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Witnesses sought in King home invasion

Investigators with the York Regional Police Hold-Up Unit are seeking witnesses following a morning home invasion robbery that occurred in the Township of King.

Police report that on Friday, May 29, at 9:45 a.m., they were called to a residence in the area of Highway 27 and 18th Sideroad for a report of a home invasion. When officers arrived they found four adults inside the residence who were not physically injured.

The investigation has revealed that sometime before 7 a.m., three suspects entered the home, one armed with a handgun. They gathered the residents in a bedroom and duct-taped their hands. The suspects demanded drugs and cash. The suspects searched the home then fled with a

quantity of cash. They were seen leaving the area in three different vehicles.

One suspect is described as male, black 6'1," 220 lbs. 25 to 30 years old with a heavy build.

The second suspect is male, black, 5'10," 180 lbs., roughly 25 to 30 years old. He was armed with a handgun.

The third suspect is described as male, black 5'7," 150 lbs., 25 to 30 years old.

The vehicles are described as a red four-door sedan, black four-door sedan and a rental van.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the York Regional Police Hold-Up Unit at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 6631, or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS, leave an anonymous tip online at www.1800222tips.com.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Municipal Office, Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Monday, June 8, 2020 CANCELLED
6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

Monday, June 22, 2020
5 pm – Audit Committee
6 pm – Council/Committee of the Whole

Monday, June 29, 2020
6 pm – Special Council public planning meeting (see separate notices on this page)

Please note these meetings will be held virtually and live streamed at <http://meeting.king.ca>.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL PUBLIC PLANNING MEETING

(Electronic Meeting during an Emergency, pursuant to section 238(3.3) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

The Municipal Centre is closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This is an electronic meeting held virtually and live streamed at <http://meeting.king.ca>

A Special Council Public Planning Meeting will be held virtually on: **MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2020 - 6:00 p.m.**

The purpose of this Special Council Public Planning Meeting is to accommodate a necessary Planning Meeting under the *Planning Act* regarding the following:

- (i) Planning Department Report
Official Plan Amendment Application, File No: OP-2019-05
Zoning By-law Amendment Application, File No: Z-2019-13
Site Plan Development Application, File No: SPD-2019-64
Part Lot 6, Concession 3, 1986 King Road, King City
Owner: 1986 King Road Developments Inc.
Agent: MHBC Planning Limited
- (ii) Planning Department Report
General Amendments to Zoning By-law 2017-66 (Schomberg and King City Urban Areas)
Owner/Applicant: The Corporation of the Township of King

Information and copies of the staff report(s) will be available for review on the Township web-site at www.king.ca as of Thursday, June 25, 2020.

To comment in writing, please send written comments to the Clerk's Department at clerks@king.ca no later than Monday, June 29 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Written comments will be circulated to Members of Council prior to the start of the Meeting and will become part of the formal record of the meeting.

To speak to Council virtually about this matter, you must register by contacting the Clerks Department at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than Monday, June 29, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). When your registration is received, a confirmation message and instructions for participating in the virtual public meeting will be provided.

Please provide your full name, address, contact details and the item you wish to speak to when contacting the Clerks Department. Please note that all comments will become part of the public record.

***Note: Members of Council will be participating in the meeting remotely.**

Kathryn Moyle
Director, Corporate Services & Township Clerk

Community Services Master Plan



Our Master Plans help to guide the Township's decision making for the next 5-10 years and sets standards and direction for service levels and types of activities (camps, programs and events) that will be offered. These plans also help the Community Services Department identify strategic priorities for all Community Services areas. We want to hear from you! Please visit our online engagement platform Speaking to complete the survey and send us ideas and suggestions!

<https://speaking.king.ca/cs-master-plan>

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 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.
- 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

King re-opened some outdoor facilities on June 1. You can read the news release with more information at <http://bit.ly/kingreopening>

The release includes extensive details on what's opening and what's not. It's important to note that gatherings are still limited to five people or less and we are requiring people to practice physical distancing, good hygiene and to wear face coverings when appropriate.

These guidelines are critical to maintaining the health and safety of both staff and citizens. As Mayor Steve Pellegrini says in the release, we may have grown tired of life with the virus, but the virus has not grown tired of us.

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- Conservation Areas
- Trails

🔔 Updates

- **Summer Camps**
A decision on the status of summer camps will not be made until after June 2nd.
- **Nobleton Pool**
Will not be open for the 2020 season.
- **All Events (Public & Private)**
Cancelled up to and including Labour Day.

✗ Closed

- **Indoor Facilities**
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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 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.

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Lecce, Scott call on Ottawa to improve internet

By Mark Pavilons

A move by two high-profile MPPs is putting pressure on Ottawa to up the ante in improving internet access in the province.

King-Vaughan MPP and Education Minister Stephen Lecce, and Minister of Infrastructure Laurie Scott sent a letter to federal ministers Sunday, calling for further collaboration on broadband between the Province and Ottawa.

The MPPs point out the future success of Ontario's students, and ultimately the prosperity of Ontario's economy, depends on achieving the required internet connectivity in all areas of the province.

"We are calling for your immediate, urgent support to increase and expedite federal funding to address the current need and lack of access to broadband."

As the provincial response to the COVID-19 outbreak continues, people across Ontario are relying on access to the internet to maintain normalcy, including learning and working from home, ordering household essentials and connecting with friends and family.

Lecce and Scott pointed out that over the next months and years, internet access will also be central to the recovery and growth of our economy.

"We are advocating for immediate action to improve internet connectivity and broadband access for students across Ontario."

Lecce said affordable, dependable and secure internet service is the backbone of the Ontario Ministry of Education's Learn at Home strategy which focuses on enabling the province's close to 2,000,000 students' access to online learning materials and tools to continue their learning journey from home.

The CRTC has declared that every Canadian should have an internet connection with access to broadband speeds of at least 50 Mbps download and 10 Mbps upload and access to unlimited data. 1 While most residents in Ontario have access to the internet, the speed, quality, and cost vary significantly across the province. There are coverage gaps in rural and northern communities, as well as some urban areas.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini said the federal government declared high speed an essential service.

"I have been working diligently with both levels of government and also the private sector providers to improve the

internet coverage in King."

Pellegrini is now the vice-chair of YorkNet, a York Region group whose mandate is to ensure connectivity of regional departments to make service delivery more efficient. They hope to help provide dark fiber to municipalities, universities, schools and hospitals in the region. YorkNET is working with Vianet and hopes to explore collaborate projects with Bell and Rogers.

The mayor pointed out there are 3,700 homes that qualify for Bell Gigabit Fibe in King. They are working to construct another 1,300 homes this year alone. Vianet is working with YorkNet in a joint use agreement to utilize the Region's dark fibre.

The mayor said he's been working directly with MP Deb Schulte with regards to federal funding in the riding and the region.

Improving broadband access in rural King has long been a priority of local councillors.

The issue was brought to the forefront last summer, when MP Schulte hosted an information night, bringing all the major providers together.

"Our government has always recognized that fast, reliable and affordable high-speed internet is a necessity, not a luxury, for all Canadians, including those living in rural and remote communities," she said in response to Lecce's letter.

"Our investments will connect approximately one million households to internet. Coupled with public and private partnerships, more than \$6 billion of investments are on the table, with the ambitious target of connecting all Canadian households to the internet by 2030.

"For families who are struggling to afford access to home Internet, the Connecting Families initiative is helping bridge the digital divide by helping them access high speed internet service packages for \$10 per month from participating service providers. This initiative is helping connect hundreds of thousands of Canadians to the Internet, while also distributing 50,000 computers to eligible households.

"We welcome the province's shared commitment to connecting Ontarians. Combined federal and provincial investments will get our students, rural residents and others the connectivity they need sooner."

Existing internet connectivity gaps

prevent many elementary and secondary students from accessing the same learning made available to all other Ontario students, affecting education equity. The lack of reliable broadband internet in particular in rural and regional areas will widen gaps in these students' abilities to succeed in school, and to gain the skills and knowledge they need to reach their full potential.

"With our emphasis in preparing students for the jobs of the future, it is critical that the federal government accelerate funding and work to support affordable, high-speed connections to households in Ontario. Technological fluency is an asset that all Ontario students deserve to have," Lecce said.

The Ministry of Education, in collaboration with school boards and the telecommunications sector, is delivering internet to all schools in Ontario, with all high schools having access to broadband by September 2020, and all elementary schools will have this capacity in place by September 2021. As of March 31, 2020, broadband modernization is complete at 1,983 schools, including 403 northern schools, and in progress at 2,954 schools, including 99 northern schools.

In May, through Ontario Together, the province released several initiatives to support low cost internet connectivity and access to learning devices such as computers, tablets, and portable Wi-Fi hotspots to support Ontario's Learn at Home Strategy.

"Canada's future competitiveness depends on our nation's ability to transform and embrace the digital landscape. We believe Canada and Ontario's future workforce and prosperity depends on this technological shift, to enable access to the digital economy and to ensure our young people have the skills and competencies needed in the global market," Lecce added.

Broadband is a federally regulated sector and the MPPs are asking the federal government to provide leadership and fully fund broadband to support students, parents and teachers across Ontario.

The Government of Ontario is committed to addressing these gaps to ensure that all Ontarians have access to affordable and quality broadband internet connectivity. To support this commitment, Queen's Park has earmarked \$315 million over five years to expand broadband and cellular infrastructure.

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Living in a changed world of "no longer's"

We're all hearing about the "new normal."

While catchy, I don't think it's a thing. Our behaviour now, and in post-COVID-19 Canada, will definitely be "new."

I'm not sure just how "normal" it will be. We will have to adjust almost everything we know, and everything we do, to accommodate living in a post-pandemic world.

Most likely, we're entering a new dawn, an age of "no longer's." No longer will we be doing things the same way. No longer will we take certain things for granted.

Unfortunately, this has been a very hard lesson for us to learn. This latest "test" of humankind's strength has taken thousands of lives here in Canada, and roughly 370,000 across the globe.

This will be long remembered as the year of COVID-19.

I never thought I'd ever be part of a pandemic of such magnitude. I fear there may be more tragedies on the horizon, not the least of which is a climate emergency. I long for cures and solutions to all of our current woes. I long to a return to "routine."

We will stay calm and carry on, as the human race has done so many times in its history.

