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King Mayor Steve Pellegrini met with experts to discuss public policy issues and ways to bring attention to the uniqueness of King. Shown are (I to r) Prashant Pathak, Vikram Khurana and Aditya Jha.

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Group shares ideas to bolster King, York

tunities in an around King and the Region, Mayor Steve Pellegrini met with Dr. Aditya Jha (C.M.) a founding director of SOAR Innovation and Chairman and CEO of DG Market International, and Mr. Vikram Khurana Chairman of the Toronto Business Development Centre, a leading business incubator along with Prashant Pathak the Chairman of the Kingbridge Centre and Institute in King City. The intention was to brainstorm and explore potential areas of collaboration across the innovation and business formation and startup ecosystem where King and Kingbridge can partner to attract, develop and grow new businesses including mentoring and training for startups, senior executives and founders through industry leading boot-camps. summits and conferences organized in King City at Kingbridge.

Dr. Jha shared some of his insights as a well regarded and successful serial entrepreneur in Canada coming

As part of exploring growth and development oppor- from humble roots in India and Nepal. There was ample discussion on how best to engage the growing ranks of "new Canadian" founders and businesses towards fostering more innovation, economic engagement and business building in King and the broader York Region.

> Khurana and his team at TBDC are actively engaged and working with founders and entrepreneurs internationally and also as part of the broader G20 innovation efforts and Ontario's special immigration project – Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program – Entrepreneur Success Initiative (OINP-ESI). There would be natural benefits for the township and region from collaborating on such an outreach.

A number of initiatives, including a potential startup boot-camp were identified for further development and execution. These align well with the work that King and Kingbridge collaborated and launched previously as part of last year's Collision conference.



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Wednesday, August 16

6 p.m. - Heritage Advisory Committee (Hybrid Meeting – Not live-streamed). If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, register by emailing **cpang@king.ca** by 12 pm (noon) on the day.

To view full Council and Committee agendas, visit king.civicweb.net

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PUBLIC NOTICES



ThinKING Green: Sustainable Development Program available for review

King is pleased to announce that the draft for the new **ThinKING Green Sustainable Development Program** is now available to review at **speaking.king.ca**.

ThinKING Green has been developed to expand upon and replace the Township's current Sustainable King: Green Development Standards Program.

ThinKING Green encourages all new development to protect and enhance the natural environment while utilizing efficient, innovative and sustainable measures.

The Project Team appreciates all feedback on the new program. If you have any questions, comments or thoughts, please contact Aloma Dreher, Senior Policy Planner at adreher@king.ca or at 905-833-5321, ext. 1004 by July 31, 2023.

Be a good neighbour

Clean Yards By-law 2016-68 sets out minimum standards for properties in the Township including some rules on litter, waste and property maintenance to help ensure that properties are safe, clean and attractive in relation to adjacent properties.

Reminder to Owners and Tenants:

- All properties must be kept free and clear of long grass and weeds.
- All properties are to be free of garbage, litter, yard waste, standing water, storage bins and demolition project material, and construction equipment.
- All properties need to be clear of derelict vehicles, including vehicles that are not currently licensed for operation.

The Clean Yards By-law is the Township's tool for addressing and responding to concerns about property maintenance. Bylaw Enforcement Officers work with property owners and tenants through education to achieve voluntary compliance, but alternatively orders may be issued to obtain compliance with the by-law standards.

For more information on Clean Yards please visit our website at www.king.ca.



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King council gives green light to Kinghaven expansion

By Mark Pavilons **Editor**

King council has approved bylaw amendments, allowing Kinghaven Farms to expand uses on their prop-

The proposed development seeks to convert the existing horse training facility and to construct a greenhouse with a building area of 44,700 square metres (4.47 hectares) to be built out in three (3) phases. The greenhouse operation will consist of new smart farm agricultural technology including a hydroponic operation using automated machinery.

The proposed amendments seek site specific zoning provisions for lot coverage and parking requirements to facilitate the proposal. The proposed facility will also require approval of a Site Plan Development Application, which has not been submitted to the Township as of date of this report.

The location of the proposed operation falls entirely within the 'Agricultural Area' designation. Lands within this designation are intended to be protected and maintained for longterm agricultural use.

Within "Agricultural Areas," the policy framework promotes economic activity and adaptability within the agricultural economy. The Official Plan.

Plan identifies a framework for permitting uses that will complement the overall function of the agricultural economy. Furthermore, a key objective of the Agricultural Area designation is to provide opportunities for local food production, food processing and local food consumption.

The application seeks to amend this provision to permit a maximum lot coverage of 7.3%, which is inclusive of the existing combined 7,863.22 square metres of all existing buildings on site, and the proposed 44,700-square-metre gross floor area for the greenhouse. The total gross floor area of 52,563.22 square metres results in a coverage of 7.3% of the

Back in March, the farm submitted the application for the greenhouse, which will include new smart farm technology, including a hydroponic operation using automated machinery. The project will also integrate solar power.

Concerned Citizens of King Township called it "an innovative forward-looking proposal."

Staff are satisfied that the increase in overall lot coverage to facilitate the greenhouse is appropriate, given the agricultural nature of the operation, being in keeping with the Agricultural Area designation of the Official

Seriously impaired driver stopped in Vaughan

A citizen made a smart call when he promptly notified police after observing an impaired driver in the City of Vaughan. Thanks to his call, the driver was arrested and found to have more than five times the legal limit of alcohol in his blood and was charged with Impaired Operation.

On Tuesday, July 18, at 10 a.m., York Regional Police received a call from an alert citizen who reported an impaired driver traveling southbound on Highway 400. The caller observed a black Honda CRV being driven with its turn signal flashing and saw it sideswipe concrete barriers at the side of the road multiple times before it pulled in to a service station parking lot.

An officer arrived several minutes later and found the vehicle parked in the lot with its engine running and passenger-side door open. The officer observed a driver and front-seat passenger, both apparently asleep. The officer spoke with the driver, who showed signs of being impaired by alcohol.

The driver was found to have a blood-alcohol concentration (BAC) more than five times the legal limit and the second-highest BAC recorded since York Regional Police began tracking these statistics.

Due to the extremely high level of intoxication, the male was transported to a hospital for assessment where he was seen by a doctor and then released.

A 53-year-old man from the Town of New Tecumseth was charged with Impaired Operation and Impaired Operation with Blood-Alcohol Concentration 80 Plus. His driver's licence was suspended for 90 days and the vehicle he was driving was impounded for seven days.

Our Safe Roads ... Your Call program encourages motorists in York Region to call 9-1-1 immediately if they see a motorist they suspect may be impaired, which is considered a crime in progress. That call may save a life or prevent a serious injury.

Impaired driving continues to be an unacceptable and avoidable problem on our roads. York Regional Police remains firmly committed to doing all it can to tackle this issue. If you see an impaired driver, call 91-1 right away. Day and night, our officers are patrolling the roads and available to respond to citizens' calls like this one.

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Perception of time varies among creatures

Most of us know that "time keeps on slippin,' slippin,' slipping' into the future," but its speed depends entirely on what you are.

We humans have a pretty good grasp on the passage of time, too good, in fact. We measure our hours, minutes, days, months and years by our orbit around the sun. Our concept of time only applies here on earth and no where else in the universe do our minutes apply.

Some would say we're obsessed with time - we have watches on our wrists, clocks on our smart phones, time-telling virtual voices in our homes. We check our calendars several times a day. We are always asking ourselves "what time

We walk through life, dodging this ailment and that disease, hoping to reach a ripe, old age. We are dismayed when we hear of the passing of someone we know in their 50s or 60s.

Many of us are on a clock, some self-made, some imposed, where we have to get things done by a certain age. Athletes, actors and models have "prime" years.

While most of us can work well beyond our prime or as I like to call it, our "best before dates," we still stare down the clock, the one that ticks toward retirement and slows until it eventually runs out.

The creatures we share the world with don't have a similar appreciation of time at all. In fact, most don't have a concept of it all.

I read that dogs really don't know if an hour or day has passed since you left in the morning. I imagine that's why they're always so happy to see us when we return.

Scientists believe that the way in which animals perceive the passage of time is just another aspect of evolution



Mark Pavilons

and survival. For example, some studies suggest that, for flies, the world appears to move approximately 7 times slower than it does for humans.

We have all engaged this enemy, only to be outmaneuvered by this bug. The reason is for them, we're moving in slow motion, so we're really easy to dodge.

Smaller animals with a faster metabolic rate, such as hummingbirds, experience events more slowly than larger-bodied animals with a slower metabolism, such as humans.

Here's the explanation for the perception of time in insects. Television, computer and movie screens flicker. To the human eye, this flickering light provides the illusion of a constant stream of images, due to the high frequencies at which these displays operate.

