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## Mayor's fiesta sets new record

The annual King Mayor's Golf Tournament set a new record last week, with more than 227 participants, making it the largest event ever held at Nobleton Lakes. Here, Mayor Steve Pellegrini (far right) poses with public works director Peter Angelo and local resident Greg Maltby, in festive attire. Turn to page 16 for more photos of the event.

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## King council declares a 'climate emergency'

By Mark Pavilons

King council has echoed the battle cry and declared a "climate emergency."

Despite some reluctance from several councillors over the connotation the term "emergency" carries, King council voted 4-3 to declare an emergency.

Joining more than 35 other municipalities in Ontario, King stood tall in recognizing the global situation, and vowing to do its part to strengthen its "green" moniker.

The purpose of declaring an emergency is so King can deepen its commitment to the protection of the environment, community and economy from the impacts of climate change. The Township, by declaring an emergency, vows to reduce emissions across King.

The Township will also proactively engage staff to reach near and long-term greenhouse gas reduction targets, contained in the recently passed Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan. Staff will also begin creating a climate action plan for the Township, focussing on mitigation and adaptation at the community level.

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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

**Monday, September 9, 2019**

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

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**

**Wednesday, July 24, 2019**

6 pm – Committee of Adjustment

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

**Thursday, August 1, 2019**

6 pm – Heritage Advisory Committee

Municipal Office, 2585 King Road

**Thursday, August 8, 2019**

7 pm – Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board  
Development & Engineering Services, Boardroom,  
305 Barrie St., Bradford

**Tuesday, September 10, 2019**

1 pm – Accessibility Advisory Committee  
Municipal Office, 2585 King Road

**Tuesday, September 17, 2019**

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

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

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- Camp Counsellor (camps, seasonal) – closes when filled
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (PT seasonal contract) - closes August 16
- Parks Seasonal Worker (seasonal contract) – closes when filled
- Program Instructor (PT seasonal contract) – closes when filled
- Arena Assistant I (casual contract) – closes when filled
- Crossing Guard (contract) – closes when filled

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Or visit on the following link

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**REMINDERS**

**Holiday closure**

The municipal offices will be closed on Monday, Aug. 5 for the Civic holiday, reopening Tuesday, Aug. 6 for regular business hours.

King's libraries will be closed both Saturday, Aug. 3 and Monday, Aug. 5, reopening Tuesday, Aug. 6 for regular business hours.

In case of an urgent township matter, call 905-833-5321 and the answering service will relay your call to the appropriate personnel.

**PROPERTY TAX NOTICE**

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Please see more King Township notices on page 5

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION CONCERNING A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

The Township of King has received applications for a proposed amendment to the King City Urban Areas By-law (2017-66 a.a.), for the lands outlined below, submitted to the Township of King in accordance with sections 34 of the *Planning Act*.

The Township has determined that the application is considered complete and the Planning Department has commenced processing. We welcome your comments regarding this application.

**SUBJECT PROPERTY**

Location: Plan 65M4524, Lot 11  
198 Carmichael Crescent, King City  
Applicant/Owner: Brandon Rossi/ Westview Star Equity Inc.  
Our File Numbers: Z-2019-05, SPD-19-37

**PROPOSAL**

The subject application proposes:

- To amend the Township of King Zoning By-law (2017-66, as amended) to add an additional use (Temporary Model Home) to the R1-32 zone to facilitate the establishment of a temporary sales and presentation centre. The site currently supports a vacant dwelling unit. The purpose of the Site Plan application is to identify the site changes to support the proposed use including, access, parking and walkways.

At such time as a public meeting is scheduled in accordance with the Planning Act, the Township of King will provide further notice specifying the date and time of the meeting. Any person may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed zoning by-law amendment.



**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

A copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, as well as related background and supporting information, is available for inspection at the Planning Department, Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or by telephone at 905-833-4063, quoting **File Numbers Z-2019-05 and SPD-19-37** (198 Carmichael Crescent). Written comments may be mailed or personally delivered to the Planning Department and will become part of the public record.

Dated at the Township of King this 16th day of July, 2019.

Kathryn Moyle  
Director of Clerks & By-Law Enforcement  
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# Council sets ambitious reduction target of 45%

By Mark Pavilons

Urged to put their money where their mouth is, King councillors voted to make a 45% emissions reduction target as their goal through 2030.

In receiving the draft Energy Management Plan, council decided to up the ante, and increase a 45% reduction target for energy and greenhouse gas emissions (GHG).

Township staff presented potential targets to committee members and using feedback from its 2014 energy management plan and subsequent data, prepared the draft plan. The completion of the draft plan ensures municipal compliance with provincial legislation and is viewed as “the beginning of defining our choices as we go forward,” according to staff.

The Energy Management Plan guides King’s efforts for reducing energy and GHG emissions related to major infrastructure such as facilities, street lights, vehicles. It also identifies practices and energy-saving opportunities and allows staff to continue to make improvements over time.

A proposed Climate Change Plan will provide a broader spectrum approach to the goals for future reductions.

The first step in creating the plan was setting targets to reflect King’s vision for the future. Statistical data suggested a 30% reduction in corporate energy emissions by 2030 and a 35% energy reduction in corporate facilities.

These “support tangible energy management improvements in King through 2050,” according to staff.

Input from the public and other sources suggested a 45% reduction in corporate energy emissions.

Members of the public urged council to not only solidify their commitment but increase the targets.

Ann Raney said it’s vital that we match the latest UN recommendations of 45% reduction. She presented a petition signed by 389 residents from King.

The sooner we act, the less costly it will be she said, noting the next few years are “vitally important.”

She said we can’t afford to linger, stressing we have a very short window to act decisively.

Bruce Craig said to meet our goals in just 11 short years (2030) we have to “roll up our sleeves and try to get there.”

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said King has always been fiscally responsible and things are changing. More electric vehicles will become commonplace in the years to come and costs will come down. King’s fleet of vehicles will eventually be converted to electric, too. “We’re moving that

way,” he pointed out.

He said such a plan is important because for every decision the Township makes, the environment and these targets will be in the forefront. Just acting in that manner will make King greener, he said.

The admittedly frugal Councillor Bill Cober said this evolution will come with a hefty price tag and councillors may have to make some tough decisions in the future regarding services. He said it may come down to building a new facility, or reaching targets.

Councillor Jakob Schneider agreed, noting the Township will have to be “particular in how we get to those targets.”

Staff did point out that many energy-savings moves come with a cost. Converting signing to LED at the Nobleton Arena will cost roughly \$80,000 and solar conversion in halls in Potageville and Schomberg will cost upwards of \$40,000. The installation of EV charging stations across King will cost upwards of \$50,000.

Staff stressed that implementing the target will require “a significant investment” and the 10-year cost would range from \$6.3 million to \$22 million.

“The desire to increase target levels must be weighed against other municipal needs and priorities, understanding that delivery of a program of this magnitude will most likely require reductions in service levels elsewhere,” staff warned.

Staff have upped annual funding to \$100,000 they pointed out that won’t be enough to meet the long-term target.

“Undertaking these initiatives will have significant financial implications that will require identification or alternate source of funding in the near term.”

King CAO Dan Kostopoulos stressed this plan is about energy consumption and not greenhouse gas emissions. King’s recently passed tree bylaw actually goes a long way to offsetting GHG emissions. The Climate Change Plan will look at the broader approach.

He also stressed energy consumption isn’t always discretionary. The 30% target was already a stretch, he said, and relies on future technology. Even at 30% it will place some financial constraints on the municipality.

Mayor Pellegrini said this move by council will light a fire to motivate council to make tough decisions and look for new innovations. It’s an “aspirational goal.”

Councillor Debbie Schaefer said if the science says 45% reduction is needed, then “why not aim high?”

Councillor Avia Eek said we all have to challenge ourselves.

## Term ‘emergency’ is appropriate

From Front Page

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini brought the motion forward for a number of reasons. King’s draft Official Plan refers to climate change adaption and resilience and King recognizes that climate change can also be an opportunity for economic growth in the low-carbon industry. A reduction in GHG is beneficial for everyone and hundreds of local governments around the world have made similar vows, and declared the situation an emergency.

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) urged the world to reduce the level of GHG emissions by 45% by 2030 (from 2010 levels) to ensure temperatures don’t rise more than 1.5 degrees. It’s been indicated that temperature increases on that level will usher in “catastrophic climate change.”

Councillor Bill Cober said while he supports the intent, the term “emergency” contains some powerful language. We have to confront and prepare for climate change, but federal and provincial legislation is addressing it.