Many, yours truly included, have hoped this summer to be a great one, filled with travels and family memories. Sadly, these will likely be quite limited. It's questionable whether we will even be able to visit a cottage.

Hopefully we've seen the worst of this scourge and better, happier times are yet to come.

I've written and read many human stories over my years in this business so



Mark Pavilons

I won't be quick to flip to the back, and those proverbial happy endings.

Most of us have already adapted new habits, patterns and routines.

One of the most recognizable changes, when I reach into my wallet or pocket, is a lack of hard cash. During this pandemic, many establishments refused to take cash, opting for credit or debit. One tap and you're off. Some even suggested washing the "dirty money."

LendEDU, a company that helps consumers learn about financial products, used a scientific device that tests for bacteria on a given surface to examine just how dirty credit/debit cards and cash really are. They tested the front and back of 41 different debit and credit cards, 27 different bills and 12 different coins. After calculating the average

germ score for each payment method, debit/credit cards turned out to be the dirtiest payment method.

Dirt aside, I've had no need to carry cash and in some respects don't miss it at all.

We've long been promised that we would one day be a cashless society. Perhaps this recent string of extraordinary events may prompt the move even further.

If you think about it, almost every retail store and service establishment takes plastic, or intangible money. Even CRA accepts e-transfers. And, it's the only way to shop online, something that has grown exponentially in recent weeks.

Sure, an absence of greenbacks would eliminate those cool scenes in gangster movies, but alas, even criminals use offshore accounts and e-transfers.

Our attire is changing.

I like wearing costumes and I may even get used to masks, should they become commonplace. I've seen many spiffy examples of what I'd call "designer masks," and I suppose I'd go for a fancy one should the powers that be make them mandatory.

One thing some may not have thought through is the ramifications for law enforcement. If wearing weird masks becomes the norm, it could make tracking down the bad guys a bit tougher. We wouldn't think twice about seeing someone with a mask and face shield enter a bank or jewellery store. The cameras and facial recognition software may not be able to adequately identify these people.

I think the clear plexi shields in place in many places, especially grocery

stores, will remain. They're not bad and if they offer even a little more protection, then I say let's keep 'em up.

I hope I won't always have to pay for my coffee with a debit machine at the end of a hockey stick, but I do like the Canadian touch. Getting a fresh Hortons brew delivered to the office, now that's a trend I can live with!

I'm sure most businesses will implement some tougher cleaning protocols and this is something we can all get on board with. Even putting more hand sanitizers, at every conceivable location, would be a constant reminder. Yes, there's a cost associated with this, but it's something we all have to absorb.

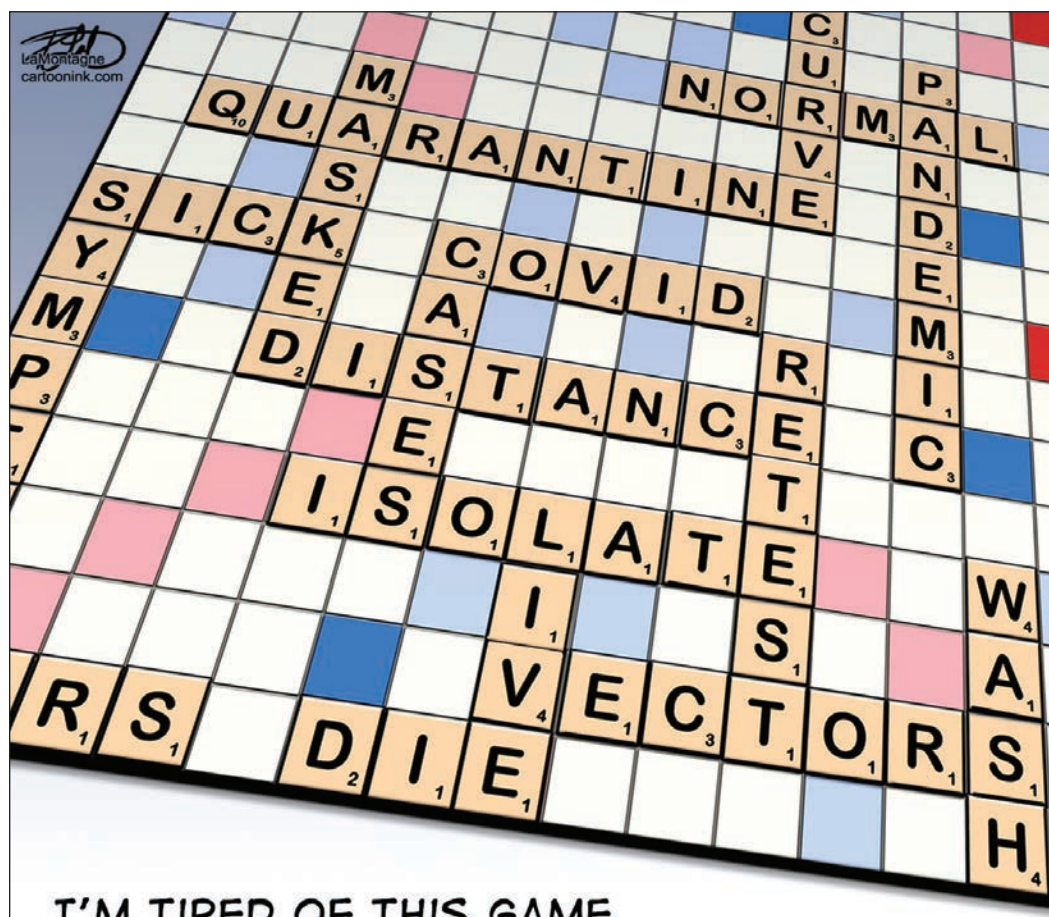
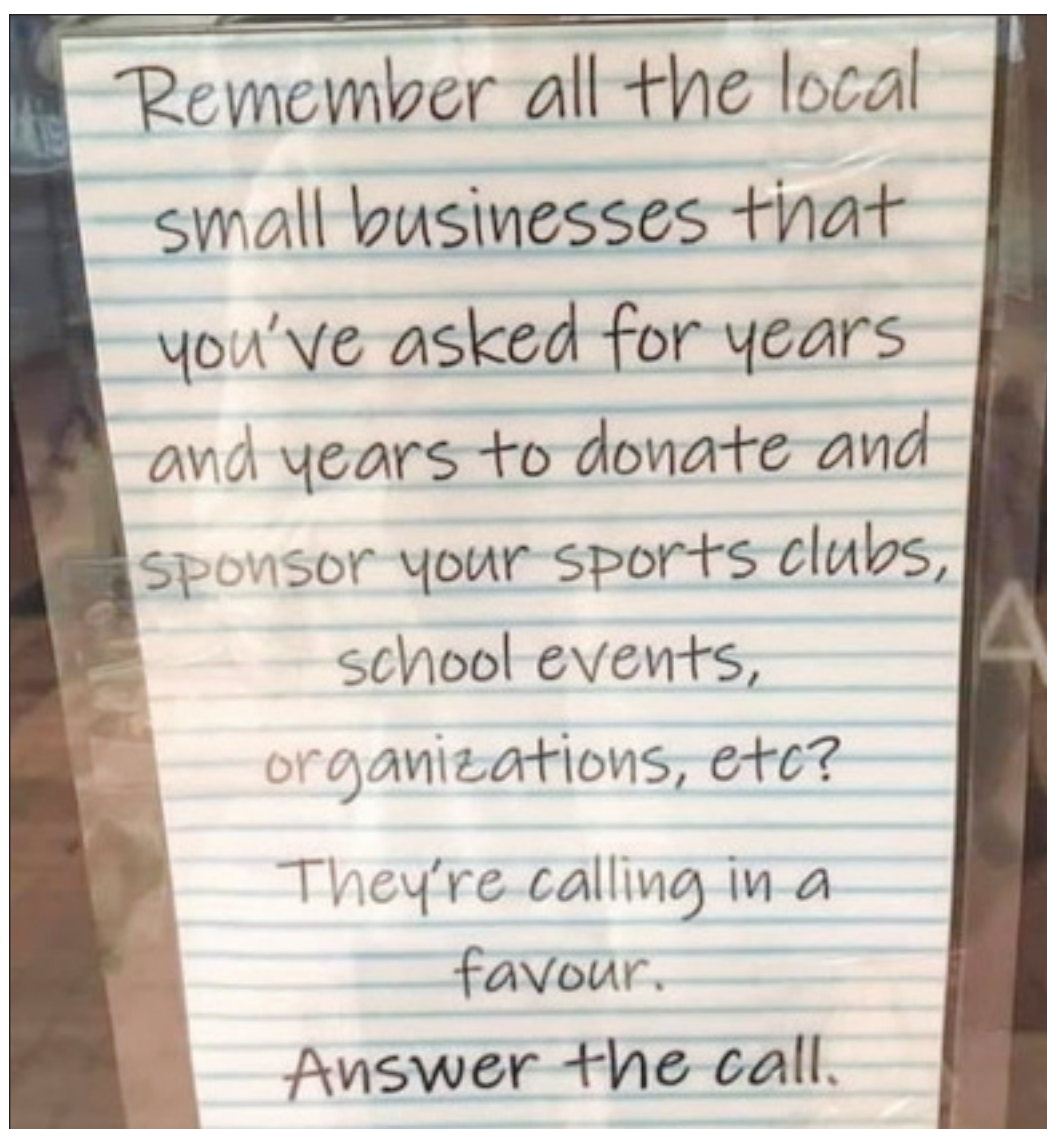
We will all likely up our game on the home front, too, with stricter cleaning procedures whether it's more vacuuming, changing furnace air filters more frequently and even buying portable or permanent air cleaning systems.

After all of this, I doubt many of us will be obnoxious waiting in line. After weeks of lining up outside it's now something we take in stride. One study indicated that we spend 5-7 years of our lifetime waiting in line! In recent weeks, I can attest to spending hours upon hours waiting on hold for customer service and in drive-thrus.

Maybe we'll have a better appreciation in the months to come.

Will the pandemic exercise make us better people and more compassionate to our fellow men and women? That remains to be seen. I do hope that some smidgen of goodness can emerge from these dark clouds.

Maybe road rage and obnoxious behaviour should be put on the list of "no longer's."



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Results from last week's poll:

Do you think strict gathering rules should remain in place a bit longer?

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

Do you think racism in law enforcement is a real problem in Canada?

a) Yes
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!

