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Patio season is off and running in King, and it couldn't have come at a better time.

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Main Street patio season begins in Schomberg

King joined the rest of Ontario is getting back to normal last Friday, with the easing of restrictions.

Ontario moved into step one of its Roadmap to Reopen which allows restaurants to offer outdoor dining, and non-essential shopping with capacity restrictions. Re-opening has been long awaited, and Main Street businesses didn't waste any time in taking advantage of the great weather, with the expansion of its pop-up patio program.

In 2020, King Township piloted two pop-up patios on Main Street. These were exceptionally well received, with 94 per cent of respondents in an end-of-season survey saying the pop-up patios helped improve the experience of people dining on Main Street, with one respondent commenting that they added a wonderful vibe.

With the success of the 2020 Pop-up Patio Program, King Township has expanded this year's program to four pop-up patios that are now placed in front of Grackle Coffee House, Craft Kitchen and Beer Bar, The Scruffy Duck and Leonardo's Pizzeria and Smokehouse.

"In addition to our amazing pizza and smoked meats, now we are also selling Kawartha Dairy Ice Cream," said Jordan Lindner, owner of Leonardo's Pizzeria and Smokehouse. "I can't wait to see people enjoying their pizza, scoops and cones on our patio in this summery weather."

There are a few new elements being added this year. The pop-up patios now incorporate bicycle parking racks. Visitors should also keep an eye out for a new mobile self-cleaning public restroom that will be installed shortly close to the Community Hall. This will prove particularly useful for families visiting Main Street, as well as the large cycling community that comes through Schomberg every weekend.

Leonardo's "Cyclists are a huge part of Main Street culture," said The Grackle Coffee House. "Between the pop-up patios, the added bicycle parking and the mobile self-cleaning washroom, Main Street has made itself a very welcoming place for cyclists."

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, June 28
6 pm – Council and Committee of the Whole
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

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

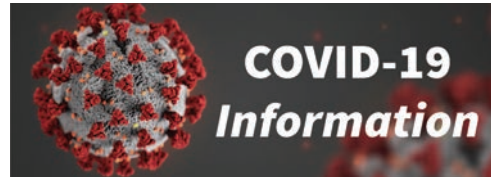
COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Wednesday, June 23
6 pm – Sustainability Advisory Committee (Virtual Meeting – Not Live-Streamed) If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, register by emailing jwelch@king.ca by 12pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Thursday, July 8
6 pm – Heritage Advisory Committee (Virtual Meeting – Not Live-Streamed) If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, register by emailing cpang@king.ca by 12pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Wednesday, July 21
6 pm – Committee of Adjustment
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

PUBLIC NOTICES



Due to the constantly changing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects, this information may not be current. Please visit www.king.ca/covid.19 for the most up-to-date information.

- The Municipal Centre at 2585 King Rd. is closed to the public until further notice. However, many services— including payment options, licenses and permits—are being offered online at www.king.ca/online-services.
- All essential services will continue, including Fire and Emergency Services, water, wastewater, waste collection and roads and sidewalk maintenance.
- 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.
- King Township Public Library remains closed but is offering curbside pickup service. Visit www.kinglibrary.ca for more information.
- King is encouraging residents to support local businesses during the lockdown as much as possible.

LATEST UPDATES

Based on the province-wide vaccination rate and continuing improvements in key public health and health system indicators, the Ontario government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, moved the province into Step One of its Roadmap to Reopen.

For more information on what Step One entails, please visit <https://www.ontario.ca/page/reopening-ontario>.

King Township COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

First dose
York Region residents age 12+ who live, work or go to school in York Region are now eligible to book an appointment for their COVID-19 vaccination.

Second Dose
70+ (born in 1951 or earlier)
Individuals with Highest Risk Health conditions and Indigenous individuals
Indigenous Individuals
Certain High Risk Health Care Workers

For the most up-to-date information on King Township's vaccination clinic at the Trisan Centre in Schomberg—including clinic hours, vaccine availability and eligibility guidelines—please visit <http://king.ca/covid19clinic>.

BID NOTICES

For all bid opportunities, please visit the Township of King's website www.king.ca, click **Popular Topics** and click **BID OPPORTUNITIES**.
Or visit on the following link
<https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

PUBLIC NOTICES

Nobleton sewer works



Phase 2, Contract 3 sanitary sewer and concurrent works in Nobleton will take place in and around the following roadways: Sheardown Drive, Dobson Court, Cain Court, Hazelbury Drive, Chamberlain Court, Russell Snider Drive, Witherspoon Way, Mactaggart Drive, Holden Drive, Robb Drive and McCutcheon Avenue affecting approximately 200 homes. Weather permitting, work is scheduled to take about 27 months to complete.

LATEST UPDATES

- All mainline sanitary sewer has been installed within the limits of Contract 3.
- Sanitary services to houses continue to be installed along Russel Snider.
- Curb is being installed along McCutcheon and Robb Drive
- Sheardown, Cain Court, Hazelbury, and Dobson have been paved.

Residents who have any questions about the project can visit <https://www.king.ca/majorprojects> or contact ServiceKing at 905-833-5321 or serviceking@king.ca.

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Please see more King Township notices on page 5

KING VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

King to provide a virtual information centre & presentation for the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan Refresh, welcoming feedback from the members of the public on the direction of the future Sustainable King plan (Formerly ICSP)

June 24th-
12:30pm to 1:30pm
6:30pm to 7:30pm

For the registration link or more information contact jwelch@king.ca or Ryan.Adamson@wsp.com

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KING BURLAP BAND TRAP INSTRUCTIONS

By mid-June, The European Gypsy Moth also known as *Lymantria dispar dispar* (LDD) will begin to move down the tree trunk to seek shelter from the heat and predators. Applying burlap band traps to your trees will make it easier to collect the LDD caterpillars and help reduce the number of caterpillars in your tree. Leave the traps up from June- August. This technique may also be used to collect female moths in late summer.

STEP 1
To trap the caterpillars, wrap burlap or light-colored cloth around tree trunk at chest height.
Required Supplies: Burlap, string/ twine, bucket with soap & water.

STEP 2
Tie a piece of rope around the centre of the burlap to secure the burlap in place.

STEP 3
Check the trap by lifting the overhanging burlap daily.
The best time to check the burlap bands is in the afternoon, when the caterpillars seek refuge from the heat of the mid-day sun.

STEP 4
Caterpillars can be removed and placed in a bucket of soapy water for a day or two before disposing of them.
*Avoid direct skin contact with LDD caterpillars. When removing caterpillars wear gloves and safety glasses.

Gypsy moth/Lymantria dispar dispar (LDD) Life Cycle

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CATERPILLAR STAGE
MOTH STAGE
PUPA STAGE

JANUARY TO APRIL
Scrape and Destroy Egg Masses
Scrape egg masses off trees and place in a bucket of soapy water for a day or two.

APRIL TO JUNE
Consider Applying Insecticide
Some products have light timing windows for application to be successful. Contact a licensed tree care company early in the season to discuss options.

MAY TO AUGUST
Burlap Bands
Trap caterpillars by wrapping burlap around the tree's trunk. This makes it easier to collect them.

JUNE TO JULY
Handpick Caterpillars
Remove caterpillars and place in a bucket of soapy water for a day or two.

AUGUST TO DECEMBER
Scrape and Destroy Egg Masses
Scrape egg masses off trees and place in a bucket of soapy water for a day or two.

*Graphic taken from York Region (york.ca/LDDmoth)

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT KING.CA/ENVIRONMENTALSTEWARDSHIP

KING TASCA PARK PHASE II

The design process for Phase II of Tasca Park includes working with the community to gather input in regards to options for programming and other improvements.

Potential Phase 2 components include an off-leash dog area, pump track, pickleball courts, area for ice skating and permanent washroom facilities.

The data collected will be used to influence which elements will be incorporated into the final design.

WE INVITE YOU TO COMPLETE THE SHORT SURVEY AT WWW.SPEAKING.KING.CA/TASCA-PARK-PHASE2 OR SCAN THE QR CODE

*SURVEY CLOSING JUNE 30TH

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Patios welcome visitors

From Front Page

“King Township is proud of this partnership project, we would like to thank Central Counties Tourism for their funding support for this program,” said Aimee Artinian-Wong, Economic Development and Main Street Coordinator. “We would also like to thank the four businesses participating in the pop-up patio program and acknowledge their support and contribution to bring Main Street back to life.”

Non-essential shopping also reopened, and no one could be happier than Judy Duffy from The Scottish Nook and The Quilter’s Nook.

“We are delighted with our new home here in the Olde Mill at 357 Main Street,” said Ms. Duffy. “We are coordinating our hours with The Olde Mill Art Gallery and Shoppe to both be open Wednesdays through Sundays 11-5, so between the great shopping and The Scruffy Duck’s fantastic food and beautiful patios, 357 Main Street is the place to be this weekend.”

For more information on “what’s going on” on Main Street, visit www.schombergmainstreet.ca.

To learn more about the Main Street Revitalization project, visit www.destinationschomberg.ca/main-street-revitalization-project.

Second dose of mRNA or AstraZeneca can be administered at 8-week interval

The Ontario government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health and other health experts, including the Ontario Science Advisory Table, is further accelerating the second dose interval for individuals who received their first dose of an AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine to eight weeks, with informed consent, from 12 weeks.

With informed consent, individuals can choose between a second dose of AstraZeneca or an mRNA vaccine, at an eight to 12-week interval, recognizing that while waiting 12 weeks helps to ultimately provide more protection, some may choose to receive their second dose sooner to have the increased protection provided by a second dose earlier.

“We are expediting access to second doses for individuals who received an AstraZeneca shot, to ensure everyone is well on their way to a two-dose summer,” said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan. “These achievements will bring us closer to Step Two of our Roadmap to Reopen plan, a safe two-dose summer, and strong economic recovery.”

All of these options provide protection against COVID-19, including the Delta variant, and have been deemed safe.

This decision is based on emerging clinical evidence about the administration of two doses of different vaccines, as supported by the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI). Evidence from multiple studies indi-

cates that mixing of COVID-19 vaccines (receiving an mRNA vaccine after an AstraZeneca vaccine) at dosing intervals between eight and 12 weeks is safe and demonstrates a beneficial immune response. There is evidence that a longer interval between two doses of the AstraZeneca vaccine (such as a 12-week interval) provides higher protection.

Individuals who received their first dose of the AstraZeneca vaccine will be eligible to book their second dose appointment at an interval of eight weeks or more with informed consent.

Individuals who wish to receive an mRNA vaccine for their second dose can book an appointment through the provincial booking system, through public health units that use their own booking system, or a participating pharmacy. For individuals who wish to receive second dose of the AstraZeneca vaccine, individuals can contact the pharmacy or primary care provider where they received their first dose.

All Ontarians are encouraged to get vaccinated as soon as they can, and to receive their second dose as soon as they are eligible and within the recommended interval to ensure maximum protection against COVID-19.

Ontario is confirmed to receive approximately 4.7 million doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine in June, approximately 3.54 million doses of the Pfizer vaccine in July and over two million doses of the Moderna vaccine before the end of June.

Police looking for liquor thieves

York Regional Police are looking for help from the public regarding a theft at the King City LCBO.

On Tuesday, June 1, two suspects (pictured) above were captured on video surveillance at the LCBO store located at 55-1700 King Road in the Township of King.

Shortly after 4 p.m., the male and female suspect stole two bottles of Champagne (Veuve Clicquot, and Chandon), and one bottle of Don Julio Blanco Tequila, with a total value loss of \$393.85. The two exited the store without making any attempt to purchase the product and fled the scene in a light blue BMW.

The male is described as having tan skin, 30-35 years old, stocky build, short black hair, sunglasses, black puffy vest, light t-shirt, tattoos on both arms, light pants.

