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This is a concept streetscape plan of what the proposed apartment building on Keele in King City may look like. The first public meeting was held and the plan was generally well received.

Positive reception to King City apartment plans

By Mark Pavilons

Plans for a four-storey apartment building in King City has received largely positive response from the public.

King Station Inc. presented its plans to council Jan. 27. The application, which includes amendments to the official plan and various setbacks, will be reviewed by staff and return to council for recommendations.

The plan is for a stepped building on Keele Street, just south of King Road. The building includes 23 rental apartments, 816 square metres of commercial space and both underground and above-ground parking.

The apartments include both one-bedroom (7) and two-bedroom (16) units. There are also plans for rooftop amenities but plans are vague at this point.

The building will sit on the .239-hectare property, which slopes down and away from Keele, abutting the Metrolinx rail corridor. The vacant lot has been remediated.

Staff noted the King City Community Plan designates the lands as core area, allowing both commercial and residential uses. Currently, policies limit height of new buildings to

three storeys, but King's new official plan does permit more, if the buildings are tiered and fits in with adjacent buildings.

A transportation study was done, which included parking and traffic impacts. A travel demand forecast revealed there would be roughly 18 new two-way trips during peak morning hours, and 39 during the afternoon rush hour. "The site access is expected to operate at an acceptable level of service with no improvements required," according to staff. "Overall, the site traffic from the proposed development is considered to be minor and no improvements are necessary to support the project."

The tiered design, building materials and balconies all work to make the building less intrusive on the landscape.

A single driveway on the north side, will provide access. The building will sit close to the street, and the south lot line.

Staff did point out there's a shortage of parking spots on the property to accommodate both residents and visitors.

See 'Proposal' on Page 3







REGULAR **FEATURES**

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Pilot project in school zones.

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Close shave for fundraiser.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Monday, February 10, 2020

5 pm – Committee of the Whole Working Session re: Transportation Master Plan

6 pm - Council/Committee of the Whole Monday, February 24, 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, February 6, 2020

6 pm – Heritage Advisory Committee Municipal Office, 2585 King Road

Tuesday, February 11, 2020 1 pm – Accessibility Advisory Committee

Municipal Office, 2585 King Road

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

6 pm - Committee of Adjustment Municipal Office, 2585 King Road

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

6 pm - Sustainability Committee Municipal Office, 2585 King Road

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Crossing Guard (contract) closes when filled
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- Summer Aquatics positions close February 14 Summer Camp positions – close February 14
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (PT seasonal) closes when filled

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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

Family Day office closure

King Township's Municipal Centre will be closed on Mon., Feb. 17 for Family Day. It will reopen at 8:30 am on Feb. 18. If you have an urgent matter on Feb. 17, please call 905-833-5321.

PUBLIC NOTICES



Seeking Nominations for Volunteer Awards

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

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

Nominations for Volunteer Awards must be submitted on the nomination form obtained from the Clerks Department and will be received by the undersigned until 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 18th, 2020. The nomination form and further information regarding the criteria for each category is available at the Township office or on the Township website at www.king.ca, under the "What's New" tab.

Awards will be presented at the Volunteer Appreciation Night on Thursday, April 23rd, 2020.

Kathryn Moyle, Director of Clerks & By-law Enforcement Township Clerk

E-mail: kmoyle@king.ca Please see more King Township notices on page 5

PUBLIC NOTICES



Tuesday, Feb. 11

Schomberg Library 77 Main St. 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Councillor Bill Cober

Thursday, April 2

Councillor Avia Eek

Ansnorveldt Library 18997 Dufferin St. 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Tuesday, March 10

Nobleton Library 8 Sheardown Dr 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Councillors David Boyd & Jakob Schneider

Tuesday, April 7

Township of King Municipal Centre 2585 King Rd. 6:30pm - 8:00pm Councillors Debbie Schaefer &

Jordan Cescolini

Meet the Mayor & Ward Councillors



All are welcome!

NOTICE OF PASSING OF AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT BY THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KING

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King passed By-law Number 2020-006 on the 27th day of January, 2020 under Section 34 and By-law 2020-007 (OPA Amendment No. 94) under Section 17, of the Planning Act, R.S.O, 1990 c. P.13, as amended.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) in respect of the by-laws by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of King not later than the 26th day of February, 2020 a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-laws and the reasons in support of the objection, together with 1 cheque in the amount of \$300.00 per By-law adopted (certified cheque or money order only) payable to the Minister of Finance to cover the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) fee, and a cheque for \$225.50 per By-law adopted representing the Clerk's Department Administrative processing fee, payable to the Township of King. Should this date fall on a holiday or weekend, you will have until 4:30 p.m. of the next business day to file your appeal. If you wish to appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT), a copy of an appeal form is available from the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) website at <u>elto.gov.on.ca</u> or from the Clerk of the Township of King. Please note the Tribunal will only accept filing fee payments by certified cheque or money order.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a by-law to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT). A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT), there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party. Comments were received and considered during the Public Meeting of July 8, 2019. These comments have been taken into consideration during the

review of the application and have been responded to both generally and specifically throughout the Planning Department's Recommendation Report (P-2019-39), dated November 18, 2019. To view the report, please refer to section 9.8 of the November 18th, 2019 meeting of Committee of the Whole available at https://king.civicweb.net/document/742733.

The lands to which the Official Plan Amendment (File No. OP-2019-02) and Zoning By-law Amendment (File No. Z-2019-04) apply are also subject to a Site Plan Development Application (File No. SPD-19-33). The Site Plan Development Application proposes to develop twenty-five (25) townhouse dwelling units in accordance with the site specific provisions of the Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment.

Any person or public body will be entitled to receive notice of the decision of the approval authority if a written request to be notified of the decision (including the person's or public body's address) is made to the approval authority. The approval authority is the Township of King, 2585 King Road, King City, ON, L7B 1A1

An explanation of the purpose and effect of the By-laws can be found on the Township's website (www.king.ca).



DATED at the Township of King this 6th day of February, 2020. Director of Clerks/By-law Enforcement Township Clerk 2585 King Road KING CITY, ON L7B 1A1 Telephone: (905) 833-5321 Email: kmoyle@king.ca

Comments and personal information are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter c.P. 13 as amended, and will become part of the decision making process of the application as noted on this form. Personal information will be protected in accordance with Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), all information received other than personal information may be included in the documentation which will become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of personal information, please contact the Planning Department, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KING **NOTICE OF MEETING**

Special Committee of the Whole Working Session

"TOWNSHIP OF KING -DRAFT TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN (TMP) PRESENTATION"

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

> • Draft Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Presentation by WSP Group

Monday, February 10, 2020 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

> In the **Council Chambers** 2585 King Road King City, ON

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

Recreation Centre Public Information Centres

Want a closer look at what the new Township-wide recreation centre will look like? Have questions you'd like to ask staff about the centre? Then stop by at either of two pop-up information centres on Sat., Feb. 8.

The first one will be at the Dr William Laceby Nobleton Community Centre and Arena, 15 Old King Rd. It runs from 9:30 am - 11:30 am. The second one will be at the Trisan Centre, 25 Dillane Dr. It runs from





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If you have a catch basin in front of your property, please ensure it is clear of snow to allow the water to drain. Please do not push snow onto roads.

Proposal addresses housing needs

From Front Page

The site is well positioned to host the proposed density, since there are no immediate residential neighbours. The property benefits from local amenities and is within a short walking distance of the GO station.

Staff also conceded this form of housing "is much needed in the community and will provide a source of housing that expands on choice and affordability and allow for smaller households to reside in the core."

While this will be the largest building in King City, staff are confident it can be integrated into the community through design elements.

An objection was filed by All Saints Anglican Church, regarding a storm sewer outlet pipe that's on the subject property. It drains from the church, but it was blocked at one point. A parishioner said the church endured several floods and they need the problem addressed by the King Station proponents. Staff, church members and the applicants are working to find a solution.

Resident Bruce Craig said this development provides an "exciting opportunity" for the community.

"The combination of residential apartment units and commercial uses on the main floor are welcome.

"This proposal meets the goals for intensification in the core area, with excellent access to public transit, and provides an alternative form of housing in King City, which is very much needed and will likely be well received in the community."

Craig also said he hopes the units themselves will be "more affordable" than existing units in the area.

"This is an important opportunity to connect a greater variety of home buyers and renters with King City and its future."

Craig also encourages the developer to utilize as many green features as possible, noting they are in a good position to become leaders and trend-setters with this development, in terms of LEED standards.

