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## King welcomes Scottish contingent for curling

King Township rolled out the welcome mat for a contingent of curlers from Scotland. Mayor Steve Pelligrini is flanked by Canadian Flag Bearer Bruce Gorsline (left) and King Curling Club President Barb Davis during the opening ceremonies of The Strathcona Cup. The significant event between Scotland and Canada began in 1903 and has created a warm rivalry of competition between the two countries. Turn to Page 15 for the full story.



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## Increased demands see budget shortfall; taxes up

**By Mark Pavilons  
Editor**

King's 2023 budget is poised for a tax increase, as costs for the municipality continue to rise.

Aside from annual increases in things like fuel, maintenance, inflation and electricity, other pressures include meeting mandates set by the Province.

Accommodating growth has also hit the Township for roughly \$500,000 and all of these added pressures have led to some shortfalls this year.

King's department heads, led by Treasurer Peggy Tollett, presented their budget details, before the document's final approval slated for the Feb. 6 council meeting.

A \$1.5-million shortfall, if not addressed, will result in a 4.95% tax hike for King, before York Region and local school boards set their budgets.

The total 2023 budget is \$33.65 million, and there is a budget shortfall of \$2,109,900. Once you factor in assessment growth income and a delay in hiring staff, the shortfall drops to \$1.58 million.

This, if passed, will see an average increase of roughly

\$139 for King homeowners.

This will be combined and factored in when York Region and the local school boards pass their budgets.

To lessen the impact to residents, staff have found efficiencies and reductions.

At this point, several departments are looking at hiring extra staff.

Fees for the public are slated to increase 2-3%, or a little over \$300,000 to offset expenses.

While staff are needed throughout the departments, some positions are being delayed. King did enjoy very good returns on its investments and some of these funds will be directed to the budget, while others will be put in reserve funds.

Each department presented its achievements in 2022, and the priorities for this year.

Community Services, according to Chris Fasciano, is caught up and has completed many of its projects. The Township Wide Recreation Centre is on time and on budget. An updated master plan is in the works this year and it will help set the direction for the next few years.

*See 'Extra' on Page 3*


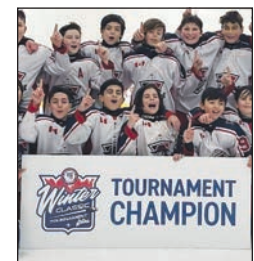
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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Monday, January 30**  
6 p.m. – Council Public Planning meeting  
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>  
• Zoning By-law Amendment Re: 12991 Keele St. and 2239 King Rd. File No. Z-2022-11  
• Zoning By-law Amendment Re: 13290 Keele St. File No. Z-2022-09  
• Zoning By-law Amendment Re: 860 – 19th Sideroad File No. Z-2022-15  
• Zoning By-law Amendments Re: Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan File No. Z-2022-17

**Tuesday, January 31**  
6 p.m. – Special Council and Committee of the Whole closed session

**Monday, February 6**  
6 p.m. – Council and Committee of the Whole  
Virtual meeting live streamed at [king.ca/meetings](http://king.ca/meetings)  
To view full Council and Committee of the Whole agendas, visit [king.civicweb.net](http://king.civicweb.net)

**BID NOTICES**

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

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Please visit the Township website at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca) for employment opportunities. All applications must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on the day they close.

**REMINDERS**



**Parking Restrictions**

Please be advised there is no vehicle parking on any roadway between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., from November 1 to April 15 of each year to allow for the expedient clearing of snow and the safe passage of emergency vehicles.  
To learn more about parking in King such as how to pay or dispute a parking ticket, you can visit our parking enforcement page at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca) or by calling ServiceKing at 905-833-5321.



**COMMUNITY SERVICES**



Saturday, February 4 | 10 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

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Please see more King Township notices on page 5

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING and COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CLOSED SESSION**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2023 (10:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.)

SCHOMBERG COMMUNITY HALL  
325 MAIN STREET, SCHOMBERG, ON

The purpose of this Special Council meeting is to accommodate a necessary Committee of the Whole Closed Session for Council Education and Orientation purposes.

Motion to move into Closed Session pursuant to Part 5, Section 39 of the Procedural By-law Number 2018-60, as amended, to consider the items as set out on the Agenda.

- (i) Part 5, Section 39, Subsection 39.3(a): Purpose of Education or Training the Members  
Council Education / Orientation Session

The Special Council and Committee of the Whole Closed Session meetings will be held in-person and not livestreamed.

Notice is hereby given this 13th day of January 2023  
Denny Timm  
Township Clerk

**NOTICE OF UPCOMING BUDGET MEETINGS**

**2023 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS AND 2023 FEES AND CHARGES**

The 2023 Operating and Capital Budget Book will be available at [www.king.ca/budget](http://www.king.ca/budget) as of Wednesday, January 4, 2023.



**Virtual Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting**

Monday, February 6, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

2023 Operating and Capital Budgets and 2023 Fees & Charges  
(Consideration of Budget By-law for Adoption, Monday, February 6, 2023)

The Township of King's 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets and 2023 Fees & Charges will be tabled for consideration and adoption at the February 6, 2023, Committee of the Whole and Council Meetings. The Budget staff report will be available for review on the Township website at [www.king.ca](http://www.king.ca) as of Thursday, February 2, 2023.

Interested parties are invited to participate virtually to ask questions and comment.

(Note: Budget adoption may be deferred to the February 27, 2023, Council meeting at the discretion of Council if required)

Please visit [www.king.ca/budget](http://www.king.ca/budget) or contact Peggy Tollett, Director of Finance and Treasurer by email at [ptollett@king.ca](mailto:ptollett@king.ca) for further information regarding the 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets.

**HAVE YOUR SAY**

To VIEW the above COUNCIL and COMMITTEE meetings live virtually go to <https://king.ca/meetings> on the day of the meeting. NO pre-registration is required to view the meeting. To participate and speak at the meetings remotely (by audio-telephone), pre-register by contacting the Clerks Division at 905-833-4068 or email [clerks@king.ca](mailto:clerks@king.ca) no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Denny Timm  
Township Clerk

**NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION CONCERNING A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

The Township of King has received an application for a proposed amendment to the Schomberg and King City Urban Areas Zoning By-law 2017-66, as amended, to facilitate a change of use on the property, as outlined below and in accordance with Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended.

The Township has determined that the application is to be considered complete, and the Planning Division has commenced processing. We welcome your comments regarding this application.

**SUBJECT PROPERTY**

Location: 208 Martin Street  
Lot 32, Registered Plan 416  
Owner: Gino Schincariol  
Agent: Thorstone Consulting Services  
Township File No.: Z-2022-14

**PROPOSAL**

The subject Application proposes to amend Zoning By-law 2017-66 to a site-specific zone to facilitate a future consent application to create one additional residential lot. The subject property is designated "Established Neighbourhood" and "Village Natural Heritage System" on Schedule 'D1' to the Township's Official Plan, Our King (2019). The proposed consent would create a lot measuring 1955m2 in size with the existing detached dwelling retained, and another lot measuring 6160m2 in size with zoning permissions for a detached dwelling. Both lots will be accessed from Martin Street.

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

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

A copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment application as well as related background and supporting information, are available for inspection by contacting Felix Chau, Planner I at [fchau@king.ca](mailto:fchau@king.ca) or by telephone at 905-833-5321, ext. 1018, quoting File Number Z-2022-14 (208 Martin Street). Written comments may be emailed or personally delivered to the Planning Division and will become part of the public record.



Dated at the Township of King this 19th day of January, 2023.

Denny Timm  
Township Clerk  
Township of King  
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Comments and personal information (PI) are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P.13 as amended, and become part of the decision making process of the application as noted on this form, also become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of personal information (PI), please contact the Planning Department, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.

# Extra staff needed to handle increase workloads

From Front Page

Stephen Naylor, head of Growth Management Services, said his department is implementing new system efficiencies. Studies and a new economic development strategy are also in the works this year. He's hoping to get at least one additional staffer to accommodate the increase in requests and planning pressures.

Public works, according to director Samantha Fraser, is also looking to hire one project manager. The department is in its third year of the 10-year paving plan.

King Township Public Library is hoping to increase its services to meet the post-pandemic demand.

Kingscross residents appeared before council, asking for King to put aside funds to mitigate future flooding problems.

Mary Muter, of Kingscross Ratepayers' Association, admitted budget pressures are tough, and she's concerned about the impacts of the Province's Bill 23 and loss of development charges and permit fees. These are in addition to the physical changes and added costs that future development in the area will bring.

The numerous changes in the Bill and impacts to local wetlands, will not only see an ecological tragedy, but KRA anticipates flooding when new projects come to fruition.

Another Kingscross resident said water levels in the areas are dropping, which he attributes to new development.

Kingscross resident Ian Hilley is also concerned about mitigating flooding in

the area.

KRA appreciates that the Township staff have included about \$300,000 in the budget for work to mitigate flooding from tributaries of the East Humber river around homes at the intersection of Kingscross Drive and Manitou Drive. The year-round flooding experienced at one property consistently gets very close to that home's wellhead.

"The situation has been very stressful for the homeowners. They and KRA are grateful that the process to address this concern aggravated by the significant buildup of silt," he said.

"The flooding also impacts use and enjoyment of the King City Trails. The trails cross a wetland which is getting wetter for longer periods throughout the year. High boots are advisable."

As a solution KRA has initiated a request for a boardwalk to be built across the wetlands at the Township of King/York Region wellhead on the east side of Manitou Drive to enable access the King City Trails without walkers having to get wet and to reduce the need for grass cutting apart from trimming.

The operating budget includes annual expenditures for personnel costs, materials and supplies, contracted services, minor capital, debt charges, reserve transfers and program fees.