The second suspect is female, white, 25-30 years old, long black straight hair, light blue top, with a purse



If you know the whereabouts of this person or have any knowledge of this or any other crime but wish to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), or leave an anonymous tip on-line at www.1800222tips.com. If the information you provide helps solve the case you may be eligible for cash reward of up to \$2,000. You never have to identify yourself or testify in court.

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

- Michael Connelly

We're searching for what's right in front of us

I've become a bit more pensive in recent weeks.

On a drive to work, I stopped at a light and just stared into the distance. The wind blew gently, the trees swayed and grass danced.

It's a common thing, a little thing. But a miracle of sorts.

I soaked up all I could in the minute or so I had available.

I looked down at my gas gauge and thought, if I only had a full tank, I'd continue driving. I'd drive for as long as I could, until I found peace or ran out of gas, whichever came first.

But I couldn't do it.

I'm bound by rules, societal norms, expectations, duties and responsibilities.

I thought for a moment, while listening to classics on 97.3, about peaceful moments. Just how do we find peace, some solace, in our hectic lives? Just where do we find an empty spot in our daytimers or wall calendars?

"Everybody wants a happy life and a peaceful mind, but we have to produce peace of mind through our own practice," according to the Dalai Lama.

He believes that if one's life is simple, contentment has to come. Simplicity is the key. We need to limit, reduce or do away with excess and be okay with having "just enough" in our daily lives.

There's the rub. Is anyone's life today simple?

Are we victims of the massive hamster wheel we've created or are we on a never-ending loop of self-fulfilling prophecies? In other words, do we sabotage our own lives and make them more complicated than they need to be?

The funny thing is we're always looking for peace in our lives. That's the mistake right there.

It already exists, we don't have to search for it. We merely have to see it, dust it off, clear away the branches. Enjoy the breeze while you can.

Many swear that Nature, and just being outdoors, is the best remedy.

The natural environment - one that



Mark Pavilons

provides stillness, silence and beauty - is worth more than mountains of vitamins and anti-depressants.

My favourite spot is in our back yard in Bolton. While we're in a subdivision, we back onto a small forest. It's also a pretty quiet neighbourhood. Sitting in a chair facing the forest has become my go-to spot, my deep-breathing escape. There's not much to see really, just a few trees, some stumps and a few critters. It's the focus, the washing away of excess that's key.

Like the Dalai Lama said, it's simplicity that matters.

And, my friends, Nature is free and available to everyone. It may not be outside your back door, but it's not far away. A local park, a drive down a country road, even a small babbling brook.

My two daughters drove up to Collingwood recently, just to find a nice spot to watch the sunset.

I truly believe humans are more connected to "Mother Earth" than we think. We share elements, water, oxygen. Heck, we even share DNA. We inhabit the same space. All life on Earth

emerged, grew, evolved and beat the odds, together. We are forever linked.

Some suggest a few rather easy ways to stop and smell the roses.

We could try to set some limits, so we're not overburdened. We can try to slow down a bit. Some of us tend to make mountains out of molehills, and this needs to stop. It adds unnecessary stress to our lives. Many suggest relaxation techniques and meditation to help cleanse the soul and lift the spirit. Prayer never hurt.

All of this helps reduce our inner "mind chatter." We're in our own heads 24/7 and it's so nice to get out once in a while.

Some refer to this as our "natural state," where we simply "be" without comment, without debate, without any second guesses. Children know how to do this very well - they are lost in every moment and are totally absorbed in playful activities.

Why have adults abandoned this amazing skill as we "grew up?"

I constantly have a need to play with miniature space ships, airplanes and the like. I buy them, repaint them and stage mock battles, sometimes in full view of my family in the living room. They see my behaviour as child-like and immature.

Bingo!

Isn't that the point of the exercise? Isn't that what the Dalai Lama is telling us?

A few of these "priceless collect-

ibles" litter my desk at work and they make me smile.

For a few minutes, perhaps hours each week, I'm totally lost. I'm in outer space, above the clouds, in another time and place.

Experts say we should seek out areas of comfort and serenity. Religious facilities like church grounds, monasteries and temples are not just for religious ceremonies or occasions.

I have visited a few amazing spots in our area that ooze spiritual comfort and joy. Marylake Monastery in King, and the Fung Loy Kok Institute of Taoism in Mono. Contact them to see if you can drop by and just stroll around. Your mind will thank you!

Inner peace will "feed you," I am told. Mike Ditka said that success is measured by inner peace.

We are all on this journey of inner discovery together. While our innards may be different, we are part of the same human race.

Perhaps our "race" needs to slow down, and we should take off our racing gear.

There's no need to rush and make it to the finish line ahead of everyone else. We will all eventually get there.

I prefer to take the scenic route, through fields, over hills, across bridges.

Life could be as simple as that, if we allow it.

The last one to their special spot in complete silence is a rotten egg!

LSRCA looking for heroes

Do you know someone who inspires with their good deeds, expresses their passion for the environment through education, has taken on a project that benefits our lake and watershed? We want to know them, so we can recognize them!

It's nomination time for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority's annual Conservation Awards program.

After a one-year break, due to the pandemic, the Authority is once again seeking watershed-wide nominees whose actions help to make Lake Simcoe and our watershed healthier.

While the celebration won't be in person this year, the conservation authority is excited to try something new and recognize award recipients virtually.

Every day, caring and selfless environmentally minded groups, businesses and individuals engage in positive environmental actions that contribute to keeping our water clean, our soil healthy and our communities more sustainable. So, if you know of anyone who has worked to restore the banks of our rivers and streams, improve the health of our soil, conserve our precious water resources, and contribute to healthier communities, let us know! They may not be looking for appreciation, but their efforts deserve recognition, and they serve as an inspiration to others.

Deadline to submit your nomination is June 25. Eligibility requirements and the award nomination form are online at: www.LSRCA.on.ca/conservationawards.



Quote of the Week



"The arrogance of success is to think that what you did yesterday will be sufficient for tomorrow."

- William Pollard

Trivia Tidbits

Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks; otherwise it will digest itself.

<p>KingWeeklySentinel WEBPOLL www.kingsentinel.com</p> <p>Results from last week's poll: Will you get your second dose of the vaccine as soon as it's available?</p> <p>a) Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100% b) No <input type="checkbox"/> 0%</p> <p><small>The results of this poll are in no way considered to be valid or infallible.</small></p>	<p>THIS WEEK'S QUESTION</p> <p>Will you patronize outdoor patios?</p> <p>a) Yes b) No</p> <p>Go to our website and cast a vote!</p>
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You can't be for and against development

Editorial

"To change something, build a new model that makes the existing model obsolete."

Wise words from Buckminster Fuller, famed architect and "futurist."

King is in the throes of a residential development boom. Applications and proposals are either on the table, or on their way, for everything from large subdivisions to condo and apartment complexes.

The face of King's villages, particularly King City, will change. That's a given. And it does concern residents and politicians alike.

You can't stop progress, they say, but you can sure help ease it in, and regulate planning and design elements.

Developers can, and have, submitted proposals for all kinds of developments. That's their right and the Township is obligated to hear them out, and view their plans. King also has to weigh in with sound planning expertise.

We simply can't provide knee-jerk responses and emotional pleas.

The trend in urban development seems to be medium density buildings – retail on the ground floor with multiple units above. The "ask" from local decision makers – make it fit in with the character of community. Be innovative and be "green." Listen to the public and try to accommodate their wants and needs.

To a large extent, that is what is happening. Mandatory public meetings, multiple staff reviews and open public debate flesh out almost every application before it gets the stamp of approval.

But here's the rub, as Shakespeare once said. Almost everyone – citizens

and politicians alike – say they're not opposed to development and in fact, welcome it. They do, however, have their own ideas as to how each and every project should take shape.

That's like saying, "I like your idea, but let's change the whole thing so it suits us!" You can't push a rope!

The term "NIMBY" was coined in the 1970s, and "not in my back yard" was aimed at opposing large-scale projects in neighbourhoods.

You can hide it, suppress it, but it still exists.

Time and again, residents who appear before council note they're long-term residents. Some have lived here for 20 or 30 years. Did they expect their village to be stagnant, or remain the same over those decades?

People say they chose King for the small town atmosphere and quaint rural living. You can still find that in many places.

But King City may not be one of them. The village has grown tremendously and will continue to expand. The next largest block is in the northern section, and it seems like developers are using a cooperative approach in linking each phase, so it's more homogeneous.

Township staff and councillors are trying to ensure this growth takes place in a controlled, well designed manner. That's all they can do.

People will always object to a new subdivision encroaching on their once serene back yards.

Sure it can be a pain and an intrusion.

And yes, anytime hundreds of people

move into the neighbourhood, it will bring more traffic.

But it will also bring more consumers, more taxpayers, more potential volunteers, more entrepreneurs, more corporate donors, more environmentalists and political activists.

It can seem like a catch-22 at times.

But none of this should be surprising. The writing has been on the wall for decades.

Fortunately for all involved, new methods, techniques and mitigation measures will be included in all future development.

There are also some unique and quite pleasing visions for King City's pedestrian friendly streetscape. If you've seen some of the renderings, this can be a marvellous place to get out and enjoy local amenities, meet people and en-

joy the outdoors.

Let's not forget that King has benefited from several modern, innovative facilities, including the new recreation centre. This amazing, \$53-million facility will serve residents for decades to come. And it was made possible by upper level government funding. King's share of \$14 million will largely be covered by local developers. Leveraging funds from those very developers makes things happen.

It's give and take. If development is inevitable, and even mandated by the province, why not reap the benefits?

There are always possibilities and there are always solutions.

Everyone needs to work towards meeting in the middle.

MP, Editor

Vaccine acceptance continues to rise

The number of Canadians willing to be vaccinated is on the rise, and the number of people hesitant or refusing to take a COVID-19 vaccine is at a new low.

Abacus has been providing data on vaccine opinions to a volunteer Task Group of organizations and individuals under the banner "Faster Together," reminding people that choosing to be vaccinated can bring us all back together again, more quickly.

The latest data (collected through 2000 interviews nationwide) show that the number of people who've already had a shot or who will take one as soon as it is available to them now stands at 79%, up from 63% only a month ago.

A total of just 21% show some measure of hesitancy, most of whom indicate they can be persuaded to be vaccinated. Just 7% say they will never take a COVID-19 shot.

The major factors influencing hesitancy are concern that the long-term impacts of the vaccines may not be known and worries about the risk of blood clots. The proportion of the hesitant who are indicating blood clot concerns is down slightly over recent weeks.

Today, 89% say they would be comfortable taking the Pfizer vaccine, 86% for Moderna, 48% for Johnson and Johnson and 36% for AstraZeneca.

The survey was conducted with 2,000 Canadian adults from May 25-30.



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- Staff are patrolling the Township including public property. Complaints or concerns? Contact By-Law directly: 905-833-4002 / by-law@king.ca



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From the comfort of your own home, find out York Region's plans to continue providing safe, cost-efficient and reliable water and wastewater services to residents, businesses and communities. Visit our third and final Water and Wastewater Master Plan Update Online Open House to explore recommended infrastructure projects to meet the needs of our growing communities.

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Please let us know if you require accommodations to participate. An accessible version of this notice and Open House materials are available upon request. To submit questions, comments or to be added to the project mailing list, please contact:

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water@york.ca

2021 WATER & WASTEWATER MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Online Open House #3

York Region is updating its Water and Wastewater Master Plan through the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment master planning process. The Master Plan update will identify long-term infrastructure projects for future water and wastewater servicing needs to 2051. Feedback gathered through this Online Open House will help shape the final report to York Regional Council in early 2022.

DID YOU MISS OUR PREVIOUS OPEN HOUSES?
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Letter to the Editor

Make your voice heard on climate change

Right now, you and your family can influence how Ontario meets its Climate Change responsibilities. And making your wishes known will not cost you a penny.

You may know that a few years ago Ontario stopped burning coal to generate electricity. This has resulted in far cleaner air for us all, reduced our Green House Gas (GHG) emissions substantially and gained international respect for the province.

