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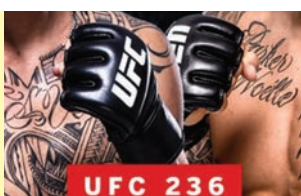
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King Mayor Steve Pellegrini, MPP Stephen Lecce, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and councillors Debbie Schaefer and Jordan Cescolini celebrate a one-time injection of \$725,000 to the Township by the Province.

King receives \$725K from Province

By Mark Pavilons

King has received a much-appreciated injection of funding, thanks to a commitment from the Province.

King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce, and Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, visited the King Township offices Monday afternoon, to make the announcement.

The provincial government is investing \$725,000 in King to foster the efficient and effective delivery of services.

"Our government is making a significant investment in King to ensure our residents live in a community with a strong quality of life and growing economy. I am proud to deliver results for the hard working people of King. This new funding will make a meaningful difference, along with ongoing investments in local roads, highways, and GO stations across King-Vaughan," said Lecce.

The funding comes as part of a one-time investment in small and rural municipalities across Ontario, aimed to provide the resources necessary for municipalities to modernize and streamline the delivery of its services to residents.

"Taxpayers need their local government to deliver modern, efficient services that show respect for their hard-earned dollars. This funding will help small and rural municipalities, like King, improve how they deliver services and reduce

the ongoing costs of providing those services," said Minister Clark. "I look forward to continuing to work together with our municipal partners to help people and businesses in communities across our province thrive."

"It's heartening to see the province recognize that smaller, rural communities like King face pressures to plan and manage transformation," said Mayor Steve Pellegrini. "Unlike larger communities, King relies heavily on residential taxpayers to help pay for programs and services. Funding from other levels of government helps us to keep the impacts on taxpayers as low as possible. We thank the province for the funding which will benefit the entire community."

Calling Lecce a "superstar" and "tremendous voice," Clark stressed the Province values its relationships with all the municipalities.

Lecce said Clark's presence in King Monday speaks volumes about the Province's willingness to co-operate with municipal governments. This funding ensures that King will get what it needs to expand its services and improve the quality of life in King.

Lecce said he will continue to fight, as this area's MPP, for broadband Internet, roads and infrastructure funding.

Pellegrini said the money will definitely be put to good use and it will "really make a dent."

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

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

Monday, April 29, 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

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

- 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 for employment opportunities.

REMINDERS

Easter Holiday Closures

King Township's Municipal Centre will be closed on Fri., April 19 and Mon., April 22 for the Good Friday and Easter Monday holidays. We will reopen on Tues., April 23 for regular business hours at 8:30 a.m.

King Township libraries will be closed Fri., April 19, Sun., April 21 and Mon., April 22.

The Trisan Centre in Schomberg will be closed on Fri., April 19, open for regular hours on Sat, April 20, closed on Sun., April 21 and open Mon., April 22 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

If you have an urgent Township-related matter, please call 905-833-5321 and the after-hours answering service will relay your call to the appropriate personnel.



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.ca or call 905-833-5321.

Spring Street Sweeping

The 2019 Street Sweeping program will commence on April 15, weather permitting. The contractor will progress through the villages in the following sequence: Schomberg, King, Nobleton.

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 and submit by email. Apply before April 15 to save \$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
905.833.4029

Alternate parking for Volunteer Appreciation Night

Due to the large crowd that is expected to attend the April 25 Volunteer Appreciation Night, King is offering alternate parking locations and a free shuttle bus from two locations in King City.

We are asking residents to drop off passengers at the new municipal offices at 2585 King Rd. before parking at one of the following two locations:

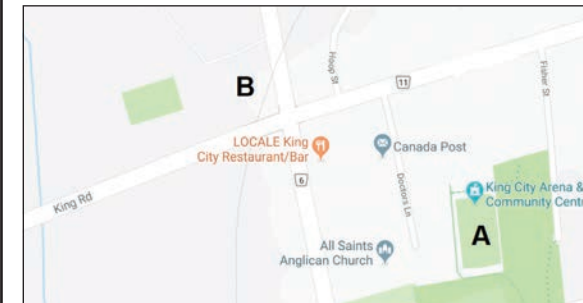
- A: The King City Arena at 25 Doctors Ln.
- B: The 'Green P' parking lot at Wellesley Park at the north-west corner of King Rd. and Keele St.

The shuttle will start at the King City Arena (A) at 6:15 p.m. then proceed to the Green P parking lot at King Rd. and Keele St about 5 minutes after that. It will then proceed to the new municipal centre.

The shuttle will then repeat the loop starting at about 6:30 p.m.

The shuttle will return residents to their vehicles following the council meeting.

If you have any questions or if you have accessibility needs, please contact Teresa Barresi at 905-833-5321, ext. 4029.



KING VAUGHAN
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Thursday April 25th, 2019
King City Arena
25 Doctors Lane
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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 and take the short survey and leave your feedback.

Please do your part & recycle!



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**
Ansnorveldt 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

Please see more King Township notices on page 5

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.

Council moves ahead on traffic measures presented in study

By Mark Pavilons

Armed with the results of a township-wide traffic study, King councillors set to work on addressing the issues.

As soon as consultants R.J. Burnside & Associates presented their findings, councillors immediately passed recommendations that will have wide-reaching implications to improve road safety.

Councillors endorsed some of the recommendations contained within the study, and asked for community consultations before coming up with tougher traffic calming measures, including a village wide standard of 40 km/h.

Speed adjustments were made on the 16 Sideroad and permanent speed boards will be installed at various locations around King.

Also presented within the study for traffic calming, on school and park area streets, as considered appropriate by the director of Engineering, Public Works and Building.

Consultant Henry Centen presented the traffic speed and volume study to councillors during a marathon council session March 18.

The study, he said, lays the groundwork for future policies that King officials may want to consider. Enforcement, and awareness are key to all traffic issues, he pointed out.

In many cases, the measures have to be tailor made to the location.

Most rural roads in King are posted below the common upper limit of 80 km/h and almost all village roads are 40 or 50 km/h.

The Township created its traffic calming policy in 2004, in response to petitions by residents complaining about the speeds and traffic volumes.

After analyzing local roads, consultants found that 11 roads should remain the same as far as posted speeds. Another 20 roads had proper speed limits, but these should be monitored. Six roads do require increased speed management such as speed boards and monitoring.

Consultants recommending increasing the speed limit from 40 km/h to 60 on the 16th Sideroad, from Keele to Dufferin, and also from Jane to Dufferin.

Police enforcement, signage and even radar speed boards were suggested for the 20 roads across King, including two stretches of the 18th Sideroad. Permanent speed boards, they urged, should be installed on the 10th Concession, from King to the 15th; Mill Road from King to the King Vaughan Road; 18th Sideroad from the 10th to Highway 27; Parkheights Trail, Dufferin and Woodchopper's Lane.

Burnside recommended that the Township considers all-way stops as an effective way to control traffic volume.

While traffic calming measures have merit, they should only be used when the benefits can be show to outweigh the cons.

These include speed humps, transverse rumble strips, raised intersections and crosswalks, textured crosswalks, raised median island, bike lanes, vertical centreline treatments, traffic circles and roundabouts, signage, speed boards. There are many proven techniques and some new ones to consider.

The consultants pointed to "optical illusion pavement markings," also known as 3D road art, and the resulting illusion usually forces drivers to slow down.

Shared space, used more commonly in Europe, includes sharing the road with pedestrians, cyclists, etc. Vehicle activated signs that flash when drivers surpass the posted limits, are also common, and some are currently used in King. Studies have shown that these "feedback" signs reduce speeds by 5 to 10 km/h.

The consultants pointed out that any changes council makes should be reviewed in six to 12 months to see if they're effective.

Optical illusion pavement markings, like the one pictured above right used in Iceland, work as traffic calming measures.



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- Michael Connelly

Modern methods to cheat our fellow humans

"Most scams are absurd – so absurd that one wonders how anyone falls for them at all; yet if no one falls for them, how do the scammers make money?"

- James Veitch

A fool and his money are soon parted, according to an old English adage. It seems this 16th century phrase has never been more true than it is today.