The capital budget includes expenditures and financing sources to acquire, construct, maintain and facilitate Township capital assets such as roads, bridges/structures, water distribution and wastewater collection systems, recreational facilities and administrative facilities.

Visit [king.ca](http://king.ca) for full budget details.

BUDGET OVERVIEW	
2023 Base Operating Budget	\$ 32,071,478
2023 Proposed Operating Budget (Net Increase)	\$ 33,547,350
<b>2023 CAPITAL BUDGET</b>	
Tax Funded Capital (Same as 2021-2023)	\$ 4,238,750
NO INCREASE FOR 2023 (Use of reserves to offset increase)	\$ -
<b>Total Program Changes</b>	<b>\$ 634,120</b>
<b>Gapping for positions</b>	<b>(150,000)</b>
<b>Estimated 2023 Assessment Growth (As of Nov 2022)</b>	<b>(374,000)</b>
<b>PROPOSED 2023 BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 33,657,470</b>
<b>Increase Funding Required</b>	<b>\$ 1,585,992</b>
<b>Increase Percentage</b>	<b>4.95%</b>
<b>TOWNSHIP OF KING TAX INCREASE OF 1%</b>	<b>= \$ 320,715.00</b>

The Proposed Operating Budget is subject to change and Council approval. The recommendations in the budget are from the Senior Leadership Team in collaboration of staff as part of the budget process.

The next term of Council priorities will be developed with the 2024-2026 Budget. The 2023 Budget is a continuation of the priorities from the previous term 2019-2022 as a lot of the projects overlap the next term.



## Police recover stolen property

York Regional Police is looking for the owners of a quantity of stolen property that was recovered following a 2021 investigation into several break and enters and a stolen vehicle.

On Jan. 5, 2021, a grey Mazda Tribute was stolen from a residential driveway in the Township of King.

On Jan. 13, 2021, officers attended a break and enter in Richmond Hill where the suspects attempted to flee in the stolen Mazda. The vehicle was recovered and a quantity of stolen property was found.

Investigators have linked the recovered property to multiple break and enters that occurred across York Region and many items have been returned to their proper owners. Unfortunately, not all of the property has been claimed and officers have exhausted all attempts to locate the owners.

A Flickr album has been set up with photos of items that have not yet been returned.

Police are asking anyone who was a victim of a residential break and enter prior to Jan. 13, 2021, to please review the photos and contact police if any of the items are yours. There will be a process to verify ownership before collecting any property.

Images of the stolen property can be found here: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjAoMEd>

Anyone with information is asked to contact the York Regional Police #1 District Criminal Investigations Bureau at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 7140, or call or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS, or leave an anonymous tip online at [www.1800222tips.com](http://www.1800222tips.com).



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- Examples: handrails and wheelchair ramps

**Medical expenses** that support aging at home made in 2022 could be eligible for the **Ontario Seniors Care at Home Tax Credit**.

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- Examples: hearing aids and hospital beds



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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

## Pumping the gas to get the old guy started

*"It is health that is real wealth and not pieces of gold and silver."*

- Mahatma Gandhi

It's really true that without good health, we have nothing.

Or almost nothing.

We have our friends, families, and years of experience and wisdom.

But it's funny how relatively healthy people are walking around, doing what we do, and then bam! Like they say, you feel like you've been hit by a truck when you get unexpected news.

In my experience, these hit-in-the-face moments are typically associated with large car repair bills. Or news of someone else getting sick.

Often, we don't get the wake-up call until something happens.

There is plenty of information and data available pointing to the prevalence of heart attack, stroke, diabetes, cancer, asthma and a host of mental health issues. Many can be identified and treated.

Others go undetected for possibly years.

And there's the shovel in the face.

How can a seemingly healthy person, with no unusual symptoms, ailments or aches or pains, have major health problems?

Hey, I offer praise to the All Mighty for creating an amazing human machine, but some warning would be nice.

A recent ECG - my first in over a decade - showed an abnormality. I love it how health professionals use non-descript terms. What does that mean? I asked.

Off to a cardiologist, who explained there were signs of a heart issue. A follow-up echocardiogram showed nothing



Mark Pavilons

- well not Tin Man nothing - but nothing of concern. I'm left scratching my head.

Weeks of anxiety, fear and Googling got me on a new heart-health journey. Of course, there's nothing wrong with pulling up one's socks and giving your body a break.

The holiday period was hectic enough and I remember thinking I don't have time for this crap, along with the other issues on my plate.

But I have to make time, if I want to spend a few more decades of relative good health on this planet.

It's funny, you know, how worked up we get when faced with a challenge.

We all know we should have treated our bodies a bit better and perhaps we should have refrained from all those te-

quila shots in our 20s and 30s. Maybe it was the aspartame or Cap'n Crunch cereal. Potato chips? I've likely eaten several tonnes!

Maybe it's just life. Diet and exercise - those two key words - have been drilled into us for more than 100 years now.

And if we're lucky, we can try to accomplish those two things, from time to time. But every day? Or even three times a week?

Alas, my job has involved sitting in front of a computer screen several hours per day. Who knows what my body has absorbed. I love it when I can actually dart out of the newsroom to a real, in-person event and meet some fellow humans.

But regular exercise?

I do chores and yard work and sometimes walk the dogs. But most of my sweating comes from eating spicy chicken wings or Jamaican beef patties.

Okay, maybe that does have something to do with my heart.

Why are life's best offerings so bad for us? Why can't French fries and potato chips be "just what the doctor ordered?" How can fast food be turned into fast health food?

But then again, maybe it comes down to genetics and evolution. My parents were from strong European stock. They both lived just shy of 80 and worked hard all of their lives. My sister, on the other hand, didn't make her 50th.

I hear there are genetic tests you can get that will tell you just what you're susceptible to, and even when you're going to expire! No thanks on that one.

Who would want to know that? Okay, it's not much of a trade-off that some of us are walking around like ticking time bombs either.

I remember my mom telling me when

my aunt dropped dead walking down the sidewalk during her lunch hour one day. It was a shock to everyone.

And perhaps even diet and exercise can't combat the genetic demons or malignant cells that roam our bodies.

Born to die?

We complain about this, that and the other, and yet we don't always take preventive measures. I know too much of anything is bad for me. I should cut down on salt, artificial sweetener and soda. I should eat leafy green veggies, smothered in even more leafy green veggies.

I have begun a new regime, born out of fear and some suggestions from my first born, who's working on her yoga instructor certificate.

As I rode the stationary bike in our unfinished basement, I pedalled to Alphaville's "Forever Young," noting I too, don't want to perish like the seahorse. I didn't even know they were endangered.

I was never much of a "zen" person, but did admire the hippies of the 1960s. I still love tie-dye.

So, with calming sounds babbling like a brook from my computer at work and a few minutes of meditation, I'm feeling more relaxed.

Some time on the stationary bike at home may start to show results.

I'm alcohol-free for a while, and I've cut down on salt and butter.

I always set aside time each day for a good hearty laugh. My family members often wonder what the heck I'm giggling at to myself.

I'm beginning to realize this old clunker is depreciating. But I'm taking advice from my wife and family, and I'm still smiling and remaining positive. As long as I "start" every morning, I'm blessed.

How about you?

### Agriculture

## Farmland value and rental survey

Local farmers are being asked for their input on land values.

The University of Guelph is conducting a survey to gather information on rental rates and farmland values in Ontario. This survey is open to all farmers in Ontario who own and/or rent farmland. The results of the survey will be made available on our survey website: [www.onfarmlandsurvey.com](http://www.onfarmlandsurvey.com).

The survey should only take 10-15 minutes to complete, and can be accessed by clicking the link provided below. Importantly, clicking the link will not obligate you to take the survey. Once on the survey page you will be given detailed information about the survey, and you can decide whether or not you want to participate in full or in part.



If you have any questions or concerns please contact Dr. Brady Deaton, Jr., a Professor at the University of Guelph. His email is [bdeaton@uoguelph.ca](mailto:bdeaton@uoguelph.ca) and his telephone number is 519-824-4120 x52765. This survey has received approval from the Research Ethics Board under REB#22-03-008.



### Quote of the Week

*"You don't have to attend every argument you are invited to."*

### Trivia Tidbits

**There are 293 ways to make change for a loonie.**

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Results from last week's poll:  
**Has the recent mild weather put a damper on your outdoor activities?**

a) Yes  **43%**

b) No  **57%**

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

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION**

Are you eating out more often or less often?

a) More  
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# No fungi? No forests, no food, and no future!

By David Suzuki

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If you're celebrating with cheese, bread and a glass of wine, beer or kombucha followed by chocolate, it might be a good time to think about fungi. It's what makes all those tasty items possible!

In fact, almost all food production relies on fungi. Most plants need it to obtain nutrients and water. Trees and other plants in a forest connect through intricate fungal, or mycorrhizal, networks of tiny mycelium threads that transfer nutrients, water and information between them, and that facilitate decomposition, without which life couldn't go on.

All fermented foods – including beer, wine, chocolate, cheese, bread, soy sauce and tofu – require yeasts, a single-celled fungus. Fungi have also been indispensable in preserving foods. And cows and other ruminants need gut fungi to break down grass.

"They are also to be thanked for many of the important medical breakthroughs in human history that treat both physical and mental ailments, for naturally sequestering and slowly releasing carbon, for optimizing industrial processes, and so much more," a Guardian article reports.

Fungi fascination is spreading – from the popularity of gut-healthy fermented foods to fungi's potential to help solve a range of environmental problems to research into mental health treatments using psychoactive mushrooms. But many people don't go much deeper than momentary wonder at a brilliant red and white-spotted Amanita muscaria while walking in the forest, or repulsion at mould on bread.