To make up for the losses in electricity the province built many gas-generating peaker plants including the one here in King Township. Originally, these plants were built to run only when extra electricity was required.

Now a plan is to run them as a main source. Not surprisingly, this will generate a lot of GHG emissions. In fact, these pollutants will replace some 40% of those saved by not burning coal! How will this possibly help Ontario to meet its 50% cut in 10 years or the Net Zero requirement by 2050?

Yes, most of the plants have contracts with the government until 2030. But by that time, Ontario could contract with Quebec for excess hydroelec-

tric power (the cheapest electricity in the country). Some new transmission lines would be needed, but at minimal cost. Solar and wind power continue to develop. We do not need to use fossil fuels to generate electricity. Many communities, including both Toronto and King have asked the government to close the gas plants.

What can you do now?

The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is the agency responsible for managing our power system. It will be conducting an analysis of using gas and other sources to generate electricity into the future and it is asking for your input now. A stakeholder (including you) webinar will be held at 9 a.m. on Thursday, June 24. Here is the link to register for this free webinar: engagement@ieso.ca

Sign up, listen, learn and let the IESO know how you want Ontario to meet its commitments for reducing GHGs. Send an email to the IESO and ask them to phase out gas-fired generators!

Will you make a difference for your family next week?

Susan Beharriell

In-vehicle testing resumes in Ontario

Ontario has resumed in-vehicle passenger road tests at DriveTest centres across the province. To address the backlog of road tests resulting from COVID-19 restrictions, road testing capacity will be increased by hiring 167 additional driver examiners while introducing extended hours for in-vehicle passenger road tests (class G1/G2).

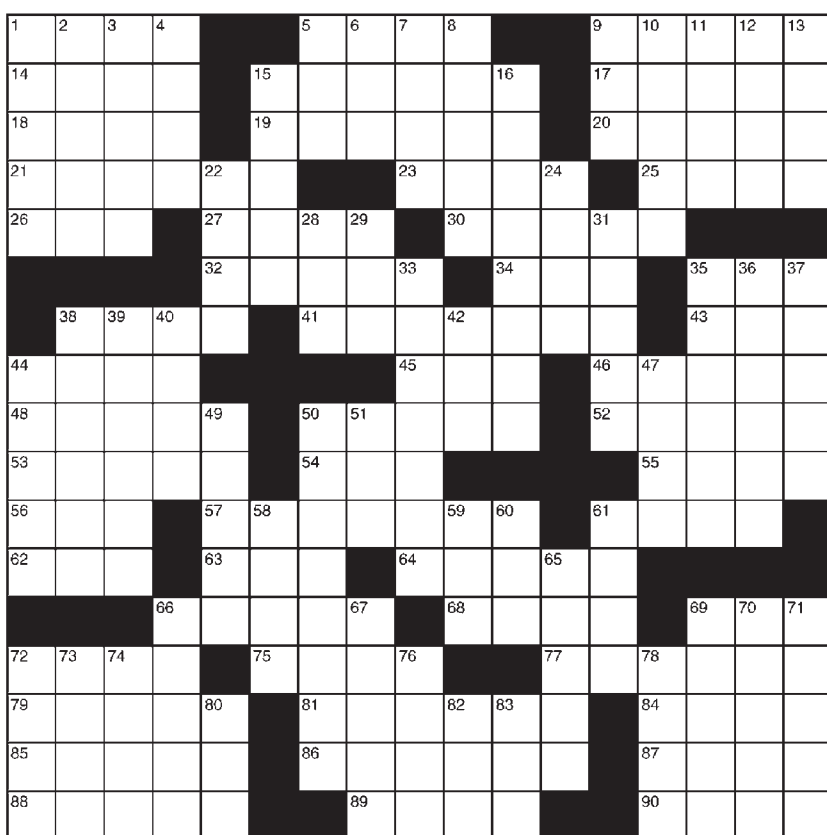
As part of Step One of the province's Roadmap to Reopen, in-vehicle passenger road testing will resume with safety protocols in place at all DriveTest centres across Ontario. To address the backlog of passenger road tests, Ontario will invest more than \$16 million to increase road testing capacity province-wide by hiring 167 additional temporary driver examiners, increasing support staff, expanding road testing hours, and introducing Saturday and Sunday road tests at locations where the demand is highest.

To book your road test, please visit DriveTest.ca. DriveTest.ca is the only official channel for booking a road test.

Road tests will be available by appointment only. If you already have a road test appointment booked, it will be honoured. If you need to book a road test, visit DriveTest.ca.

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ACROSS

1. Barrel
5. A legal wrong
9. Church song
14. Network, as of nerves
15. Accomplice
17. Heart chambers
18. Branding ____
19. Rum drink
20. Gist
21. Brunch quaff, often
23. Enlarges
25. Give a PG to
26. Kind of rally
27. Math course
30. Doorway
32. Aromatic compound
34. Shipboard yes
35. Indian title
38. Flat-bottomed vessel
41. Jot
43. Were the victors
44. Bubbles
45. Take legal action against
46. Organic compound
48. Shenanigan
50. Dumbfound
52. ____ and onions

53. Poem division
54. Decay
55. Lincoln's coin
56. Greek letter
57. Felon's friend
61. Ice-cream drink
62. Draw from
63. Shoe part
64. Papal vestment
66. Stringed instrument
68. Heroic verse
69. Northern toymaker
72. Spotted cavy
75. Sightseeing trip
77. Black eye
79. Agave root
81. Pique
84. Invasion occasion
85. Follies
86. Vacillate
87. Nil, to Newcombe
88. Genuflect
89. Restaurant
90. Water pitcher

- DOWN**
1. Kink
 2. Cliff hanger?
 3. Trample

4. Gambling game
5. ____ close for comfort
6. Unit of resistance
7. Toga
8. Tot rod?
9. Drivel
10. Narration
11. Oratorio part
12. Dryer fuzz
13. Partner
15. Despots
16. Punk rocker
22. Mulligan's dish
24. Eye woe
28. "____ fleece was white . . ."
29. Masterpiece
31. Kidney-related
33. Italian menu option
35. Pivot
36. Mouse, e.g.
37. Like xenon
38. "Moonlight ____"
39. Short snooze
40. Neglect
42. Couple
44. Element
47. Flaky mineral

49. South American raccoon
50. Eat at another's expense
51. City property
58. Cowhand's footwear
59. Crude mineral
60. Sharp blow
61. Netting
65. Successful dieter
66. Merit
67. Of trivalent gold
69. Establish a trust fund
70. "____ It to Beaver"
71. Certain chicken
72. Recreational area
73. Prayer conclusion
74. Sheltered bay
76. Roster
78. Unoccupied
80. Moray, e.g.
82. Radio-wave letters
83. Realize

Solution on page 23

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7-Day Weather Outlook

From Thursday, June 17 to Wednesday, June 23

THURS 17TH	FRI 18TH	SAT 19TH	SUN 20TH	MON 21ST	TUES 22ND	WED 23RD
Mainly Sunny High 25C° Low 16C° - Wind NW 11k	Light Rain High 23C° Low 16C° 2-4mm Wind SW 18k	A Few Showers High 22C° Low 12C° 2-4mm Wind NW 21k	Mainly Sunny High 23C° Low 14C° - Wind NW 11k	Light Rain High 24C° Low 14C° ~5mm Wind SE 23k	Chance of Shower High 20C° Low 10C° <1mm Wind SW 25k	Mainly Sunny High 20C° Low 10C° 1-3mm Wind SW 20k

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York Region expanding second-dose vaccine appointments

Individuals who live, work or attend school in York Region and who received their first dose on or before May 9, are now eligible to reschedule an earlier second dose appointment.

New appointments can be booked online or by phone by visiting york.ca/COVID19Vaccine

Eligible residents who received their first dose on or before May 9, who do not yet have a second dose appointment can also book an online appointment.

Previously booked second dose appointments will be honoured and will not be cancelled unless a new and earlier appointment is confirmed.

Eligible residents who are not able or comfortable booking an online appointment are encouraged to seek out a support person (caregiver, family member or friend) who can assist in booking this appointment on their

behalf. Telephone support is also available and is listed under the applicable clinic.

Second doses will continue to be administered to other eligible individuals as directed by the province, including eligible York Region residents 70 years of age and older (born in 1951 and earlier).

Eligibility expansion aligns with the recent provincial announcement to further expand eligibility for accelerated second doses in Delta hot spots to ensure a strong level of protection against COVID-19 and variants.

Anyone who has received an AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine for their first dose can choose to receive a second dose of AstraZeneca vaccine or an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine manufactured by Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna. This aligns with recent

recommendations from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI).

Individuals who received a first dose of an AstraZeneca vaccine should receive a second dose (either AstraZeneca or mRNA) 12 weeks after the first dose. Both second dose options available to individuals who received their first dose of the AstraZeneca vaccine are safe and provide strong protection against COVID-19 and will count as a completed series.

While the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine is very effective at preventing COVID-19 infection, serious illness, hospitalization and death, a second dose is still required to provide optimal and longer-lasting protection.

It remains critically important for all those who have not received a first dose to get one.

Individuals who are 12 years of age and older who live, work or go to school in York Region who have not yet received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine are encouraged to do so.

York Region Public Health is working with local health care partners to provide COVID-19 vaccines at various locations across York Region. Clinic dates and times vary for each location. Please visit york.ca/COVID-19Vaccine for specific clinic details.

Appointment availability is currently limited. New appointments will be released as they become available; we encourage individuals to check back regularly.

Appointments are required; walk-in appointments are not available. Please do not visit a vaccination clinic without an appointment, unless otherwise specified.



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Health professional promotes 'Own Your Space'

By Mark Pavilonis
Editor

A King City professional is concerned about the impacts of stress on our society.

To that end, psychotherapist (qualifying) Barry Maloney has created "Own Your Space Psychotherapy."

The idea came to him about 8 years ago while coaching his sons in basketball and soccer.

"I had just decided to make a career change from healing the body with massage therapy to healing our mental suffering with psychotherapy. They were 7 and 9 years old and learning about positional play on the court and field. As I was coaching and observing them and their teammates, it occurred to me that it was not that they could not understand the position, it was that they feared making a mistake. This insight of how we as both children and adults limit our potential through our learned fears provided me with the inspiration to teach others how to own their space physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually."

As a "coach" in many respects, Maloney now offers individuals the opportunity to become aware of why we do what we do in our lives, and provides the coping skills surrounding this awareness.

He explained that habits and rituals become ingrained in our subconscious thoughts. At first these adaptive thoughts allowed us to survive the challenging and adverse times in our life. Once these adaptive thoughts and actions no longer work they become maladaptive for our current day to day life and may soon lead to certain addictions and emotional irregularities. Often we

believe we have no idea why we think and behave in such a manner. We may assume that we are flawed and carry around the shame over this belief or thought. The individual soon adopts the mind set that they are not worthy and start to find themselves in a cycle of anxiety and depressive thoughts of not feeling good enough.

"Well, we know what happens when we do not feel good enough, we become either immobilized or apprehensive," he said.

He pointed to an example of an athlete, student, or in the workplace, when we doubt our skills. We procrastinate, lose our creativity and become apprehensive, or we do not do anything at all and avoid the issue.

"We limit ourselves, and only we know it at first and try to avoid that feeling by numbing it with substances like food, alcohol, drugs, and others. What we all have to realize is that we must communicate how we feel vulnerable, because there is usually a point in our life where we first learned how to fear making a mistake and feeling not good enough."

Maloney's practice is growing, but people are still skeptical and judgmental about how to heal properly. There's also a tremendous amount of information and misinformation out there.

"I have witnessed children and adults alike having the feelings of not feeling safe and secure with their family and friends. There is current scientific literature out that suggests exactly this, that if we lack that feeling of safety and security with family, friends, and the society that surrounds us, than we numb it out and avoid those stressed out and anxious feelings with increased substance abuse and mental health is-



Barry Maloney

sues that immobilize us to the core of our being," he stressed.

