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Lions serve up lunch to volunteers

The Schomberg Lions recently cooked up some great burgers and fixings for all of the volunteers and health practitioners working at the Trisan Vaccination Clinic. Special thanks goes out to Tony at Schomberg Quality Meats for donating the burgers. Since the clinic began in April, the Schomberg Lions have logged more than 600 volunteer hours directing traffic, registering people, and guiding people through the line up. Shown are (l to r) Claire Murphy, Gord Dobson, Peter Valentini, Margaret Anne Smith, Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

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## King urges conservation to lower water bills

In order to reduce pressure on water bills, King Township is encouraging home and business owners to practice water conservation.

Warm temperatures, coupled with a lack of rain, has seen a spike in water usage in King, particularly in Nobleton.

"Outdoor activities, such as watering lawns and gardens, nearly doubles water demand during summer months," said Samantha Fraser, King Township's Director of Public Works. "We're encouraging everyone to play their part in protecting our water supply by practicing water conservation."

In King, houses with odd property numbers may only use municipal water outdoors on odd numbered days of the month and even property numbers may only use water outdoors on even numbered days of the month.

The bylaw applies to using municipal water to water lawns and gardens, washing decks, driveways, patios, sidewalks, vehicles and windows or filling swimming

pools. It is in effect from May 15 to September 30.

Outdoor municipal water-use is allowed between 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

David Boyd, councillor for Ward 2 which includes Nobleton, said there are many ways people can cut down on their water usage.

"If everyone takes steps to conserve water, it will reduce the strain on the system and result in lower water bills," said Boyd. "Simple acts like cutting back on watering your lawn or installing a rain sensor on your automated sprinkler system can have a positive impact on the municipal system and your wallet."

### Water Saving Tips

- If it hasn't rained, water your yard once a week only if needed.

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### UPCOMING MEETINGS

#### COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**Tuesday, September 7**  
6 pm – Public Planning Meeting  
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

**Monday, September 13**  
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](http://king.civicweb.net/filepro/documents)

#### COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

**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](mailto: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>

### BID NOTICES

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

Or visit on the following link  
<https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en>

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Cold Creek Maintenance/Environmental Facilitator (seasonal) – closes July 2 at 4:30PM
- Cold Creek Site Operator (mat leave contract) – closes July 2 at 4:30PM
- Cold Creek Site Operator – closes July 2 at 4:30PM
- Public Works Engineering Technician - Utility Coordination – closes July 2 at 4:30PM

Please visit the Township website at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca) for employment opportunities.

### PUBLIC NOTICES

#### RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX NOTICES

2021 Final Tax Notice  
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PROPERTY TAX NOTICES are due. Please contact Service King at 905-833-5321 or [serviceking@king.ca](mailto:serviceking@king.ca) immediately if you have not received your bill.

#### PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- Pre-Authorized Debit bank withdrawal (PAD) for installment due dates or over a 10 month period
- On-line with your financial institutions
- By Credit Card – Visit the Township Online Services Portal at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca)
- By Mail (Must be stamped and mailed prior to due date and received on time)
- Drop off box located at Municipal Centre, 2585 King Road, King City

Due to COVID the Municipal office is closed and we are not accepting cash payments at this time.

Please see [www.king.ca/propertytax](http://www.king.ca/propertytax) for information on the Township's Tax Relief programs available for COVID related financial hardship and Extraordinary Circumstances.

If paying in person at a financial institution, please present the entire tax notice. When making payments electronically, search for "King" and select Tax, enter your 15 digit roll number with no dashes (i.e. 000123456780000)

**Pre-Authorized Debit Program (PAD):** PAD program is available for Property Tax accounts. The enrolment form is available at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca) (search for "PAD")

To ensure enrollment please apply prior to due date.

The deadline to enroll for the monthly PAD program is December 31, 2021

In accordance with the Township By-law 2021-074 unpaid balances following the due date, a penalty of one and one quarter per cent (1.25%) per month, shall be levied on the first day of the next calendar month following the due date and each month until paid in full.

Please visit our website for details.



#### 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 Drive and MacTaggart Drive.

Curb installation on Holden Drive and on McCutcheon 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](mailto:serviceking@king.ca).

Please see more King Township notices on page 5

### PUBLIC NOTICES



**Due to the constantly changing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects, this information may not be current. Please visit [www.king.ca/covid.19](http://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](http://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](http://www.king.ca), by phone at 905-833-5321 or by email at [serviceking@king.ca](mailto:serviceking@king.ca).
- King Township Public Library remains closed but is offering curbside pickup service. Visit [www.kinglibrary.ca](http://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 Two of its Roadmap to Reopen.

For more information on what Step Two 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

Beginning Friday, June 25, 2021 at 8 a.m. York Region will open approximately 38,000 new COVID-19 vaccines appointments to the following eligibility groups:

- Individuals 18+ who live, work or go to school in York Region and received a first dose of an mRNA vaccine (Pfizer or Moderna) on or before May 30, 2021
- Individuals who received AstraZeneca as their first dose and have chosen to receive an mRNA vaccine for their second dose at an eight-week interval
- All individuals 12+ who live, work or go to school in York Region and have not yet booked their first dose appointment.

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>. King's clinic is scheduled to permanently close on Thurs., July 29.

#### King Township Rural Zoning By-law Review Public Open Houses

King Township is undertaking a review of its zoning for the rural areas of the Township, which are currently regulated by the Township's Comprehensive Zoning By-law 74-53, as amended and the Oak Ridges Moraine Zoning By-law 2005-23 (applying to lands within the Oak Ridges Moraine Area). A **Draft Zoning By-law for the Countryside** has now been prepared and released for the rural areas of King Township. The rural area encompasses the Countryside and Hamlet designations, as well as the Nobleton Village Reserve Lands (shown in yellow, on the map, right). The rural area excludes the urban areas of Nobleton, King City and Schomberg.



All interested persons are invited to join a **Virtual Public Open House** to learn about the proposed Draft Zoning By-law for the Countryside and provide your feedback on the proposed changes.

#### What is a Zoning By-law?

A Zoning By-law is prepared under the requirements of Section 34 of the **Planning Act**. The Zoning By-law regulates the types of land uses and the character, height, location, size and massing of buildings for all lands in the community.

#### Why prepare a new Rural Zoning By-law for King Township?

The review of zoning for the rural area follows updates to zoning in the Township's urban areas (the Villages), through the Nobleton Urban Area Zoning By-law 2016-71 and the King City and Schomberg Urban Area Zoning By-law 2017-66, respectively.

There is a need to review and update the Zoning By-law 74-53 and 2005-23 primarily to ensure that the zoning conforms to local, Regional, and Provincial policy, and addresses the Township's new Official Plan. We are seeking the community's input and feedback on the proposed Draft Zoning By-law for the Countryside.

#### When and where are the Virtual Public Open Houses?

Two Virtual Public Open Houses are being held, each presenting the same material:

**Tuesday, July 20, 2021 | 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm**  
**Wednesday, August 11, 2021 | 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm**

To register for one or both of the Virtual Public Open Houses, please visit <https://speaking.king.ca/rural-area-zoning-by-law-review> to learn more and access the registration page, where you must **sign-up to participate**. You will be able to join the Public Open Houses via a computer or via telephone. The link and phone-in number will be automatically emailed to you following registration.

We will do our best to provide any requested accommodations. Please email or call Kristen Harrison at [kharrison@king.ca](mailto:kharrison@king.ca) or (905) 833-4065 for more information.

#### If I can't make it to one of the Virtual Public Open Houses, where can I find more information?

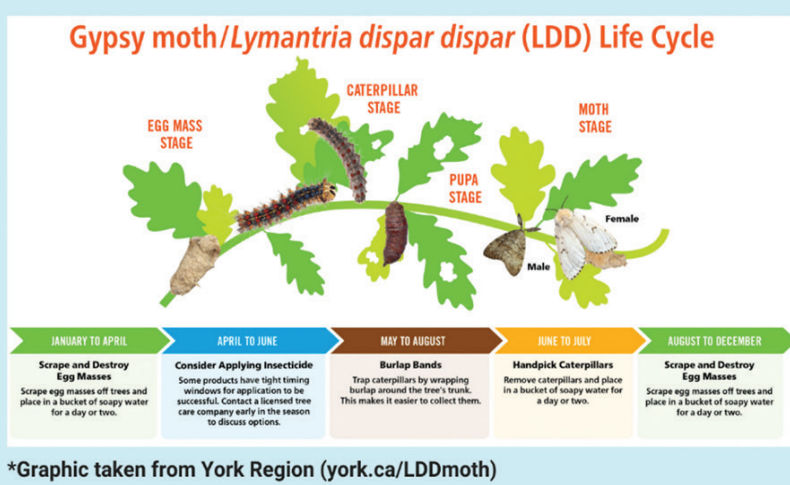
If you are unable to join a Virtual Public Open House, please visit <https://speaking.king.ca/rural-area-zoning-by-law-review> after July 23 to view a copy of the presentation and recording of a Virtual Public Open House.

We welcome all ideas and input into this project. For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, please contact: Kristen Harrison, Policy Planner, Township of King by email at [kharrison@king.ca](mailto:kharrison@king.ca) or (905) 833-4065.

#### 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.

<b>STEP 1</b> To trap the caterpillars, wrap burlap or light-coloured cloth around tree trunk at chest height. Required Supplies: Burlap, string/ twine, bucket with soap & water	<b>STEP 2</b> Tie a piece of rope around the centre of the burlap to secure the burlap in place.
<b>STEP 3</b> 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.	<b>STEP 4</b> 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.



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## More business openings in step 2 of provincial plan

By Mark Pavilonis  
Editor

Canada Day seems fitting to be the first full day of step 2 in the province's reopening plan.

Now open to the public are the following:

- Outdoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 25 people.
- Indoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 5 people.
- Essential and other select retail permitted at 50% capacity.
- Non-essential retail permitted at 25% capacity.
- Personal care services where face coverings can be worn at all times, and at 25% capacity and other restrictions.
- Outdoor dining with up to 6 people per table, with exceptions for larger households and other restrictions.
- Indoor religious services, rites, or ceremonies, including wedding services and funeral services permitted at

up to 25% cent capacity of the particular room.

- Outdoor fitness classes limited to the number of people who can maintain 3 metres of physical distance.
  - Outdoor sports without contact or modified to avoid contact, with no specified limit on number of people or teams participating, with restrictions.
  - Overnight camps for children operating in a manner consistent with the safety guidelines produced by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health.
  - Outdoor sport facilities with spectators permitted at 25% capacity.
  - Outdoor concert venues, theatres and cinemas, with spectators permitted at 25% capacity.
  - Outdoor horse racing and motor speedways, with spectators permitted at 25% capacity.
  - Outdoor fairs, rural exhibitions, festivals, permitted at 25 per cent capacity and with other restrictions.
- "Because of the tireless work of our

health care heroes, and the record setting success of our vaccine rollout, we are able to move into Step Two ahead of schedule (on June 30) with the support of our public health experts" said Premier Doug Ford. "We are proceeding safely with the re-opening of our province and will continue to work around the clock until the job is done."

In order to enter Step Two of the Roadmap, Ontario needed to have vaccinated 70 per cent of adults with one dose and 20 per cent with two doses for at least two weeks, ensuring a strong level of protection against COVID-19. Thanks to the dedicated efforts of Ontario's health care partners, as of June 23, 2021, over 76 per cent of the population in Ontario ages 18 and over have received one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine and over 29 per cent have received their second dose. More than 13.3 million doses of the COVID-19 vaccine have been administered province-wide.