The mayor said he “struggled” with it but the Township’s legal experts said it’s the correct term, being used nationwide.

Councillor Debbie Schaefer said the term is appropriate and indicates that action is required.

Councillor Avia Eek said we’re already on the path. “What’s the cost of doing nothing?” she asked.

Councillor Jordan Cescolini said we should make real change, but he did want the wording altered.

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- Michael Connelly

## Reconnecting with my high school self

As summer hit hard, like running face-first into a wall, I was dazed and fazed.

My two oldest children hit the ground running, spreading their wings so to speak, flying the coup.

My daughter Lexie just returned from a 5-week experiential learning program and volunteer stint in Rwanda. That's the longest she's been away, even though she's our resident world traveller.

The experiences she gained and the connections she made with Rwandan-based programs, are unforgettable.

It's her calling, and armed with her university degree, Lexie hopes to make a difference in this world of ours. While her plans are unsure at this point regarding further education, she hopes to one day join an NGO like the Red Cross, World Vision or even UN and help deliver aid around the world.

After returning home, she quickly got back into her normal "routine" which included working and catching up with her friends here at home.

And that involved everything from a wine tour in Caledonia to a day trip in Wasaga and late-night pool parties.

My son Liam spent his post-grad week with friends up north, culminating in the famous Wasaga cabin experience. Hundreds of high school grads gather annually at Wasaga for a celebration and fortunately, everyone emerged safe and sound.

While Kim and I love the fact our kids are getting out and exploring the world, it left me with some unforeseen sadness. I began thinking about all of my high school and college friends, and how our school day jaunts seem like a lifetime ago. Well, they were, actually.

But they're as vivid as ever. I can still recall our weekend trip to a friend's cottage on Christian Island. It's in Georgian Bay close to the communities of Penetanguishene and Midland. It's known as Christian Island Indian Reserve No. 30.

We took my dad's Oldsmobile and crossed on the ferry. I still remember when a teenager on the island offered to buy the car for a couple hundred dollars.

My friend Geoff also had a 26-foot sailboat that we took from Toronto to Youngstown, New York, a direct route



Mark Pavilons

as the crow flies. It was quite an experience.

Ken and I won first place in a car rally, and when "mudding" was popular we were buried waist deep in muck, along with his Suzuki 4X4.

Summers in my youth were largely spent at home, helping my parents on our rural Caledon property. As a teen, my duties included mowing the lawn on our four-acre property; helping to dig and transplant blue spruces; watering the gardens and odd jobs, which never seemed to end. Since we lived about three kilometres from Bolton, I was stuck on the homestead until I got my licence.

Our merry band of brothers hung out until our early 20s when "life hit hard." One moved to Belleville, another to Detroit, to pursue their careers. Two remained in the GTA, but became busy with jobs and families.

I began to think about Jim, Dave, Geoff, Brendan and Ken one recent weekend, aided by some spiked Fresca. I dashed off some emails of heartfelt sentiments and hopes are I will get together with some of them this summer. Not easy given the geography, but maybe somehow we can make it work.

It's funny how we cling to the past sometimes, and associate a portion of our lives with our high school chums. In my emails I mentioned that life seemed

a lot simpler 30 years ago but I had them all in thoughts and prayers.

Most are doing fine and their children are also doing quite well, so all is good.

I wondered just how much of our former, 20-something selves remain buried deep inside.

High school and post-secondary experiences are very formative years for us all. I never had the elaborate grad parties and proms that my kids experienced. There were no limo rentals and tuxedos in my day.

There were many reasons we struck up the friendships and bonds that we did in our youth. They were simple ones, though. We liked someone for their good qualities and we all got along. Those reasons should transcend the passage of time, shouldn't they?

How much have we changed in three decades? Aren't we still the "comedian, the brain, the party animal" and the "sensible one?"

Sure, some large families arose, com-

pounding the extent of responsibilities. Two of my friends have become more religious. We've all gained a little weight around the middle, and not all of us have a full head of hair. We all have our fair share of aches and pains.

It's funny but I think friendships like that don't come along very often. I know it sounds like a Hallmark movie, but it's true. Through good times and bad, and even worse, we were there. Night or day, we would answer the call.

Time and distance does separate us physically. Modern technology does help us keep tabs on one another, but it's not the same.

I've invited a few from my circle to gather and lift a glass this summer. It may involve a night on the couch, but I'm sure our spouses will understand.

My wife sometimes tells me not to dwell in the past. I don't live there, but a visit now and again doesn't hurt.

To high school friends everywhere, live long and prosper!



### Letter to the Editor

## Memorial or pollution problem?

This is in response to a recent letter, "Ribbons are a reminder."

I totally agree with what you said about no one should tell another how to grieve. In fact, when people have been upset at roadside memorials being in place too long, I often wondered why they were upset. I felt that if the roadside memorial gave some comfort to someone, then leave the memorial.

The case of the bows and ribbons on Dillane Dr., the road leading to the Trisan Centre in Schomberg, is a little different.

By my count, there were originally 63 bows and ribbons on the little trees and the poles. However, with all the strong winds sweeping across the mostly empty fields leading to the Trisan, 22 bows and 21 ribbons have blown away. That ribbon material could end up choking a bird, or tangling up someone's lawn mower. Ribbon material does not rot away easily. Just like the coffee cups and plastic bottles, the ribbons are becoming a problem for the environment.

Name withheld by request

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Results from last week's poll:

**Do you think the Toronto Raptors will still be contenders without Leonard and Green?**

a) Yes  **33%**

b) No  **67%**

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

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION**

Have you taken the time to explore the beauty of Ontario?

a) Yes

b) No

So go to the website and cast a vote!

**Brain teaser**

Three is to triangle as 8 is to?

Last week's answer: Four years ago Charlotte's father was 4 times as old!

**King Township Trivia**

*In 1957, 263 building permits were issued of which 124 were for houses.*

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# Reader clarifies Schomberg revitalization

I was sorry to see the letter in the newspaper from the reader who was disappointed with and wanted a “re-boot” of the Main Street Revitalization plan that the Township has put in place for Schomberg.

Let me attempt to address her concerns.

First, the issue of rural. Yes, Schomberg is rural. It's a village certainly, but it's part of the rural fabric of King Township. As part of that rural fabric we can apply for Rural Economic Development (RED) grant from the Ontario government. The Economic Development program that the Township is taking advantage of is specifically designed to help small rural towns maintain and grow their vitality, with a particular emphasis on Main Streets.

There is in fact, another rural Economic Development Program taking place in King Township (and area). It's focused on agriculture and rural development, and is being led by the Holland Marsh Growers Association. It's an Economic Impact Study using aggregated Agricultural 2016 Census Data. Simcoe County, BWG, York Region and King Township are all contributing partners in that program. It's not a zero-sum game; the farmers aren't being left out of the economic development planning because of what's happening in Schomberg.

Back to Main St. One of the challenges is the name. For many people, the phrase “Main Street Revitalization” brings up memories of past efforts, all of which focused on beautification and left it at that. There's nothing wrong with making a place look good, but it's only a start. However, the focus of this effort is in economic development of the Main Street area, not beautification. Yes, there are new banners, but there's a reason for that. Previous banner programs were Township wide. You'd see the same banner in Schomberg, King City, Nobleton, etc. Anywhere there was a banner pole you'd see the same banner. The banners you see now are designed to be used only in Schomberg,

## Letter to the Editor

hence the prominent “Main Street” message. There will be new banners throughout the year, and they will all be Schomberg focused. But there won't be too many of them and we won't see the over-banning that we've seen in some other places!

More importantly, a lot of work has been taking place in the background on economic development and research. We've been finding out why people come to Main Street now, and what they'd like to see there in the future. There's been research to find out where people are coming from; are they from Schomberg, from a slightly wider area (e.g., Lloydtown, Pottageville or Kettleby area) or are they from farther afield such as Nobleton, King City or even Newmarket? We've also done research to find out when those people come to Main Street; presumably someone from Newmarket comes for a different reason and at a different time than someone is local from Schomberg, but without actually asking visitors to Main Street the question (i.e. doing research) it's all guess work.

We've looked at the types of businesses that are currently here in Schomberg, both on Main Street and in the retail/commercial areas along Highway 27, and we're getting information on the gaps in that retail coverage.

If we want the historic downtown retail area to remain viable (and not just as a bedroom community), we need to know this type of information, and that research is ongoing. But one of the problems in doing research like this is that nothing appears to happen on the street, so when there was an opportunity to make changes to the Township-wide banner program, we took advantage of it!