Maloney explained that typical psychotherapy sessions are an hour long but can be tailored to what the person feels they need at each specific session. Each individual is unique with what has triggered them, overwhelmed them or has made them feel vulnerable so each treatment plan has a tailored-made or best fit feel for the client.

You can connect with him at barry-maloney22@gmail.com or call 289-221-4832. His website is barrypsychotherapy.com

Applications open for 2021-22 Seniors Community Grant

The Ontario government is investing \$5 million in the 2021-22 Seniors Community Grant program to help enable municipalities and local organizations to deliver programs for older adults to stay active in their communities.

This funding is an increase of \$1 million from last year's grants, allowing the province to help more grassroots organizations positively impact the lives of older adults.

The Seniors Community Grant program focuses on projects that align with four pillars which help improve the lives of older adults in the province:

Enabling Aging, at-Home and in Communities; Safety and Security; Remaining Healthy, Active and Socially Engaged; Participating in the Labour Market and Economy.

"The Seniors Community Grant program helps enrich the lives of older Ontarians by helping them combat social isolation and anxiety through safe and community-based activities, many of them being virtual during the pandemic," said Minister Cho. "These

grants recognize and empower the incredible work being done in communities across Ontario to help our seniors live active, safe and connected lives."

Successful applicants will receive a grant of between \$1,000 and \$25,000 to provide programs, learning and social opportunities for older adults to safely enjoy as Ontario continues to meet the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applicants can apply through Transfer Payment Ontario (formerly Grants Ontario) online at Ontario.ca/GetFunding. The deadline for all applications is July 15 at 5 p.m.

The Seniors Community Grant program was established in 2014 and has provided more than 2,000 grants benefiting older Ontarians.

Older adults are the province's fastest growing demographic, and by 2023, there will be 3 million Ontarians over the age of 65.

Research indicates that 80% of older adults prefer to age in their homes and communities and will require a range of supports to meet their unique needs and circumstances.

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Mesay translator brings the world closer together

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

The past year has taught all of humankind an important lesson – we are all in this together.

Connecting people and helping to eliminate communication barriers is the idea behind Mesay 3 Technology's AI Translator.

This small, hand-held device is a real time mobile translator. It can translate roughly 76 languages in an instant, and also provide a text copy of the discussion. The number of languages keeps increasing with constant software updates.

This one small unit can help any traveller or visitor communicate with strangers from dozens of countries in their own tongue.

The key is simultaneous two-way translation. There's no lag, no long pause. It's quite impressive. It's so comfortable, you almost fall in love with it right away.

The Mesay 3 recognizes what you're saying, then translates it. You then record the foreign language and voila, you have your answer. It also has a convenient repeat sentence feature and keeps track of your entire conversation.

Smaller than a cell phone, the Mesay is a pocket-sized personal tour guide. It's hard to believe it has so much power in such a small body. It boasts a 2.4-inch HD touch screen.

Using wifi and hotspots, the Mesay is your must-have companion. If you're unable to connect to the Internet, the Mesay has 12 offline language translations. The bonus is the Mesay can be

connected to your mobile phone via Bluetooth.

The device boasts 150 hours standby power, a touchscreen and human-like voice quality.

When preparing for a trip, play around with this device and you can actually learn a little bit to get by. It can become your personal tutor.

Mesay Technology CEO Seven said the products are designed with the consumer in mind. The smooth shape and simplicity makes it easy to use by anyone.

But the features don't stop there. The Mesay has video recording and photo translation capabilities. It's perfect for reading road signs or signs in subway stations.

Getting the Mesay to this point involved a lot of dedication. The project began in 2016 and Seven said they invested a lot of time and money to complete this "magical device."

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Arts & Entertainment

Timeless Tales Writing Contest winners

By Dorita Peer

The seven antique photos of characters and happenings charmed and challenged 23 writers in four different age groups to send in their creative fiction. The Timeless Tales contest was created by King Heritage & Culture with Arts Society King to unite history and literature, and as a quest to discover local talent.

The judges needed their superpowers to single out the best from a strong collection of tall tales.

Phyllis Vernon, teacher/librarian in York Region, avid reader herself, has been storytelling virtually to her granddaughters in New York.

Sue Iaboni, retired high school principal, founder of WriteNow@King! writers' group, mentor to many, publishes her folksy short stories, articles and blogs.

And Kelly Mathews, Director of Recreation at Seneca College, an author whose passion for history delighted readers with her lively sagas frankly told in Eaton Hall: Pride of King Township and The Road to Mary Lake.

And here are the best of the best:

Grades 1-4: Stefan Ulahannan for The Day of Jonathan, Victoria and Arion. The adventure told as only a child might experience a day of utter freedom, said Phyllis, concluded with a line Sue found charming: "They all did amazing."

Grades 5-8: Careese Habets for The Rancher. This tale of a loyal dog's desperate battle with coyotes emerged as a favourite for its vivid characters and a plot building to an exciting action

scene. An insightful POV, noted Kelly, when the farmhouse measured "... only eight dog-lengths in every direction."

Honourable Mention went to New Beginnings by Jessica Boersema for her authentic-feeling depictions of a community at work after a barn fire, and for her style: "... he was the type of man who would feel bad about killing a fly."

Grades 9-12: Jacob Sponga for Enigmas of an Old World. "Mary's grandmother was a patron of the bizarre," begins the fantastical tale involving intergalactic butterflies and a missing gold watch. Phrase after phrase such as "... she went off along with millions of her generational compatriots into the desolate corners of history ..." awed Phyllis and Kelly, and earned Sue's high praise: the author has a future as a writer.

Honourable Mention, in a very close contest, went to Daniella Farara's His Guardian Angel, a portrait of the special relationship between the characters that Phyllis called inspiring writing.

Age 18-101: In a category with the greatest number of entries, Neighbourhood Watch by Shelby Molyneaux took the prize, but not without a near photo-finish. This morality tale about an elderly lady making negative assumptions about some boys only to get her lesson in a twist ending. Honourable mention was awarded Miller and Daughters by Brianne Sommerville, who connected the generations and the rise of feminism at a veterinary practice.

In lively exchanges, each judge pro-



moted her individual choices from what Phyllis called "so many worthy and wonderful." On balance, the best stories began impactfully, moved the reader with engaging characters in compelling situations, and achieved a clean composition using expressive language.

The judges remained in sync about the elements of the craft. Good writing is not as subjective as you might think, commented Sue. Other stories were praise-worthy in part. Judges remarked

on "lines of writing genius" and "a captivating theme." Such promising works only needed to be shorter, more to the point, clearer, or more organized in their plot, as the panel summed up the demand. The quest succeeded. The calibre of writing in the community merits support and encouragement.

All the winning stories can be read online at artsociety.king.ca.

Thank-you to Leslie Whicher of Re/Max Realty for sponsoring this worthwhile event.

Olde Mill art gallery open again

The Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe has once again been able to open their doors.

This is a co-operative art gallery for local artists and artisans. It is considered by many to be a local gem in the heart of York Region!

Nine artists have their work on display at the Gallery, each artist specializing in different art forms, ranging from wood turning and wood furniture; watercolour, oil and acrylic paintings; linocut and printmaking; jewellery; quilting; basketry & weaving and even original prints and greeting cards.

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Multi-decade career in law and cancer diagnosis led Caledon's Hillier into the world of writing



Suzanne Hillier

By Rob Paul

When most people retire, they look for easygoing hobbies while spending time with their family.

Well, Suzanne Hillier isn't like most people.

The former divorce lawyer, who was known in Brampton as "the Barracuda," now resides in Caledon and at 89 years old, has a new novel that came out on June 6.

The novel is being published by feminist-focused Canadian publisher Inanna and is titled *My Best Friend Was Angela Bennett*.

It's a story of love, friendship, and survival set in Newfoundland during World War II and has been praised as a harrowing journey, engaging, and unforgettable while looking at how friendships endure through the most difficult of times.

Born and raised in Newfoundland, her father was the Attorney General of the Province for 22 years and she draws on some of her own life experiences in her writing.

After writing her first novella in the 1960s—it was published by *Esquire*—she only reignited her passion for writing 12 years ago, and her pro-feminist style in her new novel was influenced by her own journey.

After the sudden death of her husband, she became a lawyer in her late 30s and was one of just five women in a class of 150 people at the University of Toronto while raising her children.

She's lived a life of perseverance, only diving into the world of writing after beating a cancer diagnosis post-retirement.

The story revolves around two best friends heading into their last year of a high school in Newfoundland in 1942. The titular character, Angela, falls in love with a soldier who loses his life in the war and, as a result, she marries a neighbourhood businessman and sexual sadist that subjects Angela to abuse.

Given the history of women's rights, Hillier wanted to revisit a time where it was nearly impossible to get out of abusive relationships to show the growth

in Canada since the 1940s, even citing her aunt's experiences of living with their family growing up after getting away from an abusive husband.

Alternatively, the other character, Dorothy, sets out on a journey to becoming the first woman on the island to become a lawyer and offers hope for those suffering from domestic abuse.

"It's based in Newfoundland in the 1940s because I'm a Newfie and I was there, I remember World War II," she said. "The novel is about friendships and relationships, and it follows this poor heroine after she loses her only true love and it unfortunately leads to her marrying the boy next door. It's about getting out of a marriage—which in Newfoundland was all but impossible, they didn't even have divorce until 1968. It's a woman's journey into hell and out. Then it follows the story of the first Newfie lady lawyer and that branches into another situation."

It's not hard to see where the idea for the character of Dorothy came from with Hillier having spent years running Hillier and Hillier in Brampton—which still operates to this day.

"This is a feminist book," she said. "I was one of the first woman lawyers in Ontario and it was tough building up a law practice in Brampton. A lot of this book is kind of inspired by things that have happened in my life. Angela brought her letters from her dead lover with her on her honeymoon, and that's actually something that happened to the woman who lived next door to me, and her husband found them."

"A lot of the things in the book—the deaths of the servicemen, the way we all felt about England, and the way we felt about joining Confederation—was real. I even have my dad in it, I dedicated the book to my dad. A lot of things in it were inspired by actual happenings. The sexual sadist is a conglomeration of all the bad husbands my clients had, he's not just one real person—he's the only character not inspired by a real person."

Hillier's dive into the world of law was unconventional and it was never her

first love; she always wanted to tell people's stories and after decades as a lawyer she's finally found that opportunity.

She travelled to Europe and went to the Caribbean, but never wanted to settle down and relax in her retirement, that's how she found her way back to her love of writing.

"I practiced law for 32 years and people are born loving the law, but that wasn't me," she said. "I didn't love the law; I loved my clients. I was very involved with my clients, and they made me appreciate it because when you're getting a divorce you really want someone to love you and be supportive."

"I found that I always wanted to write, but my husband died at 44 and I had three teenagers and I was teaching high school and we needed money. I thought I would do better financially in law, and it was more of a practical decision, but I did it because I really like people and enjoy helping them. After 32 years of burning myself out, I got a Leukemia diagnosis and thought, 'Oh my god, I'm going to die, and I haven't written any of my books.' That's when I started to write and after 12 years, I'm still here. I've now written about eight books, and some of them aren't bad!"

Hillier's writing has been applauded by fellow Canadian authors for her ability as a storyteller and wittiness, while keeping a strong feminist focus.

"An unflinching, often searing, account of two women's lives and enduring friendship in Smallwood-era Newfoundland," said Ed Riche, author of *Rare Birds*.

"With searing clarity and poignant insight, Suzanne Hillier takes readers deep into one woman's personal hell," said Angie Abdou, author of the Canada Reads finalist, *The Bone Cage*. "*My Best Friend Was Angela Bennett* is a transformational exploration of abuse, sadism, shame, entrapment, and injustice. This tragic account of why one woman stays sheds light on the psychological and physical horrors of domestic violence. A truly harrowing journey."



