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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Monday, January 14, 2019

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

Thursday, December 13, 2018

7 pm – Heritage Advisory Committee

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Wednesday, December 19, 2018

6 pm – Committee of Adjustment

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Director of Engineering, Public Works & Building - closes December 21
- Recreation Coordinator - Outdoor Education - closes December 21
- Summer Camp (various) - closes February 15
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (seasonal contract) - closes February 15
- Arena/Facility Operator I (contract) - closes when filled
- Stand-by Equipment Operator (seasonal contract) - closes when filled
- Program Instructor (PT, seasonal) - closes when filled
- Crossing Guard (contract) - closes when filled

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Or visit on the following link

<https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en>

REMINDERS



Holiday office closure

The municipal offices at 2585 King Road will close for the holidays at 4:30 p.m. Friday, December 21st, 2018 and reopen at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 2nd, 2019.

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



Winter Parking Restrictions

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PUBLIC NOTICES



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We are REFRESHING our Community Sustainability Plan that was created in back 2012. We'd love to know what you love about King, what changes you would most like to see and which priorities we should focus on as we undertake the REFRESH!

Please visit <https://speaking.king.ca/CSF> to participate in the surveys, post a comment in the forum or to ask a question.

For more information on the Sustainable King REFRESH contact Sara Olivieri, Sustainability Coordinator: (905)833-4080 or sustainability@king.ca

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PUBLIC NOTICES



Waste Collection Calendar 2019



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PUBLIC NOTICES

King Township is Seeking Committee/Board Volunteers!

This is your opportunity to become involved in King's new initiatives and projects! The Township is currently seeking interested individuals to participate in the following Committees/Boards:

- Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC)
- Committee of Adjustment (COA)
- Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC)
- Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Service Board (HMDSJMSB)
- Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC)
- King Public Library Board

Applications will be accepted at the Township offices, to the attention of Kathryn Moyle, Township Clerk, up to December 14th, 2018.

Visit our website, www.king.ca, to obtain all information on the committees, the recruitment process, as well as submitting an online application.

Become involved and participate with King as a Committee/Board Volunteer! We value your participation!



Inaugural launches the 2018-2022 King council

By Mark Pavilons

With all the pomp and ceremony fitting a regal event, officials christened King's new building, and its new council Dec. 3.

Local business owner Rory MacKinnon piped in the King Fire & Emergency Services Honour Guard, that led the procession into the council chambers.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Simon Armstrong of the Ontario Court of Justice, administered the declarations of office for the mayor and councillors.

Kathryn Moyle, King's director of clerks and bylaw, welcomed everyone and provided some well deserved praise.

She observed the last quarter of 2018 has been quite hectic, with the municipal election and major Township relocation.

"I want to highlight to all you, the residents, that you should be very proud and excited for the council representation before you tonight!"

She stressed that Mayor Steve Pellegrini's acclamation is a reflection of the community's support and "we can all agree, witnessed through his continuous dedication and representation, the mayor has displayed his personal commitment to represent his constituents and fellow colleagues both respectfully and fairly."

She wanted to recognize the "unsung heroes" of the King team who helped facilitate the relocation. She singled out King's facilities staff, under the leadership of Chris Fasciano - Gavin, Mike, Warren and the rest of the crew.

"As King residents, you should feel fortunate and proud in knowing that you have such a wonderful team of individuals that work/represent King Township on a daily basis."

The 2018-2022 term of council, Moyle observed, has a blend of "old" and "new" members, eager and committed to work forward on the current issues facing King.

"King council is renowned as being a cohesive, cooperative team, cognizant of their constituents' needs. King residents know they are invited to speak freely, and more importantly, that council listens to their concerns. Through the next four years, I have no doubt that they will continue to focus on creative solutions and compromises, with objectives to achieve resolution based on fulsome and engaging consultations."

Moyle called upon the mayor's wife Barbara, to present him with the chain of office.

"I can never express the magnitude of the contributions that my lovely wife Barbara has made. She is the pillar of life at home. Our children, Stephanie, Ashley, Emma, David and Joseph have all supported me, each in his or her own way.

"As I take office as your mayor I am more grateful than words can express at the opportunity you have given me to lead King for another four years," the mayor said.

"It's very humbling to be given the responsibility of making decisions, along with the rest of my council colleagues, to make King Township the place to live, work and play.

"As I look around this table I have a reason to feel optimistic. We have a mix of seasoned councillors who have been here for multiple terms, along with two new faces. I'm looking forward to Jordan and Jakob providing a younger perspective on the issues that we deal with in these chambers.

"I am encouraged and gratified that each ward councillor is committed to the greater good of King Township. Combined with our Township staff, we have a fabulous team.

"Throughout the last terms of office I have always advocated for strong partnerships between the Township, its institutions, our businesses, our community groups and our residents. I thank you all who have partnered with us.

"King has become a leader for other



municipalities. We are the benchmark for great government, great community living and great business."

Each councillor addressed the public for the first time.

Ward 1 Councillor Jordan Cescolini thanked his volunteers, friends and family for thier support. Anything worth doing is difficult, he said, but his election bodes well for the future of democracy and youth engagement in King. He thanked constituents for putting their faith in the unknown and he said he's here to listen and be their voice in Ward 1. He wants to ensure residents he's bringing value for their tax dollars and he' here to "make real change that has a lasting impact."

Ward 2 councillor David Boyd said he's back to provide consistent representation. He pointed out the community is really coming together and he's looking forward to even more improvements for the Nobleton area in 2019. He will build upon the great partnerships already established.

Ward 3 councillor Jakob Schneider said his mandate is to maintain King's rural character and he's proud to represent Ward 3 residents.

Veteran Ward 4 councillor Bill Cober said they all work together to enhance the community and he'll continue to foster positive relationships. He personally thanked retired councillor Linda Pabst for her years of service

and her leadership. Economic development, infrastructure and growth management are key areas in the coming term. He said he's committed to being a dedicated voice and he's very proud to "call King Township home, now and forever."

Ward 5 councillor Debbie Schaefer said her foray into politics was a matter of being in the right place at the right time. After two terms, she still has the aspirations and enthusiasm to make important decisions, ones that have ramifications beyond the four-year term. She will continue to put forth her time and energy in keeping residents informed and gathering their valuable input. The recent campaign, she said, allowed her to up her game.

The new term, she said, will come with challenges but she will work with her constituents, do her research, listen and be accountable and transparent.

Ward 6 councillor Avia Eek said she's learned a lot of about effective government in her years on council. She's big on relationship building and she pointed out that hearing and listening to the public is vital, and should never be discounted. She vowed to work for, and with, residents, for the good of the entire community. Her focus will continue to be agriculture, economic development and the environment.

"My door is always open to serve," she said. As far as a productive council goes, "we are the envy of the GTA."



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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

Our governments are here to serve, not conspire

We need to work on our trust issues, people!

The Dalai Lama points out that a lack of transparency results in "distrust and a deep sense of insecurity."

We hear, time and again, of governments at all levels being more open, more "transparent."

"If the people cannot trust their government to do the job for which it exists - to protect them and to promote their common welfare - all else is lost," said former U.S. president Barack Obama.

I got a bit of an eye-opener recently during an outdoor press conference at Cold Creek Conservation area, where Environment Minister Rod Phillips unveiled the new provincial environmental plan.

Media, and there were plenty, had an hour to review the documents and then formulate their questions. From the outset, the questions were pointed, almost combative. None noted any positive aspects of the new plan, but rather ways it can go wrong, and things the government is doing wrong. It's almost as if Toronto media have an instinctual distrust of government and "happy endings" just don't exist.

Funny that the journalists on hand are so intelligent and well versed in environmental science that they can tell the minister and his staff that they've missed the mark.



Mark Pavilons

Critics are fun to watch. To them, solving climate change, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and saving taxpayers money is easy. It's a no-brainer and they can all do it better. Really?

I swear, members of the opposition parties must be given handbooks filled with colourful quotes to be used for every occasion.

For every policy, document, strategy and law, our government spends mil-

lions of dollars and thousands of human hours from staff and experts to create a plan. One would think the end result is something decent, feasible and workable. Phillips said the new environmental plan is "sensible" and "achievable." It doesn't have to be perfect, it just has to meet the needs and achieve certain goals. It doesn't have to please everyone.

I doubt well intentioned people run for politics as a way to hurt their constituents. No, they enter politics with gusto, a drive to do good work and a passion to serve.

A fine example is King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce. This man lives for it. He works long hours, making regular visits to events in his riding. He has welcomed more provincial ministers to King in the past months than we've had in the past eight years. He makes a point of meeting with people to understand the issues, both locally and on a much larger scale.

His duties go beyond attending fundraisers in King. As Deputy Government House Leader, Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Infrastructure, Lecce truly understands the bigger picture. And he's travelled extensively around the province to spread the message.

