cluding with a communal supper. Join us!

St. Andrew's is the King City host church this year for the World Day of Prayer, Friday, March 2, at 1:30 p.m. We will be looking at Suriname, South America. All are most welcome.

How can we at St. Andrew's bless you? Would you like to pray with someone? Need resources on prayer? Let us know. God has promised to hear and to answer our prayers. He also has promised to never leave us!

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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.

Our church office number is 905-833-2325. We are located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd.

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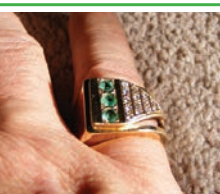
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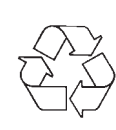
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King's Corners

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All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

Healing Ministry at All Saints The Church's ministry to the sick (and those in distress) is based on Jesus's constant concern and care for those in need. It is reinforced by the Epistle of James's admonition to the sick (and those in distress) to call for the elders of the Church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.

At All Saints licensed lay anointers invite those who want to be anointed with blessed oil and prayed over to present themselves to them at a kneeler at the front of the church during the Eucharist at the 10:30 service. This ministry is much appreciated by parishioners young and old and helps those dealing with a variety of physical and mental problems. All Saints has three licensed lay anointers and a fourth attended a training session last weekend. All Saints welcomes newcomers to attend our 10:30 sung Eucharist and if

they feel they need it, take advantage of our healing ministry.

Horticulture By John Arnott

Did you buy or receive roses for Valentine's Day? Well if you did you interacted with one of the oldest cultivated flowers in the world.

This perennial that dates to pre-historic times and beyond has at least 100 different species and thousands of cultivars. And can range in size from a miniature about 6 in./15 cm tall to a climber over 23 ft./7 m high. Most species are native to Asia but we have a species native to North America that grows wild here in King Twp.

Most original and today's wild roses have a single flowers made up of a circle of 5 deep pink (rose!) petals, each one being double lobed.

The plant's name comes from an ancient Indo European word to Persian word (wurdi) through Greek rhodon to Latin rosa. Roses, believe or not are related to strawberries, and apples. Look at their flowers and you'll realize the connection! Most rose varieties are pollinated by bees.

Now to keep those Valentine roses

happy the folks in the Nobleton-King City Horticultural Society/garden club say put them where they'll get lots of light but not direct sunlight. Change their water every 2 days and use warm water. None of the flower's leaves should be underwater as they will quickly start to decay and produce bacteria that will very much shorten the life of the bouquet as well as cause an unpleasant smell.

Always remove damaged leaves and petals. When you change the water cut about 1/4 in/.6 cm off the end of each stem while you hold it underwater in another container - a wide one is best. This procedure re-opens the cut end of the stem which may have started to scab over (a natural reaction by the plant to heal its injury) the cut, preventing the stem from absorbing a necessary amount of water. The warm water widens the stem end cells again allowing more water to be absorbed up into the flowerheads. And often this will revive drooping flowerheads. Lifting the freshly clipped flower stems out of the container where they were cut to put them back into the vase of fresh warm water shouldn't cause a problem. Sometimes just submerging the whole plant, stem, flowerhead and leaves in a container of

warm water for 2 or 3 hours, even overnight will revive it.

If you want to try your hand at drying a rose from your Valentine bouquet choose one that isn't fully open then strip off all the leaves and hang it upside down in a warm but dry dark place for about 2 weeks.

King History

In 1853, local resident and hotel owner Isaac Dennis donated land south of the main crossroads of Springhill for a railway station. The community that grew around the station was merged with Springhill to form the village of King. The railway station was closed in 1963, but was saved and restored by the King Township Historical Society and can now be found on the site of the King Heritage and Cultural Centre.

701 COMING EVENTS

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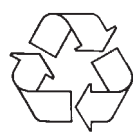
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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone
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St. Paul's Church

Do you wonder how you can make your faith and your job connect? Come to St. Paul's for a "Work As Worship" day-long retreat on Friday, Feb. 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This simulcast will feature prominent business leaders and faith leaders, including Patrick Lencioni, who will help us understand what it means to live out our faith even in the workplace. The cost to register is \$25, and it includes lunch! Go to stpaulsnobleton.ca to register. See you there!

