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King home part of lottery's grand prize

By Mark Pavilonis

A King City mansion makes up the largest grand prize ever in this year's fundraising lottery for the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre in Toronto.

The grand prize in the Princess Margaret Home Lottery is the \$4.47 million King City home, a cottage and \$500,000 in cash, with a total value of just over \$6 million.

The home was opened up for the launch and viewing last week. It's located at 103 Carmichael Crescent in King City. It boasts 8,510 square feet in a country setting.

Your vehicles will be tucked away in your 2-car garage (complete with mudroom access and lots of storage space), leaving the motor courtyard clear for guest parking.

From the moment you open the door from the portico and step into the spectacular foyer, you'll know this is truly a luxury home! The double doors swing wide for easy access to the breathtaking entrance to the home. From the soaring, coffered ceilings, to the incredible porcelain tile, every detail is exquisite.

The enormous 3-season lanai that extends the width of the home and overlooks the beautiful Oak Ridges Moraine. Accessible from the kitchen through a stunning double set of French doors, it's the perfect place to enjoy a meal on a nice day, to entertain, or to unwind.

The master bedroom is an inviting retreat and includes a private lounge area.

Perhaps you'd rather end your day with a soak in the over-

sized tub in your spa-like ensuite? You'll love the walk-in closet for all your shoes and party dresses. It's like another bedroom!

The lower level is ready for a party. The lounge area is perfect for relaxing, or practicing your best dance moves. Or, hang out with your friends at the floating bar. There's even a prep kitchen, so no need to leave the party for more food or drinks! There's also a beautiful wine room!

The King City Showhome was designed to impress, and interior design director, Jack Celli has delivered once again!

"This year's home features a collaboration of design elements to create a transitional interior. Modern, classic and traditional materials and furnishings blend together room by room to enhance an eclectic look," said Celli, interior design director for Greenpark Group.

The home is open for viewing Monday to Friday: 3 to 8 p.m. and from noon to 5 p.m. on weekends and holidays.

The grand prize also features a \$1 million Muskoka lake-front cottage by Linwood Custom Homes. It's a 1,936-square-foot cottage, with a wrap-around deck and it's also awarded fully furnished and decorated.

To top it all off, the winner will receive \$500,000 in cash, making the grand prize worth over \$6 million.

Proceeds from the lottery will support the work done at Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, one of the top five cancer research centres in the world.

The final deadline for ticket sales is May 18. For more, visit princessmargaretlotto.com

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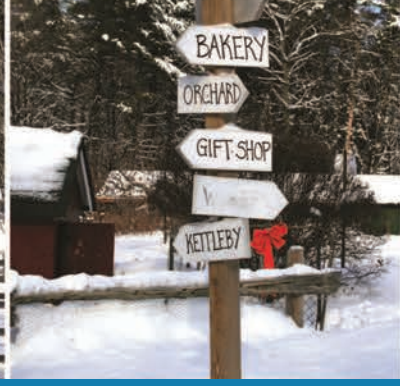


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UPCOMING MEETINGS

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. (Gougoulias)

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 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.

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

7 pm – King Township Public Library Board

King City branch, 1970 King Road

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Fitness Instructor – Zumba (P/T contract) – closes Mar. 1
- Program Instructor – Arts & Heritage (P/T contract) – closes Mar. 1
- Customer Service Clerk (contract) – closes Mar. 2
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (P/T, seasonal) – closes Mar. 5
- Fleet Supervisor/Mechanic – closes Mar. 5
- Dance Instructor – Children (P/T, seasonal) – closes Mar. 12

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

PUBLIC NOTICES

Half-load restrictions

The annual half-load period to limit vehicle weights to 5,000 kg per starts on designated Township roads effective Thurs., March 1, 2018 to Thurs., May 31, 2018.

For further information, please visit www.king.ca or call 905-833-5321

REMINDERS

PROPERTY TAX BILLS

1st Interim Installment

Due Date: February 26, 2018



PROPERTY TAX BILLS have now been mailed. Please contact the Finance Department immediately if you have not received your bill.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Tax	Bill Payment Options
X	By pre-authorized bank withdrawal (PAD)
X	At most financial institutions, including via personal on-line banking
X	By cheque

If paying in person at a financial institution, please present the entire water bill.

When making payments electronically, search for "King" and select Tax, enter your 15 digit roll number with no decimal (i.e. 000123456780000).

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

**TOWNSHIP OF KING VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS
COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 2018 GRANTS**

Non-profit community organizations which provide or develop recreation, cultural or social opportunities within the Township of King are advised that applications for Grants from the Township of King for 2018 must be completed and submitted to the Township by Tuesday, April 2nd, 2018.

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

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Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement
Township Clerk
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PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE



Youth Dance

The next Youth Dance is on Fri., Feb. 23! If you are a youth in grades 6-8 join us at the Nobleton Arena from 7:30 pm-10:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Youth Dances are supervised by Township of King Parks, Recreation and Cultures staff and the York Regional Police. For more information please email programs@king.ca.



Our community guide is now available online at www.king.ca, at the municipal offices at 2075 King Rd. in King City or at King Township libraries and arenas.

Summer Camp registration

Registration for King Township's Summer Camps, Swim Lessons and Programs begins March 1. Register online, in person, via email, fax or mail. Visit www.king.ca for all the details!

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Councillors David Boyd & Linda Pabst	Councillor Bill Cober	Councillor Avia Eek	Councillors Cleve Mortelliti & Debbie Schaefer

Informal Meet & Greet ■ Discuss Ward/Township Issues

All Welcome!

Please see more King Township notices on page 3

King, York, TRCA support new Oak Ridges Moraine park proposal

King Township is “ground zero” in the next phase of the battle to protect and preserve the Oak Ridges Moraine. This time, however, unlikely allies are racing to voice their support for a new, landmark park proposal.

The proposed reserve, dubbed the East Humber Headwaters Park, is to cover 500 acres of largely vacant land north of King Road, between Bathurst St. and Dufferin St. At its widest, the wedge-shaped property spans the entire width of the narrow corridor of the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan Area between King City and Richmond Hill, and includes important headwaters of the Humber River flowing into Lake Ontario.

The vision for the site includes opening it to public access, with gradual restoration of the natural environment to reflect the native Oak Ridges Moraine habitat.

Local government and conservation leaders are vocal in their support.

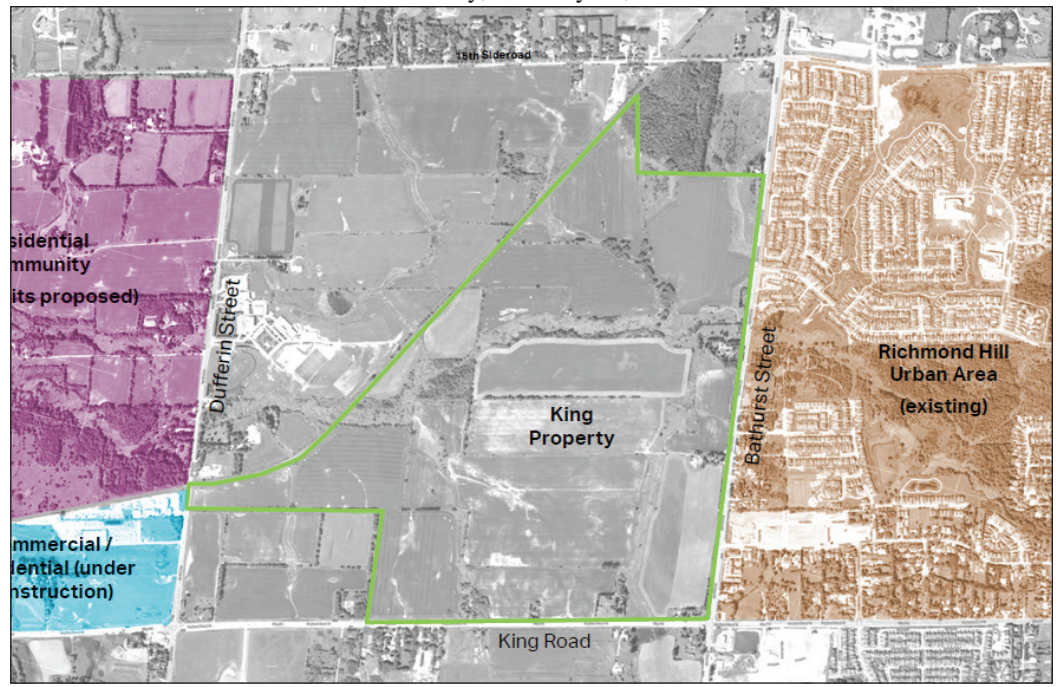
“We’re very excited about this unique opportunity to restore and protect such a critical and narrow natural linkage corridor on the Oak Ridges Moraine,” said John Mackenzie, CEO of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, which has committed its support to the proposal. “With the support and leadership of the Province, in partnership with the Region, we’re going to be able to create something truly special for King and all of York Region.”

The board of TRCA, and the councils of King Township, York Region and the City of Toronto have all passed resolutions in recent weeks supporting for the project.

Some important steps remain, including securing the support of the Ontario Government. To bring the land into public ownership, supporters are calling for the property, which has been in the same family for nearly 80 years, to be exchanged for less ecologically-sensitive development lands owned by the Province.

This is very similar to the tried-and-tested approach that was used to create the Oak Ridges Corridor Conservation Reserve in 2004. The proposed park would similarly protect the vital watershed and provide a significantly enhanced connection for wildlife in the Oak Ridges Moraine.

“It’s a game changer,” according to Debbe Crandall, former executive director of the Save the Oak Ridges Moraine (STORM) Coalition, and an instrumental voice in the successful campaign to ensure the long-term protection of the Moraine. “The opportunity to fully protect and restore a property like this, located at a vital pinch point in the Moraine, is pivotal to making the long-term vision of a healthy and vital Oak Ridges Moraine a reality. It’s a chance to create an ecological crown jewel for the residents of King and all of the central GTA.”



Community rallies to help local family with fundraiser at Scruffy Duck Saturday

By Mark Pavilons

The community is coming together in support of one of its own. The Scruffy Duck in Schomberg is the scene of a fundraiser for Marjolaine Alexandre, who sustained serious injuries in a car accident recently.

