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Team effort to bring internet to Laskay

By Rob Valenzano

After facing the pains of slow speed and high overage rates, the community of Laskay pulled together to solve their own internet issues.

The story began two years ago when Dennis and Tracy Price were perplexed with the internet speed and the rates they were paying on data overage. They remember wondering if their neighbours had better options available to them, so they started knocking on doors and starting a discussion with neighbours on their street only. Everyone had internet in the neighbourhood, which consists of only 15 homes, but it was very slow and costly. The options ranged from the relatively limited local carriers and Xplornet to costly turbo hubs offered by either Rogers or Bell.

Every resident was faced with the same situation: very slow internet, limited data and/or very high monthly costs. The Prices wondered if it was just their small neighbourhood that struggled with this issue? As they expanded their door knocking to the other streets, the story never changed.

In total, there are 77 homes in the entire Laskay commu-

nity, and most were affected. With few exceptions, everyone was frustrated and had nowhere to turn.

Well, fortunately for Laskay, that did not stop Dennis and Tracy. They made calls to every internet supplier in the country to see if they were interested in bringing high-speed internet to our small community. A few were interested, but not really. It was going to be a costly undertaking with a long turn-around for profit. We all remember the first meeting in the Prices' home with one small supplier and 20 interested neighbours to hear what they had to say. This was the first step to farming the options and planting seeds of hope. Since the cost was steep to set up (in excess of \$100,000), they decided to get the Township involved to see if there were any programs that could help fund this endeavour.

As they canvassed the area, they started to hear the stories of frustration, exorbitant costs incurred, and tensions created within the family. One neighbour was unfortunately affected with the sale of their home. A deal fell through because the community did not have high-speed internet.

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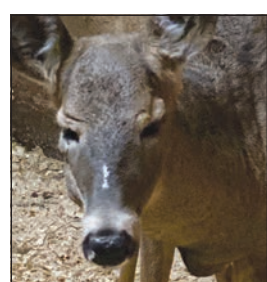
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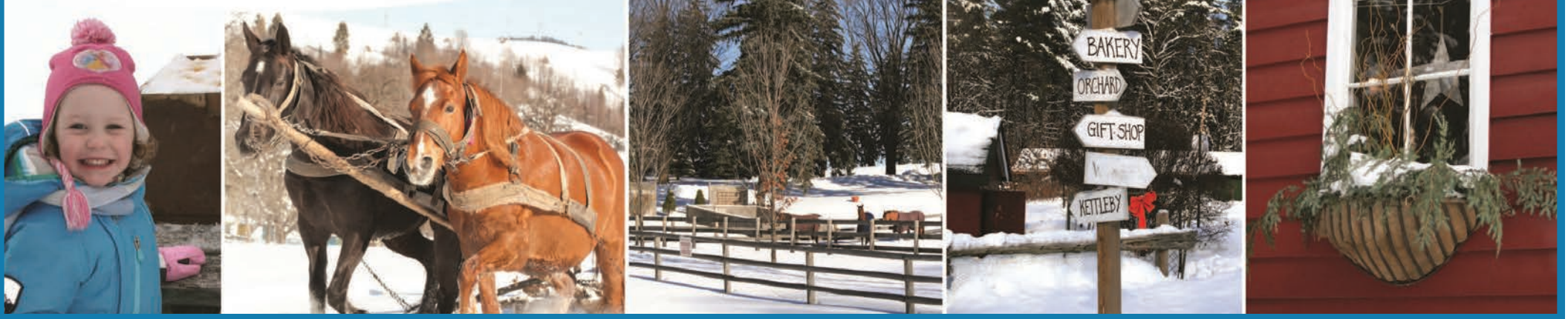
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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Monday, January 13, 2020

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

Monday, January 27, 2020

6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

To view full Council and Committee of the Whole agendas, visit king.civicweb.net/filepro/documents

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Thursday, January 9, 2020

6 pm – Heritage Advisory Committee

Municipal Office, 2585 King Road

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- Crossing Guard (contract) - closes when filled
- Fitness Floor Monitor (PT, seasonal) – closes when filled
- Fitness Instructor – Zumba - closes when filled
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (PT, seasonal) - closes when filled
- Program Instructor (PT seasonal contract) - closes when filled
- Summer Aquatics positions – close February 14
- Summer Camp positions – close February 14
- Summer Parks positions – close January 24
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (PT seasonal) – closes when filled

Please visit the Township website at www.king.ca for employment opportunities.

BID NOTICES

For all bid opportunities, please visit the Township of King's website www.king.ca, click **Popular Topics** and click **BID OPPORTUNITIES**.

Or visit on the following link
<https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en>

REMINDERS



REMINDER! Help us keep your streets clear of snow and safe for passage. To ensure effective snow removal,

Winter Parking Restrictions are in effect from **November 1st to April 15th**. On-street parking is prohibited on any roadway from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. during this period.

If you have a catch basin in front of your property, please ensure it is clear of snow to allow the water to drain.



Christmas tree pickup

Christmas trees will be picked up on **Mon., Jan. 13** only. Please remove all decorations, nails, tree stands and plastic tree bags. Crews will not dig out a tree or climb a snowbank to retrieve one and trees over six feet tall in height must be cut into pieces.

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE

Mayor Steve Pellegrini & Members of Council Cordially Invite all Residents of the Township of King to our Annual

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday January 18, 2020
9:00 am - 11:00 am
King City Community Centre & Arena
25 Doctors Lane

Join us for a Free Skate with Mayor Steve Pellegrini from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm!

Please see more King Township notices on page 5

PUBLIC NOTICES



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KING

NOTICE OF MEETINGS - REVISED

2020 WATER & WASTEWATER RATES and BY-LAW, DRAFT 2020-2022 BUDGETS & BUSINESS PLAN

Council Chambers located at: King Township Municipal Centre, 2585 King Road, King City, ON

RE: Presentation of 2020 Water & Wastewater Rates: **Monday, December 2, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**
(Consideration of By-law for Adoption, Monday, January 13th, 2020)

The Township of King 2020 Water and Wastewater Rates Report will be presented at the December 2, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting. The By-law will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, January 13th, 2020 Council Meeting. Interested parties are invited to attend to ask questions and comment.

RE: Council Working Session: **Monday, December 2, 2019 DEFERRED to January 13, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.**
Presentation of Draft 2020-2022 Budgets & Business Plan
Location: *King Township Municipal Centre – 2585 King Road, King City*

The Township of King's preliminary assumptions, feedback received to date, context and strategic directions relating to the Draft 2020-2022 Budgets & Business Plans will be discussed at a Working Session on Monday, January 13, 2020. Interested parties are invited to attend to listen in on discussions relating to the DRAFT 2020-2022 Budgets & Business Plans.

RE: Council Meeting: **Monday, December 2, 2019 DEFERRED to January 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**
Draft – 2020-2022 Budgets & Business Plan

The Township of King's Draft 2020-2022 Budgets & Business Plan, will be tabled at the January 13, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Interested parties are invited to attend. Budget information will be available for review at the King Township Municipal Centre at 2585 King Road, King City or on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, January 9, 2020.

RE: Council Meeting: **Monday, January 13, 2020 DEFERRED to January 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**
Consideration of By-law for Adoption: 2020-2022 Budgets & Business Plan

The Township of King adoption of the 2020 Operating Budget & Business Plan and 2020-2022 Amended Capital Budgets, will be tabled at the January 27, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Interested parties are invited to attend. Budget information will be available for review at the King Township Municipal Centre at 2585 King Road, King City or on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, January 23, 2020.

For further information regarding the 2020-2022 Budget & Business Plan, please visit the Township's website at www.king.ca or contact: Allan Evelyn, Director of Finance and Treasurer, aevelyn@king.ca

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Kathryn Moyle
Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement
Township Clerk

Notice of a Public Meeting Concerning a Proposed Zoning By-Law and Official Plan Amendment

The public are invited to attend a public meeting to be held by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King on:
MONDAY, JANUARY 27th, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

at the Township of King Council Chambers at 2585 King Road, King City to receive information and provide comments on a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, Official Plan Amendment, and Site Plan Control Application, under Section 22 and 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13.

Subject Property

Location: 12984 Keele Street, King City
Plan 84, Part Lot 1
King Station Inc.
Owner/Applicant:
Agent: Murray Evans, Evans Planning Inc.
File Numbers: Z-2019-09, OP-2019-04 and SPD-19-51

The proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment submitted by Evans Planning Inc., on behalf of King Station Inc., File Numbers OP-2019-04 and Z-2019-09 concerns a 0.239 hectare site located on the west side of Keele Street, south of King Road in the Village of King City. The subject lands are currently designated as 'Core Area' by the King City Community Plan (OPA #540) and are zoned 'Core Area – King City' (CAK) by Zoning By-law #2017-66, as amended. The Site is currently vacant.

What are the Proposed Changes

The purpose of the Official Plan Amendment application is to increase the permitted density and height policies identified for the Core Area to provide for a 4 storey mixed use building containing 23 residential rental apartments and 6 commercial units at grade.

The purpose of the Zoning By-law Amendment application is to establish a site specific (CAK-X) zone to permit the height and density to facilitate the development together with some exceptions to the general provisions and parking requirements of the by-law. A Site Plan Development application has also submitted with the detailed design for the project.

Appeal Procedure

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Township of King to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal ("LPAT") but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of King before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted or zoning by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of King before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted or before the zoning by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal ("LPAT") unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

Any person may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Official Plan Amendment or Zoning By-law Amendment. **Written comments will become part of the public record.**

How to Stay Informed

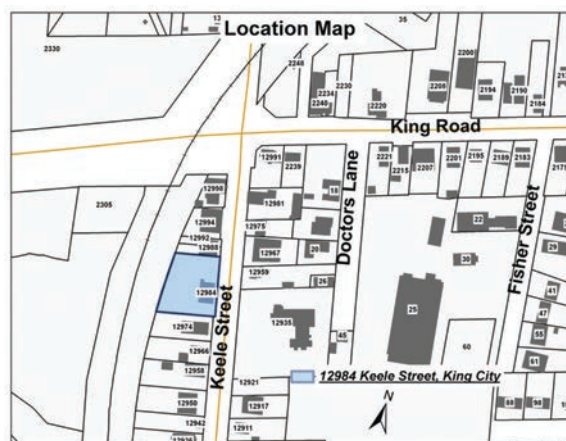
If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council of the Township of King regarding the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Township of King, 2585 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1A1.

Additional Information

A copy of the proposed Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-law Amendment, and Site Plan Development Application, and additional information about the proposed applications are available for review at the Planning Department located at the Municipal Offices. Office hours are Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Contact: Paul Kulyk, Planner II, 905-833-4063 or pkulyk@king.ca.

Dated at the Township of King this 2nd, day of January, 2020.