Hard currency was first created by King Alyattes in Lydia, now part of Turkey, in 600 BC. So, my dear friends, we've been earning money, spending money, losing money and stealing money for the past 2,600 years! It's no wonder our fellow humans have become quite savvy at loosing our grip on the all mighty dollar.

Scams pop up almost daily and their prevalence is made much easier thanks to the Internet. Scammers have it quite easy these days. They can create a load of codswallop and send it around the globe in minutes. Like a fisherman casting a wide net, they toss out the rubbish in hopes of landing a few gullible souls.

It's sad, really. Scams over the years have made people quite reluctant about responding to almost any deal, offer or bargain that crosses our social media platforms. It has become a lot more difficult to separate the nonsense from the truth. And this can hurt the genuine sellers and fundraisers.

We are all familiar with the obvious, exposed attempts of fraud. We hear about them all the time – huge cheques in our name from a Nigerian source.

But there are many others that are not as easy to detect and weed out.

I pretty much ignore all strange and odd emails I receive, and I get a ton of them at work each day. Anything that reads "urgent attention required" is hogwash. Anything that starts with "Dear Friend" is malarkey, although I really liked one I received that was addressed to me as "Your Excellency." That has a nice ring to it, but my co-workers refuse to adopt it as my new title.

Unfortunately, hokum permeates places we least expect it.

I have been helping my son shop for his first used car. I regularly scan the



Mark Pavilons

common sites such as Kijiji and autotrader.ca

I remember Auto Trader when it was a thick publication and I just loved flipping through the pages for used and classic cars.

The online site is pretty good and offers a lot of individualized search parameters to make looking for a car quick and easy. The drawback is, of course, almost anyone can post an ad, with little regard for accuracy or legitimacy. "Let the buyer beware" goes the sage bit of advice.

So, we have to become a little more diligent when shopping these days. I've encountered a few hurdles with used cars advertised on autotrader.ca lately. We found some amazing deals and yes, I now realize that if it sounds too good to be true, it usually is.

I found an immaculate 2008 Honda Accord, fully serviced and e-tested, with only 85,000 kilometres on it. The owner wanted \$2,700!

When the "owner" responded, she said she was at an air force base in BC, undergoing her final training. She would then be relocated to Cold Lake, Alberta. She would have the car shipped right to my driveway and I could inspect

it, drive it and take it to my mechanic before making my decision. But I had to send her the money, via eBay, who would hold it until I made my decision. I would get a "refund" if I chose not to take the car.

This explanation was so absurd, I didn't know whether to laugh or cry. There were so many red flags I just shook my head. I marvelled at the complexity of the details, no matter how weird they were.

Another man was selling a mint 2009 VW CC, again for a bargain of \$2,500. The only catch was he accepted a three-year contract job in Europe, so his "delivery man" would handle the transaction for him here. This man took my information via email and he would deliver it to my driveway and leave it in my hands for a few days while I made my decision. Of course, he never got back to me.

Again, it seems selling a car these days goes beyond strange and out of the ordinary. Whatever happened to putting an ad in the local paper with a phone number?

Many of the ads posted online don't have phone numbers, only email addresses. Again, why would someone who's anxious to sell their vehicle not want to be contacted quickly and easily?

So, in the past month, I've responded to at least a dozen ads, most of which are either misleading or total rubbish.

You would think that this behavior is limited to scammers and ne'er do wells, but that's not the case.

New and used car dealers are becoming a little more, how do you say, less than truthful! My son saw a 2014 British luxury car advertised for \$3,000 and yet when we called the dealer, the car didn't exist. But I was offered many more models to choose from on the showroom floor.

Shame on you.

I have come across many offers of "free product samples," only to learn you have to sit through an in-home presentation, while the sales rep tries to sell you a year's supply of pork rinds. And the "free sample" is a snack baggie of dried, chewy stuff.

Has anyone every won by calling the number at the bottom of your grocery store receipt?

Today, in our free market economy, it seems there are so many "strings attached," it's a wonder we don't strangle ourselves on a daily basis.

I'm a trusting person who likes to give people the benefit of the doubt. I hope I don't change.

But the more I explore humanity with my fellow creatures, the more disillusioned I become.

I hope there's a happy ending to my car shopping journey, one with no scams, no strings, no bunk.

Caveat emptor!

Letter to the Editor

Lucky to have such representation

I went to two town hall meetings, recently, hosted by our mayor Feb. 5 at the Schomberg Library with Bill Cober, and again March 20 in Nobleton with Jakob Schneider and David Boyd.

These meetings were well attended, informative and respectful.

I went to both of these meetings because I was born and raised in Nobleton, but I also feel my home town is Schomberg because of family history and business ties. I am third generational from both towns.

So, today when I looked at the Toronto Star, the four headlines on the front page were "Dirty money driving up real estate prices, amid refugee system woes; Board chair gets \$78,000 car perk; Ford didn't break law in OPP hiring, ethics watchdog rules" and last but not least "Liberal Caucus decisions murky and possibly illegal."

My point in all of this to say how lucky we are in the Township of King to have a council that is pleasant, honest, transparent and dedicated to the good of our Township.

Not everyone has to be involved, but I encourage you to be aware. The town meetings are for you all. They are arenas to air your concerns, but also to show our respect and appreciation.

Wendy-Sue Bishop

CLOSETS

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ELECTION SURPRISE

Brainteaser

How can you put 10 coins in 3 plastic cups, so that in every cup there is odd number of coins?

Last week's answer: Only 3 times. Once you have two socks of the same color, they already form a matching pair.



King Township Trivia

The average income in King Township in 1977 was \$17,000. Schomberg and Pottageville were considered a blue-collar area with an average income of \$13,000 while the average income in King City was \$16,000.

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Results from last week's poll:
Are you concerned about local road conditions?

a) Yes **64%**

b) No **36%**

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you believe Ontario should support the federal carbon tax?

a) Yes
b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**Township of King
PUBLIC INFORMATION
SESSION**

KING CITY STREETSCLAPING

Monday April 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

King Municipal Centre
2585 King Road
King City, ON L7B 1A1



Thinking about a home improvement project?

Not sure how to navigate the approval process?

Join us at our next Building Department's information open house.

You can meet with building staff in an informal setting to learn the ins and outs of the application and approval process for building projects.

Whether you're looking to build a deck or add an extension on your home, learn about the process to make your dream become a reality.

When: March 20, 2019 / April 10, 2019 / May 1, 2019
Building Division Counter at **2585 King Road**
For more information call 905-833-4008 or email caietta@king.ca

KING FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

**Spring cleaning your yard?
Check local By-law before starting an Open Air Fire/Burn**

Township of King – April 2019
King Fire & Emergency Services is advising local residents to contact them regarding the restrictions that govern open air burning before having any open air fires or burning brush.

"With spring outdoor cleanup starting, we know some residents choose to burn brush and yard debris on their property," explained Fire Chief Jim Wall. Cleaning up debris and limiting the level of flammable vegetation surrounding your home is understandable. However, please make sure that the way you do it is safe – for you, your home, your neighbours, and the surrounding area.

A permit is required with specific conditions for burning in the Township of King. Open air burning can include the use of outdoor fireplaces and cooking fires not involving the use of a barbeque (for recreational purposes). Some outdoor appliances may not be recommended because there is potential for personal injury, property damage and increased risk of a grass fire. Please do your homework and go on-line and research these appliances before you make any purchases.

"Whether in the backyard of your home, the cottage or at a campground please make fire safety a priority," said Fire Chief Wall. "Open air burning, especially if left unattended can become difficult to control and can result in a serious injury or widespread fire." Always keep fire safety in mind.

Please contact King Fire & Emergency Services for more information if you have any questions about open air burning requirements.

For more information contact:
King Fire & Emergency Services @ 905-833-2800



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STUDIO TOUR KING
April 27 & 28, 2019 10 am – 5 pm

STUDIO TOUR KING is a free community event open to all visitors from near and far. Beauty and art are everywhere in King, the countryside is rich with raw materials that our artists have used to draw their inspiration. Pick-up your brochure with map at the King Heritage and Cultural Centre and begin your ART EXPERIENCE THROUGHOUT KING-TOWNSHIP.

