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Stephen Lecce was re-elected as MPP for King-Vaughan in Thursday's provincial election. Lecce joins the PCs who will form the next majority government. Lecce celebrated with party faithful Thursday night.

## Lecce's re-election shows strong support

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

Stephen Lecce's support the polls was only magnified by Team Lecce and party faithful. Lecce's election victory – by a whopping 12,000 votes – was a clear indication of his popularity and support. The Ford government's majority was announced by national news only 15 minutes after the polls closed Thursday night. And Lecce's victory was announced a short time later. The Concord venue erupted in cheers and applause as a packed house of supporters witnessed history in the making. National news media were on hand, indicating Lecce's importance in the election. Lecce was re-elected with an impressive 23,430 votes, or 57% of the vote. He held an 11,951-vote margin over Liberal Gillian Vivona, who earned 11,488 votes or 28.21% Lecce, during his speech to supporters, said the PCs,

under Doug Ford will give voters their "greatest voice" to deliver the results that families deserve. He pointed out that in life, we're often tested. Leaders, he said, often do what's right, even if it's not easy. He thanked King-Vaughan voters and praised his "amazing, relentless" team of volunteers who stepped up. These team members, of all ages, "have become family." Lecce said he was tremendously proud and humbled, and thanked King-Vaughan voters for their trust and confidence. He pointed out that more than 30 years, his family has called Vaughan home. They were raised in this community, played hockey and soccer and taught catechism at the local church. And now, for many, King is their home. His family story is one of grit and determination, he said, and also one of hope.

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**COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Monday, June 13**  
6 pm – Council and Committee of the Whole  
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

**Monday, June 27**  
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](http://king.civicweb.net)

**COMMITTEES AND BOARDS**

**Thursday, June 9**  
3 pm - Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board Electronic Meeting

**Tuesday, June 14**  
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](mailto:dmoratto@king.ca) by 10 am on the day of the meeting.

**Tuesday, June 14**  
6 pm – Committee of Adjustment (virtual meeting)

**Tuesday, June 21**  
6 pm – King Township Public Library Board (virtual meeting)

**Wednesday, June 22**  
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](mailto:solivieri@king.ca) by 12pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

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Watch the presentation at: <https://www.king.ca/meetings>

A Staff Report & By-law will return to Council for consideration of adoption on **June 27, 2022 at 6:00pm**

The By-law will be available for review at: [speaking.king.ca/rural-area-zoning-by-law-review](https://speaking.king.ca/rural-area-zoning-by-law-review)

in advance of the June 27th meeting.

*Please check the page frequently for updates!*

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# Lecce, Mulroney reclaim ridings

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

King's two MPPs were given a very strong vote of confidence by voters in last Thursday's election.

Lecce was re-elected in King-Vaughan with an impressive 23,430 votes, or 57% of the vote. He held an 11,951-vote margin over Liberal Gillian Vivona, who earned 11,488 votes or 28.21%

NDP candidate Samantha Sanchez was third, with 2,840 votes or 6.96%. She was followed by Michael Di Mascolo of New Blue, with 1,400 votes or 3.445.

Green Party candidate Ren Guidolin was next, earning 1,104 votes or 2.7% Next was Neil Killips of the Ontario Party with 309 votes.

Pulling up the rear was Tatiana Babitch of the Ontario Moderate Party, who earned 147 votes.

King-Vaughan had a low 39.72% voter turnout, behind the provincial average of 43%

Caroline Mulroney easily won York-Simcoe, taking the race by a 14,470-vote margin over the Liberal candidate, Walter Alvares-Bardales, who earned 6,319 votes. Mulroney earned 56.76% of

the vote. NDP candidate Spencer Ki, pulled in 4,083 votes or 11.15%.

Green Party candidate Julie Stewart earned 2,691 votes or 7.35%

New Blue candidate Brent Fellman brought in 1,633 votes, followed by Ontario Party candidate Alana Hollander with 698 votes. Libertarian Zachary Tisdale earned 262 votes, while Franco Colavecchia of the Ontario Moderate Party took 153 votes.

That riding had a turnout of 38.87%.

"I would like to congratulate both Minister Lecce and Minister Mulroney on their resounding re-elections," said King Mayor Steve Pellegrini. "I look forward to continuing to partner with the Province on initiatives important to the residents and businesses in King."

The PCs won 83 seats, while the NDP garnered 31. The Liberals could take only 8. Green Party Leader Mike Schreiner won the only seat. There is one independent seat.

The election resulted in both NDP Leader Andrea Horwath and Liberal Leader Steven Del Duca resigning. Del Duca failed to win his home riding.



# Lecce is 'on a mission' for residents

From Front Page

"I am on a mission to ensure your children and grandchildren achieve their full God given potential - that they can get good-paying jobs, become homeowners, and live a life of purpose," he said.

"I ran as a generational voice - to ensure the next generation had a voice at the table - and I could not be more energized to carry on this work - to deliver the results your families deserve.

Lecce extended his thanks to the other candidates who put their names on the ballot.

"It takes courage, and I have tremendous respect for each of you."

He also lauded each and every one of his team and campaign leadership, including Matthew Hirashi.

Lecce noted he's ready "to continue to deliver for this incredible community - for our rural hamlets to our suburban neighbourhoods - I am energized to carry on the work and make a difference in your life.

"And that work continues today, with humility and energy to get back to work. To get it done - for residents of King and Vaughan."

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# Editorial, Letters & Opinion

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

- Michael Connelly

## It's time to reset the electoral treadmill

**Comment**  
By Brock Weir

The joy of picking up that pencil, pen, or Sharpie and marking a piece of paper might seem like a pretty mundane task, but for me, when it's an election ballot, it's a process that has never quite lost its lustre.

When I was a kid, I was lucky enough to have parents who were comfortable flouting the rules and allowing me into the voting booth to watch the ritual take place.

Although I don't recall ever being allowed to mark the ballot myself, they would usually tell me ahead of time who they were voting for, why they were voting for them, and why making the effort to go out and discharge their civic duty was important not only to them, not only to me and the future of my then-young generation, but also why it was important to the country, province, or town.

It engaged me in the political process and every now and then they would ask my opinion before the final X was drawn – sometimes my opinion was taken to heart, sometimes it was not, but it made my young self feel like I was making a real difference. Even though I wasn't marking the ballot myself, it instilled the idea that my voice was heard by the powers-that-be.

This feeling became ingrained in me to the extent that not exercising my civic duty is, unless in the most extreme of circumstances, basically unthinkable. And yet, for whatever reason, casting my ballot online or through the mail personally just doesn't hold the same appeal.

Don't get me wrong, I am all in favour of making sure the vote is as accessible as possible through any means deemed safe enough to ensure every ballot is properly counted, but there is a singular excitement for me in receiving a voter card in the mail, seeing where I need to go, making the effort to get there, and experiencing democracy in action while standing shoulder-to-shoulder with fellow voters as much as "post" pandemic common sense allows.

Whether the ballot is folded for you to pop it into an official-looking cardboard

box or whether it's taken from you and gobbled up by an electronic tabulator is really immaterial; it's the energy in the room that excites.

Or, at least it did. With my voter card in hand, I made my way to my polling place just before noon on Thursday. Having done my research on the various party platforms and, with the good fortune this job affords, talking personally to each of the candidates vying for my vote, I made my final decision little under a week before E-Day for the platform that best reflected my vision for the province as well as the candidate I felt best suited to get the job done.

Those two criteria don't always dovetail, mind you, but this time was a happy coincidence.

Greeted by election workers who were their usual friendly, energetic and enthusiastic selves, I handed over my voter card and ID and was directed to a random poll, entered the room... and saw not more than four other voters. The fizz of in-person voting seemed decidedly flat.

This was my normal polling station and at this time of day is ordinarily a hive of activity, so it was hard not to feel it would be an ill omen for election turnout. Ultimately, as we know, this proved to be the case.

Much has been written since last Friday morning about the election that was and the level in which voters were engaged – or not.

Some pundits have chalked it up to – at best? – a dissatisfaction with the men and woman who were hoping to be Ontario's Premier for the next four to five years or a simple feeling there was little choice to be had. Others have floated the idea that low voter turnout could be attributed to the lack of big election issues – as if healthcare, education, and the environment didn't offer voters enough food for thought. Worse is the theory that voters just weren't interest-

ed or, worst of all, of the opinion that their vote simply didn't matter.

But I would like to put another option on the table: election fatigue.

On the face of it, we aren't subjected to elections all that often. Sure, we had a Federal election in the dying days of last summer, we just put a Provincial election to bed, and we have a municipal election coming up this fall, but that's not a lot in the grand scheme of things.

What does make it feel like a lot, and even too much, is we're living in a day and age where it the next election always seems on the immediate horizon, even when it is not.

We're told that each and every trip to the polling station or the mailbox is the "most important" one in this or any other generation.

Our neighbours to the south, for instance, have been stuck in a never-ending election campaign since 2016. Each and every decision is looked at through the lens of how it will affect Democrats and Republicans alike whenever voters have their next turn at bat – and with their mid-term system, that turn is always right around the corner.

As such, very little of substance is able to get done for the greater good; it's all for short-term gain even in the face of potentially long-term pain.

The stakes, for better or worse, don't necessarily seem as artificially high at

our municipal, provincial or federal levels, but we're hardly immune to it. We don't have to look very far to see border creep when it comes to our civic engagement, including just about every decision, however mundane, being transformed into a public policy pinata just to score political points here and there.

Here too we see all too often big decisions being looked through the lens of how will it impact the fortunes of a government, a party, or even its leader in a three-, four-, five-year window, rather than for the broadly-painted greater good.

And this is not even considering the ongoing Federal Conservative leadership campaign or the upcoming quests to lead the Ontario NDPs and Liberals following last week's departures of Andrea Horwath and Steven Del Duca.

Here in Ontario, there was a welcome break from electioneering at the start of the global pandemic where, despite the trials and tribulations we were all experiencing, there was a glorious but brief time in our public discourse when political fortunes took a back seat to accomplishing what was necessary, regardless of how it played to the so-called base.

In my view, if we were afforded a politicking cool-off period between each ballot, the personal bandwidth of voters, and engagement in the process, just might be reinvigorated.

### Letter to the Editor

## Councillor lauds Victory Day event

What an amazing day!

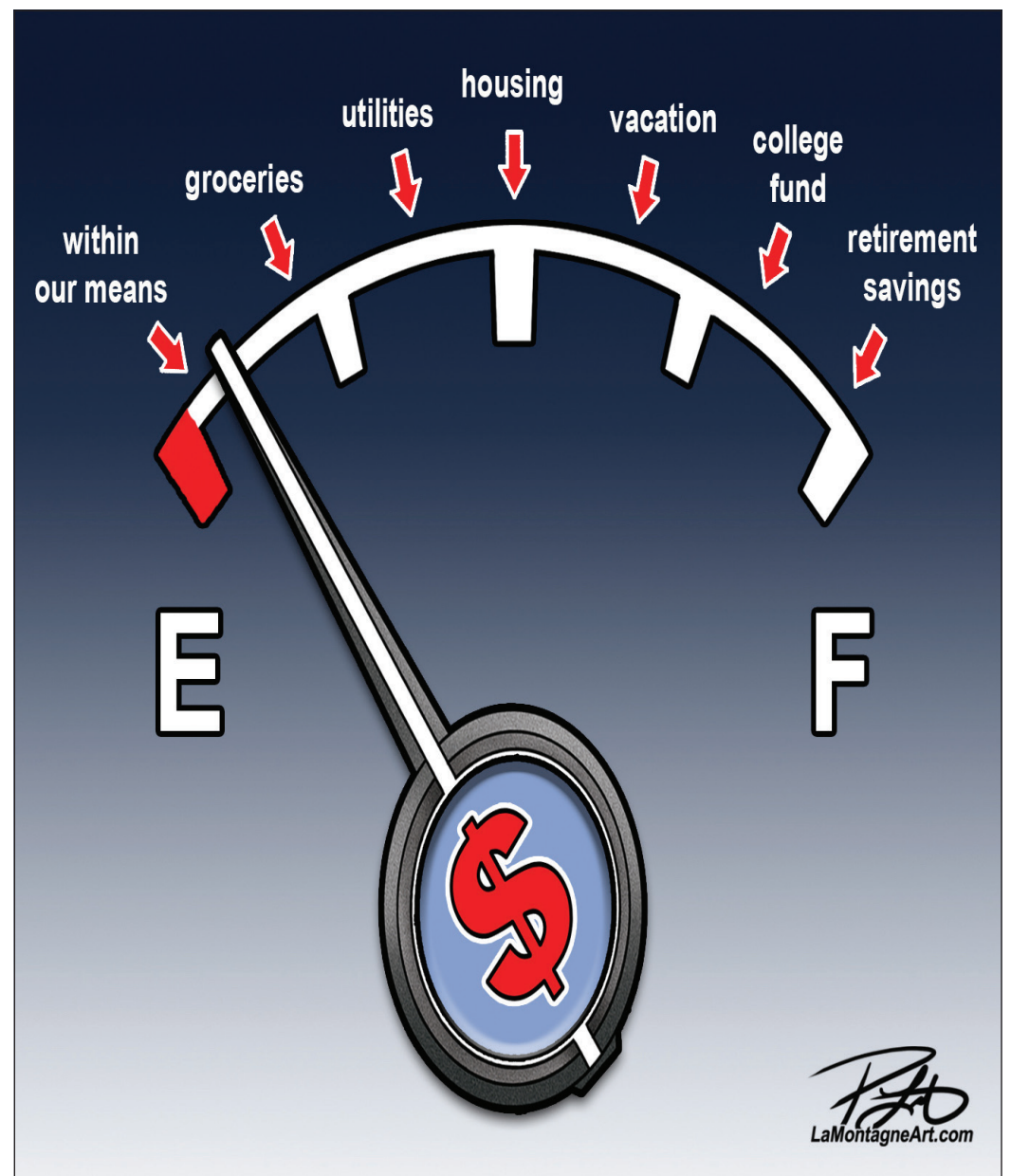
It was wonderful to celebrate Victoria Day again in our community. The day was a huge success and the fireworks were better than ever.