Kathryn Moyle
Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement
Township Clerk
Township of King



King City home biggest prize in Princess Margaret lottery

By Mark Pavilons

A King City home is the record-breaking grand prize in the 2020 Princess Margaret Home Lottery.

The 9,390-square-foot home on Elmers Lane comes in at \$5.2 million, making it the biggest home prize ever.

The home features an oversized gourmet chef inspired kitchen and breakfast area with soaring ceilings.

French doors open to a three-season lanai that boasts retractable glass walls allowing your family and guests to invite the outdoors to your doorstep.

The exquisite separate coffered ceiling dining room and living room with fireplace makes grand scale entertaining easy!

The second floor is home to 5 beautiful bedrooms and 4 bathrooms; all with spacious walk-in closets.

The master bedroom is a private oasis complete with 2 walk-in closets, free standing tub and luxurious shower.

The show home features a private main floor library, elevator, lower level underground adult speakeasy with secret passage entrance, wet bar, and washroom.

The lower level also features a whimsical candy shop and large family recreation room equipped with a gas fireplace.

It's awarded fully furnished, professionally decorated and landscaped.

the home is built by Greenpark Group with interior design by Sarah Baeumler.

"The show home this year is a collaboration of Greenpark's dedication to a high level of architectural details and finishes," said Jack A. Celli, interior design director for Greenpark Group/Jakmar Design Inc.

"Designed with passion and purpose, this home exudes a transitional style elevated by sophisticated elements that will mature and evolve alongside your family," noted Baeumler.

The home is part of the grand prize package, totalling \$6.8 million. It includes a 2,027-square-foot Kawartha lake-front cottage valued at \$1.1 million. Topping the package is \$500,000 in cash.

Viewing opens Saturday, Feb. 15. You can visit the home Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 8 p.m. and weekends, noon to 5 p.m.

In the past residents have complaint-



ed to King council that visitors caused traffic and parking chaos on local roads. To alleviate this, parking will be available at Villanova College and a courtesy shuttle will be provided. There is

no parking in the subdivision or on the 15th Sideroad.

To see the home and learn about the lottery, visit <https://princessmargaret-lotto.com/grand-prize>

LPAT hearing begins Jan. 13 into Mansions of King

By Mark Pavilons

The Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) hearing into the Mansions of King subdivision will begin Monday, Jan. 13 at 10 a.m. in the council chambers of the Township municipal building.

The Mansions of King application includes 63 houses and a condo building.

The Kingscross Ratepayers Association is a full party to this appeal and will participate with legal, planning and LPAT qualified experts.

The most recent LPAT hearing in November centred around the Bushland Heights subdivision. A settlement agreement between the applicants and other agencies curtailed the hearings. KRA was denied full party status, creating some controversy and objections.

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"A newspaper is the center of a community, it's one of the tent poles of the community, and that's not going to be replaced by websites and blogs."

~ Michael Connelly

Making plans, taking steps to self-improvement

We humans tend to make a lot of noise, whether standing or sitting.

I wonder how the world would sound if you eliminated all of the chatter, voices, and human utterances. Eerie, or soothing?

Fireworks accompanied most new year's celebrations and they date back thousands of years as ancient Asian cultures used firecrackers, fireworks and guns – loud noises of any kind – to frighten away dark spirits.

Church bells, drums and even sirens sound to welcome the new year.

Of course, no celebration would be complete without a beverage and many cultures offer spiced, hot drinks and offer them to neighbours.

New Year's Day was once a time to exchange gifts, as our ancestors wanted to bestow prosperity upon one another. One of my favourites, shortbread, was given in Scotland for good luck. Gifts included coins, eggs and even silverware.

The dawn of a new year and new decade is, of course, a time for reflection and introspection.

The practice of making resolutions apparently dates back to the Babylonians in 2,600 BC. Rosh Hashanah is a time for personal introspection and prayer, as well as visiting the graves of loved ones.

Whether you wear white, toss water out of the window, jump from a chair or carry an empty suitcase around the



Mark Pavilons

block, we all want the same thing – hope for good things to come.

Hope, good wishes and blessings are fine, but we have to act. We have to make choices, decisions, and take action to ensure our own personal evolution.

We have to work hard to make ourselves better humans, better spouses, better parents and better siblings. There's no question we all have the desire, but we have to make it a priority every day.

My wife and I watched the award-winning "Marriage Story," a movie on Netflix over the holidays. While sombre, it provided a lot of food for thought.

One of the key take-aways from the movie was one simple retrospective task. Both spouses wrote a letter, noting all of the qualities that attract(ed) them to each other. My wife and I plan to do the same.

I think it's a really neat exercise that will help us revisit and perhaps keep those embers glowing brightly.

Marriages, and relationships, take constant effort, adjustment, improvement and tweaking. We often get very comfortable in our long-term living arrangements and perhaps things fall by the wayside. Our romantic sides get a bit frayed at the edges and we neglect to open doors, send flowers and make each day special.

It's not for a lack of good intentions or want. I think our lives in the past decade have become much more hectic than we were prepared for. We now often work or shop 7 days a week. We give our kids all that they want and we forgot some sound advice from our parents along the way regarding frugality.

Everything, especially our modern lifestyles, comes with a price.

The problem with we westerners is that we let our hectic pace get the better of us. We stress over finances and the cost of living. We worry about the future and we constantly worry about our kids. We spend more time thinking about home repairs than fixing ourselves.

There are times I really hate living in the society we've created. During long drives through Ontario, I stare at the countryside, thinking I could just duck into a remote forest and build a cabin. No one would ever find me!

When I look at other people around the globe, even those less fortunate, I envy them. I think they've found something we haven't – how to live life and how to love within very simple means. They cherish family, health, and being able to share a meal with one another.

They also value their religious beliefs, something that's waning in North America today.

They don't need to watch Netflix to figure things out. They don't have an Amazon account. And they've never shouted at a person in a drive-through.

They don't have to make lists regarding their spouses.

In retrospect, our parents knew very little about the psychology of relationships and the ins and outs of child-rearing. Few of them read Dr. Spock, let alone Dr. Seuss. They didn't discuss one another's shortcomings or stress over putting food on the table.

That's not to say they didn't worry about their kids, but we always had clothes and an allowance if needed. I lost my dad in 1998 and my mom in 2010 and while I don't dwell on them much, there are times I wish they were still around.

My wife and I also plan to create a to-do list for 2020. That list will not only contain some self-improvement measures, but also some fun things we hope to accomplish. It's a wish-list of sorts.

I'd love to try zip lining in the Caribbean, but that may just be a pipe dream.

Of course, 2020 marks our 25th anniversary, so I'm reminded to start planning now! And I'd better be up to the task or the dogs will have some company.

Like exercise equipment, our intentions and plans tend to fizzle out a few weeks into the new year. My wife often says I can lead the charge for two weeks, and then I slip into my old ways. I wish there was a concoction on late-night infomercials to keep the desire going strong.

As I said, it's constant effort. Our brains may need a bit of re-wiring or constant reminders, but we're more than capable of becoming better, of being nicer, more compassionate, more loving, more considerate.

If we all did, the world, and our personal lives, would be much better indeed.

Letters to the Editor

Birder extends her thanks

Just a thank you to the kind and very tolerant people of Schomberg for their patience with the droves of birders and photographers clogging their streets and unwittingly pointing binoculars and cameras towards their homes as they seek out their beautiful rare Northern Hawk-Owl visitor! Sorry for the inconvenience and occasional misbehaviours.

Nancy Smith
Vineland, Ontario

Stay healthy by getting flu shot

I make a point of getting a flu shot every year. My reasons are simple: I don't enjoy getting sick, and I don't want to make my friends, family or colleagues sick, either.

Many Canadians may regard the flu as another annoyance of winter but it can be dangerous to young children, pregnant women and seniors, who are at high risk of developing flu-related complications.

Getting a flu shot is your best defence – and your family's – against getting sick this season. It also helps other Ontarians. Every year, thousands of people across Ontario get the flu, which puts extra pressure on our hospitals and health care system.

Encouraging Ontarians to receive an influenza vaccination is a proven way to reduce Emergency Room visits and wait times for patients with more serious ailments. Ending hallway healthcare starts with all of us taking the necessary steps to avoid easily preventable illnesses.

You can get a flu shot at your family doctor or nurse practitioner office, public health units and participating pharmacies. The flu shot is available to anyone five years of age or older, and it's free.

And if you have elderly parents, I strongly recommend that you encourage them to get a flu shot, too.

To learn more about the government's influenza immunization program, please visit Ontario.ca/flu.

Stephen Lecce
MPP King-Vaughan

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THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Results from last week's poll:
Are you making any New Year's resolutions?

a) Yes

b) No

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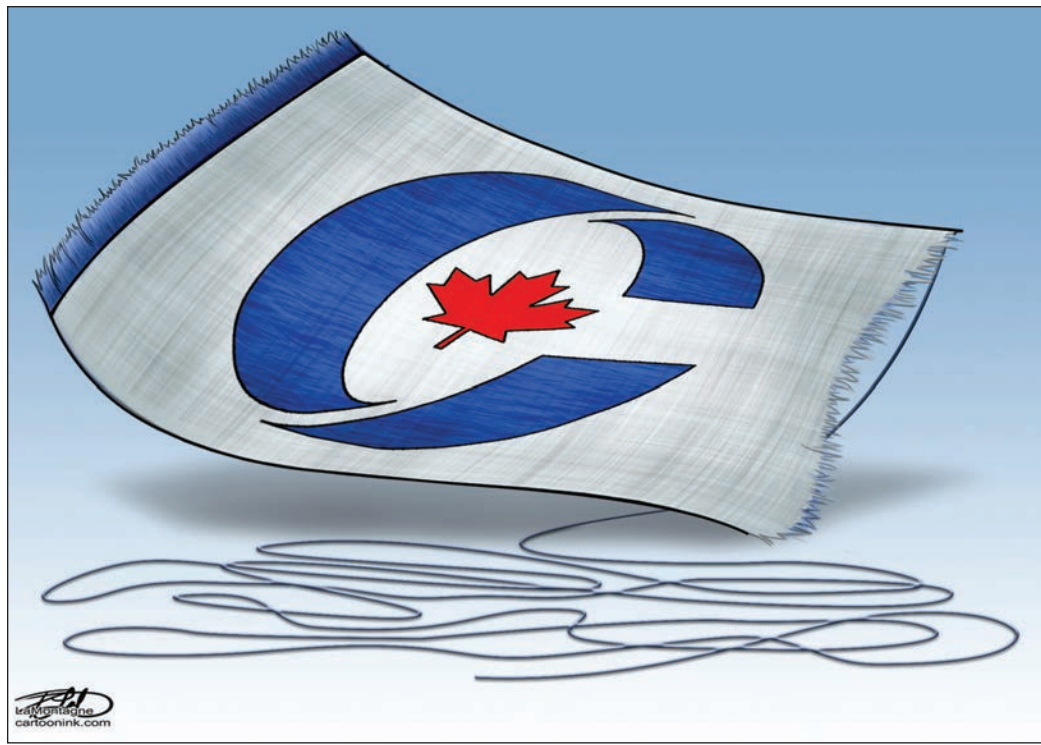
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Did you watch the gold medal game between Canada and Russia?

a) Yes
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!

