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Council okays funds for outdoor rinks in King

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Outdoor skating rinks are as Canadian as hockey and Tim Hortons.

King councillors and staff hope to get more ice rinks open this winter and in the future. But staff shortages and budget constraints may impact their sustainability.

Councillors okayed funding, but stopped short of making it permanent. Funds will be taken from the proceeds of the annual Mayor's Golf Tournament for this year.

Staff recommended three new locations for outdoor rinks this year in King City – Rafferty's Corners Park, Salamander Park and Kettle Lake Park.

All three locations have "high community engagement

and volunteerism," and the needed space to build the rinks.

In the report by staff, it was noted that these, or any future locations, can only be operated if there are sufficient volunteers to help maintain them.

Staff is confident the Rafferty's Corners Park can be competed for the coming season and will make best efforts for the other two.

Staff estimated the cost to prepare and build all three rinks at \$18,000 each, or a total of \$54,000. This is a one-time capital cost. Staff have been able to obtain \$10,000 through a developer contribution and \$18,000 can be funded by the Kettle Lake Park project, leaving a shortfall of \$26,000.

See 'Volunteers' on Page 3

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tuesday, October 12

6 pm – Public Planning Meeting
Zoning By-law Amendment Application, File No. Z-2021-11
Re: 32 Marlynn Court, Schomberg

Official Plan Amendment Application OP-2021-03
Zoning By-law Amendment Application Z-2021-10
Re: 20 Doctor's Lane, King City
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

Monday, October 18

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

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Thursday, October 7

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

Tuesday, October 12

6:00 p.m. – Accessibility Advisory Committee (Virtual Meeting – Not Live-Streamed). If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, register by emailing dmoratto@king.ca by 12pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Thursday, October 14

7 pm – Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board (electronic meeting)

Tuesday, October 19

6 pm – King Township Public Library Board (virtual meeting)

Wednesday, October 20

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

Wednesday, October 27

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

BID NOTICES

For all bid opportunities, please visit <https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Recreation Coordinator - Outdoor Education (12-Month Contract) – Deadline October 4, 2021 at 4:30pm**
- **Seasonal Roads Patrol (Contract) – Deadline October 8, 2021 at 4:30pm**
- **Stand-by Equipment Operator (Contract) – Deadline October 8, 2021 at 4:30pm**
- **Personal Trainer (Contract) - Deadline October 8, 2021 at 4:30pm**
- **Group Exercise Instructor (Contract) – October 8, 2021 at 4:30pm**
- **Fitness Floor Monitor (Contract) – October 8, 2021 at 4:30pm**

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

PUBLIC NOTICES

Holiday Office Closure - October 11th

King Township will be closed on Monday October 11th, for the Thanksgiving Holiday, and reopening at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 12th.

For any urgent matters, please call 905-833-5321 where our answering service will respond 24/7. Any non-urgent questions can be sent to service-king@king.ca where staff will respond to you as soon as possible after the holiday.

Remember you can still do business with us online by visiting www.king.ca!

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NOTICE

VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS 2021 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM (DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 2021 KING GRANTS)

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2021 Community Grants Program was postponed in recognition that most not-for-profit organizations were pre-occupied with reacting/responding to the challenges that all were facing during this difficult time.

The Township of King, in an effort to award much needed community grant assistance in 2021, is now advertising for the 2021 Community Grants Program. This program is available to not-for-profit community organizations, which provide or develop recreational, cultural, or social opportunities within the Township of King. Applications will be received until **Friday, November 5, 2021**.

The Community Grants Policy Information and Application are available on the Township website at www.king.ca or King.ca/CommunityGrants. Alternately, please contact clerks@king.ca for further information.

Kathryn Moyle Telephone: (905)833-5321
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Please see more King Township notices on page 5

PUBLIC NOTICES

COVID-19 Information
Visit www.king.ca

Proof of vaccine for King's recreation facilities and programs now in effect

Due to the Provincial mandate, the Township of King now requires proof of COVID-19 vaccination before welcoming participants and visitors into Township recreational facilities and programs.

King is responding to the Province's requirement for proof of COVID-19 vaccination needed before entering non-essential businesses.

- Fitness centres and their associated programming require all participants to be fully vaccinated.
- Ice users are required to be fully vaccinated. Youth under 18 who are participating in organized sports will be exempt.
- Any eligible spectators 12 and older are required to be fully vaccinated.
- Any eligible non-sport programming participants 12 and older are required to be fully vaccinated.

Proof of Vaccination

As of Sept. 22, Ontarians will need to be fully vaccinated (two doses plus 14 days) and provide their proof of vaccination as well as proof of identity (such a driver's licence or health card) to access certain public settings and facilities.

An enhanced vaccine certificate, as well as a verification app to allow businesses to read the QR code, will be available beginning Oct. 22.

Township staff will verify the vaccine certificate along with government-issued identification.

For more details on current requirements, please visit www.king.ca/covid19

Step Three Update - Expanded Services Available for In-Person Appointments

Limited in-person services are available by appointment **every Wednesday** at the King Township Municipal Centre (2585 King Road, King City).

For a full list of services please visit www.king.ca. To schedule an appointment for any of the services, email serviceking@king.ca or call 905-833-5321.

Visit King's **COVID-19 Information Hub** for all the latest updates at www.king.ca/covid19



King Township

Village Urban Design Guidelines Public Open Houses

King Township is undertaking a review of its urban design guidelines which apply to its Villages of King City, Nobleton, and Schomberg. The outcome of this review is anticipated to be a new, consolidated set of urban design guidelines that apply to the Villages (outlined on the map on page 2), focusing on three areas: Village Centres, Established Neighbourhoods, and Employment Areas.

Each Village in King Township has unique characteristics, circumstances, and issues that must be considered in developing the Guidelines. All interested persons are invited

to join one or more **Virtual Public Open Houses** to learn about this project and contribute to our understanding of the unique traits of each Village. The Draft Village Urban Design Guidelines are being prepared in 2021. Additional consultation events will be held as the project progresses.

What are the Village Urban Design Guidelines?

The Village Urban Design Guidelines are a series of statements and images that outline the types of design elements and features that will shape development in King Township. Urban design is informed by a variety of disciplines including architecture, land use planning, landscape architecture, and engineering. Building orientation and siting, streetscape design, built form massing and special locations in King Township can all be addressed through the guidelines.

Why revise King Township's urban design guidelines?

In September 2019, Township Council adopted a new Official Plan titled 'Our King' which supports managed growth in a manner that uses land wisely and elevates the quality of the built and natural environments. 'Our King' recognizes that effective design results in the building of complete and desirable places and contributes to the economic vitality and healthy community. There is a need to review the existing Design Guidelines to ensure that they are up to date and align with the urban design objectives of the new Official Plan.

When and where are the Virtual Public Open Houses?

Three Virtual Public Open Houses are being held, and each open house will focus on one of the Villages to inform the Project Team's understanding of the unique traits, opportunities, and aspirations of each Village:

- KING CITY: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 | 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**
- SCHOMBERG: Wednesday, October 13, 2021 | 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**
- NOBLETON: Thursday, October 14, 2021 | 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

To register for one or more of the Virtual Public Open Houses, please visit <https://speaking.king.ca/urban-design-guideline-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 or (905) 833-4065 for more information.

If I miss 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/urban-design-guideline-review> to view a copy of the presentation and recording of a Virtual Public Open House.

We welcome all ideas and input into this project. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact: Kristen Harrison, Policy Planner, Township of King by email at kharrison@king.ca or (905) 833-4065.

What is the Study Area?

The Study Area for the Village Urban Design Guidelines project includes those lands within the urban Villages of King City, Nobleton, and Schomberg.

Municipal water flushing

In the spring and fall the Public Works Department flushes all water mains and hydrants in King City, Nobleton, Schomberg and Ansnorveldt. As a result, residents over the course of the next few weeks may experience low pressure and/or discoloration. Flushing has started in King City. This process contributes to the safe, effective delivery of municipal water and does not affect the quality of your water in any way. Should you require further information please contact the Public Works Department at 905-833-5321.

King marks National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

The public joined officials last week in marking the first National Day of Truth and Reconciliation.

Local politicians and staff gathered at the King Heritage & Cultural Centre. Staff and volunteers read through the 94 Calls To Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, followed by a guided discussion and reflection period. The centre's Indigenous collection was on display.

"We honoured the survivors and acknowledged the long-lasting legacy of residential schools in Canada," said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan. "That is why this week I announced that our government is strengthening the elementary curriculum to include First Nation, Métis, and Inuit perspectives, culture, history & contributions as well as learning on the residential school system. This will ensure every citizen understands our past and is part of the solution, as we look forward on our journey to reconciliation."



Volunteers help with rinks

From Front Page

This balance will be funded by the golf tournament reserve fund, which has a current balance of just over \$100,000.

Staff also estimated it will cost roughly \$7,500 total to maintain all three in the future as ongoing operating costs.

Council has authorized the \$54,000 in capital, from a variety of sources including pre-approved capital, developer contributions and the mayor's golf tournament. The \$7,500 for operating will be drawn from the Mayor's Golf Tournament fund as well.

Chris Fasciano, director of community services, said work will commence on all sites, even if they can't be open this year. Staff are always willing to listen and work with community groups who want to use them.

Councillor David Boyd said the desire for outdoor rinks is "Canadian," and he asked if space at Cold Creek Conservation Area can be used this year. Fasciano said limited staff are the main hurdle. Boyd also said he wants a rink at Tasca Park built as soon as possible. He did say that additional out-

door ice availability also helps to discourage residents from using storm water management ponds for outdoor skating, something that's prohibited due to numerous safety concerns.

Councillor Bill Cober, admittedly the frugal one, said council needs to be aware of the costs of enhanced service levels within a tight budget. He asked whether savings can be found elsewhere.

Fasciano noted that staff is always looking for efficiencies, and are fully cognizant that council wants a zero increase in the annual budget. However, these new rinks will come with ongoing costs.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said the desire for outdoor activity and the use of rinks peaked due to the pandemic. He said council should look at the need "with eyes wide open" next year. He pointed out everyone wants a rink in their community but pressures on the budget are very real.

Councillor Avia Eek noted collaboration with community members is the key, noting "we can do things differently." Years ago, residents came together to clear off ice from the Holland Marsh canals.

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- Michael Connelly

Life is meant to be challenging and hard at times

*"Why am I soft in the middle?
"The rest of my life is so hard ..."*

So wondered Paul Simon in "You Can Call Me Al" on his 1986 album Graceland.

Touching on the impacts and mediocrity of a midlife crisis, the song takes you on a short journey of discovery.

I was sucked back in my chair by a force of self-examination recently. To sum up the experience, we're living our lives all wrong.

That may be a bold statement, but from personal experience, and observations from 30-plus years in the journalism game, I think most of us still don't have it figured out.

Maybe we're not meant to.

As we approach the Pearly Gates at the end of our journey here on Earth, there may be a being writing in the great big book. We may be asked "What challenges, traumas and tragedies have you overcome and what did you do with that knowledge and strength?"

We better start scratching our heads and putting pen to paper for this one. This may be the most important final exam of our entire existence.

Maybe life is meant to be hard. If it were easy, everyone would excel at it! Perhaps that's exactly why we're here - to be hit hard, knocked down and to rise, stronger, and be better at being well, hu-



Mark Pavilons

man. We leap over those hurdles and step carefully over those tripwires along the way. The prize? Simply to make the most of our human condition, teach others, do better and make things better.

Just how do we do that?

I think we do it every day without really knowing it.

Every day is a test of sorts. Each new sunny day brings a whole new set of trials and tribulations for us to overcome. We have to be keen puzzle-solvers,

map-makers and maze-runners.

Humans have studied how ants work as a team; how beavers build their dams and how hummingbirds fly.

From our own history, we've seen how humans have had to trudge through the mud, summoning every ounce of strength and courage they had just to make it to the end of the day. We've seen how conflicts have laid waste to entire generations. We've learned, finally, to understand and respect nature.

For us here today, we should be celebrating this milestone. So many paths had to be cleared and so many mountains had to be climbed for us to enjoy what we do today.

