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Public ordered to stay away from playgrounds

All of King's parks, playgrounds and facilities remain closed during the COVID-19 response. The Province backed up these measures by banning the public from playgrounds, to ensure the public's safety.

King Chamber calls for stronger measures

By Mark Pavilons

King's business organization is calling for all levels of government to infuse some needed economic stimulus, to slow the fallout from the COVID-19 crisis.

The King Chamber of Commerce sent out a plea to King councillors, King-Vaughan MP Deb Schulte and King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce last week, calling for an "emergency standstill agreement."

In the letter, from Chamber president Angelo Santorelli, said all payments should top - mortgages, lease payments, taxes, etc.

"All businesses would pay their employees with a pay-through fund that all levels of government pass on to employers to pass on to employees that are currently on staff as of a specific date set by the government.

"This needs to be implemented immediately, with all levels of government working together to make it happen so we can have stability and continuity in our work place, our homes and our businesses.

"We need to bring all business leaders and governments

together to make this agreement now. Our goal should be to have this in place within 15 days and have the emergency standstill agreement become the lifeline that is so badly needed at this time, a lifeline that can't be broken until life gets back to normal. No waiting period, start now!"

Santorelli said the government must stop throwing more money out without working out a sustainable future for all people and all businesses in this great country.

"We need long-term positive action."

He pointed out he's been in business in Ontario for 43 years and has seen a lot of economic turmoil over four decades.

"I have had to deal with many situations in my business but nothing like this! Not many of us, or perhaps none of us, have seen anything like this before, that's why we have to act now."

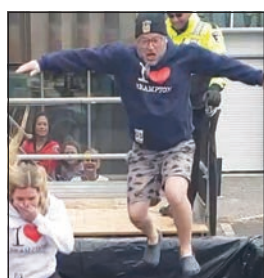
MP Schulte said nothing in our lifetime has compared with the changes to our daily routines that we now face.

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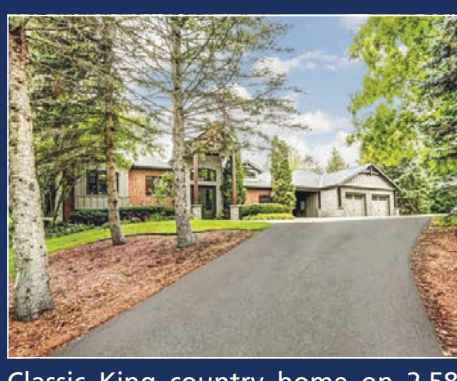
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Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

ALL COUNCIL, COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEETINGS ARE POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Mon., April 6, 2020

**6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole
CANCELLED**

Thurs., April 2

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

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Recreation League Convenor (casual contract) – closes when filled
- Aquatics Instructor/Lifeguard (summer) – closes when filled
- Crossing Guard (contract) - closes when filled
- Fitness Floor Monitor (PT, seasonal) – closes when filled
- Program Instructor (PT seasonal contract) - closes when filled
- Summer Parks positions – close when filled
- 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

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Half-load restrictions

The annual half-load period to limit vehicle weights to 5,000 kg per starts on designated Township roads effective March 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020 per our By-law 2010-141. For further information, call 905-833-5321.

2020 Animal Licensing



It's time to renew your dog's life time tag or obtain a new tag for your dog/cat. Cats are required to be licensed. Complete the online animal licence application at www.king.ca and submit by email. Apply before April 15 to save \$5.

Cancellation of the Council/Committee of the Whole for April 6th

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Township of King has closed all facilities including the Municipal Centre to the public. These measures have been taken in support of the Province of Ontario's direction to facilitate social distancing to protect staff and citizens from the spread of COVID-19.

Council of the Corporation of the Township of King has **CANCELLED** the Regularly Scheduled Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting for:

Monday, April 6, 2020 - 6:00 p.m. (CANCELLED)

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



Please do your part & recycle!

Please see more King Township notices on page 5

PUBLIC NOTICES



With guidance from York Region Public Health and in an abundance of caution for both residents and staff around the COVID-19 pandemic, King Township is responding with the following changes in operations:

- King Township has closed all recreation, library, and cultural facilities up to and including Sun., April 5.
- The Municipal Centre at 2585 King Rd. is closed to the public.
- All essential services will continue, including Fire and Emergency Services, water, wastewater, waste collection and roads and sidewalk maintenance.
- Some non-essential services may be impacted. For a list of all services please visit www.king.ca.
- During the closure, council chambers has been set up for King's Emergency Operations Centre.

Citizens can still do business with King on our website at www.king.ca, by phone at 905-833-5321 or by email at serviceking@king.ca.

LATEST UPDATES

Tax and finances

In order to help citizens through the COVID-19 pandemic, King is waiving monthly penalties on taxes through June 29, 2020. More information on due dates and payment methods can be found at <https://bit.ly/33AtzOW>

Garbage container increase



King has increased the number of accepted garbage containers from two to three. We know many residents are spending more time at home which means more garbage being produced. Additional bag tags can still be purchased through Online Services at <http://king.ca>.

Playground equipment



King's playground equipment is not being sanitized and can easily spread the COVID-19 virus in our community. Signage has been placed in all parks urging people to not use the playground equipment, shade structures or skateboard areas.

Support for our local economy



King Township is collaborating with local business as they adapt to providing residents with physically distant shopping options. It has also created a central hub for residents to access local shopping while still maintaining physical distancing.

All King residents are encouraged to visit ShopKing to learn more about physically distant shopping alternatives that will support our local economy.

Local businesses that are offering physically distant alternatives and are not yet listed on the site are encouraged to contact King's Economic Development staff. They are also available to provide guidance, support and assistance to businesses looking for information on programs services and measures through and beyond these challenging times. Feel free to contact them by e-mail at ecdev@king.ca or by phone at 905-833-4016.

Additional resources are available from the following websites:

- www.economicking.ca/Covid-19/
- www.economicking.ca/physical-distance-shopking/
- <https://www.kingchamber.ca>
- <https://www.yorklink.ca>



Collecting COVID-19: Recording history in the midst of a global pandemic

The global coronavirus pandemic of 2020 is history in the making. The impact of the virus will be felt for years to come and related events will mark a significant place in history.

As countries struggle to gain control and stop the spread of this virus, Canadians are self-isolating and coping in different ways. The King Heritage & Cultural Centre would like to record the local impact, that is how King Township citizens are feeling amidst the crisis.

If you live or work in the Township of King, you can participate:

1. Describe your personal experience in any form (journal, poem, letter, drawing, photo, video clip, social media post, etc.).
2. Email kingmuseum@king.ca and request a donation form.
3. Complete the form and return with your contribution via email or on social.
4. If you prefer to submit the original, please wait until the King Heritage & Cultural Centre reopens (date not yet determined).
5. Questions? Please email us at kingmuseum@king.ca



COVID-19 information

The risk to York Region residents of acquiring the virus in the community remains low. Visit york.ca/covid19 for more information or call Health Connection at 1-800-361-5653. You may also contact Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-797-0000 for medical advice. Telehealth Ontario is a free confidential service you can call to receive health advice or information. A registered nurse will take your call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Businesses, employees need immediate assistance

From Front Page

The federal government is delivering immediate help to Canadians and businesses that are most in need. They are providing \$27 billion of direct support to Canadian workers and businesses, and keeping an additional \$55 billion in the economy through tax deferrals.

The new Canada Emergency Response Benefit will provide \$2,000 a month for up to four months for workers who lose their income as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. It is available to all workers, regardless of whether they are eligible for Employment Insurance or not.

For businesses, the government has

provided a deferral of tax payments until the end of August and to help businesses retain workers, there now is a 75% wage subsidy and enhancements to the Work-Sharing Program.

"We are looking carefully at the models being deployed in other countries, like Denmark and Germany, and are looking at how we can make similar measures work here in Canada," Schulte said. "We are reviewing suggestions received by citizens, businesses and stakeholders, like the one proposed by the president of the King Chamber of Commerce. We will have more to say in the coming days."

"As we work together to flatten the curve and slow down the transmission

of the virus, the government is working to support Canadians every step of the way."

MPP Lecce has been working around the clock checking in with local stakeholders, small business owners, and constituents of the King-Vaughan community, while we all deal with the global pandemic of COVID-19.

He has reached out to both Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua and Mayor Steve Pellegrini, as well as federal MPs Deb Schulte and Francesco Sorbara. He spoke with Brian Shifman (president of Vaughan's Chamber of Commerce), Angelo Santorelli (president of King's Chamber of Commerce), and small business owners on government efforts to support local business and the King-Vaughan economy.

"In partnership with all levels of government and our Township, we will do whatever it takes to protect the health of our people and of our economy. This is why we have made \$10 billion in support available for small businesses to protect jobs, keep taxes low, and support local businesses. I recently engaged in conversations with the Chamber of Commerce President Angelo Santorelli, where I emphasized our efforts to support the King-Vaughan economy. Citizens of King Township and Vaughan should know that our Government will continue to take action to save lives, jobs, incomes and our local economy, working to ensure we all overcome this pandemic together."

First announced in Ontario's Action Plan: Responding to COVID-19, measures to help lessen the burden on businesses and household budgets include:

- Supporting more affordable electricity bills for eligible residential, farm and small business consumers, by providing approximately \$5.6 billion for electricity cost relief programs in 2020-21, which is an increase of approximately \$1.5 billion compared to the 2019 Budget plan.

- Making electricity bills more affordable by setting electricity prices for residential, farm and small business time-of-use customers at the lowest rate, known as the off-peak price, 24 hours a day for 45 days to support ratepayers in their increased daytime electricity usage as they respond to the COVID-19 outbreak, addressing concerns on time-of-use metering.

- Cutting taxes by \$355 million dol-

lars for about 57,000 employers through a proposed temporary increase to the Employer Health Tax (EHT) exemption.

- Making available \$6 billion by providing five months of interest and penalty relief for businesses to file and make payments for the majority of provincially administered taxes.

- Deferring in the upcoming June 30 quarterly municipal remittance of education property tax to school boards by 90 days, which will provide over \$1.8 billion in relief to businesses by providing municipalities the flexibility to, in turn, provide property tax deferrals to residents and businesses, while ensuring school boards continue to receive their funding.

- Making available \$1.9 billion by the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) allowing employers to defer payments for up to six months

- Helping to support regions lagging in employment growth with a proposed new Corporate Income Tax Credit, the Regional Opportunities Investment Tax Credit.



Rainbows brighten isolation

Rainbows have been appearing in windows and on front lawns across Nobleton and King. Some homes have also been decorating sidewalks and driveways. According to Ward 2 Councillor David Boyd, "I think it's a great way for people to keep their spirits up and to help lift the spirits of those passing by."



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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

Never ignore talent in our fellow humans

Never ignore talent, is an idea I've come to embrace over the years.

In my job, I've met thousands of interesting souls, all of whom have some talent, skill or accomplishment.

Some I can relate to, but many others are totally foreign. Those unique or complicated areas of expertise only serve to make me more curious and more intrigued.

I've met numerous music stars, athletes and scientists, all with tremendous capabilities and passion for what they do. I've interviewed several engineers who've worked on space projects - articulated robots working in zero gravity and the like. I can never really fathom the math and engineering that goes into creating these gizmos, but their value and contribution is evident. And so are the individuals behind the work.

Locally, I've seen plans go from the drawing board to reality in all of their glory. A huge team of people, each with their own expertise, combined to make such things a reality.

One of the reasons I love my profession is that I get opportunities, on a weekly basis, to learn something new.

Residents read this newspaper and while most have gotten the chance to get to know me, there is still some fuzziness as to what journalists and editors do. My dad never really understood why I wanted to be a journalist. It took him many years to understand and appreciate just what I do.