For something so critical to all life, it's surprising how much we have yet to learn about fungi and how much of our scientific knowledge is relatively recent – although many Indigenous Peoples have long known much of what

Western scientists are now discovering about fungi and mycorrhizal networks and their roles in ecosystems.

Until 1969, Western botanists classified fungi as plants. Now we know they're more closely related to animals but are in their own class. Unlike plants, which produce their own food through photosynthesis, fungi secrete enzymes that dissolve surrounding nutrients, which they then absorb.

We've gone from two to three Fs, for the most part, in classifying life: "fauna, flora and funga." The latter includes yeasts, rusts, smuts, mildews, moulds and mushrooms. Scientists also recognize two other classes, monera (which includes bacteria) and protista (which includes protozoa, algae and slime moulds), and some divide those further.

Of an estimated 3.8 million types of fungi, only about 10 per cent have been identified and studied. What we're learning is fascinating and critically important, and illustrates the interconnectedness of all life.

"They're really weird organisms with the most bizarre life cycle. And yet when you understand their role in the Earth's ecosystem, you realize that they underpin life on Earth," said Kathy Willis, director of science at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, which leads "State of the World's Plants and Fungi" assessments.

Despite fungi's many benefits, some can be dangerous or deadly to plants and humans and other animals. But understanding the crucial role they play in the web of life is critical if we're to resolve the many environmental crises we face.

To start, they offer many solutions – from breaking down plastics to decontaminating industrial sites to sequestering atmospheric carbon. Even the use of psilocybin mushrooms in mental health treatment could help with socie-



tal resilience during increasingly anxious times. But fungi also connect and support so much of life.

Although knowledge about fungi and their importance is growing, "they represent a meagre 0.2 % of our global conservation priorities," the organization Flora Fauna Funga reports. More than 1,300 scientists, researchers, activists and citizens from 77 countries have joined FFF's call "for fungi to be recognised within legal conservation frameworks and protected on an equal footing with animals and plants."

We often ignore what we can't see. Yet there's an astounding, intricate mycorrhizal web beneath our feet, holding soil together, distributing nutrients and water and enabling communica-

tion between plants. Fungi are part of everything we eat, provide us with medicines, offer environmental solutions and are key to the constant cycle of birth, death, decay and rebirth.

We must do all we can to protect wild spaces, agricultural soils and urban green spaces and the fungi that inhabit them. Mushrooms can live without us, but we can't live without them. Ponder that over your next meal!

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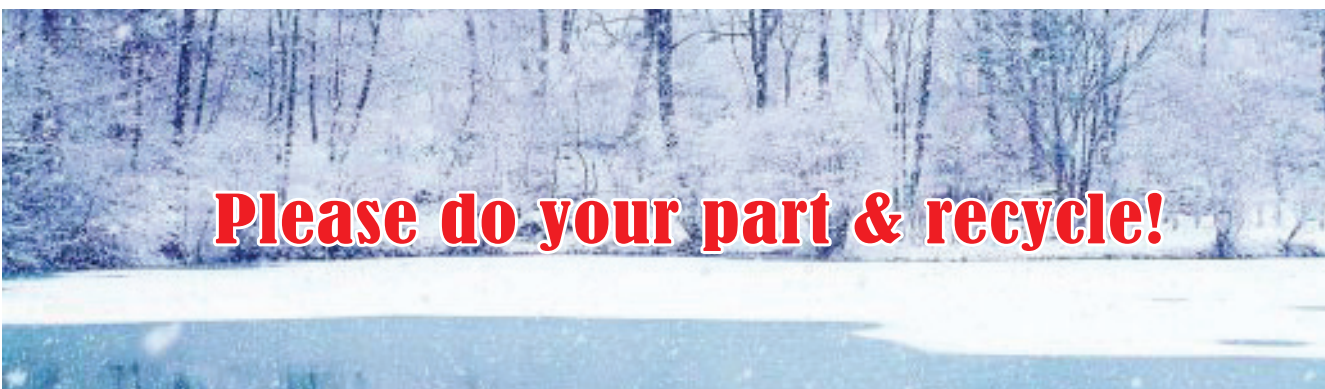
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# Ontario providing free Naloxone kits in workplaces

The Ontario government is launching a first-of-its-kind program to make free naloxone kits (and free training) available at workplaces where there is a risk of staff witnessing or experiencing an opioid overdose.

In 2021, 2,819 people died from opioid-related causes in Ontario – the highest number on record and up from 366 in 2003. Naloxone is a life-saving medication that can temporarily reverse an opioid overdose, restore breathing within two to five minutes, and allow time for medical help to arrive.

“Ontario, like the rest of Canada, is in the middle of an opioid epidemic made worse by a toxic supply of recreational street drugs,” said Monte McNaughton, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development. “That’s why our government is the first in North America to require naloxone kits be accessible in at-risk workplaces by June 1, 2023, to raise awareness for those struggling with addiction, reduce stigma and save lives.”

Of the workers who died from opioid-related causes last year, 30 per cent were employed in construction – by far the most impacted industry. Bars and nightclubs have also seen increased opioid usage and accidental overdoses, often because of recreational drugs laced with deadly opioids such as fentanyl and carfentanyl.

“Our new Workplace Naloxone Program, as part of our Narcotic Transition Services, will save lives,” said Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions. “Everyone in Ontario deserves access to these kits, and this innovative program will bring a new level of safety to our province’s workplaces.”

For up to two years, Ontario will provide free nasal spray naloxone kits to businesses at risk of opioid overdoses through the Workplace Naloxone Program and free training needed to equip staff with the tools to respond to an opioid overdose.

Businesses can determine if they are eligible for the program and find additional information on accessing naloxone kits and training at Ontario.ca/workplacenaloxone. Once the requirement is in effect, Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development’s inspectors will take an education-first approach to enforcement.

On June 1, 2023, at-risk employers will be required by legislation to ensure their workplaces have life-saving naloxone kits and workers are trained on how to use them.

This includes employers who become aware, or ought reasonably to be aware, that there may be a risk of an opioid overdose in their workplace, i.e., if a worker discloses an opioid use issue, if needles or other opioid paraphernalia are found at the workplace, or if they are otherwise given information that would lead them to reasonably conclude there is a risk of an overdose in the workplace.

Businesses with questions about their responsibilities under the legislation can visit Ontario.ca/workplacenaloxone.

For up to two years, the Workplace Naloxone Program provides at-risk employers with access to free training for up to two workers and one nasal spray naloxone kit for each eligible workplace.

Separately, individuals can also contact their local pharmacy to receive a

naloxone kit.

To protect the health and safety of workers in Ontario, the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development has hired over 100 new inspectors to build the largest workplace inspectorate in the province’s history and increased occupational health and safety fines to the highest level in the country.

“Naloxone saves lives, and more access to naloxone will save more lives. I should know, it saved my life, and has saved the lives of people close to me. I won a gold medal as the goalie for Team Canada’s national sledge hockey team at the 2006 Paralympic Games in Torino and live in addiction recovery from decades of legal prescriptions to opioids from injuries at the highest athletic level of international competition. Premier Ford, Minister McNaughton, Minister Tibollo and this government are to be commended for their commitment to saving lives through awareness and access to naloxone. I live by the words “Never Give Up” and am still here because naloxone saved my life. Thank you Premier and Ministers for Never

Giving Up!,” said Paul Rosen, Paralympian and motivational speaker.

“Minister McNaughton has done incredible work to support the hospitality sector as we continue to recover post-pandemic, with skills development and training and most importantly workplace safety. We are proud to build on that great work by supporting the expansion of the Workplace Naloxone Program which will improve safety. Naloxone is a tool that we never want to use. But if needed, it’s important that it’s accessible, and that’s what this program accomplishes,” added Hanif Harji, CEO of Scale Hospitality.

“As a leader in first aid training, the Canadian Red Cross commends the Government of Ontario for its investment into training Ontarians to prepare for and respond to opioid poisoning. We encourage workplaces to sign up to receive more information on how they can apply for free training on how to prevent death caused by opioid poisoning. Together, we can address the growing opioid crisis,” said Liane Fernandes, Vice President, Ontario Operations, Canadian Red Cross.



## King crews ready to tackle weather events

King’s road crews and snow removal personnel are always standing by, ready to swing into action. Maintaining King’s gravel roads is a constant balancing act. “Maintaining our road network with a crew is very much like being a conductor for an orchestra, trying to make everything run smoothly is a constant balance,” according to one staffer. If you’re out and about on the roads during snowfalls be careful give yourself lots of time and give a wave to your local snowplow operators, they put a lot of time into trying to keep our King roadways safe!

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# Local siblings creating jobs for other students

King siblings are not only entrepreneurs, but they're paving the way for other students.

Adriana and Cole Benoit-Meschino are students at the University of Guelph and the University of Western Ontario, respectively. They both attended local schools, graduating from The Country Day School and St. Andrew's College. They are both hard-working, driven students who like to stay active in their community.

Like all university students in March 2020, Adriana returned home to Nobleton from the University of Guelph due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Attending classes online, she quickly realized that a summer of isolation at home was not going to be very interesting. She decided to look for a job that would allow her to be outside, work with people her own age, and learn new skills.

She applied for a position as a window cleaner for the Student Works operator in Aurora and landed the job.

When Cole finished Grade 11 in June, he applied for the same position, and they worked together for the rest of the summer.

Homeowners loved to have a brother-sister duo hard at work providing home improvement services. That summer, they enjoyed meeting clients and working alongside a team of energetic and determined students.

The following year, Adriana was accepted into the Student Works Management Program and started operating her own business in King City, Kleinburg, and Vaughan. Throughout her three years of entrepreneurship, she has welcomed over 35 students to her team as door-to-door marketers, window cleaners, sales managers, and production managers.