Is life truly grand and is this the proverbial land of milk and honey? No. But life here in Canada, with our respect for individual rights and our tolerance for others, makes this a very decent place to live.

But is it cheap or affordable?

No. In fact, Canada is one of the more expensive countries in the western world. We have unusually high cell phone rates and utility costs. Our house prices are in the clouds and our cost of living climbs every year, while salaries stagnate.

It's hard work to live in this province and be successful, unless of course you're a civil servant.

My wife asked me the other day what would make me happy. I had to stop and think for a bit.

Money? A government job? A cottage?

Nope.

A new car? A cheese wheel the size of a mini-van?

Na, but it would be nice!

The truth is more love all around and our family coming together in a strong, unified, caring way. We need one another more than we think and more than we care to admit.

A "traditional" life path involves graduating school, getting a career, settling down and having a family.

Those things alone can be immensely

difficult. It may take a couple of tries to get it right.

But for many "average" Canadians, this is exactly how their lives unfolded. And now what?

Well, the plan is to enjoy the fruits of our labour.

And yet, double-income couples, many with more than one job, are the norm. Cutting costs, cutting coupons, cutting corners is the course.

I don't want to paint a bleak picture here, but the storm clouds are definitely floating, willy nilly, above our heads.

Recent media reports noted just how hard it is to enter the housing market in this province. Sure, federal candidates, and now newly elected MPs, made promises to provide more affordable housing, and easier access to mortgages.

Time will tell if these plans actually come to fruition. Just before the election, the feds offered grants to homeowners for repairs and upgrades. I'm anxiously waiting for this program to get into full swing.

I've asked many friends, neighbours and peers whether they'd enjoy being a young person growing up today. All answered with a profound, "no way!"

The idea of all things being relative went out the window a few years ago. One only has to look at comparison data and charts on food prices, cost of living, automobile expenses and home ownership to see the lop-sided scale of things.

When I was in my 30s, earning \$100,000 a year was a ton of money - more than anyone could ask for. Now, it's just average for Ontario's government employees, teachers, police officers, etc.

So here we are. We made it. We should all give ourselves a pat on the back for getting this far.

The work isn't over. All the wiser, we can now look back with a smile, and look ahead with hope.

Our job is to tell stories, keep traditions alive, guide and pass on those hard-earned pearls of wisdom.

Are you up to the task?

Letter to the Editor

Please help with accessibility

After retirement, I offered to serve on the Township of Kings Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC). At that time, I did not have a disability and as a consequence did not really understand the challenges and frustrations faced by those who did.

Then my world changed, and I developed a number of different conditions. The one that has caused me the greatest challenge is severe neuropathy in the legs. Although not as visible as some other forms of disabilities, it is a condition that makes standing, walking and balance difficult at times and falling a distinct possibility. Now, I have a better understanding of some of the challenges faced by people with physical disabilities, both young and old.

I am writing this letter on behalf of those who have a disability, some of which are more visible than others. In my opinion the most difficult ones are a lack of mobility, such as being unable to walk or climb stairs without some form of aid, such as a cane, walker or wheelchair. The others are those with severe hearing loss, or vision is limited, or who are blind.

How can the community help?

Many businesses have installed ramps, automatic door openers and/or have upgraded washroom facilities to assist the disabled. Changes that are sincerely appreciated. For those who have not, please consider doing the same. It is good for business and presents a very positive public image. Some establishments such as restaurants, businesses and even medical offices do not have comfortable seating such as chairs with arms. Please consider having some of these, as chairs without arms can make it very difficult and even dangerous for some of us to sit down or to get up, without help.

A message for the people who do not respect the accessible parking spaces and park there without a permit, please do not do that. For those who use someone else's permit for their own convenience, you may be denying that space to someone who legitimately needs it and of course it is against the law.

In situations where there are long lineups, and a disabled person is experiencing difficulty offering a helping hand is appreciated and welcome. At times, because we like to maintain some form of independence we may say no with a smile and a warm thank you.

Finally, people with disabilities are important, vital and contributing members of our society and are growing in numbers. We demand to be treated, not with sympathy but with respect and dignity. A very heartfelt thank you to the vast majority of the residents of our community who do just that.

Bernard Moyle
King City



Quote of the Week

"A well-developed sense of humor is the pole that adds balance to your steps as you walk the tightrope of life."

- William Arthur Ward



Trivia Tidbits

Male turkeys gobble to attract females.

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Results from last week's poll:

Have you had any problems with showing proof of vaccination?

a) Yes 0%
a) No 100%

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Are you excited about major sports resuming?

a) Yes
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!

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RE: Virtual Public Information Centre (PIC): Tuesday, November 9, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Presentation of Draft 2022 Budgets

A Virtual Public Information (PIC) Session has been scheduled for November 9, 2021 to provide information on the Township of King's preliminary Draft 2022 Budgets and allow all interested parties an opportunity to review and provide feedback. To participate virtually, you must **pre-register** in advance with the Finance Department by emailing Peggy Tollett at ptollett@king.ca

RE: Virtual Council Meeting: Monday, November 15, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.
Draft – 2022 Budgets (Operating & Capital) & Business Plan and Budget By-law
(Consideration of By-law for Adoption, Monday, November 15, 2021)

The Township of King's Draft 2022 Budgets (Operating & Capital) & Business Plan will be tabled for consideration at the November 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting. The 2022 Budgets (Operating & Capital) & Business Plan By-law will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, November 15, 2021, Council Meeting. The Draft Budget documents (the 2022 Budget Book), will be available on the Township website www.king.ca as of Monday, November 1, 2021. The Budget staff report will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Wednesday, November 10, 2021 or contact Peggy Tollett ptollett@king.ca for further information. Interested parties are invited to participate virtually to ask questions and comment.

(Note: Budget adoption may be deferred to the November 29th, 2021 Council meeting at the discretion of Council if required)

RE: Virtual Council Meeting: Monday, November 15, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.
2022 Fees & Charges Report
(Consideration of By-law for Adoption, Monday, November 15, 2021)

The Township of King 2022 Fees & Charges Report will be presented at the Monday November 15, 2021, Committee of the Whole Meeting. The By-law will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, November 15, 2021, Council Meeting with an effective date of January 1, 2022. The Fees & Charges staff report will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Wednesday, November 10, 2021.

RE: Virtual Presentation of 2022 Water & Wastewater Rates: Monday, January 10, 2022 - 6:00 p.m.
(Consideration of By-law for Adoption, Monday, January 10, 2022)

The Township of King 2022 Water and Wastewater Rates Report will be presented at the January 10, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting. The By-law will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, January 10, 2022 Council Meeting. The 2022 Water & Wastewater Rates information will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, January 6, 2022 or contact Peggy Tollett ptollett@king.ca for further information. Interested parties are invited to participate virtually to ask questions and comment.

For further information regarding the 2022 Budgets (Operating & Capital) & Business Plan, please visit the Township's website at www.king.ca or contact: Peggy Tollett, Director of Finance and Treasurer, ptollett@king.ca

Note: To **VIEW** the above **COUNCIL** and **COMMITTEE** meetings live virtually (except for the PIC) go to <https://king.ca/meetings> the day of the meeting. **NO** Pre-registration is required. To pre-register to participate in any of the meetings remotely (by audio-telephone), contact the Clerks' Division at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca by **12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting.**

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Ontario improves mandatory Indigenous learning in schools

Working with Indigenous partners, Elders, Knowledge Holders and education stakeholders, the Ontario government announced a plan to expand First Nation, Métis and Inuit content and learning in the elementary curriculum.

The province announced that these changes will further strengthen mandatory learning on residential schools and foster greater understanding within the province's education system of the intergenerational legacy borne by Indigenous families.

This work builds on Ontario's first phase of curriculum revisions in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, which were implemented in 2018. In addition, in 2021-22, the ministry is providing \$23.96 million in Indigenous Education funding to support First Nations, Métis and Inuit students as part of a broader government commitment to reconciliation. The Ontario government built on this commitment with the announcement this week to continue expanding multi-year funding to support sustainability in partner organizations.

Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education, and Greg Rickford, Minister of Indigenous Affairs, made the announcement at Native Child and Family Services of Toronto, joined by Traditional Knowledge Keeper Vivian Roy, James Marsden, Chiefs of Ontario Education Portfolio Holder and Anishnabek Nation Southeast Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief, and Joanne Meyer, Chief Operating Officer of the Métis Nation of Ontario.

The Ontario government's work will ensure that First Nation, Métis and Inuit perspectives are reflected throughout the province's curriculum. Currently,

the province's curriculum includes mandatory learning in Social Studies, Grades 4-6, and History in Grades 7, 8, and 10, including mandatory learning on residential schools in Grades 8 and 10, introduced in 2018.

The Ministry of Education announced a commitment to complete the full spectrum of learning across this elementary curriculum, addressing the current gap in Grades 1 and 3 by September 2023. This timeline and the curriculum development process is being co-developed with Indigenous partners to reflect meaningful collaboration while recognizing the urgency of this content in learning.

Ministers Lecce and Rickford outlined Ontario's education plan to strengthen Indigenous learning through a meaningful co-development process with Indigenous partners, Elders and Knowledge Holders, including:

Mandatory Indigenous-focused learning added to the Social Studies, Grades 1-3 curriculum, including exploring opportunities for new learning on:

- The role of family and resilience in First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities and nations.
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit historical and contemporary realities.
- Indigenous peoples' interrelationship and connection with the land.

The residential school system and the reclamation and revitalization of identity, language, culture and community connections.

This commitment ensures that all students, Indigenous and non-Indigenous, are enriched by learning about the histories, cultures, perspectives

and contributions of First Nation, Métis and Inuit individuals and communities in Canada. These efforts further Ontario's commitment to work with Indigenous partners to advance reconciliation and to implement the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action.

"We are committed to recognizing the contributions of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit individuals, communities and nations to our province and country while learning their histories and cultures," said Minister Lecce. "Including Indigenous content and voices in Ontario's curriculum - along with mandatory learning on residential schools - is a meaningful way that we can address issues of racism, Indigenous student well-being and advance reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. We are also investing more to support Indigenous students, with the aim of boosting graduation rates and enabling economic opportunity for the next generation of Indigenous students."

To this end, the ministry is investing \$23.96 million from the Priorities and Partnerships Funding in targeted supports for First Nation, Métis and Inuit students, in addition to the existing funding for school boards in the 2021-22 school year.

These investments will allow Indigenous partners, school boards and other education stakeholders to produce high-impact supports that provide supportive, culturally appropriate and safe education opportunities for Indigenous students, while strengthening Ontario's education system and well-being for all learners in the province. In addition, the province is supporting Indigenous language revitalization and reconciliation by offering Inuktitut as a language of instruction within Ontario's Indigenous languages curricula.

In addition, the Ministry of Education recently approved sustainable, multi-year funding agreements for an investment of \$3.19 million over three years to strengthen existing partnerships with the Chiefs of Ontario and First Nation Provincial Territorial Organizations (PTOs) and provide stable funding for the length of the agreement. This investment will support reconciliation and student success with the goal of promoting higher graduation rates and transitions into post-secondary and employment opportunities for First Nation students.

The Métis Nation of Ontario is also receiving \$850,000 in 2021-22 towards collaborating with school board administrators and educators in the learning of Métis knowledge and the integration of this knowledge into Indigenous education programs and initiatives, as well as multi-year funding for three years starting in 2020-21 for a total of \$406,000 for the River Program, an alternative secondary school program that pro-

vides academic and cultural supports to Métis students.

"We are investing in culturally appropriate learning for Indigenous students and enhancing opportunities for all learners to increase their knowledge of First Nation, Inuit and Métis histories and cultures to help all Ontarians gain a better understanding and respect for Indigenous perspectives," said Minister Rickford. "Our government continues to work in collaboration with Indigenous partners to co-develop this curriculum to ensure Indigenous voices are at the centre of this important work."