Marjolaine was headed to the grocery store when a truck lost control and veered into her lane. She could not avoid this collision, which was not her fault. She underwent three surgeries to repair a broken foot, ankle, elbow, collar bone, hips and fusion to vertebrae in lower back. It looks like she will be in rehabilitation for many months.

Marjolaine, who lives in Pottageville, worked at the Luxe Hair Lounge and currently has very little in the way of income. Funds are needed to help her pay bills.

Word spread like wildfire to help the single mother of three. Many residents and local businesses have stepped in to help.

Lorna Downs set up the fundraising page for her (<https://www.gofundme.com/marjolaine-accident-fund>) and it’s nearing the goal of \$25,000. More than half was raised in just eight days.

The event at the Scruffy Duck is this Saturday, Feb. 24, starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person and include a buffet meal, silent auction, raffles, live entertainment, and more. Tickets are available at the restaurant.

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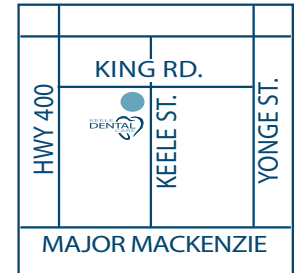
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Seeking Nominations For
VOLUNTEER AWARDS
Closing Monday, March 12, 2018

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
- Lifetime Achievement
- 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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Editorial, Letters & Opinion

"A newspaper is the center of a community, it's one of the tent poles of the community, and that's not going to be replaced by websites and blogs."

~ Michael Connelly

Let's make a habit of showing kindness to others

We all want our lives to mean something.

Many people have amassed a long list of accomplishments, and a resume worth boasting about. Some are renowned philanthropists and others are at the top of their game in sports or entertainment.

For us average folk, all we can do is try to live our lives well, be compassionate, raise decent kids and touch some hearts along the way.

A legacy like that is pretty decent if you ask me.

I'm very proud of my kids, especially my oldest daughter Lexie, who just turned 20.

She's in her second year at Western, taking advanced humanities. She's hoping for a career in international aid, perhaps working for an NGO or even the United Nations!

Her compassion seems limitless.

Around the holidays, Lexie and her mom invited a homeless man in to a dinner for a meal and cup of coffee.

The day after Valentine's Day, she went to volunteer at a women's shelter near her school in London.

This year, instead of birthday gifts, she posted a link online to a gofundme page to raise money for a young woman in Kenya, to help her with her post-secondary costs. Lexie spent three weeks in Kenya, as part of a Me to We/Free the Children volunteer adventure. They spent some time working with the locals and helping to build a school and medical complex.



Mark Pavilons

The participants were quite engaged, and put to work mixing concrete and smashing rocks, in order to build a school foundation. They learned Swahili. They also learned, first-hand (or should I say first-head) about the arduous task of carrying water from its source to the village.

The group visited the Kishon health centre to learn about We charities health pillar. They were given a tour of the welcome room, the doctors offices, the lab, the pharmacy, the emergency room, the optometrists, and finally the beautiful convalescence garden.

Lexie is itching to get out there and help some more. This spring, she hopes to travel to Guatemala, via International Volunteer Headquarters, which organizes student aid trips abroad. It seems helping others is in her blood.

I am pleased that our planet is in the hands of young people like her.

Lexie is one to totally immerse herself in local culture. She's never an "outsider," but rather an active participant who wants to know everything about a culture and help with their unique trials and tribulations.

I have no doubt she would give everything she has to help, and make a difference.

I have received a number of notes and emails telling me what a wonderful soul Lexie is. Some have congratulated me for raising such a giving young woman. I don't really know how I impacted her in this manner. My wife and I simply instill fundamental notions and values. And we always encouraged our kids to follow their hearts, supporting them with all that we have.

It hasn't been easy, since some of Lexie's missions trips have been costly. But with help from my friends in King and a supportive extended family, we managed to send her abroad.

I think Lexie will be an amazing ambassador some day. She may never be really wealthy, but I know her life will have meaning and her legacy will be remembered for a long time.

Our daughter is not really unique. Almost weekly I come across King residents who rise above challenges, go out of their way to help others, and pitch in

for some great causes.

Residents are rallying around Pottsville resident Marjolaine Alexandre, a single mother who was seriously injured in a car accident. A gofundme page is quickly nearing its goal, thanks to the generosity of strangers. A fundraising event is being held Saturday, Feb. 24 at The Scruffy Duck in Schomberg, starting at 7 p.m. It's sure to be a fun-filled night, all for a very good cause.

I received King resident Len Mizoni's CD last week - "Waves of Indigo." One song, "Be Kind" not only made me smile, but filled me with a sense of optimism, of contributing to the human race in a positive way. He said it was inspired by Ellen Degeneres, who ends every show with the phrase "Be kind to one another."

She's right of course. Kindness is in us all to give, freely!

Random acts of kindness abound all across King on a regular basis.

Residents of Kingscross came together almost instantly to help a motorist whose vehicle was stuck in a ditch. I know some of the residents in that neighbourhood, and I know they always lend a hand, or come together for a great cause. It's what they do.

These days, we create goals and make some crazy to-do lists. But most of these plans forget about our fundamental nature and values of living. We need to embrace others; contribute; share and offer a hand up when called upon. We need to love, build bridges and fix what's broken.

Be kind to one another, always! It's never too late to give.

Letter to the Editor

Praise for global funding

Full kudos goes to the Trudeau Liberals for their recent pledge to the global Partnership for Education of \$180 million over three years.

This couldn't have come at a better time, with U.S. president Trump's recent slashing of two-thirds of America's funding to the United Nations agency that runs schools for Palestinian children. Education, especially for girls, is critical for improving lives in the developing world.

Canada still lags behind all other developed nations in terms of this kind of funding, but this new investment increases hope for a new direction for the Liberals and that we will begin carrying our fair share.

Tracy Koebel
Victoria

Statistics Canada conducting cannabis survey

Statistics Canada will be conducting a survey aimed at better understanding cannabis use in Canada.

The National Cannabis Survey is part of a larger initiative underway at Statistics Canada to track the impact of the legalization of non-medical cannabis, a change that may come into effect by mid-year.

Each quarter, a sample of 12,000 households will receive an invitation to complete the 21-question online survey. In addition to frequency of use, amount and types of product consumed, and prices paid, Canadians will be asked about changes in their behaviour or consumption patterns. Respondent information will be kept strictly confidential; data are collected under the authority of the Statistics Act.

Survey results will be released five to six weeks after the end of each collection period. Results will be used in conjunction with other data sources to ensure that Canadians are well-positioned to understand the economic, health and social impacts of legalization.

The National Cannabis Survey differs from Statistics Canada's recently-launched crowdsourcing platform, which collects information online on previous cannabis transactions.



Brainteaser



I have no eyes, no legs, or ears, and I help move the earth. What am I?

Last week's answer: "Shoes" is the only "pair" that actually has 2 separate pieces.

King Township Trivia

Laskay's first store, known as the "Laskay Emporium," was built in 1845 by Joseph Baldwin. This historic building was given to the Black Creek Pioneer Village in 1960.

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Results from last week's poll:
Have you been watching the Olympic events?

a) Yes **74%**

b) No **26%**

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Are you worried about the stress levels among teenagers today?

a) Yes

b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!

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The hero behind the 'Let's Rock 'n Roll MS Away' event

By Tristan Degli Angeli
Age 12

"I have MS, but MS doesn't have me"
- Monia Isgro.

Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a progressive, degenerative disorder of the central nervous system. The disease is variable in its progression and affects parts of the nervous system by destroying the myelin sheaths which cover the nerves, causing an inflammatory response.

Monia Isgro is my hero. She was diagnosed with MS in 2004. She continues to battle this disease every day by staying positive, eating healthy and keeping fit.

Five years ago, she started Let's Rock 'n Roll MS Away. It's become an annual fundraiser to raise awareness and funds to hopefully one day find a cure for MS and better one's quality of life by providing them with wheelchairs, walkers etc. The fundraiser is held at



stay committed to exercise. Once a week, Monia has a personal trainer come and train with her. Sticking to a strict diet and exercising daily is not easy, especially when you are experiencing fatigue. Monia's perseverance is very inspiring.

Other symptoms of MS can include chronic headaches, loss of vision, difficulty balancing, numbness, difficulty in walking and talking. Monia hopes that researchers are close to finding a cure.

Monia is dedicated to raising money to help find a cure for MS. Her plans for her fundraiser continue to grow each and every year. This year, a gala will be held where the community can enjoy a delicious dinner and night of dancing with friends and family. Tickets will be sold for the event and all profit will go towards the MS Chapter, York Region, as well as hospitals that are doing their very best research to find a cure. Monia Isgro is excited for this year's fundraiser and gala, as it marks the fundraiser's fifth anniversary. The gala will be held in addition to the annual car show.

Monia is a wonderful mom, wife and friend. She should not have to fight this battle alone. The overwhelming attendance at her fundraiser is proof of how great she truly is. People come from near and far to support her and her cause.

Let's Rock 'n Roll MS Away will take place on Sunday, June 24 this year, at the Schomberg Fairgrounds. Please bring out your family for some old fashion fun and support this fundraiser for MS.

Mulroney tops fundraising, committed to boosting health care

By Mark Pavilons

PC leadership candidate Caroline Mulroney was quick out of the starting gate.

In just over a week, Mulroney and her team have raised \$486,208 from 983 individual donors - that is more than the Liberals have raised in each and every month last year.

Caroline will ensure the party is ready to win in the upcoming June election. This is just one more clear indication that members are excited about her new and different approach.

Mulroney joined three other contenders - Doug Ford, Christine Elliott and Tanya Granic Allen - in the first debate last week.

Mulroney, candidate in York-Simcoe, confirmed her commitment to ramping up health care.

She vowed to:

- Reduce wait times for services.
- Make targeted investments in youth and children's mental health services across the province, including funding for mental health support services on university and college campuses.

- Expand the Crisis Outreach and Support Team (COAST) pilot project, which teams up plain clothes police officers and mental health workers to divert people in crisis away from repeated police contact.