The rate at which this occurs is called "flicker-fusion frequency," which is

measured by determining how rapidly idence that it might. People have shown a light needs to be switched on and off before it appears to an animal as a con- is related to a person's subjective pertinuous stream. Scientists measure this ception of time, and it changes with age. in insects by hooking up tiny glass electrodes to the photoreceptors of its eyes and flashing light at increasingly fast lated, if we could turn back time, or at speeds, all while a computer graphs the signals sent from the photoreceptors.

the world in what's essentially a seamless movie. What's really happening, however, is that the brain is taking infixed rate per second in distinct flashes and piecing them together.

The majority of flying animals have faster vision than humans - possibly because it's mortally important that they can quickly react and dodge obstacles.

The fastest-seeing flies are blindingly quick, even relative to their own kind. A or event from that massive amount of "killer fly," a predatory species found in Europe, is able to launch from a resting position into the air, circle several times around another fly in mid-flight, catch it, and bring its twitching body down to the ground in less than a second.

The light-detecting cells in its eyes contain more mitochondria, essentially the "batteries" of cells, than other flies, and this powers its supercharged

So, do some people experience time get the insults. differently than other people?

associate professor at Trinity College Dublin in the Republic of Ireland, who has researched flicker fusion rates among various species, it may be true.

"It's tempting to think that for children time moves more slowly than it the end of the day, be thankful you does for grownups, and there is some ev- made it.

in humans that flicker fusion frequency It's certainly faster in children."

It would be nice, as some have postuleast slow it down a bit.

So maybe the trick here is to think All animals, including humans, see like a child so we can slow things down a bit in our hectic lives.

Those gorgeous summer weekends, backyard celebrations and wonderful dividual images sent from the eye at a experiences all deserve to last forever. Well, I suppose they do in our minds at

> Our brains are huge recording devices, constantly capturing images - sights, sounds and smells - in our personal archives. Science has yet to train us how to retrieve a single image

> But one day it may be possible to put on those nifty 3D glasses, plug ourselves into a gizmo, and take a virtual trip down memory lane. Boy would that be something!

> Until that day comes, we have to take each day with a bit more cautious optimism. Take it slow, soak up all that you can, and commit it all to memory.

> Remember the compliments and for-

Do what brings a smile to your face According to Andrew Jackson, an every day, whether it takes seconds or hours. Grab a tasty, frosty beverage.

Tune in to those super flies, or bumblebees or dragonflies and watch them in action. Nature is mind-boggling.

Learn how to spend time wisely. At

Housing

Zoocasa data notes house prices

Since the Bank of Canada began raising interest rates in 2022, home prices in Ontario have seen drastic declines from the peaks during the pandemic. However, most major cities in the province still have average home prices above the national average of \$754,700. Notably, Toronto, Mississauga, Hamilton-Burlington, Guelph & District, Cambridge, and Kitchener-Waterloo all had average home prices in May 2023 above the national average, leaving prospective buyers to wonder where the affordable entry points into the Ontarian real estate market are.

In order to find where the most affordable areas are in Ontario, Zoocasa compared the average home prices in May 2023 in 28 cities across Ontario and calculated the average monthly mortgage payment required for a home bought at the average price in each city.

In May 2023, the average home price in all of Ontario was \$922,700 according to data from the Canadian Real Estate Association, and of the 28 cities analyzed, nearly all are below that number, showcasing how much of an impact the GTA real estate market has on influencing average prices. Not surprisingly, if you want to escape from these sky-high prices you'll have to move out of the GTA and into more northern or eastern regions.

Sault Ste. Marie had the lowest average home price in all of Ontario at \$287,600, a more than \$100,000 difference from North Bay, the second most affordable city, and more than \$600,000 cheaper than the provincial average. Even outside of Ontario, few cities have average home prices below \$300,000, which makes Sault Ste. Marie stand out for its affordability. Based on the average home price, a homeowner in Sault Ste. Marie can expect to pay around \$1,330 per month in mortgage payments - cheaper than average monthly rent payments in most cities.

With an average home price of \$409,300 in May 2023, North Bay came in second for affordability. Of the five most affordable cities, North Bay also had the largest price drop from last year with the average home price decreasing by 10.1% from May 2022.

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- Marcelene Cox

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Scorching climate records call for real solutions

By David Suzuki

On July 6, the world's average temperature was the hottest ever recorded, at 17.23 C. That beat the previous highs on July 3 and 4! June was the hottest month ever, but July is shaping up to be even hotter. Experts expect more records to break over the next while, as an El Niño weather pattern combines with record emissions to drive temperatures

"We have never seen anything like this before," Carlo Buontempo, director of Europe's Copernicus Climate Change Service, told the Washington Post, noting that "we are in uncharted territory." Temperatures are hotter than they've been in 125,000 years!

People worldwide are feeling the effects, with scorching heat from Africa to Europe, and across China and the try in all aspects of our lives, we could

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southern U.S. Records are even breaking in Antarctica, where warming drove sea ice to 17 per cent below the 1991-2020 June average. In Canada, May was the hottest month ever, until June recorded even higher temperatures. We see the results in air congested with wildfire smoke.

Heat and humidity are already causing an increasing number of direct deaths, along with numerous other negative impacts - floods, droughts, wildfires, refugee crises, water shortages, biodiversity loss and more.

How bad does it have to get before the world wakes up?

Unless we reject the widespread power and influence of the fossil fuel indusemploy the many available and emerging solutions.

Industry puts massive resources into convincing people that curbing the crisis will cause too much hardship. Shell chief executive Wael Sawan recently offered an example. "What would be dangerous and irresponsible is cutting oil and gas production so that the cost of living, as we saw last year, starts to shoot up again," he told the BBC.

Shell had planned modest production cuts, but under Sawan's leadership has backtracked, instead enriching its executives and shareholders in the wake of fuel prices driven up by Russia's invasion of Ukraine. As global temperatures exceed record highs, so too do the profits of companies such as Shell.

Big Oil money flows through secretive organizations that downplay or deny the climate crisis, to media outlets and to politicians, their parties and governments. Lobbyists work both sides of the fence and gain astounding access to the political sphere. Governments, including Canada's, continue to subsidize the industry though tax and royalty breaks, infrastructure purchases and more.

Dirty oil sands bitumen is sold as "ethical" and fracked methane gas as a "natural" climate solution. And who can forget "clean coal"? The industry and its supporters paint themselves as beneficial to society, creating jobs, boosting economies and keeping the lights on. Ordinary people struggling to pay bills are often too busy to see through these greenwashed false narratives.

It doesn't have to be that way. Renewable energy, energy efficiency and con-

reach the point of no return before we servation offer numerous advantages over fossil fuels beyond climate benefits. Along with energy storage, technologies including wind and solar have advanced much faster than experts predicted, and costs have dropped to the point where they're far lower than coal, oil and gas prices. Renewables also create greater energy independence and better employment opportunities.

> The only ones who don't reap massive benefits from a rapid transition away from fossil fuels are the relatively few who profit enormously by monopolizing supplies, production and distribution of gas, oil and coal - and the politicians and media supporters on the receiving end of their donations and ad dollars.

> That doesn't mean shifting from fossil fuels to cleaner energy will be painless. We might have to curtail or give up luxuries, and the overconsumption, to which we've become accustomed - especially in wealthier parts of the world. For example, although electric vehicles are far better than gas-burners, private SUVs and automobiles for everyone aren't sustainable over the long term regardless of how they're powered.

> But the transition won't be as painful as the fossil fuel industry wants you to believe – although the more we delay in taking the much-needed steps, the more difficult it will be.

> The only records we should be breaking now are in the speed at which we adopt healthier ways to live and to power our societies – without fossil fuels.

David Suzuki is a scientist, broadcaster, author and co-founder of the David Suzuki Foundation. Written with David Suzuki Foundation Senior Writer and Editor Ian Hanington.

Ontario reducing wait times in ERs

The Ontario government is investing an additional \$44 million this year in 165 high volume and smaller emergency departments to reduce wait times and provide people with faster and easier access to timely care close to home.

This funding is in addition to the \$90 million Ontario invests each year to reward emergency departments that put in place innovative solutions to reduce ED wait times including hiring additional health care staff, accessing more transportation to help transfer medically stable patients out of emergency departments, and creating new beds.

"When someone experiences a medical emergency, it is vital that they get the urgent attention they need quickly," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "By offering more funding for hospitals who show the greatest success in reducing wait times in their emergency departments, we are providing more support for them to deliver faster emergency care to the communities they

Hospitals have the flexibility to decide how to spend this funding on local solutions that will help people receive care faster and reduce their length of stay in an emergency department. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, this annual funding helped emergency departments connect people to care sooner by decreasing the average time spent in emergency departments by 12.2 per cent.