It has been a very rewarding experience for Adriana to be able to offer jobs to students just like her. One person that has been on her team throughout is her brother Cole, who has worked in every position of her business, most recently as her production manager. Cole studies business management at university, and while he enjoyed working for Adriana, he also wanted the experience of running his own business. This year he has also been accepted into the program and will run his business in Richmond Hill.

The Student Works Management Program is an immersive development

opportunity where full-time students learn the practical skills necessary for business leadership, and then apply those skills by operating their own service business from January to August.

One of the things that Adriana says about the experience is that it allowed her to grow personally.

"When I first started out as a window cleaner, I was nervous to talk to the homeowners. Now, I love meeting new people, and my favourite part of running my business has been the connections I have made. From sitting down for lunch with a family at an estimate to being sent home with a full homemade lasagna. I even learned that one of my clients emigrated to Canada from the same small town in Italy as my grandfather. I have made countless amazing memories and I am so grateful that this position has allowed me to meet so many wonderful members of our community."

Their support for students is a priority.

"It has become difficult to gain real-world experience as a student," Cole said. "Working on a student-led team gives students the opportunity to gain experience, accountability, and demonstrate maturity and professionalism from a young age. Having been in every position that a Student Works business offers, I have found unique and rewarding experiences in all. I am so excited to be able to offer amazing experiences to other students as I run my Student Works business in Richmond Hill."

Adriana and Cole will be only as successful as the teams that they build around them. They are both looking for energetic and hardworking students to join their teams.

They have part-time and full-time positions both during the school year and in the summer. If you have these qualities and are looking for a position that will make your resume stand out from your peers, they would like to hear from you.

Adriana and Cole offer window cleaning, eavestrough cleaning, pressure washing, and gutter guard installation. If you would like Adriana or Cole to provide services for your home, please contact them directly.

Adriana Benoit can be reached at 416-846-0026 or abenoit@studentworks.com. To get in touch with Cole, call him at 647-400-5133 or cole.swwc@gmail.com



## Canada Post repairs vandalized boxes

Canada Post is aware of some community mailbox sites that have been vandalized in King in the last several weeks. Repair or replacement of the vandalized mailboxes has since been completed and regular mail delivery has resumed.

Canada Post's Security and Investigation team is aware and police are currently investigating. Canada Post takes these matters and the security of the mail very seriously.

Customers who believe they have not received a parcel should contact Canada Post's Customer Service so that the service can look into the inquiry and potentially work with the sender, who may initiate a claim with Canada Post. If you believe you have not received a specific piece of mail, you should also contact the sender.

Canada Post provides a helpful reminder through the following tips on mail delivery, whether at the door, a community mailbox, rural mailbox, building mailbox panels or other source of mail delivery.

Collect your mail daily. If you plan to be away, use Canada Post's Hold Mail service to suspend delivery until you return.

Use Canada Post's FlexDelivery service, which allows consumers to have their purchase delivered directly to any post office of their choice.

Track your items online or on the Canada Post mobile app. This tracking technology provides customers with better information as they track their packages' progress so they know when to expect their parcel to be delivered.

When ordering online, consumers should make sure to read the retailer's shipping details and choose the best option that works for them.

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## Owner returns to roots to lead Chic Eyes in King City

By Mark Pavilonis  
Editor

A local optometrist is sharing her knowledge, and the latest technology, with her customers.

Dr. Wendy Ng has taken the helm of Chic Eyes in King City, returning to her home town roots.

Ng explained she grew up close to King City, but moved to Peterborough right after graduation to work for Dr. Joe Hoja. She wanted to learn from him because he's a "forward-thinking optometrist with a practice philosophy similar to mine."

Ng said she believes in spending the time to fully examine and educate her patients on their eye health and eye care needs. She's also invested in the newest and the best technology "so that patients and I are confident in knowing exactly what is going on with their eye health."

She's returned and took over Chic Eyes because the business has always been known for quality products and services.

This, she said, "fully aligns with my values, so I am thrilled to be the new owner and full time optometrist at Chic Eyes."

She's 100% dedicated to her patients at Chic Eyes and she's there every day to provide a full scope optometry services and to care for their eye care needs, especially if they have any eye emergencies. Chic Eyes is a complete eye care centre and a one-stop shop for the community.

She admitted she's wanted to be an optometrist since she was 13 years old. "After research and working for an optometrist in my teenage years, I re-

alized that I could make a difference in people's lives by helping them see better, look better, live better, and sometimes even save lives (e.g. from cancers/tumours, aneurysms, etc.).

"For example, I once had a 6-year-old patient come in for a routine vision and eye health evaluation with no concerns. However, after conducting a thorough examination, I discovered that she actually had one really weak eye, and that she needed to wear glasses full-time. I prescribed her glasses and when she came back a month later for her follow-up, her mother told me that she had no idea that she needed glasses. In fact, her mother and her teacher thought that she had a learning disability or dyslexia. But after she got the glasses, she went from being afraid of reading in front of the class to jumping up 2 reading levels and now thrives/loves reading in front of the class."

"I really had to hold back tears when I heard that, because while any of my colleagues would have done the same thing as I did, it really helped encourage me and reminded me of my calling/why I love doing what I do everyday."

Ng added she also enjoys the fashionable aspect of outfitting clients with unique frames. Chic Eyes only carries high quality products - a lot of their boutique frame lines are not found at your average optometrist clinic.

"Life's too short to wear boring glasses that don't fit/suit you well," she said.

Technology is a main player in helping patients.

Ng pointed out Optomap Ultra-Wide-field Retinal Imaging and other technology enables them to diagnose eye conditions much easier and much earlier, which means better outcomes and better chances of saving vision.



New technology also makes progressive lenses much easier to adapt to nowadays. With the proper prescription, measurements, fitting, and a good quality progressive lens (such as the Nikon Seemax Ultimate progressive lens), you won't have any troubles with adjusting to them.

She said there are multifocal contact lenses today, too, so people can see at all distances without needing to wear glasses.

The newest trends in frames include geometric shapes (e.g. hexagonal shapes instead of circle or square), pastels, cat eye.

For lenses, blue light protection is a big topic since so many of us are on screens for so many hours every day. Blue light lenses are not yet proven to be a health benefit for the eyes, howev-

er, a proper prescription glasses with blue light protection can be helpful in relieving strain from device use.

Chic Eyes is offering a free/complimentary upgrade to blue protection lenses through the end of February.

Ng said since we spend almost 80% of time in front of screens, computer lenses and anti-fatigue lenses are a good idea.

"Why not get glasses that will help you see and feel better for the 80% of your day? And you can wear it throughout the rest of the day as well."

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**Police charge teens in auto theft**

York Regional Police have charged three youths and recovered a stolen vehicle in King.

Police report that on Jan. 18 at roughly 3 a.m., an officer on general patrol observed a suspicious vehicle near 7th Concession and King Road. He maintained visual on the vehicle until it stopped on the 16th Sideroad. Then, several occupants got out of the vehicle and fled on foot.

Officers discovered the vehicle had been stolen and they set up a perimeter and called in the canine unit. They found the suspects and charged three teens, one of who, was in possession of a baton.

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# Council approves retroactive permit for Marylake

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

The iconic gates welcoming visitors to Marylake Augustinian Monastery are being protected.

King council approved a retroactive heritage permit for the gates at their first virtual meeting of the new year. The owners performed the work last year without seeking proper approvals.

The property, at the northwest corner of Keele and the 15th Sideroad, contain the Marylake Monaster Shrine, various buildings and environmental and agricultural lands.

The owners made alterations to the gates and wanted retroactive approval. Staff and King's Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) asked council to get the gate work peer reviewed by a qualified heritage consultant. They want to make sure the work is in line with "good heritage conservation principles" which may or may not required modifications by the owner to correct the work already done.

The entrance gates are already designed on the Township's Heritage Register and were built in 1911. The property was the summer estate and farm owned by Canadian financier Sir Henry Pellatt, who also built Casa Loma.

Near the gates, Pellatt also constructed a gatehouse, similar in style to the gates and repeating use of its materials. The gates also share similarities with Casa Loma. They include a primary central archway, with smaller archways to either side. Each is constructed with a four-centered arch. The four arch piers are octagonal in form while the central arch is capped with a stepped pediment. They are constructed of cast stone quoins and detail pieces, with a granite rubble stone field. The construction of the arch is of masonry, with ashlar quoins and detail elements. The ashlar elements are fabricated from cast stone. A black, wrought iron ornamental gate is present within each of the archways, with a double gate within the large central archway and a single gate to either side.

The Designation bylaw recognizes the physical/design and historical and associative value of the structure.

Back in the spring of 2021, the owner contacted the Township about repair options for the gates. No option was decided upon and the owners said they

were merely finishing previous work, which they considered to be maintenance. This would not require a heritage permit.

Staff said they were unable to find what type of previous repairs were done and there is no available documentation.

The owners began the work, drawing attention from Township staff, who asked the work stop, until proper information was provided. King put the owner on notice, telling them they had to adhere to requirements of the Ontario Heritage Act, regarding a heritage permit.

The work was completed last July and the owners only now sought retroactive approval.

While the rules in place don't prevent alterations to designated properties, they're meant to guide and manage change in the best possible way to ensure heritage attributes are preserved.

Unfortunately, staff noted the gates were revamped.

"One of the key heritage attributes are the stone elements which are found throughout the structure. Based on the 'before and after photographs ... it appears that the heritage attributes have been altered, removed or replaced with precast materials without prior authorization and consent from Council as required by the OHA."

While the gates were in disrepair and needed work, the prescribed review was circumvented. This, staff said, may result in applying techniques and methods which may or may not be successful or less than optimal, leading to potential further damages and additional expenses over time.