- Invest in mental health services, including suicide prevention counselling and services for Indigenous and northern communities.

- Reform PTSD legislation to presume PTSD diagnoses for trauma nurses are workplace related.

"By the time they're 40, one in two Canadians have struggled with mental illness," Mulroney said. "You probably know one of them."

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"We can only get this done together. Buy a membership right now and join me."

the Schomberg fairgrounds and consists of a car show, live entertainment, activities for the kids and food vendors.

I asked Monia what her plans for Let's Rock 'n Roll MS Away are and she said: "My plans for the fundraiser are for it to grow and develop into something that is very well known and able to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars to put an end to this debilitating disease." Her goals for the fundraiser are "to attract hundreds of thousands of people and to raise enough money to end multiple sclerosis itself."

I asked Monia if she thinks that her fundraiser has raised awareness in our community. She responded by saying "Yes I think my fundraiser has helped raise awareness because throughout the years, with the help of my committee, we have been fortunate enough to have four successful years and have been able to raise over seventy thousand dollars."

Monia is truly a local hero. She battles this disease everyday and helps others fight it, too.

MS affects people differently. Monia's life has changed significantly since she was diagnosed but she doesn't let it get her down.

We discussed how her life has personally been affected by MS. Monia stated "MS has affected my life by slowing me down in my daily routines, and also having to take medication on a daily basis."

Monia must monitor her diet and



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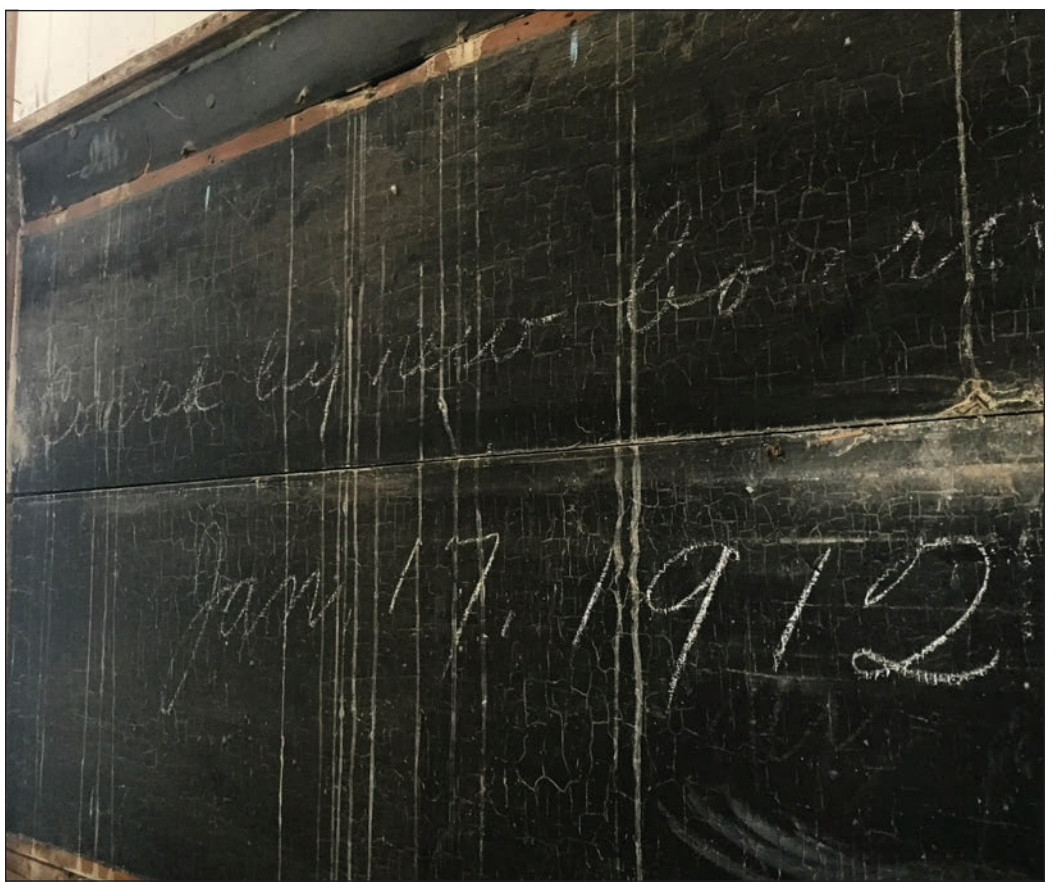
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Century-old inscription uncovered at the King Township Museum

By Madison Gane

Hidden behind a black slate chalkboard, unannounced to all, was a simple phrase delicately handwritten in white chalk: "Covered by new board Jan. 17, 1912."

Imagine the excitement of the King Township Museum staff when contractors uncovered this 106-year-old inscription while starting the preliminary stage of renovations to the Kinghorn schoolroom.

Prior to this discovery, we had been (half jokingly) making comments to one another about finding a hidden treasure in our schoolroom during the renovations. Little did we know that we were about to stumble upon an inscription that was patiently waiting to be discovered.

The inscription, although it may seem simple in character, exhibits the modest effort made by someone 106 years ago to record an architectural change within the Kinghorn schoolroom that they felt should be remembered. Ironically, its discovery has come during a time of large-scale renovations and changes that are currently being made to the space.

The Kinghorn Schoolroom was built in 1861 and served as a school until its closure in the late 1970s. Today, the schoolroom is the foundation of the King Township Museum and represents the historic value of the site.

In May 2017, the King Museum received the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund, a federal grant from the Canadian Heritage Services issued to improve heritage and art facilities. With this grant, in addition to funding from the Fawcett Bequest and the Township, the Kinghorn Schoolroom will be undergoing impressive changes that will enhance the space by creating an interactive and permanent exhibit that outlines the history of King Township.

As we prepare for something new at our site, this inscription reminds us that recording changes throughout history plays an important role in preserving and contextualizing the past for future generations. We plan to conserve the inscription and incorporate it into our new exhibit.

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- Motion of the ocean
- Fixed habit
- Tender meat cut
- Clod
- Very fine rain
- Diamond decision
- Extremely thin
- Aboard
- Aretha Franklin wanted it
- Siamese or tabby
- Track broker
- Correct
- Dollar division
- Day's beginning
- Milk sugar
- Scoop
- Entrance
- Ricelike pasta
- Yeast, e.g.
- Unearth
- Insect's feeler
- Burning substance
- Threaded fastener
- Data
- Bill of fare
- Lived
- Matterhorn's range
- Before of yore
- Ten-four buddy
- Cherish
- On the _____
- Forbidden
- 1601, to Caesar
- Sink one's teeth into
- Glide over snow
- "____ of Destruction"
- Word of regret
- Promptly
- Scope of knowledge
- Apiece
- Sulu's station
- Geek
- Oversee
- Break
- Boo-boo list
- Animal's home
- Mackerel
- Court excuse
- Retribution
- Buck or doe
- Wicker material
- Untethered
- "We ____ a Little Christmas"
- Clerical garment
- Lassie
- Poetic work
- Notation
- Streamlined
- Trounce
- Provoke
- Flower part
- Indian pole emblem
- Foreground
- Volatile solvent
- Grain-storage tower
- Bosc or Bartlett
- Dress part
- Beginning
- Land surrounded by water
- Numerical ending
- Settee
- Woman's title
- Despots
- Licorice flavoring
- Silly talk
- Channel
- Deviate
- Profession
- Catlike
- Eloquent speaker
- Not widespread
- Light bender
- Fix text
- Pager sound
- Asian nanny
- Grill
- Maui strings
- Serious offense
- Enjoin

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The word around King

Which Olympic sports has caught your attention?

Leah Fitscher
"Figure skating, like the ice dancing."

Bryan Park
"None in particular."

Hunter Ismenson
"The hockey."

Brad Worker
"Curling."

King Chamber enters 10th year with renewed focus

By Mark Pavilons

The King Chamber of Commerce has never been stronger.

Marking its 10th anniversary, the Chamber welcomed its 2018 board of directors at its AGM held last week at Nobleton Lakes Golf Club. While the business organization said farewell to some, it welcomed new faces and a new commitment to advocating for local business interests.

Chamber president Tom Allen noted the King Chamber was formed from separate village business groups in 2008, during one of the worst recessions in recent memory. While there were some growing pains, the Chamber today is strong and has fostered solid relationships with local businesses and the Township of King.

The voice of local business is being heard loud and clear. The Chamber's traditional annual events remain popular and membership, as well as member participation is growing steadily.

The Chamber provides as much exposure as it can for local interests, through events, advocacy and physical publications such as the annual Business Directory.

Allen said he's learned in his years of business that listening is the key. Listening, to both members and their clients, "has a huge impact on outcomes," he said.

The Chamber was one of the leads on providing input and changes to the Township's new sign bylaw, recently passed by council. The two-year process involved research, input and engagement at many levels.

This year marks the departure of Robin Priestly, who's been a board member for nine years. In what he called his "hardest good-bye," Allen told Priestly she's been the "heart and soul of the Chamber" for many years. She helped take the fragmented body and turn it into a well oiled machine.

Priestly said her father taught her to work with, and connect with her community. She praised everyone who served on the Chamber board over the years for making a contribution.

The Chamber board is looking at ways to get members involved this year, and help support promotion. They're toying with the idea of holding a form of trade show, but they're still tossing

around ideas.

Priestly gave her last financial report, noting while the Chamber ab-

sorbed a deficit in 2017, they still have a healthy bank balance. The added costs last year involved computer equipment

and software upgrades, which are a one-time expenditure. The Chamber does try to break even, she noted.



The King Chamber of Commerce welcomed its new board of directors for 2018 – Jay Rider; Rob Payne; Tara McCarthy; Margarida Ramos D'Alfonso; Kelly Mathews; David Cross; Brian Speers; Tom Allen; Rose Dodaro; Kelly Foley; Zach Shoub. President Tom Allen said good-bye to Robin Priestly (left) for her nine years of service to the Chamber.

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Partnership advances revolutionary treatment

By Mark Pavilons

The efforts of a King company to improve the lives of millions has received a solid boost through a unique partnership with an American health care provider.

