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## King Library assists lab making PPE

King Township Public Library (KTPL) has lent two of their 3D printers to Newmarket's NewMakeIt Lab.

They are working in partnership with an organization called Ontario PPE ([ontarioppe.com](http://ontarioppe.com)), a collective of makers in the GTA creating and donating PPE to Ontario's front-line health care workers.

For example, they create face shields for frontline COVID-19 workers. The shields cover the entire face, making them ideal protection from the respiratory droplets that are said to spread COVID-19.

This initiative was recently brought to the attention of Library CEO Rona O'Banion, by her colleague, Todd Kyle, CEO of the Newmarket Public

Library. KTPL jumped at the opportunity to support the broader effort to combat COVID-19 and assist front-line health care workers in a meaningful way. Recipients of equipment produced through this initiative include Cardiovascular Care Inc., Trillium Health Partners, Right at Home Canada, Mackenzie Health Hospital, Southlake Hospital, Lakeridge Hospital, Chartwell LTC Aurora, and York Region Paramedics.

So far they have delivered more than 550 face shields and have orders for over 5,000.

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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Monday, May 25, 2020

5 pm - 6 pm - Special Committee of the Whole Working Session re: 2020 Draft Water/wastewater master plan presentation (virtual meeting, see notice below for more information)

To view full Council and Committee of the Whole agendas, visit [king.civicweb.net/filepro/documents](http://king.civicweb.net/filepro/documents)

**BID NOTICES**

For all bid opportunities, please visit the Township of King's website [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca), click **Popular Topics** and click **BID OPPORTUNITIES**.

Or visit on the following link

<https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en>

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

Special Committee of the Whole Working Session  
(Electronic Meeting during an Emergency, pursuant to Section 238(3.3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*)

As the Municipal Centre is now closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this is an electronic meeting held remotely and live streamed via <http://meeting.king.ca>

**"TOWNSHIP OF KING - 2020 DRAFT WATER/WASTE WATER MASTER PLAN PRESENTATION"**

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

- The Township of King's 2020 Draft Water/Waste Water Master Plan - Presentation by the Engineering and Public Works Department

**Monday, May 25, 2020  
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

For further information regarding the 2020 Draft Water/Waste Water Master Plan, please visit the Township's website at [www.king.ca/WaterMasterPlans](http://www.king.ca/WaterMasterPlans) or contact: Wayne Pinkney, Project Manager, [wpinkney@king.ca](mailto:wpinkney@king.ca) or 905-833-4575.

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

**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.

**Notice to property owners to destroy weeds**

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in possession of land, in accordance with the Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter W.5, Sections 3, 16 and 23 THAT unless noxious weeds growing on their lands within the Municipality of the Township of King are destroyed by date of 1st June, 2020, and throughout the season, the Municipality may enter upon the said lands and have the weeds destroyed, charging costs against the land, as set out in the Weed Control Act.

All properties ten (10) acres or less may have noxious weeds destroyed without notice to the owner. The co-operation of all citizens is earnestly solicited.

Kathryn Moyle  
Director of Clerks & By-law Enforcement

**Township of King volunteer organizations community grants program deadline for applications for 2020 grants**

Non-profit community organizations which provide or develop recreation, cultural or social opportunities within the Township of King are advised that applications for Grants from the Township of King for 2020 must be completed and submitted to the Township by **Friday, May 15th, 2020**.

The Community Grants Policy Information and Application are available on the Township website at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca).

**Please see more King Township notices on page 5**

**PUBLIC NOTICES**



**Due to the constantly changing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects, this information may not be current. Please visit [covid19.king.ca](http://covid19.king.ca) for the most up-to-date information.**

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 until further notice.
- 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](http://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](http://www.king.ca), by phone at 905-833-5321 or by email at [serviceking@king.ca](mailto:serviceking@king.ca).

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**Roles and Responsibilities in COVID-19 Emergency**

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**COVID-19 information**

The risk to York Region residents of acquiring the virus in the community remains low.

Visit [york.ca/covid19](http://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.



**2020 Water/Wastewater Master Plan CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

**NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC CONSULTATION CENTRE (PCC)**

The Township of King has initiated a review and analysis of water and wastewater infrastructure in King City, Nobleton and Schomberg which will result in a Water/Wastewater Master Plan to support projected growth scenarios outlined in the Township's Official Plan, ensuring that the required level-of-service can be provided throughout the communities. A Municipal Class Environmental Assessment has been undertaken to guide this process.

Public consultation is a key component of the Class EA process. The recommended draft Master Plan was previously presented to the Public in July 2015. Subsequent to this, the Township finalized an updated Official Plan and has since reviewed this in the context of the draft Water/Wastewater Master Plan. We would like to invite you, to participate in the Public Consultation Centre to re-familiarise yourself with the preferred servicing solutions.

Due to COVID 19 Guidelines, we are conducting this Public Consultation as a Virtual Webinar format. At the virtual PCC, you will have the opportunity to ask us questions, share your thoughts and opinions. Your input will help ensure there is adequate water and wastewater infrastructure in place for your community that can also support mandated growth in King Township. Your participation in PCCs is important to us.

**VIRTUAL PCC DATE: MONDAY MAY 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 – 4:00PM**

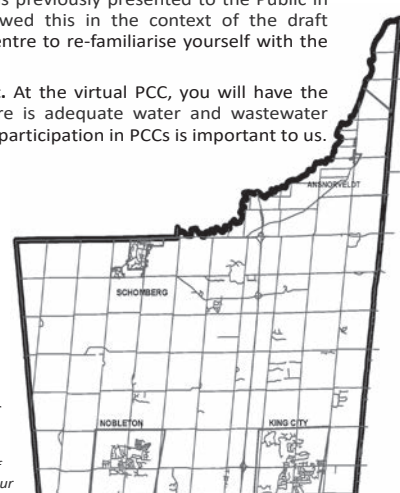
Public wishing to participate in the session can do so in the following three ways:

1. **Participate Online:** A live webinar format will be established for this purpose. Details will be provided on the Project Website
2. **Participate by Telephone:** You will be able to download the presentation, and call-in to the Virtual PCC for Audio.
3. **Review Independently:** You can also request the presentation materials be mailed to you, and submit comments and/or questions via phone or e-mail

Further details will be available at <http://www.king.ca/WaterMasterPlans>.

You may also send an e-mail to [KingWaterMasterPlans@tmig.ca](mailto:KingWaterMasterPlans@tmig.ca), or contact the Township's Project Manager directly: Wayne Pinkney, King Township Engineering and Public Works: (905) 833-4575

Please note that information related to these studies will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments received will become part of the public record. Thank you for your interest in these studies.





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## Muzzo cannot visit King City as part of day parole

By Mark Pavilons

A convicted impaired driver must abide by many conditions, as part of his day parole.

Marco Muzzo, convicted in the 2015 deaths of four members of the Neville-Lake family, received day parole from the Parole Board of Canada last week. The parole is for six months, and the board denied full parole at this time.

Among his conditions are that he cannot visit King City, Brampton or Aurora, without permission from his parole supervisor. The victims' family lives in Brampton and that's where the deceased are buried. Aurora and King City have memorials to the victims.

Further, he can't have direct contact with the victims or victims' families. He has to meet with a mental health professional to address his substance abuse issue and he cannot consume, purchase or possess alcohol.

Muzzo was previously denied parole and the board was concerned that he had "severely underestimated" his issues with alcohol and he "lacked respect for the rules of the road and safety of others."

"It is apparent that you have developed greater insight into these issues and, as a result, have been able to make a reasonable start at addressing these," reads the new board decision.

"All of those who have assessed your risk of recidivism have come to the same conclusion; that you are at low risk to

re-offend. This is, in part, due to your lack of criminal history, your generally pro-social lifestyle, your positive associations, your solid work history, and your positive institutional behavior.

"At today's hearing, the board considers that you have demonstrated more honesty and transparency than at your previous hearing."

The board did point out that Muzzo struggles to articulate his remorse but they believe his empathy for the victims appears sincere.

They did stress Muzzo's action "has forever severely damaged the lives of the surviving family members who continue to struggle with the monumental consequence of your selfish actions." It's "impossible to summarize their pain and suffering."

According to Muzzo's parole plan, he hopes to reside with his fiancée, but the board pointed out this would put him close to one of the memorials to the deceased children, which victims frequently visit.

The board said Muzzo presents a low risk to society if released, but remains "mindful that your selfish ways of thinking directly led to the senseless death of four innocent people, and this risk-based decision does not detract from that awareness."

Muzzo, while at the minimum-security facility, did receive periods of escorted temporary absences for community service, "with very favourable reports from your supervisors who note your

work ethic, and your commitment to giving back to the community."

Part of his day parole is to live in a community residential facility and resume work with the family company as a general laborer. He plans to continue working with the addictions counsellor and participating in any recommended programs.

The board said his conditional release was also based on his strong network of friends, family and co-workers, and the strong support of his fiancée.

Muzzo's legal counsel provided an apology to the families of those he killed.

"I want to apologize to the Neville-Lake, Neville and Frias families for the terrible pain I have caused them and their loved ones," he said in the statement. "I ruined their lives, and I take full responsibility for what I have done. I always will.

"I was careless and irresponsible when I made the choice to drink and drive. There is no way I can undo the damage that I have caused. I will live with this for the rest of my life."

The children's mother, Jennifer Neville-Lake, shared the following in an Instagram post last week:

"No matter what happened today, Daniel, Harry and Milly don't get to come back home. My dad isn't coming home to my mom. Nothing changes for me."

Muzzo pleaded guilty in 2016 to four counts of impaired driving causing death and two counts of impaired driving causing bodily harm. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison, and given a 12-year driving prohibition.

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

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## Board agreements were ratified

Agreements with the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) and the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA), and the ETFO Education Workers and the Council of Trustees' Associations (CTA) have been ratified.

"I would like to congratulate ETFO, OPSBA and the CTA for the ratification of the 2019-22 central agreements," said Education Minister Stephen Lecce.