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Nearby councils question proposed Bradford Bypass

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

While seen as a benefit for King Township and area commuters, the proposed Bradford bypass is under fire by environmental groups.

And nearby councils are being pressured to review the project.

On May 31, Barrie council declined to support the proposed Bradford Bypass, and instead passed a resolution asking the province to do a comprehensive impact assessment on Lake Simcoe and those vulnerable watersheds and inflows into Lake Simcoe and to consider alternative routes.

This “win” for Lake Simcoe occurred five days after delegates persuaded Innisfil council not to pass a motion to “strongly support” the Bradford Bypass. Advocates for Lake Simcoe are pleased because this represents a change in municipal support for the proposed 16-kilometre highway over forests, wetlands, rivers, and farmland.

Only one kilometre of the proposed route travels through King.

Concerned citizens, the Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition, and Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition applaud those elected officials who took a stand for Lake Simcoe.

“The arguments for saving Lake Simcoe were at the forefront, thankfully,” said Claire Malcolmson, executive director of the Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition. “We have been able to caution municipal elected officials of the risks of blindly having faith in the province’s new environmental assessment process. And that’s because their process is to build now, and assess and mitigate as you go. That’s not responsible, and that’s no way to treat the most sensitive wetland in the Lake Simcoe watershed.”

Lake Simcoe is supposed to be the best protected watershed in Ontario, with its Lake Simcoe Protection Act and Plan. But the spirit of the Plan is being ignored while some politicians promote a highway that will add salt to the delicate aquatic ecosystem, accelerate climate change, destroy provincially significant forests and wetlands, and does a poor job of protecting species at risk.

The highway opponents main challenge remains the misinformation being perpetuated by some local elect-

ed officials, and of Minister of Transportation, Caroline Mulroney (a Lake Simcoe MPP) and the MTO’s Bradford Bypass team.

What most concerns opponents about the illogical timelines are that “early works” like bridge supports are proposed to be built before the Environmental Assessment (EA) is complete.

Starting construction before studies are complete would make the EA process just a show, and one that does not influence the decision about whether to, or where to, build a road to relieve traffic congestion in the Town of Bradford.

“If you can’t get basic information and consistent facts about the highway answered, you have to ask why?” said Margaret Prophet, executive director of SCGC. “A government ‘for the people’ should want people to be informed and involved. What we have here is a process that is shrouded in inconsistencies, secrecy and obstruction and that should concern everyone.”

The second procedural complication is the unanswered question about what the Class EA will in fact cover. The province’s website for the Bradford Bypass says that through the Class EA process, MTO will complete a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) which will document:

- The transportation needs, problems and opportunities.
- Existing environmental conditions.
- A summary of consultation undertaken throughout the study.
- The generation, assessment and evaluation of alternatives within the Study Area.
- The preferred alternative(s)/recommended plan.
- A summary of potential environmental issues and mitigation measures and environmental commitments to be carried forward through future design stages.

But there is still an exemption proposal on the Environmental Registry of Ontario, which has not been granted or denied, that would exempt the MTO from doing a TESR.

“As residents of Bradford West Gwillimbury and taxpayers in Ontario, we cannot support spending a minimum of \$800 million on this highway, especially with so many unanswered questions,” said the Bradford Women’s+ Group. “We were troubled to

learn that families who live along the proposed Bradford Bypass route are being approached to sell their homes or be expropriated before these questions are answered and before studies are even finished. And for what? MTO’s modelling shows that the Bradford Bypass will not solve our congestion issues and we still don’t know if people will be charged a toll for using the highway.”

Finally, advocates are concerned that the Bypass will become another 407 boondoggle. Neither the MTO nor the Minister will directly answer if this

road will become a toll road built for future private investment.

“Residents who plan on using the Bypass need to know whose pockets they’re going to be lining”, says Prophet. “Will truck traffic move out of free roads to use a toll road? Not likely. Will the public pay the price of the highway’s impacts just so private corporations can make mega-bucks? “Build now, figure out details later” isn’t how a huge highway project should proceed, especially when we have people’s water, climate and health on the line.”

Council reluctant to give up land for housing

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

While King Township councillors support the need for affordable housing in York, they don’t want to commit to providing land to Housing York Inc.

Councillors rejected York Region’s request for the land allotment.

The request asked that two acres of land be set aside to support affordable housing, over the next five years. Further, York asked King to amend its parkland dedication bylaw to exempt Housing York Inc. to pay parkland fees.

Staff pegged the potential financial impact of this move at \$4 million.

York Region is not achieving the growth and affordability housing targets set out in its Official Plan. In fact, York “generally offers relatively few affordable home ownership options in both the new and re-sale housing market, limiting market choice for medium- and lower-income households. The aging population, combined with the continued erosion of housing affordability, is anticipated to place increasing demand for affordable housing products across York Region.”

York is updating its Official Plan and has made the request of its member municipalities to help reach these targets.

King staff admitted that the two-acre donation would be beneficial. They did say King should review its available surplus of municipal land, to determine whether we have or do not have suitable land.

York has also asked for financial support from its nine member municipalities, over and above land use policies.

Staff pointed out there’s a big difference in scale between York’s large and small municipalities and their ability to pay or donate land. The urban giants like Vaughan and Markham have much more resources than King Township, for example.

“A standard donation request from all nine municipalities likely does not reflect proportional needs across York Region and may disproportionately impact local municipalities with smaller populations. Land values will also differ between the municipalities, and therefore so would the financial impact of these requests on each municipality.”

Staff acknowledged there’s a responsibility for all levels of government to assist with affordable housing, based on their available resources.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini opposed the request, noting he doesn’t want to saddle future councils with this land commitment. The value of land is substantially higher here in King.

He added York Region operates with a massive, \$3-billion budget and is asking for King for financial help. He said perhaps King can look at parkland costs on a case-by-case basis, but he opposed any formal commitment to donate land.

Council opted to reject York’s requests.

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Seniors' group presses feds for financial assistance

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Despite recent measures by the federal government to aid seniors, national organizations representing our elderly are calling for even more.

The Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP), National Association of Federal Retirees (Federal Retirees) and Réseau FADOQ have joined forces to urge the Trudeau government to rectify discriminatory measures in the 2021 federal budget.

The three organizations, representing more than one million seniors across the country, are calling on the Liberal government to increase Old Age Security benefits by 10% for all eligible seniors, starting at age 65.

On April 19, Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland announced that the increase would only be available to those aged 75 and over. This measure discriminates on the basis of age and risks setting a dangerous precedent by creating two classes of seniors.

"The realization by Canadians be-

tween the ages of 65 and 75 that they are not being included in the increased OAS payments has created huge concern and frustration. The OAS increase should be extended to everyone at age 65 and the 10% increase should be immediate, not delayed until 2022," said Bill VanGorder, COA and policy officer of C.A.R.P.

"Federal retirees have long advocated for a comprehensive seniors' strategy, which includes retirement income security for all seniors," said Federal Retirees President Jean-Guy Soulière. "An increase in Old Age Security for all eligible seniors, and in the Guaranteed Income Supplement for particularly vulnerable seniors, would be positive steps in this direction."

"Financial insecurity is not age-based. Contrary to what Prime Minister Justin Trudeau says, this is a sad reality for seniors under 75. We're calling for substantial, permanent and inclusive financial assistance," added Réseau FADOQ president Gisèle Tassé-Goodman.

CARP, NAFR and Réseau FADOQ

know from their members that financial distress among seniors aged 65 and over is widespread. These three seniors organizations will continue to press the Canadian government to be more sensitive to the financial plight of seniors – a fact and a hardship for rising numbers of individuals aged 65 and over.

People whose only source of income is Old Age Security and the Guaranteed Income Supplement receive \$18,505.92 annually, an amount that barely reaches the official poverty line established by the Market Basket Measure (MBM), which exceeds \$21,000, particularly in large urban centres.

In addition, certain non-discretionary components are excluded from the definition of the MBM basket, such as dental and vision care expenses and medications.

Seniors are therefore in a financially precarious situation. The amounts provided through Old Age Security and the Guaranteed Income Supplement must be sufficient to meet the basic needs in-

cluded in the MBM.

"While no single solution can meet every need we are making progress, step by step. We restored the age of eligibility of Old Age Security to 65, strengthened the Canada Pension Plan for future retirees, increased the Guaranteed Income Supplement for single seniors, reduced income taxes and now we are improving the retirement income security of Canadians later in life. There is more work to be done and seniors can count on us to continue to work hard for them," said King-Vaughan MP and Minister for Seniors Deb Schulte.

The seniors' groups argue that a starting point, the federal government must commit to a 10% increase in Old Age Security benefits for all eligible seniors. To reach the official poverty line in Canada, as determined by the federal government itself, the Guaranteed Income Supplement, a program for the lowest income seniors across the country should also be increased.

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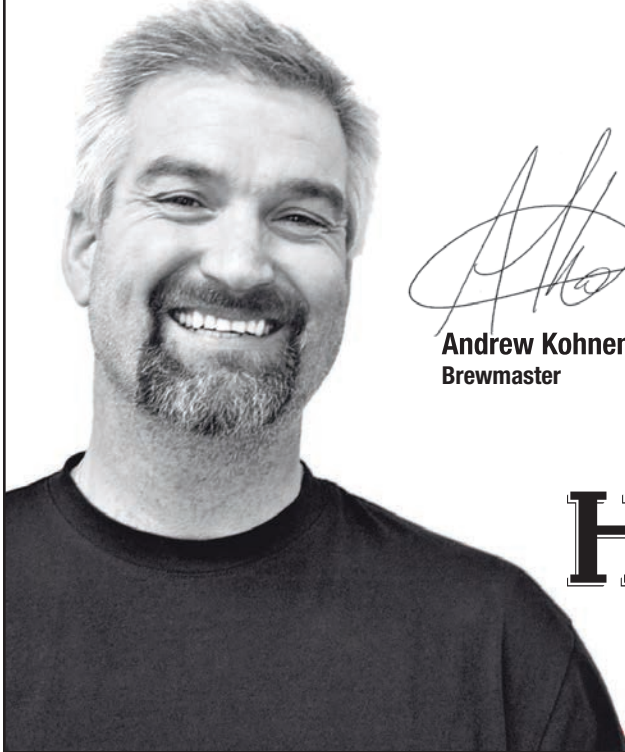


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Chris Spearen, Chief of York Region Paramedic Services Chris Spearen stands next to the ambulances donated to non-profit groups.

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One ambulance will be donated to St. John Ambulance and the other to Wounded Warriors Canada.

In York Region, ambulances are removed from use when they reach an established life cycle of five years or approximately 250,000 kilometres. Decommissioned ambulances can be repurposed and donated to registered not-for-profit, community or international humanitarian organizations.

Paramedic Services Week is an opportunity to recognize the contributions of paramedics across the country. This year's theme, "Paramedic as Educator – Citizen Ready," speaks to the important role paramedics play as partners in health and safety across our communities.

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By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Consumer Savvy

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Welcoming back bread to low-carb diets

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Thanks to Carbonaut, those on low-carb, gluten-free can now enjoy backyard BBQs this summer, complete with buns!

Carbonaut aims to bring consumers low carb bread that tastes like it came from the corner bakery. Those on restricted diets, or even keto, know the options out there are limited, and often unpalatable.

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The truly delicious products are a must-have pantry staple for the summer, fitting several dietary restrictions. All of their varieties are quite tasty and if you teens grab a slice, you know it's good.

The brand is also launching low-carb hotdog and hamburger buns which will be on shelves end of June. Gluten-free low carb bagels and gluten-free low carb pizza crust is also coming soon as well.