Sensus Healthcare and BirchBioMed have entered into a collaboration to take scar treatment to the next level.

Sensus, a Nasdaq company and a leader in the innovative use of SRT (superficial radiation therapy) in the treatment of keloids, combined with BirchBioMed's late-stage FS2 product candidates, takes the treatment of scars to the next level.

Sensus Healthcare, Inc. is a medical device company specializing in the non-invasive treatment of non-melanoma skin cancers and keloids with superficial radiation therapy (SRT). The biomedical company is focused on anti-scarring drugs, to treat and prevent scarring more effectively for patients who are afflicted with keloids.

"This partnership unites our joint efforts to eliminate the suffering of millions of people who have disfiguring keloids and other scars," said Kingscross resident Mark Miller, chairman and CEO of BirchBioMed. "Combining Sensus' innovative use of SRT with BirchBioMed's late-stage FS2 product candidates takes the treatment of keloids scars to the next level. This is especially revolutionary given that expensive cosmetic treatments on the market show little, if any, efficacy in treating scars. Medical alternatives are also costly,

painful for the patient and focused on healing wounds, not on preventing and eliminating scars altogether."

Sensus' SRT delivers precise, calibrated low-dose radiation that effectively destroys the non-malignant tumor cells that cause keloids and other scars. BirchBioMed's pipeline of fibrosis-targeted treatments, including FS2, prevents the formation of external and internal scars on the molecular level by targeting excessive scar protein formation that results from repair of an injury, surgery and as a consequence of chronic disease. To date, there has been no therapeutic agent approved by the FDA that targets scarring on the molecular level.

"BirchBioMed has the means to provide cost-effective products that will work in conjunction with Sensus' SRT to prevent and/or eliminate scarring," added Joe Sardano, president and CEO of Sensus Healthcare. "This is all about creating better products at a lower cost for patients with scars, and especially keloids, and this collaboration will ultimately create more effective options for both doctors and patients moving forward."

Miller and Susan Elliott, co-founders of BirchBioMed, are pleased their work has moved forward. The duo has been committed to bringing the product to market, and has been working with researchers and investors for roughly three years.

BirchBioMed holds the exclusive world-wide pharmaceutical licence from UBC for two breakthrough ther-

apeutic technologies. Hopes are, the lead drug, FS2, will replace all existing treatments for several diseases.

"Scarring affects hundreds of millions of people," said Dr. Ryan Hartwell, BirchBioMed's chief science officer, who, along with Dr. Aziz Ghahary, founded the FS2 technology. "... the physical and emotional toll it takes is devastating. The simplicity of our topical treatment holds the promise of improving patient quality-of-life and potentially achieving dramatic reductions in the cost of treatment."

FS2 has already proven safe and effective, preventing the formation of scars and promoting the breakdown of existing scars, as well as reversing Type 1 Diabetes and Alopecia, when combined with a simple, one-time cell therapy. The company is poised to begin phase II trials in Canada and the U.S., and its patent for topical use to prevent scarring has been approved in the U.S. In all, BirchBioMed is thrilled with the results, which have already received world-wide acclaim.

These technologies are being viewed as important breakthroughs that have the potential to impact millions of people worldwide.

"Until now there has not been a single therapeutic that can satisfactorily target the molecular aspects of scarring, which results from the body over-repairing after an injury, surgery or disease," said Dr. Ghahary, regarded as one of the top experts in scarring and burn injuries. He's also the director of the British Columbia Firefighters Burn and Wound Healing Laboratory, part of the Vancouver Coastal Health Research Institute (VCHRI).

FS2, a small molecule (roughly the size of aspirin) that the body produces naturally, is an end-stage metabolite, which means that, once it is created in the body, it is no longer modified before being excreted. It's abundant in a woman's body during pregnancy, and has been found to protect the fetus from being rejected by the body as a foreign substance.

FS2 works by stopping the body from over-producing scar tissue, both inside and out. Not only does it prevent scarring from taking place right after damage or surgery, it can actually breakdown scarring that has already taken place. This has tremendous benefits in treating skin damage caused by various conditions, as well as burns. By using FS2 on sutures themselves, it can prevent scarring from ever taking place. Preliminary tests show efficacy within 60 days.

"This is one of the most exciting efforts I've ever been involved in," Miller said.

"It is our intention to develop our therapeutics to deliver products that can serve the entire global market and address a number of healthcare's costliest segments," he added.

FS2 can be used orally, injected or as a topical treatment and holds the promise of changing cosmetic surgery.

People suffering from scarring, as well as Alopecia and Type-1 Diabetes, are desperate to get something that actually works, Elliott noted.

There's currently nothing like FS2 and AI-001 anywhere in the world.

Miller noted the potential benefits, including with internal scarring, are "huge."

More than 100 million people in the developed world suffer from severe scarring. Wounds of all types (surgical and trauma) contribute 4% of all medical costs.

Autoimmune diseases are responsible for over 80 known conditions and afflict an estimated 5 to 8 per cent (365 to 584 million people) of the world's population. The International Diabetes Federation estimates that as of 2011, approximately 29 to 49 million people were living with type 1 diabetes worldwide, a number expected to grow to an estimated 55 to 61 million people by 2030.

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A two-year contract for 234 York Region public health nurses

York Regional Council approved a two-year renewal collective agreement between The Regional Municipality of York and the Ontario Nurses' Association.

The collective agreement, representing 234 public health nurses, expired March 31, 2017. Negotiation teams began bargaining in September 2017, reaching a tentative agreement on Feb. 1 and ratified the following day by the association membership.

The contract is retroactive to April 1, 2017 and effective to March 31, 2019.

"Our objective is always to reach a mutually agreeable contract between our unionized employees and the corporation that is respectful of our taxpayers," said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "I offer my continued thanks and praise to our nursing professionals for continued commitment to maintaining our high standards of service delivery, benefiting residents across York Region."

Details of the agreement include wage increases of 1.6 per cent and 1.5 per cent over two years of the contract. The contract also includes an introduction of a mandatory generic drug platform and an increase in benefit coverage for psychological services consistent with other previously negotiated agreements.

The Regional Municipality of York is represented by three unions: CUPE Local 905 (York Region Unit), CUPE Local 905 (Long Term Care Unit) and the Ontario Nurses' Association.

Agreements between The Regional Municipality of York and CUPE Local 905 (YRU) and (LTC) were successfully reached in 2016 and 2017, respectively.

The Regional Municipality of York consists of nine local cities and towns, and provides a variety of programs and services to 1.2 million residents and 51,000 businesses with 620,000 employees. More information about the Region's key service areas is available at york.ca/regionalservices.

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CCKT promotes protecting and preserving trees in King

By Mike Shackelford and Bruce Craig

Concerned Citizens of King Township (CCKT) hosted a lively public discussion titled "All About Trees" during its AGM Jan. 28 at the Seniors Centre in King City.

The well-attended meeting included many King residents who are concerned about the preservation and protection of both public and privately owned trees throughout the Township. For many, the loss of several large, mature trees in 2017, and the clear-cutting of residential lots in the three main villages and in rural areas has led to requests for improved conservation and the crafting of a reasonable, balanced tree by-law.

While King Township has several policies to consider trees in planning applications and site plans, there is currently no tree bylaw or regulations in place to protect or manage healthy, mature trees on public or private lands.

CCKT determined that it would be helpful to invite two passionate and knowledgeable presenters – Edith George, an advocate for protecting heritage trees and Peter Wynnychuk, executive director for the Ontario Urban Forest Council to speak. The presentations by Peter and Edith, followed by a Q & A time, addressed many of the concerns and questions raised, and provided a number of viable options for effective conservation of trees on both public and private lands.

Also, in attendance were three members of King Township Council, Mayor Steve Pellegrini, Councilor Cleve Mortelliti and Councilor Debbie Schaefer, as well as provincial electoral candidate for King-Vaughan, Marilyn Iafraate. All raised important questions and shared relevant comments relating to tree bylaws and planning applications. Peter's and Edith's experience and insights were very helpful in responding effectively to their questions and those of many attendees.

Edith opened with a description of the criteria that designates a tree as a "Heritage Tree." The major criteria are rarity, prominence, age, health and future longevity, appearance, historical and cultural links and importance to the community. What was notable was the fact that a tree must meet only one of these criteria to be eligible.

Edith then went on to describe two remarkable heritage trees in Toronto – two ancient red oaks on the upper bank along the Humber River Valley, estimated to be between 250 and 400 years old. She has worked with other individuals and community organizations to protect these trees. Edith is bringing the stories of the two oaks and relevant information for identifying and designating significant heritage trees to communities all across Ontario.

Peter Wynnychuk, who has many years of experience as a qualified arborist was the Urban Forest Supervisor in Richmond Hill. During this time Peter led the process to craft a suitable Tree By-law for Richmond Hill that was approved in 2007. Currently, Peter is the Ontario advisor to TreeCanada, the executive director of the Ontario Urban Forest Council and an instructor at Sir Sanford Fleming Community College.

Peter's informative presentation focused mainly on several options available to municipalities for preserving and managing trees including the actual legislation necessary to protect significant trees on public and private lands.

Peter explained that municipal by-laws are fundamental in creating the

foundation for land use planning and transportation as well as the protection of trees. He stressed that the Municipal Act provides the tools for a municipality to create a tree by-law, but it is vitally important that the policies of the Planning Act "mirror" the tree bylaw within the Municipal Act. Failure to do so will result in the Planning Act overriding the tree bylaw.

Answering questions from the audience, Peter indicated that many municipalities have limited resources like staff and budget. It takes commitment for a municipality to gain expertise and competence on the subject of tree protection. He provided many of the tools for establishing a tree bylaw: By zoning, by a conservation easement, through the Heritage Act or the bequest of land and through the Municipal Act.

Peter stressed that the important goal of tree bylaws and complementary policies in the planning process is to lead to meaningful "conversations" with landowners about how best to conserve existing trees and enhance the

tree canopy through additional planting.

He suggested that the Lake Simcoe and Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) have a role in assisting a municipality in the creation of a tree bylaw. He also reminded the audience that a by-law is only a "piece of paper" until it is tested in court.