We are in the service industry and the only tangible product we produce is



Mark Pavilons

the publication, whether it be a newspaper, magazine or online publication.

Yes, I write stories, take photos, make sure local events are covered. I prioritize articles and I assign stories to reporters and freelancers. I physically design the layout of each page in the newspaper. I am, at times, a one-armed paper-hanger.

I have to give every story, every item, a value and weigh it in terms of what impacts the most people in King. I also have to make sense of a multitude of government initiatives and staff reports.

I do these things with relative ease,

but that ability has taken years to foster and hone.

So, I draw upon my own expertise, in order to weave stories and tell tales of the accomplishments, or predicaments, of others. I craft thousands and thousands of words, in the hopes I can shed some light on local events, issues, characters and societal trends.

Through it all, I maintain an admiration of the talents of others I encounter along the way.

We've always been encouraged to play to our strengths and use what God gave us. Most of us do, often without even thinking about it.

But in typical Canadian fashion, we tend to underestimate and play down what we do well.

Journalists are often undervalued and criticized. This job doesn't always do wonders for the ego.

I can recognize talent and "value" and I can then highlight them in the pages of the newspaper. While I deal with a small staff, I tell them when they've done a good job, and I encourage them to continue to hone their craft.

Managers, especially in today's workforce, need to spot talent and let employees know they are valued members of the team.

A lot of our own humility and dismissiveness comes from our self-esteem. This one very important ingredient is never taught and suffers a constant beating at the hands of others. Self-confidence, not to be confused with ego, needs to be nurtured and this will, in turn, bolster talent, creativity, productivity and yes, loyalty.

Many of us downplay our strengths, and find it difficult to even write a list of them.

I mentioned a lot of it comes from self-esteem and inner strength. But if we only paid more attention to ourselves, we'd discover a treasure trove of talent. We go about our business and there are likely a couple of "eureka" or "ah ha" moments every week - things

that come together and we take a moment to absorb.

It's okay if no one else notices. We know.

I happen to love trivia and soak up as much as I can by reading anything and everything. Others sometimes get annoyed at my prowess, but it sure comes in handy in certain board games and while watching Jeopardy!

One exercise I undertook recently was jotting down all the really great qualities of my wife Kim. Those qualities - things that attracted me to her in the first place - are quite extraordinary. They encompass talent and inherent goodness. She's assertive, strong, and an incredibly compassionate individual. She's a nurturing and watchful mother and can be like a bear with her cubs. She has an amazing memory and is always level headed in emergencies. She works hard.

I could go on and on. So, if we all did this for our spouses or significant others, you'd be surprised at the talents and skills they possess.

Instead of mounting those cat posters on the wall, maybe we should all wear our strengths like badges. It may seem forward, but what's wrong with reminding others about how great we are?

Managers and team leaders often promote their team's strengths. They encourage them and slot them in the most suited roles. When people feel strong, they are willing to venture into new territory, and consider new ideas.

We do this at home, without really noticing. One spouse tends to handle the finances, while the other is a sleuth at sniffing out bargains. One may do the dishes while the other vacuums. We use what we have to get the job done!

Talent isn't always inherent and needs all the encouragement we can give it.

During these trying times, try to recognize the talent that abounds in your own household. Give it a shot in the arm!

Letters to the Editor

Time to conserve electricity

We all welcome the lowering of our hydro bills by pausing the "time of use costs" for the next 6 weeks. This is good news for farmers still storing crops, still-open business owners and all of us now at home during the day.

But do not forget that the reasons the costs were imposed in the first place is to encourage us all to conserve electricity and reduce emissions! Our bills will be lower if we still conserve and not if we needlessly use a lot more power! Let us not go back to bad habits.

Yes, we are now rightly focused on the pandemic and the safety of all. But our collective need to prevent climate change has not diminished or gone away!

Thank you to our King staff, all the first responders, health workers, essential business workers and neighbours for doing your part to keep King safe. We are all in this together. Let's plank that curve!

S. Beharriell

Don't forget our ecosystems

What was said about the importance of tree preservation (in regards to the recent conference) can, and should, be said about all ecosystems. Too often we forget the value of something without an obvious price tag.

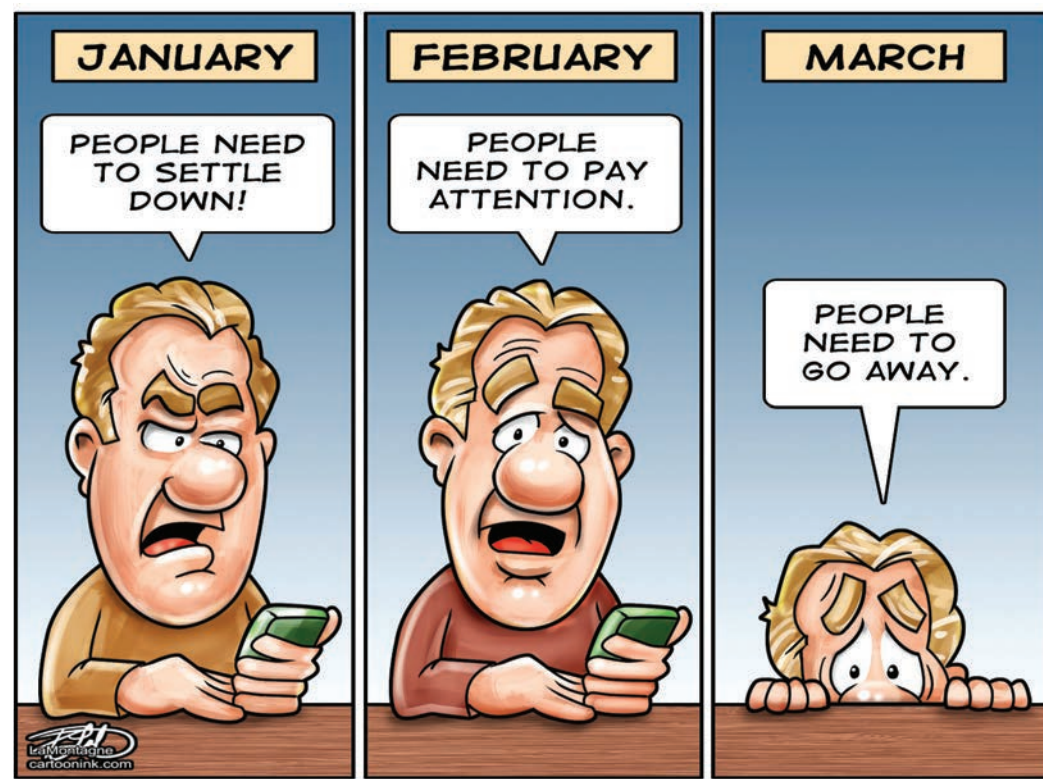
Meadows provide habitat and food for pollinators that are crucial for agriculture. Wetlands provide flood protection and improve water quality, and forests store carbon and help provide clean air.

These are all common ecosystems along the Oak Ridges Moraine and their features, if quantified, typically add up to more than property market value. Globally, ecosystem services have been valued at \$47 trillion CAD per year!

As Oscar Wilde said, "a cynic is a man who knows the price of everything but the value of nothing."

Are all trees important? Of course they are. The question that we should be asking is how we can do more to protect them around our homes and community? It will certainly pay dividends in a fraction of the tree's lifetime.

Mary Anne Schoenhardt
King City



Thought of the Week



When asked what they'd bring to a desert island, no one ever says a boat!

Trivia Tidbits

Stars twinkle because their light is refracted by air molecules. Astronomers also call this atmospheric scintillation. When starlight passes through the molecules, it gets bent just as a stick is bent by refraction when you put it in water.

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Results from last week's poll:
Are you self-isolating or is it "business as usual" in light of COVID-19 measures?

a) Self-isolating **92%**

b) Business as usual **8%**

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you know anyone who has contracted COVID-19?

a) Yes
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of a Public Meeting Concerning a Proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-Law 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, March 23rd, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. POSTPONED

Due to COVID-19 developments, this meeting is postponed to Monday, April 20th, 2020.

Please note: King Township is closely monitoring COVID-19 developments daily. Please be aware that further postponement of this meeting may be required.

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 and Official Plan Amendment, under Section 22 and 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13.

Subject Property

Location: 1986 King Road, King City
Part of Lot 6, Conc. 3
Owner: 1986 King Road Developments Inc.
Agent: Eldon Theodore, MHBC Planning Limited
File Numbers: Z-2019-13, OP-2019-05 and SPD-19-64

The proposed Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-law Amendment and Site Plan Control applications submitted by MHBC Planning Limited, on behalf of the owner, 1986 King Road Developments Inc., under Planning Files OP-2019-05, Z-2019-13 and SPD-19-64 concerns a property located on the north side of King Road approximately 45 metres east of King Boulevard in the Village area of King City. The subject property measures 0.29 hectares with 67 metres of frontage on King Road and supports a dwelling and accessory garage. The owner intends to remove the existing buildings from the lands.

Proposed Changes

The subject property is designated 'Core Area' by the King City Community Plan (OPA #540) and is zoned Core Area - King City (CAK) by Zoning By-law #2017-66, as amended.

The Official Plan Amendment application seeks to increase the height and density requirements of the Community Plan to provide for a residential infill consisting of 20 stacked, 4-storey townhome units, serviced by a common road to a maximum density of 70 units per hectare. The purpose of the Zoning By-law Amendment is to provide for stacked townhouses in the CAK zone and to amend the zone requirements for Maximum Height, Floor Space Index, Front Yard setback, Rear Yard setback, Interior Side Yard setback and other site-specific provisions to implement the development.

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.**

Stay Informed

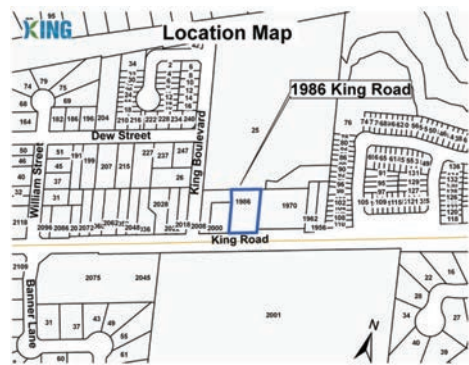
If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council of the Township of King regarding the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Township of King Municipal Centre located at 2585 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1A1.

Additional Information

A copy of the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment as well as 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.

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Comments and personal information (PI) are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c.P.13 as amended, and become part of the decision making process of the application as noted on this form, also become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of personal information (PI), please contact the Planning Department, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.

Notice of Public Meeting Concerning a Proposed Zoning By-Law 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, April, 20th, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.

Please note: King Township is closely monitoring COVID-19 developments daily. Please be aware that postponement of this meeting may be required.

at the Township of King Council Chambers at 2585 King Road, King City to receive information and provide comments on proposed general amendments to the Zoning By-law (2017-66) for the Schomberg and King City Urban Areas, in accordance with Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended.

What Are The Proposed Amendments?

The Township of King has proposed to amend the Zoning By-law for the Nobleton Urban Area (By-law 2017-66) to revise the provisions for maximum permitted lot coverage and minimum pervious surface areas to implement provisions that correspond with the existing conditions for each exception zone. The residential exception zones currently default to the respective parent zone's requirements for lot coverage and pervious surface requirements. The proposed amendment revises the provisions of the exception zones to include requirements for maximum lot coverage and minimum pervious surface areas that are specific to each residential exception zone.