I haven't heard one bad comment about Lecce. He's the true definition of an honest, genuine, committed politician.

I often get this vision in my head of lobbyists and anti-establishment nay-sayers rubbing their hands together, trying to come up with ways to discredit those in power. Maybe it's always been that way.

Our system has created a whole segment of critics, presumably to keep the government in check. But even "watchdogs" can get ornery. For some, their only purpose is to criticize, impugn, distract, humiliate and attack. Let's face it, everyone - party critics, the media, special interest groups - has their own vested interest and inherent bias.

No wonder distrust, confusion and even fear run rampant in our society.

Yes, journalists are supposed to ask questions and get to the truth. They're supposed to "rake muck?" In a 1906 speech, President Teddy Roosevelt railed against journalists he thought focused too much on exposing corruption in business and government. Roosevelt called them "the men with the muck-rakes" and implied that they needed to learn "when to stop raking the muck, and to look upward."

It seems things haven't changed.

As a journalist with a community newspaper, I believe my job is to point out the really neat things happening locally. Everyone has their own unique story.

Regarding "hard news" and the litany of government announcements, my

job is to help clear the underbrush and try to make sense of it all. Most people don't have the time or the desire to read through mountains of documents and staff reports, so like a chef, I cut away the fat and serve up something palatable.

I am sometimes criticized for not digging up the dirt. I'm far too soft on local politicians and the goings-on in King's inner circles, some have told me. To be honest, in the five-plus years I've been at the helm of the Sentinel, I haven't found any real "dirt" at all.

Gone are the days of parking lot deals, handshakes and exchanges of envelopes filled with cash. Every council decision is duly documented, and every staff report posted for all to see. Every penny in the Township coffers is accounted for and King's director of finance Allan Evelyn can likely tell you whether the pizza delivery man got a tip.

Mark Twain said we should be loyal to our country all the time, and loyal to government when it deserves it. Fair enough.

Here, I have found the councillors and staff to be extremely approachable. It's not so in other municipalities.

Sure, no one and no system is perfect and there are always ways to make things more efficient, more productive and more transparent.

I have met literally thousands of people in my career, from all walks of life. The bottom line, whether you're a journalist at Queen's Park, or a senior government leader, we're all the same and suffer from the same human frailties. For the most part, we all want to contribute.

That's what makes it all so much fun!

Letter to the Editor

Environment plan lacking

The following letter, to Environment Minister Rod Phillips, was submitted to the King Sentinel.

I, like many other residents of Ontario, have been waiting with bated breath for your government's highly anticipated report on how we are to preserve and protect our environment in the coming years.

I find the report lacking in specifics as to how the government actually hopes to achieve the goals it purports to reach. It strikes me that the document is no more than a "fluff" piece; a very attractive and likely expensive piece but all the same, fluff.

The world has reached a point where its survival is now being debated and your government is proposing to initiate a plan that has been tried elsewhere and failed.

Contrary to what your government may believe, the only tried and proven system that has actually reduced pollution and with it, global warming, is general carbon taxation.

No one likes paying taxes, particularly big business, but we are past the point of debating the issue on how many taxes we are paying. We are looking at the survival of the planet and to find a cure for what ails us we need to be resourceful, dedicated and ruthless. We need to ensure that we have a system that will actually reduce emissions.

Your government's proposed system has already been proven ineffective. Time is running out. We do not have the luxury of wasting the next four years maintaining business as usual while our world becomes ever warmer and polluted.

You are putting your trust in business to self regulate by working hand-in-hand with the government and the people of Ontario in reducing emissions. But big business does not work that way; its priority is always the bottom line.

Even within your own report you state: "We will consider factors such as trade-exposure, competitiveness and process-emissions, and allow the province to grant across-the-board exemptions for industries of particular concern, like the auto sector, as needed." In other words, you would give big business carte blanche priority over the health of our environment.

Our economy is important but in the grand scheme of things it is secondary to the air we breathe and the water we drink. Please do not allow ideology to take precedence and put the "cart before the horse."

Finally, the message I get from reading this report is that your government has few constructive plans to meet the challenges that lie ahead.

Mike Shackelford



Brain teaser

When young, I am sweet in the sun. When middle-aged, I make you happy. When old, I am valued more than ever. What am I?

Last week's answer: The word "mailbox" has dozens of letters!



King Township Trivia

King resident Jesse Lloyd was one of William Lyon Mackenzie's chief associates and meetings of the rebels were held in Jesse's house.

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Results from last week's poll:
How much do you plan to spend on holiday shopping this year?

a) More than last year	<div style="width: 0%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	0%
b) Less than last year	<div style="width: 86%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	86%
c) About the same	<div style="width: 14%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	14%

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Are you in the holiday spirit?

a) Yes
b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!

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Volunteers praised for A Main Street Christmas

For the first time that we can remember, the weather gods did not cooperate, and we had rain during "A Main Street Christmas"! However, a bit of rain did not seem to put a damper on the festivities, as young and old enjoyed the start of the festive season on Main Street in Schomberg.

The Schomberg Village Association (SVA) would once again like to thank everyone who volunteers to make "A Main Street Christmas" such a wonderful event. A lot of work goes into every little detail of the event, whether building floats for the parades, liaising with the police, manning a gate, ensuring everything is paid for, and on and on ... Everyone who helps, whether for an hour or all year, we are extremely grateful for your contribution! Though we may not know who you all are, we know what you contribute, and we thank you! "A Main Street Christmas" continues to dazzle young and old, locals and visitors, and we should all be very proud!

The support of business owners,

Letter to the Editor

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

An event like "A Main Street Christmas" cannot be presented without considerable costs, and through our sponsorship program our local businesses are the backbone of our finances. We are extremely grateful and humbled by the financial support of our business community and we strongly encourage you to support them. These are the businesses that support your child's sports club, offer your teenager a summer job, or give prizes for school achievements, and they continue to support events like AMSC every year, please support them in return.

To close the event the Farmer's Parade of Light, dazzled us as always;

what's a little rain to a farmer? They always astound us with their creativity as these great monster machines wind down the street to the delight of young and old. The Schomberg Village Association is very grateful for the relationship we have had with the farming community through the years, and especially for the time and effort they take to ensure "A Main Street Christmas" goes out with a bang; every year better than the last one! Thank you!

This year we had to make some changes to our security, and we would like to thank the Township for their assistance in this.

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

Finally, a thank you to all who took

part in the event, despite the weather; we hope you enjoyed it and we wish you all the best for the holiday season.

Schomberg Village Association



Comet is visible this week

By Gary Boyle
The Backyard Astronomer

For thousands of years the night sky has been a place of entertainment and guidance. Bright comets were deemed to be messengers of impending doom such as drought, disease, famine, war, etc. Located in the outer reaches of our solar system, comets are mountains of rock and ice that are sometimes nudged toward the inner solar system and round the sun. The outflow of gas and dust caused by solar heating generates a green fog around the comet and most times a dust tail and/or ion tail.

For the most part, comets are faint and only seen with a telescope. But such is not the case with the appearance of Comet 46P/Wirtanen now visible in the southern sky. Throughout December the comet grows larger and brighter as it races northward. Closest approach to Earth occurs on Dec. 16 at a safe distance of 11.5 million kilometres. On the nights of the 15th and 16th, Comet Wirtanen passes between the Pleiades and Hyades star cluster. The comet could become bright enough to be seen by the naked eye from the dark countryside without the moon present.

As if this bright comet was not enough to enjoy, the annual Geminid meteor shower peaks on the night of Dec. 13/14. The moon sets around 10:30 p.m. local time allowing a dark sky for the rest of the night. Best time to see the maximum number of meteors is after midnight towards dawn when the constellation is highest in the sky. This shower produces 120 meteors per hour as sand size particles from asteroid 3200 Phaethon (a possible dead comet) completely vapourize as they strike our atmosphere at 35 km/sec. The Geminids also produce occasional fireballs that can light up the ground. This is a must see event.

Known as "The Backyard Astronomer," Gary Boyle is an astronomy educator, guest speaker and monthly columnist for the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada. Follow him on Twitter: @astroeducator or his website: www.wondersofastronomy.com



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A close shave for a good cause at Holy Name School

By Anna Cianni

There are no shortcuts when it comes to living a healthy lifestyle. Mr. Cristan is a Grade 7 teacher at Holy Name Catholic Elementary School, who decided to take a beard approach to teaching students about healthy living. Shave your questions for later!

Joking aside, the month of November is nicknamed “Movember” to raise awareness for a serious issue: men’s health. People often sport moustaches from Nov. 1-30 to show that they are part of the fundraising efforts to help fight prostate and testicular cancer. This can be a tough topic to teach in elementary school, but not for Mr. Cristan, who gave an out-of-the-classroom lesson to Holy Name students: he let them shave his beard and head!