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CFUW members present \$500 cheques to Newmarket, King Township and Aurora food banks from donations received at their Care-to-Share end-of-year event. Shown are (l to r) Adrian Bain, Executive Director of Newmarket Food Pantry, Janis Bell, CFUW A/N President, Lynn Bird, Chair of CFUW A/N Outreach Committee, Meline Beach, Board Secretary of King Township Food Bank, Sandra Seepaul, Executive Director of Aurora Food Pantry and Carolynn Schiller, CFUW A/N Social Chair.

Photo by Anne Marie Devine

CFUW raises money for several local food banks

What do you get when a community-minded women's group mixes a local business, French cuisine, and local food banks together? A recipe for success.

The Canadian Federation of University Women Aurora/Newmarket (CFUW A/N) held their first CARE-to-SHARE dinner and virtual cooking class, raising \$1,500 for community food banks.

Over 130 members of CFUW A/N, the Aurora Senior Centre and the local community purchased meals that included a \$10 food bank donation for this year's Care-to-Share dinner and virtual cooking class, which took place on May 25. There was also an option of donating for those who just wanted to attend the virtual cooking class.

"Food insecurity has had an impact on residents of York Region, so we felt compelled to support the families who struggle to put good food on the table because of layoffs and the economic downturn caused by the pandemic," said Carolynn Schiller, CFUW A/N social committee chair.

The result is that the Aurora Food Pantry, King Township Food Bank, and the Newmarket Food Pantry each will receive \$500 to support their programs.

"The CFUW event benefits those who are most vulnerable and in need at this time. The Aurora Food Pantry purchases fresh produce, proteins and dairy weekly for our clients, and this donation will assist us in continuing to provide healthy foods to our community," added Sandra Seepaul, executive director.

This sentiment was echoed by Me-

line Beach, secretary for the board of the King Township Food Bank.

"As we do not receive government funding, it is the generosity of the community that makes it possible for our organization to provide assistance throughout King Township."

Adrian Bain, executive director of the Newmarket Food Pantry highlights just how far a donation like this will go to purchase fresh and frozen food for their community.

"For every dollar donated we can stretch that into \$3 due to our wholesale and supplier partnerships and buying in bulk. We are so fortunate to have community groups like CFUW supporting us. They are true community champions."

This year, the club's traditional end-of-year dinner was transformed into an in-home gourmet dining experience and a virtual cooking class with Chef Martial of La Brehandaise Market in Richmond Hill. Diners enjoyed a three-course gourmet meal, learned about French cuisine, and watched the preparation of a soup appetizer and the salmon and chicken entrees.

"The support and generosity made this event a great success - it was the perfect way to end our year," said Anne Marie Devine, communications chair for CFUW A/N. "We appreciate how our members and the community rallies behind our fundraising events to support projects like this as well as our scholarship program."

For more information about CFUW Aurora/Newmarket and the work they do, visit <http://www.cfuwauroranewmarket.com/Upcoming-Events.html>

LSRCA asking residents to their conserve water

The Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority is recommending that businesses and residents reduce water consumption while dry weather conditions continue.

"Low rainfall through the spring has contributed to early drought conditions, which can put stress on municipal water supplies and can result in lower water levels in streams and rivers," said Ken Cheney, director of engineering at the Authority. "With precipitation below normal levels over the past three months, and no significant rainfall in the long-term forecast, we're encouraging all water users to conserve, including businesses, aggregate operations, golf courses, water bottlers, farms and residents."

According to the provincial Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's Low Water Response Program, current conditions in the watershed meet the "first level of low water conditions." This level is the first indication of a potential water supply problem. The recommended response is to conserve water.

For residents and businesses alike, the easiest and most effective action to take right now is to follow municipal outdoor water use bylaws, which limit watering to specific days and times.

For more water conservation information, visit your municipality's website, or find available resources on the following Province of Ontario Ministry website <https://www.ontario.ca/page/drought>.

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Township extends its tax deferral measures

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

To help residents during the pandemic, King council voted to extend the tax deferral program.

Council voted to extend the program through 2021 and waive the 1.25% penalty.

In 2020, council approved tax relief for three months, from March to May, to help those financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Staff came up with two options for homeowners for 2021.

One option includes deferring taxes to the end of the year with no payments and no interest.

The second option includes splitting the balance over the remainder of the year with no interest. This is a six-month payment plan that would bring residents' balance up to date by the end of the year.

Residents have to apply and meet eligibility criteria. These include facing

financial hardship due to the pandemic in terms of loss or reduction in employment or business income. The property can't have any tax arrears prior to March 2020.

Staff noted this provides an additional year of financial relief. However, the taxes are still due and any balances carried over to 2022.

The Township routinely budgets for penalties and interest for \$1 million in

its operating budget. The estimated loss in interest revenues in 2021 is pegged at \$260,000, but depends on the number of applicants.

Staff said if the Township has a negative balance at the end of 2021, reserves can be applied to any shortfall. As well, King did receive additional Safe Restart funding of roughly \$1 million, which can be allocated to cover any shortfall due to COVID-19.



Local food celebrated in Ontario

Local Food Week (June 7 to 13) celebrated of all the fresh, nutritious and high-quality food that's grown, produced and processed right here in Ontario.

Throughout COVID-19, Ontarians have witnessed the incredible resilience of our farmers and food processors – front-line food heroes – who have worked tirelessly keeping food on store shelves and kitchen tables across the province.

“As Ontario celebrates Local Food week 2021, I would like to recognize the agri-food sectors across King-Vaughan for the tremendous work they have done during these challenging times,” said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan. “Our local growers, farmers, and all those in the sector have stepped up during the past year keeping our plates filled with fresh, nutritious and high quality food. I encourage King-Vaughan families to support their favourite local producer as a thank you for all that they do.”

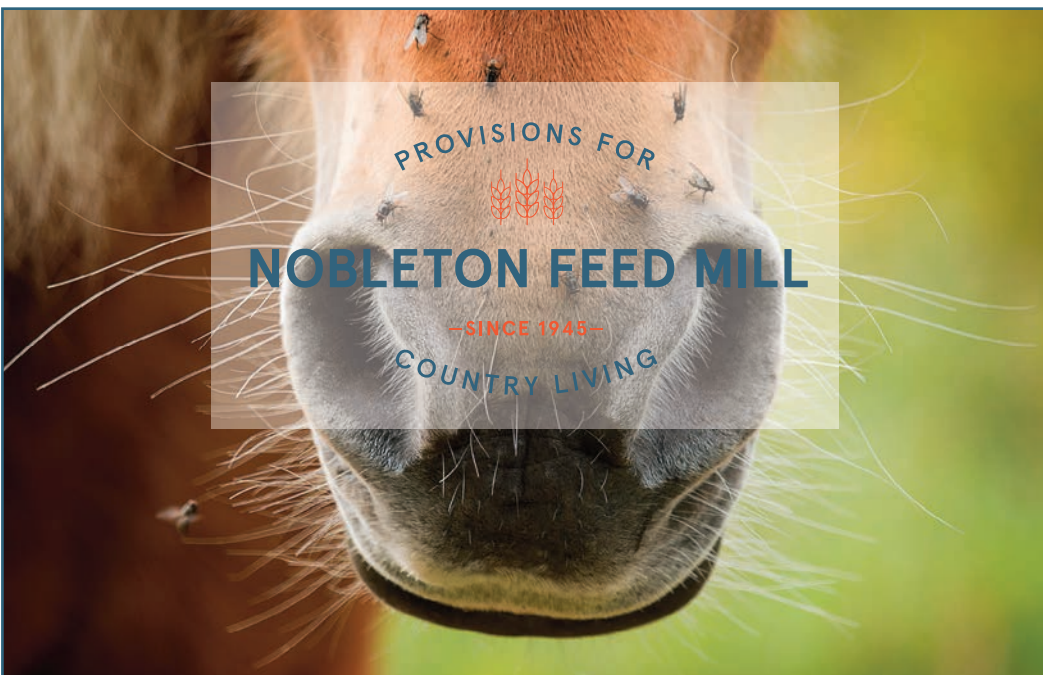
The 2021 Local Food Report highlights the work our government is doing to promote food literacy and how it ties in through all three goal areas proclaimed by the Local Food Act, 2013:

Local Food Literacy – Increase the number of Ontarians who know what local foods are available.

Local Food Access – Increase the number of Ontarians who know how and where to obtain local foods.

Broader Public Sector Access – Increase the number of Ontarians who prepare local food meals for family and friends and make local food more available through food service providers.

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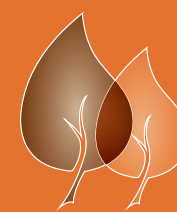
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Three King hockey players are drafted to OHL

By Robert Belardi

Tristan Bertucci, Chase Coughlan and Francesco Dell'Elce, all former teammates on the U-15 Toronto Marlboros AAA team in the GTHL, were selected last week in the 2021 OHL Priority Selection draft last week.

On June 5, the draft that was streamed live on the OHL's YouTube channel saw all three of these talents selected in various rounds.

The first of the three selected was Bertucci. The 6-foot-2 defenceman who played minor hockey right in Schomberg, was taken seventh overall by the Flint Firebirds.

He recorded 23 points in the 2019-2020 season with the as assistant captain with the Marlboros.

"It was crazy and a dream come true and I just filled with excitement," Bertucci said.

"I had confidence in my game and my abilities so I always thought in my head that I was going high. I had some what of an idea but nothing was set in stone."

The best of his game he said, is his hockey I.Q. and his skating ability. He cannot wait to get to Flint and meet the staff and his teammates. He is excited to see what the future will hold.

The Firebirds finished fourth in the Western Conference in the 2019-2020 regular season with a 40-21-1-1 record.

Fast-forwarding all the way to the third round, Chase Coughlan was selected 59 overall by the Guelph Storm. He recalled it being a nerve-wracking night.

"Being the last pick of the night, I was definitely nervous. I had a few of my family members over. So when I heard my name called, everyone jumped up and screamed," Coughlan said.

"It was a powerful moment. Definitely everyone is really excited. It's a moment I'll never forget."

The 5-foot-11 right winger recorded 21 points (14 G, 7 A) in the 2019-2020 regular season.

Just like Bertucci, Coughlan grew up in Schomberg and played minor hockey in the town's system.

OHL Director of Central Scouting Darrell Woodley said before the draft on YouTube, his build is solid and every game he has seen him play he was the hardest working player "shift in and shift out."

Coughlan is physical on the ice and will take on any responsibility required to get the victory. He said he models his game after Toronto Maple Leafs forward Zach Hyman and Washington Capitals forward Tom Wilson. He loves how hard Hyman works, how he is willing to score the goals right in front and his ability to play the full 200-feet. He loves Tom Wilson for his physicality on the puck and his ability to score as well.

And finally, taken in the sixth round, the Windsor Spitfires selected Francesco Dell'Elce 101 overall.

"Up until I was picked, I was extremely nervous and anxious until my name got called. I was overwhelmed with joy and excitement to be drafted by such a great organization. It was a good feeling to know all my hard work had paid off," Dell'Elce said.

The 6-foot-1, two-way defenceman recorded seven points in 33 games last season.

"Some of my strengths are my smooth skating and edges as well as my strong instinct to break up plays on the defensive side of the game. Also, I use this instinct to know when to jump and contribute offensively," the 15-year-old said.

"My goal was to get drafted as high as possible to an organization that will help me develop my game and get me to the next level."

The King Sentinel, wishes the best of luck to all three local players in their OHL journeys.



Aurora native commits to Franklin Pierce University

By Robert Belardi

Aurora native Katerina Dajia is going to attend Franklin Pierce University for her final year of NCAA hockey eligibility.

The 22-year-old, who spent the past four years at Dartmouth College in the Ivy League, was granted either one more year in the NCAA or two years in Canada's CIS program due to the cancellation of the hockey season this past year.

"I entered the transfer portal and I talked to a few coaches over the winter and nothing really lined up with what I wanted to do academically," Dajia said. "About a month ago, I got an email from Franklin Pierce, the coach. He just said they had an opening and they are trying to fill it. We spoke about the school and the hockey program and it seemed like the right fit."