The following residential exception zones are proposed to be revised to implement provisions for maximum lot coverage and minimum pervious surface areas that correspond with the existing conditions for each exception zone:

Residential Zone Exceptions Requiring Amendment, King City

R1-13	R1-14	R1-15	R1-16
R1-17	R1-18	R1-19	R1-20
R1-21	R1-22	R1-23	R1-24
R1-25	R1-29	R1-30	R1-34
R1-35	R1-36	R1-38	R1-39
R2-2	R3-3	R3-4	

Residential Zone Exceptions Requiring Amendment, Schomberg

R1-2	R1-3	R1-4	R1-5
R1-6	R1-8	R1-9	R2-1
R3-1			

Subject Properties

All lots within the above-noted Residential Exception zones in King City and Schomberg.

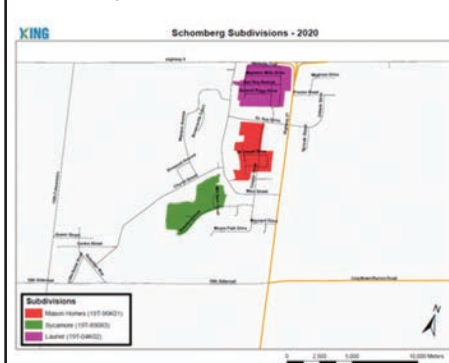
Appeal Procedure

If a person or public body that would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal ("LPAT"), does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of King before the 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 zoning by-law amendment 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 Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

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

How To Stay Informed



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

Additional Information

The proposed Zoning By-law Amendments, including supporting information, are available by contacting the Planning Department at (905) 833-1004, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or by email to Aloma Dreher, Planner II, at adreher@king.ca, quoting "Schomberg and King City Residential Zoning By-law Amendments". Written comments may be mailed or emailed to the Planning Department.

Dated at the Township of King this 20th day of March, 2020.

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

Comments and personal information (PI) are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c.P.13 as amended, and become part of the decision making process of the application as noted on this form, also become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of personal information (PI), please contact the Planning Department, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Re: Site Alteration and Related Fees and Charges Draft By-laws for Consideration
Council Chambers located at 2585 King Road, King City, ON

Engineering, Public Works & Building / Clerks & By-law Enforcement Departments

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RE: Committee of the Working Session: **Monday, April 20, 2020 at 5:00 P.M.**
Consideration of: Draft Site Alteration and Related Fees and Charges By-laws

Council of the Corporation of the Township of King will hold a Special Committee of the Whole Working Session for Consideration of Draft Site Alteration and Related Fees and Charges By-laws including a presentation by the Engineering, Public Works & Building / Clerks & By-law Enforcement Departments with a presentation by staff.

RE: Council Meeting: **Monday, April 20, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.**
Consideration of Draft Report, Site Alteration and Related Fees and Charges Draft By-laws

The Township of King Draft Site Alteration Report, Related Fees and Charges and Site Alteration By-laws will be considered at the April 20, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Interested parties are invited to attend. A copy of the Engineering, Public Works & Building and Clerks/By-law Enforcement Joint Report and Draft By-laws (Site Alteration & Amendment of Fees & Charges) will be available for review at the Township of King Municipal Centre at 2585 King Road or on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, April 16, 2020.

RE: Council Meeting: **Monday, May 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**
Consideration of Final Report and By-laws for Adoption: Site Alteration, Related Fees and Charges By-laws

The Township of King adoption of the Final Site Alteration Report, Related Fees and Charges and Site Alteration By-laws, will be tabled at the May 4, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Interested parties are invited to attend. A copy of the Engineering, Public Works & Building and Clerks/By-law Enforcement Joint Report and Draft By-laws (Site Alteration & Amendment of Fees & Charges) will be available for review at the Township of King Municipal Centre at 2585 King Road or on the Township web-site at www.king.ca as of Thursday, April 30, 2020.

For further information regarding the Site Alteration and Related Fees and Charges By-laws, please visit the Township's website at www.king.ca or contact: Nancy Cronsberry, Deputy Clerk/By-law Enforcement, ncronsberry@king.ca

Telephone: 905-833-5321 or 1-800-688-5013, Fax: 905-833-2300

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



Township of King
TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN

Notice of Study Completion | Issued: March 13, 2020



ABOUT THE STUDY

King Township has completed the 2020 Transportation Master Plan (TMP) that incorporates updated population and employment forecasts to guide the enhancement of a multi-modal transportation network to the year 2031. With a heightened focus on transportation's role in climate change and updated transportation data, the intent of the 2020 TMP is to review the planned and previously proposed improvements to identify opportunities to encourage the use of more sustainable modes of transportation such as walking, cycling and transit.

This TMP followed Phases 1 and 2 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process for master plans. The recommended preferred alternatives were determined and refined on a data-driven process and incorporate extensive public and agency input. These alternatives identify the next steps that the Township can take to improve how people travel within and through the Township.

By this notice, the TMP is being placed on public record for a 30 calendar-day review period in accordance with the requirements of the EA process. The review period will begin on March 13, 2020. Please provide all written comments by April 12, 2020. All comments will become part of the public record of the study, with the exception of personal information.

The TMP document is available for your information at:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, King Township's Municipal Centre is closed to the public until April 6.

The TMP is also available online at the Township's website: tmp.king.ca

Please send your written comments to the Township of King contacts below by April 12, 2020:

David Van Veen Senior Project Manager
Engineering, Public Works & Building
Email: dvanveen@king.ca Phone: 905-833-4056

Brett Sears Senior Project Manager
WSP
Email: Brett.Sears@wsp.com Phone: 289-982-4752

If concerns cannot be resolved through discussion with Township staff, a person or party may request that the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks make an order for a project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order). Requests must be made in writing to the Minister and the Township Clerk by April 12, 2020 at:

Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto ON M7A 2J3
minister.meccp@ontario.ca

Township Clerk
2585 King Road
King City ON L7B 1A1
clerks@king.ca

Comments submitted to the Township of King for the purpose of providing feedback regarding the Transportation Master Plan are collected under the authority of the Environmental Assessment Act. Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of this information, all comments will become part of the public record. Questions relating to the collection, use and disclosure of this information may be addressed to Peter Angelo, Director of Engineering, Public Works and Building at pangelo@king.ca or 905-833-4076



Resident takes the plunge for a very good cause

By Kinjal Dagli Shah

Ryan O'Neill willingly took a plunge in super cold water for a cause. The King City resident, an officer with the Peel Regional Police, organized his fourth Polar Plunge event at Sheridan College in Brampton.

"This is my sixth year participating in the Polar Plunge and fourth year organizing it. The Polar Plunge is a signature provincial event of the Law Enforcement Torch Run benefiting Special Olympics Ontario (SOO). It is a winter fundraising event where individuals have the 'honour' of jumping into the icy waters of a nearby lake, pool, bin or another cold body of water," explained O'Neill, whose son, Paul has Down Syndrome.

The 45-year-old has been a King resident since he was born.

"I'm living in the same house that I was born in. The Special Olympics are close to my heart because of my son, Paul. He doesn't play in the Special Olympics yet but in a special needs hockey league."

O'Neill has been a part of the Polar Plunge event ever since his first dip six years ago.

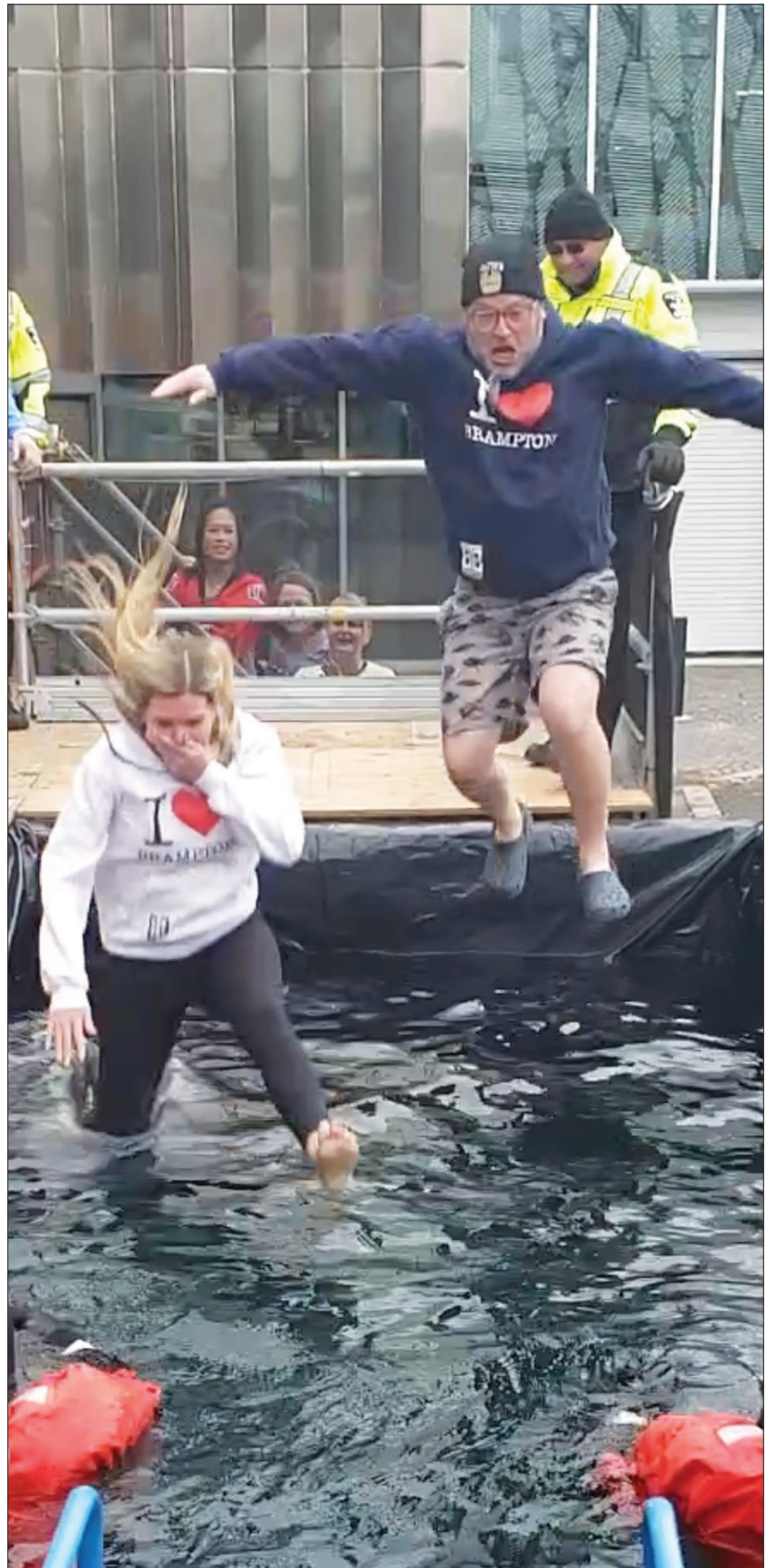
"I decided to participate and raised a lot of money. The organizer got me involved the following year," he said, adding, "I enjoy doing it for two reasons. I think the collaboration with Sheridan College makes our relationship with the student and faculty stronger, and breaks down barriers by showing that police officers are human beings just doing their jobs. Secondly, I have a son with special needs and I know how important it is for them to be able to participate in sports throughout their lives. It feels good to be able to raise money for SOO."

The father of two hasn't taken Paul to the event yet.

"I was telling my wife how cold the water is. We can't take Paul because he won't be able to understand the shock of it. He may be able to attend when he is older."

A total of 86 plungers raised roughly \$18,500 for the charity.

"Our participants come in all



shapes, sizes and ages. It doesn't matter how big or strong you are. The point is we are doing it for charity and it's just 8 second of getting into the water and wanting to get out very quickly," said O'Neill, who personally raised \$7,335 through family and friends. "The event itself was a lot of fun. There was music going on and partic-

ipant names were announced when it was their turn to plunge. There was a speech from Sean McKenna, who is my superintendent from the 22 division, as well as several prizes."