To continue building on this success, Ontario is investing an additional \$29 million this year to 75 high volume emergency departments across the province to increase their capacity to help more patients and reduce the amount of time people have to wait to access care.

An additional \$15 million will also expand the number of smaller hospitals now eligible to receive this funding. This will help support up to 90 hospitals across the province that provide emergency care to fewer than 30,000 patients a year, so they can hire and retain the staff they need to keep their emergency departments open.

With "Your Health: A Plan for Connected and Convenient Care," the province is continuing to find innovative ways to reduce wait times and make it faster and easier for Ontarians to access timely emergency care, closer to home.

Annual funding is currently offered to 75 large hospitals with emergency departments seeing more than 30,000 patient visits a year.

During the 2022/23 fiscal year, to support Ontario's pandemic recovery the government allocated \$93.4 million using additional one time-funds for initiatives to reduce the time patients spend in emergency departments.





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York Regional Police introduced new vehicle design

York Regional Police is proud to introduce a new vehicle design, modernizing the look of its frontline cruisers and other fleet vehicles as they update the current striping, which is now more than 10 years old.

The new design is intended to increase visibility and improve safety, with a focus on ergonomics and comfort for frontline officers, whose vehicles can serve as their office for 12 hours a day.

In consultation with members and our community, YRP concluded a review of more than 40 possible designs. The final design focused on a simpler, yet bolder blue-on-white and white-onblue combination to maximize cruiser visibility. The two-tone base design cap-

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tures both a nostalgic feel, while maintaining a distinctive police look, common throughout police agencies within Ontario.

New features of the vehicle include: In-car equipment placement for easeof-access.

A re-designed equipment enclosure for the trunk to maximize equipment capacity for officers Additional side and forward lighting to enhance intersection visibility and clearing ability.

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In keeping with their commitment to transparency, YRP sought input from our community partners. They invited comments from members who sit on the five District Community Liaison Committees (DCLCs), as well as members of the Police Community Advisory Committee (PCAC) and the Investigative Services Community Advisory Committee (ISCAC), on the new style, colours, visibility and branding. The community consultation occurred in May 2023 at the Training and Education Facility. The results from the survey, the in-person event and the community's feedback on the new design was overwhelmingly favourable.

'We're pleased to offer our frontline officers a more comfortable, safer vehicle that also increases their visibility in the community," said Chief Jim MacSween. "The new design is modern, appealing and easily recognizable to citizens and will assist in our crime prevention and patrol efforts.'

The new car design will be rolled out through natural attrition, with the vehicle graphics changing as vehicles are replaced on their regular replacement entire fleet. schedule once they reach their end-ofservice life. It is anticipated to take approximately four years to replace the pearing on York Region roads soon.

Be on the lookout; the first cruisers bearing the new design will start ap-





Striving to meet housing affordability standards in York Region

Regional Council received the 2022 Affordable Housing in York Region - Measuring and Monitoring report, which assesses housing supply and affordability status in the Region and demonstrates ongoing challenges in meeting affordability targets.

A summary of findings include:

In 2022, only 11% of units were purpose-built rental or ownership units meeting the provincial threshold for affordability, well under the target min-

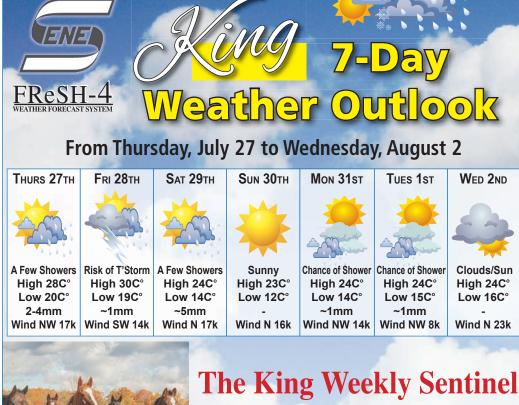
Out of 3,457 total new ownership units, less than 1% were deemed affordable. a total of 26 stacked townhouse units built in 2022.

Rental units made up 93% of affordable units in 2022; of the 378 new rental units, 57% were part of a retirement home and not accessible to all York Region residents.

Annual monitoring on the ever-changing housing affordability landscape is crucial to understanding where York Region stands and where improvement is needed. Work is underway to strive for providing a full range of housing options to meet the needs of residents at all stages of life.

York Region is committed to addressing the housing affordability crisis in ollaboration with local cities and towns, senior levels of government, the development industry, community partners and other stakeholders, while working towards innovative solutions to housing affordability. Partnerships are important as one entity can't solve the affordability crisis alone.

Follow the progress of York Region's Affordable Housing Implementation Plan and other housing initiatives at york.ca/HousingAffordability





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Restaurant recognizes Miller's 50 years at McDonald's

By Jim Stewart

Over 200 dignitaries, colleagues, associates, friends, and family members attended long-time restaurateur Peter Miller's recognition party at McDonald's in King City last week.

The reception celebrated Miller's 50 years of mentorship, as well as his generous support of charitable organizations across York Region and the GTA for over five decades.

Miller – originally from Sydney, Nova Scotia - opened his first McDonald's in Richmond Hill over 35 years ago and currently owns 15 McDonald's restaurants in York Region and one in North York. There are over 1,400 Mc-Donald's restaurants in Canada, the first of which opened in Richmond, BC

Miller glided effortlessly between various groups of attendees - most of whom were clearly influenced by the veteran restaurateur and travelled from as far as Timmins to attend the celebration. The party peaked at 5 p.m. after much congenial corporate kibitzing when Newmarket-Aurora MP Tony Van Bynen presented Miller with a congratulatory certificate "commemorating Kerry's Place Autism Services, New-

his 50th Anniversary at McDonald's.'

Van Bynen applauded Miller's 50year connection to York Region's charitable agencies and sports organizations and thanked him for his "important contributions to community including the hospital, the minor hockey teams, the baseball teams, the soccer teams - all of which are better due to your support." Van Bynen also championed Miller's "leadership, community spirit, and care for so many charitable agencies in York Region."

Miller opened a McDonald's restaurant in Newmarket when the town's population was only 8,000 and has cared for the communities in which he has run his businesses. Over the last half a century, he has been an ardent supporter of the Newmarket Minor Hockey Association, especially its annual House League tournament; the Aurora Youth Soccer Club; the Central York Girls Hockey Association; the Newmarket Hawks Baseball Club; Newmarket Redbirds Lacrosse; and the Oak Ridges and Richmond Hill Soccer Clubs. In addition to promoting youth sports, Miller has contributed mightily to Community Living, Doane House Hospice,



It was clearly thumbs up to Peter Miller's 50-year career at McDonald's on last week in King City.

market Santa Claus Parade, Salvation Army, South Lake Regional Health Centre, Yellow Brick House, York Central Hospital Association, and York Region Children's Aid Society.

Miller reflected fondly on his time served on "hospital boards and foundations" and the satisfaction of "helping local families for over 40 years through the Ronald McDonald House Chari-

The McDonald's mentor was clearly taken by the moment, especially as he immersed himself in warm conversations with former colleagues who thanked him for his positive influence on their lives: "I cried. Lots of tears of joy this afternoon. All the great memories of working with so many of these people over the years." Miller's eyes welled up as he described the best part of the afternoon's festivities: "I feel that I've helped people along the way – that would be the most satisfying part of today – to see people doing so well."

The dynamic and magnanimous nature of Miller was evident in his demonstrable impact on the dozens of employees who passed through the reception. The recognition of his years of steering careers and service to so many agencies was fitting and Miller soaked in the adulation much as a master teacher experiences the joy of meeting former students who have excelled in their chosen vocation and offer thanks years after the fact for the timely mentorship they received in and out of the classroom.

It was evident from the interactions at the reception that Miller has lived his life in these moments much as Cesare Pavese suggested we do when he said famously "We do not remember days – we remember moments."

Peter Miller was re-living his remarkable life and its moments at Wednesday's reception. It seemed like a pleasant trip down memory lane for the veteran fifty-year McDonald's leader who mingled easily and gracefully amid the well-wishers who have been affected profoundly by his corporate and personal presence. Miller mentioned that he "felt blessed to be a part of so many lives" and described "the wonderful feeling when I meet people again after many years." Miller described the best part of working at McDonald's for 50 years: "To see people grow up - to see them promoted into management and have successful lives."

He focused on the importance of mentoring young employees: "There is so much satisfaction in helping a shy 15-16-vear-old become a confident person with great communication skills and to give them the means to make their life better. It was satisfying to see the potential in so many young people and give them opportunities to realize that potential."