This comes as good news to local businesses and King Township. "I am extremely excited that the Province is advancing step 2 as the COVID-19 numbers in King and York more than warrant it. I encourage all residents to patronize all our local businesses, as now more so than ever, is the

time to 'ShopKing' and support our local businesses," said Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

Before entering Step Two, the province also needed to see continued improvement in key public health and health care indicators, including hospitalizations, ICU occupancy and the weekly cases incidence rates. After entering Step One, during the period of June 11 to 17, 2021, the provincial case rate decreased by 24.6 per cent. As of June 22, the number of patients with COVID-19 in ICUs is 305, including 10 patients from Manitoba, as compared to 450 two weeks ago. The province expects these positive trends to continue over the coming days before entering Step Two.

"Due to a continued improvement in key indicators, Ontario is ready to enter Step Two of our Roadmap, allowing us to safely and gradually ease public health measures while continuing to stop the spread of COVID-19," said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "Thank you to the Ontarians who rolled up their sleeves to help us reach this exciting milestone. Every dose administered brings us one step closer to the things we've missed."

## All adults eligible for second doses

With more than 76 per cent of Ontarian adults having received a first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and over 30 per cent fully immunized, Ontario is accelerating second dose eligibility to all individuals aged 18 and over across the province.

All Ontarians aged 18 and over who received their first dose of an mRNA vaccine are eligible to book an appointment to receive their second ahead of schedule. This will accelerate second dose eligibility for approximately 1.5 million Ontarians.

"Ontario's vaccine rollout continues to pick up speed, allowing us to provide more second doses ahead of schedule while supporting our communities most at risk," said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "All vaccines provide strong protection against COVID-19 and the Delta variant, and I encourage everyone to book your second dose appointment as soon as possible."

The province continues to take action to further protect Delta hot spots by accelerating second doses and expanding second dose coverage. Between June 14 and June 23, more than 1,090,000 doses have been administered to people living in Delta hot spot public health units, and a total of 230,000 additional doses were provided to Delta hot spots for the week of June 21.

This week, provincially supported mobile teams have begun returning to community and workplace sites to support second dose clinics in Durham, Halton, Hamilton, Toronto, Peel and York region hot spots. Two pop-up teams and additional vaccination staff are also helping to accelerate first and second doses in priority communities in Waterloo.

"Thanks to our public health units,

pharmacy and primary care practitioners, as well as employers in hot spot regions, we continue to make strides to increase vaccinations and get more Ontarians fully immunized," said Solicitor General Sylvia Jones. "Vaccines remain the best defence against COVID-19 and its variants and we encourage everyone to get their first or second dose at their earliest opportunity to keep themselves, their families and our communities safe."

Youth aged 12 to 17 who live in a Delta hot spot (Durham, Halton, Hamilton, Peel, Porcupine, Simcoe-Muskoka, Toronto, Waterloo, Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph and York public health units) are eligible to book an accelerated second dose appointment through the provincial booking system, directly through public health units that use their own booking system, and through participating pharmacies.

In all other public health units, second doses for youth remain as they are currently booked at this time. To support a safe return to school in September, the province will be looking to accelerate youth second dose bookings following individuals aged 18 and over.

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

Due to the ongoing success of Ontario's vaccine rollout and continuing improvements in key indicators, the province moved to Step Two of Ontario's Roadmap to Reopen on June 30.

Ontario is confirmed to receive approximately 5.2 million doses of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine and approximately 4.7 million doses of the Pfizer vaccine in June.



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# Editorial, Letters & Opinion

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- Michael Connelly

## Home ownership dreams are fading fast

For previous generations, keeping a roof over one's head was a priority.

For our parents, owning a home, and perhaps a bit of property, was their dream. Many accomplished it with blood, sweat and tears.

In the 1960s and '70s, real estate was still pretty reasonable as were the interest rates. Thirty-year amortization and low-interest mortgages were fairly easy to come by.

I know that my parents purchased their four-acre parcel north of Bolton in 1972 for roughly \$6,000 and had to borrow \$2,000 from a friend.

They built their custom bungalow for roughly \$35,000. The home, family and good part of all of our lives grew and blossomed on that very spot.

I grew up there and have nothing but fond memories. Perhaps, after a lottery win, I could make an offer on the place to the current owners.

My wife and I were lucky enough to purchase our first home in Bolton, an end-unit townhouse. There, we lived happily and raised two of our children. When we decided to move up, we waited patiently, and snatched up a home when the owners were ready.

At the time it seemed almost unattainable, but with the sale of our first home, and a little extra from the sale of my mom's house, we made the giant leap. We've been in our current home since 2009, enjoying our tiny bit of relative paradise.

We're still chugging along, month by month, year by year.

We pay our taxes and utility bills. We have insurance. But as the cost of living, groceries, car insurance and other necessities continues to soar, our economic might dwindles. We work to live.

We could sell, downsize and rest easy and go somewhere else, but where?

I'm reminded of a great quote from Star Trek: The Wrath of Khan:

"McCoy: Where are we going?"

"Kirk: Where they went."

"McCoy: Suppose they went nowhere?"

"Kirk: Then this will be your big chance to get away from it all."

The way things are going, our "big chance to get away from it all" involves the whole family cramming into a motorhome or yurt.



Mark Pavilons

Recent surveys paint a pretty bleak picture on homeownership in the GTA.

According to a recent RBC survey, 36% of non-homeowners under 40 have given up on the dream of owning a home. Roughly 62% of Canadians say most people will be priced out of the housing market in the next decade.

"The road to home ownership isn't always easy and the last year has created both challenges and opportunities for home buyers," said Amit Sahasrabudhe, Vice-President, Home Equity Financing, Products and Acquisitions, RBC. "Potential homebuyers need to look at their personal financial situation as well as the current economic environment as both can have a big impact on the ability to purchase a home."

When it comes to purchase intention, despite 54% of Canadians polled saying it is a sellers' market (up from 41% last year, highest since 2009), there is a large increase in Canadians who are considering buying a home in the next two years (30%, up 8% from 2020). This rises to 49% for those respondents under 40 years of age and 66% for new Canadians who have been in the country less than five years.

According to the poll results, interest rates and concerns that homes will become less affordable are key reasons why many Canadians are considering buying sooner. In fact, 41% of Cana-

adians surveyed are thinking about buying a home sooner because of low interest rates and 61% believe home values will only go up in the immediate future. Four-in-five Canadians also continue to see housing as a good investment (83%) and the majority say it is better to buy than rent (56%).

According to CREA, the average house price in Ontario Canada was \$864,159 as of February 2021.

For those who currently own a home, 15% of respondents consider themselves to be "house poor" now.

Raise your hands if you're in this group!

That exact adage of asset-rich, cash-poor has been going on for more than a decade now.

It's funny really, our emphasis on owning a home, with a yard, maybe a garden, fence and deck. In many parts of the world, home ownership is not even part of the picture. In Europe most rent apartments or flats that are passed on from generation to generation. In developing nations, owning anything is but a pipe dream.

My daughter volunteered abroad

on several humanitarian missions. She made some friends in Rwanda and still corresponds with them. When she showed them a couple of photos of our home they asked if this was a hotel in our village. They also wanted to know just how many families live there.

This is proof positive that our homes are too big for our needs.

Forget about carrying a home, the downpayment itself has become a major barrier.

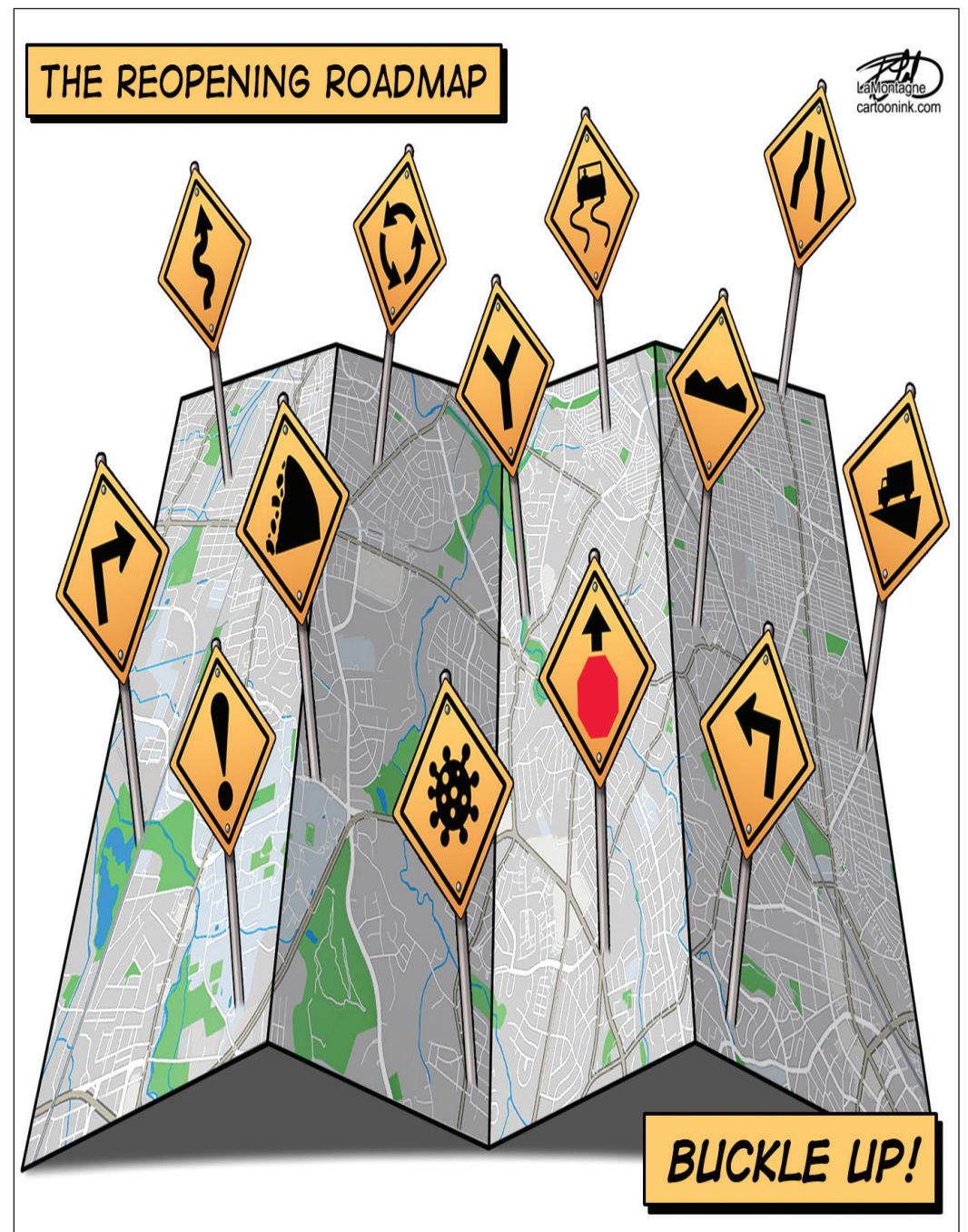
I fear there could be a mass exodus from this province, even our country, if this trend continues.

I found that a retired couple can live well in several European countries for roughly \$1,800 per month. Cab rides are roughly \$5 to anywhere in the city; a nice dinner for two costs \$30 and you can get a tooth pulled for \$50.

What are we doing wrong here? We've become slaves to our own self-fulfilling economic prophecy.

The time will come when an entire generation will either revolt, give up, or simply break free and adopt a new lifestyle.

None of these are very reassuring.



## King Township lowers flags to honour lives lost in residential schools

King Township lowered its flags to half-mast on June 25 to honour the children who lost their lives at the Marieval Indian Residential School in Saskatchewan, their families, and the countless others who never returned home from residential schools across Canada.

The flags will remain at half-mast for 751 hours – equivalent to 31 days – symbolizing the lives lost at the Marieval Indian Residential School.

King's flags had recently been lowered to honour the 215 children whose remains were discovered at the Kamloops Indian Residential School.

"Our thoughts are with the Indigenous communities who are mourning these devastating losses and grappling with the ongoing effects of residential schools," said a statement from the Township.