Thanks to the Nobleton Fire Association for putting on such an amazing show and for all the extra volunteering effort. The show could not have been done without the generous support from the community – big thanks go out to all who contributed at your door or at the event.

The fair was a tonne of fun, thanks to this year's main event sponsor – the owners of Nobleton Tim Hortons. Also grateful for our entertainment sponsors Robby Singh and Rocco Mongelli, Dog Show sponsor Angelo Ferlisi, and stage sponsor Treasure Hill and friends of the event Universal Care and York Energy – thank you.

The day wouldn't have been complete without our parade, thank you to the Nobleton Lions Club for their continued support, all those who volunteered and brought out their amazing cars, as well as King Fire and Emergency Services and York Regional Police for their parts in making the parade a success.

*David Boyd*  
Ward 2 Councillor  
Township of King



**Quote of the Week**

*"We must continually consider the oneness of humanity, remembering that we all want to be happy."*

- Dalai Lama

**Trivia Tidbits**

*Mercury is the only metal that is a liquid at normal atmospheric pressure and temperature.*

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Results from last week's poll:

**Are you pleased with the provincial election results?**

a) Yes **40%**

b) No **60%**

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**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION**

Are you travelling or staying close to home this summer?

a) Travelling  
b) Staying close

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# Housing affordability and preserving the greenbelt

I read Wendell Cox's comment, "Policy Restrictions Have Caused the Housing Crisis," in the King Weekly Sentinel with interest. In addition, I have recently read a number of other articles, reports and commentary on the "housing affordability crisis" in Ontario.

I do not support the conclusion reached by Mr. Cox and believe there are several important factors overlooked in this article. While I acknowledge key facts presented by Mr. Cox such as the dramatic increase in house prices compared to household income in Toronto and the GTA. Simply opening up the Greenbelt to continued sprawl development is not the answer for a number of reasons.

The Greenbelt was created for several very important long-term purposes. Preserving connected areas of Canada's limited prime agricultural land is vitally important for long term local food security. Also, sustaining natural heritage systems maintains healthy eco-systems, clean water and serves to protect a number of vulnerable and endangered plant and animal species. The need to maintain climate resilience through healthy wetlands, forests and other greenscape in southern Ontario is becoming very apparent. These goals are the heart of Ontario's world-renowned Greenbelt.

There are other factors influencing housing affordability. Expanding urban sprawl over prime farmland is expensive for municipalities in providing roads, water and sewer infrastructure, transit services, waste management service and other amenities that are spaced far apart. Travel time for commuters is very often extended. Another factor is that a large amount of currently approved housing development in

## Letter to the Editor

the GTA is not being built.

Unfortunately the housing market has become more about speculation and investment than providing real housing that people need. I understand that many developers are not building the housing people need, but rather build single-detached, high end housing, as profit margins are greater. Municipalities need to implement effective policies and tools to limit this form of housing and also limit international investment in Ontario's housing market.

In maintaining the Greenbelt and creating opportunities for better affordability, I believe that moderate intensification in cities, towns and settlement areas is needed and is provided through a variety of residential options, housing known as the "Missing Middle." This is housing in between sprawling single-detached neighbourhoods and high density, high rise residential. Missing Middle housing includes duplexes, triplexes, four-plexes, garden suites, laneway cottages, low-rise apartments, and townhouses.

Many municipalities are revising zoning bylaws to allow for Missing Middle housing in established neighbourhoods where exclusionary zoning for single-detached homes has prevailed in the past. Through high quality design, thoughtful landscaping, maintaining mature trees, the Missing Middle housing can be integrated well to complement both newer and older established neighbourhoods. The scale of homes built is an important component in improving affordability and meeting a variety of needs, by building many homes in the range of 800 to 1,600 square feet.

Renovating and dividing the space in larger homes into duplexes and triplexes can also achieve these goals while maintaining the character of a neighbourhood.

Many older neighbourhoods of Toronto are excellent examples which include the Missing Middle housing options, and this approach can be implemented in the sprawling suburbs of the GTA in York Region, Peel and Durham. These more diverse neighbourhoods see more people out walking or cycling to amenities and employment with less dependence on the car. A sense of community can be further nurtured.

Good planning means preserving Ontario's Greenbelt and prime farmland while creating more communities with "gentle density," a greater variety of housing types scaled for better affordability. Good planning creates communities with more amenities close to home, encourages active transportation and contributes to long term health and well-being.

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## OFA sees opportunity with re-elected Ford government

With an election that essentially returned the status quo to Queen's Park, the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) is looking forward to continuing to work with the provincial government and opposition Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) to build a stronger agriculture industry and rural Ontario.

Agriculture is a critical economic engine in Ontario, and with the right policies and political support can be a key driver of the province's recovery from the pandemic. As an industry, agri-food contributes \$47 billion a year to the economy and supports more than 860,400 jobs across the province.

OFA congratulates Premier Doug Ford and his Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario on their return for a second majority term, and is looking forward to building on existing relationships with returning MPPs and forging new ones with newly elected representatives. Relationship building and collaboration with government policymakers is vital to ensuring we keep agriculture's priorities at the forefront. As the leading advocacy voice for farmers and their communities at Queen's Park, OFA aims to expand and amplify the economic and social importance of agri-food in Ontario.

"We are excited to build on past relationships and create new ones with recently elected MPPs," said Peggy Brekveld, OFA president. "Ontario's agriculture story is exciting and growing, if you'll pardon the pun. Now is the best time to collaborate on a long-term strategic investment approach for rural Ontario to ensure our agri-food industry can continue to drive our economy forward."

Heading into this term, the OFA aims to work with the government on:

**Supply chain resiliency** — The pandemic underscored how fragile our supply chains can be and the importance of protecting domestic sources of food production. The OFA maintains the supply chain can be bolstered with policies that address the labour shortage in the sector, with an estimated shortfall of 29,000 farm workers currently facing the sector. Promoting jobs across the agricultural chain and creating pathways for temporary foreign workers to get permanent residency status will help create a more sustainable workforce.

**Land preservation** — The OFA's mission is Farms and Food Forever, and to meet that mission Ontario needs to preserve what is perhaps its most valuable, but finite, resource — farmland. According to the 2021 Census of Agriculture, Ontario is losing 319 acres of productive farmland every day. That is the equivalent of nine family farms every week. Strong policies are needed to contain urban growth within existing urban boundaries, while consumers are encouraged to continue to look for local products on the shelves of their local grocery stores.

**Distributed economic development** — The economic importance of the agri-food sector has been noted. Investing in critical infrastructure in rural Ontario will bolster this and ensure food, fuel, fibre and flowers get to market safely and efficiently. Long-term infrastructure investments in rural roads and bridges, affordable access to natural gas, continued expansion of rural broadband and building stronger social infrastructure will attract new businesses and residents to rural communities.

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# Voters need to show up

Letter to the Editor

According to the Toronto Star, our most recent provincial election is the record-holder for the lowest voter turnout for any Ontario election: 43% of eligible voters cast their vote, and 18% handed Doug Ford his "majority."

But 57% of voters did NOT bother to vote, and that is a majority. The electorate may have despaired at half-hearted efforts by the main opposition parties, but voting should be viewed as a civic duty. Clearly, we need electoral reform, where well-informed, articulate politicians understand their clear responsibility to earn your vote honestly – never mind their corporate backers, banners, buttons, and new election song. Instead, the political parties take the electorate for granted.

Show up at the ballot box? Who cares? In the early 1960s, almost 80% of eligible voters cast their ballots, but participation has declined over ensuing decades. The post-war generation must have valued democracy. Something to do with fighting for it, I guess.

Right now, let's consider the meaning of the word, quorum, defined as "the minimum number of members of a deliberative assembly necessary to conduct the business of that group." In the words of Robert's Rules of Order: "The requirement for a quorum is protection against totally unrepresentative action in the name of the body by an unduly small number of persons."

That's how it works in business, so what about the business of government? Citizens are the shareholders in government, and they pay for everything. They need quorum at election time.

As of June 2018, citizens were disenfranchised from participating in local, regional and provincial political decision-making because public consultations were eviscerated. The pandemic prevented in-person gatherings, but politicians could have consulted their citizens in the same way the Conservative government lavishly consulted with developers. Then, the province seized planning from municipalities, assuring backers of the Ford government that their development plans would be expedited, usually via MZOs, or other undemocratic tactics.

The dangerous "derecho" storm that struck a huge swath of southern Ontario right through Quebec during the week prior to the election made no impression on Ford. Were the affected individuals able to vote?

These natural disasters have been hitting Canada more frequently. Wildfires consumed B.C. forests and the town of Lytton in the summer of 2021; similar wildfires struck further east, all the way to northern Ontario. By November, B.C. was hit by a string of "atmospheric river" storms, which caused landslides, destroyed roads, damaged and interrupted pipelines and rail-ways, thereby providing some incredible lessons about the need for careful land use planning that acknowledges capacity limits, plus serious watershed planning/security. Homes in Calgary are still awaiting repair after a powerful storm in 2020, and the same can be said for homes in Barrie hit by a tornado in July 2021. These are no longer rare events.

On election night, Mike Crawley of the CBC reported asked what he's doing to prevent climate change. Doug Ford mentioned electric vehicle production and transit ... then claimed building highways is a climate change solution "to get people home quicker, so they don't have to sit in gridlock and smell someone else's fumes."

Mr. Ford is locked into 1950s thinking. Highways never stop drivers, cyclists, walkers, and nearby residents from having to breathe fumes and the dangerous pulverized particles from brake linings, tire wear, and abraded road surfaces, which cause cumulative damage to lungs. Building more highways poses ever greater health hazards, in addition to further harmful losses of farmland, natural areas, and native species.

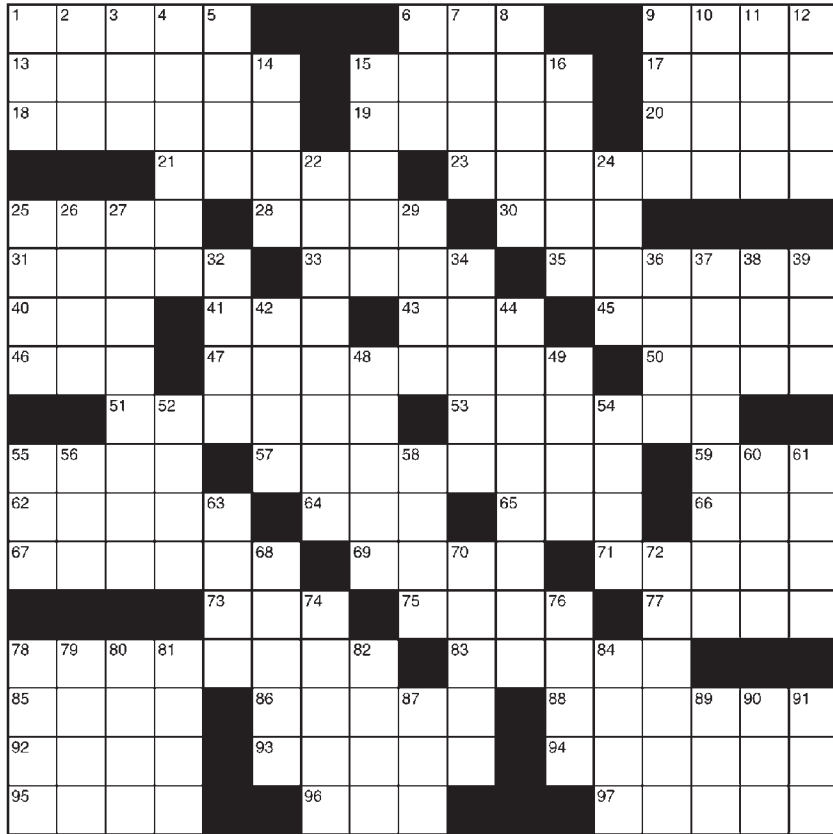
While supplies of food have been interrupted by droughts in California and elsewhere in the world, and consequences from the war in Ukraine are driving up fuel costs, Mr. Ford remains unconcerned about paving over the last best farmland in southern Ontario, so developers can build more gigantic subdivisions along Highway 413.

Who will hold politicians to account at our four levels of government, all of whom are supported by one single level of taxpaying citizens? We need regular consultation, via referenda within each four-year election cycle, on matters that impact the landscape upon which our lives depend so much.

*Vicki Hotte*  
King

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**ACROSS**

- 1. Cow catcher
- 6. Tippler
- 9. Phonograph record
- 13. Unmitigated
- 15. Chocolate's sub
- 17. Road for Cato
- 18. Immediately
- 19. Happen
- 20. Short note
- 21. Rope-making material
- 23. Of college
- 25. Cathedral section
- 28. Stevedores do it
- 30. Scurry
- 31. Wry
- 33. Move like a pony
- 35. More tidy
- 40. Positive particle
- 41. Long time \_\_\_\_
- 43. Reel's partner
- 45. Lap
- 46. Zwei or dos
- 47. Tomato sauce
- 50. Decorate, as a Christmas tree
- 51. Spring chirpers
- 53. Church official

- 55. "Rich Man, \_\_\_\_ Man"
- 57. Tattler
- 59. WWII agency
- 62. Avoid adroitly
- 64. Vote in favor
- 65. Animal's lair
- 66. Rug cleaner, for short
- 67. Hold superficially
- 69. Minor falling-out
- 71. Not our
- 73. Indian title
- 75. Defile
- 77. Ocean eagle
- 78. Source of annoyance
- 83. Impaired vision
- 85. Engine cover
- 86. Grassy hill
- 88. Flexible
- 92. Wheels
- 93. Uncanny
- 94. Medical priority
- 95. Pact
- 96. Steep
- 97. Hone a razor

**DOWN**

- 1. Seance response
- 2. Foul up

- 3. Is, pluralized
- 4. Loafer ornament
- 5. One opposed
- 6. Fluid-filled pouch
- 7. Humpback's kin
- 8. A sense
- 9. Certain coin
- 10. List member
- 11. Highway hauler
- 12. Gator's cousin
- 14. Fling gently
- 15. Use crayons
- 16. Intellect
- 22. Mason, e.g.
- 24. Passing grades
- 25. Door to ore
- 26. Bowsprit site
- 27. Resonant
- 29. Eroded
- 32. Ewe's young
- 34. Brown bread
- 36. Lowest female voice
- 37. Flaky dessert
- 38. Type of silkworm
- 39. Tach reading
- 42. Way of walking
- 44. Horrible
- 48. Small landmass
- 49. Pivot


- 52. Mass calendar
- 54. Campground home
- 55. Pod dweller
- 56. Secondhand
- 58. Put down
- 60. Distress
- 61. 43,560 square feet
- 63. Previously, of yore
- 68. Stop
- 70. Aesop's specialty
- 72. Recluse
- 74. Tube or city start
- 76. Waistband
- 78. "If \_\_\_\_ a Million"
- 79. Scoundrel
- 80. Roster
- 81. Religious figurine
- 82. Rushed
- 84. Pretension
- 87. Ignited
- 89. Tavern feature
- 90. Kind of trip
- 91. Twilled fabric

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## Morning honoured for service

Jim Morning, long time Kettleby resident and former ward councillor, was honoured for his 54 years of service on the Kettleby Cemetery Board at the AGM. Jim joined the board Feb. 14, 1968 and recently made the decision it was time for him to retire. His knowledge of everything and everyone in the Township has been invaluable. Many thanks to Jim for all his work in many areas of King Township.