"Like our deals with the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), the Education Workers' Alliance of Ontario (EWAO) and the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA) our primary objective was to reach good deals with teachers' and education workers' unions, that will advance the priorities of students and parents.

"Teachers and education workers play a critical role in promoting positive learning environments for students in all corners of our province - they provide a safe and stimulating educational environment that promotes growth and learning.

"Our government demonstrated an unwavering commitment to reaching deals that will protect our children's futures and invest in their potential. We now have tentative central agreements with everyone and have delivered five ratified deals to date."

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# Editorial, Letters & Opinion

*"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

## 'Mom' is one of the most pleasant words of all

It's been said that a mother's love is like nothing else in the world.

Having witnessed this first-hand in my own family, I can attest to that fact.

I sat in the backyard this past weekend, listening to the wind rustle the tree branches and blow through the young spring grass.

The sun was shining, the first strong sun of the new season. It felt good.

Off in the distance I heard a young girl's voice, calling "mom?"

I smiled, thinking isn't that one of the sweetest sounds in the whole, wide world? My thoughts turned to summer meadows, sunshine, streams, canoes and barbecue.

I know it's not summer, not even close. And this summer may be unlike any other in my life.

That single word I heard through the trees led me back to remembering childhood summers - long grass, bike rides on gravel roads, catching frogs and crayfish, letting the minnows in the Humber River nibble my toes.

I would feed these little fishies bread, sometimes loaves of the day-old No Name bread my mom got at Zehrs. It was cool.

The Bolton golf club, now known as Clublink, backed into our property. As a kid I'd often hop the fence after hours and play a round or two. The golf balls that landed in the river and our property were collected, cleaned, inspected and resold to golfers for a quarter. At 12, I often pulled in \$15 or \$20 every weekend during the summer. That was a great windfall!

I learned entrepreneurial skills at a young age, while enjoying the outdoors. I never left behind much of a carbon footprint and it taught me a great many things.

Sure, the course owners sometimes frowned upon my business activities, cutting into their golf ball sales and all. A few quick departures were part of the business risk model!

After my chores, which included cutting grass on our four-acre parcel, I would spend hours in the back 40, just



Mark Pavilons

being and watching and thinking.

My dad, after a day's work puttering around, would often take a walk by himself. I joined him occasionally and he would tell me secrets, passed on by the Colorado blue spruces and Austrian pines. Ancient knowledge to be sure. He loved nature and I think it helped him declutter.

My mom loved her expansive veggie garden, and often boasted about the bounty at the dinner table - home-grown cucumbers, tomatoes, beans, currants, rhubarb.

There's nothing like grabbing a stalk of rhubarb, taking a big bite and making a sourpuss face! That simple act speaks volumes about childhood joy, about the simple things, about exploring and figuring things out as we go.

It's a feeling, a sense of just being a kid. We weren't preoccupied with video games, Snapchat and online surfing, for the very fact they didn't exist.

We could do nothing all day and enjoy every minute of it.

We left after lunch and came back at dinner, when mom called us, her voice cutting through the summer breeze like

a welcoming invitation. We knew whatever she prepared would be great, and we never complained about our home cooked meals.

We didn't use sunscreen and never worried about cancer. If we twisted our ankle, were stung by a bee or got a few cuts and scrapes we knew help was only a few minutes away.

We were loved, but didn't need constant reminders or hourly hugs. We were content.

My childhood wasn't particularly exciting or eventful but it was soothing, like a comfy blanket. Our moms made sure of it.

A child and mom come into being at the same time. The bond of a mother and her child is unlike anything else in the world, and as strong as steel. It's almost perfect - forgiving, spontaneous, benevolent, unselfish and non-judgmental.

My wife learned by doing, and plucking the best from her mom, with a dash of my mom tossed in for good measure.

Even today, the sounds of "mom?" bounce around the walls of our house, from two teenagers and one young adult. "Mom," it's so simple yet oh so powerful. It means everything wrapped into just one syllable. You can guess in an instant the nature of the kids' problem by how this word is pronounced. It's like a symphony.

Kids can be a handful, and it's even said that "insanity" is hereditary - we inherit it from our children!

Regardless of their age, our offspring are in constant need of attention, guid-

ance, support, assistance and yes, discipline.

Our generation has lengthened the leash a bit on these rambunctious individuals. But we need to keep it taught, so we retain a bit of control.

Our kids can talk to Kim about anything. She's an amazing listener, and offers sound, practical advice. I think a lot of Kim's prowess comes from her social work training and dealing with parents and children when she operated a day care.

While it's a different challenge dealing with your own kids, she works at it and wants them to feel they can come to her any time. Kids being kids, she sometimes has to pry it out of them, like a burrowing tick. She wants them to laugh and cry and just "get it out."

She wants them to know they are loved and have our full support.

I think that's why every time I hear the word "mom" I smile, and feel warm. I know when mom responds, things will be better.

Dads like to defer things by saying "ask mom." While it can be a cop-out, we do know that mom has the answers and solutions that we just don't have.

"Mom" is like a bandage that never falls off; it's like a salve that makes all boo-boos go away. "Mom" is like a celebratory announcement of the change of seasons. It's a strong, triumphant call to order.

Whatever "mom" means to you, make sure you embrace it, not only this weekend, but every day.

And make sure the kids know it, too!

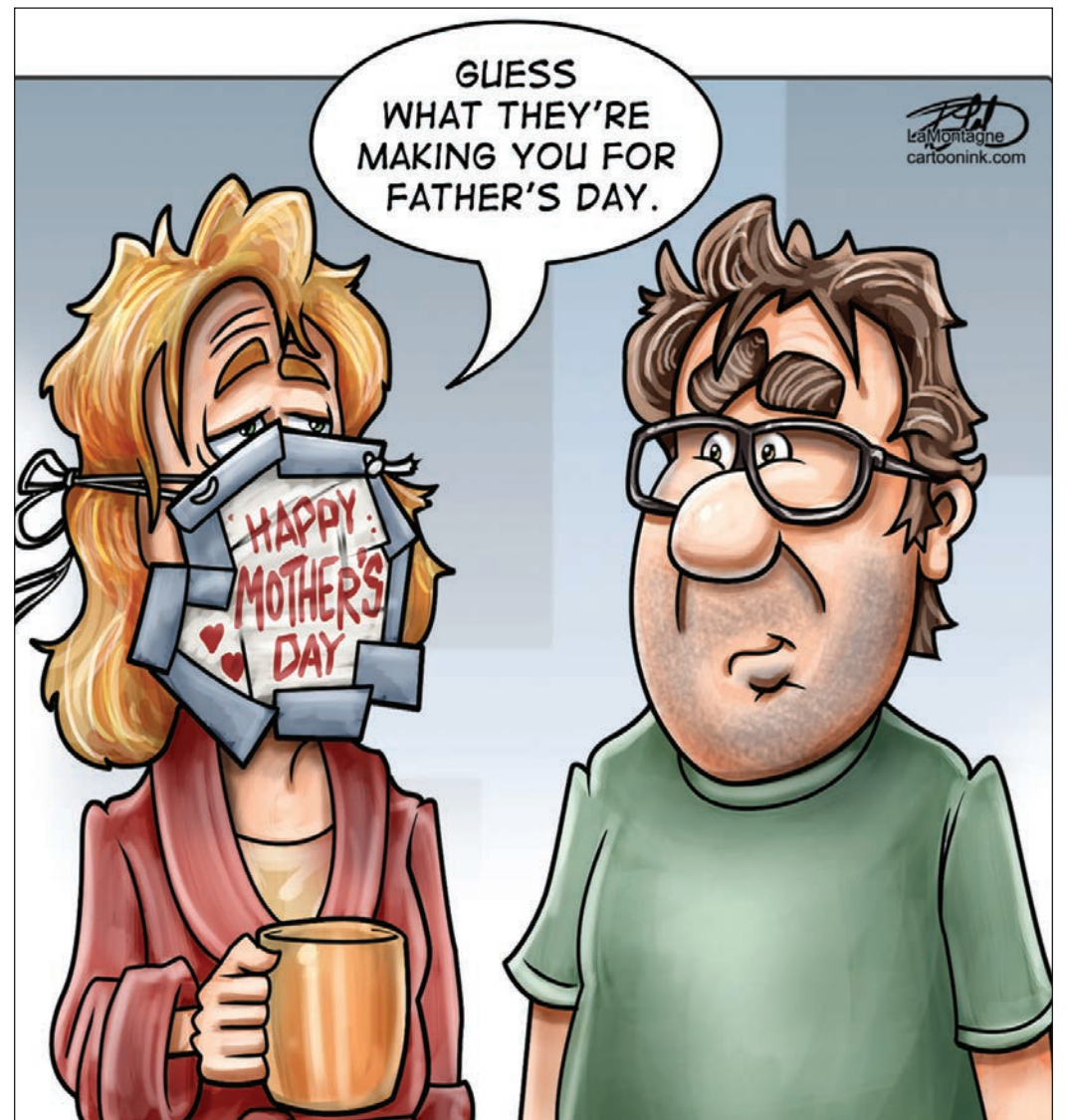
### COVID-19 Response

## Ontario provides urgent relief for small businesses and landlords

The Ontario government is partnering with the federal government to provide urgent relief for small businesses and landlords in King-Vaughan affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. The province is committing \$241 million through the new Ontario-Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance Program (OCECRA). The total amount of provincial-federal relief that would be provided is more than \$900 million, helping to ensure small businesses are ready to reopen their doors when the emergency measures are lifted.

Details of the new program were announced on April 24 by Premier Doug Ford, Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, and Dr. Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Long-Term Care.

"Small businesses in King Township and Vaughan are experiencing real financial pressures during the COVID-19 outbreak and are struggling to pay rent as a result," said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan. "That's why we are partnering with the federal government to ease these financial pressures and support our small businesses through this challenging economic time. We moved quickly to province immediate support so our small businesses are able to succeed once it's safe to reopen Ontario."