**Quote of the Week**

*"True compassion means not only feeling another's pain but also being moved to help relieve it."*

- Daniel Goleman

**Trivia Tidbits**

*Ilegible hand-writing is called griffonage.*

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Results from last week's poll:  
**Have you had, or do you have and appointment for your 2nd vaccine dose?**

a) Yes  84%

b) No  16%

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

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION**

Do you think Montreal will win the Stanley Cup?

a) Yes  
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**Notice of Passing of Zoning By-law Amendments And Official Plan Amendment #98**

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of King passed the following Zoning By-Law Amendments and Official Plan Amendment #98 on the 28th day of June, 2021 under Sections 34 and 17 of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990:

<p>Zoning By-law Amendment (By-law # 2021-036) Re: TG Nobleton LP &amp; Crisdan Holdings Inc., 13450, 13500 and 13580-13582 Highway 27, Nobleton, ON  Planning Division Report No. GMS-PL-2021-012</p>	
<p>Zoning By-law Amendment (By-law # 2021-069) Re: Molly's Market 13054 Keele St., King City, ON Planning Division Report No. GMS-PL-2021-024:</p>	<p><b>Location Map</b></p>
<p>Zoning By-law Amendment (By-law # 2021-071) Re: Maple Daycare 13121 Keele St., King City, ON Planning Division Report No. GMS-PL-2021-25</p>	<p><b>Location Map</b></p>
<p>Official Plan Amendment #98 (By-law # 2021-072) and Zoning By-law Amendment (By-law # 2021-073) Re: Rotundo, 2000 &amp; 2008 King Rd., King City, ON Planning Division Report No. GMS-PL-2021-026</p>	<p><b>Location Map</b></p>

Any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT") in respect of any of these by-laws by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of King not later than the **19th day of July, 2021** a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection, together with a filing fee **per application** being appealed, in the amount as specified on the OLT website ([www.olt.gov.on.ca](http://www.olt.gov.on.ca)), along with a cheque for \$231.00 per application being appealed, payable to the Township of King representing the Clerk's Department 2021 Administrative processing fee. Should this date fall on a holiday or weekend, you will have until 4:30 p.m. of the next business day to file your appeal. If you wish to appeal to the OLT a copy of an appeal form is available from the OLT website at [www.olt.gov.on.ca](http://www.olt.gov.on.ca). Please note the Tribunal will only accept filing fee payments by **certified cheque or money order**.

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

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the Zoning By-law Amendment was passed or Official Plan Amendment was adopted, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the Council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT"), there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

Comments received from the public and considered in the preparation of each by-law were summarized and included in the respective Growth Management Services Department, Planning Division Recommendation Reports listed above. The Notices and the Explanatory Notes for each Zoning By-law Amendment and Official Plan Amendment #98, and the Planning Division Recommendation Reports are available on the Township's website [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca).

DATED at the Township of King this 30th day of June, 2021.

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- Always have a water source such as a garden hose or bucket handy
- Don't set off fireworks in a strong wind
- Choose a wide, clear site away from all obstacles

**Remember...**

- Gatherings are limited as per Provincial Orders: max 25 people
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**Canada Day**

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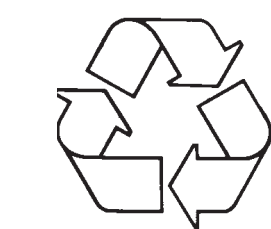
Every summer, outdoor activities such as watering lawns and gardens nearly doubles water demand.

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Keep your lawn and garden healthy while saving water at the same time:

- Use a rain barrel as a source of water to keep plants hydrated
- Water your lawn only once a week if it hasn't rained
- Add a layer of mulch to your garden to keep soil moist
- Sweep your driveway instead of washing it
- Follow your municipality's Outdoor Water-Use Bylaw

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[king.ca/waterrestrictions](http://king.ca/waterrestrictions)

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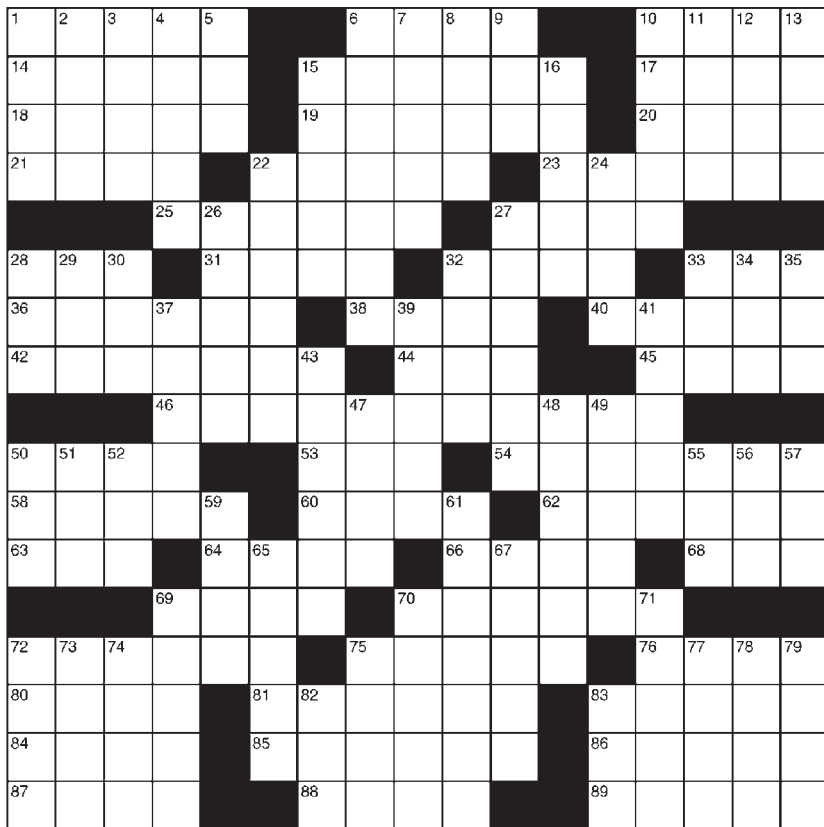
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**ACROSS**

1. Evade
6. Retired
10. Formerly, of old
14. Greek marketplace
15. Minister
17. "\_\_\_; Warrior Princess"
18. Baking and bread-making need
19. Blazing
20. Anjou or Bosc
21. Period
22. Coveted chalice
23. Clear of silt
25. Cell-out?
27. Comet feature
28. Hoodwink
31. Baby cow
32. Divide
33. Hog's home
36. Long-legged shorebird
38. Distantly
40. Scary
42. Tout's client
44. Fired (up)
45. Gold leaf
46. Magician's word

**DOWN**

50. Woe!
53. \_\_\_ Beta Kappa
54. Allow back in
58. Renaissance fiddle
60. "A Whiter Shade of \_\_\_"
62. Hold superficially
63. Athens vowel
64. Assist a burglar
66. Geometry points
68. Certain legume
69. Shadowbox
70. Brave
72. Universe
75. \_\_\_ being
76. Bit of lemon peel
80. On the sheltered shore
81. Pollen-bearing organ
83. Flavor
84. Moon trench
85. Tea variety
86. Eat
87. Dunce
88. A legal wrong
89. School theme

2. Eye suggestively
3. Postern
4. Sourpuss
5. Maize unit
6. Forage crop
7. Disprove
8. Of a time
9. Without much light
10. Kick out
11. Clarinet accessory
12. Hitch
13. Weight allowance
15. December song
16. \_\_\_ waxwing
22. Cheese \_\_\_
24. Ceremony
26. Sour
27. Mongol
28. Crow's call
29. Future chicks
30. "Holiday Inn" drink
32. Settled up
33. Indian title
34. "\_\_\_ There Was You"
35. Besides
37. Quit
39. Toss about
41. Mild oaths
43. Coolio, e.g.

47. Informal talk
48. Warning signal
49. Diameter components
50. "You \_\_\_ My Sunshine"
51. Say yes to
52. "L.A. Law" group: abbr.
55. Broom's kin
56. Strong resentment
57. "TV Guide" abbr.
59. Guitar attachment
61. Range coil
65. Choir member
67. Short ape?
69. Refine, as metal
70. Funny-bone tickler
71. Despot
72. Businessman's ID
73. Melange
74. Merchandise
75. Saint's headwear
77. Epic poetry
78. Bicarbonate of \_\_\_
79. Three, in poker
82. Kid
83. Date regularly

**Solution on page 19**

# Budget crunch means it's time to bring sky-high pay down to earth

By Jay Goldberg  
Interim Ontario Director  
Canadian Taxpayers Federation

Comment

While thousands of Ontario teachers are receiving six-figure salaries, a budget crunch at the Ministry of Education means it's time to bring their sky-high pay down to earth.

A report released by the Ontario Financial Accountability Office shows a \$200 million funding gap between what the province has budgeted to spend on education and what actual costs will be for this fiscal year.

That gap will widen to \$2.9 billion by 2029-30. And the 2021 Ontario budget has already committed the province to increase education spending by an average of \$356 million per year over the next decade.

Even though the Ford government is increasing its already bloated budget, the opposition parties are demanding even higher spending.

A Liberal government would spend an additional \$12.3 billion to meet the funding gap and add an extra \$8 billion over the next five years, announced leader Steven Del Duca.

"Ford is shortchanging our children's future," said Del Duca.

Far from shortchanging students, Ontario is also already the biggest spender in the country on education. Ontario spends an average of \$17,000 per student each year, while other large provinces like British Columbia and Quebec spend \$9,600 and \$12,300, respectively. If Ontario spent as much money per student as British Columbia, Ontario would save about \$5.4 billion per year.

Billions of dollars in new spending cannot be the answer to every policy problem. Ontario currently has the highest subnational debt in the entire world, having passed the \$400 billion

mark earlier this year.

With a \$33.1 billion deficit and no plan to balance the budget until at least 2029, Ontario should look to find savings elsewhere within the education budget rather than pursue an even bigger increase in spending.

Over 71 per cent of Ontario's education budget goes toward paying teachers and education bureaucrats, meaning taxpayers are already spending \$22 billion on salary and benefits this year.

A five per cent across-the-board pay reduction would eliminate the funding gap.

Many workers outside of government who were fortunate enough to keep their jobs have taken major pay cuts during the economic downturn. By contrast, union agreements ensure that all full-time teachers have been receiving annual raises.

In Ontario, 23 per cent of teachers are making over \$100,000 per year. The number of teachers making six-figure salaries doubled last year, reaching a total of nearly 30,000.

Those numbers don't even factor in the generous benefits and gold-plated pensions the government gives teachers, never mind the fact that teachers work 74 per cent of workdays each calendar year.

With hundreds of thousands of Ontarians still out of work and pandemic job losses overwhelmingly concentrated in the private sector, it's time for teachers to share in the burden.

Asking teachers to take a five per cent pay cut is more than reasonable. Many in the private sector have endured far worse.

To address the funding gap, Ford should ask teachers to live in the real world with the rest of us, help shoulder the burden and take a pay cut.

# Scuglia is new board director

The Board of Trustees of the York Catholic District School Board (YCDSB) is pleased to announce the appointment of Domenic Scuglia as their new Director of Education, effective Aug. 1.

Scuglia is a seasoned educator and senior leader with a passion for student success and a clearly demonstrated commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion. He is currently Director of Education for the Regina Catholic School Division, a position he has held for five years. Mr. Scuglia will be returning to York with his appointment, having spent 34 years working here as a teacher, department head, vice principal and principal, before leaving to take on his current role.

"As a board of trustees, we are thrilled to welcome Mr. Scuglia back to York Catholic as Director of Education," said Dominic Mazzotta, Chair, Board of Trustees. "He is a proven leader within Catholic education in this country and a consensus builder who is not afraid of having tough conversations. He is a faith-filled Catholic with strong financial acumen and a strategic mind set. Mr. Scuglia is a champion for equity, human rights and social justice who will help ensure our Board continues to move forward in this regard."