A few weeks ago, Cristan presented his students with an assignment to promote 10 health-related activities in their home on a regular basis. He also had his students make short videos; each explained one way to lead a healthier lifestyle. Some suggestions were simple, like eating three meals a day and getting at least eight hours of sleep every night. While other students encouraged making your own natural deodorant and planning healthy, home-cooked meals.

The 7th Graders received a ticket for every healthy activity they initiated at home with their families. Tickets were entered into a draw, and four winners each got to shave a quarter of Mr. Cristan’s beard/head in front of the students in Grades 4-8. The winners of the 2018 Movember Mr. Cristan’s Beard/Head Shave Off were Valerie, Antonio, Julian, and Celaina. These young barbers had a great time using an electric razor to shave their teacher’s head. Everything from moustache, to sideburns, to goatee was gone. And though the audience chanted to shave off his eyebrows too, the barbers decided to let him keep those. Talk about a hairy situation!

It was inspiring to see kids taking initiative in their school and community to promote self-care, as well as both physical and mental health. The shave off was an exciting, engaging, and informative event.

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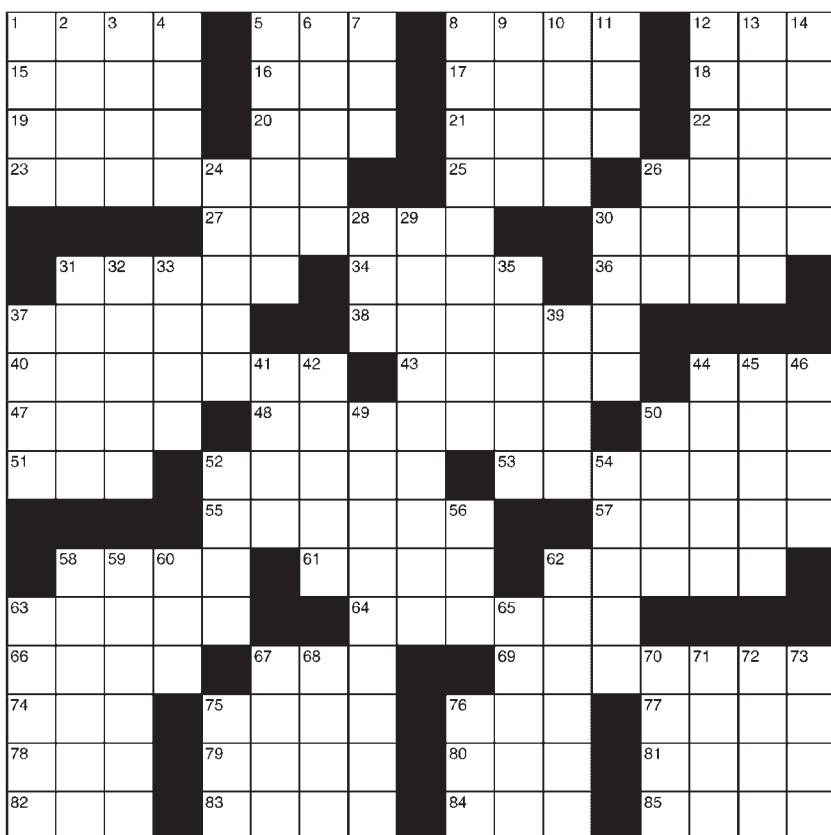
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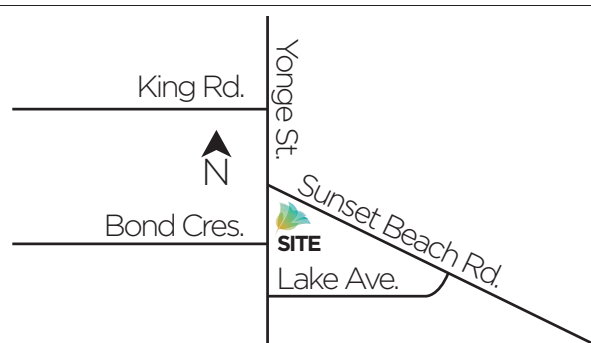
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Schomberg's Kingsgate Place holds grand opening

By Mark Pavilons

Schomberg's newest commercial plaza is open for business.

Kingsgate Place is a stunning display of progress. The one-storey commercial plaza in the heart of Schomberg, boasts 20 units located at 50 Dr.Kay Drive.

The plaza is the creation of Kaleido Developments, a family run company formerly known as (Landmark Devco). It has achieved exceptional growth surpassing many developers with forward thinking, creativity and delivering fantastic projects across the GTA. Kaleido provides elite client services and building value with the core of vision of putting clients first.

Through partnerships and careful scrutiny, Kaleido has partnered and completed many projects in the area, such as Brampton, Schomberg, Toronto, and North York. Since 2014, under the umbrella company Kaleido Corporation, the development company now owns multiple residential projects across the GTA.

Kaleido Developments and partners are thrilled with Kingsgate Place, a 35,000-square-foot commercial plaza in Schomberg. Business owners include a day care, pharmacy, nail salon, hair salon, dental office, gym, dog groomers, physio/massage and more, will soon be on their way to provide services for the residents of Schomberg.



Above, Eric Malfa, Ashley Clarke, Amanda Ricci, Frank Caputo, Dave Martino, Mayor Steve Pellegrini, Philip Vettese, Chris D'Angelo, Cristina Ricci joined to cut the ribbon for Schomberg's Kingsgate Place.

Photo by Mark Pavilons

Holland Marsh Wineries wins gold

By Mark Pavilons

King's own Holland Marsh Wineries has been recognized for one of its blends in the All Canadian Wine Championships.

Holland Marsh won gold in merlots under \$30 for their 2016 Reserve Merlot.

Narek Nersisyan said they only label their wines under "reserve" if the particular wine comes from a vintage year in Ontario.

"In other words, only the best grapes grown in the best conditions will receive a Reserve classification. We have been open for almost 10 years and have only released 3 Reserve wines," said Nersisyan.

This particular Merlot was aged in stainless steel tanks for 8 months to retain its original fruity characteristics and afterwards the wine was pumped into oak barrels. The barrel aging took place for another 8 months to give the wine a creamy mouth feel, while also enhancing the wine with warm spice characteristics. The wine was then finally bottled after 16 months, in which it sat in the bottles for another 8 months. The bottling aging brings all the components together and makes the wine more complete.

"We released this wine this past summer and entered it into the All Canadian Wine Competition. We were proud to win Gold, as this was the only Merlot from Ontario to win gold in the \$30 price category (the rest were all from British Columbia)," he added.

The competition was fierce, led by producers in British Columbia, which had a total of 871 entries. Some 366 Ontario wines competed, meaning the Holland Marsh Merlot outpaced many very good quality wines.

It was "another thrilling year of judging Canada's absolute best here in Prince Edward County, Ontario. To those participating wineries, we wish you a very successful season and hope to see you next year!" remarked Bev Carnahan, director, All Canadian Wine Championships.



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Teamwork exemplified in annual Portraits of Giving

By Mark Pavilons

While individuals were singled out as “giving” members of the community, it’s truly a team effort that makes things happen.

King showcased its newest recipients at the 9th annual Portraits of Giving celebration.

Presented by HJ Pfaff Audi and Merk Photography, Portraits of Giving celebrates individuals from across nine municipalities in York Region who exemplify the importance of social responsibility.

This year’s honourees were Robin Priestly and Fire Chief Jim Wall. Portraits representatives also presented a cheque for \$1,000 to the King Township Food Bank.

The exhibit travelled through York, and King is its final stop for the rest of the month, at the King Cultural and Heritage Centre.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini pointed out there are many special people in our community, and all contribute to making King great.

He stressed that Chief Wall inspires the entire force, which the mayor said the “finest out there.” KFES engages the community in many ways and members are actively involved in community events and fundraisers, as well as supporting local things like the King Township Food Bank and Nobleton Christmas Drive. The chief said this recognition reflects directly on “our fine service.” The team is out on the front lines making a difference.

After more than 22 years as a firefighter, Wall began working for the Township of King in 2008 as their first

full-time Deputy Fire Chief.

Jim strongly believes in the following philosophy: remember where you came from (the past), where you are (the present), and always where you are going (the future). Staying grounded has helped Jim appreciate the amazing experiences during his fantastic journey.

King Fire and Emergency Services are actively reversing the stigma around what was known as traditional priorities; today’s have been realigned accordingly. The first priority now is education (getting out in the community, meeting residents, and being proactive); the second is enforcement (with respect to fire and safety codes), and the third is suppression (the failsafe). Fire services’ primary function continues to be protecting residents and their property, with core services focusing around education and fire prevention.