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



Thought of the Week

Help others maintain their composure!

If your head is on straight, you can watch others lose theirs. Chant if you must, but do what you can to cool those hot heads.

King Township Trivia

The 23-km-long Schomberg and Aurora Railway (nicknamed the Annie Rooney) was established in 1902. The railway ran for 26 years between 1902 and 1927.

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Family visit was a reminder of King's charm

By David Boyd
Ward 2 Councillor

Happy New Year! I wanted to share with you the following experience we had recently when my wife, Besy, and I invited some family from the city to spend New Year's Day with us in Nobleton.

We didn't have much of an agenda other than spending some quality time together and to enjoy a good meal. We were a group of four adults and six kids, so we decided a great way to spend part of the day would be to go tobogganing. We discussed location options, such as the hill at St. Paul's Church or the Lions Community Sports Park – we decided on Tasca Park.

I found the walk to Tasca and the conversations along the way to be a

refreshing reminder of how fortunate we are to live in this wonderful community. Our guests commented on the beautiful homes surrounding the park and were impressed by the walking trails that led to the small bridge at the entrance to the park. As I often do, I quickly found myself boasting about our town, as I described the trails at Cold Creek Conservation Area, Davis Park and the nature conservation trails off 7th Sideroad.

As we entered the park our company was even more amazed. "How big is the park?" they asked. "Is that exercise equipment – was that hill really designed just for tobogganing?"

This time Besy filled them in on the details, "The park is 23 acres, has a splash pad, a skate park and we have another big park on the other side of

town with a pool, tennis courts and an outdoor hockey rink."

It was an awesome day. There were many kids having fun on the hill and families out walking and enjoying the first day of the new year. Everyone who passed by said a "hello."

The comment that stuck with me most was from Besy's cousin. She said: "I love it here, you are so lucky, everyone is friendly and there is so much space. I could let my kids play here without the worries I have in the city."

Perhaps you have heard similar comments when hosting friends and family from the GTA. For me the day became a reminder of how magnificent our community space truly is and that the simple act of saying "hello" in the park helps to build community and maintain our small-town at-

mosphere.

I'm excited about 2020 and ready to continue to work hard on your behalf. A few highlights that we can look forward to are:

The opening of Alf Budweth Park in the Tribute subdivision; the newly designed/upgraded park in Laskay and continued investment into community space; transportation improvements, including reconstruction and resurfacing portions of the 15th Sideroad and the opportunity to improve community connections by adding multi-purpose trails as part of project.

King Township has so much to offer, appreciate and be proud of. I look forward to enjoying it, and doing my part to maintain our small-town feel while connecting with many of you along the way.



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Finance staff will be able to discuss and provide the payment options for property owners.

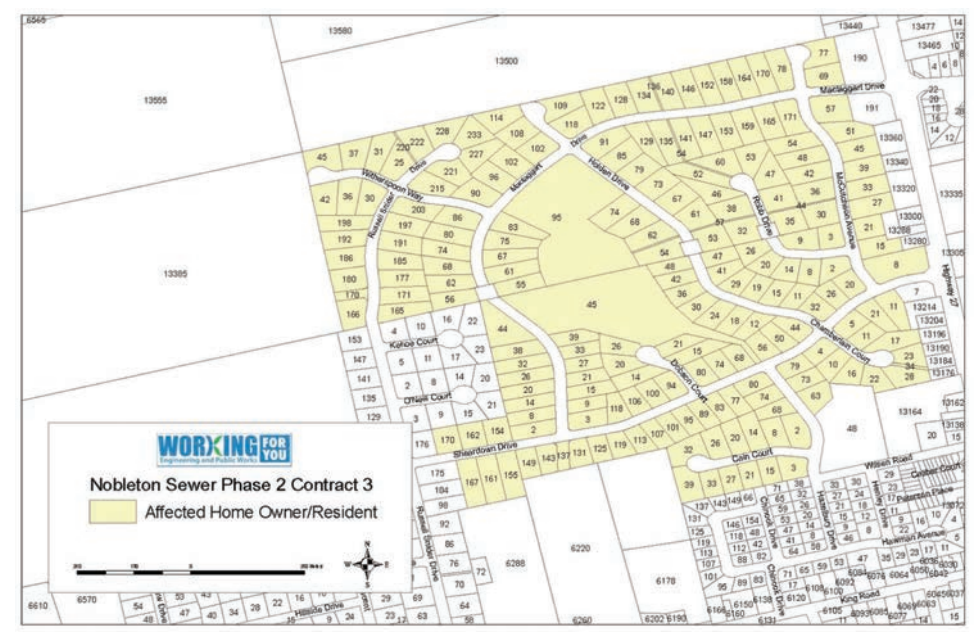


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Councillors David Boyd & Jakob Schneider

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How do I prevent a cooking fire?

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

FIRE INJURIES and DEATHS

- ❖ 32% of all home fire injuries occur in cooking fires.
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Residents spring into action to help wounded deer

By Mark Pavilons

A local doctor didn't think twice about rescuing a wounded deer.

The incident occurred Nov. 16 at roughly 8 p.m. on King Road, east of Highway 27.

Dr. Brian Van Arem just left his equine veterinary practice at Woodbine Racetrack when he came across a number of vehicles pulled over to the side of the road.

"As I passed I saw that a deer had been hit by a car and was lying between the vehicles. I pulled over and was told by the bystanders that a deer had been hit and the vehicle had left the scene. The deer was in shock and was unable to stand."

He examined the deer and noted that it was a female with an extensive laceration on her left hindquarters. "I was able to sedate her and assessed that she needed immediate medical attention. I called one of my clients, Dave Perry of Perry Equine Transport, who had a horse farm in the area."

He explained the situation and

Dave offered his barn in order that Van Arem could assess and treat the deer. One of the bystanders had a pickup truck and offered to transport the deer to the farm. The sedated deer was secured and brought to Perry's farm.

They moved her to a horse stall and Van Arem was able to clean and suture her wound. There did not appear to be any fractures of the pelvic area but upon further assessment, it was evident she had a fractured right front ankle. Van Arem contacted Milton Equine Hospital and was able to acquire casting and bandage material that he hoped would be sufficient to aid in the repair of the fractured ankle.

The suturing and fracture repair went well.

"I was worried about infection and her mobility with the fractured ankle."

The deer remained in a horse stall at the farm for just over six weeks.

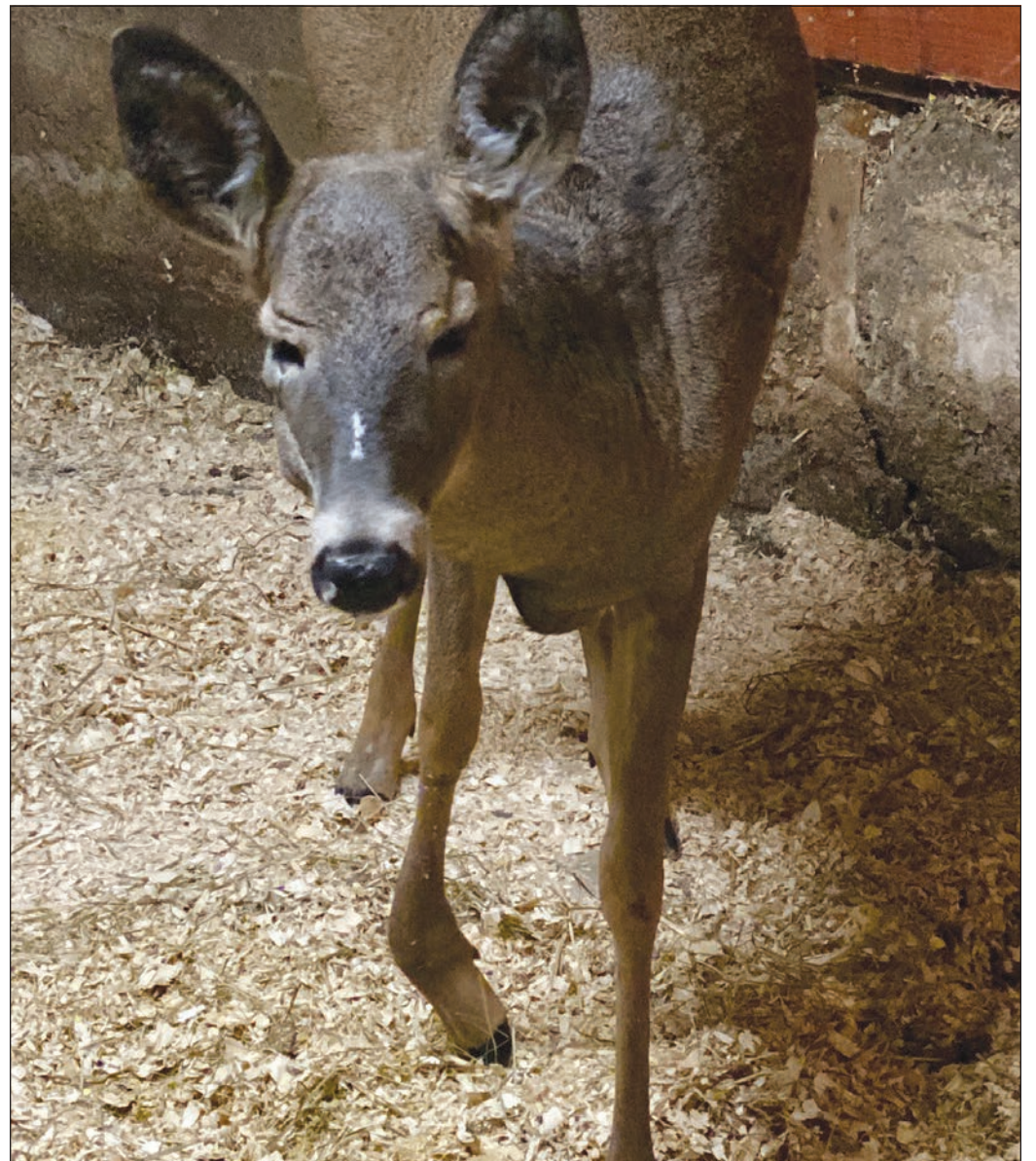
Van Arem checked the ankle again and allowed her to get her mobility back. They released her in a conservation forest in northern King.

"None of this would have been possible without the generous offer of Dave Perry who donated his barn, and Rachael Liston who fed and monitored the deer during her time of recovery," Van Arem said.

The deer who roam wild in the King

area are in constant danger of being killed by vehicles, he pointed out.

"I'm happy that I was at the right place at the right time and had the help of all the bystanders who assisted in the treatment and recovery of our King 'Holiday Deer.'"