Specific mention was made of the Schomberg Village Association's “A Main Street Christmas” celebration. Indeed, it's popular; but it's a one-day event that takes months of preparation by a very small and dedicated group of

volunteers here in town. Bringing people to town for one day doesn't support retailers along the street during the rest of the year.

There are other events that take place on the street, notably the Schomberg Street Gallery in September, but most other destination events take place off the street – the Agricultural Fair and the Let's Rock 'n Roll MS Away Car Show take place on the Agricultural Fairgrounds, and the We Believe in Abby celebration takes place up in Hickstead Park. These are all fantastic events, and they bring people to Schomberg, but not necessarily to the downtown commercial core on Main Street.

The strategic approach that was derided in the original letter writer's comments is focused on finding out what people want, and coming up with both retail and other reasons for them

to visit Main Street.

Like the original letter writer, I believe Schomberg is a wonderful place and needs to be supported. Our old style Main Street is a gem, but it needs support, and while not perfect (what is?) this Main Street/economic development program, which is a joint effort between the Township, the Province of Ontario and six community groups from Schomberg, can be a part of the support that will keep Schomberg a great place.

We would encourage the reader and everyone for that matter who might be interested in learning more and following our journey (or even better yet leasing a space or buying a building on Main and opening a business) to visit [www.schombergmainstreet.ca](http://www.schombergmainstreet.ca) and or [www.destinationschomberg.ca](http://www.destinationschomberg.ca)

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# Berms, bugs benefit the Marsh

By Mark Pavilons

Officials are understanding that “better berms bring beneficial bugs” to Ontario’s “salad bowl,” the Holland Marsh.

Marsh stakeholders, including Mayors Steve Pellegrini and Rob Kefter (Bradford West Gwillimbury), and Councillor Avia Eek, were given a report on the benefits of insects and pollinators in the Marsh.

Prepared by Dillon Muldoon of the University of Guelph, the update described the berm enhancement project in the Marsh, aimed at improving the sustainability of the agro-ecosystem. Through different vegetative berm enhancements, the goal is to create better practices for the utilization and cultivation of uncultivated berms to enhance beneficial insects. The study is ongoing and will be completed next April.

A diverse floral planting on the newly constructed berms can conserve, and potentially increase, the number of beneficial insects, the report said. This will help ensure the long-term sustainability of this intensively cultivated area. While pollinators are not integral to the crops in the Marsh, providing refuge for them will benefit surrounding habitats.

The value of the Marsh and its agricultural production can't be overstated. It's estimated crop sales from the Marsh generate \$1 billion annually. The growers rely on a network of berms and canals to keep the cultivated land drained and viable for the main crops like carrots and onions. Apart from the berms, there is no uncultivated habitat in the Marsh to support insects.

By planting flowering plants on the berms in the Marsh, it will help pollinators such as bees and flies. While these aren't necessary for Marsh crops it will definitely benefit agriculture as a whole.

The report author pointed out that sustainability and food security are at the forefront of the minds of consumers. “Improvements in agricultural sustainability can provide growers with improved crops, brand recognition, and marketability, making their products a more likely choice for the informed consumer.”

“Sustainable practices, such as the implementation of enhanced naturalized areas with increased floral



Dr. Cynthia Scott-Dupree Professor (School of Environmental Sciences), Dillon B. Muldoon, M.Sc. Candidate in the Scott-Dupree Agro-Eco Lab, School of Environmental Sciences, University of Guelph, Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Councillor Avia Eek provided letters of support in order that the Holland Marsh study could move forward.

resources, will provide much-needed refuge and forage areas for both pollinators and natural enemies in an otherwise fragmented landscape,” the report stated.

Stakeholders are assessing five berm sites around the Marsh and also looking at potential flowering plants and grasses.

Researchers point out that this is a starting point in identifying how the uncultivated lands can be modified to benefit both the natural ecosystem and agricultural production.

They're optimistic about moving forward and will continue to monitor the Marsh through 2019.

“This is an exciting study, with the potential to help our ‘stewards of the land’ become even more environmentally sustainable,” said Councillor Eek. She praised Marsh stakeholders for “always moving forward, adopting new technologies and initiatives to keep our soil, water and environment healthy.”

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## King Weekly Sentinel



# York Region District School Board allocates over 94% of budget to classroom-related expenses

The York Region District School Board approved a balanced 2019-2020 budget of \$1.5 billion.

This year, 94.1 per cent of the budget is allocated to classroom instruction and school operations. The remaining balance is allocated to governance, administration and transportation.

“We are proud to deliver a balanced budget that is aligned with our strategic priorities and reflects the commitments our Board has made to all of our stakeholder groups,” said Corrie McBain, board chair. “With recent changes in funding from the provincial government, our Board has focused on approving a budget that supports students and minimizes the effects of reductions on classroom spending.”

York Region District School Board trustee and Budget Committee chair David Sherman added: “I am pleased that we have a balanced budget, and through a review of our expenditures to ensure responsible use of taxpayer funds, we have identified a number of efficiencies while providing students and our front line staff with the resources they need.”

“The finance department worked in close consultation with the York Region District School Board Trustees, employees and system partners,” said Wanda Muirhead-Toporek, CFO for the board. “The changes in funding from 2018-2019 to 2019-2020 resulted in a loss of revenue of approximately \$26 million for 2019-2020, making the budget process challenging. The board has benefited from being a growth board, and therefore a significant amount of funding reduction was mitigated by the substantial student population growth of approximately 2.3 per cent.”

“I am incredibly proud of the hard work of our board’s trustees, staff and partners who collaborated over the past year to deliver another balanced budget that puts our students at the centre,” said Louise Sirisko, director of education for YRDSB.

Highlights of the 2019-2020 budget include:

- Secondary class size increase.
- Reduction in Designated Early Childhood Educator (DECE) funding.

- Attrition Protection Allocation.
- Local Priorities Fund, Cost Adjustment Allocation and Human Resources Transition Supplement which ends August 31, resulting in over \$12 million of funding loss.

- Two new schools opening next year.
- An increase for Special Education funding due to board growth.

- Increase for student transportation and the non-staff portion of the school operations grant, including utilities.

- Continuation of a Cash Management Strategy designed to reduce Provincial borrowing costs by reducing cash flow to boards based on their financial position and investments.

In total, 94.1 per cent of the budget is allocated to classroom instruction and school operations, with the remaining 5.9 per cent allocated to governance, administration and transportation.

York Region District School Board’s budget for 2019-2020 is \$1.5 billion, an increase of 1.38 per cent from the approved 2018-2019 budget of \$1.49 billion.

Budget revenues are derived from Grants for Student Needs from the Province of Ontario, which includes property taxes transferred from the municipalities, miscellaneous revenues comprised of tuition fees for international students, rental revenues and other revenues, including interest revenue.

The budget will serve an enrolment of over 127,000 students (nominal numbers).

Two new elementary schools are scheduled to open during the 2019-2020 school year.

York Region District School Board is the largest employer in the region with over 15,000 staff members across nine municipalities.

Currently, York Region District School Board is the third largest school district in Ontario with over 124,000 students in 178 elementary schools and 33 secondary schools. York Region students consistently perform above average in provincial testing and the Board is one of the top achievers in Ontario. For more information about York Region District School Board, please visit the Board website and follow @YRDSB on Twitter.

## York calls for bold steps to address waste

The Regional Municipality of York continues to voice the need to take strong action for an Ontario-wide effort to reduce litter and waste in our communities.

“Reducing waste across our communities will require bold steps and a collective effort from all levels of government and private sectors,” said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. “Municipalities such as York Region provide a ground-level perspective when it comes to tangible means to reduce the amount of waste that is produced and keeping it out of landfills.”

York Region provided comments to the province which outline immediate priorities to address a number of municipal concerns and unlock the greatest opportunity to achieve zero waste in Ontario, including:

- Immediately transition the Blue Box to full producer responsibility to make producers both operationally and financially responsible for end-of-life management of their waste and establish high targets that obligate them to implement deposit return programs to augment the Blue Box program.

- Include the fourth R (Recovery) in waste diversion calculations to recognize the benefits of recovering the energy value of resources; energy generation provides beneficial use and should be recognized under provincial diversion calculations. York Region recognizes the 4th R and in 2018 diverted 94% from landfill through the Durham York Energy Centre and other Energy from Waste contracts.

- Develop Green Bin compostable standards that align with existing processing systems to provide clear rules.

- Take immediate and strong action to eliminate litter and plastic waste going to landfills and waterways, including single-use plastics and problematic materials, through a deadline-driven action plan that includes a used beverage container deposit return program.