In 2011, Jim was the recipient of the Paul Jackson Award. This award is given annually to a fire department staff member who exemplifies the values, dedication, and commitment that Paul Jackson demonstrated.

Over the years, Jim has met many generous people who exemplify the gift of giving. He’s confident that we all have a huge capacity to give more than what we think is possible. Jim recalls an invaluable message that former Fire Chief Bruce Jessop (deceased) often imparted to him and others: your family always comes first, your job is second, and the fire department is third. Maintaining this work-life balance enables firefighters to get involved and reassures aspiring firefighters that it’s attainable. Jim



Teamwork is exemplified by this year’s Portraits of Giving recipients from King. Top is Fire Chief Jim Wall with the KFES team and above is Robin Priestly with the Priestly Demolition team. They are joined by Karen Merk, founder of Portraits of Giving.

Photos by Mark Pavilons

encourages all citizens to become engaged in their community, knowing they won’t regret it.

The well being for seniors in his community is another cause that resonates with Jim. There is a new safety initiative involving a product called the Guide Light. When firefighters are on in-service inspections they have been installing these lights. More education and engagement in this area, and others, is planned for the future.

Past recipient John Ciarallo, of John’s No Frills in Nobleton, highlighted Robin Priestly’s story.

Robin Priestly is executive vice-president of Priestly Demolition Inc., and through their family business she has become active in the community on many levels, providing donations and participating in everything from golf tournaments to hospital galas. She has contributed their services in-kind to organizations such as Southlake Hospital and C.E.T.A. (the Care Enough To Act program led by Kenaidan Contracting Ltd). What she enjoys most about her role is the people she gets to work with every day.

Robin feels that it is very important for people to get themselves and their families involved in initiatives that

interest them and can benefit others. There are many organizations, small and large, needing volunteers to help them carry out their cause. In our ever-evolving society of online communication and social media, sometimes the true art of volunteering can be lost. Getting out and spending time with kids, the elderly, and animals in need, can be extremely rewarding and nurturing to the soul.

Robin has also served on the board of directors for the Ontario Association of Demolition Contractors and the King Chamber of Commerce. Since 2012 she has participated in the Road Hockey to Conquer Cancer fundraiser for Princess Margaret Hospital, and in 2017, she repelled down City Hall in Toronto for Make a Wish Foundation.

Robin doesn’t necessarily consider what she does as giving back; it is simply being community-minded. She feels tremendously privileged for the opportunity, the knowledge, and experience gained by being a part of countless amazing businesses and causes in York Region and the GTA.

Robin said giving back is a team effort, not an individual one. Priestly staff, she said, have always been on board and they love to get involved.

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King Library's Kelly England wins OLA award

By Mark Pavilons

A dedicated King library staffer has been recognized for her efforts.

Kelley England was presented with the Ontario Library Association's Children and Youth Services Award to Kelley England.

England is a dynamic leader in Children and Youth Services in Ontario. Kelley has recently assumed a larger portfolio at the King Township Public Library, as reflected by her new title of manager of community engagement and marketing.

Still responsible for Children and Youth Services, Kelley is a key member of the leadership team. She continually strives to improve the calibre of programming for her young audience, which includes the introduction of STEAM-based programming, such as coding, robotics and creative "maker" events. Kelley also serves as an excellent ambassador for library services through her vigorous outreach and engagement with community partners like schools, daycares, community special events and more. She works very closely with the municipal Parks, Recreation and Culture staff to engage not only children, but also teens, and is a facilitator for the local Mayor's Youth Action Team.

"Through these efforts, she consistently raises awareness of the value of library service, all the while encouraging and modelling a culture of life-long learning to children, teens, staff, educators and parents alike," said Library CEO Rona O'Banion.

Kelley is an active, long-serving member of the Ontario Library Association and is the former chair of the Children and Youth (C&Y) Committee,

responsible for advocating the importance of C&Y Services in Ontario.

Kelley's influence on the sector can be felt in many ways, including the development of the 2015 Benchmarking Survey, helping libraries gain a deeper understanding of the current trends in C&Y services across the province, while simultaneously providing them a useful comparative tool against other library systems.

England was selected to chair the OLA Children and Youth Service Expo, the sub-committee of the Children and Youth Services Committee, and the group. She spearheaded four successful C&Y Expo events during her tenure. Under her leadership, the C&Y Expo has become the go-to event for C&Y library professionals looking for a place to get inspired, learn new ideas and connect with colleagues from around the province. Also serving as Master of Ceremonies for the events, Kelley's enthusiasm and ease in a leadership role set a vibrant tone for the conferences and created a comfortable atmosphere for all participants, making her a role model for all C&Y professionals in the sector.

Her contributions to the profession highlight her dedication to the field.

"I am privileged to have had the opportunity to work with her, am inspired by her natural leadership abilities and her enthusiasm for children and youth service - Kelley truly embodies the spirit of the Children's and Youth Services Librarian of the Year and the award could not go to a more deserving candidate," O'Banion added.

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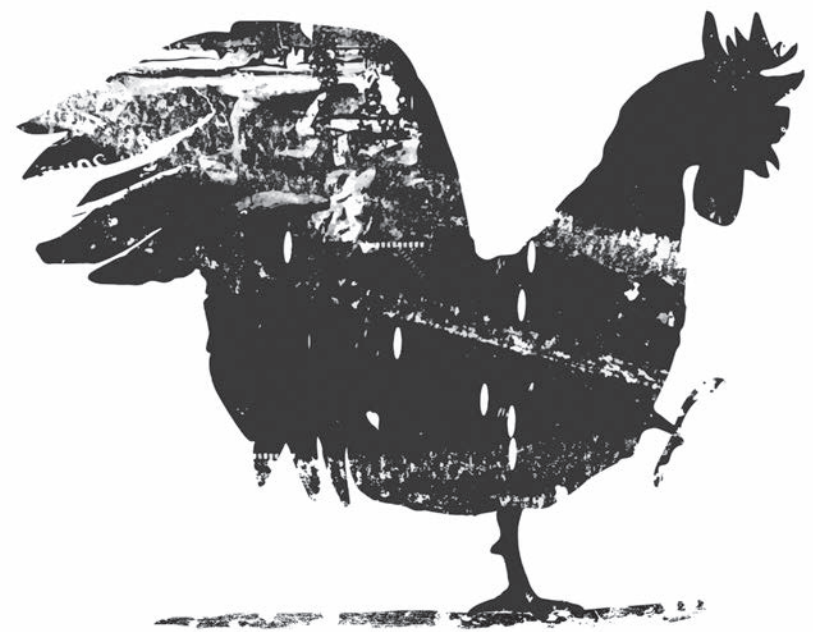
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Fire Chief Jim Wall, Mary Buchanan-Lyons and Chamber president Tom Allen gather to support the community's generosity.

King embraces Nobleton Christmas Drive

By Mark Pavilons

It truly does take a village. King's "village" always steps up to the plate to help people in our community.

Local generosity was on display at the annual Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lunch, in aid of the Nobleton Christmas Drive. A small mountain of toys were collected from Chamber members, which were collected and delivered by members of King Fire & Emergency Services.

"There is a Santa Claus, and her name is Mary," said Chamber president Tom Allen. He was referring to Mary "Mimi" Buchanan/Lyons, who's headed up the drive for the past 23 years.

King Fire Chief Jim Wall said the drive actually runs all year long, providing toys and money to families. The toys are given to kids so they can bring a gift to a friend's birthday party. During Grade 8 graduation, some students are outfitted with the perfect attire to attend their celebrations. The need, Wall pointed out, is ever-present, and the team at Nobleton Public School help lead the charge.

He said KFES has been proud supporters of the drive for the past seven years. This year, the drive is supporting roughly 25 families, almost double the number from last year. He pointed out people can give in many ways, not the least of which are time and respect.

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Emmerson re-elected for second term as York chair

Wayne Emmerson was re-elected as Chairman and CEO for The Regional Municipality of York at the inaugural meeting of York regional council.

In a unanimous public vote, members of York regional council elected chairman Emmerson. No other names were put forward for nomination.

Chairman Emmerson's nomination was brought forward by Town of Richmond Hill Mayor Dave Barrow and seconded by Town of East Gwillimbury Mayor Virginia Hackson.

"It is an honour to be re-elected to a second term and thank you for entrusting me with this responsibility," said

Emmerson. "I am committed to working with each and every one of you to continue making our communities strong, safe and caring places to live, work, play and visit."

In a standing room only council chamber, Chairman Emmerson specifically acknowledged the council members of the 2018 to 2022 term.

Chairman Emmerson has served as York Region Chairman and CEO since 2014.

In York Region, members of York Regional Council are elected in what is known as a "double direct" form of election. In this type of system, those

elected as mayor or regional councillor for an area municipality earn a seat on both local and regional councils for four years.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini was the only York mayor to be acclaimed. He is King's representative on York regional council.

