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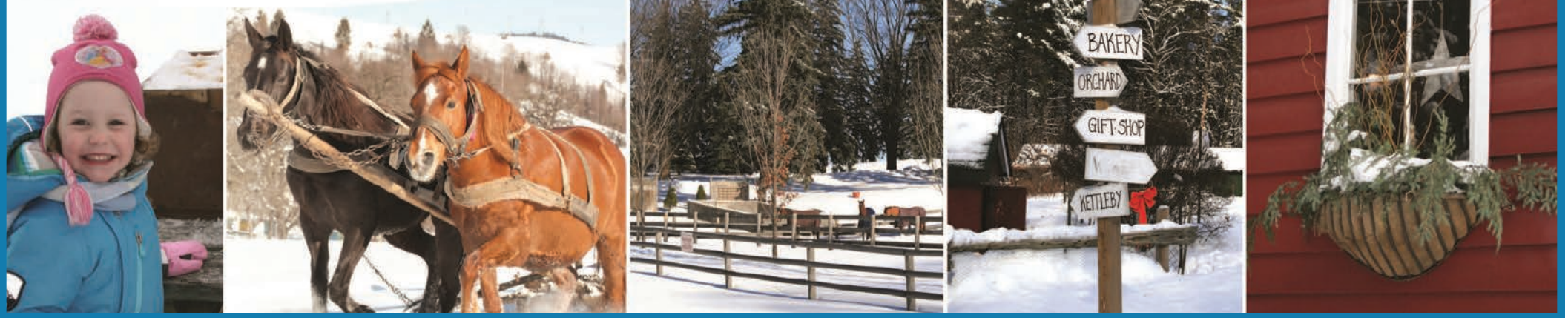
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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Monday, February 25, 2019

5 pm – Special Committee of the Whole Working Session: Engineering, Public Works and Building Department - Township of King Drinking Water Quality Management System and the Standard of Care
6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

Monday, March 18, 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

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

6 pm – Sustainability Advisory Committee
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Thursday, February 28, 2019

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

Thursday, March 7, 2019

6 pm – Heritage Advisory Committee
Municipal Centre, 2585 King Road, King City

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

6 pm – Accessibility Advisory Committee
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

6 pm – King Township Public Library Board Meeting
Schomberg Branch: 77 Main Street

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

6 pm – Committee of Adjustment
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Administrative Assistant – Clerks (summer student) – closes February 22**
 - **Climate Change Coordinator (24-month contract) – closes February 22**
 - **Water/Wastewater Operator II – closes February 22**
 - **Planner II – closes March 8**
 - **Arena/Facility Operator I (12-month contract) – closes March 8**
 - **Arena Assistant I (casual contract) – closes when filled**
 - **Parks Maintenance Worker (6-month contract) – closes when filled**
 - **Parks Seasonal Worker (seasonal) – closes when filled**
 - **Parks Seasonal Worker – Afternoon Shift (seasonal) – closes when filled**
 - **Crossing Guard (contract) – closes when filled**
- Please visit the Township website at www.king.ca for employment opportunities.

BID NOTICES

For all bid opportunities, please visit the Township of King's website www.king.ca, click **Popular Topics** and click **BID OPPORTUNITIES**.
Or visit on the following link
<https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en>

REMINDERS

Half-load restrictions

The annual half-load period to limit vehicle weights to 5,000 kg per starts on designated Township roads effective Fri., March 1, 2019 to Fri., May 31, 2019 per our By-law 2010-141. For further information, please visit half loads or call 905-833-5321.

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1st Final Installment

Due Date: February 25, 2019

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Please visit our website for details.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF MEETINGS
2019 - 2022 BUDGETS & BUSINESS PLAN

Council Chambers located at 2585 King Road, King City, ON

PUBLIC CONSULTATION – DRAFT 2019 – 2022 BUDGETS & BUSINESS PLAN

February 21: Public Information Centre

Public Consultation Session (King City): **Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 7 pm** Presentation to start at 7:15 pm
Location: King Township Municipal Centre, Council Chambers, 2585 King Rd., King City

RE: Council Meeting: **Monday, February 25, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.**
Draft – 2019 - 2022 Budgets & Business Plan

The Township of King Draft 2019 - 2022 Budgets & Business Plan, will be tabled at the February 25, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Interested parties are invited to attend. Budget information will be available for review at the Township of King Municipal Offices at 2585 King Road or on the Township web-site at www.king.ca as of Thursday, February 21, 2019.

RE: Council Meeting: **Monday, March 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**
Consideration of By-law for Adoption: 2019 - 2022 Budgets & Business Plan

The Township of King adoption of the 2019 - 2022 Budgets & Business Plan, will be tabled at the March 18, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Interested parties are invited to attend. Budget information will be available for review at the Township of King Municipal Offices at 2585 King Road or on the Township web-site at www.king.ca as of Thursday, March 14, 2019.

For further information regarding the 2019 Budget please visit the Township's website at www.king.ca or contact: Allan Evelyn, Director of Finance and Treasurer, aevelyn@king.ca Telephone: 905-833-5321 or 1-800-688-5013, Fax: 905-833-2300

Kathryn Moyle
Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement
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COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 2019 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 2019 must be completed and submitted to the Township by **Monday, April 1st, 2019**.

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

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NOTICE OF MEETING
Special Committee of the Whole Working Session
Engineering, Public Works and Building Department

"Township of King Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS) and the Standard of Care"

Council of the Corporation of the Township of King will hold a Special Committee of the Whole Working Session hosted by the Engineering, Public Works and Building Department on:

- **Engineering, Public Works and Building Department Township of King Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS) and the Standard of Care**

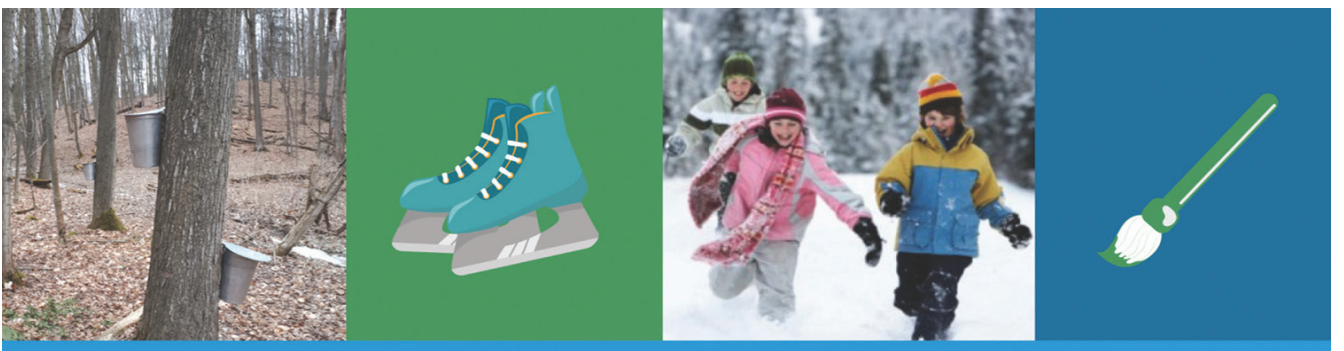
Monday, February 25, 2019 - 5:00 p.m.
In the
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2585 King Road, King City, ON

Kathryn Moyle
Director of Clerks/ By-law Enforcement
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Tribunal grants Brock's expansion

By Mark Pavilons

Despite opposition by local residents and King council, the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (formerly OMB) granted the appeal by Brock Aggregates for expansion on their property in the hamlet of Snowball.

King council rejected Brock's application for an OP and zoning bylaw amendment to permit a 25,631-square foot building for storage, back in 2016.

In the decision brought down Feb. 4, the Tribunal finds "the proposal will be compatible with other land uses in the rural settlement area of Snowball and will safeguard the Oak Ridges Moraine in a manner that conforms to the ORMCP and other relevant plans."

In the decision, Tribunal member Stefan Krzeczunowicz noted the expansion is limited and will allow the company to become more efficient. Approving the applications would facilitate the reorganization of the site and improve the "often contradictory policies and regulations that apply." The use of the site, he noted, would not change and the intensity of use would be better controlled.

The applicant wants to reorganize the existing industrial use on the site and expand the storage building. The bid would move the existing vehicle and heavy equipment storage indoors and would push the existing active area back from the road, to allow trucks to turn and enter the new storage building via a ramp at the building's rear. Several storage bins would be relocated to the east lot line.

The Tribunal decided the zoning bylaw amendment would realign the Restricted Industrial Zone on the site to the eastern edge of the Hazard Lands.

In a similar vein, the OP amendment would expand the Restricted Industrial designation north by roughly 74 metres from the road.

The property has been used as an aggregate storage yard and transfer station for more than 25 years. The "active area" of the site is roughly 1.8 hectares fronting Wellington Street. The Tribunal pointed out the site is an important component of the local and regional economy and, as such "is entitled to a measure of protection under PPS policies that seek to protect long-term resource supplies."

Several Snowball residents appeared at the hearing, arguing the redevelopment of the site would increase dust and noise, adversely impacting area homeowners. They also stressed the prescribed hours of operation are not enforced.

One resident argued this development would not be considered "small scale," and residents worry about the increased truck traffic in the area.

The Tribunal did not agree that this constitutes a "major development" under the ORMCP. Tribunal members are also convinced there will be no impact to water supply or the environment.

While Krzeczunowicz did admit the use is "relatively intense for the hamlet, and the proposed building relatively large, the Tribunal does not conclude that the proposal would be out of scale with the rural community in which it lies."

The Tribunal believes site plan conditions will mitigate dust and noise sufficiently, to ensure "that impacts from the operation remain acceptable."

