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## Minister in King to discuss pharmacare

By Mark Pavilons

Seniors in King City received details on the national pharmacare proposal from some high-profile visitors Monday morning.

King-Vaughan MP Deb Schulte welcomed The Honourable Filomena Tassi, Minister of Seniors to King Township for a seniors forum, to highlight the federal government's commitment to support seniors in the riding.

Too many seniors are facing a financially insecure future, are isolated and lonely, and are having trouble accessing the services they need after a lifetime of hard work. The federal government, Schulte said, understands the challenges facing seniors and is working to help make retirement more financially secure for Canadians. With Budget 2019, the government is helping Canadian seniors keep more money in their pockets, receive the benefits they are entitled to, protect their workplace pensions and stay active and involved in their communities.

Minister Filomena Tassi also shared the government's intention to move forward on the foundational elements of a national pharmacare plan, which would make prescription drugs more affordable and more accessible to more Canadians. This was the message both Tassi and Schulte delivered, as they engaged with seniors and stakeholders at King City Arena. The seniors' forum provided an important opportunity for local residents to share their concerns and for the government to showcase its commitment to supporting Canadian seniors.

"The new Canadian Drug Agency will help lower the cost of prescription drugs for Canadians, and a national approach will help make some of the most expensive drugs more accessible for Canadians with rare diseases. These measures mark important first steps on the way to a system that helps all Canadians get the medicine they need," said Minister Tassi.

The Canadian Drug Agency would assess the effectiveness of new prescription drugs and negotiate drug prices on behalf of Canada's drug plans. By negotiating better prices, this could help lower the cost of drugs for Canadians by up to \$3 billion per year

in the long term.

"It was a wonderful opportunity to have the Minister in my riding to hear the community's priorities firsthand in relation to seniors' issues, while she also had an opportunity to share all the work already done on behalf of seniors," added Schulte.

The government plans to take steps toward the development of a national formulary – a comprehensive, evidence-based list of prescribed drugs. Ottawa will work in partnership with

provinces, territories and stakeholders to develop this list, which would provide the basis for a consistent approach to formulary listing and patient access across the country.

The federal government hopes to co-develop a plan to ensure that patients with rare diseases have better and more consistent coverage for treatments.

These measures are an important first step in expanding drug coverage and moving forward on implementing national pharmacare.



King-Vaughan MP Deb Schulte and Filomena Tassi, Minister of Seniors, held a town hall style forum in King City Monday, discussing details of the budget, and the national pharmacare program.

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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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

**Monday, April 1, 2019**  
6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

**Wednesday, April 3, 2019**  
6 pm – Special Council Closed Session Meeting  
• Litigation or Potential Litigation Affecting the Municipality; and Personal Matters about an Identifiable Individual(s)  
• Legal, Planning and Enforcement Departments Report Re: Legal/Planning/Enforcement Property Matters

**Monday, April 15, 2019**  
6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

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To view full Council and Committee of the Whole agendas, visit [king.civicweb.net/filepro/documents](http://king.civicweb.net/filepro/documents)

**COMMITTEES AND BOARDS**

**Tuesday, April 9, 2019**  
1 pm – Accessibility Advisory Committee  
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

**Wednesday, April 10, 2019**  
6 pm – Committee of Adjustment  
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

**Thursday, April 11, 2019**  
3 pm – Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board, Development and Engineering Services, Boardroom, 305 Barrie Street, Bradford

**Tuesday, April 16, 2019**  
6 pm – King Township Public Library Board Meeting  
Nobleton Branch: 8 Sheardown Drive

**Wednesday, April 24, 2019**  
6 pm – Sustainability Advisory Committee  
Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

- Equipment Operator – closes March 29
  - Program Instructor (PT seasonal contract) – closes when filled
  - Arena Assistant I (casual contract) – closes when filled
  - Parks Maintenance Worker (6-month contract) – closes when filled
  - Parks Seasonal Worker (seasonal contract) – closes when filled
  - Parks Seasonal Worker - Afternoon Shift (seasonal contract) – closes when filled
  - Crossing Guard (contract) – closes when filled
- Please visit the Township website at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca) for employment opportunities.

**BID NOTICES**

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

**REMINDERS**

**2019 Animal Licensing**

It's time to renew your dog's life time tag or obtain a new tag for your dog/cat. Cats are required to be licensed. Visit the municipal office to apply or complete the online animal licence application at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca) and submit by email. Apply before April 15 to save \$5.



**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 [halfloads](http://halfloads) or call 905-833-5321.



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

Please see more King Township notices on page 5

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**KING**  
Council of the Township of King  
Cordially invites all residents to attend our  
**Volunteer Appreciation Night**  
Thursday, April 25, 2019  
Township of King Municipal Centre  
2585 King Road, King City  
7pm Ceremony/Reception to follow  
Please RSVP by  
Friday, April 12, 2019  
[Teresa.Barresi@king.ca](mailto:Teresa.Barresi@king.ca)  
905.833.4029

**TOWNSHIP OF KING  
VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS  
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](http://www.king.ca), or please contact:

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5:00PM—9:00PM by appointment only  
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\$20 for 2019 Licence (Rabies Certificate Required)

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Residents from all municipalities are welcome at the Clinic. Please ensure dogs are leashed and cats are in carriers.



**King's Cultural Resource Framework**

King Township hosted a meeting last September with numerous community organizations and stakeholders for the purpose of identifying King's Cultural Resources.

The Township will use this information to create a comprehensive cultural resource framework and a corresponding cultural mapping initiative. This will be a valuable resource for identifying key areas of cultural significance in our community. As part of this initial brainstorming session, staff have put together a draft cultural resource framework.

We'd like your input on the framework. Please visit [speaking.king.ca](http://speaking.king.ca) and take the short survey and leave your feedback.

**Please do your part & recycle!**

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# Townhouse development on Keele deemed too dense

By Mark Pavilons

A proposed townhouse development on Keele will be going back to the drawing board, after recommendations from King staff and councillors.

The public had an opportunity to see the initial application by King Keele Developments (Stateview Homes) at a public meeting March 18. Local opposition centred around the density of the development, as well as traffic impacts.

The applicants are looking at building a 56-unit townhouse complex on Keele, just north of Dennison near King City.

The applicants are hoping to develop the 4.32-acre parcel, which currently supports five detached homes. They submitted an Official Plan amendment, zoning bylaw amendment and draft plans for the project. They are looking at 56 freehold units, in 11 blocks, with 34 rear-lane townhouses and 22 traditional townhouse units. The three-storey buildings will have two parking spots each, along with visitor parking. The property will have a re-naturalized environmental buffer.

A large portion of the development would run parallel to Keele and residents argued it would not be in keeping with the character of the community.

Staff had several concerns regarding the proposal, namely the density of the units and the small buffer zones. The Township is adamant about its 30-metre buffer zone.

"The Township has consistently emphasized the 'environment first' principle of the KCCP and the need to reflect this principle in the planning and

consideration of development," staff wrote.

Staff also wanted the applicant to review the height of the buildings, with hopes of incorporating the third floor within the roof lines.

Adam Grossi, of the Humphries Planning Group, represented the applicant. He noted the vegetative buffer is currently not serving its purpose and while the plan shows a small buffer, it would function much better than what's currently in place. He said they hope to have the application return to council for consideration approval some time in April.

A public open house on the matter was held last December and staff received many comments from residents. Their concerns included the overall number of the units, concerns with buffer encroachments, traffic congestion, the height of the buildings, and more.

Aside from the concerns, Councillor Jordan Cescolini was upset that units were already advertised for sale online, which is a contravention of the Planning Act. He asked Grossi directly if his clients had posted the information, but Grossi was unclear about the source.

The lands are currently zoned low density in the King City Community Plan, and that's why the proponents are asking to change it to medium density, which permits 10 units per acre. King's new Official Plan, which is nearing completion, will allow townhouses in this area.

The applicant submitted several studies supporting the bid, including

an arborist report and traffic impact study. The traffic study indicates the development may generate 32 two-way trips during peak morning hours, and 37 trips during the afternoon rush.

Staff's concerns also included the width of the internal roadways, currently shown at 6 metres. The Township recommends 7.5-metre-wide internal roads.

More information is also needed regarding hydrogeology and stormwater management.

Based on these, "staff has concerns that the proposed density of the site is too high and the applicant should look to reduce the number of units ... the proponent is encouraged to explore all opportunities to alter the development to achieve a full 30 metres across the entire buffer area without any offsets."

Staff want to continue to work with the applicant to address all the concerns and staff will report back to council with their recommendations.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said he hopes the applicant will work with the residents and find a "workable middle ground."

Councillor Debbie Schaefer said if the applicant works with staff to re-vamp the proposal, it could be "something very positive."

Councillor Bill Cober was concerned with the lack of parking, which is something they always take seriously.

A Humber Valley Crescent man said there are "way too many" units in this plan.