Miller also shared that the "exciting part of management is teaching people to provide them with a more secure financial future, how to run a business. and to help people who have struggled financially to get a good footing and start in adult life."

He expressed much satisfaction in teaching prospective McDonald's managers about the importance of "discipline, hard work, and getting into the restaurant at 6 a.m. on weekends to serve the customers of the day, but also how to touch the lives of people in a positive manner."

The accolades and anecdotes delivered by McDonald's managers, MP Tony Van Bynen, business partners, and his daughter, Jennifer, and wife, Rochelle, reflected the warmth that Miller has radiated in his five decades as a philanthropic restaurateur who has mentored thousands and made York Region communities better places to live.



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Community boosts Camp Day proceeds in King

By Mark Pavilons Editor

Tim Hortons customers came out in droves to support the annual Camp Day fundraiser last week.

On Camp Day (July 19), 100 per cent of the proceeds from every hot coffee and iced coffee sold at Tim Hortons restaurants across Canada and in the United States are donated to Tim Hortons Foundation Camps to help underserved youth reach their full potential. Tim Hortons, its restaurant owners and guests collectively raised more \$12 million on Camp Day last year and a total of over \$236 million has been raised since 1991.

The locations in Nobleton and King City, owned by Len and Rita Mizzoni, welcomed customers and members of the community, including politicians and members of King Fire and Emergency Services and York Regional Police.

Since 1974, Tim Hortons Foundation Camps has supported over 315,000 youth through its multi-year development programs at its seven Tims Camps – at no cost to the youth or their families - along with providing school-based and community-based programming.

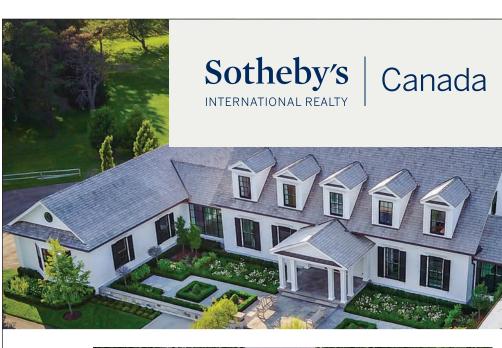
"This is the most important day of the year for Tim Hortons Foundation Camps as it allows them to send economically disadvantaged youth from across Canada on a multi-year camp experience that helps them to realize their true potential," said local Hortons owner Len Mizzoni.

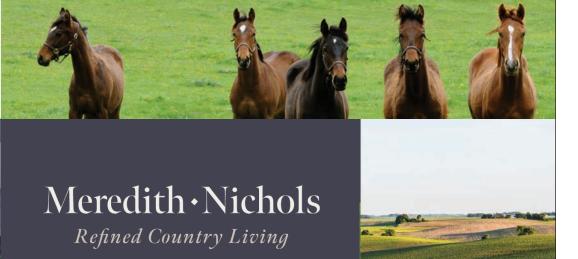














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Seneca, film board expand partnership in film animation

Seneca Polytechnic and the National Film Board of Canada (NFB) are strengthening their existing relationship with the signing of a collaboration agreement to enhance ties between the institutions.

The agreement creates a formal framework, committing both organizations to ongoing collaboration and engagement.

Through the pact, Seneca students will have opportunities to work on new NFB projects and learn from NFB-sponsored speaker sessions, workshops and presentations. Seneca will provide vices, develop technical prototypes and tests and promote NFB films within its animation programs and spaces.

While the agreement itself is new, the NFB and Seneca have a long history of successful collaboration on film animation projects.

Seneca students and graduates have worked on NFB productions including 2004's Ryan, the winner of the Academy Award for Best Animated Short Film, 2009's The Spine, a Best Animated Short nominee at the Genie Awards, and 2013's Subconscious Password,

technical and creative consultation ser- which won Best Short Film at the Annecy International Animated Film Festival.

> This partnership is the latest for the new Seneca Film Institute, which builds on Seneca's expertise in storytelling forms and technologies to create one of the most comprehensive film training institutions in Canada. The NFB is one of the foremost creative centres in the world. As a public producer and distributor of Canadian content, a talent incubator and a lever for Canada's creative sector, the NFB produces nearly one hundred titles each year.

"Seneca and the National Film Board have been working together for decades, and we couldn't be happier to formalize and deepen our relationship through this agreement. This partnership is exactly what the Seneca Film Institute is all about – collaborating with industry leaders to provide students with unparalleled opportunities," said Mark Jones, Director, Seneca Film Institute and Chair, School of Creative

Arts & Animation, Seneca Polytechnic.

"Our students will benefit immensely from the new opportunities to learn from some of the most talented filmmakers in the world, work on innovative and exciting NFB projects, and discover the NFB's rich history of captivating audiences. We believe this expanded partnership will greatly enhance the Canadian film sector for decades to come," added Kurt Muller, Dean, Faculty of Communication, Art & Design, Seneca Polytechnic.

"The NFB is eager to connect with a diverse range of storytellers from across the country and this new partnership, with our long-standing collaborators at Seneca should demonstrate our firm commitment to animation filmmaking in all its forms. We're excited to work with Seneca to bring the vibrant creativity of young Canadian artists and storytellers to Canadian audiences," noted Robert McLaughlin, Executive Producer, Animation & Interactive Studio, National Film Board of Canada.

Schomberg Fair homecraft results

homecraft division of the recent na Graziosi, Schomberg. Runner-up: Schomberg Spring Fair.

Homecraft Champion: Myrna Morehouse, Schomberg. Runner-up: Rick Westgarth, Guelph.

Champion Cook: Sheila Lewis, Caledon, Runner-up: Rick Westgarth,

New Exhibitor/ High Points: Sheila Lewis, Caledon.

Jr. Champ, Age 4 & under: Josiah Sauve, Schomberg. Runner-up: Spencer McDonald, Guelph.

Jr. Champ, Ages 5 & 6: Gabrielle Tasse, Schomberg. Runner-up: Brody McDonald, Guelph.

Jr. Champ, Ages 7 & 8: A Tie: Stephanie Janssen, Bradford & Makenna Rice, Powassen. Runner-up: Hanna Clark, Alliston.

Jr. Champ, Ages 9 & 10: Charlotte Killman, Schomberg. Runner-up: Braxton Rice, Powassen.

Jr. Champ, Ages 11 & 12: Paul Ruthven, Schomberg. Runner Up: tie between Caitlyn Janssen, Bradford and Joseph Wray, Bradford.

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The results are in for the 2023 Ariana Janssen, King City and Sere-Benjamin Janssen, King City.

> Prizes for Junior Champions & Runners-up provided by the York Region Milk Board and Jack Orr.

> Champion Hand Quilt: Julie Wheeler, Schomberg. Champion Machine Quilt: Peggy Nagle, Elora.

> Amateur Art Hi Points: Rick Westgarth, Guelph.

> Antiques Hi Points: Linda Jessop, Schomberg.

> Crafts & Hobbies Hi Points: Jan Pinkerton, Schomberg.

> Horticulture Hi Points: Rick Westgarth, Guelph.

Doris Hughes Memorial Plaque:

Eleonora Schmied, Schomberg. Needlework Hi Points: Peggy Na-

gle, Elora. Photography Hi Points: Enzo Villa, Caledon East.

The Schomberg Agricultural Society wishes to thank all who entered and wish congratulations to those who won top prizes. A lot of time, effort and skill goes into preparing for

> they look forward to seeing these and more competitors at the 2024 Schomberg Agricultural Fair.

> Don't be shy, knit up a storm, paint a pretty picture, dust off those antiques now is the time to start thinking about what you can do for the 2024 Schomberg Agricultural Fair Homecraft Show.





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Seniors lauded for garden

At the Dew Street Apartments in King City, the seniors living there created a beautiful backyard garden. They deserve praise and congratulations.

Several seniors plant, water and weed a section of the backyard and take pride in their delightful garden. Many of the residents at the seniors apartment building care for a section of their beautiful back yard. They do this for free. They make this backyard area a lovely place to visit, read a book or smell the roses.

Darlene and Allan do a large part of it. Some of the other resident gardeners are Ester, Mary, and Jenifer. One Italian gentleman is growing vegetables. He has built a special trellis for his zucchini plants. He planted a special variety of zucchini, which may grow to 24 inches in length at maturity.

The seniors take pride in creating this delightful back yard garden at their apartment building.



'Sidewalkable Saturday' a success in Schomberg

By Jim Stewart

Music filled the fresh July air, YRP cruisers closed off the Main Street corridor to encourage foot traffic, local businesses welcomed human and canine visitors, and the colorful tents of artisans and organizations lined Main Street as Sidewalkable Saturday attracted hundreds to downtown Schomberg.