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Mayor explains tax impacts

By Steve Pellegrini
Mayor, Township of King

At the March 18 meeting, King Township council approved the 2019 operating and capital budgets.

The budget calls for a 2.3 per cent increase in the net levy requirement (Township portion). That means that an average King Township homeowner, with a home valued at \$835,500, will pay an additional \$51 on the municipal portion of their 2019 property tax bill.

The small increase is in line with the rate of inflation. This builds on last year's budget which resulted in 54 per cent of households in King Township having their taxes remain the same or decrease if your MPAC assessment increase was 6.5 per cent or less. The same will occur this year depending on your assessment increase year over year.

Your taxes are used to pay for things like road repairs and improvements, garbage collection, fire and emergency

services, recreation and parks, libraries, beautification initiatives, water and sewage treatment.

This year we consulted with the community through open houses and our online engagement platform (www-speaking.king.ca). The majority of respondents told us they want to see services maintained at current levels.

We need to acquire, maintain, repair and replace our infrastructure – things like roads, vehicles, culverts and bridges – in a responsible way. We also need to continue meeting our residents' expectations when it comes to services, including replacing the aged King City Library and building a new recreation centre on the Seneca College lands.

If you have any questions about your tax bill, I'd encourage you to contact King's Director of Finance and Treasurer, Allan Evelyn at 905-833-4010.

As always, please shop local and volunteer; coach a kids soccer team or on Earth day spend 10 minutes cleaning up around your neighbourhood.

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Ontario invites public presentations on regional government review

The Ontario government is providing another opportunity for local input on how to improve governance, decision-making and service delivery for regional governments and regional municipalities. The government wants to make sure that the experience of real people is front of mind in every decision we make.

Those who live and work in communities covered by the province's review can register online to make presentations to the Special Advisors – Michael Fenn and Ken Seiling – who will assess the feedback and provide their advice and recommendations to Minister Steve Clark this summer.

"Our government is working for all Ontarians. We are committed to providing taxpayers with efficient and effective service delivery that shows respect for their hard-earned dollars," said Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. "It's important to me that the people who live, work and spend time in the municipalities covered by the review can share their thoughts on how we can improve regional governance."

Ontario's government is working for the people to deliver better public services and finding ways to make better use of taxpayers' dollars. No matter what the service, regulation, program, process or policy, we ask ourselves how the people will benefit."

More details are available at Ontario.ca/regionalgovernment.

You can also submit your comments through the online survey, which is open until May 21.

Meetings will be held in the eight regional municipalities covered by the review – Halton, York, Durham, Waterloo, Niagara, Peel, Muskoka District, and Oxford County and in Simcoe County.

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- Work for
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- Specimen
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- Musical piece
- Be enough
- Chin beard
- Diplomat
- Now hear ____!
- Baseball call
- Flush
- Water server
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- Salt's beverage
- Excitement
- Duck's gait
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- Type of moss
- Ship's cargo space
- Inch along
- Pin's kin
- House wing
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- Cobra's comment
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- Mixture
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- Greek market
- Communion plate
- Word on a movie ticket
- Warrant officer
- Kilt fold
- Work by Keats
- Unfavorable
- Marine hazard
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- Absorbed
- Squash
- Croc's kin
- Foursome
- Tint
- Legal right
- Brownie
- Bow wood
- Recognized
- Nimbus
- Sitar music
- Watch over
- Overweight
- Window curtain
- Literary monogram
- Pen filler
- Remember
- Expurgate
- Luster
- Fast dance
- Wooden lane
- Sap-sucking insect
- Proclamation
- Sacred table
- Cranky
- Hoar
- Or ____! (threat)
- Anglo-Saxon peon
- Sink in the middle
- ____ cube

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The word around King

Do you think the Leafs' recent performance spells doom in the playoffs?

Carryn McPoulter
"No, I have faith."

Mathew Abrams
"Yeah, they're going to lose."

Ken Wagler
"I hope not."

Donovan Braun
"No."



Residents learn about safety, local projects at Nobleton talk

A group of about 20 dedicated residents gathered for the “Meet the Mayor and Councillors” night hosted at the Nobleton Library recently. Councillor David Boyd and Jakob Schneider were in attendance with Mayor Pellegrini, along with Superintendent Slack of York Regional Police.

The evening began with a discussion about community safety and crime prevention. Residents were encouraged to use the York Regional Police online reporting services to report community concerns such as speeding, loitering or suspicious activity. Questions were raised about the number of car entries in the Nobleton area.

Superintendent Slack informed residents that YRP apprehended the individual responsible for the majority of the occurrences last year. Mayor Pellegrini reminded everyone of the importance of reporting crimes to the YRP to help assist in determining patterns. The mayor also informed residents that York Region is the safest municipality in the GTA and that the Township of King has the lowest crime rate within York Region.

Residents were provided a general overview of the major projects in the 2019-22 Capital Works Plan. Mayor Pellegrini reiterated that the budget is focused on road improvements, and that King is working towards upgrading our road surfaces from gravel to chip and tar or asphalt. Questions were asked about facilities and when the Township would have an indoor pool. Mayor Pellegrini indicated that the design phase for the Township-wide recreation centre is under way and the facility will include an indoor pool.

There are a number of key projects in the budget for Nobleton including the reconstruction of the 15th Side Road between the 10th and the 8th, and the 10th from the 15th to King Road. Councillor Boyd told residents that the Township is committed to the continued progression of Phase 2 Sewers, building the new Alf Budweh Park in the Tribute Subdivision and the acquisition of the former Nobleton Jr. Public School site.

Other key items include continuing the renovation of the Nobleton Lions Community Sports Park and Phase 2 of Tasca Park, slated to occur in 2022. The subject of broadband Internet was also discussed. Boyd commented that 77 homes in Laskay will be connected this year as a result of a community group partnership with Bell Canada.



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Civil servants are basking in the salary 'sunshine'

By Mark Pavilons

King Township is well represented in the list of civil servants earning \$100,000 or more.

King had 21 employees in the top brackets in 2018, compared to 18 in 2017.

The list was released last week, under the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act, which requires public sector organizations to disclose the name, position, salary and taxable benefits of their employees paid \$100,000 or more in the previous calendar year.

Retiring CAO Susan Plamondon was the top wage-earner in King last year, pulling in \$195,666.10.

Next was Treasurer Allan Evelyn with a salary of \$159,108.60. Public Works director Andrzej Drzewiecki was next with \$155,819.30, followed by roads manager Steven Gillies with \$145,275.98. Next was Clerk Kathryn Moyle with a salary of \$144,085.20.

They were followed by Fire Chief Jim Wall, \$141,119.30; retired planning director Stephen Kitchen, \$136,465; parks director Chris Fasciano, \$135,696.47; water and wastewater manager Nick Vertelman, \$132,525; Mike Cole, deputy director of engineering, \$126,662.27; Rick Hampton, facilities manager, \$122,776.22; Scott Donald, parks manager, \$120,476.80; Gaspare Ritacca, planning manager, \$118,429.50; building official Peter Lavrench, \$110,534.92; environmental project manager John Vandenberg, \$108,616.76; David Van Veen, senior project manager, \$106,285.18; IT manager Barbara Harris, \$106,025.78; deputy treasurer Alice Liu, \$105,896.07; Rebecca Mathewson, man-

ager of financial planning and reporting, \$105,417.20; James Arnold, deputy fire chief, \$103,244.40 and Nancy Cronsberry, deputy clerk, \$103,244.40.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini earned \$132,656.43 with the City of Brampton, as manager of the project management office.

King's numbers pale in comparison to the huge salaries paid at other levels of government. York Region once again had record numbers of civil servants on the list, as did both local school boards serving King and York residents.

York Region

The top brass at York Regional Police are paid handsomely for their service.

YRP Chief Eric Jolliffe, was the top earner in the Region, pulling in \$326,508.69. Next was deputy chief Tom Carrique with \$257,580.23. Carrique was recently named as the next OPP Commissioner. Deputy chief Rudolph Crawford was next in line, with a salary of \$233,186.84.