### Thought of the Week



*Use both halves of what God gave you!*

While one side of our brain is dominant, it's important to exercise both hemispheres to create a well-rounded individual.

### Trivia Tidbits

*Clouds always contain water particles. When these particles are small, they reflect light and are perceived as white. When water particles in the clouds become large enough to form raindrops, they absorb more light and appear dark to us.*

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Results from last week's poll:

**Are you trying to help local businesses the best you can during these times?**

a) Yes  **100%**

b) No  **0%**

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

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION**

Are you hoping restrictions will be lifted for the May long weekend?

a) Yes  
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!

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# King residents show their community spirit

By Mayor Steve Pellegrini

Despite the daily stream of bad news, I'm proud to say King Township has shown its spirit over the last two months.

A spirit of positivity, empathy and co-operation.

During this pandemic, King's citizens have taken the physical distancing guidelines to heart.

Although we've tragically lost two

citizens to COVID-19, I have no doubt that the efforts by all of you have helped us flatten the curve in King.

That being said, we need to continue our vigilance by continuing to practice good hygiene, physical distancing and

only leaving your home for essential items like food and medicine.

Turning to good news, we've launched a program called #StayKing-Connected! This page will feature positive community stories from around King Township. Do you have a positive story to share? Is someone going above and beyond to uplift the community spirit? Please e-mail us at [community-services@king.ca](mailto:community-services@king.ca) to share your story and have it featured on King At Home and our social media channels.

I've already heard many stories about how we're coming together to help one another, including a 13-year-old boy in Schomberg who was dropping off toilet paper and other necessities at random doorsteps with a note saying pay it forward.

The Scruffy Duck in Schomberg has been handing out soup to those in need on Wednesdays.

Many citizens have been dressing up to put out their garbage on the Facebook community groups.

People have been painting rocks and leaving them at the side of trails and sidewalks to brighten people's day.

These are the kind of stories we'd like to hear about.

Now, more than ever, we need to support each other. I'm optimistic these challenging times will bring out the best in us.

For many years now, I've asked our citizens to buy locally as much as possible. I'm asking you to make that a priority in the coming days and weeks. If a local restaurant is offering pick-up or delivery, consider patronizing that business. Try to fill up your tank at a local gas station. Every little bit will help not only the local business owners but the staff members of these businesses too.

For the latest information on how King Township is taking actions to protect the community, visit [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca).

Please take good care.

# Hiring local workers for farm jobs isn't easy

By Bill George

COVID-19 has turned lives upside down right around the world. People are grappling with illness and death, with separation from family and friends, business closures, job loss, and general uncertainty about what lies ahead.

Things are no different for farmers, but many of us who grow fruits and vegetables have the added challenge this year of trying to get our international workers here and making sure we do everything possible to keep them safe and healthy.

That's not without added cost, and while we recognize that COVID-19 is causing losses and increased expenses for everyone the longer this crisis continues, we appreciate the federal government's recent announcement of financial support for employers of seasonal agricultural workers.

We also appreciate government willingness to exempt international farm workers from its COVID-19 travel bans. Simply put, without the approximately 20,000 seasonal workers who come to Ontario every year to work on fruit and vegetable farms, many crops wouldn't get planted at all or in the case of trees, vines and perennial crops like asparagus, wouldn't be maintained or harvested.

Probably the biggest misconception people have is that farm work is unskilled labour. There's no denying that for all of us in farming, the hours are long and the work is hard. But our farms have become highly specialized, with sophisticated technologies and stringent food safety certifications.

And it takes skilled workers to be able to properly prune a grape vine, thin an apple tree, grade asparagus or gently harvest and handle a peach so that it arrives on the grocery store shelf free of bruises and blemishes.

The vast majority of seasonal farm workers in Ontario come to the same farms every year. These aren't skills that can just be taught on the fly.

The other hard truth about farm work is that it needs to be done when Mother Nature is ready. Asparagus or strawberry harvest can't just be put on hold because it's raining, it's too hot, or it's the weekend.

When work doesn't get done, there is less produce on the shelves and likely at lower quality. Timing is everything in

fruit and vegetable growing, making a reliable work force absolutely essential.

As spring ramps up, there's a lot of work to be done on our farms right now. But we will also need workers right through the summer and fall to see us through the busy harvest season. When our economy starts to open up again and Canadians go back to their real jobs, we will still need people to pick apples, harvest grapes and get fields and orchards ready for winter.

Most farms are in rural areas, which is both an advantage and a disadvantage in this situation. Once our international workers arrive, they live and work on our farms so keeping physical distance from local towns is not difficult. Food and groceries are delivered and online banking is set up so workers don't need to leave the farm, minimizing risk of disease spread.

It's much harder with local workers who have to travel back and forth from their homes daily and have more interaction with their communities. There are also no public transit options outside of cities, so unless people have their own transportation, they wouldn't be able to get to work.

It's also important to note that for farmers, foreign worker programs are Canadian-first programs. That means we only hire international workers if we can't find Canadians to fill those jobs.

And we can't ignore what these jobs mean to the workers themselves. They come to Canada from Mexico, Jamaica and the Caribbean to support their families and communities, earning more in their few short months here than they could in a year back home.

Even with the travel exemption now in place, the reality is that many farmers will still be short workers this year. There are jobs on Ontario farms and we are hiring, but without our international workforce, our grocery store shelves and dinner tables could look a lot different this year.

*Bill George is a wine grape grower in Niagara, and Chair of the Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association.*



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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### Spring Cleaning

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King Township is about to kick off its annual Spring Cleaning program. Here's what to expect during the COVID-19 pandemic and how to help.



#### Street Sweeping

The 2020 Street Sweeping program will start on April 6, weather permitting. The contractor will progress through the villages of Schomberg, King City and Nobleton (not necessarily in that order). Due to COVID-19, the contractor has scaled back staffing levels. Because of this, it may take longer to complete the street sweeping compared to previous years. We ask that citizens be patient. Please avoid parking vehicles on our streets to ensure they can be cleaned properly.



#### Municipal Water Flushing

In the spring and fall the Township flushes all water mains and hydrants in King City, Nobleton, Schomberg and Ansonsveld. As a result, residents over the course of the next few weeks may experience low pressure and/or discoloration. This process contributes to the safe, effective delivery of municipal water and **does not** affect the quality of your water in any way.



#### Yard Waste Pickup

Yard waste collection starts the week of March 30th, 2020 and will be picked up bi-weekly through to the end of November. No changes to the start date, frequency, or duration have been made to this program. There is no limit on the number of containers that can be put out. Residents are able to use rigid open-top containers (i.e. blue boxes) to help alleviate the need for trips to the store for yard waste collection bags. Please have yard waste out to the curb by 7:00 AM on your regularly scheduled collection day.



#### Cleaning Out Your Clutter

We know that a lot of people who are off work or working from home may be looking to de-clutter their homes during the pandemic. We'd like to remind you of a few things: King has increased the number of garbage containers you can put out to the curb from two (2) to three (3) until further notice. Extra bag tags can be purchased at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca). Please **do not** dump garbage of any kind in any park or municipal receptacle. Household garbage and medical waste dumped in municipal receptacles may put our staff and others in danger, attract animals and create an unsightly mess. Please do your part to dispose of all waste responsibly through curbside collection or at a public waste depot. For information on York Region waste depots, visit [www.york.ca](http://www.york.ca).



#### Donation Bins

Please do not leave donations at any of the Diabetes Canada bins or any other charitable donation bins throughout the Township. The organizations are not picking donations up during the pandemic. Please keep your donations at home until the pick-ups start again.

We can all do our part to keep King Township clean. Please do so in a safe manner while adhering to the 2-metre (six-feet) physical distancing guidelines. Wear gloves when handling waste and wash your hands thoroughly after. Some services may be impacted by the rapidly changing situation. We thank our citizens for their patience.

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## Discover and Explore King Township Public Library's Virtual Programming!



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**Virtual Book Club**  
Come together to read books and meet via video call!



**Lire et Découvrir**  
We read a book, do activities and make crafts, all in French!



## KING FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

### Want to have a fire?

King Fire & Emergency Services      905-833-2800  
[fire@king.ca](mailto:fire@king.ca)



#### Having a recreational/camp fire

No permit needed so long as:

1. There is no Fire Ban in effect. (Check [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca) for the latest updates).
2. You are burning **CLEAN** wood **ONLY**.
3. The fire is contained to a chiminea or a pile that is a maximum of 0.75 metres (2 feet) in diameter by 0.75 metres (2 feet) in height.
4. The fire is a minimum of 3 metres (10 feet) away from anything combustible.
5. A means to extinguish the fire is immediately available (i.e. garden hose).

#### Cleaning up yard waste

1. Put yard waste out at the curb for bi-weekly pick up.
- OR
2. Contact King Fire Administration to find out if you are eligible for a fire permit by phone at 905-833-2800 or email at [fire@king.ca](mailto:fire@king.ca).