Another resident was concerned whether existing roads could handle the increase in traffic.

Another resident suggested that the flat roof would lend itself to various eco-initiatives such as solar, to help reduce emissions.

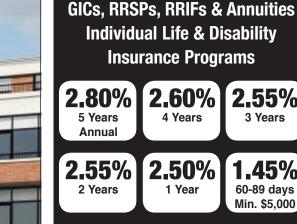


Consultant Murray Evans, on behalf of the proponents, said they will work to address the public's concerns. Many of the issues will be discussed once the project reaches the site plan stage.

Councillor Debbie Schaefer work needs to be done to address parking on Keele Street. She wants the Township to continue to work with York Region to tackle the problems, which are outside of this particular development.

Councillor Jordan Cescolini noted "if we keep working at it, we will have something nice in the core."





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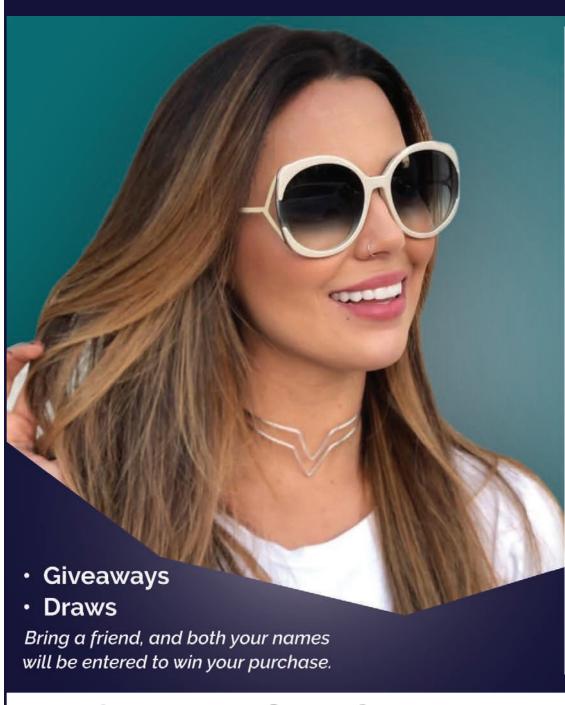
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and it takes a team effort, a team with enthralled our ancestors. talent, dedication, common sense, reason and yes, discretion.

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Mark Pavilons

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The written word has provoked thought and even led people to take up arms, overthrow oppressive governments. Words helped fuel fascism, but also ended apartheid. They've helped us fight injustice. Writers, and journalists, for centuries, have made us laugh and cry, angry and upset. Good writers forced us to think. Writers make us tilt our heads a bit, to the left or the right. They plant seeds and how we nurture

Here, in these pages, you will find a cornucopia of local news, features, sports, ideas and opinions. Nowhere, but in these pages, can you find out newspaper hit the streets in 1605. And about King, its people, its decision-makers, its past and its future.

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words, actions, roles, responsibilities I am humbled by the hutzpa of firefightand accomplishments. The words come ers, paramedics and police officers who together to tell stories of the human put the lives and fate of others above condition, from tragedy to triumph.

The stories we tell are other people's journeys, adventures and plights. star-studded local performance. I'm in Citizens are the ones who scale mountains, fight the good fight, circumnavigate the globe, battle adversity and cal story. take politicians to task. They (you) are mentors, the builders.

We are merely the storytellers, keeping meticulous ledgers.

product, offering decent editorial coverage of King. It's necessary and a vital component that is the fabric of society. but it is spread through ink.

My inspiration comes from the community and its residents. They (you) are and my children, keeping them moving my heroes, friends and boots on the forward in this crazy world. Pounding

I am amazed by front-line social work- ison. ers or TAs who help parents of children with autism. I see the results of medical my efforts – are appreciated. practitioners who heal the sick, defy the laws of nature and save those who would otherwise face certain death. I revel in the efforts of humanitarians

ety is made up of its inhabitants, their who travel the globe to spread goodwill. their own.

I have a small, supporting role in this the background, reciting the lines of the players in this block-buster of a lo-

We are all players on the world stage, the award-winners, the motivators, the Shakespeare once noted, and we have our roles to play before we exit.

Away from my desk, I'm ordinary and often ineffectual, joining others who I do take credit for providing a solid pay taxes, line up for gas, buy groceries and watch TV. I have holes in my socks and my shirts are missing buttons. Not exactly leading the masses to overthrow Home town pride begins in the heart, tyrants or inspiring the youth of tomor-

> I have a responsibility to my family, out a thousand words pales in compar-

The most I can hope for is my words -

If I succeed, maybe, just maybe, a few eyebrows are raised and I've given people something new to think about.

Maybe.



Letter to the Editor

Council lauded for stance

The following letter, to King councillors, was submitted to the Weekly Sentinel.

Thank you for your very clear affirmation at the council meeting on Jan. 27 of the importance of King Township being "one King," and having an operating budget for one King.

While we are a "community of communities," I believe it is both pragmatic and highly valuable for our municipality to be "one." Each part is there to support and help the other parts as required.

King's services and municipal facilities are available to all residents wherever we live. When one community or a specific area requires special funding the whole of King's financial budget is there to address the needs. For example, the paving of rural roads in our rural areas, and the anticipated construction of the new recreation centre near King City.

It was very encouraging to hear you articulate this so clearly. One King we are.

> Bruce Craig King City

KingWeeklySentinel WEBF Results from last week's poll: Are you concerned about the presence of the coronavirus in Ontario? 60% a) Yes b) No 40%

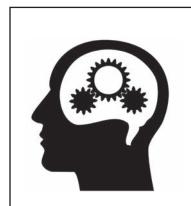
The results of this poll are in no way considered to be valid or infallible.

THIS WEEK'S **QUESTION**

Has the weather impacted your outdoor activities this winter?

a) Yes b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!



Thought of the Week

Strange things happen all the time!

In fact, something strange is going on right now. Its frequency is increasing, to the point where the word "strange" has lost its umph.

King Township Trivia

The country music group, Prairie Oyster was formed in King City, in 1974 by Russell deCarle (vocals) and Keith Glass (guitar), formerly of the bluegrass group King City Slickers.



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1st Interim Installment

Due Date: February 25, 2020

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX

NOTICES are due. Please contact the Finance Department immediately if you have not received your bill.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Tax	Bill Payment Options
X	By pre-authorized debit bank withdrawal (PAD)
X	At most financial Institutions, including via personal on-line banking
x	By cheque

If paying in person at a financial institution, please present the entire tax notice.

When making payments electronically, search for "King" and select Tax, enter your 15 digit roll number with no dashes (i.e. 000123456780000)

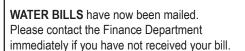
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To ensure the PAD enrolment takes effect on the 2020 Final Tax Notice, PAD enrollment will be accepted until June 1, 2020

Please visit our website for details.

WATER BILLS

Due Date: February 14, 2020



PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Water	Bill Payment Options
Х	By pre-authorized debit bank withdrawal (PAD)
Х	At most financial Institutions, including via personal on-line banking
X	By cheque
Х	Through the Township Online Services portal at www.king.ca

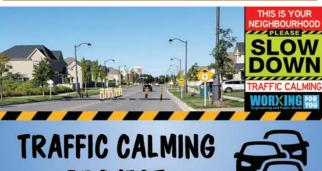
If paying in person at a financial institution, please present the entire water bill.

When making payments electronically, search for "King" and select Water, enter your 10 digit account number with no decimal (i.e. 1234567800).

Pre-Authorized Debit Program (PAD): PAD program is available for Water & Sewer accounts. The enrolment form is available at www.king.ca (search for "PAD").

Please visit our website for details.

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Visit **speaking.king.ca** to learn more about traffic calming, take a survey and use a map feature to place pins where you think traffic calming measures would be most effective. You also get to choose which type of traffic calming measures you would like to see installed. The survey will remain open until March, 2020.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Township of King TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN

Notice of Public Information Centre

Come help shape the way forward!



ABOUT THE STUDY

King Township has completed the draft Transportation Master Plan (TMP) which will guide our transportation network to the year 2031. The plan its vision includes strategies to improve different modes of travel including walking, cycling, transit and car.

This public information centre provides attendees an opportunity to review findings and recommendations, and provide input on ways to improve the multi-modal transportation network

KING TOWNSHIP MAYOR'S CULTURAL

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Monday, February 10, 2020 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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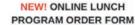
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Region to pilot speed enforcement in school areas

By Mark Pavilons

Safety measures are coming to a dozen school zones across York this spring.