Thought of the Week

Be generous with praise!

Our egos and self-esteem are fragile things. Give praise where and when it's deserved.

Trivia Tidbits

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF Public Planning Meeting Concerning a Proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment

MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

(Electronic Meeting during an Emergency, pursuant to Section 238(3.3) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Municipal Centre is closed.

This public planning meeting will be held virtually and live streamed at <http://meeting.king.ca>.

Purpose of the Public Planning Meeting

The purpose of this Public Planning Meeting is to receive information and provide comments on proposed general amendments to 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.

Public Participation

To comment in writing, please send written comments to the Clerk's Department at clerks@king.ca no later than Monday, June 29 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Written comments will be circulated to Members of Council prior to the start of the Meeting and will become part of the formal record of the meeting.

To speak to Council virtually about this matter, you must register by contacting the Clerks Department at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than Monday, June 29, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). When your registration is received, a confirmation message and instructions for participating in the virtual public meeting will be provided.

Please provide your full name, address, contact details and the item you wish to speak to when contacting the Clerks Department. Please note that all comments will become part of the public record.

What Are The Proposed Amendments?

The Township of King has proposed to amend the Zoning By-law for the Schomberg and King City Urban Areas (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
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Residential Zone Exceptions Requiring Amendment, Schomberg

R1-2	R1-3	R1-4	R1-5
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Subject Properties

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

Appeal Procedure

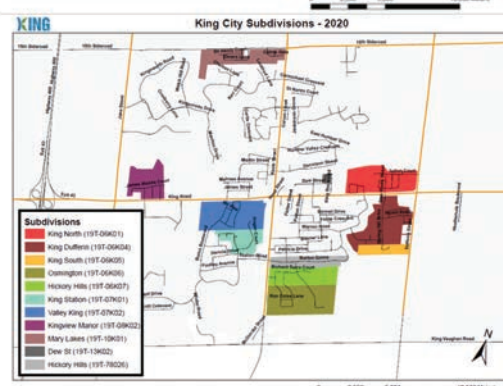
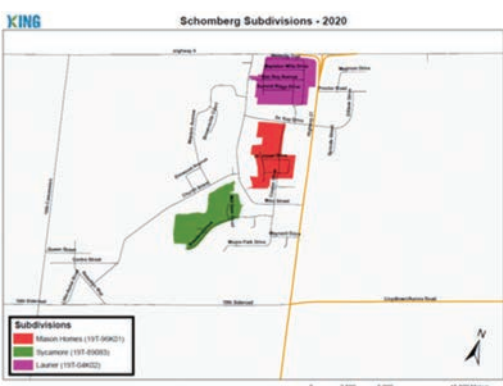
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How To Stay Informed

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Additional Information

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Dated at the Township of King this 4th day of June, 2020.

Kathryn Moyle
Director, Corporate Services
Township Clerk
Township of King

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NOTICE OF Public Planning Meeting Concerning Proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-Law Amendments

MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

(Electronic Meeting during an Emergency, pursuant to Section 238(3.3) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Municipal Centre is closed.

This public planning meeting will be held virtually and live streamed at <http://meeting.king.ca>.

Purpose of the Public Planning Meeting

The purpose of this Public Planning Meeting is to receive information and provide comments on proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment to facilitate the proposed development at 1986 King Road in accordance with Sections 22 and 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended.

Public Participation

To comment in writing, please send written comments to the Clerk's Department at clerks@king.ca no later than Monday, June 29 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Written comments will be circulated to Members of Council prior to the start of the Meeting and will become part of the formal record of the meeting.

To speak to Council virtually about this matter, you must register by contacting the Clerks Department at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than Monday, June 29, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). When your registration is received, a confirmation message and instructions for participating in the virtual public meeting will be provided.

Please provide your full name, address, contact details and the item you wish to speak to when contacting the Clerks Department. Please note that all comments will become part of the public record.

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: OP-2019-05, Z-2019-13, 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.

What Are The Proposed Amendments?

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 townhouse dwelling 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.

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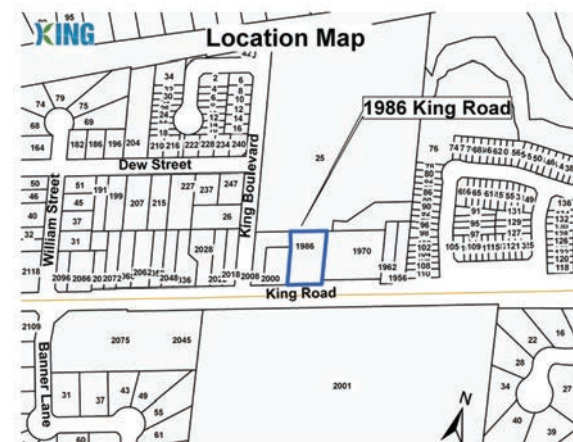
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Township of King volunteer organizations community grants program applications still being accepted for 2020 grants

Non-profit community organizations which provide or develop recreation, cultural or social opportunities within the Township of King are advised that due to COVID-19, applications for Grants from the Township of King for 2020 are still being accepted.

The Community Grants Policy Information and Application are available on the Township website at www.king.ca.

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1. There is no Fire Ban in effect. (Check 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

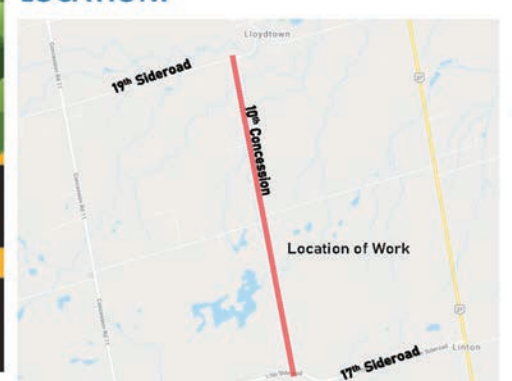
1. Put yard waste out at the curb for bi-weekly pick up.
- OR
2. Contact King Fire Administration to find out if you are eligible for a fire permit by phone at 905-833-2800 or email at fire@king.ca.

PUBLIC NOTICE



PROJECT:
PAVING 10TH CONCESSION
(From 17th Sideroad to 19th Sideroad)

LOCATION:



WHY?

10th Concession will be paved to complete a localized network of hard surfaced roads in the vicinity of Schomberg.

IMPACTS?

Lane restrictions will be in place during paving and some delays to the normal flow of traffic can be expected for the duration of the project. Local traffic will still be permitted for residents to access their driveways.

WHEN?

Start: Late May 2020

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Open letter to Premier Ford on long-term care

The following letter, from the Ontario Health Coalition to Premier Doug Ford, was submitted to the King Weekly Sentinel.

While we are pleased that your government has committed to independence, non-partisanship and transparency with regards to the commission into long-term care and COVID-19, we are seeking some assurances regarding both this commission and the immediate measures needed that cannot wait for a commission.

In addition, we believe that it is imperative that Ontario hold a full public commission or inquiry into the province's overall response to COVID-19, like the SARS Commission, as there are many lessons to be learned from this experience beyond the long-term care sector.

To be clear, the Ontario Health Coalition called for the commission into long-term care to be under the Public Inquiry Act. You have voted against this in the Legislature. Failing that, Premier, we must state in the clearest possible terms that it will be unacceptable to the public if the commissioner(s) and any supporting staff are not fully independent of long-term care operators. Any long-term care commission must have unimpeachable credibility and operate in the public interest.

This means it cannot be led or controlled by any partisan (political party) interests or by long-term care owners and operators. It must be transparent and open, not by invitation only. Access to the Commission must be equitable and it must allow for voices from families, residents, staff and their associations and unions, public interest groups and advocates who have worked closely on these issues. Care workers and professionals must be protected to speak on the record about conditions in the homes. Testimony and research must be on the record and fully available publicly as with formal commissions and inquiries in the past, and the commission must report as quickly as possible.

Further, this commission cannot delay immediate action being taken to stabilize and support the workforce to stop the COVID-19 outbreaks that continue to spread in long-term care homes across significant parts of On-

Letter to the Editor

tario. We need a coherent plan from your government to stop the spread of COVID-19 in long-term care and retirement homes, including concrete measures to improve PPE supply, workplace safety and infection control, and to stabilize the workforce. We urgently need your government to take leadership and concrete coordination measures to immediately address critical staffing shortages that mean even basic daily care like feeding, bathing, hygiene, human contact are not able to be done; that palliative care needs are not being met; that care for the gravely ill is less than what is needed, as follows:

Understaffing in long-term care is critical and must be addressed. The provincial government cannot rely on long-term care homes in crisis to get themselves out of crisis. There must be a coherent plan, led by our government, to step in with a set of coordinated, concrete measures to get staff into the homes that have lost staffing levels due to sickness, having to choose one part-time job, staff leaving etc.

Leaving it to the providers to forge voluntary arrangements among themselves is not sufficient. Staff need a permanent improvement to their wages and access to full-time hours. This cannot be voluntary and there is no path to stability without the provincial government undertaking these measures.

In addition to the permanent improvements to wages and access to full-time work, measures are needed while homes' operations remain under the emergency directives. Many staff have lost significant hours of work (and thus income) as a result of the requirement to choose one work site. They are risking their health and their families to go into the homes to do care work and the loss of hours is not offset by the pandemic pay increase. Yet some homes are bringing in PSW aides, nurses and others without giving their part-time staff any increase in hours.

To address this, long-term care homes must be required to increase their pay for part-timers who have been required to give up part-time work in other homes to be equivalent to full-time pay and benefits, so as not to main-

tain the operator's economic incentive to limit the proportion of care delivered by full time staff. Further, the Minister of Long-Term Care must use her powers to revoke licences and appoint new management in long-term care homes that have uncontrolled outbreaks and evidence of negligence and poor practices.

Infection control practices, workplace safety and access to PPE must be improved. Reusing surgical masks patient after patient, resident after resident, would have been totally unacceptable before COVID-19. Insufficient access to N95 masks continues to be a problem and there are shortages of other equipment.

There needs to be a clear plan from the government to improve the supply of PPE or develop our own. Leaving it to industry to do voluntarily has so far been insufficient. Standards for infection control and workplace safety must be improved. Staff need the appropriate equipment, enough supply and training in order to comply with them. Staff who are infected must be supported to isolate at home.