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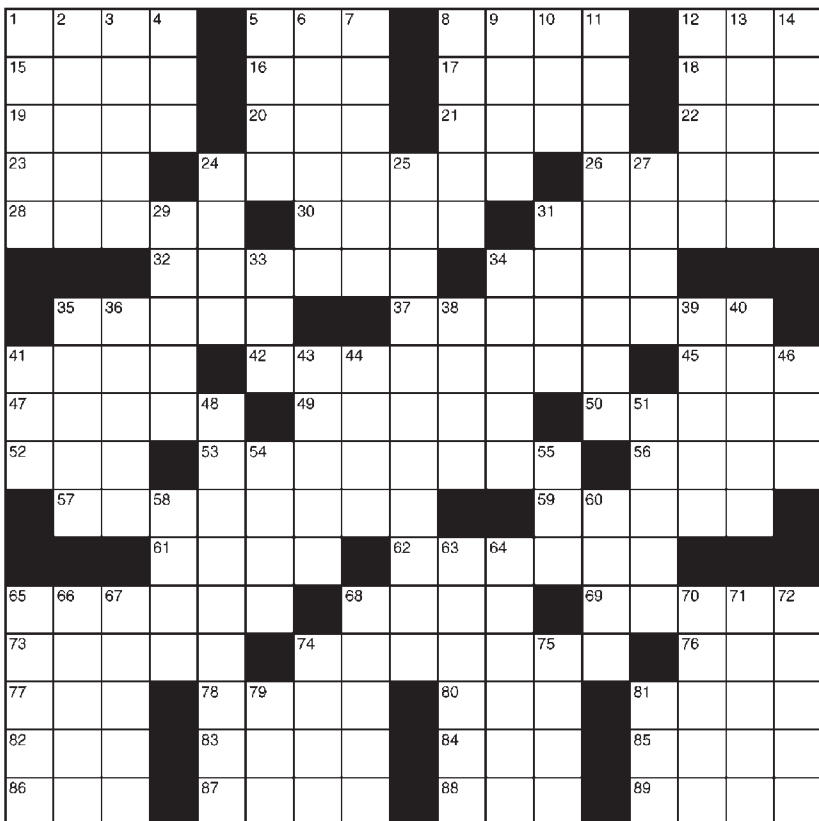
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- 1. Summer resort for kids
- 5. Actor Coleman, shortly
- 8. ___-service
- 12. "Cleopatra" menace
- 15. Concerto instrument
- 16. Before now
- 17. Transmission ending
- 18. Cartoon frame
- 19. Leading
- 20. It comes after pi
- 21. Kind of ray
- 22. "Assault ___ Queen"; 2 wds.
- 23. "___ Daughter" (Stanwyck film)
- 24. Plume
- 26. Foot bones
- 28. Water mammal
- 30. Brown quickly
- 31. Cheesemaking ingredient
- 32. Put in order
- 34. Withered
- 35. Printer supply
- 37. Wine bottle
- 41. Suitor
- 42. Tailless rodent
- 45. Audio receiver
- 47. Visual
- 49. Flavor
- 50. Baby insect
- 52. Low grade
- 53. Gossiper, at times
- 56. Manner
- 57. Conductor's colleague
- 59. Strange
- 61. Took off
- 62. Tribal medium
- 65. Geisha's garb
- 68. Airshow maneuver
- 69. Stop
- 73. Modify
- 74. Daybreak
- 76. Boor
- 77. Steep flax
- 78. "The Ten Commandments," e.g.
- 80. Race, as a motor
- 81. Ballerina's short skirt
- 82. Wrestling surface
- 83. Gaunt
- 84. Chef's sculpture
- 85. Auricular
- 86. Libation
- 87. Fidgety
- 88. Lair
- 89. Hereditary unit
- 1. Small band
- 2. Astern
- 3. Somewhat wet
- 4. Pig's enclosure
- 5. Venture
- 6. Shocked
- 7. Infant's shoe
- 8. Grave
- 9. By any chance
- 10. Voiced volley
- 11. Brotherly
- 12. Oak fruit
- 13. Smell, e.g.
- 14. Fold
- 24. Detached
- 25. Jack- or Jill-of-all-trades
- 27. Dill, formerly
- 29. Yawn-producing mood
- 31. "___ Window" (Hitchcock film)
- 33. Part of a circle
- 34. Petrify
- 35. Indian's abode
- 36. Like a popular hot cereal
- 38. Poet's black
- 39. Weird
- 40. Black
- 41. Physique, for short
- 43. Favorable trait
- 44. Liver paste
- 46. Moved speedily
- 48. Customers
- 51. Ammonia derivative
- 54. Facts, briefly
- 55. Zodiac sign
- 58. Goopy stuff
- 60. Gown trim
- 63. Dreadful
- 64. For each
- 65. Destiny
- 66. Utopian
- 67. Dull finish
- 68. Dalmatian pup
- 70. Crucial
- 71. Glossy fabric
- 72. Bring out
- 74. Emulate Estefan
- 75. Nykvist or Hedin
- 79. Tablet
- 81. Garb

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7-Day Weather Outlook

From Thursday, January 9 to Wednesday, January 15

THURS 9TH	FRI 10TH	SAT 11TH	SUN 12TH	MON 13TH	TUES 14TH	WED 15TH
Sun/Clouds High -4C° Low -4C° <1cm/~1mm Wind SE 27k	Cloudy/Showers High 8C° Low 4C° ~10mm Wind SW 21k	Rain High 5C° Low -7C° ~10cm/10-15mm Wind N 24k	Light Snow High -6C° Low -8C° 1-3cm Wind N 22k	Clouds/Sun High 0C° Low -3C° - Wind SE 13k	Snow High 2C° Low -2C° 2-4cm/<1mm Wind SW 17k	Scattered Flurries High 2C° Low -2C° ~1cm Wind SE 22k

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Combined effort makes internet a reality in Laskay

From Front Page

The reality hit of just how important and relevant high-speed internet was to daily life. Some families experienced overage costs in excess of \$600/month.

Even though this was not the Prces' situation, they felt that the community needed to come together to bring the town of Laskay to the 20th century. They continued to take the lead and decided to share the stories of the Laskay residents with King's Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Councillor David Boyd. They really began to get traction with their initiative once the mayor was on board. It began to give a voice to the "small homeowner," especially when dealing with the Goliath internet players.

Dennis and Tracy were the town advocates for Laskay, whether it was via phone, email or an old school knock on the door; they began corralling the residents to the new town hall and having meetings with the mayor, councillors and internet providers.

Dennis and Tracy could no longer carry the task on their own. Fellow neighbours, Peter Kelly and Rob

Valenzano decided it was time to step in and help the Prces' with the carrying out this endeavour. They called upon other active neighbours to join in and the Laskay Fibre Internet Committee was created with the following members: Dennis, Peter, Greg, Sebastian, Brian and Rob.

How did it all pan-out for the Laskay residents? Well, this modern-day fairy tale has a happy ending. We won't give you all the trials and tribulations along the way. It took a concerted effort to get a significant number of residents (61 out of 77) to commit to signing up for high-speed and a minimum financial commitment for infrastructure of \$90,000. This amount was eventually reduced to \$75,000 paid to Bell Canada in order to lay the fibre internet cable in the community. Sommerville, a local provider landed the contract from Bell.

The committee team would like to thank the following key people:

Bell Canada; Jim, project manager at Bell Canada; Christine, customer service and satisfaction, Mayor Steve Pellegrini and his team; Councillor David Boyd and Sommerville staff.



It only took 160 years, but the hamlet of Laskay now has access to high-speed internet, thanks to the combined efforts of residents, Township councillors and staff, and suppliers.

Regional council okays police budget

York Regional Council approved the 2020 police operating and capital budgets, allowing YRP to continue to deliver nationally-recognized crime prevention and law enforcement programs and investigative leadership to the more than 1.2 million citizens living in one of Canada's safest communities.

The approved net operating budget for 2020 is \$348 million, an increase of 4.2 per cent over 2019. The capital budget is \$42.4 million, with capital spend authority for multiple-year projects of \$57.4 million.

YRP will be adding 34 additional members in 2020 to meet the demands of growth and increasing workload pressures, while maintaining quality service levels. These members will be deployed to District Operations, Support Services, Operational Command, Staff Services, Financial Services and Corporate Development.

The capital budget will provide funding for the new #1 District headquarters, the Marine Unit Headquarters, land acquisition for a future substation in west Vaughan, as well as the annual purchase of vehicles, information technology equipment and other specialized equipment.

The approval of this budget will allow YRP to meet increasing calls for service, including those to the 9-1-1 Communications Centre and on the frontline. The budget includes continued investment in the mental health, well-being and psychological safety of our members to ensure we provide a productive, effective and healthy workplace.

There is also a continued emphasis on new, innovative initiatives such as digital evidence management, opportunities for civilianization and leveraging technologies, such as business intelligence, which are modernizing our service and supporting efficient, effective policing in a growing community.

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Local optometrist delivers vision care to the needy

By Kinjal Dagli Shah

Dr. Sonia Postiglione's resolution for the new year is to deliver 20-20 vision to people who don't have access to it. It's not a mere coincidence that it's the year 2020.

The optometrist has been collecting old glasses since September in preparation for an upcoming trip to Chinandega in Nicaragua, where she joins a team of professionals on a mission to provide corrective vision to those in need.

"I saw an email from the Canadian Optometry Group that they were looking for an optometrist to join them. I always wanted to join a mission like this one and it came at the right time in my life. I will be travelling along with other medical professionals who are a part of Team Broken Earth, a medical charity based out of Newfoundland. The mission is also supported by the Lions Club. We will be spending eight days and seeing hundreds of patients who need eye care," said Dr Postiglione, who has been advertising her need for donations of old glasses and has already collected hundreds.

"Everyone has a pair or two of old glasses that they are just lying around. This is like recycling plastic but with a huge purpose.

The old glasses are sent to a sorting station, where they are cleaned and sorted and distributed in third world countries. The donors feel good that their glasses will be repurposed and be of use to someone else," said the long-time King City resident who used to collect old glasses even before the mission. "I would collect them and give them to the Lions Club but I always wanted to be on the other side to see where the glasses end up."

Dr. Postiglione has lived in King for 19 years and her eye clinic is in its 13th year.

"I donate to different charities around King Township but this time, I will be donating my time, expertise and finances towards a noble cause. I am carrying a lot of my instruments and a big suitcase full of trial lenses. There will be a lot of hands-on work in 33 degree temperatures and no air-conditioning but I hear that it's very well worth it in the end," she pointed out.

As an optometrist, she knows that people take their vision for granted and that it can be debilitating.

"A simple pair of glasses can change their lives and I am looking forward to helping the less privileged go from practically blind to 20-20 or at least functional vision."



Dr. Sonia Postiglione, of King City Optometry, has joined a team travelling to Nicaragua to provide vision care to local residents.