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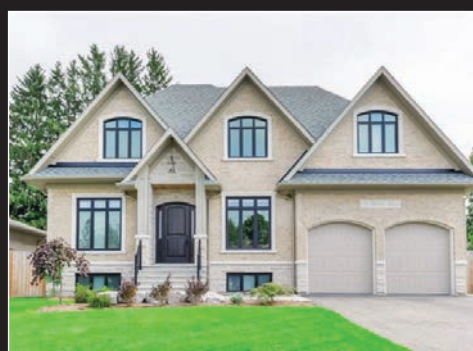
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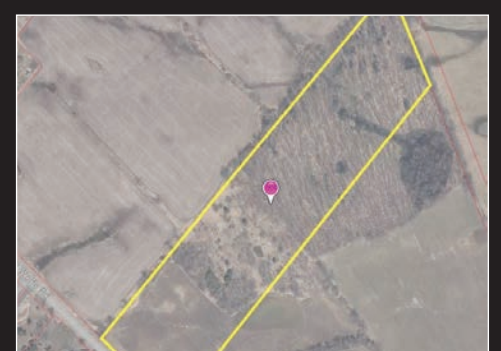
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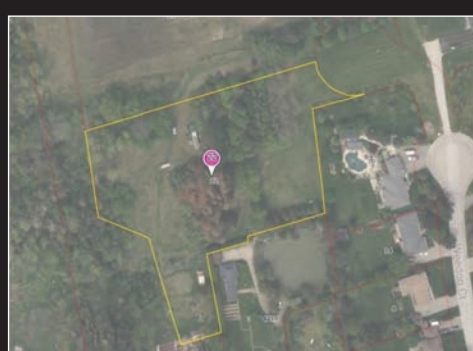
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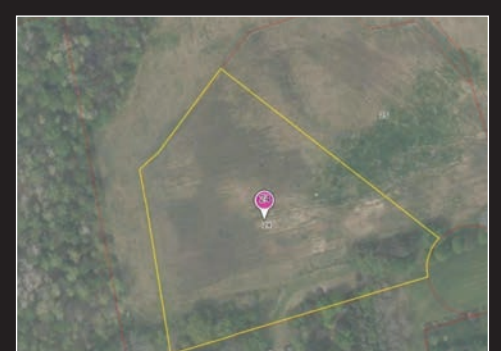
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~ Michael Connelly

Memories, good and bad, make us who we are

It's funny what we remember sometimes.

Recently, I awoke from another in a series of odd dreams. As I sat up, my thoughts turned to my dad's final hours.

He died of lymphoma on a summer's evening in 1998. During most of his years suffering from the disease, he remained symptom-free. In the end, he began to become agitated, shaky and restless.

I remember that evening very well. Kim and I visited, chatted with him for a while and comforted my mom. His last words to me, and I recall them with crystal clarity, were: "You have a beautiful family; take care of them."

We only had Lexie, who was just six months old at the time. Unfortunately, my dad never got the chance to see his other two grandkids. I know he would have been over the moon and proud of them all. Maybe he is.

Our memories are quite tricky, and science is still figuring out just how and where our memories are formed and stored.

According to experts, our long-term memory, which can last a lifetime, has an immeasurable capacity. The brain contains an estimated 100 billion neurons. If each one has 1,000 or more connections to other neurons, this produces roughly 100 trillion connections in which our memories can be stored.

We process our experiences and hold onto them in three ways – sensory memory, short-term memory and long-term memory. It's said two parts of the brain are main areas where "ourselves" are stored – the hippocampus and amygdala.

Based on this new information, the new estimate is that the brain can hold at least a petabyte of information, about as much as the World Wide Web currently holds. This is 10 times more than previously estimated.

But memory is not as simple as a computer's binary code. Each one of our experiences impacts how we approach all future ones. Our emotions affect our memory and as we know, the more traumatic ones are permanently etched in our brains. There are "memory genes"



Mark Pavilons

and scientists have found that sleep and dreams continually reorganize our memories. We have "grid cells" that help us with our spatial memory.

There's been a long-standing myth that our brains record everything in exact, minute detail, but that has been found to be incorrect. The reality is, our brains decide what's important to remember. We all know that coins have a "head" and a "tail" but the tiny details are fuzzy. We don't really need to know all the distinct features of a coin, unless of course, you're a coin dealer.

Some say our memories are really "who we are." Without them, we lose our identity and sense of self. We are the sum of our experiences.

I remember when a staffer at Etobicoke hospital called and said my mom passed away. It was March 10, 2010, a Wednesday. I travelled to the hospital and sat with her for a while, saying my farewells. I shared small talk and spoke out loud, not really caring if anyone could hear me. It was my way of coping. I knew my mom's soul had already departed. This hour of my life wasn't quite as awful as you'd think, because my mom's quality of life had dimin-

ished immensely in the weeks leading up to her death. As strange as it seems, I really enjoyed our final one-sided chat.

"You know that pain and guilt can't be taken away with a wave of a magic wand. They're the things we carry with us, the things that make us who we are. If we lose them, we lose ourselves. I don't want my pain taken away! I need my pain."

These words, spoken by James Kirk in Star Trek V: The Final Frontier, often come to mind. They're true, of course.

For me, most of my bad memories are ever present, almost like a haunting shadow that won't leave my side.

Some people can remember with vivid detail their younger years. I really don't recall anything prior to age 5. The only memory I have was falling asleep during nap time in kindergarten, and for some reason the teacher let me "sleep in." I awoke to singing, as the rest of the class assembled and continued on with their activities, while I, groggy-eyed, woke to their laughter.

Fast-forward to September of 2009 at the Bolton Fall Fair. My daughter and I were waiting for the Ferris wheel to disembark. In one chair was a woman and her teenage daughter. They were staring at me, pointing, laughing and they even took a photo of me.

There's no question they were taken aback by my rhinophyma. It's a skin disorder that causes the nose to become enlarged and bulbous. Scar tissue continues to build and grow and the nose ends up looking like cauliflower. It tends to affect men in their 50s and 60s, but I developed it in my 40s.

I can't describe the feeling in my gut that day, but I felt sick to my stomach and felt like someone hit me in the back of the head with a baseball bat. It was the nudge I needed to follow through with surgery. It was considered cosmetic, so it was expensive, but my wife felt I really needed to do it for myself.

I was awake, with only a local anesthetic. The surgeon used an electric scapel, and he "sculpted" my nose back into shape. I still recall, as the anesthetic began wearing off, the pain I felt from this instrument. As the tears ran down my face I remained silent. The doctor noticed and promptly gave me more anesthetic.

Like Kirk, I needed my pain to remind me of my humility.

Conversely, I remember with joy my wedding day, the birth of our children, and the many wonderful occasions Kim and I have spent together. I recall vividly the sunsets and sunrises, the ocean breezes and tropical drinks. Being away in those places was like shedding a second skin, and getting rid of that shadow of mine.

So, are all of these memories who I am? Of course they are. Who would I be without them?

We all have experiences we'd prefer not to remember, but we don't have that luxury.

"Life is all memory," according to Tennessee Williams and the present goes by so quickly you can hardly catch it.

Memory is also the mother of all wisdom. Use it wisely, and don't discount its importance.

Letter to the Editor

Historical designation

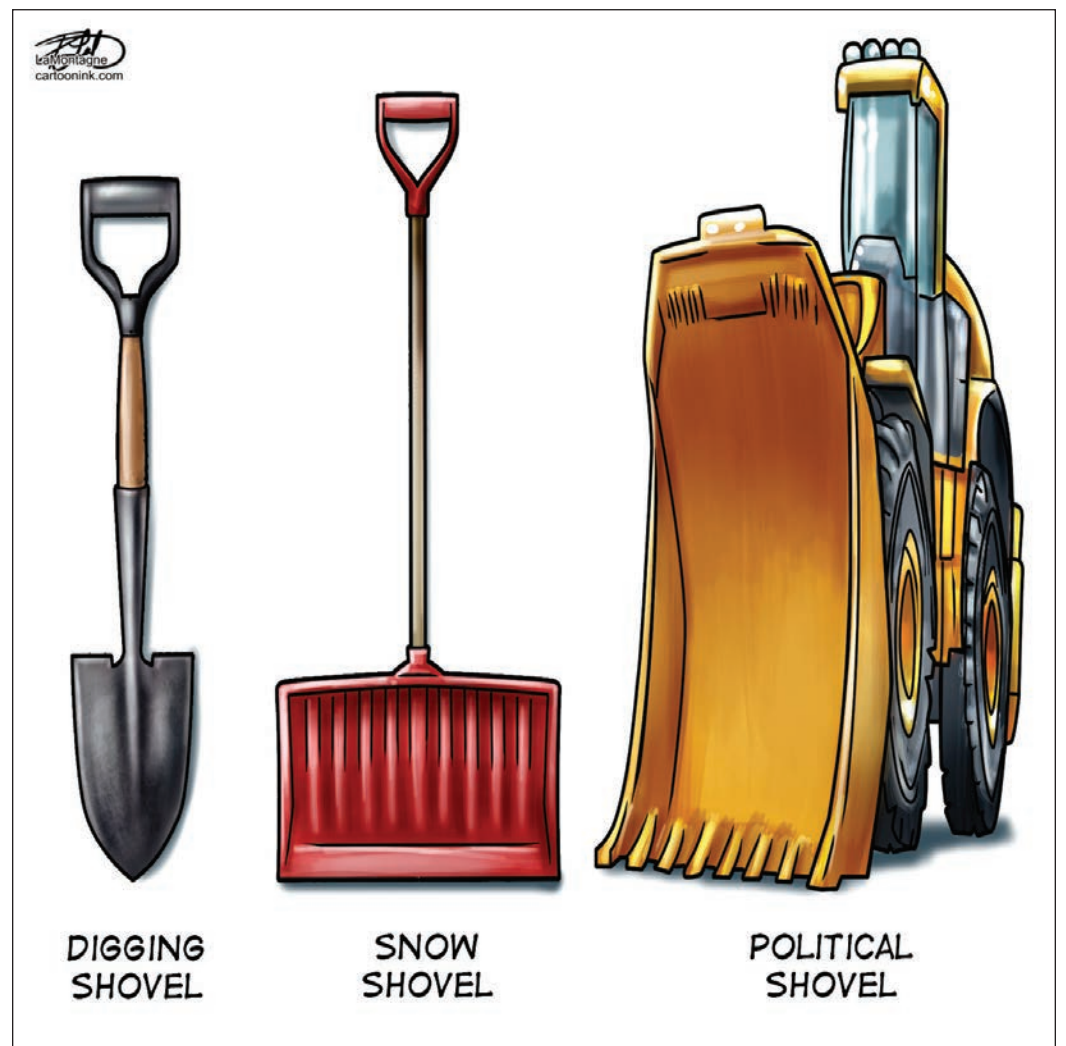
As a result of an application to demolish a historic building in Kettleby, and discovering that so few buildings are protected, I have applied to the King Township office to have an historical designation on my home at 435 Kettleby Road.