The next meeting of York regional council will take place on Thursday, Dec. 13 at 9 a.m. in the council chambers of the York Region Administrative Centre. Listen live at York.ca/live

For more information on York regional council, please visit York.ca/Council



Generosity abounds for King Food Bank

There have been many generous donations and third party events to support the Food Bank, moving into the Christmas season.

Nobleton Montessori held a food and funds drive, and shoppers at No Frills were generous in their donations to Pay it Forward, bringing over \$600 to the Food Bank. The Schomberg Beer Store held a pop up bottle drive, raising nearly \$350.

Merk Photography presented a cheque for \$1,000 at the Portraits of Giving reception, and there have been a number of generous personal donations. The King City Seniors Tai Chi class also sent along a donation of cash to help.

Saturday, Dec. 8, King Fire and Emergency Services held a food and boot drive in all three towns in King. While the food donations have not been tallied, a total of nearly \$6,600 was brought in that day. What an amazing team of three teams they are, King's firefighters! Volunteers from each of the three centres were on hand at Schomberg Foodland, Nobleton's Alloro Fine Foods and No Frills, and King City's Coppa's from 10-3 to accept food and funds.

Rockford's Grill in King City donated \$1,000 and Boye Landscaping in King City and also at No Frills in Nobleton also presented a cheque for \$1,000 as part of the KFES campaign.

The North Pole King Substation Pottageville is bustling with last minute preparations to ship the Christmas in King hampers, gifts, turkeys and wreaths in time for this Saturday's distribution. Thanks are offered to Parks, Recreation and Culture department for not only allowing use of their building but keeping it toasty warm, and plowing the driveway first thing in the mornings after a snowfall. Hockey teams, Guide troops, virtually every church in King, businesses and individuals from all corners are pitching in to support Christmas in King in helping make a merry Christmas for nearly 220 people this year.

Registrations are up from last year, and the generosity of donations of cash and needed items is most welcome. Schomberg Foodland is donating frozen turkeys requested by the Schomberg/Kettleby centre, and the King Firefighters Association is offering birds from their annual Turkey Shoot in cases where the winners request their prize goes to help another family.

Again this year, CiK is grateful to BTN for their donation of nearly 50 fresh and lovely wreaths, and to Round The Bend Farm for their repeated generosity by supplying fresh turkeys. They have provided, quite literally, tonnes of turkeys over the years! Sacred Heart Church is the largest donor of gifts; not only do they provide nearly 100 gifts but offer a cheque as well. Their support makes a huge difference in the success of CiK.

This Saturday, Dec. 15, the three Distribution Centres are open from 9-11 a.m. to serve both Food Bank registrants and Christmas in King registrants. If you need help, please call ahead 905-806-1125 or ktfoodbank@gmail.com so food can be shipped to the appropriate centre in the right quantity for you.

Again, the monthly distribution will have donated produce from Hillside Gardens, along with extra treats from Tim Hortons Schomberg and Dorio's Kettleby Italian Bakery.

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By Mark Pavilons

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Rebellion minor atoms flawless in tournament

Many King families headed south to be part of something special at the annual 2018 Toronto Wolverines Fall Classic recently. The minor atom Rebels, one of 3 teams representing King township, came into the tournament with one thing on their minds: win all 6 games. To some, this feat may seem trivial, but to the '09 Rebels, this was a huge deal.

The Rebellions came out of the gates strong, beating up on a Toronto Renegades squad by the tune of 14-0. The speedy Matteo Rossi led the team, with his strongest game of the season, potting 3 goals and collecting 2 assists, landing him the covenant "Golden Jofa." Chace Taylor and Nicholas Mammoliti also put 5 points each on the board.

"Having Mammo and Rossi flanking our centres makes hockey easy," was the response by coach Taylor after asked about the breakout game by his 2 wingers.

Next on the schedule was a fiery Hartland Dragons team. After losing their first game the Dragons came out with a vengeance. Nothing a Rebellion D-core couldn't handle, with the pairing of Julian "JV" Viola and Ethan "Big E" Robinson steadying the ship, The Rebels were able to leave the first period unscathed. The floodgates then opened for the Rebels with Bridges and Mazzotta both finishing the night off with a combined 7 points. Not to be outdone by Julian Gargano's heavy point shot that found the five-hole of a defeated dragons goaltender.

"Gargo's goal doesn't happen without the strong board play of Millie," stated by Coach Robinson. "I was

moved around to many teams in my Jr. career. It's really hard looking over to your left and seeing a different jersey number, but Guido really stepped up and showed his compatibility, tonight."

"Coach Robinson's reply after being asked about the loss of Reid Young, while he recovers on the IR. Needless to say, the team prevailed 7-0 for the W.

With confidence, the offence went to work, led by the net presence of DeLuca and Mazzotta. Mammoliti buried 2 past the tournament favourites the Stittsville Rams, capped off by Bridges backhand bar down that had the Rams slack-jawed goalie stunned. The defence pairing of Guido and DeMelis proves to be too much for defeated Ram squad. The rebels would overwhelm the tournament favourites with a 4-3 win.

A long day at the rink could have been their demise, but with an 8 p.m. start time against a rested LPC Wild team, it was business as usual for the Rebels. Julian Mazzotta started the contest, a minute into the game with a beauty pass from Teo Contardi. Teo didn't stop there, he then put the team on his back scoring back to back, end to end goals to put the team ahead by 3. The Rebels put the game on cruise control and finish the late contest by a score of 6-3.

Moving day. "Do we want to stay or do we want to pack up our stuff and go" This is moving day," said Coach Rossi still licking the wounds from a Silver Stick upset. Playing a tired LPC Wild team, the Rebels started where they left off from the previous night. The breakout being spot-on, lead by "Big E" threading the needle through



a confused LPC team. The only glimmer of hope the LPC had was their star goaltender – all but 6 of 49 shots taken.

With a 6-3 win, the Wild proved to be no adversary for the wheeling Rebels.

The stage was set, the top 2 teams squaring off – the Stittsville Rams vs. The King Rebellion. After the previous meeting in the preliminaries, the Rams were not looking for a repeat performance. Armed with their top line, they came in looking to upset the undefeated Rebels.

The Rams came out strong, almost too strong for the overconfident Rebels, but not strong enough for the Rebels backstop Luca Marchese. With the Rebels caught in their own end and the Rams big line pressing, #27 of the Rams was presented with an open 4x6 net, a sure goal for the Rams top forward.

From his backside, Marchese reeled in a glove save holding the score to 0-0.

"I have never in my 20 years made a save like that," said retired/suspended D league goalie Steve DeMelis. With that, the Rebels found their stride, led by the team's rock at centre Chace Taylor, who scored 3 and added a helper on the last one. Taylor's play was too much to handle for the Stittsville Rams.

With the clock running down, the Rebels were stir-crazy to get on that ice with the Golden Cup. Led by their relentless Captain, Michael DeLuca took the cup for a final lap around the ice, showing it off to all the proud parents that have put in many hours and miles around Ontario to make this special moment happen for their future stars.



Cougars fall behind in loss to Alliston

By Jake Courtepatte

Wintery weather conditions spelled a missed opportunity for the Schomberg Cougars to continue their climb up the Provincial Junior C Hockey League ladder, restricted to just one game in a loss to the Alliston Hornets.

Three tight match-ups in their previous games this season did not produce the same results on Friday at the Hornets' New Tecumseth Rec Centre, where the home squad jumped ahead 3-0 in the first period.

Lucas Brockie potted his second goal in two games to cut the deficit to two before the first intermission, though Alliston restored their three-goal lead just over two minutes into the middle frame.

Both sides traded chances for the remaining 38 minutes in a relatively quiet game in the penalty box between the two heated rivals, before tempers boiled over late in the game with a couple of misconducts handed out to a pair of Alliston players.

Graham Dynes was forced to contend with 44 Alliston shots while between the Schomberg pipes, falling 9-4 to break a three-game winning streak for the goaltender, who was facing his former teammates before a trade earlier this season.

Along with Brockie, Spencer Ripley, Owen Heilemann, and Calum Bett were all able to get on the board for the Cougars, with Mitchell Newman and Matthew Wadge adding a pair of assists each to the scoresheet.

Poor weather conditions called for a late cancellation of the weekly Thursday home game at Trisan Centre, in which the Cougars were meant to host the Huntsville Otters, who sit just five points up on Schomberg while playing five more games.

Otherwise, Friday's loss remains just a single snafu in what has been a recent resurgence for the Schomberg squad, who had won four of their last five games dating back to mid-November.

Though still sitting in the basement of the PJHL's Carruthers division, the standings remain slightly lopsided with Schomberg playing the least amount of games of all eight divisional teams.

They remain three points back of the Penetang Kings holding onto a record of 8-13-1-3, with a pair of games in hand.