YRDSB creates indigenous trustee positions

At its Dec. 10 board meeting, York Region District School Board unanimously approved the addition of new permanent Indigenous Trustee and Indigenous Student Trustee positions.

"As a board of trustees, we are serious about enhancing Indigenous Education in our Board and demonstrating our commitment to Truth and Reconciliation and we need to hear those voices represented at the Board table," said Juanita Nathan, chair. "We look forward to welcoming and working with our new Indigenous Trustee and Indigenous Student Trustee in the best interests of our students."

"This is an important step, and demonstrates the commitment of our board to build relationships, and to learn and work together with indigenous peoples to ensure all of our students have every opportunity to succeed," said Louise Sirisko, director of education.

Board staff will collaborate with indigenous partners to determine a process for appointing the new indigenous trustees. The goal is to fill both positions as soon as appropriate processes have been developed.

York Region District School Board is the third largest school district in Ontario with over 127,000 students in 180 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.

York Region builds on waste reduction, diversion practices

The Regional Municipality of York remains at the forefront when it comes to sustainable ways to manage waste, achieving 94% diversion from landfill.

The 2018 Annual Solid Waste Diversion Report summarizes all waste tonnes collected through local city and town curbside collection programs and municipal public drop-off depots.

"York Region remains diligent in our efforts of tackling waste within our communities," said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "By working with our partners, developing innovative solutions and encouraging everyday habits in the community, we continue to exceed our Regional Official Plan goal of diverting 90% from landfill."

Highlights of 2018 waste diversion efforts include collecting:

- 99,065 tonnes of green bin organics.
- 83,526 tonnes of blue box recyclables.
- 42,287 tonnes of yard waste.
- 1,219 tonnes of household hazardous waste.
- 1,124 tonnes of electronic waste.
- 123,229 tonnes of energy from waste converted.

"Since 2012, York Region and our local cities and towns have ranked first among large urban municipalities for waste diversion," said Vaughan regional councillor Mario Ferri, chair of Environmental Services. "The strides we are making in managing waste helps us build sustainable communities and move us closer to achieving zero waste across the province."

York Region has long advocated for an Ontario-wide effort to reduce litter and waste in our communities. The Region's Integrated Waste Management Master Plan, the SM4RT Living Plan, sets the stage for waste reduction and reuse activities across the Region. It focuses on the four R's of reducing, reusing, recycling and recovering energy-from-waste. Energy-from-waste captures the energy produced from waste after all diversion efforts have been maximized. This process also lowers greenhouse gas emissions, recovers metals and reduces the volume of waste going to landfill. In 2018, York Region's waste produced enough electricity to power over 3,000 homes and supplied enough industrial steam to heat over 6,000 homes.

To learn more about the plan please visit york.ca/sm4rtliving

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Arts & Entertainment

Looking forward, looking back: Arts Society King

By Dorita Peer

The yearbook closes on another banner year for Arts Society King (ASK).

Blair Day steps down as president but remains staunchly on board as Lynda Rogers returns to take the helm, with Michele McNally as vice, Murdene Pozdrowski as secretary, and of course, the trusty Len Vernon as financial officer. The outgoing executive director, the tireless and skillful Teri Hastings, will be sorely missed by all who must fill her boots on the now all-volunteer cadre. With Elaine Robertson and yours truly, the board has a complement of seven strong. Volunteers are like gold and newcomers are always most wel-

come to enrich ASK meetings, held on the first Wednesday of each month.

That banner year began with an info session on township spaces for community groups to hold events. The abundance of choices will soon include the shiny new facility for the King Township Public Library, a stalwart ASK partner, with Kelley England as liaison after Sharon Bentley retired. A very eager WriteNow!@King writers' group returns in 2020, dates TBA. Info at doritapeer@bell.net.

Then on a certain February night, The King's Feet Underground Sound & Literary Festival, hosted by yours truly and Nancy Rathlou, packed Laskay Hall to the rafters with fans and performances by 20 writers, poets, oral storytellers, musicians and folk dancers, with imbedded artists sketching away. An expanded afternoon/evening version is in the works for 2020.

April saw the corridors of the municipal centre graced by the expressive well-spring of local young creators during the Mayor's Celebration of Youth Arts. Look for samples of their work on banners around King this summer. Later, Phyllis Vernon and team brought us Larry Kurtz and the Lawbreakers who brought down the house at the Heritage & Cultural Centre - is it really the blues when it is that much fun? The month closed with forty-six Studio Tour artists making for a grand ramble through the township.

Summer Blooms popped up at Laskay Hall in May, and in June, the Schomberg Garden Tour included artists painting in situ, floral themes being a perennial favorite of township creatives.

One of the high points of any ASK



year is, of course, the Schomberg Street Gallery, in partnership with Tom Wray's team. The weather gods proved moody, but the artists who came from near and far remained engaged with and rewarded by those who braved the drippy skies. Also in September, ASK partnered with the Schomberg Fire-fighter's Mixer and Art Auction, Lot 15 graciously hosting, to a resounding success with sixty supporters at the revels.

Throughout the year, ASK's MOSAiC magazine reports quarterly on arts and culture in King. Lidia Alghoul heads the staff of talented pro bono contributors, and the delightful covers feature the work of ASK artists. The centre-

fold is your go-to calendar for what is happening, and groups wishing to list their events should contact the editor through the website below.

ASK is grateful for the support of its partners, to the Township governors and to the residents whose enthusiasm for the arts is matched only by the extraordinary numbers of practicing fine artists concentrated in King. And there is still room to broaden out to include more theatre and literary arts, dance, music and film, for example.

To learn how you can take part as a member or sponsor, and to stay abreast of events, please visit info@artsocietyking.ca



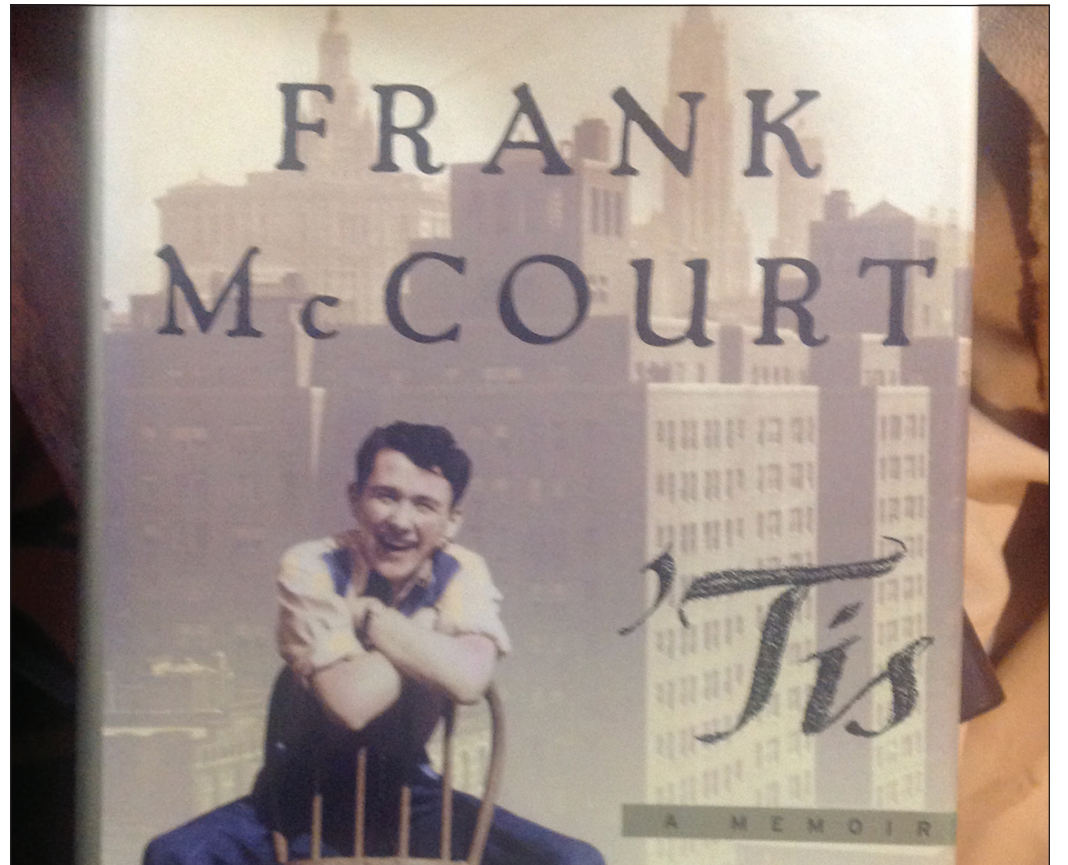
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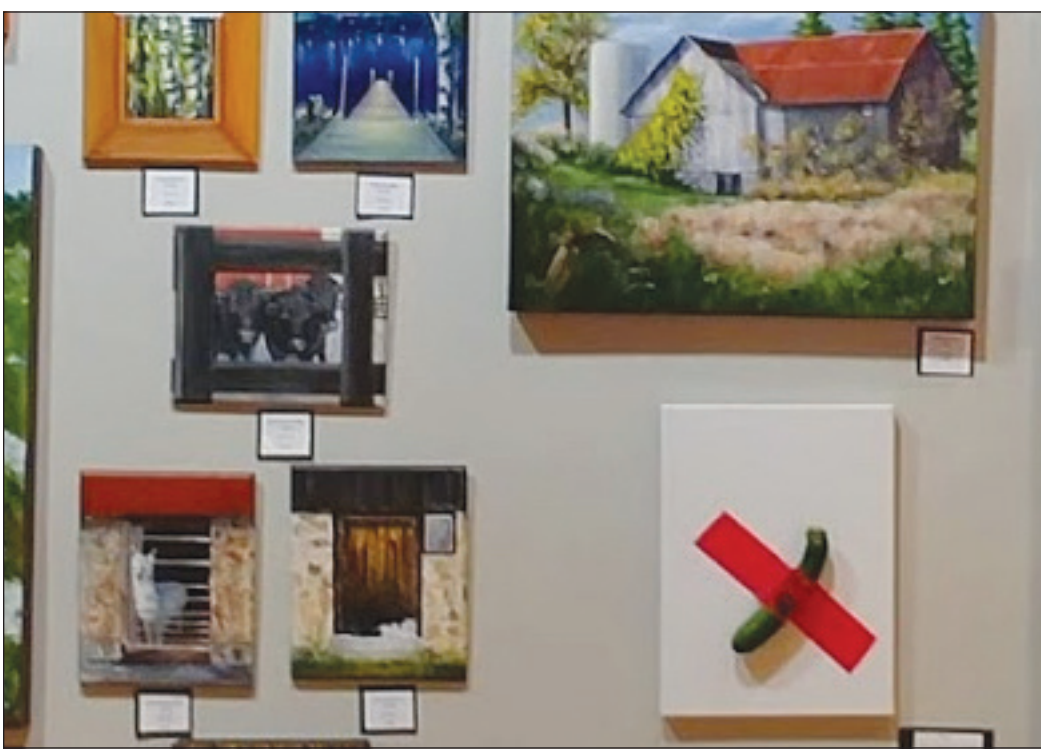
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King artist follows suit with unusual art

A King artist has followed up on “Comedian,” a piece of art on display at an art show in Miami that captured international attention.