The Ontario government is committed to ensuring every Indigenous student across the province is supported with access to culturally safe learning opportunities. The government will continue to support targeted initiatives to improve outcomes for Indigenous students and to build the knowledge of all students and educators regarding Indigenous histories, cultures, perspectives and contributions.

The implementation of a mandatory curriculum on the residential school system, treaties and Indigenous peoples' historical and contemporary contributions to Canada is in response to Nos. 62 and 63 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.

Since 2019, the Ontario government has met with Indigenous partners, including PTOs, individual First Nations, the Métis Nation of Ontario, education groups and service providers, like the Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres and Tungasuvvingat Inuit, to co-develop an approach for additional curriculum revisions to strengthen Indigenous content and learning.

Social Studies, Grades 4-6, and History, Grades 7, 8 and 10, underwent Indigenous-focused curriculum revisions in 2018. These revisions were made in collaboration with Indigenous and education partners.

The revised First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Studies, Grades 9-12 curriculum was implemented in 2019 to provide opportunities for students to learn about Indigenous perspectives, cultures and contributions in areas such as art, literature, law, humanities, politics and history.

"Education is a critical component to reconciliation, and we look forward to a collaborative partnership with Ontario that will allow us to develop, strengthen and prioritize Indigenous content and learning within Ontario schools. Curricula that feature Métis-specific content benefits both Métis students and their peers, and we commend the Ontario Ministry of Education for their continued commitment to reconciliation through impactful and meaningful partnerships," said Joanne Meyer, Chief Operating Officer, Métis Nation of Ontario.



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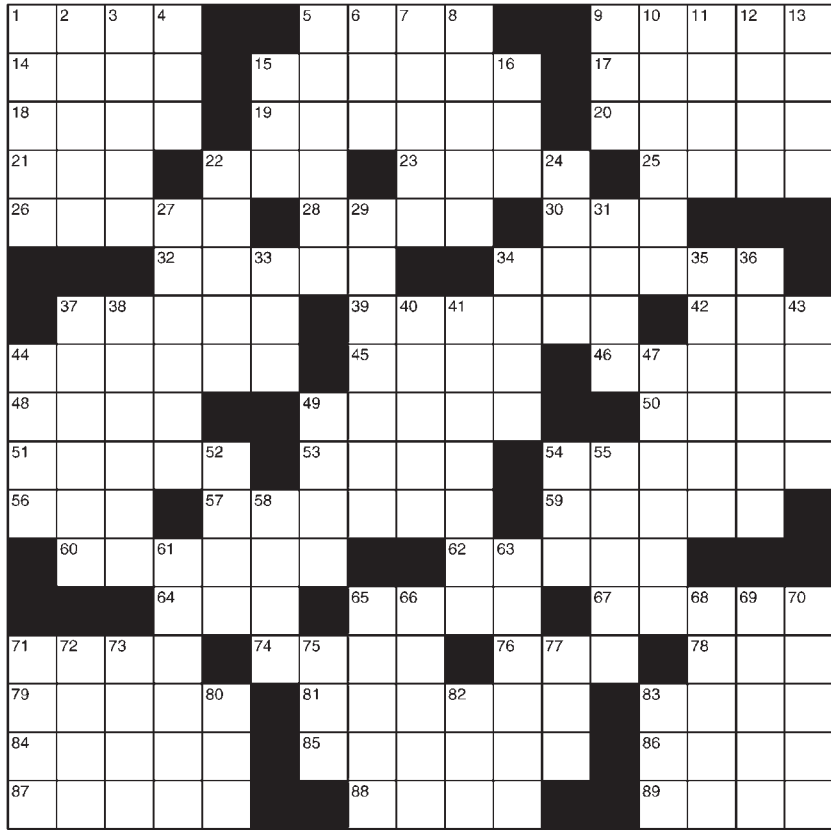
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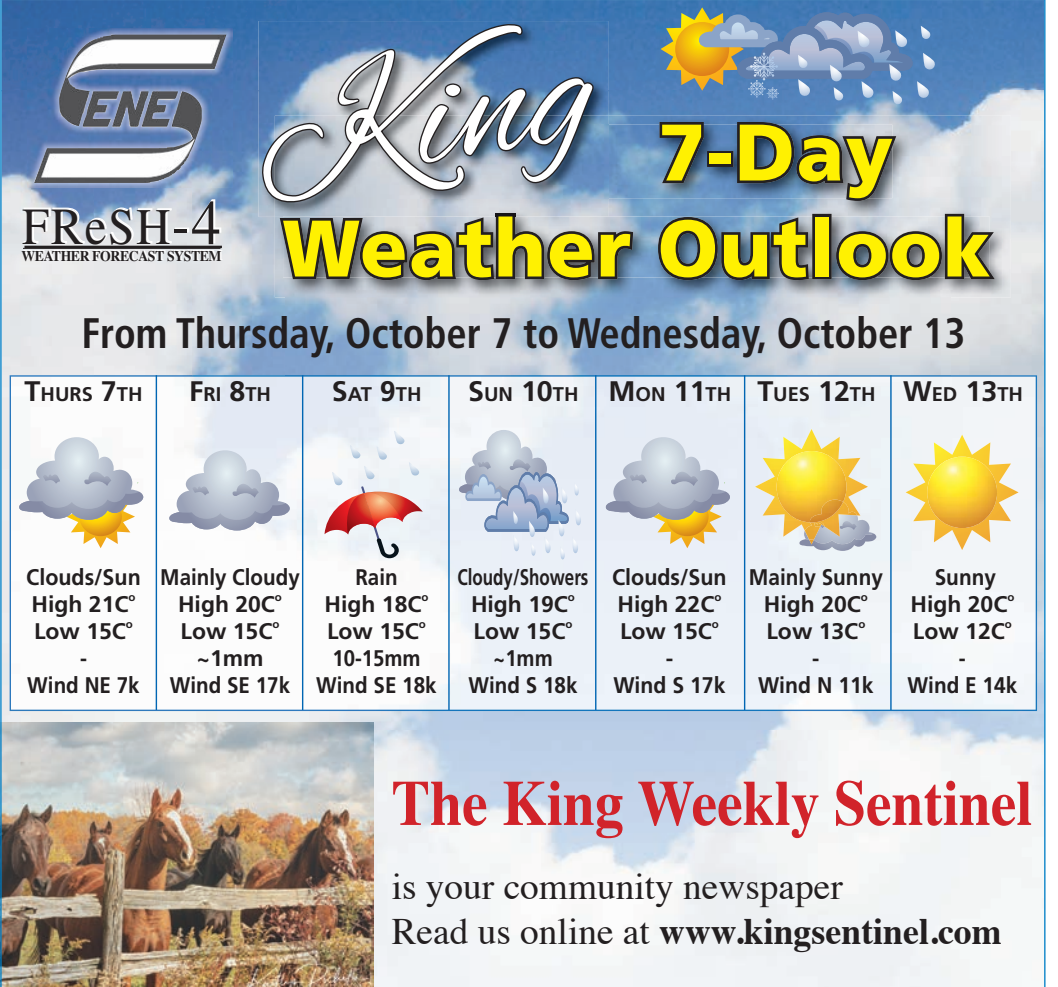


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York stresses vaccines needed to enter sports facilities

York Region has issued a letter to owners/operators of facilities where organized sports are played and/or practiced regarding vaccinations.

Everyone 12 and older attending or participating in sports at arenas are required to provide identification and proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or a valid medical exemption.

This decision was made in response to current data and Scarsin modelling which projects York Region could see up to:

- 430 cases of COVID-19 per day by

December.

- 44 hospitalizations of those under the age of 19 by Dec. 31.

Further data suggests of the 10 outbreaks related specifically to basketball tournaments or events from Feb. 20 to Sept. 20, one in five cases were linked to York Region and two-thirds of the cases were under the age of 18.

In the most recent week, the rate of infection among unvaccinated individuals 12 years of age or older was 137.1 cases per 100,000 population; in contrast, among fully vaccinated individ-

uals the rate was significantly lower at 14.5 cases per 100,000 population.

In the past two months, almost all COVID-19 related deaths and hospitalizations have occurred in individuals who were not vaccinated or partially vaccinated.

Activities related to organized sports have the potential to enhance COVID-19 transmission; specifically, close contact, forceful exhalation, prolonged exposure, crowded indoor spaces and masks and face coverings removed during physical activity contribute to enhanced likelihood of COVID-19 transmission.

“We recognize this requirement may cause inconvenience for some residents, businesses and sports organizations, however, the good news is most York Region residents age 12 to 17 are already vaccinated; in fact, 75% of York Region youth aged 12 to 17 are fully vaccinated and 82% have received a first dose,” said a statement from York Region.

Everyone over the age of 12 (born in 2009 or earlier) is encouraged to get fully vaccinated as soon as possible. COVID-19 vaccination clinic dates, times and locations are available at york.ca/covid19vaccine



Student boosts Food Bank

Stella, a student in Grade 3, raised \$400 for King Township Food Bank by selling her individually hand decorated and personalized mugs for \$5. each. Stella is the youngest person in the Food Bank's history to undertake a project of this kind. Brava Stella, you are a star!

Society presents first car rally

The Schomberg Agricultural Society is pleased to present its first ever COVID Car Rally.

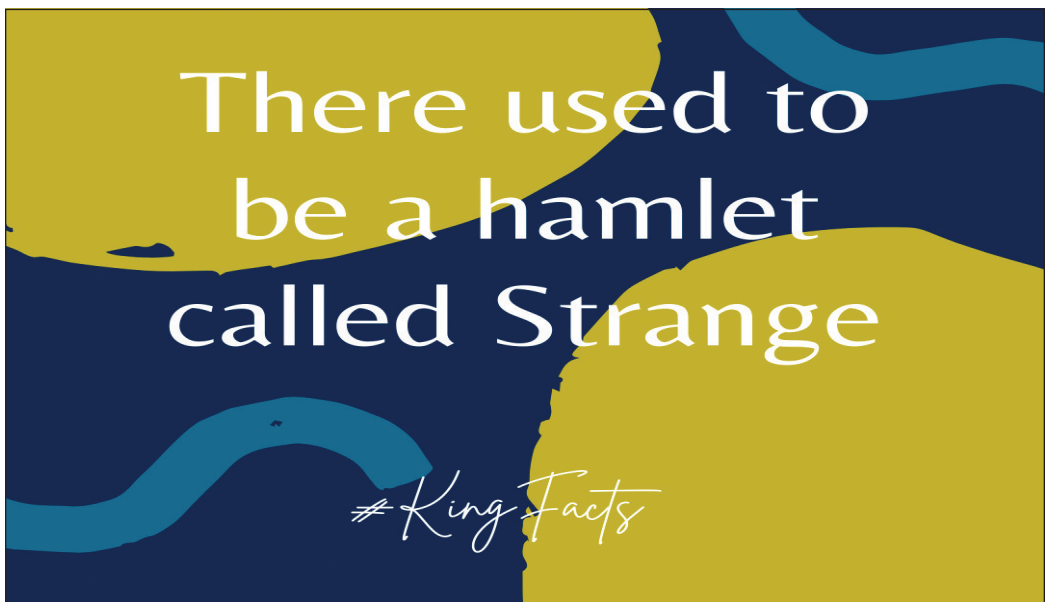
The Rally will be held on Saturday, Oct. 16. First car goes out at 8:30 a.m. and the last car goes out at 3:30 p.m. with limited spots available.

What better way to start of the fall season and beat the COVID blues, than with a scenic drive through the side roads of Schomberg in the safety of your own vehicle. Organizers have lots of fun and games planned for all, including puzzles, trivia, and brain teasers along the way.

COVID has impacted all of us and the society is excited to finally be planning the 2022 Fair. It promises to be bigger and better than ever! All proceeds will go towards our comeback fair and keeping the big wheel turning!

Visit: www.schombergfair.com for ticket sales and details.

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First electric vehicle event brings out the crowds

By Robert Belardi

Enthusiastic owners of electric vehicles had the pleasure of showcasing their vehicles last Saturday, and they had the opportunity to educate everyone who came out to see these cars.

With internal combustion engines on the downslope and as government's plan to ban gas vehicles in the next 10 years, the new wave is coming.