I would like to share with others my journey to help educate others of the process and to dispel myths and misconceptions about what an Historical Designation means. I feel very strongly that it is my responsibility to protect our historical hamlet, this special place we call Kettleby and also King. People come to Kettleby to our historically themed events celebrating our heritage and marvel that such a place exists. We are truly the last remaining historical hamlet, a jewel in the King Township crown.

I also feel strongly that is only fair that I place the same restrictions on my home that I am asking of others. I am hoping of course that others might be interested in pursuing protection based on my actions.

Designation can be as simple as protecting the streetscape, and in my case features such as the rings in the blacksmith shop that the horses were tied up to and the sliding door where they entered the building and the street facing facade of my house. I would also like to encourage others to attend the council meeting on Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. to let their opinions be known.

Kathy Cartan



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Brainteaser



John is talking to his lawyer in jail. The judge has refused to grant a bail. John leaves jail and goes home. How is this possible?

Last week's answer: The trains were different lengths.

King Township Trivia

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Results from last week's poll:
Are you concerned about the dramatic shifts in temperature lately?

a) Yes **66.6%**

b) No **33.3%**

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

For the March Break, are you:

a) Going away
b) Staying home
c) Doing nothing

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PUBLIC NOTICES



Meet the Mayor & Ward Councillors

All are welcome!

Tuesday, February 5
Schomberg Library
77 Main St.
6:30pm - 8:00pm
Councillor Bill Cober

Wednesday, March 20
Nobleton Library
8 Sheardown Dr.
6:30pm - 8:00pm
Councillors David Boyd & Jakob Schneider

Thursday, April 4
Ansonveldt Library
18997 Dufferin St.
6:30pm - 8:00pm
Councillor Avia Eek

Tuesday, April 16
Township of King Municipal Centre
2585 King Rd.
6:30pm - 8:00pm
Councillors Debbie Schaefer & Jordan Cescolini

A representative from York Regional Police will be at all the meetings to provide information and answer questions on policing issues like how to protect your home or business from break-ins.

KING FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES



COOKING IS THE #1 CAUSE OF HOME FIRES

WHAT'S THE RISK?

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Stovetop fires account for **71%** of all cooking fires.

The average dollar loss per cooking fire is over **\$27,000**.

Cooking is the #2 cause of fatal fires in the home.

Statistics for Ontario between 2010-2014. Provided by the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management

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

How do I prevent a cooking fire?

- ❖ Always stay in the kitchen while cooking. If you must leave, turn off the stove.
- ❖ Keep anything that burns — cooking utensils, dishcloths, paper towels and pot holders — a safe distance from the stove.
- ❖ Loose-fitting clothes can come into contact with stove burners and catch fire. Wear tight sleeves or roll them up when cooking.

FIRE INJURIES and DEATHS

- ❖ 32% of all home fire injuries occur in cooking fires.
- ❖ 14% of all cooking fires result in an injury or death.
- ❖ 11% of all home fire fatalities are caused by cooking

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Seeking nominations for **VOLUNTEER AWARDS**
Closes Tuesday, March 12

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT
Thursday, April 25, 2019

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

- Citizen of the Year
- Special Recognition: Non-Resident of King
- Senior Citizen Award of Merit
- Special Recognition
- Lifetime Achievement
- Youth Award of Merit

Nominations for Volunteer Awards must be submitted on the nomination form obtained from the Clerks Department and will be received by the undersigned until **4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 12th, 2019**. 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 25th, 2019**.

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



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If you didn't receive a copy of the Spring/Summer Community Guide, there are copies at the Municipal Centre at 2585 King Rd., recreation facilities, libraries and online at www.king.ca.



King 7-Day Weather Outlook

From Thursday, February 21 to Wednesday, February 27

THURS 21ST	FRI 22ND	SAT 23RD	SUN 24TH	MON 25TH	TUES 26TH	WED 27TH
Mainly Sunny High 0C° Low -10C°	Mainly Sunny High 2C° Low -9C°	Sun/Clouds High 2C° Low 0C°	Mixed Precip. High 3C° Low -8C°	A Few Flurries High -7C° Low -17C°	Sun/Clouds High -6C° Low -9C°	Flurries High -3C° Low -12C°
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Letters to the Editor Keep rec. centre in King City

With all the discussion regarding, "Open for Business," Bill 66, to expand local business and attract new businesses, many have failed to understand the basic concept of how to best accomplish this.

Everyone has heard by now of King's plan to build a new recreation centre on Seneca's property, land we don't own. To me this accomplishes nothing for our local businesses or residents. Why build your home on someone else's property or locate it far from King City's amenities and services?

Imagine your son or daughter taking part in a winter sporting event at our local hockey arena in the centre of King City or during summer soccer and softball in Memorial Park or our Beer Fest. Families could stop by the local coffee shop cafés, have a coffee and snack doughnut, or a meal in one of our local restaurants or just take a stroll in our village to visit present or the many anticipated businesses in our future designated commercial and mixed zones. I'm sure this would be a welcoming sight.

Now picture the alternative, a new rec centre (on) at the 15th Sideroad and Dufferin on Seneca's property, a 4-kilometre driving distance from the core of King City. This would take residents and visitors away from the centre of our village, negatively impacting established businesses while also failing to provide opportunity for new businesses.

Kelly Colasanti
King City

Endangered species

This is a critical moment for endangered species. Some of Ontario's most beloved animals are at risk of disappearing forever. Caribou, polar bears, songbird and turtle species are in decline in this province. The list of endangered species is growing. Doug Ford's government is reviewing the Endangered Species Act (ESA) hoping to make it easier for industry to destroy the ecosystems that these species and we, need for survival. All for profit. Doug was voted in for many reasons but he is mistaken in thinking that it was for profit and efficiencies at all costs. First the carbon tax, an attempt at diluting the Greenbelt, and now this. If we don't get our priorities right, we also will eventually be endangered, Ford included.

Michael Parker
Loretto, Ontario

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ACROSS

- Bird's bill
- Goosey substance
- Perfume ingredient
- Wheel shaft
- Soccer team
- Freightage
- Portico
- Spin
- Unexpected pleasure
- Electron-deficient atom
- Marvy
- Wedding-cake part
- Simple
- Transparent
- Assist in crime
- Muslim leader
- Ma's instrument
- Uproar
- Tropical eel
- Worker at an inn
- Sable or mink
- Cancel
- Green fruit
- "___ of the Ball"
- March date
- Dogma
- Short message
- Winner's position

DOWN

- "___ Instinct"
- Before
- Higher
- Small boy
- ___ out (allotted)
- Birthday or surprise
- Knob
- Tropical creeper
- Superhero's chest letter
- Narrow valley
- Period of indulgence
- Prepare a salad
- Stewpot
- Go by plane
- Morsel for a pony
- Take advantage of
- Dwarfed plant
- Ballerina's short skirt
- Sudden forward thrust
- Merry
- Venerable
- Improve by editing
- Race assemblage
- Had being
- Praise
- Unattended
- New Zealand parrot
- Worldwide
- ___ off steam
- Egglike
- Small
- Pretend
- Runway
- Cypress, e.g.
- Seaweed gel
- Learning method
- Geologic division
- Born as
- Oddity of nature
- Isolated
- Transversely
- Shelf item
- Attire
- Drain-opener ingredient
- Dart about
- At sea
- Sweltering
- Situated in the middle
- Carry to excess
- From that moment
- Make high-pitched sounds
- Hollow stalk
- Break in friendship
- Envelop
- Mood
- In this way
- "___ Lazy River"
- Flower
- "The Sun ___ Rises"
- Plan
- Baby
- Darkness
- Harpoon
- Cosmetic
- "Peter, Peter, pumpkin ___"
- Chopin work
- Fable, e.g.
- Egg cell
- Reasonable
- JFK follower
- Jar's cover
- Conducted
- Litigate
- Game marble

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The word around King

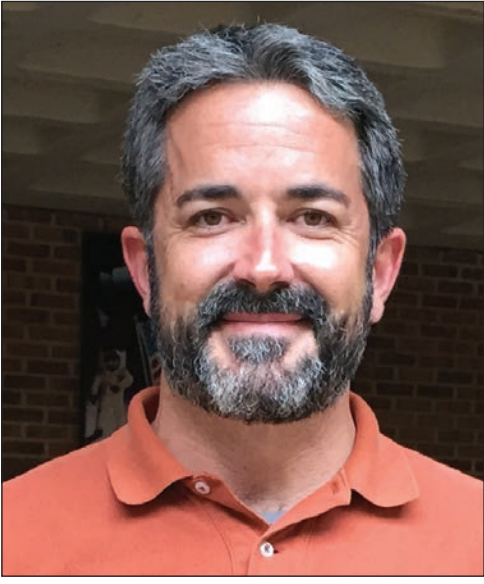
Do you think the worst of winter is over?



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Walker's fashion line is embraced by consumers

By Mark Pavilons

The monumental success of a King woman's fashion line is taking the industry by storm.

The Joan Kelley Walker brand, available on Walmart.ca, is "simply amazing."

Walker said she's extremely happy with the way the new spring/summer line turned out. She took the advice of model and actress Cindy Crawford, who said the more involved you are in a product, the better it will be.

As a hands-on entrepreneur, Walker helped make the new line brighter, happier, fun and youthful. The designs are not only beautiful, but practical and "walkable."

She wants her designs to reflect who she is and "I think it does."

She's both humbled and honoured that her line has been embraced by consumers. Her dreams came true when items began to sell out and she knew the public was behind the brand. She admitted the whole experience has been "uplifting" and "encouraging" and it's proof positive that she's on the right path.

There's no other agenda than helping a good cause. Proceeds from the JKW line go to the Breakfast Club of

Canada.

Walker's designs will be front and centre at the 7th edition of the International Fashion Encounter Canadian Designer Showcase. The popular event will be held at the Mercedes Benz Burlington dealership Feb. 23 featuring a red carpet gala.