- Ensure extended producer responsibility requirements include public spaces and Industrial, Commercial and Institutional sectors to help prevent and reduce litter in communities.



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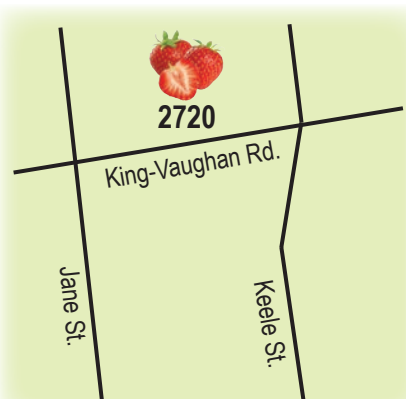
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## York provides King with update on land use policies

By Mark Pavilons

York Region is experiencing the highest level of growth of any region in the GTHA.

Regional planners are working with the townships and cities to update land use policies and meet the growing demand. Staff are planning for the growth in a comprehensive and sustainable manner.

Paul Freeman, chief planner for York Region, informed King councillors and staff of current and future measures to address land, including employment lands throughout the region.

Freeman said growth is one of York's defining qualities. From its current population of roughly 1.2 million, York is expected to grow to 1.8 million by 2041. As well, employment figures are expected to rise to 900,000, from the current level of roughly 621,000.

In terms of green space, 46% of York is open space, with the majority of that located in King.

The main focus areas to prepare for growth include planning for intensification, employment and housing; updating the growth forecast and land needs; addressing climate change; protecting agricultural and natural heritage, and reviewing the Official Plan policies.

Intensification, mandated by the Province, is being reviewed. York will continue to work with municipalities to establish targets. They're looking at major transit areas, strategic growth areas and urban centres to handle most of this growth. The area in King City around the GO station is slated for

more intensification.

Planning today has many options for intensification, including low-rise structures with commercial uses on the main floor and apartments above. In the more urban areas high-rises are more suitable.

Planning for more people also means providing local jobs. York hopes to identify density targets for all employment areas and designate the employment lands in the Official Plan. They're also working on establishing conversion criteria. The Region is also in the process of considering 50 or so "conversion requests," applications to change land designations.

Admittedly, York does have an affordability issue, and the predominantly single detached homes are out of reach for first-time buyers. Hopes are the region can meet demand with a mix and range of housing types.

York will look at creating targets for affordable ownership and rental housing.

The region is also working with municipalities to address climate change and create an action plan.

On tap will be creating a community energy plan and climate change action plan, setting targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Along with that, the Region will update its agricultural and natural heritage system policy and mapping.

While addressing growth, York can't ignore the importance and scope of agriculture, which has 57,000 jobs and \$6 billion in economic activity.

The Region plans community consul-

tation and engagement with key stakeholders through 2020.

Regional council will provide direction on these initiatives and likely

move forward on its draft Official Plan by late 2019 and early 2020, with adoption of the new Official Plan slated for late 2020.



## Simply Students help with your 'to-do' list

By Mark Pavilons

We all have a neglected to-do list on the home front. Even the smallest of chores often get overlooked and set aside.

A King resident has been bitten by the entrepreneurial spirit, and through his Simply Students general labour company, his crew tackles pretty much anything and everything.

Niklas Wallgren started Simply Students through the York Small Business Enterprise Centre (YSBEC) Summer Company program. It offers grants for students interested in setting up their own small business and fosters and develops the entrepreneurial spirit in students between the ages of 15 to 29, who are registered in school full time. In place of a summer job, students have the opportunity to be their own boss. All that's required is a good idea, commitment and hard work. In return, students receive hands-on training, coaching and financial support.

Wallgren, who completed his second year at Queen's in engineering, had previous landscape experience and he wanted to expand on the "handyman" concept. He thought many residents, especially seniors, have many small jobs that they simply don't want to do or have time to do. He's filling a void and helping everyone check off those items on our list.

Wallgren pointed out larger companies don't want to do the small jobs, but that's his bread and butter and he loves it. From polishing floors, cleaning decks to fixing fences, Simply Students will tackle any odd job.

"We're open to what the clients need," he said.

These jobs don't tend to be complicated, making them ideal for students looking to earn some money over the summer. Wallgren assembled a small, dedicated team and he matches the jobs to their skills.

He enjoys working outdoors, so yard work is welcome. From small landscape jobs, interlock and even cleaning sheds, Simply Students will be on site, for half a day, or a full day. Their "to-do list specials" offer a range of services at a relatively low cost.

Business has been brisk and spread largely through word of mouth. Simply Students are willing to travel, and will cater to clients from Newmarket and Caledon, through King, Aurora and Richmond Hill.

The entrepreneurial aspect of the company appeals to him, and he's learned a great deal about the intricacies of owning your own business.

Give Simply Students a call today, and check off some of those items on your list.

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# Local Food Report highlights the agriculture industry

By Mark Pavilons

The increased focus on the importance of local food comes as good news to rural municipalities.

The Ontario government released the 2019 Local Food Report, highlighting the hardworking entrepreneurs of Ontario's local food economy. Ontario farmers, food processors, food hubs, broader public sector institutions, grocery retailers and the government are working together to strengthen and grow Ontario's agri-food industry.

"Local food is the heart of Ontario's agri-food industry. Over this past year, our government – working with stakeholders, local food businesses and the Broader Public Sector across the province – has reached a number of our targets in strengthening our local food economy," said Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

In March 2019, the government established the final goal of the Local Food Act, 2013, to open the door for local food across the broader public sector. Removing red tape barriers will make it easier for organizations like colleges, universities, hospitals and municipalities to procure more local food. As part

of this initiative, the ministry has created tools and resources to help businesses grow local food opportunities across the public sector. The latest development is the Broader Public Sector Champion program, which allows institutions to create a baseline, set local food procurement goals and track progress year-over-year.

"The Broader Public Sector Champions Program strengthens our commitment to building on local food purchases. It provides the opportunity for institutions to voluntarily submit and then report back to the province on meeting their local food purchasing targets," Hardeman added.

King Councillor and farmer Avia Eek said she's noticed a significant increase in the focus on the importance of local food over the past few years.

"This is based on my involvement with various local, regional, and multi-regional agriculture focussed committees," she said.

"The Local Food Report, released recently, outlines the positive work being done with agricultural and agri-food businesses within the province."

This, she said, includes our own York Regional government supporting the first ever Agriculture and Agri-



## More is needed to protect at-risk flora and fauna

More than 75 scientists are calling on the Government of Ontario to do more to protect at-risk plants and animals. As provincial decision-makers debate the future of species at risk today, scientists from Ontario and across North America are sounding the alarm about proposed changes to Ontario's Endangered Species Act, 2007

Despite widespread public outcry, the changes, found in Schedule 5 of Bill 108 which was passed recently, hinder these efforts.

By putting so-called economic efficiencies before scientific integrity, the government is undermining critical environmental protections for species at risk while ignoring the advice of independent scientists who are experts in biology and ecology.

"The government is not only ignoring scientists, it is misleading the public by pretending that proposed changes to the ESA would improve outcomes for species at risk," said John Hassell of Ontario Nature. "Seeing through the pretense, 96 organizations from across the province signed a joint letter opposing the proposed changes found in Schedule 5 of Bill 108. Additionally, more than 50,000 letters sent, phones calls made, and petitions signed calling on the government to reverse the changes. Many Ontarians want to see stronger, not weaker, protection for at-risk species and their habitats."

Hassell said at a time when the Earth is losing species at 1,000 times the natural rate, it's "indefensible" to leave the more than 230 species at risk twisting in the wind. The province of Ontario has a global obligation to protect biodiversity in the face of the key drivers of species loss – habitat destruction through industrial activity and development.

Food Strategy which identifies 5 strategic goals and objectives. Eek also praised the partnerships and collaborative projects brought to life incorporating the importance and value of local food through the multi-regional Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance.

"These successes would not be possible without the support from our partners at all levels of government who continue to work together recognizing that agriculture is a driver of our provincial economy," she stressed.

Eek pointed out from a farmer's perspective, local food is vital, especially when you consider that only a small percentage of land available to be

farmed is arable. Also, it's better for the environment if the food you expect on your table has a short distance to travel. It's better for your health if the food you expect on your plate is harvested at its peak of flavour, providing the optimum amount of nutrition. Having nutritious, local food available in our long-term care facilities is much better for those consuming the food, and is, in fact, cheaper than purchasing non-local alternatives.