The directive allowing health care facilities to require staff to work who have tested positive for COVID-19 but are asymptomatic is dangerous and should be changed as should the loopholes that fail to stop agency staff from working at more than one location. Ongoing training and support for infection control regarding the use of PPE are needed. Testing of all residents and staff must be ongoing in long-term care homes, and completed in retirement homes and congregate care facilities (and shelters). Testing, tracking and isolating people who test positive is shown to have stopped the spread of COVID-19 in other countries. It must happen here. Access to PPE using the precautionary principle must be implemented in long-term care, hospitals, home care and across the health care system as soon as possible.

Testing, contact tracing and isolation must be improved using our province's full public capacity. Public hospital laboratories that are not currently doing COVID-19 testing and have unused capacity should be ramping up testing. We need a clear honest plan from the provincial government that assesses our full capacity to test

(including all the public hospitals, not just those that are currently testing) and immediately ramp up to our province's real full capacity the testing, tracking and isolating to stop the spread of COVID-19.

There must be a coherent plan and immediate action to get the supply or develop it for testing kits, swabs and reagents, and transparency about what is happening with this.

Transfers to hospitals. Where there are long-term care homes in crisis without sufficient staff to provide proper palliative and end-of-life care, as well as being unable to address the general care requirements of the residents, residents should be considered for transfer to public hospitals, which are not in crisis, for safe and proper care, subject to their right to consent.

Bring in family caregivers and volunteer nurses as soon as possible: As soon as testing/contact tracing capacity and PPE supply are stabilized enough to do so, and as soon as training in infection control can be properly conducted, primary family caregivers need to be able to be involved as partners in their families' care. The pool of nurses that the RAO has recruited to help should be utilized if they have not already been.

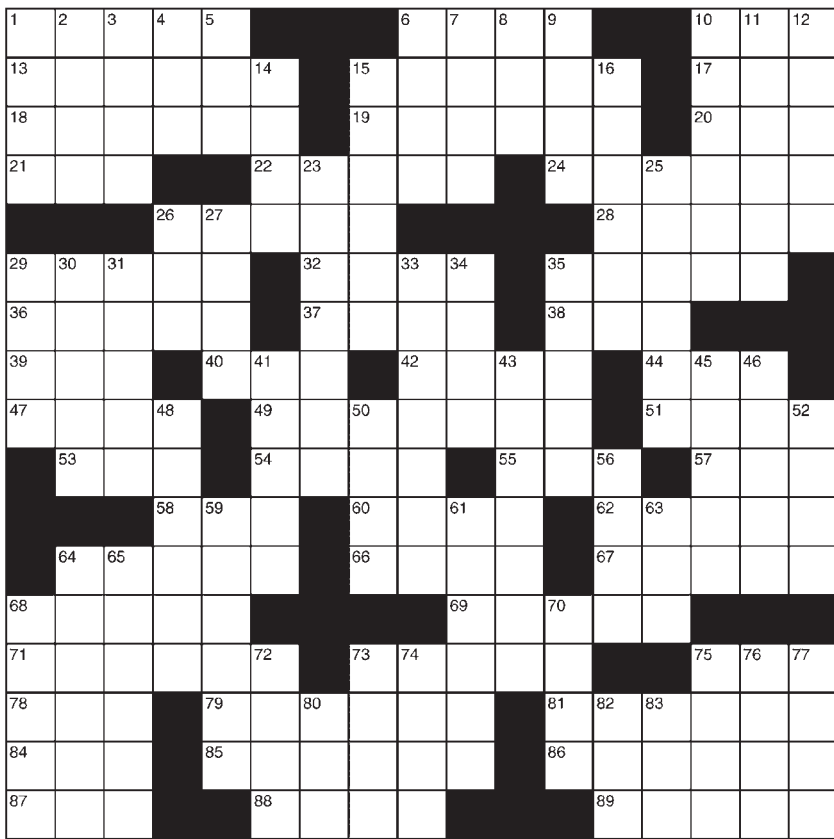
Institute a minimum care standard in long-term care: There has been deep consensus for decades that the rising acuity (complexity and severity of the care needs) of long-term care residents requires more care. This cannot be left to operators to do on their own, and resources – both financial and human – need to be provided to support this. There cannot be further delay in beginning to move to a 4-hour average minimum care level for residents in long-term care to protect their safety and the safety of staff.

Premier, we are also deeply concerned about our research finding that the death rates in for-profit homes are significantly higher than in non-profit homes. It is imperative that your government halt any expansion of for-profit long-term care. We will follow up with your office regarding these issues and look forward to your response.

**Natalie Mehra
Ross Sutherland**
Ontario Health Coalition

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1. Rascal
6. Piece of silverware
10. Sculpture or dance
13. Rub to a shine
15. Chore-doer's trip
17. Pigeon's comment
18. Slow, in music
19. Scant
20. Monkey suit
21. Letter after ess
22. Insignia
24. Elk
26. Pastoral poem
28. Supplied
29. Emulate Nancy Kerrigan
32. Brunch, e.g.
35. Pigment
36. Analyze grammatically
37. Bullets
38. Pen fluid
39. Decline
40. Male offspring
42. Over
44. Intense rage
47. Warm fabric
49. Easily embarrassed

DOWN

1. Petty dispute
2. Secret writing
51. Nobleman
53. Bikini part
54. Repeated sound
55. "Brave ____ World"
57. Buck's mate
58. Map abbrs.
60. Seed covering
62. Residence
64. Not specific
66. Baby's father
67. Radio receiver
68. Grave
69. Void
71. Oppressively hot
73. Outline
75. Cobra's cousin
78. Shakespearean fuss
79. Simpleton
81. Cochise, e.g.
84. Ostrichlike bird
85. Make slick
86. Lendl's game
87. Seed vessel
88. Lights out
89. Expert

ACROSS

3. Wings
4. Playing marble
5. Fraternity letter
6. Provided at no cost
7. Not written
8. Scrap
9. Discerned
10. Busy
11. Carpenter's tool
12. Poison
14. Devout
15. Logo
16. "Puff the Magic ____"
23. Annual reference book
25. Little finger
26. That thing's
27. Poor grades
29. Pour forth
30. Barbecue selection
31. Vine frame
33. Ancient container
34. Bread unit
35. Caption
41. Fat
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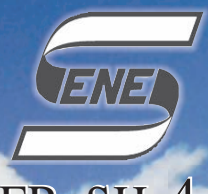


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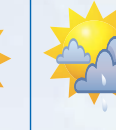

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King 7-Day Weather Outlook

From Thursday, June 4 to Wednesday, June 10

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YMCA of Greater Toronto partners with food banks

The YMCA's Cedar Glen Outdoor Centre west of Nobleton will be used as an additional food storage location, where food donations can be sorted and packed prior to redistribution and delivery

The YMCA of Greater Toronto announced its partnership with the Food Bank of York Region (FBYR) to help process and prepare food donations for community members in need. While an influx of donations to the FBYR means they can provide more food for those experiencing hunger and food insecurity, this increase also means a shortage of storage space. The YMCA's Cedar Glen Outdoor Centre is currently unoccupied and will be used as a food storage, sorting and repacking facility for overflowing food donations.

"Our newfound partnership with the Food Bank of York Region is an incredible one that was born out of the simple yet critical need to help address growing food insecurity in our community during this challenging time," said Medhat Mahdy, president and CEO, YMCA of Greater Toronto. "Our team is working closely with the FBYR - they will be shipping us surplus food donations and providing training for our staff so they can learn how to properly sort and repack the food for distribution. We're thrilled that one of our locations, which was sitting empty due to COVID restrictions, can now be used to support our community."

Once the YMCA team at Cedar Glen has prepared the food donations for redistribution, they will be loaded onto a designated FBYR refrigerated truck and sent out for delivery to their network of agencies within the community. The FBYR has also offered some of the food donations to the Y to distribute to other affiliate organizations both in and outside of York region.

"I'm thrilled to be working with an organization with a rich history of providing vital services to the youth of our region and youth throughout

the world," said Alex Bilotta, CEO and founder, The Food Bank of York Region. "The state of emergency has brought us together to help households make ends meet during this very difficult time. We're looking forward to a strong and mutually beneficial relationship with the Y."

The Y offers a number of food focused programs and services that help people access food and provide hands-on learning opportunities, from growing to cooking food. This partnership is one of the many ways the Y is stepping up and giving back during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For more information about the YMCA of Greater Toronto's food and hospitality programs and services, visit: www.ymcagta.org

For more than 165 years, the YMCA of Greater Toronto has provided leadership and worked with partners solving complex social problems to create real, measurable outcomes that have strengthened the social health and fabric of communities. As a charity, the Y helps people shine through a variety of programs responding to the needs of the community, including education and training, employment and immigrant services, family and youth services, health and fitness programs, child care and camps. Serving the Greater Toronto communities, last year the YMCA made more than 620,000 connections across more than 450 locations. As most of those locations remain temporarily closed due to COVID-19, the Y is stepping up with emergency child care for frontline workers, shelter for at-risk youth and free online and remote programs.

The FBYR is a regional food bank serving the nine municipalities of York Region, including King Township. They source, collect, warehouse, and deliver surplus fresh, frozen, and non-perishable food donations for the 70+ local front-line community service agencies we support within their network.



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King joins forces with digital giants to support local businesses

To help support local small businesses, King Township is joining the ShopHERE program, with a goal of helping local businesses sell online this year.

ShopHERE, powered by Google, started in the City of Toronto. It helps independent businesses and artists build a digital presence and minimize the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In May, Google Canada announced a \$1 million investment to enable Digital Main Street to expand the program to municipalities across the country, offering more businesses and artists the opportunity to build their own online store. Because the opportunities afforded by the digital economy are still limited if people don't have the right skills, Google's investment will also help more small businesses and artists receive the digital skills training needed to participate in the digital economy.

The program is now available to small businesses in King Township. Local businesses and artists can apply for

the program at www.economicking.ca/shophere/ to get their online store built at no-cost.

"Ever since the pandemic started, we've been communicating with and advocating for ways to help our local businesses navigate through the uncertainty," said King Mayor Steve Pellegrini. "We're pleased that Google Canada has launched a service that helps them do just that. Adding one more business support tool to the toolkit is a great thing for our local businesses. Economic Development staff will be reaching out to businesses to make them aware of and encourage them to apply."