"I am humbled to be given the opportunity to work alongside the Board of Trustees and the senior leadership team to continue offering and improving the quality Catholic education that York Catholic provides to its students. I am filled with joy to be returning home



after spending five wonderful years in Saskatchewan, and I am looking forward to reconnecting with staff, students and families in the next school year," said Mr. Scuglia

Scuglia was chosen following a rigorous recruitment process that included postings through several senior education organizations such as the Ontario Catholic Supervisory Officers Association (OCSOA) and Council of Ontario Directors of Education (CODE), as well as a number of diverse BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Colour) education organizations including the Alliance of Black School Educators and the First Nations Education Administrators Association.

Prior to taking on his current role, Scuglia served at York Catholic as a vice principal at Father Michael McGivney Catholic Academy in Markham.

# The King

## 7-Day Weather Outlook

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# Consultation launched on federal seniors' policies

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

Seniors are too often victims of not only physical and sexual abuse, but also neglect, psychological or financial abuse, often perpetrated by a person in a position of trust.

The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated these harms by further isolating many seniors. Yet there is no one accepted definition of senior abuse in Canada or around the world, hampering collaboration, data collection and progress against this scourge.

At an event organized by CanAge, Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario and the Canadian Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse to mark World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, Minister of Seniors, Deb Schulte, announced the launch of consultations with experts, stakeholders and Canadians on a definition of senior abuse. The creation of a federal policy definition of senior abuse will support more consistent and informed awareness and prevention activities, data collection, as well as program and service delivery.

An online consultation portal will be open until the consultation concludes on July 22.

The government held two virtual national roundtables, hosted by Minister Schulte, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada David Lametti, and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Seniors Stéphane Lauzon. Five virtual regional roundtables will be hosted by Parliamentary Secretary Lauzon, in collaboration with the National Seniors Council. The regional roundtables will ensure that diverse voices from across Canada are represented.

After the consultations, a "What we heard" report will be released and a draft definition will be circulated to partners for feedback before the definition is released.

The consultations build on recent federal investments to combat senior abuse. Justice Canada has provided more than \$800,000 through its Victims Fund to support public legal education

information projects with nine organizations to produce materials that are specifically designed to reach seniors, and those responsible for their care, on the issue of senior abuse and neglect.

Budget 2021 invested \$50 million for the Public Health Agency of Canada to design and deliver interventions that promote safe relationships and prevent family violence, including elder abuse. Senior abuse was also discussed at the recent virtual stakeholder symposium, "The Future of Aging in Canada," hosted by the Federal/Provincial/Territorial Ministers Responsible for Seniors Forum.

"Senior abuse has harmed too many older people in Canada for too long, and more people are at risk as the population ages. The Government of Canada is working to strengthen how we combat senior abuse in all its forms. The creation of a federal definition is a foundational part of those efforts, and we look forward to receiving feedback from the public, experts and partners on this important issue," said Minister of Seniors, Deb Schulte.

"The Government of Canada considers all forms of abuse and neglect of seniors to be very serious issues and we are committed to ensuring seniors are protected. Creating a federal definition of senior abuse will improve the tools we have at hand to better the lives of our seniors. We must take care of seniors across the country and ensure that their needs are met," added Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, David Lametti.

"Seniors are too often victims of not only physical and sexual abuse, but also neglect, psychological or financial abuse. Our government is committed to ensuring the safety of seniors. The creation of a federal policy definition will provide a shared understanding of senior abuse across the federal government to support culture change and public awareness in support of efforts to prevent senior abuse," Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Seniors, Stéphane Lauzon.

Seniors are the fastest-growing demographic age group in Canada. By 2030, the number of seniors is expected

to reach 9.6 million, representing close to one quarter of Canada's population.

The National Seniors Council's 2018-2021 work plan focuses in part on identifying measures to reduce crimes and harms against seniors, with a particular focus on financial abuse, fraud and scams.

Federal, provincial and territorial (FPT) Ministers Responsible for Seniors Forum met to discuss key priorities and meaningful ways to support current and future generations of older Canadians. The meeting was co-chaired by Minister of Seniors, Deb Schulte and Minister of Seniors and Housing for Alberta, Josephine Pon.

The ministers shared measures under way in their respective jurisdictions to support seniors in Canada, particularly in light of the major impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on seniors. The ministers also discussed a report commissioned by the forum that addresses social isolation among older adults during the pandemic. The report will be available on the Forum's

website in the coming months.

The ministers also agreed on priorities for the Forum going forward over the next three years. The Aging in Community and Ageism priorities will be carried over. Three new priorities were added that include the role of technology to enhance aging in place; senior abuse, and supportive housing for a diverse seniors population.

The ministers will reconvene this fall for the next meeting of the FPT Ministers Responsible for Seniors Forum.

"The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have a disproportionate impact on seniors, and it has underscored how our quality of life depends on all levels of government working together. To that end, the provinces, territories and federal government came together to learn from each other and advance our common goal of making Canada a better place to live and age. I am grateful to my colleagues for their collaboration and partnership," Schulte added.

## Bloomington Station will offer more options for commuters

By Brock Weir

Local commuters will have more options to get on the GO with the grand opening of the new Bloomington GO station.

The new station, which is located on Bloomington Road just west of Highway 404, serves the Richmond Hill Line and will offer more options to get to Toronto's Union Station and anywhere else on the line.

"We've reached an incredible milestone with the completion of the new Bloomington GO Station, a major transit stop that extends the Richmond Hill line further north," said Ontario Transportation Minister Caroline Mulroney last week. "By helping to better connect communities, we're keeping our promise to build accessible, modern transit infrastructure that drives economic growth and spurs jobs and housing opportunities across the Province."

The opening of the station, which includes nearly 1,000 parking spots over a three-level parking structure and is expected to alleviate some of the day-to-day pressures faced at the Aurora Station, was greeted enthusiastically by Aurora-Oak Ridges-Richmond Hill MPP Michael Parsa.

"The opening of Bloomington GO Station is a game changer for those living in areas of Richmond Hill and Aurora," he said. "This new station has close proximity to Highway 404 and will be a vital transit hub and a new home base for riders to travel directly into Toronto."

The new station will extend the existing Richmond Hill line by nearly five kilometres past the Gormley GO Station. In addition to train service during the morning and afternoon rush hours, 17 GO Buses will serve the route every weekday.

The station's entrance is 668 square feet and has a large glass roof atrium allowing for natural light. Elevators and ramps will allow full access to all four levels of the station.

# HAPPY CANADA DAY!



Please follow all public health guidelines to help keep our communities safe.



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## Ottawa joins Ontario in making investments in GTA transit

The Ontario government is welcoming a new federal funding commitment of \$10.7 billion to support the delivery of the province's multi-billion plan to build four priority subways.

Ontario's bold \$28.5 billion transit plan for the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), which already included a commitment of nearly \$17 billion from the province, marks the largest subway expansion in Canadian history with the all-new Ontario Line; a three-stop Scarborough Subway Extension; the Yonge North Subway Extension; and the Eglinton Crosstown West Extension.

The funding announcement was made local MPP Caroline Mulroney, Ontario's Minister of Transportation, and Catherine McKenna, Federal Minister of Communities and Infrastructure. They were joined by Kinga Surma, Ontario's Associate Minister of Transportation (GTA); Mary Ng, Federal Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade and Member of Parliament for Markham-Thornhill; Toronto Mayor John Tory, Markham Mayor Frank and York Chair and CEO Wayne Emmer-son.

"Our government, under Premier

Ford's leadership, is delivering on our bold plan to provide people with access to better, more reliable and more seamless rapid transit. We are getting people where they need to go, when they need to get there," said Minister Mulroney. "By having the federal government come to the table in this historic partnership, we are moving full steam ahead on building these projects that our residents need today and for future generations."

The combined subway projects will support over 16,000 jobs during the construction period, and by 2041, will have a total daily ridership of over 620,000 with almost 400,000 people within walking distance of a new transit station.

"Our government has never wavered from its election promise to deliver these four priority subway projects for the families and businesses of the Greater Toronto Area," said Associate Minister Surma. "This federal investment marks our united front to build a truly connected transit system that will generate significant benefits to the local, regional, provincial and national economy over the decades to come."

Through this federal funding commitment under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, Canada will contribute \$10.7 billion, to Ontario's four nationally-significant, multi-billion dollar subway projects.

In May 2020, Ontario signed a landmark Preliminary Agreement with York Region that will help significantly expand the subway network through the delivery of the Yonge North Subway Extension.

In February 2020, Ontario signed the Ontario-Toronto Transit Partnership Preliminary Agreement with the City of Toronto to deliver on the unified plan to significantly expand and modernize the subway network across the Greater Toronto Area.

In July 2020, the Building Transit Faster Act became law, providing the province with the tools to expedite the planning, design and construction process of the four priority transit projects.

"Transportation continues to be the predominate issue for York Region residents. The TTC Yonge North Subway Extension to the Richmond Hill/Langstaff Urban Growth Centre is a critical part of both York Region's transportation system and the transit network of the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area. An infrastructure project of this

magnitude will bring thousands of jobs and support the economic recovery of our communities brought on by a global pandemic. On behalf of York Regional Council and York Region's 1.2 million residents, we applaud the Government of Canada for their commit-

ment to fund 40 per cent of this vital transportation project. We also thank the Ontario government and all levels of government for support in advancing the delivery of the Yonge North Subway Extension," said Chair Emmer-son.

## OFA welcomes new minister

The Ontario government announced a shuffle in its cabinet, resulting in several key members and ministerial positions changing hands. A notable change impacting the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) and its members is the departure of Hon. Ernie Hardman as Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. Hon. Lisa Thompson will take over the reins leading the agriculture and rural portfolio in Ontario.

With the next provincial election approximately one year away, Ontario Premier Doug Ford restructured his cabinet resulting in eight elected officials moving ministries, seven newly appointed ministers and five moved out of cabinet.

"We thank Premier Ford for his continued support of the agri-food sector by appointing strong, valued leaders to champion agriculture and rural communities," Peggy Brekvel, OFA president.

"As we collectively embark on a new path with Hon. Lisa Thompson as Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, OFA would like to acknowledge and recognize the significant contributions of Hon. Ernie Hardman as a champion of the industry and our rural communities. Minister Hardman was a true advocate for agriculture and rural Ontario and understood the importance of our sector to the entire province.

"We engaged regularly with Minister Hardman over the past few years and wholeheartedly appreciate his passion for agriculture and his desire to see our dynamic industry grow, innovate and move forward."

"We wish him the best of luck in his future endeavours and appreciated our time working together for the betterment of Ontario agriculture."

OFA has built a solid relationship with Minister Thompson during her tenure in cabinet and as a Member of Provincial Parliament. The organization worked closely with her last year while serving in her previous role as Minister of Government and Consumer Services. Minister Thompson was a key

partner in addressing OFA's concerns with the Not-for-Profit Corporations Act (ONCA) and the potential negative impacts on our democratic structure.

"Minister Thompson has a valuable understanding of farm and rural issues and has a direct connection to those communities," said Brekvel. "We look forward to working alongside her to grow the industry and continue to focus on the priorities and opportunities that will stimulate economic growth for all Ontarians."

Additional high profile moves within cabinet include Dave Piccini taking over for Jeff Yurek as the new Minister of Environment, Todd Smith appointed as Minister of Energy, Kinga Surma assumes the role of Minister of Infrastructure and Greg Rickford receives a merged role as the new Minister of Northern Development, Mining, Natural Resources, along with Indigenous Affairs. This new ministry will focus on economic growth, development and sustainability in northern Ontario.

A change in leadership within the government offers the opportunity to engage new ministries, MPPs and staff to better understand the vital role the agri-food industry and rural communities have in producing economic prosperity for the province.

"OFA looks forward to reaching out, building a relationship and having a conversation about the importance of considering regulations and policies that impact agriculture from all perspectives."