Her approach is to feature real women wearing her fashions and having fun.

"Spring is a time for vibrant fresh starts. This collection was inspired by the bright colours of spring and the flowers that bloom like the confidence that blooms within New Beginnings - Together," Walker said.

The JKW brand highlights elegance in women's fashion with an upscale line, at great prices. The brand focus is on empowering the everyday Canadian woman.

Having graced the covers of magazines, runways, and numerous red-carpet affairs, Joan's personal style has evolved through various stages of her career. Joan was on the top 5 Best Dressed list at the 2017 CAFA Awards and awarded the Contribution to Canadian Fashion Award 2018 by the International Fashion Encounter.

She has also received the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal and World



Vision's Power of Generosity Award for her philanthropic work as a World Vision ambassador through the international charity. The JKW collection was created to engage consumers with memorable collections that bring together Joan's true commitment to giving back.

While Joan may be a fashionista, she's a hands-on media influencer.

Walker also appears on The Fash Avenue on YouTube. It's an online media platform based on video articles and interviews from exclusives to lifestyles to

reviews. It provides a platform for personalities to host their segments dedicated to promoting and improving the fashion industry as a whole.

She also has a regular radio gig on pop culture, through Corus Entertainment.

There's also a new TV show in the works, but no details are available at the moment.

The philanthropist will be heading to the Congo in April, to get a glimpse of a water installation project there by World Vision.



Photos by Lindsay Anne Delaney

Climate plan proceeds without carbon tax

By Mark Pavilons

Ontario's new environmental plan is moving forward with some new emissions standards. Queen's Park intends to fight climate change without imposing a carbon tax.

Ontario's proposed regulatory approach combines emissions reductions standards while "recognizing the unique circumstances of Ontario's economy and its manufacturing sector. These made-in-Ontario emissions standards will consider factors such as trade exposure, competitiveness and process emissions."

Officials point out similar to approved systems in Saskatchewan and Alberta, the proposed approach would set sector or facility-level greenhouse gas emissions performance standards that industrial facilities are required to meet and tie emissions to the level of output or production from these facilities, rather than an absolute cap on emissions for the province. Each industrial facility would be required to demonstrate compliance annually.

"Performance standards are a key part of the government's Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan that puts Ontario on a path to achieve our 30% emissions reduction target, which is aligned with the federal government's target," said Rod Phillips, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. "Our proposed approach to reduce emissions from industry would help us achieve our emissions reduction targets without imposing a carbon tax, which would kill jobs, negatively impact the province's economy and make life more expensive for workers, seniors and families."

In addition to the proposed standards for large emitters, Ontario recently released a proposal to increase the renewable content in gasoline to 15 per cent as early as 2025, encouraging the uptake of lower carbon fuels and helping to reduce emissions from the transportation sector.

"Our environment plan put forward responsible, tangible solutions that take into consideration the unique circumstances of our economy and the environment," said Phillips. "We are already making progress with our emissions reduction proposals to fight climate change and will ensure Ontario continues to protect the environment."

"In King-Vaughan, we are surrounded by abundant natural beauty, from the Oak Ridges Moraine to the Cold Creek Conservation Area. I am proud that our government is ensuring sustainability and conservation of our environment without punishing Ontario's families, businesses, and economy," added King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce.

"The proposed performance standards fulfill a key commitment in our Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan to ensure polluters are held accountable. Our solution recognizes the unique needs of Ontario's economy and sectors, while also ensuring we are able to meet our share of the 2030 emissions targets.

"As part of our promise to make life more affordable for families in Ontario, we are taking important steps to reducing our emissions and meeting our targets without unfairly burdening families with a regressive and ineffective carbon tax."

Consultation on the Environment Plan closed Jan. 28. More than 1,400 comments and ideas were received and will be considered as the government completes consultations with stakeholders and works toward finalizing the environment plan in the coming weeks and months.



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Bat tests positive for rabies in York Region

The Regional Municipality of York has received confirmation a bat has tested positive for the rabies virus in the City of Markham. This is the first confirmed rabies case in York Region since 2017.

While the percentage of rabies-infected bats in Ontario is considered low, people should avoid approaching or coming into contact with bats. They are wild animals and should not be kept as pets in or near your home.

The rabies virus affects the central nervous system of warm-blooded mammals, including humans, and is transmitted through a bite, lick or scratch from an infected animal. While most reported cases involve wild animals such as bats, foxes, raccoons and skunks, dogs and cats are also at risk.

Infection with the rabies virus is usually fatal. A post-exposure vaccine is available for people who come into contact with a rabid animal.

York Region Public Health investigates all animal exposure incidents. If you suspect you may have been bitten, scratched or had contact with a bat, or another animal, immediately wash the wound with soap and water for a minimum of 15 minutes, seek medical attention and report the incident to York Region Public Health at 1-800-361-5653.

Below are some tips to avoid potential infection.

If you discover a bat or another wild animal that is injured, acting strange

or dead, do not touch it – contact a wildlife or pest removal company to remove it.

If you discover a bat in your home, leave the room, close the door and contact a wildlife or pest removal company – never attempt to catch the bat yourself.

Bats and other wild animals can transmit the rabies virus to domestic pets such as dogs and cats – ensure your pets are up-to-date on their rabies vaccination; check the York Region Events Calendar for Low Cost Rabies Clinics dates and locations.

Do not feed, touch or relocate any wild or stray animal or allow pets to come into contact with them.

If you suspect your pets or livestock have come in contact with a bat or another wild or stray animal, contact your veterinarian as soon as possible.

Take measures to keep wild or stray animals away from your home; store green bins and garbage containers inside the garage or basement; contact a professional company to “bat-proof” your home.

For more information about rabies control, visit york.ca/rabies

Harmer concert in Barrie to benefit clean water

Following the provincial government’s reversal on Schedule 10 of Bill 66, which would have provided a way for development in areas currently protected by the Clean Water Act, the Lake Simcoe Protection Act, and the Greenbelt Act, local groups are building on the public love and concern for water shown during the campaign by hosting a special benefit concert featuring Sarah Harmer.

The concert, hosted by Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition, Environmental Defence and Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition, will be held at the Georgian Theatre on Friday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. Ticket prices were kept low so that as many people as possible would be able to come. It is family friendly and children are encouraged to come.

In addition to Sarah Harmer, the concert will also feature Tim Gray, of Environment Defence, and local talent, including a children’s choir that covers pop songs, elders and musicians from local indigenous communities, and Water Walkers from the Chippewas of Georgina Island. Proceeds from the concert will be put towards efforts to protect Lake Simcoe, and drinking water and green spaces in Simcoe County.

Tickets can be purchased online at TicketPro.ca, search for “Love Letter” or at Bit.ly url <http://bit.ly/loveletterwater>. Adults are \$23.36, Children under 12, seniors and students (13-28) are \$13.36. This is a family friendly event.



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Arts & Entertainment

Villanova College fundraiser was a huge success

Chateau Le Parc was the place to be Feb. 8, as Villanova College held its 20th annual dinner dance.

This special fundraising event had a wine, cheese and chocolate theme to celebrate Valentine's Day. The 300+ attendees sipped and sampled their way through the R. Ferri Automotive cocktail reception, with special wine tastings from Adamo Estate Wines, hand-painted treats from Succulent Chocolates and cheeses from around the world. A full course dinner followed, and an amazing chocolate fountain capped off the evening.

Sports Radio personality Barry Da-

vis hosted the live auction that saw exclusive packages from Toronto FC, Toronto Maple Leafs and the Toronto Argos go to the highest bidders. The silent auction tables and special Valentine's Day jewellery raffle gave guests great opportunities to shop for that perfect gift.

The music provided by Sensations had people dancing to the wee hours.

The evening was a wonderful combination of community and the spirit of giving. Villanova College is a not for profit school and the funds raised will go towards enhancing educational programs and social initiatives. A great evening for a great cause.



Marylake hosts annual Mardi Gras Mass

As the winter continues to roll along, it is time to start thinking about our Lenten and Easter preparations. For the past 5 years, the Augustinians at Marylake, will be hosting their annual Mardi Gras Mass at Marylake.

This year's Mardi Gras Mass is on Saturday, March 2 at 5 p.m. If you are not familiar with this type of Mass, you will truly be delighted by the upbeat nature of the music throughout the eucharistic celebration. The music for this pre-Lenten Mass is done in the style of Dixieland Jazz, which is traditional to the U.S. deep south. The musical accompaniment will be provided by the Red Peppers Dixieland Jazz Band and the vocals will be provided by The Cardinal Carter High School (Aurora) Concert Choir. Everyone will be invited to sing, clap and dance along.

After the Mass, the Red Peppers will continue to play along with a short concert and complimentary traditional Mardi Gras Shrove pancakes, sausages and King Cake will be served.

Bring the whole family, especially the young kids who would really enjoy this lively eucharistic celebration!

By the way, there are two questions often asked: Do you have to pay admission or make reservations for the Mass? The answer is no to both. Does this Mass fulfill our Sunday obligation? The answer is a resounding yes. You can sleep in the next morning!

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George started wood turning in the late 1980s, making gifts for family and friends. The first dried flower vases were turned from cedar rail farm fencing. It was his wish to preserve its memory. Later, people who appreciated his work, would bring other pieces of local woods from fallen or trimmed trees and it was then George started turning vases and bowls from local woods. George always felt there was no need to buy exotic woods from other countries when our own native woods are so colourful and beautiful.

For George, joy lies in taking wood that would normally rot in the ground or be used for firewood and creating something that brings beauty and pleasure to others. He has even turned hydro poles! His wonderful artistic ability to let the wood grain influence the shape and size of the piece, makes each one unique. Lovers of wood love his work. The tags George uses for each piece says it all – “This is made with the hope it provides you as much enjoyment as it did for me in its making.”

George invites you to come in, meet the artists and enjoy shopping locally at the Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe on Main Street in Schomberg. You will discover one of a kind pieces of art including jewellery, paintings, scarves, greeting cards, wood turned bowls and vases as well as small tables and stools.