# COVID-19 SENIORS' SUPPORT

- ✓ **Extra GST Credit of close to \$400/adult and \$600/couple on average for low and modest income seniors**
- ✓ **\$2,000 a month under CERB for seniors and others who've lost employment due to COVID-19**
- ✓ **RIFF minimum withdrawals reduced by 25% for 2020**
- ✓ **Tax filing deadline has been extended to June 1, 2020 and taxes owing deferred to September 1, 2020**
- ✓ **Half a billion invested in community organizations to help access essential services, including seniors**

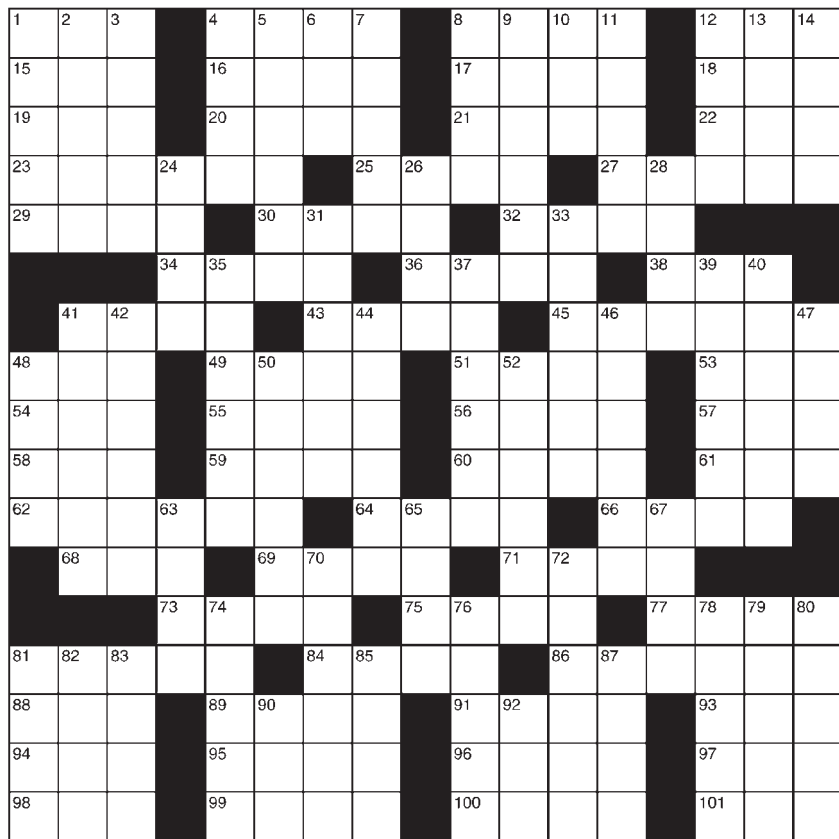
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| <b>ACROSS</b>                   | 53. Conscious being      | 97. Slip up              | 41. Elaborately adorned         |
| 1. Drama part                   | 54. As well              | 98. Teensy               | 42. Device for climbing         |
| 4. Bakery treat                 | 55. Seed cover           | 99. Makeshift bed        | 44. Yield                       |
| 8. Lady's shoe                  | 56. Scottish girl        | 100. Jerk                | 46. Hold in a condensed coating |
| 12. Unlock, in verse            | 57. Overcame             | 101. Unit of radiation   | 47. Chinese association         |
| 15. Green                       | 58. Chair cushion        | <b>DOWN</b>              | 48. Bugle serenade              |
| 16. Fever                       | 59. Oceanic movement     | 1. Mountain crest        | 50. Bird at bat                 |
| 17. Milky gemstone              | 60. Atop                 | 2. Furnish food          | 52. Horsemanship                |
| 18. Rose-colored                | 61. Unit of work         | 3. Pluck                 | 63. Smell strongly              |
| 19. Greek letter                | 62. Hi-fi                | 4. Hired car             | 65. One billion years           |
| 20. "___: Warrior Princess"     | 64. Moniker              | 5. Meeting plan          | 67. Medal of Honor winner       |
| 21. Gumbo ingredient            | 66. Ratite bird          | 6. Move quickly          | 70. Except                      |
| 22. Zig's partner               | 68. "Look ___ ye leap"   | 7. Flirt                 | 72. Innate                      |
| 23. Certain bowler's target     | 69. Minstrel's item      | 8. Pitiful               | 74. Food item                   |
| 25. Title of respect            | 71. Jeer                 | 9. Maintenance           | 76. Disorderly                  |
| 27. Tower or Coast              | 73. Flush                | 10. Scratch              | 78. Clear sky                   |
| 29. Thus                        | 75. Forewarning          | 11. Ordinary             | 79. Make a goal                 |
| 30. Property document           | 77. Period of repose     | 12. Ricelike pasta       | 80. Heating unit                |
| 32. Lab burner                  | 81. Uniform color        | 13. Bosc, e.g.           | 81. Recognize                   |
| 34. Fine                        | 84. Draw the ___ (limit) | 14. Anxious              | 82. Mask                        |
| 36. Detect                      | 86. Spot                 | 24. Billiards game       | 83. Toward shelter, nautically  |
| 38. Sort of resort              | 88. Nothing              | 26. Imaginative thought  | 85. March 15                    |
| 41. Earthen vessel              | 89. Still sleeping       | 28. Extensive            | 87. Plumber's problem           |
| 43. Pertaining to a time period | 91. Blackthorn           | 31. Facial feature       | 90. Ghostly saying              |
| 45. ___ leather                 | 93. Soil-breaking tool   | 33. Office keyboard user | 92. Pastoral setting            |
| 48. Chorus syllable             | 94. "To Autumn," e.g.    | 35. Martial art          |                                 |
| 49. Cameo                       | 95. Beak                 | 37. Ski race             |                                 |
| 51. In the center of            | 96. Antitoxins           | 39. Runt                 |                                 |
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**Solution on page 17**

# King Fire mourns loss of former chief Lorne Burbidge

King Township has lost a long-serving member of its firefighter alumni. Veteran firefighter and former chief Lorne Burbidge passed away April 20 with his family at his side.

Lorne Burbidge and his childhood sweetheart, Isobel (nee Bishop) moved from Vaughan to King City in 1962. Lorne was at that time a firefighter in North York (now Toronto). His career there spanned from 1957 to 1993.

Lorne was promoted to Captain, District Chief and finally to Platoon Chief in North York.

During those years Lorne also showed that he was committed to the safety of his fellow residents of King City. Not long after moving to King City Lorne joined the fire department and was promoted to captain in King City and from 1980 until 1986 served his community as fire chief.

When Lorne was promoted to District Chief in North York he knew that the demands of that position would require him to resign from King City.

As Fire Chief in King City, Lorne started a serious modernization of the department, including the purchase of the first diesel truck with the largest fire pump in the township at that time. The large fire pump needed a diesel engine to run it.

The fire station in King City was expanded and upgraded and training became an important part of Lorne's time as chief.

On top of all this Lorne and Isobel raised a family of three sons, Alex, David and Bryan and a daughter, Heather.

All three sons followed their father into the King City Fire Department. They shared Lorne's dedication to their community.



King City was truly blessed to have had Lorne and many others inspired by Lorne to serve as firefighters.

One cannot serve as did Lorne without support at home and Lorne had this support unequivocally from Isobel and the rest of the family.

King Fire Chief Jim Wall called Burbidge a "true gentleman," who often stopped by the station to chat long after his retirement. He was a "gem of a person and will be sadly missed."

A private service will be conducted with a celebration of Lorne's life to be held sometime in the future when such gatherings are safe.

# Jim MacSween sworn in as new York Regional Police chief

Jim MacSween is the newest York Regional Police Chief. MacSween was sworn in May 1.

Born and raised in Nova Scotia, Chief MacSween moved to Ontario in 1987 and began his career with York Regional Police in 1989. He brings a balance of operational, administrative and strategic experience to his current role. Chief MacSween is responsible for 2,300 employees, an operating and capital budget of \$390 million and community safety for 1.2 million citizens.

Having 30 years of service with YRP, Chief MacSween has proven leadership abilities across all areas of the organization. He has extensive experience in administration, operations and strategic initiatives, including being in charge of #2 and #4 districts. He served as commander of training and education, the real time operations centre and the 9-11 call centre. As Deputy Chief, he was assigned to support branch, where he led a number of key strategic initiatives for YRP.

Chief MacSween is a recipient of the Governor General's Exemplary Service 20-year medal and is active in the community where he volunteers his time with such organizations as the Special Olympics Ontario. He is currently vice-chair of the board for St. John Ambulance.

"I feel privileged and honored to have the opportunity to lead a forward-thinking organization that embraces technology and is always looking for ways to improve. I want to thank the profession and highly dedicated women and men of York Regional Police for their ongoing commitment to the safety of our community and to the health and well-being of our members. I want to thank the York Regional Police Services Board for having the trust and confidence in choosing me as chief and for its ongoing support of our organization," he said.



# King 7-Day Weather Outlook

From Thursday, May 7 to Wednesday, May 13

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## King's Economic Development staff are here to help businesses

A shift towards establishing a formal King Business Concierge program is unfolding during this unprecedented crisis.

King's economic development staff have connected virtually with more than 500 business stakeholders since the COVID-19 pandemic was declared on March 12. Staff have been proactively reaching out to businesses and responding to questions about what kinds of supports and resources are available to help them weather the economic uncertainty caused by this crisis.

Within a week of the pandemic being declared King's Economic Development Office developed a business resource portal to help business owners navigate the various assistance programs available to them, accessible at [www.economicking.ca/covid-19](http://www.economicking.ca/covid-19). As a result of this new portal, traffic to the website increased to more than 4,200 visitors in both March and April, almost doubling the number of visits in February.

King Township is a proud partner in the Northern York Region (N6) COVID-19 Business Recovery Information Centre. The Northern Six (N6) municipalities of York Region (Aurora, East Gwillimbury, Georgina, King, Newmarket and Stouffville) and the York Region Economic Strategy Office are working together to assist local businesses through this crisis. As a result, an intake form has been developed and businesses are encouraged to submit their information at [bit.ly/businessrecovery](http://bit.ly/businessrecovery). The N6 municipalities will be using the responses and aggregated data to develop appropriate measures and actions to support and assist businesses to adjust and adapt.

A ShopKING portal was also quickly launched on March 19, to promote essential businesses that were connecting safely with customers through physical distancing purchasing options, accessible at [www.economicking.ca/physical-dis-](http://www.economicking.ca/physical-dis-)

ance-shopping.

"We're seeing some encouraging news out of this quick action," said Mayor Steve Pellegrini. "On their own, and with our help to get the word out, 60 per cent of King's restaurants managed to quickly pivot to provide take-out and delivery options, while adhering to physical distancing orders put in place by the Province.

"As the province takes a measured and staged approach to fully re-open for business, the Township will be there to provide guidance and support for our businesses and local economy to be more resilient and stronger than ever," he added.

