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Funding helps revamp Schomberg park

The Lions Parkette in Schomberg will be undergoing some major improvements, thanks to funding from various levels of government. Turn to Page 3 for the full story.

King returns to in-person service Jan. 31

The Township of King will return to in-person service, restoring fitness and sports programs, reopening the King Township Municipal Centre to counter service and reopening the King Heritage and Cultural Centre when the Provincial Health Direction is lifted starting Monday, Jan. 31.

On Jan. 5, the Township closed facilities, programs and services to comply with the Provincial Health Direction put in place to blunt an increasing number of COVID-19 cases.

The Province announced on Jan. 20 that starting Jan. 31, sports and fitness facilities and museums can reopen and the direction to non-essential workers to work remotely is lifted. This is part of a three-phased, reopening strategy.

King Township is making it a priority to reopen its indoor ice, curling and fitness activities starting Jan. 31, including:

Indoor ice surfaces, curling, fitness centre and classes. Fitness centre usage and fitness classes require pre-registration due to capacity limitations. COVID-19 safety protocols will be in place and proof of vaccination will be required.

Virtual programming opportunities will continue to be offered. Outdoor rinks will continue to operate, weather-permitting.

For information about recreation in King, visit www.king.ca/recreation. The King Township Public Library remains open at reduced capacity. Visit www.kinglibrary.ca

ServiceKING will be available in person at the King Township Municipal Centre starting Jan. 31. Residents can also conduct business with King online, by phone or by email. Visit www.king.ca/service, call the Township at 905-833-5321 (Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

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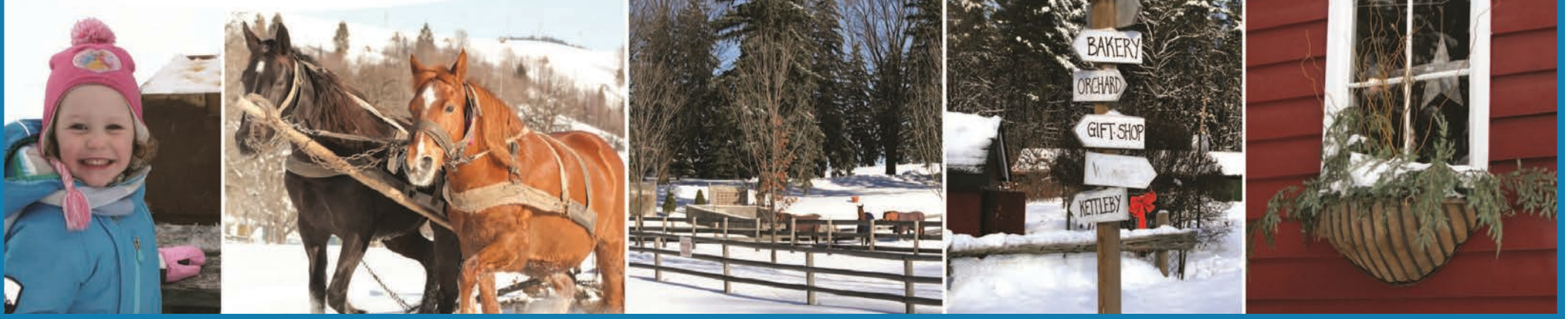
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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, January 31, 2022
6 pm – Public Planning Meeting
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

Monday, February 7, 2022
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, February 3
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 12 pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Tuesday, February 8
11 a.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 9am on the day of the meeting.

Thursday, February 10
3 pm – Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board, Electronic Meeting (noon) on the day of the meeting

Tuesday, February 15
6 pm – King Township Public Library Board (virtual meeting)

Wednesday, February 16
6 pm – Sustainability Advisory Committee (Virtual Meeting – Not Live-Streamed). If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, register by email at solivieri@king.ca by 12pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Wednesday, February 23
6 pm – Committee of Adjustment (virtual meeting)

BID NOTICES

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

- Aquatics Manager (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Aquatics Supervisor (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Aquatics Lifeguard/Instructor (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Outdoor Program Facilitator (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Parks Seasonal Worker (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Camp Director (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Camp Counsellor (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Camp Program Coordinator (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Inclusion Program Coordinator (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15
- Inclusion Camp Counsellor (Contract) – Deadline Feb. 15

REMINDERS

King Township residents are being asked to stay off both stormwater ponds and other ponds on public property for a variety of safety reasons.

There are several reasons why skating on stormwater ponds is dangerous.

- Stormwater ponds are designed to continuously collect stormwater from surrounding roads and neighbourhoods.
- No matter how deep into the winter or how thick the ice may appear, temperature changes and water flowing in/out can cause major variations in ice thickness.
- Air pockets are also easily formed under the surface and contaminants like salt weaken the ice.



Please see more King Township notices on page 5

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATIONS CONCERNING A PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT, ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT, AND DRAFT PLAN OF SUBDIVISION

The Township of King has received applications for a proposed amendment to Township's Zoning By-law (2016-71), Official Plan Amendment and for a Draft Plan of Subdivision to facilitate development on the property outlined below, submitted to the Township of King in accordance with Section 22, 34 and Section 51 of the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13*, as amended.

The Township has determined that these applications are considered complete and the Planning Division has commenced processing. We welcome your comments regarding these applications.

SUBJECT PROPERTY

Location: 13440 Highway 27
Concession 9, Part Lot 9
Village of Nobleton
Owner: Noblestone Developments Inc. c/o Michael Fallico
Applicant & Agent: Humphries Planning Group Inc. c/o Rosemarie Humphries
Township File No.'s: Z-2021-12, 19T-21K02 and OP-2021-04

PROPOSAL

The subject applications propose to amend the Township's Zoning By-law, Official Plan and seek approval for a related application for Draft Plan of Subdivision to facilitate development of six (6) single detached dwellings, a road widening block, and a future roadblock for the provision of a daylight triangle. The Applicant has submitted a Zoning By-law Amendment Application to facilitate the rezoning of the property from Future Development (FD) to Residential – Single Detached "C" Zone and an Official Plan Amendment to re-designate the Subject Site from the "Established Neighbourhood" designation to the "Neighbourhoods".

At such time as a public meeting is scheduled in accordance with the Planning Act, the Township of King will provide further notice specifying the date and time of the meeting. Any person may attend the public meeting (or participate virtually if the meeting is remote due to public health restrictions), and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed official plan amendment or zoning by-law amendment.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A copy of the proposed Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-law Amendment or Draft Plan of Subdivision application as well as related background and supporting information, are available for inspection by contacting Colin Pang, Planner II at cpang@king.ca or by telephone at 905-833-5321, ext. 4067, quoting File Numbers Z-2021-12, 19T-21K02 and OP-2021-04 (13440 Highway 27). Written comments may be emailed or personally delivered to the Planning Division and will become part of the public record.

Dated at the Township of King this 27th day of January, 2022.

Kathryn Moyle
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Schomberg receives 'My Main Street' funding boost

King Township will receive \$116,000 in funding to revitalize the Schomberg Lions Parkette, a community hub in the village of Schomberg.

On Jan. 12, the Honourable Helena Jaczek, Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario, announced the successful applicants for My Main Street – a \$23.25 million investment by the Government of Canada and delivered in partnership by the Canadian Urban Institute and the Economic Development Council of Ontario to support the revitalization of 200 neighbourhoods across southern Ontario.

My Main Street was created to help drive business and restore vibrancy to local communities across southern Ontario in the aftermath of COVID-19.

The \$200,000-project at Schomberg Lions Parkette transforms the previous youth-based play area into a multi-functioning activation area including new patio space, patio seating, public art, a gazebo and amphitheatre, and power and lighting options to reimagine the site as a downtown core gathering location for everyone.

The Schomberg Lions Parkette is located off Main Street in Schomberg. The nearby Holland River is incorporated into the redesign.

Schomberg Main Street is the heart of a vibrant village that takes pride in its agricultural heritage. A walkable, picturesque destination for residents and tourist alike, Schomberg's Main Street has maintained its historic quality, while offering a mix of local services, unique shops, restaurants and beautifully preserved homes.

"In King, we are incredibly grateful for the My Main Street funding that will even further enhance the sense of community that is so much a part of Schomberg. As communities continue to adapt through COVID-19,

this program provides support for projects that seek to revitalize neighbourhoods and reimagine public spaces as vibrant and inclusive places for everyone," said Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

"If there is a message from the My Main Street funding, it's a reminder for us to continue to support our local merchants, in-person, online or curbside. Let's make sure our local economy can flourish and emerge strong following the pandemic."

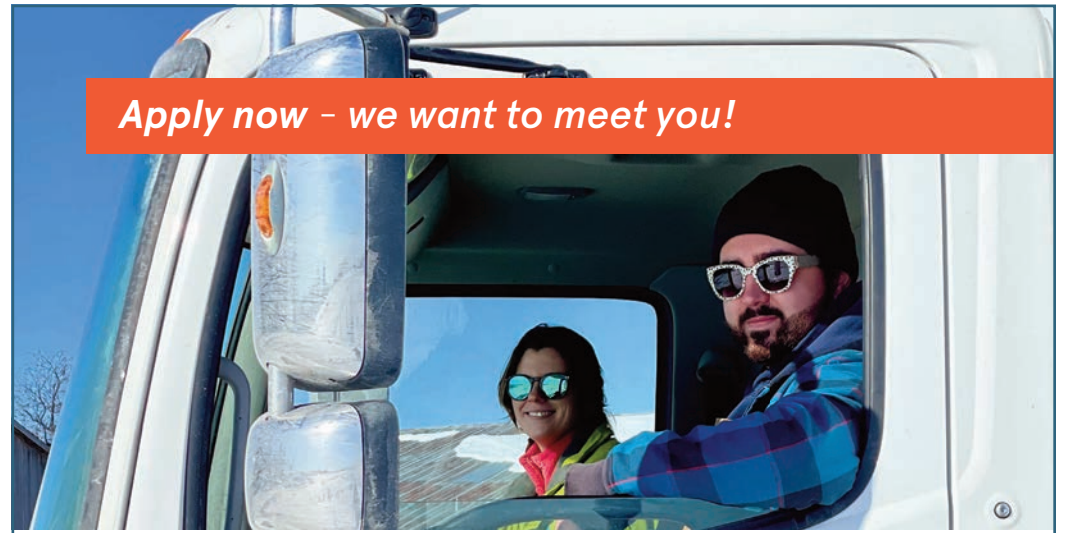
"The Schomberg Main Street goals are to attract people, increase awareness of Main Street as a wonderful place to shop, dine or visit, enhance the appearance of Main Street and strengthen its business base. My Main Street Community Activator funding helps us to accomplish those goals.

"The Schomberg Lions Parkette now can be more things to more people. It is a playground for children and a place where families can enjoy public space or have a meal and where future celebrations can take place," added Ward 4 Councillor Bill Cober.

The new design will also feature a concrete walkway at entry with three patio tables overlooking river. A shade structure will also serve as an amphitheatre. The play area will include a climbing structure and swings.

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, noted the improvements will attract investments, businesses, and local partners that will diversify the local economy, bring jobs into the community, and provide easier access to services for local residents.

"This funding builds upon the Ontario government's investment in Schomberg Village Downtown Revitalization Strategy – supporting expanded marketing, promotion, and streetscaping improvements to ensure our historic village remains sustainable and competitive for decades to come," Lecce said.