York Regional council approved the launch of a two-year automated speed enforcement pilot, which will include using a camera and speed measurement device to enforce speed limits in 12 community safety zones as early as

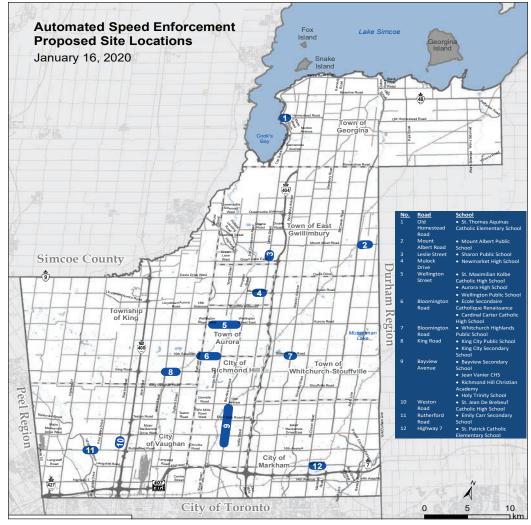


"This is another tool we can use to increase safety, protecting some of the most vulnerable people on our roads - our students walking to and from school," said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "Speed limits are set for a reason, and when people exceed speed limits, especially in community safety zones, they put evervone at risk."

The pilot will include rotating one mobile automated speed enforcement unit between 12 community safety zones during the two-year pilot. Automated speed enforcement signs will be installed on regional roads 90 days in advance of activating a camera to inform motorists of the upcoming change.

King councillors have long been concerned about traffic and speeding in residential areas. King is addressing it with more proactive enforcement measures. King, along with York Regional Police, began a pilot project of strategically placing empty cruisers around the township as a deterrent.

"More than 90% of pedestrians in-



volved in a vehicle collision result in injuries or fatalities," said King Mayor Steve Pellegrini, chair of the Region's Transportation Services. "This technology will help reinforce the message that motorists need to slow down."

The automated speed enforcement locations, identified as the highest potential risk for school children, were selected by reviewing traffic volume, school population and travel speed. The mobile unit will rotate monthly among

12 community safety zones covering 19 schools.

One of the zones is the area around King City Secondary and King City Public School.

Regional staff will review data from the pilot, including change in driver behaviour, review of technology and the impact on courts, with a report to Regional Council in 2020. For more information on road safety programs, visit york.ca/traffic.



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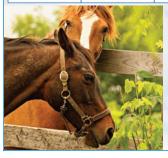
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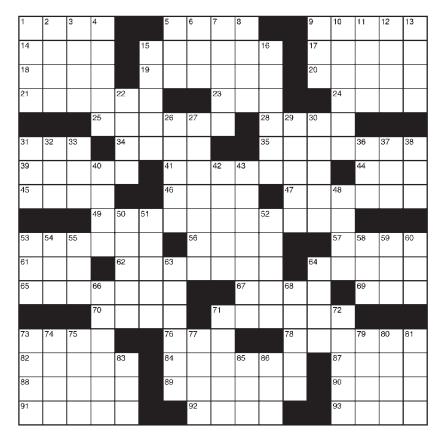
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- brother
- 21.Brunch dish 23.Large parrot
- 24. Average 25.Madden
- 28. Showed up
- 31. Honored fighter pilot 34.Low-lying area
- 35.Not consumed
- 39.Gin game 41.Banal
- 44. Type of silkworm
- 46.Daisy part
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- 53. Seaside pool 56.Fair

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57.Fleet

62.Full

64.Lofty pad

65. Violent noise

67.Surmounting

70. Close attention

71. Grand property

76. Air-safety gp.

78. Severe fright

88. Kauai porch

89. Dairy spread

91.Protozoan

92.Muscle

grade

82.Catch on

84.Scuff

73. "Free Willy" whale

87. Rant's companion

90.S-shaped molding

93."Hamburger Hill"

69.Gull's call

- 2. Fraud
- 3. Rural route 4. Raptor

5. Eat late

- 6. Ampersand
- 61. Have property 7. Relieve thirst 8. Address
 - 9. Awry 10.Eye part
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 - 30.Corpsman
 - 31.Creative creation
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 - 33. Flightless avian 36.Perfect number
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- 71.Soil 72.TV's "Trial and
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Campaign launched to help Nobleton family

By Mark Pavilons

A fundraising campaign is helping a Nobleton man following the death of his wife and son in the Flight 752 tragedy in Iran earlier this month.

The gofundme campaign was started by Sarah Dehmardan.

On Jan. 8, Ukrainian Airline flight PS752 was shot down and 176 lives were lost. Among many families who lost their loved ones, Shahin (Shawn) Moghadam lost his beloved wife Shakiba and 10-year-old son Rosstin.

Shahin (Shawn) and his family came to Canada seven years ago hoping to build a better and safe life. Shakiba was 39 years old, a loving and dedicated mom who was full of life and a strong support for her husband. Rosstin was a loved, smart and talented young boy.

They worked hard together running their family business, building a successful and happy life in Canada.

Shakiba and Rosstin traveled back home to visit her family after seven years, while Shahin stayed back to work.

"We would like to provide support to Shahin (Shawn) with his travel, funeral and cost of living during this difficult time until he is ready to return to work and get this life back on track," reads the campaign page.

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King, York reiterate support for planned 413 route

By Mark Pavilons

Despite attempts by Vaughan to alter the route of the proposed GTA West Corridor (Highway 41), both King Township and York Region are sticking to their guns.

King council passed a resolution Jan. 27, reiterating their support for the technically preferred route, S8-3.

Vaughan, back in November, approved a motion requesting the MTO to build alternative S8-1, instead of the technically preferred alternative S8-3. Vaughan advocates for the most northern alignment to protect employment and residential lands.

King pointed out that S8-1 has the highest construction cost and significant constructibility issues related to the crossing of the Humber and East Humber valleys, with the longest combined structure length.

Earlier this month, York Region's transportation services approved a recommendation to request that the MTO assess, as part of the Environmental Assessment, a highway alignment that avoids impacts to the approved community areas in the North Kleinburg-Nashville Secondary Plan area.

resume work on the corridor.

Regional representations said considerations to move the preferred route must ensure the approved new communities are not divided.

"Expanding the highway can improve mobility for people and goods throughout Greater Toronto," said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "As work continues, there are many discussions needed to ensure this highway offers positive opportunities for our growing communities."

The GTA West Highway environmental study proposes a new freeway as well as an adjacent transitway, providing more east-west travel options and reducing traffic on roads such as Major Mackenzie Drive and King Road.

"Great care is taking place to ensure we are providing improved travel opportunities and protecting the sensitive environment in the area," said King Mayor Steve Pellegrini, chair of the Region's Transportation Services. "This highway has the potential to provide strong connections to our communities and businesses."

Vaughan's preferred option will see the new highway created from Highway 427 to Highway 400 passing through the

mitigate impacts to the city's existing residential neighbourhoods, planned employment lands and future residential areas.

"As the largest employment centre within York Region, it is important to expand the current transportation network to get goods and people moving while safeguarding the environment, our employment lands and our standard of living. The GTA West Corridor Highway presents an opportunity to create more connections across Vaughan and the Greater Toronto Area, but it must be constructed responsibly and take into account the best interests of our residents and businesses. With future employment growth estimated to reach 321,500 by 2041 and population expected to increase to almost half a million people by 2041, effective landuse planning is vital to city-building. We are following a principal-driven approach – rooted in environmental sustainability, economic development Region will grow to 13.5 million people and creating opportunities for citizens and 6.3 million jobs by 2041.

– and we feel the northern alternative is the only viable option to ensure our priorities are supported and the growth of our city remains aligned to our great vision," said Vaughan Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua.

The Province of Ontario is currently in the planning phase of the Environmental Assessment and completion is scheduled for the end of 2022. The final report will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks for approval. Preliminary design will begin following Ministry approval.

The GTA West Corridor, which spans from Highway 400 in the east to Highway 401/407 ETR interchange in the west, is identified in the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH) Region as part of the required transportation improvements to support the planning vision for managing growth and development. The updated 2019 Growth Plan forecasts the GGH

Local winery hosts its 'wine fest'

By Mark Pavilons

Taking the edge off winter is a new offering from a local winery.

Holland Marsh Wineries has created its newest ice wine and will be unveiling the product at its "Ice Wine Fest." It will be held this Saturday, Feb. 8, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bundle up and spend the day at the vineyard enjoying the delicacy of Canadian ice wine, made locally. Winery staff will be offering handcrafted specialty cocktails, cheese tastings, and outdoor vineyard tours.