# King

**7-Day Weather Outlook**

From Thursday, June 9 to Wednesday, June 15

THURS 9TH	FRI 10TH	SAT 11TH	SUN 12TH	MON 13TH	TUES 14TH	WED 15TH
Sun/Clouds High 20C° Low 10C°	Mainly Sunny High 20C° Low 9C°	Sun/Clouds High 19C° Low 9C°	Showers High 20C° Low 11C° ~10mm	Chance of Shower High 21C° Low 12C° <1mm	Mainly Sunny High 24C° Low 15C°	Sun/Clouds High 26C° Low 17C°
Wind W 17k	Wind W 18k	Wind NW 16k	Wind N 16k	Wind NW 13k	Wind SE 13k	Wind SW 23k



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# King-Vaughan candidates reflect on election experience

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

King-Vaughan candidates in the recent election enjoyed hitting the campaign trails and remain committed to the cause.

Liberal candidate Gillian Vivona said she believes there has been so much change that has occurred in the last two years, that residents were just not ready for change in government.

"Some might have felt that Mr. Ford didn't really get a fair chance to prove himself under the Covid circumstances.

"For me, stressful situations are in fact the true test of the metal and fortitude of leadership. While I believe that many things should have been done very differently, I am one voice amongst many."

She noted that in King-Vaughan, 11,488 residents were "ready for something better."

Constituents she spoke with responded to her message of "respect."

"All residents of King-Vaughan deserve respect and someone who will listen to them and pledge to bring their voice to the table. I remain hopeful that this current government will listen to and respect all residents and not just those that vote for them," she said.

For the Liberals, there will be much conversation about what happened and how to move forward.

It is each Ontarian's responsibility to be aware of the process and procedure of decision-making.

"Having said that, it is very difficult to maintain a balanced perspective with so many local, regional and international influences on opinion. We must be discerning with the information presented - review carefully the source and their agenda. This is probably the most challenging part of current life.

"Again, I remain hopeful that Ontarians will ultimately make informed choices and that the information they are using is accurate and true."

Regarding the campaign, Vivona said she had an "absolutely wonderful time" meeting the residents of King-Vaughan and learning about the intricacies of the political process.

"There is always much work to do and I know that Ontarians will step up

to the challenge of making Ontario a Place to Grow - even if it is not with the Liberal Party at the helm."

Michael Di Mascolo, New Blue candidate said the general feedback was that the party and he performed well for a first time candidate and party. Other than having a higher expectation of the final vote outcome, the entire process was one of the "most personally and professionally rewarding experiences I have been privileged to participate in."

Di Mascolo said he believes the outcome would have been significantly different if the establishment media actually acknowledged the party and allowed the leader of the New Blue party, Jim Karahalios, to have participated in the televised all-candidates debate.

He pointed to the lowest voter turnout in history, noting it's a "pretty apathetic state for a society when a majority government can be formed without the majority of the voters showing up to vote."

As for Del Duca and Horwath he feels their demise was foreshadowed by their nonsensical federal counterparts position on pretty much everything.

"I believe that if a federal election were held today, the federal NDPs and Liberals would suffer a similar fate," he said.

Throughout the campaign, Di Mascolo said he was privileged to speak with concerned constituents, who, like him, are dissatisfied with the establishment parties.



Michael Di Mascolo



"I felt as though I was their voice and it provided me encouragement to continue to move forward. I will continue to support the New Blue Party of

Ontario and I'm looking at ways to be more involved in the political process, whether it be at the municipal, provincial and/or federal levels."

## Vivona thankful for support

By Robert Belardi

King-Vaughan candidate Gillian Vivona was all full of smiles and laughter despite losing out in the Provincial election last week.

Lathered by love and support from her team and fellow residents at 9Baci last Thursday, Vivona was eternally thankful to everyone who came out to celebrate her campaign with her.

Thanked by Anna Bortolus from her team and former MP of the Liberal Party Deb Shulte, Vivona left a few final kind words on the evening that touched everyone.

"I'm just the mirror that reflects the hard work of you," Vivona said.

Throughout the course of her time, Vivona appreciated going door-to-door and speaking with residents. She mostly enjoyed, speaking with residents who differed in political ideology.

For Vivona, it was all about respect for another person and for the opposition.

"It's about respect. You can be miserable and negative and be upset, or you can enjoy every little thing and be happy. If people just choose a bit more respect and find that silver lining. I thank God for all of my blessings. My blessings also include the challenges. This entire journey, I thought I would never be able to do. I've made so many fantastic relationships, met wonderful people. I have learned so much about King-Vaughan that I thought I knew and didn't know. What a wonderful mosaic it is."

## Fathers Day "Highway 11 Cruisers" Car Show

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## Community Report showcases King's accomplishments

The Township of King has published a Community Report highlighting King's accomplishments over the past four years, including achievements in transportation networks, digital connectivity, long-term growth management and King's response to the climate emergency.

The King 2019/2022 Community Report: Building our Community was presented to King council on May 30, along with a report, as a companion document to King's Corporate Strategic Plan Year 3 (2021) Annual Progress Report.

On May 9, King Council received King's Corporate Strategic Plan Year 3 (2021) Annual Progress Report, an update on performance indicators met as directed in King's Corporate Strategic Plan. This progress report provides quantitative reporting figures.

The Community Report captures the Township's accomplishments and budget allocations for the 2019 to 2022 budget cycles. The Community Report also looks at what King has accomplished, including the services and operations over the past four years.

With the backdrop of the COVID-19 global pandemic, the Township approved a zero-per-cent tax impact in the Township portion of the 2021 and 2022 budget cycles, led a community vaccination clinic that resulted in 77,000

COVID-19 vaccinations delivered and expanded and enhanced service delivery for residents.

In keeping with the King's environmental commitment, the 2019/2022 Community Report is available digitally and includes a five-minute video of highlights Summary Video. Hard copy reports are available on request or can be viewed at Township facilities and King Township Library branches.

"It is gratifying to realize the Township's successes and achievements, especially when we consider the challenges King has overcome since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. I am honored to present the 2019/2022 Community Report: Building our Community to Council and to the community and hope you will join me in celebrating everything we have to be proud of in King," said Daniel Kostopoulos, King CAO.

"So much has happened in the past four years to challenge us all. This is an exciting time to be part of the King community. The future looks promising as we emerge from the pandemic stronger and better than ever. The 2019/2022 Community Report: Building our Community highlights the successes we've achieved in King in conjunction with our community and reinforces why King is such an exceptional place to live, work and play," added Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

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## King City Craft Beer & Food Truck Festival arrives

The stage is set for the triumphant return of the popular King City Craft Beer & Food Truck Festival.

It all happens this Saturday, June 11 from noon to 9 p.m.

Enjoy local craft breweries, gourmet food trucks and two stages offering non-stop live entertainment.

The event returns to Memorial Park, 25 Doctors Lane, in King City after a two-year hiatus, postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

There are two types of tickets available for purchase. The Craft Beer Event Pass is for those who are 19 or older and the Music Event Pass is for all ages. Children 12 and under get in free with adults who buy an event ticket.

Discounted tickets are available online at [www.kingcraftbeerandfood.com](http://www.kingcraftbeerandfood.com) until June 10. Tickets will be available for purchase at the gate. A Music Event Pass is \$10. The Craft Beer Event Pass is \$15 online and \$20 at the gate.

Breweries at the event include Collective Arts Creativity, Couchiching Craft Brewing Co., Thornbury Craft Co., Red Thread Brewing Co., Stonehooker Brewing Co., Wasaga Beach Brewing Co., Slabtown Cider Co.

Food Trucks at the event include Delight Bite, Lemon Heaven, Jerk Brothers, Texas Tornado, Buster's Sea Cove, Meltdown Cheesery, Funnel Cake Dream, Sweet N Salty Elephant Ears, The Great Canadian Food Truck, Cheese Headz, Mustache Burger and Heavenly Pop't Kettle Corn

Enjoy live performances by headliner Bleeker. Other performers include Aysanabee, Conor Gains, GRAE, Command Sisters, New Friends, Kasador and Fade Awaays.

Several sponsors helped make this event possible, including Zancor Home (Event Sponsor), Treasure Hill (Stage Sponsor), Aird & Berlis LLP (Tent Sponsor), Niusha Walker and Katherine Klaric, Engel & Völkers (Acoustic Stage Sponsor).

"The King Craft Beer & Food Truck Festival is back and there is a lot of excitement about this year's long-awaited event. Thanks to the event sponsors, the musicians, the breweries and the food truck vendors, we are creating a great community event that will bring people together," said King Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

For more information about the King City Craft Beer & Food Truck Festival, visit [kingcraftbeerandfood.com](http://kingcraftbeerandfood.com).

### Board launches Centre for Black Student Excellence

York Region District School Board's new Centre for Black Student Excellence creates a space committed to the promotion of dismantling anti-Black racism and amplifying voices that have been historically marginalized.

The centre is launching with a new website hub that provides access to videos, podcasts, resources, programs and information, designed to dismantle anti-Black racism and celebrate Black excellence.

The Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Strategy, launched in March 2022, was co-developed by York Region Black community leaders, YRDSB staff and in consultation with students. Visit [www.yrdsb.ca/blackexcellence](http://www.yrdsb.ca/blackexcellence) to learn more about the Centre for Black Student Excellence.

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## King updates its parkland bylaw

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

Municipalities like King rely on donations of parkland when new development occurs.

Parkland dedication allows the Township to collect parkland or cash, in lieu of parkland from new development. Adding parkland is necessary to ensure service levels are maintained and newly developed areas are complete communities with all the amenities.

To do this, King had to ensure its bylaw is compliant to provisions in the Planning Act. Recent changes forced staff to update the bylaw recently.

As a condition of development or redevelopment, King can ask for land, but it can't exceed 2% for commercial and industrial purposes, or 5% for all other purposes.

The requirement to "re-approve" the bylaw provided staff with an opportunity to make an administrative amendment.

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# Caledon farm welcomes visitors to connect with nature and sunflowers

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

Love is as abundant as the sunflowers at a Caledon farm.

And the owners want to spread it far and wide.

The theme for Campbell's Cross Farm is "love," and they are the only sunflower farm with a rustic wooden handmade 7-foot photo prop, perfect to capture your memories at the farm.

Exclusive to the farm is the heart-shaped private picnic area embedded within the sunflower fields. Josie Gallo said it's the ideal location to "pop the question," exchange your vows or enjoy a picnic to celebrate a milestone occasion.

New this year is a "pre-booked cut your own" sunflower section on the farm.

The family farm has been a dream of Michael and Josie Gallo for many years. Life-long residents, the Gallos are both teachers, and their passion for living off the land led them to Campbell's Cross.

Gallo explained the local property is one of the larger sunflower farms around, growing 700,000+ sunflowers each year in the rolling Caledon hills. The topography allows for some rather spectacular views of the magical fields of gold.

Back by popular demand is the unbelievably tasty watermelon sandwich. Get your signature watermelon, lemonade, gelato and ice creams at the food trailer.

A wide range of activities are available for every taste and every age. The farm offers wellness retreats, sunrise mediation walks and forest bathing. They also have an on-site floral shop and small store with local products, including their own raw sunflower honey.

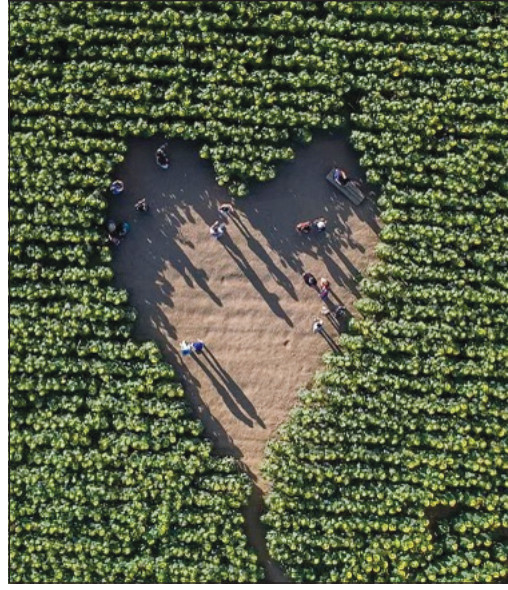
Also on tap are adult and children's sunflower yoga and paint classes.

The family offers educational bee tours and ongoing outdoor markets.

There's a new field that offers a great photo op.

Also new this season is an outdoor natural kids play area to keep families and children happy when visiting. It's located near the chicken coup and guests are encouraged to say hi to the "ladies."

Gallo noted they draw visitors from all over the GTA and some have come



from outside Ontario.

The family's passion for nature is almost contagious.

"What we love most about what we do is sharing our passion for nature and food with our guests," Josie said. "We feel so humbled to share our family story of The Watermelon Sandwich with our visitors and watch as they enter a new territory of taste buds and a piece of our family heritage when eating our signature sandwich found and made only at our farm."