Dajia ironically scored her first goal of the season in 2019 against Franklin Pierce on Dec. 13, rifling home a shot from the point in the second period to give the Big Green a 2-0 lead against the Ravens.

In her three years at the school the defenceman recorded seven points in 85 games in the program.

"As a player I've definitely improved in every aspect. When you're playing against good players you have to adapt to the conference. My older teammates and teammates now have been really good. As a teammate you're with those people every day and you learn how to be a good friend a good teammate and a good roommate," Dajia said.

"As a student I struggled a little bit with the transition because you're in a high, academic achieving environment. I found the courses I really like to take. The last two years I've been doing a lot better academically and learning how to learn."

Dajia played with the Aurora Panthers in the PWHL before joining the Durham West Jr. Lightning for two seasons. Her coach at the time Chris Cobb, recruited to Dartmouth in Hanover, New Hampshire.

Now heading to Franklin Pierce, she says she is excited for a new opportunity.

"I'm really excited to meet new teammates. I'm looking forward to being in a different environment in general. I really enjoyed the conversation with the coach. I think towards the end of my playing career at Dartmouth I started to fill into those leadership roles. If I can continue to do that, it would be great. But I will fill in any role they need me to fill in."

Dajia said that hockey was her stepping stone into education. If a professional opportunity were to ever present itself in Europe she would take it. Three of her former teammates play in Hungary, Sweden and Finland respectively.

Bolton's Zingaro going to the Niagara Ice Dogs

By Robert Belardi

The Niagara Ice Dogs selected Bolton resident Adamo Zingaro 185 overall in the 2021 OHL Priority Selection Draft last week.

The 6-foot-4 right-handed defenceman came out of the Toronto Titans U-16 AAA program without any expectations other than the hope of simply being drafted.

"I was hoping I was going to be picked by some team. I wasn't expecting any team. I didn't know who wanted me or who didn't. When I heard my name get called I was filled with excitement," Zingaro said.

Zingaro said he feels the Ice Dogs will be an excellent experience for him. He travelled last Saturday to officially meet head coach Billy Burke and take a look at the facility.

Set in his mind, his goal is to crack the roster and get as much playing experience as he can. He said, his dream has always been to be drafted into the NHL. At 16 years of age, he would be eligible to do so in two years' time.

Growing up in Bolton, Zingaro began playing in the local house league program at around the age of five before joining the Caledon Hawks rep program at six years old.

"I was a really good forward in the Caledon Hawks in my first year. As a kid I thought I was going to go far," Zingaro said.

"I really liked being a forward and when I got pushed back to playing defenceman I didn't really like it that much. I wasn't confident. After a couple of weeks, I felt like I was the best defenceman out there."

He began modelling his game after Montreal Canadiens captain Shea We-

ber and Los Angeles Kings assistant captain Drew Doughty. He took his talents over to the Brampton 45s, Mississauga Senators, Brampton 45s once more, the Mississauga Reps (recording 10 points in 30 games) and then all the way to the Toronto Titans.

One of the best assets of his game is he is a stay-at-home defenceman and the fact that he might continue to grow. The 16-year-old said his chiropractor believes he will grow another two to three inches before everything is all said and done.

Zingaro has won numerous medals and tournament trophies along the way with his previous teams. He is accustomed to handling high pressure situations and showcases his acumen when it matters most.

With his sister Izabella south of the border playing Div. 1 NCAA women's basketball with the Iowa State Cyclones, Zingaro comes from quite the athletic family.

"When my name got chosen my mom started crying. We were jumping up and down. We did a nice big group hug. We did the same for my sister and I was there with her. It's really exciting we have an athletic family now. My sister is hoping she's going to go far and I'm hoping I'm going to go far."

Zingaro will be joining an Ice Dogs franchise that is still awaiting its first J. Ross Robertson Cup. The Ice Dogs have gone to the finals twice falling to the London Knights in 2011-2012 and 2015-2016.

Last season the team underwent an unsuccessful season carrying an 18-39-5-1 record, good for 19 place overall.

Zingaro hopes to be a part of the next influx of incoming players to make a difference in that.

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Celebrate a good neighbour

As more and more of us are getting vaccinated, Schomberg Main Street patios are filling up and our special little town seems to be thriving. Life is aiming towards some sort of normalcy and more of us can gather, within the safety guidelines and following the dictated protocol.

Saturday, June 26, the beautiful home at 78 Main Street welcomes you to come between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and perhaps share some fond memories. This is the home of Grant and Barb Leonard.

Grant, a lifelong, popular resident of Schomberg and long-time respected, successful farmer and good neighbour of the Hulse and Somerville farming families, sadly passed away recently. This will be Barb's first step into the next chapter of her life. So come by on

the 26 and wish Barb all the best and have a good thought for Grant. If you can, share a memory of Grant with Barb. In the end, our memories are all we really are left with.

We Believe in Abby

We Believe in Abby will be able to host a drive-in movie again this year! The best part that it will take place on Abby's Birthday, June 19.

Our goal is to have a "Abby Pay it Forward Day" on the 19th and provide some local restaurants with some funds to provide a free coffee/meal for random people through out the day, until funds run out. We will be reaching out to different establishments if they would like to participate.

Horticultural Society

The Schomberg Horticultural Society is supporting "The Hope is Growing Campaign" by encouraging all residents, businesses and community groups in King Township to Plant Yellow For Hope! in their flower gardens, planters, boulevards and public spaces.

Check out www.hopeisgrowing.ca

for further information.

Plant yellow for a chance to win a \$25 gift card from a local business. Just take a picture of your yellow masterpiece and submit it to SHSHopegarden@gmail.com anytime before Aug. 31.

It can be yellow vegetables, native plants, perennials or annuals. Just include your name, address and the common and scientific name of the plants. One entry per person. Good luck!

We welcome new members, for membership inquires please send an e-mail to: schomberghortsociety@gmail.com

Schomberg United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

We enjoyed seeing each other so much on our "Goodbye and Thank you to Carol-Ann" Zoom Service, that we asked Rev. Evelyn McLachlan, who is doing pulpit supply for us right now, if she would be willing to do a Zoom Service once a month.

This Sunday (Father's Day) will be a Zoom service at 11 a.m. If you do not have access to a computer, you can still join by phone. You can hear everyone and participate but you cannot see the people. If you are not on our email list, but would like to attend, please let me

know, email Nancy@hopkinson.ca or phone me at 905-859-0761.

Last Monday evening, Rev. Evelyn McLachlan was at Nobleton United Church with orange ribbons for people to tie a ribbon around the front railings to honour the 215 children's graves found by a residential school in Kamloops. Each person read a prayer as they did it. The colour orange is significant because one indigenous child, Phyllis Jack Webstad, had her brand-new orange shirt removed by the residential school authorities and she never got it back.

Phyllis was only six years old. Her grandmother never had much money but managed to purchase this special shirt for her. This was in 1973. We need to honour these lives and keep the conversation going to prevent this type of cultural genocide from happening again.

On Canada Day, July 1, 2-4 p.m., Nobleton United is once again going to set up a stand in front to receive donations for the King Township Food Bank. Last year we raised more than \$1,200. We are hoping to beat that this year. Come dressed in Canada Day colours and celebrate the day with us! Any donation, large or small, is appreciated.

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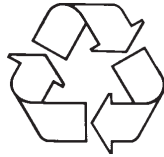
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Hugh Joseph "Tex" Critchlow

Passed away peacefully at Southlake Regional Health Centre Newmarket, on Friday, June 4, 2021. Tex Critchlow at the age of 88 years, beloved partner of Gertrude Williams. Loving father of Bruce Critchlow (Laurie), and Tracey Critchlow (the late Peter). Dearly loved stepfather of Lisa Williams, Cheryl Williams (Stephen), and Denise Williams (Shawn). Grandpa to Tayler, Hailey, Lev, Crystal, Jake, Kaleb, Riley, Keara, and Lauren. Fondly remembered by his brother Ronald Critchlow (Diane). Forever in the heart of Dianne Critchlow, his extended family, and friends. Due to pandemic protocols a private family visitation will be held. Cremation to follow. A Memorial Celebration of Tex's life will be held at a time and date when we can once again safely gather in groups. Please check the Memorial webpage as details become available. Arrangements entrusted to Rod Abrams Funeral Home Tottenham. For those who wish condolences and memories may be left for the family at www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com



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Nobleton Notes

St. Paul's Church
By Linda Blydorp

We welcome you to join us in-person for worship this Sunday. The government has moved up the first step of the reopening of Ontario, and that allows for us to have 15% capacity in our worship space. Masks still must be worn and households are to be kept two metres apart from each other.

Our Pastor, Jeff Loach, has entitled his message "Unaccepted Worship" based on Malachi 2.10 -17. Our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on stpaulsnobleton.ca or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m. You can watch previous services or messages anytime, also on our YouTube channel (youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton).

Is there something we could pray about for you? We have decided to make "Drive-Thru Prayer" a monthly event! This will take place the first Wednesday of the month from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Just drive in to the church parking lot at 5750 King Road, and you will be directed to someone whose honour it would be to pray for you. You don't even

get out of your car for this one. Our next "Drive-Thru Prayer" event will take place on July 7.

All our LifeConnect Groups have taken a break for the summer, but will resume once again in September. Stay tuned for more upcoming information on "A Message for All Time." This is a story of redemption and hope as seen through the life and death of Jesus, and what this abundant life of Jesus offers us in our current times.

St. Mary's Church

As a reminder, the maximum number of parishioners allowed in our churches in accordance with public health regulations is as follows:

St. Patrick's Church - 25 persons, St. Mary's Church - 50 persons.

St. Patrick's and St. Mary's regular Mass schedules for in-person worship have resumed.

Parishioners will be admitted on a first-come, first-served Basis. The church doors will be closed once the 15% capacity is reached. Masks are required on church property. Hand sanitization will be required. Parishioners will be asked to provide their name and contact number upon entering the

church for contact tracing.

Please note, the dispensation from the Sunday Eucharist continues. The elderly, those with compromised immune systems or other health conditions should be encouraged to exercise extreme caution about any outings, including attendance at church.

For those who cannot attend Mass in person, please join us virtually on Facebook and YouTube for our livestream of the 9:30 a.m. celebration of the Sunday Holy Mass. Holy Communion Services will no longer be offered after the 9:30 a.m. Holy Mass. More information can be found in the parish bulletin.

If you or someone you know cannot access the internet and wishes to receive a printed copy of the weekly parish bulletin, please contact the parish office.

If there is anything we can do to support you in these uncertain times, please call the parish office on 905-859-5522 or email us at: stp_stm_church@hotmail.com.

Nobleton King City Garden Club

The garden club will meet Monday, June 28 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. For information on how to register, email us at no-

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Antonio is a market gardener who grows a wide range of specialty and heirloom cut flower varieties and foliage. He employs small-scale/high-output techniques which allow him to grow on nothing more than half an acre. Antonio has been an avid gardener his entire life. As a child his father would set aside a small patch just for him in their one acre vegetable garden; Antonio, however, insisted on growing flowers there instead! As a student he worked as a gardener and landscaper, designing and planting gardens for neighbours and friends.

Roughly 15 years ago, Antonio started a cutting garden of his own. He soon had requests for bouquets from neighbours, then a road side stand, and eventually started taking his bouquets to various farmers' markets around the GTA.

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Hughson, Albert (Al) Earl

It is with both sadness and thanksgiving we announce the promotion of Albert (Al) Earl Hughson on Friday, June 4th, 2021 to heaven. He will be welcomed by his loving wife Marnie (Marilyn Ruth, née Howard), his parents Elma May (née Townsend) and Earl Lonsbury Hughson, and in-laws Elsie Mae (née Carson) and Alan George Howard, as well as countless friends, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Al was born on July 6, 1929 in Woodstock, ON. Growing up in Toronto, he was active in church, school, music and athletic activities. As a young man he worked at A&P and completed an apprenticeship in pharmacy. Al's technical aptitude led him to Normal School where he met his future bride, Marnie, and a career teaching Industrial Arts. Throughout his career at Northview Heights Secondary School, he formed lasting friendships and influenced many lives.