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Priority is ice surfaces

From Front Page

King CAO Dan Kostopoulos said they are prioritizing ice surfaces for skating and hockey and he doesn't see any issues for the indoor users. There are some issues for the outdoor rinks with regards to proper staffing, and he's putting a call out for community volunteers to help maintain the rinks.

Councillor Bill Cober wanted to know if clubs using the ice can extend their seasons, given the time they were sidelined. Discussions with groups are ongoing, Kostopoulos said, noting there shouldn't be any problem scheduling ice for the extra few weeks.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said "we hope this is it," regarding pandemic restrictions. He wants everyone to have an "awesome" February and March.

Effective Jan. 31 at 12:01 a.m. Ontario will begin the process of gradually easing restrictions, while maintaining protective measures, including but not limited to:

- Increasing social gathering limits to 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors.

Increasing or maintaining capacity limits at 50 per cent in indoor public settings, including but not limited to:

Restaurants, bars and other food or

drink establishments without dance facilities, retailers (including grocery stores and pharmacies), shopping malls, non-spectator areas of sports and recreational fitness facilities, including gyms, cinemas, meeting and event spaces, recreational amenities and amusement parks, including museums, galleries, aquariums, zoos and similar attractions, casinos, bingo halls and other gaming establishments, religious services, rites, or ceremonies.

As well, spectator areas of facilities such as sporting events, concert venues and theatres will operate at 50 per cent seated capacity or 500 people, whichever is less.

For more information, visit Ontario Outlines Steps to Cautiously and Gradually Ease Public Health Measures.

"We're happy to welcome back our residents after the recent pause to in-person services. Residents can continue to do business with us online, by phone or through email. During the pause we continued to provide services to our community, including getting our outdoor skating rinks up and running. I'd encourage people to use the rinks or head to Cold Creek Conservation Area for healthy, outdoor fun," said Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

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- Michael Connelly

Our biggest concerns are affording groceries and gas

The latest financial news comes with some noticeable belt-tightening among average Canadians.

It was reported recently that "51% of Canadians can't afford a \$200 increase in monthly expenses."

Further, Canadians' confidence in their personal financial situation and debt repayment abilities is hitting a record low, according to the latest MNP Consumer Debt Index.

"Nearly two years into the pandemic, financial confidence among Canadians has reached a record low, with household debt becoming increasingly worrisome," said Grant Bazian, president of MNP, in a news release.

"Canadians' financial optimism typically wanes as the holiday bills become due, but Canadians are feeling even more financially insecure this year - likely as a result of the Omicron variant and resulting pandemic fatigue, along with rising inflation and the potential for interest rate increases this year."

The survey found almost half of Canadians (45 per cent) aren't confident they'll be able to pay for basic living expenses this year. When it comes to debt levels, four-in-10 respondents (43 per cent) are worried about how much they currently owe.

In 2022, Canadians' top financial priorities are having a sufficient emergency fund (54%), paying down debt (48%) and saving for retirement (40%).

Canadians' top financial stressors for 2022 include buying groceries (59%), paying for gas & transportation (40%) and paying down their credit card debt (28%).

Almost half - 42% - admit they were more financially stressed in 2021 compared to the previous year.

This is beyond sad and troublesome. It's been said that surveys only paint part of the picture, and that respondents tend to be more positive than negative. This means the picture could be even bleaker.

Half of Canadians had to withdraw from savings or investments in 2021 to afford unexpected expenses, and one-third of Canadians would have one month or less of a cushion to fall back on if they or their partner were to lose their primary source of income.

I know the past 18 months have been challenging, difficult, even life-changing for many. I lived through it, too.

I go to the office every day, hoping



Mark Pavilons

things will be better. Most days are the same.

Will Doug Ford's announcement about reducing restrictions signal a return to "normal?" It's slow and steady, and other parts of the globe are also opening up. The fact is, everyone is sick and tired of the pandemic, and just want to get on with things.

But desire, and having the financial means to do that are quite different.

In the same survey, 65% of Canadians consider themselves to be "financially resilient." Sure, we're all "resilient" in some ways, but you can't just keep taking water from the well. One day it will run dry.

According to the PolicyMe, the Canadians + Money 2022 Survey, most of us are concerned about the rising cost of living in 2022.

Buying groceries (59%) and paying for gas (48%) are putting the most financial strain on Canadians, while top financial priorities for 2022 include building a sufficient emergency fund (54%) and paying down debt (48%).

A substantial number of our fellow Canucks want to put money away for retirement and set aside some funds for travel. They also want to pay down debt.

But how can you accomplish any of those if our collective disposable income shrinks, to the point where we just barely afford necessities?

I feel the pinch, too. I provide this information because it's not some-

thing you find on the TV news or discuss with neighbours when taking out the trash.

I have always maintained that we need to be more vigilant in our awareness and more compassionate in our responses. We don't know that our neighbours - the same ones who offered to shovel your driveway last week - aren't suffering, or struggling with their own burdens.

We all have them, in varying degrees.

My wife is a teaching assistant for a school board, and unlike teachers, does not get paid for Christmas holidays, March break, or through the summer. She has a second job. She wants me to get one, too, but can you picture this motley, slightly greying middle-aged man as a store greeter?

To be completely honest, I find it simply astounding sometimes that I am where I am today.

I'm part of what's called the "working poor" who are cash-strapped but asset rich. I own a home (at least most of it) and have a wife and three kids. We're all (for now) healthy and pretty normal. Okay, I'm a goofball, but proud of it.

For all of my life I worked less than lucrative jobs and simply "got by." Were it not for our parents, we would not be where we are today. And that's a testament to their hard work and determination.

They came from little and were fortunate to build decent lives. We were

never well off, but I never thought of us as average, working class stiffs. I had what I needed. I got an allowance. I did chores and did my homework. I rode the bus 30 minutes each way to school. When I was 16, I got my licence and had access to my dad's Olds.

I remember in my 20s thinking \$300,000 was a massive amount for a house. I also remember saying to a friend in high school, that one day I may be able to afford a brand new, \$20,000 Porsche! A 911 was roughly \$20Gs in the 1980s. Today, this model starts at a little over \$120,000.

Back to belt-tightening. I literally went through two belts over the holidays. I guess \$3.99 doesn't get you that fine leather it once did.

Just how do average Canucks scrimp and save?

We have to buy groceries and our kids gotta eat. We have to pay our utilities, car insurance and the price at the pumps. Our taxes are not cheap.

Sure, I'd love to pay down our mortgage, sock away more in our savings account and feed that "rainy day" fund.

We've been through a monsoon and broke a few umbrellas along the way.

Of course we'll emerge, perk up and boost our spirits. But we still have many cuts and scrapes, some of which will take time to heal.

I don't have an extra oar to lend out, but I'm happy to help my friends and family paddle.

Letter to the Editor

Resident lauds King staff for snow removal efforts

I am writing to thank the King staff for their excellent service in response to the recent, large snow storm.

Under dangerous and difficult conditions, the roads department folks kept us and themselves safe they opened the roads.

Well done and thank you very much!

Susan Beharriell

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Results from last week's poll:

Have you, or someone you know, contracted Omicron?

a) Yes	<div style="width: 50%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	50%
b) No	<div style="width: 50%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	50%

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you think there's "light at the end of the tunnel" regarding the pandemic?

a) Yes
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!



Quote of the Week

"It is too difficult to think nobly when one thinks only of earning a living."

Jean-Jacques Rousseau

Trivia Tidbits

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Is there a rational argument against climate action?

By David Suzuki

Comment

When politicians and fossil-fuelled media seize on a few ill-chosen words I or other environmental advocates blurt out, while ignoring our overall messages, it's usually because they have no real counter-arguments.

I'm just a messenger, presenting science and solutions in accessible ways. And, like anyone who has worked on climate issues for any length of time, I get frustrated at the lethal lack of political and societal action.

But it's rare to see these politicians, media and businesspeople present a rational argument as to why we shouldn't be doing everything we can to forestall the climate catastrophe scientists worldwide are warning will be our future if we don't act now.

Instead, they ignore the science, or pay lip service to it, while trying to demonize people who devote their lives to ensuring humanity has a healthy future. They take quotes out of context to rile others who fear change and refuse to accept we're in a crisis. They ignore the heat domes, droughts and floods, or act as if those have nothing to do with rampant, wasteful fossil fuel exploitation.

If governments and media truly wanted to stand up for oil, gas and coal workers, they'd create and promote opportunities and help them transition to new employment. Instead, they blame environmentalists for job losses even as corporate bosses talk about continued – and eventually full – automation of their industry and while the world turns to cleaner energy.

They care as little for the workers as those who rake in massive profits while pushing employees out through automation and in response to market forces. Meanwhile, environmental organizations worldwide are calling for a "just transition" to ensure affected people and their families don't get left behind in the necessary shift to cleaner energy and less waste.

Why can't they come up with honest arguments? If they believe climate disruption is not upon us and not serious enough to compel us to change our ways, that we can continue to exploit and burn fossil fuels until they're gone, then it's up to them to present their rationale. If they disagree with our communications about climate and other environmental subjects, they should respond with logical arguments.

The Alberta government's recent response doesn't meet that bar. It spent \$3.5 million (along with a \$30-million/year "war room") on a "public inquiry into anti-Alberta energy campaigns" to defend the most profitable industry in history from plucky environmental groups. It was beset with delays, cost increases and embarrassments before concluding there was no "wrongdoing on the part of any individual or organization" and that campaigns have not spread misinformation.

Instead of accepting this and moving on, the government and some media spun it to imply it concluded the opposite. We in the environmental movement remain transparent about our communications, funding and aims, and if we make mistakes, we correct them. After all, our goal is a healthier planet for all.

Those who worship money and power will happily manipulate and dupe others to obtain and maintain it. Look at the spew of constant misinformation from U.S. media outlets like Fox, or the ongoing climate science rejection by opinion writers for Canada's PostMedia chain – in service of the fossil fuel industry's continued environmental devastation.

They're holding us back. We've known about the greenhouse effect for almost 200 years and been certain about human climate impacts for more than 30, but the fossil fuel industry and its

captured politicians, lobbyists, front groups and media have convinced many to continue on as if everything is fine.