Visitors are invited to cozy up to the outdoor fire on the vineyard patio roasting s'mores or take a snowshoe through the vineyard.

Tours will be available Saturday at noon and 2 p.m. If you'd like to participate, contact the winery at info@hmwineries.ca to reserve tours. No tickets required. All ages welcome, snowshoes encouraged, but not supplied.

The Vidal Ice Wine is truly a Canadian specialty. The Vidal grapes are left on their vines for a longer period of time until frosted over and harvested in the win-

ter. This creates a balanced sweet wine with tangy acidity. Some beautiful undertones to pick up in this wine are that of a tropical nature, including mango, apricot and honey.

Ice wine is a type of dessert wine produced from grapes that have been frozen while still on the vine. The sugars and other dissolved solids do not freeze, but the water does, allowing for a more

concentrated grape juice to develop. Holland Marsh Wineries is an award-winning boutique winery, dedicated to producing premium hand-crafted wines from vineyards situated in King Township. They're located at 18270 Keele Street, north of Davis Drive (Highway 9). For more, visit www.hmwineries.ca









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Caledon plans fibre optic installation along its Trailway

The Town of Caledon took a major ment and leadership to providing this Director of Business Development for step forward in its goal to provide high speed internet service to all of Caledon. Vianet, under contract to the Town, 35 kilometers of new fibre optic cable will be installed along the Caledon Trailway, creating the backbone for future high speed expansion in Caledon.

"This infrastructure takes us a major step closer to our goal of bringing high speed internet access to all of Caledon," said Mayor Allan Thompson. "The new fibre creates a robust backbone that spans the entire width of the

essential service to our residents."

The \$1.4 million project is the second phase of a request for proposal issued in 2019 and is being completely funded by Vianet with municipal consent provided by Town of Caledon Council. This announcement follows on a similar announcement last fall to install 8 kilometres of fibre optic cable in the south Bolton industrial area.

"Vianet is excited to be working with the Town of Caledon to provide this fibre optic backbone running along

Vianet (www.vianet.ca). "This will give Vianet the ability to deliver high speed services in the area as well upgrade our existing tower locations near the trail to deliver higher speeds and a more reliable wireless network. The high speed backbone gives us a jumping off point to further build rural fibre broadband and provide better service in the area that is so desperately needed."

"We are really excited about this opportunity and can hardly wait to be connected," said Barbara Lord, principal of King's College (www.kingscollegeschool.ca), a private school for Grades 3 to 12 on The Gore Road in Caledon. "This will allow us to better connect our students to the broader world and give them the chance to take advantage of many new opportunities to enhance their learning."

The project is set to begin in the spring of 2020 and completed by the end of summer 2020, with minimal impact to the Caledon Trailway and no closures due to construction.

Once completed, the new backbone will put roughly 85% of Caledon residents and businesses within range for future internet high speed service.

The 2018-2022 Council Work Plan prioritized "enhance high-speed internet connectivity." Early in 2019 the Town of Caledon issued a Request for Proposals for vendors to provide high speed internet service to at least one of the eight underserviced areas identified in the Town's Broadband Gap Analysis. The proposal included access to Town funding of up to \$250,000 from the Town's Broadband Levy.

For more information, visit caledon. ca/internet.



National Cupcake DayTM is less than one month away, which means it's time to get out your mixing bowls, pre-heat your oven and get ready to sprinkle the love for animals in need!

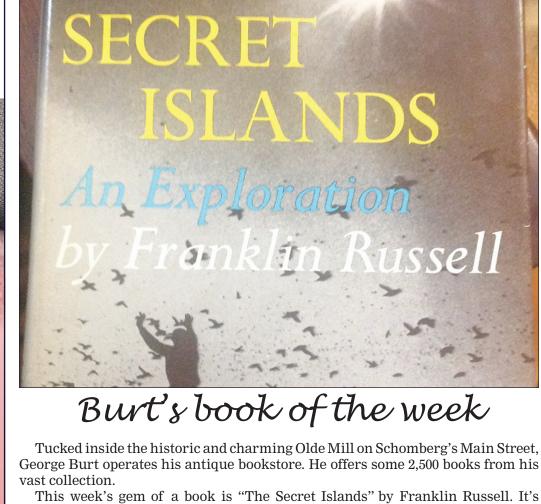
With National Cupcake Day coming up on Feb. 24, the Ontario SPCA Provincial Education & Animal Centre in Stouffville and Ontario SPCA Orangeville & District Animal Centre is asking people to do something sweet for vulnerable animals in the community by hosting a cupcake party.

The concept is as simple as it is sweet. Register online at national cupcakeday. ca and start planning your Cupcake Day party. Parties can be held anywhere, and on any date in February. Simply supply some delicious treats and then invite your co-workers, friends, family or neighbours to attend your party in exchange for a donation to the Ontario SPCA Orangeville & District Animal Centre.

Can't get everyone together? No problem! Collect funds online and get cupcakes to your donors at your convenience, or send a virtual cupcake with a heartfelt thank you!

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King City firefighters shave moustaches to support child

By Brittany Grenci

As wisely stated by Winston Churchill: "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

King City residents, along with other visitors, came together at Rockford's Bar and Grill on Saturday evening to experience the joy that comes with giving. A fundraiser was held to support eight-month-old Rebecca Grace Silva who was diagnosed with Spinal Muscular Atrophy Type 1 when she was five and a half months old.

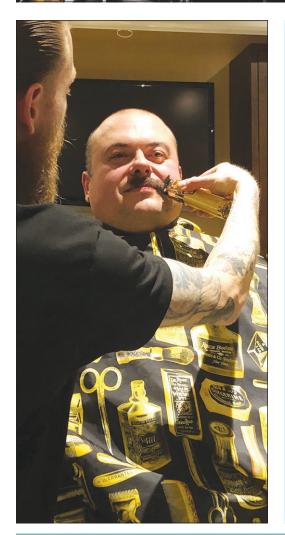
Rockford's Bar & Grill, along with the King City Firefighters Association, held an epic moustache shave to raise money for Zolgensma, the lifesaving treatment that Rebecca needs. Firefighters shaved their moustaches, some of which had been growing out for over 20 years, in exchange for donations to support the cause. A special performance was given by the Sonic Curators and a 50/50 draw was also held.

The night was full of hope and support for Rebecca's family, who wish to raise the needed funds to get her this lifesaving treatment as soon as possible.

To support this important cause, visit, gofundme/f/hope-for-rebecca-grace







Petition urges board to keep Muzzo in prison

By Mark Pavilons

An online petition, closing in on 25,000 signatures, hopes to put pressure on the Parole Board of Canada to keep Marco Muzzo in prison.

Circulated on change.org, the petition is asking the board to ensure Muzzo finishes his 10-year sentence.

"Our kids deserve protection. Stronger laws and consequences are going to help this."

The case has drawn widespread attention since 2015, when Muzzo was involved in a collision that killed three Neville-Lake children and their grandfather.

Muzzo is up for parole in April.

According to a social media post by Jennifer Neville-Lake, she's urging supporters to share their stories, of how the Neville-Lake tragedy has affected and changed their lives.

She's also urging people to submit a statement by emailing GEN-ONT-VIC-TIMSERVI@csc-scc.gc.ca

In 2016, Muzzo was sentenced to 10 years in prison after pleading guilty to four counts of impaired driving causing death and two counts of impaired driving causing bodily harm.

The September 2015 crash claimed the lives of nine-year-old Daniel Neville-Lake, his five-year-old brother Harrison, their two-year-old sister Milly and the children's 65-year-old grandfather, Gary Neville. The children's grandmother and great-grandmother were also seriously injured in the collision just south of King

The Parole Board denied Muzzo parole in 2018, saying at the time he had not addressed his abuse of alcohol.