Al lived in King City from 1959 to 2020. He was a member of All Saints Anglican Church, singing in the choir for many years. Since 2017, he enjoyed the excellent care and companionship of Riezel, and Arlene and Lino, who became 'family'. Al spent the last nine months as a vibrant resident of Amica Newmarket. It became home, and he will be missed by many. Al passed his values, faith and interests on to his children and grandchildren - love of the outdoors, the environment, trees and birds, passion for travel across Canada, all kinds of music, choral singing, theatre, the arts, woodworking, fine craftsmanship, respect for all people and cultures, and above all, his deep love for family and friends.

Al leaves his children Cathy (Earl) Rothery, Earl Hughson (Roselyn Meissner), Mary Hughson (James Surowiak), Kim Howard (Bruce Voogel), and grandchildren who loved and adored him: Jordan Rothery (Samantha Schleese), Korina Rothery (Georgy Kapustin), Alex Hughson (Sarah MacGregory), Brent and Laura Hughson, Caleb and Rachel Surowiak, Adam and Jacob Voogel, Nicola and Leisel Meissner. He will be missed by brother and sister-in-law Paul and Darlene Howard, nephews Christopher (Dolly) Howard (Henrik and Viggo), Reid (Rachel) Howard and Ross (Linda) Hughson, and nieces Donna (Bill) Andrus (Stephen, Cathy and families) and Gillian McMaster (Caleb and Sierra Yager). Predeceased by brothers John Hughson and Carson Howard.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Paul Randall for his excellent care and friendship, Haider Meghjee and staff at Guardian Pharmacy and the doctors, nurses and staff at Southlake Hospital for their care and compassion.

Please join the **live stream service on Friday, June 11th at 12:45 pm.** A Memorial party will be held in the future to celebrate together. As you may recall, Al always said "bye for now". His last word was "Celebrate".

Donations appreciated to Al's favorite charities: Doctors Without Borders, The Salvation Army and The War Amps. Live stream link and book of condolences through Roadhouse and Rose, Newmarket ON.

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King's Corners

King City United
By Sheryl Sinka

Thank you to Rev. Dr. Bill Fritz, our guest minister on Sunday, June 13. His message entitled "When You Throw a Party" reminds us to be inclusive and welcoming to all those in our community and in our lives. For the full worship along with previous weeks worships, please visit our YouTube Channel at YorkUnitedMinistries or our website at kcuc.net.

If you or someone you know would like to attend a worship recording please contact Sheryl Sinka at 416-450-0140. With the move to step one of re-opening in the province, we are permitted to have a slightly greater number to attend the recordings. Please let us know if this is of interest.

If you would like emails with the link to the worship please contact the church at kcuc@bellnet.ca to be put on the list for the Sunday morning worship link.

KCUC will be suspending worship for 5 weeks through the month of July. Rev. Lee will be available through this time for pastoral care needs and for pastoral visitation. An online worship option will be available through our website during that month.

The Women's Prayer Circle is still "open for business" and we can still pray together, even if not in person. Although our weekly Tuesday morning meetings at the condo building on Burns Blvd. are still suspended, they will resume as soon as the government rules are relaxed. Meanwhile, if you need prayer, for yourself or a loved one, please call Deana at 905-833-5375 and

your request will be shared by phone with other prayer sisters. Surely we all agree that prayer is needed now, more than ever. Be still and be well.

If you are in need of assistance or have any question please contact the King City office at 905-833-5181.

King Bible Church

Join us on Sunday, June 20 as we're back in-person for our services. We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and You Tube.

Please visit our website to register for our services (we require everyone to pre-register for the service) as well as our in-person dates. We will be meeting in-person every other week while in Phase 1.

Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series The Church Defined: who we are vs. who we should be. Please visit our website for links and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com

We also have virtual Bible studies over Zoom. Further information is on our website under "Small Groups."

If you have any questions please email Lisa Lethangue (lisa@kingbiblechurch.com).

St. Andrew's

By Kathy Patterson

The series on the Fruit of the Spirit with Lynn and Konnie Vissers (Galatians 5:22, 23) will conclude in two weeks. We will then be starting a new series with the Rev. Grant Vissers.

These online worship services have been such a blessing! Join us Sundays at 10:15 a.m. at st andrews-king city.ca Konnie Vissers will be with us this Sunday speaking on the Fruit of Gentleness. Last Sunday Lynn Vissers

spoke about the Fruit of Faithfulness. God is faithful and desires us with His help to be like Him. But did you know that the Greek translation is the Fruit of "Faith?" As we allow Him to change us through the Holy Spirit, our Faith in Him deepens and it becomes evident in our lives.

Following the service we have a "Coffee Fellowship." Grab your coffee and get in touch with Lynn or Kathy at 905-833-0391 if you need the link or have any questions.

Philippians 4:6, 7 says, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Contact Lynn for the Zoom link for our Tuesday morning Prayer Time at 10 a.m. If you wish to join us or just wish to share your concerns or praises please get in touch.

A new Bible Study has started on Tuesday evenings again! We are using rightnowmedia.org Let Lynn know if you need the Zoom link.

Virtual Art for the Soul is on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. This is a safe, comfortable venue where creativity is encouraged using different media. Contact Lynn for the Zoom link. All are welcome.

The King Township Food Bank continues with its safe food distribution each month. If you need more information contact ktfb.ca

Pastor Niyazi or Irada Bilgen of the Greater Grace Fellowship may be reached at 416-878-8499 regarding any updates on their Sunday evening Bible Study.

For pastoral care, call or text Lynn Vissers, Director of Congregational

Ministries at 416-998-4652 or the Rev. Paul Johnston, our Interim Moderator at 705-341-7738.

We continue to pray for you that God's presence of hope, peace, joy and love is experienced every day. He is with us!

Remember to keep in touch, stay safe and If you need support getting your vaccination appointment or need a lift, let us know.

All Saints Anglican Church

By Patrick Gossage

A Prayer for Muslims who are living in anxiety and fear, especially our neighbours at the Ahmadiyya mosque in Maple:

"We pray for the peace and safety of the Muslim members of our community, and for all of those who are regularly targeted for how they look or how they love. We pray that God, our Creator, will shower mercy upon the family murdered in London, bring healing to the hospitalized child, and shelter and comfort to all those who are fearful and hurting."

Fr. Michael based his sermon on Jesus's parable of the mustard seed in Mark 5: "The kingdom of God is like a man who casts seed upon the soil; 27 and he goes to bed at night and gets up daily, and the seed sprouts and grows - how, he himself does not know. 28 The soil produces crops by itself; first the stalk, then the head, then the mature grain in the head.

"Jesus's seed parables in today's gospel encourages us to think of how God is always active. In each seed parable, when he says "The kingdom of God is like this or that."

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Today he deals exclusively in wholesale to high end floral shops in the downtown Toronto area. He is a regular contributor on CTV's Your Morning.

Nobleton and Schomberg United Churches
By Nancy Hopkinson

We enjoyed seeing each other so much on our "Goodbye and Thank you to Carol-Ann" Zoom Service, that we asked Rev. Evelyn McLachlan, who is doing pulpit supply for us right now, if she would be willing to do a Zoom Service once a month. This Sunday (Father's Day) will be a Zoom service at 11 am. If you do not have access to a computer, you can still join by phone. You can hear everyone and participate but you cannot see the people. If you are not on our email list, but would like to attend, please let me know, email Nancy@hopkinson.ca or phone me at 905-859-0761.

Last Monday evening, Rev. Evelyn McLachlan was at Nobleton United Church with orange ribbons for people to tie a ribbon around the railings at the front to honour the 215 children's graves found by a residential school in Kamloops. Each person read a prayer as they did it. The colour orange is significant because one indigenous child, Phyllis Jack Webstad, had her brand-new orange shirt removed by the residential school authorities and she never got it back. Phyllis was only six years old. Her grandmother never had much money but managed to purchase this special shirt for her. This was in 1973.

We need to honour these lives and keep the conversation going to prevent this type of cultural genocide from happening again. The ribbons will stay up until the end of June.

On Canada Day, July 1, 2-4 p.m., we are once again going to set up a stand in front of Nobleton United to receive financial donations for the King Township Food Bank. Last year we raised more than \$1,200. We are hoping to beat that this year. Come dressed in Canada Day colours and celebrate the day with us! Every donation, large or small, is appreciated.

Did you realize that Schomberg's Trisan Centre is being used for COVID-19 vaccinations? One of our members noticed on Mayor Steve Pellegrini's twitter feed that various businesses have been supporting the many volunteers, doctors and staff working at the Trisan by providing a lunch for them. One person in Schomberg organizes these lunches and the businesses pay local restaurants to provide the lunch.

Nobleton United Church will be providing the lunch to the volunteers on July 7 and Nobleton's Cousins Market will provide the lunch.

Nobleton Lions

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. Updates will be shown on the Club's website at www.nobletonlions.com

This year, the Club has embarked on a new fundraising initiative, as Covid protocols prevent us holding functions as in the past. The Lions are holding an online auction with a multitude of items available to bid on. The auction is live now, and runs until June 20.

Calling all knitters and crocheters! The Club has become aware of a need for cozy, homemade slippers at various Ronald McDonald Houses. It seems that people sometimes find themselves needing to stay in close proximity to hospitals when their children require

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Jesus is telling us something about who God is and how God works. In these parables, the kingdom of God has a mind and a will of it's own. In the first parable, once the seed hits the ground, it has a process and a power all of its own - the sower "does not know how" the seed grows, but it does! If the point of the parables is that the kingdom of God is God's initiative, then we should be profoundly relieved, because God's work is God's to do, God invites us to cooperate.

"At a recent clergy conference, our speaker challenged us consider that the time we are in as church is a threshold time. She said it would be a profound mistake to think that once we are revaccinated and back in the pews on a Sunday, things will go back to normal. There won't be a back to normal. We were in a time of transition, before COVID, and we will be after COVID. It's because the overall church has been in decline for a long time. Yet today's gospel gives me hope,

hospitalization on an unexpected basis. Ronald McDonald Houses provide what they can, and here is a chance for us to help them. If you have the time and wool, patterns are apparently available on the internet, for slippers of any size or colour. The Nobleton Lions will collect them and forward them to various RMH's in south central Ontario. For followup details please contact Rick Evans at 1-905-806-9988. Support for this project has been very strong, and the Club, and RMH are profoundly grateful.

because whatever happens in the next decade, or two, or three, is really up to God. That's the point of the parable, that the seed grows where it will. God will be at work.

"There are developments that give us hope for the future of the church. Our seminaries are producing young men and women who will lead the church long after we are gone, in directions and forms we can't imagine. These young clergy can reach people that people like myself, with gray beards, might not be able to reach. New Canadians, from countries where Christ's church is young and strong and growing, are forming congregations and bringing their faith and gifts. Our Diocese includes some of these, like the Ahadi, a Kenyan congregation that my wife Joy works with. I think we'll see more such congregations forming and perhaps sharing our physical space as immigration continues to change King Township.

The unpredictable God of seed and spirit will act, in ways that we may not yet imagine, just as God has acted, from generation to generation, in the church and in Christ Jesus. Amen."

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Being a father is one of the most important jobs in the world. This Father's Day we are thinking of the fathers whom have shared special moments with their children while staying at our hospice. We are thinking of:

The devoted son who never left his father's bedside

The father holding his daughter one last time

Father and daughter saying "Cheers!" to one last beer

The family gathered together by Dad's bedside, rooting for dad's favourite hockey team

WE'RE THINKING OF ALL AMAZING DADS!

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL THE DADS IN YORK REGION.



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