Guys, you're invited to come out to the Men's LifeConnect group which meets Saturday mornings at 9 for about one hour. We watch a half-hour online message and then discuss what it means and how we can apply it in our lives. The message is delivered by Pastor Mark Hughes of the Church of the Rock in Winnipeg who uses humour extensively to make his points. So, guys, resolve to invest one additional hour a week (that's less than 1%) in your spiritual growth.

The Community Youth Group takes place every Thursday 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 con-

tact 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, Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. as Jeff continues his series through John. Jeff's message this week is titled "Who are you looking for?" We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper and everyone is encouraged to bring donations for the Food Bank. Following the service we have a great time catching up with each other over coffee and goodies.

Jeff's messages are posted at www.passionatelyhis.com each week. They are also on Facebook Live and are available on the church's Facebook page (@stpaulsnobleton) for viewing.

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

St. Mary's Church

26th annual Lift Jesus Higher rally. "In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us" (Romans 8:37-39). Saturday, March 3 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Building, 255 Front Street West. Adult Rally:

\$25, Youth Rally: (13 to 18) \$15.

Nobleton United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

Sunday, Feb. 18 is the First Sunday in Lent. The theme is "A Covenant of Love."

Minister Carol-Ann Chapman is offering a six-week Lenten Study series on Tuesdays starting on Feb. 20, 10-11 a.m. on "Why I Believe" featuring devotions and reflections on faith and discipleship. Everyone will be invited to participate and there are no right or wrong answers.

The next Messy Church is Feb. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. The theme "Love God" will be related to the story of the prodigal son and how his father treats him on his return. There are crafts and table tennis for the first hour, a short interactive story until 6:15, and then a dinner with raw veggies and dip, fresh fruit and something hot from the oven. The messiest activity this month will be dipping one's hand into jelly to find various foods, as if you were the prodigal son who was so hungry that you considered eating pigswill. Children must be accompanied with a responsible adult. For more info, contact me, Nancy, at 905-859-0761.

Our Annual General Meeting is on Sunday, Feb. 25, following the service and a light lunch.

We are having our famous Pasta Dinner with meatballs (Gino DiFebo's heritage Italian recipe) on Friday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m. The meal includes salad, buns and dessert (canned fruit, ice cream and a special crispy Italian wafer cookie called pizzella). Tickets are \$20 per adult, and \$45 for a family (12 and under). For tickets call Linda Olsen at 905-859-0442. The meal is organized by Gino & Sue DiFebo and Val Ball. There is only one sitting, so call ASAP to reserve your seats. This is a lovely occasion. There is time to talk to your neighbours. There is also the fun of door prizes.

If you are interested in reading some sermons that our minister Carol-Ann Chapman has given, please visit our

website and click on the "Message from our Minister" button.

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.

Our worship services are at 11:15 a.m. Sundays at 6076 King Rd., Nobleton. For more info, visit nobletonunitdchurch.com, our Facebook page, or call 905-859-3976. The Nobleton United Church office is normally open on Tuesdays, 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. 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. We warmly welcome everyone, old and young.

Nobleton Lions

The Nobleton Lions Club has a very busy spring planned.

The Pet Value Walk for Dog Guides is planned for Sunday, May 27. 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.walkfordogguides.com for more information.

After that comes the Nobleton Lions Annual Fund Raiser on June 3. This year the event is a Charity Golf Tournament to be held close to home at Nobleton Lakes Golf Course. This is the major fund raiser 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.

Watch this space for further details as the events get closer, and why not check out our website at www.nobletonlions.com. Also, you could look us up on facebook or Instagram.

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

The next pot luck lunch will be held at the Centre tomorrow (Friday, Feb. 16) at 12:30. Attendees are asked to bring either a main course item or a dessert. Come in out of the cold and enjoy a warm time with friends old and new.

Our next trip is to the Showplace Dinner Theatre for an all you can eat buffet followed by a performance of "A St. Patrick's Day Kitchen Party." This will take place on Friday, March 16. The cost is \$99 per person. You may sign up at the pot luck lunch tomorrow or by calling Agnes (905-841-7390) or Jayne (905-853-1436).

Our annual pancake supper will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 20. There will be two sittings - 4:30 pm and 6 p.m. Tickets are now available at \$10 per adult and \$5 for children under 12 by calling Mary (905-833-0448) or Vince (905-833-6305).