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King needs stronger bylaws and enforcement, residents say

From Page 3

Snowball residents remain steadfast in their opposition. Residents have created SaveSnowballCorners on Facebook. They're seeking other local voices to assist them getting stronger, modern bylaws in place in King Township, "which can be enforced and have effectively large fines attached monitoring the activities of industry in our hamlet." Visit #SaveSnowballCorners or email them at SAVEsnowballcorners@gmail.com

Resident Sher St. Kitts, who lives near the operation, said the hamlet "is being destroyed by large industrial aggregate operations just metres from

our front doorsteps.

"King Township needs updated bylaws suited to today's needs and uses, which must be strong, clear and provide real (fines) protection for residents of King against mis-use, nuisances, noise, dust, pollution and other ramifications of large industry."

St. Kitts pointed out residents live in harmony with many other businesses who do not cause constant nuisance and dust. "The operations of the aggregate are just too much."

Residents have been complaining to Township staff for several years, pointing out the nuisances caused by some 50 trucks a day at the operation, running 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. This, she argues, "makes

it impossible for residents to enjoy outdoor activity due to dust and noise. Watering down causes more problems: slick, slippery road surface, mud filled shoulders, ditches and driveways.

"Our homes, windows, cars and properties are covered in dust daily. We don't look forward to summer: the busiest time for trucks, noise and dust."

King councillors originally rejected the application by G&L Group (Brock) in 2016, going against staff recommendations.

Council met with residents back in 2013 to discuss their concerns, which

centred around noise, dust, traffic, impacts on well water and groundwater sources, to name a few.

Planning staff did support the application, as the proposed building meets provisions of the bylaw, with a need for a minor setback exception. It was noted the property is governed by multiple zoning rules. However, given public concerns, staff decided it was "reasonable and appropriate to establish more restrictive provisions" under the bylaw.

Staff did undertake various studies that looked at impacts on well water, noise and dust suppression.

Clarification on fairgrounds

In our Feb. 7 article on the Schomberg Main Street Revitalization, we published that "the Township wants to explore renting out the fairgrounds for more events and look into Trillium funding for some property enhancements."

It has been brought to our attention that this statement implied that the Township owns the fairgrounds, which is incorrect. The fairgrounds are owned by the Schomberg Agricultural Society. We apologize for any confusion.

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New Lion welcomed

At the Schomberg Lions' recent dinner meeting, President Gord Dobson (centre) and member Ilya Dagenais officially welcomed new member, Colin Walter (left) to the club. In upcoming meetings, the club will be planning out donations for the year and establishing how they can support the revitalization project for Schomberg. Check them out at www.schombergions.com

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The plan also calls for at least 40% of Lake Simcoe's watershed area to consist of high quality

forests, wetlands and meadows.

Unfortunately, despite the fact that the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan was released 10 years ago, political leaders still do not have a plan to achieve its phosphorus pollution reduction and natural cover restoration targets.

Members of Lake Simcoe Watch say this is simply not acceptable.

"We need real action now to save the lake we love. We need a

plan that will achieve these critical targets by 2026 at the latest – the health of our lake cannot wait any longer.

"It is time for Federal Environment Minister Catherine McKenna, York-Simcoe MPP Caroline Mulroney and York Region Chair Wayne Emmerson to work together to develop and implement a plan to save Lake Simcoe."

They are asking residents to sign their online petition, re-

questing that Catherine McKenna, Caroline Mulroney and Wayne Emmerson work together to reduce Lake Simcoe's phosphorus pollution to 44 tonnes per year by 2026; and ensure that by 2026 at least 40% of Lake Simcoe's watershed consists of high-quality connected forests, wetlands and meadows.

For more, visit their website at <http://lakesimcoewatch.ca/save-simcoe/>



King Township celebrates accreditation

King Township councillors and staff celebrated their professional accreditation by the American Public Works Association (APWA). King is one of only two Canadian municipalities currently – and the first in Ontario – to earn this prestigious honour. Three departments received the honours – Engineering, Public Works and Building; Planning; and Parks, Recreation and Culture.

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MPP hosts first Black History Month event in riding

By Mark Pavilons

King-Vaughan's MPP highlighted the achievements of local African and Caribbean leaders during a special celebration recently.

MPP Stephen Lecce brought people together to mark Black History Month.

"I am proud to host the first Black History Month reception by any provincial government in King-Vaughan because I feel strongly that Canadians of African and Caribbean descent have made immeasurable contributions to our community and country. We celebrate those trailblazers like former PC MPP Lincoln Alexander, who fought for equality of opportunity and human dignity for all, and we recognize the next generation of leaders from the commu-

nity who are stepping up to build upon the sacrifices of those before us," Lecce said.

"The Vaughan African Canadian Association (VACA) sincerely appreciates King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce for always working to strengthen our City. Thank you MPP Lecce for partnering with us to host our Black History Month reception in King City. Families and students came out to celebrate the history and culture of the African-Canadian community and acknowledge our diverse culture. Your commitment to community building and diversity makes these celebrations enjoyable and meaningful. Thank you," said Shernett Martin, executive director of the Vaughan African Canadian Association (VACA).



MPP Stephen Lecce is joined by Shernett Williams, executive director of the Vaughan African Canadian Association (VACA, far-left), speaking with youth from across Vaughan and King Township at his first annual Black History Month Community Reception, held at his community office in King City.



MPP Stephen Lecce speaks to residents from across Vaughan and King Township at his first annual Black History Month Community Reception, held at his community office in King City.

Province to review 427 expansion progress

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, Deputy Government House Leader, and Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier and Minister of Infrastructure, along with Monte McNaughton, Minister of Infrastructure, toured the construction site of the Highway 427 Expansion project in Kleinburg recently.

"Our government is delivering the 427 Expansion to reduce congestion and travel time on the roads, while increasing the productivity of our economy," said Lecce. "We are focused on building infrastructure, like the 427 expansion, that reduces crippling gridlock in the region, while also expanding all three GO Stations and parking lots at King City, Rutherford, and Maple GO stations."

The visit to the project consisted of a detailed tour through the 427 expansion construction zones between Zenway Boulevard and Major Mackenzie Drive, an in-depth briefing on the status of construction at LINK427 headquarters, and meetings with local contractors and on-site employees to provide an update on the progress of the project. The tour also included a viewing of the project's blueprints and an overview of the construction site using aerial drone footage.

"As someone who commutes to work, I understand the frustration of being stuck in traffic. That's why our Government for the People is investing in projects like this one, the Highway 427 Expansion, that make life easier for the people of this province," said Minister McNaughton. "I want to thank Stephen Lecce for inviting me into his riding. It's been a real pleasure working with him to make a difference in people's lives. The people of King-Vaughan are lucky to have him."

Lecce confirmed the \$616-million project is on-track and on-budget. The project will create jobs and opportunities across York Region by enabling more efficient and expedient travel through the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). It will save commuters valuable time and money and enable businesses to improve their productivity and connectivity.



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Vince's boosts Tottenham Food Bank

By Brock Weir

The Tottenham Foodbank will share in over \$25,000 raised through 2018 as part of Vince's Markets' Community Product Initiative.

Representatives from the Tottenham Food Bank joined fellow recipients Blue Door Shelter, Doane House Hospice, and the Uxbridge-Scugog Animal Shelter for the formal cheque presentation in Newmarket recently.

"This time of year, we get a lot of volume," said Food Bank president Robin Hawkes. "Between Thanksgiving and Christmas, however, we are very lucky, but that has to last us until Thanksgiving again next year."

Since its launch last January, Vince's Community Product Initiative collected a total of \$25,164. Over the following twelve months, the initiative grew by the week with all four Vince's stores located in Simcoe, York and Durham taking part.

Staff at each location selected a local charity to benefit for the program and with each flyer came news of a new "community product" from which 15 per cent of total sales were set aside for the fund.

"To say we are pleased with the response would be an understatement," said Giancarlo Trimarchi, Partner, CFO and Controller at Vince's Market. "This was driven by team members and customers, and the amount raised exceeded our expectations."

Staff at the Tottenham market picked the local foodbank because of the essential service it provides the community "with no judgement or restrictions." The foodbank serves both Tottenham and Beeton, and is open every Tuesday afternoon and evening to all residents who find themselves in need.

In addition to the Food Bank, representatives of the other participating charities also expressed their appreciation.

Blue Door Shelters, based in Sharon, provides safe, supportive shelter and services for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. It was initiated as a shelter for single men in 1982, but as since expanded their services to include emergency shelter programs for families and youth.

Leader Place, Porter Place and Kevin's Place each provides a safety net

for families, men and youth in York Region. Business Director Emmy Kelly noted the donation they have received through Vince's Community Product Initiative will go towards "the provision of the Employment and Housing Start-Up programs, life skills and support groups."

"These are designed to empower clients to connect to the community and thereby increase their chances at retaining housing."

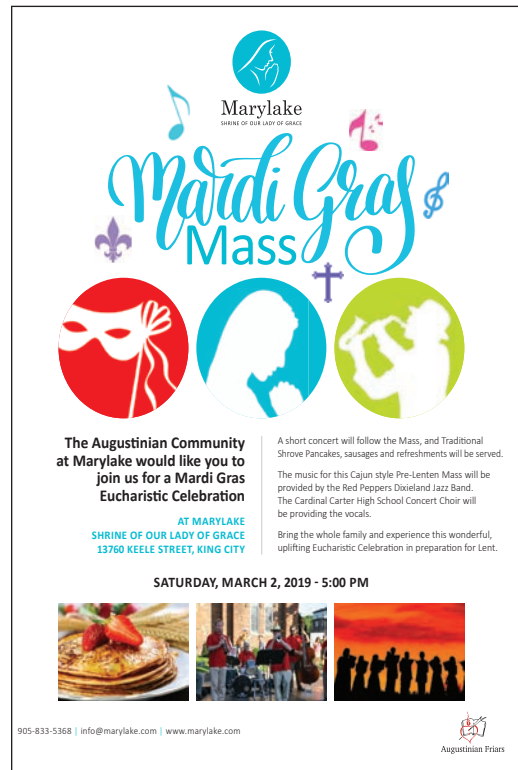
Newmarket's Doane House Hospice is a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing quality of life through non-medical support for those affected by, or caring for, an individual with a life-threatening illness. Hospice also provides bereavement support for the community.