Campbell's Cross Farm has some pretty deep roots, both literally and figuratively. The couple has transformed the historic Bailey's Farm Produce into a new iteration of the family farm.

The underlying intention is to promote healthy eating and a healthy lifestyle to families and youth through education.

As a former chef himself, Michael has always promoted the farm-to-table concept and encouraged his students to eat well. The farm hopes to raise money in the future for youth initiatives that promote healthy living and eating.

"Food starts with elements perfect and whole, and if you approach it with passion, gratitude, creativity and care, you can make something truly magical out of it," according to Gallo's credo.

Campbell's Cross Farm is celebrating its sunflowers through the summer, welcoming visitors from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily and 9 a.m. on weekends.

For more, visit [www.campbellscrossfarm.com](http://www.campbellscrossfarm.com); @campbellscrossfarms or the Facebook page (Campbell's Cross Farm).



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# Arts & Entertainment

## Exhibition marks strong ties, showcases local artist

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

An Austrian exhibit by a King artist aims to showcase Canada and further strengthen international relations.

Ernestine Tahedl is marking the 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations between her home country of Austria and her new home of Canada.

The show is being held in a gallery in Vienna and is running throughout the summer.

Austrian officials were on hand to launch the exhibit and praise Tahedl for her ongoing work and accomplishments.

"The way people perceive landscapes are also shaped by their cultural understanding and I hope you not only enjoy the artworks in the exhibition 'Canada Series' but that this exhibition may be your starting point for emerging relationships and an exchange of shared visual and stories that enable reciprocal understanding," said Troy Barry Lulashnyk, Ambassador of Canada to Austria.

Tahedl said the landscape of Canada had the strong and most lasting impact on her decision to make this country my home.

"My love for this land has strengthened over the years and thoroughly manifests itself through my activities as a painter.

"While residing in diverse parts of Canada and travelling extensively through the land, I have been privileged to experience the distinctiveness of each region.

Tahedl has lived and worked in Alberta, Quebec and Ontario and trav-

elled extensively to remote regions such as Baffin Island, Great Slave Lake and the Queen Charlotte Islands.

"I was moved by the spirituality, immensity and mystery of these lands and the lasting impact they have had on me.

"Although my works do not represent a particular motif or place, I strive for the essence of the place and all that a 'landscape' can imply. I explore the balance between the realistic image and the pictorial values for my paintings."

She said the response to the landscape paintings was very positive in Austria and she's grateful that she can show, through her exhibit, just how the landscape impacted her work.

"To return with my work after so many years living in Canada it is interesting to me to see how Europeans react to my work. In many way it is not that much different from showing in Canada or other countries, but I think it awakens a certain curiosity to see this beautiful country we are living in. If I can reach the viewer and get this response I have achieved what I hoped to express," she said.

Tahedl's work has been recognized by awards from the Canada Council for the Arts, the Governor General's Anniversary Medal, the Queen Elizabeth Golden Jubilee and Diamond Jubilee medals and the medal of the Ontario Society of Artists, to name but a few.

Born and educated in Austria, Ernestine has called Canada her home for almost 60 years where she contributes new perspectives, ideas and impulses. Her artwork still reflects her close attachment to both Austria, her country of birth, and Canada, her country of



Dr. Alfred Brogyanyi VWT and OPIKA, Troy Barry Lulashnyk, Ambassador of Canada to Austria, Ernestine Tahedl, Dr. Gerold Pinter, Wohninvest, were on hand for the opening of "Canada Series" exhibit in Vienna.

choice.

This exhibition is a shining example for the bilateral relations of friendship and it is exciting to see it come together at a time when we mark the 70-year anniversary of bilateral relations between Austria and Canada.

Austrian officials noted Canada and Austria enjoy a wonderful relationship, sharing common values and a rich history of people-to-people ties that far surpass our diplomatic relationship.

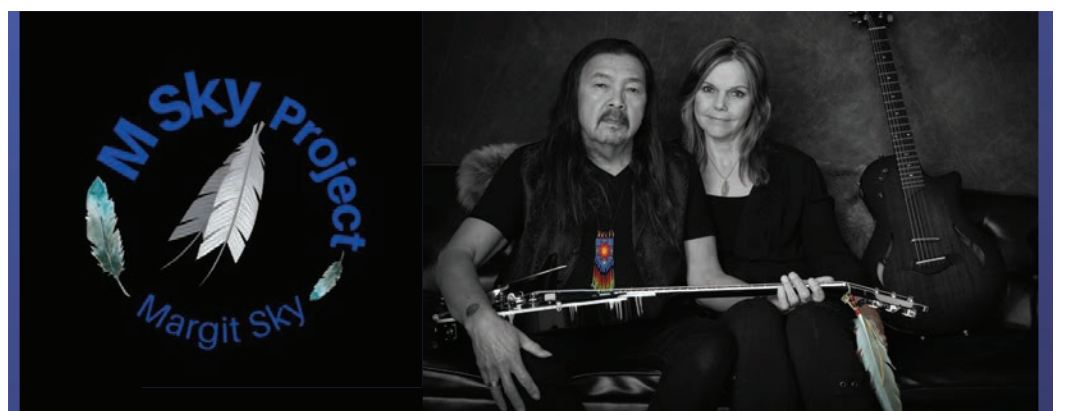
The pandemic has shown us the significance of these person-to-person ties and while diplomacy, agreements and treaties are important, it is the people and their ideas, their creativity and activities on the ground, that inspire and shape the relations between us.

Her pieces are abstract in nature, influenced by classical music and many bear the names of famous pieces.

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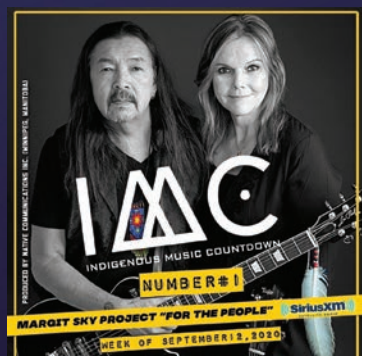
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# CJCLDS long-time supporter of York Food Bank

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (CJCLDS) has been a big supporter of The Food Bank of York Region (FBYR) in the last few years, and the FBYR wants to recognize and highlight their ongoing involvement through contributions and commitments as an organization.

Since 2020, the CJCLDS has sent their revolving number of visiting Elders and Sisters, to the FBYR as volunteers working in the warehouse to sort, and pack food for residents across York Region. They have been a hard-working, vital, and committed group of volunteers.

“The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints have been a huge supporter of the FBYR and our programs,” said Alex Bilotta, founder and CEO of the Food Bank of York Region. “They have the same passion for helping those in need and shown us a great amount of dedication. We are truly grateful for their generosity.”

Over the last two years, the FBYR has had 16 volunteer Elders and Sisters, who’ve contributed over 800 hours of volunteering and 265 shifts at the FBYR warehouse. They’ve been a stand-out group of members at the FBYR volunteer program, vital to the success of the

food security programs, and set a great example of an actively engaged member of the community.

“It’s amazing what a partnership can do. We spread hope, we give back, and help fight food insecurity as much as we can, with the tools we are given,” said Agnes Wong, Just Serve Specialist for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. “We want to encourage all community organizations and resident members out there to get involved on a level that they can, but at the end of the day, to just be a part of the solution against hunger.”

In 2021 the FBYR was able to help feed just under 23,000 unique individuals across 7,000 households throughout their network, and 6,000 individuals in 2,500 households through their home delivery program. The CJCLDS organization has also helped the FBYR apply for their annual Bishops Storehouse donation program and supplied the FBYR with generous donations of purchased non-perishables food items to help feed more people in need.

“Being a volunteer at the FBYR has been great. I feel good about the work I am doing here and love how hands on my impact really is. I am literally packing someone’s food hamper that’s going



to be delivered to their home the next day,” stated Elder Scott. “If we’re not here, then who’s going to pack the hampers and have them ready for delivery? The FBYR is a non-profit and they work hard, but they simply can’t do everything. That’s why we are needed, and it feels great to give back.” explains Elder Johnston.

For more information on how to get involved or ways to donate, visit [www.fbyr.ca](http://www.fbyr.ca) today.

The Food Bank of York Region is the

regional food hub and mobile food pantry with a network of 75+ social service agencies and emergency home delivery programs. The network supports food programs in the nine municipalities of York Region, serving 24,000+ individuals in 7,000 households. The COVID-19 pandemic increased the number of people accessing food bank programs in York Region by 42% from 2018, expanding the threshold of food insecurity to a larger scale of members of our community.



## Board expands French immersion

At the regular board meeting held May 31, 2022, the Board of Trustees of the York Catholic District School Board (YCDSB) passed a motion that will positively impact YCDSB students and families.

French Immersion families in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville will also receive some good news. YCDSB staff presented a report that recommended offering French Immersion from Grades 7 to 12 at St. Katharine Drexel Catholic High School, the new multi-use school facility that is being built on Ninth Line north of Stouffville Road. Sharing this space will be Blessed Chiara Badano Catholic Elementary School, which will serve as a Single Track French Immersion school for Grades 1 to 6. The new schools are scheduled to open in September 2023.

This expansion means that the YCDSB French Immersion program will be offered at 16 elementary schools and six high schools throughout York Region. The program aims to provide non-francophone children with a high degree of proficiency in the French language. Although the curriculum is the same as in the English-language program, the language of instruction for most subjects is in French.



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# Donation leads to Mitchell Goldhar Surgery Unit

Respected real estate developer and community builder, Mitchell Goldhar, is championing exceptional health care with a \$10-million gift to Mackenzie Health.

In honour of this visionary donation, the surgery unit at Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital has been named the Mitchell Goldhar Surgery Unit.

Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital – the first hospital for the city of Vaughan and the first net-new hospital to be built in Ontario in more than three decades – opened as a full-service community hospital in June 2021. Every day, 40-50 people receive life-changing or lifesaving surgery at Mackenzie Health. As many as 70 per cent of those benefit from minimally invasive techniques.

The Mitchell Goldhar Surgery Unit at Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital fea-

tures seven operating suites, two angiography/interventional radiology rooms and one procedure room. Surgical teams have the latest smart technology at their fingertips so care is faster and more efficient than ever before. A patient's digital images – including X-rays and scope video recordings – can be called up and read in an instant. Videoconferencing tools make it possible for surgeons to consult with experts around the world in real time without ever leaving the patient's side.

The unit is already drawing top-notch surgical staff from across the province who see how Mackenzie Health's commitment to leading-edge technology is driving better health outcomes for a growing community.

"It is a privilege to support the vision of making Vaughan a centre of health-

care innovation and excellence," said Mitchell Goldhar, founder and CEO of SmartCentres. "I am honoured to join other community leaders who have generously donated to this very important and worthy campaign. I would like to congratulate Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua for his unwavering commitment to deliver world-class health care at the doorstep to the citizens of Vaughan and York Region."

This is the kind of world-class, tech-enabled care that Goldhar's generosity is empowering in western York Region and beyond – and for generations to come. His donation is also a major accelerator for the \$250-million Ultimate fundraising campaign, which, thanks to thousands of generous donors – and under the direction of the campaign's dedicated cabinet, chaired by the Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor, City of Vaughan – has raised \$222 million to date.

"We're so grateful for this generous gift from Mitchell Goldhar. Philanthropy plays such an important role in making the ultimate health care experience possible. This gift is a clear testament to his commitment to the community and it will benefit our staff and physicians as well as residents of Vaughan, Richmond Hill and King for many years to come," said Altaf Stationwala, president and CEO, Mackenzie Health.

"I want to extend my deepest gratitude for Mitchell Goldhar's support of advancing health care for every person in York Region. Today, we are so close to completing our \$250-million campaign

goal. Every single donation, every single dollar, brings us closer. Together, we're building a strong, resilient hospital system that uplifts and empowers us all," added Bevilacqua.

"This generous donation is a gift for everyone in our community and Mitchell Goldhar's philanthropy will change the lives of people all across York Region. We thank Mr. Goldhar for his support of Mackenzie Health and his commitment to advancing the future of health care in York Region," noted Krista Finlay, president and CEO, Mackenzie Health Foundation.

Mackenzie Health is a dynamic regional health care provider. Mackenzie Health includes Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital and Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital, each with a full-service emergency department, core services such as surgery, medicine and critical care along with specialized programs. Its community-based locations and services continue to provide additional support to western York Region. In March 2017, the organization received its second consecutive award of Accreditation with Exemplary Standing from Accreditation Canada for its commitment to safety and quality patient care. Mackenzie Health has an unrelenting focus on the patient and is dedicated to patient needs now and in the future. Mackenzie Health is proud to serve western York Region, one of the fastest growing and most diverse communities in Canada with more than 550,000 residents. For more information, please visit [www.mackenzie-health.ca](http://www.mackenzie-health.ca).



## Hospital's campaign milestone reached

At Vaughan Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua's annual gala last week, a massive donation was pledged to Mackenzie Health. John A. D'Angelo, Giuseppe Maio and Claudio Memme, of HBNG Holborn Group, made an amazing \$30 million donation. As a result of their \$30 million donation, the hospital foundation officially reached its \$250 million Ultimate Campaign milestone.

"HBNG is an enlightened firm that understands and practices corporate social responsibility. Thanks to their spirit of generosity, we are building a world-class health-care network in York Region," Bevilacqua said.

## York Food Bank expands its Pet Pantry

The Food Bank of York Region (FBYR) has been supporting animal shelters and family pets alike since 2016.

CEO Alex Bilotta reached out to the OSPCA in Whitchurch-Stouffville about supporting their organization and a partnership was born with the FBYR providing for the OSPCA's Feral Cat Program.

"Thanks to partners like the Food Bank of York Region, food is reaching the animals who need it most. We are grateful for the support we have received to help stock our community cat food pantry that feeds this vulnerable, and often overlooked, population of animals," states Monica Seto, manager, Health & Wellness, Ontario SPCA & Humane Society.

In 2021, the FBYR sourced, collected, and delivered over 36,500 pounds of pet food and products amongst its network. Currently, the FBYR supports three animal support focused organizations and is looking to grow and expand that reach by onboarding new organizations that operate or want to begin a pet food pantry.

"A lot of the families that we support and help feed, have pets and they need to eat too," remarks Alex Bilotta, founder and CEO of the Food Bank of York Region.