"Bottom line, let's all do our part to support our economy, the environment, and agriculture by continuing to work together with all partners, food champions, stakeholders, and policy makers to keep local food strong!" she said.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Songwriter creates piece in aid of Neville-Lake family

By Mark Pavilons

A Canadian singer-songwriter has penned a special piece, in aid of the Neville-Lake family.

The Neville-Lake children – Harry, Daniel and Milly – along with their grandfather Gary Neville of King, were killed in a drunk driving collision Sept. 27, 2015.

Canadian folk artist Abe Drennan released a new single in honour of the

Neville-Lake family, with 100% of the proceeds going to support the not-for-profit organization Many Hands Doing Good.

He first recorded the tune in his kitchen in Inuvik, Northwest Territories in November 2015.

Abe Drennan and Jason Manns spent a weekend in the iconic Iglu Church in Inuvik in the spring of 2016 recording “Spirits Soared.”

The song begins, “The day their



spirits soared was the day that driver poured too many drinks. Four spirits rose to the ringing bells of heaven.”

Drennan, a family friend of the Neville-Lakes, remembers seeing a video online of the children dancing and playing together.

“The music playing in the background of the video had a lyric with the word paradise, this was the moment that the song began to form,” he said.

He felt the tragedy and the injustice were so great that he was compelled to capture the joy of the children, the love of their grandfather and bring attention to the issue of drinking and driving in the song.

Drennan said from first seeing the kids dancing in the living room, to going through the process of writing such a song in a way that would not offend but provide hope for the family was a challenging one.

“But it was a journey I knew I had to take, because it is a story that must be remembered,” he said. “I felt the pain of the tragedy as did all of us and I tried to use words that showed solidarity and compassion as well as bring attention to the issue of drinking and driving.”

He recorded the song with Jason Manns, which was an amazing opportunity for Drennan as an artist to “grow my skills and have a mentor to help me along.

“I’m incredibly grateful for him and all he provided. The family faced this with incredible courage and grace in creating Many Hands Doing Good. My hope is to continue to see this organization do its good work.

Abe and Jennifer met at the library in Bancroft in October 2004. They got to chatting and discovered their par-

ents worked with each other at a nursing company. They’d see each other around town from time to time. When Daniel-William had his baptism in June 2006, Abe and his family attended. Abe and Jenn lost touch for a bit but Jo and Abe, both being musicians, stayed in touch. When Jenn’s family was killed Abe reached out and asked Jenn if she minded if he wrote a song about what had happened. Jenn gave her consent, Abe created a song and sent it to her in late fall of 2015.

Drennan writes folk music and draws his inspiration from experiences living in northern Canada and from everyday interactions. “I also pay attention to issues that affect me and others and try to tell stories of hope and healing for the future.”

He’s been writing and recording since the early 2000s.

Drennan’s first album is available on iTunes and on his website at [www.abedrennan.com](http://www.abedrennan.com). His new album titled, “The Iglu Sessions,” will drop on Aug. 1 on all platforms. The new single, “Spirits Soared” can be downloaded at: <http://store.cdbaby.com/cd/abedrennan2>

Drennan said he loves all of the creative process.

“From the beginning inspiration to the finished product is a journey that I love to go on. I never know where it’s going to take me and almost always its a good one.”

Right now, he’s looking forward to sharing the single far and wide and also to releasing his full album.

“My goal is to keep writing what I know to be true in my heart and telling stories that dig deep into current issues but also see the light and hope that I believe is inherent in all things.”

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# King Township Food Bank centres open this Saturday, donors step up to the plate

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Again, the monthly distribution will have donated produce from Hillside Gardens, along with wonderful Italian breads from Dorio's Bakery.

Schomberg Foodland shoppers donated over \$2,700 at last November's special in-store event. King Township Food Bank received the value in Sobeys's Food Cards. Owner Rocco Macri and his team set up store displays and sampling stations that created a Giving Festival. This donation event is over and above the pre-packed bags of groceries and the thousands of dollars of food cards the generous shoppers at Rocco's store purchase year round for distribution to food bank registrants.

Showa conducted a Spring Food Drive that brought in \$2,700 value in food and cards in June. This support is even more remarkable for the fact that most of the staff do not live in King. This is surely the motto "Give where you work" in action.

Kudos to the shoppers at John's No Frills in Nobleton! The combined Pay it Forward and Spring Campaign raised close to \$1,150 for the Food Bank. Then they will do it all over again in the fall.

The Dengler/Pace Canada Day Food Drive raised over \$1,000 from on line donations through a special page on the Food Bank website. Thanks go to the hosts of this annual BBQ and the guests for responding to the call.

Sip & Savour is moving into full launch! Tickets will be available online in August, with an early bird special of \$40 until September. Canvassing for donations for the Live Auctions, as well as Silent Auction tables will be getting under way, as well as the Sponsorship Program. If you would like to pledge early (that is so motivating to volunteers) please email ktfoodbank@gmail.com.

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dates, that are always the third Saturday of the month. August will include distribution of the Back To School program on Saturday, Aug. 17.

Seems early, but please think about Christmas wishes, as registration happens in September. This year, Christmas in King pickup and December distribution will be Saturday, Dec. 21, unusually close to Christmas.

King Township Food Bank Board would welcome knowledgeable assistance in the form of a Treasurer. This position includes all the bookkeeping aspects, including accounts payable, accounts receivable, issuing cheques and making deposits, using the QuickBooks system. Email ktfoodbank@gmail.com or call Carol Ann at 416-559-7898 if you'd like to start a conversation.

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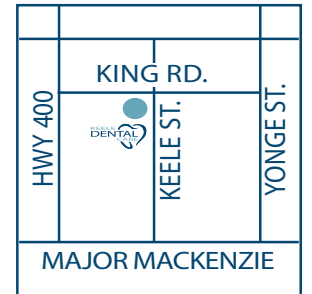
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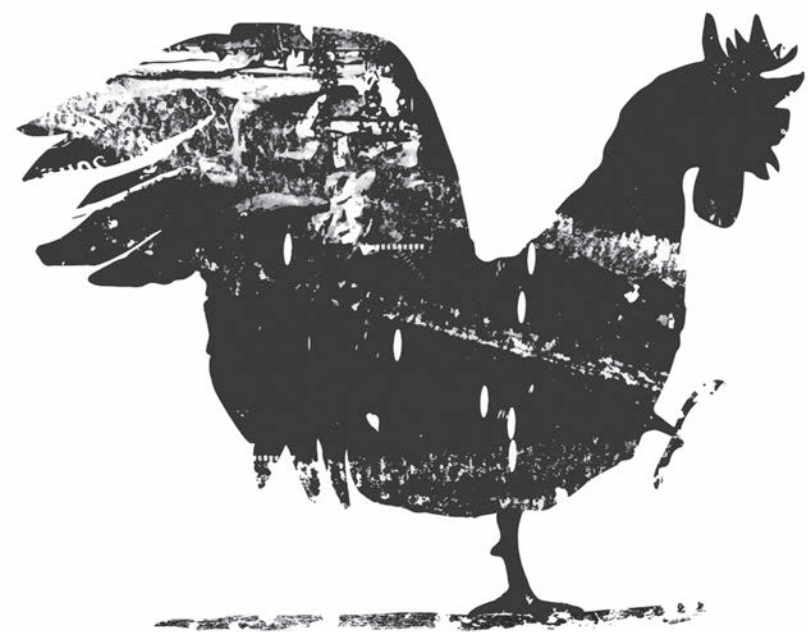


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## Bolton woman returns from Rwanda with sense of purpose

By Mark Pavilons

"If you're going to do something, do it with purpose."

That's the advice a 21-year-old Bolton woman has for anyone who wishes to travel, volunteer and experience other cultures.

Alexandria (Lexie) Hesketh-Pavilons recently returned from a five-week volunteer experience in Rwanda, something that has given her a great sense of "community."

A dozen Western University students embarked on the experiential learning program, volunteering at several facilities outside the Rwandan capital of Kigali. They ranged from schools to centres that assisted homeless youth. A veteran of humanitarian missions, Hesketh-Pavilons said this was more of a co-operative approach, filling a grass-roots need and giving back to the community. It was more immersive than previous trips she's been on and all were able to gather a deeper understanding of the people, culture and humanity that brings us all together.

Hesketh-Pavilons said she became keenly aware of the concept of "ubuntu" – a Nguni Bantu term meaning "humanity." It translates as "I am because we are," or "humanity towards others."

"We were constantly learning about ourselves through others ... we were a community learning from each other," she remarked.