Many have heard about the bananas taped to a wall, by Italian artist Maurizio Cattelan. One sold for \$120,000 and it’s one of three editions of the piece. The first two sold to French buyers. The third will be priced at \$150,000 and sold to a museum. See the link below.

<https://www.refinery29.com/en-us/2019/12/8985156/duct-tape-banana-art-basel-miami>

A Schomberg artist has done her own rendition of the art work to complement the piece and it is hanging on the walls of the Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe in Schomberg. It is called “The Christmas Comedian” and carries a price tag of \$175,000.

Please see the link below.

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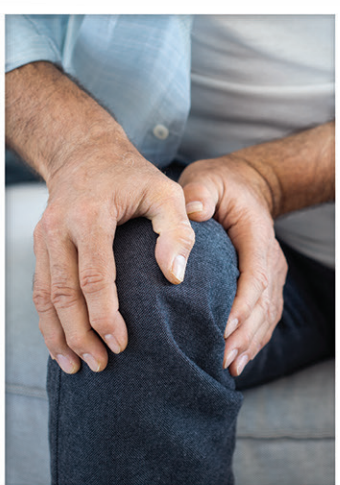
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Visiting Northern Hawk-owl followed the food source

By Ed McAskill

Local residents really have no idea how rare it is for this bird – a visiting Northern Hawk Owl – to be this far south.

I have heard of and seen some of them express their displeasure at all the people who are at the marsh. On the other hand there are those who have stopped to speak with me about the owl. Once they learn something about it they feel better about the whole situation.

Photographers are, for the most part, respectful toward the residents, the owl and the marsh itself. There are always the one or two who really don't care much about anything.

Am I thrilled to get shots like this? Yes I am. It could be years before another comes this far south again.

A bird of boreal forests, the Northern Hawk Owl behaves like a hawk but looks like an owl.

Its oval body, yellow eyes, and round face enclosed by dark parentheses are distinctly owl. Its long tail and habit of perching atop solitary trees and hunting by daylight, though, are reminiscent of a hawk. It is a solitary bird that tends to stick to the boreal forest, but some winters it moves south into the northern United States, delighting birders near and far.

A Northern Hawk Owl can lay 3 to 13 eggs in a nest. That's a lot of chicks to feed. When the food supply runs short the owls will begin to move south in search of food. Dufferin Marsh in Schomberg seems to be providing it with the food the local visitor needs.

The owl is very healthy and strong. A good sign of this is when it begins to preen. This will also show the owl is not stressed.

Why all the attention to this owl?

A Northern Hawk Owl does not migrate like most birds do. It is extremely rare for a Northern Hawk Owl to come this far south for any reason. Normally one would have to travel north for hours just to get a glimpse of one. There are people who have seen a lot of birds in their lifetime but have never seen this owl.

Northern Hawk Owls reside in open coniferous or mixed forests bordering open areas or marshes dotted with trees that provide good perches. Burned areas of the boreal forest also provide good nest sites and foraging areas. During years of southern irruptions, they frequent wooded farmlands, lakeshores, and pastures or prairies with perches.

Northern Hawk Owls eat small mammals, especially voles in the summer. They tend to supplement this diet with birds such as ptarmigan and grouse in



the winter.

Males and females pick a nest site that tends to be in open forests with scattered trees or along the forest edge, often near water.

Northern Hawk Owls nest in holes in trees created by woodpeckers or in naturally decayed hollows and broken tree trunks. They do not add material to the nest hole, but the floor of the nest hole tends to accumulate pellets and fur from prey brought into the nest. They primarily nest in holes or hollows, but they occasionally use old stick nests.

Northern Hawk owls hunt primarily by day, but also at night, watching and listening for prey from prominent perches. They lean forward on their perches, scanning below for small mammals. When they spot something, they leap off their perch, plummet to the ground and fly low across open areas with strong and deep wingbeats before swooping back up to perch atop another tree with prey in their talons or beak.

Northern Hawk Owls take advantage of abundant prey by caching small

mammals to eat later, storing them in tree crevices, holes in trees, or among dense spruce boughs. Hunting and courting take place within their territory during the breeding season. A male trying to court a female flies in circles with its wings held stiff while singing; then he lands on a prominent perch where he starts to call for a mate.

Once paired, the male offers food to his mate and continues to feed her during incubation. Pairs stay together for a single breeding season.

Northern Hawk Owls tend to be solitary year-round but seem relatively tolerant of other birds including other owls within their territory. But they are not tolerant of intruders including humans at the nest site and will attack any intruder that comes near. When birds mob them or a predator shows up they sleek down their feathers and close their eyes making themselves look thinner and less obtrusive.

Information source:
Cornell Lab All About Birds
Photo by Ed McAskill Habitat

Township ensures that visiting owl was welcome and protected

By Mark Pavilons

Residents expressed concerns for King's recent visitor – the rare northern hawk-owl, who took up residence in Schomberg.

Once word got out, hundreds of visitors, birders and photographers descended on Schomberg to catch a glimpse of the young male bird.

But residents complained about traffic congestion, and the impact of visitors on the Dufferin Marsh, not to mention potential harmful effects on the owl.

In response, Mayor Steve Pellegrini noted he and staff communicated through social media about precautions.

He noted residents called and emailed staff in every department and they responded by safety reminders on social media.

Members of the volunteer Dufferin Marsh group put up signs in the Marsh area.

Staff from the parks and roads departments worked together to establish some parking barricades and bylaw staff kept an eye on the area.

York Regional Police was made aware and stepped up enforcement.

Toronto Wildlife Centre, whose staff handles wild animals in King, looked into whether the owl should be relocated and staff were assessing the situation.



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Educator heralds benefits of 50 Million Tree Program

An outdoor education teacher in King City, who has helped to plant thousands of trees on his school's property, says he welcomes the continuation of Forests Ontario's popular 50 Million Tree Program (50 MTP).

Andrew MacMillan, who works at King City's Country Day School, facilitated the planting of more than 8,000 trees on the school's property in 2018.

"Forests Ontario made it very easy and affordable for us to reforest our school property," MacMillan said. "The program allowed us to involve the students, too. The Grade 9 students were the most actively involved in the planting, with some assistance from the grade eleven environmental science students. The Grade 3 students helped with watering the trees."

The 50 MTP is a large-scale tree planting program for land and property owners with the goal of increasing forest cover in Ontario. It provides professional technical assistance as well as financial assistance to plant trees. Forests Ontario announced that they are now taking applications for the program.

"The 50 MTP is better and more accessible than ever," said Rob Keen, CEO of non-profit charity, Forests Ontario. "The new, expanded criteria opens the program to more land and property owners, meaning more trees in the ground. It's a win-win for landowners, who save on tree planting costs, and for the environment."

Under the new criteria, anyone with room to plant at least 500 trees can apply. The revised program creates more opportunities for urban and suburban tree planting.



At Country Day School, students planted Red Pine, Red Oak, Black Walnut, White Pine, White Spruce and Eastern White Cedar trees, taking care to choose spots where the trees would thrive. Red Pine prefers drier, sandy conditions, whereas White Spruce prefers more moisture and Cedar likes a damp environment. Since the plantings, students and teachers have seen more wildlife on the property, such as deer, coyote, rabbit, wild turkey, and waterfowl.

Forests Ontario has facilitated the planting of more than 600,000 trees in York Region.

Overall, Forests Ontario has planted more than 29 million trees through the 50 MTP. This has been achieved in partnership with over 80 dedicated partners, such as conservation authorities, stewardship groups and First Nations. More than 5,000 landowners have planted trees, yielding 16,000 hectares of new forest and sequestering over 22,000 tonnes of carbon annually. The 50 MTP also supports 300 full-time, seasonal forest jobs.

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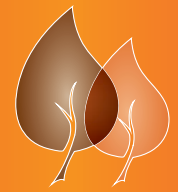
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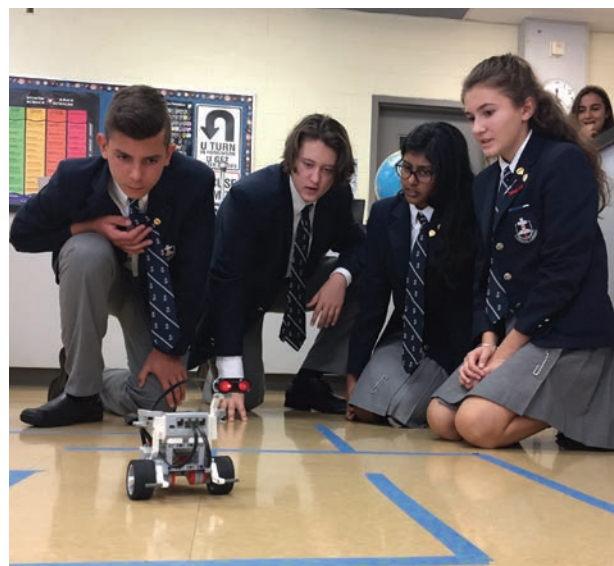
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Schomberg Cougars remain optimistic despite losses

By Robert Belardi

With one month to go in the season, the Schomberg Cougars remain optimistic ahead of the playoffs despite dropping games this week.

“Every game now is like a play-off game for sure,” said Cougars head coach Brett Delmas.

“We just want to hold our position in the middle of the pack, so we don’t have to drop a couple of positions and have to play one of the top teams off the bat.”

With games against the Caledon Golden Hawks, Alliston Hornets and the Orillia Terriers this past week, the Cougars have had a rough stretch against high energy clubs.

In the first period on the road in Caledon East, the Cougars fell behind thanks to two goals from Wesley Weir and Alex Rasonen. Despite outshooting the opponent in that frame 14-11, Golden Hawks goaltender Aidan Spooner was on another level of focus to deny the Cougars.

In the second period, Golden Hawks forward Keegan Hoover added another goal for a 3-0 lead. Having to dig out of a hole yet again, the Cougars answered

thanks to a nice goal from Connor Childerhose.

But, in the 3rd period, the Golden Hawks added two more goals from Marc Bottero and Daniel Butt to seal the victory. Spencer Ripley’s finished a consolation goal near the end of the match for the Cougars.

Last Thursday, the Cougars returned to compete on home ice against the Alliston Hornets once again.

Yet another slow start, the Hornets had a myriad of scoring chances in the first few minutes that were turned aside from Curtis Boothe. The Hornets also had a goal waived off.

Even with this all occurring, the Cougars found a way to take a 1-0 lead thanks to a point shot from Trevor Dungey.

