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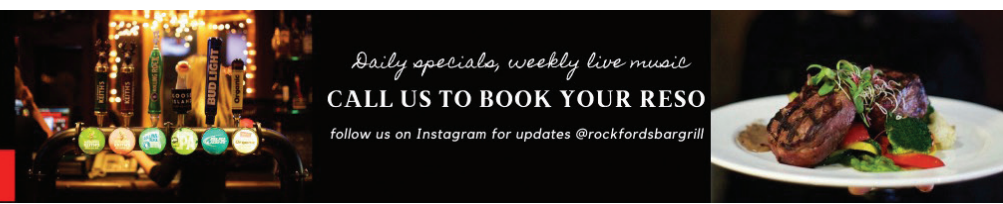
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To move or demolish – the future of Nobleton Library

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

The public is encouraged to provide input on the future of the Nobleton Library.

King councillors are anxious to move ahead on either relocating the building, or demolishing it, but they first want to solicit ideas as to what should be done with this building.

Staff presented councillors with the redevelopment of the Nobleton Lions Community Park. Along with looking at neighboring properties, part of the proposal includes designating the library property as surplus. Staff want to move ahead on the project with design on key elements, and finalizing land negotiations.

While the park, at 19 Old King Road, is the centre of the plan, dealing with the library property is part of the overall, big picture.

There have been many suggestions for the community

park, including a pool, amphitheatre, skating rink, soccer pitches, a dog park, and even beach volleyball facility.

The survey revealed a new, more modern library and staff recommend relocating it to the park "campus."

The Township is looking at acquiring and disposing of parcels on Highway 27 and Old King Road.

Due to the size and scope of the project, staff note it will be a three-phase undertaking, taking us through 2028.

It will also be an expensive project, too. Building a new library is estimated at \$14.5 million, while moving the Nobleton Hall is pegged at \$500,000. Soccer pitches and a pickleball court are estimated to cost a total of \$950,000 and a wading pool/skating rink comes in at \$2 million.

The total cost – \$19.45 million – will be offset by DCs, municipal capital facilities agreements, and almost \$8 million in the sale of lands.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Monday, Oct. 30
6 p.m. – Council
In-person at the King Township Municipal Centre at 2585 King Rd and live streamed at king.ca/meetings

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Thursday, Nov. 2
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 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting.

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

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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REMINDERS

SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM

We are now accepting applications for our Senior Snow Removal Program.

The deadline to be added to the Senior Snow Removal Program will be November 1st, 2023.

To see if you qualify, please visit the link below.

KING.CA/SNOWREMOVAL

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF UPCOMING BUDGET MEETINGS 2024 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS AND OUTLOOK FOR 2025-2026

The 2024 Operating and Capital Budget Book will be available at www.king.ca/budget as of Wednesday, November 1, 2023.

In-person Open House

Wednesday, November 15, 2023 - 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Proposed – 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets and Outlook for 2025-2026. This will include any changes to the 2024 Fees and Charges By-law.

The Township of King's Proposed 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets will be available for review in-person at the November 15, 2023, Open House. Have your chance to review the budget, have your say, and ask questions of staff.

Council Meeting

Monday, November 27, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

Proposed – 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets and Outlook for 2025-2026. This will include any changes to the 2024 Fees and Charges By-law. (Consideration of Budget By-law for Adoption, Monday, December 11, 2023)

The Township of King's Proposed 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets will be tabled for consideration at the November 27, 2023, Council Meeting and will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, December 11, 2023, Council Meeting.

This will include any changes to the 2024 Fees and Charges By-law.

Council Meeting

Monday, December 11, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

2024 Operating and Capital Budgets and Outlook for 2025-2026 (Consideration of Budget By-law for Adoption, Monday, December 11, 2023)

The Township of King's 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets and Outlook for 2025-2026 will be tabled for consideration and adoption at the December 11, 2023, Council Meeting. This will include any changes to the 2024 Fees and Charges By-law. The Budget staff report will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, December 7, 2023.