Lexie spent her time working at Aspire, a facility that offers a variety of programs to empower women and youth: vocational skills training, business skills training, micro-credit loans, agricultural support (for participants living in rural areas) and robust social empowerment and health education programs. It offers vocational training, skills and education to vulnerable women living in poverty in Rwanda. Opened in 2009 by CEO and founder Peace Ruzage, Aspire chooses hard-working, resilient women to enroll in a 12-month training program at its urban or rural centre.

Each centre provides complimentary childcare for preschool-aged children. For many Rwandan women who are attempting to raise children and earn money, they have few options for childcare other than leaving young children



home alone or withdrawing an older sibling from school to care for them. The Aspire childcare centre offers a safe and educational environment for the mothers to leave their children that allows them to concentrate on the program. Children are provided with two nutritional meals a day and follow a preschool curriculum.

Lexie spent the bulk of her time teaching English to pre-schoolers, as well as the adult teachers and Aspire staff, who are always interested in improving their English skills. She not only helped everyone with English, but assisted in art and music programs at the school.

The adult women were extremely receptive to the Canadian students' genuine interest and openness. Lexie said it was a very positive exchange and the dynamic went beyond just instruction. They had many casual conversations that involved sharing cultural differences and attitudes. The Rwandans showed a genuine curiosity about Canadian customs.

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# Learning experience proves fruitful for everyone

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Many, however, chose to attend private school, which tends to bring greater opportunities but bears a cost.

The majority of the country's economy is geared toward agriculture, and a lack of old age security measures means many seniors are still out working the fields. Hesketh-Pavilons said they were made aware of current social issues in Rwanda, that include a high level of teen pregnancies, single mothers and youth homelessness.

Groups like Aspire are helping, but their resources are limited. They rely on grants and even help from outsiders like the UWO students, whose visit marked a first for the two groups. Aspire had never enjoyed a group this committed, who stayed this long and the partnership really paid off.

Not only were bonds created, but Aspire staff wanted feedback from the students, who were more than willing to help make things more efficient. Some changes were implemented and one student assisted Aspire with some stronger fundraising measures.

Hesketh-Pavilons observed Aspire staff valued their feedback and that doesn't come without a certain level of trust and respect.

The impact the students had was

quite evident. Hesketh-Pavilons observed that all of the adults, even the kitchen staff, improved their English and became much more self-confident because of the interaction.

It was a "true exchange" she said, noting the experience was "incredible."

The length of stay was key in this case, she noted. Lexie's longest previous volunteer adventure was a three-week trip to Kenya in 2016 through Me to We. She's engaged in many week-long programs, but admitted the greater the commitment, the greater the rewards for everyone involved.

All of the students left Rwanda feeling fully accomplished.

"I got enough and left enough of me behind," she said. "It's so cool if you can have an experience like this, returning home feeling truly educated."

Even weeks later, Hesketh-Pavilons is still connected to her Rwandan sisters. She contacts them regularly through Facetime.

Helping the adult women and sharing their life stories were among the highlights of the experience.

Lexie wells up with tears as she relates details of her encounters.

There were some harsh realities, too. There's no escaping the lasting effects of the Rwandan genocide, which marked its 25th anniversary this year.



The conflict, during the Rwandan Civil War in 1994, left almost one million Tutsi and moderate Hutu dead. The students visited some memorials from that awful time and buildings still bear the scars from the fighting.

Lexie and her fellow students enjoyed the services of a 34-year-old male cabbie who lost his entire family in the genocide. He's doing fairly well these days, plus he owns his own cow! Despite his loss, he was upbeat, happy and helpful, forming a bond with the students. Lexie said you could feel his strength and resilience and it was "inspiring to see."

One of the most interesting public events in Rwanda is the monthly "umuganda," meaning a "coming together in common purpose to achieve an outcome." On the last Saturday of every month, from 8 to 11 a.m., businesses close and traffic stops as citizens across the country take to their neighborhoods with tools in hand, making them a little bit better. It's a mandatory community day that residents enthusiastically enjoy. All able-bodied citizens between the ages of 18 and 65 are expected to participate, and missing this civic duty can result in penalties.

According to the Rwanda Governance Board (RGB), "people participate in cleaning streets, cutting grass, trimming bushes alongside the roads,

planting trees, and repairing public buildings."

It's rare to see much litter in Rwanda, even in capital city Kigali, which is frequently called the cleanest city in Africa.

The sense of "humanity" from what's perceived as a developing nation here in the west, definitely taught these leaders of tomorrow some valuable lessons.



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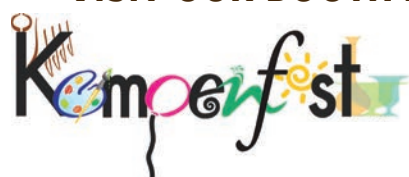
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## Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop  
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### Euchre night at Trisan

The Schomberg 55+ Senior's Club welcomes everyone out to another "Euchre Night At The Trisan" on Thursday, July 25 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the Curling Lounge of the Trisan Centre.

The cost is \$5 per person and light snacks and refreshments will be available.

### Schomberg United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

Schomberg United will not be having Sunday services in July, but will have a short service on Wednesdays at 6 p.m., at St. Mary Magdalene, followed by a pot luck (July 17 and 24).

For the next two Sundays, July 14 and 21, Nobleton is inviting Schomberg United to their shortened services at 11:15 a.m., followed by discussion. These services will be focused on Wom-

en in the Bible.

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

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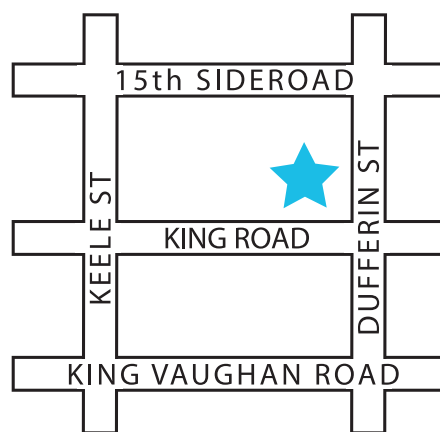


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## Underhill claims back-to-back wins at International

For the second time in as many days, Canadian Olympian Beth Underhill riding Count Me In led the victory gallop at the CSI2\* Ottawa International I, this time topping the \$36,100 CSI2\* Classic, presented by RBC, on Saturday, July 13, at Wesley Clover Parks in Ottawa.

"I really didn't expect to win again today," said Underhill of Schomberg, who also won the \$36,100 CSI2\* Open Welcome on Friday, July 12. "I'm just so excited. Count Me In gave me two beautiful rounds. He was a pleasure. He really rose to the occasion today. He loved the extra incentive of the crowd and the atmosphere; it felt like he just came up a notch. It was a lovely course and great competition, and we're just really happy to be here at Wesley Clover Parks again and have such a wonderful week!"

Underhill was one of 33 entries to contest the first-round track set by 2016 Rio Olympic course designer Guilherme Jorge of Brazil and one of seven to advance to the tie-breaking jump-off. As the second entry to return for the short course, Canadian Olympian Amy Millar of Perth, and Truman, owned by Millar Brooke Farm, went double clear and set the time to beat at 44.72 seconds.

Underhill and Count Me In, a 12-year-old Hanoverian gelding (Count Grannus x Sherlock Holmes) owned by Sandy Lupton and Rob Caswell, were the next in the ring and tripped the timers tenths of a second faster than Millar, taking over the lead in 44.30 seconds. Millar's time would ultimately hold up for second place, while third place with a time of 46.25 seconds went to the USA's Jonathan McCrea riding Pewit No No for owner Candy Tribble. With the final double-clear performance of the day, his wife, Christine McCrea, captured fourth place with a time of 50.10 seconds riding Jarcobond van den Oude Eik, also owned by Tribble.

"I watched Amy go, and I thought that she laid down a beautiful track and was going to be very difficult to beat," said Underhill. "She was able to catch a better oser than I to the last line and did one less step. My horse doesn't have as big of a stride as her horse, but he was very handy on the turns, so it just worked out in our favour that we were just that little bit quicker across the ground in the beginning. I was really excited to be the winner today because we pulled out all the stops, and he delivered."

Underhill is a consistent top competitor at the Ottawa Equestrian Tournaments, having also claimed victories with Count Me In in the \$100,000 CSI2\* Classic in 2016 and the \$50,000

Brookstreet Grand Prix in 2017.

This year, Underhill selected the Ottawa Equestrian Tournaments as her final preparatory show before she and Count Me In travel to Lima, Peru, as the Canadian team alternates for the Pan American Games, to be held in August.

"It's very exciting to be back in contention and to have a horse of this quality to be able to make major games teams so we're really thrilled," said Underhill, who earned both team and individual silver medals at the 1991 Pan American Games and a team bronze medal at the 1999 Pan American Games.