"People always ask how long will the battery last and how far can it go and how will I charge? Quick answer to these questions is the battery will last the life of the car, how far will it go depends on the model but usually 300 kilometres and they go up to 650 kilometres now. How will I charge it is you charge it at home," said organizer with Climate Action King, Keith Beckley.

"Your home is 'quote,' a gas station. I always leave with a full car in the morning."

For owners who might have concerns that the battery will eventually degrade, Beckley said batteries in these cars are surrounded by a cooling sys-

tem to prevent that. Batteries in these cars have the capability of powering the electricity in your home for four days.

As the mechanics of electric vehicles continues to improve, so will the price. Although electric vehicles normally are priced very high, Beckley said the drive-train on these vehicles will eventually be equivalent to an electric car and that should lower the price significantly. By 2024, this should be achieved. And with that, will come more available powering stations for people who plan on taking road trips.

"I drove my Tesla across Canada this summer and I was skipping every other station because there's so many now," Beckley emphasized.

"Once you've driven an electric car, everything else feels horrible in comparison. I'm not kidding, you talk to any owner here, they'll tell you the drive of the electric car is much better."

Over the lifespan of the car, electric vehicles will have 50 per cent less of maintenance fees than a gas vehicle. Rotors and pads don't need to be changed

as often as you might think. Once you take your foot off of the accelerator, the vehicle turns into a regenerator and charges the battery. Along with that, the car will slow down.

"The other thing is that your electricity charge here in Ontario is 25 per cent less than gas. If you spend 100 bucks a month on gas you're spending 25 bucks on electricity. So although the car is more expensive, your total cost to ownership is way less."

These cars, have no transmission, no timing belt, no exhaust, no oil changes. There are 20 moving parts in an electric vehicle and there are 2,000 moving parts in a gas car.

But as great as this sounds, Beck-

ley did admit this will be problematic moving forward for mechanic garages and dealerships. The only incentive at the moment is the price of the vehicle for dealerships and mechanics will not be called upon as often as they are now with gas vehicles moving forward.

Along with Electric Vehicle Society last Saturday, citizens were able to test drive electric cars. The experience is very different than a gas vehicle as the "so-called" engine of an electric car is in the middle of the vehicle, giving drivers an excellent feel when steering the car.

By 2035, it is a plan to have Canada shift to all electric cars on the road.



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Mandatory vaccines for all long-term care home staff

As part of the government's plan to protect long-term care residents and staff during the Delta-driven fourth wave, Ontario is taking further action with an additional suite of tools. This includes making COVID-19 vaccinations mandatory for all in-home staff, support workers, students, and volunteers by Nov. 15, unless a staff member has a valid medical exemption, as well as expanded inspections of homes and redirecting provincial resources to enhance and audit existing testing in homes.

"We know that long-term care residents have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19. As new variants continue to spread, we are seeing a growing number of outbreaks in long-term care homes where the risk to those most vulnerable remains high," said Rod Phillips, Minister of Long-Term Care. "This enhanced suite of measures, including mandatory vaccinations for those working in the homes of long-term care residents, is one more way we will provide them the greatest level of protection possible."

Vaccination rates of staff in many homes are not high enough in the face of the risk posed by the Delta variant, and this is putting vulnerable residents at risk. To ensure the health and safety of staff and residents, mandating vaccination for in-home staff has now become essential, and homes are now required to meet the following requirements:

Staff, support workers, students, and volunteers will have until November 15, to show proof that they have received all required doses of a COVID-19 vac-

cine, or to show proof of a valid medical exemption.

Staff who do not have all required doses or a valid medical exemption by the deadline will not be able to enter a long-term care home to work.

Newly hired staff will be required to be fully vaccinated before they begin working in a home unless they have a valid medical exemption.

Homes will begin randomly testing fully vaccinated individuals, including staff, caregivers and visitors, to help detect possible breakthrough cases of COVID-19 as early as possible.

In addition to adding randomized testing of vaccinated individuals, homes will continue to regularly test individuals who are not fully vaccinated. The ministry will leverage provincial testing resources to inspect and audit these results by sending testing teams into homes to validate the results that homes have been reporting to the province. The ministry will also step up rigorous inspections of homes' infection, prevention and control measures.

These new measures are the latest tools among a suite of actions the Ministry of Long-Term Care has taken to protect residents in long-term care.

As of Aug. 31, about 44 per cent of long-term care homes had staff vaccination rates below 90 per cent.

Ontario has already undertaken several steps to promote immunization rates in long-term care home staff, including an education first, voluntary approach to immunization policies, a publicly available, free COVID-19 Vaccine Promotion Toolkit, and provisions

that allow staff to use paid sick leave to get vaccinated or recover from symptoms resulting from vaccination.

Third doses are now being offered to long-term care home residents to boost the primary series of COVID-19 vaccinations. As of September 30, 2021, 64 per cent of residents have received a third dose.

According to home-level data collected by the Ministry of Long-term Care, about 90 per cent of staff have received at least their first dose province-wide, however there is variation among homes.

All Ontarians, including all staff, visitors, and residents in long-term care homes, must continue to practice public health measures including screening at entry, masking, physical distancing, hand hygiene, and staying at home when they are sick. While COVID-19 immunizations have been demonstrated to be very effective, it is important for Ontarians to not let their guard down in the ongoing fight against the pandemic, in particular with the Delta variant.



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King Chamber of Commerce is running a shop local campaign, named "King - It's All Here."

The first initiative in the campaign is encouraging us all to provision our Thanksgiving table with food and décor that is all produced locally.

"From farm fresh turkeys to locally produced honey and wine and a huge assortment of produce straight from the Holland Marsh, we have top quality and incredibly fresh products available from our local businesses," said Angelo Santorelli, president, King Chamber of Commerce. "It is our goal to bring businesses together and get involved in creating a stronger and even better community, for the benefit of local business and all who live in our Township."

The 12 featured businesses are in this week's paper, and include free ads for the participants, which are composed of both King Chamber members and non-members.

"King is bursting with hidden treasures," said Andre Flys, owner of Pioneer Brand Honey. "Most people probably don't know that our bees actually are brought in each spring to pollenate the apple blossoms at Pine Farms Orchard. As you can imagine, the honey they make from those blossoms is incredible. You don't get more local than that."

Residents of King have a lot to be thankful for. We live in a beautiful community, surrounded by unspoiled countryside. Particularly now, we are very fortunate to be able to shop away from large crowds, right here in our community. And, we can get everything we need. It's all here.

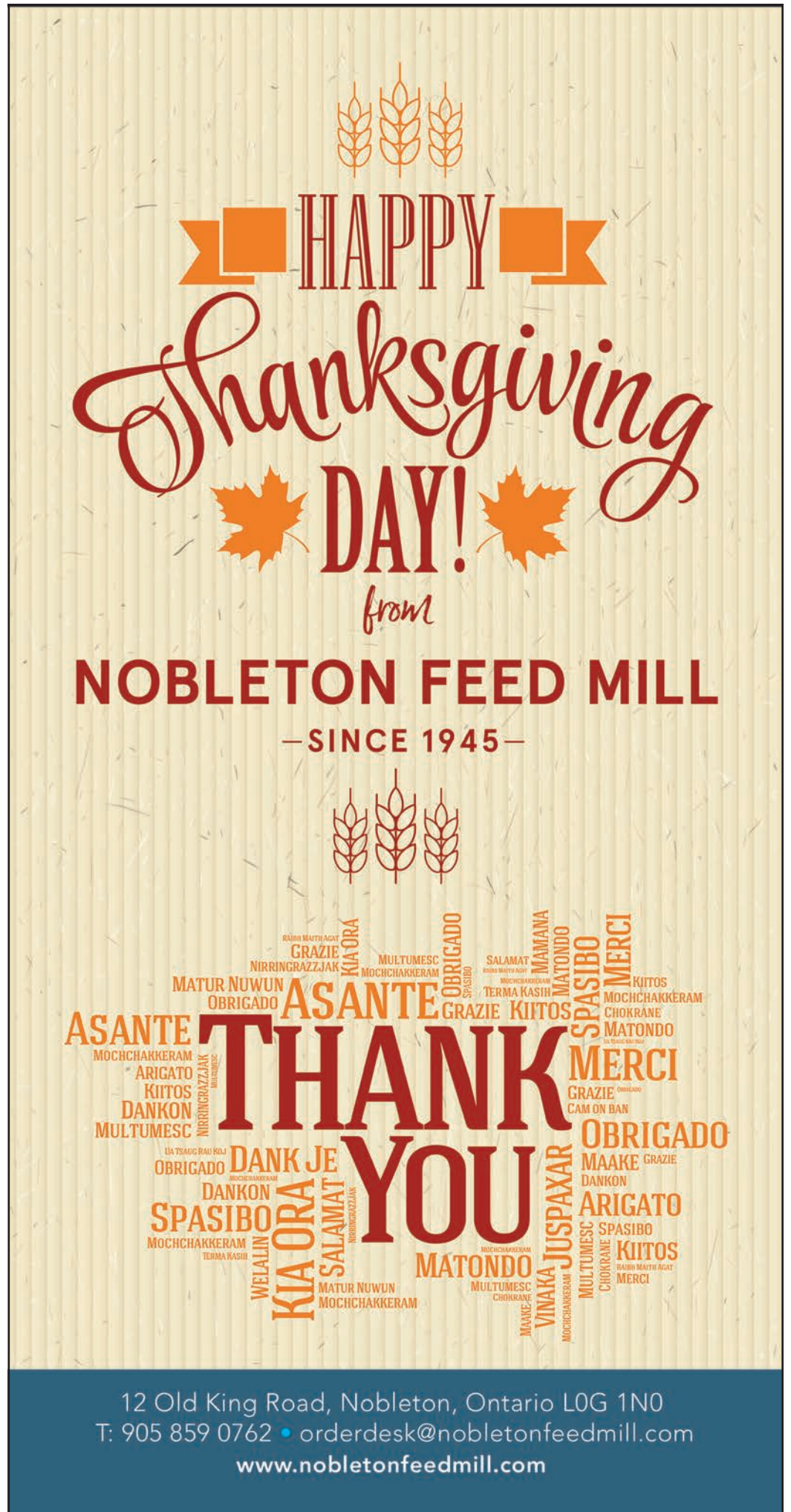
"There is nothing like a farm fresh turkey," said Sue Feddema from Round the Bend Farm. "We grow our turkeys right here in Kettleby. For a lot of our customers, it is a Thanksgiving tradition to order their turkey and shop at our market. Wouldn't it be incredible if every turkey on every Thanksgiving table was raised right here in King."

The Thanksgiving shop local initiative is the first initiative of the "King - It's All Here" campaign which is being funded by a \$60,000 grant from the Ontario Chamber of Commerce to support shopping locally.

The campaign will run through to the end of December and will also be supported by York Region, in conjunction with the other York Region municipalities, which also received funding.

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Arts & Entertainment

Arts Society King welcomes new editor Julia Galt

Arts Society King (ASK) is very fortunate to welcome Julia Galt to the helm as editor of MOSAiC Magazine. You may recognize Galt's name as a longtime contributor to MOSAiC and the King Weekly Sentinel. Galt replaces former editor Lidia Alghoul, who stepped down in the spring after three years as editor.

An honours graduate of Queen's University's English and Film & Media programs, Galt works a day job in the public relations and communications field. As a freelance writer and journalist, she regularly contributes to local publications including the Caledon Citizen, and the King Weekly Sentinel. An independent poet and screenwriter by passion, much of Galt's free time is spent crafting scripts in the horror and thriller genres.

"Despite a long history of writing for local publications, my new position with MOSAiC is the first time I've held a magazine editor role. I'm thankful to Arts Society King and the editorial board for the opportunity and excited for what's to come," says Galt. "As MOSAiC's new editor, I aim to supplement

the magazine's rich tradition of visual art and history with other forms of less featured art such as film, literature, performing arts, music, and fashion."