For inquiries or assistance with web registration or donations, please email support@specialolympicsontario.com or call toll free 1-888-333-5515 ext. 307.

KING Pottageville Mosquito Control Program Notice of Aerial Application of Larvicide for Mosquito Control

Sometime between April 3 and April 30, 2020, Pestalto Environmental Health Services Inc. will apply a biological larvicide by helicopter in the Pottageville area. This application is for the control of spring Aedes Mosquito Larvae only and will be conducted over specific mosquito breeding sites within the boundaries of:

8th Concession to the West
19th Side Road to the North

Weston Road to the East
18th Side Road to the South

A detailed map that indicates the specific boundaries of application and affected properties for this program is available at the Township of King municipal offices and on the Township's Website at www.king.ca.

The program will use a single spring application of VectoBac 200G (PCP# 18158) in a granular formulation. This product contains the active ingredient *B.t.i.* which is a naturally occurring bacterium found in soils and is very specific to mosquito larva.

If your property falls within the treatment area you will be contacted by direct mail. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact Pestalto at 1-866-648-7773 or by e-mail.

TECHNICAL AND PROGRAM INFORMATION

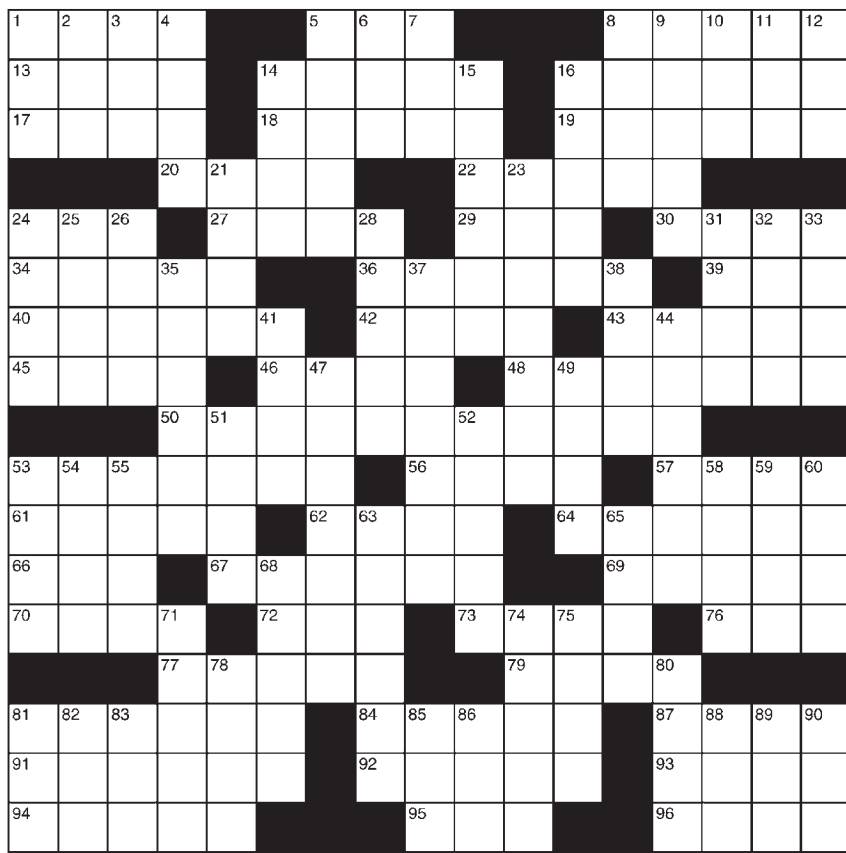
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501 Rennie St., Hamilton, ON, L8H 3P6
Tel: 1-(866) 648-7773 ext. 234

Kevin Taylor kevin.taylor@pestalto.com

Township Contact: Clement Sin @ (905) 833-4061 or csin@king.ca

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Rush to find a cure may be disastrous

Since January 2020, tens of thousands of people worldwide have been identified as infected with a coronavirus, or COVID-19, and several thousand have died. The virus has recently now as a worldwide pandemic.

Human trials on a possible vaccine are reported to be starting as soon as early April. Volunteers in the UK are reportedly being offered approximately \$4,600 US to participate in their “flu camp.” Normally drug and vaccine development can take close to 10 years before getting to the human trial stage. How can the pharmaceutical industry and governments rush through to the human trial phase after just a few short months of a vaccine’s development?

The issue made me pause and think. Will the rush or desperation for a vaccine impact human safety? What if a person, corporation, group or government were to conduct human drug or vaccine trials on people against their will? What if these trials result in a medication or vaccines that could benefit the world – would it be acceptable for us to benefit from this research because the test subjects were not volunteers? Or should we say a firm “no thank you” and wait, possibly for months or years, for similar results to be achieved through ethical research and development?

This scenario is not just some whacky what-if – it is a topic that has been debated for decades.

Armies of Nazis filed through the streets of Europe, rounding up mothers, fathers and children that were ushered to the concentration camps; snatched from their loved ones, starved, and beaten. Nazi doctors had unfettered access to prisoners to conduct any experiments they wanted. No consent, no questions asked.

World War II saw some of the greatest medical advancements in history. Hypothermia experiments, immunizations, malaria drugs, and the genetics of twins were all investigated by the Nazis, and many scientific discoveries were made. Although the Nazi experimentation made a significant difference in the medical community, for many of the doctors and researchers, these experiments were just another way for them to torture their enemies, alongside the other atrocities they were subjected to during the Holocaust.

Letter to the Editor

There remains an ethical debate on whether it is okay to use these findings in practice. Some say that the good that came from the mass violation of human rights, forced experimentations and murder outweighs the human rights violations. If the science is sound, should we use it to save more lives than it has killed? By using the data, are we promoting torturous, unconsented experimentation?

In my opinion, science is morally neutral. It is what people choose to do with it, which makes it immoral.

For example, people use cars for mobility. However, they can also be used when robbing banks, kidnapping kids, running people over etc. Does this mean that we shouldn’t use car manufacturing technology? Of course not. So then, shouldn’t reliable science be based on whether or not the study was conducted properly, not on the unethical way in which the research was performed?

The hypothermia experiments conducted by the Nazis were to establish the most effective way to treat victims of immersion hypothermia. The test subjects were male prisoners from different religions and cultural backgrounds. These subjects, whether clothed or unclothed, conscious or under anesthetic, were submerged into a tank of ice water while the data was recorded.

Robert Pozos, a physiologist specializing in hypothermia, has advocated for the free use of the results, believing that they can advance contemporary research into hypothermia and, in doing so, save lives. I agree – as long as we acknowledge the wrongs of these experiments and we pay respects to the victims and their families, we should be able to use their findings and make good from those deaths. The alternative is that these victims died in vain.

George W Bush once said: “The powers of science are morally neutral – as easily used for bad purposes as good ones. In the excitement of discovery, we must never forget that mankind is defined not by intelligence alone, but by conscience. Even the most noble ends do not justify every means.”

The people who oppose the use of medical data recorded by the Nazis make two arguments. First, bad be-

haviour produces bad science. Second, the use of that data will encourage other doctors to do their own unethical experiments, a practice that should not be encouraged.

With respect to the first argument that bad behaviour produces bad science - does it really? I say no.

Medical experimentation done without the will of the participant can be done with sound scientific protocols, irrespective of the bad behaviour. It does not logically follow that wherever there is bad behaviour that the science is bad. The efficacy of the scientific data is judged by the scientific principles and methodology used, and not by looking at bad deeds that led to the experiment.

They argue that the use of the data would be an affront to the evil that generated these findings. It has been said that even if the medical community does use the research, they shouldn’t give credit or make it known that it was from the Nazis, as this knowledge would create an uproar. However, denying where the knowledge came from would also be morally incorrect, as we would be taking credit for something

that we didn’t discover.

Most importantly, not acknowledging who did the research would detract from the recognition that this discovery was only made possible with the ultimate sacrifice of innocents. Why hide that? Hiding it would, in my view, be a betrayal of their sacrifices and be equally immoral.

If we were to accept this proposition, will others be emboldened to carry out the violations of human rights and undertake similar experiments, knowing that morality has no place in science and the results of their experiments will be used regardless of their means to get there? Isn’t this the same as committing the crime only to ask for forgiveness afterwards? Is this the precedent that we want to set for human behaviour?

These are real and pressing debates that are facing the medical community and beyond. There is no objective right or wrong, and I hope that this will invigorate the debate.

Kiara Thapar, 14
King City

Agreement reached with OECTA

Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education and King-Vaughan MPP, said he was pleased with the agreement reached with the Ontario English Catholic Teachers’ Association (OECTA):

“Our government achieved our foremost priority – landing a good deal with a teachers’ union that advances the priorities of students and parents.

“We are pleased to announce a tentative agreement has been reached between the Crown, OECTA, and the Ontario Catholic School Trustees’ Association, the first agreement with a teachers’ union in this round of collective bargaining, that will ensure stability for our kids and their parents.

“The time is now to drive deals with all remaining union partners as parents expect action, not delays. We agree and will remain a positive and driving force at the bargaining table, advancing the priorities of parents and students.”

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'Sunshine list' continues to grow across York Region

By Mark Pavilons

The ranks of civil servants earning six-figures continues to grow across Ontario.

The salaries and taxable benefits of employees in the Ontario Public Service and the broader public sector who were paid \$100,000 or more in 2019 were released last week. The Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act requires public sector organizations to disclose the name, position, salary and taxable benefits of their employees paid \$100,000 or more in the previous calendar year.

These civil servants, numbering more than 166,000, are on what's become known as the "sunshine list." Total salaries in 2019 rose above \$21 billion.

King Township

Last year, King Township paid 20 of its staffers more than \$100,000.

Leading the way was retired CAO Susan Plamondon, who was paid \$206,737.96.

Next was current CAO Daniel Kostopoulos with a salary of \$182,153.88.

Treasurer Allan Evelyn was next

with \$168,112.22, followed by Parks and Rec. director Chris Fasciano with a salary of \$159,224.10.

Steven Gillies, roads manager, earned \$154,552.56, followed by Fire Chief Jim Wall, Clerk Kathryn Moyle and planning director Stephen Naylor, with \$152,241 each.

Nick Vertelman, urban services manager, was paid \$140,022.

Don Scott, manager of parks, earned \$127,294, while Peter Lavrench, chief building officer, made \$121,549.

David Van Veen (\$112,787) and Matthew Wideman (\$112,301) were next.

Several staffers pulled in \$111,380 each - Deputy Fire Chief James Arnold, Nancy Cronsberry, Barbara Harris, Alice Liu, Gaspare Ritacca,

Ken Crane made \$110,369, while Kyle Brett pulled in \$109,952. They were followed by Wayne Pinkey (\$106,400), John Vandenberg (\$104,409), Rebecca Mathewson (\$102,918), and Denny Timm (\$100,935).

Mayor Steve Pellegrini was paid \$129,667.67. By comparison, East Gwillimbury Mayor Virginia Hackson earned \$128,359. Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown earned \$141,156, while Caledon Mayor

Allan Thompson pulled in \$108,811.

Aurora Mayor Tom Mrakas earned \$157,216 and Markham's Mayor Frank Scarpitti was paid \$239,693, while Vaughan Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua earned \$188,789, followed by Richmond Hill's Mayor David Barrow, who earned \$188,220.

Toronto Mayor John Tory earned \$197,279.

Sharon Kennedy, executive director of human resources, pulled in \$212,128.

Laura Mirabella, commissioner of finance and treasurer, made \$211,633.