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

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# Hudson's Bay picks up Artist Approved makeup line

By Robert Paul

Everyone has a dream growing up whether it be to become a professional athlete, an actor, an astronaut, or anything in between, but few actually get to see those dream come to fruition.

For Mercedes Gubert, she didn't want to see her dream fall by the wayside, so she worked at it for years and let passion motivate her until she found success and now, she's living her dream.

Nearly 10 years ago, Gubert made the decision that has set her up for success today, she started her own beauty business, Mercedes Lee Beauty. Her business offers luxury makeup, lash extensions, and hair services throughout Caledon and the GTA through in-home, on-site, or in-studio services for her clients.

Her goal was always to help people look and feel their best in their most important moments and from there she's only taken it up a notch.

Gubert recently found out that the Hudson's Bay would be picking up her cosmetic line – Artist Approved – and selling it in stores. The born and raised Caledon resident had always dreamed of going into the beauty industry and one day owning her own business, now she's seeing it all payoff in ways she could have only imagined as a star-eyed kid with a dream.

"I've always been passionate about the beauty industry, and it started from an early age, so my dream was always to start my own beauty brand," she said. "But first I knew I had to get into the makeup industry somehow so I ended up going to Sheridan (College) for cosmetic techniques and management."

She didn't wake up one day and have success sitting there for her, she knew she would have to take the reins and so she worked at it and saw an opportunity to start something she thought was lacking in the industry she loved.

"Once I graduated, I actually opened up my own makeup and hair team for weddings and special events," she said. "From doing all of the weddings and building up my clientele, I felt there was almost a lack of clean beauty products in the industry, so I decided to start up my own brand and cater to customers that want a very quick and easy make-up routine."

Gubert has been living her dream running her own business but reaching

a milestone like this one made all her hard work justified as she's starting to get the recognition she deserves.

"It's been great," she said. "I started eight years ago now and I launched this beauty brand in December of 2018, so it's been pretty exciting because it happened fairly quickly to get it into a huge department story like the Hudson's Bay."

When she found out that her cosmetic line would be going into a store as highly regarded as the Hudson's Bay, Gubert was at a loss for words as she reflected on everything it took to get to this point in her life.

"It was definitely jaw-dropping, especially because I actually worked in the Hudson's Bay Companies jewellery department when I was going to school in college," she said. "To now actually have my own brand in the Hudson's Bay is incredible, it's been a crazy journey."

She thinks what makes her makeup products desirable in a crowded market are that they're essential products that are easy to use while remaining clean and cruelty-free. As for which of her cosmetic products the Hudson's Bay will be selling, just about everything you can imagine.

"I have all different makeups – lipstick, lip glosses, lashes, makeup brushes – as well as skincare products right now," she said.

Finding the motivation to work at this wasn't difficult for Gubert because there was never anything else she'd rather be doing.

"It's funny because from a young age I've always had some sort of an entrepreneurial drive," she said. "From a young age I always knew I wanted to work for myself, I wanted to open up my own business, and I've always kind of had that in the back of my mind. So, I always knew that there was something better out there for me than your typical 9 to 5 job and having that passion really helped me to excel in my career."

If you asked her 10 or 15 years ago if she saw herself having this type of success so soon, it would be hard for her to fathom.

"I thought that I was going to just maybe do this on the side and maybe get into something else—I thought I'd maybe go into interior design," she said. "I always knew I wanted to do something creative, but I never thought that it was

going to get to where it is today."

It's always nice to stop and smell the roses, but Gubert already has her sights set on the next goal and she doesn't think she'll ever feel finished and that's part of the reason she's made it as far as she has already.

"My future goal and the goal that I'm really trying to hit eventually—which I think is going to be a difficult one because the beauty industry is so compet-

itive—I would love to get my products into Sephora Canada, that's definitely my next dream," she said. "I don't think I'll ever be finished, there will always be a next thing that I want to do."

To see Gubert's makeup products from Artist Approved and the hair and makeup work she's done through Mercedes Lee Beauty visit [mercedesleebeauty.com/](https://mercedesleebeauty.com/) or find it on Instagram @mercedesleebeauty.

## Consumer Savvy

### Breathe easier with new air purifier

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

Homeowners are more concerned with the quality of their indoor air, the air families breathe.

There are many models of home air purifiers on the market today, and a new arrival has upped the ante.

Instant Air Purifier is a sleek, modern, floor model that does way more than its small stature would imply.

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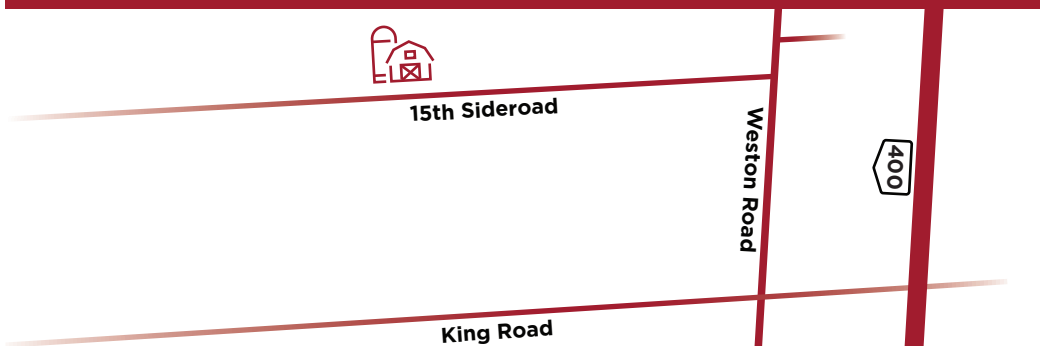


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# Arts & Entertainment

## McMichael gallery names its new Indigenous Garden

The McMichael Canadian Art Collection has premiered a video commemorating the official naming of the Minokamik Garden, known previously as the Indigenous Garden.

The Garden was planted by local community members and school groups from the York Region District School Board. The name Minokamik, chosen in consultation with Elder Shelley Charles, Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation, refers to the good earth, the first scent of the new soils of the spring renewal. It represents the coming together of people from all nations in the restoration of Indigenous plants and creating new interconnected relationships in our mutual stew-

ardship of the earth and our extended family relations.

The Minokamik Garden represents the McMichael Canadian Art Collection's commitment to restoring the land on which the Gallery sits, along the traditional Carrying Place Trail adjacent to the Humber River Valley, to its native fauna, promoting biodiversity and providing a space for environmental education. The design of the garden is based on the traditional Anishinaabe teachings of the Four Directions and includes plantings of sage, pearly everlasting, wild strawberry, sweetgrass, tobacco, and red bee balm among other species.

The garden is located in the McMi-



chael Sculpture Garden. The McMichael's official video, celebrating the naming of the Garden, is on social media platforms, in the ArtFlash eNewsletter, and on mcmichael.com.

The event was held to celebrate the naming of the Minokamik Garden at the McMichael Canadian Art Collection and to acknowledge the natural, historic and cultural heritage of the Humber River Valley. The McMichael Canadian Art Collection is located on the original lands of the Ojibwe Anishinaabe People.

It is uniquely situated along the Carrying Place Trail which historically provided an integral connection for Indigenous people between Ontario's Lakeshore and the Lake Simcoe-Georgian Bay Region.

As an institution, the McMichael recognizes the importance of acknowledging the original territories of the Ojibwe Anishinaabe First Nations people and other Indigenous nations.

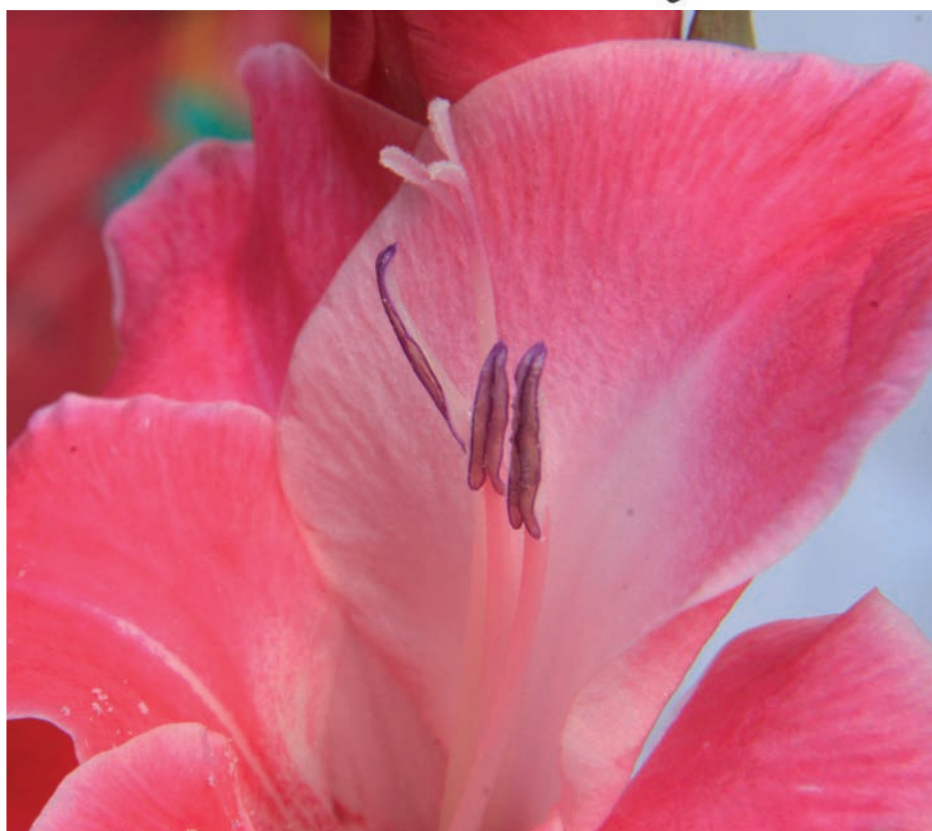
The McMichael Canadian Art Collection is an agency of the Government of Ontario and acknowledges the support of the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries, and the McMichael Canadian Art Foundation. It is the only major museum in the country devoted exclusively to Canadian art.

In addition to touring exhibitions, the McMichael houses a permanent collection that consists of more than 6,500 works by historic and present-day Canadian artists, including Tom Thomson, the Group of Seven and their contemporaries, Indigenous artists and artists from the many diasporic communities.

The Gallery is located on 100 acres of northern landscape and hiking trails at 10365 Islington Avenue, Kleinburg, north of Major Mackenzie Drive in the City of Vaughan. For more information, please visit mcmichael.com.

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## A Timeless Tale well told

Arts Society King's recent writing contest revealed plenty of talent for writing in York Region. The excerpt that follows is from the judges' favourite in the 18 to 101 age category and was inspired by the photo of a coupe with its backseat door mysteriously left ajar.

**Neighbourhood Watch**  
By Shelby Molyneaux

"Gerald, they're back!" I shout to my husband, knowing that he probably doesn't have his hearing aid in again. That man will be the death of me, if not these delinquents across the pond.

"What's that?" He shouts back at me from the kitchen.

"The men with the cars are back! Come here and look, you ninny."

I can hear his heavy feet clomping across the kitchen floor before I see him enter the living room, his finger digging in his left ear. "What's all this, then? Why're you shouting?"

I sigh, exasperated with the man who refuses to wear his hearing aid, knowing full well that he can't hear a damned thing without it. But he'd rather be upset with me for mumbling or never having told him something, than admit he's getting old. "Those hoodlums that've been up to no good at the pond, they're back." I pull back the curtain enough that he can see, but not wide enough that the men across the pond will notice us spying through the window. Well, not spying really, that's what Gerald calls it. I like to think of it more as monitoring.

To read the whole story, link onto [artsocietyking.ca](http://artsocietyking.ca).

An anthology of the contest entries is in the works and will be in print by August. Writers who have not yet contacted the editor about publication should please email [doritapeer@bell.net](mailto:doritapeer@bell.net).