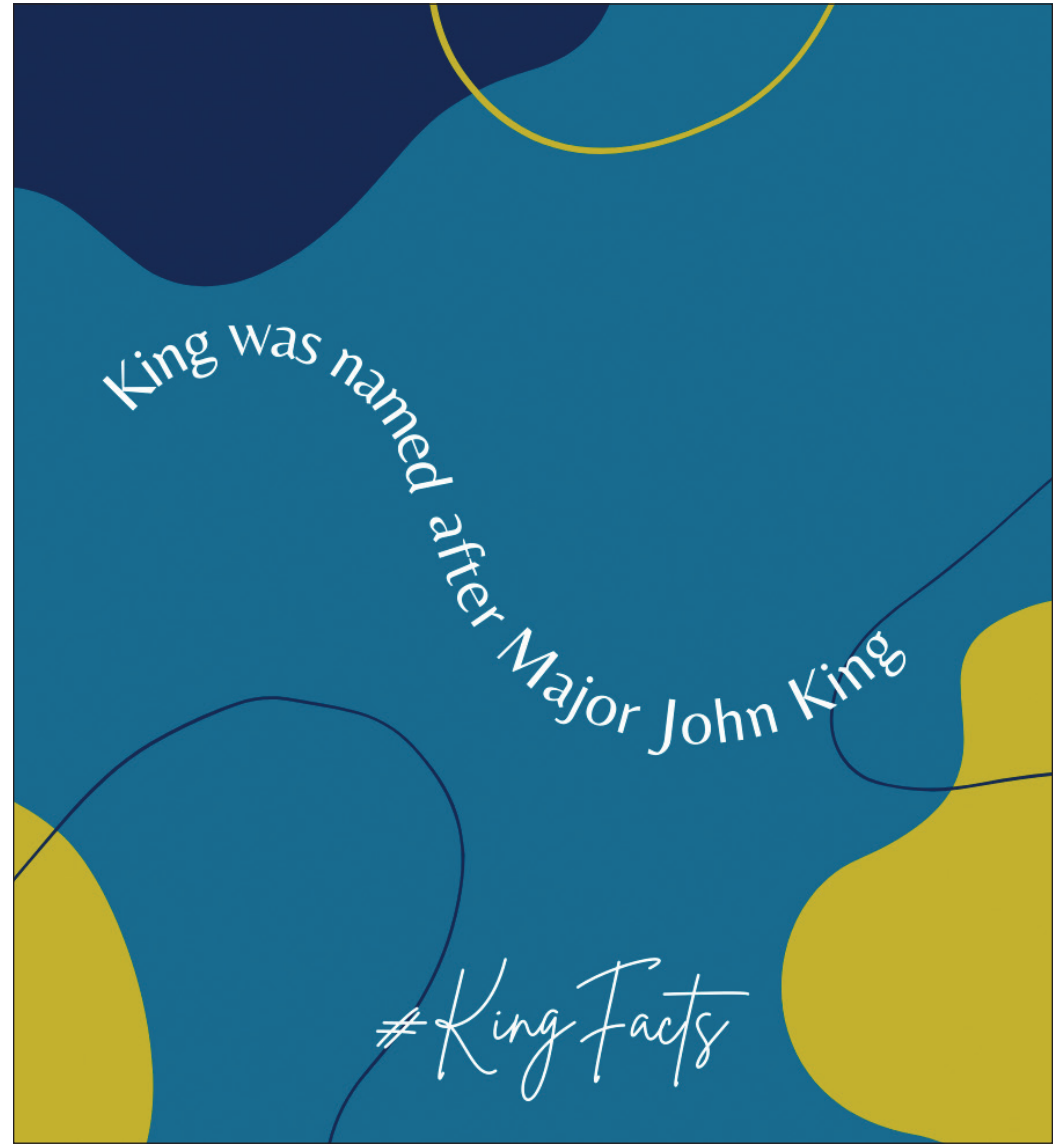
We've wasted the past 30 years and we're seeing the consequences. All I and others have been conveying for decades is coming to pass. Just ask the people of Abbotsford or Lytton. Look at the billions of intertidal plants and animals wiped out in the summer heat dome. Canadian canola and wheat production are down more than 35 per cent this year because of drought, yet I still hear the anti-environmentalists arguing that more CO2 is good for plant

growth, or that warmer temperatures will be good for Canada.

I'd love to be proven wrong, as would, I suspect, every climate scientist and activist in the world. But there's no denying our predicament, so let's work together to resolve it.

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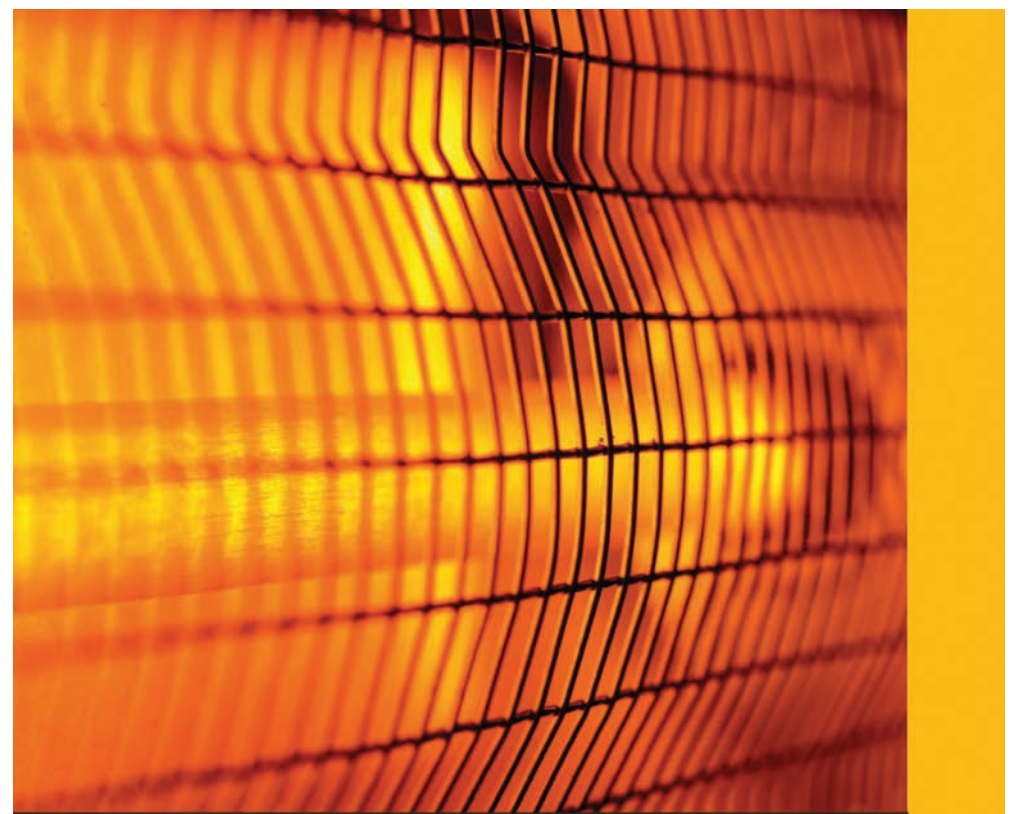
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Ontario outlines measures to ease current restrictions

With key public health and health care indicators starting to show signs of improvement, the Ontario government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, today released details of steps to cautiously and gradually ease public health measures, starting Jan. 31.

"The evidence tells us that the measures we put in place to blunt transmission of Omicron are working," said Premier Doug Ford. "We can be confident that the worst is behind us and that we are now in a position to cautiously and gradually ease public health measures. While February will continue to present its own challenges, given current trends these are challenges we are confident we can manage."

As a result of the additional public health measures enacted Jan. 5, the province is beginning to see signs of stabilization in key public health and health system indicators. Per cent positivity has fallen and new admissions to hospital have started to stabilize with length of stay shortening considerably. Over the coming days and weeks, these trends are expected to continue, allowing the province to begin cautiously easing public health measures.

In the absence of concerning trends in public health and health care indicators, Ontario will follow a cautious and phased approach to lifting public health measures, with 21 days between each step.

Effective Jan. 31, Ontario will begin the process of gradually easing restrictions, while maintaining protective measures, including but not limited to:

- Increasing social gathering limits to 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors.

- Increasing or maintaining capacity limits at 50 per cent in indoor public settings, including but not limited to restaurants, bars and other food or drink establishments without dance facilities; retailers (including grocery stores and pharmacies), shopping malls; non-spectator areas of sports and recreational fitness facilities, including gyms; cinemas; meeting and event spaces; recreational amenities and amusement parks, including water parks; museums, galleries, aquariums, zoos and similar attractions; and casinos, bingo halls and other gaming establishments.

Religious services, rites, or ceremonies will also open up.

Spectator areas of facilities such as sporting events, concert venues and theatres can operate at 50 per cent seated capacity or 500 people, whichever is less.

Enhanced proof of vaccination, and other requirements would continue to apply in existing settings.

Effective Feb. 21, Ontario will lift public health measures, including:

- Increasing social gathering limits to 25 people indoors and 100 people outdoors.
- Removing capacity limits in indoor public settings where proof of vaccination is required, including but not limited to restaurants, indoor sports and recreational facilities, cinemas, as well as other settings that choose to opt-in to proof of vaccination requirements.
- Permitting spectator capacity at sporting events, concert venues, and theatres at 50 per cent capacity.
- Limiting capacity in most remaining indoor public settings where proof of vaccination is not required to the

number of people that can maintain two metres of physical distance.

- Indoor religious services, rites or ceremonies limited to the number that can maintain two metres of physical distance, with no limit if proof of vaccination is required.

- Increasing indoor capacity limits to 25 per cent in the remaining higher-risk settings where proof of vaccination is required, including nightclubs, wedding receptions in meeting or event spaces where there is dancing, as well as bathhouses and sex clubs.

Enhanced proof of vaccination, and other requirements would continue to apply in existing settings.

Effective March 14, Ontario will take additional steps to ease public health measures, including:

- Lifting capacity limits in all indoor public settings. Proof of vaccination will be maintained in existing settings in addition to other regular measures.
- Lifting remaining capacity limits on religious services, rites, or ceremonies.
- Increase social gathering limits to 50 people indoors with no limits for outdoor gatherings.

To manage COVID-19 over the long-term, local and regional responses by public health units may be deployed based on local context and conditions.

"Thanks to the sacrifices of Ontarians we are starting to see glimmers of hope. However, we know the coming weeks will continue to pose challenges, especially for our hospital partners," said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "As we continue to chart our path forward, we will continue to take a gradual and cautious approach to lifting public health measures to protect our hospital capacity and ensure patients can continue to access the care they need."

"Thanks to the efforts of Ontarians

going out to get their booster dose and adhering to current public health and workplace safety measures, we are in a position where we can begin planning to gradually and cautiously ease restrictions," said Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health. "The months ahead will require continued vigilance, as we don't want to cause any further disruption to people's everyday lives. We must continue to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 in our communities by following the measures in place and by vaccinating those who have not yet received their doses."

To support businesses required to close or reduce capacity due to the public health measures put in place to blunt the spread of the Omicron variant, the government has launched the Ontario Business Costs Rebate Program. Through the new program, the government will provide eligible businesses with a rebate payment of up to 100 per cent for property tax and energy costs they incur while subject to these restrictions. Applications for the program opened on January 18, 2022. Learn more about the program and apply here.

The government is also introducing a new COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant that will give businesses subject to closure under the modified Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen a \$10,000 grant. The money will flow to eligible businesses in February. In addition, the government is also improving cash flows for Ontario businesses by making up to \$7.5 billion available through a six-month interest- and penalty-free period for Ontario businesses to make payments for most provincially administered taxes. This penalty and interest-free period started on January 1, 2022. This supports businesses now and provides the flexibility they will need for long-term planning.

Charges laid and 50 vehicles recovered

Investigators with the York Regional Police Auto/Cargo Theft Unit have laid multiple charges and have recovered 50 stolen vehicles valued at approximately \$3 million dollars in connection with an ongoing vehicle theft investigation.

Over the past several years, York Regional Police has seen an increase in thefts of vehicles from residential driveways. The majority of these thefts have occurred between midnight and 6 a.m.

Thieves have been using tools like screwdrivers to gain access into the driver or passenger doors, while ensuring not to set off alarms. Once inside, an electronic device, typically used by mechanics to reprogram the factory setting, is connected to a port below the dashboard and programs the vehicle to accept a key the thieves have brought with them. Once the new key is programmed, the vehicle will start and the thieves drive it away. The entire process only takes 10 to 20 minutes. Once stolen, vehicles are typically shipped overseas in shipping containers.