Then a weird moment occurred. Hornets defenceman Kyle Besey appeared to have scored. No decision was made on the ice, and Cougars forward Matthew Wadge capitalized on his chance at the other end.

The officials reconvened after the play and awarded Alliston with the goal.

After this confusion the Hornets



gained momentum, capitalizing on two more scoring chances by the end of the frame.

With a 3-1 deficit for the Cougars, the resilient squad was at it again in the 2nd.

After another Hornets goal was disallowed, Spencer Ripley finished off a golden chance all alone, shorthanded, in front of goal, scoring his 19th goal of

the season.

Roughly seven minutes later, Sam Pink used his speed to get around the defence and show off a nifty, toe-drag goal in front of goaltender Rhys Byberg to tie it up.

Pink would add his second on the night on the power play to give the Cougars a 4-3 lead.

With the third period under way, the Cougars struggled statistically with only four shots in the period, however, the boys continued to grind as hard as they could.

The Hornets took the game to the Cougars scoring twice to squeak by with the win. Adrian Ludiciani got one on the board eight minutes in before Keegan Gillis-McAnulty buried the game winner on the counter attack.

Despite a great performance that night, Delmas says that sticking to the plan is what the Cougars needed to do, to beat the Hornets.

“I don’t think they’re lacking effort, I don’t think they’re lacking talent and I don’t think they’re lacking conditioning. We have to stick to our game plan for the whole game and that is what lost us this game,” said Delmas.

To cap off the week, the Cougars travelled on the road to Orillia on Saturday losing 6-5. With another tilt against a top team in the North Caruthers Division, the boys came close.

Down by two heading into the third period the Cougars kept Orillia off the score sheet. Anthony Roberts cut the lead down to one, but goaltender Reed Spinola held on for the victory.



Peewee Knights are finalists

The Nobleking Knights Peewee L1 team came a little short at the Georgina Blaze Holiday Classic Silver Stick Regional Qualifier held Dec. 27-29.

The team finished with a strong round robin placing first in their division. They came from behind to defeat the Mariposa Lightning 4-3 in the semi-finals to advance to the championship game. In the finals the Knights got off to a slow start falling 4-1 by the second period. Their never give up attitude finally came out as they mounted a comeback to make the score 4-3.

Unfortunately, the Woodville Hurricanes prevailed to take the Regional Silver Stick championship 5-3.

The team represented the King Minor Hockey Association well! Congratulations on a great tournament.

Shown are (photo above) trainer Vic Sgro, coach Dom Fortuna, Kyle McLaughlin, trainer Lennie Zambon, Carmen Provenzano, Joseph Forgione, Christian Sgro, coaches Fab Grossi and Julio Mendez, Lucas DeVito, Joseph Hinton, Gianmichael Niro, Cristian Zambon, Corey Macchione, Gianluca Veri, Lucas Boodhoo, Julian Mendez, Stephen Grossi and Kylan Walker.

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Minor bantam A King Rebellion bring home silver

By Robert Belardi

King Rebellion dramatically lost in a shootout to the London Jr. Mustangs White 4-3, falling just shy of another gold medal this year.

The Aurora tournament began on Friday with the finals being hosted on Sunday. Five teams were present in King's group, involving the Aurora Minor Tigers, TNT Tornadoes, East Gwillimbury Eagles and the London Jr. Mustangs White.

The top four teams were permitted to advance to Sunday's semi-final and finals, so the Rebellion got off to a hot start on Friday.

The Rebellion crushed the Tornadoes to kick off their tournament 6-0. With confidence oozing in their veins, the boys took care of the Eagles 3-1.

Saturday morning the Rebellion faced the host Minor Tigers seeking a fast 3-0 start and wanting top spot in their group.

In the second period, the goals finally came around. Keaton Walsh centres

it in front of a trailing Gianluca Nicolini, who fires it top shelf, past goaltender Aidan Chouinard for a 1-0 lead.

With the Rebellion continuing to press, the Minor Tigers held off the storm and transmitted their defence into potent offence.

The other Aidan on the Tigers, Aidan Miller, slipped the puck past Rebellion goaltender Phillip Renzetti to even it up, heading into the third period.

For majority of this frame, the Rebellion conceded a myriad of chances mid-way through forcing Renzetti to make a flashing glove save.

This bout ended in a 1-1 tie and head coach of the Rebellion Dennis Evangelista, explained how his goal came about and what he works on in practice.

Evangelista said: "In practice we try to work, keeping the forwards in a triangle type of position. We try to keep a guy down low, it's hard for the goalie to keep track of the puck."

Former professional basketball head coach and NBA champion Phil Jackson



just might have been proud if he ever heard that one.

In the final game of the group against the Mustangs White, the Rebellion fell 4-1. Evangelista said he didn't know much about them after the Tigers game. He knew about them now.

With Sunday set for a thrilling semi-final, the Rebellion had to take on the Minor Tigers. And, take them on, they did.

Trailing 2-1 in the third period in the semi-final, the Rebellion turned on the afterburners and excelled on both ends of the ice.

To the glee of all parents in the stands and to everyone on the bench, the Rebellion scored two quick goals in under a minute to take a 3-2 lead.

With the Minor Tigers left speechless, Nathan Evangelista added another goal to book a trip to the finals later in the afternoon.

The finals would not be easy. The Mustangs White were waiting.

It didn't take long to notice a difference in play from the Rebellion. The boys' volition was evident from puck drop.

Graddy Duggan initiated the goal scoring. The Rebellion forward tipped in a point shot past Justin Landers for a 1-0 lead.

Hard work seeks well earned rewards. In the second period, Cohen D'Ulisse snipes his shot from the hashmarks past the right shoulder of Landers and the Rebellion had a commanding 2-0 lead.

When you are losing in the finals, two things can happen – one, you choke and roll over; two, you fight back.

That is exactly what the Mustangs White did; they fought back.

The team sent the Rebellion on the back foot. The boys forechecked hard and held possession in the zone.

With the puck dumped down the zone towards Renzetti, the goaltender mishandles it. A player from the Mustangs capitalized on the chance and now it was a 2-1 game.

In the third period, the Mustangs would find a second goal, forcing overtime.

The three on three overtime solved nothing and due to the fact it is a tournament and ice time is precious, a shootout commenced.

Three rounds in, Andrew Voorn got the Rebellion on the scoresheet. The Mustangs answered.

Two shooters after that, Marcus Rose makes a nifty move around Landers but is denied by the iron.

It all came down to Jayden Amiral who won the shootout for the Mustangs White.

Phillip Renzetti was named MVP of the tournament for the King Rebellion.

After the game, Evangelista had some kind words for his boys.

"I told them I was speechless. I was just so proud of how they played, I'm really proud of how they rebounded because we lost to those guys 4-1. That's sports, you can't write that stuff up."

"One thing about our team is we are really solid as a group. They all fight for each other, they all play for each other. They're all really good friends," said Evangelista after all the medals were handed out.

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Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop
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55+ Club euchre night

Your Schomberg's 55+ Club is planning another Euchre night for Friday, Jan. 24 at the Trisan Centre. Everyone is welcome. Get through the January blahs; plays the cards you are dealt; enjoy some refreshments and treats and support your local seniors! Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and it all starts at 7 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person.

Schomberg United Church

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.

Blood clinic

Canadian Blood Services will have their Mobile Blood Donor Centre is at the Trisan Centre, 25 Dillane Drive, Schomberg, on Thursday, Jan. 16. It runs 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Anglican Parish

This past Monday Jan. 6 marked the beginning of a new season in the church year, the third and called Epiphany. This season commemorates the visit of the Wise Kings/Magi to the infant Jesus at the home of relatives in Bethlehem 12 days after his birth as well as his baptism in the Jordan River 30 years later – some say on his 30th birthday.

In Anglican, Lutheran and Roman Catholic churches the season's first 8 days is called the Octave of Epiphany and the colour of church hangings and priests' robes especially the long scarf like stole worn around the neck remains white symbolizing purity. Then on the 9th day and for the remainder of this season the colour changes to green symbolizing life.

January services, mainly Holy Communion in the Anglican Parish of Lloydtown, will be held Sunday mornings starting at 10:30 a.m. in Christ Church, Kettleby in the hall adjacent to the historic fieldstone church on Kettleby Rd. mid-way between Keele and Jane Sts.

This coming Sunday morning Jan. 12th the parish (St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton, Christ Church, Kettleby and St. Mary Magdalene's, Schomberg) will welcome Area Bishop Peter de Coucy Fenty as sermonist and celebrant. A reception for Bishop Peter on his annual pastoral visit will follow this 10:30 Holy Communion in Kettleby for those wishing to stay.

Presentation on dementia Jan. 17

January is Alzheimer's Awareness Month. Every hour in Canada, nine seniors are receiving a dementia diagnosis. It is time to be informed on how we can live well with dementia.

On Friday, Jan. 17, from 10 am to noon, at Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church (10066 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill), Memory Lane Home Living Inc. (a not-for-profit dementia initiative dementia) has invited Toronto Star reporter and award winning journalist Moira Welsh to share her findings on how individuals with a dementia diagnosis can live well. The Registered Nursing Association of Ontario (RNAO) awarded Ms. Welsh the 2019 Media Award for this story. Ms. Welsh was also given Honorable Mention by the 2019 Hillman Award for this same story. The Hillman Award recognizes excellence in journalism in the service of the common good. Her investigative reporting demonstrates how there are individuals here in Ontario that are creating living environments that allow those on the journey of dementia to thrive. We invite caregivers, loved ones, health professionals, church members, businesses, and the general public to attend this event.

On tap will be exhibitors within the York Region area who will provide you with information regarding resources available to live well with dementia.

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By Angie Maccarone
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On Saturday, Jan. 25 at 10 a.m., we will be hosting a Common Sense Auto Fix seminar covering the basics of auto maintenance. Stay tuned for more information on this. If you know someone that could take advantage of this workshop, please pass the word on. Everyone is welcome to come join us.

The Community Youth Group will be starting up again next Friday, Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. The youth group is for those in Grades 7 to 12. This program is aimed at providing a safe and caring environment where teens can have fun and learn about God.

Our focus is on fun and developing a sense of camaraderie and care for each member of the group, while at the same time devoting some time each week to a Bible lesson or Bible life application.

We have a laser tag evening as well as a baking evening coming up. Regardless of the activity you are sure to find a welcoming community focused on living out our relationship with Jesus. Bring your friends along. Follow our Instagram account, "4:12.youth.group," to stay up to date on current events.

A2J (All to Jesus), our program for kids in Grades 3 to 6, meets the second and fourth Friday of the month at 7 p.m. If you have a child in this age group, come on and bring them out to hear the Bible stories, join in with songs, games, crafts and have lots of fun!