Be sure to check out our website - www.kingcityseniors.ca

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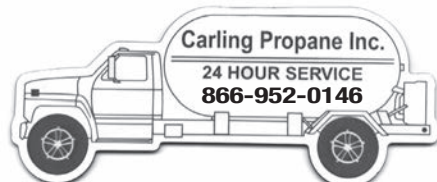
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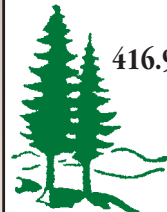


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Nobleton Notes

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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, please call Bob Phillips at 416-522-9675.

Nobleton Skating Club

This is the 60th anniversary of the Nobleton Skating Club, and it is small fundraisers like this that have helped the club to make it to 60 years. We would really appreciate your support.

As well, don't ever think it's too late

to skate! Though our current session of Canskate is underway, we are happy to prorate any new memberships joining part way through the session. Please skate with us in January when we have a new session beginning.

Canskate, our learn to skate program, is offered on Mondays at 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. and Saturday mornings at 9 a.m. Registration is open and is available through our website, www.nobletonskatingclub.com. For more, call our office at 905-859-4943.

Anglican Parish By John Arnott

It's mid-February and have you noticed there's almost an extra hour of daylight. And the solemn church season of Lent has just begun. Is there a connection?

The St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton want you to know there really is for the name Lent is not based anything religious but rather on lencen the old Anglo-Saxon word for spring as well as the month of March and from which we get our modern English words length, lengthen and lengthening, and the daylight hours are surely lengthening.

In some early Christian communities Lent was not observed at all. But when fasting before Easter became a widespread practice the length of the fast differed from place to place and from one generation to another.

St. Irenaeus of Lyons (130-200 AD) wrote that some Christian communities fasted for just 1 or 2 days before Easter while other Christian communities fasted for 40 hours commemorating the actual time Jesus lay in his borrowed tomb.

By the mid-3rd century many Egyptian Christians, especially in Alexandria, fasted for 6 days while Christians in Rome held a 3-week fast.

It was in 325 AD when Constantine, the first Christian Roman Emperor, convened the Council of Nicea in what is today Turkey to discuss a wide range of Christian issues. One was the Lenten

fast became 40 days in length in recognition of the 40 days Jesus spent in the semi desert of ancient Judea (modern Israel) communing with God, praying and fasting before he began his ministry.

Now Christian communities gradually extended the fast by several days then 2 or 3 weeks but it would take years before the 40-day observance became widespread. And back then this fast was known by its Latin name Quadragesima meaning 40.

By the mid-medieval period the Anglo-Saxons now known as the English were calling the month March and the season spring. Then lencen was shortened to Lent and came to refer only to the Christian 40 day pre-Easter fast.

There may have been a more practical side for Lenten fasting than religious as by this time of the year in the Middle Ages supplies put aside for winter would have been half used up and if those still available continued to be used at the same rate and planting was delayed by persistent wintry conditions starvation could have been the result so by eating less the dwindling supplies would last longer. And fasting for religious reasons would have been psychologically easier to handle than having less to eat because food was running low.

his writer meant to say in last week's paper that fish and beaver were not considered meat and therefore could be eaten during Lent.

Cougars bounced from PJHL playoffs

By Jake Courtepatte

The Hornet's sting is a familiar feeling for the Schomberg Cougars. For the fourth season in a row, the Cougars were eliminated Thursday night from the Provincial Junior Hockey League playoffs by the Alliston Hornets, a four-game sweep that was much closer than the final results portrayed.

After only a late comeback by the defending league champions gave the Hornets a two-games-to-none lead in the seven-game series last week, Schomberg fought back on Monday in the hopes of cutting the lead in half, eventually falling to the brink of elimination with a 4-2 score.

Thursday the action returned to the Trisan Centre for game four, where Lucas Brockie put the home team on the board first just over two minutes into the game, proving the Cougars were not willing to get down without a fight.

Alliston proceeded to bombard Adriano Mamone's nets with shots for the remainder of the first twenty minutes, squeaking two past the goaltender on 18 opening period shots for a 2-1 lead.

After a scoreless middle frame, Alliston took a 3-1 lead just under seven minutes into the third, though Schomberg's Daniel Perry brought them back within a goal just over one minute later.

The back-and-forth action had Alliston's Ryan Sallows make it 4-2 just 51 seconds after the Perry goal, before a power play marker sewered the Cougars and decided their fate.

Mamone was able to make 40 saves on 45 Alliston shots.

The Hornets bounced the Cougars from the opening round in five games in 2017, four games in 2016, and four games in the league final in 2015.