The York Regional Police Auto/Cargo Theft Unit with the assistance of the Canada Border Services Agency and Equite Association have remained active and aggressive in efforts to combat this issue and to identify suspects responsible. In this recent investigation, officers identified eight suspects, executed search warrants on two residential addresses and a commercial property and were able to successfully recover 50 stolen vehicles valued at approximately \$3 million dollars. Officers also seized \$80,000 in cash.

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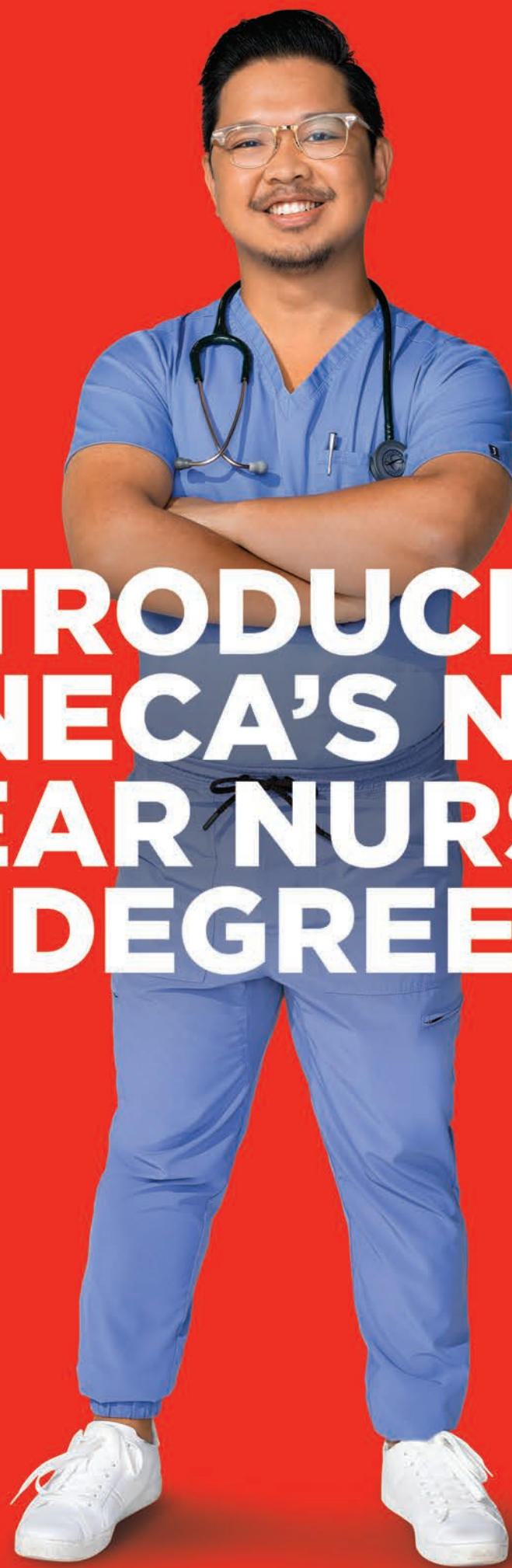
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Province, municipalities weigh in on housing needs

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Discussions on housing needs in Ontario shed some light on the current situation, and offered ideas on where to go.

Premier Doug Ford and Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, hosted the Rural Housing Roundtable with Ontario's smaller and rural municipal mayors, reeves and wardens to discuss the housing crisis and coordinate efforts to increase housing supply across the province.

It followed the Ontario-Municipal Summit on Jan. 19.

The latest virtual roundtable is still in progress, and provides an opportunity to collaborate with smaller, rural, Northern, and remote municipalities on ways to build the right mix of housing, share best practices and discuss these municipalities' unique experiences with the housing supply crisis, such as the cost of supplies, and aligning housing with infrastructure needs based on changing populations.

"While every municipality is unique, the housing supply crisis hurts Ontarians in every corner of the province – not just large, urban communities – and our government will continue to work with all our municipal partners to get shovels in the ground," said Premier Doug Ford. "Thank you to each and every municipality that participated in today's roundtable, as we work to identify and implement concrete solutions to allow more families to realize the dream of home ownership."

The provincial government's housing policies under More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan are working to make housing more affordable by increasing the supply of the full range of housing options, from missing middle, to high-rises and family-sized rentals, to single-family homes. In 2021, the second year after More Homes, More Choice was implemented, Ontario saw the highest level of housing starts in history and the highest level of rental starts in 30 years.

All agree that more needs to be done to increase the supply of all kinds of homes to meet demand, which is driving home prices out of reach for too many Ontarians. A recent Scotiabank housing report concluded that Ontario

is last in the country in per capita rates of housing, and would need to build 1.2 million additional homes to match the per capita housing rate of our G7 peers.

By collaborating with municipalities, the government recently held a public consultation on increasing housing supply, and is engaging with industry leaders through the Housing Affordability Task Force, which will provide expert recommendations in a report in early 2022. These consultations will help the government identify and implement solutions to increase housing supply of all kinds to make it easier for all hardworking Ontarians to find a home that meets their needs and budget.

"We know the key to addressing the housing crisis is getting more homes built faster. Today's housing roundtable with smaller, rural, remote and Northern municipalities was another important next step as our government coordinates with municipalities to make it easier to unlock and fast-track housing," said Minister Clark. "We know that there is no silver bullet to increasing housing supply, and the crisis cannot be solved in one meeting. We will continue to collaborate with all our municipal partners to increase housing supply across the province and ensure they have the tools they need, to make it easier for Ontarians to live closer to where they work."

At the Jan. 19 event, Queen's Park announced more than \$45 million to help streamline development approvals and increase housing supply.

The virtual summit provided provincial-municipal leaders with an opportunity to share best practices, identify persistent issues and collaborate on ways to build the right mix of housing.

"Young families, seniors and all hardworking Ontarians are desperate for housing that meets their needs and budget," said Premier Ford. "At a time when our province is growing, our government will continue to use every tool we have to help municipalities get more homes built faster to help more families realize the dream of home ownership."

During the summit, Premier Ford announced more than \$45 million for a new Streamline Development Approval Fund to help Ontario's 39 largest municipalities modernize, streamline

and accelerate processes for managing and approving housing applications. For example, municipalities can use the funding to implement online systems that make it easier for applicants to navigate the development approvals process, manage their applications and receive timely status updates.

"After a decade of mismanagement and inaction under the previous government, the housing crisis in Ontario will not be solved overnight or in one meeting – addressing housing supply is a long-term strategy that requires long-term commitment, collaboration, and coordination," said Minister Clark. "(The) Summit was an important next step to identify what additional measures we can take to increase the supply of housing and make it easier for Ontarians and their families to find a home that meets their needs and budget. As we continue this dialogue, our government will ensure municipalities have the tools and resources they need to unlock housing in every community across Ontario."

The government also announced over \$8 million through the Audit and Accountability Fund to help large urban municipalities identify potential savings and efficiencies through third-party reviews to further accelerate the creation of new housing and modernize municipal services.

As an additional measure to help build more homes faster, the province also committed to work with the municipal sector to develop a data standard for planning and development applications to help accelerate approval timelines. Built with municipalities, data standardization will help improve the quality of data, create consistency across systems, make it easier to measure results, reduce costs for business and governments, and support municipalities' transition to digital service delivery and digital approvals.

This work is part of the Ontario Data Authority initiative, designed to accelerate Ontario's economic and social growth through improved data sharing.

The government's housing policies under More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan are working to increase the supply of the full range of housing options, from single-family homes to midrise housing to purpose-build rental apartment buildings. In 2020, the year after More Homes, More Choice was implemented, Ontario saw the highest level of housing starts in a decade and the highest level of rental starts since 1992.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini noted the summit didn't include any representation of municipal leaders from the small urban GTHA mayors.

"This despite the explosion of growth in smaller urban communities in the GTA, despite the desperate need for attainable housing in our communities, it seems our voices don't matter," he said.

"I would think it would be obvious by now that what works for large urban

centres, such as Toronto or Brampton may not necessarily work for our local communities.

"Attempts to generate a 'one size fits all' approach is not the solution to the current crisis in housing.

"If we are to find workable solutions we need to work together to create a tool box of options that municipalities large and small can use to address the needs of their specific communities. That cannot be achieved by limiting participation to big city mayors. I (the Small Urban GTHA Mayor's) call on the Provincial government to include representatives from a broad range of municipalities across the Province. Our voices matter. Our experiences matter. Let us be heard and let's work together to find solutions to the crisis in attainable housing that work for all of us."

"Housing affordability is an incredibly complex challenge that requires the collaboration, ingenuity and commitment of the province, municipalities and Ontario's development industry. A comprehensive response is needed, and municipalities are eager to be part of next steps that reflect real collaboration and a commitment to transform Ontario's housing market," added Jamie McGarvey, president of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

"Ontario is in the midst of a housing crisis, and today's Housing Affordability Summit was an opportunity to identify barriers to increasing a supply of homes that meet the needs of residents across the province. Ontario's Big City Mayors want to ... continue to work together on solutions to this urgent and complex matter. We also welcome the new Streamline Development Approval Fund, which will help large municipalities continue to improve their housing approval processes. Municipalities play an important role in increasing housing supply and affordability but it can only be successful when there is a collaborative approach with provincial and federal governments, along with the building community, to find solutions to end this crisis. We look forward to continuing this work, together," said Barrie Mayor Jeff Lehman.

"Housing affordability is a complex challenge that requires collaboration, innovation and urgency from all levels of government. Thank you to the provincial government for their leadership in calling this timely summit. We look forward to continued dialogue and consultation in addressing housing affordability across Ontario," noted Karen Redman, chair of the Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario (MARCO) and the Region of Waterloo.

Nearby Caledon is advocating for change and has sent a full delegation of staff and elected representatives to the annual Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) conference, which started Jan. 23. They're pushing for more support on issues like broadband; affordable housing; public transit and climate change.

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King City showhome is hospital lottery grand prize

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

A beautiful home in King City is part of the massive grand prize in this spring's Princess Margaret Home Lottery.

Homes in King have been part of the grand prize several times over the years.

This 8,241-square-foot home boasts a 4-car tandem garage. The family home is in an established neighborhood of sprawling manicured lawns and mature trees in the heart of King City.

The entrance opens up to a beautiful abstract patterned marbled floor foyer with a library on one side featuring built in shelving and a stunning living room with fireplace and LED lighting, on the other.

The family room has a soaring 3-sided gas fireplace and a gorgeous waffle ceiling.

The chef inspired kitchen is spacious and features quartz countertops, two islands, stylish hardware and state of the art appliances, and a wine room.

The kitchen opens onto a 3-season lanai; perfect for extending your entertaining and living space.

The main floor features beautiful wide plank white oak hardwood flooring and includes a convenient mud room and laundry room/pet washing station and arts and crafts area for the family.

Upstairs you will find 4 bedrooms including a large principal retreat complete with a wellness spa, and a

therapeutic pool. There is a private ensuite with a stand-alone tub and separate oversized shower featuring porcelain tile.

The lower level showcases a state of the art home theatre room with seating, a wet bar and lounge area, a spacious home office and a 5th bedroom retreat for guests or nanny complete with ensuite.