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# GTA's premier EV maker Daymak is riding the wave

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

## Special Series: Road to Zero Emissions

Electric vehicles, from standup scooters to elaborate e-bikes, are now common across the landscape. They're here to stay, and they're definitely helping residents and communities achieve their zero emission goals.

Ebikes are definitely popular in Ontario, and it would be hard to not see one walking in a downtown area such as someone on a stand-up scooter, or a delivery driver using an ebike.

"We have seen growth year after year in sales for Daymak, especially during the pandemic. People were using their car less often for commuting, and would obviously prefer to avoid the crowded public transit, making biking a logical alternative," said the team at Toronto-based Daymak.

Since 2002, Daymak has been a pioneer in personal light electric vehicles (LEVs), producing everything from mobility vehicles to electric cars. With more than 100,000 vehicles sold, Daymak boasts cutting-edge designs, including the world's first fully wireless e-bike and Canada's first solar-powered, off-road e-bike.

The most popular innovations are the "Beast" Scooter and the "Boomerbeast" Mobility Scooter.

The Beast is a two-wheel, solar-powered, electric scooter with ATV tires, while the Boomerbeast is a three-wheeled mobility scooter with ATV tires. Many scooters and mobility scooters on the market can only comfortably handle concrete and maybe grass terrain, which can greatly limit where a person can ride. The Beast product line allows riders to comfortably handle tougher road or weather conditions, allowing them to travel, commute and explore without any restrictions.

They are currently working on our most ambitious project, the Spiritus electric car, which is a three-wheel EV.

Daymak's goal is to provide EVs for everyone, regardless of age, gender, size, or physical restrictions.

"That is why we do not focus solely on electric bikes, and provide different types of EVs from mobility scooters and ATVs, to kids toys and ride-on scooters."

While growing, it will be tough to get to the ratio of people to EVs that other countries enjoy. However, the company says that so much has been changing recently that they wouldn't rule it out.

"With the rising gas prices, the government pushing for more electric cars and charging stations, and more people working from home (which would reduce the need for a car), it could very well be possible in the coming years."

Team Daymak says materials, weight, design and battery technology have all definitely helped push the ebike revolution.

"Just a decade ago, ebikes were quite niche and expensive, with clunky designs and low voltage, lead-acid batteries. Nowadays, they are much more affordable, with lighter and more efficient batteries. They also come in some incredibly sleek or modern designs, suiting many different styles and needs. Better tech, along with external factors such as gas prices, health and fitness, commuting, and green energy have all helped push ebikes towards the forefront."

Fat-Tire ebikes like their Max and Max S, or the Wolf, are currently very popular. These ebikes are equipped with significantly larger tires that can handle off-roading conditions. They can handle bumpy roads and trails, rain, snow, and sand with ease. Even if people do not frequently go offroading, the larger tires simply provide a smoother ride on the worn-out roads, and give more flexibility to be ridden all-year round.

The Spiritus car will be released by the end of this year. Daymak has a whole lineup of covered EVs in development which can be seen at [www.avenire.ca](http://www.avenire.ca). They also hope to have some new ebike models in for this coming summer as well.

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## Bodybuilder competing in international competition

By Julia Galt

He made it to the final few rounds of Muscle & Fitness magazine's Mr. Health & Fitness competition, the world's largest online fitness competition, last year, and local bodybuilder Dean MacMurray is back and more committed than ever for a chance at taking the top spot.

MacMurray, the former owner of Schomberg's now-closed LifeDrive Fitness, is competing for a grand prize of \$20,000 and a two-page spread in Muscle & Fitness magazine. At 51 years old, MacMurray—who's currently made it past four elimination rounds—will be competing in a pool of athletes up to 30 years younger.

But for MacMurray, a committed athlete since the age of 12 and former semi-pro boxer, sharing his passion for fitness with the world is well worth the grueling 2-month process of daily voting to reach the gold.

The one-time "skinny, geeky" kid hopes to inspire others to find confidence in themselves through physical fitness.

"I'm probably one of the oldest guys in the competition," said MacMurray. "For me, it's a humility thing. If I win, I win—it would be cool to say 'hey guess what, I won this one time'. But



I'm not doing it for the win. I want to bring awareness that even when you're my age, life isn't over. You don't have to stop doing the things you like."

A commitment to fitness isn't the only thing driving MacMurray's ambitions of success in the competition.

Closing LifeDrive Fitness, the result of a life-long dream to own his own gym, in January 2022 was difficult but unavoidable, said MacMurray. Between closures, stay-at-home orders, and nervous clients, weathering COVID-19 was a "nightmare" for the business.

"In our good days we were up to 250 to 300 clients," said MacMurray. "Through COVID, it went down to somewhere between 15 to 20 clients."

MacMurray plans on using his potential winnings to pay off the remainder of his gym, and is open to one-day reopening the business.

"I want this to be a feel-good thing for my clients who supported the gym through everything," said MacMurray. "It would be nice to dedicate it to them."

Currently, MacMurray has returned to his previous career as a truck driver, and spends his days travelling across Canada. To keep his body in top shape, he trains wherever he stops—something he calls an "adventure"—and has partnered with Canadian trucking company ET Transport to produce YouTube videos on how to stay fit as a truck driver.

Though MacMurray initially tried to open a modified gym in his home garage after closing LifeDrive Fitness, the costs associated with heating the building and the hours required as a truck driver made the business unsustainable.

"I still talk to most of my clients online," said MacMurray. "I'm still very good friends with my clients. We all miss each other."

Readers can support MacMurray by casting a once-daily vote over Facebook at the QR link provided.



## Canadian show jumping team 4th in Nation's Cup

The Canadian Show Jumping Team finished fourth in the \$400,000 Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ of Canada held on Sunday, June 5, at Thunderbird Show Park in Langley, BC.

Last held in 2019 before the COVID-19 pandemic forced a two-year hiatus, this year's Nations' Cup of Canada attracted a starting field of six countries including Canada as the defending champions. A repeat win was not to be, however, as the Canadian team comprised of Mario Deslauriers, Tiffany Foster, Jacqueline Steffens Daly, and Beth Underhill trailed in fifth position with 24 faults at the end of the opening round.

Only Israel suffered a worse fate when Daniel Bluman riding Ubuluc was eliminated at the open water jump, putting its three-man team out of contention for the second round. Ireland led with a score of four faults at the mid-way mark.

Under the guidance of chef d'équipe Eric Lamaze, the Canadian team dug deep to improve on its opening round performance. As the lead-off rider, Beth Underhill, 59, of Mulmer, changed Canada's trajectory with a fault-free performance on her second tour of the grass field riding Chacco Kid, a 16-year-old Oldenburg gelding (Chacco Blue x Come On) owned by the Chacco Kid Group.

Deslauriers, 57, of New York, repeated his first-round effort, delivering another four-fault performance with his Tokyo Olympic mount Bardolina 2, a 13-year-old Holsteiner mare (Clarimo x Landos) that he owns in partnership with Wishing Well Farm LLC.

Having made her Canadian Show Jumping Team debut in March in the Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ of Mexico, Steffens Daly, 28, of Harrison, was back for her second appearance riding for the maple leaf. After providing the drop score of 16 faults in the opening round, Steffens Daly had fence three down the second time out with Freaky, a 12-year-old Dutch

Warmblood gelding (Darco x Litho X) that she owns in partnership with Team Eye Candy.

Hometown favourite Foster, 37, of Langley, BC, incurred 12 faults in the opening round before returning to her usual strong form to jump clear the second time out over the track set by Canadian course designer, Peter Holmes. The two-time Olympian was partnered with Hamilton, an 11-year-old Holsteiner gelding (Quadros 3 x Acolord) owned by The Hamilton Group.

With four faults to count from the second round, Canada moved up to finish fourth overall on a final score of 28 faults. Ireland claimed an easy victory with five faults followed by Mexico in second with 13 faults. Australia took third with 22 faults while the United States, hampered by the elimination of Karl Cook at the water jump in the opening round and his subsequent withdrawal, took fifth with 36 faults.

"The lesson to be learned is that when we have a training camp, where people are riding together for a week or 10 days before the event, we come together as a team and we produce, as we saw in Europe," said Lamaze, referencing Canada's third and fifth place finishes respectively at CSIO5\* La Baule, France, and CSIO5\* Rome, Italy. "After the hype of La Baule and Rome, which was so intense with so much training, the approach we had coming here with such a quick turn around from Rome last week was not good. The result we got is the result we deserve. A disappointing day, yes, but we can't plan to be great at La Baule and Rome without losing some focus on this event."

Speaking to the performances of each of his riders, Lamaze said, "Mario was fantastic, he was there for everyone, did his job, and showed a lot of team spirit. Beth did her best on a horse we've been asking a lot of, and we wanted to see where Jacqueline was at. She came back and had four faults the second time which shows strong character, but we can't have 16 faults



Beth Underhill of Mulmer and Chacco Kid, owned by the Chacco Kid Group.

Photo by Ashley Neuhof

the first time out. Tiffany wasn't on her best horse but produced a clear in the second round. All the riders put in good rounds to finish, and to see riders come back and better their scores, that's what counts.

"We should also mention that Mac [Cone] delivered a fantastic round in the Grand Prix as did Ali (Ramsay); I'm a big fan of her horse," continued Lamaze, noting Canadian rider performances in the \$235,000 Longines Grand Prix held on Friday, June 3, where Ramsay placed fourth riding Bonita vh Keizershof Z while Cone was fifth riding Zaia di San Giovanni. "A lot of good things came out of this week, and relationships were improved. Year one on the job, I'm going to learn a lot. In year two, we will do things differently."

The Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ of Canada also acted as the second and final qualifier for the North and Central America and Caribbean League which sees the top two teams

following qualifying events head to the Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ Final in Barcelona, Spain, from September 29 to October 2, 2022. Mexico and Canada were confirmed as the two countries to book their tickets to the annual Spanish fixture.

"The biggest thing is that we wanted to see where some of the horses were at and see who is in form for World Championships which is far more important to me than winning this Nations' Cup," concluded Lamaze, a three-time Olympic medalist as well as World Championship medalist. "World Championships take over everything; they are on my mind and will continue to be. We are going to train for it and we're going to be ready."

Lamaze and the Jumping High Performance Group plan to name the Canadian Show Jumping Team for the upcoming World Championships in Herning, Denmark, during the CSI5\* Spruce Meadows 'National' tournament from June 16 to 19 in Calgary.



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Thanks are extended to the many sponsors, participants, the Nobleton Lakes Golf Club staff, and especially to Lion Latif Kassam for doing the "lion's share" of the organizing work.

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# Schomberg Should Know

By Wendy-Sue Bishop  
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wsue52@hotmail.com

## We Believe in Abby Ball Hockey Tourney

This fun-packed day on Sunday, June 19 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Trisan Centre in Schomberg, promises something for everyone of every age but also promises all proceeds from this event will be helping to create an accessible park in Schomberg, including a sidewalk and crosswalk to access the park at Osins Lion Park.

The day starts with the Ball Hockey Tournament and free team shirts, swag bags for all participants and prizes for the winning team. It also includes McHappy Day coupons (courtesy of McKinnon Restaurants); free Ice Cream Cones (courtesy of Lorna Down Insurance-Desjardins); a Happy Abby Cookie.

There will also be Township of King Fire Trucks; a Bouncy Castle; Face Painting; Crafts with the Paint Lady; a Charity BBQ. If that is not enough for you, they are also planning a Community Yard Sale. If you have items you want to sell, just buy a table for \$30 and share your treasures. All items that you haven't sold at the end of the day and don't want to take home, you can donate towards the King Township Food Bank. Also, if you just have a few items you want to get rid of, we have a table for just these items and proceeds from this table go to support the fundraising efforts.

Items can also be dropped off at Route 27 Hot Yoga and Fitness between 10-12 and 6-8 p.m. or email [info.wbia@gmail.com](mailto:info.wbia@gmail.com) or message on We Believe in Abby Facebook Page for help or information.

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Our Zoom Coffee hour is Wednesday mornings 10 to 11 a.m. Let me know if you want to be included in the email blast or want to join via phone. We would love to have you drop in and say hello.

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## Township curbside giveaway days

King Township has organized "Curbside Giveaway Days" on the 3rd Satur-

day in June, July, August, September and October and those dates are:

Saturday, June 18; July 23; August 20; September 17; October 22.

Starting at 7 a.m. that particular day, take any unwanted items to the curb and mark it "free" for others to pick up and to take to a good home.

Remove all leftover items by 5 p.m. on that day to help keep King Township attractive. This is a great way to recycle and clean out some of that extra stuff or to get out and find some helpful and wanted items at a bargain price – free!

## York and CUPE Local 905 ratify five-year agreement

The Regional Municipality of York is pleased to announce the ratification of a renewal collective agreement with the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 905, York Region Unit (YRU).

"We always strive for agreements that are fair, balanced and respectful to both our employees and the taxpayers of York Region," said York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "This five-year agreement provides labour stability for our staff and helps ensure the Region remains focused on the pandemic response while also continuing to deliver critical services to our residents and communities."

Details of the renewal agreement include a total wage increase of 9.05% over the five-year term of the contract:

- 1% wage increase, retroactive to April 1, 2020.
- 1.25% wage increase, retroactive to April 1, 2021.
- 2.8% wage increase, retroactive to April 1, 2022.
- 2% wage increase, effective April 1, 2023.
- 2% wage increase, effective April 1, 2024.

The agreement also includes improvements to enhance service delivery and additional increases to support employee health and well-being.

York Regional Council ratified this agreement at its Council meeting on May 26. CUPE Local 905 (YRU) membership ratified their vote on Friday, May 27.

The contract for CUPE Local 905 (YRU) represents 3,234 staff and expired on March 31, 2020. The agreement follows a series of negotiations between the two parties over the past several months. This new agreement will expire on March 31, 2025.

Services provided by CUPE Local 905 (YRU) employees include engineering for large infrastructure projects such as affordable housing and water and wastewater, maintenance for Regional roads, transit, public health, paramedic services, social services, courts services, waste management and administrative support.