# Bethell Hospice was boosted by fundraiser

By Rob Paul

Every year for the last 11 years, Bethell Hospice has hosted a hike that attracts people from all over Caledon and surrounding areas to participate in an effort to raise funds for essential programs and services.

In 2020, the hike had to adapt to circumstances of the pandemic, but still was able to raise over \$95,000. That was the first virtual hike they had hosted, and it was a trial-and-error type of situation – between 2019 and 2020 the hike was able to raise a combined total of over \$265,000 for the Bethell Hospice Foundation.

“All of the proceeds go to support the programs and services at Bethell Hospice so that anyone accessing either the residential care or any of our community programs can do so at no cost to themselves or their families,” said Bethell Hospice Associate Director, marketing and communications, Julie Hymers.

This year with plan to prep, the virtual hike was able to kick off on Sunday, May 2, to coincide with the beginning of National Hospice and Palliative Care Week and participants were able to go on their virtual hike anytime and anywhere until May 31 to participate.

With the shift to virtual this year, the hike was even able to include animals to help bring attention to the cause while allowing for some extra cute social media posts.

There were teams led by dogs like Hymers Miniature Australian Shepherd, Ariel, and others led by a plethora of farm animals, like the Barnyard Team from Riverdale Farm, led by

Heidi the miniature donkey and supported by Thomas the Nubian goat, Emma and Krissy the Haflinger horses, and Muppet the Plymouth Rock Hen.

With less opportunity for fundraisers over the last 15 or so months due to COVID-19 restrictions, Bethell Hospice needed the virtual hike to attract even more support than normal to help ensure their programs can remain free to those in need. They need to raise over \$1 million per year to continue to provide free services to the community

Luckily, Hymers and staff were positively overwhelmed by the amount of support that was given from Caledon residents and beyond and pleasantly surprised with how willing people were to buy into the virtual aspect.

“We were just thrilled with the outpouring of support for this year’s virtual hike,” she said. “Registered hikers were able to pick up their hike kits via curbside pickup at Bethell Hospice and leave us messages and photos for our memory board. We held our opening ceremonies online on May 2, followed by a week dedicated to the hike, and closing ceremonies on May 8. Throughout the week, people completed their hikes throughout the community, and some even chose to hike every day during the week.”

Overall, the hike attracted huge numbers which in turn led to the virtual hike nearly doubling last year’s total raised and allowed them to blow by their goal of raising \$125,000.

“Thirty teams participated in this year’s virtual hike, as well as a number of individuals who were not part of a team. In total, there were

163 participants hiking for Bethell Hospice, including a number of first-time hikers, and many first-time donors. Our community really came out and supported the hike in full force, and we could not be more grateful. We had our most successful year ever, raising over \$180,000 in support of Bethell Hospice programs and services.”

Not only did people take to social media to show off their fun on the virtual hike, but the vast majority of participants reached out to Bethell Hospice to show their commitment to a needed staple in the community. The hike being virtual also lent itself to people getting creative and even some from across the country hopping in to show they care.

“We encouraged people to share photos of their virtual hikes with us and were really excited to see all the creative ways people found to get involved,” she said. “While most people completed a traditional hike or walk, some participants chose to cycle, or even scale a rock-climbing wall, in support of Bethell Hospice. We even had some teams taking advantage of the virtual format by having family members participate from as far away as Vancouver.”

Having free services to those in need like the Bethell Hospice, is something the Caledon community has come to know, but it’s clear it’s not taken for granted either. The flurry of support through the virtual hike was huge for helping Bethell Hospice keep everything going as smoothly as they can in a year as tough as this last one.

The programming being offered has even gone up a notch with a need

for extra support for many in the community and Hymers is thankful they’ve been able to be there and will continue to be there for the people of Caledon.

“Throughout the challenges of COVID-19, Bethell Hospice has continued to provide outstanding palliative care to residents and their families,” she said. “The demand for our community programs has also increased exponentially, as people isolated during the pandemic reached out for counselling, grief and bereavement support in record numbers. Fundraising during a pandemic is a real challenge, when in person events cannot go ahead, but the need for hospice services are greater than ever. The support of this year’s virtual hike shows how much our community values Bethell Hospice, and how it stepped up to make sure our care could continue. We could not be more grateful.”

Though the virtual hike is in the rearview mirror, fundraising continues at Bethell Hospice through events such as the monthly 50/50 online raffle and through personal donation.

“People can go online to our website and buy tickets with 50 per cent of the proceeds supporting Bethell Hospice programs and services directly and the other 50 per cent is the price for the individual,” said Hymers.

Those who wish to donate to Bethell Hospice can do so at <https://bhf.akaraisin.com/ui/bhfdonations/donations/start> and for more information on the monthly 50/50 raffle and upcoming fundraisers visit <https://foundation.bethellhospice.org/category/upcoming-events/>.

## Hometown Heroes profiled

Earlier this year, King Township asked citizens to tell them about people, organizations or businesses that are making a positive impact on the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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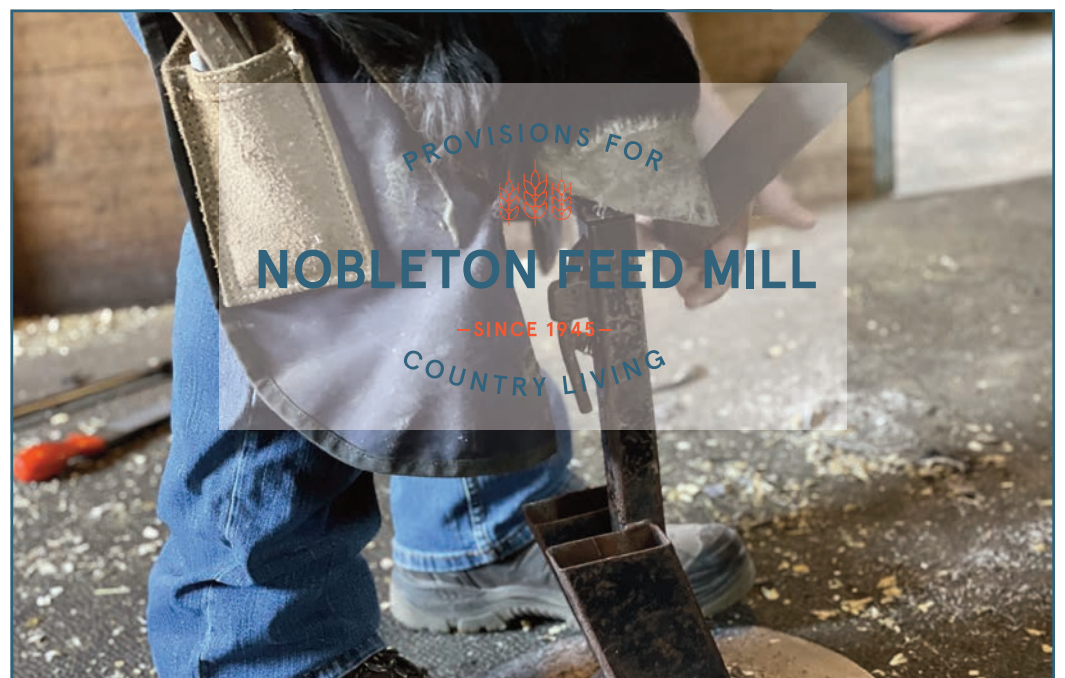

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Members of the congregation planted a "heart garden," consisting of 215 paper heart flowers.

This gesture initially took place at Rideau Hall as part of the closing ceremonies of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in memory of "children lost to the residential school system, to honour residential school survivors and their families and (to) support the legacy of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission."

Other churches also paid their respects and made tributes by reading prayers and messages, planting a tree, and also establishing even more "paper gardens."



  
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## Aurora students win first ever Canada Cup

By Robert Belardi

Grades 5 and 6 students from École élémentaire catholique Saint-Jean won the first ever FLL Canada Cup this past year.

The team named Équipe Francobotique, won the national robotics competition in their second year as a team, in the First Lego League Challenge Program.

The program is offered to children from grades four to eight and each team may have up to nine to 10 members. Last year, 318,000 students participated.

Each year's competition has a theme and the 2020-2021 season entitled Re-play, focused on helping people become more physically active. Équipe Francobotique, designed a multi-challenge rewards-based motivational program called COVID BUSTER. Participants of all ages from all over Canada completed challenge in one of four age groups in order to earn badges in both a winter and spring edition.

After creating a robust plan for their innovation project solution, the team pitched their COVID BUSTER project to Franco De Marco, Supervisor of the Recreation and Community Programs at the Town of Aurora. The Town loved the team's idea and helped spread the word on social media. The team partnered with the Aurora Public Library to distribute the program materials to their participants and used donations, and a \$1,000 Culture and Recreation grant from the Town of Aurora to provide their physical activity program to participants free of charge. Instead, patrons were asked to donate to a local food bank.

"It was amazing to see these six young students work together to identify a problem in their community, and then not only develop but also implement their solution to their chosen problem. Their hard work and creative problem solving impacted so many people," said Renée Northrup, head coach and teacher at École Secondaire Catholique Renaissance.

The team then designed and programmed their robot fully out of Lego while simultaneously helping the community. Their robot, had to complete 16 missions in 150 seconds. The robots



Danielle Northrup, Amelie Heng, Kaiah Sanderson, Claire McWhinnie, Thomas Patterson and Suzanne Northrup celebrate their Canada Cup victory with their robot they named Kevin.

compete against one another at FLL Challenge tournaments and the teams present the design to the judges.

"The game mat and missions change every year. The students must look at the missions critically, decide which missions to complete and in what order, and then build and program their robot to do it. Time is tight, so every second counts," explained Northrup.

After participating in the Ontario Remote Practice Event, the North Bay Qualifying Tournament, and the Ontario Provincial Tournament, Équipe Francobotique earned the top score in the robot game at the Canada Cup. The finished their challenge with 550 points.

They also won the Champion Award at the national tournament, awarded to the team that earned the best results overall in all four categories: Innovation Project, Robot Game, Robot Design and Core Values.

With this victory, this gives École élémentaire catholique Saint-Jean

their first ever national title.

"I have to tell you that it's pretty remarkable and it's quite an honor! They worked very hard throughout the year and they were able to surpass themselves and achieve their goals. What a great accomplishment!" said principal of the school, Melanie Lafreniere.

"In addition, they have represented

the Francophone community in the region very well. The Saint-Jean school community is very proud of these young innovators."

Suzanne and Danielle Northrup, Kaiah Sanderson, Amelie Heng, Claire McWhinnie and Thomas Patterson celebrated together in Aurora. They also gave the name Kevin to their robot.

## Ontario Summer Games move to 2024

By Robert Belardi

The 2020 Ontario Summer games that was postponed and scheduled for the summer for 2021 will now be moved to 2024, the provincial government confirmed in a press release.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, London, Ontario was the host city and the government confirmed it still will be in three years-time.

In this shift and rescheduling, the press release confirmed the city will receive a "hosting grant" of \$1-million dollars.

On June 22, Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries Lisa Macleod made the announcement.

"While disappointed that this event has ultimately resulted in cancellation due to the pandemic, we fully support this decision. London was looking forward to hosting this event again, and we appreciate the province providing us with the opportunity to do so in 2024," Director of Sport Tourism and Tourism London, Zanth Jarvis said in the release.

It was expected this summer the games were to host 3,400 participants across 19 sports over four days. All athletes are between the ages of 12-18. There were going to be north of 700 volunteers and \$5 million dollars was projected to be generated in economic activity.

The games normally take place every two years. London previously hosted the games back in 2018 that featured 21 sports over the August long weekend.

Majority of these athletes use this competition in preparation for international affairs.

In a time where the Olympics are just on the horizon, the province decided it was in their best interest to postpone this kind of an even due to the pandemic.

But with health measures slowly opening up and stage two of reopening set for June 30, young athletes will most likely have the opportunity to resume matches once again before the end of the summer.