The presentations were followed by refreshments while both speakers spent a generous amount of time answering individual questions from various guests. Many of the 60-plus people who had attended the meeting stayed to chat and learn more from Edith and Peter.

Since the meeting, CCKT has created a Trees Focus Group, which has been invited to meet with Township staff to review policies currently in place that consider trees in planning applications and in Township projects such as parks, and to discuss an effective process in drafting regulations to improve con-



conservation and protection of trees. "Balance" appears to be the operative word in achieving a reasonable tree bylaw for King Township.

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Arts & Entertainment

Len Mizzoni's music stretches across genres, generations

By Mark Pavilons

Len Mizzoni has a lot to say, and he's imparting his wisdom through a cornucopia of original music.

The King resident and business owner believes it's never too late to follow your dreams. He's no late bloomer by any means. Mizzoni has simply reignited the spark that's always been a part of his life.

He's just more mature.

Mizzoni's music crosses all boundaries and genres. Like a fine wine, his lyrics are better with age, more profound and even more fun. You feel his passion in every note he sings.

Mizzoni just released his first album, "Waves of Indigo," available on iTunes, Sound Cloud and through his website (lenmizzoni.com). Len has amassed a massive collection

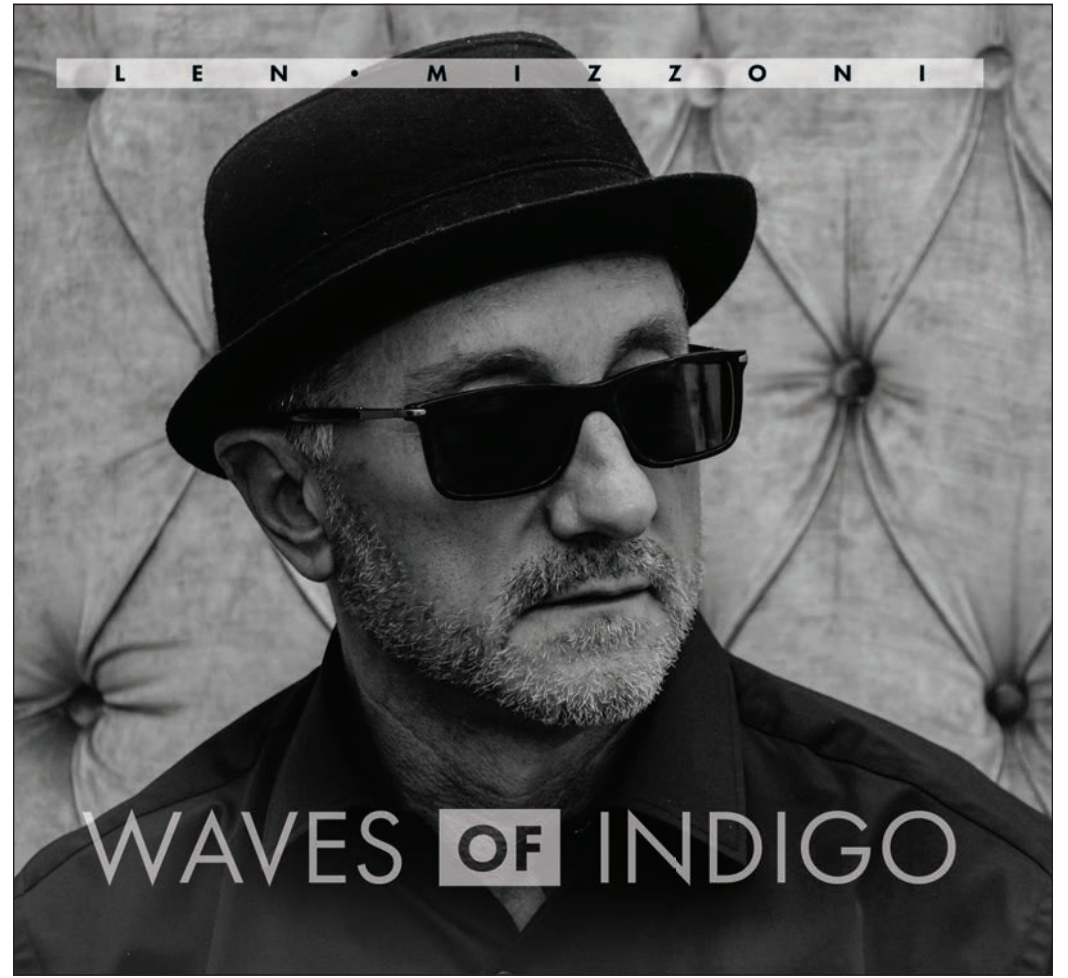
of songs, from pop and soft rock, to smooth jazz, country, R&B and even Christian. His versatility knows no bounds. And neither does his talent.

"My goal, my dream, as a writer, is to have a song on every chart," he said.

Mizzoni wrote, sang and co-produced the 12 songs on Waves of Indigo. David O'Hearn was co-producer, engineer and mastered the album.

Mizzoni's music career has taken some interesting, winding roads. He worked and toured with Juno Award-winning band Frozen Ghost, and also worked with Lighthouse and Prokop.

Frozen Ghost was a Canadian rock band formed in 1985 in Toronto by Arnold Lanni and Wolf Hassel who were previously with the band Sheriff. The band received a Juno Award



for "Most Promising Group of the Year" in 1987.

The group placed five songs in the Canadian top 40 between 1987 and 1992, including "Should I See" an anti-censorship song that reached number 69 on Billboard's Hot 100 singles in 1987. The video for that song was nominated at the 1987 Juno Awards for Best Video of the Year. You'll also likely know the band's hits "Dream Come True," and "Promises."

Mizzoni retired from the scene to raise a family with his wife Rita and launch their businesses.

Music permeates one's soul and it never left Len. He got the "itch" in a bad way some five years ago and has become a prolific writer, recording dozens and dozens of songs. His catalogue now numbers 70 songs and growing.

Len's unique style and voice leaves you wanting more and more of his material.

In Waves of Indigo, Mizzoni comes across as one cool cat. His songs range from the smooth, classic sounds of "Boogeyman," to his warm ballads ("Lovely Lady, Angel") that could make the charts of top adult contemporary hits. Some have that feeling of caressing the microphone in a smoky bar, or others transport you back to a time when music was simple. "Be Kind," inspired by a sentiment of Ellen Degeneres, has a 1970s Motown vibe that makes you want to get up and rejoice in our commonality.

Waves of Indigo is a unique blend of mostly feel-good tunes. Listening to Len's CD, you feel like you're watching your favourite movie with a big bowl of popcorn - comfort food for the soul.

He's prolific and won't shy away from challenging topics. He's delicately covered subjects like cancer, bullying and even the mass shooting in Las Vegas.

"Live Love Laugh" is a song that points to Mizzoni's charity work. He's a big supporter of cancer research

at Toronto's Sick Kids Hospital and he's involved with the Songs of Love Foundation. It's a non-profit organization that creates free personalized original songs to uplift children and teens facing tough medical, physical or emotional challenges.

Even though his CD was just released, songs are being played on radio stations across North America, and around the world in places like the UK and Spain. He's been getting calls and emails from other artists who call him "an inspiration."

It seems lighting that fire is contagious.

DJs have likened him to Peter Gabriel, noting Mizzoni has some "Philly soul."

At this point in his life, Len simply loves creating music. His eyes light up when he talks about a new song he's written, or a collaboration with his son. It's like he's discovered the fountain of youth and just wants to share it with the whole world.

If his music opens some doors for him, great. Maybe he'll put a band together and hit the road again. The versatile musician also plays piano, guitar and saxophone.

He's building a home studio so he can create and produce songs at a high level, efficiently and quickly.

He feels that at this juncture, he has a lot to give.

"Good music doesn't have a 'best before' date," he said. "Why can't a 60-year-old write a hit song?"

Hearing his songs on the radio is a great feeling and makes it all real.

It also allows him to dream. "You should never stop dreaming," he said. "I want to write songs that mean something."

As a veteran musician, Mizzoni isn't reinventing himself. He's just being himself.

From the sounds of it, he's going to be a very hot commodity, making some very big "waves."

Listen to Len's songs at <https://soundcloud.com/len-mizzoni>. Visit his website for more.

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Special 'green' guests reinforce LSRCAs mandate at AGM

Board members, staff and guests were excited to welcome a number of special guests at Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority's (LSRCA) 67th AGM held Jan. 26.

Newmarket-Aurora MPP Chris Bal-

lard, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, and Dr. Faisal Moola, Associate Professor, Department of Geography at the University of Guelph, both spoke about the importance of the work of the conservation authority

in its efforts to protect, restore and enhance nature.

Minister Ballard recognized LSRCAs for its environmental contributions for the better part of seven decades. He also highlighted 2018 as the 10th anniversary of the Lake Simcoe Protection Act, the first watershed based legislation in Ontario. He concluded his talk with praise for Lake Simcoe.

"While Lake Simcoe may not be a capital 'G' Great Lake, it's still a great lake to me."

Dr. Moola discussed the importance of protecting nature, particularly in urbanized environments, citing the statistic that Canada is in the top 50 urbanized countries on the planet, ahead of the UK, Germany, Ireland and even the United States. He cautioned the lack of investment in natural infrastructure at a time when it's needed the most. His talk drew laughs of realization, when describing bees as "flying \$50 bills" in reference to the range of benefits the tiny pollinators provide. Dr. Moola also had the audience nodding their agreement when he cited the mental and

physical benefits of being outside in nature, a fact echoed by the presentation that followed.

At the conclusion of the final presentation there was barely a dry eye in the crowded room, as attendees considered the life-changing impacts of the joint program, "Therapy in the Woods," offered by LSRCAs educators and clinicians from Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre. The team described how they piloted the project to introduce nature as a form of therapy to families with children with special needs. Both the educators and clinicians agreed that the program had "magical" results as some of the children began to exhibit some new and positive skills. Due to its resounding success, Therapy in the Woods will be offered again in spring 2018.

After the presentations, board elections were held. Aurora Mayor Geoff Dawe and Innisfil Councillor Richard Simpson were both reinstated to their respective positions of chair and vice-chair, for the fourth year in a row.