The home, custom built by Greenpark Group, is awarded fully furnished, professionally decorated and landscaped.

Also part of the grand prize package is a Muskoka lakefront cottage. This 2,613-square-foot house is two storeys with 4 bedrooms and 2.5 bathrooms. It boasts stunning views overlooking Echo Lake in Muskoka.

It's an open concept Linwood Post and Beam design with main floor kitchen, dining and great room areas.

The principal bedroom wing has a closet and ensuite 3-piece bathroom. There is also a 2-piece powder room and walk-in closet at the entry.

The family room includes an entry into a screened room under the sun deck.

The cottage is also awarded fully furnished and professionally decorated by Lakeshore Designs. The cottage design and construction is by Linwood Custom Homes.

Rounding out the grand prize is \$500,000 in cash, for a total of \$8.3 million.

For more, or to order tickets, visit <https://princessmargaretlotto.com>



Hortons, Special Olympics team up for fundraiser

Starting Friday, and running through Sunday, Jan. 30, Canadians can support Special Olympics Canada by buying "Choose To Include Donut" at Tim Hortons restaurants. One hundred per cent of proceeds will go to Special Olympics.

The donut sells for \$1.69. The special donut is a chocolate cake ring donut with white fondant, coloured sprinkles and whipped topping. The design was inspired by the themes of diversity and inclusion that are central to the mission of Special Olympics.

The partnership is designed to raise funds and awareness to help empower Special Olympics Canada's 41,000+ athletes to reach their full potential, in sport and in life.

"The need for funding to help our community prepare for the safe return to sport for Special Olympics athletes and volunteers is urgent," said Sharon Bollenback, CEO, Special Olympics Canada. "People with intellectual disabilities have been disproportionately affected by the pandemic and limited access to social and physical activities have played a major role in the challenges our community is facing. Every 'Choose to Include' donut purchased for our cause makes a difference and we look forward to seeing Canadians take part in our movement."

Tim Hortons has been a sponsor of Special Olympics Canada since 2016.

King, developer come to an agreement

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

King Township and a Nobleton developer have come to an agreement on setting aside millions for future projects in the village.

Linvest is contributing \$8.5 million to be used to fund municipal capital infrastructure projects to benefit the community of Nobleton. Lindvest made the offer and it's meant to provide flexibility for the Township to use these funds to benefit the community and its residents.

The developer is proposing a 170-unit development at the corner of Highway 27 and the 15 Sideroad.

While the Township opposed the proposal, the case went before the Ontario Land Tribunal (formerly Ontario Municipal Board), where the decision was in favour of Lindvest.

While it's not a development the Township wanted, Mayor Steve Pellegrini said they have to "take the win" and use the money for Nobleton's core development.

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Arts & Entertainment

ASK artists eager to showcase work in Studio Tour 2022

By Kathleen Rodgers

Visiting the country is a wonderful way to spend a weekend. It offers the opportunity to explore quaint villages and the studios of the local artists and artisans whose artwork often reflects the landscape around them.

In King Township, each spring brings the Studio Tour King at the end of April. Studio Tour King is celebrating its 17th year and will take place the weekend of April 23 and 24 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The studio tour will include

fine paintings (in acrylic, oil, and watercolour), pottery, cards, photography, fibre arts, mixed media, etc.

This year, Studio Tour King will feature 21 artists and artisans at several locations including the King Heritage and Cultural Centre, Laskay Hall, as well as five home studios around King Township including King City and Schomberg. You can check out the Arts Society King (ASK) website at www.ArtsSocietyKing.ca. Then click on EVENTS then STUDIO TOUR 2022 to see the participating artists, their biographies and up to five photos of their artwork.

There will be a link to his/her website and social media accounts for additional artwork available. In March, brochures will be delivered with the Spring edition of Mosaic and available around King Township including the King Heritage and Cultural Centre to help plan your route. You can also LIKE our social media posts through Facebook/studiotourking, Facebook/artssocietyking2020 or Instagram @artssocietyking.

Here are three of the artists who will be participating this year:

Helen Hermanns was fortunate to have two excellent art teachers in high school. Both laid a foundation of classical study methods that were used by the Great Masters and architects of the same eras throughout Europe and Asia. She pursued her own passions in life that included the training of horses, photography and art. This is where she obtained the volume of knowledge that she take into her painting style and techniques.

She paints naturally, with intent, strict ideals and a thirst for constantly



keeping depth and feel through the use of light in her paintings. Her medium is oil on canvas or board. She generally hand stretch her canvases, and prepare the surfaces herself. Her paintings are in private collections in England, Bahamas, east coast of Canada, and United States. She will be welcoming visitors to her home studio. Check out her website: www.helenhermanns.com.

Maryam Khani was born in Tehran, Iran in 1979. She graduated from university with bachelor degree of engineering in 2002. She immigrated to Canada in late 2005 and continued with her education in Canada until she became a mother.

Her husband introduced her to the world of art and became her biggest supporter and source of encouragement. Maryam loves to spend more time with her children and provide them with a safe, loving and learning environment. She changed her career and became an artist.

She believes world of art would give her confidence to portray her feelings and her thoughts, where she is able to provide safe and loving place for her boys to grow.

In January 2014, Maryam became a member of Kingcrafts in King City, Ontario where she started pottery and since then she's been in several different pottery workshops. She continued her artistic work by learning watercolor in October 2016. So far, she has been at several art exhibitions to show her pottery works and watercolor paintings in Canada. She will be welcoming visitors to her home studio. Check out her social media, Instagram: [paisley_studio](https://www.instagram.com/paisley_studio).

Hans Martin dabbled in oils during his university years in the 1960s, while he was working on his Ph.D. degree in physics. He started painting seriously in 2003 and has focused on watercolour.

He has been a member of the Society of York Region Artists (SOYRA) and Arts Society King (ASK). He has partic-

ipated in shows both inside and outside of York Region and has been awarded three first prizes and two honourable mentions. He has taken group lessons continuously and attended workshops whenever they were available and appropriate.

He's now in his 80s, and only recently created a website. Hans does not have a preferred subject matter or style. Pretty well all subjects are of interest and deserve close study and work. The outcomes are never known in advance. He will be welcoming visitors to his home studio. Check out his website: www.hansmartin.art and social media, Facebook: Hans Martin ([hans.martin.52035772](https://www.facebook.com/hans.martin.52035772))

If you are looking for something to do in April after a long cold winter, take a drive in the country, visit the local art studios and support the artists and artisans. Some artists offer classes so it may be an opportunity to try something new. Who knows maybe one day you will be participating in a studio tour.

The artists look forward to seeing you and sharing their work with you on this year's Studio Tour King 2022.



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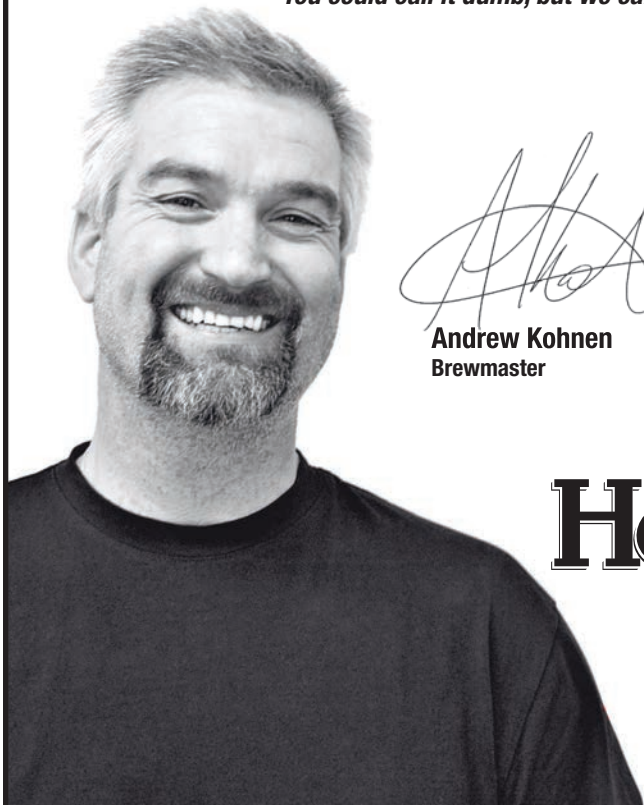


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CDS to host world debating and public speaking championships

The Country Day School is honoured to announce that they will be the host of the prestigious 34th World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships, to be held remotely from April 8-10. It will run in three separate time zones and with finals and grand finals for all events to be held live on Zoom from April 15-16.

CDS is one of only a few Canadian host schools in the history of the event. In addition, The Country Day School has a long-standing relationship with this tournament, with at least one student qualifying to compete for each of the past 14 years.

The World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championship is an annual international English language debating and public speaking tournament for individual high school-level students representing different countries. The championship is represented by a diverse mix of high schools from countries as far reaching as Australia, Hong Kong, Canada, the United States, England, Bermuda, South Africa, Lithuania, Pakistan, Cyprus, Argentina, Columbia, India, South Korea, China and Germany.

The championship is an innovative event which requires students to interact and collaborate with like-minded peers from diverse and different schools, cultural backgrounds and countries. Each participant must compete in four different events: Debate, Impromptu Speaking, Persuasive or Af-

ter Dinner Speaking and Interpretive Reading.

The challenging environment provides an avenue for individual students not only to practise and test their oratorical skills but to value the importance of the art of expression; the ability to communicate and gain recognition and respect for our ideas and opinions is vitally important.

The championship is aligned with the ideals of excellence, identity, and the art of expression, the ability to communicate and gain recognition and respect for one's ideas and opinions. It targets tomorrow's leaders – students in a global market who must learn to interact and collaborate with peers from diverse schools, cultural backgrounds and countries.

If you are available to assist with judging during the Regional live (synchronous) portion of the Championships (April 8-10), or the pre-recorded (asynchronous) submissions (which can be completed on your own timeline between April 2-6), please reach out to Tracey Scott at events@cds.on.ca and indicate which portion of the championships you are interested in assisting with. At this point, they are only asking that you pre-register your interest. Once they have a defined schedule they will reach out and you can finalize your availability. You will be able to commit to all or part of the event. Thank you for your support!



Arts Society King seeks passionate local writers

Arts Society King (ASK) is seeking volunteers to join the editorial board and writing team of MOSAiC Magazine, King Township's premier arts publication.

MOSAIC, which highlights arts, culture, heritage, local artists, community news, and events in King Township and beyond, is published four times a year and delivered to every house in King Township alongside the King Weekly Sentinel. Issues can also be read and enjoyed at local cafes, restaurants, businesses, and municipal buildings.

Editorial board responsibilities include attending one editorial meeting per issue (currently virtual), contributing suggestions for articles, and providing feedback on previous issues. A passion for King Township and the arts is appreciated.

ASK is also seeking writers to cover a range of 400- to 800-word articles. Suggestions for future topics and features are welcomed. Volunteer hours can be given if needed.

If you are interested in joining a vibrant community of talented writers and artists, please contact editor@artsocietyking.ca today!

Police looking for help in Caledon homicide

Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are offering a substantial reward for information on the murder of a Caledon resident one year ago.

At a virtual news conference last week, Deputy Commissioner Chuck Cox, Commander of the OPP Investigations and Organized Crime and Detective Inspector Kurtis Fredericks – Major Case Manager with the OPP Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB), unveiled this initiative with a goal of providing resolution to the family of Giovanni (John) Costa.