Bruce Macgregor, York's CAO, was the top regional administrator, pulling in a whopping \$311,919.11 plus \$13,857.84 in benefits.

York's medical officer of health Karim Kurji earned \$274,324.51 plus \$12,278.56 in benefits, while the associate medical officer of health, John Richard Gould, made \$247,767.88 and the same in benefits.

They were followed by Environmental Services Commissioner Erin Mahoney and York's solicitor Joy Hulton, who both made \$231,236.

By comparison, York chair and CAO



There are literally hundreds and hundreds of employees earning in the \$100,000 to \$200,000 range.

School Boards

Today, salaries of \$100,000 seem to be the norm for teachers across the board. Principal salaries average in the \$130,000 range.

At the York Catholic District School Board, Frances Bagley, associate director of strategic leadership, earned \$212,748.64. Associate director of education Leslie Johnstone made \$206,941.42.

At the York Region District School Board, tops was Mary Sirisko, director of education. She made \$273,623.05.

Cecil Roach, coordinating superintendent of education, indigenous education, earned \$198,081.70.

Councillor Bill Cober, an elementary principal with the board, earned \$130,204.53.

By comparison, Premier Doug Ford only took a salary of \$112,770.47, less than average salaries paid to MPPs. Andrea Horwath, leader of the opposition, earned \$171,037.16.

King businessman receives award

By Mark Pavilons

A long-time King businessman is simply doing what he loves.

And for his passion and longevity, Jose Melo, of Allstone Quarry Products, received the Business Excellence Award from the Federation of Portuguese Canadian Business & Professionals (FPCBP).

Melo was honoured along with other recipients at the 37th annual gala, held March 23 in Brampton. The mission of the FPCBP is to promote business activity, foster professionalism, develop networking opportunities, enhance political visibility, encourage academic excellence and, as a representative voice, advocate the prominence of members within and outside of the Portuguese-Canadian business and professional community.

The star-studded affair brought together more than 300 business leaders, politicians, entrepreneurs and students, who were presented with scholarships. The Ambassador of Portugal in Canada, His Excellency Dr. João do Carmo Ataíde da Câmara, was the special guest speaker, making his first public address to Ontario's Portuguese-Canadian business community since taking office in Ottawa in September of 2018.

This year's highest honour, the Business Excellence Award, went to Melo, who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in the provision of services, in any sphere of activity, while contributing meaningfully to the community.

Melo created Melo Landscaping in 1972, focusing on softscaping and hardscaping. By 1988, his hard work and dedication pushed the company to new levels and that same year he formed Allstone Quarry Products, a stone supplier and distributor of materials and stone for custom homes.

Two more companies expanded the operations - Allstone Equipment Ltd. and JCM Waste Disposal Inc.

Melo received his Landscape Architect stamp at 45 and he has won several landscape awards, including some honours from Landscape Ontario.

He made history in 2007 with King's most famous landmark - the largest free-standing inukshuk, known as "Little Joe." Towering at 37 feet, 3.9 inches and weighing some 82 tonnes of solid granite, it make the Guinness World Book of Records. Melo created the statue to honour Canada's aboriginal culture; to promote the natural beauty of northern Ontario granite, and to create awareness of the benefits of the stone industry.

Melo is not only a supporter of King charities and causes, he donated time and material to the Portuguese-Canadian Walk of Fame and other organizations. He also installed a special stone monument at St. Patrick Church in Schomberg.

Today, at 77, Melo is still doing what he loves. He tells young entrepreneurs to never give up and be proud of your work.

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This four bedroom home, located on a park-like property, features a beautifully renovated open concept main floor with fantastic architectural details and bright southern exposure. \$1,688,000. Melissa Mackenzie*



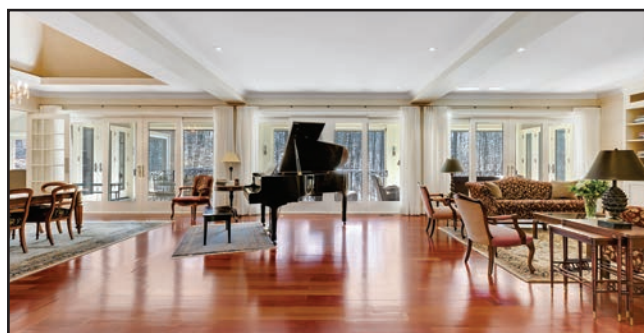
King Valley

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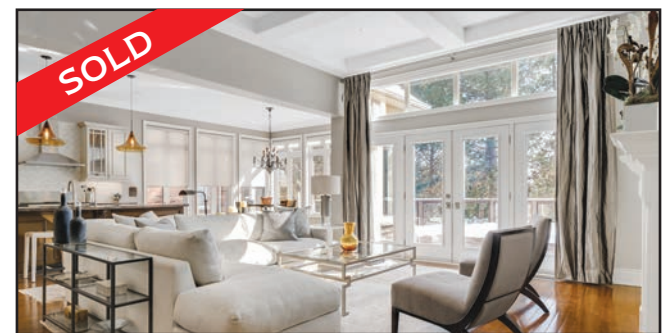
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Arts & Entertainment

John 'Frenchie' Berger left a lasting legacy in industry

By Mark Pavilons

The Nobleton community has lost one of its most unique individuals.

John Henry Barra-Berger, affectionately known as "Frenchie," passed away March 23, at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket.

When news spread, Facebook posts sprouted, all commenting that he was the consummate professional and amazing human being.

"We've lost a great and talented man and friend to all," said Canadian actor and King resident Art Hindle. He noted Berger was one of the first specialists he met when he ventured onto his first movie set.

"He showed me how to properly handle and shoot a gun with blanks on the set of 'Kidnapping of President.' And I always knew I was in safe hands when he was on set. Rest in Peace Frenchie," read another Facebook comment.

Helping to shape an industry and an era in Canada's entertainment industry was groundbreaking work and Berger was right there, among the top of the ranks.

Pioneers like Berger established a foundation that would set the stage for Canada becoming "Hollywood North." Every new idea and innovation came from these men and women, who continue to impress movie-goers to this day.

The efforts of Canada's stunt men were officially recognized in 2016 at the 14th annual ACTRA Awards. Berger took his rightful place on stage, next to some colleagues at the event.

His lifetime achievement award was actually awarded back in 2009, but a

combined effort led to the presentation of the famed statuettes to ACTRA Toronto's stunt pioneers, which included Berger.

Berger always had a lot of respect for his fellow stunt people and actors he worked with.

He was a pleasure to talk with and he was always willing to share an anecdote or many of his fond memories.

He worked with and trained many of the crew who worked on *The Revenant*, starring Leonardo DiCaprio, who earned the Best Actor Oscar for his role. The movie also won for Best Director and Cinematographer. Parts of the movie were filmed in Alberta and British Columbia and Berger is very familiar with the intricate, behind-the-scenes work of set designers, prop folks and grounds people.

Berger was one of Canada's founding stunt men, who started in the 1950s. The veteran Hollywood horseman, stunt man and weapons master worked with the best and taught the most infamous of big screen characters.

His love of horses as a youngster led him to the Circle M Ranch in Kleinburg where he landed work and showed off his equestrian skills. Letting people know he was from France earned him the lifelong nickname "Frenchie."

He soon landed jobs as a horse wrangler, extra and stunt man in early westerns. He also helped launch an organization for stunt workers recognized by ACTRA.

Berger's expertise in weapons led him to another Hollywood career as a weapons master in countless films. He launched Shooting with the Stars prop company and he became a sought-after



commodity.

Some of his credits include *Police Academy*, *Ghostbusters*, *Robocop* TV series, *The Blues Brothers*, *Jason X*, *X-Men* (2000), *American Psycho* (2000) and *A History of Violence* (2005).

If desired, tributes to John's memory may be directed to the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, 152 Wilson Street, Oakville L6K 0G6.

Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com



Society hears from guest speakers

The Nobleton/King City Garden Club kicked off their 2019 season with a meeting March 25.