"Vince's annual Community Product Initiative is a wonderful idea as it brings great awareness to the charities as well as much-needed funds," said Juliet Irish, Executive Director of Doane House Hospice. "We are earmarking their donation to our Caregiver Self-Care program. As the quote from Eleanor Brown says, 'Rest and self-care are so important. When you take time to replenish your spirit, it allows you to serve others from an empty vessel.'"

The Uxbridge-Scugog Animal Con-

trol Centre has been pairing local families with dogs and cats for generations. Located on Reach Street, the Shelter is responsible for animal control across Uxbridge and Scugog Townships. Their dedicated team of full-time, part-time and volunteer staff provides care for dozens of injured stray cats and dogs until they can be reunited with their owners or placed for adoption.

"The funds raised are greatly appreciated by all of our staff, and the Township of Uxbridge and Scugog," said animal control officer Jessica Pett. "The money will be used to fund, create improvements, purchase equipment and improve the level of care for animals in the Uxbridge-Scugog Animal Shelter."



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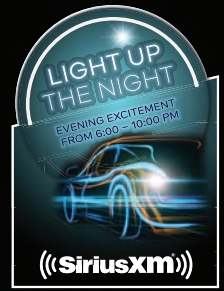


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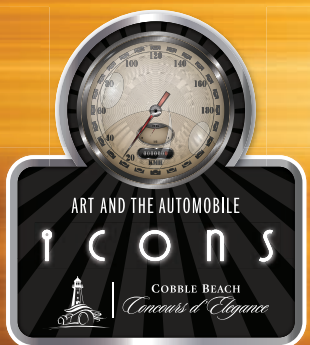
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Schomberg Cougars bow to Siskins in five games

By Jake Courtepatte

A round of applause for the Schomberg Cougars.

The Junior C club fell to the powerhouse Stayner Siskins in game five of their first round series on Thursday night, officially eliminating them from Provincial Junior Hockey League contention.

Yet just as they had since pushing the Carruthers division's top team to the brink in overtime of game three of the series, the Cougars fought until the final buzzer to keep their season afloat.

"Our organization is bursting with pride for our squad," read the organization's Twitter feed following the game five loss. "This team showed an unmatched grit and determination all series long. These boys dug deep and put forth an unbelievable effort. Their never-say-die attitude earned them a standing ovation from their fans last night.

"We look forward to building on this success into next year, and have an incredible core to start next season with."

The third game in a row to be settled by a one-goal score, Thursday's game five was the second do-or-die decision for the Cougars, who dropped the first three games of the best-of-seven series before toppling the Siskins 5-4 last Monday.

The Cougars' momentum looked to continue at Stayner Memorial Arena, where Thomas Foulds opened the scoring for the Cougars late in the first period, before Jonathan Calleja doubled the road team's lead midway through the second.

Yet from there Stayner put on a full-court press, throwing a whopping 39 shots on Schomberg keeper Graham Dynes in the final two periods alone, capitalizing on three unanswered goals to take the game 3-2 and the series 4-1.

Dynes put in an incredible effort between the pipes, stopping a total of 49 shots in the effort, a season high.

All four series were settled in the Carruthers division over the weekend, including the second-place Alliston Hornets, who cruised to a four game sweep of the Huntsville Otters.

The Caledon Golden Hawks took their series with the Midland Flyers by a score of four games to two, while the Penetang Kings move on after besting the Orillia Terriers in six games.

After some reseeding, the Siskins will face the Kings in round two, while the Golden Hawks will take on the Hornets.

The semifinal round kicks off its schedule this weekend.

For stats, schedules, and more information, visit www.jrccougars.pointstreaksites.com.



The Schomberg Cougars shake hands with the Stayner Siskins on Thursday after falling 3-2 in game five of their PJHL playoff series.

York 9 FC making a run at Voyageurs Cup

By Jake Courtepatte

York 9 FC bench boss Jimmy Brennan knows a thing or two about winning a Canadian championship.

In an unprecedented move by the Canadian Soccer Association, members of the inaugural season of the Canadian Premier League will have the opportunity to vie for this year's Voyageurs Cup, the Canadian championship only ever won by Major League Soccer clubs.

"I won a few with TFC as a player and coach, and I'd love to win one with York 9," said Brennan, who will be the only member of a CPL squad, player or coach, to lift the Cup.

Awarded since 2002 by the Voyageurs, a national organization of Canadian soccer fans formed in 1996, the Voyageurs Cup has annually pitted the best of the best in Canadian soccer against each other throughout a season-long format.

This season's participants will include first-year teams for the first time in the tournament's history.

"Because it's the first year of this format, everyone is gonna have a go at it," said Brennan. "We're keen to show our value in the CPL by getting into stages with MLS teams and showing them what we could do.

"We're taking all competitions seriously. We'd love to have a great run in the Cup, even to win it. Same goes for the league."

With the CPL set to kick off its inaugural season in April, a revamped Voyageurs Cup schedule has been in the works for months, more than doubling the number of participating clubs.



The peewee LL2 NobleKing Knights had a silver medal finish at the Winter Classic Cup in Buffalo earlier this month.

Peewee LL2 Knights soar to double silver

By Jake Courtepatte

The Peewee LL2 NobleKing Knights are flying high into the post-season, after adding twice to their trophy cases over the span of two weekends with a pair of silver medal finishes.

Travelling to Thorold in late January for the annual Henderson Pharmacy Tournament, the Knights made quick work of their round robin competition, allowing just one goal against between matches with the Thorold Blackhawks, Barrie Ragnarok, Mount Brydges Cougars, and Thornton Tigers.

The strong defensive play continued into the semifinal game against the New Hamburg Huskies in a battle of undefeated teams, where NobleKing shut out the Huskies 4-0 to earn a berth in the championship game.

A rematch with the hometown Thorold squad was a battle of the goaltenders, with the home team coming out on top 1-0.

Gearing up for the postseason, the Knights headed south of the border to Buffalo the following weekend for the Winter Classic tournament, where they once again put in a valiant effort in falling in a shootout in the championship game.

"Both tough losses," said team manager Nadia Simone. "Although they serve as some of the best learning experiences."

That statement certainly rings true for the LL2 squad: they recently swept their LL1 counterparts in a three-game series to open the Local League playoff rounds, and are now preparing for their opponent in round two.

"It's been a remarkable season," said Simone. "Our team finished the regular season in second place out of 18 in the Simcoe Regional Local League."

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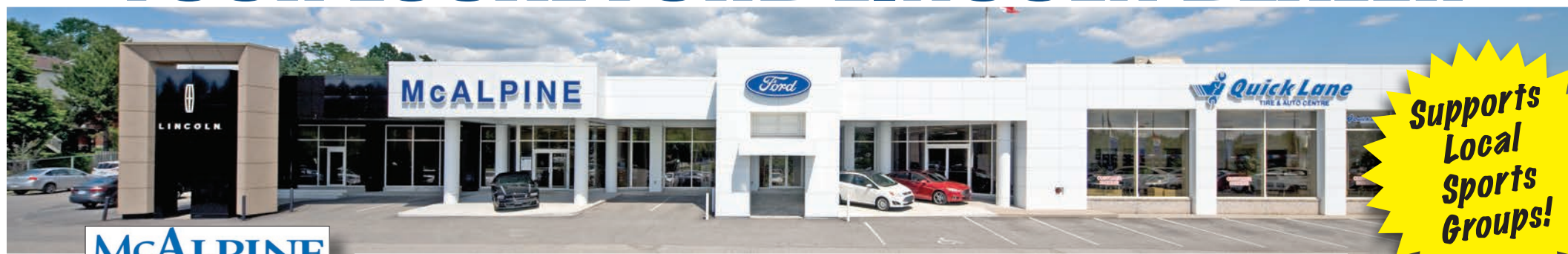
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Commentary

Glacier reduction alarming

By Skid Crease

The latest NASA Climate briefing contained the usual news about ocean warming, sea level rise, Arctic sea ice reduction, polar vortex surges and more violent storms expected. But tucked away in all of this good news was an item that bothered me the most.

The Himalayan glaciers are disappearing at an increasing rate and expected to be gone by the end of the century. This is the tallest mountain range on the planet, the child of a great tectonic plate shift eons ago. The fresh water that flows off these glaciers doesn't just inspire National Geographic calendars and yuppie expeditions.

To quote from the National Academy of Sciences Atmospheric Sciences and Climate Board: "The Hindu-Kush Himalayan region extends over 2,000 km across South Asia and includes all or parts of Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, India, Nepal, and Pakistan. The region is the source of many of Asia's major rivers, including the Indus, Ganges and Brahmaputra."

Beyond concerns for planetary ecology, those waters and rivers replenish wells and irrigation systems for millions of people.

Teachers, here's a good math lesson for your class. How many people live in those countries? Or a health question: What are the four basic needs of life? Or a geography/history question: What caused the collapse of the Fertile Crescent civilizations, the French Revolution, the Arab Spring uprisings, and the Syrian civil war?

You don't have to be a rocket scientist to calculate the social upheaval caused by millions of hungry environmental refugees seeking water, food, shelter, and empathy on the remaining high dry lands of our home planet.

Add into this mix the news that 2018 was the fourth hottest year on record, and all five of the hottest years have occurred in the last five years. Stir in the United Nations Annual Food Security report that chronic hunger continues to be on the rise for millions of the world's population. The conclusion is that if we exceed a 2°C rise in global temperature, accelerating climate change will push us to a point of overshoot. In biological terms that means a whole lot of people

are going to die from famine and the social chaos that follows.

The far religious right loves this scenario. Taking the world into Armageddon will only hasten the Second Coming and won't The Rapture be delightful. However, speaking for all of the billions and billions of organisms on the planet not enrolled in organized apocryphal religions, I'd rather not take the chance. We've been through serious mass extinctions before and the road to recovery is long and hard.

We have had all the information we needed to act wisely and well way from back in June of 1988 when the World Meteorological Organization announced: "Humanity is conducting an unintended, uncontrolled, globally pervasive experiment whose ultimate consequences could be second only to a global nuclear war."