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The Regional Municipality of York's Water and Wastewater Master Plan update identifies strategies and supporting infrastructure needed to provide clean, safe and reliable water and wastewater services to our growing communities to 2051.

Review the Master Plan update at [york.ca/waterplan](http://york.ca/waterplan)

PROVIDE COMMENTS BY  
**JULY 3, 2022**



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Laura Alpi, Project Liaison  
The Regional Municipality of York  
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York Region completed updating its Water and Wastewater Master Plan through the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment master planning process. An accessible version of materials and printed copies are available upon request.

Personal information submitted (e.g., name, address and phone number) is collected, maintained and disclosed under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* and the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* for the purpose of creating a public record and for consultation purposes. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public, unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.

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## Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church  
By Linda Blydorp

We invite you to join us in person for worship this Sunday at 10 a.m.

Our Pastor, Jeff Loach, will be leading us in worship. Jeff will be continuing his series in Revelation. This week's message is entitled, "Strategic Withdrawal." based on Revelation 12.

Following the worship service, you are invited to join us for coffee and goodies. Our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on [stpaulsnobleton.ca](http://stpaulsnobleton.ca) or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m. You can watch previous services or messages anytime, also on our YouTube channel [youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton](http://youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton).

Our rebranded "Junction" children's ministry is meeting in person for all children up to Grade 6. We will continue to provide St. Paul's "At Home" boxes each month to facilitate God-focused family learning. If you would like to engage with this resource, tick the appropriate box on the connection card at [stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect](http://stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect). If you are between the ages of 6 and 12, you'll want to keep the week of August 22-26 open for our amazing Bible Fun Camp. Stay tuned for further details.

Is there something we could pray about for you? Our "Drive-Thru" prayer event the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 4:30 to 6 p.m. is up and running again. Just drive on in and you will be directed to someone whose honour it would be to pray for you. You don't even get out of your car for this one. Our next "Drive-Thru" prayer event will take place Wednesday, June 15.

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On Sunday, June 12, we will have our first potluck lunch in over two years! It will be great to break bread together.

A LifeConnect Group, for both men and women, continues to meet on Tuesday evenings at the Church and on Zoom at 7:30 p.m. LifeConnect groups go deeper with questions related to the previous Sunday's message. It's a good way to do life together with other

followers of Jesus, and inquirers, in a more intimate setting than you can get on a Sunday morning. For details of either group, be in touch with us via our online connection card, [stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect](http://stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect).

Every Tuesday at 1 p.m., a group of women gather in the basement of the church to sew or tie quilts for people who could really benefit from them. If this might be of interest to you, we'd love to have you join us.

St. Paul's is coordinating with the King Township Food Bank in the distribution of "St. Paul's Love Bags." These bags 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](http://www.stpaulsnobleton.ca) to find a list of items needed.

### St. Mary's Church

Join us at the Holy Mass celebrations this weekend at St. Patrick's or St. Mary's to pray for each other and worship together as a parish community.

After two years of COVID-19 restrictions, many have been deprived of the opportunity to attend Mass and to receive the most Holy Eucharist and all of us have missed the opportunity to experience community, including members of our parishes. As we come to the celebration of Pentecost this weekend, we invite and encourage the faithful to return to the practice of attending Mass in-person.

For those unable to attend the Holy Mass in person this weekend, please join us online on Sunday for the live-streamed 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 Sunday liturgy.

Browse our websites:

St. Patrick's Parish: <https://stpatrikssc.archtoronto.org/>

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

LifeTeen Parish Youth Group: We invite all teens (Grades 7-12) for our Life Nights. See bulletin for more details.

Please contact our Youth Minister Zephania: 905-830-2644 or [zgagl@archtoronto.org](mailto:zgagl@archtoronto.org) for our next event. Hope to see you there!

The Children's Liturgy of the Word Program will continue to be suspended this Sunday at St. Patrick's Parish and will resume in September at the 9:30 a.m. Holy Mass. We will continue with

the program this weekend at St. Mary's Mission at the 11:30 a.m. Holy Mass and will suspend for summer as of June 5.

For more details, please contact our Children's liturgy of the Word coordinator at 416-605-6843.

Don't forget to sign up for our Kids Bible Camp. Perfect for children from Grades JK to Grade 5. See poster for details.

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](mailto:stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org)

### Nobleton Book Club

We are delighted to announce that the Nobleton Book Club has resumed its in person monthly discussions of books at the Nobleton Library. Recently, we met at the library and put together a list of book titles for the upcoming 2022-2023 book club season. Our schedule for meetings is the second Tuesday of the month, at 7 p.m. in the Nobleton Program room, with the exception of July and August. Tuesday, June 14: The Girl From Foreign – Sadia Sheppard.

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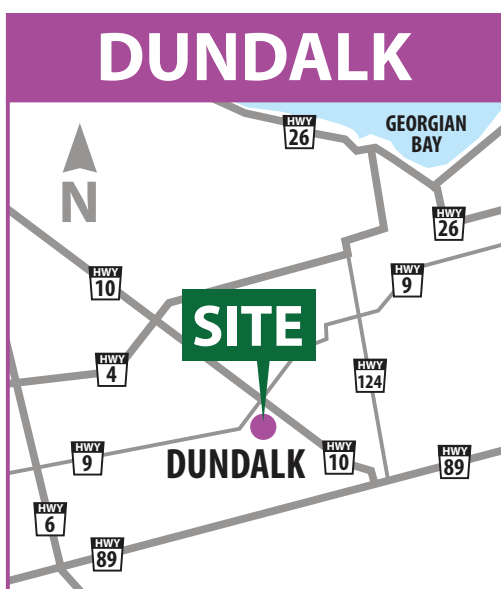
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### Nobleton Tennis Club

Junior tennis camps will be offered the week of July 11 to 15 and the week of August 8 to 12. Registration and prices for summer camp can be found on the website. Nobleton tennis club will also be participating in the Intercountry tennis league and will be entering a Mixed A team, Ladies A team and Ladies B team.



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# Minister offers important information for seniors

Canada's most recent census confirms that older seniors is one of the fastest-growing age groups in Canada; and that over the next 25 years, the population of people age 85 and older could triple to almost 2.5 million. That's why the Government of Canada continues to take action to support older seniors – for example, they're increasing the Old Age Security pension by 10% for seniors age 75 and over starting this July.

Canada's Minister of Seniors, Kamal Khara, announced an investment to fund community-based projects across Canada for seniors while visiting the Centre for Aging at the University of Manitoba.

"Recently, I proudly announced that the Government of Canada is investing \$61.34 million to fund over 3,000 community-based projects to support seniors across the country. This funding was awarded through the Program's most recent call for proposals. The New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHSP) is a federal grants and contributions program that supports projects led or inspired by seniors who are making a difference in the lives of others in their

communities. "Every year, organizations across Canada are invited to apply for NHSP funding through a call for proposals for community-based projects that empower seniors in their communities and contribute to improving their health and well-being.

"Supporting the health and well-being of seniors is a priority for the Government of Canada, and as Minister of Seniors, I'm proud of the work we're doing through the NHSP to invest in programs and services which contribute to the quality of life of older Canadians, and for Canadian society as a whole.

"As seniors are living longer, many are faced with the risk of outliving their savings. Evidence shows that Canadians tend to face increased financial difficulties as they get older, including lower income; higher health-related expenses due to illness or disability; decreased ability to supplement their income with paid work; and higher risk of widowhood.

"To help older seniors with these financial pressures, the Government is increasing the Old Age Security pen-

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# King's Corners

later in the week for those unable to attend.

## King City United By Sheryl Sinka

Last Sunday we celebrated Pentecost Sunday and also Asian Heritage Sunday. The message that Rev Andrew Lee delivered was entitled "Celebrating Oneness in Christ" and appropriately acknowledged some of the progress our world is making, standing together in Jesus's dream of unity and love.

We were further encouraged to "tirelessly gather together to encourage each other and seek God's glory, rejoicing in God's promise of the Kingdom of Heaven until it is allowed to us." Let us continue to strive for unity in love through the Grace of God. The entirety of the message is available on our website. To view the worship recording or read the entire sermon please visit [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net)

We continue to ask that only those fully vaccinated attend the in person worship and that you continue to wear a mask and distance while in the church.

Our worship on Sunday begins at 10 a.m. and the worship will be recorded and available on our website [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net)

## King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. as we're back in-person for our services! We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube. Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series Witness of a New Era - the Book of Acts.

We will be having a Pop Up Clothing, Toy and Book Giveaway event on Saturday, June 25 from 10 to 1.

Please visit our website for links and further information. [www.kingbiblechurch.com](http://www.kingbiblechurch.com)

## King City Seniors By Carolyn Kanitz

Please note that our Drop In is cancelled until further notice.

Meet the Artist - On Friday, June 17, come to The Olde Art Gallery and Shoppe in Schomberg to meet with artist Mary Morganelli. The time of the gallery visit is 11 a.m. followed by lunch at the Scruffy Duck (next door). Participants are responsible for their own lunch costs. Join a carpool! Come for

a day trip! Have fun! RSVP to the King City Senior Centre 905-833-6565.

York Regional Police - Fraud Awareness Presentation (Wednesday June 22, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.) The King City Seniors Centre will be welcoming Detective Constable McQuillan and Detective Constable Hurst from the York Regional Police. These two officers will provide a presentation on cyber/computer safety and other fraud trends that commonly target Seniors in York Region. The pair will also discuss tips and techniques to help seniors recognize different types of fraudulent activity to create awareness and prevent seniors from becoming victims of fraud. Please register your interest by calling the Centre at 905-833-6565.

Our programs, which will be continuing all summer, include: Monday 1 p.m. Intermediate Bridge; Tuesday 9:30 a.m. Line Dancing; 1 p.m. Bid Euchre; Wednesday 1 p.m. Novice Bridge; Thursday - 9:30 a.m. Gentle Motion; 1 p.m. Carpet Bowling; Friday 1 p.m. Progressive Euchre.

## St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

Join us Sunday, June 12 at 10:30 a.m.

for our Sunday morning worship service. While attending in-person services, we encourage the use of masks for everyone's safety.

Last Sunday was Pentecost Sunday (50 days after Easter, when the descent of the Holy Spirit took place on the apostles and followers of Jesus after His ascension). We were privileged to have the Rev. Dr. John Vissers with us speaking on the Holy Spirit from Romans 8:9-27.

The worship services are recorded and posted by 4 p.m. on our website at [standrews-kingcity.ca](http://standrews-kingcity.ca). We invite you to worship with us when you are able.

Bible Studies are offered on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. for the "after work ladies" and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. either at the church office or on ZOOM, led by Lynn Vissers, our Director of Congregational Ministries. Contact Lynn for more information.

Pastor Niyazi and Irada Bilgen of the Greater Grace Fellowship may be reached at 416-878-8499 regarding their Bible Study Service at the church, Sundays 2 to 5 p.m.

"Messy Church" is scheduled for Sunday, June 12 from 5 to 7 p.m.

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This is an intergenerational, free event, so adults, bring your children and enjoy a time with music, Bible stories and art, followed by supper outside around a campfire. We hope you can join us!

Mark your calendars for Art-in-the-Park, afternoons, July 4-7 for school-aged children. This will include a BBQ and art display for the families on Thursday, the 7th. Also, the Art-for-the-Soul artists who created during COVID via ZOOM, will have an Art Show and Sale starting that Thursday and also on Friday and Saturday. Watch for more details for both events in the weeks to come!

For pastoral care please call Lynn Visser: 416-998-4652.

**King City Tennis Association**

Come Join the 2022 KCTA Outdoor Tennis Club. KCTA is accepting 2022 memberships and registrations to play tennis outdoors in King City.

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There's a Jr. Weekly Summer Camp July & August, 1 to 4 p.m., run by OTA Certified Club Pro Markus Ziegler.

Visit their 2022 website - kingcitytennis.com to join and register today. KCTA is waiting to welcome you to your local community non-profit tennis club. See you on the courts!

**All Saints Anglican Church  
By Patrick Gossage**

Please join us next Sunday, June 12 following the 10:30 service for a lunch and learn session called "So you want to be an ally ..." We will talk about various 2SLGBTQ+ issues, terminology, and provide a safe space for asking questions so that we can all grow in our understanding and be enabled to support the 2SLGBTQ+ community. Please bring lunch, coffee and tea will be provided. Note this is not a time of debate, simply a time for allies to listen and learn.

Come Holy Spirit of Courage - a sermon by Rev. Erin Martin based on text

in Romans 8.

"Usually at Pentecost my preaching focuses on that first Pentecost experience; the tongues of fire and the rushing wind. This time I was moved by Paul's letter to Romans. Paul said, 'For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear; but you have received a spirit of adoption.' This means the confidence and courage that comes from knowing that we've been chosen, accepted, and loved for who we are.

"A Spirit of courage is what we need these days. We're struggling to emerge from a long pandemic, wars are being waged and then add the effect it's had on our cost of living and we have very tangible anxiety triggers. Gun violence in the states has us all on edge and climate change issues, food scarcity, and our own fears of losing loved ones, dealing with the pain of illness and so many other things keep us up at night. Fear and anxiety can become so pervasive that it's easy to lose sight of the hopeful things that God actually wants for us.

"I don't want my kids to have that Spirit of fear. I want them to know God's Spirit of courage. Paul's words are so necessary for us to hear. You have

received a spirit of adoption. It is that very Spirit that makes us children of God, and if children, joint heirs with Christ. Those God has called worthy to receive all the inheritance and merit and reward and favor that Jesus is accorded and deserves.

"In John's gospel Philip's question to Jesus was motivated by anxiety. Philip, worried and afraid said, 'Lord, just show us the Father, and we'll be satisfied.' Jesus offers himself: 'Whoever has seen me, has seen the Father.' Jesus came so that we might know that God is love, that God's love is big enough for the whole world. It's the work of the Holy Spirit to come beside us and root us firmly again in this confidence.

"Today at Pentecost we give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit, The One who comes to remind us that the future is in God's hands, the One that calls us out of our places of fear in order to serve others in love, courage, and hope. Let's remember that we've been given a spirit whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we could ask or imagine. We are God's beloved and with the Holy Spirit's help, hope is always on the horizon.