Alessandra Morassutti opened the session and demonstrated a device that was developed in Damanhur Italy. The instrument is able to capture the electromagnetic variations of the surface of plant leaves and their root systems, and turn them into sounds and movement.

Alessandra explained how science shows us that being around plants and trees, both indoors and outdoors, significantly improves our physical, mental and emotional well being. The "Music of Plants" produced by the device had a profound effect on the members and guests of the Garden Club.

Alessandra was followed by Oli Ullmann. Oli showed the Club a gallery of her amazing photos of different plants from across the world. In her own words, "... in addition to their obvious beauty, plants emanate their specific vibrational energy matrix, positively affecting their environment and everything in it."

The audience was enthralled on how Oli was able to capture this energy in her photos.

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Families choosing Nobleton United for family-focused services

By Ryan Rogers

Andrew Winter, 35, was baptized as a Presbyterian, but wasn't raised a religious man. His wife Kara, 33, wasn't baptized – though attended church as a child. When they moved to Nobleton about a year and a half ago with their children Davina, 7, and Aubrey, 5, the Winters wanted their kids to feel like part of the community.

"Everybody goes through their own pitfalls, and we wanted to make sure our children had a foundation to know they weren't alone," says Winter. He says it's important his children know they can turn to God in times of need.

"Which is why we come to church." They began visiting the Nobleton United Church due to its proximity to their home, but joined the congregation because of its outward commitment to practising an inclusive faith.

"A reason we haven't gone to church in the past, (is) my wife wants to make sure no one's left out over gender, race, sexual orientation, whatever the case may be," says Andrew.

To further practise an inclusive faith, Nobleton United hosts extracurricular events, offering more accessibility and opportunity for worship. The Winters' children prefer "Messy Church," which usually occurs the third Tuesday of each month (5 to 7 p.m.), and includes fun activities for the kids, followed by a biblical story – and culminates with parents and children breaking bread together over a meal – all at no cost.

"The kids love going to it," says Winter. "There's always a message – it's not just a message about God and how to live by the Commandments, but it teaches you about the meaning of love and how to incorporate Jesus Christ into your daily life, and sharing love, and being kind to one another."

Those at Messy Church don't necessarily attend Sunday Service, but Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman (who also serves the Schomberg United Church) says that just speaks to their congregation's "open heart."

"Sunday morning doesn't work for everybody," concedes Chapman, "so having something once a month on a weeknight opens the doors for people in a more relaxed environment – people feel more comfortable."

"My own grandchildren don't come to church, but they do go to Messy

Church," she says. "We would love more people to come."

Another recent addition to the Nobleton congregation, Ryan Laverty, 37, says the congregation's hospitality at its events (like special dinners to celebrate Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas) demonstrate their commitment to being welcoming, accessible and open to all.

Laverty and his wife Sarah, 32, moved to Nobleton two and a half years ago, shortly before the birth of their son Ethan.

Now members of the congregation, the Lavertys have seen how the programming is geared to anyone and everyone, aiming to bring people together in Christ's name, whether they attend church regularly or not.

"With open arms, the congregation welcomes and accepts anyone who joins it," says Laverty. The way the congregation welcomes guests to their dinners and community events with pleasure, even if they aren't interested in attending Sunday services, supports his claim.

The community functions are open to all, and offer an easy way to meet the congregation, and consider joining the church.

"Everyone is welcome, regardless of where you come from, who you are, [or] your experiences ... you're welcome, and celebrated for who you are," says Laverty, who was raised a Protestant, and his wife a Catholic.

"We wanted a different kind of church experience – one that celebrates faith and offers new and innovative ways to make attending church an enjoyable experience we look forward to. After attending Nobleton United Church for the first time, we knew it was right for our family."

For Andrew Winter and his family, their first visit to Nobleton United was during a Holy Humour service, where congregation members tell jokes about "everything and anything," he recalls.

The congregation celebrates the joy God has given them with Holy Humour, says Chapman.

Winter and his family appreciate that the Sunday service caters to everyone, including children.

"The kids don't get shoved into another room," says Winter. "(Rev.) Carol-Ann (Chapman) invites the kids on stage to light a candle in the service,

and she's very open and welcoming."

Chapman says she doesn't prepare a formal children's program each week, but if there are kids at worship, she works them into the service, either through singing together, telling a nursery rhyme, or having them share the details about their week with the congregation.

Winter says whether during weekly sermons or at extracurricular functions, he values the lessons his children learn.

"The things that come up are just gentle reminders of how to be kind to each other, on a daily basis, (and) how your life (and decisions) impact others," he says.

For details about Easter services and the next Messy Church, vis-

it www.nobletonunitedchurch.com or find their Facebook page by searching "Nobleton United Church."



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MP Deb Schulte hosts climate action town hall in Vaughan

By Mark Pavilons

Deb Schulte, King-Vaughan MP held a town hall discussion on clean growth and climate change, where experts, Craig Stewart, vice-president of Federal Affairs, Insurance Bureau of Canada, and Mark Winfield, professor of Environmental Studies, York University, discussed the impacts of climate change, the cost of inaction and the actions that are being taken by the Government of Canada to address climate change.

The discussion focused on the areas of:

- The economic impacts of climate change and how extreme weather events have impacted individuals and communities resulting in escalating insurance claims and health care costs, and our mounting infrastructure deficit that is negatively impacting Canadians financially.

- The mechanisms for pricing carbon, their potential impacts on GHG emissions and how Canada's carbon pricing system compares to others around the globe.

- The government's national plan to meet our emissions reduction targets, grow the economy, and build resilience in a changing climate environment. Highlights include a pan-Canadian approach to pricing carbon pollution and additional measures to achieve reductions across all sectors of the econo-

my. The plan aims to drive innovation and growth by increasing investment in technology development and implementation to ensure Canadian businesses are competitive in the global low-carbon economy. The global market for low-carbon solutions is estimated to be \$26 trillion and will create 65 million jobs.

The scientific evidence is clear: climate change is one of the greatest challenges of our time and is also one of the greatest opportunities. From increased incidence of droughts, fires, extreme heat events, to coastal flooding, to the expanding melt of sea ice in our Arctic and melting permafrost, the widespread impacts of climate change are compelling and require Canadians to take action. Together, we can all be part of the solution.

"The shift to a cleaner, greener future is already underway. Our plan will drive growth and ensure that Canada is well placed to seize the opportunities of the emerging, low-carbon economy for the benefit of families, communities and businesses while also ensuring a clean and sustainable future for our children," Schulte said.

Canadians are already experiencing the cost of climate change, including droughts, floods, wildfires and extreme weather. These events driven by climate change are increasingly costly to clean up and devastating to the lives of Canadians.



A "price on pollution" is one of the most efficient tools to drive clean growth and cut carbon pollution. That is why carbon pricing is being adopted by countries around the world and is a part of Canada's clean growth and climate plan.

The global economy is shifting towards cleaner, more sustainable growth. The Government of Canada's approach will ensure that Canadians are well placed to benefit from the opportunities created by that transition. Carbon pricing spurs innovation because the price signal it sends encourages businesses and households to increase efficiencies and to pollute less. Innovation is key to keeping Canada's

economy competitive.

The Government of Canada has put a price on pollution while giving money directly back to Ontarians. For example, an average family of four will receive \$307 through the Climate Action Incentive when they file their taxes.

Putting a price on pollution is only one part of the Government of Canada's plan to address climate change. The federal government is making critical investments to give Canadians cleaner choices, including: upgrading public transit systems, investing in the infrastructure to support low-emission vehicles, expanding energy efficiency programs, and providing historic investments in renewable energy.



Visit Olde Mill Gallery, support humanitarian cause

Original works by Ernestine Tahedl and Helen Lucas are up for sale at Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe on Main Street, Schomberg. Proceeds go to aid a humanitarian mission to Rwanda by a university student. Money raised will support University of Western student Alexandria (Lexie) Hesketh-Pavilons, who will be doing volunteer mission work in Kigali, Rwanda through the university's interdisciplinary experiential learning course. She will engage in five weeks of active and interactive community service, working with Rwandan youth. Meet the artists and enjoy shopping locally at the Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe at 357 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. Located right beside the Scruffy Duck, the gallery is open Thursdays to Sundays from 12 to 6 p.m.