Paul May, vice-president of York Rapid Transit, earned \$209,034.

Karen Antonio-Hadcock, director of integrated business services, pulled in \$200,764.

Region of York

In 2019, York Region paid some very hefty salaries to its top officials.

CAO Bruce Macgregor was tops with a salary of \$320,305.64.

The list of those earning in the \$200K range was long, indeed.

Karim Kurji, medical officer of health, earned \$280,530 last year.

Health department senior staff are all very well paid. Earning \$253,402 was John Richard Gould, associated medical officer of health.

Katherine Chislett, commissioner of community and health services, earned \$238,558.

Earning \$230,490 was Fareen Karachiwalla, associate medical officer of health. Alanna Fitzgerald-Husek, another associate medical officer of health, earned \$223,498.

Commissioner of Corporate Services Dino Basso earned \$236,894.

Erin Mahoney, commissioner of environmental services, was paid earned \$236,894.

Mary-Frances Turner, president of York Region Rapid Transit, earned \$233,626.

Joy Hulton, regional solicitor, earned \$233,626.

Paul Jankowski, commissioner of transportation services, pulled in \$232,537.

York chair and CAO Wayne Emmerston made \$225,789 last year.

Cordella Abankwa, general manager social services, earned \$208,261.

Ann-Marie Bayley, general manager of transit, earned \$206,824.

York Regional Police

York Regional Police Chief Eric Jolliffe is at the top with a salary of \$326,748.81.

The top law enforcement officials in York command six-figure salaries, too.

Deputy Chief Rudolph Crawford pulled in \$238,897 and deputy chief Robertson Rouse earned \$225,775. Other deputy chiefs included Brian Bigras, (\$218,497), James Macsween, deputy chief, earned \$209,003.

Jason Fraser, general counsel, earned \$217,480.

Most constables earn over \$100,000, while superintendents earn upwards of \$190,000.

Ontario Premier Doug Ford earned \$208,974 last year.

King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce earned \$150,531.19 as Minister of Education.

Minister of Transportation and York-Simcoe MPP Caroline Mulroney earns \$165,851.

"We have taken positive steps and seen real results, but we must continue working hard to ensure each dollar spent gets the best results for Ontarians," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, president of the Treasury Board. "Our government has a prudent and responsible plan to manage the province's finances and make sure we have the fiscal flexibility to deal with any challenge."

The 2019 data is available in a downloadable, machine-readable, sortable, searchable table format on Ontario.ca/salarydisclosure, making it transparent and accessible to the people of Ontario.

TWC creates a second location

Due to the uncertainties of the COVID-19 crisis, Toronto Wildlife Centre has begun to set up a secondary rehabilitation location. This is to reduce the amount of people working together at one location and as each location is isolated from one another, this will minimize contact between workers. Should any staff or volunteer test positive for COVID-19 at one facility, the animals can then be transferred to the other facility where they can still receive the care they need. As they divide their teams into two locations, there are household items they urgently need. If you have any items you are willing to donate, please contact the donation team on Monday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 416-631-0662 x3207 or send an email.

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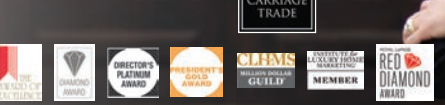
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King ensures everyone stays informed

As the COVID-19 pandemic unfolds, new relief measures for individuals and businesses are being announced daily.

Details regarding the Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy were recently announced by the federal government. Businesses, non-profits and charities eligible for the wage subsidy include those who have experienced at least a 30% decrease in revenue as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. It is important to note that the number of employees they have does not factor into their eligibility. The federal government will cover 75% of the first \$58,700 of an employee's wage, up to \$847 per week, which will be back-dated to March 15, 2020.

The King Chamber of Commerce has been vocal about the need for an Emergency Agreement for all levels of government to streamline financial assistance and support programs to all small, medium and large businesses.

"At a time like this, we have to all work together and support one another. I am pleased to see how our federal and provincial governments are supporting Canadians. These programs need to be nimble and responsive and we are confident the financial relief and assistance will flow very quickly," said Mayor Steve Pellegrini. "With the Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy in place, I hope to see our businesses that have the means to do so top up the remaining 25% of their employee's wages and hire back those workers who were laid off."

The provincial government has announced updated guidance to help employers better understand their responsibilities and what is needed to prevent the spread of COVID-19 on the job site.

"I am sending out regular updates through social media on the pandemic, and residents can also find a central hub of information on king.ca. This information is updated daily - sometimes hourly - as more and more programs are announced," said Pellegrini.

King Township has created a hub for local businesses to access crisis resources. This hub includes government relief programs, links to the six big bank financial relief measures, and even a list of free webinars to help businesses adapt to doing business during these challenging times.

"Right now, one of the greatest things King residents can do is support their local businesses by shopping local while physical distancing," said Mayor Pellegrini. "Many of our local shops have rapidly changed their business model to serve our community. Every resident should visit the ShopKING banner link on King.ca to see what exceptional products are available, right here in King."

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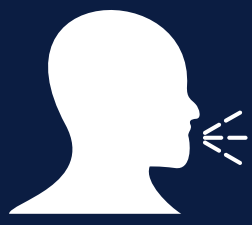
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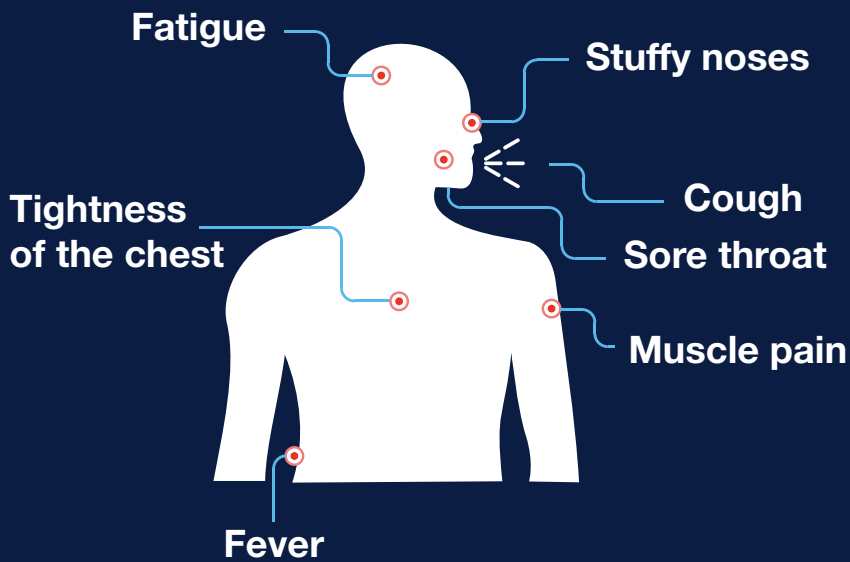


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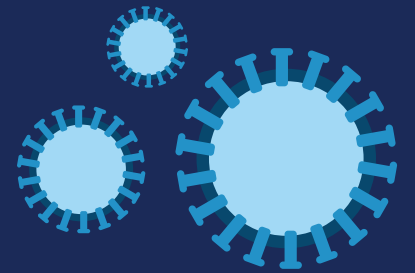
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Arts & Entertainment

When news headlines get you down, build yourself up

By Brittany Grenici

Prolonged stress wreaks havoc on the body. Of course the stress response is not necessarily a bad thing, it's the body's normal biological reply to a perceived threat. This sudden surge of hormones is what kept our hunter-gatherer ancestors alive when faced with the many dangers of the wild.

With the sudden burst of information about the COVID-19 pandemic bombarding us today, it's easy to let fear get the best of us. When we see empty store shelves and an increase of confirmed cases, it's only human nature to instinctively go into panic mode.

It's important to keep in mind though that it is our reaction to these events that elicits fear and ultimately causes stress. When we allow fear and panic

to consume our thoughts daily, our immune system is weakened by a steady release of hormones including cortisol and adrenaline. Simply put, the more stressed you feel, the more difficult it is for your body to fight off illness.

As we contemplate life from the comfort of our homes, this is as good a time as any to take a deep breath and focus on calming our mind and body. What steps can we take to boost our immune system and stay mentally and physically strong?

Start by taking breaks from media consumption. Limit time spent watching TV and scrolling through social media. Of course it's important to stay informed about what's going on around us, but be mindful of how it's making you feel and when you've reached your daily limit.

Preparing nutrient-packed meals is also necessary to strengthen the immune system. Lots of water, fruits and vegetables are a must.

The next step is taking time to focus on our physical body. Doing daily stretches is a great way to wake yourself up. Practicing yoga will shift focus back to breathing and calming our mind and body. Tiz, from The Stretching Canvas Yoga Studio & Paint Loft in King City, has filmed a collection of easy-to-follow videos focusing on breathing, meditation and Kripalu yoga.

She is recording more engaging videos about creating intuitively that will be uploaded to her website. These are great things to try at home. Check out her videos at www.stretchingcanvas.ca/yoga.html and challenge yourself to try something new every day.



King Library offers online material

By Kinjal Dagli Shah

The King Township Public Library's physical locations are closed to the public but they have ensured that patrons have online access to their favourite material. Residents have the option to visit the website – kinglibrary.ca – and access the many free resources with their library cards and 4-digit pin.


For those who don't have a card, KTPL is offering the option to get an e-library card directly from the website, which gives immediate access to all online resources.

"The Library's website is our fifth branch – only virtual. When we reopen, patrons can convert the e-library card to allow folks to take out physical items. It's super easy and all done from the comfort of their homes. We have streaming services for movies, music, TV show, as well as free access to e-books and e-audiobooks. We also have e-resources that are self-driven to help learn a new skill," said Kelley England, manager of community engagement and marketing at KTPL.

KTPL has also announced that items are not due back until the library reopens. "That means folks can hold onto their material for a longer period. Any holds on material that were placed before the closure will be available once we open. No one will lose their spot in the hold queue," explained England.

KTPL would like to let the community know that they may be closed but they are there for residents to help them get through this time.

For questions or concerns, you can contact the library via email info@kinglibrary.ca from 9 – 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.




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Neighbourhood Network urging everyone to #spreadjoynotgerms

Since the COVID-19 crisis began, Neighbourhood Network has been working with its charitable partners, local municipal leaders, and key stakeholders to identify the most urgent needs our communities are currently facing.

"We are mindful of the role we all must play in flattening the curve and implementing social distancing," said manager Erin Cerenzia. "But there are still many things we can do to help make a difference and safely provide support to those in need. We are calling on the community to 'spread joy, not germs,' and have identified some safe actions you can take immediately, from your own home."

1. Draw pictures for seniors alone in their homes and retirement residents are suffering from extreme loneliness as a result of social isolation. Draw a picture or create some homemade artwork to send to a senior in need! When your masterpiece is complete, snap a photo or scan it and email it to info@neighbourhood-network.org.

2. Call a senior! For those in isolation, a phone call can go a long way! Call 1-877-452-4287 to volunteer for CHATS – Community & Home Assistance to Seniors Telephone Reassurance program today.

3. Deliver groceries and medicine – Volunteers who are able to deliver groceries and medicine to seniors and other high risk individuals in communities are encouraged to connect with CHATS – Community & Home Assistance to Seniors at 1-877-452-4287 or Routes Connecting Communities at 905-

7224616 or info@routesc.org.

4. Donate goods and funds. Charities and non-profits in our communities are also on the front-lines providing important services to those in need and at risk in our communities. We continue to be in contact with our registered partners, and are updating their list of urgently needed donations on a daily basis.

5. Donate blood! There is an extreme blood donor shortage at this time. It is safe to donate blood during the COVID-19 crisis and critical to the care of patients.