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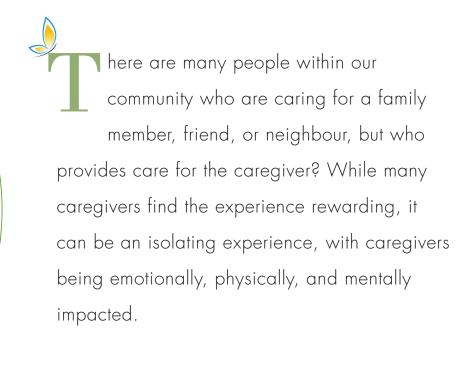
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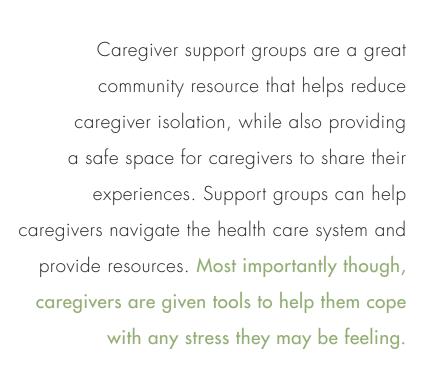
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Local optometrist has eye-opening experience abroad

By Kinjal Dagli Shah

A 16-year-old girl in Chinandega, Nicaragua, had never seen things that stood beyond 9 centimeters from her face. She had 11.00 dioptre myopia, but had never been able to get an eye exam done. In her final year of high school, a medical team of 27 professionals, which included Dr. Sonia Postiglione of King City Optometry, arrived there.

"She was in desperate need of glasses, and when she finally got them, her reaction went from speechless, then tearful, and then elated. She had never imagined a world where there were leaves on trees and smiles on faces. There were many gratifying stories such as this one," recalled Dr. Postiglione.

She recently joined the Newfoundland branch of Team Broken Earth, a medical mission with branches throughout Canada. They travelled to Central America to help local residents with vision care.

"The team had different divisions – vision, rural medical, autism and education. I serviced the vision clinic along with two other optometrists, two nurses, an optician and two other volunteers. We spent six long working days in the eye clinic and serviced an

astounding 930 patients."

Having recently returned from her mission, Dr. Postiglione feels immensely rewarded. "We worked hard but we were paid back ten-fold by the gratification of the people of Chinandega and surrounding areas. People came to us by the bus loads and in some instances travelled for hours," said the long-time King resident who remembers the efforts made by the locals to keep the team comfortable. From the cooks and the interpreters to the cleaners, everyone worked hard. My morning began daily with a hug from the lady who mopped the floors of the clinic. Having us there made her happy for two reasons - we were helping her fellow country people, and it also meant she had employment for the time we were there. She would walk 90 minutes to work and 90 minutes home in the scorching sun but always had a smile on her face."

But it wasn't all smiles and sun. Dr. Postiglione recalls feeling worried and nervous after the first couple days.

"I was worried that I wouldn't have the stamina to persevere and continue caring for patients at such a fast pace and volume. The limited and basic equipment made diagnosing and refracting challenging. Somehow, we persisted. We were fuelled by their



gratitude, their warm embraces and the support of our fellow volunteers. Although we helped a large percentage of people, there were a few we could not, due to complicated pathology that simply could not be addressed due to a lack of availability and funding of eye surgeons. Team Broken Earth is working hard to coordinate this in the future – a future I hope to be involved with again," she said.

Dr. Postiglione, a mother of two,

missed her family. But she came away with a deep desire to continue helping those in need.

"I am very thankful to residents of King Township and surrounding areas who have donated their old glasses. These old glasses are collected by the Lions Club who clean, sort and give them to organizations like Team Broken Earth. I will continue to accept donations all year long, in the hopes of delivering them once again to thankful faces."



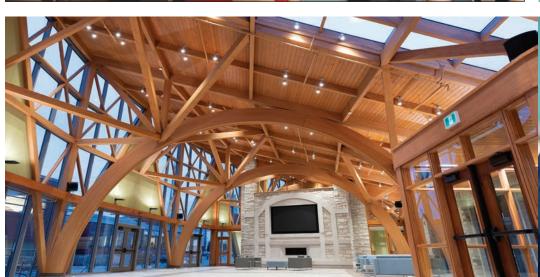




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King budget supports infrastructure, major investments

King Township council approved a 2.50 per cent increase in net levy requirements (Township portion) to support the 2020 operating and capital budgets totaling \$34.8 million at the Jan. 27 council meeting.

Based on an average property assessment value of approximately \$850,000, residents will see an increase of \$158 on the municipal portion of their 2020 property tax bill. For every residential tax dollar collected by the Township, the estimated portion retained by King is 39.3 cents, York Region gets 38.7 cents and the province gets 22 cents for education.

"Council and staff have worked hard over the last few months to put together a budget that meets the needs of the residents and businesses of King Township," said Mayor Steve Pellegrini. "Starting work on the new Township wide recreation centre and continued improvements to our road network are just two highlights from this fiscally responsible budget."

In addition to infrastructure investment, property tax dollars pay for a wide range of programs and services including snow removal from roads and sidewalks, road and bridge repairs and maintenance, fire and emergency services, parks, arenas and four library branches.

Budget highlights

- Disciplined approach to fiscally responsible budget.
- · Maintains or enhances all service levels.
- Delivers robust capital program for
- growth. Growing infrastructure reserves.
- Major investments in asset management.

 Respect council directed tax levy targets.

Capital projects

- Township wide recreation centre \$37
- Roads and related infrastructure \$21.3 million.
- Nobleton sanitary sewer \$14.6 mil-

For more information visit www.king.

Province on track to a balanced budget

The Government of Ontario reported that the province is still on track to a balanced budget while making life more affordable for individuals and families and helping businesses create good jobs with the release of the 2019-20 Third Quarter

The 2019-20 Third Quarter Finances provides an update on Ontario's fiscal outlook as of December 31, 2019. It is the first fiscal report since the 2019 Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review: A Plan to Build Ontario Together and the last fiscal report before the 2020 Budget. Each quarter, the government has delivered on its commitment to transparency and accountability in the government's finances by publicly releasing the province's quarterly fiscal update.

Key updates in the report include:

A deficit projection of \$9 billion in 2019-20, consistent with the Fall Economic Statement and a \$1.3 billion improvement from the 2019 Budget.

Total revenue is projected to increase by \$3.1 billion over the 2019 Budget, reflecting strong job growth, rising household incomes and strengthening home re-

Ontario's economy continued to grow in the third quarter of 2019. Real GDP grew by 0.6 per cent, following a gain of 0.8 per cent in the second quarter. Third quarter growth was supported by higher consumer spending, investment in residential structures and stronger exports.

Interest on debt expense is projected to be \$630 million lower in 2019-20 than forecasted in the 2019 Budget. Every dollar saved on servicing the debt is one more dollar that can go to ensuring the sustainability of services that the people of

Program expense is projected to increase by \$2.5 billion higher than the 2019 Budget projection, demonstrating that the government is continuing to make life more affordable by helping Ontarians manage electricity costs and investing in health care, education and other social services.

Ontario's credit ratings were confirmed by all four credit rating agencies (Moody's, DBRS, S&P and Fitch), and Fitch also improved the outlook on the Province's rating to Stable from Negative.

"Ontario is making strategic investments in healthcare and education while ensuring tax dollars are spent responsibly and creating a more competitive environment for businesses and job creation," Phillips said. "Ontario's plan to grow the economy is working. This fiscal update shows the Province is becoming more adaptable and stable in a sometimes uncertain world."

The next fiscal update will be the 2020 Ontario Budget on or before March 31.

The government's Fiscal Sustainability, Transparency and Accountability Act, 2019 (FSTAA), requires that quarterly updates of Ontario's finances be released on or before Aug. 15 and Feb. 15 of each year.

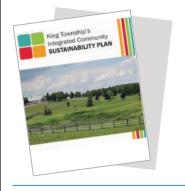
Ontario's net debt-to-GDP ratio for 2019-20 is projected to be 39.9 per cent, 0.8 percentage points lower than the 40.7 per cent 2019 Budget forecast.

Since June 2018, 291,900 net new jobs have been created in Ontario.

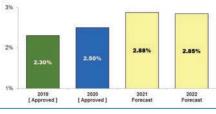


\$79.6 Million > \$44.8 Million + \$34.8 Million Capital costs

The second year of a four-year budget for this term



of Township Council aligns with King's Integrated **Community Sustainability Plan** Per Council Direction < 2.9%



2020 Budget HIGHLIGHTS



2013 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2020

at the January 27, 2020 meeting





Major Capital Projects for 2020-2022 include:

King Township Recreation Centre \$37.0 million

Road & Related Infrastructure \$21.3 million **Nobleton Sanitary Sewer**

- Disciplined Approach to a **Fiscally Responsible Budget**
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\$14.6 million

- Growing Infrastructure Reserves Major Investments in Asset
- Management Respect Council Directed

Tax Levy Targets

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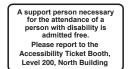












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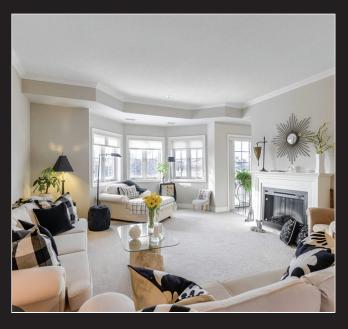


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Fill the Barn hockey event was a huge success

By Robert Belardi

The "Fill the Barn" event at the Trisan Centre was welcomed by a stand-out audience as the Schomberg Red Wings midget hockey teams played the final regular season game of their minor hockey careers.