Catheterization labs redevelopment at Southlake Regional Health Centre

Southlake Regional Health Centre's Regional Cardiac Care Program has completed its cardiac catheterization (cath) labs redevelopment, reopening three renovated labs with state-of-the-art imaging systems for diagnostic angiograms, angioplasty and structural heart procedures.

"The redevelopment of our cath labs allows us to manage our current volumes while providing additional timely access and more efficient care for patients in need of complex cardiac interventions across our region, from the GTA to Muskoka," said Janice Allen, director, Regional Cardiac Care Program at Southlake Regional Health Centre. "It also affords us the opportunity to continue to provide new and innovative procedures for our patients within the realm of the interventional cardiology and structural heart programs."

This redevelopment has also allowed the three electrophysiology suites – two of which had been temporarily used for cath lab activity – to return to their intended functionality.



The Heart Rhythm Interventional Suites will now be dedicated to the delivery of heart rhythm diagnostic studies, ablations and implantable cardiac devices including pacemakers and defibrillators. Now, with six fully functioning labs, there is anticipated growth for both the interventional cardiology and structural heart programs, ensuring greater capacity to deliver vital cardiac services, improving wait times for patients, and enabling the cardiac team to offer more advanced, leading edge procedures – all without overburdening staff or equipment.

Having the third-highest volume in the province, this updated equipment and increased footprint will enable Southlake's Regional Cardiac Care Program to be able to meet the needs of the population served in the Central LHIN, as well as the complex needs of those patients in the North Simcoe Muskoka LHIN. Southlake's partnership with Royal Victoria Hospital will continue to provide care for those more complex cath and PCI procedures requiring surgical back up.

Southlake Regional Health Centre is a full-service hospital with a regional, clinically advanced focus. As a regionally designated site, Southlake is responsible for developing and providing advanced levels of care to the more than one million people who reside in York Region, Simcoe County, and as far north as Muskoka. Advanced, specialty services include: arthritis care, cancer care, cardiac care, cataract surgery, child and adolescent eating disorders, mental health services for children, paediatrics and perinatal care, and thoracic surgery. Southlake is proud to have a team of over 3,000 employees, 580 physicians, and more than 900 volunteers. Combined with our commitment to provide the best possible care to patients, our goal is to make Southlake synonymous with healthcare excellence.

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Strategic plan a priority for King Food Bank in 2018

By Carol Ann Trabert

In the early days of King Township Food Bank (2004), a week of groceries in the form of preboxed food was offered along with \$10 per person to help with milk and eggs.

Why a week? Other social agency resources, community meals, along with public transit, are scarce in this relatively sparsely populated area. Pet kibble was added when it was noted that people feed their pets before they feed themselves. Bathroom tissue was included because bulk packs are so much cheaper than the individual rolls that people on a tight budget have to purchase.

As word spread, numbers grew out of step with food donations, and a Web Sponsorship program was developed in 2009 to provide the funds to purchase food.

Over the years, from time to time vegetables were offered through personal and in-kind donations. To mark 10 years, the Food Bank board decided to make it a policy to include fresh fruit and vegetables. This caused some financial stress, and so the Food Bank started its annual Sip & Savour to balance the budget.

Hillside Farms stepped up with a

pledge of year round vegetables, including onions, carrots, beets and parsnips (supplemented with cauliflower and celery in season). Some of these were greeted with wariness in the beginning, but as attendees traded recipes and information, popularity grew and so did the monthly "order" requested from Hillside. Now, only fruit needed to be purchased, which helped greatly.

The same year, the option of food cards was introduced. At this point, about 75% of the boxed food was being purchased, and there was serious logic attached to offering food cards for people to do their own shopping in addition to the notion of giving dignity, not charity, to those who preferred the independence of choosing. Of course, at full retail, the boxed food is infinitely better value. Food cards in lieu were calculated on the basis of what the Food Bank was paying for the food, using the deeply discounted front page prices. About 80% of registrants opted for the cards, and that number remains pretty much the same today.

Two years later, numbers spiked by 25%, and there was a huge imbalance of food vs. funds by year end. Early in 2017, registrants were returned to preboxed food, with the exception of those who had special dietary needs. Only



a month, and we had redressed the balance, and all returned to the usual mode by late spring.

But the budget required the Food Bank to raise \$40,000 through Sip & Savour. With increased attendance, generous sponsorships and a record breaking auction, the target was met.

As the year drew to a close, unusually large donations came in, putting the King Township Food Bank into a comfortable bank balance. Again and again, deepest thanks go to the community, and beyond, for responding to the call to keep the organization in the black. As a totally independent, volunteer organization, there can be no "red."

Through it all, the small organizing committee that became a board with incorporation and Charitable registration, has worked diligently, along with over 20 committed volunteers.

As a working board, directors have come and gone, giving their fine talents and professional expertise to move the project along from year to year. The positions have been fairly demanding; difficult for someone with a career to manage, let alone family considerations. The areas of fundraising and marketing/promotion are the most

demanding, although that can be mitigated with the presence of committed volunteers to undertake the components, such as web sponsorship, event management, community liaison, website and social media management, and promotion coordination. Most of these areas are quite mature, and it's largely a matter of maintenance rather than creation.

The time has come to develop a strategic plan, as they call it. Actually, examining the structure, scope, and number of board positions and identifying ways of replacement over time is a more precise way to identify the project for 2018. This has been identified as a need in the past, but has assumed the number one priority for 2018.

King Township Food Bank is looking for passionate and committed people to assume responsibilities at both the board level and "component" level. All areas are open for scrutiny, and if you would like to join in this project to ensure sustainability, please speak to any current board member, or call Carol Ann at 416-559-7898 or through the Food Bank at ktfoodbank@gmail.com and 905-806-1125.



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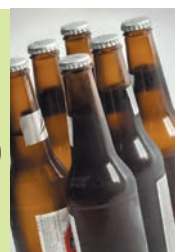
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By Wendy-Sue Bishop
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Schomberg United Church

This Sunday, Feb. 25, at 11:15 a.m., we are going to Nobleton United Church for service, light lunch and then our Joint Annual Meeting. Everyone is welcome to review the year and see the budget for next year.

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

Minister Carol-Ann Chapman is leading a six-week Lenten Study series

in Nobleton United Church. The second one will be on Thursday, March 1, from 10-11 a.m. on "Why I Believe" featuring devotions and reflections on faith and discipleship. The remaining four will be on Tuesday mornings. Everyone will be invited to participate and there are no right or wrong answers.

Nobleton United's Pasta Dinner with meatballs and dessert is on Friday, March 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. This is a lovely occasion, time to talk to your neighbours and fun with door prizes.

During our service, we have a section called "Prayers of the People." If you would like us to pray for you or someone you love, please let us know. You need to mention whether or not the person being prayed for would be okay with having their name mentioned or if the prayer is to be anonymous. Keep in mind that prayer is powerful, but that

sometimes, God has a different plan for us than we expect. Remember Jesus's words in Luke 22:42 in the New Living Translation:

"Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine."

On Tuesday, Feb. 13, Schomberg United sponsored "A Valentine's Lunch for Seniors" at the Kitchen Breedon Manor. It was a delightful time with a lovely meal and then slides of Ireland for our entertainment. At the end, everyone received a red carnation to take home. What a nice touch!

Schomberg United meets at St. Mary Magdalene, 116 Church St., at 9:30 a.m. most Sundays, but at the Kitchen Breedon 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.

Paint & Sip

Enjoy exactly that, on Friday, Feb. 23 from 7-9 p.m. at the King Heritage & Cultural Centre.

This evening of painting and socializing at a cost of \$42 per person-materials and instructions are included.

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 several 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!

So, this Instructional Session happens on Saturday, March 24, at the Trisan and it is \$25 per person. To register for more information, please call 905-939-1216.

Rich Hill United Church dinner

This beautiful, historic church, located at 1249 Sideroad 10 (Corner of 10th Sideroad and 2nd Line, Tottenham), is known far and wide for their fine church dinners.

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So, the Roast Beef Dinner happens on Saturday, Feb. 24, with two sittings at 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Adults are \$15 per person and children under 10 are \$6 each. Advance ticket sales only.

For more information please contact Eileen at 905-880-0026 or email the church office at info@tottenhamrich-hill.com

Take-out dinners are also available.

Hope House Community Hospice continues to grow

By Mark Pavilons

Hope House Community Hospice is reaching out beyond York's boundaries to provide needed services.

Formerly known as Hospice King-Aurora-Richmond Hill, Hope House has roots dating back 35 years in area, particularly King Township.

Heidi Bonner, executive director, provided an overview of services and upcoming events of the volunteer-driving agency. Hope House provides services and support to those diagnosed with a life-threatening illness, caregivers and families.

Bonner pointed out it's not just end-of-life care, but their support begins with diagnosis.

Hospice King was first established in 1983 and by 1999, it became Hospice King-Aurora. Services continued to expand where a name change was warranted in 2017.

Founded in 1982 by Jane Reid, Barbara Marshall Houlding, Sally Blaney and Joan Henderson, Hope House (formerly Hospice King-Aurora-Richmond Hill) was the first community-based hospice in York Region, and one of the first in Ontario.

In 1983, the first office opened in All Saints Anglican Church, and they recorded the very first referral. A year later, a Hospice King manual was written for "hands on" care in the home (copyright 1984). In 1987, they produced an award-winning video "Dying with Dignity" about Hospice King services.

In 1991, the group moved to their new office at 2184 King Road, King City.

A substantial number of volunteers hail from King and many are long-time supporters.

Over 2016/17, some 140 volunteers donated 10,000 hours of services to roughly 600 clients. Bonner said that number will continue to grow through 2018.

Hope House provides an in-home visiting program, wellness programs, caregiver support, grief and bereavement support, as well as awareness and education.



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Minor midget Express cruising through playdowns

By Jake Courtepatte

The Minor midget York-Simcoe Express have something to prove in their CHL draft year.

This year's batch of those just entering junior eligibility find themselves undefeated five games into the OMHA post-season, knocking out the Richmond Hill Coyotes and taking a commanding two-games-to-none lead on the Peterborough Petes.

Meeting the Petes for game one of their quarterfinal series on Saturday, the Express cruised to a 3-0 win on the road, taking a shutout back to St. Andrew's College for game two the following afternoon.