A Norman Drive resident said he enjoys the community's green spaces and

this will have negative impacts on the neighbourhood. He added most townhouse garages simply don't accommodate average size cars, so the parking calculations are off.

A Clearview Heights homeowner said density, lot coverage, stormwater and traffic all need to be reviewed.

Bruce Craig, on behalf of Concerned Citizens of King Township (CCKT), said there's a need for collaboration and some give and take.

See 'Project' on Page 6

## PLAYSAFE: Don't Let It Happen to You

The War Amps new "kids-to-kids" safety video, featuring stories from young amputees who have lost limbs in accidents, delivers the hard-hitting but positive message: "Spot the danger before you play!"

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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 lives are filled with many 'close calls'

*"Near-death experiences give you balance. You become more worldly. Your ideas become bigger."*

Jason Calacanis

The Good Lord was looking out for me last week.

On my way to the office last Tuesday morning, another driver made an erratic left turn right in front of me. He came out of nowhere and I had to summon my instincts to make a hard left, swerving around him and avoiding all other vehicles in the vicinity.

I firmly believed, in those brief seconds, that a collision was imminent and it could have been the end for yours truly.

I continued on and made it to the parking lot safely. I thanked the Good Lord and continued on with my day.

It was production day for the newspaper after all and I had a lot of work to do by deadline. My readers were counting on me!

An accident, aside from serious harm and injury, would have been a total pain. My car would have been written off and the insurance wouldn't give me a nickel for my 2002 Buick Century Custom. It would be scrapped and I would have to scurry to find a replacement. Since we're making monthly payments on our new Maytag, there's no wiggle room for a car. My son desperately wants a car of his own, so I would have to borrow his in this worst-case scenario. I don't think many dads imagine saying "hey son, can I borrow the car keys?"

Here's the catch-22, the ultimate joke. I can't die just yet because my life isn't worth anything! You see, my life insurance policy reached its 10-year anniversary, and a renewal premium for anyone over 50 is a bit steep, more than double our previous premiums. Up until March 2, I was worth half a million, and that would have helped take care of my family.

Now, my death would actually be a huge financial burden. My wife would have to sell the house, pay off the debts and find a small house for herself and the kids.

Whenever I hear about tragic accidents on our roads and highways, I think about how sad it is to die needlessly. I can't process it when someone is



Mark Pavilons

killed on the way to work! Our country has witnessed horrible collisions that have taken many lives.

Most motorists, who've been driving in this province for more than a couple of decades, have had a few close calls. I've been fortunate to have escaped any major incidents or collisions. I slid into someone last winter during a storm in London, Ont., but at 15 km/h it was almost a "non-collision" given the result. My parents had a couple of run-ins with deer over the years in rural Caledon and my mom was rear-ended after picking me up from a grade school concert in Palgrave.

I have noticed, however, in recent years, that one must be on their toes while driving. There are a gazillion vehicles on the roads today and unfortunately not everyone is well trained or proficient at driving. You have to constantly be on your guard for other drivers and always be aware of your surroundings.

We are also shopping around for car insurance and this is not how I want to spend my free time!

Some firmly believe that we all have a guardian angel, and perhaps even enjoy divine intervention or just plain luck from time to time.

Howard Schultz once said that life "is a series of near misses."

I will never forget a story my mom told me of their post-war experiences.

My mom and uncle were young teens during the Russian occupation of Germany after the war. All supply lines were strictly controlled and locals were fighting for survival. My uncle, being brave or likely foolish, decided to hop onto a slow-moving supply train where he found a mountain of sacks of potatoes. He began kicking them off the train, to my mom who was waiting near the tracks. This, of course, caught the attention of the Russian soldiers, who began shooting at my uncle with machine guns. Bullets whizzed by his ears but he escaped unscathed.

This curious brother and sister duo often found weapons and live hand grenades in the forests near their home. Many were abandoned by German soldiers. Even possessing an accessory from a German soldier would have also gotten them killed. It's a wonder they didn't blow themselves up.

My dad, being a young man in Latvia during the war, also had a few "close calls." He witnessed some friends getting killed and he was hit by a bullet while riding a train, when it was attacked by a strafing fighter plane.

In my youth, I played with toy planes, tanks and guns, not fully grasping the gravity of it all.

When you're young, you fall, tumble, roll, bounce, twist and turn. Children encounter many near misses but seldom think twice about them.

I was hit by a car on my street when I was about nine. Again, he came to a screeching halt as I ran across the road, and I do recall hitting the pavement with my head. All is well, or so I was told. That could explain my quirky sense of humour or an involuntary twitch every time I smell asphalt!

We all know our time here is limited and humans are fully aware of our mortality. All of us will experience the death of a loved one. I have already lost everyone in my birth family - my sister and both parents.

Those of us who feel part of something bigger, may look forward to meeting them again one day.

Regardless of our beliefs, our aches, pains and high blood pressure are constant reminders of our inherent frailties. Yes, modern medicine will continue to improve and increase lifespans. My children may very well live beyond 120.

The prospect of death used to scare the heck out of me. I would lay awake, trying to imagine "nothingness" and the blackness of non-existence. Unfathomable.

I suppose with age comes the acceptance of death. I don't want to leave prematurely. But when my number is up, I hope the white light turns into a glimmer of eternal joy. Heck, I wouldn't object to returning as a dog in my next life.

Here's to not knowing! And, as Red Green used to say, "keep your stick on the ice."

Letter to the Editor

## Litter is a real problem

Thank you Julie Melton for your letter expressing the concern of litter throughout the Township.

We have lived here for 41 years and have seen the explosion of development in King and other neighbouring communities, which has brought about the proliferation of garbage throughout the Township roads.

Some years ago, we had a pick up truck and each year participated in roadside clean up, organized by ORTA. We committed to collect on the 7th Concession from King Road to the 16th Sideroad and always filled our pick up truck! Unfortunately, no truck now or the ability to do it!

We also regularly cleaned up the northern part of our own road, but, alas, no more. I thought that pigs were kept in sties, but, sad to say, there are an awful lot of pigs on the loose!

Dave Platt  
Mill Road

### KingWeeklySentinel **WEBPOLL** www.kingsentinel.com

Results from last week's poll:

**Has the recent airline crash made you concerned about air travel?**



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

### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Are you concerned about local road conditions?

- a) Yes
- b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!



### Brain teaser



You have a drawer with 10 pairs of black socks and 10 pairs of white socks. How many times do you need to blindly reach inside the drawer and take out a sock, so that you get a matching pair?

Last week's answer: The men crossed from opposite sides of the river.

### King Township Trivia

*In 1971, Seneca College purchased 696 acres of land, two large houses, and barns from the Eaton Estate for a cost of 1.5 million dollars turning it into the King Campus of Seneca.*

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3. chimneys.

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- ❖ Ensure all outside heating vents are not blocked.
- ❖ Ensure woodstoves, fireplaces and fireplace inserts are installed by a qualified technician according to manufacturer's instructions.
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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**Thinking about a home improvement project?**



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High 8°C Low -2°C 2-4mm Wind SW 25k	High 8°C Low 0°C - Wind N 14k	High 9°C Low -4°C 5-10mm Wind S 29k	High 0°C Low -7°C - Wind NW 25k	High 5°C Low -4°C - Wind W 19k	High 7°C Low -2°C ~1mm Wind SW 24k	High 8°C Low 0°C - Wind S 16k



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### DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL – SITE PLAN/LANDSCAPE PLAN



KING KEELE DEVELOPMENTS LP  
PUBLIC MEETING  
MARCH 18, 2019

## Project would increase parking woes

From Page 3

Another Humber Valley Crescent homeowner said the King and Keele intersection is already “dangerous,” and this would exacerbate the problem. “There’s one chance to do the right thing,” he told councillors. A 44-year Dennison Street resident said this project will devalue existing properties, and will only increase parking woes on side streets such as Dennison. Cescolini advised the applicant to work with the Township to “set the bar” and he wouldn’t support anything shy of the highest community standards.



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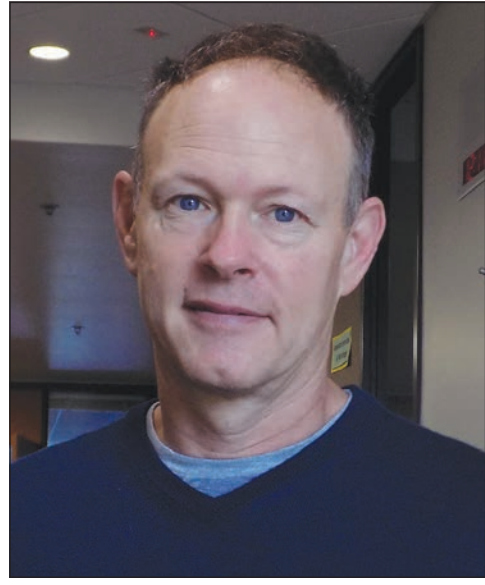
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**Solution on page 19**

## The word around King

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<b>Ryan Beaujolais</b> “Not really.”	<b>Tanner Perrin</b> “I don’t like flying anyway.”
	