Despite the sweep, the Cougars had their most successful season since reaching the championship series in 2014-15 in putting up 33 points, only drawing the second-seeded Hornets after some rearranging in the standings ladder late in the season.

The first-seeded Stayner Siskins are also moving on with a perfect record, sweeping the Orillia Terriers in four games, while both they and the Hornets await their lower-seeded semifinal opponents.

The Huntsville Otters hold a 3-2 series lead on the Caledon Golden Hawks, while the Penetang Kings have a commanding 3-1 lead on the Midland Flyers.

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

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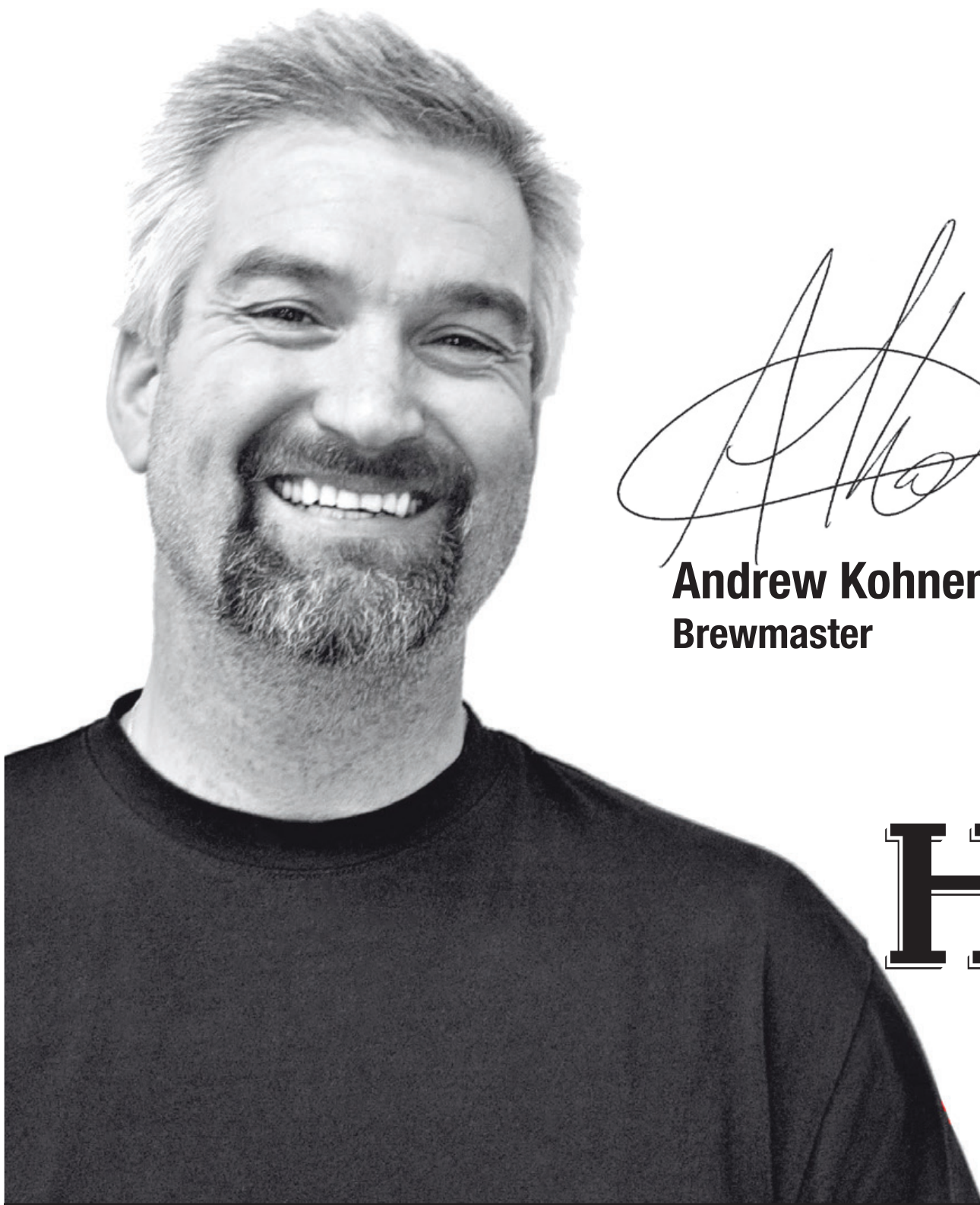
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