The Schomberg LL1 midget team defeated the LL2 team 2-0 in a nail-biting thriller.

The night began with a touching video slide show, capturing the young careers of these players in the lobby outside the arena for all the parents to see.

Current and first-year president Ilya Dagenais said this was an incredible event to be a part of.

"Great to be able to signify and commemorate the graduating midgets, for many of them have been a part of Schomberg minor hockey for over a decade. Great to be able to make it a special moment," Dagenais said.

He also went on to credit vice-president Peter Ogborn for identifying the last

Dagenais, Ogborn, past-president Kelly Harbridge, past-president Randy Miller and former president and coach of the Cougars for 50 years Larry Gould were honoured to participate in the ceremonial puck drop.

LL1 alternate captain Jake Streef and LL2 captain Zach Stadan took to the ice with members and former members of management to accept the honour shown to their teams.

In the first period, the first team got things started.

Captain Keldan Dagenais fired the puck past Stephen Ensing-Walsh to get the boys on the board, assisted by Michael Meszaros.

The first team was pushing the second team to the brink, and vice versa. It was expected this game could go either way as both clubs are arguably, evenly matched.

In the second period, Ensing-Walsh and first team goaltender Matthew Brunato stood on their heads, denying chance after chance and convincing viewers that the story line of this game, could be between the goaltender more than the

In the third period, that is exactly what It was.

Second team players Staden and Tyler Jacobs, profusely fired the puck at Brunato, who denied all their chances with every limb he could use to protect his goal.

In the final minute, down one, the second team pulled the goaltender.

Alternate captain for the first team, Tyler Farramenta, capitalized on an er-



Captain of LL2 Zach Stadan (left) and alternate captain of LL1 Jake Streef line up for the ceremonial puck drop with all of the past president's and coaches, as well as the current president and vice-president.

ror in the neutral zone and scored the empty net winner to seal it.

When the final whistle sounded, both teams stepped out on the ice in line, to shake hands. A classy move by the organization, that has developed two teams that have a great chance in this year's

Dagenais also said that parents brought memoirs from their children's

"I heard from parents, on this being an emotional night. Hockey becomes not bury 2.

into the dirty areas."

only a part of our community, but it becomes a part of a family. Your social circles end up being hockey family."

This week, the first round of the Simcoe Region Local League (SRLL) playoffs begin.

The first team will take on the Innisfil WinterHawks 2 team, while the second team will take on the Lefroy Icebreakers 3 team.

NobleKing 1 will take on Richmond Hill 1. NobleKing 2 battles East Gwillim-





Red Wings win Wainfleet Tournament

The Nik Nak Nook and Schomberg Lions Club sponsored Schomberg bantam Red Wings returned home from the Niagara region late Sunday night with a new piece of hardware for the Trisan Centre trophy case.

The Red Wings went undefeated through five games to claim the championship of the Wainfleet Minor Hockey Association Bantam tournament. This was Schomberg's second tournament championship of the season. In November, the Red Wings won the Murray Johnson Local League Tournament in Hagersville.

In Wainfleet, Schomberg defeated the Norwich Knighthawks 4-1 and the Oro Thunder 5-1 to finish second after pool play.

In an 8 a.m. Sunday morning quarter-final game they once again faced Oro and came out on top 6-2. In the semi-finals, the opponents were a very aggressive Pelham Panthers team. Schomberg gifted the Panthers a trip home to watch the big football game after a solid 6-2 victory.

In the championship final Sunday night, the Red Wings played the first overall seed, Paris Wolfpack. Schomberg was up for the challenge of containing the speedy Wolfpack forwards and ended up Champs with a 6-1 victory.

Team members include Maia Lynn Blenkhorn, Tanner Budway, Sydney Clark, Kennedy Cober, Cameron Cooper, Giancarlo Di Palma, Stefano Fiorante, Davis Forrest, Joey Giardina, Aaron Kay, Lucas Lo Porto, Klein McKendrick, Tyler Middleton, Dylan Nobilione, Michael Toma and William Walker. Rory Edwards is also on the team but was unable to make the trip to Wainfleet.

Team staff consist of Trevor Clark (head coach), Bill Cober (assistant coach), Jody Walker (trainer), Steve Fiorante (assistant coach), Alfredo Nobilione (assistant coach) and Dave Dubas (manager).

The team looks forward to carrying the momentum on into the first round of

the Simcoe Region Local League playoffs.

Cougars gear up for the playoffs

By Robert Belardi

The Schomberg Cougars dropped their final game of the regular season at home against the Penetang Kings, 4-3, but that hasn't stopped head coach Brett Delmas from reassuring fans that tilt was just a preview for the playoffs.

Delmas shared his statement after speaking about a chippy second period against the Kings.

"It's what's to be expected with playoffs coming. I think playoff hockey has

begun," he said joyously. "We've been pushing our players to be more aggressive, finish their checks, get

That's exactly what the boys did, in front of a playoff caliber crowd in attendance at the Trisan Centre. A preview of the many more fans, Delmas feels, will be attending post-season games.

With two wins from the Caledon Golden Hawks over the weekend, the Cougars will face the Orillia Terriers in the first round of the playoffs.

The question is, how will the Cougars fair on the power play this post season? "We focused on that with our practices this past week. Our number one priority was to improve our special teams, specifically power plays, and we were very happy to be rewarded with a power play goal against Penetang for sure," explained Delmas.

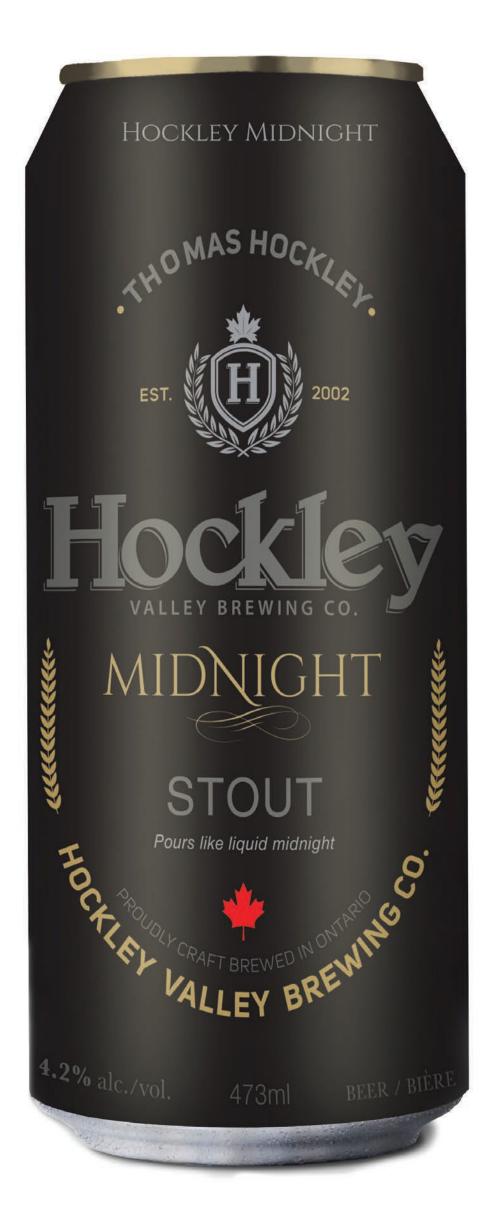
"I think we're on the right track as far as that goes."

Delmas has been experimenting with different power play units, slowly unravelling what difficulties the boy's face and how to mix different units together.

The boys will begin their playoff run this Thursday at the Trisan Centre. The Cougars travel to Orillia on Saturday to face the Terriers on the road, before returning home for the next game on Monday.



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Ladies 'Spiel the Wine' curling event a success

By Shellee Morning

Cheers to the King Ladies Team Entry League as they were host to the 5th Annual Spiel the Wine Bonspiel.