Galt believes that there are many "wonderful" things that fall under the umbrella of art, which she intends to showcase in upcoming issues. Integrating these when space allows, she says, would respect MOSAiC's traditional topics while also adding something whimsical and new to a trusted community magazine.

To represent King's increasingly diverse community, Galt plans to explore the art in different cultures, from traditions to celebrations and "everything in between." A committed environmentalist, she intends to continue MOSAiC's long history of respecting and promoting both the rural and residential parts of King. She would also like to implement a stronger community aspect to MOSAiC, and invites a wide variety of submissions.

Galt welcomes the community's feedback and suggestions as she kicks off this creative new chapter of MOSAiC. She can be reached at editor@artssocietyking.ca.



Sip & Savour Home Edition 2.0

The King Township Food Bank is going virtual again with this year's Sip & Savour fundraiser.

Sip & Savour 2021 - Home Edition 2.0, is an event where a ticket gets you something to sip and savour in the comfort of your home on Thursday, Oct. 21.

This year's theme is Fall Harvest and features a delivered crate of seasonal goodness. KTFB volunteers have carefully curated a crate of seasonal items, artisan goods and fresh produce as key ingredients to form a hearty soup or other culinary creations. The Food Bank is grateful to Holland Marsh Wineries as a featured partner, and all items of the Fall Harvest crate, many of which were donated thanks to the generous support of a number of local farms and businesses. This year's event also features an exciting online silent auction showcasing an assortment of items for everyone.

"We take great pride in hosting this important annual fundraiser and strive to create a fun experience for everyone," says Meline Beach, who has coordinated Sip & Savour on a volunteer basis for five years. "We are thrilled to maintain the momentum and tradition this event has become for so many as 'the cocktail party of the year' in King and thank everyone who have supported us with this event over the years."

Now in its 8th year, Sip & Savour is heavily relied upon to raise a substantial portion of the Food Bank's annual operating budget. Last year, despite the effects of global pandemic, the community responded well to Sip & Savour, which achieved an unprecedented sold-out success and raised a record-setting \$45,000 for the Food Bank.

The Sip & Savour sponsorship campaign is on now. Anyone interested in supporting this important fundraiser by way of sponsorship can do so by emailing KTFBspand savour@gmail.com.

Event tickets are \$65 each and are available here: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/king-township-food-bank/events/sip-savour-home-edition-20/>.

There are a limited number of Fall Harvest crates available. Don't delay and secure your ticket today. Also, visit www.ktfb.ca for link to the online silent auction - coming soon.

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Her first issue, Fall 2021, was delivered with the King Weekly Sentinel on Sept. 8 and is currently available at local libraries, businesses, restaurants, offices, and other public places. Her next issue, Winter 2021, will be out Dec. 2.

"Both MOSAiC and Arts Society King are entirely volunteer run," said

Galt. "On the magazine side, we're always looking for writers, and on ASK's side, we're always looking for artists, board members, event planners, and more. We encourage anyone interested in meeting new people and giving back to their community in a fun and fulfilling way to reach out."

For more information or to volunteer with ASK, visit artssocietyking.ca.

Green thumbs invited to join club

You're invited to join the Nobleton and King City Garden Club. No gardening experience is required, just a willingness to learn about gardening and nature. However, if you have a green thumb, or are a gardening enthusiast, this could be a great opportunity to expand your knowledge and share your own gardening tips.

Guest speakers present at each meeting on a variety of garden-related topics. Our meetings are held on the 4th Monday of each month between March and November via Zoom (during pandemic).

If you are interested in participating on the Board of Directors, we have a few positions available and specifically require a Treasurer. Please submit your name on or before Oct. 15 to indicate your interest in joining the Board.

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"I feel so privileged to live in such a beautiful country. I want to capture the beauty, the romance of this amazing place I call home," she said. "Made of pure pigments, I find the vibrancy of the pastels perfect for the Ontario Landscape. With that in mind I take liberties with my colour choices to create works that capture the mood rather than the accuracy of the scene."

Wendy Emery specializes in fused glass art. Her lifelong love of the magical qualities of glass is truly her happy place.

As colours dance and change when light passes through glass, its clarity, its textures and its illusion of fluidity are all captivating to her.

For the last 16 years she has specialized in fused glass art and the endless possibilities it has to offer. She embraces

the unexpected and unpredictable results of heating glass to extreme temperatures.

Some of her most extraordinary pieces were born from a firing gone wrong. Cracks, explosions and folds that needed to be creatively redefined resulted in the final project being far more interesting than the original design.

Grace and Wendy invite you to come in and meet them and to see and enjoy their beautiful work on display and for sale.

The Olde Mill Gallery & Shoppe values and supports local artists. The gallery is filled with unique and one of a kind items that family and friends would be proud to own and enjoy.

Shop locally at the Olde Mill Art Gallery & Shoppe on Main Street in Schomberg. Gift certificates of any denomination are also available in time for the holiday season!

Come and enjoy the beauty on the walls and the displays of the 10 Gallery artists at 357 Main Street, right beside the Scruffy Duck. It's open Wednesdays to Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Police looking for information on suspicious incident in Nobleton

Investigators with the York Regional Police #1 District Criminal Investigations Bureau are seeking any witnesses, or information on potential suspects and a victim after a suspicious incident that occurred in Nobleton last week.

Officers are investigating after receiving information about a suspicious incident that occurred at approximately 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, Sept. 30, on Black Duck Trail in Nobleton.

Officers obtained video surveillance footage that shows an adult male climbing out of a window of a moving vehicle. The male appears to be running from the vehicle while it pursues him but the male was later seen walking in the area uninjured.

If this male party had been a victim of a crime, he has not yet come forward to report the incident to police. Officers would like to speak with this male and the driver of the vehicle, as well as any witnesses to determine if any offence has taken place.

The investigation is ongoing and officers are appealing to anyone who witnessed or was involved in the incident to please come forward.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the York Regional Police #1 Criminal Investigations Bureau at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 7142, Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS or leave an anonymous tip online at www.1800222tips.com.



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Team Lecce at hospital run

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, joined the Ahmadiyya Muslim community at North Maple Regional Park Sept. 26 for the “Run for Vaughan” with community leaders and #TeamLecce. The Run for Vaughan is held in support of the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital, a state-of-the-art hospital that is increasing access to care for patients and their families in King-Vaughan.

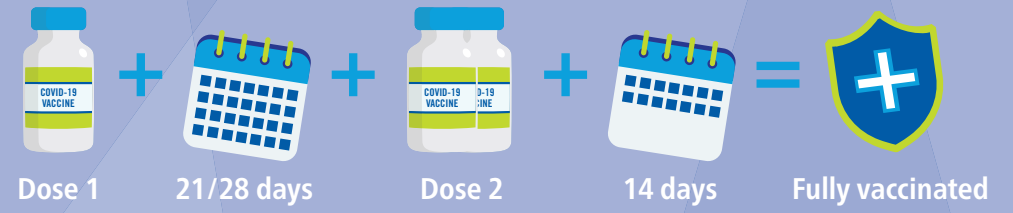
Team Lecce had the largest team present, helped raise more than \$20,000. Members energetically participated again in this annual community fundraiser. MPP Lecce also acknowledged local youth for stepping up to support and raise funds for the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital.

“I am proud of our community as we have raised over one million dollars from the Annual Run for Vaughan for the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital,” said Lecce. “The youth of our community are making a difference and punching above their weight – only underscoring how the next generation has inspired us all throughout this pandemic, and beyond. While I have delivered on my number one priority for families in Vaughan and King: opening this long-awaited hospital to improve the quality of care our community deserves, I will continue to raise funds and invest in its long-term success.”

Lecce also thanked the Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Association for the strong community spirit and leadership bringing all families together at the beautiful North Maple Regional Park.

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Kingbridge Hub a magnet for innovative collaboration

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Planting a seed and watching it grow and mature is a magical thing. Equally impressive is helping human ingenuity germinate.

That's the mantra behind the driving forces of the Kingbridge Centre's Innovation Hub. It's almost an altruistic passion to bring together the brightest risk-takers to find solutions to society's biggest problems.

And the work, even in these early stages of the Hub and Living Lab, have born fruit.

Led by Chairman Prashant Pathak and the Pathak Family Trust, Kingbridge is evolving into King's and York's leading experiential think tank.

Pathak noted the Centre is a perfect example of a long-term living ecological collaboration. Plans and projects go beyond a 25-year horizon.

Pathak admits there's no crystal ball, but looking at the big picture and five key areas of study will see definite results. The main areas of focus include water, waste, energy, food and agriculture.

He has set a high bar for the work carried out at the centre, aiming for nurturing innovative ideas that build on world-class research and development initiatives, to build start-ups and businesses attracting attention on a global scale.

The key is bringing like minds together to create leading-edge work. The mission is to tear down disparity and conflict through thoughtful intersections and tapping into the creativity of diverse areas of expertise. Eliminating barriers and building bridges of knowl-

edge, understanding and diverse collaboration will foster and usher in a conversion, maybe even a transformation of sorts.

Collaboration, Pathak stresses, is the most effective way to nurture problem-solving mind sets around complex and systems-level issues. Kingbridge Centre is a place where people come together to explore, experiment and push the envelope with some risky ideas, in a safe manner that supports learning from failure. Where solutions yield impactful results, the resources and network of the Centre wrap around the solution, accelerating it to global markets. In that manner, the Centre and its partners will foster sustainable, economic prosperity, in alignment with the U.N.'s Sustainability Development Goals.

Towards this end, Seneca College and Kingbridge have teamed up to help drive in a real-world setting unique programs to help entrepreneurs build and scale businesses in the agriculture, food production and processing, energy and environmental sectors.

Through shared resources in business development and applied research, Seneca and Kingbridge will help companies grow and solve challenges related to technology, infrastructure and sustainability. The collaboration is the latest addition to the thriving innovation ecosystem in York Region and will harness the unique assets located in King Township.

Seneca's contributions to the initiative include applied research infrastructure and faculty expertise and access for aspiring entrepreneurs to HELIX, Seneca's business incubator and accelerator. HELIX has built a



strong reputation in York Region helping young business owners with mentorship, infrastructure, access to investors and professional development opportunities.

While Kingbridge continues its partnership with York Region Community Services and the Salvation Army to provide shelter services for those affected by the pandemic, the Innovation hub started outdoor projects by launching a pilot project to develop an efficient and ecologically responsible approach to planting trees, in keeping with the federal government's plan to plant one billion trees across the country. Their tree nursery is a forest incubator and includes focus on native species at risk. The incubator involves species migration studies, tracking invasive trees, planning for seed orchards and seed banks and the building resilience in the forestry supply chain, demo sites and more.

A total of 1,500 white cedar trees are planted on the property, as part of the tree nursery for native trees and species at risk. Another 9,000 trees of different at-risk varieties were planted in a holding area, to be re-located to Kingbridge in the spring of 2022.

Pathak said nature's best 3-D design for carbon capture is the tree. The answer to many climate issues is simply, plant more curated and well designed forest cover. The idea may be straightforward, but the logistics are a bit more complicated. Leading Canadian research has demonstrated that biodiversity of surrounding plants and more importantly, the soil, is essential to ensuring healthy forests. Numbers aside, species and pollinators all have to be examined and protected, while optimizing the complex web of nature that supports trees.

Pathak imagined a group – the "Climate Corps" for instance – leading mass plantings among other such ecologically minded projects. If teams can plant 10,000 trees in a matter of weeks, such efforts can bring together environmentally conscious citizens, volunteers and governments in an almost seamless manner. It would be an army of climate conservationists, not unlike nature's best worker bees.