"Since Google began its business in Canada nearly 20 years ago, we've been focused on helping Canadian businesses of all sizes to unlock the prosperity of the internet," said Sabrina Geremia, VP and Country Manager, Google Canada. "We remain optimistic and more determined than ever that technology is the toolkit for a world of opportunities. Our one million dollar investment will

go towards expanding the ShopHERE program nationally, so we can help small businesses across Canada navigate the challenges ahead."

Google Canada has offices in Waterloo, Toronto, Montreal, and Ottawa with over 1,500 Canadian Google employees working on teams across Engineering, AI Research, Sales and Marketing.

Digital Main Street is a program that helps main street businesses achieve digital transformation. The program is built around an online learning platform, structured training programs, and our Digital Service Squad, a team of street-level team members who help main street businesses grow and manage their operations through technology.

Digital Main Street was created by the Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas (TABIA) with direct support from the City of Toronto. DMS is also supported by a group of strategic business partners, including Google, MasterCard, Microsoft and Shopify.

The ShopHERE program offers businesses and artists the opportunity to build a digital presence and minimize the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. ShopHERE is supported by a number of community and corporate partners, including Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas, Shopify, Google, Mastercard, Microsoft, Magnet, and The Schulich School of Business - York University.

More Ontario high schools showed declining performance, report says

By Mark Pavilons

The Fraser Institute released its annual rankings of Ontario secondary schools, and the findings show that more Ontario high schools declined in performance in 2019 than those that improved.

The Report Card on Ontario's Secondary Schools 2020, the most accessible tool for parents to compare the academic performance of the province's schools, ranks 733 anglophone and francophone public and Catholic schools (and a small number of independent and First Nations schools) based on nine academic indicators derived from annual provincewide reading, writing and math tests.

"The Report Card offers parents information they can't easily get anywhere else, about how their child's school performs over time and compares to other schools across Ontario," said Peter Cowley, a Fraser Institute senior fellow.

This year, 73 schools around the province experienced declining performance, while 47 schools showed improvement.

But contrary to common misconceptions, the data suggest every school is capable of improvement regardless of where it's located, where it ranks, or the students it serves.

Locally, according to the report, King Township schools all dropped in rankings.

King City Secondary, with a score of 6.7, fell from 281st in 2018 to 739th in 2019. Nobleton Public School, with a score of 5.9, fell from 1,683 to 3,037.

King City Public School, with a score of 6.5, went from 1,277 in 2018, to 3,037 last year.

Schomberg Public School had a score of 6.4, and went from a ranking of 1,338 in 2018 to 3,037 last year.

Holy Name in King City had a score of 7.6 and went from 513 in 2018 to 3,037 in 2019.

St. Mary in Nobleton had a score of 7.1 and fell from 824 in 2018 to a ranking of 3,037 last year.

"We often hear excuses that some schools can't improve student performance because of the communities and students they serve, but all over Ontario, there are schools with students facing significant challenges that still find ways to improve," Cowley said.

For the complete results on all ranked schools and to compare the performance of different schools, visit www.compareschoolrankings.org.

Collecting COVID-19:

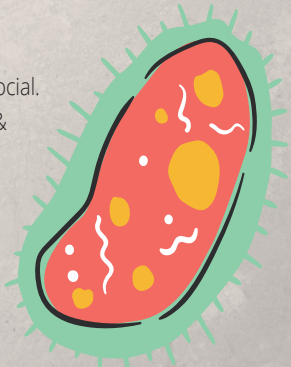
Recording history in the midst of a global pandemic

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).
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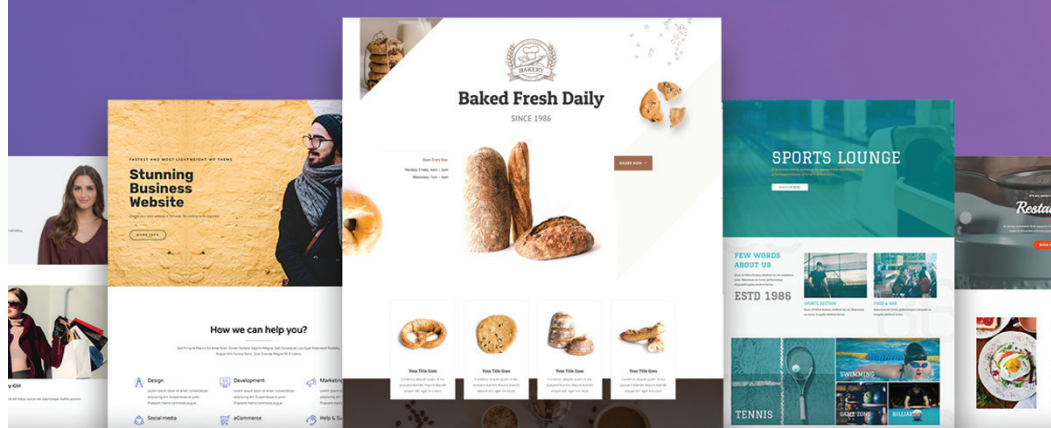
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King Fire honours veteran member for his service

By Mark Pavilons

A veteran of King Fire and Emergency Services was given some well-deserved praise recently for his service.

Social distancing measures hindered an all-out celebration, but members did their best sharing their best wishes with Gerry Binsfeld.

Binsfeld has 38 years of service combined with King City Fire Department and King Fire & Emergency Services and retired at the rank of captain.

He's described by his peers as caring,

genuine and considerate.

Binsfeld has been involved with incident response, driver training, pre-fire planning and helping the training committee.

In the community, he's a strong supporter of the King Township Food Bank and other local charities.

An avid birder, Binsfeld plans to continue bird watching and reading a few good books.

"One of the best guys that has ever walked this earth retired," said Fire Chief Jim Wall. "Big 'Jer' will be missed and never forgotten."



Crews battle large fire

King Fire and Emergency crews responded to a large fire that measured 45 feet x 55 feet. The neighbours initially thought it was a house that was on fire from all of the black smoke plus the flames were 40 feet high in the air. The fire could be seen as far away as New Tecumseth. The fire is still under investigation. Crews pumped water from a pond and Engine 341 made short work of the fire with its deck gun.



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Arts & Entertainment

Butterflies and zinnias a great garden combo

By Grazyna Tonkiel

With great uneasiness after March 11, the official declaration of the Covid-19 world pandemic, we closed our doors to the outside world in order to protect ourselves.

In the meantime, the natural world around us continued its yearly cycle of life. Did you noticed that spring came earlier than it had in the last 124 years? This year the spring equinox occurred on March 19. Just behind our windows migrating birds have arrived, sweet robins announce spring and migrating butterflies are on their way to visit us again.

I wish I could witness the cloud of Painted Lady butterflies flying in high altitude from Ecuador to Canada.

The first Sunday of May was an amazing sunny spring day, with temperatures around 20°C, warm enough to energize the bodies of two Eastern Comma butterflies, allowing them to fly around my garden. This was a proclamation of butterfly season 2020's opening! These two butterflies have been hibernating fully grown and waiting for these weather conditions all winter.

Eastern Comma butterflies as well

as majority of other Commas, Mourning Cloaks, Red Admirals, Milbert's Tortoiseshells or Variegated Fritillaries are the first ones to showcase their heavenly beauty in our gardens, parks and meadows every spring. If you are wondering how they survive without flowers, early emerging butterflies feed mostly on tree sap, and in my butterfly territory there are quite a few Blue Bells to greet them every spring. So, if you like butterflies have your eyes wide open on warm spring days and search for little Commas or glorious Mourning Cloaks basking in the sun on tree bark or stones.

All the other butterflies of our region will emerge much, much later, as they have to complete metamorphosis. Timing depends on which stage-form, egg, chrysalis or caterpillar, they enter into winter. In spring they have to complete their life circle and became butterflies. We won't see them until early summer.

Spring is a very exciting time of the year, a time of renewal and new beginnings, the planning and planting of fresh gardens, with the well-being of all butterflies and other pollinators in mind. My mantra remains unchanged year after year, "what's good for butter-



flies is also good for us."

With this mantra, I will start my vegetable garden, and my containers, planting a blend of vegetables and flowers, so that there will be enough nectar for butterflies, and host plants to support a variety of caterpillars.

Your garden should include plenty of Parsley, Dill, Celery and Carrots, which will encourage magnificent Black Swallowtails to visit and stay for the summer. There are quite a few humble white butterflies in Ontario, not only Cabbage White, but also Large Marble White, Mustard White, Checkered White or Great Southern White, whose survival depends on Mustard family plants, Brassicaceae, such as cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli. If you don't have a garden add flowering ornamental cabbage to your container, and maybe some angelic white butterflies will become part of your summer this year.

I want to share my long-time secret to an abundance of flower nectar through the summer and fall when everything else dies down for the year. This is the magic of zinnias!

These easy to grow, hardy flowers bring colour, nectar and the glory of butterflies to your surroundings. Zinnias are from the sunflower family. They come in variety of sizes from 12" to 4," and an array of colours from white to every shade of yellow, orange, pink, red, and a little surprise of, lime green

and multi-colours. If you need a wall of bloom, plant 4' giants or grace your container with small ones, and wait for magic to happen. All petals are edible, so they bring some flair and color to a salad. Zinnias don't like transplanting, they need to be sown directly to the ground. They are fast germinating, 4-7 days, and if you plant them by June 1st you will likely see blooms in full glory by mid-July.

I will monitor and record all the fairy-wing creatures I see in my garden and present my findings in my next report on butterflies.

Hopefully I will encounter lots of them to inspire me to draw my next Butterfly Portraits for my upcoming exhibit. Let us all plant Zinnias this year for the sake of the little things, rare declining butterflies and bumblebees, and please don't use harmful chemicals in your gardens, keeping in mind that they not good for the butterflies, and also for all of us.

Grazyna Tonkiel is an accomplished opera singer, visual artist and a conservationist. She was the soloist at Polish National Opera and Ballet Theater in Warsaw and won national and international vocal competitions, her butterfly studies are in collections in over 10 countries. She can be reached at her Gallery Solo studio in King City - www.gtonkiel.com

King Township Library now offers curbside pickup service for residents

King Township Public Library branches will be offering curbside pickup service beginning the week of June 8.