To help the Township identify concerns and challenges, and to assist with developing a plan moving forward, Mayor Pellegrini will be hosting a "Virtual Business Roundtable." The roundtable will include a cross-section of local business leaders, King Chamber of Commerce members, and elected officials from other levels of government. Hon. Deb Schulte (MP, King-Vaughan), Hon. Stephen Lecce (MPP, King-Vaughan) and Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria (MPP, Brampton South) will be participating in the roundtable.

In the months to come, council, staff and local businesses will continue to work together, including as participants on the York Region Business Recovery Support Partnership initiative. This collaboration, led by York Region's Economic Strategy Division, with local business and economy stakeholders are joining forces to coordinate a regional response to COVID-19. The goals of the partnership include economic impact assessment, streamlined business advisory support and communications.

"While all levels of government have taken swift and unprecedented actions and measures to support local businesses adapt and recover, we collectively are always looking and listening for ways to do more," said Mayor Pellegrini.

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## Rockford's is dedicated to serving its customers

By Mark Pavilons

Meeting challenges head-on during these times is key.

And a strong customer base also helps.

The venerable Rockford's Bar & Grill in King City continues to serve, even through these tough times.

According to Kieran O'Briain, they're offering parking lot pickup as well as delivery where required. "I am actually the delivery driver, lol," he said.

Customers can enjoy the usual selec-

tion of crispy wings, fresh handmade burgers and other gourmet eats from noon to 8 p.m. daily.

The Rockford's menu, including the daily specials menu, has not changed other than buck-a-shuck oysters on Monday. They are also taking special dinner requests to satisfy those quarantine cravings!

Customers can call and request a dinner as long as they give 48 hours notice for these special meals. Some examples of requests have been chicken parmesan and juicy leg of lamb.

Depending on where things stand



during the pandemic, Rockford's hopes to have a Mother's Day Special. In years past, they had fresh lobster flown in from the Maritimes.

"I am from there and know a few good fisherman so it is quite a treat." O'Briain says it's always best to check the website for updates on the menu and specials - rockfords.ca

The customers are responding well and Rockford's popularity is growing.

"Customers have been very supportive during these uncertain times. We have had an influx of new patrons these past few weeks try us out for the first

time. I am impressed on how people are tipping for the staff. It goes to show how people have each others' back during these trying times," he said.

The establishment prides itself on loyal customers and while they can't stay in touch the regular way, they're responding with orders. They're also following on Facebook, Instagram and the Website.

"The food is good, beer is cold, and we have a great selection of wines at Rockford's so people call and use our services," O'Briain said.

His staff are doing well and taking everything in stride.

"It gets hectic around 5 p.m. and people are calling in earlier and setting their order and pickup time, which is way easier on us.

"We feel as we've adapted as best as we can and our customers, new and regular, have played a big part in this. On behalf of our servers and kitchen staff, we would like to extend a thank you to the community for the great support during these times."

O'Briain said his staff is also very excited as they're taking the time to update the restaurant with some minor renovations while they have the down time.

Stay tuned for the Rockford's re-opening. The public can follow them on Facebook and Instagram to see some sneak previews and to keep on top of what is up at Rockford's.

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# Taking good care of the inside air we breathe

By Mark Pavilons

The current global pandemic has taught us a great deal about hygiene and fighting bacteria. We're becoming quite proficient at disinfecting all surfaces that we come in contact with.

Being confined to our homes makes one thing perfectly clear – the air we breathe at home has to be clean and free from pathogens.

A King City businessman knows all about purifying our environments. Joe Di Donato, owner of PUR Distribution Ltd., pointed out that even before COVID-19, we have become an “indoor generation” as we spend roughly 90% of our time indoors. “Our homes are built air-tight, and nothing can escape. Nine out of 10 breaths we take are indoors,” Di Donato said.

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## York Region creates business recovery aid program

The Regional Municipality of York is collaborating with economic development stakeholders and industry leaders from across York Region to support local businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Economic vitality remains a key priority for York Regional Council and is fundamental in maintaining a prosperous Region,” said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. “Right now, more than ever, the success of our residents and businesses relies within the strength of collaboration and partnerships. We are stronger, together, as we all support and promote economic resiliency and recovery.”

The York Region Business Recovery Support Partnership comprises York Region, economic development teams from our nine cities and towns, local Chambers of Commerce/Boards of Trade, the Workforce Planning Board of York Region, York Region Business Coalition and ventureLAB.

The group will conduct ongoing economic impact assessments; streamline business advisory supports; develop coordinated communications.

Sub-groups will be comprised of economic development and industry representatives from across York Region to lead and participate in various recovery-oriented initiatives. A number of these are already operating and further outreach is underway.

The work of this partnership continues to support many of the activities already in progress by the individual group members.

Partnership members continue to re-tool the services they deliver and evaluate the needs of the business communities during and post-pandemic.

For more information on York Region's commitment to economic vitality, visit [york.ca/business](http://york.ca/business)

For up-to-date information about COVID-19 in York Region, visit [york.ca/covid19](http://york.ca/covid19)

The Regional Municipality of York consists of nine local cities and towns and provides a variety of programs and services to 1.4 million residents and 54,000 businesses with over 650,000 employees. More information about the Region's key service areas is available at [york.ca/regionalservices](http://york.ca/regionalservices)

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Schomberg native recognized by country music industry

By Mark Pavilons

*“Country music is about new love and it’s about old love.”*

– Jeff Foxworthy

When you have a passion and love for something, especially country music, it shows.

For Schomberg native Shannon Ella, country music is like “going home.”

Her commitment to the music and industry has garnered her a nomination as Industry Person of the Year at the 8th annual CMAOntario Awards, scheduled to take place Oct. 4, at Centennial Hall in London, Ontario.

Ella is a radio host for Pure Country radio stations and is also the host of Complete Country.

The award recognizes contributions to the industry and Ella is up against nominees who are other movers and shakers in the field.

She said the nomination is still “surreal” for her, since she’s typically the one who covers the nominees at award shows. Being in the spotlight herself is “extra special.”

Her love of country has never waned and she even turned down a job at CHUM-FM to stick with her “one big country family.”

She was involved in the launch of Pure Country in 2019, a Bell Media platform across 13 country stations from coast to coast. Ella is host of her own show, Complete Country, which is nationally syndicated. She still finds it mind-boggling hearing from

fans of her show all the way from Regina to New Brunswick, and sharing their devotion for music.

The fan base for country is growing constantly, and this, Ella observed, is being sparked by the music itself. Like all genres, country is evolving and there’s a mix of old and new. Regardless of the sound, Ella said you can always hear the underlying traditional artists who inspire today’s singers.

Ella’s rise and success on the airwaves was boosted in 2017 when she did a stint on Z103.5 with Scott Fox. Her mentor Fox helped her improve immensely in such a short period of time.

Shannon was also involved in the homestead’s Ella Stables, which specializes in raising championship hackney ponies.

Hosted by Jason McCoy and Jennifer Campbell, the CMAOntario Award Show will close out the CMAOntario Festival & Awards Weekend in London Oct. 1 - 4. CMAOntario celebrates the talent and achievements of Ontario’s country music industry across 19 categories.

For more, visit [www.cmaontario.ca](http://www.cmaontario.ca)



## Challenge brings SL5K community together

The 2020 Nature’s Emporium Run for Southlake has been postponed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, but that didn’t stop local communities from finding a way to come together in support of Southlake.

Southlake Foundation announced the #SL5KTogetherApart social media challenge, a creative way to bring participants together virtually to celebrate their support and efforts in fundraising and training. Registered participants, along with the broader communities Southlake serves, were encouraged to engage in an activity of their choice, and post a picture on social media using #SL5KTogetherApart.

Some chose to run or walk 5K around their neighbourhood with family or pets, some did at-home workouts and some even hosted video calls with their SL5K teammates.

“We didn’t want to let the day pass without acknowledging the incredible support of our participants so far this year,” said Susan Mullin, president & CEO of Southlake Foundation. “Our communities have always been by our side, but particularly during this pandemic. We want them to know that it is not only deeply appreciated, but that we are all in this together.”

Throughout the day, Southlake Foundation cheered participants on just like they would have on race day – no matter what activity they were taking part in. All photos posted using #SL5KTogetherApart were compiled into a commemorative mosaic, bringing the collective efforts of the communities together. Each image submitted by registered participants was entered into a draw to win one of five \$50 gift cards for Nature’s Emporium – which currently offers curbside pickup. To find your photo, visit [runfor-southlake.ca](http://runfor-southlake.ca).

Southlake Foundation is grateful for the ongoing support of Run for Southlake sponsors during this challenging time. In addition to offering prizes for the #SL5K-TogetherApart challenge, title sponsor Nature’s Emporium is generously providing 10% off curbside pickup orders for Southlake’s front-line staff, and they continue to donate to a staff Wellness Cart that circulates the hospital providing Southlake’s hardworking staff with snacks, beverages and comfort items to keep their energy and spirits lifted during long shifts. T-shirt sponsor, Magna International, has also generously donated critical supplies to Southlake’s personal protective equipment (PPE) drive.

While a new date has not yet been selected for the postponed 2020 Nature’s Emporium Run for Southlake, Southlake Foundation is working diligently to find a fun solution that protects the health and safety of our participants and communities.

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.

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### MPP donates PPE to Hospice Vaughan

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### Jolliffe given fond farewell as chief

York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson, and York Regional Council, offered best wishes to retiring York Regional Police Chief Eric Jolliffe

"On behalf of York Regional Council and The Regional Municipality of York, it gives me great pleasure to wish York Regional Police Chief Eric Jolliffe a long, healthy and happy retirement.

"Over the span of four decades, Chief Jolliffe has been dedicated to the safety and well-being of the community and residents he served."

Chief Jolliffe started his career in September 1979 with Edmonton Police Services and returned home to York Region in 1998 to join York Regional Police. He was appointed Chief of Police in December 2010.