<b>Laurie Selway</b> “A little.”	<b>Brian Fonseca</b> “No.”



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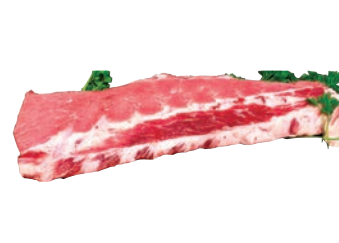
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## Province asking municipalities to 'pause' on OPs

By Mark Pavilons

Pending changes to provincial planning policies have raised some alarm bells.

As King councillors received an update about the new Official Plan, a letter from Queen's Park has caused some concern.

The finishing touches are being put on the Official Plan, which replaces a 49-year-old planning document in this Township.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini shared a letter with his fellow councillors, from Municipal Affairs Minister Mike Clark.

The consultation on the government's Housing Supply Action Plan has come to a close, and Clark pointed out one part of that work dealt with land use planning. There's a need to "increase supply and streamline the development approval process to speed up the time it takes to get the right kind of housing built in the right places. We

have received some great suggestions in that consultation that will inform potential changes."

The government, Clark stressed, "is going to take swift action to streamline the development approvals system. Earlier this year we introduced proposed changes to the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. These proposed changes are in response to the implementation challenges our government heard when we took office.

"Given that land use planning and development approvals are critical to achieving housing and job-related priorities in communities across Ontario, my Ministry is also reviewing the Planning Act and Provincial Policy Statement to ensure they are calibrated to achieve our streamlining and housing supply objectives.

"My intention is to bring forward legislation and concrete policy changes that would impact planning province-wide in the coming months. I en-

courage you to consider the context of this streamlining work and its focus on the Planning Act and the Provincial Policy Statement, as it may help to inform your local actions. You may wish to consider an interim pause on some planning decisions or reviews of major planning documents such as official plans or comprehensive zoning bylaw updates until this work is completed."

Mayor Pellegrini said he doesn't want to "pause," and he wants the new Official Plan completed as soon as possible.

Planning consultant Bobbie Gauthier agreed, noting a lot of time and effort has been invested in drafting the new plan. The Township, he contends, "still needs a plan."

King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce said there's a consensus on reducing red tape across Ontario.

"We have heard loud and clear from municipalities and job creators - there is too much red tape and it can take years for local businesses to navigate the complex and bloated government

for approvals. We also know that finding housing that is affordable in Ontario has become incredibly difficult. We are committed to protecting the environment while making housing affordable for families.

"The intent of the letter to our municipal leaders is to inform them about the important work we're doing to bring forward legislation and concrete policy changes in the coming months that would impact planning province-wide. The work we're doing will help create more housing of the types and sizes people need, in order to help make home ownership and renting more affordable and give people more choice.

"The letter also gives notice to municipalities that they may want to consider waiting until the policy review is completed before investing time and resources on drafting policies that they may want to change following any potential changes to provincial policies. That being said, municipalities are still able to submit plans if that's what they prefer."

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## 'Our King' Official Plan is nearing its completion

By Mark Pavilons

King Township is anxious to introduce a new over-arching planning document.

Councillors were given an update on the work done to polish up the new and improved Official Plan. Bobby Gauthier, from WSP, walked councillors through the new plan recently, bringing the revised document one step closer to completion.

The new Official Plan replaces a 49-year-old document that will provide a strategy for growth and development through 2031. The OP will guide staff and councillors in making vital decisions on local development and land use.

The all-encompassing Official Plan will incorporate rural and hamlet secondary plans, as well as the three village community plans. The new plan will also align with provincial policies including the 2017 growth plan, greenbelt plan, Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan and other policies.

Gauthier noted the plan will facility King's growth management strategy and replaces all others in a coordinated policy document. It's still a draft, and available for public review on the Township's website.

The hope is to hold consultation, open houses and a public meeting, with the intention of bringing it back to council for final approval this September.

King has to plan toward a population of 34,900 people and 11,900 jobs by 2031. The majority of growth, Gauthier pointed out, will be centred on King City. It will grow to 15,500 by 2031, an increase of 8,600 people. Nobleton is only 1,300 people away from its 2031 target of 7,000. Schomberg will only grow by 200 to reach 3,100 in 2031, while King's rural areas may actually experience a decline.

The Official Plan addresses sustainable neighbourhoods, environmental protection, the natural heritage system, villages, countryside, the economy and local infrastructure.

Councillor Debbie Schaefer is thrilled to be at this stage. The OP, she said, is "much needed to move us forward in our evolution." She hopes the public will be engaged in the final stages of the process.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said recent Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) decisions against King show the need for a new, strong OP.

The Province is currently reviewing provincial land use planning, which may impact regional and municipal governments.

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# Road conditions upset residents

By Mark Pavilons

Some Nobleton area residents are at the end of their rope, having to deal with “deplorable” conditions on Elmpine Trail and Mill Road.

Silvana Massa said the problems have been persisting for several years. After complaints to the Township, staff respond with graders and surface treatments. But Massa contends the efforts are never sufficient, and they never last.

She has spoken with the area councillor and mayor, but her concerns, she said, have fallen on deaf ears.

She said she’s not asking for the road to be paved, but she wants to be able to drive on roadworthy sideroads.

Massa said the potholes on the road are so large, it’s almost like an obstacle course. Her vehicle has suffered damage and had to be repaired due to the road conditions.

A few deaths have occurred in the area, and police attributed the cause to speed. But Massa said it’s not just speed, but the road conditions, that contribute to the dangers.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said he has spoken with Massa and is well aware of the problems with the road. This spring is particularly bad and potholes are a major concern across the township. As council passed the 2019 budget, councillors reiterated their priority to local infrastructure, especially roads.

Outspoken Mill Road resident Dave Pratt has been sounding the alarm bells for years. He’s been concerned with not only the road conditions, but speeding

and traffic volume.

“Have you ever talked to a brick wall?” he asked. “I have given up!”

The road is so bad that recently, he couldn’t go faster than 20 km/h.

“We still live with the morning commuter traffic Monday through Friday, with many of them exceeding the speed limit,” he pointed out.

Pratt said he contacted Councillor David Boyd last summer about the broken pavement coming off King Road.

Remedial treatments to these roads are “a joke,” Pratt said.

Councillor Boyd said it’s important to note that the main focus of this year’s budget and the projected capital works plans for 2019-22 is upgrading our road surfaces from gravel to chip and tar or asphalt.

“We have a number of roads to tackle and repairs will be done in accordance to our road’s needs study. Resurfacing Elmpine and Mill Road are not in our current work plan.

“That said, I recently knocked on doors in the Mill Road and Elmpine area. The majority of people that I spoke to want those roads to remain as gravel. Mill Road traffic counts are approximately 250 cars in the morning and 260 cars in the evening. I’m quite certain the numbers would increase dramatically if the roads were paved.

“Also worth noting is that the Region of York is responsible for the asphalt apron at Mill and King. The Region has been made aware of the current conditions and plans to resurface the apron this year.”



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## Would a ban on single-use plastics be effective?

The Ontario government released a 29-page report March 6, “Reducing Litter and Waste in Our Communities: Discussion Paper,” that posed the question.

Environment Minister Rod Phillips has said the province is very open to the idea. Each year, 10,000 tonnes of new plastic waste and debris enters the Great Lakes. The provincial government recognizes that reducing single-use plastics including bags, take-out containers and water bottles has to be a priority in tackling Ontario’s waste and litter problem and in doing so is the right thing for the environment. The government has also identified that producers have to be responsible for the waste they produce.

The Ministry has opened a 45-day window to hear from people across Ontario. SaveOurWater.ca is asking residents to put pressure on the government to limit permits awarded to corporations that produce single-use water bottles. Reducing the production of water bottles is an easy and logical step toward tackling Ontario’s waste problem.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Mizzoni shares personal cancer journey in new book

By Mark Pavilons

The grim statistics indicate we will all be touched by cancer in some way in our lives.

A King native has decided to share his unique cancer journey, in the hopes of encouraging others to be resilient and coming out on the other end as better versions of themselves.

Andrew Mizzoni's book, "Survivor, Overcoming childhood cancer through faith, family, and sports" will be out soon.

His life changed forever in an instant.

"I remember walking down the stairs in our home when my mother said suddenly 'Stop! What happened to your eye Andrew?' That morning my mom saw a bulging under my left eye which then propelled us into doctor's office after doctor's office. Eventually, I was rushed to SickKids Hospital where I was told that I had cancer. I was only 9 years old and I had a very rare and fast-growing soft tissue cancer called Rhabdomyosarcoma."

Mizzoni said after a day of testing to see how much the cancer had spread, the family was blessed with the good news that it was contained in his orbital area.