Looking to get the ball rolling in hosting the slumping Orillia Terriers (12-10-1-2) at Trisan Centre on Thursday, Schomberg closes out the week on Friday with a trip to visit the Midland Flyers (13-12-1-0).

Thursday's puck drop is set for 7:30 p.m.

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King ladies deliver big in the Mini Majors curling

By Shellee Morning

King's Mini Majors ladies teams played host to the league's 2nd game of the season, and with a full house of enthusiastic ladies the hurry hard crew were at their best.

Line calling for the sweepers was alive across the 4 sheets of action and both of King's team representatives were doing the club proud.

In this league, players rotate position on their team for each game played in the league. For example, in game one, the skip for that game would move into the Lead position for the next game, and the remaining players would move up one spot from the one they played in previously.

King 2, led by this game's Skip Beth Egan included Brenda Clark as vice, Linda Bullock in 2nd and Sylvia Mulder as Lead were matched up against York 2 from Newmarket. Egan's squad pushed from the hack collecting 3 points in the first end to start the game and more importantly,

set the tone. Clark executed a timely hit and roll in the 3rd eventually earning the teams second 3 point end for a 6-0 score. In command of the game and playing very solid, King 2 never let off the pressure, playing like it was tie game. Linda Bullock also played a solid hitting game contributing with fellow sweeper Sylvia Mulder towards the win posting record of 1-1.

King 2 now sits in third place with a total score of 26 pts.

King 1, playing against Chinguacousy 2, was also playing a fearless and competitive game on sheet 2. Acting Skip Susan Serra along with Joan Montgomery as Vice, Claire Murphy as 2nd and Nancy Morrison as Lead earned a single in the first to open the game. Ching rebounded with a deuce in the second but King's Claire Murphy delivered a perfect hit and roll setting the end up for the point. Skip Serra facing 5 opposition rocks in the 4th executed perfect weight with sweepers Murphy and Morrison for



Brenda Clark of King 2 delivers her rock with Sylvia Mulder and Linda Bullock ready to sweep during their solid win in last week's game against York. King 1 now has a 1-1 record in the Mini Majors League.

Photo by Shellee Morning

the hit and roll to earn another in the 4th and the go ahead point.

Ching came back in the second half to win the game but not without King making them earn every shot. King 1 also has a record now of 1-1 for a total of 23.5 pts.

Julie Oakley, coach for both King teams, said the ladies have improved so much since their first game not only with their skills but by their thinking and communication part of the game as well. The whole idea behind this league is to allow newer curlers the opportunity to experience each role (position) of the team, not to feel intimidated about trying the more difficult shots, and understand why a skip would call for a certain shot.

Playing in this league also provides a confidence for the new curler to enter bonspiels that gives them the chance to play on different ice surfaces and against different players. The league is proving to be very rewarding and with the teams so close of each other in the standings, the parity is well matched for some great curling yet to come.

Debby Johannson, team manager for King, looks after the behind the scenes agenda and says that "the enthusiasm and interest is really growing for the program." She has already had inquiries for next year as the awareness and

the want to "learn to curl" continues to spread at a rapid rate.

Tuesday Ladies League

With the Christmas break around the corner, the Ladies of the Tuesday night league are nearing the closing games of the 2018 season. With one more game to go, the standings are proving to be one of the closest so far in ladies curling. Just a ½ point separates each of the top three teams with Team Stronach leading the way and Gorsline and Morning right behind.

Team Bones sits in 4th with a ½ jump over Team Abbots in 5th and Team Sinclair behind Abbots by a ½ point for 6th. The remaining teams are separated by either 2-3 points between each other which only indicates that every game counts! A win moves you up and loss can drop you down. Last week's winners included, Abbots, Stronach, Gorsline, Jessop and Brown.

The keen ice with lots of swing to curl has been a menace to some while an advantage to others. It's all about placing the broom down in the correct spot for the maximum effect of the shot. Each game is a learning experience for the elite or the beginner, because success is the result of perfection, hard work, and learning from mistakes.



Sweepers Nancy Morrison and Joan Montgomery brushing their magic during game 2 of the Mini Majors. Their team sits with a 1-1 record after 2 games of the Mini league series.

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Lions 50/50 winner

The Schomberg Lions had a very successful fundraiser at A Main Street Christmas in Schomberg Dec. 1. Although Mother Nature did not completely cooperate, the Lions were able to both serve the crowd some delicious peameal bacon on a bun and sell a total of 831 50/50 draw tickets. We would like to congratulate Melanie Senior, who was the winner of \$2,077.50. Melanie happened to be in town on Nov. 17 for her child's hockey game at the Trisan, when she purchased her ticket.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without the teamwork of all of our members of the Schomberg Lions, and the support from our community, who purchased the tickets. We would also like to thank Rocco at Foodland, Tony at Schomberg Quality Meats and Ron Scholten for their support.

We invite you to join us for a free Lions sponsored skate with Santa on Sunday Dec. 16. at the Trisan Centre from 2:15-3:30.

If you are looking for a way to give back to your community and enjoy some good camaraderie in the process, please contact Gord Dobson 416-717-2824. Our dinner meetings are held in the curling lounge, at the Trisan Centre, on the first Monday of the month and business meetings on the third Monday of the month. Make a New Year's resolution to serve your community.

Schomberg Figure Skating Club

The Club's annual Friends and Family Skate happens on Saturday, Dec. 15 from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Trisan Centre.

There is free skating and refreshments for everyone and all are welcome. Helmets are required. For further information on our Schomberg Skating Club please visit www.schombergskatingclub.ca

Blue Door Shelters

Nature's Shade Tree Care is asking for the Schomberg community support again this year, as we collect donations

for the Blue Door Shelters of York region.

Homelessness can happen to anyone. Blue Door Shelter is a not for profit, registered charitable agency that provides safe no fee emergency shelter to families, youth, women and men in York region. A donation bin will be located outside of Rona before and after Main Street Christmas. Items in need, new/unopened infant toys, baby blankets, diapers size 4-6, new clothing for men, women and children, toiletries and gift cards.

The shelter will also accept new or gently used men's footwear-winter boots and running shoes.

Children's Coat Drive

Schomberg Chiropractic Wellness Centre will be holding a coat/boot drive to benefit "Coats For Kids." This organization distributes the clothing to individuals in need in York Region. Coats For Kids needs gently used, washed children's coats, snowsuits, boots, hats, mittens and scarves.

The items can be dropped off at Schomberg Chiropractic until Dec. 15. Drop-off hours will be Mondays, 9-12 & 2-5; Tuesdays/Thursdays 1-7 and Fridays 9-12.

Schomberg United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

This Sunday is Advent #3 as we come closer to the date of Jesus's birth. The service will be held at St. Mary Magdalene on the lower level, as this level is accessible. Just enter via the back door and wheel in!

Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman is inviting everyone for Advent Studies on Tuesday mornings, 10 to 11 a.m., at St. Mary Magdalene Church. Tuesday, Dec. 18 will be the last one, but even if you missed the first ones, you will enjoy the discussion and camaraderie. Enter by the back door for an accessible entrance. There is a good group of about 10.

For Christmas Eve, we are having our Candlelight and Communion Service in the evening at 7:30 p.m. Nobleton is having its Christmas Eve in the afternoon, gathering at 3 p.m. for a cookie social, followed by a family friendly service at 3:30 p.m. led by Rev. Carol-Ann with talented guest soloist Sandra Kirby.

For service on Sunday Dec. 30, we are joining the Anglicans at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Church.



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**King City United
By Sheryl Sinka**

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A women's prayer group has begun in our community. They gather on Tuesday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Residences of Springhill, The Condo community at 80 Burns Blvd. on the south side of King Road in the small dining room on the main floor. Departure time is optional but please try to arrive just before 9. Prayer is powerful and whether it is illness, anxiety or life situations for yourself or someone else, consider adding your voice to this ministry. For more information contact Deana at 905-833-5375 or Kathy 905-833-0391.

For those looking for some conversation and company, Tea and talk takes place on Friday mornings at the Sunset Grill (1700 King Rd.) at 10 a.m. All are

welcome to come out and join in a cup of coffee or tea and some conversation.

If you have any questions please contact the church office: 905 833 5181

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King Bible Church

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Please take advantage of our excellent children's ministry. Our Sunday morning "Celebration Zone" provides

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

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Our "Legacy" nights are our family Bible Study nights. We chose the theme of "Legacy" because we believe that's what families are looking for; both to be a part of as well as leave a lasting "Legacy."

Our program runs from 6:45 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday.

Join us on Saturday, Dec. 8 to make homemade gifts for everyone on your Christmas list! We will provide details soon about what gift options there will be; and how you can sign up for them!

Please join us for our Christmas Eve service on Monday, Dec. 24.