For now, with the Euros, NHL and NBA playoffs smothering sports lovers' television screens there is still plenty to be excited about as the summer rolls along.

## Disc Golf course another step closer

By Robert Belardi

Aurora Town Council agreed to continue looking into opening a disc golf course in the town.

According to the motion, council members and staff are expected to report back in October.

This proposal was first introduced back in February, by Jeff MacKeigan, his business partner Cara Hovius and Aurora resident and disc golf player Todd Billo.

MacKeigan and Hovius were responsible for installing a beginner-friendly disc golf course at Marilyn Bell Park and in Scarlett Woods in Toronto.

They have received venerable remarks from Toronto Mayor John Tory and touching comments from the local patrons for the course they have built. Council was very impressed with their presentation and loved the mere fact that anyone is able to play disc golf at any time and at any point throughout the year.

MacKeigan said that many players, play disc-golf at night by installing lights on the disc. It is also a sport that can be played in the winter as well.

Typically, to install a disc golf course, MacKeigan explained it does not need to be constructed on a flat piece of land.

"Disc golf is incredibly diverse. We've played in disc golf courses in the middle of the forest, we've played in Iceland, we've played in Hawaii, we've played in Arizona, we're going to a course on the weekend that is hidden away in a forest," MacKeigan said.

"One of the things that we pride ourselves on is developing a course that

will have various topographical features that will be available for us."

A beginner disc golf course would range between half-an-acre to one full acre per hole. MacKeigan and Hovius suggested to begin small to test how the community would react to the newest addition.

Working with over six designers across Canada areas that have boomed with the development of disc golf courses include Windsor, Thunder Bay, Sudbury, Whitby, Oshawa, Barrie, Midland and others.

The growth and the demand for disc golf course is encouraging many patrons to get out and get active in a COVID friendly space.

One of the areas that lacks disc golf courses is of course York Region and MacKeigan and Hovius would like to change that.

"I think it would help that sense of hope and excitement that's in the air right now. It would allow the community to rally around something and get them excited about," MacKeigan said.

"For a long time, people have been inside and afraid to read the news. I guess it's time for people to get up and have something to cheer about."

Following a unanimous decision from council and Mayor Tom Mrkas, council will review this further.

MacKeigan and Hovius are optimistic and hope the time to speak about this comes a lot sooner than expected. They would love to provide an inclusive activity to get the community involved. For them, it's all about the people. And whatever it takes to make them happy.



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# Ottawa says Iran fully culpable for downing of PS752

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

Canada is standing firm that Iran takes full responsibility in the downing of Ukraine International Airlines Flight 752, and will strongly pursue all avenues for reparations.

That vow came from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau last week, when The Canadian Forensic and Examination Team released its report.

“Canada will negotiate reparations with eyes wide open. Should negotiations with Iran not result in an acceptable outcome for Canada on behalf of the families, we will pursue all available options, including recourse to the International Court of Justice,” Trudeau said.

The conclusion is clear, according to the Prime Minister: “Through their decisions, actions and omissions, Iranian civilian and military authorities bear full and complete responsibility. Flight PS752 was shot down due to their recklessness, incompetence, and wanton disregard for human life.

“We continue to mourn the 176 precious lives lost, including 55 Canadian citizens, 30 permanent residents, and 53 others with ties to Canada.”

He said he’s met with many passengers’ families who live with “unfathomable grief.”

“Let us be clear: The Forensic Team has analyzed the information at its disposal, from public sources and classified intelligence, with professionalism and skill, but only Iran has full access to the evidence, crash site, and witnesses. The onus is on Iran to provide definitive answers about all aspects of this tragedy.”

While indicating Iran takes full responsibility, Ottawa stopped short of saying this was an intentional act, despite evidence.

Nobleton’s Shahin Moghaddam, who lose his wife and son in the tragedy, said the government is ignoring key evidence which suggests this was indeed, intentional.

“The final report published by the fact-finding team was nothing but a translation and interpretation of the final report of the terrorist regime of Iran,” he said. “(Your) government is a disgrace to all Canadians and played with remain PS752 families. You did not even recognize the Ontario court’s

ruling that the crime was terrorist act.

“It is a shame that after a year and a half, this awful and baseless report was published by Canada based on the complete lies of the Islamic Republic.”

Moghaddam said he’s repeatedly asked the authorities (ministers) during these 18 months, whether they believe that the shooting of the Ukrainian plane was terrorist act and intentional or not? Officials dodged the question.

According to the Forensic Team’s report, Iranian authorities positioned anti-aircraft systems on high alert near a civilian airport, without implementing basic protections like closing Tehran’s airspace or notifying airlines. All planes flying into or out of Tehran’s airport that night were at risk, including the four that took off immediately before PS752: Qatar Airways Flight QR491, Turkish Airlines Flight TK873, Atlas Global Flight KK1185, and Qatar Airways Flight QR8408. In fact, the totality of available information leads the Forensic Team to conclude that Iran tracked multiple targets but could not differentiate between passenger aircraft and legitimate threats.

“The report demonstrates that Iran’s official account of events is disingenuous, misleading and superficial, and intentionally ignores key factors. The downing cannot be conveniently blamed on a few junior personnel. Senior regime officials made the decisions that led to this tragedy, and the world must not allow them to hide with impunity behind a handful of low-ranking scapegoats.”

Trudeau said the families and loved ones of the victims deserve a full explanation of Iran’s dangerous and deliberate choice to keep its airspace open, and a full accounting of the Iranian military’s training and command and control procedures for anti-aircraft operations. Iran must also account for the cover-up that followed the downing of Flight PS752, including bulldozing the crash site before investigators arrived.

“Iran owes these answers to the victims’ loved ones so they can have a measure of closure. And Iran owes these answers to the world, because without them, no country, airline or passenger can have confidence in the safety of Iranian airspace.

“While we continue to press Iran for these answers, Canada will work close-

ly with our partners in the International Coordination and Response Group to pursue reparations in accordance with international law. This includes a complete accounting of the events that led to the downing, along with concrete assurances of non-repetition. As well, Canada will demand just compensation for the harm caused to the victims, their families and the affected states.”

Moghaddam wonders how the Canadian Government can claim that there is no evidence that the shooting down of PS752 was an intentional act when the Iranian Final Report confirms that a TNT explosion occurred inside the cockpit.

Moghaddam said he personally delivered to the RCMP a voice recording of Iranian officials discussing the plan to shoot down the plane prior to the event. He wants to know what has become of it, and why no mention was made.

“Why is there nothing about satellite details about how many (missiles) there were and where they were placed?”

Moghaddam says the government is “playing with words.”

This flight, he pointed out, was the only one that night with 99% originally Iranian passengers.

He says the government skirted around the issue and didn’t take a firm stand against Iran.

History will be the final judge, he pointed out.

Ottawa says Canada will also continue working with international partners to improve investigative protocols for shootdown situations, and to advance the Safer Skies Initiative to better protect passengers from the risk of flying in or near conflict zones. To this end, funding in Budget 2021 will allow Transport Canada to make permanent Canada’s Conflict Zone Information Office, which fills a global need by monitoring emerging conflicts and issuing alerts to civilian aircraft. In addition, we are endeavouring to build consensus at the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) to strengthen the Annex 13 framework to ensure greater investigative scrutiny, independence, and impartiality when civilian aircraft are shot down. Canadian representatives have already raised these matters with ICAO’s Council President and Secretary General.

The report references official Iranian reports on the downing of Flight PS752

including a thorough analysis of Iran’s Final Report issued on March 15, 2021.

“Nothing in Iran’s official reports was taken at face value.”

The Forensic Team also benefitted from discussions with and material provided by several family members of the victims of Flight PS752.

“Without all of these contributions, we would have been unable to shed light on the facts as we know them. It is my hope that our work will help the families in some little way on their difficult journey to reconciling their unimaginable grief,” said Jeff Yaworski Head, Forensic Examination and Assessment Team.

“I want to emphasize that only Iran has full access to the evidence, the crash site, witnesses, and those ultimately responsible. It therefore remains incumbent upon Iran to provide a full and credible accounting of the events so that the families and loved ones of the victims may finally know the truth about what happened to Flight PS752. Iran must also provide assurances to the international community that this tragic event will never happen again.”

In the report’s summary, it says that Iran’s final report “falls well short of providing a credible explanation of how and why an Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) surface-to-air missile (SAM) downed Flight PS752.

“The Forensic Team’s report draws upon an extensive body of information to deliver an account of the factual sequence of events that led to the tragedy. It also examines the full range of human and organizational factors that likely contributed to the downing and presents analysis that either substantiates, questions, or dispels Iran’s assertions. The findings and conclusions in this report are based on a comprehensive analysis of the reports produced by the AAIB and other publicly available information, and have been validated by consulting information collected by the Government of Canada, including classified information.”

“Iran’s explanation to date, including its Final Report, is evasive and presents a highly selective explanation of events. Its claims are not substantiated with evidence. Iran’s account lacks context and fails to address the full breadth of causes and contributing factors that led to the downing.”

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# King offers tips to help reduce water consumption

From Front Page

- Add a layer of mulch to your garden. It keeps the soil moist and helps keep weeds out.
  - Use rainwater to help keep plants hydrated when the weather is hot and dry.
  - Direct sprinklers away from your driveway or sidewalk.
  - Install a rain sensor on your automated sprinkler system to be sure your system is off when it rains.
  - Take your car to a commercial car wash instead of washing it in the driveway to save water and prevent chemicals and pollutants from entering storm sewers.
  - Check your pool and hoses regularly for leaks.
  - Sweep your driveway instead of washing it. This can save about 35 litres of water per minute.
- Summer water restrictions help:
- Reduce infrastructure demands: if we reduce the amount of water we use during peak hours (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.), we prolong the lifespan of our current infrastructure and helps manage operational costs.
  - Maintain a reliable water supply: a reliable water supply helps ensure drinking water reserves, adequate water pressure and fire protection. By reducing our use of treated water during peak hours, water will be there when we need it.
  - Support environmental sustainability: the water used outdoors from sprinklers, hoses, and driveway car washing runs off into storm sewers on your street. It can pick up all sorts of pollutants along the way. Contaminated water that goes into our storm sewers flows directly into Lake Ontario without being treated. Reducing outdoor water use can reduce the pollutants that end up in our drinking water source. Plants, wildlife, and aquatic animals need a clean lake, too.

## Schomberg United Church

By Nancy Hopkinson

The Food-less Food Drive is returning to Nobleton United Church on Thursday, July 1 (Canada Day) from 2 to 4 p.m. Please consider celebrating Canada Day as you give thanks and offer help for those who need just a bit extra by making a monetary donation for the King Township Food Bank (KTFB). Rev. Evelyn hopes to see you there! Remember your mask and wear your red/white if you can.

Last year, Mayor Steve Pellegrini dropped in with a contribution. MP Deb Schulte not only made a contribution, but came armed with ice cream sandwiches, which was very welcome on that very hot day. People from both Schomberg & Nobleton Churches and members of the community dropped in with contributions. Last year the Drive collected over \$1,200 for the Food Bank. Can we surpass that this year?

Rev. Evelyn McLachlan has been supplying videos and a printed sermon for most of June, but agreed to host a Zoom service at 11 a.m. once a month.

Her very first Zoom service was on June 20, Father's Day. It was a great success. Rev. Evelyn had asked members of the church to supply photos of their own Dad or their husband who is a Dad. Her husband Earle Laycock put the pictures together in a very nice slide show for us all to enjoy. We enjoyed seeing: each other, the Winter family lighting the Christ candle, Linda Olsen doing a scripture reading, Dennis playing the piano and of course Rev. Evelyn with her inspiring message.

The next Zoom service will be on Sunday, July 25, 11 a.m. We will be celebrating communion, so have bread & wine (or juice) available! Our churches will be closed for August, so no videos or services will be sent or held then. The Zoom service for the fall will be Sunday, Sept. 12, 11 a.m., with Rev. Ev. Let us know if you would like to be included in the email blast that sends all the info out.