(Note: Budget adoption may be deferred to the January 2024, Council meeting at the discretion of Council, if required)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

1. Watch the Council meeting virtually at <https://king.ca/meetings> on the day of the meeting. **NO** pre-registration is required.
2. Speak to Council in-person, virtually (through a computer or app) or by phone during the meeting by pre-registering with the Clerks Division at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Please visit www.king.ca/budget or contact Peggy Tollett, Director of Finance and Treasurer by email at ptollett@king.ca for further information regarding the 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets.

Dated: October 17, 2023
Denny Timm
Township Clerk

NOTICE OF UPCOMING BUDGET MEETINGS 2024 WATER & WASTEWATER RATES BY-LAW

Presentation of 2024 Water & Wastewater Rates and Consideration of By-law for Adoption

Monday, November 13, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

The Township of King 2024 Water and Wastewater Rates Report will be presented at the November 13, 2023, Council Meeting. The By-law will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, November 13, 2023, Council Meeting. The 2024 Water & Wastewater Rates information will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, November 9, 2023.

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For further information please visit the Township's website at www.king.ca or contact:

Peggy Tollett
Director of Finance and Treasurer
ptollett@king.ca
Dated: October 17, 2023
Denny Timm
Township Clerk

KING REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES IN KING AND SURROUNDING AREAS

SCHOMBERG SERVICE Trisan Centre 25 Dillane Drive Saturday, November 11th, 2023 10:30 am	BOLTON SERVICE Bolton Cenotaph Centennial Drive (Laurel Hill Cemetery) Sunday, November 5th, 2023 12:30 pm
AURORA SERVICE Aurora Cenotaph 14659 Yonge Street Saturday, November 11th, 2023 10:45 am	KETTLEBY SERVICE Kettleby Cemetery 631 Kettleby Road Sunday, November 5th, 2023 10:45 am

All Canadians should proudly pause on Remembrance Day to express a heartfelt thanks to the Veterans of our land who sacrificed their lives.
Mayor & Council

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MPPs lead ground-breaking for LTC at Mary Lake

By Jim Stewart

Provincial government officials and local dignitaries announced at a ground-breaking ceremony in King City on Friday morning that construction of St. Rita at Mary Lake – a \$60 million 160-bed Long Term Care facility – would be funded by the Province of Ontario. The event featured public addresses by Stephen Lecce (MPP—King Vaughan) and Stan Cho, Minister of Long Term Care.

Prior to introducing MPP Lecce and MPP Cho, Board Member of the Augustinian Fathers Quinto Annibale noted the need for the retirement residence in King Township and its long-term attributes: “We hope that it will benefit generations to come. It shows how powerful the commitment is at Mary Lake to seniors’ health care.”

Annibale also pointed out the necessity for such a facility in King: “The need for long term care beds in King is critical – King Township maintains one of the lowest ratios of long-term care beds to residents in the GTA.”

After Annibale set the press conference in motion, he invited MPP Lecce to address the gathering. Lecce spoke fervently about addressing the shortage of long term care beds in King and the need to provide seniors with a quality care setting: “Families in King have not had equal access to public infrastructure. Aging parents in our Township have not had access to quality retirement residences. We want to make life better for the greatest generation.” Lecce added that “this is a legacy project that will provide 160 beds in the centre of King Township that will be completed in 2025. Governments must step up to support seniors.”

Lecce spoke personally about his own relatives, especially his parents, who have given so much of themselves and deserve dignity and care in exchange for all the sacrifices they have made for their children and grandchildren.

He transitioned from his poignant familial anecdotes to the introduction of his “dear friend Stan Cho” – the Minister of Long Term Care whose connection on stage with Lecce was evident. The colleagues traded warm insights into Italian culture, Korean culture, and their shared immigrant experience. Cho commended Lecce for his diligent lobbying to get St. Rita at Mary Lake built to serve his constituents: “This project doesn’t happen without the advocacy of Stephen Lecce.” Minister Cho demonstrated his connection to Italo-Canadian culture having grown up in a predominantly Italian neighborhood and offered insights into

the province’s significant emphasis on constructing long term care facilities across Ontario: “You take care of those who took care of you. We have an aging population and we have seniors moving into every corner of the province. We are creating homes, not just beds, for seniors because the waiting lists for these homes have become unacceptable.”