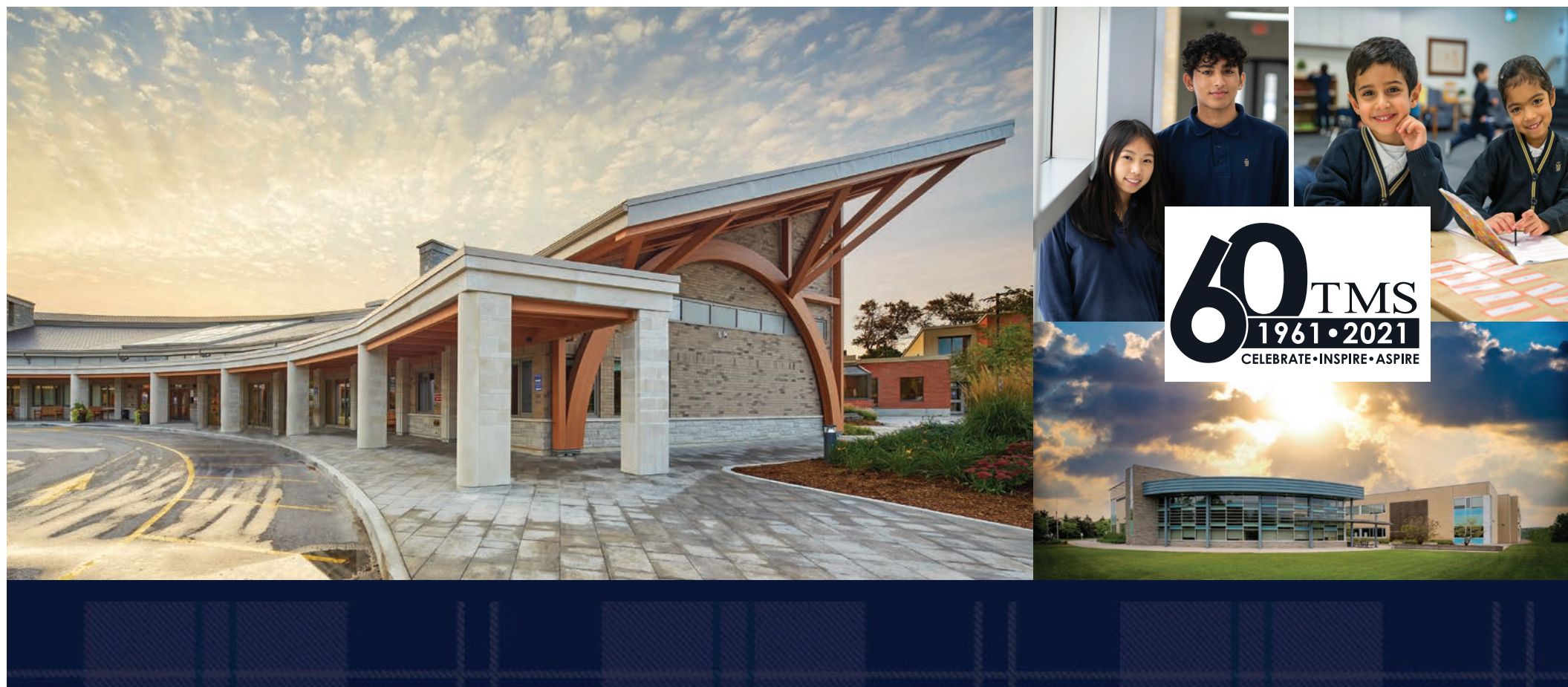
And bees figure prominently in Kingbridge's scope. The Centre is also home to hives and some 150,000 honey bees.

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Alliances breed solutions

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The hives are located beside the tree nursery, and have access to the naturalized forest and the Humber River which runs through the Kingbridge property. The bee project is part of a focus on protecting biodiversity, local food production and natural ecosystems. The bees are cared for by onsite team members and several volunteers. They recently completed their first honey harvest.

Research and study at Kingbridge is done in a natural environment. Staff and volunteers can actually develop pollinators in a responsible manner.

Many industry experts believe sustainability and “green” methods impact the bottom line adversely, but Pathak is adamant that by bringing all parties and partners together in a responsible manner it can indeed lead to superior economic prosperity.

The pandemic has been a sort of double-edge sword for humanity and industry. At the outset, countries closed themselves off, preferring isolation over collaboration. As the pandemic lingered, more and more scientists, researchers, governments and industries came together to ramp up vaccine production and distribution. The work over the past year has clearly demonstrated just how world partners can connect and deliver solutions quickly and efficiently, for everyone’s benefit. In fact, Canada recently co-hosted the World Circular Economy Forum with the Finnish Innovation Fund, SITRA. The Kingbridge team were active participants in the forum, sharing ideas and opportunities.

It’s a top-down process with a sense of purpose, Pathak explained. Collaboration helps drive problem-solving and strong leadership leads to engagement and ultimately innovation.

Kingbridge is the catalyst for the key ingredients of the innovation mixture. Absorb the risk, eliminate the fear of failure and encourage teamwork and you have the five-star recipe for success.

Kingbridge also provides the incredibly comfortable atmosphere for teams to gather and create. Seneca instructors and volunteers have already been hard at work on several projects, including exploring the potential of offering a Sustainable Business Management micro credential course for small and medium sized businesses, participating in the Green Citizenship conference, and developing a Greenpreneurship workshop to be offered later this fall.

Connecting with King Township, the Chamber of Commerce and all other community stakeholders across the region will continue to elevate the centre’s foundation and fuel the development of more projects.

By bringing the best and brightest together, things can be accomplished quickly, but also in a responsible manner. Again, Pathak stressed, Kingbridge is in it for the long haul, the long game.

Pathak is fond of the expression, “we can’t promise success, but we can promise commitment.”

It’s this mind set of networking and alliances that will end up benefitting King Township, York Region, the GTA and the entire province.

Pathak believes that everyone shares a curiosity and desire to improve life. The pool of intellectual and hard infrastructure resources at Kingbridge will lead to the creation of new business models and innovative solutions. Hopes are such partnerships will lead to transferable technologies and processes. By planting the proverbial seed, you can replicate solid results, which are then teachable.

Pathak and Kingbridge staff are excited, even though they’re heading down a road less travelled. By providing confidence, determination and the stomach for a good challenge, Kingbridge hopes to transcend the closed, ivory tower mentality and disseminate knowledge to the world.

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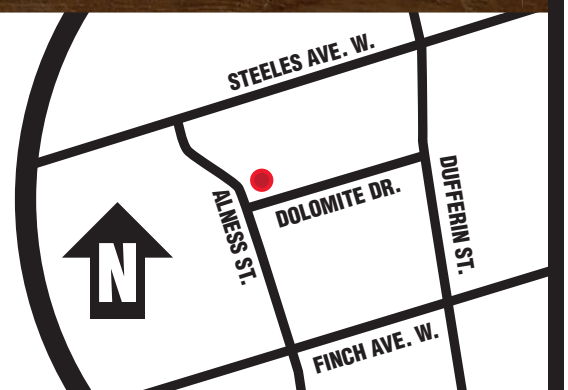
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“Every child with cystic fibrosis deserves the best care and treatment so that they can live a life of dignity and opportunity,” said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan. “Our government is

taking urgent action to ensure all cystic fibrosis patients will have more timely access to the effective and life changing treatments they need.”

“Our government has taken urgent action to ensure all cystic fibrosis patients will have more timely access to the effective and life changing treatments they need,” said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. “Providing coverage for Trikafta is one more way our government

is building a sustainable, modern and connected health care system that will expand coverage to new and innovative treatments and provide high-quality health care to patients for years to come.”

In addition to the drugs Orkambi and Kalydeco, the first drugs in this class to treat cystic fibrosis and currently funded through the Ontario Drug Benefit (ODB) program, Ontario is now also providing coverage for Trikafta, giving patients access to more options for treatment they need. Ontario patients aged 12 and up who do not meet the lung function criteria may work with their clinician to apply to the Exceptional Access Program (EAP) to be considered for funding on a case-by-case basis.

The drug was approved by Health Canada in June 2021 in an aligned review with the Canadian Agency for Drugs and Technologies in Health (CADTH), allowing for near simultaneous issuance of Health Canada’s Notice of Compliance and CADTH’s draft reimbursement recommendation and expediting the review and recommendation process. A positive health technology assessment was received through the CADTH drug review process. This process provides critical insight from patients, clinicians and experts to ensure drug-funding recom-

mendations are evidence-based and consider clinical benefit and cost-effectiveness.

The pan-Canadian Pharmaceutical Alliance (pCPA) accelerated the negotiations process to reach a mutual agreement on terms with Vertex Pharmaceuticals for Trikafta and Ontario has moved quickly to initiate funding.

“Trikafta is the single greatest innovation in cystic fibrosis history and it has the power to transform the lives of thousands of Canadians,” said Kelly Grover, president and CEO, Cystic Fibrosis Canada. “The cystic fibrosis community in Ontario has fought long and hard to get this drug into their hands. Access to Trikafta will mean longer and healthier lives for so many people and the ability to plan for a future that many feared they might not live to see.”

Cystic fibrosis is a rare and progressive genetic disease that causes thick mucus to build up in the lungs, digestive tract and other parts of the body. It causes persistent lung infections and leads to loss of lung function.

It is estimated that one in every 3,600 children born in Canada has cystic fibrosis. There is currently no cure for cystic fibrosis. An estimated 1,500 Ontarians have cystic fibrosis.

At list price, Trikafta costs approximately \$300,000 per patient per year.

Lands help expand the York Regional Forest

The Regional Municipality of York has acquired lands at 20753 McCowan Road and 4762 Queensville Sideroad in the Town of East Gwillimbury to expand the York Regional Forest. The lands, shown on the map, were acquired through the Regional Greening Strategy.

“This land acquisition works to advance our woodland cover while enhancing and preserving our greenspace and fighting climate change impacts,” said York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. “Residents can look forward to increased access to green space, expanded existing trail systems and connecting to nature.”

The 142-hectare protected countryside property is located within the Natural Heritage system of the Greenbelt Plan and contains a portion of the Oak Ridges Moraine Natural Core area, part of the Regional Greenlands System. Approximately 82 hectares will be reforested, contributing to the Region’s 25% woodland cover target.

Acquisition and reforestation of this parcel is partially funded (40%) through Infrastructure Canada’s Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund and will help reduce the impacts of extreme heat and flooding.

The property should be ready for public use within the next few years. To learn more about the York Regional Forest, visit york.ca/yrf



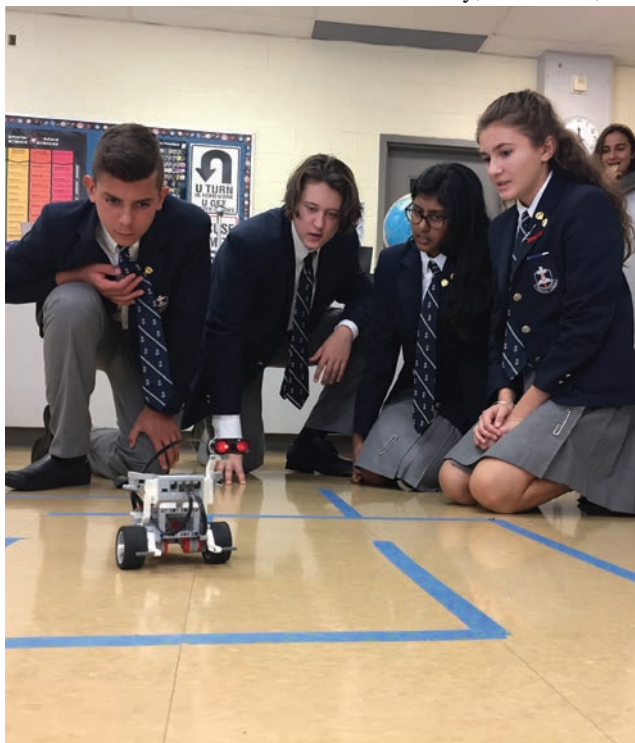
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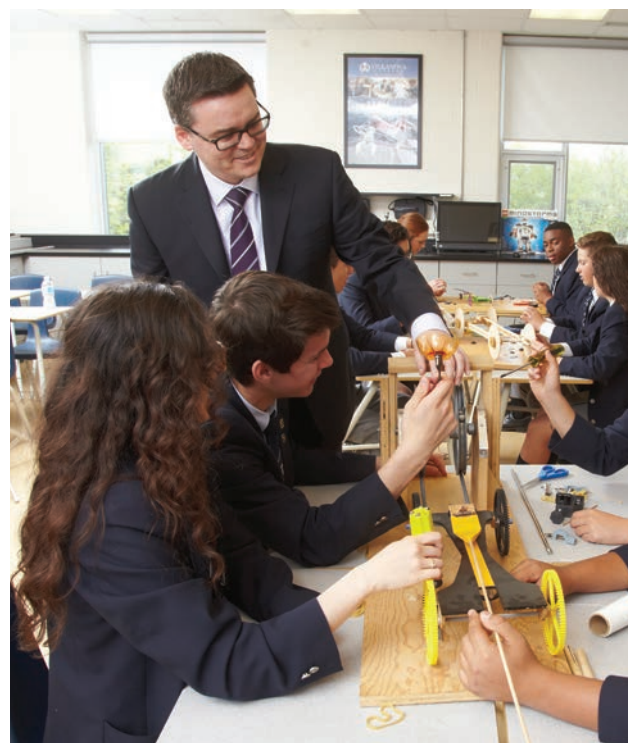
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Lamaze and Hickstead inducted into Sports Hall of Fame

Olympic show jumping champions Eric Lamaze and Hickstead were inducted into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame during a virtual ceremony held Oct. 3.