"Throughout his long and distinguished career, Chief Jolliffe has been a highly respected and admired officer of the law. His tremendous contributions to policing have been recognized with countless awards and accolades including the Officer of the Order of Merit for Police Forces and both the Queen Elizabeth II Golden and Diamond Jubilee Medals.

Chief Jolliffe developed a strong connection to the community through the development of outreach programs aimed at building relationships and trust. As a vision-inspired and values-driven leader, his legacy of dedication, commitment and community leadership will continue for generations to come.

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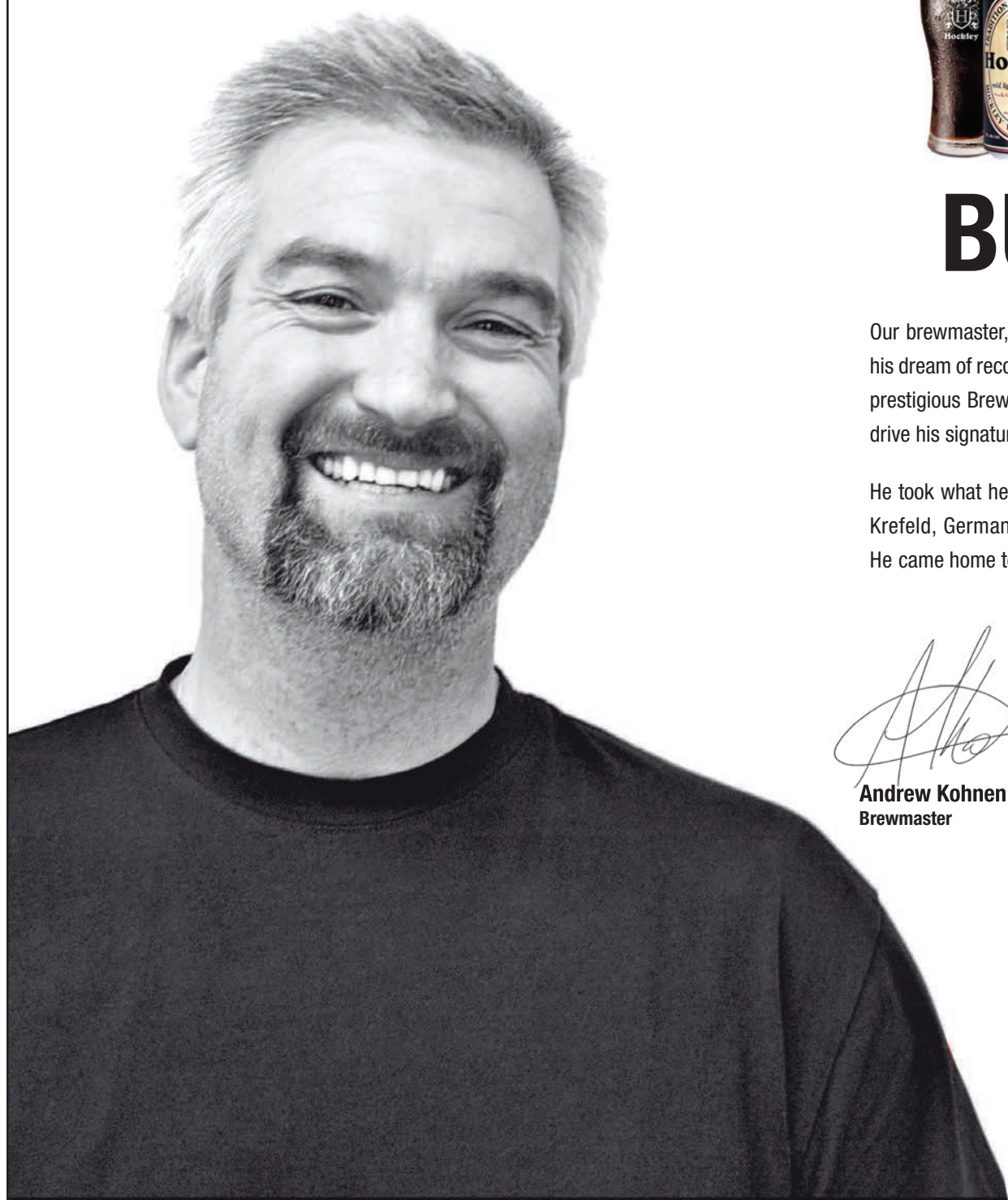
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# Support for students, new grads affected by COVID-19

Post-secondary students are feeling the economic impacts of COVID-19. Many students were preparing to start a summer job in May, and are now worried about how to pay rent and cover basic living expenses, while recent graduates are struggling to find meaningful work. This is a critical point in their lives, and we must do everything possible to support their future.

Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau announced comprehensive support of nearly \$9 billion for post-secondary students and recent graduates. This plan will help provide the financial support they need this summer; help them continue their studies in the fall, and help

many get the experience they need to start their careers.

This includes launching the proposed Canada Emergency Student Benefit, which would provide support to students and new graduates who are not eligible for the Canada Emergency Response Benefit. This benefit would provide \$1,250 per month for eligible students or \$1,750 per month for eligible students with dependents or disabilities. The benefit would be available from May to August 2020.

The new Canada Student Service Grant will help students gain valuable work experience and skills while they help their communities during the

COVID-19 pandemic. For students who choose to do national service and serve their communities, the new Canada Student Service Grant will provide up to \$5,000 for their education in the fall.

The Government of Canada will expand existing federal employment, skills development, and youth programming to create up to 116,000 jobs, placements, and other training opportunities to help students find employment and develop valuable skills this summer and over the coming months.

In addition, to help students continue their studies in the fall, the government will double the Canada Student Grants for all eligible full-time students to up to \$6,000 and up to \$3,600 for part-time students in 2020-21. The Canada Student Grants for Students with Permanent Disabilities and Students with Dependents would also be doubled.

The Canada Student Loans Program will be enhanced by raising the maximum weekly amount that can be provided to a student in 2020-21 from \$210 to \$350.

Taken together, these programs will not only help ensure more students get the financial support they need, but the opportunities and experience many students were counting on.

The government will continue to monitor and respond to the health, social, and economic impacts of COVID-19. We are ready to take additional actions as needed to stabilize the economy and mitigate the impacts of the pandemic on Canadians.

“The future of our economy and our country relies on the opportunities and support we provide to Canadian students today. To promote a sustainable economic recovery, we need a strong workforce and good job opportunities for young people. That means giving them the support they need to continue their studies and encouraging them to serve their communities. Together, we will get through this difficult time,” Prime Minister Trudeau said.

“Canada’s COVID-19 Economic Response Plan is providing Canadians and businesses in all sectors across the country with the help they need to get through the current challenges and position them for success as we emerge from the crisis. The significant new supports we are providing for students and recent graduates are a reflection of the central role they will play in en-

sureing that Canada emerges from these challenges stronger than ever.”

added Carla Qualtrough, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion.

On March 30, the Government of Canada placed a six-month interest-free moratorium on the repayment of Canada Student Loans for all individuals currently in the process of repaying.

On April 8, the Government of Canada announced temporary changes to the Canada Summer Jobs program that will help employers hire summer staff and provide young Canadians with access to the jobs they need during this unprecedented time. This program will help create up to 70,000 jobs for youth between 15 and 30 years old.

## Humber launches COVID-19 ‘Support Our Students (SOS) Fund’

As the global fight against COVID-19 continues, Humber College has rallied to address the economic needs of its most vulnerable students. Responding to a surge in demand for emergency financial support, Humber has set up the COVID-19 “Support Our Students (SOS) Fund.”

In support of the campaign, IGNITE is donating \$250,000 towards the fund. This is the Student Union’s second significant donation to help students during the coronavirus crisis. In addition, many members of the Humber community including faculty, staff, alumni, donors and partners have already contributed. Humber is also matching gifts for a limited time.

“Our halls, whether brick or virtual, will always be a place where students can find support. The future is in our hands and it is our responsibility to protect it,” said Monica Khosla, president, IGNITE. “IGNITE is proud to contribute to the COVID-19 SOS Fund so students can reach their full potential and our community can thrive.”

The SOS Fund is open to returning domestic and international students currently living in Canada and registered in full-time post-secondary programs in the Summer 2020 term. Many Humber students are facing significant challenges as they deal with the disruption of their studies and loss of employment. They are also struggling with expenses related to tuition, books, technology, food, rent, and health and wellness needs.

“The COVID-19 SOS Fund will provide financial assistance to students experiencing urgent need at this time,” said Chris Whitaker, president, Humber College. “The response so far from members of the College community has been remarkable, and we know that more will be needed in the coming weeks and months so that we can continue to help as many students as possible.”

Since mid-March Humber has received more than 5,000 applications for support. So far, the college has been able to help 2,300 students, distributing more than \$1.2 million in emergency funds through the college, IGNITE and the provincial government. Donations to the SOS Fund can be made on the website.

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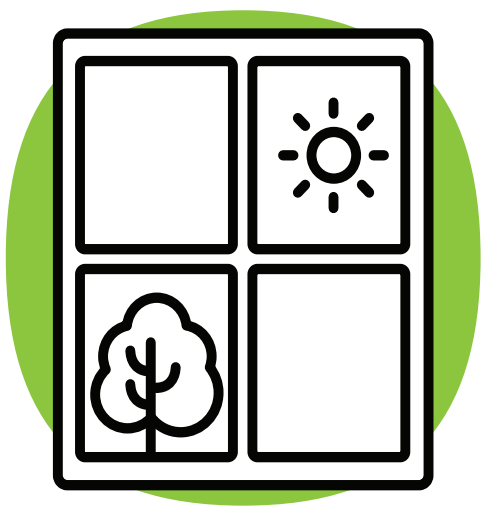




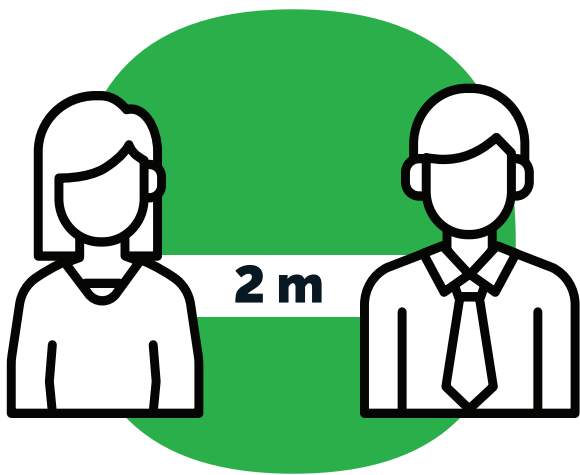
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## Nobleton's Pecchia ecstatic about hockey scholarship

By Robert Belardi

Sports has a peculiar way of saying patience is a virtue. Years of hard work and little results on paper, might leave you helpless. It may bemoan a player to believe, this is not for them.