He was given nine months of chemotherapy, five weeks of radiation, with a few surgeries sprinkled in between.

"I went from having fun with friends and playing rep hockey as a goalie, to spending countless nights and day in the halls of a hospital and vomiting up to eight times a day. I lost my hair a few times, but I didn't mind. My family was very supportive, with my dad spending most of the duration with me while my mom took care of my two brothers. Throughout the whole process I stayed positive, and just wanted to get back to being a normal kid again."

Finally, his treatment was complete and he was in remission. That was, until a follow up CT scan revealed some cancerous spots.

"I was back again at SickKids for five more months of stronger chemotherapy medicine ahead. This medicine made me very sick. After a failed attempt to remove my tumour through surgery, we had no other

choice but to attempt a radical ex- operation surgery, which involved removing the tumor and all the surrounding tissue, including my eye. The surgery was a success and I was released from SickKids two days later. I was now in my 11th year and my cancer was gone, but the pain lingered on for years afterward."

Mizzoni said his family was inspired shortly after his diagnosis to raise money for SickKids Hospital.

"Our fundraisers were supported with open arms by the community, family and friends and even celebrities. Over the years I have had the honour of meeting sports legends like Johnny Bower, Curtis Joseph, Ed Belfour, Ken Dryden, Vince Carter, Pinball Clem- ons and have had the support of many others. At this year's golf tournament in King, the Andrew Mizzoni Cancer Research Fund will have raised over \$500,000 for cancer research."

Andrew was inspired to write this book by his high school guidance counsellor and mentor, Mr. Fraser.

"I wrote it because I feel my story will provide hope for people who are in my shoes today, and their families. Over the years I have mentored several children who have had the same surgery as me. This is a scary time in any family's life and it is comforting to know that there is a light at the end of the tunnel."

Despite the turmoil and trauma, Miz- zoni has a rather interesting take on things.

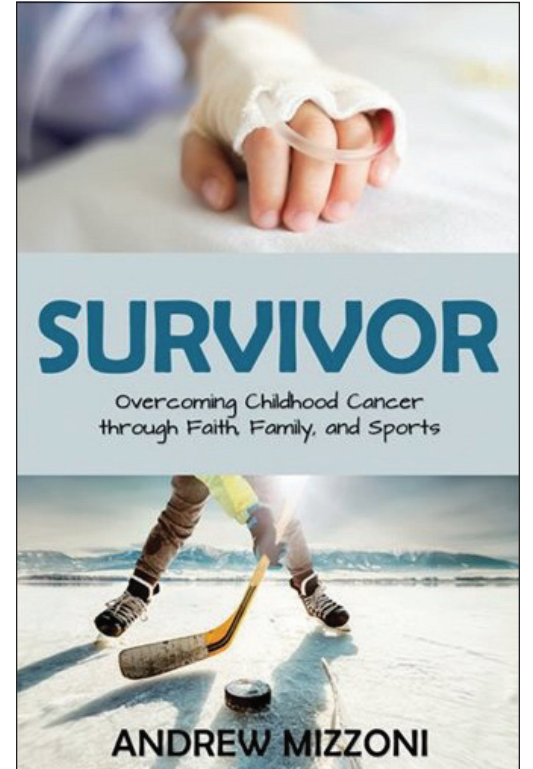
What was meant as "harm," God uses to your advantage, he believes.

"My journey has been difficult, but I wouldn't have it any other way. It's made me into the best version of me. I am resilient, truly grateful and any future challenges pale in comparison. I am a proud survivor!"

A person's mind set is very import- ant when battling cancer, he pointed out.

"As a child, I didn't have the worries that most adults do, such as worrying about statistics and wondering if I live to see my kids. I truly just wanted to get back outside with my friends and play again."

His advice: "maintaining a positive



mind set is very important crucial. Having a great medical team like I had is very important. Keeping up with eating right and exercising to take your mind off of your treatment is also important. And finally, a strong faith in God. Remember to laugh often."

Today, he's strong than ever and his faith never waned one iota.

"The first thing I do before my feet hit the floor is thank God for each new day. I don't take moments and opportu- nities lightly and I savour them. I am blessed to have such an amazing family, wife, career, great health and the oppor- tunity to make a difference."

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## CHATS prepares for Walk For Wellness

It's spring and it is time for Walk For Wellness, the annual fundraising event for CHATS (Community and Home Assistance To Seniors). CHATS is a not-for-profit charitable organization which enables seniors to live at home by offering a range of home care services and community programs. There are two categories of benefi- cary: the seniors themselves and their family members and/or friends who can consider CHATS as their back-up when they need a break.

CHATS is very active in King. During the last 10 months there were 556 visits to assist with routine home upkeep and chores; 1,682 meals were delivered; 92 former hospital patients were assisted with their transition to being at home again. Other high-use programs include transportation, respite and day programs.

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"Once again I am partici- pating in the Walk on April 13. I have a fund raising goal of \$1,000," said Councillor Debbie Schaefer.

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# Khattra is Tories' surprise pick in Dufferin-Caledon

By Mike Baker

In a stunning turn of events, local entrepreneur Harzadan Singh Khattra was selected by Dufferin-Caledon party members to lead the Conservatives into this year's federal election.

Following a lengthy nomination meeting March 19, which ran until approximately 2 a.m., Khattra emerged as a somewhat surprised winner, defeat-

ing Kevin Weatherbee, former Caledon regional councillor Barb Shaughnessy and former Orangeville mayor Jeremy Williams in the race to replace retiring MP David Tilson.

"It feels wonderful, I'm truly lost for words," Khattra said. "It's almost like a dream come true for me."

"We desperately need a majority government, not a minority government. We need to make sure our neighbours,

our surrounding ridings turn blue as well in this election," Khattra said.

While little is known about Khattra's political background, he described himself as a local entrepreneur and property manager. It has also been reported that Khattra has some involvement with Orangeville Taxi.

As the smoke cleared last Wednesday morning, it didn't appear that an appeal would be forthcoming. Williams took to social media to thank all of his supporters and offer congratulations to Khattra for winning the nomination, while Weatherbee, while unhappy with some of the processes put into place during Tuesday's nomination, indicated he would accept the result.

"Obviously we're not happy with the result, but this is how these things go sometimes. We are disappointed with the experience a lot of members had. Some people were denied the ability to vote, and weren't given a clear explanation, in some cases, as to why they weren't on the voters' list when they should have been. We're disappointed with the way the Party conducted the

vote," Weatherbee said.

In a statement issued to the Citizen, federal Conservative leader Andrew Scheer, who was introduced to Khattra during a visit to the riding last year, offered his own words of congratulations.

"Canada's Conservatives have a positive vision for Canada, and having Harzadan Singh Khattra join our team will ensure Dufferin-Caledon gets the strong representation they deserve in a Conservative government that will lower taxes, and put people first," Scheer said.

With just 1,771 of the 3,800 eligible voters casting ballots in the first round, Khattra received 796 votes, short of the 50 per cent required for victory, yet was well ahead of Weatherbee and Shaughnessy, who received 468 and 409 votes, respectively. Williams was far behind with 73 votes and was not on the second-round ballots.

The second round saw Shaughnessy eliminated and the final-round vote had Khattra garnering 852 votes to Weatherbee's 675.

The 2019 federal election is scheduled to take place on or before Oct. 21.



## King fire welcomes new recruits

King Fire & Emergency Services held its first recruit class graduation ceremony at King Township's new municipal centre recently.

Twenty new recruits graduated from their initial 200 hours of in-class/ practical training. The next step for them is challenging – all of their NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) tests – which are a recognized standard throughout North America.

There were well over 125 people in attendance. A big thanks to Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Councillor Debbie Schaefer for being part of, it as well as CAO Susan Plamondon for taking pictures of her two favourite Ladders – Ladder 346 and Ladder 366.

A big thanks to Deputy Chief Arnold for taking local training programs to a whole new level – it's greatly appreciated. Thanks to ADC Ritson for managing the past 60 recruits that we have brought on board.

And a big shout out to the remainder of our team and the recruits' families for supporting their new journey as King firefighters.

"As new recruits with King Fire & Emergency Services, I want to take this opportunity to welcome your family aboard this amazing journey that you have just begun. It's a combination of volunteerism and community service. It's where you need to take the time to fully understand and truly appreciate what your contributions really mean to the community that you have agreed to protect," said Chief Jim Wall.

Wall also told the new recruits, that his span of influence them can and will vary, especially when it comes to our "values" statement.

"Always take pride in your contributions and remain diligent when it comes to public perception. Our organization is well respected throughout the entire Township. We need to always remember that 'good enough is never good enough.' The quest for excellence is never ending. Becoming a dedicated, life-long member of King Fire & Emergency Services is a commitment, better yet a calling. No one said being a 'professional volunteer firefighter' would be easy. Stay safe, look after one another, and stay committed to the community that we all call home."