Yes, my friends, that was the conclusion of the Our Changing Atmosphere Conference in Toronto focused on global security. Now, my friends, we have Doug Ford dumbing us down with his populist slogan about the "Job-Killing Carbon Tax."

As the humourous take on the lawn sign says, "Beware of Doug!" Putting a price on carbon is an absolute necessity. And strong environmental regulations. And a Polluter Pay Principle. Short term pain for seven generations gain. I wrote several years ago that Earth is telling us, "You can pay me now, or you can pay me later." When the bill comes, it won't matter what our religious belief systems are. The planet is agnostic and operates on the very simple rules of geography and ecology.

You don't have to take my word for it. I am just a citizen scientist and journalist. But the good people at NASA (the National Aeronautics and Space Administration), NOAA (the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration), the WMO (the World Meteorological Organization) and the IPCC (the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) seem to know what they are talking about. Or you can trust Doug Ford and Jason Kenney and Andrew Scheer and Donald Trump.

I'll pass the deck, it's your deal.
Skid Crease is a member of the Canadian Association of Journalists, and a lifelong educator.



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Lads and Lassies spiel, and cupid curling action

By Shellee Morning

King Curling Club's Mixed League held their annual "Lads and Lassies" Bonspiel last weekend with Kathleen Gorsline once again at the helm of the event's organization. The event was generously sponsored by Linda and the late Paul Olsen, who are pillars to the community with their many years of support and volunteerism.

The spiel layout requires 8 curlers per team: 4 men and 4 women where points are accumulated by the two 5-end games and one 6-end game format. The day began with the Lads playing against the Lads while the Lassie's played against another Lassie team. Second game was the Lads against a Lassie team and the final game mixed things up with 2 men and 2 women per team.

The excitement began right from the first push of the hack as the hurry hard crew began in the morning draw and continued throughout the day between games 2 and 3 that also included lunch and dinner. The contingent of teams generally came from the King Club with a handful of imports from neighbouring clubs to complete the field.

After an assortment of comments over aching bodies and sore muscles by the end of the 3rd game, it was time to determine the winner.

First place went to Team Stronach with 4 wins and 2 losses for the overall lead in points. Team Stronach consisted of Kelly Stronach Skip with Fran Bones, Teresa Steenhoek and Wendy Yates for the Lassies while Skip Brad Stronach led his Lads of Dave Barber, Peter Kamstra and Dan Steenhoek. Their winning record

included a tie-breaker draw to the button, multitude doubles and great guards that assisted in the teams exciting accomplishment.

Second place went to Team Gorsline/Morning with a 3-2-1 record. Skip Shellee Morning and her Lassies of Diana Russo, Maria Moreau and Nancy Scuglia were joined with Skip Bruce Gorsline, Trevor McCarthy, John Frans and Doug Sutherland as the Lads.

Third place winners were Team Belcher/Deathe. Marnie Death Skipped her Lassies of Peggy Belcher, Deb Holmes and Julie Hymers while the Lads were Skipped Jack Campbell, Bob Belcher, David Hymers and Jeff Holmes.

Fourth place went to Team Smith/McKinley. Pam McKinley, Patrice Smith, Betty Worrod and Sarah Moyer were the Lassies and Dave Gross, Jim Smith, Rob Robertson and George Beechey as the Lads.

Exciting shoot the button tie breakers, doubles, in-offs, and draws through a port no bigger than the rock itself were all ingredients for the successful event. And success cannot be achieved without the support of the many volunteers that the club draws from week after week. "Thank you" doesn't seem like enough to say for Gorsline's support staff that were available on several different shifts between the kitchen, bar, set-up and down, to the draw master and of course the ice technician Richard Quick, who once again prepared a great sheet of ice for the days' events. Sponsorship for the raffle table was all locally provided by Cappuccino Bakery, Schomberg Meats, Ann and George Gerrits,

Kathleen and Bruce Gorsline and Marnie Deathe. Congratulations to all curlers and the team that made the Spiel possible.

Curling Cupids

Cupid's arrow was replaced with a broom last week as The Friday social members honoured Valentine's Day by wearing red and white, hats, and glittered accessories. The sweetheart winners for the on-ice competition included the teams of Peter Kamstra,

Peter Wasylkiw, Rosie Kamstra and Mark Saldat.

A Valentines Trivia game followed in the lounge that included snacks and laughter to conclude the evening. The romance between the top 2 teams in the standings continues with Team Wasylkiw with a 2 point lead over P. Kamstra. While a tie for 3rd keeps Teams A. McKenzie and Saldat up by just a single point, ahead of a 3-way tie for 4th place between Teams Gagliardi, S. McKenzie and Robertson.



Linda Olsen proudly presents Team Stronach, winners of King Curling Club's Annual Lads and Lassie Spiel. Shown are (l to r) Dave Barber, Dan Steenhoek, Peter Kamstra, Brad Stronach, Linda Olsen centre, Kelly Stronach, Fran Bones, Teresa Steenhoek and Wendy Yates.

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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone
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St. Paul's Church

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

LifeConnect Groups are small gatherings for friendship, study and prayer. We have several LifeConnect Groups that meet throughout the week, one of which meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. We also have a Men's Life Connect Group that meets at the church on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Please feel free to contact the church office and we can give you further details.

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This Sunday, we heartily welcome our Pastoral Intern, Ed Yoo who will be preaching from Luke 6.27-36, titling his message, "Mission: Impassible." We offer ministry to children aged 0 to 11 during worship. Following the service we always enjoy some delicious refreshments. Come and join us. You will be glad you did!

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 Church

Schedule of Events:

March 2/3 - Enrolment ceremony for 2019 registered Confirmation Candidates at all masses - St. Mary's Mission/St. Patrick's Church - attend one only.

March 6 - Ash Wednesday Liturgies, 9 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church and 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Mission Church.

March 7 - Confirmation Classes begin 7 to 8:15 p.m. at St. Mary's Mission Church.

March 16 - St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance, save the date!

March 30 - First Holy Communion rehearsal- 10 am to 12 p.m. at St. Mary's Mission candidates - St. Mary's Mission.

Nobleton United Church By Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman

A regular attendee of our services recently told me that he comes on Sunday "for the joy a celebration of life provides." Another young couple come because they feel welcomed into

the community and love that nobody minds if their young son makes noise, or even when he joins me at the front during the service. Having the presence of children in the church, is one of the joyful moments I most enjoy on a Sunday morning. People come to church for different reasons. What sort of experience do you expect at church on a Sunday morning? If you haven't been out in a while, you might be surprised to find we are a relaxed group who are enjoying community, life and the love of God.

This coming Sunday, Feb. 24, Nobleton Church will be closed as we join with Schomberg United at 116 Church St. (St. Mary Magdalene, Anglican) at 9:30 for a service followed by our Annual General Meeting.

The Joyful Spirits will be restarting their practices on Wednesday, March 20, so if you are interested in singing, please mark your calendar for 7 p.m. We are accompanied by a guitarist and a pianist. If you have another instrument that you play, we would welcome you as well.

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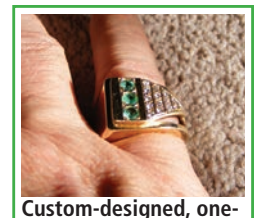
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Nobleton Lions Club

The Nobleton Lions wish to advise local residents that due to the numerous similar events, the Club will not hold a Pancake Supper this year. The Club is grateful for the solid support shown by

the community over the years.

Upcoming events include the Pet Value Walk for Dog Guides which is planned for Sunday, May 26. This walk helps provide funding for seven different specialty streams including Canine Vision Dogs, Hearing Ear Dogs, and Service Dogs to help challenged Canadians overcome a variety of impairments. Check out www.walkfordogguides.com for much more information.

After that comes the Nobleton Lions annual Fund Raiser on June 2. This year the event is a Charity Golf Tournament to be held close to home at Nobleton Lakes Golf Course. This is the major fundraiser for the Lions Club, with proceeds planned to go to numerous organizations in and around town. Golfers and hole sponsors are invited to call Jim Kassam at KARS on King Rd west of Hwy. 27 at 859-5277.

Watch this space for further details as the events get closer, and why not check out our website at www.nobleton-lions.com

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We welcome you! Opening day is Saturday, May 4 at 11 a.m., come to the courts and check us out!

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708 OBITUARIES

Agnew, Mary (née Treneman)



Passed away peacefully in her 102nd year on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at Southlake Village in Newmarket, Ontario. She was born on December 27, 1917 in Hamilton, Ontario.
 After graduating as a young nurse, she crossed the Atlantic in the troop ship Queen Mary and served as a front line nurse following the D-Day landings. Mary returned to Canada, graduating from the University of Toronto with a degree in psychology where she met the love of her life. Mary and Neil were married in 1950 and went west to Saskatchewan where Mary fell in love with the prairies. She expressed this love through her artwork while raising a family. On returning to Ontario, she blended psychology and the arts, working with children as a skillful therapist and guide. Mary was an eclectic thinker and a scholar. Her love of history, nature and culture is reflected in her fascinating travel journals, her dedication to conservation, and the many years she spent volunteering at the King Township Museum. She is survived by her loving son and daughter Tim and Wendy and their spouses Trish Agnew and Richard Gorrie.
 A visitation for Mary will be held Friday, March 8, 2019 from 2 - 4 & 6 - 8 p.m. at Thompson Funeral Home, 530 Industrial Parkway South, Aurora, ON L4G6W8. A Celebration of Life will occur Saturday, March 9, 2019 from at 11 a.m. in the Thompson Funeral Home Chapel, Interment King City Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Mary's memory may be made to Ontario Nature Fund, https://ontarionature.org/give. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.ThompsonFH-Aurora.com for the Agnew family.

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708 OBITUARIES

ZONG, Alexander
 Peacefully passed away at Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre, Barrie on Tuesday, February 12, 2019. Al Zong of Barrie and formerly of Tottenham at 72 years of age. Beloved husband of Ria (nee Sytsma). Loving stepfather of Julia (Theo) DeVries and Henry (Barb) Viersen. Proud gramps of Amanda (Brad), Jake, Luke (Laura), Meaghan (Michel), Kate (Allan), Johnny (Nikki) and Cassie (Chris). Gramps will also be fondly remembered by his 12 great grandchildren. Cherished son of the late James and the late Marion Zong. Dear brother of Sandy and Sharon. Al will be sadly missed by his nieces, nephews and his many friends in the communities of Tottenham and Barrie. Friends were received at Barrie First Christian Reformed Church, 33 Shirley Ave., Barrie for visitation on Saturday, February 16, 2019 from 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Funeral service was held at the Church at 1 p.m. In Al's memory, donations may be made to Respiratory Inpatient at Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre. Online condolences may be at www.skwachukfuneralhome.com.