KTPL is confident that the necessary safety standards for patrons, staff and community can be met, now that appropriate protocols are in place and personal protective equipment (PPE) for staff has been procured. Curbside pickup will be available at all four branch locations (Schomberg, Nobleton, King City and Ansonveldt) on a rotating basis until further notice.

This contactless service is a way for the Library to lend books and materials to the public in a safe manner during a public health emergency like the COVID-19 pandemic. Patrons will be able to place holds on most Library materials. Once a hold is placed, Library staff will contact you to schedule an appointment for you to pick up your materials. Items will be available for pickup outside of your library branch at your scheduled time.

"The Library will begin accepting material returns and fulfilling holds in the month of June. Our staff will be provided with masks and gloves, as well as quarantining all returned materials for 72 hours before being checked back in and re-circulated," said Rona O'Banion, KTPL's Chief Executive Officer. "The safety of the community and staff is our top priority."

KTPL is following the orders of the provincial government and will continue to keep everyone informed regarding changes in service offerings through the media, our social media platforms and of course their website: kinglibrary.ca. As always, they are here to help! If you have any additional questions, please email them at info@kinglibrary.ca. Emails will be answered between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Consider your water use during the pandemic

By Susan Beharriell

Parenting, home schooling and working from home present a whole range of challenges and delights.

Parents have been finding interesting, fun and educational things to do with their children at home.

Perhaps I can suggest one that can engage everyone in the family, apply to all ages and can use many skills. It could lead to saving money, learning/practising math skills, researching, helping the environment, understanding people around the world and working together as a family team.

Like you, I am washing my hands more often than ever before. This has led me to consider just how much water we are all using in order to protect ourselves, our families and all those around us in these days of COVID-19.

That made me think of how lucky we are that all we do to wash our hands is turn the taps on and off and use a little soap. But consider the 43% of the people in the world who do not have running water in their homes or compounds. They must walk long distances to collect their water and then carry it all the way home. And even when they do get it home, the water may not be particularly clean.

Why not figure out how much water your family is using each day to wash their hands for the recommended 20 secs? How much does that water weigh? Why not put that amount of water in a bucket (buckets) and carry them around the block/yard a couple of times for an appreciation of the work billions of people without running water must do each day? How much water can you carry on your head (as so many billions do)?

The average Canadian used some 335 litres of water (almost 740 lbs.) per day before the pandemic. This is second only to American consumption and almost twice as much as European rates. Imagine what all that handwashing is adding to water bills across King? Our municipal water use is measured by the cubic metre which means per 1,000 litres and the more we use, the higher the rate we pay.

Will your water bill increase in the first quarter of 2020? What about the second quarter and beyond? How can your family make sure that it does not? Why not turn the tap off to lather up once your hand is wet, and on again to rinse? Yes, be careful with the final



turn off.

Have you considered how much water you use for a bath? Why not measure it and find out? What about the rate of flow per minute in your shower, per toilet flush, washing dishes in the sink versus using the dish washer and per load of laundry? It really does add up and we take it all for granted.

If your students need some hints, here are some links that they may find useful:

<https://www.greenmatters.com/p/water-conservation-hand-washing>

<https://885thejewel.com/2018/03/14/canadians-rank-2nd-behind-u-s-per-capita-water-consumption-much-use-read/>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Ta6O_oYi-A&feature=youtu.be

Keep well, keep safe and have fun watering your lawn as you learn to balance a bucket of water on your head!

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Great time to use telescopes and binoculars

By Gary Boyle
‘The Backyard Astronomer’

Telescopes have come a long way since its invention in 1608. The simple refracting telescope consisted of two small lenses located at each end of a long tube. This “spyglass” was a great tool to magnify approaching enemy ships from a distance.

Galileo Galilei heard of this new instrument and in 1609 constructed his own without seeing the original. By 1610 Galileo began pointing his refractor to the heavens, changing astronomy forever. This low power instrument revealed the four brightest moons of Jupiter, rings of Saturn, the crescent phases of Venus (at certain times in its orbit) and of course the heavily cratered Moon.

Sir Isaac Newton created the first reflecting telescope in 1668 which incorporated a silvered mirror at the back of the optical tube instead of a front lens. Using a mirror was always in the minds of previous investors and even Galileo after the refractor was created.

The concave mirror of the reflector is curved like a makeup mirror and concentrates incoming light to bring faint galaxies and other objects into view. Both optical designs are still used today by amateur astronomers and major observatories but much larger in size.

If a telescope is not in your immediate future, a pair of binoculars is a great start, especially when introducing children to the night sky. I would suggest purchasing a wide angle variety of binoculars such as 7X35. This translates to 35mm wide front lenses that magnify seven times. Binoculars show large areas of sky and are great in locating some of the 110 objects on the Messier list. On the other hand, telescopes can magnify 80X or more depending on the telescope size and eyepiece used. The fun is in the search and the adventure of star-hopping to distant treasures.

But if a telescope is a must, I suggest starting with a 6-inch or 8-inch reflecting telescope. You now have the capability of viewing distant galaxies millions of light years away from dark skies. Although the optical tube design

is the same, various models come with a heavy computerized mount and heavy tripod. The best and least expensive way to learn the sky is with the Dobsonian type mount that relies on push power and operates like a tank turret – up, down, left, right. They can run from \$500 to \$600 compared to the 8-inch Schmidt-Cassegrain design, computer automated telescope (CAT) costing towards \$5,000.

To track the sky, a computerized telescope requires a few input settings at your nightly setup such as location, date, time and a couple of known star positions. Finding a celestial object is as easy as punching a catalogue number on a keypad and watching the telescope move to the target. Keep in mind these are much heavier scopes that weigh about 33 kg. or 73 lbs. and up while the Dobsonian mount is about

half the weight and very portable.

I built my 8 inch f/6 Dobsonian in 1977 and is a perfect portable scope when lecturing at Provincial Parks and campgrounds. I cannot stress enough to search out reputable telescope dealers online that know telescopes and love astronomy while staying away from camera shops and big box stores.

Known as “The Backyard Astronomer,” Gary Boyle is an astronomy educator, guest speaker and monthly columnist for the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada. He has been interviewed on more than 50 Canadian radio stations and local Ottawa TV. In recognition of his public outreach in astronomy, the International Astronomical Union has honoured him with the naming of Asteroid (22406) Garyboyle. Follow him on Twitter: @astroeducator or his website: www.wondersofastronomy.com

York Region releases progress report on its Strategic Plan

The Regional Municipality of York released its Year 1 (2019) Progress Report on the 2019 to 2023 Strategic Plan which shows progress in York Region’s four community results areas.

In 2019, 24 of 31 (77%) performance measures were trending in the desired direction.

“The Region is making significant progress in our priorities and objectives in this strategic plan, including increasing the number of services available online, supporting economic vitality through increased business contacts, delivering roadway improvements to make goods and services move more efficiently and diverting 94% of waste from landfill,” said York Region chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. “These accomplishments demonstrate our collaborative efforts and commitment to ensuring York Region remains an outstanding place to live, work and play.”

The 2019 to 2023 Strategic Plan provides a detailed course of action over the term of Council. It represents the Region’s commitment to making progress on four priorities:

- Increase economic prosperity.
- Support community health, safety and well-being.
- Build sustainable communities and protect the environment.
- Deliver trusted and efficient services.

In 2019, Regional Council approved the 2019 to 2023 Strategic Plan – From Vision to Results. The plan is tracked, measured and reported annually to ensure progress is made on the priorities set by Regional Council.

“Over the long term, strategic focus is required to maintain a high quality of life in York Region,” said City of Richmond Hill Mayor David Barrow, Chair of Finance and Administration. “This plan sets out the critical steps needed for the Region to work towards reaching Vision 2051.”

A copy of the progress report and other documents relating to York Region’s strategic planning are available at york.ca/stratplan

The Regional Municipality of York consists of nine local cities and towns and provides a variety of programs and services to 1.2 million residents and 54,000 businesses with 650,000 employees. More information about the Region’s key service areas is available at york.ca/regionalservices

King Library holding ‘Quaran-Teen’ writing contest

Has social isolation got you bored? Want to bring that story idea out into the world?

In support of King Township’s aspiring young writers, King Township Public Library in partnership with Write Now @ King is inviting all teens to participate in our first short story writing contest!

Check out “The Writing Desk” at kinglibrary.ca to help you with weekly writing prompts and ideas.

The topics are unlimited, it’s up to you what you write about. The length is limited to a maximum of 4,000 words (16 pages typed, double spaced).

One entry per person is accepted. The age categories are 13-15 and 16-18.

The deadline is July 31.

You can submit your story to them via email at info@kinglibrary.ca with the subject heading “Writing Contest – (Title of your short story)”. In the body paragraph, tell them a little about yourself, including your age (if you don’t feel comfortable telling us your age, you can put down either 13-15 or 16-18) and where you are from.

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Township marks Pride Month

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OFA to receive funding to address agri-food labour supply

To keep Ontario's food supply chain strong and store shelves stocked during the COVID-19 pandemic, employers along the agriculture and food value chain need support to recruit, train and connect workers to in-demand jobs across the agri-food sector.

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) is pleased to announce the provincial and federal government's support of OFA's project proposal to rapidly develop a comprehensive support system for agriculture and food employers and job seekers.

"There is an ongoing need for workers on Canadian farms and across the agri-food sector, employing a wide range of skillsets," said the Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-

Food. "This investment will support Ontarians to train and transition into these rewarding jobs and will help ensure that employers across the sector have the people they need to drive our economy and feed Canadians."

"The Ontario government is committed to doing everything we can to support our farmers and food processors to meet their labour needs during this unprecedented time," said Hon. Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. "This project is one more way for us to invest in our farmers and the entire food supply chain so they can access the labour and training needed to continue delivering high-quality food to Ontario families."

On April 17, the provincial and federal government opened a targeted intake for the Addressing Labour Supply and Training Challenges project category under the Place to Grow: Agri-Food Innovation Initiative.

The project, Enhancing Agri-Food Workforce Readiness Along the Value Chain, includes a job matching concierge, specialized agri-training, collaborative marketing, targeted regional needs, and rapid response initiatives to keep our essential food supply chain functioning.

OFA is partnering with AgCareers.com and CareersinFood.com to provide an enhanced job matching concierge for farmers and food and bev-

erage processors to set up an online account, post job openings, and manage applications.