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Holy Name School marks its milestone anniversary

This year, Holy Name Catholic Elementary School in King City is celebrating a milestone. It is the school's 50th anniversary.

School staff are inviting the public to share in this special occasion as they "honour out past, and inspire our future."

Holy Name Catholic Elementary School has grown by leaps and bounds over the years. With many new families joining, organizers hope this 50th anniversary celebration will provide an opportunity for the school community to come together for a spectacular event.

This wonderful occasion welcomes all alumni, students, parents/guardians on Saturday, May 25. A mass will be held at Sacred Heart Parish at 1 p.m., with celebrant, His Excellency Bishop Wayne Joseph Kirkpatrick. A ceremony with dignitaries will follow at 2:30 p.m. at Holy Name School at 65 Spring Hill Drive.

The event will conclude with a special year-end fun fair, BBQ and extravaganza. The King City community is welcome to join in this celebration.

Further information on purchasing food items and tickets for the entertainment and BBQ can be found on our school website – www.hne@ycdsb.ca. Please go to the PARENTS tab, and select LETTERS and FORMS.

Students, teachers, families and

school council would like to thank all of the neighbouring businesses that have generously supported Holy Name C.E.S in making its 50th.

Holy Name Catholic Elementary School opened the doors in September 1968 at the 10-acre location on King Road with two classrooms, a kindergarten room, science room and a general purpose room. The official opening and blessing occurred on Sept. 29, 1968 by Most Reverend Philip F. Pocock, Co-adjutor Archbishop of Toronto. The founding principal was Sister Kathryn LaFleur who sparked this wonderful and spiritual school community. The local Parish is Sacred Heart to which we are especially grateful to have a wonderful ongoing relationship and we treasure are connection to the church and community.

The community of King City changed and grew tremendously since the 1960s, which sparked the need to create a new home for Holy Name School at 65 Spring Hill Drive in 2012. Today, Holy Name is home to 570 students from diverse cultural backgrounds. It has a wonderful and devoted staff, led by Principal Loretta Barone and vice-principal, Patricia Mandaliti, that maintain the values and beliefs of its humble beginnings.

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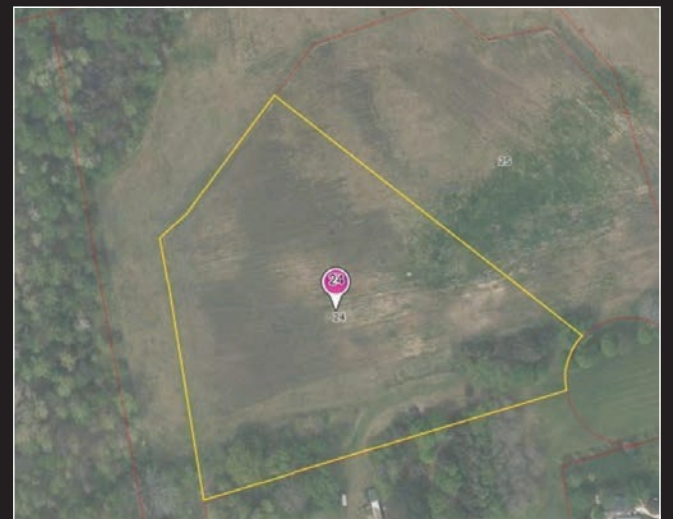
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Cougars join Paralympians in sledge hockey classic

By Jake Courtepatte

Most often known for their smooth skating, shooting, and puck handling abilities on the ice, the Schomberg Cougars were very much out of their element on a different kind of blade Saturday night at Trisan Centre.

The Junior C club played host to a bevy of Canadian Paralympic sledge hockey athletes on their home ice, playing a friendly game much to the enjoyment of a large crowd, gathered for free to witness the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

And while the score on the scoreboard may have read (and rightfully so) very much in favour of the Team Canadians, the smiles never left the faces of the Cougar competitors.

"We were pleasantly surprised with their enthusiasm," said Cougars head coach Brett Delmas, who was behind the bench to 'coach' the festivities. "Although none of us really knew much about it to be honest."

Cougars players Thomas Foulds, Mitch Robinson, Brandon Cohen, Brandon Scholten, Owen Heilemann, Calum Bett, Alex Cordeiro, Spencer Ripley, Calum Bett, Lucas Brockie, Matthew Wadge, Josh Morrison, Cam Robinson, Harris Goan, Derek Biersteker, and Nicholas Vitale were each supplied with sledges and sticks courtesy of the Township of King, putting in a pair of practices to try to learn the ropes before Saturday's game.

Despite their years of experience in able-bodied hockey, all were in awe at the talent of the national athletes.

"I think it is safe to say that everyone in the building was blown away by how fast they were, how well they handled the puck and their creativity with the puck," said Delmas. "Not to mention how hard they can shoot!"

Joining the Cougars for the friendly were Team Canada athletes Dom Cozzolino, Billy Bridges, Brad Bowden, and Tyler McGregor. All were members of the 2018 silver medal-winning Canadian squad at the Pyeongchang Paralympics, while Bowden, Bridges, and McGregor are two-time Paralympic medalists after also taking bronze in 2014 in Sochi.

Delmas admitted his squad "may have been a bit nervous" to take to the ice against such decorated athletes, though once the Team Canadians introduced themselves, they found themselves at ease.

"These guys were true professionals, humble and friendly," said Delmas. "We were all immediately impressed! More impressive, however, was when they took to the ice."

The true Olympic spirit shone through the post-game, when the players stuck around on the ice to sign autographs, meet fans, and even show some curious kids how to ride the sledges. Paralympic medals were passed around.

All in all, it was a unique night both fans and players alike will remember



Schomberg's Brandon Cohen looks to strip the puck from Billy Bridges in the Cougars' celebrity sledge hockey game against members of Team Canada at Trisan Centre on Saturday.



Dom Cozzolino protects the puck from Schomberg's Spencer Ripley in the Cougars' celebrity sledge hockey game.



The champion minor midgets included Danny Macedo (coach), Braedon Connor (AP), Cameron Sheardown (F), Robbie Forletta (F), Zackary Romeo (F/D), Nicholas Gesualdo (D), Vince Marra (F), Christopher Petrunaro (F/D), Julian Crosby (F), Francesco Filicetti (F), Jayson Rider (coach), Joseph Petrunaro (coach), middle row Dan Dimitroff (head coach), Derek Evangelista (D), Kieran Purves (AP), Scott McCann (F), Ryan Dimitroff (F), Mathew Minicucci (F), Anthony Macedo (F), Liam Rider (F/D), front row, Matthew Maniatis (G), Brian Cook (G).

Minor midget Rebels take championship

After finishing the regular season in third place, the King minor midget team continued to work on improving throughout the playoff rounds.

"The key to success is never giving up and having a team of true athletes that are always trying to improve themselves," said head coach Dan Dimtroff.

The team fought extremely hard throughout the championship as they were not only fighting the opposing team, but also the flu kept knocking players out of every game. Even with so much against them, they managed to win the series in four games.

The first game was lost to Barrie in the final moments of the third period, but the boys came back to win the next three games 3-1, 6-0 and the final game was 5-3 in front of a hometown crowd.

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for a long time.

"We all gained a lot of respect for the sport and an appreciation for the athletes that participate. These guys are professional athletes. They are the best in the world at what they do.

"We were all extremely fortunate to have been able to meet them and see

them play live here in our hometown arena ... the Cougars players will never forget it."

In junior hockey circles, registration has officially opened online for Cougars summer camp. For information on how to register, visit www.jrccougars.pointstreaksites.com.

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Champions crowned in King Curling Club

By Shellee Morning

With the final week left to play and all but 2 leagues completed, this week's champions are now enjoying their reflections of a well-played season.

The 2018-19 season included many nail-biting games where it was any team's game to win. Games that included amazing shots that would have clearly made the TSN weekly highlight reel. And of course there were the upsets and surprises that momentarily stunned those involved, but would only add in their quest of improving.

The could haves, should haves, or might have beens are now all in the past and neatly filed away with thoughts of a quote from one of the sport's greatest players Cheryl Bernard "you never really lose a game, you just learn from it."