Cho elaborated on some of the specific levels of care that residents in long term care homes in Ontario can expect: “4 hours of daily care for each resident. 27,000 PSWs to be hired to create quality of life for our parents and grandparents.” As he closed his address, Cho noted that LTC capacity in King will grow from 36 beds to 160” and he ended emphatically with “Let’s get this built.”

The ground-breaking crew reassembled outside for the groundbreaking photo op with MPP Lecce and MPP Cho in the centre of the silver shovel brigade.

After the soil was tossed and historical photos were taken, Lecce reflected on the best part of the ceremony: “Knowing that by 2025 this facility will be open and providing our seniors with dignity and quality care in a beautiful picturesque setting is very satisfying. I’ll continue to fight for our seniors and their families. It gives me a great sense of hope and comfort that our seniors will have proximity to their families at beautiful Mary Lake.”

As noted in the provincial government’s media release: “The new 160-bed home is being built on the 800-acre Shrine of Our Lady of Grace property that also encompasses a monastery, retreat centre, a Catholic shrine and the world’s largest rosary path. The home is expected to welcome its first residents in late 2025 and will feature design improvements, including larger resident common areas and air conditioning throughout the home. The design is centred around five ‘resident home areas,’ each of which creates a more intimate and familiar living space for up to 32 residents, with dining and activity areas, lounges and bedrooms.

“Once completed, the home also intends to offer enhanced chronic disease management programs and palliative care services, and will be part of a campus of care. This helps integrate the long-term care home into the broader health care system and ensures residents can conveniently connect to the care they need. Spiritual support for residents and families will be provided by the monastery’s Augustinian Fathers — additionally, the home has proposed to offer culturally appropriate services to the Italian community.”



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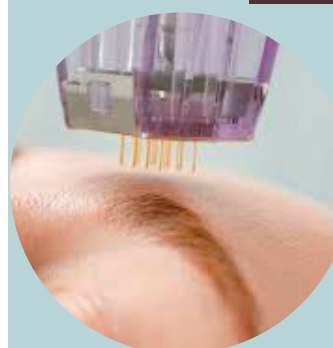
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Inventions cause us a multitude of frustrations

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If you think about it, almost all of the frustrating gizmos, contraptions, machines and items have inherent weaknesses. They are prone to failure, just like us.

We modern-day consumers believe that when we plunk down our money on a new gizmo, it should serve us for years to come.

Alas, feeble humans, we are doomed by our own creations.

The greatest gift of all to humankind is the "internet of things." This amazing, invisible system allows us to connect, contact, send and receive images, buy things and organize our finances.

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One would think that our financial institutions would utilize the best of the best in terms of IT and computer systems. And yet, nothing is perfect.

Since my wife introduced me to online banking a couple of years ago, I just love the convenience. Even depositing cheques on my smart phone into my account is fantastic.

And yet, I find that when I do my regular banking and pay bills, it takes longer than I expect. The process is lightning fast, but the recipients wait several days before getting their money. I thought once you hit a button, the transaction zooms across the internet, right to the recipient, and voila. It works that way when sending an e-transfer, so why does it take days for utilities and credit card companies to get the message?



Mark Pavilons

But boy are they quick to send you a note or give you an automated call when you own them a few bucks!

And of course, this only works when you have electricity and a strong internet connection. Lose either and we're back to the stone age!

We've done away with those folding maps and hand-written directions, relying on Google Maps, even Siri. And yet, this wonderful, automated voice does steer you wrong from time to time. She (or he) will take you on some fantastic journeys to your destination, some of which incur the 407 toll road and even some drive-thru restaurants! I have gone in circles listening to her voice. Be careful what you wish for, and when

in doubt, ask for directions or look up another source when venturing into the unknown.