Shady conditions were at a premium and many visitors sought the cool patio setting outside the Grackle Coffee House and sampled the downtown hub's delicious confections. Appreciative crowds gathered by the pavilion of the Lions Playground to hear the polished sounds of the aptly-named quartet "Main Street." The band's opening number - Creedence Clearwater Revival's "Have You Ever Seen the Rain?" – was a fitting tune, given the brilliant July day in which they played and the unfortunate fact that pouring rain led to the cancellation of Sidewalkable Saturday in June.

Jamie Smyth, King Manager of Economic Development and Growth Management Services, was pleased by the favorable weather and the turnout for the event: "Last year, we did four Saturday events, but this is the first year we've closed off the street. This is also the first time that we've partnered with Four Seasons Market to move the market from the Fairgrounds to Main Street for 'Sidewalkable Saturday.' Unfortunately, we were rained out in June so we're excited to host today's event in really nice conditions."

Complementing those nice atmospheric conditions to which Smyth referred was songstress Brianna Pau Preto whose musical offerings ranged from Billy Joel's "Vienna" to Peter, Paul, and Mary's "Leavin' on a Jet Plane." The talented guitarist and vocalist enjoyed her gig and her audience on Main Street: "I like getting out here and performing, especially for the kids. I loved music as a child and I hope I can inspire them to sing, too. It's nice to share my music with a public audience."

Brianna Pau Preto's sunny disposition reflected the beautiful conditions that hundreds enjoyed on Sidewalkable Saturday in downtown Schomberg.











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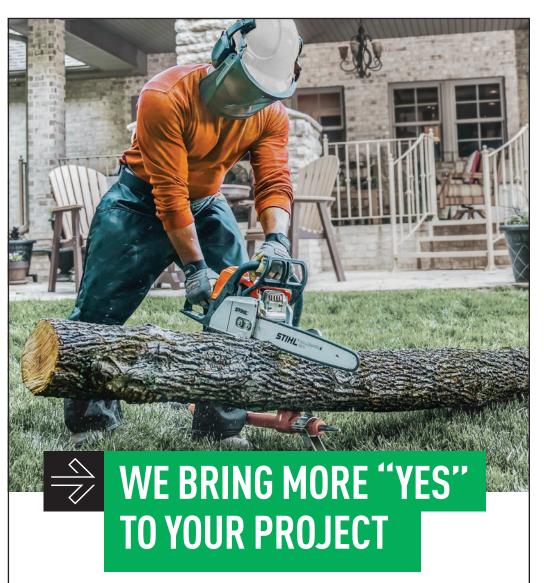
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MPs criticize Ottawa's lack of attention on climate change

By Mark Pavilons **Editor**

Despite earmarking millions to address climate change through various programs, it appears the Trudeau government has spent very little to date.

And that has opposition MPs calling for less talk, more action.

"This is just further proof that this Liberal Government is all talk, but no action on the environment," said Scot Davidson, Member of Parliament for York-Simcoe, and Conservative Shadow Minister for Red Tape Reduction. "We have seen this locally with the Liberals' repeatedly broken promise to restore and protect Lake Simcoe.

"After eight years, the punitive carbon tax is the only climate policy Justin Trudeau has announced and carried through with, one that has done nothing to combat climate change, and has only increased the cost-of-living for never spent. Canadians. In fact, the Liberals have never met an emissions target, despite their inflationary carbon tax.

"Conservatives believe that instead of imposing punitive taxes on Canadians, the federal government must prioritize needed local initiatives like the Lake Simcoe Clean-Up Fund, while developing new technology and innovation that will actually protect the environment," noted Davidson.

Dufferin-Caledon MP Kyle Seeback said there's a lot of talk in Parliament, but no real action.

He pointed to a report from the Environmental Commissioner regarding transition for coal miners across the country. The federal government did not implement the program and basically, left the miner "out in the cold." Likely, this was some of the money earmarked on climate change that was

The Liberal track record on this, he said, is "just abysmal."

Seeback also said Canada is way behind our counterparts in Europe and the U.S. in installing EV charging stations, and charging infrastructure.

"It's easy to say something, but it seems it's hard for them (feds) to do it,"

The Conservative MP said they try to take the government to task, but find little support in Ottawa.

One group confirms the Conservatives' assumptions.

The Canadian Automobile Dealers Association (CADA) said "urgent action is required now" to put Canada on the path to widespread ZEV adoption.

Seeback also pointed out that the Liberals have put all their eggs in one basket, going all out in support EV and EV battery technology. To rely on only one area can be dangerous and Seeback asked "when has a government's decision always been right?"

Details of federal Zero-Emission Vehicles Program

The federal government introduced the Zero-Emission Vehicles Program (ZEV) along with its 2022 budget.

Many key measures were mentioned that will help Canadians make the switch to a zero-emission vehicle that cuts pollution and lowers everyday expenses.

The Incentives for Zero-Emission Vehicles Program has already helped Canadians purchase or lease over 141,000 new zero-emission vehicles since 2019. The program will be expanded to include the purchase of additional vehicle models popular with Canadians, such as minivans, light-duty pickup trucks, and SUVs.

To accelerate the manufacturing and adoption of cleaner cars, the Government of Canada vowed to put in place a sales mandate so at least 20 per cent of new passenger vehicles sold in Canada will be zero-emission vehicles by 2026, and at least 60 per cent by 2030, on the road to 100 per cent by 2035.

In addition, the Government of Canada said it will launch a strategy to reduce pollution from medium- and heavy-duty vehicles with the aim of having these vehicles make up 35% of total sales of zero-emission vehicles by 2030. This will include developing medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles regulations to require 100% medium- and heavy-duty sales to be zero-emission vehicles by 2040 for certain types of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles.

Budget 2022 proposed to invest \$1.7 billion to continue the Incentives for Zero-Emission Vehicles Program until March 2025, including a broadening of the eligibility under the program.

The 2022 budget also earmarked \$547.5 million over four years, starting in 2022-23, to launch a new purchase incentive program for medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles.

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Urgent action needed to achieve Canada's zero-emission vehicle plan

Canada's leading automotive industry associations today published a Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Timeline that outlines the charging infrastructure needed to achieve 100% ZEV sales by 2035. The timeline shows that urgent action is required now to put Canada on the path to widespread ZEV adoption.

The ZEV Timeline was developed by the Canadian Automobile Dealers Association (CADA), the Canadian Vehicle Manufacturers' Association (CVMA), and Global Automakers of Canada (GAC), as part of a larger initiative aimed at helping Canadians and political leaders understand what is needed to succeed in the transformation to electrification. More information can be found at Roadto2035.

"Canadians require dramatically more accessible and convenient public charging infrastructure if they are going to make the shift to electric," said Brian Kingston, President & CEO, CVMA. "We need a comprehensive, long-term plan to address the growing ZEV charging gap to meet the government's ambitious sales

'Canadians expect certainty that they can afford, use, and charge their EVs in a manner that suits different lifestyles and geographical requirements before making the second most important purchasing decision in their lives," stated Tim Reuss, President & CEO, CADA. "For charging, that means being able to do so where they live, work, and play and not having to add 30-45 minutes to their daily commute by having to rely on public charging alone."

"It is not only the issue of having enough chargers – which is open to question," said David Adams, President & CEO, GAC. "There are three fundamental challenges for consumers when it comes to charging infrastructure: location, accessibility, and reliability. Nothing will detract from a consumer's electric driving experience more than if consumers do not know where the stations are, if the stations are inoperable when they arrive, or if they must wait to use them," said Adams.

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Cougars' Thursday night hockey returns to Trisan

By Jim Stewart

The Schomberg Cougars announced on the weekend that the tradition of Thursday Night Hockey at the Trisan Centre will continue for the 2023-24 Provincial Junior Hockey League sea-

Nicky Sellers, the Cougars' Secretary and Director, provided updates

after the hockey club's administration meeting held last week: "Right now, we are looking at Thursday, Sept. 14 as the home opener, but this is not quite yet confirmed. We will also be participating in the Alliston Tournament in early September. Home nights will be Thursday nights again - as the club has had throughout its entire history. We will have a few odd Saturday night

home games as well."

Sellers also delineated the Cougars official training camp dates: "We have a set of dates coming up for our Main Camp- – all at the Trisan Centre: Friday, August 11 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.; Monday, August 14 from 7:30 9 p.m.; Saturday, August 19 from 12 to 3 p.m.; and Sunday, August 20 from 12:30 to 2 p.m."