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# Student extends friendship to remote community in Trinidad

By Mark Pavilons

Helping others is at the top of the list for a Bolton university student.

Alexandria (Lexie) Hesketh-Pavilons decided to spend her reading week doing what she loves – volunteering abroad and engaging with others.

Through Western University's Alternative Spring Break (ASB), Hesketh-Pavilons and the small group of students spent a week in the remote village of Matelot, Trinidad.

The ASB experience, she said, fits in really well with her program and future career, which includes development and community projects abroad.

"I also just love engaging with cultures aside from my own, and seeing how communities all around the world are thriving and are unique in their own ways.

"Ever since I got to Western in first year I knew I wanted to go on ASB, but it was never the right time until this year, and wow was it ever worth the wait!"

Matelot is an almost forgotten community of just over 500, located in a remote area of the island's northern coast. Beauty aside, Matelot has survived against the odds, relying on local resources to sustain its inhabitants.

The visiting students spent time in the local schools and working on a drainage project.

The students took local youngsters on a field trip to the zoo in the capital of Port of Spain. While the children enjoyed the outing, they noted the city is simply too busy and dangerous for them. They much prefer the safest, albeit most isolated, community in the country.

Hesketh-Pavilons was taken by the simplicity of life there, and the friendliness of those living there.

"You see fishermen taking their boats out, children attending school (there are three schools in Matelot), police officers chatting with community members, and more. The women from the Dorcas Women's Group greeted us with smiles every morning, ensuring we were well taken care of, and making meaningful conversations with us, as if we have lived with them for years.

"Being there for a week felt like I was there for a year in how quickly every single local made a point to ask me who I was and how I was enjoying Matelot."



Her advocacy came in when she discovered that Matelot was neglected by the government in terms of funding and infrastructure. The hilly area is prone to floods and landslides, and in fact, suffered devastating landslides that cut off roads and destroyed bridges, leaving residents cut off from the rest of the world.

"They persevere anyway," she said, noting children attend school, men and women remain productive to uphold the community of Matelot.

The Trinidadians are one with nature and know how to live off the land, from using a plant leaf as a drinking cup, to finding coconuts.

Agriculture and fishing are the main activities there, and farmers raise coffee beans, cocoa, oranges, etc.

The Dorcas Women's Group also takes good care of their community, hosting fundraisers and barbecues to bring people together.

In sharing photos from Canada, the locals remarked at the size of our houses. "Why would you need so many rooms in your house?" they asked. Why indeed.

"They were right, and they taught me to value closeness and the connection to things outside your front door a lot more," Lexie said.

"I feel as if I offered some of the people I met there my friendship and positivity. I was very outgoing and made an effort to have a conversation with everyone and showed inter-

est in their lives."

One of the team leaders asked a woman from the Dorcas Women's Group how groups like Western's have an impact on the community.

"Just your presence here is impact enough," was the answer. "People here look forward to your annual visits, because it gives us a chance to engage with the global community, because most of us in Matelot rarely get the chance to go outside of Matelot at all."

In a way, these students are bringing the world to them.

A week comes and goes quickly, and Hesketh-Pavilons always feels a void when she leaves a community she visits. She asked one of the community leaders how they feel about it.

"Yes we will miss you, but we must not think that way, because we can keep in contact through email and Facebook. I teach my kids acceptance. I taught them that nothing lasts forever, but to be grateful for the memories and present moments that we have. This is similar to groups like you guys – you will not be here forever, but your memory will be, as students you inspire students from Matelot to continue their education."

Most students don't continue after high school, and there is no post-secondary school in Matelot.

The university partners with Amazade, a fair trade learning organization, leaders in responsible global service-learning.

During their time in Matelot, they engaged with Matelot's primary school around STEM education and joint experiential learning opportunities. This program also supported the goal of increasing the number of field trips available to their students, to hear about and see, first-hand, the ways they can apply their learning to real-life situations and explore career opportunities.

The university students also helped create a number of trenches, which direct flood waters away from the homes during storms.

Being totally immersed in another culture, Lexie and her group fully understood the viewpoints and challenges of residents in Matelot. They also learned humility.

Hesketh-Pavilons always feels a void upon her return home. She grows attached to the people she interacts with. These experiences complement her studies and shore up her skills to provide assistance, advocacy and international networking.

"We are who we are through the connections we make with others," she observed.

Next up for Lexie is a 5-week volunteer trip to Kigali, Rwanda this May.

She was selected from a small, select group to participate in a hands-on immersive volunteer mission. It's an interdisciplinary experiential learning course providing students with an opportunity to learn about Rwandan society by engaging directly with local residents, and bringing aid to where it's needed. She will be working with disadvantaged youth.

Lexie brings with her extensive volunteer experience in places such as The Dominican Republic, Kenya and Guatemala.

There are no subsidies and students have to pay the full cost. The airfare alone to Rwanda is very expensive. While attending university, Lexie works part-time and still finds time to volunteer and help the homeless in London, Ont.

She's asking for public support in her gofundme campaign to help her reach her goal. For more, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/help-local-volunteer-help-others-in-rwanda>

"The world may not be at its best place right now. But maybe we can fix it. It all starts by making a contribution to society," she said.



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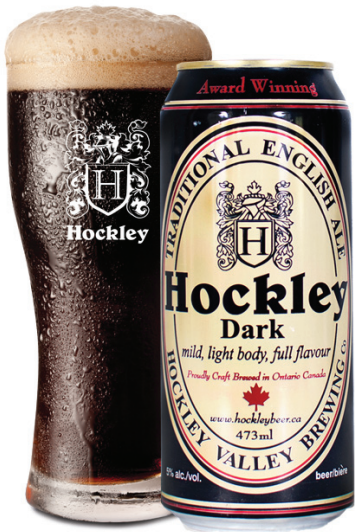
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## NobleKing Knights sweep foes to win peewee title

By Jake Courtepatte

Get out the brooms, it's a clean sweep for the Peewee LL NobleKing Knights.

The squad went undefeated in a whopping 10 games in the post-season to capture the Simcoe Region Local League title, culminating on

Sunday with a three-games-to-none sweep of the LeFroy Ice Breakers.

Riding a highly successful regular season that saw the Knights lose just five games over the course of a 26-game schedule, the hometown rivalry kicked right off in the playoffs with a series against the Knights LL1 squad, sweeping through in three

games to book a date with the Thorn-ton Tigers.

The only minor hiccup the Knights experienced on their way to the championship series was a game three 2-2 tie with the Tigers requiring a game four, where the Knights swiftly moved on in a 6-3 win.

The Icebreakers fought hard against the powerhouse Knights over the course of the first two games, with the Knights winning 3-2 and 5-4 respectively, though NobleKing took the championship on the road in a decisive 2-0 shutout win.

The keys to success, according to head coach Angelo Veri?

"Practice, practice practice," said Veri. "Over the span of the season

we understood the value and importance of 'team' and played together to execute on the goals and strategy we developed," before adding, "and of course have fun!"

The hard-fought series saw the Knights down by a pair of goals in each of the first two games before mounting a comeback, thanks to great goaltending and fore-checking.

"We are so proud watching each of them grow their skills – each practice and game," said Veri. "This growth enabled us to win our first ever championship."

"As we cheered at the beginning of each game 'COMMITTED' and that we were. Enjoy the moment!"



The NobleKing Knights Peewee LL2 team swept through the LeFroy Icebreakers in the Simcoe Region Local League championship on Sunday.



Shaan Tahir, Julia Ferreira, Ethan Luk and Charlie Rose (left) represented the King club at the provincials. Peter Borland (right) earned a 3rd in the men's freeskate at the Provincial Special Olympic Games.

### Skating Club members at provincials

The King City Skating Club is very proud of its young skaters this year. The club had four of its skaters make it to Skate Ontario Provincial Championships 2019. These skaters have worked hard all season competing and making sure that they qualified for the Provincial Championships. The Ontario Championships were held at the Paramount Fine Food Centre, in Mississauga March 14-17.

- The following were the results:
- Julia Ferreira and Shaan Tahir were Diamond Dance Gold Medalists.
- Charlie Rose and Ethan Luk, STAR 4-5 Patter Dance, 6th place.
- Shaan Tahir, STAR 8 Men's Long Freeskate, 6th place.
- Shaan Tahir, STAR 9 Men's Short Freeskate Silver Medalist.
- Julia Ferreira, Gold Triathlon, 6th place.

The club is also very proud of Special Olympics Skater Peter Borland, who traveled to Sault St. Marie Feb. 1-3 and placed 3rd in the Level 2 men's Freeskate at the Special Olympics Provincial Games.



### Team White wins men's title

Team White has taken the championship title in the local King City GHL. Shown are (bottom row) Rob Critelli, Andre Lalonde, Tony Santaguida, (top) Peter Racco, Rob Bevilacqua, Mirko Golic, Greg Rossi, Dave Henderson, Jason Bryant, Dan Dimitroff, Kevin Stewart, Joe Petrun-garo, Paul Racco. Missing was Gary Taylor. Earning the Game MVP award was Greg Rossi, shown with commissioner Matt Paric (top left). GHL Player of the Year award went to Jason Bryant, shown with commissioner Matt Paric (top right).