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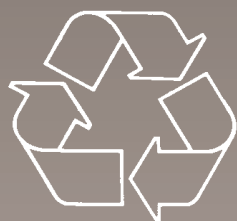
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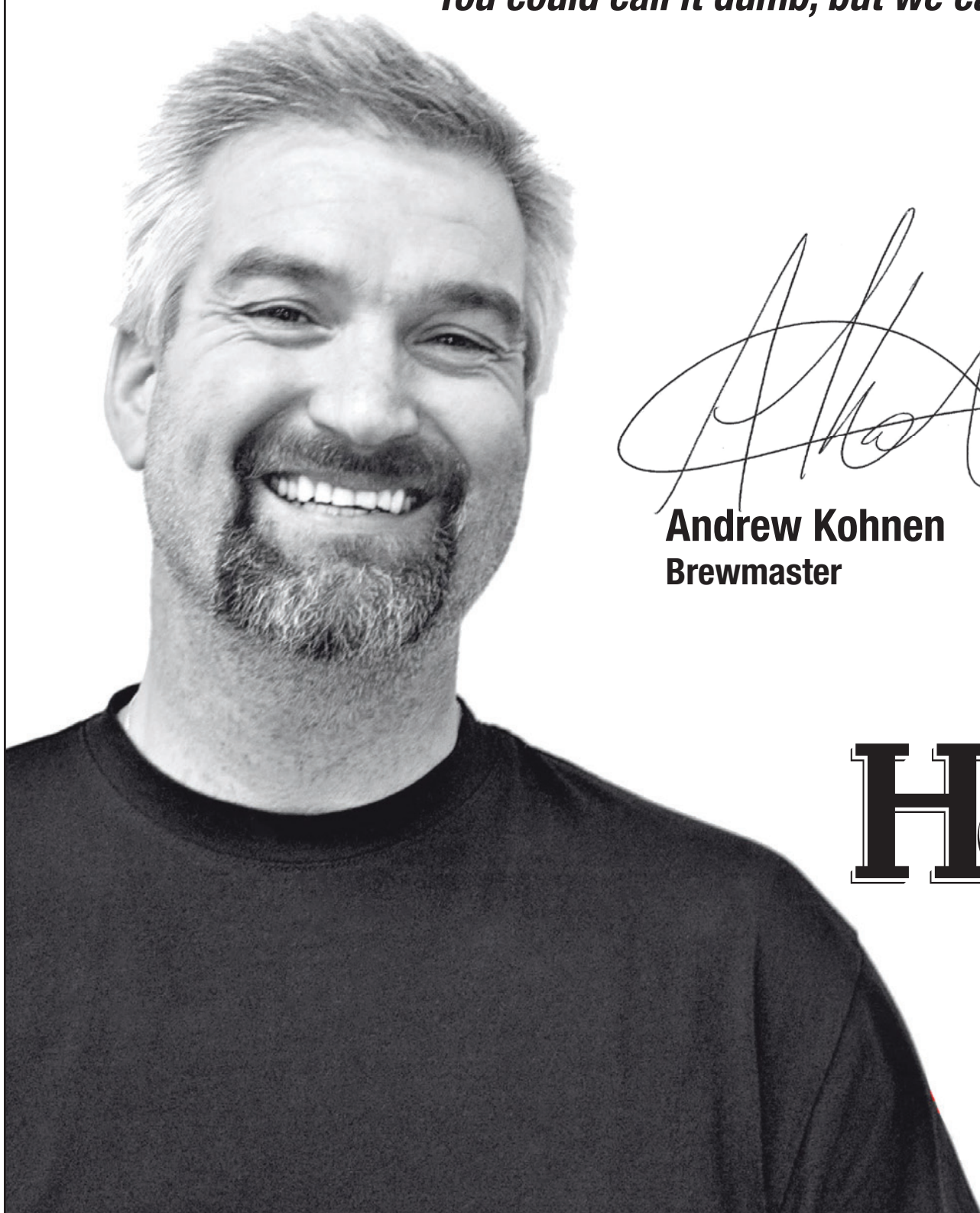


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# 3 Advantages of purchasing and investing in pre-construction

Investing in real estate can be one of the most significant decisions of your life. Putting your hard-earned savings into a new venture can trigger some feelings of nervousness and uncertainty.

However, working with a highly experienced, knowledgeable, and dedicated real estate professional is the difference between making the most empowering and wisest monetary decision of your life from a stress-ridden experience.

The Michele Denniston team has twenty-plus years of collective real estate experience in the King and surrounding regions and is now offering exclusive pre-construction offerings for our clients! Today, we will use our expertise to illustrate the advantages of purchasing and investing in pre-construction projects!

### 1 FINANCIALLY EMPOWERING AND APPRECIATING VALUE

Considering investing in pre-construction is similar to purchasing futures in the stock market. Regardless of which particular neighbourhood you are to invest in within Ontario, whether it may be Wasaga Beach, Brampton or Vaughan, you will see the long-term prices of these areas appreciate with time. On average, projects take between 2 to 5 years to reach completion. This means that you will be buying a unit for one price, but as the builders spend the next handful of years developing the lots, the value of your lot will appreciate. Especially if you strategically buy in a neighbourhood that has not yet gained popularity, gentrification will probably work in your favour by the time your unit is turn-key ready. When done correctly, wisely investing in pre-construction can be an incredibly financially empowering move!

### 2 DIVERSITY OF OPTIONS

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NUMBER OF SALES

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YEAR OVER YEAR % CHANGE

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Summary of Existing Home Transactions for All Home Types May 2022 + Focus on the MLS Home Price Index for Composite for York Region's Aurora and King

We are in a shifting market currently with sellers having to realign their expectations as buyers are hoping for "deals" and are anticipating further price drops. We are in a more balanced market and there is a strong possibility we may actually be calling it a Buyer's market soon, depending on interest rates. Transactions are down 61.5% year over year in Aurora (April 2022 sales compared to April 2021) suggesting that buyers are sitting on the sidelines watching and waiting for further price decreases. The average price year over year still remains strong at 27.59%.

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## The 5 best investments you can make in your backyard

(NC) Make your backyard a welcome extension of your living space by investing in outdoor essentials. Here are five financially-savvy backyard tips to minimize costs in the long term and transform it into your favourite place to relax.

**1 FIND THE PRIVACY YOU NEED**

Adding a fence to your property not only offers privacy and security, it also increases the value of your

home. The right fence depends on your budget and preferences. If privacy and durability are important, pressure treated lumber is a great option. If you want a cost-effective and low-maintenance alternative, consider vinyl, which won't splinter or crack.

**2 GET CREATIVE WITH LANDSCAPING**

Add character to your backyard by investing in landscaping and have fun choosing materials to bring your vision to life. Incorporate rock elements such as flagstone, pea gravel or river rock to compliment your flower beds or to frame your patio area. Choose drought-tolerant plants and flowers like yarrow, coneflower and agastache as a way to save money, conserve water and attract pollinators.

**3 SET UP A YEAR-ROUND OUTDOOR DINING SPACE**

By investing in a fire pit or outdoor heater, you can use your patio on chilly summer evenings and even into the fall and winter. Frame your space with string or deck lights to add ambiance, and don't forget a gazebo or umbrella so the rain can't put a damper on your plans.

**4 BUILD A DECK DESIGNED TO LAST**

Get top value out of your deck by choosing a material that's long-lasting and durable, so you can enjoy it year after year. Deckorators Voyage Composite Decking is one great option, since it's made from a mineral-based composite that holds up against moisture and sun to withstand every season. It also offers excellent traction, making it perfect to use around a pool or as a dock.

**5 STAY ORGANIZED WITH A SHED**

A good shed should be able to store everything you need. To start, think about the size of shed you need and where you want to position it. Choose quality materials to ensure it lasts for years and remember that you can adapt how you use the space as your needs change. For a stress-free build, try an easy-to-follow DIY shed kit which you can find in a variety of shapes, sizes and materials.

Find out more about your backyard options at [homehardware.ca](http://homehardware.ca).

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# Tips to make moving easier for the whole family

(NC) Moving can be exciting, but the whole experience can become overwhelming. Whether you're heading into your very first place, downsizing or finding your forever home, there are a variety of tips and tricks you can use to ensure your move is as efficient and easy as possible.

**EASE THE STRESS LEVELS**

Moving can be hard on your family and your pets. Try to keep things organized by planning out your tasks ahead of time and enlisting help from family and friends. Recognize that emotions may be high as you get ready for a change, so do your best to be patient with yourself and others.

If you have pets, remember that dogs and cats can be more attached to their home than you realize, and they can face high levels of anxiety when it comes time to move. A simple way to help them is to ensure you bring their favourite toys to their new space. Finding someone to care for your pets a couple of days before and after the move is another great way to reduce stress for everybody.

**MAKE SURE TO COOL OFF**

Summer moves are a great way to avoid moving your things in a snowstorm and get settled for a new school year, but they can get hot. Having cold water for movers and the family is important for everyone's health. Keeping your pets cool and hydrated is also important. Pet fountains keep fresh water flowing even during the hottest summer days while you're busy moving boxes.

**TAKE TIME TO ADJUST**

Getting settled in your new home will take time, so take some steps to get oriented. Consider going for walks around your new home to get a lay of the land before you move, and create a plan for familiar routines or meals to bring added comfort during the initial adjustment.

Pets can become anxious in a new environment too. Cats especially can need time adjusting to a change in surroundings. Once the back and forth with open doors is finished, let them explore at their own pace. When everybody is nice and settled in, a brand new self-cleaning litterbox like ScoopFree, is a great way to get a fresh start and will help keep your new place nice and clean.

Find more ideas to make your new home enjoyable for you and your pets at [petsafe.ca](https://petsafe.ca).

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## Three designer tips for cottagecore style at home

(NC) Simplifying your life starts right at home with this year's cottagecore design trend. If you've been feeling inspired to refresh your décor, consider this soothing style that evokes the tranquility of the countryside. To help you get the look, Sharon Grech, Benjamin Moore colour and design expert, shares her top three tips.

**CELEBRATE CRAFTS AND COMFORT**

Strongly influenced by nostalgia, cottagecore style is a celebration of crafts, vintage pieces, and a slower pace of living. "Cottagecore spaces are defined by their connection to nature and nod to historical inspiration. You can bring this to life through colour, authentic heirloom furniture or even small decorative elements such as period dishware, vases and even plants and dried flowers," says Grech.

**CREATE CALMING WARMTH**

Key to the "calm and cozy" feeling that cottagecore evokes is creating a warm and inviting ambience. For a modern twist, envelop your space in all-over colour. Choose colours that feel timeless and minimalistic without feeling cold or bare such as warm hues like Sunlit Coral 2170-60, Fernwood Green 2145-40 or a neutral like Pashmina AF-100, in a premium paint such as Benjamin Moore Aura interior.

**BRING THE OUTDOORS IN**

Inspired by the traditional English countryside, simple living, and finding harmony with the natural world, Cottagecore is known for bringing the outside in. Consider displaying fresh-cut flowers, hanging dried flowers and even incorporating floral fabrics into your furniture to create a natural and organic feel.

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# How to update *small bathroom* details for big impact

(NC) Spending more time at home over the past few years has encouraged many people to reimagine how they organize their space, no matter the size.

When it comes to your bathroom, there are easy adjustments to make a big difference in how the small room is used. Here are some tips:

**1 HIDE THE MYSTERY**

A popular trend in home design and renovations is hidden conveniences. This means tucking away as much as possible while maintaining the function and usability of the space. Consider reorganizing your cabinets and vanity with proper storage units that keep clutter organized and out of sight.

**2 MAINTAIN BOUNDARIES**

Always remember that electricity and water don't mix, especially in smaller spaces like a bathroom. If you're remodelling, keep your outlets at least 500 millimetres away from the sink and bathtub to keep safe, and ensure they have ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protection if within 1.5m of a sink, tub or shower.

**3 REFLECT ON IT**

For a space of any size, we know that adding mirrors and lighter colours can make a room feel bigger than it actually is. Upgrading with a larger mirror, or perhaps adding in another small one for décor can do wonders to make a tight squeeze feel bright and airy.

**4 WARM IT UP**

There are many heated additions you can apply to a bathroom beyond turning up the temperature in your bubble bath. In-floor heating or heated towel racks both offer a powerful upgrade.

If you're redoing electrical in your bathroom, whether it's new outlets or a toilet seat warmer, consider working with a Licensed Electrical Contracting business to ensure everything is done safely and that you have a certificate from the Electrical Safety Authority, known as ESA, at the completion of the work.