New Cougars Co-Head Coaches Mark Hrinco and Cerrone Natale will be putting the training camp invitees through their paces at Trisan Centre in mid-August as the franchise prepares for a new presence behind the bench. Stan Kondrotas – the very successful Cougars bench boss who orchestrated the franchise's recent ascension in the PJHL's standings as well as the team's playoff success – has accepted a Head Coaching role with the 16U North Central Predators in Orillia, but will be conducting administrative and assistant coaching duties with Schomberg over the course of the season to assist the coaching transition.

Coach Kondrotas's Cougars placed third in the very competitive North Carruthers Division in 2022-23, amassing an impressive 28-9-2-1 record and finishing just two points behind the second-place Alliston Hornets.

The Cougars swept the Huntsville Otters 4-0 in the opening round of the PJHL divisional playoffs. However, Schomberg lost a hard-fought divisional semifinal series to Alliston 4 games to 3. In the Hornets' decisive 3-2 victory in Game 7, goaltender Rod Lewis made 47 saves to ostensibly steal the series from the Cougars.

Evidence of Schomberg's offensive firepower and creativity was evident in the elimination contest as the Cougars outshot the Hornets 49-26. Only the stellar goalkeeping of Lewis kept the Cougars from the North Carruthers Divisional Final versus the first-place Stayner Siskins. The powerful Siskins eliminated the Hornets in five games to capture the Carruthers Division.

Stayner defeated the Mount Forest Patriots in 6 games to win the North Conference Finals, and advanced to Round 5 where they lost to Clarington 4-1, defeated Lakeshore Canadiens 4-2, and lost to the Wellesley Applejacks 5-3 in the championship round robin. Stayner advanced to the PJHL semifinals, but Clarington eliminated the Siskins 2-1. In the Provincial 'Junior C' Championship game, Wellesley defeated Clarington 3-2 to establish themselves as the top team in the 60team PJHL in 2022-23.



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By Mark Pavilons **Editor**

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The AutoFlow by MSR (Mountain Safety Research), is an extra-large gravity filter system that delivers 10 litres of clean water fast. How fast? It filters 1.75 litres per minute – literally while you set up camp, prepare dinner or relax.

Its large capacity means fewer trips to the river to haul the water you need. It's ultralight and packable, offering the luxury of pump-free filtration for large groups of people – base camps, Scout troops, trail riders and other back country groups. And just one 10-litre fill of the reservoir can supply 1-2 people with a whole day's worth of clean water.

The system is very simple, just hang the water bag on a tree, pole, or anything handy, and let it do its work.

The inline filter is a extremely efficient, effective against bacteria (99.9999%), protozoa (99.9%) and particulate.

It comes with a separate hang strap and bag clip for easy hanging for maximum convenience. It's built tough, with a durable 3-dimensional film reservoir with RF-welded seams and a 1,000-denier flat base that resists wear-and-

The sediment trap in bottom of bag and the filter are easily cleaned on the fly, no tools required.

MSR believes that better, safer, more reliable equipment is the key to unlocking greater adventures.

A close-knit team at the company is still "obsessed" with designing the most reliable, high-performance gear possible, using knowledge of engineering and science to find better solutions to the challenges of the mountains.

"At MSR, we are engineers, tinkerers and passionate outdoor users - each with strong perspectives on how a product should work based on our own experiences in the wild places we love. But collectively, we believe that innovative solutions are bred by challenging convention, and that functionality, simplicity and reliability are the governing elements of enduring design."

You can't go wrong with this unit and pecially when spending a lot of time it's reasonably priced. Also consider it for everyday use in your cottage. Most Clean drinking water isn't always at cottages use lake-fed water, and if you ou fingertips, when camping, hiking hang this in your kitchen, you have constant access to clean water.

> For more, visit https://www.msrgear. com/ca/water-treatment/filters-and-pu-

> GravityWorks by Platypus is another great contender that offers many sizes to meet every need.

> Their water filter systems come in two main sizes - 2 and 4-litre reservoirs. It also meets the guideline of removing 99.9% of contaminants.

> For the Platypus, there's a "dirty" bag and clean one so you never interchange them by accident.

> This is also an ultralight and versatile water filter that makes it easy to treat water for 2-4 people on camping, hiking, and adventure treks. The pump-free GravityWorks 2.0L Complete Kit filters up to 1.5 litres per minute. Plus, it comes with a complete range of adapters, and a high-capacity collapsible bottle, for easy tailoring of the system to meet different needs on different trips.

> Hundreds of tiny, hollow fibers, enable the microfilter to filter water faster than traditional filter media.

> Collecting water is easy – simply open the top, scoop water, and close; control delivery of filtered water with a hose shutoff clamp. No pumping, just fill the dirty reservoir, hang it, and let gravity do the hard work.

> For over 20 years, Platypus has made water bottles and hydration solutions for everyday hydration needs from the city to the trail.

"We are water geeks, laboratory technicians, researchers, designers, managers, directors, worker bees, and people with useful degrees ... and we also like to ride, hike, run, paddle, climb, rip, rail and try to enjoy every sip of adventure we can get."

The company also gives back and supports organizations like IMBA, Evergreen MTB, and the PCTA. They also get out and do trail work themselves.

For more, visit https://www.platy. com/ca/filtration

With either of these units, you're guaranteed fresh, clean water, where and when you need it most.

OFATV calls for consistent trail access

The Ontario Federation of All-Terrain Vehicle (OFATV) Clubs, a federation of 25 ATV clubs in Ontario, is committed to ensuring safe, legal, and sustainable trails across the province. OFATV advocates for the rights of ATV riders and strives to establish a consistent provincial platform for trail access.

With the growing ATV industry in Ontario, the need for a unified trail system has become increasingly apparent to address confusion among riders and municipalities.

Currently, Ontario boasts over 600,000 insured ATV vehicles. However, the lack of a standardized provincial platform for riders to access trails has led to persistent confusion. In response, the OFATV is open to exploring the possibilities of implementing a one-trail pass system, and is eager to collaborate with non-federation clubs, municipalities, provincial politicians, and other stakeholders to develop a sustainable trail platform that meets the needs of all riders.

"Our aim is to create a future for the growing ORV riding industry in Ontario while maintaining its unique characteristics, not merely replicating the OFSC model," said OFATV Executive Director, Shari Black. "Trail connectivity is our primary goal as we strive for the industry's prosperity and success in Ontario."

While the exact framework for a one-trail permit system is yet to be determined, the OFATV advocates for a single permit trail system across the province. This would enable ORV riders to access organized trails with just one permit, simplifying the process and minimizing confusion. Implementing a one-trail system would bring clarity to the ever-evolving ORV industry in Ontario. By minimizing confusion and enabling riders to access any trail with a single pass, this unified approach will revolutionize the trail experience for all ATV enthusiasts.

To learn more about the initiative and show support for growing and strengthening the trail system in Ontario for ATV riders, visit www.onetrail.ca to contact your local MPP.



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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church By Linda Blydorp

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

Our Pastor, Jeff Loach, will be sharing a message from Hosea 8. 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 or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m., or on demand at youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton.

Waterworks Park Vacation Bible School will be held from through July 28, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. each day. Through the "rides, shows, and attractions" at this fun-tastic water park, kids ride the wave of God's love, learning how much God loves them and how exciting it is to be loved by God. Children ages 4 to 12 are invited to splish-splash into God's Word and join the thrills and spills of this summer's Bible Fun Camp. If you haven't yet registered and are thinking of doing so, please contact kidmin@stpaulsnobleton.ca as soon as possible.

St. Paul's continues to look for God's choice for our part-time Pastoral Musician position. If you love Jesus, play piano and can lead a praise team and a congregation in worship, we'd like to hear from you! Send your résumé to jeff@stpaulsnobleton.ca.

Is there something we could pray about for you? Our "Drive-Thru" prayer event is up and running again. Just drive on in and you will be directed to someone whose honour it would be to pray for you. You don't even get out of your car for this one. Our next "Drive-Thru" prayer event will take place Wednesday, July 26 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

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

St. Mary's Church

We trust everyone enjoyed the Fami-

ly BBQ and Picnic.

If you are away from our parish during the summer months, there are over 200 parishes in the GTA ready to welcome you for the celebration of the Holy Mass. Click the following link for a parish nearest you:

https://www.archtoronto.org/en/ contact-us/find-a-parish/

The Parish Office will remain open from Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Parish Office will remain open from Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4:30

Browse our websites:

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

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

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

Please note, the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession is available from Tuesday to Friday before the 9 a.m. Holy Mass at St. Patrick's Parish and on Saturdays between 4 and 4:45 p.m. at St. Mary's Mission Church.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession is also available on the First Friday of the month at St. Patrick's Parish after the 9 a.m. Holy Mass and at St. Mary's Mission after the 7 p.m. Holy Mass (Sept. - June) during Holy Hour -Eucharistic Adoration.