Congratulations to Skip Kathleen Gorsline, Marnie Deathe, Christine Warner and Beth Egan on becoming this year's Ladies League Champion. The game against Gorsline and Bones was well-played by both where the decision for champion literally came down to the last rock.

In the 8th and down by 3, Skip Fran Bones needed a perfect across the house double take-out just to the tie game. Vice Cheryl Hamilton called the line while Wendy Yates and Tamara Niepage swept for the hit. Nerve-racking for the teams, but sheer excitement for the gallery. Bones executed a textbook hit tying the game and forcing a sudden death throw to the button. Bones threw first placing her rock on the outer edge of the 4 foot ring. Gorsline needing a piece of the button delivered with perfect weight for the win and collected the championship title.

Wednesday Social League closed out their second half with a championship series spiel that was awarded to Skip George Gerrits, Dean Teasdale, and Judy and Ross Tripp. After a tremendously fun season with shared laughter, and great curling, league convenors would like to thank everyone for a successful season and hopes of seeing you again next year.

Thursday Mixed League never seems to fail on their final game of anticipation and thrilling competition. Teams Barber and Morning played back and forth in a scoring frenzy with multiple scoring ends by both. A "tip of the broom" nod goes towards both teams for their incredible efforts and making it a game to remember.

The 10-7 game decision went to Team

Morning, but the title was awarded to Team Barber for total points after a stellar performance win of 7-2 in game 1 of their 2 game playoff series. Congratulations Skip Dave Barber, Connie Fraser, Greg Switzer and Sandra McDonald on becoming this year's Mixed League Champion.

The Friday Social League has also crowned their league champion after a tense game where the decision came down to the last rock in the final end. Calling this game "epic" is an understatement after the impressive shot making by Skip Fiorenzo Gagliardi, Karen Mello and James Tempelmann (4th Sheilagh Ashworth was absent). Congratulations to team Gagliardi and to all of the Friday night members for their successful season.

The Monday night Men's League and the Sunday Social are the remaining 2 leagues yet to play out their championship games. Both are predicting classic curling to close out the 2018-19 season as the club wishes everyone best of luck and good curling in your final 8 ends. Stay tuned.



Winners of the Friday Night Social League are Fiorenzo Gagliardi, Karen Mello and James Tempelmann. Absent Sheilagh Ashworth.



Mixed League Champions are Greg Switzer, Connie Fraser, Sandra McDonald and Dave Barber.



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By Wendy-Sue Bishop
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Marsh Connection

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.

Community Farm

A few garden plots are still available at the Schomberg Community Farm. For a mere \$40 for the season you can grow your own veggies in a picturesque friendly space. Whether you are a beginner gardener or experienced, you will enjoy ample produce and a supportive atmosphere. For more information about the Farm please go to www.SchombergCommunityFarm.ca. To book a plot email maffelstine@aol.com.

Schomberg United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

On Sunday, April 7, at 9:30 a.m., the service is back at the Kitchen Bredon Manor. Dennis Kowal plays on an electronic piano downstairs and everyone sings while sitting on comfortable chairs.

The Joyful Spirits are practicing on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Nobleton United Church. We are learning "Down by the Riverside" arranged by Jay Althouse and an African-American song "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" for the Schomberg anniversary on April 28. We are a special occasion community group. Our group only practices and performs for special events, so if you like to sing, but do not want to make a huge commitment, then this group might be for you! Do join us.

Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman has started

a five-part Lenten Series called "The Final Week." The next ones are today, (Thursday) at 10 a.m.; April 9 and 16. All are for 1 hour (10 to 11 a.m.) followed by refreshments at 116 Church St., Schomberg. There will be a short reading, followed by discussion. All are welcome.

The Easter Services are as follows: Sunday, Apr. 14 at 9:30 a.m., Palm Sunday with its joyous celebration of Jesus entering Jerusalem with people waving palm branches; the solemn Good Friday service April 19 at 11 a.m., at Nobleton United Church; and the joyful Easter Sunday, April 11 at 9:30 a.m. Both Sunday services are at St. Mary Magdalene Church.

The next Senior's lunch is on Tuesday, April 23 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Church, 116 Church St. with an Easter themed ham and scalloped potato dinner. David Pegg from Alliston will be bringing his sing-along and storytelling talents to entertain the group. Please let Sheila Kelly know at 905-939-2315 if you want to join. Donations are accepted to help cover costs.

Schomberg United Church will be celebrating its anniversary on Sunday, April 28 at 9:30 a.m. with Nobleton United Church. There will be a light lunch afterwards.

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

Anglican Parish By John Arnott

In the Parish of Lloydtown April 14 Holy Communion Palm Sunday services with the Palm Processions and Blessing of the Palms will be at the regular times - 9:30 a.m. in Christ Church, Kettleby, and 11:15 a.m. in St. Mary Magdalene's, 116 Church St. Schomberg.

The combined parish Holy Communion Maundy Thursday service will be on Thursday evening April 18 in Christ Church Kettleby at 7 p.m.

The combined parish Good Friday service, traditionally a said service (no hymns, music nor Communion) will be on Friday morning April 19 at St. Mary Magdalene's Schomberg at 10 a.m. followed by hot cross buns, tea or coffee in the church's lower level.

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

Do you or someone you know have questions concerning faith, such as "Isn't the Bible a Myth?, How can you say there is only one way to God?, Why are there so many rules?, Why does God allow suffering?, Why is the Church responsible for so much injustice?" or "How can God be full of love and wrath at the same time?" Then you'll want to attend, and bring a friend, to a 6-week DVD/discussion series titled *The Reason for God - Conversations on Life and Faith*.

Tim Keller of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New York addresses these questions in a dialogue with a group of skeptics. The third DVD will be shown and discussed this evening at 7:30 p.m. and the remaining DVDs will continue on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. You're invited to participate in those discussions and deepen your faith.

We have several LifeConnect Groups that meet throughout the week. LifeConnect Groups are small gatherings

for friendship, study and prayer. Please feel free to contact the church office and we can give you further details.

The Community Youth Group meets every second week at 7 p.m. with extra events organized throughout the year. 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, will continue to meet the second and fourth Friday of the month at 7 p.m.

It is said that what goes into a mind comes out in a life. What you read, watch and listen to really matters! You are welcome to borrow from our church library, which contains many Christian DVDs, books and CDs to help stretch and grow and encourage you.

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 wor-

ship at 10 a.m. His message, "Picking Up Stones" will be based on John 10:31-42. 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.

Nobleton United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

This Sunday, April 7 at 11:15 a.m., we will be having the baptism of Bolton's Mila Goldberg, son of Diana and Levy, in addition to our regular worship service. Children are always welcome to participate.

The following Sunday, April 14 is Palm Sunday and Easter Egg Hunt. This is a joyous occasion celebrating Je-

sus coming into Jerusalem with people greeting him waving palm branches. We will be having a shortened family friendly service, followed by an outdoor Easter Egg Hunt. This hunt will take place rain or shine. Each child will be given an empty egg carton and instructed to look for plastic eggs which will contain wrapped chocolate eggs. If you are interested in attending, please let us know by contacting the church at nobletonunitedchurch@bell.net or by phone at 905-859-3976.

Messy Church is on Tuesday, April 16 from 5 to 7 p.m. The crafts and activities will all be Easter based. At 6 p.m., we have story time and at 6:15 p.m., we will eat together. New families are welcome. Please let Nancy know (905-859-0761) if you intend to come, as we want to have enough food for all. This event is free.

The Joyful Spirits are practicing on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. For the Schomberg anniversary on Sunday, April 28, we are learning "Down by the Riverside" arranged by Jay Althouse, and "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me," which is an African-American spiritual. We are a special occasion community group.