When really, it could be. Once you break through the barrier that has stood in your way for so long it might leave others bemused; but not you. Some might say this player is a one-year wonder, but those critics have seemingly viewed their opinion from one perspective. The others, who recognize the tenacity, the grit and the determination through the confines of the numbers are the ones that will give you a call.

Nobleton native Matteo Pecchia's story is quite like this. He committed in March, to Western Michigan University on a hockey scholarship starting in 2021, to major in finance and minor in sports management.

In his second year with the Ontario Junior Hockey League's (OJHL) Mississauga Chargers, the 19-year-old left-winger was named the OJHL Most Improved Player of the year, leading his team in points with a career-high 50 points in 44 games played.

"This year, I came in with more confidence and was determined to get better each day," Pecchia said.

His life has always been surrounded by hockey. Since the age of three, he has been on skates. His father, who previously played hockey growing up, never had the opportunity to begin playing the sport at a young age. He wanted to give his son that chance.

At the age of five, Pecchia participated in his first competitive game on

ice, beginning his minor hockey career with the NobleKing Knights.

He watched the sport heavily. He became an Edmonton Oilers fan but wanted to mirror his game around his favourite player; Detroit Red Wings centre, Pavel Datsyuk.

"Growing up, I always wanted hands like Datsyuk. I always wanted to be a two-way player like him. I think a role model like that helped me as well."

Pecchia has always loved playing centre but has spent most of his time on the left wing because of his speed. After three years with the Knights, he moved up to AAA with South Central (now known as Richmond Hill).

Following one season, he went to play AAA in the Greater Toronto Hockey League (GTHL) where he first joined the Toronto Young Nationals under Nobleton resident head coach Santo Rando.

At the age of 14, while in his bantam year, Pecchia began refereeing for the NobleKing Knights. He wanted to appreciate the game from a different perspective. He continues to referee games and added York Simcoe Express and St. Andrew's College Saints Varsity games to his officiating resume during his rookie junior season.

He played a total of six years with the Nationals, a total of two years with the Toronto Titans under coaches Brian McLaughlin, former NHLer Darcy Tucker and Jason Nobili before finally making his last pit stop in the GTHL with the Toronto Jr. Canadiens Midget AAA team under Nobleton resident head coach Rick Varone.

It was with the Jr. Canadiens in 2017-2018, that Pecchia was given the



Nobleton native Matteo Pecchia is pleased with his NCAA D1 hockey scholarship.

green light to be an affiliate for their junior A team in the OJHL under then head coach Jeff Angelidis. It was his first time experiencing 20-minute periods and a completely different style of the game.

In his rookie year in junior hockey in 2018-2019, Pecchia went to play for the North York Rangers the next season, where he played under head coach Geoff Schomogyi.

"I really like Geoff. I really liked his philosophy and I wanted to be coached under him," Pecchia said.

Pecchia began settling in well but unfortunately after only eight games into his season, he sustained an injury that sidelined him for nearly two months. Returning from his injury became difficult. Pecchia was struggling to find his footing.

At one point, the Rangers were ranked second in the country. With the Rangers, interested in pushing for a national championship, Pecchia was traded to the Mississauga Chargers midway through the year, for the league leading goal scorer, forward Brandon Yeamans.

In 20 games for the Chargers, Pecchia recorded only six points.

That summer, Pecchia aptly sought ways to better himself. Sure, confidence is everything, but he wanted to work on his defensive side of the puck, weight training five times a week and exercising on the ice three times a week.

When the season began in 2019, Pecchia continued his training with Ray LeBlanc and Spencer Wight from S.P.E.E.D HD. LeBlanc would train Pecchia through game video review, on defensive positioning and hockey I.Q that he knew, would give Pecchia the extra edge.

"He taught me how to play smarter

hockey without compensating with my speed."

"Even if you're training hard, I believe your hockey I.Q and being able to think the game at a higher pace is what gets you to the next level and watching video helps you work on the weaknesses in your game."

He got his confidence back with the Chargers under head coach Joe Washkurak. Western Michigan University began following him in late September and as Pecchia continued to produce numbers and play exceptional hockey, the Broncos first reached out in January and did not hesitate to offer a scholarship in March.

Pecchia was immediately sold to devote himself to the division one school, because of the reputable hockey program and coaching staff under former NHL head coach Andy Murray.

He was also drawn by the wildly renowned fanbase.

"I'm ecstatic. That's actually one of the reasons why I fell in love with Western Michigan. The fanbase is so behind the hockey team. They call themselves the Lawson Lunatics, because the Broncos play at Lawson Ice Arena."

Broncos hockey fans have since reached out to Pecchia, expressing their excitement to watch the youngster play hockey. He believes that this is the best environment to immerse himself in, with the high hopes of one day, making his dream of joining the NHL a reality.

Regardless of what the future holds for Pecchia beyond college hockey, he wants to be a part of the game any way he can. Whether it's coaching or in management. Hockey is his life and he will fight for a way to be a part of it, on or off the ice.

## Nine stripes stay active with recent signings

By Robert Belardi

York9 FC continues to remain active both on the market and internally within the club.

While waiting for the highly-anticipated green light, to begin the Canadian Premier League season, the Nine Stripes sign 18-year-old prolific attacking forward from Toronto FC Academy Iljah Halley and re-sign the venerable manager, Jimmy Brennan.

Halley, a Brampton native, earned himself a reputation with the Toronto FC Academy as being a dangerous attacker that dominates the right-half of the pitch.

The teenager becomes the second signing for York9 FC this year under 20 years of age, joining Aurora native Max Ferrari.

Halley is excited to join the club straight-away on a multi-year deal and is ecstatic to be playing first-team football.

"The biggest thing I'm looking forward to is that opportunity to play first team football. To be able to have that and still stay local is something super special for me and my family. I really have my parents to thank, as well as my coaches, Jack Masserelli from Woodbridge Strikers and Raphael Bell at Erin Mills for helping me develop to be the player I am today," said Halley, as per York9 FC's press release this past week.

Much to the excitement of the player, Managing Consultant Angus McNab is pleased with the signing and praises Brennan and Paul Stalteri for their keen interest in seeking talent in the local area.

"Jimmy Brennan and Paul Stalteri have a great pulse on young talent in the GTA and York Region. Ijah is someone we have discussed for a while and it's a good move for him to take a step into senior football," McNab said in the same press release.

Following this announcement April 27, the club waited until May 1 to proclaim the signing of manager Jimmy Brennan to a new contract that will extend his stay with the club through 2021 with an option in 2022.

Brennan has recently completed his UEFA Pro License; the highest certification a manager can obtain, along with an overhaul of signings that were brought into the team.

The 42-year-old led the Nine Stripes to a third-place finish overall having finished in sixth in the spring season and third in the fall.

In the press release announced by the club, Brennan said: "Coming into a new league last year with a completely new squad was a fantastic challenge. I really enjoyed working with our boys and putting in some positive results together as a unit.

"Our goal here is to win championships, and we've got ourselves a fantastic core that we've now added significant pieces to take us over the top."

The Canadian international, went on to explain that he is filled with excitement for the future of this club. He has committed to the growth of young players and has also ensured the contract extensions of both Morey Doner and Diyaedine Abzi in the past week.

McNab said that Brennan is a winner.

"Jimmy is a winner. He proved it in his playing career, and I have every confidence he can build a legacy and establish the club as the perennial championship contender that our fans and the Baldassarra family deserve."

Brennan did win the Gold Cup with Canada, alongside Stalteri in 2000. Of course, the goal is to be able to lift another trophy alongside his compatriot here in Canada's domestic league.

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# Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop  
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## York Pines United

While the church building is closed, York Pines United Church continues to offer Sunday worship services. Services are pre-recorded and released via YouTube Sunday mornings by 10 a.m. Please go to <http://www.ypuc.ca>

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## Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection

In this time of uncertainty and physical distancing there is something you and I can do.

Mary Asselstine is participating in the Great Canadian Birdathon again this year to raise funds to help Canada's wild birds and habitats. This Birdathon entails identifying as many species of birds as she can find on a set day. Sometime towards the middle of May, she will be roaming around King Township (keeping a safe distance from everyone), recording each species. Then she will let you know about her adventure and about the kind of birds that are living around us.

"Last year I raised over \$1,200 and I hope to exceed that this year. Through Birds Canada, proceeds from the Great Canadian Birdathon will sustain conservation programs and initiatives that are making a real difference. The Great Canadian Birdathon also supports the Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection! Please consider making a donation to help me help birds!"

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## Schomberg Horticultural Society

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.

Please watch for that date in the future.

## Nobleton and Schomberg United Churches By Nancy Hopkinson

Each week, Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman is making contact with people via phone and email. If you would like to have to talk to her for any reason, sharing a joy, a concern, or seeking information, please phone 905-859-3976 and leave a message or email her at [ministernobletonschomberg@gmail.com](mailto:ministernobletonschomberg@gmail.com). Each week, Rev. Carol-Ann is creating a video and emailing it to various people along with a word document that is quicker to read. If you would like to be

on her email list, please let her know.