"It's important that we keep jumping quality courses and quality venues (leading up to the Pan Am Games), and that's what Mike Lawrence and Karen Sparks and their team have created here – a venue that's top class and top quality," continued Underhill. "We have the best course designers and fantastic jumps; the footing is second to none. What is also extra special is having the crowds come out and support us. It lends extra atmosphere to the horses. All of those things combined is what makes it one of our favourite stops on the show jumping."

Following his victory and before heading to Peru, Count Me In is making at least one more important stop.

"Right now, we're going to the taco truck to get ice cream," said Count Me In's groom, Kath Long. "I told Count Me In that if he won, he could have ice cream!"

Underhill won the \$36,000 CSI2\* Open Welcome, presented by Wellings of Stittsville, on Friday, July 12.

A starting field of 37 entries contested the first Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) class of the week, with 26 of the entries competing on Thursday afternoon before the decision was made to reschedule the remainder of the class for Friday morning due to severe weather.

With only three entries qualified for the jump-off, Moffatt and McCrea elected to forego the jump-off and tie for second place. Underhill proceeded to the jump-off, opting for a conservative clear in a time of 50.54 seconds to take the win.

"I wanted to do my best to try to be competitive," said Underhill of her decision to jump-off after Moffatt and McCrea had opted to withdraw from the final round. "I thought it was good for my horse to go again without the added pressure of having to go fast in a jump-off, and for my owners as well. For me, it was a little bit of an advantage to be able to get him out a second time, and barring forgetting the course and eliminating myself, I knew we could win if



Beth Underhill and Count Me In won the \$36,100 CSI2\* Classic, presented by RBC, during the Ottawa International at Wesley Clover Parks in Ottawa.

Photo by Ben Radvanyi Photography

we just had a nice round.

"I was thrilled that he jumped a second clean round as well as he did, and did everything that I asked of him," continued Underhill of the 12-year-old

Hanoverian gelding (Count Grannus x Sherlock Holmes) owned by Sandy Upton and Robert Caswell. "I was just thrilled with how he handled the field. He felt comfortable on the footing."

### York9 FC shines in biggest match in club history

By Jake Courtepatte

It was history in the making at York Lions Stadium last Wednesday, and the York9 FC squad stepped up to the task.

The first meeting ever between a Canadian Premier League team and a Major League Soccer team ended up in a surprising 2-2 tie, the first leg of the third round of the Canadian Championship tournament.

"They will be talking about this one 15 years down the line, sitting there with their buddies saying 'ah, remember that night against Montreal,'" head coach Jimmy Brennan said post-match.

"I'm so proud, watching them today. Seeing them fighting for one another, not backing down. 94th minute they were still at it."

A scoreless first half led into York9 falling behind 1-0 in the 62nd minute, with the MLS squad taking an expected lead.

Yet York9 found a way to crawl back 20 minutes later in the match, with Ryan Telfer volleying in the equalizer. Rodrigo Gattas converted on a well-placed corner kick late in the match and looked to be the hero for the home squad, though an ill-timed penalty in the box in extra time allowed Montreal to tie the game on a penalty kick.

Despite the late equalizer, Brennan and his team were elated with the results in such a historic moment.

"There are special moments you need to cherish and as a footballer, these are the games you want to play in," said Brennan.

The York squad continued their solid play back into Canadian Premier League action on Sunday, opening up the fall half of the season with a 2-1 win over FC Edmonton.

"We knew it was going to be a difficult game," said Brennan after the match. "I knew how much (Wednesday) took out of the boys. Coming in they were going to be heavy, fatigued, and you could see it in spells today. It showed the character and the resilience to grind through."

Kyle Porter took the home side into the halftime with his first goal of the season, while Ryan Telfer provided the game winner to end Edmonton's four game winning streak.

York9 returns to action on Sunday in visiting Calgary's Cavalry FC in a regular season meeting, while the second leg of the Canadian Championship match-up with Montreal Impact goes Wednesday, July 24 at Stade Saputo in Montreal.



Beth Underhill and Count Me In were presented as the winners of the \$36,100 CSI2\* Classic.

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## Local octogenarian leads the local fitness charge

In many communities around the world, elders are held in very high regard.

Ann Kuti could very well be a spokesperson as the epitome of fitness in King. The 82-year-old is the oldest member at the fitness centre at the Trisan Centre.

She's in absolutely incredible shape and nobody can believe her age! She's been a member consistently for eight years and attributes her excellent health to her consistency in the classes that she's been taking at the Trisan Centre.

Ann breaks the traditional model to those who say they can't and is one of the most social and active members at the centre.

Kuti loves the physical aspects of the program, noting keeping her fitness level up helps her maintain her youthful gait.

But there's a huge social aspect of it – meeting like-minded people, people of all age groups.

Her "secret" to healthy living includes consistency and making a point of coming in every week to stay active. She comes as a form of stress relief as well so it's very enjoyable. She said it's not an obligation, but a pleasure. Eating well to nourish the body is extremely important as well!

Kuti enjoys Body Balance, working on her balance and flexibility. Through Body Blast, she builds muscle so that she can move and function better in everyday life. She started at lifting 3 pounds and now she's up to 8 lbs. She also participates at Zumba and Linedancing at the Trisan Centre as it's extremely fun and social.

Trisan Fitness has classes designed for all age groups and all goals. For those just starting off, staff recommend Body Balance as it is a low-impact, whole body group fitness workout is designed to boost fitness and core strength.

Everyone from staff to members are so friendly, always helpful (helping set up equipment), relaxed, zero judgment, and she's made a lot of friends from the centre.

These classes really help you to function at your best, get rid of pains by strengthening your muscles, joints and ligaments, or to get in shape.

Come once and see the amazing social aspect where everyone feels apart of the community. You're always around like-minded people who are in similar situations to you.

Kuti encourages everyone to ask themselves "where do you want to be in 20 years?" These classes have helped her get there. She's been doing this for 8 years and counting.

The centre offers everything from a fitness facility with state-of-the-art equipment, group exercise classes (yoga, Zumba, bootcamp, spin and much more), an indoor track overlooking the rink, and on-site personal trainers. For the summer time, fitness hours are Monday to Thursday, 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 5:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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For information and an online copy of King's community guide: <http://www.king.ca/LivingInKing/Parks-RecreationCulture/RecreationServices/Pages/Fitness-at-Trisan.aspx>. You can also email [fitness@king.ca](mailto:fitness@king.ca) for more.

*Submitted by Anthony Turosky, Active Living Coordinator, King Parks, Recreation, and Culture.*

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### St. Paul's Church

This Sunday, July 21, Jeff will lead us in worship. His message is titled "Spiritual Viticulture" based on John 15:1-8. 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 available 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).

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.

### Nobleton United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

This Sunday, July 21 at 11:15 a.m. is Nobleton's last summer short service followed by discussion. This service will also be focused on Women in the Bible.

On Wednesday, July 24 at 6 p.m. Nobleton is invited to Schomberg United at St. Mary Magdalene, 116 Church St., for a different short service followed by a pot luck dinner.

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directions. Bring your bathing suit and towel, if you are a swimming enthusiast, as there is a pool!

Although in August, Nobleton United will not be having services, there are lots of opportunities for community worship.

On Sunday, Aug. 4, 9:30 a.m., there is a service at the Kitchen Breendon Manor in Schomberg. This is a very relaxed place for worship, with comfortable chairs, the music played on a keyboard, and the singing from the chairs (so no standing required). On Sundays August 11 and 18, at 10:30 a.m., there is a service with St. Mary Magdalene Anglicans, 116 Church St.

On Sunday, Aug. 25, 10:30 a.m., there is a ecumenical service with Nobleton United, Schomberg United, Schomberg Presbyterian, & Schomberg Anglican at the Dufferin Marsh. The service will be led this year by our minister, Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman.

Nobleton United resumes regular services in September at 11:15 a.m.

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### Anglican Parish By John Arnott

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During the church seasons of Easter and Pentecost an upper room is much mentioned in Bible readings. Cenacle refers to this one specific upper room in a nondescript building on a backstreet in old Jerusalem, where almost 2,000 years ago Yeshua celebrated the Seder (Passover) dinner with his 12 disciples.