As no technical peer review has been completed by the Township, it is not clear if the works completed would be in line with good heritage principles. Staff will require assistance by retaining a qualified heritage professional with expertise in historical masonry to perform a peer review of the works and provide guidance on the subject matter. Should the works which have been carried out be determined to not be in line with heritage conservation principles (such as using appropriate materials) and deemed to have adverse impacts with to the condition of the Gates over time, it would be in the best interest of the structure's longevity to request that the Owner make plans to remediate and



correct the works in accordance with what is recommended.

The peer review will also offer guidance and educational opportunities for the Township and the owner on future repair works such as the iron wrought gates and stone fences which support the gates. Should the repairs propose removal, replacements or alterations of the heritage attributes, a heritage permit will be required. It is strongly recommended that the owners consult with staff and the HAC prior to commencing any future works.

Given the above discussion, it is staff's recommendation that the heri-

tage permit for the unauthorized works should only be approved subject to the condition that the works be reviewed by a peer review heritage consultant as retained by the Township. The results from the peer review would identify if the works were completed in accordance with sound heritage conservation principles and also provide necessary guidance on alternatives. Costs associated with the peer review and any actions resulting in the need to correct, remediate, or make further modifications to the existing repair works would be the responsibility of the owner.

## Woman's remains found on Highway 400

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) continue to investigate the discovery of human remains in the area of Highway 400 northbound near Highway 88, Bradford West Gwillimbury.

The deceased has been positively identified as a 37-year-old female formerly of Bradford. The name of the deceased is being withheld pending next-of-kin notification.

The Highway Safety Division OPP Crime Unit is continuing this investigation, under the direction of the OPP Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB), and in conjunction with the Office of the Chief Coroner for Ontario and Ontario Forensic Pathology Service.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Master plan ensures vibrant arts, culture

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

Armed with a strategy, King will continue to develop a vibrant arts, culture and heritage sector.

The King Township Heritage & Cultural Master Plan is available for the public, to see just where arts are culture are headed in this municipality.

The Plan emphasizes partnership and collaboration while extending the boundaries of cultural activities beyond the KHCC site to the entirety of the township.

Using innovation and maximizing existing resources, the Plan provides more opportunities to share King's history, support partner organizations, safeguard valuable heritage assets and promote community engagement. The intention of the Plan is to achieve immediate institutional needs while aligning with King Township's Official Plan and the Corporate Strategic Plan.

It identifies crucial methods for tracking indicators of success and creates a guide for long-term enrichments to the cultural environment of King Township. The Plan guides staff in maintaining King's unique identity, care for its heritage collections and celebrate the cultural assets that King has to offer.

The overall goal is to encourage public engagement and increase accessibility to exhibits and King's history and culture.

At the conclusion of the 10 years the goal of the plan is have King broadly known as a cultural destination. Residents will enjoy a wide variety of cultural programming within their community.

The KHCC will be recognized as a valuable institution that maintains and shares the community's "collective memories."

Current goals include engagement and accessibility; collections management; awareness; stewardship, to name a few.

The KHCC supports the township as a thriving arts community, where people have ample opportunity to experience, participate in, and make a living from art and culture.

Work on this plan began in October 2019, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since that time the world has irrevocably changed and King has had to change with it.

Staff noted although there have been difficulties, there have also been valuable lessons learned.

"We have learned to adapt. We have learned to allow our plans to be fluid while continuing to forge ahead to reach our goals. We believe the goals and objectives outlined in this plan are still within our reach and can be supported in a pandemic and post pandemic world. With the right attitude and willingness we can adjust and persevere in this ever-shifting reality."

The small but mighty facilities include two exhibition galleries and four historic buildings on King Road. It's home to the King Township Historical Society and Arts Society King.

On site is the Christian Church and the King Railway Station. The SS # 23 Kinghorn School was built in 1861 and expanded in the 1960s to include two more classrooms. In 2011 an additional 750 square feet was added to the east classroom by a local developer and is now used as a programming and gallery space.

The King Christian Church, built in 1851 by local Christians with Quaker and Loyalist backgrounds, was brought to the site from its original location at Kettleby Road and Jane Street in 1982.

In 1989 the King Railway Station, Ontario's oldest surviving railway station (circa 1852) was brought to the site. The most recent addition to the site came in 2017. Laskay Hall was built in 1859 as the Temperance Hall for the village of Laskay on Weston Road. Since its relocation Laskay Hall has become a popular location for programs and rentals.

The property and the Kinghorn School was first purchased by King Township in 1978 and operated by the volunteers of the King Township Historical Society (KTHS) as the King Township Museum. The KTHS ran the site for 20 years and, in that time, they collected and catalogued a wide range of local artifacts and raised funds to bring both the King Christian Church and King Railway Station to the site.

They also ran programs, exhibits and special events. In 2001, the management of the museum was transferred to King Township. In 2015, the King Township Archives was relocated to the site from the King City Library, which Township took legal ownership of in April 2019.

The centre has more than 8,000 artifacts, 260 archival fonds and completes roughly 45 research requests annually. With only two full-time staff, they have amassed some 200 family histories.

In order to monitor the progress toward success of the Heritage & Cultural Master Plan, key quantitative and qualitative data will be collected and

reported on annually. Data reported on will be directly related to the objectives listed. In order to accomplish this, staff will complete the following action items:

Collect data throughout 2021 to establish a baseline for Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for future year-over-year comparison.

Develop visitor feedback surveys both on site and online Develop off-site visitor surveys Establish a short list of questions for front desk staff to ask visitors upon arrival to determine whether they are a repeat visitor; how they heard about the site and where they have travelled from.

Train staff on observational evaluation to determine visitor patterns when on site.

The data collected through the above methods will be reported on and used to evaluate the success of the plan, and monitor where changes need to be made.

There are plans to bolster the Wedgwood Collection and install permanent exhibit cases to display these items.

Staff hope to develop and promote online exhibitions that allow the history of King to be shared with a wider audience that is accessible to all. Exhibits will take various forms and be hosted on different platforms such as On This

Spot, Treasured, and the Virtual Museum of Canada. Each of these platforms have different costs associated with them.

Hopes are to establish an Exhibitions Committee with members from KHCC staff, Arts Society King, the King Township Historical Society, and the King Township Museum Board to create a three-year exhibition plan with community consultation. Exhibits will be 50% heritage based, 40% art based, and 10% other cultural means of expression.

Staff will regularly look for opportunities to partner with community members, groups, or other cultural institutions to create exhibits. This can be done through the Cultural Committee which includes Arts Society King, King Township Historical Society, Kingcrafts, Heritage King, King Township Public Library and the King Township Museum Board.

The current Collections Management Database (MARS) is dated and very limited. Not all artifacts are recorded in it, and the majority are not photographed. Staff want the collections physically stored safely and accessible to staff. They also would like all artifacts and archival records digitized.

You can read the entire plan through King's website.



ASK names new board

Last November during the Arts Society King AGM the board of directors was elected. The board takes their meetings very seriously but they still know how to have fun. Whether it's an excursion to the McMichael Art Gallery, getting together for lunch after decorating our Tree of Giving or hanging out in President, Michele McNally's backyard on a glorious summer afternoon, they love to laugh, live it up and learn about art.

If you think you would fit in with this diverse community of art lovers, please contact Michele at [info@artssocietyking.ca](mailto:info@artssocietyking.ca). Shown are (back, l to r) Joanne Bailey, Kathleen Rodgers, Patti Skrypek, Mardene Pozdrowski, (front) Dorita Peer, Michele McNally and Regina Jensen.



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# Donating drops, creating 'unprecedented strain' on charities

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

A steady decline in donations to charity have put a strain on non-profits from coast to coast.

CanadaHelps released its Giving Report 2022, revealing declines, largely due to pandemic pressures.

This, they say, is expected to worsen due to the troubling rise in inflation. This is all happening while many charities have faced a drastic rise in demand that they are struggling to keep up with.

Fortunately, Canadians continue to give even as overall giving declines.

Marina Glogovac, President and CEO, CanadaHelps, said her concerns for the future of Canadian charities and the resulting strength of our communities is more heightened than ever.

This year's report is a "call to Canadians of all ages to protect our charitable sector through greater engagement and financial gifts."

Data provided by CH indicates most charities are small and roughly 78% make less than \$500,000 a year in revenue. Most (90%) employ 10 or fewer full-time staff and 58% are fully run by volunteers.

They project a decline of 12% in total giving from 2019 to 2021 as a result of pandemic impacts and inflationary concerns, further challenging the ability of charities to meet growing demand.

Glogovac said this concerning outlook is supported by the declining growth seen in online giving since March 2021. Moreover, research also shows that four out of five Canadians expect inflation and/or the prolonged impacts of the pandemic will negatively impact their financial situation. As a result, one in four Canadians (26%) expect to use or are already using charitable services in 2022, and one in four Canadians (25%) expect to give less in 2022 than they did in 2021. While we see hope that younger Canadians are en-

gaged and will in time give, the need is urgent and all Canadians must step up.

Of Canadian families that give to charity, the amount given has declined for all but the very lowest income band. More concerning, the decrease in the amount donated each year is steepest amongst families with incomes of \$150K or more. In fact, the annual rate of decline in the amount given is more than double the rate for families in all incomes bands of \$150k and higher than in families in income bands between \$20k and \$99k (-3.0% to -3.3% versus -1.0% to -1.5%).

"We've been ringing alarm bells about the giving gap for years as we watched the steady decline in giving across generations. Even before the pandemic, we were concerned about the strain charities face to meet service level demands when the smaller number of aging Canadian donors can no longer maintain or increase their giving. The pandemic has made things

worse, and though there is reason for optimism, there is also reason for continued concern," Glogovac said.