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## Down to final throws in curling

By Shellee Morning

ing to the finals for their league championship title.

After all the draws, take-outs, guards, and run-backs, King curlers are facing their final games for the 2018-19 season. And what a season it has been.

Regular season games, bonspiels, qualifiers and invitationals were all main ingredients for another successful curling year. The club experienced record membership, record new curlers, record scores and an astounding record of volunteerism and camaraderie.

This last week of curling will bring sweet memories for an unforgettable season for its members as well as continued friendships during the off season and of course new strategies and new teams for next year.

In the men's league the quarter-finals have written a thriller with the determined final 8 all vying for that spot in the championship game. Teams Barber, Boynton, Davis, Sheardown, Brown, Stronach, Broadhurst and Lostracco will sweep for the win and advance to the semis. The men's final chapter is setting up to being a real "page-turner."

The ladies league will finalize their last pages of 2019 with Teams Gorsline and Bones playing for Ladies Champion. Congratulations to Team Abbotts for winning C Division Championships.

Wednesday Social League has begun its year-end bonspiel series to a scripture of fun but intense curling to be named champion. The top 8 teams for their championship games include Sowerby, Welch, Rhind, Clark, Ross, Gerrits, Lostracco and Kolb.

Thursday Mixed League began their playoff series with Teams Barber and Morning going broom for broom for 1st place and League Champion. While teams Gerrits and Stronach play for 3 and 4th.

Friday Social league has also come down to their final 2 weeks of play with teams Kamstra and Gagliardi advanc-

### Go for the Green

Another successful Go for the Green Spiel was held last weekend with curlers arriving with their 4-leaf clovers all in hopes for their own pot of gold. A sea of green graced the ice as tradition welcomed the infamous best costume to the event and this year's winning recipients were Bryce Clark, Heidi Beck and Karen Letwinka.

The Leprechauns participated in the 2 game format with prizes, lunch and many off-ice (game) challenges all in celebration of St. Patty's Day. First draw winners were Cindy Brown, Fausto and Edith Mussato and James Johnston. Second draw winners were Tamara Niepage, Laurel Nelson, Bryce Clark and Bruce Gorsline. Congratulations to all the volunteers for a very successful spiel and to all of the generous donations from its sponsors.

### Meat Spiel

King Curling was well represented last weekend at the Orangeville Mixed Meat Spiel by Team Morning and her rink of John Frans, Jenine Ylitalo and Mark Inglis. Participating teams came from Dixie, Chinguacousy, Orangeville, King and Leaside.

Morning took an early lead in game 1 of the 8-end 2 game format against a team from Orangeville continuing with strong play towards victory. Game 2 the King team met another team from Orangeville and fell behind in the early frames but battled back to tie in the 7th. The 8th and final end was played strategically by both squads bringing it down to the last rock. King's final rock sitting in the steal position and the winning point was semi guarded, but an over-curl for the double take-out by Orangeville gave the victory to King, who went on to finish in 2nd place overall.

## Kevin Lord Memorial Spring Classic

This year's Kevin Lord Memorial Classic tournament is being held on Saturday, May 25 at Bear Creek Golf Club ([www.bearcreekgolfing.com](http://www.bearcreekgolfing.com)).

The event features a 12 p.m. shotgun start. The golf tournament has been held as a fundraiser in memory of Kevin Lord, a past New Tecumseth resident and aspiring Jr. A hockey and ball hockey player, who passed away in 2006 at the young age of 20 after a year-long battle with brain cancer.

Over the past 12 years the Foundation has raised in excess of \$125,000, supporting major organizations such as The Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, Royal Victoria Hospital Cancer Centre, Matthews House Hospice to name a few, as well as other worthy organizations, special charities and local families in need.

"Without the support of friends and family, this would never have been possible and we can't thank everyone enough for continuing to support our family and the Kevin Lord Memorial Foundation over the past 12 years in keeping true to our motto, 'Giving A Helping Hand In Helping Others,' in memory of Kevin. We are definitely looking forward to another fun and successful tournament again this year," said Al Lord, tournament director.

The tournament is open to the first 144 registered golfers. Entry fee is \$150 per golfer or \$600 per team, which includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, steak dinner, a prize and also entry in the challenge hole contest. Also, a company or personal hole sponsorship is always appreciated at a cost of \$100 for a sign with your company logo or personal lettering. Any teams or individuals interested in entering this year should plan to register early by May 1 in order to secure a spot. To register or sponsor a hole for further details, contact Al Lord at [al.lord@sympatico.ca](mailto:al.lord@sympatico.ca) or 416-576-6128.

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# Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop  
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## Earth Hour

The Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection group invites everyone to come out and celebrate Earth Hour with them on March 30.

There will be a Lantern Walk from the Schomberg Public Library to the Dufferin Marsh, leaving promptly at 8:15 p.m. with a Bonfire at the Marsh from 8:30 p.m.

Please make your lanterns and join the group. Please also turn off all your lights from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. in honour of Earth Hour.

The Connection is planning a frog monitoring training workshop on Thursday, April 4 at 7 p.m. at the Grackle Coffee Shop on Main Street.

This is a great way to get outside and enjoy the sounds of the Marsh in the spring.

This would be a great idea for high school students looking for community hours; for parents looking for an opportunity to bond with the kids without using a computer and a great project for teachers and their science programs.

For more information or to join the Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection, please contact Mary Asselstine at 905-939-7544 or the website [www.dufferin-marsh.ca](http://www.dufferin-marsh.ca)

## Community Farm

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## Schomberg United Church By Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman

The Joyful Spirits just restarted their practices on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. We are learning "Down by the Riverside" arranged by Jay Althouse for the Schomberg anniversary on Sunday, April 28. We are a special occasion community group. Most choirs expect its members to attend church each Sunday to help guide the congregation. However, our group only practices and performs for special events, so if you like to sing, but not have to make a huge commitment, then this group might be for you! It is not too late to join us.

Next Thursday, April 4 we will meet at St. Mary Magdalene's 116 Church St. at 10 a.m. for the third installment of our Lenten Series called "The Final Week." We do a little reading and reflect on scripture, looking at people, places and decisions that lead up to Easter. No experience is necessary and all are welcome. We will wrap up weeks 4 and 5 Tuesday April 9 and 16.

Schomberg United meets at St. Mary Magdalene, 116 Church St. From September to June, services are held at 9:30 a.m. On the first Sunday of the month we meet at Kitchen-Breedon Manor, and all other Sundays at St. Mary's. Information can be found at [nobletonunitedchurch.com](http://nobletonunitedchurch.com), click on the Schomberg United link. I can be contacted at 905-859-3976.

## Anglican Parish

The green of Epiphany has changed to the purple of Lent in the Anglican Parish of Lloydtown churches as we enter this somber season leading into the joy of Easter

Holy Communion Lenten services continue in Christ Church, Kettleby (circa 1891) on Kettleby Rd. in the adjacent church hall midway between Keele and Jane St. in the historic village Sunday mornings starting at 9:30 a.m., followed by tea/coffee hour for those wishing to stay. And similar services are held on Sunday mornings at St. Mary Magdalene's 116 Church St. in Schomberg starting at 11:15 a.m.

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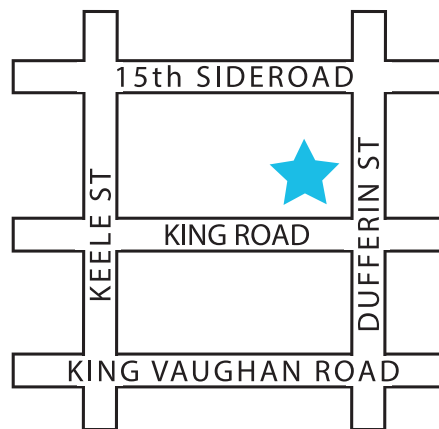
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# King's Corners

**King City United  
By Sheryl Sinka**

We have all asked the question Why? Why me? Why them?

On Sunday, Rev. Bruce reminded us that we have options to dwell on those questions and "live in the past preoccupied with cause and effect or focus the future where God is calling us to new life if we turn to God again. Use the distress, the vulnerability, the fear that you experience as a prod to turn you back to God and to life. It is never too late. God is waiting."

Please 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. Sermons are now up on the website at [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net) if you are unable to attend.

The women's prayer group which meets at the Residences of Springhill at 80 Burns Blvd. meets on Tuesday mornings. The Condo community is on the south side of King Road and meetings are in the small dining room on the main floor. Departure time is optional

but please try to arrive just before 9 so as to be let in. 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 905 833 5375 or Kathy 905 833 0391.

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.