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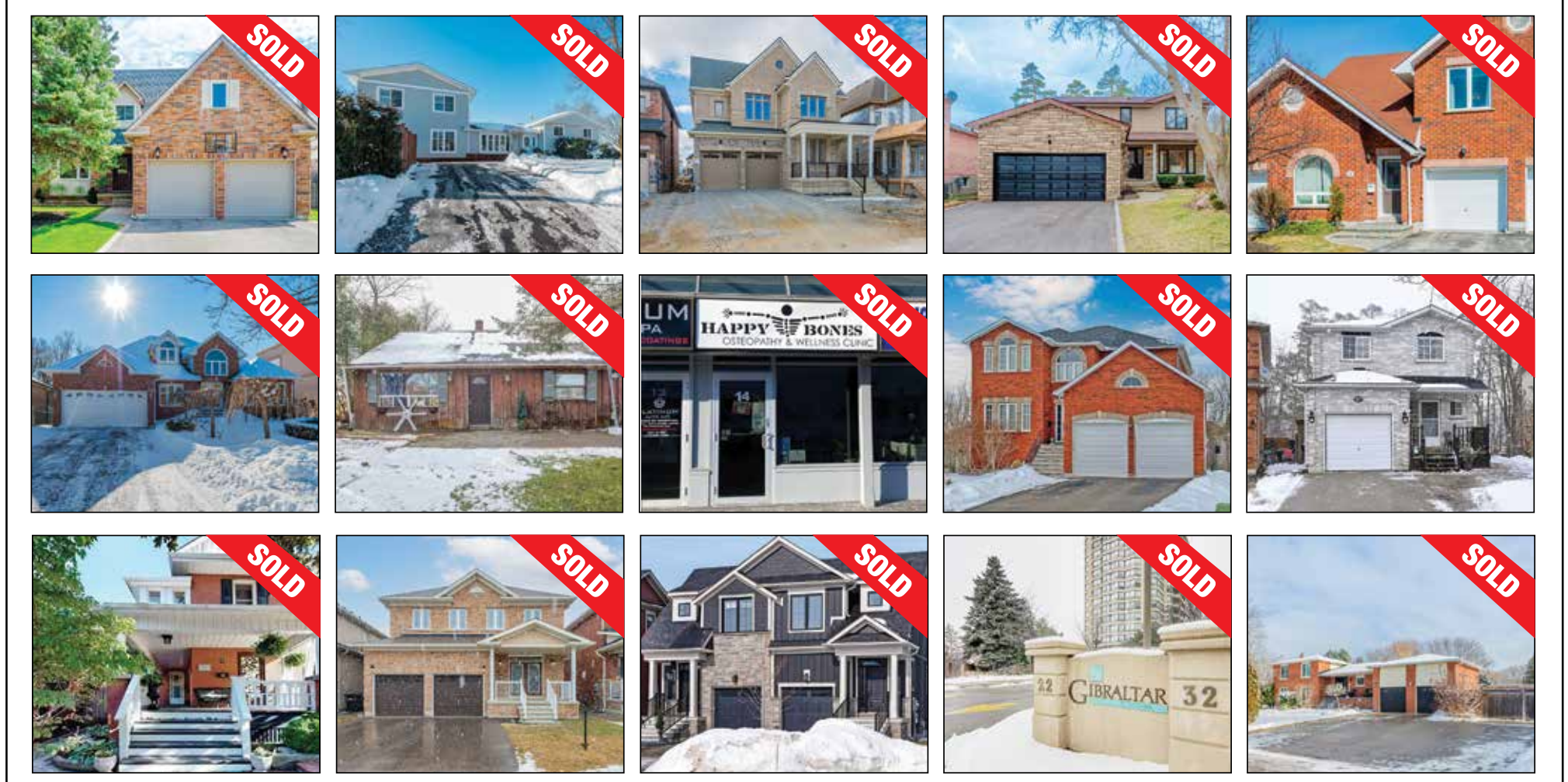
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# Planning a home improvement project?

A kitchen renovation can increase your home's value by 20%, according to Royal LePage experts

Are you thinking about upgrading parts of your home, but aren't sure where to start? Wondering which renovations will get you the most bang for your buck? I can help! Royal LePage recently surveyed hundreds of experts across the country to determine the home improvement projects with the highest return on investment.

According to the report, a kitchen renovation is the most worthwhile home improvement project, with the potential to increase a property's value by 20%, on average.

Highlights from the report:

- ✓ Royal LePage professionals say, on average, bathroom renovations can increase the value of a home by 16%
- ✓ Finished basements and basement apartments have the potential to increase a home's value by 15%, according to survey results

✓ Outdoor entertaining space and landscaping have the potential to increase a property's value by an average of 10%, according to respondents

✓ For Canadians looking for general guidance on where to invest in their home renovation projects, 87% of surveyed experts recommend interior renovations

"Kitchen renovations typically yield the greatest return on investment, as this space is most frequently used, and is perceived as the gathering place and the heart of the home. When a potential buyer views a home for the first time, the one thing that will stand out - for better or worse - is what the kitchen looked and felt like. They may not remember the size of the bedrooms or the colour of the walls, but they will remember the kitchen."

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## 3 things to do before your next reno

(NC) No matter the size of your project, planning ahead is important to keep it on track, including a schedule and a detailed budget. Here are three important things to consider before getting started:

### 1 ASSEMBLE YOUR TEAM

A reno takes teamwork, so make sure you have the right people with you from the start.

For family and friends who help out, be sure to get everyone on the same page right away when it comes to responsibilities. Let any unpaid helpers decide how they want to contribute based on their interests and skillset. Plan for someone to stay on top of the plans, someone to work on any DIY projects and someone

to take care of any household disruptions that come along with a major reno.

As for professionals, if you're dealing with electrical work, make sure you have a Licensed Electrical Contracting business on your team. You can ask for their 7-digit ECRA/ESA number to confirm. They will ensure everything is kept to code and all work is completed in a way that keeps you, your family and your home safe.

### 2 DECIDE YOUR DIY

Some elements of a reno can be left for DIY-ing so you can exercise your creativity. You may be keen to paint cabinets with an intriguing pattern or add different handles to an older dresser for a facelift.

DIY projects can be done at any stage in the renovation process, but it's important to have a to-do list to keep you and your budget on track. Make note of materials or equipment you already have on hand and

consider tools or materials you may be able to repurpose instead of buying completely new.

### 3 MAP IT OUT

Visualizing the changes to your home is one of the most exciting parts of a renovation. If you're completely redesigning a room, make sure to map it out on paper. Place furniture and appliances in their ideal spots, and then consider any professional updates that may be needed to accommodate the set up. You can work with a Licensed Electrical Contracting business to help frame up the best locations for additional outlets, lighting and other electrical elements.

Renovations are worth the effort to accomplish your dream, but they do require lots of preparation. Thinking ahead to consider the right people, processes and products from the start will help make sure it all goes according to plan.

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What are some key things to consider when undergoing a renovation?

Thanks, Grandmaster.

HI GRANDMASTER.

There is nothing to be too stressed about when renovating your home; in fact, it can be quite fun if you have your ducks in a row!

Some things to consider are never accepting a quote over the phone when hiring a contractor. A good contractor will always need to see what is needing to be done before quoting the job.

Have a plan and set a clear budget with wiggle room built-in for the upgrades and unexpected issues that arise. Also, if you require hiring tradesmen it is your right to request to see their certifications and credentials before work commences.

Finally, should you require anything to be significantly altered an architect or engineer may be required,

be sure to check your local bylaws to see when this may be the case.

Hiding your head in the sand and not being aware of what is happening with all aspects of the project is what causes stress and unneeded expense.

If you have your finger on the pulse, it will hopefully decrease your stress level.

Once your renovation is complete, I hope you will call me so we can market your upgrades correctly!

Dear Big Tuna:  
My husband just opened a wall, and we are unsure if the wall is load-bearing.  
How can we tell?

Sincerely, HGTV Fan

HELLO HGTV FAN, if you are in doubt, you should stop what you are doing right away and seek out a professional before moving forward with your renovation dreams.

However, in the spirit of education, there are a couple of quick, but not definite ways to identify a load-bearing wall.

Should you open up the wall and find the wall was built with 2 x 6 lumber instead of 2 x 4's, it is likely LB. Or if when you open that same wall and you find a steel post or beam; it is most certainly load bearing. Finally, if the wall in question has another wall directly above or below it on the other floors of your home, it could be LB. It is important to note, LB walls can be moved but a permit is needed, and plans must be drafted by an architect or engineer and submitted to the town of Aurora for permit approval before proceeding with the project. Also, once the work is completed, your work will have to be inspected before you can close up the walls with drywall.

There are many factors to consider when removing walls, and it takes some serious know-how, these are just some very-quick and simple ways to identify load-bearing walls to avoid major issues that could arise. If you don't have the skills or know-how it isn't worth risking your biggest asset. Hire a professional!

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# Top Tips on Prepping Your Home for the Spring & Summer Market

Sufficiently preparing your home to sell in the warmer months comes with various tasks, investments, and additional costs, which can cause extra stress for sellers in their selling experience.

Our real estate team recommends working with a qualified and highly experienced team to help guide you on the most optimal and affordable way to get your home ready for the spring and summer markets. With twenty-plus years of collective real estate experience in the King and surrounding regions, the Michele Denniston team will use our expertise to illustrate some top tips on preparing your home for the spring and summer selling season!

**1 DECLUTTER AND CLEAN**

This tip is arguably essential for all sellers. Decluttering your space may seem daunting, but it is a make or break between having a successful selling experience. Tuck away unessential items and reduce the number of things present in your home: tidy bookshelves, photo cabinets, kitchen counters and other visible areas. A minimalist look is best for photographers, videographers and professional stagers if your agent provides such services. Renting storage units may be required and can even speed up the moving process once your property finds its new buyers.

**2 PAINT GOES A LONG WAY**

It is common practice for landlords and property managers to re-paint spaces before a new tenant moves in, and our team recommends the same to our seller clients. Take some time and visit your local hardware store and pick out some fresh neutral paint colours for your home. Using light greys, off-white, or other neutral tones can revamp your space and make smaller, dated rooms look more spacious and alluring. If you are design-oriented, you can spend some time researching trending colours and even incorporate accent walls with a pop of colour or experiment with textures, shapes and patterns to complement a certain space.

**3 UPDATE YOUR LIGHTING**

Lighting aesthetics can go a long way, and outdated light fixtures can age a space dramatically. There are tons of modern and affordable light fixtures you can get installed in your home. Pairing them with new clean bulbs will give your home a bright, fresh feel without breaking the bank!

**4 CHARM WITH CURB APPEAL**

Once the weather warms up, it's a great time to revamp the exterior of your home, as curb appeal is an essential part of bringing demand and traffic to your house. If the exterior looks unpleasant, there is a higher chance potential buyers will not want to see photos of the brand-new kitchen or be inclined to book a showing appointment to see the interior. Power washing your exterior, re-painting your front door

with a fresh pop of colour or investing in landscaping and trimming can make all the difference in the look and feel of your home.

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By working with an experienced real estate team who can offer expertise, knowledge, and support in the residential, commercial and pre-construction world, you will be successful in selling your property this spring and summer. We have only touched on a few tips for selling this spring and summer, if you have additional questions about the selling process, or would like a free home estimate our dedicated team is here for you. Visit us at Kay Dr. Unit 22 in Schomberg, or call Michele directly at (416) 433-8316! We are committed to providing you with honest, reputable and top-tier real estate service; we look forward to working with you soon!

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## When is it time to update your home's exterior?

(NC) The exterior of a home plays a vital role in creating a great first impression, revealing hints of your style and personality to every passerby. How your home looks on the outside can also impact the value of the property, so it's worth trying to keep it looking good.

So how do you know the exterior your home is due for an overhaul? Here are a few telltale signs that it's time to tackle this update:

**TIME TO SELL**

Curb appeal matters most when a home goes on the market. A positive first impression that makes a buyer feel at home can influence how much they are willing to spend. While small steps like a manicured lawn always help, updating your siding can have a major return on investment.

**BUILDING AN ADDITION**

Whether you are building up or bumping out, a new addition is the perfect opportunity to update the style of your home. You can give your front a new lease on life, such as switching from a traditional to more contemporary look.

**MOULD OR MILDEW**

Holes or gaps in the house's cladding could be allowing moisture inside and providing a perfect environment for mildew to grow. Once in the walls, mould can spread easily, causing further damage to the property as well as possible risks to your health. Do a thorough check of the extent of the problem before deciding on a patch job; a replacement may be required.

**FREQUENT REPAIRS**

If your exterior wall is damaged or faded, it might be time to spruce up your home with a new facade. DIY-friendly stone veneer like Fusion Stone is a great choice, since it's long lasting and maintenance free. Plus, it's more cost effective than natural stone, while matching that material's on-trend look and feel.

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<p>10 ACRES &amp; HEATED WORKSHOP!</p> <p><b>UXBRIDGE FOR SALE</b></p> <p>6 Car Garage!</p>	<p>PRESTIGIOUS SOUTH RICHVALE!</p> <p><b>RICHMOND HILL FOR SALE</b></p> <p>3 Car Garage + Finished Basement!</p>	<p>25 ACRES!</p> <p><b>KING FOR SALE</b></p> <p>3 Car Garage + Newly Renovated Estate!</p>	<p>PREMIUM LOT!</p> <p><b>MARKHAM FOR SALE</b></p> <p>4+2 Bedroom + Finished Basement!</p>	<p>BRANDED GAS STATION + PROPERTY!</p> <p><b>NORTH DUNDAS FOR SALE</b></p> <p>LCBO + Beer Store Convenience Outlet!</p>	<p>FUTURE DEVELOPMENT!</p> <p><b>RICHMOND HILL FOR SALE</b></p> <p>165ft Frontage!</p>
<p>SHOP &amp; SEPARATE IN-LAW SUITE ON 10+ ACRES!</p> <p><b>KING FOR SALE</b></p> <p>5-Bedroom Newly Renovated Estate!</p>	<p>2,000 SQFT CONDO!</p> <p><b>TORONTO FOR SALE</b></p> <p>2-Storey Boutique Style!</p>	<p>3 BEDROOM, CORNER LOT!</p> <p><b>TORONTO FOR SALE</b></p> <p>Plus 3-Bed Unit in the Basement!</p>	<p>4+1 BEDROOM!</p> <p><b>BARRIE FOR SALE</b></p> <p>2200 sqft in Family Friendly Cul-de-Sac!</p>	<p>COMMERCIAL + RESIDENTIAL!</p> <p><b>MISSISSAUGA FOR SALE</b></p> <p>Includes 2 Rooftop Terraces!</p>	<p>10 ACRES WITH 650FT FRONTAGE!</p> <p><b>EAST GWILLIMBURY FOR SALE</b></p> <p>Prime East Gwillimbury Location!</p>
<p>SOLID DETACHED BUNGALOW!</p> <p><b>TORONTO FOR SALE</b></p> <p>Convenient Community of Weston!</p>	<p>2.26 AC WITH 300 FT FRONTAGE!</p> <p><b>COLLINGWOOD FOR SALE</b></p> <p>Minutes to Town, Shopping, Beaches!</p>	<p>4-BEDROOM ESTATE HOME + WORKSHOP!</p> <p><b>KING FOR SALE</b></p> <p>Premium 10-Acre Lot in Prime Location!</p>	<p>TRANSIT CITY 5 CONDO!</p> <p><b>VAUGHAN FOR SALE</b></p> <p>2-Bed, Steps to Vaughan Metropolitan Centre!</p>	<p>FABULOUS 3-BED FREEHOLD!</p> <p><b>RICHMOND HILL FOR SALE</b></p> <p>Walking Distance to Yonge Street!</p>	<p>YOUR HOME DESERVES TO BE HERE</p>

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