This year's edition of The Giving Report makes it clear that the large majority of Canadians understand the critical role of charities in keeping Canada strong. While there are differences between the generations in terms of how they give and what causes matter the most, by and large, we are a country of caring people that want to make a difference. This year's edition of The Giving Report leaves me more optimistic that charities can effectively engage and ignite the giving power of younger Canadians by taking a listen, experiment, and evolve approach.

"Having now entered our third year of a global pandemic, with staggering costs of lockdowns and needed public health measures, pressures on Canada's charitable sector are clear. Funding is insufficient to meet the demand for critical charitable services."



**Lions deliver support**

King City Lions are shown delivering their cheque for \$1,500 to support the work of King Township Food Bank. In addition, KC Lions presented a cheque for over \$200, proceeds from their annual Santa Skate which has raised thousands of dollars for the Food Bank over the years.

"We can't serve others without the generous support we receive from the community" stated Carol Ann Trabert, President of KTFB. "Currently we offer food, food cards, fruit, vegetables and eggs to over 350 residents of King, entirely through donations of food and funds from businesses, individuals and organizations like the Lions. Because of them, we never have to turn anyone away."



**Exhibit smashes stereotypes**

An opening reception launched the local exhibit, "Stereotype Smash," running until March 18. Mayor Steve Pellegrini and I lent their support to the event. The exhibit confronts inappropriate societal beliefs. The themes include gender roles, ideal bodies, aging and more. Artists were challenged to take a stereotype and address it in both their art and artist statement. This dynamic display of more than 36 diverse pieces takes a stand against stereotypes. Visit the King Heritage and Cultural Centre to view the exhibit, Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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# Southlake implements Novari cardiac referral management

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The Novari Health technology provides front line staff and management with accurate and real-time data on the volume of referrals, the status of every patient's referral and bottlenecks in the system.

The Ontario Ministry of Health, Ontario Health, and hospitals across the province have been working to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on patients waiting for surgery. Having a modern wait list management system complements these efforts for all patients including those waiting for surgical and medical consults, surgery, and other procedures.

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"Southlake's Regional Cardiac Program is a leader in innovation and embraces both clinical and administrative technologies to help us provide the best possible care to our patients," said Liz Lalingo, Director, Regional Cardiac Program, Southlake. "Novari Health's software helps our staff, nurses and physicians streamline the referral process and ensures we have the information we need to best support our patients."

"Southlake Regional Health Centre and Novari Health have been partners for many years. This expanded use of our software is testimony, to not only Novari's technology, but to the trust that Southlake places in our team to assist in executing their vision for improving access to care for patients," said John Sinclair, CPHIMS-CA, President, Novari Health.

Southlake is building healthy communities through outstanding care, innovative partnerships, and amaz-

ing people. We deliver a wide range of healthcare services to the communities of northern York Region and southern Simcoe County. Its advanced regional programs include Cancer Care and Cardiac Care and serve a broader population across the northern GTA and into Simcoe-Muskoka.

Its team of 6,000 staff, physicians, volunteers, students and patient and family advisors are committed to creating an environment where the best experiences happen. As a recognition of our commitment to quality and patient safety, we have received the highest distinction of Exemplary Standing from Accreditation Canada.

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## King woman dies from COVID

York Region Public Health is reporting that a King woman has died due to COVID-19. The woman, in her 90s, died Jan. 16. We offer condolences to the family and loved ones of our resident.

## King Township receives the 2021 Canadian Award for Financial Reporting

The Township of King has received the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for King's annual financial report for the year ending on Dec. 31, 2021.

The Canadian Award for Financial Reporting Program was established to encourage municipal governments throughout Canada to publish high-quality financial reports and to provide peer recognition and technical guidance for officials preparing these reports. The award recognizes excellence in government accounting and financial reporting and is said to represent a significant accomplishment by the municipality and its management.

The GFOA advances excellence in government finance by providing best practices, professional development, resources and practical research for more than 21,000 members and the communities they serve.

King's annual financial report was judged by Canadian Review Committee members to meet the high standards of the program, including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" designed to clearly communicate the municipality's financial story and to motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.

"King's finance team has done an exemplary job of creating comprehensible financial reporting documents. The Township of King's Annual Financial Report for 2021 tells the story of King striking a balance in how efficiently and effectively the Township manages tax dollars," said Mayor Steve Pellegrini. "The Annual Financial Report demonstrates that we are planning for the future, a commitment that is reflected in the decisions we make through our budget process and financial planning."

"The Township of King remains committed to providing high-quality services in a cost-effective way. I am extremely proud of the team for producing an Annual Financial Report that successfully provides an overview of the financial position of the Township and a snapshot of those successes for 2021," added CAO Daniel Kostopoulos.

## Plan ensures quality drinking water

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

King's Quality Management System for drinking water ensures residents are getting the best water available.

Council recently endorsed the QMS operation plan, meeting all legislated mandates.

The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) is part of a comprehensive legislative framework established by the Province, to protect the safety and quality of drinking water. Every municipal residential system must be licenced under the Municipal Drinking Water Licensing Program.

King currently has municipal drinking water licences and drinking water works permits for King City, Nobleton and Schomberg, and a small one for the residential system in Ansnorveldt.

In order for King to maintain its licence, it needs accreditation through a QS that meets the requirements of the DWQMS.

King had an audit performed to verify its requirements last July.

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## Curling club rolls out red carpet for Scottish visitors

By Shellee Morning  
King Curling Club

The Strathcona Cup is being ranked by Bob Belcher as one “one of the best events held at the King Curling Club ever.” He also concluded that “it’s right up there with the club’s inaugural opening ceremonies in its first year and the Wheelchair Provincials that we just hosted.”

This was a very significant event where curlers are only allowed to participate once so it truly is a “once in a lifetime” opportunity to play in and represent your country. Approximately 1,500-1,800 Canadian curlers are participating against the 60 visiting Scottish curlers within the 3-tour group schedule.

Four Scottish teams were matched up against 4 Canadian teams from King in a game that began with some very impressive opening ceremonies. Mayor Steve Pellegrini initiated the game after an exciting parade of athletes that were then led by 2 pipers through an archway of brooms down to ice level. Flagbearer Bruce Gorsline, coach of the newly crowned Team Ontario Wheelchair Champions, proudly led the Canadian contingent. The atmosphere was electric throughout this international event that generated fantastic competition and even greater camaraderie.

The “Scots” are half-way through their Canadian Tour that began with a 33-game spread of visiting clubs participating in the competition. The Strathcona, that began in 1903 between the two countries, is held every 5 years that travels between Canada and Scotland where the host country alternates.

The echoes of hurry hard that graced the sheets of King and the laughter that was engineered by this group of curlers will be everlasting memories for all.

The Scottish players, who included a former European champion and the World Curling Federation Director of Finance, came broom ready against the Lads of King.

The 4 Canadian/King teams were skipped by Mark Inglis, Karl Davis, Larry Sheardown and Dave Barber, who were also broom ready for their

first international game. Team Inglis, that included Jack Campbell, Bob Belcher and Greg Switzer, raised their brooms to victory with a 10-4 win while Skip Karl Davis, Corrie Oukes, Brad Stronach and Sylvain Pelland won their game in a tight match 8-7. Team Larry Sheardown and his squad of Bryce Clark, Doug Brown, and Gino DiFebo as well as Team Dave Barber, Dan Steenhoek, Peter Kamstra and David Hymers all played with their tartan hearts and did King and Canada proud.

Larry Sheardown said: “It was another wonderful event with lots of great curling and hearty laughter.”

The remaining Scottish team that was not “duking” it out on the ice went on an exclusive tour to Dandyland Holsteins, one of King’s highly respected local dairy farms. The Scots were guided by owners Sandy and Dennis O’Hara on a tour of the innovations within our farming industry. The tour concluded back at the Trisan for a luncheon and congratulatory speeches.

King curling club member Mark Inglis who participated in this prestigious event 5 years ago in Scotland, had a vision to host the event here in King. It was a vision that was executed by his inspired leadership and bringing a team of volunteers together with precision and class.

The event could not be made possible without its many sponsors and their generous donations. Gracious thanks to Green Tractors, Silver Birch Contracting, Party Magic and Tim Hortons of Schomberg.

Once again the club’s volunteers went above and beyond with their tireless efforts in pulling together another masterpiece of an event. Special mention to Christine Warner, KCC member who was the Logistics Director of the event, did a phenomenal job coordinating the day’s schedule down to the minute.

Success can only be accomplished in an event like this with the dedicated volunteers that King Curling is so lucky to have. Huge thanks to the additional 25 members who volunteered their time as well as photographer James Price, who graciously stepped in on a last minute request. The list



Corrie Oukes follows his rock during their game with Sylvain Pelland and Brad Stronach as they sweep to a 8-7 victory.



Skip Mark Inglis delivers his rock while Jack Campbell (left) and Greg Switzer (r) are ready to sweep. Team Inglis went on to win 10-4.

Photos by James Price

of thanks also includes the ice crew, kitchen, servers, bartenders, set up and clean-up crew that cannot go without mention.

As the Canadian King members tipped their brooms and tartan caps to their new Scottish friends, they wished them continued success and good curling on the remaining leg of their Strathcona Cup Canada tour.



### Rebellion achieves success

The U12 AA King Rebellion won their 2nd tournament of the year, beating out some of the top teams in the province. They are the only team in King competing at the AA level and are inching their way closer to the #1 team in the province. No team in King has ever had this kind of success at this level. They have an overall record of 34-4-2 with a regular season record of 19 wins, 2 ties. They have 2 tournament golds and one tournament silver to their credit.



### Central York forward gold medallist with Team Canada

By Robert Belardi

Newmarket native Abby Lunney provided one goal and one assist in the IIHF U18 Women’s World’s gold medal game this past Sunday.