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

Check out our new website at [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net)

## King Bible Church

Please join us on Sunday, March 31 as Pastor Mark continues our series "Encountering God Through Spiritual Practices" with Corporate-Celebration.

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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.

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"Legacy" nights are our family Bible Study nights.

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On March 19 the adults will begin an exciting new study by Jon Thompson; Pastor at C4 church in Ajax. "Convergence" explains why Jesus needs to be more than our Lord and Saviour for the church to thrive in a post Christian world.

"Convergence is when three unexpected things come together. Spiritual gifts, Spiritual disciplines and unusual works of the Spirit (revival) converge to form the authentic Christian life. What we will explore in this study is how Jesus modeled these three factors in convergence.

We meet every Tuesday from 6:45-8 p.m. You can find us at King Bible Church, 1555 King Rd. King City (at King Rd. & Dufferin), 905-833-5104, [www.kingbiblechurch.com](http://www.kingbiblechurch.com), [info@kingbiblechurch.com](mailto:info@kingbiblechurch.com)

**St. Andrew's  
By Kathy Patterson**

As we journey towards Easter, join us this fourth Sunday in Lent at 10 a.m. We welcome back Alvin Kim to lead us in worship. Sunday School for school-aged children up to 12 years old runs concurrently and a nursery is available.

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**From Page 18**

Last Sunday, the Rev. Konnie Viissers preached from II Samuel 12:1-14, the story of King David being “called out” by God for his sin. David paid the consequences, but in his grief, he acknowledged God as his Lord and was contrite. He was restored to a right relationship with God and was blessed.

Our Maundy Thursday Service, April 18, will be at 7:30 p.m. with communion administered by the Rev. Paul Johnston, Interim Moderator. The joint Good Friday Service with the King City United Church is at St. Andrew’s this year at 10 a.m. and the Easter Sunday worship service with Communion will be presided over by the Rev. Dr. John Viissers.

The Women’s Prayer Circle meets at 80 Burns Blvd., Tuesdays morning at 9 a.m. We’d love to have you join us. Contact Kathy Patterson, 905-833-0391 for more information.

Looking for a Bible Study? Niyazi Bilgen, a pastor with The Greater Grace Fellowship leads one Sunday evenings from 5-7 p.m. in the lounge at St. Andrew’s. All are welcome. Contact: 416-878-8499.

Messy Church returned last Sun-

day, 5-7 p.m. We all learned more about God’s love through mosaic art, heartfelt singing led by Dirk and storytelling, led by Lynn. A delicious communal supper starting at 6 p.m. was enjoyed by all. Plan on being with us next month! Questions? Contact Lynn Viissers.

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

**All Saints Anglican Church  
By Patrick Gossage**

Prayers for our Muslim brothers and sisters – In a time of stress for Muslims we offer prayers of comfort and support especially to the Muslims who attend our neighboring Ajmadiyya Mosque on Jane Street in Maple. Oh Lord, in the light of the tragic massacre of Muslims in Christ Church, New Zealand and the anxiety this causes those of Islamic faith in our community and elsewhere, we pray that you may comfort and protect our Muslim neighbours and all those who follow Islam and shield them

from the hate and disrespect that some feel towards them.

Make us agents of love and understanding and fill our hearts with the love which drives our hate in all we do and say. Ensure that we call out all forms of racial or ethnic hatred wherever we run into it, as the surest way to combat these abhorrent tendencies in our society.

Words to live by – Lent continues and in the Gospel from Luke 13 last Sunday, Jesus calls for repentance and tells the parable of the fig tree which the owner wants to cut down but the gardener wants to tend and preserve even if it isn’t bearing fruit.

“We learn that death is not a punishment for sin,” Rev. Dr. Elizabeth said in her sermon. She saw the parable as a call to us to start producing fruits of the spirit.

In Lent we must examine our hearts and minds and admit where we go wrong. “Lent is self-check season,” she said. “Look at how you treat those closest to you. How often do you tell them that you love them? Be an agent of peace and love in your relationships. When we love we keep giving and it grows.” We should repent, seek his forgiveness and find out how we bear fruit

in his kingdom – now.

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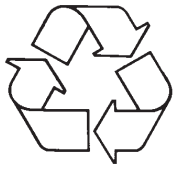
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*Ecclestone,  
William Garner*



Bill passed away peacefully March 10, 2019 at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket. Survived by wife Pamela Tobin, daughter Andrea Ecclestone, children of Pamela-Kelly (George), Kevin, Kyle (Jenny), and cherished grandchildren Samantha, Daniel, Kade, Braeden, Reese, Tennyson, Tristan, Georgia. Survived by his sister Mary Benson and family, Lake Placid, N.Y. Sadly missed by his family, friends and the Duchek family. Born in Halifax, N.S. April 24, 1941, he spent his teen and adult life in Toronto and King City. He attended St. Michael’s College and pursued a sales career with Seiberling and Goodyear Canada, retiring in 1986. Bill had a passion for the outdoors, loved nature, and always looked forward to spending time at the cottage in Rosseau. Funeral Mass will be held Saturday April 6th @ 11 am at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 14485 Jane Street, King City, ON. Celebration of Life to follow in the Church Hall. Donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario or the Cardiac ICU, Southlake Regional Health Foundation. Online condolences may be made at marshallfuneralhome.com

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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 a.m. Please feel free to contact the church office and

we can give you further details.

We are blessed at St. Paul's to have diligent librarians who 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 that get together at 1 p.m. to do quilting. The second and fourth Tuesday of the month, the focus is on knitting. Last year alone we were able to donate 28 quilts for refugees, plus many knitted items. All handcrafted items are donated to various mission projects. Consider joining us.

This Sunday, Jeff will lead us in worship at 10 a.m. 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](http://www.passionatelyhis.com) each week. They are also on Facebook Live and are avail-

able on the church's Facebook page (@stpaulsnobleton) and YouTube page (search St. Paul's Church, Nobleton), or [stpaulsnobleton.ca](http://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](http://www.stpaulsnobleton.ca).

### St. Mary's Church

Heralds of the Gospel and Spiritual Talk, location: St. Mary's Mission, 190 MacTaggart Dr., Nobleton, Mondays at 7:30 p.m. (except holidays).

Lent lasts 40 days (excluding Sundays). The three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and alms giving. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting (one primary meal and 2 lesser meals and abstinence from meat. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat.

### Nobleton United Church By Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman

Messy Church is a less formal way of being church for families that is based on creativity, hospitality and celebration. When we have it on a Sunday, we begin with a shorter service and it is followed by Christ-centred activities and a meal.

This past Sunday the theme was communion. The children gathered at the table to prepare the bread and wine (juice) and share it with the congregation as a way of remembering Jesus. Our next Messy Church will happen on Tuesday, April 16 from 5 to 7 p.m. All ages are welcome.

The Joyful Spirits just restarted their practices on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. We are learning "Down by the River-

side" arranged by Jay Althouse for the Schomberg anniversary on Sunday, April 28. We are a special occasion community group. Most choirs expect its members to attend church each Sunday to help guide the congregation. However, our group only practices and performs for special events, so if you like to sing, but do not have time to make a huge commitment, then this group might be for you! Please join us.

Next Thursday, April 4 we will meet at St. Mary Magdalene's 116 Church St. in Schomberg at 10 a.m. for the third installment of our Lenten Series called "The Final Week." We do a little reading and reflect on scripture, looking at people, places and decisions that lead up to Easter. No experience is necessary and all are welcome. We will wrap up weeks 4 and 5 on April 9 and 16.

Palm Sunday, April 14, we will have a shortened family-oriented service followed by an Easter Egg hunt. If you would be willing to help, please contact our church office at 905-859-3976.

For more info, visit [nobletonunitedchurch.com](http://nobletonunitedchurch.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. We have a big parking lot at the rear, an accessible ramp, chair lifts and accessible washrooms.

### Nobleton Lions Club

The Nobleton Lions have a busy spring season planned, starting with the Annual Lions Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20 at the Pottageville pavilion.

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## King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

The next movie night will be held on Wednesday, April 3. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The Oscar winning "Green Book" will begin at 7 p.m. Admission by donation.

A two-part estate planning seminar will take place at the Centre. Part 1, on the "Role of the Executor," will take place on Thursday, April 4 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Part 2, on "Wills and Power of Attorney," will follow on Wednesday, April 10 from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Our next pot luck lunch will be held at the Centre on Friday, April 12 starting at 12:30. All are welcome. Attendees are asked to bring a main dish item or a dessert.

Updated information can be found at our website - [www.kingcityseniors.ca](http://www.kingcityseniors.ca)

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This event is put on by the 3 Lions Clubs in King Township. Plan to arrive early, say 9:30 a.m. The Hunt starts at 10 a.m. sharp and is usually over in very short order!