We will begin with refreshments at 6 p.m. and the service will begin at 6:45 p.m.

There will not be childcare for this service so that families will be able to celebrate together.

Pastor Mark will be concluding our "Who Needs Christmas" series with "We Do."

You can find us at King Bible Church, 1555 King Rd. King City (at King Rd. & Dufferin), 905-833-5104, www.kingbiblechurch.com, info@kingbiblechurch.com

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By Kathy Patterson**

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Sunday worship service is at 10:30 a.m. Join us for coffee following.

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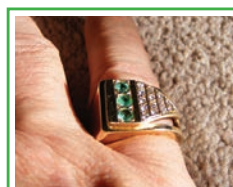
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Last Sunday, the Khani Family led us in the lighting of the Candle of Peace and Lynn Vissers led us in worship continuing with the story of Ruth from the book of Ruth 3:1-18. We heard about Boaz, Ruth's kinsman redeemer and the parallel with Christ, the Prince of Peace, sent to redeem us.

The Congregational Christmas Potluck and Christmas Program last Saturday was a very happy time for all with lots of delicious food, wonderful friends, including newly arrived friends from Ghana, carol singing, story-telling with Lynn, and Christmas treat-bags for the children.

Other events coming up are: "Messy Church" Dec. 23 from 5 to 7 p.m. Bring your family and join us for the communal supper at 6 p.m. and the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7 p.m., Dec. 24. The Han Wool Korean Presbyterian Church will be joining us. Mark your calendars! All are welcome.

Soup and Conversation for "the after work gals" continues Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. at the church office, led by Lynn Vissers.

The Women's Prayer Circle continues on Tuesday mornings from 9 to 10

a.m. at 80 Burns Blvd. If you would like to pray with other ladies, but can't join us at this time, please call Kathy Patterson, 905-833-0391 for more information to discuss possible venues and times.

The Tree of Warmth items (scarves, gloves, warm socks, toques) and other donations for the Homeless in Toronto are being collected and will be delivered to Evangel Hall very soon. Contact Bonnie Mooney at 905-833-5256.

For pastoral care needs contact Lynn Vissers, Director of Congregational Ministries at the office 905-833-2325 or contact our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Paul Johnston, 705-341-7738.

We are located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd. www.standrews-kingcity.ca

**All Saints Anglican Church
By Patrick Gossage**

Annual Lessons and Carol Service - This Friday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. An uplifting evening of your favorite carols interspersed with readings from the Gospel story of the birth of Christ. Our choir will be enhanced with several professional choristers. The community is more than welcome.

Christmas eve services at ALL Saints

- At 5 p.m. there will be a family service and at 10 p.m. a sung Eucharist. Christmas is about celebrating Christ's birth and giving back. Come and worship with us at this joyous time of year. All are welcome.

Christ a superhero - Our youth performance of A Superhero Christmas was greatly enjoyed last Sunday. A whole group of fully dressed superheroes of various sizes and ages entertained with the story of their finding out about the birth of another super-

hero and being somewhat worried that he would be competition. They were in awe of the more traditional tableau of a young Mary and Joseph and the babe and the shepherds. They were reassured that the new superhero would not "take their jobs" and wished the congregation Merry Christmas.

In her sermon, Rev. Dr. Elizabeth asked us to consider what will we do to further God in the world. To express the love born in and thorough us in the Christmas season.

York police find results disappointing

Over the past week, 25 impaired drivers were removed from York Region roads in another "disappointing week of enforcement efforts," according to police.

So far this year, York Regional Police have laid more than 1,500 charges for impaired-related driving offences and the number of drivers choosing to drive while impaired is showing no signs of decreasing. Sadly, five people have lost their lives this year in collisions where alcohol or drug impairment were contributing factors.

On Dec. 7, shortly before 1 p.m., an officer was conducting speed enforcement on Rutherford Road, just east of McGillivray Road in the City of Vaughan. A vehicle was found to be speeding at 124 kilometres per hour in a posted 70 km/h zone. The driver was placed under arrest and taken to #4 District Headquarters for a breath test, where she blew more than four times the legal limit. Due to the high readings the driver was taken to hospital as a precaution.

"We consider these incidents a life-threatening crime in progress and will continue to respond to these calls. We're not giving up."

708 OBITUARIES

Chatten, John

Peacefully after a brief illness, at his home, on Monday November 26th, 2018. John Chatten, in his 65th year, beloved husband of Deb Carpenter. Loving father of Jackie MacKenzie, and Jake Chatten. Sadly missed by his grandchildren: Liam, Evangeline, and Judith. Cherished son of Joan and the late Jack Chatten. Dear brother of Carol (Bill Blea), Ken (Lori), Diane, and Jeff. Forever remembered by Jim Adamson, Doug Lapointe, and all his extended family and friends. Memorial visitation will be held at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, 1666 Tottenham Road, Tottenham, 905-936-3477 on Thursday December 13, 2018 from 2-4 and 6-8 pm. Memorial Service will be held in the chapel, on Friday December 14, 2018 at 11:30 am. Online tributes may be left for the family at www.RodAbrams-FuneralHome.com

708 OBITUARIES

Sutherland, Joan Denise

(Former Warden of Simcoe County, Former Deputy Reeve of New Tecumseth, Former Councilor and Reeve of Tottenham, Former First Female President of the Ontario Good Roads Association, Former Treasurer of Nottawasaga Futures, Former Representative of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority). Peacefully at her home in Tottenham, on Thursday December 6, 2018. Joan Sutherland (nee: Brattan) at the age of 84 years, beloved wife of Joe Sutherland. Loving mother of David, Liane, and Lisa-Jo. Dear grandmother of Danielle Wryland (Tiff), Michelle Sutherland (Giacomo Donato), Katrina Sutherland, Ryan Williams (Erin Madonia), Jake Williams (Teri Maiden-Hussey), Sarah O'Keefe, Paul O'Keefe (Erin Pawts), and great grandmother of Lorenzo Donato. Forever in the hearts of her extended family and friends. A Memorial visitation will be held at Rod Abrams Funeral Home 1666 Tottenham Rd. Tottenham, on Monday December 17, 2018 from 10 am until time of Memorial Service in the chapel at 11 am. Cremation has taken place. For those who wish donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

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You never said good-bye,
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A million times we've cried,
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You never would have died.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still,
In our hearts you hold a special place,
That no one could ever fill.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God took you home!
Until we meet again our son!
Love always and forever and never ever forgotten!
Mom and Warren*

709 IN MEMORIAM

Worrod, Michael April 7, 1982-Dec.18, 2007

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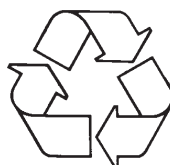


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Nobleton Notes

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

St. Paul's will be hosting a Christmas carol sing this Sunday, Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. Bring your friends and family along to enjoy an evening of singing and also enjoy the talents of others. You will not be disappointed you came!

The Community Youth Group meets most Thursdays at the church from 7-9 p.m. Come join in the fun. Follow our Instagram account to stay up to date on current events, "4.12.youth.group." Check this space for details, or contact our church office at 905-859-0843. A2J, our program for kids in Grades 3 to 6, meets the second and fourth Fridays of the month at 7 p.m.

LifeConnect Groups are small gatherings for friendship, study and prayer. Our newest LifeConnect Group gathers on Thursdays at 7 p.m. at the church to learn the faith and grow together. We have several other LifeConnect Groups that meet throughout the week. If you are interested, please contact the church office and we can give you fur-

ther details on these.

We are blessed at St. Paul's to have diligent librarians that have worked for years on creating an amazing library with new books being added weekly. This is a true gold mine if you are a reader. You're welcome to borrow from it anytime!

The first and third Tuesday of the month we have a group of people who get together at 1 p.m. to do Quilting. The second and fourth Tuesday of the month, the focus is on knitting. All handcrafted items are donated to various mission projects. You are welcome to join us.

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This Sunday, Jeff will be continuing his series on John. This Third Week of Advent's message is entitled "Know The Truth" based on John 8:31-41. We offer ministry to children aged 0 to 11 during worship. Following the service we have a great time sharing refresh-

ments and socializing with each other.

What is this Advent celebration all about anyhow? While Advent is certainly a time of celebration and anticipation of Christ's birth, it is more than that. It is only in the shadow of Advent that the miracle of Christmas can be fully understood and appreciated, and it is only in the light of Christmas that the Christian life makes any sense. It is between the fulfilled promise of Christ's first coming and the yet-to-be-fulfilled promise of his second coming that Karl Barth penned these words: "Unfulfilled and fulfilled promise are related to each other, as are dawn and sunrise. Both promise and in fact the same promise. If anywhere at all, then it is precisely in the light of the coming of Christ that faith has become Advent faith, the expectation of future revelation.