Lunney scored Canada’s seventh goal of the game and also assisted on the eighth goal in the women’s 10-0 victory against Sweden.

A winger for the Central York Panthers in Aurora, the 17-year-old Lunney had a remarkable tournament recording four points in five games.

She is coming off a fantastic season at CYGHA last year, having recorded 29 points in 18 games in the OWHL U22 league, which inevitably garnered attention from the national team.

Now at Nipissing University, the CYGHA hosted a watch party on Sunday at Kelsey’s in Aurora to watch the final game.

It was a fantastic game in total for Team Canada and one that saw a new record.

Waterloo native Caitlyn Kraemer scored four goals in the final game totalling 10 goals in the tournament, surpassing a previous record set by Marie-Philip Poulin for most goals in a single tournament by a Canadian.

Piper Grober, Alexia Aubin (2), Mackenzie Alexander and Charlotte Pieckenhagen all contributed on the score sheet.

In assists, Ava Murphy led the way with three, Kiera Hurry had two, while Emma Pais, Alex Law, Emma Venusio, Jordan Baxter, Lunney, Gracie Graham, Avery Pickering and Pieckenhagen all had helpers as well.

The Canadians outshot the Swedes 40-21 in the game. Hannah Clarke was credited with the shutout, in front of 2,700 spectators in attendance.

The Canadians went undefeated in the tournament to capture a back-to-back gold medal for the first time since the three-peat from 2012-2014.

Canada opened the competition with an 8-0 win against Finland. In the next game, the girls defeated Sweden 4-2, before taking down the USA 3-1 in their third game of the competition.

In the semi-final, Canada saw Finland once again and took down those girls in overtime gifting them the chance at another gold medal against Sweden.

It was definitely an amazing winter for Canada hockey.

## 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 giving the message entitled "Come Away!" based on Revelation 18. We will also welcome some new elders to our leadership that day! Following the service, we will enjoy refreshments.

We hope you can come! If you can't make it in person, our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on [stpaulsnobleton.ca](http://stpaulsnobleton.ca) or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m., or on demand at [youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton](http://youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton).

Our "Junction" children's ministry is meeting in person for all children up to Grade 6 during worship. We continue to offer 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).

Our Tuesday morning LifeConnect Group for women is meeting with a mix of Zoom and in person meetings every Tuesday morning at 9:30. A LifeConnect Group, open to anyone, also meets on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m., and will begin again on Jan. 11. Meetings are a mix of online and in person. These groups go deeper with questions related to the previous Sunday's message. It is 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 our LifeConnect groups, be in touch with us via our online connection card, [stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect](http://stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect).

Quilting and/or Knitting continues meeting Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in the lower hall of the church. We will be sewing and tying quilts for people who could really benefit from them. We would love to have you join us, if this might be of interest to you.

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 this weekend at St. Patrick's or St. Mary's for the Sunday Holy Mass celebrations to pray for each other, give thanks as a parish community, and receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist "the source and summit of the Christian life" (CCC 1324).

Please note, we are hosting our fifth Confirmation preparation class next Friday, January 27 (Class #5 - The Bible) at St. Mary's Mission Church at 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 28 is our exciting launch night for Edge Ministry for teens in Grades 6-8.

LifeTeen Parish Youth Group: We invite all teens (Grades 9-12) for our Life Nights to share in faith, fun, food and friendship.

Kindly contact our Youth Minister Zephania: 905-830-2644 or [zgangl@archtoronto.org](mailto:zgangl@archtoronto.org) to join our events. Hope to see you there!

Join us for "The Search," our upcoming Parish Adult Formation Program.

Friday Nights beginning on Friday, Jan. 27. Highly recommended for parents and guardians of students preparing for the Sacraments this year.

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)

Browse our websites:

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

St. Mary's Mission: <https://stmarys-no.archtoronto.org/>

### Society welcomes members

The Schomberg Horticultural Society is welcoming new members. Come and join this enthusiastic group of volunteers, who's mission it is to beautify the town you live in and educate its members in anything horticultural. Attend meetings with exciting speakers on every 4th Tuesday of the month, except for July, August, November and December.

Social time with refreshments follows every meeting. Participate in the much anticipated plant sale in May and the highlight of the year, the garden tour, on the last Sunday in June. It will feature amazing gardens and properties in and around Schomberg in our beautiful township of King. Single membership is \$20 and family member-

ship is \$25. For more, email [schombergshortsociety@gmail.com](mailto:schombergshortsociety@gmail.com)

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For more information, please contact Dennis Kowal at 416-550-5083 (cell) or 905-857-4033 (home). You can email him at [dennis5k@hotmail.com](mailto:dennis5k@hotmail.com)

### Nobleton United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

Sunday, Jan. 29 at 11:15 a.m., our guest speaker is Phil Mannell and on Feb. 5 we have student minister Richard Gardner.

Al-Anon meets at our church on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. These meetings offer help and hope for family members and friends who are affected by alcoholism.

"Souper" Bowl Sunday is Sunday, Feb. 12. Please bring soups such as Habitant soup, soup mixes such as Knorr and ready-to-eat soups for the King Township Food Bank. Don't forget the crackers! Monetary donations are also welcome.

This tradition of providing soups started in 1990, with a Presbyterian minister in North Carolina who was concerned about the over-indulgence on Super Bowl Sunday. So he began the Souper Bowl of Caring. If you would like to support this initiative but don't want to come to church, please contact me, Nancy, at 905-859-0761 and I will arrange a pick-up.

"Messy Baptism" is the theme of the next Messy Church on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 5 p.m. Messy Church is a fun way to learn about Bible stories. The activities are aimed at children from 2 years to young teenagers, accompanied by a responsible adult.

There are optional crafts (5 to 6 p.m.) set up on different tables (you do the activities at your own pace and in any order) and at 6 p.m. there is an interactive Bible story (to 6:15 p.m.) and then a meal. One of the activities is always cookie decorating. Please let me know

if you are interested in bringing your children, as I need to have enough crafts and food for all. For more info, please contact me.

The next Seniors' lunch and entertainment is on Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Church, lower level, 116 Church St., Schomberg. Please arrive at 11:15 a.m. Wear a mask when not eating. The entertainment will be Mary Asselstine, speaking about the Schomberg Community Farm, where people of all ages can gather, learn, grow, dig, plant and eat. The meal will be hamburger soup, Caesar salad, crusty roll, with a chocolate dessert and ice cream. Please let Sheila Kelly (905-939-2315) if you are interested in attending. Space is limited. If you prefer, the meal can be delivered in the afternoon in time for dinner.

The date of the famous DiFebo Pasta Dinner is Friday, Feb. 24. Book your calendar. More details next week.

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.

### Nobleton Lions

Your Nobleton Lions Club is back and in full swing. Watch for some new initiatives early in the new year.

Calling all knitters and crocheters! There is a continuing need for cozy, homemade slippers at various Ronald McDonald Houses. It seems that people sometimes find themselves needing to stay in close proximity to hospitals when their children require hospitalization on an unexpected basis. Ronald McDonald Houses provide what they can, and here is a chance for us to help them. If you have the time and wool, patterns are apparently available on the internet, for slippers of any size or colour. The Nobleton Lions will collect them and forward them to various RMHs in south central Ontario. For followup details please contact Lion Carol at her office number, 905-951-0503.

We invite you to follow us on Facebook and Instagram (@nobletonlionclub), on Twitter (@NobletonLions), and on our website, by simply Googling "Nobleton Lions," which will bring up the link to the site.

In the meantime, we still welcome prospective new members. You may contact contacting Lion Andrew at [andrew.bevil@sanofi.com](mailto:andrew.bevil@sanofi.com)

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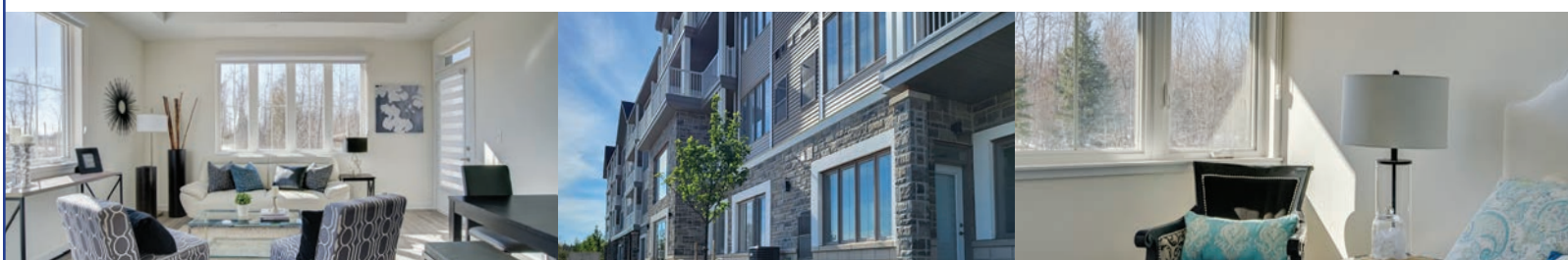


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# King's Corners

**King City United  
By Sheryl Sinka**

Last week our message from Rev Andrew examined the words from the prophet Micah (Michael 6:1-9) and explored the verses with an eco theological perspective, expanding the traditional interpretation to include "our earth." Better caring for the earth and its resources is something we all have to strive towards to protect our world for future generations.

His parting words encouraged us to "reflect on a new recognition of justice, love and humbleness." To read the full transcript please visit our website at [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net) Our next worship will be on Jan. 29 at 10 a.m. when Rev. Bruce Rofey will be presiding. We hope to see you there.