You will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers, Rosary and Holy Mass Intentions, especially for those in our community who are sick or homebound.

Nobleton Seniors By Joanne Bailey

We welcome all seniors to the Nobleton Arena to participate in meaningful activities, create new friendships and to share ideas. We are located at 15 Old King Rd.

Please note there are some location changes for the summer.

Our current summer schedule for July to August 2023 is as follows:

Monday: Outdoor Bocce, 10 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. (weather permitting).

Tuesday: Mobility Matters, 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church (5750 King Rd.).

Wednesday: Walking Group at Tasca Park at 10 a.m.

Friday: Mobility Matters, 1 p.m. to

Church.

We are currently seeking more volunteers for our Nobleton group. If interested please contact Joanne Bailey at 416-706-9375 or email Erin Burford, Coordinator of Recreation Programs at: eburford@king.ca

Be sure to visit the website king.ca/ seniors for more information on programs, workshops, and senior memberships.

Nobleton and King City Garden Club

Updated List of 2023 Dates and Speakers: The 2023 meeting dates and speakers are as follows:

• Tuesday, August 15: Member Event, Walk & Workshop at Cold Creek.

 Monday, September 25: 'Everything You Wanted To Know About Succulents and More!' with Molly Shannon.

• Monday, October 23: 'Indigenous Foods and Medicine' with Jordan Jamieson.

• Monday, November 27: Annual General Meeting, including a workshop on 'Creating Beautiful Evergreen Arrangements' with Barbara Downey.

Nobleton Lions

The Club is most grateful to the community for its ongoing support, and, in turn, fully intends to pay back that support over the next year.

The Club has no formal meetings planned over the course of the summer. but we still welcome prospective new members. You may join us as a guest at a future meeting by contacting Lion Andrew at andrew.bevil@sanofi.com We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month from Sept to June at the Community Hall, just north of the arena.

Horticulture By John Arnott

Most of us with a non-farming background see wheat as a grain that's sown in spring and harvested in late summer into early fall. But what then is this winter wheat stuff? Well wheat sown in mid fall to germinate into young plants that stay in the vegetative stage during the winter when they get a stretch of cold weather then resume growing in early spring and are harvested at this time of year about sums up winter wheat. In Ukraine, where winter wheat already in storage is being destroyed

1:45 p.m. at St. Paul's Presbyterian by the continuing war and in much of Europe including Britain, this wheat is now being harvested.

For many centuries the Celts of Europe counted on this summer harvest to see them through remainder of the vear. This tradition and need went with them when they expanded from their original central European homeland to take over much of the continent including the British Isles.

Their chief god Lugh the sun god was credited with the yearly miracle of wheat. They believed he sent his son to earth in the form of the wheat seed which when planted lived to sprout, grow and then sustain his people by dying and giving up the wheat kernels which were made into life sustaining food.

Once the wheat was harvested and safely in barns it was time for celebration but first in each community fresh baked loaves of bread were brought to the village Druid priest to be blessed and each family would take its loaf home, break it in 4 pieces and place 1 piece in each of the 4 corners of their barn to thank Lugh and thus ensure a good next year's harvest. Baked loaves were also given out to the elderly.

When Christianity became widespread, especially in the British Isles, church leaders didn't try to get rid of this old custom but wisely gave it a Christian concept and called it the Mass of the l Loaves or Loaf-mas which in turn was slurred into Llamas when as before baskets of loaves made from the newly harvested wheat were placed at the altar and after being blessed were given out to the elderly and poor. No doubt some loaves were broken and found their way into corners of barns old habits die hard!

In Europe as urbanization developed more and more long standing rural observances began to die out and Loafmas had almost been forgotten by the time Europeans began to colonize the Americas thus Llamas always observed August 1st never made it across the pond.

But wait minute, don't we have a holiday long weekend at the beginning of August? Is there a Llamas connection here? Should Christians get baking?













BUT HE DOES!

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He took what he could from there and ventured to Scotland, Cornwall, and ultimately to Krefeld, Germany, working in the same brewery that had belonged to his ancestors. He came home to Canada for Hockley.

You could call it dumb, but we call it destiny.

Andrew Kohnen





King's Corners

King City United By Sheryl Sinka

Worship and Sunday School at KCUC is suspended during the month of July and both our ministers will be taking their vacation time. On Aug. 6 we will resume worship on a rotating basis with our Collaboration Partners: York Pines United Church and New Hope United Church. The first service back on August 6 will be at York Pines United Church in Kettleby at 10 a.m. We will worship at New Hope United in Vaughan on Aug. 13. Sunday school will resume on September 10.

We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer and hope to see you in person in August.

Weekly recordings have discontinued now that we have returned to in-person worship. All are welcome to join with us when we resume our worship in August at 10 a.m. with refreshments after the worship.

For the PDF of past messages and recordings please visit our website at kcuc.net

We continue to 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 donations 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. Pastor Mark is speaking on The Life of Joseph. We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and You Tube.

While Pastor Mark is enjoying some much deserved holiday time this summer we will have variety of wonderful speakers joining us.

July 30 - Peter Blundell. August 6 – Teen Challenge Women's Ministry

We are doing a Vacation Bible School this summer! Please join us for Hero Hotline from August 14 to 18, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Details can be found on our website. Please visit our website for links and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com

King City Seniors By Carolyn Kanitz

KCSC is planning to hold a fashion show at the end of September. Have you checked your closet for that special or unique piece of clothing that has not been admired for a while? Would you be willing to model it for the show? We have several pieces of women's clothing for which we require models. We are looking for a couple of size 10-12 as well as six size 14 and about 5'6' or taller as the garments are floor length. If you would like to take part, please contact KCSC at 905-833-6565 to indicate your interest or for further information.

Don't forget that on Wednesday afternoons from 1 p.m. during the summer, the Centre will be open for bridge, board games or just visiting.

Monday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m. – Mobility Matters.

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

Wednesday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Mobility Matters; 1 p.m. – Bridge/ Board Games.

1 p.m. – Carpet Bowling.

Friday: 9:30 a.m. - Art Class (2nd & 4th of the month unless otherwise noted); 1 p.m. – Euchre.

Looking ahead, KCSC will be hosting a Retirement Residence Fair on Friday, October 27 at the Centre. If you think that a Retirement Residence might in your future, this will be an opportunity to research the many places available in our area in one convenient place.

You may contact KCSC at 905-833-6565 or kingcity.seniors@gmail.com or visit the website at kingcityseniors.ca

Sacred Heart Church

Call out to all those who can help: The reserves of the King Township Food Bank has run very low and our help is needed to replenish non-perishable items. Parishioners can drop off items in the blue bin at the entrance of the Parish Hall. See the recommended food list and drop off sites at https:// ktfb.ca/donate-food. If you wish to make a monetary donation, contact at ktfoodbank@gmail.com or call 905-806-1125.

Pope Francis has named 21 new Cardinals, one of whom is Bishop Robert Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - Gentle Motion; Francis Prevost, an Augustinian missionary serving in Peru.

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He will replace Cardinal Marc Ouellet as prefect and president of the Pontifical Commission for Latin America. Search Vatican News for the latest updates www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city.html .

This past Sunday was 3rd World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly Day for the Catholic Church "... highlighting the importance of forging new bonds between generations to build a more fraternal world ... to help treasure the spiritual and human wealth that has been handed down from generation to generation." It occurs in late July, either on or near the dates of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Pray for all our seniors.

Reminder that the Chaplet to St. Michael begins Wednesday, Aug. 2 at 6 p.m. followed by Mass.

Please Note the Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament scheduled for Sept. 17 has been cancelled due to a shortage of Volunteers.

See our Parish on Facebook, Sacred Heart Parish King City or Instagram, Sacred Hear Parish King City or our website, sacredheartki.archtoronto. org. Rectory Office call 905-833-1161.

Moraine Quilt Guild

The Moraine Quilt Guild meets Wednesday, Aug. 2 from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Join us for a Summer Social Sew. Located in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; enter from the south parking lot through the south east door. Come for the day or for however long you'd like to sew and socialize. Members and guests \$5. For more information visit www.morainequiltguild.wordpress.

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, King City welcomes you to our Sunday morning worship at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Brian Robinson from Tottenham will be with us again this Sunday, July 30.

Alison Agnew was with us last Sunday, continuing her series on Elisha from II Kings 2. "It needs salt" was the theme of her message. Why salt? The new covenant, meaning of "salt of the earth" and the importance of allowing the Lord to work through His people through faith in Him.

Our website is standrews-kingcity.ca where previous services are posted.