6. Support local businesses. The Network is also encouraging residents to purchase gift cards from local restaurants and donate them to organizations in need, or to order meal delivery from restaurants to help support these businesses!

Check out their social media campaign, #spreadjoynotgerms

Cerenzia also noted that Neighbourhood Network has updated the application deadlines for its Give Back Awards scholarship program for graduating Grade 12 students, as well as the Magna Hoedown charity beneficiary application. Both applications have been extended to 4 p.m. on April 9 to accommodate the current situation.

Neighbourhood Network is a department of Magna International that multiplies community giving and creates caring and vibrant neighbourhoods through promoting volunteerism, linking resources, and supporting local charities and agencies.

Email them at info@neighbourhood-network.org



Ways to keep children busy during isolation

By Kinjal Dagli Shah

The COVID-19 pandemic has parents coping with not just social distancing but also with ways to keep their children productively occupied.

While staring at the squirrels in the backyard and watching how long it takes for a mini Oreo to sink into a cup of milk are perfectly acceptable ways to pass your time, here are some other fun things enabled by technology to keep children busy, and engaged.

Many children's authors like Ben Clanton (author of the much-loved Narwhal books) and Mo Willems of Elephant and Piggie fame are hosting live workshops every day where children can doodle and draw. The episodes are also recorded and available online if you can't make it to the event. Visit benclanton.com and <https://www.kennedy-center.org/education/mo-willems/> to get doodling.

The Electric Moon Theatre Company, based in York Region, is offering Keep Calm and Theatre On, for families who love theatre and are looking for some fun arts education activities to keep their kids occupied. Subscribe to their YouTube Channel by searching Electric Moon Theatre Company or follow on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @ElectricMoonTC.


The Canadian Children's Theatre Co. offered a virtual March Break Camp and have shared their activities and resources on their website at <https://www.canadianchildrenstheatre.com/virtual-march-break-camp>.

The Arkells band are helping flatten the curve by doing online tutorials. They post the chords to their songs on social media and then their lead singer Max Kerman holds a live tutorial online.

There are plenty of Cosmic Yoga videos on YouTube, where kids can try out different poses based on themes like Spiderman, Frozen and Pokemon. They are a great way to get children to focus and burn some energy.



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Seneca donates needed equipment to hospitals

Seneca College students and employees answered the call to help local hospitals by donating more than nine hundred kilograms of essential supplies to help in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.

The medical equipment and supplies included ventilators, surgical gowns, N95 respirator masks and mask fit tester, hand sanitizers and other cleaning supplies. It was distributed to three GTA hospitals – Southlake Regional Health Centre, North York General and Markham Stouffville Hospital.

The donation was in response to appeals by the Ontario Medical Association and the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario regarding the urgent need for personal protective equipment and supplies for frontline health care workers.

"We have this equipment in our programs, so it was basically, 'we have the stuff, let's step up,'" said Prof. Tania Killian with the School of Nursing, who was instrumental in organizing Seneca's first donation that went to Southlake Hospital. "Whenever we can

support each other, we do, and Canadians are really good at stepping up."

The equipment and supplies donated are used for training students on campus in Seneca's programs in Nursing, Animal Health, Biological Sciences and Applied Chemistry, Fire Protection Engineering Technology and Environmental and Civil Engineering Technology. With classes now online in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, there was a window of opportunity to deliver the items to hospitals where they can be put to much-needed use.

Combining career and professional skills training with theoretical knowledge, Seneca provides a polytechnic education to 30,000 full-time and 60,000 part-time students. With campuses in Toronto, York Region and Peterborough and education partners around the world, Seneca offers degrees, graduate certificates, diplomas and certificates in more than 300 full-time, part-time and online programs. Seneca's credentials are renowned for their quality and respected by employers. Co-op and work placements, applied research projects,

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Shoppers makes record-breaking donation to Southlake

Southlake Foundation received quite the show of love this Valentine's day when Shoppers Drug Mart presented a cheque for \$27,500 – their largest single donation in support of Southlake Regional Health Centre to date.

Ten participating locations across Aurora, Newmarket, Keswick, Sutton and Bradford chose to support the Mental Health Program at Southlake through their annual LOVE YOU by Shoppers Drug Mart fall fundraising program. Recognizing the growing need within our communities, they are passionate about supporting leading edge mental health care close to home.

"As pharmacists, we see firsthand that our customers are impacted by mental health and we want to do everything we can to support them," said Ken Mo, Shoppers Drug Mart ambassador and store owner.

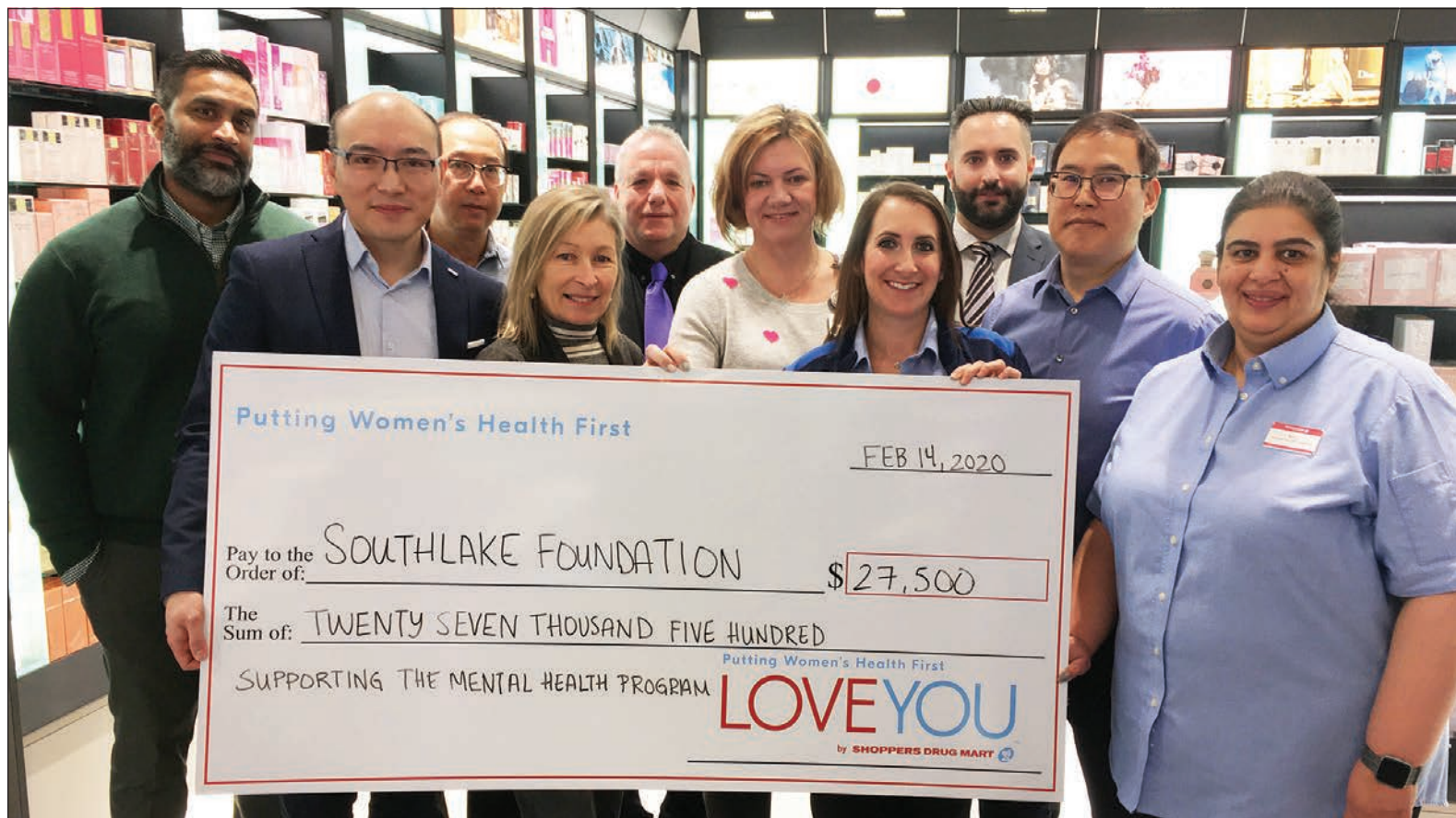
"We are so thankful to our communities and our staff for their generosity and dedication, and for embracing this fundraising program."

Shoppers Drug Mart has been a long-standing supporter of Southlake and have raised more than \$218,000 in support of the most urgent needs at Southlake. This year's donation will help support a 12-bed expansion of Southlake's adult inpatient unit, offering patients more privacy, natural light and a better environment for recovery.

"When it comes to caring for our Mental Health patients, our biggest challenge today is space," said Aga Dojczewska, manager, Adult Inpatient Mental Health at Southlake Regional Health Centre. "In our communities we are seeing a growing number of patients who are in crisis and in need of mental health care, and we need to be equipped to give them the care they deserve in the right environment to truly support their wellbeing."

Southlake sees more than 34,300 adult outpatient visits per year, and more than 1,200 adult inpatient admissions. The 12-bed expansion will be a lifeline for an additional 400 patients annually, providing patients in crisis with the right space for recovery when they need it most.

Ken Mo, Shoppers Drug Mart ambassador and Associate/Owner of Store #955 presented Southlake Foundation with a cheque for \$27,500 on behalf of the 10 participating locations in Aurora,



Derek Ramdeyol (Owner, Newmarket store #998 in Stonehaven), Ken Mo (Ambassador and Owner, store #955 in Aurora), Francis Li (Owner, Upper Canada Mall location), Corinna Jones (Community Event Officer, Southlake Foundation), Itzik Abramson (Manager, store #446 in Aurora), Aga Dojczewska (Manager, Adult Inpatient Mental Health, Southlake Regional Health Centre), Lyndsey Simms (Front Store Manager, store #446 in Aurora), Brandon Marmara (District Manager, Shoppers Drug Mart North Region), David Onizuka (Owner, store #446 in Aurora), and Ritu Mehra (Assistant Front Store Manager, store #446 in Aurora).

ra, Newmarket, Bradford, Keswick and Sutton. Corinna Jones, Community Events Officer at Southlake Foundation was joined by Aga Dojczewska, Manager of Adult Inpatient Mental Health at Southlake Regional Health Centre to accept this generous donation, raised through the 2019 Love You fall fundraising program in support of Southlake Regional Health Centre's Mental Health Program, ensuring leading edge mental health care close to home.

Since the inception of Southlake Foundation in 1980, more than \$160 million dollars has been raised in support of Southlake Regional Health Centre. Working with members of the community, hundreds of volunteers, the Southlake Family and our incredible donors, Southlake Foundation will continue to support life-saving medical equipment, infrastructure upgrades and expansions, patient programs and staff education, all for the goal of providing leading edge care for patients and families, close to home. For more information visit: www.southlakefoundation.ca

York Region calls for PPE donations

The Regional Municipality of York is asking local businesses to donate any unused, unopened and unexpired supplies of personal protective equipment. The Region will work with our community health partners and share where the need is required.

Due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, there is an increasing need for personal protective equipment, items crucial to the response for paramedics and first responders, local hospitals and staff working in long-term care and retirement homes.

"Health and safety is our top priority, especially for those on the front lines combating this pandemic," said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "I am urging local businesses to help keep our communities safe by donating personal protective equipment they have not currently in use."

Most needed supplies include respirators, N95 masks, nitrile gloves, disposable impermeable gowns /isolation gowns, general surgical masks, earloop procedure masks, earloop face masks with shield, hand sanitizer and/or disinfectant, infrared thermometers, safety goggles, face mask shields and more. If you have items to donate, contact COVID19@york.ca to confirm.