710 CARDS OF THANKS

KIRBY
 There was a very large gathering of friends and family on hand to celebrate the life of Jean Kirby, late of King City. In particular, the immediate family are grateful to the King City Firefighters, both past and present, who honoured their parents by being in attendance at her celebration of life. Additional thanks go out to Dr. Joseph Gergis, M.D., King City, Dr. Eric Gangbar, cardiologist, Richmond Hill, Haider Meghjee & staff at King City Guardian Pharmacy, Erwin Velenos, R.N., Hospall Home Care, King City and to the many people who have been such good friends and neighbours over the many years.
 The Kirby Family.

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King's Corners

King City United
By Sheryl Sinka

This Sunday past we had the pleasure of having Sandra Kirby presiding over worship. Sandra, a member of King City United Church and a resident of King City, is in the final steps of becoming a licensed lay leader.

She led a wonderful service reminding us to not to get caught up in the rat race for material things or place too much value on their impact in our lives for without God, our victories are shallow ones. Love God with all your heart and soul and mind and love others as you love yourself.

Sandra also reflected on the face on our new \$10 bill. Viola Desmond was a young black Canadian business woman who challenged racial segregation by refusing to leave the "whites only" sec-

tion of a movie theatre in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. Read about her and your will be amazed by the courage and strength of this woman, the first Canadian born woman to be honoured on the front of a Canadian bank note.

Join us for worship on Sundays at 10 a.m. where we explore the word of God and connect with others in a welcoming environment. There is a fellowship time following worship for those who wish to stay.

Save the date! The Annual Irish Dinner is back on Friday, March 15 with a delicious dinner of Irish stew, mashed potatoes and desert. The Miller School of Irish Dancing will be performing for the enjoyment of the diners as well as musical entertainment from the Olde Tyme Connection Band.

The women's prayer group which meets at the Residences of Springhill is temporarily suspended. We will keep you updated if the prayer meetings resume.

Tea and talk meets 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.

Reminder that KCUC's Annual Meeting is Sunday, Feb. 24 following worship. Annual reports are available through the church office.

If you have any questions please contact the church office at 905-833-5181.

Check out our new website at kcuc.net. Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

King Bible Church

Please join us on Sunday, Feb. 24 as Pastor Mark continues our series "Encountering God Through Spiritual Practices" with Submission.

"There is no greater place to regularly experience not only spiritual growth but also the presence of God, then participating in the spiritual practices laid out for us in God's Word. So why is it that many of our experiences with spiritual practices are of frustration and guilt rather than joy? There could be lots of reasons, but I wonder if at the heart is we don't have a clear picture of how God uses these disciplines to create something of beauty out of the mess. Let me invite you to join us over the next number of weeks as we look at 12 spiritual practices and how God uses them to mold us into the likeness of his Son."

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.

If you have children aged 0-3 then we invite you to bring them to our beautiful and safe nursery facilities which are located on the lower level. Caregivers will meet you there.

"Legacy" nights are our family Bible Study nights.

We will provide nursery care for children 0-3. Our children (JK-Grade 5) & Junior High (Grade 6-8) classes will meet downstairs.

We meet every Tuesday from 6:45-8 p.m.

The adults will be doing the study "Gospel Shaped Mercy."

The junior highs (Grades 6-8) will be starting a new series.

Legacy Kids having Adventures in Booga Booga Land.

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

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

St. Andrew's shares the love of Jesus in the community and beyond!

Join us this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. as Alvin Kim leads us in worship. Sunday school for school-aged children up to 12 years old runs concurrently and a nursery is available. Following the service, everyone is invited to stay for coffee.

The Annual Congregational Meeting (Feb. 24) will start at 1 p.m. Please bring your bag lunch and beverages will be provided.

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

Don't miss the bus! Sign up now for the Fallsview Casino trip on Thursday, March 28. This is a destination trip with many things to do for those who prefer to shop or explore the area. The cost is \$20 pp. Each person receives a \$10 voucher for the casino. The coach leaves the arena at 8 a.m. To reserve your seat, call Agnes at 905 841-7390 or Jayne at 905-853-1436.

The next movie night will be held on Wednesday, March 6. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., movie starts at 7 p.m. Admission by donation. We plan to show "Crazy Rich Asians."

Our annual pancake supper will be held on Tuesday, March 12. There will be two sittings - 4:30pm and 6 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12. Obtain your tickets by calling Mary at 905-833-0448, Vic at 905-833-3510 or Carol at 905-833-3324.

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From Page 22

This is a great opportunity to review and thank God for last year's ministries and blessings and to discuss and have your say on the budget and plans for this year.

Last Sunday the Rev. Dr. Esther Acolatse, professor at Knox College brought us the message from God's word based on Luke 6: 17-26 - Luke's take on the "Be Attitudes" found in Matthew 5. Esther also talked about growing more like Christ as we journey through life as Christians.

On March 3, Lynn Vissers and Anne Campbell, having just returned from their Holy Land Tour, will be sharing with us followed by a Communion Service with the Rev. Dr. John Vissers presiding.

The Women's Prayer Circle, Tuesday mornings, has had a temporary change of venue. Please call Kathy Patterson, at 905-833-0391 for more information.

All are welcome to join Pastor Niyazi Bilgen as he leads a Bible Study on Sunday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m. in the lounge at St. Andrew's. Contact Niyazi for more information at 416-878-8499.

For pastoral care needs while Lynn is on Study Leave over the next week, contact Kathy Patterson, 905-833-0391 or contact our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Paul Johnston, 705-341-7738.

All Saints Anglican Church
By Patrick Gossage

Needed for King's biggest and best Rummage Sale - Our rummage extravaganza is being organized for Saturday, April 27 and we encourage everyone to contribute items of all kinds that are clean and in good condition - including books and cds. We also welcome jewelry,

silver pieces, kitchen items, and clothing. We need volunteer salespeople for the Saturday, and general help. If you have young people who need community hours this is a perfect opportunity. Drop off items at the church any Tuesday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. No electronics please, or baby or large furniture or helmets.

Holy Communion or the Lord's Supper at All Saints - At our church all are welcome to receive bread and wine in celebration of the sacrament that Christ himself ordained. Every Sunday at 10:30 we're blessed by celebrating the eucharist.

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth makes it more inspiring by adding wonderful readings. Last Sunday after the consecration of the elements this is what was read: "We remember Jesus as we share this meal. Creator God please bless these simple gifts of the earth - this bread and this cup - that they may become through us through the power of the holy spirit Christ's presence with us ... My this meal inspire and strengthen us to love you, to love each other and this world."

Words to live by - Rev. Dr. Elizabeth was inspired in her sermon last week by our first reading from the Prophet Jeremiah in which he says those who turn away from the Lord are like a shrub in the desert and those who trust in him like a tree planted by the water with its roots by the stream.

"I the Lord test the mind and heart." She said that this was written when he was in exile and wondering how his people would survive. She said that exiles, refugees, the homeless are very much part of our lives. In our worst moments we all feel exiled. "Which path do we follow? He is constantly testing our hearts. A prayer we use every Sunday says: 'Cleanse the thoughts of

our hearts.' God sees deep within our hearts. We all have good laughs and good cries. Blessing and woe. Don't break up with God in times of grief. Even those in exile can remember that God searches their hearts. Let us hope that God will swell there also."

Horticulture
By John Arnott

"Come on, lighten up," called his friend to the sad young mortal still distraught over breaking up with his long time girlfriend. "And practise with me. It'll help take your mind off your troubles," he continued as he bent down picked up the heavy bronze discus and straightening up, turned to hurl the curved disc with graceful accuracy when a fleeting but sharp leg cramp caused him to pitch widely, just as the distracted lad unthinkingly walked out to team up with him. The metal caught the young man in the chest driving him to the ground. As he lay dying he grasped the arm of his friend who now knelt beside him and whispered "Never forget me."

Grief stricken Hermes looked to the great mountain beyond and begged those on high hear his strangled prayer. Turning back to where moments before his beloved companion, Krokos, had lain he found him no longer there but instead a patch of small goblet shaped flowers in rich royal purple, nourished by blood and tears had pushed up into the crisp late February air. He bowed his head in thanks to his fellow gods. Thus runs the old Greek myth of how those harbingers of spring, croci (crocuses) came to be!

I learned that there are some 80 to 90 species of crocuses and all native to southern Europe, North Africa, the

Middle East and across central Asia as far as western China. Turkey has the largest number of wild crocuses. And the name crocus most likely comes from a prehistoric Indo-European language through the Sanskrit (language of ancient India) word kunkumam into Hebrew as karkom, all meaning saffron made from the dried centre parts of a species of crocus and long the world's most expensive spice. It takes some 250,000 crocuses to get 1 lb./ .5 kg of saffron making top quality saffron around \$5,000 a lb.!

Flemish born Augier Ghiselin de Busbecq, Hapsburg (Austrian) ambassador to the Ottoman court in Turkey, being much interested in botany brought a number of wild crocus corms back to Vienna and had most planted in the Imperial Gardens there. He sent a few to an old friend, Charles de L'Escluse, a botanist in Leiden in the Netherlands and from the few plants he grew succeeding Dutch horticulturists developed a huge number of hybrids, some of which came with colonists to the U.S. and Canada.

Crocuses are perennials and grow from corms, bulb like underground thickened stem bases covered in scale like leaves. Each corm produces just 1 bloom usually with 6 pointed or rounded petals framing yellow to orange to crimson centres. And these early spring flowers often blooming through the snow come in purple, mauve, lilac, yellow, white, orange and bicolours. The long grass like leaves, most having a prominent whitish central stripe, appear once the flower dies and must be left uncut (to feed the corm for next year's blooms), until they yellow and begin to wither.

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