Inducted in the "Team" category, Lamaze and Hickstead are widely considered to be the best competitors of their era. Among their many feats was claiming the Olympic Championship title at the 2008 Beijing Olympics and leading Canada to the team silver medal.

Lamaze and Hickstead also earned an individual bronze medal at the 2010 World Championships in Lexington, Kentucky, where Hickstead was awarded the title of "Best Horse." They won team silver and individual bronze medals at the 2007 Pan American Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, as well as several major grand prix show jumping titles including Calgary, Canada (2007 and 2011); Geneva, Switzerland (2008); Aachen, Germany (2010); La Baule, France (2011); and Rome, Italy (2011).

"I believe this is the greatest honour you can receive from your country," said Lamaze, 53. "Hickstead was incredible, simply one of a kind. Together, we were proud to represent Canada on the world stage. It is well deserved on his part; I just went along for the ride."

Due to the COVID-19 global pan-

demie, the Canada's Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony, traditionally held each October in Toronto, was held virtually for the first time. Hosted by Sportsnet's Ron MacLean and Tara Slone, the ceremony also featured a musical performance by Jim Cuddy, best known for his work with Blue Rodeo.

In addition to being inducted into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame as part of the class of 2020/21, Lamaze received the Order of Sport, Canada's highest sporting honour. The Order of Sport was presented to Lamaze while he was competing at Spruce Meadows in Calgary in September. It was a fitting venue for the presentation, given that a life-size bronze statue of Hickstead overlooks the Spruce Meadows Plaza.

Hickstead (Hamlet – Jomara x Ekstein) was bred in The Netherlands by Jan van Schijndel and born on March 2, 1996. Lamaze purchased the Dutch Warmblood stallion in 2004 through Stephex Stables in Belgium and owned him in partnership with John Fleischhacker's Ashland Stables of the United States. Prior to his tragic death during competition in Italy in 2011, Hickstead had earned more than \$3 million in prize money during his career with Lamaze.

Lamaze has competed in three con-



2008 Beijing Olympic show jumping champions Eric Lamaze and Hickstead were inducted into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame on Oct. 3.

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Skip Andrew McKenzie of the Friday Night Social League delivers in his team's opening round of the 2021-22 season of the King Curling Club.

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Victory is the return to curling

By Shellee Morning

Lockdowns, isolation, face masks, hand sanitizer and not to forget the "panic shopping" were all once the sole conversation in homes across the globe. But, after 18 months the rocks of King Curling were once again thrown down the sheets for the start of the long anticipated return to play.

With the well-received "Warm-up Week" now completed, curlers have dusted the cob webs off their brooms, rejuvenated and revived their curling skills. The rhythm and balance portion of the skills were just like riding a bike, it all came back rather quickly. The strength and stamina along with reading of the ice and execution of shot making, will undoubtedly take a bit more time for falling into the groove.

As with every year, new faces and new teams are introduced and received. But what is never different or changed, is the fellowship and camaraderie that comes with the sport of curling and, the King Curling Club.

With COVID-19 guidelines in place, members simply enjoyed the fact of being out of the house and off the couch to relish in the fun and back to socializing, even if it is still 6 feet apart. The chance to step forward or back into a bit of normalcy is very much the hope and dreams for everyone.

The Friday Night Social league began the club's opening of regular season games and the sounds at ice level were music to one's ear. Laughter, the hurry hard cheer and the sound of rocks at impact signified the start of the years round of new challenges,

personal bests and the titles for League Champion.

Familiar names in the Skip position; husband and wife Andrew and Sheila McKenzie faced off against each other and their continued rival for bragging rights, squared off with their new teams on Sheet K.

Andrew, along with Paul Clarke, Debbie Humphreys and Dermot Symington held their own throughout the game of head to head action. Sheila with her squad of Trudy LaLonde, and Mike and Cheryl Babcock came out on top after some well-timed shot making for the 4-2 win claiming victory in their season opener.

Other winners were Team Galiardi over Team Saldat and Team Wasyliw won their opening game against Team Franchetto. Broom tapping replaces the traditional handshaking while the unanimous consensus of being back to curling and seeing each other again was truly the victorious winner.

In the next few weeks all of the club's leagues will get under way with its members looking forward to a season of physical activity rather than bodily dormancy.

Little Rocks, Day leagues, Social Leagues and Team Entry leagues as well as the Adult Learn to Curl League will be in operation under the COVID-19 guidelines. There is still time to register if you are interested or would like more information about curling visit www.kingcurling.ca

The King Curling executive welcomes their members to a season of good curling and reminds everyone to stay safe. Hurry Hard!

secutive Olympic Games – 2008 Beijing, China; 2012 London, England; and 2016 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. In addition to the individual gold and team silver medals won with Hickstead in Beijing, Lamaze won an individual bronze medal partnered with Fine Lady 5 at the 2016 Olympic Games. He owns and operates Torrey Pines Stable, a show jumping training and sales business

with bases in Wellington, Florida, and Brussels, Belgium, where he trains many students from various nationalities at the elite level.

For more information, visit EricLamaze.com.

For more information on Canada's Sports Hall of Fame and the Order of Sport, visit www.sportshall.ca and www.orderofsport.ca.

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Choosing NBA players Irving and Wiggins will be unwise

By Robert Belardi

Robert's Rant

With the NBA preseason currently under way, now is the time to start researching on the players you will feel, will be the best suited options to take home the fantasy basketball crown.

Mind you, researching is no joke. You have to make a calculated approach with your picks. You have to question exactly how you're going to balance your lineup, or whether you're one of those fantasy players that often favours one position over the other. Some teams love having more guards than forwards and some other owners might want to have more centres than guards. It's all preference.

But when looking at who you want to select, it isn't exactly a surprise when external factors come into play that leaves a fantasy owners shuddered. Of course, this is all out of control but with prior research for this upcoming season, there are a few players that we all know we need to be weary of.

The first player that fantasy managers should pay the utmost attention to is none other than Kyrie Irving. Known for taking breaks throughout the year or seen mask-less at his sister's birthday party last year, Irving is prone to things outside basketball. But when he's on the court, he's arguably a top-ten fantasy player and I can speak for myself, he helped me secure the title in my fantasy last season.

Irving averaged 26.9 points 4.8 re-

bounds and 6.0 assists along with an elite 92.2 free-throw percentage. But this year we might have more to worry about for Irving again. Irving, who isn't vaccinated and hasn't shown any signs of changing his mind, will be a tough fantasy player to choose. New York State has one of the strictest rules for being vaccinated in an indoor setting. That could potentially mean, Irving will not be able to play a single home game if it currently stands.

So, despite his stellar performances on the court, Irving is a huge risk. It would be one thing if he wasn't able to play in only a couple of arenas, but with home games on the line, it's safe to say I would keep tabs on his situation. If it doesn't change, I would avoid him for this fantasy year.

Another player that I would avoid who is in the same scenario is our hometown boy Andrew Wiggins.

Wiggins, who attempted to receive religious exemption from the vaccine, was denied last week.

The only player in this situation that has a higher trust level than Irving and Wiggins is Bradley Beal.

Beal, revealed last week he isn't entirely for the vaccine and isn't in a position to get it, having just recently fought off COVID. With the state of D.C. not mandating the vaccine in indoor places, Beal is still able to play home games

without any worry.

According to NBA.com, arenas that have imposed vaccine mandates for their teams' players will not reject unvaccinated players coming in on the road. That means Beal, won't even have an issue at all with this. The only concern is if he contracts COVID-19 again, he will miss significant time.

Now I didn't get on to the topic of Ben Simmons, but truthfully there might not be a reason to. The disgrun-

ted point guard, has been a hot topic for many fantasy basketball pundits. I would avoid Ben Simmons entirely as well, as his fantasy basketball outlook isn't all that great to begin with even if he is on the court for 40 minutes a night.

As we edge closer to the start date of the NBA season, continue to monitor the situation with Andrew Wiggins and Kyrie Irving. If things change, then they're worth a look. Especially Irving.

Cougars off to flying start

By Robert Belardi

The Schomberg Cougars fired home 16 goals in the first two matches of the year, defeating Midland Flyers at home 8-2 and taking down the Penetang Kings on the road 8-4.

Yet despite the offensive showcase, head coach of the year last year with the Caledon Golden Hawks and current head coach of the Cougars Stan Kondrotas says he doesn't want to get ahead of himself.

"Nice to see us put a lot of pucks in the net. It shows we got some depth scoring. But not to let that go to our head, it's the beginning of the season, teams haven't played in two years and there are a lot of changes on a lot of teams," Kondrotas said.

"Midland is a very young team. They're trying to build something there for the future. We're lucky to of gotten a few players back that I've coached before and it was nice to see resiliency there back to back. No matter who goes there, it's always tough to play a game in Penetang. It's a very small barn and they play a very rugged hockey game. You got to be prepared."

In the home game against Midland last Thursday, Kelby Parkinson got the flyers on the board just over a minute in.

But former player for Kondrotas in Caledon, Luke Miehm tied it all up and captain Cameron Kolkej added another shortly after. Miehm added one more to give the boys a 3-1 after the first.

The Cougars potted home two more goals in the second period and another three in the third as more of Kondrotas' former players Kory Lund, Aidan

Jones and Marc Bottero got themselves on the assists and goals column on the night. Also, his former player Frederick Hunter was great defensively throughout.

Travelling over to Penetang the next night, James McLean, Bottero, Jordyn Palazzo and Jacob Futas all got on the board. But the show was really Kolkelj's that night as the captain four times. He now leads the league in scoring with five goals after the opening weekend.

"Going back to when we played against him we always had to be aware when he was on the ice. He's smooth, he's quick, he sees the ice well and he has a good shot," Kondrotas said.

"Cam is a born leader. He's performed well. It's to be expected and that's what I expect from him. He brings that much to the table. He may be among the best players in the league."

With all five of his former players, four returning players and an entirely new team that makes up the rest of the roster Kondrotas will rely on the veterans to relay the message on how he wants things done.

Tonight, Kondrotas sees his former team as the Caledon Golden Hawks come to the Trisan Centre. The Golden Hawks are coming off a 6-2 victory against the Huntsville Otters to start the season.

Kondrotas is well aware of their goaltender Mason Kameka who he says is arguably the best in the league at his position.

The Cougars will then travel to Al-Liston to take on the Hornets tomorrow night. Both puck drops are at 7:30 p.m. EST.