Join us for our summer events. Tuesdays at Two Prayer Time started last Tuesday, from 2-3 p.m. at the church. We pray for our families, congregation, and the community. Freezie Fridays started last Friday at St. Andrew's Park. What a perfect day it was! There will be two more Freezie Fridays in August: August 4th and August 18. Come and meet the neighbours and enjoy a free freezie! For folks who will be away on Sundays, two summer gatherings are planned for mid-week.

Dessert Night at the Pattersons is this Wednesday, July 26 at 7 p.m. and A Backyard BBQ at the Manse is Wednesday, August 23 at 5:30 p.m. Contact Alison at the church (905-833-2325) to find out more or if you need a ride.

Need someone to pray with, in confidence? Give us a call.

For pastoral care, please leave a message at the church at 905-833-2325 for Alison Agnew, call one of the Elders or call our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Jonathan Dennis (1-905-724-1979).

All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

Worship services continue in the receive God's love."

chapel Sundays at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. All Are welcome to receive the Eucharist at either service.

Sower of Seeds – A sermon by Rev. Erin Martin on the parable of the sower in the Gospel of Matthew 13.

"In that sermon I talked about how many of the seeds God throws perish and are lost because they require the good soil of faith and love and openness to receiving God's word because without those things, God's seeds can't grow properly in us.

"But, when we've prepared the soil of our hearts; when we've opened ourselves to hear God, see God and feel God working and when we're prepared to join in what God's doing in the world, then and only then will those seeds produce a bumper crop.

"When I'd finished preaching that sermon, I realized that God wasn't asking me to take extra classes, or read more books, or practice my liturgical hand gestures ... God just wanted to work in me, with me, and through me. And if God was with me – I would be ready for whatever came my way in ministry and in life.

"Twenty years later I've learned that it's important to prepare ourselves to receive God's love"

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The Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

Well, it finally arrived this past Saturday. The Main Street was closed, and the event of the summer was held in Schomberg. Main Street partnered with the "Four Seasons Market" to host a pop-up market and from all accounts it was a huge success.

I headed down early and it was steady from the start, several vendors all set up from the Post Office down to Dr. Kay. Lots to look at and purchase and all our local stores had tables set up. It was the perfect opportunity if you're organized and could do some early Christmas shopping, but sadly, I'm not one of those people. I did purchase a macramé purse for my upcoming trip to New York and some hot sauce for my Husband, which I guess could be a stocking stuffer. Maybe I am one of those organized people after all.

Lots of food and entertainment as well, so it was easy to stay for most of the afternoon, which I was happy to do. The band was fabulous and what a voice on the young lady performing in front of the new store "Conscious Find," incredible. The store owners took the opportunity to celebrate their grand opening with our Mayor Steve Pellegrini and members of the King Chamber of Commerce. Congratulations and much success!

The patios down Main were hopping as well, filled with many out-of-towners who'd made the trip to check out our little village. Nice to see our village attracting tourists, and small businesses getting much deserved boosts.

The piano paint project seemed to attract lots of wannabe artists – I would have gone myself and made my mark, but my dog wasn't being very cooperative. Last I saw it was coming along nicely. I'm sure the finished product is wonderful and will serve as aa reminder of how much our community pulls together to get things done.

Lisa Cole, our very own "Paint Lady," had her own project going on upstairs at the community hall, a community painting which will be auctioned off with proceeds going to Matthews House, a wonderful local hospice in Alliston, that has helped so many. Lisa had over 50 painters, ranging in age from 3 to 83 and is grateful to Katie from "Heart in Home" for all her help organizing the

auction and the painting is hanging on Main Street at her store. You can bid online www.32auctions.com/communitypaintexperience

All in all, a great day in Schomberg in my book, and I'll say what I heard many others saying "hope they do this again!" Congratulations to "Main Street Schomberg" and "Four Seasons Market" for a successful event and a job well done.

Our very own King Food Bank has been serving the people of King for many years, and this year their one and only event that helps them help others Sip and Savour is a Moroccan inspired theme Yalla Casablanca which takes place in October at the "Sultan's Palace" at Seneca College. Tickets go on sale soon so stay tuned. It's always a wonderful event that includes a silent auction both on site and online. They are looking to find local businesses willing to donate items for the auction and are asking for gifts that retail around \$100. If you would like to donate, please reach out by email to KTFBsipandsavour@gmail.com

Cold Creek Disc Golf Course has opened so go check out the 18-hole disc golf course and give it a try, it's free for all. Cold Creek is open from 8:30 a.m.

until 4:30 p.m. For more information check out coldcreek.ca

The 55+ Group is taking a break for the summer so the next meeting will be at the Schomberg Community Hall, Sept. 7 at 10:30. Cost to join for King residents is \$15 single or a couple (two people residing at the same address) \$20, non-residents \$20 single and \$30 for a couple. These fees are annual not monthly.

Euchre night is Thursday nights from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Curling Club at Trisan. It's \$10 per night or \$20 a month. Everyone is welcome to join but be prepared to laugh a lot and meet some great people. Last week we got a good number of people out despite the heavy storm. At one point we thought we might have to take cover, but apparently some had great hands, so they didn't want to take the chance on not being able to call trump. Yes, it's true what you've heard, we're a dedicated group, but also a lot

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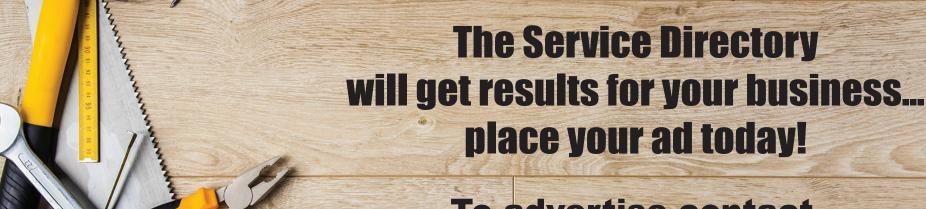
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Nobleton and Schomberg United Churches

By Earle Laycock

For those who attended our July Senior's Luncheon, you will know that the guest speaker and historian, Lianne Harris, gave an outstanding peek into Canadian history. Lianne said that there is official history, written by those in power, and then the "real" history of the people. Have you heard about the "King's Daughters?" An interesting topic you probably were not taught in history class.

Join us for next free Senior's Luncheon on Tuesday, Aug. 15 at 11:30 a.m. (arrive by 11:15 a.m.) at St. Mary Magdalene Church, lower level, 116 Church St., Schomberg. Back by popular demand, our entertainment will be the 4-string Uke Band. We will be taking advantage of local produce and having zucchini lasagna, corn on the cob (if available), caesar salad, Italian bread and butter, peach crisp and ice cream for dessert. Please let Sheila Kelly (905-939-2315) know if you are interested in attending. Space is limited. If you prefer, the meal can be delivered in the afternoon in time for dinner. Although

the meal and entertainment are free, we do appreciate any donations you are able to make.

Pastor Richard Gardner, our worship leader, arrived safely by car in Nova Scotia and is continuing his studies at the Atlantic School of Theology.

There are no Sunday services until September at either Schomberg or Nobleton United Churches.

We invite you to our Wednesday hymn sing-alongs with supper, which will resume after Pastor Richard returns in August. Until then, we encourage you to worship with other churches in our area. Dates for the next Wednesday singalong and supper are: August 16, 23, and 30 at 5:30 p.m. at Nobleton United, 6076 King Rd. Nobleton. Let me know if you need a ride. We would be happy to pick you up. (Contact information: Earle 905-859-9077 or ve3xel@yahoo.ca). The main course will be supplied. Please bring a salad or a dessert if you are able.

Tears and laughter filled Schomberg United Church this past week as a celebration of life for Peter Tushingham was held. Just days before his passing, Peter played his guitar and sang a song for his young granddaughter. Captured on video and shared with those attending, the moment would melt your heart.

Please hold Peter's family in prayer. We congratulate Joan and Bob Teath-

er on their 60th wedding anniversary. Did you know that a few of the women with Nobleton United Church get together every week to make baby quilts

that are hand stitched with love? These make great gifts for a new child, grand-

child or great-grandchild, or nieces or nephews! They are only \$85. If you are interested in purchasing one or finding out more, please call the office at 905-859-3976. Proceeds go towards the ministry of the church.

May you be surrounded by God's caring love until we gather once again.



Support for seniors association

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, attended the 35th anniversary celebration for the Maple Pioneer Italian Seniors Association. Lecce presented a commemorative scroll from Premier Doug Ford, and another from himself to Maria-Eva Cristante, who is celebrating her 20th year as association president. Also on hand was King-Vaughan MP Anna Roberts.



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