"We have strong partners within the York Region business community, and I'm echoing the call from our local hospitals and health care professionals to share any of these materials," added chairman Emmerson. "Let's work together to further support those working to protect us."

York Region businesses can visit the Ontario Government's recently launched new website Ontario Together to learn how businesses and their employees can work with the province to meet the challenges of COVID-19. This includes removing barriers and allowing Ontario's manufacturing sector to redeploy efforts towards the production of essential equipment like ventilators, masks and swabs.

Updated information on COVID-19 in York Region is available at york.ca/covid19



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While many are self-isolating, there's no need to feel alone. We are all part of the same community and we are all in this together. Reach out and contact loved ones and others from your families and community in hopes of providing some encouragement.

Feel free to connect with me personally if you have any questions or concerns about real estate during these challenging times. If you would like to view any properties during this period, rest assured that I am following all appropriate COVID-19 guidelines to ensure the safety of all my clients.

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Sharks rookie Mario Ferraro praised by former teacher

By Robert Belardi

King City Lions first team hockey head coach Bradley Matwijec praises his former student and San Jose Sharks rookie defenceman, Mario Ferraro.

Matwijec says he is the example of the type of hockey player to come out of King City Secondary School.

“With Mario, when you look at the example of a student athlete he was the example,” Matwijec said.

“He was the guy who came in, respectful at school. All the other students looked up to him. You’re just happy to see a guy like him succeed because he worked so hard.”

Matwijec taught Ferraro in weight training and fitness class in Grades 11 and 12. He saw his work ethic and his physical prowess flash before his eyes.

He even used him as an assistant coach when Ferraro was 16 years old, helping lead the King City Lions to the York University Cup.

He never saw a harder worker than him and it was no surprise that any team Ferraro landed on, became better. Heck, these teams even found success because of him.

When Ferraro joined the Toronto Patriots in 2014, he helped lead the team to the Buckland Cup and to the semi-finals, in the Central Canadian Junior Championship.

After two years in Toronto, Ferraro went down to play for the Des Moines Buccaneers in the United States Hockey League.

In Iowa, Ferraro recorded 41 points in 60 games, tying for first in points amongst defenceman in the league. It was announced later that year, Ferraro joined the USHL First-All Star team and All-Rookie Team.

That’s when he entered the draft and the Sharks chose Ferraro 49th overall in 2017.

Ferraro did not join the Sharks right away. He went to school and played for UMass-Amherst Minutemen for two seasons. He set a team record for a freshman defenceman with 23 points in 39 games.

His teammate at the time and now, defenceman for the Colorado Avalanche Cale Makar, told the Mercury News that Ferraro is the hardest working player he has ever seen.

In his second season, Ferraro was named as one of the captains on the



team, along with Makar and Niko Hildenbrand.

Ferraro helped lead the team to the NCAA Championship game against Minnesota-Duluth. The Minutemen were swept in the final.

It was no coincidence, to see the Sharks offer him a contract after that year.

Sharks Director of Scouting Doug Wilson Jr., says he does not have a bad day.

Ferraro has been making headlines in his rookie season. He has been dubbed by NBC Sports writer Brian Witt as the brightest spot in the centre of the franchise.

He has amassed two goals and nine assists thus far this year. His first NHL goal, came back on Dec. 28 at home against the Philadelphia Flyers.

Ferraro chipped the puck off the boards. Forward, Timo Meier, flipped it to Barclay Goodrow who brought the puck in the zone. Ferraro joined the rush and finished a nifty pass from Goodrow past Carter Hart.

He has seemingly acclimatized to the nature of the NHL.

“He plays in each and every situation. They got him playing five on five, he’s playing on the penalty kill and they also use him on the power play,” Matwijec said.

“He has such a natural ability to play the game. You can just see it, he’s going to be an awesome pro for a long time.”

The hockey wall of fame in King City Secondary School has a picture of Ferraro. Everyone in the hockey program is well aware of who he is and what type of person he is. According to Matwijec, some players have even seen him at King City Arena shooting pucks in the past and constantly working on his craft.

In his last five games of the season, the 21-year-old averaged over 20 minutes a night of ice time.

In what has been an abysmal season filled with injuries for the Sharks, fans might have to wait to see his true form. He is already mature, so it shouldn’t be too much longer.

Tokyo Olympics postponed to 2021

By Robert Belardi

The 2020 summer Olympic games in Tokyo was postponed last week.

Japanese prime minister and the International Olympic Committee president Thomas Bach came to an agreement in a conference call to proceed with hosting the Olympics in 2021.

Earlier this month, the Japanese prime minister was adamant the games would commence in July. Following this agreement in place, prime minister Abe explained the details of the conversation.

According to reports, he stated: “We agreed that a postponement would be the best way to ensure that the athletes are in a peak condition when they compete and to guarantee the safety of the spectators.”

Reports indicated that Abe suggested a one-year postponement to president Bach, that was agreed, “100 per cent.”

This comes shortly after the Canadian Olympic Committee announced they will not be sending athletes to Tokyo this year.

The Olympic Games is not the first major tournament to postpone the competition.

UEFA also announced two weeks ago the European Championship will be postponed until 2021 as well.

Yet in light of the recent transition into next year, some athletes deem this as a necessary move to make.

King City native and two-time Olympic Gymnastics-Trampolinist gold medalist, Rosie MacLennan was interviewed by Sportsnet’s Arash Madani via video call to share her thoughts on the recent move.

“It’s been incredibly important to try

and take a step back and put it all in perspective,” said the 31-year-old.

“What’s going on with this pandemic is so much bigger than sport and I think it’s important for everyone to take a step back and prioritize the health and well-being of themselves and also the people around them.”

The vice-chair of the Canadian Athletes’ Commission went on to add that the health and safety of health care workers is also a priority to help prevent the spread of the virus any further.

MacLennan said the decision arose based on the evidence that was provided to the committee.

Gyms have been closed across the province and athletes have had to resort to training at home.

MacLennan is remembered for being the first olympic trampolinist in history to win back-to-back gold medals and defend her throne.

She won the gold medal in London in 2012 and later in Rio in 2016.

With travel restrictions in multiple countries around the globe already in effect, it would be difficult for athletes to travel in the first place.

Of course, then it would revolve around close-contact with other athletes in a time of competition that evokes some unsanitary concerns that might potentially lead to the contraction of the virus or any other illnesses.

This move bodes both positive and negative effects on athletes. MacLennan says that for some athletes this is another year of extra preparation and for other athletes, it is ultimately, the end of their careers.

According to reports, the Tokyo games will still be classified as the 2020 Olympics. The opening ceremony is scheduled for July 23, 2021.

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Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop
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Schomberg Horticultural Society

Due to the decision by King Township and the provincial government to ban all public gatherings due to the pandemic, we have made the decision to reschedule our highly anticipated event with Frankie Ferragine, "Garden Crazy."

This will be postponed to a date in September that suits both Frankie Ferragine and also the Township's scheduling department.

While it is disappointing to reschedule, we encourage everyone to follow the guidance of the World Health Organization and also the local public health officials and look forward to seeing you at our rescheduled event. Please watch for that date in the future.

Schomberg Community Farm

Spring is coming and thoughts are turning to getting the Farm ready for another fruitful season. As soon as the snow disappears, the volunteer plot co-ordinator will be contacting renters regarding the official opening day and all volunteer opportunities.

Two activities are being planned as fundraisers for the Farm and the funds will go towards fencing, tool replacement, weed barrier fabric, plants and trees, bee maintenance and more!

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Contact the Farm to arrange collection at schombergcommunityfarm@gmail.com before April 24.

Schomberg United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

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Schomberg Skating Club

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Anglican Parish

On Sunday, April 5 Anglicans in the Parish of Lloydtown will join with many other Christians to celebrate Palm or Passion Sunday. However, this year there will be a considerable difference as there will be no public church services to mark the joyous occasion neither in King nor other places in Canada and across the world. Instead, we must all stay in our homes and mark the day there in safety.

The Anglicans in Lloydtown Parish (Kettleby, Nobleton, Schomberg) urge all to treat the stay at home if at all possible.



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What has changed is that because of the Covid -19 virus we have had to postpone one of our major fundraising events for the year, Hike for Hospice! In the past we have relied on our community for supporting us in raising 50% of our hospice budget, and now we are asking for your support again, now more than ever.

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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone
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All church events are cancelled until further notice. The following is a list of regular events that may return when things get back to normal. Contact the church for more.

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 at 7 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 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.

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Nobleton tennis club

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**Anglican Parish
By John Arnott**

Palm Sunday, just like Easter is a movable celebration that falls on the Sunday before Easter and commemorates Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, where branch-waving crowds hailed him as a hero and king, the only time he allowed this to happen.

In the ancient Middle East it was the custom for people to line the streets and wave branches of trees especially the fronds of date palms to welcome home victorious heroes, kings and generals. Jesus chose to ride on a donkey or mule, the beast on burden of the poor, to stress he was not a war general riding in on his charger but rather a man of peace.

Only in the Gospel of St. John is it stated that the branches being waved

were palms, but of course John would have been a witness to the event.

In the early Christian communities, probably from fear of persecution, this event was not publicly marked. However, by the 3rd or 4th century AD when Jerusalem was being rebuilt, after its complete destruction by the Romans, Christians in the city under more tolerant Roman rules began holding small outdoor evening processions where participants carried date palm fronds or olive branches to commemorate Jesus's ride.

By the 5th century AD this custom had spread to Constantinople (modern Istanbul in Turkey). And by the 7th century when Christianity was the major religion of the Mediterranean world, 2 new traditions had been added. The palms were blessed and processions were now held in the morning. By the 800s the event had acquired a name "Dominica in Palmis" or Palm Sunday.

In Rome the largest procession formed up outside the city walls where the pope celebrated mass, blessed the palms and led the people to his Rome church St. John the Lateran, or St. Peter's in the Vatican, where a second mass was said. Eventually the first

mass was dropped but blessing of the palms remained.

During medieval times in some parts of Europe a straw effigy called Jack O'Lent representing Judas Iscariot, the disciple who betrayed Jesus, was carried in the procession to be later burned. This had its roots in a pre-Christian ritual where the straw effigy represented hated winter and was burned to welcome spring.

For a long time, especially in northern Europe and parts of North America, when it was impossible to get palm branches the branches of willows, pussy willows, birch or the evergreen yew were substituted and the day called after whatever branch was used. Some Christian communities use bouquets of spring flowers and call the day Flower Sunday.

St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton notes that in past years as part of the Holy Communion services in the Anglican Parish on Lloydtown church-goers each waving a real palm leaf from a palm branch (frond) took part in processions at Christ Church Kettleby and St. Mary Magdalene's Schomberg led by the crucifers carrying the Processional Crosses around

the interior of the church. The church hall in Kettleby was filled with singing the ever popular Palm Sunday hymn "All Glory, Laud and Honour" (words by St. Theodulph of Orleans, 750-821 AD). If weather permitted the palm processions were held out doors on the church grounds.

There were blessed palms in vases at the altars and on the processional crosses. These fan-shaped palms and the ones generally used in churches today for this occasion, are paurotis palms (botanically known as acolorhaphé Greek for no hollow needles referring to the tiny non-prickly pea sized fruit) are native to the Caribbean region so would have been unknown in the time of Christ. Each congregation member received a small piece of blessed palm leaf tied in the shape of a cross. The services ended with another favourite Palm Sunday hymn as the Recessional, "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty" dating to the 18th century.