OFA will also partner to host virtual career fairs that dissolve geographic barriers, in partnership with several communities across the province. Beyond COVID-19, this platform will be particularly useful for rural and remote communities, where it can be difficult to congregate and recruit employees over vast geographies.

This project complements the provincial and federal government job portals; Ontario's Agri-Food Jobs Portal and Canada's Step up to the Plate - Help Feed Canadians initiative. These government portals provide excellent resources and websites that can be leveraged to streamline our efforts; ensuring the jobs are posted where job seekers will find them.

"We appreciate the government taking critical steps to support projects addressing labour demands and specialized training needs in our sector," said Keith Currie, OFA president. "We are eager to work alongside our collaborative partners to deliver this project and bridge the labour gap in our industry, during COVID-19 and beyond."

As the agri-food labour gap continues to widen beyond the current challenges of the pandemic, OFA aims to encourage those employed in the sector this year to consider their future

prospects, with various educational opportunities for career advancement. The project will engage institutions that show leadership in agriculture and food education, and training to inform targeted program development and curriculum delivery.

OFA and its partners are looking forward to addressing labour challenges across commodities in every corner of the province to maintain a strong food supply chain through this pandemic. The agriculture and food sector is a driving force for economic recovery and renewal.

For more details about the project, visit ofa.on.ca/feedingyourfuture.

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) is the largest general farm organization in Ontario, representing 38,000 farm families across the province. As a dynamic farmer-led organization based in Guelph, the OFA works to represent and champion the interests of Ontario farmers through government relations, farm policy recommendations, research, lobby efforts, community representation, media relations and more. OFA is the leading advocate for Ontario's farmers and is Ontario's voice of the farmer.

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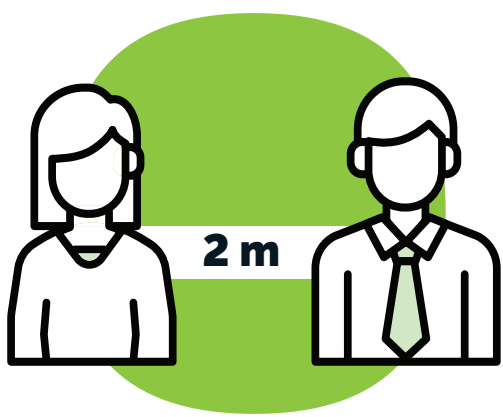
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Baseball player making her career through hardball

By Robert Belardi

Claire Johnson is one of a kind. She's only 16 and the most iconic moment of her already, young, coveted career bestowed itself upon her recently.

She tuned in on Instagram live and was pleasantly surprised to hear her name called out by Business and Sport Development Director and Women's National Team Manager Andre Lachance.

Johnson was selected for the 16U Baseball Canada's Women's National Team Identified List as the only representative from Ontario. She felt a shockwave course through her veins. Another step on her way to reaching her ultimate dream.

"I'm so humbled and honoured to be selected. It's almost a dream come true, it's a step in the right direction. This is something I've been working towards since I was really young. To know that I'm almost there, it feels really great," Johnson said.

Johnson is the youngest of three. Her older siblings Matt and Olivia, previously played baseball growing up. Johnson herself, was set up with the perfect system to grow, having two siblings to learn from; two siblings to reap motivation from.

She has always been with Aurora-King Baseball ever since her t-ball years. Now, she has been with the Team Ontario U16 Women's provincial team for the past two years and currently resides on the Aurora-King Baseball 15U Elite Team; as the only girl.

It's been like that for most of her life. She's used to being the only girl on the roster, with a resplendent ponytail travelling down her spine in which her mother, Carmen Spilteri-Johnson describes, will always turn the heads of other parents walking by the diamond.

"Parents will stop and point to her. You see the little ponytail and that's

about it," Spilteri-Johnson says.

Johnson was asked by her mother if she wanted to turn over to softball. She was bemused, and turned to her mother with kindness, and politely refused the offer. Johnson believes the sky, isn't even the limit. She wants to bridge the gap between softball and baseball; women's baseball and the men. Affix the societal gender opportunity conundrum in a sport where the difficulty is set to the highest.

Baseball is a traditional game. It's has been arguably America's past-time since the mid-1800s. The first recorded game in 1846 in U.S. history saw the New York Nine defeat the New York Knickerbockers 23-1.

It is one of the most mind-boggling, mental-strangleholds of a sport. The preparation is strenuous and the technique is clinical. Not to mention the sunflower seeds that shroud the dugout constantly; nothing like a little culture and a mess to add to it all.

For women, why is hardball unnoticed? In 1887, women's softball began for women as something more suitable, even though hardball was always around for the men.

Natalie Weiner of SB Nation wrote in 2018, that USA infielder Malaika Underwood was corrected by people when she told them she played hardball. In her report women were being told to get off the field and baseball in America is no place for them.

Tell that one to Mary Elizabeth Murphy, who is known as "The Queen of Baseball." She was the first woman to play professional baseball in 1922 with men.

But here, Johnson wants hardball to improve for women in Canada. It's up and coming now. Johnson says there are organizations such as Canadian Girls Baseball that are in a few provinces, trying to grow the game.

"I'm trying to do my best to prove others wrong that girls deserve the



right to play baseball just as much as boys do and that's the high of my motivation. I'm with them in just trying to grow the game and put baseball out there for girls and it's not just softball."

She has trained with former of Team Canada international Ashley Stephenson and has been pegged by her as "little Jeter."

"I really look up to her. She's such a great person. I used to look her and she used to help me out. I've learned a lot from her," Johnson said.

Johnson is a versatile baseball player. She has pitched, caught and even hung out on first base. But recently, she has made the move to shortstop and has never looked back, earning her new nickname in the process.

She is also a versatile athlete. At Sir William Mullock Secondary School in Newmarket, Johnson led the flag-football team as quarterback to the championship game. She made the AA mid-level hockey team with the Central York Panthers. These sports, Johnson says, helps her on the diamond.

"Everything has helped with my fielding, my soft hands and my footwork in hockey and that all comes back to baseball in the end."

Johnson is hoping to achieve a scholarship somewhere in the U.S. Although the outlets are limited, she says she will continue to strive towards what she wants and that is the national team for Canada.

Spilteri-Johnson will help her

daughter explore her playing options. Last year, the family travelled to Virginia with Ontario's travelling team. Many of the opposing players, are a part of the American national team.

Her mom credits Team Ontario with inexpensive opportunities to provide all-year round practices and how they aid with all the girls playing baseball in seeking their future endeavours.

She is not your average 16-year-old. She puts others before herself and when her mom was diagnosed with cancer a few years back, Johnson and her siblings had to step it up in the house to help her father and her mother.

"Claire could not have been more mature and resilient and stepped up in the home. I'm very lucky all three of my children are that way. I'm very proud of her as a mom, having gone through that situation," Spilteri-Johnson explained.

Johnson also helps to coach the sport in the Aurora-King Baseball organization. Last year, she taught 13-year-old boys a surfeit of tips and tricks she has learned over the years. Years down the road, these boys can say a girl instructed us on how to play; a staple as well within the organization to remember.

Right now, the family will reach out to Baseball Canada in a couple of months to receive further instructions. They expect, Johnson will be invited to join a prospects team next year.

When the time comes, Johnson will be ready for the next step in her journey.

Cardinal Golf Club celebrates its 30th anniversary in style

By Robert Belardi

Since this year's opening on Victoria Day, it hasn't been the most picturesque moment to begin the 30th anniversary for Cardinal Golf Club.

Remaining patient through this difficult time has finally turned into a grateful reward. Not only has the club made booking your tee-times simple through their app the golf course is ensuring the safety of its players more than ever before. Also, players can enjoy and the opportunity to play "foot-golf" beginning this Friday.

"When staff members show up, they have to report to their manager and their temperature is taken," GM and Chief Operating Officer, Daniel Lambert says.

With 72 holes in availability to play at multiple golf courses, Cardinal has ensured a safe environment, testing their own staff before employees safely greet and serve players.

Lambert says the club purposely opened up on Victoria Day, delaying the availability to open by two days to focus on this.

The staff is completely taken care of with Personal Protective Equipment. Members are limited within the clubhouse.

On the first day, it was anything but quiet. Lambert said the club received almost 1,500 calls within the first five to six hours and with payment now being taken digitally, he added this is one of the biggest challenges thus far.

"That was the biggest challenge is taking credit cards on the phone and so forth that is the new world. We have to ensure they all prepaid so they go from their car right to the first tee," Lambert said, adding that this protocol will limit interaction within the clubhouse.

So far, the course has adhered to many of the protocols recommended by Golf Ontario. All corporate events are postponed until further notice of course and rental clubs will not be permitted to use. The golf range is closed as well, but Lambert says this will eventually open. The restaurant is currently for curb side take-out only and beverage karts are out on the course.

As for the power karts, Lambert expressed this has been a challenge. Thankfully the karts have lithium batteries to be able to withstand a prolonged use. If riders live in the same home they will be permitted to ride together.

For future use of power karts, Lambert is seeking a way to combat the single-rider challenge, with the installment of a plastic divider. This would allow two players to sit in one kart.

"There's dividers that you can install and this is all new technology to the marketplace," Lambert said.

"We're not set up, and no golf course is set up, to give each golfer a kart. We're looking at that as an option. As a safe option."

There are times throughout the day the course could run out of karts. Lambert estimates 75% of golfers ride karts at Cardinal because of the kart path and GPS feature.

Once the kart is used, the vehicles are washed and sprayed down.

As for the members, Lambert thanks the customers for their continued loyalty to Cardinal Golf Club.

"It's been great, the interaction between customers and staff has been fantastic. They're all following the rules."

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Details of Ascension relayed by parishioner

Anglican Parish
By John Arnott

“Now as he (Yeshua) blessed them (his 11 closest associates), he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. (Luke 24-51-52). This event that is thought to have taken place on the Mount of Olives is known to Christians as the Ascension and marks Yeshua's last moments on Earth.

The Anglican, Eastern Orthodox and Roman Catholic Churches observe this happening on a Thursday 40 days after Easter – this year May 21. Most Protestant Churches no longer observe it.

In the Anglican Church Ascension-tide once was a separate short season in the church year as was Whitsuntide that followed. Both are now included as part of the 50 day celebration of Easter.