A scoreless period had Express goal-

tender Alexander Imperio matched up evenly with his Peterborough counterpart after the first, before Cameron Jackson opened the scoring for the home side with a bullet from the blue line early in period two.

Just minutes later, Jack Bar picked up a rebound on another powerplay and buried it into an empty cage, doubling the Express lead.

With the Petes finding themselves in penalty trouble throughout the entire middle frame, Evan Vierling capitalized late in the fourth power play of the period with a rebound goal of his own, giving York-Simcoe a 3-0 lead heading into the final period.

The final buzzer was met with a 5-0 score, bringing the shutout streak to



The Minor Midget York-Simcoe Express took down the Peterborough Petes 5-0 in game two of the OMHA quarterfinals at LaBrier Arena on Sunday.



Lions support Skating Club

Karlene MacDonald and Tanya Wallgren of the Nobleton Skating Club were presented with a donation supporting the financial needs of the club, by the Nobleton Lions. Making the presentation were vice-president Earl Groombridge and president Rick Zuzek at a recent meeting of the Nobleton Lions Club.



Nobleton Taekwon Do students win 28 medals

Nineteen members of Nobleton Taekwon Do, ranging in age from 6 to 16, participated in the Legacy TKD Friendship Tournament held at the Kettleby Lions Club in Pottageville Feb. 3.

With well over 190 competitors, Nobleton Taekwon Do students earned an impressive 28 medals in both patterns competition and sparring. Instructors; Mr. Adriano, Mr. Gallo and Mr. Scarfo were very impressed with the level of athleticism and proud of the sportsmanship demonstrated at the tournament.

Classes run Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Nobleton Arena 15 Old Kind Rd. New members are always welcome. For further information please contact Mr. Adriano at 416 937-7910.

two games.

Finishing the regular season with a record of 24-4-4, the Express capped off the final AAA rankings as fourth in the province, while the Petes rounded out the top five.

The Express can put the series to bed on Thursday night back in Peterborough.

Annual We Care Charity golf event

The stage is set for the annual Friends of We Care Charity Golf Challenge, raising funds to send children with disabilities to summer camp.

This year's event will be held Thursday, June 14 at Kettle Creek Golf Club, Cardinal's executive course, to raise funds to allow kids with disabilities to experience summer camp through the Easter Seals program.

According to event chair Brent Morning, it costs approximately \$250 per day to provide special facilities to each child at the Easter Seals camps, and since 1983, Friends of We Care has provided enough for over 78,000 days of camp for kids with disabilities across Canada.

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Curlers enjoy Lads and Lassies Spiel

By Shellee Morning

The 4th annual Lads and Lassies Spiel took place this past weekend with club participation from Cookstown, Chinguacousy and King Curling.

With the generous sponsorship from Paul and Linda Olsen, the 3-game 6-end format featuring teams of 8 players battled for top spot of accumulated points from each game.

Game 1 was Women vs. Women and Men vs. Men. Game 2 saw a ladies team play against a men's and vice versa. The 3rd and final game was a mixed version that had 2 women and 2 men on each team.

The ice was fast and the shots were crisp as each Skip required their team to be on their A-game and all looking for maximum strategy to out-score their opponent. Draw one displayed a few lop-sided games but the others were back and forth, end for end. Game 2 the strategy was altered as the men played against the women and King's own Team Stronach put on a clinic against their male dominated opponent from Cookstown to easily claim the victory.

Game 3 spiced things up as the teams were now mixed with both genders. Hard hits and delicate draws to the button were materializing as each end worked towards completion. Game 3 would be the deciding factor for who would be crowned Champion. Chinguacousy the defending 2-time Champions were in a comfortable lead mid-way through but the "three peat" was not to be. The final ends were controlled by Team Cookstown who went on to defeat both Ching teams on both sheets of their match-ups. Now they had to wait for the remaining teams to finish and see which teams collected the most points.

Scoring Master Michael Johns had a tough time determining the winner as Team Cookstown and King Team 1 were both tied after all games were completed. Having to take rock score into account, it was announced after a long awaited silence that King was the winner.

The winning Lads were Skip Jim Smith, David Grosse as Vice, George Beechey as 2nd, and Rob Roberston as Lead. The Winning Lassies were Skip Pam McKinley, Patrice Smith as Vice, Sarah Dougherty-Moye as 2nd and BeSty Worrod as Lead.

The full day of curling also included lunch, dinner and prizes. Local businesses offered some great donations towards the prize table in order to help encourage the fundraising efforts of members from King Curling's Thursday Mixed Team Entry League. Schomberg Foodland, Schomberg Quality Meats, Cappuccino Bakery, Green Tractors and Schakel Greenhouses all gave generously. Special thanks also need to be mentioned to Barb and Karl Davis, George and Ann Gerrits and Bruce and Kathleen Gorsline for their kind donations as well.

An event such as this cannot be executed successfully without the many volunteers who gave up their day to come and help out. Spiel co-chair Kathleen Gorsline had an amazing team assisting her where ever needed and she sends out her immense gratitude to everyone who helped. Congratulations to all the curlers for a great day of fun and fellowship and to all the volunteers that helped make the Lads and Lassies another successful spiel.



Pam McKinley Skipped her Lassies to the Championship title in last weekend's Lads and Lassies Spiel.

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Family Day curling

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Residents skate on Family Day

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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. 25 as Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series "The Five Solas" with "Christ Alone."

Please take advantage of our excellent children's ministry. Our Sunday

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St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

Welcome to St. Andrew's during this Lenten season, leading up to Easter! Our Sunday worship services are held at 10:30 a.m. Sunday school for children up to Grade 6 runs concurrently. Join us after the service for refreshments and a chance to chat.

Lynn Vissers led us in worship the first Sunday in Lent. We looked at Matthew 4:1-11 where Satan tried to tempt Jesus a number of times, questioning His identity, wanting Jesus to obey him instead of God the Father. Jesus found strength to overcome by knowing whose He was God's beloved Son and each time used God's Word to show Satan that he had no power over Him at all. Lent helps us to recall Jesus's suffering and temptation in the wilderness and helps us to realize that God is with us in our wilderness times. Let's listen to God's words and watch for God's presence.

Coffee and Conversation will resume next week - Tuesday morning at 10-11 a.m. and Soup and Conversation, Tuesdays at 6-7 p.m.

This Sunday, Feb. 25 will be a busy day at St. Andrew's! We look forward to the Rev. Dr. Robert Dean being with us for our worship service at 10:30 a.m. Following the service, our Annual Congregational Meeting will take place over lunch at noon. We hope many will be able to stay for this important event in the life of our church. Bring your lunch, order in a pizza! Coffee and tea etc. are provided.

Our February "Messy Church" will also take place on the 25th at 5 p.m., concluding with a communal supper. This is for entire families. New to the community? Come and join us!

The World Day of Prayer service is at St. Andrew's this year, Friday, March 2, at 1:30 p.m. We will be looking at Suriname, South America. Come and hear what the ladies in the Suriname churches have shared with us, and join us in prayer for their country and for the world. We hope you'll stay for refreshments following.

Our next communion service will be March 4 when the Rev. Dr. Robert Dean will lead us in worship and preside over Holy Communion.

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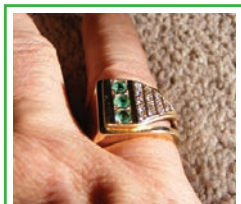
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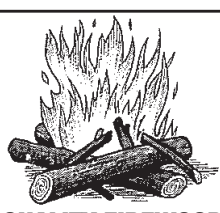
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Should you have pastoral care needs please contact Lynn Vissers, our Director of Congregational Ministries at the office or at 905-833-5762 or contact our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Paul Johnston, 705-341-7738.

Our church office number is 905-833-2325. We are located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd. A ramp is available for accessibility. www.standrews-kingcity.ca

All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

Lenten services – Eucharist at 10 a.m. Wednesdays in the chapel. With a difference. Each service will feature a talk on a member of the “Communion of Saints”

Next week, Feb. 28, it will be St. Perpetua. The Passion of Saint Perpetua, Saint Felicitas, and their Companions is one of the oldest and most notable early Christian texts. It purports to contain the actual prison diary of the young mother and martyr Perpetua, put to death by the Romans for her Christian beliefs in the 3rd century.

All Saints recent craft sale was very successful. Vendors were very pleased with their sales. The baking table sold out and there were good comments about our yummy lunch. We had many donations to our raffle, both from parishioners and local vendors. Many thanks to those who worked so hard to make the sale a success. The raffle winners were:

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Anglican Parish By John Arnott

We're celebrating all year long here in the Anglican Parish of Lloydtown for 2018 marks the 175th anniversary of the founding of the parish in 1843 when newly appointed young parish priest Henry Bath Osler held the first Holy Communion service in the not completely finished church called St. Mary Magdalene's on Jan. 1, 1843.

This first St. Mary Magdalene's stood on a gently rising knoll at the edge of the historic village of Lloydtown thus giving the parish its Lloydtown name. St. Alban's Nobleton, now sadly closed, followed in 1889 with Christ Church, Kettleby joining the parish in 1891. The old St. Mary Magdalene's was replaced in 1925 with the new St Mary Magdalene's, being built 3/4 of a mile west on what is now Church St. in Schomberg, with much of the original fabric of the old church being incorporated in the new structure. And most were happy that parish still retained its original

parish name – Lloydtown.

A stone cairn on the Lloydtown knoll marks the site of the original church and still in use the cemetery grounds surround it.

We hope to welcome past parish families and new parish friends to special events all through 2018 to help celebrate this milestone anniversary.

'Music on Main' concert in Newmarket

The first of a series of concerts "Music on Main" will be performed by the Brahms Horn Trio on Saturday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity United Church (Park Ave. at Main), Newmarket.