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Greta Mary Harper (née Pearson)
Nobleton, Ontario



Greta passed away quietly on Wednesday, March 11, 2020, after a short stay at the Reactivation Care Centre in North York. Devoted wife for 61 years of David, loving mother of Cynthia (Bill), Kevin, and David. Sister of Rita (deceased), Audrey and Mignon. Proud Grammy of Matthew and Meghan. Greta was very active as a volunteer at York Central Hospital (Mackenzie Health) for over 38 years. Family Funeral Mass was held Monday, March 16, 2020 at Sacred Heart Church in King. Interment at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Schomberg. The family would like to especially thank the staff and residents of Delmanor Elgin Mills Retirement Home where Greta enjoyed the last two and a half years of her life. The family requests condolences only.

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Compost is relatively easy to make, and there are scores of materials that can be put into compost. But it is just as essential to know which ingredients cannot be used in compost.

Okay for compost

Most organic materials, or items that were once living, can be used in compost. Plant-based items used in cooking, such as potato peelings, carrot skins, banana peels, cocoa hulls, coffee grounds and filters, corn cobs, apple cores, egg shells, fruit peels, kelp, and nut shells, can be added to compost.

Other items from around the house, like unused kitty litter, hair, shredded newspapers and cardboard, leaves, flowers, paper, pine needles, ashes, and sawdust, can be successfully added to compost. Stick to items that are not treated heavily with chemicals.

Should not be used in compost

Inorganic and non-biodegradable materials cannot go into compost. These are items like plastic, glass, aluminum foil, and metal. Pressure-treated lumber, although a natural material, is treated with preservatives and often pesticides that can be harmful if they leech into the garden.

The small-gardening resource Balcony Garden Web indicates coated or glossy printed papers, such as those from catalogs, magazines, wrapping paper, marketing materials, and business cards, should not be added to compost piles because of the chemicals and inks used in these pages.

Planet Natural Research Center says to avoid pet droppings from dogs and cats. Animal products like bones, butter, milk, fish skins, and meat, may decompose and start to smell foul. Maggots, parasites, pathogens, and other microorganisms can form in the compost. These materials also may attract flies and scavenger animals. Plus, they decompose very slowly.

Any personal hygiene products should be avoided because they are tainted by human fluids and that can pose a health risk.

While weeds are not harmful in compost piles, there is the risk that seeds can germinate and then infiltrate garden beds when the compost is used. The same can be said for tomato plants and some other hardy fruits and vegetables.

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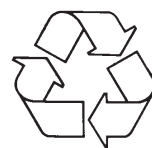
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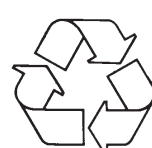
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King's Corners

**King City United
By Sheryl Sinka**

To assist the Province of Ontario with reducing personal contact and keeping social distancing, we have suspended gathering for worship through the month of April. All small groups have also been suspended including the Prayer Circles at The Residences at Springhill, Friday Tea and Talk, The Lenten Discussions and Choir Practices.

The opportunity to worship with us online is available through our website at kcuc.net or through an e mail link. If you are not receiving emails and would like to, please contact the office so that we can add you to the contact list. Bulletins, news and sermons in hard copy will also be updated via the website.

Last Sunday was the second online worship gathering and we heard an inspiring message from Rev. Bruce entitled "Paul's Persuasion." With these uncertain times when many of us are not working, and staying home, opportunities exist for deepening our faith, reducing consumerism and reflecting on how we can assist others in this fight

against the COVID-19 virus. Please stay safe and we will get through this together.

If you are in need of assistance please contact the office at 905-833-5181. The office hours are Tuesday to Thursday from 1 to 5:30 p.m.

Ministers can also be reached by phone - Rev. Andrew Lee, 416-999-5615; Rev. Bruce Roffey, 647-500-9138. The website is kcuc.net

King Bible Church

All of our Sunday morning services and all our weekly ministries will be cancelled until further notice.

Please be in prayer for our world at this time.

The list below is a summary of regularly scheduled events, which will return once things return to normal.

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.

Vacation Bible School 2020 s back. We invite your kids to join us the week of August 10-14 for "Concrete & Cranes"! This summer we will learn how Jesus is Our Strong Foundation.

Further details will be on our website the end of March and registration will open in April.

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 continues to share the love of Jesus in the community and beyond. How can we bless you during this very trying time? Please contact us at the numbers below.

The church building is closed and all church and community groups using the facilities for services and meetings have been cancelled except for The King Township Food Bank which will follow their new directive.

Although the church building must be closed, we, the church, can keep active by sharing and experiencing the love of Jesus.

Lynn Vissers has encouraged all of

us to continue to worship in our homes Sunday mornings and suggested that we tune in to her son, the Rev. Grant Vissers's service from Knox Church, Waterdown on Sundays. He will be live-streaming each Sunday at 10 a.m. There is a link on our website: <http://standrews-kingcity.ca>

This Sunday is Palm Sunday! Let's welcome our King of Kings with shouts of "Hosanna! - Lord save us, we pray!"

Last Sunday Grant Vissers continued with his "Sermon on the Mount" series from Matthew 5 and talked with his wife Konnie who is also an ordained minister, about fasting and praying and why Jesus fasted. Grant suggested that we could fast from using our our home technologies for a time each day, avoiding distractions and making time to spend with God.

The Women's Prayer Circle is meeting in spirit! Concerned about COVID-19's impact on you, your family and others? Let's talk and pray. Contact Kathy Patterson, 905-833-0391 or Lynn Vissers, 416-998-4652.

May you know God's peace as we cast our burdens upon the Lord, for He does care for us. Philippians 4:6&7. When able, Prayer Walks will take place on Tuesday mornings.

Contact Lynn Vissers re "Soup's On" - It is being held via Zoom without the soup!

To contact Pastor Niyazi and Irada Bilgen of the Greater Grace Fellowship call 416-878-8499.

For pastoral care please call Lynn Vissers, Director of Congregational Ministries at 416-998-4652 or the Rev. Paul Johnston, our Interim Moderator at 705-341-7738. Our church office phone number is 905-833-2325.

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King City Senior's Centre activities

By Carol Kanitz

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, King Township has closed all of its buildings to the public. This includes the King City Seniors Centre.

Effective until further notice, all activities at the Seniors Centre are cancelled. Please watch this space for when activities will resume.

Updated information can be found at our website - www.kingcityseniors.ca

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From Page 20

All Saints Anglican Church
By Patrick Gossage

Thoughts from Rev. Dr. Elizabeth on our current situation:

Quoting an anonymous meme on Social Media:

“Let’s try to remember that we all process things differently. Some people are falling apart right now, and that’s OK. Some people will hold it together until this is all over, then crumble. That’s OK, too. Some people won’t know exactly how this has affected them for a long time. It’s all OK. Everyone is different. And we’re all doing the best we can.”

Words to live by – Last Sunday’s Gospel from John 11 tells the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. Rev. Dr. Elizabeth spoke to this well known story:

“Lazarus of Bethany, the brother of Martha and Mary, was ill, and his sisters sent word to inform Jesus. Jesus stayed where he was for two days before journeying to Bethany. Jesus arrived but Lazarus was already dead and buried. Martha went out to meet said to him, ‘Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.’

Soon afterward, Mary said the same thing. In Jesus’s response to the grieving we can recognize the ways in which Jesus shows his love for us when we are sick or dying or stricken with grief or sorrow. Jesus responds to Martha by telling her, “Your brother will rise ... I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he or she dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.” Then Jesus ordered the stone to be taken away, shouted his name and Lazarus came out of the tomb.

Why, one might ask, did Jesus, who had the power to raise Lazarus, not raise up my husband or wife or father or mother? Does Jesus not love that person like he loved Lazarus? Jesus certainly does love us and our loved ones as he loved his friend Lazarus. But we must trust in Jesus even in the face of death, believing that death is not the end because Jesus is “the resurrection and the life.”

In his response to Mary. “Jesus wept.” He wept because he loved Lazarus. He wept because Mary was weeping. Jesus loved Mary and, in his love, he shared in her grief.

“Jesus weeps with us too. Jesus is fully human. He loves us with a human love and shares in our human grief. Jesus sympathizes with us in every way. Jesus is with us now as we all struggle with the Coronavirus Crisis. Jesus is a man of sorrows, acquainted with grief. In his tears, we know the consolation of his love – it is a love we can trust now and forever.”

Horticulture
By John Arnott

“Come on, lighten up,” called his friend to the sad young mortal still distraught over breaking up with his long-time girlfriend. “And practise with me. It’ll help take your mind off your troubles,” he continued as he bent down picked up the heavy bronze discus and straightening up turned to hurl the curved disc with graceful accuracy. A fleeting but sharp leg cramp caused him to pitch widely just as the distracted lad unthinkingly walked out to team up with him. The metal caught the young man in the chest driving him to the ground. As he lay dying he

grasped the arm of his friend who now knelt beside him and whispered “Never forget me.”

Grief stricken Hermes (Mercury) looked to the great mountain beyond and begged those on high hear his strangled prayer: Turning back to where moments before his beloved companion, Krokos, had lain he found him no longer there but instead a patch of small goblet-shaped flowers in rich royal purple, nourished by blood and tears had pushed up into the crisp late February air. He bowed his head in thanks to his fellow gods.

Thus runs the old Greek myth of how those harbingers of spring, croci (crocuses) came to be!

While researching this article I learned that there are some 80 to 90 species of crocuses and all native to southern Europe, North Africa, the Middle East and across central Asia as far as western China. Turkey has the largest number of wild crocuses. And the name crocus most likely comes from a prehistoric Indo-European language through the Sanskrit word kunkumam into Hebrew as karkom all meaning saffron, made from the dried centre parts of a species of crocus and long the world’s most expensive spice. It takes some 250,000 crocuses to get 1 lb./ .5 kg of saffron making top quality saffron around \$5,000 a lb.!

As well I learned crocuses belong to the iris family not the lily family as I’d always thought.

Flemish born Augier Ghiselin de Busbecq, Hapsburg (Austrian) ambassador to the Ottoman court in Turkey being much interested in botany brought a number of wild crocus corms back to Vienna and had most planted in the Imperial Gardens there but

sent a few to an old friend, Charles de L’Escluse, a botanist in Leiden in the Netherlands and from the few plants he grew succeeding Dutch horticulturists developed a huge number of hybrids some of which came with colonists to the U.S. and Canada.

de Busbecq must have thought he’d died and gone to crocus heaven when he was shown by Turkish friends the fields of wild crocuses growing across eastern Turkey – most blooming in spring but some in autumn and even winter in milder climes!

Crocuses are perennials and grow from corms, bulb like underground thickened stem bases covered in scale like leaves. Each corm produces just 1 bloom usually with 6 pointed or rounded petals framing yellow to orange to crimson centres. And these early spring flowers often blooming through the snow come in purple, mauve, lilac, yellow, white, orange and bicolours. The long grass like leaves, most having a prominent whitish central stripe, appear once the flower dies and must be left uncut (to feed the corm for next year’s blooms), until they yellow and begin to wither. Mark well where you plant these spring delights as by mid June there is little trace of them left.

Crocuses prefer a soil that drains well; a moderately sandy soil is best but they should do well in average garden soil to which some compost and/or composted cattle manure has been dug in. They won’t survive in constantly bone dry soil or wet soil. They, like snowdrops, will tolerate clay if a goodly amount of sharp and compost has been well dug into it.

If we ever want to rename spring in our region “crocustime” would be a good choice!

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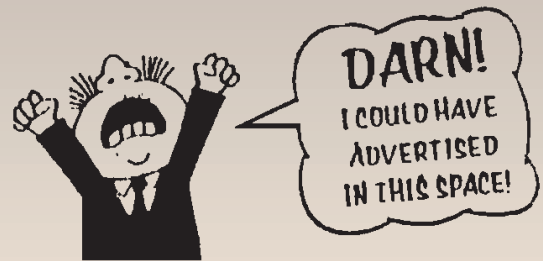
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