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Middlemass: Robert Fred "Bob"
Peacefully at Casselholm Home for the Aged, North Bay, on Friday March 29th, 2019. Bob Middlemass, in his 77th year, beloved husband of the late Marjorie (Crane) and Carol (Serson). Sadly missed by his many step-children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Sadly missed by his many brothers, sisters, and their families. The family received friends at Rod Abrams Funeral 1666 Tottenham Road, Tottenham, 905-936-3477 on Wednesday April 3rd, 2019 from 2-4 and 6-8 pm. Funeral service will be held in the chapel on Thursday April 4th, 2019 at 11am. Spring interment in Schomberg Union Cemetery. Donations in Bob's memory to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

708 OBITUARIES

Barra-Berger, John Henry
John Henry Barra-Berger, affectionately known as "Frenchie," passed suddenly early Saturday, March 23, 2019 at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket. His wife Beverley, daughter Stephanie (husband Jeff Stephenson), son Daniel (partner Michelle Petrides) share their sadness privately and express sincere thanks for the support of family and friends. John's sister Marinette ("Nanette") Mancini, many nieces and nephews in John's birthplace, Marseille, France, share their sorrow as well. If desired, tributes to John's memory may be directed to the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, 152 Wilson Street, Oakville L6K 0G6. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

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On April 19 at 11 a.m., there will be a Good Friday service.

On Easter Sunday at 11:15 a.m., the chancel will be filled with memorial tulips. If you wish to order a pot of tulips to honour someone, please contact the church at 905-859-3976.

For more info, visit nobletonunitchurch.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. We warmly welcome everyone, old and young.

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.

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 Valu Walk for Dog Guides, support-

ing the seven different specialty streams of support dogs. More details are available at 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.

Watch this space for more details as the events get closer, and please check out our website at www.nobletonlions.com

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."

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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 at 11 a.m.

Spring Skating with the Nobleton Skating Club

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. See nobletonskatingclub.com for more.

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Tickets are now available for the spring concert performed by accomplished vocal soloist Sandra Kirby to the accompaniment of the exceptional music of concert pianist Oleg Samokhin. If you haven't seen a performance before you are in for a treat this year with a light jazz mix of love songs from the '60s and '70s. The date is May 18 and will be paired with a spaghetti dinner

for those who wish to make an evening of it. Tickets are \$25 for dinner and concert, \$20 for concert only.

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

King Bible Church

Please join us on Sunday, April 7 as Pastor Mark continues our series "Encountering God Through Spiritual

Practices" with Communion.

"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. Our adults will meet upstairs. We meet every Tuesday from 6:45-8 p.m.

Good Friday service is April 19 at 10:30 a.m.

This year we again have the plea-

sure of joining with Sovereign Grace Church for our Good Friday Service. Pastor Josh Tong of Sovereign Grace will be preaching. We will have a program for kids in Grade 5 and younger.

In remembrance of Christ's sacrifice we will be celebrating Communion.

Easter Sunday service is April 21 at 10:30 a.m.

We will be joining with Sovereign Grace for Easter Sunday service as well! We will have a program for kids in Grade 5 and younger.

Pastor Mark will be speaking. 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

Join us this Sunday, the fifth Sunday in Lent at 10 a.m. as we journey towards Easter. Lynn Vissers will be leading us in worship for the next two Sundays. Sunday School for school-aged children up to 12 years old runs concurrently and a nursery is available. The HanWool Presbyterian Church, King City will hold their service at 11:30 a.m. during this Lenten season.

Last Sunday, Alvin Kim's sermon entitled "New Identity, New Purpose" was based on the scripture from II Corinthians 5:16-21. Because of Christ's great love and sacrifice for us, we can become new creations and can know true reconciliation with God and then become reconcilers in our homes, churches, workplaces and communities.

The Presbyterian World Service and Development (PWS&D) is in close contact with partners in the affected areas

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

Part 2 of the Estate Planning seminar, titled "Wills and Power of Attorney," will be held 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 p.m. 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

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The 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 Vißers at 10 a.m.

The Women's Prayer Circle meets at 80 Burns Blvd., Tuesday mornings at 9 to 10 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. Call 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. We are located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd. www.standrews-kingcity.ca

**All Saints Anglican Church
By Patrick Gossage**

Visit of our Diocesan Bishop – We are sending out a wide invitation to this special service this Sunday when we will welcome the head of the Toronto Diocese, the Right Reverend Andre Asbil, our new Bishop. We can expect a dynamic and inspiring call to Chris-

tian witness and action. Please invite your friends. This is his first visit to the area and it is bound to be memorable. There will be a reception after the 10:30 service.

A Lenten Statement of Faith – During this period of reflection and renewal, All Saints is using a form of creed from the Celtic Order of St. Columba:

“We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognizes our deepest needs. We believe that Christ is the divine child of the living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted. We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child. We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts. We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination and that our path leads to a human glory we cannot yet imagine. We believe that in the church we are fellow pilgrims on the road and that we are called to love one another as God loves us. This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in Jesus Christ. Amen.”

Words to live by – Rev. Dr. Elizabeth told us to take as our own the dramatic and challenging story from Luke 15 of the lost son which Christ told to a group of tax collectors and sinners and pharisees.

“The story of the compassionate father and his two sons is about you and me,” she said. The younger son is a sinner, took his inheritance and spent it until he was penniless and working

feeding pigs. He broke with God. The forgiving father is Jesus, revealing God's love in the story. Like the pharisees, the older brother kept the law but displayed self-righteous anger as we all are capable of. The elders son's sense of being betrayed by his father is answered by the father's love. She quoted a saint on anger: “Anger is the punishment we give ourselves for someone else's mistakes.”

Although we are all sinners, there is a feast for us as was laid out for the returning son who was lost then found. “Jesus is constantly saying to us that he wants us back – come to the feast. Join the banquet that God has prepared for us.”

Tennis anyone?

King City Tennis Association is holding registration at the clubhouse Saturday, April 13 and Sunday, April 14 from 12-2 p.m. InterCounty Teams, House League, Clinics, Round Robins, Kids Programs, camps and more. More information and a link to download the registration form can be found at kingcitytennis.com

**Horticulture
By John Arnott**

What with that unexpected early spring snowfall this past Sunday people will be concerned about its effect on spring perennials including spring flowering bulbs just now pushing up through the still frozen ground

Well the folks at the Nobleton-King City Horticultural Society/garden club want us to know that Mother Nature, millennia ago programmed native perennials growing in the temperate

zones to handle successfully and survive almost unscathed this situation. In fact some of these perennials such as peonies require a period of freezing in order to survive.

As for spring flowering bulbs those with upward facing blooms (early tulips, iris reticulata, crocuses / crocimine being a case in point) may suffer petal damage making us wait till next year to see undamaged blooms again but the plant foliage and root system including in ground bulbs will be unharmed.

Up-facing blooms of yellow winter aconites close into bud like balls on dull days or when this tiny harbinger of spring is threatened by a late winter/early spring snowfall. Once the sun's out and the covering snow disappears the large buttercup like blooms will reopen looking almost like new.

Fragile looking down facing snow-drop blooms are really made of tough stuff and holdup uncomplaining through the vagaries early spring weather.

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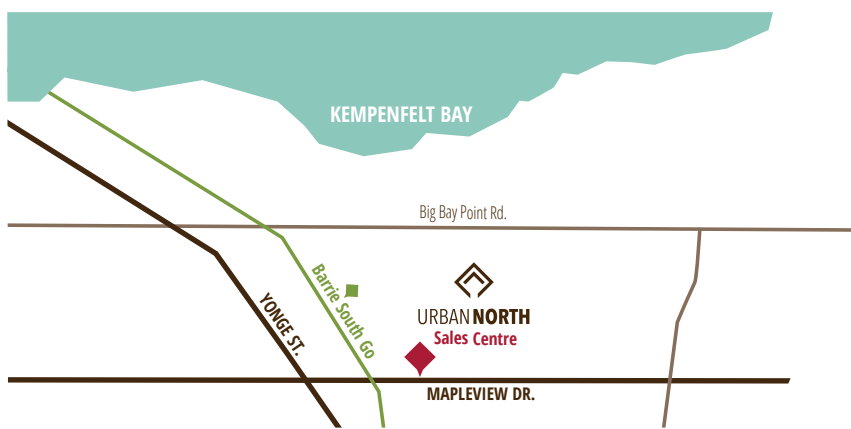
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