A full house event with 2 draws. breakfast, lunch, prizes, silent auction and lots of wine and cheese. Sponsored by Delmanor retirement living and James Morning & Sons of Kettleby, the event also featured a local sommelier (in training) wine tasting specialist, Lisa Kokelj. Tasters enjoyed the different types of wine offered with a contest in naming what the wine was called once tasted. Participating teams came from Donalda, Dixie, York, Milton, Thornhill, Alliston, Barrie, and of course King.

The ladies, who never give up the chance to add a little fun to their spiel, also included a "best dressed" wine themed contest. Each draw was awarded a winner for the top 2 teams in curling as well as a team for best dressed.

Draw one with a closely matched game between the top 2 winners was eventually awarded to Team Balchen of Barrie that included Kendal Balchen, Michelle Steers, Beth Stefaniuk and Barb Jackson. Second place with just 2 points behind was earned by Team York, skipped by Kelli Ali, and

her team of Gail Hirst, Karen Williamson and Shellee Morning. Best themed costume was given to Team Kamstra and her mates of Shellev Courneya, Lloy Bloom and Vienna Palantonio.

Second draw winners were also in a highly competitive afternoon match where the declared winners were awarded to Team Milton/King that included Carol Morawetz, Teresa Steenhoek both from King and Sandra Taylor, Sheila Hainsworth of Milton. Second place was won by Team Thornhill that consisted of Allison Goring, Kelley Heron, Kelley Evans and Christina Goring-Hambly. Best dressed was given to Team Brown of King that included Cindy Brown, Pam McKinley,

Ann Gerrits and Sue Sheardown. It takes many people to create and organize a successful event and the King Curling Club is very fortunate to acquire a significant amount of volunteers. Connie Fraser, Cindy Perkin-Rode, Sandra MacDonald and Mechelle Switzer of the clubs Tuesday night ladies league as well as Marnie Deathe and Kelly Stronach, were at the helm of the event putting in many hours before, during and after the Huge thanks to the members of the



Carol Morawetz of Team Milton/King delivers her stone during their winning game of the Ladies Spiel the Wine. The team went on to capture 1st place for the second draw.

help throughout the day that included Dave Barber as the Draw Master. Several other members of the club also offered their hand in the kitchen, bar, curlers sharp on their brooms.

club's Men's League who offered their setup and clean up duties. Thanks to the many donations for the auction table and to the ice technician who once again provided keen ice that kept the

Police lay impaired driving causing death charges

Investigators with the York Regional Police Major Collision Investigation Unit have laid Impaired Driving Causing Death charges in connection with a collision in the City of Vaughan.

On Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2019, at approximately 10:45 p.m., police responded to reports of a collision at Major Mackenzie Drive West and Fossil Hill Road.

Officers determined that a black Toyota Sequoia struck a grey Hyundai Santa Fe within the intersection.

Three people inside the Hyundai Santa Fe were taken to hospital with what were believed to be serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

The driver of the black Toyota Sequoia was arrested at the time for impaired driving and several charges were laid.

While in hospital, the condition of one occupant of the Hyundai, a 68-yearold woman from the City of Brampton, worsened. On January 23, 2020, she sadly passed away in hospital as a result of complications from her injuries. As a result, the charges against the accused have been upgraded.

A 36-year-old Aurora man was charged with Impaired Driving Cause Death Dangerous Operation Cause Death Fail to Comply with Breath Demand Cause Death.

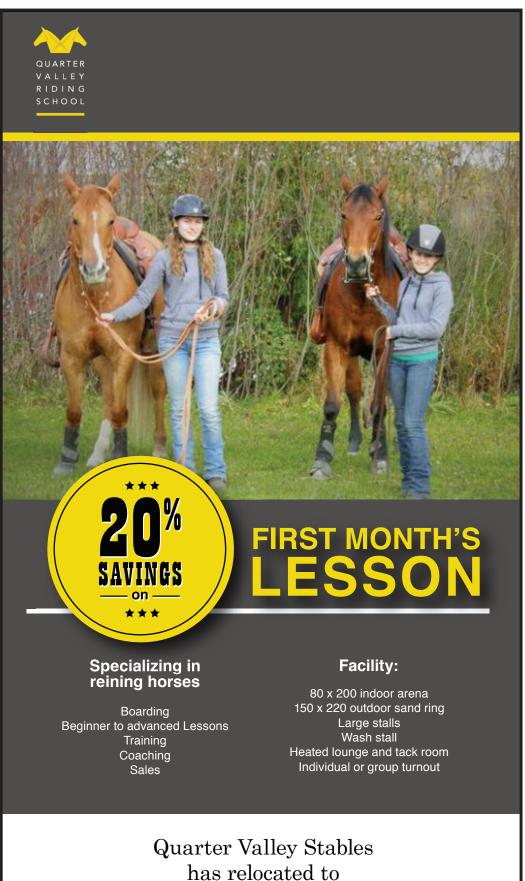
In 2019, York Regional Police received 3,500 calls to 9-1-1 to report suspected impaired drivers as part of our Safe Roads, Your Call program. That was an increase of nearly 18 per cent from the previous year. Many of those calls led to the more than 1,700 impaired-related criminal charges being laid.

If you see dangerous driving or behaviours on the road that could jeopardize the safety of motorists and pedestrians, you are encouraged to call 9-1-1 immediately.

York Regional Police is asking anyone with information to contact the Major Collision Investigation Unit by calling 1-866-876-5423, ext. 7704, or to call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS.



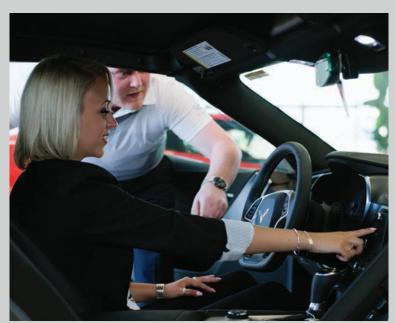
King members Pam McKinley, Cindy Brown, Ann Gerrits and Sue Sheardown won 2nd Draw Best Dressed Wine Themed costume category.



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King City United By Sheryl Sinka

On Sunday with Rev. Bruce, we reviewed the beatitudes and also Micah's calling for the people of God to "do Justice, and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God." On our exit we were commissioned to go back into our daily lives "responding to God's call as ordinary people hoping to be used by God in extraordinary ways." May it be

Sunday, Feb. 9, Rev. Andrew Lee will be presiding and worship will be followed immediately by the annual meet-

Please join us for the 10 a.m worship and we do have hearing assisted devices are available for the hearing impaired. Just ask as you arrive. Rev Bruce's 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.

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King Bible Church

We invite you to join us on Sunday, Feb. 9 as we will hear from guest speaker Rev Raj Sandhu from Masala Ministries. He will be speaking on "What on Earth is God Doing?"

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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.

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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 morning worship service is at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday School

This Sunday, Feb. 9, Lynn Vissers will take the service. Last Sunday, the Rev. Konnie Visser's sermon, "Living Richly" was based on Matthew 3: 25 -33. We are advised to put God first in our lives, allowing us to realize His presence, peace and security throughout our lives.

We're pleased to announce that Soong Huh's ordination and induction service will take place Sunday, Feb. 23 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 32 Mosley St., Aurora at 4:30 p.m. All are invited.

The Women's Prayer Circle meets Tuesday mornings at the Condo, 80 Burns Blvd. from 9 to 10 a.m. What a great way to start your day! Call Kathy Patterson, 905-833-0391.

The King City Lodge visitation and service unfortunately is cancelled for this Thursday afternoon.

Bible Study with the Bilgens of the Greater Grace Fellowship takes place Sunday evenings at 5 p.m. in the lounge, followed by light refreshments and an opportunity to discuss further with Pastor Niyazi and his wife, Irada.

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All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

A visit from the Bishop of Toronto – Our Diocesan Bishop, the Very Rev. Andrew Asbil will be leading a prayer study at our church on Tuesday, March 3 from 7-9 p.m. This is the first of four such special sessions he will be leading across the Diocese. Joining him in these conversations will be a wonderful way to start your Lenten journey. All are welcome from other churches.

Prayer time in our chapel every Sunday from 9:45 to 10:15. This will be a quiet time of prayer and meditation to get us ready for the week ahead. There will be some scripture reading and quiet music. It is a special time for communication with God. Prayer is an expression of our inner spiritual needs. Find strength and inner peace by joining us in our chapel every Sunday.

Words to live by – Luke 2 tells the story of Jesus as a child being presented in the Temple and a man, Simeon, filled with the Holy Spirit took Jesus in his arms and said as he had hoped – "my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel."