On Jan. 18, 2021 at approximately 12:20 p.m., two masked suspects forced their way into Giovanni Costa's residence on Harvest Moon Drive in Bolton. The suspects fired several rounds at Costa and the 65-year-old victim was pronounced deceased at the scene. A second family member was also injured during the shooting but has since recovered.

Investigators have determined that the suspects arrived at, and fled from, the residence in an older, black, BMW 3-series sedan. The suspects are both described by witnesses as young black males, wearing medical-style masks and dark clothing. Police believe this was a targeted event and are seeking the public's help to identify the persons responsible.

A \$50,000 reward for information is in place for information leading to arrest and conviction of Costa's murderer(s). Police urge anyone with information to call the OPP non-emergency line at 1-888-310-1122, their local police service or – to remain anonymous – call CrimeStoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or online at <https://crimestoppers.ca/send-a-tip/>.

"Community safety and well-being are everyone's responsibility. We rely on collaborative action and police mobilizing with citizens to bring information forward to ensure that our communities remain safe," said Commissioner Cox.

"We want to bring resolution to John's family and ensure those who committed this crime can pose no further threat to anyone in the communities we serve," added inspector Fredericks.

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Kettleby's Post Office and General Store history come alive

By Erika Baird
Heritage & Cultural Supervisor
King Township

On Tuesday, Jan. 4, the KHCC received a call from Kettleby resident, Elaine Robertson, inquiring about a possible donation. A champion of Kettleby's history, Elaine had heard that the Brookes family were in the process of clearing out the family home and had several potential artifacts they were looking to disperse.

Margaret and Doug Brookes had run the Kettleby General Store (the Kettleby Milk Store) and Post Office from 1969

to 2001. They were also active members of the community. Margaret was the Postmaster, Doug sat on King Township Council, and they both helped to organize countless Kettleby events including the annual Fall Fair.

After assuring her that we would love to see the Brookes family collection, Elaine contacted their son, Andy, who brought the entire collection to the KHCC (curbside drop off!) on Jan. 6. As soon as we saw a few of the post office signs, we knew this collection was a treasure.

Spanning from the late 1960s to the early 2000s, the collection contains



Brookes family in front of the Kettleby Post Office, c. 1990.



Manual Canada Post date stamp with number and letter inserts, Kettleby Post Office, c. 1960.

many gems; stamps and scales from the post office, Kettleby souvenirs from the general store and movie props from the 1995 film, Butterbox Babies, that was filmed at the store.

The staff at the King Heritage & Cultural Centre would like to thank the Brookes family for this generous dona-

tion that will allow us to preserve this important part of King's history.

The King Heritage & Cultural Centre is currently closed to the public due to current Provincial mandates regarding the Covid-19 pandemic. You can visit us online at kingheritageandculture.ca.



Canada Post scale and weights, Kettleby Post Office, c. 1960.

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Proposed GO rail line for Caledon and Vaughan moved forward by Province

The Town of Caledon and City of Vaughan have received a commitment from Minister of Transportation of Ontario Caroline Mulroney that the proposed Caledon-Vaughan GO rail line is moving forward, with Metrolinx now being directed to advance the business case for the project as the region awaits the release of the Greater Golden Horseshoe Transportation Plan update.

Both municipalities are pleased to be one step closer to GO train service. Caledon and Vaughan, with support from the City of Brampton, have been actively pursuing this vital regional link for years as they prepare for significant expected growth over the next three decades.

“As a municipality projected to grow by 300,000 people and 125,000 jobs by 2051, advancing GO train service to Caledon now is smart, forward-looking planning. It’s a critical option for reducing traffic congestion on our roads, preserving Caledon’s quality of life, and protecting our environment and greenspaces,” said Town of Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson. “We thank the Province and Metrolinx for taking this important next step.”

“The City of Vaughan strongly supports the business case for expanding GO service in Vaughan and Caledon through a Caledon-Vaughan GO rail line. In Vaughan, this proposed transit option is located in the Vaughan Enterprise Zone, one of the largest employment areas in the GTA that encompasses more than 3,800 acres, or approximately 1,566 hectares of employment land. The Vaughan Enter-

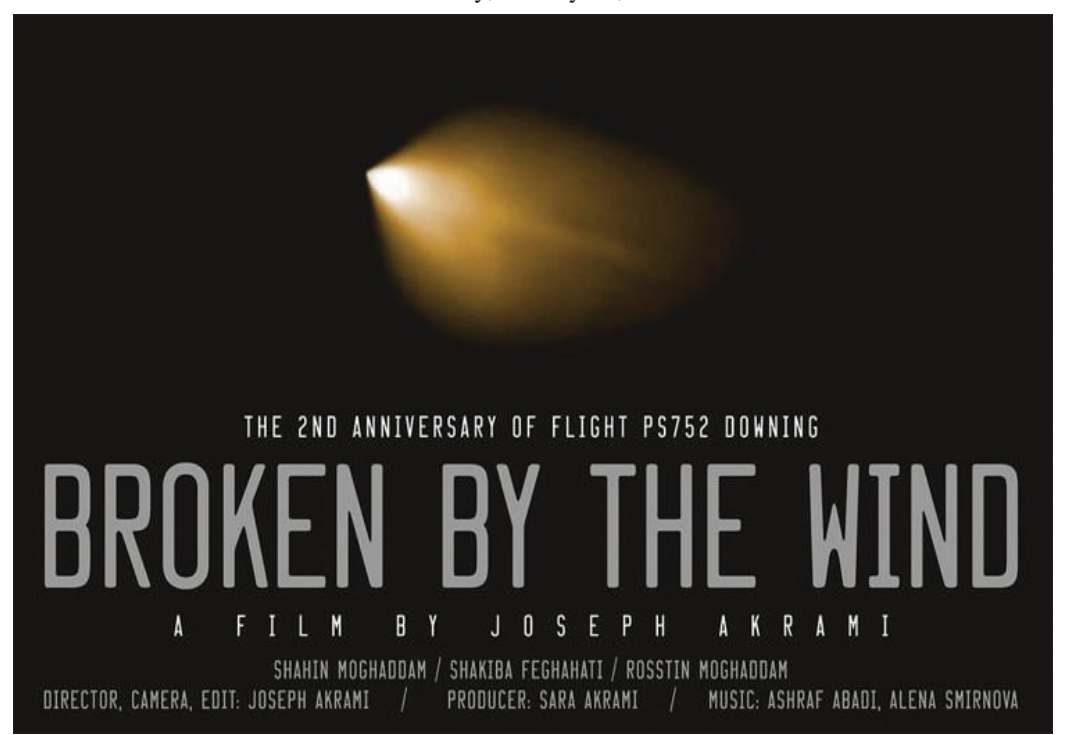
prise Zone is projected to accommodate 60,000 jobs over the next 20 years, making it a strategic location to expand the regional transportation network for the future. I am encouraged by the Province’s and Metrolinx’s commitment to working with our municipalities to continue exploring the economic and social benefits of the Caledon-Vaughan GO line,” said Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua of the City of Vaughan.

“This is great news for our region, which is seeing tremendous growth. Improved transit service is important for long-term growth and for healthy and livable communities. I was pleased to support the efforts of Mayor Thompson and Mayor Bevilacqua,” added Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown.

A Caledon-Vaughan GO line would serve a catchment of approximately 1.3 million people, encompassing an area from Toronto to Caledon, Vaughan and Brampton.

The need for commuter rail service between Caledon, Vaughan, and Toronto’s Union Station has been identified and established through many studies, including the Metrolinx Regional Transportation Plan (RTP-2008), Move-Ontario 2020 and GO 2020 Strategic Plan as a desired service in the near-to-medium (15 years) timeline.

In 2010, Metrolinx investigated and completed the Bolton (Caledon) Commuter Rail Service Feasibility Study, which reconfirmed the need for commuter GO rail service based on the growth in population and employment and high potential demand for rail ridership.



Film attests to family’s suffering

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Getting the word out surrounding the family tragedies from Flight 752 has been challenging over the past two years.

The debut of a documentary by a Toronto filmmaker was recently delayed by pandemic restrictions. The film, “Broken by the Wind,” scheduled for a public viewing Jan. 9, is now available on YouTube.

You can access it here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-AdG5DlvWCU>

The short documentary profiles Nobleton’s Shahin Moghaddam, who lost his wife Shakiba and son Rosstin, in the Iranian downing of Flight PS752.

The 31-minute black and white film paints a picture of the tragedy, and reveals Moghaddam’s pain and suffering.

This “crime” is the first of its kind where a country shot down a plane load of its own citizens.

“Their only fault became purchasing a ticket home,” he said.

“I have no words to describe them. They are not human at all (for killing children like his son Rosstin),” Moghaddam said.

Shahin breaks down more than once in the documentary, glancing over at the piano once played by his son.

“It was like a story when he started to play the piano. I can still hear him playing. The melodies, the voices.”

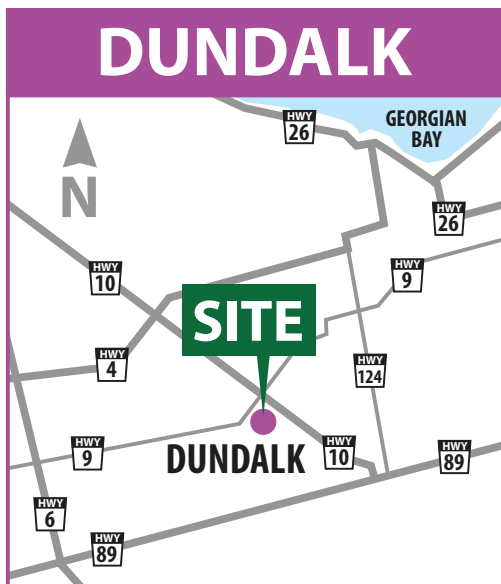
A year and a half after the incident, Shahin hadn’t gone into his son’s room. In the film, he enters his son’s room and looks around at his things, taekwondo medals, scuba goggles, clothes from his closet.

“The loss breaks you down,” he said.

Shahin points out he planted a weeping willow for his wife, and cherry tree for his son, in their memory. This is all he has, a simple memorial. No grave site and no closure.

Shahin, like many families of victims, are demanding that Canada and RCMP start criminal proceedings against the Islamic Republic in Canada’s federal court.

“Political games” aside, he also wants Ottawa to file a lawsuit in the International Court of Justice.



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– Tracy Waldron and Steven Bennetts

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– Drew Blackwell



To read Drew’s full story, visit www.myhospice.ca/drews-story

Tracy, Steven, and Drew share their stories in tribute of their loved ones and in hopes to reinforce the important role that our hospices have in helping families navigate one of life’s most difficult times.

If you would like to support Margaret Bahen Hospice and Doane House Hospice, please consider making a donation at: www.myhospice.ca/drews-story or www.myhospice.ca/tracy-and-stevens-story.



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Save the Date: February 1 the OJHL is back in action

By Robert Belardi

It has felt like half a year since hockey has taken place in communities. The good news is, players, fans and hockey lovers won't have to wait much longer.

The Ontario Junior Hockey League, confirmed their three-week hiatus is officially over and the league will resume play Tuesday, February, 1.

The league confirmed, it has extended their regular season play until April 7 to accommodate all postponed games.