But faith knows for whom and for what it is waiting. It is fulfilled faith because it lays hold on the fulfilled promise." The promise for all is Jesus Christ; he has come, and he will come again. This is the essence of Advent. Come join us as we celebrate His promises!

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) and YouTube page (search St. Paul's Church, Nobleton), or stpaulsnobleton.ca for viewing.

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

St Mary's Catholic Church

Blessing of Baby Jesus Statues (Bambinelli). Please bring your Baby

Jesus/Bambinelli statues, that you will be placing in the manger/nativity in your home. The statues will be blessed during the weekend masses of Dec. 15 & 16 at St. Patrick Parish and St. Mary's Mission.

Christmas and New Year masses. The Nativity of the Lord, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, 5 p.m. at St. Mary's; Christmas Eve, 7 p.m. at St. Patrick's.

Christmas Day, 9 a.m. St. Patrick Church, 10:30 a.m. St. Mary Mission and 10:30 a.m. (Latin mass) St. Patrick Church.

St. Patrick Church, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve, 5 p.m. St. Patrick Church; 7 p.m. St. Mary Mission. Jan. 1, 2019, New Year's Day, 9 a.m. St. Patrick Church; 10:30 a.m. St. Mary Mission, and 10:30 a.m. (Latin mass) at St. Patrick Church.

Nobleton United By Nancy Hopkinson

During this Christmas Season, come on Sunday Dec. 16 at 11:15 a.m. to celebrate Advent 3. There will be songs, videos, an inspiring message, and something for children to do during the service. Sunday, Dec. 23 is the final service of Advent. We will be closed on Sunday, Dec. 30.

For Christmas Eve, we are gathering at 3 p.m. for a cookie social. The family friendly service starts at 3:30 p.m., led by Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman, with special guest singer King City's Sandra Kirby. We have enjoyed Sandra's enthusiasm and beautiful voice many times.

Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman has been leading Advent studies on Tuesday mornings, 10 to 11 a.m., at Schomberg United (St. Mary Magdalene Church).

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By **Carol Kanitz**

Obtain your tickets for the New Year's Eve Gala at the Centre (\$50 per person) by contacting Susan at 905-859-4583 or Sheila at 905-833-5579. You will enjoy a full course sit down dinner followed by dancing and champagne at midnight. Doors open at 7 p.m.

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Tuesday, Dec. 18 will be the last one. Come and join the discussion and camaraderie. Enter by the back door for an accessible entrance.

Last Sunday, we had a wonderful time with Messy Church at Church. It was so much fun for all. The little manger scenes were made by a small shortbread cookie in the bottom of a paper muffin cup, icing, then shredded wheat for the straw. The jelly babies were then wrapped round with blue-coloured fondant icing and it looked as if the baby had been "swaddled" and then laid on the manger. The whole scene was edible.

Young and "old" painted Christmas greetings on the Graffiti walls and also painted wooden star ornaments. Angels were decorated and the gown was slit so that one part fit into the other part to make a 3-D angel, with wings and no gluing required. Thanks to the many people who helped out and thanks to Immanuel Reform's minister, Rev. Lumes, who helped me put up the 10 tables required for all the activities. Our fellow Christians at Immanuel Reform have the service before us on Sunday mornings.

The next Messy Church will be Tuesday, Jan. 22, 5-7 p.m. and includes dinner. The theme is "Who is the Holy Spirit."

York Pines United Church invites everyone to join them in singing Christmas carols on Saturday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m., meeting at Cook Dr. and Lloydtown-Aurora Rd, Pottageville OR on Sunday Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. in front of Dorio's Bakery, Kettleby. This is not soliciting, but enjoying the season. Afterwards, there are refreshments at York Pines Church. For more info, visit nobletonunit-

edchurch.com, our Facebook page, or call 905-859-3976. The Church office is normally open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Messages are picked up regularly. Nobleton United, 6076 King Rd., is north of the King Rd., about 6 buildings west of Hwy 27.

Nobleton Lions

The Nobleton Lions would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for their support this past year. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! The Lions are aware of a wheelchair which is available to anyone with a need, please contact Rick Zuzek at richardzuzek@yahoo.ca for details.

**Anglican Parish
By John Arnott**

December 17 was a day nearly all looked forward to in much of the Roman Empire for it signaled the start of the Saturnalia festival and Romans across the empire most especially in Rome itself were in a "party mode." The observance of this festival honouring Saturn, the god of agriculture, goes back in history to the early days of the city state and was just a 1-day event. Later Emperor Augustus (Octavius) increased it to 3 days and Caligula made it a 5-day celebration which eventually became a 7-day holiday.

Saturnalia was a time for feasting, singing, drinking, going to games including gladiator combats and gift giving. Homes, public buildings and commercial establishments were decorated with ropes, wreaths and boughs of fresh greenery brought in from the countryside. People greeted each other calling out "io Saturnalia."

Before the official beginning of the holiday shopping for food, gifts and decorations was of paramount importance. And the busiest places in a Roman cities were the main markets. In Rome holiday shoppers enjoyed the luxury of shopping in the Trajan Market not far from the Coliseum. Built on the Via dei Fori Imperiali, Rome's main street, for Emperor Trajan by his master architect Apollodorus Damascus this shoppers' paradise with tiled floors and ceilings with mosaic inlays is thought to be the western world's first indoor shopping mall. It originally had two levels with shops at street level and apartments above but over time this was expanded to 6 levels with some 200 shops and apartments as well as socializing areas.

Here one could buy simple relatively inexpensive gifts such as moneyboxes, combs, toothpicks, perfume, hunting knives and children's toys and balls or expensive fabrics (silk), ivory carvings, jewels and gold ornaments. For the hard to please lady on the list there was always sweat scraped from gladiators fresh from combat with a small curved blade called a strigil into tiny vials then tightly sealed. And this much sought after facial "cosmetic" didn't come cheap! For cleaning or bleaching and yes even teeth brushing (because its ammonia content) there were fancy flasks of urine both large and small readily available. But by far the most popular presents were "gag gifts" in the form of small pottery or wax figures in interesting shapes and poses, some most definitely provocative Augustus was particularly delighted to receive gag gifts! It is thought these figures were first used to replace the gladiatorial sacrifices. Gifts were given on Dec. 19 called Sigillaria after the pottery or wax figurines.

During Saturnalia little work was done, law courts government offices and businesses were closed even slaves had time off. A felt hat called a pilleus and worn by male commoners was sported outdoors by most every man during this festival so princes could pass as paupers and vice versa. A highlight at banquets was changing places as for a short time slaves became masters and masters slaves.

Food of course played a central role in this ancient celebration. Delicacies such as thinly sliced gladiators' livers thought to cleanse the soul, and flamingo tongues were popular as hors-d'oeuvres. Whole flamingos were often served having been first scalded then cooked gently in water salted and seasoned with dill to which was added a little vinegar and lastly for colour, reduced must (grape juice).

The final day of Saturnalia called Dies Natalis Solis Invictus - Day of the Rebirth of the Unconquerable Sun, was certainly more religious than those previous in that it followed the winter solstice and the sun to them had the monotheistic idea of 1 god encompassing all gods who would gradually strengthen bringing more light into a darkened world.

The St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton notes that the candles Romans lighted at this time are seen to be the forerunners of those now used in Christian observance Advent and as well that when the Romans became Christian they didn't want to give up long-held celebrations. So the wise, if somewhat reluctant church fathers, allowed many of these to be Christianized thus Saturnalia became Christmas even though when as far as we know Yeshua was born in April not December.

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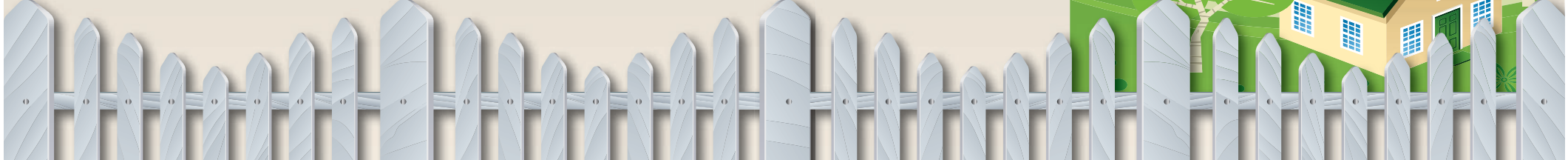
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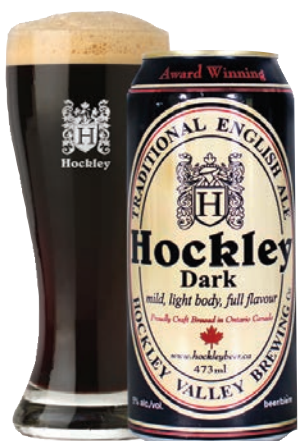


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