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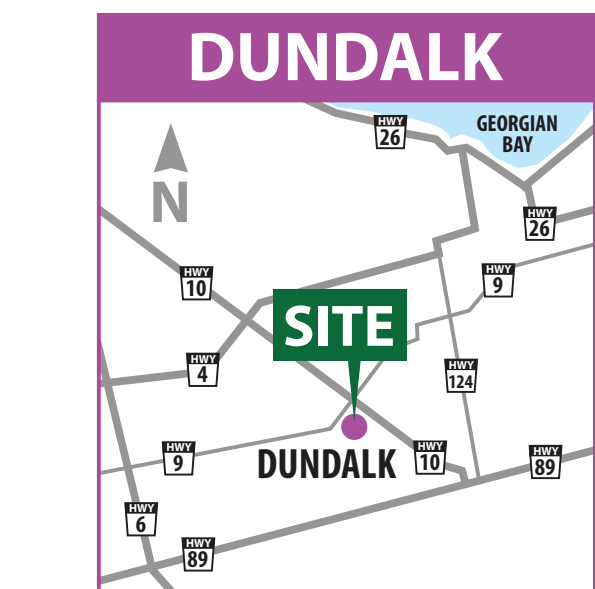
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Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop
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Main Street Christmas

Our Annual Main Street Christmas Event is sponsored and presented by the Schomberg Village Association. The traditional date for this spectacular event is the first Saturday in December.

As you all know, last year, due to COVID's relentlessness, our popular event took a significant twist that turned out to be very well-received by you all. With little time for preparation, roadblocks at every turn and no ability to do any advertising outside of our community due to government restrictions, we did it and it was extraordinary!

For those of you who don't know, we morphed our Main Street Christmas event into a drive-through our Fairgrounds, where well over 700 cars viewed the majestic bright lights and

dedication of our farming community. As the cars drove through the breath-taking vista of our Farming Community, they listened to a short narration on their car radio describing the implements, letting you know when they last were on the ground and telling you a little about these farming families.

The long narration can be watched and listened to on Schomberg Village Facebook page-click on the tractor and lights under video and you will listen to a 22-minute narration shedding some light on the closeness of our farming community and their longstanding roots and heritage of our special community.

Once again, for the second year running, as Covid is still haranguing our society, we will be planning another drive-through, in our Fairgrounds, viewing our Farmer's Tractor Parade of Lights and this year, it is going to be bigger and better and brighter! This year, we are going to hold it for two nights - both December 3 and 4 (please mark those dates in your calendar). We are planning lots of decorations, lights, entertainment and plenty of good cheer! We have time, this year to plan, something we did not have last year, so

there is so much more we can do!

I hope you all come out and appreciate the effort, contribution and dedication our farmers give every year to make the "Parade of Lights" a spectacular event and a grand ending every year to our traditional Main Street Christmas Event. This is a very special event for Schomberg - please mark your calendars - Dec. 3 and 4.

Schomberg Scarecrow Competition

Schomberg Scarecrows are alive and well and excited to celebrate their 15th Anniversary in Schomberg, looking forward to amusing, entertaining and scaring our Schomberg citizenry! As the leaves change and the pumpkins get carved, the Scarecrows encourage you all to come out and participate, by building, viewing, judging and appreciating!

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Many thanks to the Schomberg Village Association for sponsoring this well-received event.

Check the Scarecrow group out on their website www.schombergscarecrows.com You can find inspiration by looking at previous years scarecrows and get ready to build your scarecrow of a lifetime!

This competition ends on Oct. 17. Good luck!

Schomberg Horticultural Society

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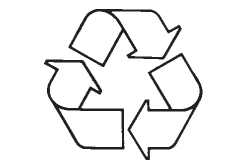
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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church
By Linda Blydorp

We welcome you to join us in-person for worship this Thanksgiving Sunday. Masks still must be worn and households are to be kept two metres apart from each other.

Our Pastor, Jeff Loach, will base his message this Sunday on the third letter of John, and is entitled, "Diotrephes or Demetrius?" If that sounds strange, who not join us? Our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on stpaulsnobleton.ca or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m. You can watch previous services or messages anytime, also on our YouTube channel (youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton).

As part of our mission outreach to the community, St. Paul's is conducting a needs assessment survey within Nobleton. The purpose of this survey is to identify specific needs of families within the community of Nobleton and provide supports or programs to fill gaps identified. You may launch this

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Holy Rosary Group: Don't forget to join us every Monday at 7:30 p.m. to pray the Holy Rosary on Zoom.

If there is anything we can do to support you, please call the parish office on 905-859-5522 or email us at: stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org

Check out our Facebook page for parish updates, prayers and Sunday Holy Mass livestream. Kindly see the parish bulletin Mass schedule for Mass Times.

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

Please note, the Sacrament of Confession is available at St. Mary's Church on Saturdays after 4 p.m. by appointment. Please call the parish office.

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King's Corners

King City United
By Sheryl Sinka

Warm wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving from KCUC, we wish you a wonderful and safe long weekend.

A big welcome back to Rev. Bruce Roffey who presided over worship last Sunday, Oct 3. His message to us reminded us that while we walk at the side of God, in Jesus's ministry and mission we have "unrealized power."

"There is no one in the whole world better able to care for people body and soul than we are, to care for the little ones, to care for the outsiders, to care for the vulnerable, the wounded, the hurt." Thanks be to God.

The recording of this message can be viewed on our website kcuc.net. We are pleased to inform you that we have resumed weekly worship at King City United and next week we welcome back Rev. Andrew Lee from his vacation/study leave as we celebrate Thanksgiving Sunday, Oct. 10 please RSVP to the office at 905-833-5181 or email kcuc@bellnet.ca.

We are requiring those who attend to confirm that they have full vaccination status with a Health Canada approved vaccine and there is a full list of protocols and precautions on our website. The online worship will be available later Sunday afternoon for those who worship from home and previous weeks worships, are available on our YouTube Channel at YorkUnitedMinistries.com 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 Sun-

day morning worship link.

The Women's Prayer Circle is still "open for business," and we are still praying 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 it is deemed safe. Meanwhile, if you need prayer, for yourself or a loved one, please call Deanna 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. 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 Sundays at 10:30 a.m. 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 YouTube.

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 3.

Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series Witness of a New Era - the Book of Acts.

Fall Market at KBC on Saturday, Oct. 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We are looking for Vendors for a Fall Market at KBC.

Our market will be located and hosted by King Bible Church at 1555 King Road, in King City. We are in a prime, high-traffic location and are looking to create connections within the community. We are looking for artisans, craft makers, food vendors etc. from all over Ontario to showcase their diverse skills and creativity.

Please visit our website for links

and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com

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

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

Nobleton and King City Garden Club

You're invited to join the Nobleton and King City Garden Club. No gardening experience is required, just a willingness to learn about gardening and nature. However, if you have a green thumb, or are a gardening enthusiast, this could be a great opportunity to expand your knowledge and share your own gardening tips.

Guest speakers present at each meeting on a variety of garden-related topics. Our meetings are held on the 4th Monday of each month between March and November via Zoom (for now).

If you are interested in participating on the Board of Directors, we have a few positions available and specifically require a Treasurer. Please submit your name on or before Oct. 15 to indicate your interest in joining the board.

For more information, check out our website at <https://gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/635/> Contact us at nobletonkingcitygardenclub@gmail.com and check us out on Facebook @ NobletonKingGardenClub and Instagram.

St. Andrew's

By Kathy Patterson

We hope you can join us for Thanksgiving Sunday, but if you miss our morning worship service, the video

can be found either on YouTube (St. Andrew's, King City) or by going to our website. The in-person services are recorded and posted later each Sunday afternoon around 4 p.m. (standrews-kingcity.ca).

Do you have prayer requests or want to share thanksgivings? We are happy to pray with you or for you, in confidence. 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."

Art for the Soul on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. and the Tuesday evening Bible Study group for now are online. Contact Lynn Vissers for more information.

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 at 5 p.m.

For pastoral care please call Lynn Vissers: 416-998-4652, or our new Interim Moderator, the Rev. Jonathan Dennis: 905-724-1979.

If there are questions re St. Andrew's reopening please contact us. Changes in your contact information? Please contact Kathy Patterson at 905-833-0391.

All Saints Anglican Church

By Patrick Gossage

All Saints Online: Miss a service? Know of anyone who is not comfortable coming to church because of COVID?

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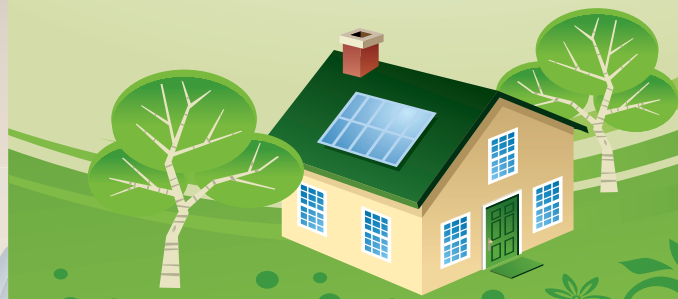
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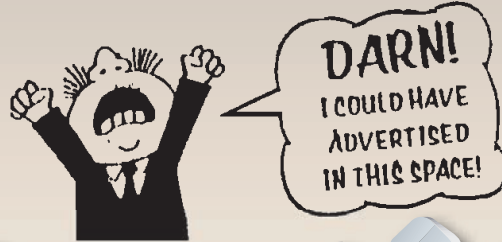
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One of my friends sent me a link [https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-](https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-115-the-doc-project/clip/15869801-tasting-freedom)

115-the-doc-project/clip/15869801-tasting-freedom to an interesting CBC radio commentary called "Tasting Freedom, The Doc Project with Acey Rowe" about an event that happened in the Edmonton Indian Residential School, which was run by the United Church of Canada from the 1920s to the late 1960s. In 1961, Helen Campbell Johnson, a teen-aged residential girl, was serving in the cafeteria and was really angry about the small portions of food that the 147 residential school children received of canned pork and lumpy oatmeal and compared that to the big variety and quantity of food that the teachers received. She led a rebellion and in the end, she was sent back to her home in Northern B.C., but the school's menu expanded and more food was received. Although Helen returned, she had been away for 6 years and her parents had died, and she had lost her language. Still she is a fighter and continues trying to help others to this day.

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. Our chat topics are wide-ranging. It does not matter if you are an atheist, a doubter, or a believer, we would still welcome you.

King's Corners

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Our 10:30 a.m. Sunday Eucharist with music and sermon is carried live on our Facebook page. Spread the word. www.facebook.com/allsaintsking

Fr. Michael preached on Christ's teaching on marriage from Mark 10: "Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." (Mk 10.9).

These words are used at the end of the marriage liturgy of the Anglican church. As the capstone of the marriage service, these words of Jesus underscore the seriousness of what the couple are entering into.

"... for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, for the rest of our life, according to God's holy law. This is my solemn vow."

The marriage service is saying to the newlyweds, buckle up, because you're going to need God's help to get through this ride.

In his earthly life, Jesus lived the full variety of human experience. The incarnation of Jesus is God's promise of commitment to our earthly life through all its hills and valleys.

"Therefore, what God has joined together ..." In saying that marriage is God's agency, Jesus is saying something profound about the created nature of our experience and God's desire

that marriage is part of the life that is God's gift to us to enjoy, as well as a participation in God's work of creation "... let no one separate." These words remind us that Jesus's teachings here on marriage are within the context of a discussion on divorce.

Jesus in Mk 10 is speaking up against male-dominated divorce practices of his day which saw wives easily cast off and forced into lives of poverty and prostitution. This context is important, because it is entirely congruent with Jesus's concern for the dignity of women as children of God. Mark 10 is really not a blanket prohibition against all divorce, even in cases of violence or neglect.

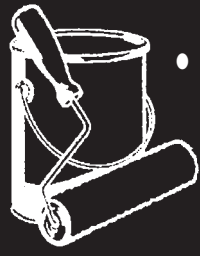
I don't see how any reading of the good news of God in Christ could require a spouse to remain in an abusive relationship. The Anglican Church has moved towards an understanding of marriage as a means of knowing God's grace, love, and the communion of the Trinity within matrimony, regardless of the gender of the participants or whether one or both parties have been divorced.

I pray that we are right in these things. What I do know, with absolute certainty, is that in the mystery of marriage, we are given the power to love, to forgive, and to stand by one another through the darkest hours, all the while within the fulsome love of God in Christ who calls us to renew creation in this mysterious and wonderful way of being.



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