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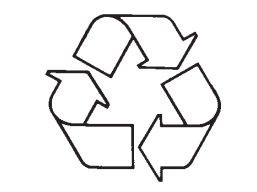
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But this dinner often called "The Last Supper" isn't the only Christian event this upper room witnessed. According to tradition it was where Yeshua appeared to them after his resurrection. Then 50 days later apostles once again gathered in the Cenacle to celebrate the Jewish festival of Pentecost. It was at this gathering, along with a few other followers of Christ, that they were all touched by the Holy Spirit in the form of wind and flame, giving them strength and courage to then embarked on their missionary work.

The stone building housing this upper room was thought to have where the 11 badly frightened disciples hid out after Yeshua, their leader, was arrested and crucified and sometime later became a synagogue used by Jewish Christians. There are claims that it was one of the few places escaping total destruction when the Romans under Titus, a future emperor, leveled Jerusalem after the Jewish uprising in 70 AD. But biblical archaeologist Bargil Pixner says it, too was destroyed and most likely rebuilt many years later when the Romans relented and allowed the rebuilding of the city.

In 382 AD the Christian Roman Emperor Theodosius 1 had a octagonal church built on this location and it soon became a destination for Christian pilgrims. However, in 614 AD this church was destroyed by the invading Persians and then only partially restored by Modestus a 7th century Christian Patriarch of Jerusalem. Muslim Caliph Al-Hakim destroyed this construction some 400 years later.

The Gothic style Crusader church built to replace it a few years later after the Christian conquest was partly destroyed in 1219 AD leaving only the section of the building over the site of the original synagogue and upper room intact. Sometime after Muslim Arabs regained Jerusalem, members of the Christian Franciscan Order still in the city were granted control of the site including were permitted to restore it. The Franciscans were driven out by the Ottoman Turks in the 16th century and the building was converted into a mosque which saved it from further destruction but placed out of bounds, on pain of death, to all but Muslims.

In 1948 with the establishment of Israel Christians were once again allowed to visit the Cenacle site and today welcomes visitors.



## Family Bingo Night great success school

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St. Andrew's shares the love of Jesus in the community and beyond!  
Sunday worship for the family is at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome.

Lots of memories were made at Art-in-the-Park last week! The weather was fabulous and many new and old young artists along with their adults had a wonderful time. Thanks to all who came and to all who helped out, making this event at St. Andrew's very special. Watch for Info about Messy Church in September or ask to be on Lynn's blog!

Lynn is now on vacation for the summer, but has arranged for special speakers to take the summer services.

This week we have Trevor, visiting from the Scott Mission and next week, Dirk deRoos, one of St. Andrew's young Elders will lead us in worship. Allison Agnew will be back with us for several Sundays following and into August. We are truly blessed.

Sunday evenings Niyazi Bilgen, a pastor with The Greater Grace Fellowship leads a Bible Study starting at 5 p.m. in the lounge. Refreshments follow and all are welcome. Call 416-878-8499.

Tuesday mornings at 9 to 10 a.m. the Women's Prayer Circle continues to meet throughout the summer at 80 Burns Blvd. What a wonderful way to start your day. Take time to meet with Him wherever you find yourself this summer. (Philippians 4: 6 & 7)

While Lynn is on vacation, for pastoral care contact our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Paul Johnston, 705-341-7738 or speak to one of the Elders. (Office: 905-833-2325). We are located at 13190 Keele St., 2 blocks north of the King Rd. [www.standrews-kingcity.ca](http://www.standrews-kingcity.ca)

## All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

The recent general Synod of the Anglican Church made history in several ways.

*More on Page 25*

## King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

The next monthly movie screening presented by the King Township Library to be held at the Seniors' Centre will take place on Friday, Aug. 9. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. with the feature beginning at 1 p.m. Popcorn and drinks will be served, but feel free to bring a light lunch. Stay on for discussions and/or activities. This screening will be "Chasing Coral," a trip to the reef.

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



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**From Page 24**

First, an historic apology was offered to indigenous peoples by outgoing Primate Fred Hiltz. He stated: "Tonight, I offer this apology for our cultural and spiritual arrogance toward all Indigenous Peoples - First Nations, Inuit and Métis - and the harm we inflicted on you." Hiltz outlined the many ways the Anglican Church of Canada has caused spiritual harm to Indigenous peoples, including "failing to acknowledge that as First Peoples living here for thousands of years, you had a spiritual relationship with the Creator and with the Land."

In addition at Synod Linda Nicholls, bishop of the diocese of Huron, was elected 14th primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, becoming the first woman in the history of the church to hold the position. Finally, a self-determining Indigenous church within the Anglican Church of Canada was voted for, with the title of Archbishop given to National Indigenous Anglican Bishop Mark MacDonald.

Words to love by - The Gospel last Sunday was the well-known story of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10 which Jesus uses to answer the question, "Who is my neighbor?" Rev. Dr. Elizabeth explained that the priest and Levite who passed by the traveler who had been beaten and left in a ditch were traditional Judeans who could not touch an unclean person so were caught between a moral duty and following the rules. The Samaritan who went out of his way to help the man was from another culture, a stranger.

The story is about becoming a neighbor to a person in need. She reminded us that there are so many people in need today and that our parish has risen to

the challenge by, for instance, reaching out to children in the first nations community of Pikangikum to people we have never met.

"But, we all have met gay people, many have gay friends or relatives," she said. "At Synod a majority of lay people and clergy voted to change the marriage canon to allow for same sex marriage, but unfortunately a few Bishops prevented it from passing. The majority of the church is inclusive and voted for love. It is not acceptable that we allow people from the LGBTQ community to take the sacrament of communion and deny them the sacrament of marriage." The followers of Jesus need the rainbow flag to show we are inclusive. "We should fly it at All Saints. Our motto is 'come as you are, all are welcome.' We mean it." Luckily, there are parishes that are designated to perform same sex marriages. "We must continuously ask ourselves, 'whose neighbor will I be?'"

**Horticulture  
By John Arnott**

It's the season! They're in stores! But only for such a short time. So I've just got to go to get some. What would life be without a bowl of my favourite cherries?

"Miss Taylor's" was a lady's apparel store on Eglinton Ave. near Dufferin St. back in the 1940s. The Taylor sisters who ran it lived on the premises and had a big sweet cherry tree in their back garden and when, as a kid, I went there with my mother on a shopping spree in cherry season I always got a handful of this wonderful fruit. And the Broomes on nearby Bowie Ave. also had a cherry tree in their yard but weren't nearly so generous. Needless to say I was caught

up that tree many a time eating stolen treasure.

There are some 70 species of cherries and all native to the temperate regions of the North Hemisphere, 3 in Europe, 5 in the Americas and the remainder in Asia. Our word cherry is thought have come from karsu in ancient Akkadian, a language once spoken in Mesopotamia (modern Iraq). Kirsch is a popular liqueur made from cherries

Cherries like strawberries, plums and apples, belong to the rose family. All their blossoms looking similar to that of wild single roses. The seeds and shells of cherries and apricots in particular contain small amounts of cyanide and should not be ingested. The leaves and bark of most cherry trees are also poisonous. The rich coloured wood of cherry trees is used in fine cabinetry work.

The two of the most popular cherry species in our area are prunus (based on the Latin for round referring to the fruit shape or the pit) cerasus (from both Greek and Latin meaning cherry) we call sour or pie cherry and prunus avium (cherry favoured by birds) which to us is sweet or eating cherry. Sweet cherries are sometimes marketed as black cherries because of their dark red colour but this is a misnomer as there is a species called black cherry, closely related to chokecherry and like them edible but bitter tasting tending to pucker the mouth.

Cherries are thought to have been the first fruit trees cultivated. Both sweet cherries and sour cherries are native to the ancient Pontus region of Turkey and from there were introduced in Italy by Lucius Licinius Lucullus, the Roman governor of that area and amateur horticulturist in late BC. Romans, it is said, planted the fast growing cherry

trees along stretches of their empire's roads so that eventually they would become a food source for travelers especially marching soldiers. This fruit was also dried so it could be used out of season. Sour cherry saplings came to Britannia (England) with Roman colonists but it seems sweet cherries weren't introduced into England until the 1500s when Henry VIII first tasted them while on a visit to Flanders and had sweet cherry orchards planted in Kent, southeast England.

Bing and other sweet cherries are grown in Ontario as well but our main supply of these as well as Rainiers and other sweet cherries comes from the Okanagan, Kootenay and Simikameen Valleys in British Columbia and from Washington and Oregon in the north-west U.S. Our B.C. cherries should soon be in markets in our area soon if not already. When buying cherries pick the firmest, almost to the point of being hard, on the stand. Keep them dry as water or juice from crushed or too ripe fruit will quickly spoil neighbouring fruit and keep cherries in the refrigerator, the coolness will improve flavour.

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