For the PDF of past messages and recordings please visit our website at [kcuc.net](http://kcuc.net)

We encourage all to help out with the King Township Food Bank who is experiencing ever growing needs and we encourage you to continue to help with donations of food or financial do-

nations at this time of year which can be most difficult for many needing assistance.

If you have any questions please contact the church office at 905-833-5181.

## King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. as we're in-person for our services. We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube.

We invite everyone for our Pop up clothing and toy giveaway event on Saturday, Jan. 28 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

We also have virtual Bible studies over Zoom. Further information is on our website under "Small Groups." If you have any questions please email Lisa Lethangue at [lisa@kingbiblechurch.com](mailto:lisa@kingbiblechurch.com).

## King City Seniors By Carolyn Kanitz

A reminder that tomorrow Friday, Jan. 27 is Art Class. All artists and artists in the making are most cordially

invited to attend.

We encourage any senior who is interested to come out and join any activities that are of interest to you. Our schedule is as follows:

Monday: 9:30 a.m. Mobility Matters (level 2/3); 11 a.m. Mobility Matters (level 1).

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. Line Dancing; 1 p.m. Bid Euchre.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. Mobility Matters (level 2/3); 11 a.m. Mobility Matters (level 1); 1 p.m. Bridge.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m. Gentle Motion; 1 p.m. Carpet Bowling.

Friday: 9:30 a.m. Art Class (2nd and 4th of the month); 1 p.m. Euchre.

Mark your calendar for the following presentations at 10 a.m.: February 3 - Elder Abuse and March 3 Alzheimers. Please indicate your interest by calling the Centre at 905-833-6565.

Please note that our annual general meeting will take place at the Centre on Monday, Feb. 13 beginning at 2 p.m. A reception will follow. Please contact the Centre if you plan to attend.

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We could sing for seniors' groups, or at seniors' residences or anywhere that people might enjoy hearing an amateur group. We are looking forward to bringing joy to others, while having fun ourselves.

## Kingcrafts workshops

Kingcrafts Studio is once again offering its very popular workshops. Check our website for further information and registration.

First up March 4 is Introduction to Inkle Weaving. Learn the ancient craft of inkle weaving to make beautiful women bands.

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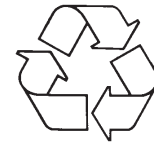
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Then on March 18, take in The Joy of Watercolour for Children (with an accompanying adult). Bring your 6-10-year-old (child/children) to learn how to paint with watercolours.

On Saturday, April 1, they're offering Priceless Platters: Pottery Workshop for Beginners. Make your own hand-made pottery platter with colour, imprint, size and handles unique to you. It can become a family heirloom!

Kingcrafts is located at 12936 Keele Street in King City. Visit [www.kingcrafts.ca](http://www.kingcrafts.ca)

**St. Andrew's  
By Kathy Patterson**

Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Sunday Worship Services are at 10:30 a.m. If you can't join us in-person, our services are recorded and posted later in the afternoon at [standrews-kingcity.ca](http://standrews-kingcity.ca).

Last Sunday, Lynn Vissers led us in worship and her son, the Rev. Grant Vissers delivered the sermon based on Ephesians 3:1-13. He was on screen from his church in Waterdown and preached about the mystery of the Gospel, God's

plan to include all into His Family as stated in verses 11-12.

"According to His eternal purpose that He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. In Him and through faith in Him we may approach God with freedom and confidence."

The virtual Bible Study and Art for the Soul will be resuming this week. Contact Lynn for information and the ZOOM link. (416-998-4652).

Contact Lynn or Kathy (905-833-0391) regarding prayer requests or to share in thankfulness to God. We'll be happy to pray with you or for you in confidence.

**All Saints Anglican Church  
By Patrick Gossage**

The healing ministry at All Saints. Anyone who needs a special prayer and anointing with oil by one of our licensed lay anointers is invited to come up to the front at every service and take advantage of this special ministry.

Fishers of People - last Sunday's sermon by Rev. Erin Martin on the story of Jesus calling fishermen as disciples in Matthew 4:

"I've been thinking about what it means to be 'called' It's not something we think about a lot. I think it's some-

thing we should be thinking about regularly, Once I thought vocations were for monks or nuns or other select people. But then I started to feel in the deepest part of my being a desire to connect with the world and see it through God's eyes. It just so happened that the way for ME to do that was through priesthood.

"We've tended to emphasize what we do as our work as the primary place of living out our calling. We've sometimes confused occupation with vocation. For a lot of people work doesn't represent who we believe ourselves to be and what we feel passionate about in the world.

"When we think about where we find the greatest sense of fulfillment, and purpose, the answer for many of us is in our relationships; relationships with the people in our families, our friends, the people at our places of work and within our community. Which relates to today's Gospel reading in which. Jesus said, 'Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.' Jesus challenged us to understand our vocation in terms of the relationships in which we are involved and the actual people we encounter on a regular basis.

"When Jesus called the disciples by the Sea of Galilee they got up imme-

diately and followed Jesus. They left everything. For most of us that's something that's hard for us to imagine doing. They may be superheroes of the faith, but they were just human beings with their own foibles. Jesus was calling them into relationship with himself, with each other, and with all the people they would meet and help. Jesus calls each and every one of us in the same way to be in genuine and real relationships with the people around us; caring for each other, lifting each other up, supporting each other through thick and thin, showing each other the hope and promise of God's grace.

"We don't have to be superheroes of faith to live into our vocation; all we have to do is care about each other. Jesus called ordinary to be in relationship with the ordinary people and through that did extraordinary things, and Jesus is still doing that, only now it's with us. We are all being called by God to be fishers of people. Start with this ... imagine one person with whom you are in a relationship, anyone. Now take a moment to pray for them. Pray for whatever they might be going through right now and for whatever they may need. Now God is using you to make a difference in their lives."


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**Beale, Jean  
(née Fraser)**  
Passed away peacefully on Jan. 13, 2023 at the age of 92. Jean has lived independently in Oak Ridges for the past 8 years. Previously she was an active member within the community of King City for 55+ years, while working part-time as a nurse in the local doctors' office and nursing home. She had an infectious smile and was kind and caring to all those who knew her. She was predeceased by her husband Ray, and is survived by her sons Doug, Colin and his wife Judy; and grandson Liam. She will be missed. A memorial will be done at a later date, and condolences can be sent to: 606-12925 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4E 0T7

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**Pronovost, Paul D.**  
Passed away on January 6, 2023, in Waterloo, ON at the age of 84.  
Beloved husband of the late Jacqueline for over 50 years, before she predeceased Paul in 2015. Cherished father of Dan (Patricia) and Nita Pronovost. Loving grandfather of Devin and Joane Pronovost. Brother of Leon, Odile Laframboise, Nicole, and Louise. Predeceased by siblings Jacques, Thérèse Grégoire.  
Paul will be deeply missed by his extended family and friends.  
In keeping with Paul's wishes, cremation has taken place. The family will receive friends at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, 1666 Tottenham Rd., Tottenham 905-936-3477, on Saturday, February 4, 2023 from 11:00am until time of Memorial service in the chapel at 12:00pm. A reception will follow with a light lunch and refreshments at the Tottenham Legion, 25 Richmond St., Tottenham.  
A special thank you to Dr. Benaroya and all of the team at the Grand River Dialysis Unit for their continuous care and compassion. Thanks also to the staff at Westhill Retirement Home.  
As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Alzheimer Society or to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family (cards available at the funeral home).  
Visit [www.henrywalsler.com](http://www.henrywalsler.com) for Paul's memorial.

**710 CARDS OF THANKS**



**William (Bill) Bible**  
On behalf of my family and myself, I wish to thank everyone for their kind words, condolences, cards, flowers, food and generous donations made in Bill's memory.  
Special thanks to Evelyn McLachlan for a beautiful service and to Jim Kassam for always being there for us.  
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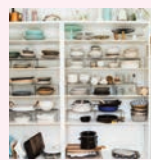
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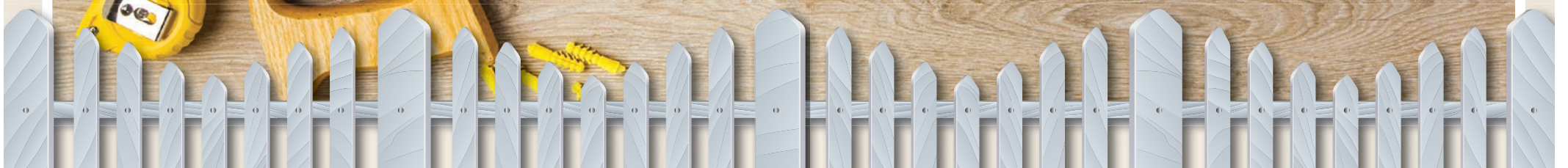
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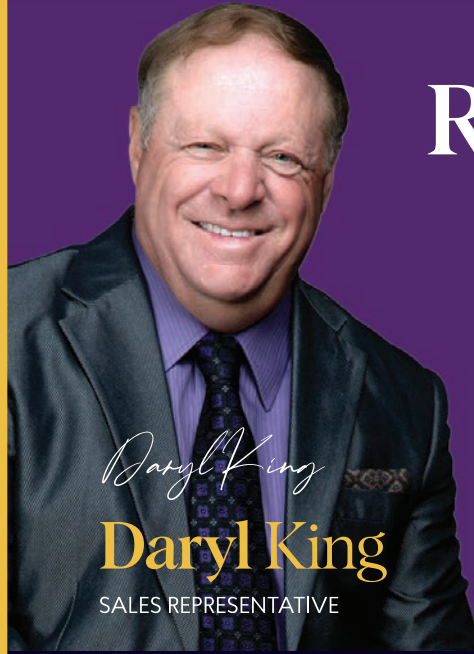
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