We have LifeConnect Groups (smaller groups meeting to encourage and deepen our faith in each one's life journey). A Men's LifeConnect Group meets on Thursday morning at 10 a.m. at the church in Room 3. If you are available on a Thursday morning, why not consider joining our study? We will be covering a wide variety of topics. A Women's LifeConnect Group meets on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Palgrave.

The first and third Tuesday of the month we have a group of men and women that get together at 1 p.m. to do quilting. The second and fourth Tuesday of the month, the focus is on knitting. All handcrafted items are donated to various mission projects.

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We are blessed at St. Paul's to have diligent librarians that have worked for years on creating an amazing library, one that keeps expanding with new books, both fiction and non-fiction, as well as DVDs based on true life stories, and more. It is said that what goes into a mind comes out in a life. What you read, watch and listen to really matters! Please feel free to borrow from our church library which will certainly help stretch, grow and encourage you.

Jeff's messages are posted at www.passionatelyhis.com each week. They are also available for viewing on Facebook Live, on the church's Facebook page (@stpaulsnobleton) and its YouTube page (search St. Paul's Church, Nobleton), and our website, stpaulsnobleton.ca. For more information about ANY of our activities or events, please contact the church office (905-859-0843) or visit stpaulsnobleton.ca.

Nobleton United Church
By Lynda Rogers

We welcome you to Church Service starting at 11:15. For more info, visit nobletonunitedchurch.com, our Facebook page, or call 905-859-3976. The church office is normally open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Messages are picked up regularly. Nobleton United, 6076 King Rd., is north of the King Rd., about 6 buildings west of Hwy. 27. We have a big parking lot at the rear, an accessible ramp, chair lifts and accessible (gender neutral) washrooms. We warmly welcome everyone, old and young, tattooed or not, dressed up or not.

Anglican Parish
By John Arnott

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Seconds later as the younger man surfaced a break in the ominous clouds allowed a single ray of sunshine to illuminate them both. All this action disturbed a pair of nesting doves in a nearby overhanging tree and the male flew out over the intruders to investigate. Then satisfied there was no danger returned to his mate. The young cousins clapping each others backs made their way to shore, towed down, dressed and went off towards their camp site to rustle up some breakfast.

This, Yeshua's baptism by John the Baptist in the Jordan River nearly 2,000 years ago, is the most important event of the church season of Epiphany as celebrated by the Eastern Orthodox Church, the Egyptian Coptic Church, the Syrian Orthodox Church and other Oriental Churches.

Over the next couple of weeks Yeshua's baptismal immersion will be re-enacted in Orthodox parishes across the globe when a symbolic cross representing Christ is thrown into a pond, pool, river, lake or sea and young men jump in

to retrieve it. The finder brings it to the surface and receives a special blessing symbolizing Yeshua, emerging from the river to receive God's blessing and thus begin his Earthly mission.

In Western Christianity in the early days of Epiphany certainly the Anglican, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic and United Churches are more focused on the visit of the three Wise Men to the Holy Family, now staying at the home of relatives in Bethlehem after having left the stable 12 days earlier. This is not to say Yeshua's baptism is ignored by Western Christians, but rather it is a more muted observance in comparison to the hype generated around these exotic visitors and their extravagant gifts.

The St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton notes that Epiphany comes from the Greek phainein meaning to appear through, epiphaneia Greek for showing and commemorates the showing of the Jewish child, Yeshua, to Gentiles represented by the Wise Kings/Magi from the East with the meaning that he comes for all people not just one group.



First newborn of 2020

Mackenzie Health welcomed its first baby of 2020 at 2:31 a.m. on Jan. 1. Leo Di Giovanni was born at 6 lbs, 15 oz to first-time parents, Lisa and Steve. Baby and parents are doing well and are very excited to start 2020 off as a family of three. In total, seven babies were born at Mackenzie Health on New Year's Day.

708 OBITUARIES



Sheardown, Thomas "Murray"

Murray passed away peacefully on December 19, 2019 just 9 days before his 90th birthday. He was born and raised in Nobleton; son of the late Lorne Albert Sheardown and Rosa Maude Baker, and brother to the late Ronald Sheardown. Murray was a farmer at heart. He shipped milk as a dairy farmer in the 1950's and 60's and always maintained a "hobby farm". He worked 25 years for the Department of Transport at Pearson Airport. Community service was always at the heart of his work. Murray was a municipal councillor in both King Township and Mono Township. As a Lion, for almost 50 years, he spent countless hours selling tickets for a variety of fundraisers. He was particularly passionate about supporting the Guide Dog program. Throughout his life he was an active supporter of the Liberal Party of Canada. Murray is survived by his 3 children, Paul (Anne), Ann (Sean), Carl (Martha); their mother, Mary Sheardown (née Kehoe); his 6 grandchildren, Sam, Devon, Thomas, Rachel, Michael and Jonathan. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S. (Hwy 50), Bolton (905-857-2213) on Saturday, April 25, 2020 at one o'clock. Memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the Lions Foundation of Canada Guide Dogs (www.dogguides.com). Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

708 OBITUARIES

Florence May Penelton

In Loving Memory of our amazing mom. Our Mother Florence May Penelton, born on January 18th, 1938, passed away on December 23rd, 2019, shy of her 82nd birthday, at Orillia Soldiers Memorial Hospital. Beloved daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones. Beloved brother of the late Peter Jones. Loving sister of Violet Howlett. In the hearts and memories of their family. Mother you left us beautiful memories, your love is still our guide, although we cannot see you, you're always by our side. Beloved wife of the late Wesley Maxwell Penelton, married 59 years. Cherished mother to daughter Judy McGuire, sons Clifford Penelton and Bobby Joe Penelton, and families. Even though she is gone now, she has left a legacy of love. Forever in the hearts of her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She now joins the ones in heaven. The Family thanks Dr. Paul Randal in King City, for all her care. The doctors and nurses at Soldiers Memorial Hospital, and the Dialysis Unit, for all her care. HillCrest Lodge, Helping Hands for all their care and support. She will be sadly missed by friends and family. Till we see you again mom. Love Cremation has taken place, private memorial at a later date. If desired memorial donations to the Kidney Foundation of Canada would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Rod Abrams Funeral Home in Tottenham, Ontario. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

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King's Corners

**King City United
By Sheryl Sinka**

Last Sunday, the first Sunday of Epiphany Rev Bruce's message of hope was that through all of us the Holy Child of hope and possibilities can be born again. Created in God's image we must make peace on earth. Bring your gifts and bring hope and anticipation to let God work though all of us.

Please join us for the 10 a.m. worship. Sermons are available on our website kcuc.net

The women's prayer group has resumed meetings at the Residences of Springhill at 80 Burns Blvd. and gathers on Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. 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 at 905-833-5375.

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 at 905-833-5181.

Website at kcuc.net. Sermons are available on our website. Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

King Bible Church

We invite you to join us on Sunday, Jan. 12 as Pastor Mark Nowell will be continuing our series "Follow Me," with "I Am The Light Of The World," (John 8:12-30), a study in the book of John.

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 Grade 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. Our "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) & Senior High (Grade 9-12) classes will meet downstairs.

Our adults will meet upstairs. Our program runs from 6:45 to 8 p.m.

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

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

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

Our Sunday worship service is at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday School for school-aged children up to age 12.

We extend a warm welcome to all.

Lynn Vissers will be taking the service again this Sunday. Last Sunday we watched a video sermon with her son the Rev. Grant Vissers, joined later by his wife, the Rev. Konnie Vissers discussing "Resolutions? Something New" based on the verse from Isaiah

43:19. They recommended trusting God more this year and being open to His leading in our lives, including which resolutions to make. Proverbs 3:5,6.

The Rev. Konnie Vissers and Alison Agnew will continue taking services in the new year as scheduled.

The Women's Prayer has started up again, meeting at 80 Burns Blvd., Tuesday mornings at 9 to 10 a.m. What a wonderful way to start your day! (Philippians 4:6 & 7) Need more information? Contact Kathy Patterson at 905-833-0391.

The Youth Group will be meeting Friday evening, Jan. 17 and Messy Church will be starting up again in February. Mark your calendars! We're looking forward to seeing you.

Sunday evenings Pastor Niyazi Bilgen 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.

For pastoral care contact Lynn Vissers (office: 905-833-2325) or the 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

Apologies for the wrong number printed here last week to phone at the church to reserve tickets to our Feb. 8 Toronto Male Welsh Choir performance. The correct church number is 905-833-5432.

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

Our next pot luck lunch will be held at the Centre on Friday, Jan. 17 at 12:30 p.m. Attendees are asked to bring either a main course item or a dessert. Members new and old are most welcome.

The first movie night of the new year will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 5. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., movie starts at 7 p.m. Admission is by donation. Movie selection will be announced next week. One reminder concerning weather - if the school buses are cancelled, the movie night will be cancelled!

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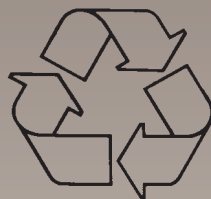
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King's Corners

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The always sold-out event is at 2:30 pm at the church and tickets are \$25 in advance and children 12 and under are free.

Sunday school for young people ages 6-16 returns this Sunday at the 10:30 service. Our youth leader, Grace Martin invents fun activities, crafts and guides interesting discussions of biblical stories. This Sunday to mark the visit of the wise men to the baby Jesus she will revive an old Anglican tradition of blessing candles which are taken home to remind us of the birth of Christ all year. Her Sunday school group will decorate candles which will be blessed the following Sunday. All are welcome. All Saints is kid friendly.

Things may seem bad but 2019 was a year in which great progress continued to be made in improving the lives of the disadvantaged of the world, according to Nicholas Kristof, a long-time opinion writer for the New York Times and a person of belief and great compassion. This is from his latest piece: It's a good message for your new year:

"If you're depressed by the state of the world, let me toss out an idea: In the long arc of human history, 2019 has been the best year ever. The bad things that you fret about are true. But it's also true that since modern humans emerged about 200,000 years

ago, 2019 was probably the year in which children were least likely to die, adults were least likely to be illiterate and people were least likely to suffer excruciating and disfiguring diseases. As recently as 1981, 42 per cent of the planet's population endured "extreme poverty." That portion has plunged to less than 10 per cent now.

Perhaps the greatest calamity for anyone is to lose a child. That used to be common. Historically, almost half of all humans died in childhood. As recently as 1950, 27 per cent of all children still died by age 15. Now that figure has dropped to about 4 per cent.

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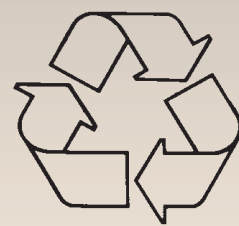
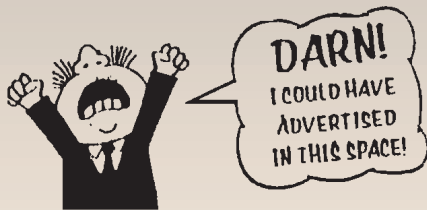
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