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701 COMING EVENTS

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708 OBITUARIES

Archer: Christopher "Chris" Anthony Peacefully passed away surrounded with the love of his family on February 15, 2018 at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket, in his 75th year. Loving father of Kirk (Adie Orr) Archer and Christina "Tina" (Sergio) de los Santos and remembered by their mother Susan Dortona. Cherished grandfather of Ellen and Cole. Chris will be sadly missed and fondly remembered by his extended family and close friends. A special thank you to all the doctors and nurses at Southlake Regional Health Centre especially Dr. Tse, Dr. Milhern, Dr. James, Meghan, Kim, Lindsey, Jaimie and Stefanie. A Celebration of Chris' Life will take place at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, 1666 Tottenham Rd., Tottenham (905-936-3477) on Friday, February 23, 2018 from 12:00pm-3:00pm. Donations in memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Society or Southlake Regional Health Centre. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com
*Moments of Vision
I am the family face;
Flesh perishes, I live on,
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Through time to times anon,
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Over oblivion.*
Thomas Hardy, 1917

708 OBITUARIES

WEEDON, George At Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket on Thursday February 15, 2018 at the age of 89. Beloved husband of the late Shirley. Loving father of Doug and his wife Janet, Linda and Brian and his wife Kristine. Dear grandfather of Janette, Ashlee, Carrie, Tara, Laura and great grandfather of Carlie, Ethan, Kimberly, Addison, Kaiyla, Kevon and Jahrsen. Survived by his siblings, Barbara Smith, John Weedon and Frank Weedon. A Visitation for George was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Thompson Funeral Home, 530 Industrial Parkway South, Aurora, ON L4G6W8. A Funeral Service was held on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Thompson Funeral Home. Private interment at King City Cemetery. Contributions in George's memory may be made to Heart & Stroke Foundation. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.ThompsonFH-Aurora.com for the Weedon family

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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 on-line 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 contact our Youth Leader, Taylor Scott at scottie_tay@yahoo.ca or 289-338-2539.

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

Join us Sunday, February 25th at 10 a.m. as Jeff continues his series through John. Jeff's message this week is titled "Denied." 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

A big thank you to all who worked on setting up the Valentine's Day Dinner Dance, the St. Mary's CWL, the Knights of Columbus members and to all who supported the fundraiser for 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. 25, we are having a Joint Service with Schomberg United at 11:15 a.m., followed by a lunch and then our Joint Annual Meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend and look over our budget for the following year, as we set our goals.

Minister Carol-Ann Chapman is offering a six-week Lenten Study series. The second one will be on Thursday, March 1, from 10-11 a.m. on "Why I Believe" featuring devotions and reflections on faith and discipleship. The remaining four will be on Tuesday mornings. Everyone will be invited to participate and there are no right or wrong answers.

We are having our famous Pasta Dinner with meatballs (Gino DiFebo's heritage Italian recipe) on Friday, March 2 at 6:30 pm. 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). If you have forgotten to reserve your ticket, please check with Linda Olsen at 905-859-0442 as you may have to be put on the waiting list. The meal is organized by Gino & Sue DiFebo and Val Ball. This is a lovely occasion. There is time to talk to your neighbours. There is also the fun of door prizes.

During our service, we have a section called "Prayers of the People." If you would like us to pray for you or someone you love, please let us know. You need to mention whether or not the person being prayed for would be okay with having their name mentioned or if the prayer is to be anonymous. Keep in mind that prayer is powerful, but that sometimes, God has a different plan for us than we expect. Remember Jesus's words in Luke 22:42 in the New Living Translation:

"Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine."

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 nobletonunitedchurch.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 wish to thank local residents for their solid support at this year's Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. Attendance was up significantly from last year.

The Club also wishes to acknowledge the ongoing generous support of John's No Frills. John has regularly stepped up and really helped your Lions Club, and the Lions are most grateful for the ongoing support shown by this local establishment. Thank you John!

This year's admission proceeds are being donated to the Nobleton Skating Club. The winner of the 50/50 was Eric Gray, a long time Lions supporter.

The 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.

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

Last call for our next trip 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 by calling Agnes (905-841-7390) or Jayne (905-853-1436).

Looking ahead, movie night will take place on Wednesday, March 7. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the movie will begin at 7 p.m. Admission is by donation. Watch this space next week for the movie selection for March.

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

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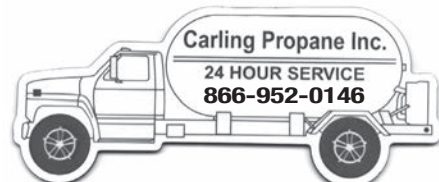
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York Region continues to grow at a steady pace, securing jobs for more than 620,000 people. Between 2016 and 2017 a total of 19,780 new jobs were created, representing a 3.3 per cent increase year-over-year.

The findings from the 2017 Employment and Industry Report provide a positive economic overview of business and job growth in York Region.

The report is based on a survey extended to 33,650 businesses, each with a physical office location in York Region. The respondents represent businesses of varying sizes, industries and locations throughout all nine local cities and towns.

"York Region has an established presence as an international business centre, a hub for global headquarters and a welcoming home to start-ups," said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "The Employment and Industry Report findings are valuable to continue to guide York Regional Council in the development of policies, programs and infrastructure investments for driving economic growth."

Additional report highlights include:

- Key knowledge-based services sectors in York Region continue to experience strong job growth, specifically technology and financial services.

- The professional, scientific and technical services sector added over 1,800 jobs in 2017 representing the second-highest share of services-producing industry employment in York Region.

- York Region continues to attract the attention of world-class global organizations with the Region recently shortlisted as a potential location for Amazon's second headquarters as the result of bid by Toronto Global – with the Greater Toronto Area as the only Canadian location being considered.

"York Region is comprised of a multi-sector economy reflective of our diverse workforce," said City of Markham Regional Councillor Joe Li, Chair of the Region's Planning and Economic Development. "The Region's economy is underlined by core attributes including our strong population, skilled labour force and the high quality of life available to our residents."

Employment growth in York Region continues to promote economic vitality – a key pillar of the York Region 2015-2019 Strategic Plan.

The Regional Municipality of York consists of nine local cities and towns, and provides a variety of programs and services to 1.2 million residents and 51,000 businesses with 620,000 employees. More information about the Region's key service areas is available at york.ca/regionalservices.

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Check out www.walkfordogguides.com for much 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.

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.

If you are interested in helping your community become a better place to live while having lots of fun, please call Bob Phillips at 416-522-9675.

King Community Yard Sale

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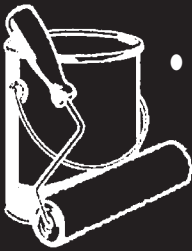
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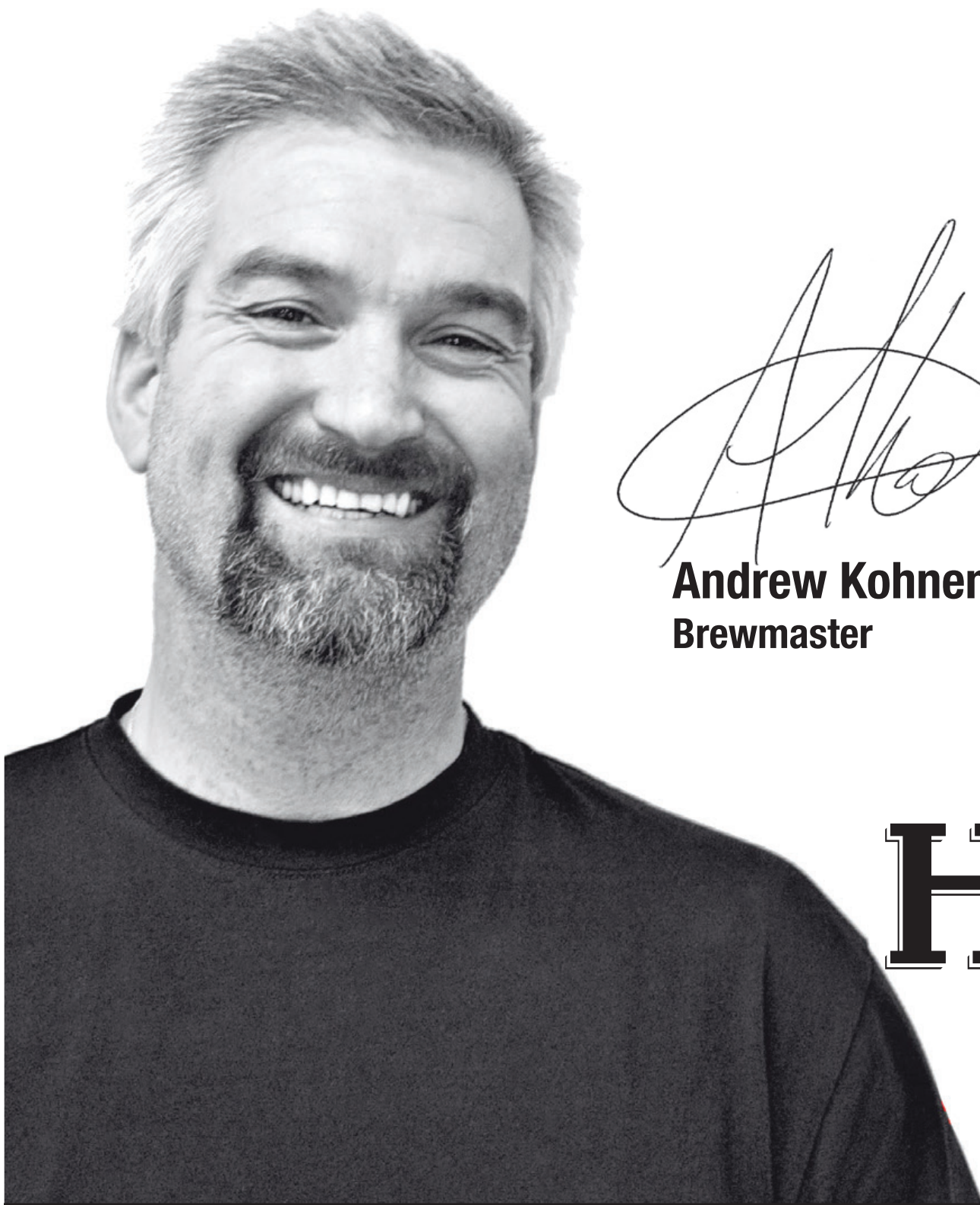


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