The OJHL has been shut down since January 5, seeing 125 total games closed due to the province's restrictions.

"The OJHL Board of Governors were unanimously in favour of extending the OJHL regular season to allow for our players to play the full 54-game season," OJHL Commissioner Marty Savoy said in the league's press release.

"When the provincial government announced the shutdown, our teams immediately started the process with the league of rescheduling games in an effort to have as many scheduled once the league resumed play."

This announcement, comes nine days after the OJHL expanded their First Assist Program, offering mental health sup-

port virtually and to alumni players.

All arenas will be opening up to 50 per cent capacity or up to 500 people depending on the size of the venues.

Proof of vaccination continues to remain as a requirement to enter arenas. Wearing masks indoors is also mandatory as well.

As for the Greater Ontario Junior Hockey League and the Provincial Junior Hockey League, their seasons will also resume on February 1.

For your town's Schomberg Cougars, the boys will be back in next action, practicing as of Monday and returning to game action next Thursday. The Cougars, prepare to host the Stayner Siskins at 7:30 p.m. EST before heading out on Sunday to take on the Alliston Hornets on the road.

In light of the OJHL's announcement, it would be safe to assume extensions have been made to the regular season to accommodate the games missed this past month.

Both the GOJHL and PJHL have also allocated resources for mental health for their players and staff through this difficult time.

Get ready and get set for next Thursday. There's nothing sweeter of a sound than puck drop at centre ice.

Robert's Rant

NFL divisional takeaways

By Robert Belardi

It was another pulsating NFL playoff weekend and the divisional round saw all of our jaws drop down to the floor. Three out of the four visiting teams earned their way to the next round and on the same day both No. 1 seeds were sent home for the first time since 2010.

Let's begin.

Packers held to 55 yards in the second half.

Following a well calculated opening drive that saw A.J. Dillion punch the ball into the end zone, the Green Bay Packers never looked the same. Sure, Aaron Jones completed a 75-yard catch and run on the cusp of halftime. But the Packers failed to go up by 10, as the insinuating field goal was blocked.

Heading into the second half in a tough defensive match-up between the No. 6 seed 49ers and No. 1 seed Green Bay Packers, the 49ers held the Packers offence to 55 yards. Dillion reportedly broke his rib in the second half leaving the Green and Yellow with only Jones as their running option. Deguara dropped an open pass and Adams was double teamed, leaving Rodgers with very little moving forward.

The 49ers, who were also stifled offensively, did move the ball well in the second half versus the first half. Despite scoring their only touchdown thanks to a blocked punt, it was enough to give kicker Robbie Gould the chance to win at the end and he did just that.

Ryan Tannehill cost the Titans.

Between the No. 1 seeded Tennessee Titans and the No. 4 seeded Cincinnati Bengals in the AFC, this game came down to one player. Ryan Tannehill.

Although it was the return of Titans star running back Derrick Henry, NFL analyst Mina Kines and former Dallas Cowboys defensive end Marcus Spears had said the Titans cannot win this game solely on their running game. But rather, they had to do this through the air.

But the 33-year-old, Lubbock, Texas native threw for three interceptions on the day. With just under 30 seconds in the game, Logan Wilson picked off Tannehill near the 50-yard-line and Joe Burrow gave rookie kicker Evan MacPherson the chance to put the game away. The Bengals kicker, sealed the game.

For Cincinnati, this is the first time since 1988-89 season the Bengals will be appearing in the AFC Championship game. For Burrow, he becomes the first quarterback drafted first overall to win a divisional round playoff game within his first two seasons.

Rams survive 4 turnover day.

If there's one thing we all understand, is the fact you can count on Tom Brady.

The Los Angeles Rams walked into Raymond James Stadium in Tampa Bay on a mission to take down the Buccaneers.

In the past nine meetings dating back to when the franchise was in St. Louis, the Rams went into this game 7-2 against the Buccaneers since 2010.

The Rams survived a wild ending earning the franchise's eighth victory in the past 10 meetings; and second victory against the Bucs this year, with a 30-27 win. With just under three minutes left to go in the third quarter the Rams were up 27-6. All-pro receiver and winner of the Triple Crown, Cooper Kupp, fumbled the ball near midfield giving Tampa Bay momentum. Brady went down the field and made it 27-13.

It was a series of events as Von Miller strip-sacked Brady at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Tampa Bay failed to convert on multiple fourth-downs. But with the Bucs hanging on for dear life, Brady gave the Bucs hope with a 55-yard bomb to Mike Evans to make it 27-20. Then Leonard Fournette with under a minute left, rushed the ball into the end zone to tie it up.

But of course, that left Matthew Stafford and Cooper Kupp too much time on the clock. Stafford threw up a prayer and Kupp hauled it in to complete a 44-yard gain and a chance for Mat Gay to win it on a field goal and he did.

Bills vs. Chiefs one of the best playoff games ever.

If you know anything about football, you'll know that the battle between Josh Allen and Patrick Mahomes is for years to come in the AFC. You'll also know this was one of the greatest playoff games we have ever seen.

Sunday night's highly anticipated match-up saw three lead changes inside the last two minutes of the game. Bills took a 29-26 lead with 1:54 left. Chiefs took a 33-29 lead with 1:02 left. Bills regained the lead 36-33 with just 13 seconds remaining. Mahomes flew two amazing passes to Tyreek Hill and Travis Kelce to get in field goal range and Harrison Butker tied the game up at 36 with no time on the clock. That's good for 25 points in the final two minutes of play.

This one needed overtime to solve it and the Chiefs ultimately pulled off the 42-36 victory to move on the AFC Championship game.

Allen threw for 329 yards with four touchdowns and posted 68 yards on the ground. Mahomes threw for 378 yards and three touchdowns adding 69 yards rushing.

It was also a historic game for wide receiver Gabriel Davis who became the first NFL wideout to score four touchdowns in a single postseason game. Davis finished the day with eight receptions for 201 yards and four scores.

The Chiefs will move on to host their fourth straight AFC Championship game next Sunday.

Conference Championship Predictions: Rams defeat 49ers 31-23. Chiefs defeat Bengals 35-31.



Caledon athlete to speak at third annual Endurance Exchange

By Robert Belardi

Lisa Bentley will be a keynote speaker at the Endurance Exchange hosted by USA Triathlon from March 3-5, scheduled to be held between 5-6 p.m. EST.

Presented by BOA Nutrition, the third annual Endurance Exchange will be a virtual presentation.

Over the course of her illustrious triathlon career, Bentley won 11 Ironman Championships and 16 Ironman 70.3 competitions. For over 10 years, Bentley ranked fifth overall in the world and represented Canada many times, including in the 1995 Pan American Games.

Throughout her career, Bentley is known as a hero for having been able to even compete in triathlon. Diagnosed with cystic fibrosis in university, she told The Sentinel in February 2020, that cystic fibrosis was her gift. She began using her victories – especially her 2002 Ironman Championship – to show those with CF that there is hope.

Almost four years ago, Bentley released her book "An Unlikely Champion" and since has been a motivational speaker. Her most memorable speeches, were in front of the Toronto Raptors and the Toronto Maple Leafs. It was one of the proudest moments of her career.

Professionally, Bentley has worked with CBC, TSN, CTV and Sportsnet for triathlon in the 2012 and 2020 Olympic Games. She also is a part of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and a Triathlon Canada Hall of Fame inductee.

Team USA Triathlon recently announced Bentley would be the event's keynote speaker.

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Government invests \$35 million to expand services for newcomers

Newcomers to Canada play a crucial role in the future of our country and contribute in important ways to our society and economic recovery from the pandemic. To ensure newcomers settling in small towns and rural communities have access to essential services during their first year in Canada, the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, announced an investment of more than \$35 million to expand resettlement capacity and settlement services across Canada.

These services have never been more critical for newcomers, as the ongoing

pandemic has added to the already challenging process of building a new life in a new country. Following the Resettlement Assistance Program and Case Management Services call for proposals, 23 projects were selected to provide greater services to help refugees and vulnerable newcomers settle and adapt to life in Canada.

This investment includes \$21 million to add 9 new Resettlement Assistance Program service providers in British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba and New Brunswick. These organizations will help reduce pressure on the 32 existing Resettlement Assistance Program

service providers across Canada and provide refugees with an opportunity to settle in small- and medium-sized towns and rural communities where affordable housing is more readily available. Settlement services help refugees and vulnerable newcomers learn the language, gain employment and contribute to their communities, so they can reach their full potential quicker as Canada moves towards economic recovery.

In addition, \$14 million will be invested in case management services for 14 existing service providers, so that they can assist more vulnerable newcomers with support and referrals to successfully settle into their new communities. This includes a pilot project aimed at bolstering Francophone case management in the Prairies.

Canada's success as an international leader in settlement and integration is a result of the extraordinary efforts of our service provider organizations across Canada. They work tirelessly to deliver support services to newcomers in communities, which are critical during the global COVID-19 pandemic

and as we welcome more newcomers than ever before. Newcomers often face many changes as they adjust to life in Canada: finding a home, starting a new job and learning a new language. With these new investments, newcomers like the Afghan refugees arriving in Canada will be even more supported as they adjust to life in their new home.

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Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop
905-590-0054
wsue52@hotmail.com

Well, it looks like things are starting to prepare to open up once again, according to the Provincial government.

So, if you are involved in hockey, figure skating or curling, whether it is you or your kids, be sure to contact an executive of these associations or the Tri-san, and find out how soon we can all be back on the ice! Hallelujah!

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708 OBITUARIES



Arduino Stefani
July 6, 1934 – January 17, 2022

God called Arduino peacefully on January 17, 2022 at the age of 87. He is now reunited in Heaven with his loving wife, Mary. Cherished by his dear partner Jane. He will be held dear in the hearts of his caring sister Afra and brother Armistide. Greatly missed by dear cousins Augusto and Eda, nieces, nephews, relatives, and many friends. In loving memory of Arduino, donations may be made to Heart and Stroke.

A funeral Service has taken place on Monday, January 24th, 2022. Arduino is now resting at Beechwood Cemetery.

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708 OBITUARIES

Dion, Carol Elizabeth (nee Aiken)
Passed away peacefully at The Pines Long Term Care Home in Bracebridge on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 with her family by her side. Carol was in her 81st year. Sadly missed by her husband Don of 60 years, daughters Sandra (Alan), Cindy (Graham) and son Curt (Kelly). She will be greatly missed by her 7 grandchildren, Aaron, Jessica, Juli, Gabriel, Chenley, Kelby & Riley and her 5 great grandchildren, Osten, Kinley, Ava, Rosalyn & Isabel. Predeceased by sisters Marie (Bill) & Phyllis (Ralph) and brother Jim (Mae) and much loved by brother in law Osten & sister in law Mae.

Carol and her sister Sheila made the journey together that night and we know they will be arm in arm laughing up a storm.

Born & raised in Beeton, Ontario to Jim & Evelyn Aiken, Carol moved to Schomberg when she married Don and they enjoyed living within that community for 34 years, and made some very long lasting friendships. The move to Port Carling, Ontario came when Don retired and Carol transferred to the Post Office there. Carol made many friends wherever she went and Port Carling quickly became home. She loved living by the lake. Carol was always so busy whether it be at one of her jobs at the insurance office or the Post Office or running to hockey, baseball, soccer, figure skating, dance lessons, girl guides, etc. with her children or fitting in time for herself on a church committee or curling. Many thanks to the staff at The Pines LTC for the exceptional care and love they have shown not only to Carol but her entire family.