And an old prophet Anna, who lived a monastic life in the Temple, also came up and confirmed to those in the temple that she had also seen the redemption of Israel in the child. Simeon's blessing of Mary is realistic, however, "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too." "This prophecy of suffering is the climax of the promise that this child who is the Messiah will reveal what is in the hearts of many."

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth said. "His light will reveal the secrets in our hearts. There will be great joy and sudden change." She said that at every Eucharist we present ourselves to God.

As the Book of Common Prayer states after Communion: "And here we present ourselves to thee, our souls and bodies to be a reasonable holy and living sacrifice unto thee."

As Simeon required the Holy Spirit to recognize Jesus, so do we need it

ourselves and others. "We are called to share Jesus with others." she said. "The Holy Spirit reveals the presence of the Lord to us when we are receptive and eager. Let us be open to the promptings of to recognize the presence of Jesus in the Holy Spirit and the Lord within us."

Spending on Ontario public schools increasing

Spending on public schools in Ontario increased 3.1 per cent per student in recent years, surpassing the national average, finds a new study by the Fraser Institute, an independent, non-partisan Canadian public policy think-tank.

"Contrary to what we often hear, spending is on the rise in Ontario's public education system, and it's increasing at a faster rate than in other parts of the country," said Jason Clemens, Fraser Institute executive vice-president and co-author of Education Spending in Public Schools in Canada, 2020 Edition.

The study finds the total amount spent on the province's public schools increased by more than nine per cent, from \$25.5 billion to \$27.9 billion, from 2012/13 to 2016/17, the most recent year of available Statistics Canada data.

This spending increase occurred while student enrolment declined by approximately 24,500 students. This is part of the reason why per student spending is increasing; even small increases in spending get amplified when the number of students declines.

In fact, after adjusting for inflation and enrolment changes, per student spending increased by 3.1 per cent over the same five-year period, which was higher than the national average increase of 2.9 per cent.

By comparison, while Ontario spent \$13,894 per student in 2016/17, Quebec spent \$11,543 per student that same year.

"In critical policy discussions, especially those that affect our children's education, it's important to understand exactly what's happening with public education spending," Clemens said.

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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone 416-917-0406

Our first Free "CarSense Auto Fix" workshop was a real success! A lot was learned that morning by everyone that attended and many good questions were asked. We thank Diego Flammia and Tony Furlano, our two professors at Centennial College, who did an excellent job of providing us with important information. Stay tuned for more workshops that will come up in the future.

This Sunday at 10 a.m., Jeff will be leading us in worship, bringing a message, entitled "Fishing For Forgiveness." There is always a time of socialization over coffee and refreshments following the service. This Sunday, we will have our annual meeting, at which time we review what 2019 looked like

for St. Paul's. We offer ministry for children aged 0

to 11 during worship, and teens will be comfortable in the worship gathering. Don't hesitate to bring your kids! Come and join us. You will be glad you did!

The Community Youth Group meets every Friday 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. Some of their latest activities have been watching a movie that has just been released on DVD, Overcomer distributing clothes that had been collected for the Inn from the Cold Program. Coming up will be a weekend away at Pioneer Camp. 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 1 to 6, will be meeting again this Friday, January 31 at 7:00 p.m. A2J will meet the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the following months. Feel free to come, and bring your friends along.

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. Please join in if you enjoy handcrafts, or even would like to learn how!

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 You-Tube 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.

St. Patrick's Gala

Save the date. Our first gala for the new decade. Saturday, March 14 at the Royal Ambassador Banquet Hall at 15430 Innis Lake Road, Caledon. Ticket price is \$100, \$40 will be provided for a tax donation receipt. There will be DJ live entertainment, open bar, silent auction and live auction.

Nobleton United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

This Sunday, Feb. 9, we will have our 11:15 a.m. service led by the well-known and well-loved Rev. Evelyn McLachlan. We all enjoyed her lively service last week. She was the minister of King City United Church for 5 years until her retirement in 2017. She also served in Mississauga (9 years), Sarnia (4 years), Dutton (8 years), and received her MDiv. at Queens, and her BA at Windsor. We are looking forward to welcoming back Rev. Ev!

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 5-7 p.m., is our next Messy Church. We have 6 optional activities each month for the first hour, then at 6 pm we have a story that connects the activities to the Bible story, this time the story of Jesus found in the temple, and at 6:15 p.m. we eat. Children must be accompanied by at least one adult. Do not dress up for this!

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

Our next potluck lunch will be held at the Centre on Friday, Feb. 21 beginning at 12:30 p.m. Attendees are asked to bring either a main course item or a dessert. Evervone welcome!

Tuesday, March 3 is the date for our annual pancake supper. There will be two sittings – 4:30 and 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. Information on obtaining tickets will be available next week.

Circle your calendar for 10 a.m. Wednesday morning March 25 and let your friends know about a free presentation by CHATS. This is an opportunity to learn about the services that are available for those of us who want to stay in our own homes as long as possible. Some of the topics to be discussed include: meals, transportation, housekeeping, visitations.

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Wednesday, Feb. 19 is our first Stitch and Sip evening. Please join Aleisha Richards for an informal night of sharing stitch crafts and refreshments. Aleisha can help with knitting, crocheting, lacework. Perhaps you started knitting socks and never finished. Bring your project along and get some friendly advice or just share in the camaraderie.

Feb. 26 is Ash Wednesday. We will be joining with St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church for this special event. There will be a Lenten study, focussed on the book by Richard Rohr, called "Wondrous Encounters: Scriptures for Lent." If you would like your own copy of this book, please let Rev. Carol-Ann know by Feb. 16. The cost is \$15.

Our Schomberg Nobleton Joint Annual General Meeting is on Sunday, March 1 at Nobleton United. We start with a shortened church service at 11:15 a.m., then have a light lunch and then hold our meeting, likely starting at 1 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

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

Then without warning the hooded stranger revealed himself and the

young Greek soldier blocking his path realized he was face to face with Zeus king of the gods. Gods and goddesses showing themselves to mortals fill many a page in ancient Greek mythol-

This appearance of a heavenly being to a mortal was called theophany, literally "god showing" by the ancient Greeks. Thus when St. Gregory of Nazianus (near Konya in modern Turkey) preached his famous sermon on Dec. 25 380 AD in his role as bishop of Constantinople (Istanbul in modern Turkey) he referred to that day as Yeshua's birthday and theophany. Later on in sermons, one on Jan. 6 and the other the day following, he stated that time marking the Visit of the Magi had already passed and soon the day marking Christ's baptism would be celebrated. Soon this theophany became known as Epiphany by early Egyptian and Western Christians. But around the same time the bishop of Salamis (Cyprus), appropriately known as St. Epiphanius, asserted that Jan. 6 was the date of Christ's birth while Nov. 6, some 30 years later marked the date of his baptism.

In 385 AD Egeria (Silvia) a devout, well educated, Christian woman possi-

bly from Gaul (France) wrote while on a pilgrimage to the Holy land she learned that Christians in both Jerusalem and Bethlehem marked Christ's birth date on the same January date.

St. John Cassian in the 5th century AD wrote that many monasteries in Egypt still held to Jan. 6 as the date of the Nativity. Even today, many in the Eastern Orthodox Church including the Armenian Apostolic Church celebrates Christmas on Jan. 6.

Of course modern historians and biblical scholars tells the actual date of Yeshua's nativity if indeed it happened at all (neither the author of Mark's gospel the oldest nor the author of John's mention it) is unknown but sometime in April is the educated guess.

The St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton notes that in the early of Christianity Epiphany grew from a very minor almost unknown observance into a major one which at one point not only included Yeshua's birth, the magi visit and his years later baptism, but all of his childhood, his Bar Mitzvah at 12 and his miracle during the wedding in Cana.

Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop 905-590-0054 wsue52@hotmail.com

Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection

You are all invited out to Dufferin Marsh's annual Community Skate on Saturday, Feb. 8, from 2-5 pm. There will be hot dogs, marshmallows, coffee, hot chocolate and lots of fun all brought to you by the good people of the Dufferin Marsh group. This is a free event but donations to the Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection are more than appreciated. Please enter the area near the corner of Dr. Kay and Main. This group is also offering the "Great Backyard Bird Count" on Saturday, Feb. 15 (Family Day) at 9 a.m. Again, please meet at the Bulletin Board on Dr. Kay Drive. For further information please visit www.dufferinmarsh.ca or call Mary at 905-939-7544.

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