On our Facebook page, Rev. Carol-Ann has recently posted a Mental Health Check-in. The idea is to post a differently coloured heart if "I am doing really great" (red) through different colours to the last one "I need to reach out for support" (purple). Our minister and our members are willing to be contacted, if you need to have some support. Do reach out. Do not suffer in silence. We all need help from time to time. Church members do not judge, but support each other in times of need.

Also on Facebook, there is a really great video of 4 musicians who look like dancers, but who use their feet on a long set of large piano keys that are on the ground. The music that they produce is amazing and watching them doing this together is inspiring.

For a complete service, the Moderator of The United Church of Canada publishes one each week:

<https://www.united-church.ca/blogs/round-table/moderators-online-worship-may-10-2020>

Don't forget to contact some people this week to let them know that you care. In this time of isolation, everyone appreciates a familiar friendly voice.

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By Sheryl Sinka**

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Last Sunday's resurrection message by Rev Andrew entitled, "Life of Thomas", is available for viewing online on our website [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net).

Our gathering for worship continues to be suspended indefinitely as well as all our small groups. We do have a Virtual Coffee hour offered on Thursdays from 2-3:30. If you are interested in participating please send an email to Kristen at the office at [kcuc@bellnet.ca](mailto:kcuc@bellnet.ca).

The opportunity to worship with us online is possible through our website at [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net) or through an e mail link provided to those who receive the emails. 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.

Ministers can also be reached by phone - Rev. Andrew Lee, 416-999-5615; Rev. Bruce Roffey, 647-500-9138. The website is [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net)

**St. Andrew's  
By Kathy Patterson**

St. Andrew's continues to share the love of Jesus in the community and be-

yond. 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.

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>

Grab a coffee or a cup of tea and meet via Zoom with Lynn Vissers and others on Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. for "Tea and Conversation." Contact Lynn Vissers re topics and how to get set up.

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.

**All Saints Anglican Church  
By Patrick Gossage**

Our Priest, rev. Dr. Elizabeth Green offers this sensible advice: "Trying to be perfect in a pandemic is like trying to stay dry in a hurricane. Be gentle with yourself and others."

Canon Martha Tatarnic, Rector of, St. George's Anglican Church, St. Catharines wrote this recently in The Anglican Journal: "We must, as people of faith, remind one another to look expectantly for how God is going to use us as an instrument of love even if we are sick or quarantined."

Last Sunday was Good Shepherd Sunday. Rev. Dr. Elizabeth offered these reflections on the beloved 23rd Psalm:

"Just as a shepherd provides food, water, and respite to his flocks, God fills the creaturely needs of his children. As a shepherd leads his sheep down carefully chosen paths, God providentially guides his children. As a shepherd guards his sheep from danger, God protects his children from "evil" and eternal "death." However, God also does something that no ordinary shepherd can do: he shares a fellowship meal with his sheep. In the presence of enemies, these table guests are honored by anointing and overwhelmed by extravagance. They receive the "goodness and mercy" which form the core of God's character. As the compassionate character of God is revealed in this precious psalm, we are prepared to see how the steadfast love of the final sacrificial Lamb enables wayward sheep to dwell with a holy God. He was the scapegoat who carried away the sins of God's people to provide goodness and mercy. But this Lamb who laid down his life is also the Good Shepherd.

Recognizing his sheep's voice, Christ meets our needs, leads us in the way, and protects us from disaster. Listening to the Chief Shepherd's voice, the believer's soul is restored. And we will "dwell in the house of the Lord forever"

**Horticulture  
By John Arnott**

As he climbed over a rocky rise on the lower slope of that mountain in eastern Turkey one sunny morning in early spring Pierre was astonished by what he saw, a field of tiny sky blue flowers, stretching before him up into the receding snow above. And although

he knew they would have already had ancient local name he called them chionodoxa, Greek for glory of the snow. Thus Pierre Edmund Boissier a 19th century Swiss botanist, soon introduced this 6-petaled star shaped bright blue spring flower with its white centre into the gardens of the western world.

There are some 6 species of chionodoxa with c. luciliae (named after Boissier's wife) and c. gigantea, the best known. Forbes' chionodoxa is a pale pink hybrid and there are white hybrids as well. Botanists see these small perennial plants as close relatives of another early spring flower found in King gardens, scilla.

Like many spring flowers in our area "glories" grow from bulbs albeit tiny ones. Each bulb usually produces slender stems around 4 in./10 cm high each holding 2 to 8 clusters of blooms accompanied by 2 narrow grass like leaves slightly wider at the top. Tiny anthers in centre of each flower carry a pale yellow pollen.

These pear shaped bulbs should be planted with in a month of purchase pointed end up 3 in./ 8 cm deep in groups of 5, 10, 25 up to 100 in sunny locations. This easy care plant isn't soil fussy as long as it isn't rock hard, bone dry or boggy. Digging a little compost/composted cattle manure in the area where they're to be planted will be rewarded. Glories are great for naturalizing as they produce bulbets and seeds prolifically.

They grow well under most deciduous trees as they are up blooming and have died back by the time these trees leaf out. Once they die down glories leave little trace of where they've been so if planted in a garden you'll need to mark where they are to avoid slicing through them later.



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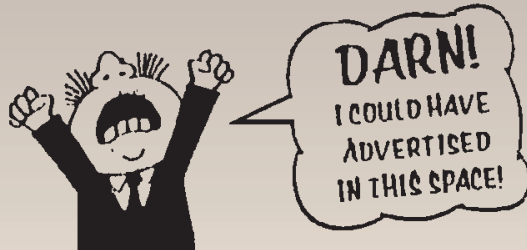
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# Nobleton Notes

By **Angie Maccarone**  
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St. Paul's is live online every Sunday! Visit our YouTube page (search St. Paul's Church, Nobleton), and our website, stpaulsnobleton.ca.

You can support the King Township Food Bank in these difficult days with cash donations – go to ktfb.ca for more details. And you can support the online ministry of St. Paul's by going to stpaulsnobleton.ca/giving to use PayPal, or send an electronic funds transfer (EFT) via your online banking to donate@stpaulsnobleton.ca. Your generosity in these days means a great deal. Thank you!

For more information about ANY of our activities or events, please contact the church office (905-859-0843) or visit stpaulsnobleton.ca. Feel free to join in the live Q&A after the service!

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

**Nobleton and Schomberg United Churches**  
By **Nancy Hopkinson**

Each week, Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman is making contact with people via phone and email. If you would like to have to talk to her for any reason, shar-

ing a joy, a concern, or seeking information, please phone 905-859-3976 and leave a message or email her at minsternobletonschomberg@gmail.com. Each week, Rev. Carol-Ann is creating a video and emailing it to various people along with a word document that is quicker to read. If you would like to be on her email list, please let her know.

On our Facebook page, Rev. Carol-Ann has recently posted a Mental Health Check-in. The idea is to post a differently coloured heart if "I am doing really great" (red) through different colours to the last one "I need to reach out for support" (purple). Our minister and our members are willing to be contacted, if you need to have some support. Do reach out. Do not suffer in silence. We all need help from time to time. Church members do not judge, but support each other in times of need.

Also on Facebook, there is a really great video of 4 musicians who look like dancers, but who use their feet on a long set of large piano keys that are on the ground. The music that they produce is amazing and watching them doing this together is inspiring.

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helps supports weekly meeting activities, weekend outings and traditional Girl Guide camps. Due to the pandemic, the weekly in-person meetings have been cancelled, but unit engagement continues with virtual meetings and online activities with our leaders and young ladies.

The Nobleton Pharmasave and Nobleton Guardian Drug stores have generously offered some selling space in their store for the Girl Guide cookies to be sold. Please pick up a box or two and help local Guiding families with their Spring Cookie Campaign. And all proceeds from the sales go directly to Nobleton Girl Guides.

For questions, please contact 1stnobletonbrownies@gmail.com

**Anglican Parish**  
By **John Arnott**

The Anglican Parish of Lloydtown (St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton, Christ Church, Kettleby and St. Mary Magdalene's, Schomberg, notes that the Easter celebration isn't just a one day affair but rather runs for 50 days ending at sundown on Pentecost

Eve, Saturday May 30 and coincides with the Jewish festival of Shavuot held some 50 days after Passover.

This past Sunday, May 3 marked the mid-way point in the celebration of Eastertide and is often called Good Shepherd Sunday to focus our attention on Yeshua who loves us, keep us in his care and will never abandon us.

It has been another stressful week with parish priest Rev. Sheilagh Ashworth's undergoing further but successful medical treatment, our continuing self-isolation, the Nova Scotia tragedy and the helicopter crash off Greece killing 5 members of our Canadian Armed Forces. But in the midst of these harrowing events stands the Good Shepherd bringing us hope and comfort that passes all understanding.

May we find time at this time to again ask for his help and guidance and thank him for all he is doing for us as we journey forward to the everlasting peace of his green pastures and still waters.

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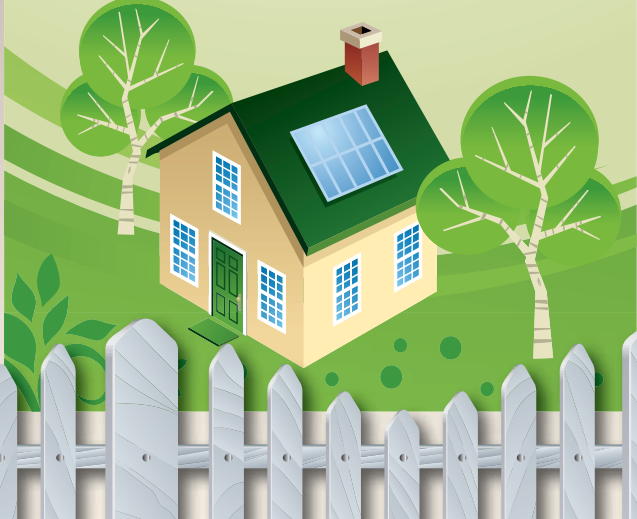
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