Hot chocolate and coffee is supplied, and this event is free to all. If you need more info, contact Bob at 416-522-9675

Following that will be a new venture. The Club is hosting a night of Texas Hold'em Poker on April 26, right here in town at St. Mary's Church, and the club gratefully acknowledges the support of the Church and the Knights of Columbus. A maximum of 100 tickets will be sold at \$100 each, which covers a multi-course Italian style dinner with open bar, and the buy-in for the game. Dinner will be served at 7 and the game starts at 8. For tickets call Steve at 416-803-6310 or visit Jim at KARS automotive on King Road west of Hwy. 27, or at 905-859-5277.

May 26 is the date for the Pet Value Walk for Dog Guides, supporting the seven different specialty streams of support dogs. More details are available at [www.walkfordogguides.com](http://www.walkfordogguides.com), and on the Nobleton Lions website, or please contact Jim at 905-859-5216.

Last, but certainly not least, is the Lions Annual Fund Raiser Charity Golf Tournament on June 2, close to home at Nobleton Lakes Golf Course. Watch for ads in this paper, or call Jim at KARS, as above.

The Lions Club is seeking new members at this time. If you are interested in helping your community become a better place to live while having lots of fun, please call Bob Phillips at 416-522-9675.

Your support is greatly appreciated by the Lions and those who we support,

in keeping with our motto, "We Serve."

**Nobleton Tennis Club**

Come and join us for some summer fun! Nobleton Tennis Club offers a variety of programs for both adults and youth. We are offering learn to play for both adult and youth.

We have Adult intercounty teams - mixed A and mixed C as well as Ladies A and B. We also have a youth inter-county team and inter club play.

The club offers weekly drop-in clinics to help improve your strokes and overall tennis game and weekly cardio tennis to help improve your tennis fitness. This year we will be offering 2 weeks of youth summer camps - July 15 to 19 and 22 to 26. Register for camp early as spots fill quickly. We welcome you! Opening day is Saturday, May 4.

**Nobleton Skating Club**

Spring into skating with the Nobleton Skating Club. We are offering spring Canskate, Power Skating, Adult Learn and Starskate.

Sessions are offered Mondays and Wednesdays from April 8 to May 29. Canskate, Power and Adult Learn are all offered from 5:30-6:15 p.m. on both Monday and Wednesday. Spring skating begins Monday, April 8. Please note that spring skating takes place at the Trisan Centre in Schomberg. Registration is done on-line through our website [nobletonskatingclub.com](http://nobletonskatingclub.com). Registrations are due by March 30.

**Anglican Parish  
By John Arnott**

Suddenly the kitchen door is flung open and masked intruders burst in,

terrifying the young kids inside as another horrific "home invasion" is in progress! But wait, things aren't as they seem for though the time is today the place is les Iles de la Madeleine (Magdalen Is.) in Canada's Gulf of St Lawrence. It's the 4th Thursday of Lent (this year March 28th) and the celebration of Mi-Careme, literally mid-Lent, has begun!

The origins of this celebration pre-date Christianity in Europe but as Christianity took hold in the old world. St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton notes the Church fathers reluctantly but wisely chose to keep but "Christian up" certain popular pre-Christian observances such as Mi-Careme. Samhain became Halloween; Saturnalia became Christmas, and Lupercalia is St. Valentine's Day.

Mi-Careme was particularly popular in France thus brought to Canada by French colonists. But by the mid-1700s its celebration had faded almost completely in the old world as well as the new being kept up by only a few back country villages in both places. However, in the small mainly Francophone communities on Quebec's Magdalen Is. in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, Mi-Careme traditions are alive and well.

Winters on this remote tiny hook-shaped archipelago of small islands, is long, cold and snowy thus a chance to hold a community celebration mid-way between Christmas and Easter is more than welcome, even if it occurs in middle the somber, sorrow tinged church season of Lent. Many people, young and old, dress up in costumes some simple but some elaborate and very beautiful having taken weeks to make.

Now to brave the elements and pay "surprise" visits to neighbours who must try to identify at least one of

boisterous intruders known as les mi-caremes. Once a cover has been blown its time to serve up refreshments-home-made pies, cookies, tarts and squares with hot, tea, coffee, mulled cider and some "stuff" a bit stronger. A highlight of the visit to homes is to guess who the person dressed in white and masked as La Mi-Careme, the Spirit of Mi-Careme, really is but her/his identity is a closely kept secret only revealed at church on the following Sunday morning when this mysterious person, still in costume, arrives only to be unmasked before the service starts. Each village or hamlet has its own "Spirit."

Dances are often held in private homes or in community halls and prizes awarded for the most inventive costumes and masks following "the house invasions" rounds. Daytime Mi-Careme parades with costumed revelers taking part form part of the celebration in larger communities like Cap aux Meules, the island's chief town.

Madelinots, as the islanders call themselves, have reawakened interest in this long forgotten tradition and celebrations are springing up everywhere, even in Paris, France.

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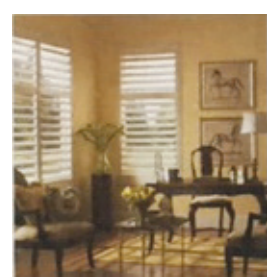
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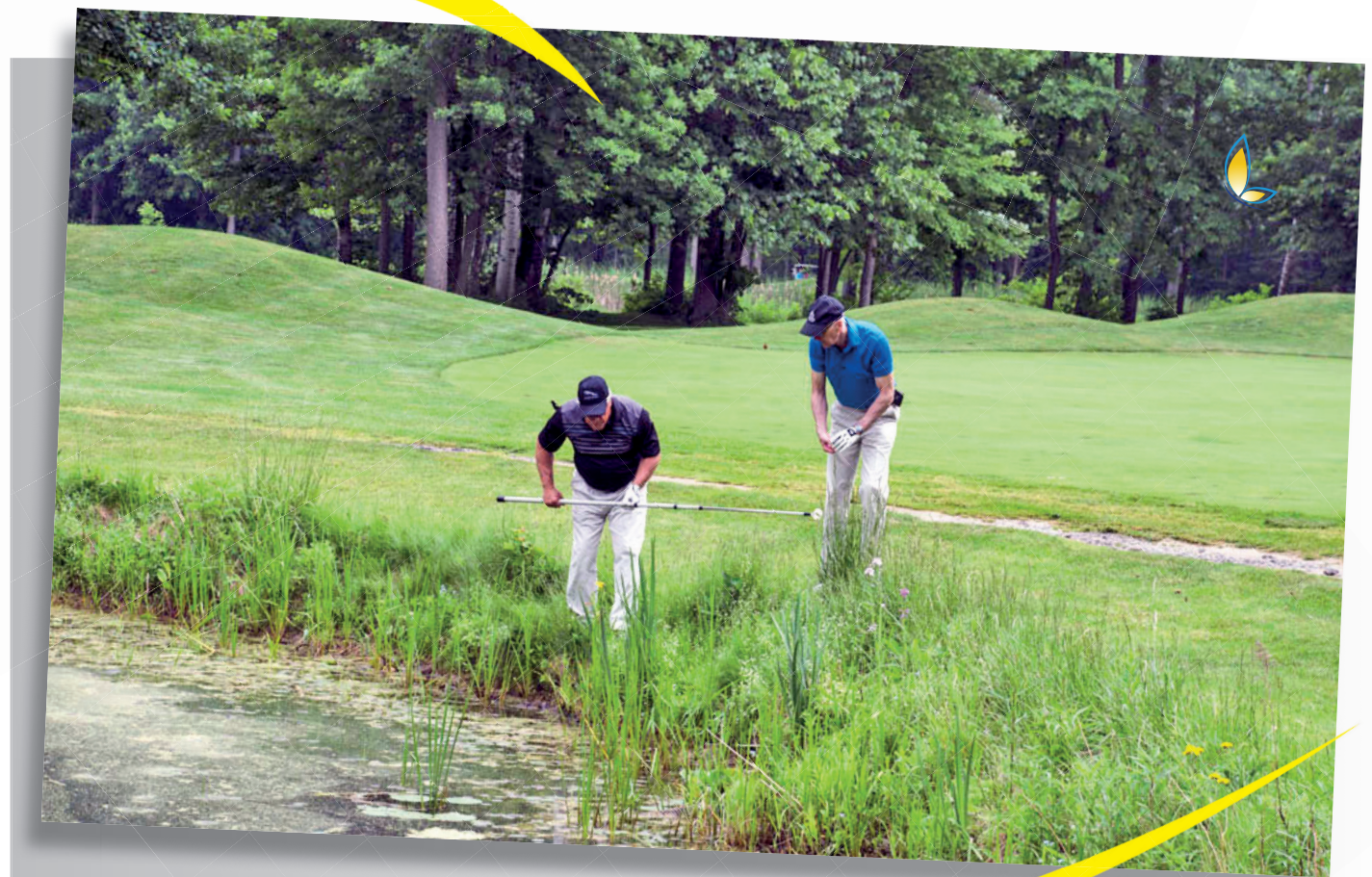


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