In Yeshua's day the universe was seen as a rigid 3 layered construction – a flat Earth centred on Jerusalem with heaven above and the underworld beneath. The blue sky (or firmament) was seen as the underside of the heaven's floor which was made of flawless lapis lazuli, a semi precious stone found princi-

pally in Afghanistan and a particular favourite of Egyptian pharaohs. Souls of the good ascended to this heavenly floor which was believed to support God's palace at the centre of His heavenly kingdom and no doubt Yeshua the “goodest” of the good went there, too.

Only the gospels accredited to St. Luke and St. Mark mention Yeshua's ascent to heaven and then only briefly almost hesitantly. Neither of these men were actually eye witnesses to the event. There is an account of the ascension at the beginning of the Book of Acts (of the Apostles) whose author is thought the same as that of the Lucan gospel. Many biblical historians claim this New Testament book along with Mark's and Luke's gospels were written many years after the events described therein by anonymous authors who were neither eye witnesses and nor had contact with anyone who was!

Luke's account tells that Yeshua went with the 11 disciples to the outskirts of the village of Bethany and here the ascension took place. Is it then possible to assume his dear friends Lazarus who some claim is the “beloved disciple”

with his sisters Mary and Martha, all of whom lived in Bethany, were witnesses as well?

And in Luke it strongly suggests Yeshua ascended at Easter; the day of his resurrection, not 40 days thereafter, throwing into question accounts his appearances on Earth during the 40 day before the date of his traditional ascension!

Yeshua actually rising up into the air only to disappear into a cloud was a popular subject for many medieval and Renaissance artists but did this actually happen?

Today, knowing even the little we do about space beyond our planet it seems beyond possibility that Yeshua rose from the ground straight up into heaven. Had this been the case Yeshua would be just about now reaching the outer limits of our universe with Elijah in his fiery chariot still in the lead!

The ancient Sumerian/ Mesopotamian, ancient Egyptian, ancient Hindu religions as well as the ancient Olympic (Greek and Roman) beliefs all have stories, we call myths, in which their gods or messengers from them spend time on

Earth and then, their tasks completed, ascend to their various heavens. And of course there are those Christian and non-Christian scholars who claim there's not a shred of truth in this whole Christian ascension business, saying it was invented to get the Yeshua of the New Testament (the Christian section of the Bible) from Earth to heaven with one last miraculous touch by some now unknown 1st century AD biblical writer.

Mist, tiny droplets of water suspended in air; happens when this warm moist air comes in contact with something cooler usually the ground. Early on spring mornings mists are common in Israel especially on higher elevations. Is it then possible this mist swirled around Yeshua, shrouding his feet, as he climbed up the misty path on the Mount of Olives ahead his followers so when turning he could see them all as he gave his blessing? And this gave the appearance of him rising up into the air. Then intentionally climbing farther into the mist he was completely lost to view as he continued on unseen to fulfill his future destiny!

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Martin, Catherine Anne
Suddenly at her home, in Beeton, on Tuesday May 26th, 2020. Catherine (Keenan), in her 68th year, loving mother of Eric and Adam (Antonia). Sadly missed by her siblings, Mary and her husband (David) Munnoch, Ambrose (Sam) and his wife (Sharen), Joe and his wife (Mary Ellen), and Paul and his wife (Susan). Pre-deceased by her parents Joseph and Gertrude Keenan and her brothers William (Bill) and Charles. Fondly remembered by her many nieces and nephews. A graveside family service will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Rod Abrams Funeral Home, Tottenham. 905-936-3477.
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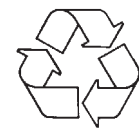
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King City United
By Sheryl Sinka

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St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

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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>

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 we're able, Prayer Walks will take place on Tuesday mornings.

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

Contact Lynn Vissers if interested in virtual "Art in the Park" classes.

To contact Pastor Niyazi and Irada Bilgen of the Greater Grace Fellowship

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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

Martin Luther King in 1967 on acting against racial injustice:

"Certain conditions continue to exist in our society, which must be condemned as vigorously as we condemn riots. But in the final analysis, a riot is the language of the unheard. And what is it that America has failed to hear? It has failed to hear that the plight of the Negro poor has worsened over the last few years. It has failed to hear that the promises of freedom and justice have not been met. And it has failed to hear that large segments of white society are more concerned about tranquility and the status quo than about justice, equality and humanity."

Words to live by. Last Sunday's Gospel in Acts 2 told the story of the first Pentecost: "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting."

Here is Rev. Dr. Elizabeth's reflection: "The Apostles spent a lot of their time after Christ's Ascension trembling in rooms. None of them knew what to do after Christ had returned to the Father. Nobody would believe that their master and teacher had been raised from the dead, and returned to the one true God amidst a culture where the Roman emperor was thought to be the only Son of

God, and where those who tried to deviate from this belief were persecuted or killed.

The Language of Truth. The truth of Christ was like a strange language. Speaking in a new language is scary. I can only imagine that the Apostles were feeling in these times, trying to speak the truth of what they had experienced with Jesus, and doing so in many new languages. People who learn how to speak new languages are courageous. The desire to communicate with others outweighs the fear and vulnerability that comes with speaking a new language. Being Fearless. This is what the Holy Spirit gives the Apostles in the Gospel. Peter and his friends receive tongues as if made from fire and begin speaking and understanding every language present in the crowds around them. The people hear them and are astonished. And what they are saying is something that they had never understood before: Jesus of Nazareth was the Anointed one of God, the Messiah.

The Spirit empowered Peter and the Apostles to proclaim truth to the nations by helping them overcome their anxiety and have the freedom to express themselves. We don't need to learn a new language to experience what the apostles experienced. How often are we fearless in speaking languages of justice, compassion, and solidarity to one another? How often do we speak words of compassion to those who think differently than us, whom we consider the "other?"

What keeps us trembling in the upper room, unable to speak the truth of God's love to the world? Let us take the Apostles example and, with the help of the Holy Spirit, be fearless in the way that our words make God's love present in this world."



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Nobleton Notes

By **Angie Maccarone**
416-917-0406

St. Paul's is online every Sunday via our public Facebook page. At 10 a.m., visit facebook.com/stpaulsnobleton and join us live for a time of worship! If you can't make it at 10, you are welcome to visit stpaulsnobleton.ca/worship to watch later on.

Bible Fun Camp will be an at-home, online experience this year! We understand parents' concerns for kids' safety, so we're taking the physical distancing approach to our summer vacation Bible school for 2020 by putting it on our website. If you're interested in engaging your kids with a fun, Bible-centred online camp experience, send an email to secretary@stpaulsnobleton.ca and we'll get you registered. There will be a nominal cost of \$20 per household to cover activity packs that will be delivered to your front doorstep.

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.

**Nobleton and Schomberg
United Churches**
By **Rev. Carol-Ann Chapman**

We, like other churches have current-

ly suspended in person services. Each week I do a condensed recorded service that is sent out to my e-mail contacts. If you would like me to send this directly to you please let me know. The service is also available on the Nobleton United Facebook page and the YouTube channel.

I am also sending out links to music as well as a "Happenings" newsletter as other ways to connect with each other. If you don't have computer access and are interested in what is going on, I'm happy to drop off a text copy of the service or newsletter at your home.

You can contact me at ministernobletonschomberg@gmail.com or leave a message at the church at 905-859-3976.

Nobleton Lions Club

Your Nobleton Lions Club is alive and well and practicing physical distancing, as mandated by health authorities. Like many other groups, we meet via Zoom at our regular meeting times, and continue to operate to the extent allowed. The Club has proactively reached out to those organizations which we usually support, to offer financial aid in line with what we typically provide.

Events that have had to be cancelled for this year include the Easter Egg hunt in Pottageville, the Golf Tournament (which is the club's main fundraising event, held normally at the start of June), a spring poker night, and Victoria Day Parade and events participation.

The annual Walk for Guide Dogs has been postponed, as we are hopeful of hosting the event later in the year. While we all have learned how to socially distance, our furry friends may not have learned this new trick as yet.

Stay tuned to this space for updates

as they become available.

Hopefully events scheduled for the fall and winter may be permitted when the time comes. Updates will be shown on the club's website at <https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/nobleton/> Also located on the homepage of the website is a poster contest for kids between 5 and 19 which runs until June 1, offering a chance to win a \$200 prize.

Of note is a new service that the club is offering to people in self-isolation and others unable to leave their homes. The Lions are providing a free delivery service for Pharmasave prescriptions. Just call Club president Rick Evans at 1-905-806-9988, and we will drop packages outside your door.

You may join us as a guest via Zoom at an upcoming meeting by contacting our Club president. From all of us to all of you, please respect the guidelines from our health authorities, and Stay Safe! We're in this together!

If there are any questions regarding the preceding please contact Tony Peters at 905-859-4788.

Anglican Parish By John Arnott

"Ring around the rosies,
Pocket full of posies,
A-shoo a shoo,
All fall down!"

Could this popular, happy care free nursery rhyme long popular hold a dark meaning? Over the years some researchers, history buffs and writers have connected it to one or more of the pandemic plagues that swept through Europe especially Britain way back when. People sought any protection they could from deadly disease spreading like wildfire across the country and some folk in medieval times stuffed

their pockets with medicinal herbs, covered mouths with cloths to contain their sneezes and coughs then holding hands possibly to give comfort to one another. In spite of their best efforts they usually died.

The St. Alban's Anglican community in Nobleton Notes that pandemic plagues have scourged our world for millennia even before the biblical plagues that struck Egypt and beyond. These pandemics, most man made, were and still are fueled by poor or non-existent hygienic conditions, contaminated water improper handling of sewage including domestic animal waste and that spectre of modern technology chemical waste.

In 2011 archaeologists discovered a prehistoric village they have since named Hamin Mangha in northeastern China dating back to 3,000 BC and their digging uncovered the ruins of a house which held the skeletal remains of some 97 people teenagers to mid-lifers packed into it. As remains showed no signs of trauma other than from being jammed into this structure which was then set on fire scientists now believe these people died of some fast acting deadly but unknown communicable disease.

Earlier in the '20s another large ancient burial site had been discovered also in northeastern China near Miaozigou and dated to roughly the same period. When closely studied conditions here strongly resembled those found at the older but later discovered site. Most archaeologists and scientists now feel that two virulent disease decimated these two prehistoric villages going back 5,000 years spread rapidly across northeastern China and beyond taking many lives. Miaozigou recovered but the surviving people of Hamin Mangha never returned.

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