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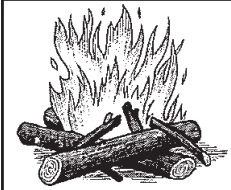
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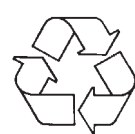
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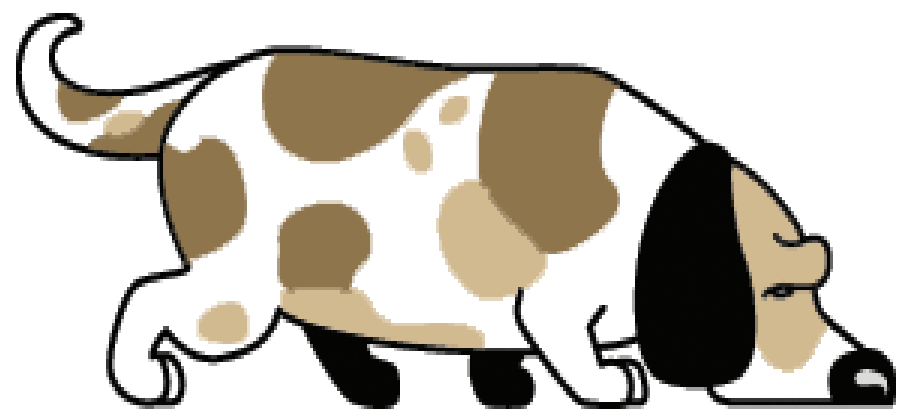
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By Linda Blydorp

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, "Cheating God" based on Malachi 3.6-15. Our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on [stpaulsnobleton.ca](http://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](http://youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton)).

Is there something we could pray about for you? We will be continuing our "Drive-Thru" prayer event the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Just drive on in 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 Wednesday, 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**

We are so happy to welcome you back to St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Church for our regular Holy Mass Schedule.

We hope to see more parishioners safely returning back to the celebration of the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass.

For those unable to attend Holy Mass in person, please join us online every Sunday for the livestreamed celebration of the Sunday Holy Mass at 9:30 a.m. from St. Patrick's Church, Schomberg.

Visit us on our FB page.

Zoo Camp on Zoom for kids and families - Join us for summer games, songs and dance, crafts and to learn more about our Catholic faith in a fun and kid-friendly environment with children from our neighboring parishes. For more details text or email Zephania at 905-830-2644 or [zgangl@archtoronto.org](mailto:zgangl@archtoronto.org).

Virtual Escape Room- June 26 at 7 p.m. Life Teen Parish Youth Group: Calling all Teens Grades 7-12 to join our Life Teen - Life Night on Zoom. For Zoom link please contact our Youth Minister Zephania: 905-830-2644 or [zgangl@archtoronto.org](mailto:zgangl@archtoronto.org).

Holy Rosary Group: Don't forget to join us every Monday at 7:30 p.m. to pray the Holy Rosary on Zoom - dial in 647-558-2588 and use meeting ID:980 5411 8568#.

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](mailto:stp_stm_church@hotmail.com).

We will be checking emails and phone messages periodically as the Parish Office will remain closed to the public until further notice.

You may continue to request Mass Intentions, Roses for Our Lady of Guadalupe devotion, as well as weekly Sanctuary Light Offering and intentions. Please contact the parish office with your request.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family during these uncertain times.

**Nobleton United Church**  
By Nancy Hopkinson

The Food-less Food Drive is returning to Nobleton United Church on Thursday, July 1 (Canada Day) from 2 to 4 p.m. Please consider celebrating Canada Day as you give thanks and offer help for those who need just a bit extra by making a monetary donation for the King Township Food Bank (KTFB). Rev. Evelyn hopes to see you there! Remember your mask and wear your red/white if you can.

Last year, Mayor Steve Pellegrini dropped in with a contribution. MP Deb Schulte not only made a contribution, but came armed with ice cream sandwiches, which was very welcome on that very hot day. People from both Schomberg & Nobleton Churches and members of the community dropped in with contributions. Last year the Drive collected over \$1,200 for the Food Bank. Can we surpass that this year?

Rev. Evelyn McLachlan has been supplying videos and a printed sermon for most of June, but agreed to host a Zoom service at 11 a.m. once a month. Her very first Zoom service was on June 20, Father's Day.

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### 708 OBITUARIES

**Clarke, John Edward**

Peacefully at Mackenzie Health on Friday, June 25, 2021 in his 101st year. John, beloved husband of the late Margery. Loving father of Jean (John), Raymond (Brenda) and Alan (Jewel). Pop will be lovingly remembered by Christine, Stuart, Julie, Jason (Paulina), Christopher (Jacquie), Jamie and great grandchildren Chantel, Devon, Charlotte, Mary, Emma, Rhea, Thomas, Amilia, Malachi, and Jeremiah.

Due to the Covid restrictions, a private family service will be held. If desired, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated. Online tributes may be made at [www.marshallfuneralhome.com](http://www.marshallfuneralhome.com)

### 708 OBITUARIES

**Sherrer: John Edward Joseph**

Suddenly at his home, Bradford, on Saturday, June 19th, 2021. John Sherrer, in his 78th year, beloved husband of Elaine (Brett). Loving father of Geoffrey (Bettyanne), Gordon (Sylvie), and William (Kathy). Cherished Papa to Rebecca, Kelly, Sophie, Sara, Jean, Nicholas, James, and Christopher. Fondly remembered by his many brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews. An invitational family Mass of Christian Burial was held in St. James Church, Colgan on Saturday, June 26th, 2021 followed by interment in St. James Cemetery, Colgan. Donations in John's memory to the Knights of Columbus would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to Rod Abrams Funeral Home, Tottenham, 905-936-3477. [www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com](http://www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com)

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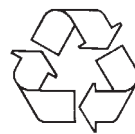
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**King Weekly Sentinel**

# King's Corners

**King City United**  
By Sheryl Sinka

For the full worship along with previous weeks worships, please visit our YouTube Channel at YorkUnitedMinistries or our website at kcuc.net.

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 and these can be arranged through the church office. 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, July 4th 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). We will be meeting in-person every week while in Phase 2.

Pastor Mark will begin our new sermon series Cross Fit! Please visit our website for links and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com

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

## St. Andrew's

By Kathy Patterson

The Rev. Grant Vissers (Knox Presbyterian Church, Waterdown) will provide our July sermon series on 5 Big Questions many have about Christianity, starting July 4 with "What about all the evil done in the name of Christianity." Join us Sundays at 10:15 a.m. at st andrews-king city.ca. Lynn's sermon last Sunday looked at the last Fruit of the Spirit - Self-Control. God helps us when we humble ourselves and allow Him to produce these fruits in our lives.

Grab your coffee and join "Coffee Time" following the service. Get in touch with Kathy at 905-833-0391 if you need the link or have any questions.

Tuesday morning Prayer Time will not be meeting over the summer, but know that we are praying for you. 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."

The Bible Study on Tuesday evenings will reconvene in the fall. We are using one of the studies from rightnow-

media.org Let Lynn know if you need the Zoom link.

Virtual Art for the Soul on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. will be taking a hiatus over July and reconvene in August. We are also planning for an Art-in-the-Park program for school-aged children! We're looking at the 4th week of August. More information to follow!

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 their Sunday evening Bible Study.

For pastoral care while Lynn is on vacation, please call the Rev. Paul Johnston, our Interim Moderator at 705-341-7738 or one of the Elders.

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

We are planning our re-opening for September 12 all going well. We'll keep you posted!

## All Saints Anglican Church

By Patrick Gossage

In Person worship resumes. Beginning Sunday, July 4, we can attend 8 a.m. services with masks in the chapel and the 10:30 a.m. service outside around the new gazebo with social distancing. Worshippers are not required to wear a mask if outdoors. If the weather is inclement, we will gather inside the church, wearing masks.

Curbside strawberry Social Saturday, July 3, 2 to 4 p.m. Package includes 2 Scones, Rhubarb/Strawberry tart, Strawberry Jam, and fresh local Strawberries. Please book by phone at 905-

833-5432. Payment by donation.

Fr. Michael spoke from Mark 5's story of Christ healing a woman: "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

"I want to talk about Jesus's miracles of healing, how we receive healing in our own time, and how they show us something of the kingdom of God. Today's gospel offers two stories of Jesus' healing powers. The first story of Jairus's daughter is interrupted by the story of the healing of the woman. This pairing of stories leaves an overall impression of great grace, power, and mercy.

"Let's acknowledge that some of us may have difficulty accepting these miracles. For some who have suffered much there can be a gap between the hope and promise of these stories and the reality of lives that are limited.

I am immensely respectful of prayer groups, like the one we have at All Saints, people who regularly take up the challenge of praying for those in dire situations. Often, they don't see their prayers answered. Yet these prayer warriors persist, with patience and faith.

Faith - such a simple and yet elusive word, as Jesus says to the woman with the hemorrhage - "your faith has made you well"? Would we see more healings if we were more faithful?"

Jesus's ministry is not a kind of "Medicine Without Frontiers." In the gospels, especially John, his miracles are called "signs" - they point to something greater than medicine.

The healing miracles are about Jesus noticing our suffering.

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## Nobleton Notes

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It was a great success. Rev. Evelyn had asked members of the church to supply photos of their own Dad or their husband who is a Dad. Her husband Earle Laycock put the pictures together in a very nice slide show for us all to enjoy. We enjoyed seeing: each other, the Winter family lighting the Christ candle, Linda Olsen doing a scripture reading, Dennis playing the piano and of course Rev. Evelyn with her inspiring message.

The next Zoom service will be on Sunday, July 25, at 11 a.m. We will be celebrating communion, so have bread & wine (or juice) available! Our churches will be closed for August, so no videos or services will be sent or held then. The Zoom service for the fall will be Sunday, Sept. 12, 11 a.m., with Rev. Ev. Let us know if you would like to be included in the email blast that sends all the info out.

We continue to have a Zoom Coffee hour on Thursday mornings 10 to 11 a.m. Let me know if you want to be included in the email blast or want to join via phone. Contact me, Nancy, at 905-

859-0761 or nancy@hopkinson.ca. Once the restrictions about gathering outdoors are removed, and if the weather is fine, we hope to meet outside in person by bringing our own chairs and sitting a little distanced apart.

### Nobleton Lions

Your Nobleton Lions Club has been practicing physical distancing, as mandated by health authorities. Like many other groups, we met 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 are shown on the Club's website at [www.nobletonlions.com](http://www.nobletonlions.com)

The Club embarked on a new fundraising initiative this year. An online auction was held, and proved to be very successful. Access to viewing items was via the Lions website, available at [www.nobletonlions.com](http://www.nobletonlions.com). A very warm round of thanks to donors and bidders, you helped us raise funds in a challenging time. A list of winning bidders will be posted on the website. Watch for a repeat of this venture late next fall.

Calling all knitters and crocheters!

pray that God heals our race relations, brings healing reconciliation with our First Nations. We need to pray for healing in all its forms – even for food and shelter and addiction treatment and dignity for those on the street.

Jesus then raises the girl from the dead – a promise of Easter, a promise of things to come, a promise of God's boundless hostility to death and decay. As our days close down, we can only commend our spirits into God's hands, trusting that God will not let us go.

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 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.

The Club continues to offer a free service to people in self-isolation and others unable to leave their homes. The Lions continue to provide a free delivery service for Pharmasave prescriptions. Just call Club president Rick Evans, and we will drop packages outside your door, contact free.

From all of us to all of you, please respect the guidelines from our health authorities, get vaccinated when your turn comes, and Stay Safe! We're in this together!

## King's Corners

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The healing miracles tell us that in our moments of greatest need, when we cry from the depths of our desperate situations – Jesus will hear us and notice us. What we can understand that these miracles are signs of the values of kingdom of God.

We should be inspired believe that healing is always possible. We need to



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