For those who wish, and in lieu of flowers, donations in Carol's memory may be made to The Pines Long Term Care Home in Bracebridge by calling (705) 645-4488 or the Alzheimer's Society in Bracebridge.

In keeping with Carol's wishes, visitation will be held on Saturday, January 29th, 2022 between 12 pm-2 pm at Rod Abrams Funeral Home 1666 Tottenham Road, Tottenham. All attendees must register online by or by calling the Funeral Home at 905-936-3477 during regular business hours. Bookings will be for a half hour time period. Due to Covid restrictions, the funeral service will be private. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

708 OBITUARIES

Ferguson: Sheila Evelyn (Aiken).
February 1, 1938 – January 18, 2022.

A long time resident of Beeton, passed away comfortably at Matthews House, in Alliston, on Tuesday, January 18th, 2022 following a courageous battle with cancer. Predeceased by her husband Gerry. Beloved mom of RJ (Amanda), Todd (Karen), Brad (Barb), Juanita (Martin), and Brent (Lori). predeceased by her son Marty and grandson Owen. Dear sister of the late Carol Dion (Don), who made her journey to the stars together with Sheila the same night and they will dance together forever, and the late Marie, Phyllis and Jim. Loved Nan to 15 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Cherished best friend of Cheryl Bain.

The family received friends at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, Tottenham, on Sunday, January 23rd, 2022 from 2-4 and 6-8 pm. A private service was held in the Chapel. Donations to Matthews House Hospice would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

Malcolm: Brian

Peacefully, in his 80th year at Simcoe Manor Beeton, on Friday, January 21, 2022. Beloved husband of Mary Grainne Malcolm for 52 years. Loving father of Suzanne Plue (Chris), and the late David Malcolm. Dearly loved grandfather of Bridget, Madelyn, and Michael.

Following Brian's wishes, cremation has taken place. Brian and his son David will be interred in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Lloydstown in the springtime. For those who wish, donations in Brian's memory to the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family.

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King Weekly Sentinel

Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church
By Linda Blydorp

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

Our Pastor, Jeff Loach will be leading worship this Sunday. Jeff will be leading a new series on the book of Revelations. His message is titled, "Suffering Is Real" based on Revelations 2.8-11.

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.

Our Women's LifeConnect Group has begun meeting again on Tuesday mornings, 9:30 to 11 a.m. via Zoom. For details be in touch with us at stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect.

St. Paul's is coordinating with the King Township Food Bank in the distribution of "St. Paul's Love Bags." These bags will include items that are seldom donated and are in high demand for those less fortunate. If you would like to help by contributing to this mission, please check www.stpaulsnobleton.ca to find a list of items needed.

Neighbourhood Watch

We are setting up a Neighbourhood Watch in various areas of Nobleton and surrounding area. If you are interested please send an email to: amaccarone999@gmail.com.

St. Mary's Church

The attendance for the Holy Masses will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. Once you enter the foyer of the church, we invite you to sign in on the forms provided with your family name, number of family members attending and contact number. If you are not well, we ask that you refrain from attending Holy Mass celebrations.

For those unable to attend the Holy Mass in person, please join us online on Sunday for the livestreamed celebration of the Holy Mass at 9:30 a.m. from St. Patrick's Parish, Schomberg. Visit us on our Facebook page to join us virtually for the celebration of the liturgies. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Browse our websites:
St. Patrick's Parish: <https://stpatrickssc.archtoronto.org/>

St. Mary's Mission: <https://stmarysno.archtoronto.org/>

LifeTeen Parish Youth Group: We invite all teens for our Life Nights on Zoom. The next virtual event will be taking place on Saturday, Jan. 22. More information on the parish bulletin.

Please contact our Youth Minister Zephania: 905-830-2644 or zgangl@archtoronto.org for Zoom link. Hope to see you there!

The Children's Liturgy of the Word Program on Zoom has resumed. More details in the parish bulletin or contact our Children's liturgy of the Word coordinator on: 416-605-6843.

Perfect for those preparing to celebrate their First Holy Communion in 2022 and their siblings from JK to Grade 5.

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

We will be checking emails and phone messages periodically as the parish office will remain by appointment only until further notice.

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

Nobleton United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

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Nobleton Lions

Your Nobleton Lions Club is up and running, marking our 60th year of service to the community.

The Lions wish to thank all knitters and crocheters who have donated cozy, homemade slippers for Ronald McDonald Houses. It seems that people sometimes find themselves needing to stay in close proximity to hospitals when their children require hospitalization on an unexpected basis. Ronald McDonald Houses provide what they can, and here is a chance for us to help them. If you have the time and wool, patterns are apparently available on the internet, for slippers of any size or colour. The Nobleton Lions will collect them and forward them to various RMHs in south central Ontario. For followup details please contact Lion Rick at rick@rickevans.net

Do you know a student who has skills in posting to social media account websites such as Twitter, Facebook and possibly Instagram? The Club is looking for volunteers, and will certify the time spent, to help fulfill the requirements for volunteer hours. Contact Lion Rick as above, or Lion Ek at ek.heidebrecht@gmail.com

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

As always, we welcome prospective new members. You may join us as a guest via Zoom at an upcoming meeting by contacting Lion Rick as above.

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King's Corners

King City United
By Sheryl Sinka

Last week Rev. Andrew Lee's message entitled "It's Been Fulfilled Today" reflected on the teachings of Jesus in the early days from Luke 4: 14-21, and at the occurrence in the synagogue in Galilee. We are encouraged to hear the word of God and respond to God's calling here and now, allowing God to proclaim his message through our good works in our daily lives.

To read the whole message or the recorded worship please visit our website and view last Sunday's service. Next Sundays online worship will be at 10 a.m. and available on our website kcuc@bellnet.ca

After careful consideration and in response to rising positive COVID-19 cases, KCUC has decided to return to an online worship format only and close the in-person worship. We hope you will join with us on our online worship which will be through the Zoom format and uploaded to our YouTube Channel - YorkUnitedMinistries. If you wish to participate through the Zoom at 10 a.m., please contact the office at kcuc@bellnet.ca to be put on the invitation list. We will provide all the details on our website at kcuc.net. If we experience any problems with live streaming we apologize in advance and the worship will be uploaded as soon as possible.

Last weeks worship is available on our website. Any updates will be provided on our website.

Best wishes for health and happiness in 2022.

King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. as we're back online for our services during the Modified Step 2 stage. You can watch the service live on Facebook or through our website (www.kingbiblechurch.com) or it will be uploaded on You Tube later on Sunday.

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

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.

St. Andrew's

By Kathy Patterson

Join us online this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. at standrews-kingcity.ca. or view at your convenience throughout the week. Until further notice, all in-person Sunday morning church services have been canceled. The King Township Food Bank's once monthly distribution is continuing. If you need more information regarding the Food Bank, please contact ktfb.ca

Following the worship service, grab your coffee/tea and let's chat over ZOOM during Coffee Time! Call us if you need the ZOOM link.

We are really appreciating our new sermon series of Jesus's Parables and their importance to us, found in God's Guide Book for Life.

The online Bible Studies with Lynn are Tuesdays at 7 p.m. for the "after work ladies" and Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. where we further discuss the parable for the week. "Art for the Soul" takes place Wednesday afternoons. Lynn encourages you to join, whatever your experience with art. Have fun expressing yourself! Call Lynn for the ZOOM links for any of the online programs.

In these uncertain, anxious times 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."

We are happy to pray with you or for you, in confidence.

Pastor Niyazi and Irada Bilgen of the Greater Grace Fellowship may be reached at 416-878-8499 regarding their Bible Study arrangements.

For pastoral care please call Lynn Vissers: 416-998-4652, or our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Jonathan Dennis: 1-905-724-1979.

Mark your calendars: our Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for February 27, following the Sunday morning Worship Service. We'll keep you posted as to the time.

Do keep in touch!

All Saints Anglican Church

By Patrick Gossage

Our 10:30 Sunday service of Morning Prayer with organ interludes and sermon is available live on www.facebook.com/allsaintsking or later recorded <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-0roHWIUzDk>.

Fr. Michael preached from the first lesson last Sunday in Nehemiah 8: "(T) he priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding."

"This Sunday's readings show us how God speaks to God's people. Our identity as a church and people of God is dependent on our hearing and understanding the word of God in scripture. In Nehemiah and Luke, the people hear the words read aloud to them which transform those who hear them. Most of us are content to put the bible into the hands of priests who have learned how to interpret it. But it's not up to me alone to decide what scripture means.

"The bible is our family story. It gives us hope for the future and, is our best way of knowing who God is and how God relates to us. The reading from Nehemiah is about the relationship of God's people to God's word. This is a book that's about God healing and restoring, just what we need after two years of pandemic!

"Nehemiah writes about Jewish people returning to Jerusalem after their long captivity in Babylon. It describes the people hearing a reading the Torah after Scripture had been denied to them. The reading takes, 'from early morning until midday,' but instead of complaining, we hear that the people weep.

"To understand why, we need to know what was read - the Torah, the first books of the Bible, from God's naming of Abraham, through Moses leading his people to the promised land, and then in Deuteronomy and Leviticus giving the people laws that will set them apart as God's people. This is the story of creation, rescue and salvation by a God who loves, leads, and cares for his people. Of course, the story is emotional for a people who God was rescuing again, leading them back to rebuild Jerusalem.

"Our gospel reading from Luke show the transforming presence of Christ. The Prophet Isaiah is being read to the people in the synagogue in Jesus's hometown. The prophecy foretells good news to the poor, release of prisoners, healing, freedom, favour. Jesus says: 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing' (Lk 4:21).

"Jesus, by announcing that he is the Messiah foretold by scripture, moves the promises of God from the future to the present. We go from 'God will save us' to 'God is saving you, now.' God is speaking to you, in the here and now, in the doldrums of Covid God is promising us freedom, good things for the poor, healing, restoration. These things are happening now, thanks to Jesus' presence in our midst, even in a remote COVID service!

"We may still face troubles in our lives, but we know that the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus which is our hope and our salvation, happens today, each day, right here, right now, through the word of God proclaimed in the midst of us. Dear saints, I pray that this knowledge gives you hope and strength. Amen."



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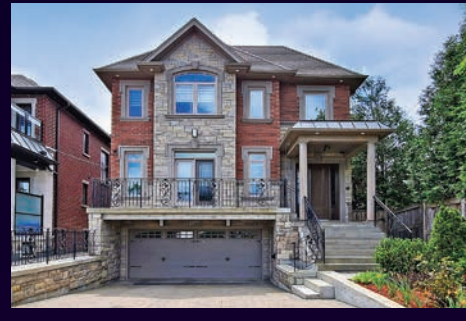
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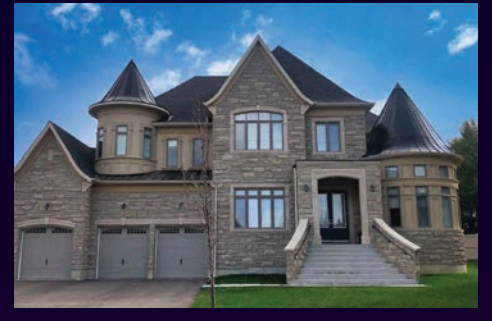
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