Oh, and our attention-grabbing smart phones, where would we be without them? My two-month old iPhone 14 has some glitches, so off to the geniuses we went. They changed the guts, to the tune of \$700, but luckily we had the care package. But after more than a decade perfecting this device, how could it fail? I can't imagine if I had to pay for the repair. Just how much does an iPhone change from model to model?

I would hope that when I plunk down a couple thousand dollars for a refrigerator or washer/dryer combo, they would last.

Picture my index finger briskly wagging side to side.

Most of us remember our parents having the harvest gold or almond coloured appliances that seemingly lasted decades. They did!

And yet our super-smart machines, which you can access from that aforementioned smart phone, make all kinds of noises with their fancy flashing lights. But durable? Not at all.

A couple of years back we had a repairman come to our house to look at our two-year-old fridge. The new ones have a large circuit board that operates everything. If it goes, they recommend you simply toss the unit and buy a new one.

What? Why would engineers of these major companies design something so fragile, that it becomes useless when one part fails?

Often it seems like we're caught between a rock and a hard place. Our automobiles are basically com-

puters on wheels and repairs can no longer be done in the garage with a wrench. The on-board computer can tell you exactly what's wrong with your car, and doesn't care about your inconvenience or financial situation.

"Take that, tiny humans," our cars shout behind our backs.

As a cheese lover, I often turn to the processed slices when nothing else is in the fridge. After decades serving the public, you would think someone would have found a better way to package the slices. It's annoying, often impossible, to open the packaging. This is a bane to my existence. Not only are bits left behind, tightly gripped by the plastic wrap, but the process hurts my brain.

Does anyone know why ketchup builds up on the lid/spout of the bottle? We've been putting up with this for decades. It's about time we stand up and demand justice for ketchup users everywhere!

On the flip side, twist ties and plastic sandwich bags are great, and have a multitude of uses.

My late father was a bit clumsy when it came to modern annoyances. There were times when cream shot straight up in the air when he attempted to open one of those tiny tubs. I don't think he ever understood the engineering behind these things.

And when it came to milk cartons, look out! How many of us struggle trying to pry open the spout, and even resort to doing it on the other side? Thank Heaven for those round plastic spouts.

So, my friends, while we can indeed "build a better mousetrap," some things remain unchanged, and test our patience. Good luck folks!

Letter to the Editor

Please attend 'Briefings' this Sunday

Please come to Laskay Hall this Sunday, Oct. 29 for the first annual Beharriell Briefings from 4 to 5:30 p.m. It is a free event open to everyone and all ages. You can present a brief or not, but do come to enjoy the show.

The "brief challenge" is to explain in three to five minutes how a solution (or solutions) would help solve one of four problems, namely: less people are volunteering; biodiversity loss is too fast; Indigenous Peoples, their wisdom, and cultures, are not being respected enough in King; King lacks cooperation and collaboration to reduce and eliminate fossil fuel use.

Those who wish to present a brief, please let us know by emailing thebeharriellbriefings@gmail.com or call Ann Raney at 416-825-4275. We look forward to hearing from you. There will be a projector set up if images are needed and a microphone to use.

The Beharriell Briefings is not a competition but a solution showcase for all ideas, big and small. It's inspired by the life of Susan Beharriell, Lt Col (Ret'd), who died last December. In her career, Susan was a leader and an excellent communicator. In her retirement, she worked passionately alongside many of us in the community of King, and beyond. Susan was prepared, encouraged others, and was grateful for cooperation. A lifelong learner, she wanted to help solve problems.

It will be an enjoyable event with interludes sprinkled throughout including a special presentation by Jane Beharriell, Susan's sister. The goal is to have an open and welcoming place for people to share their problem-solving ideas. We hope it will catch on!

King Weekly Sentinel editor Mark Pavilons will print some briefs, with the permission of the author.

Susan's self proclaimed motto was, "Nothing ventured, nothing gained." So give it a try or just come and listen to the Inaugural 2023 Beharriell Briefing at 4 p.m. this Sunday (Oct. 29) at Laskay Hall (2920 King Rd, just west of Jane St).

Ann Raney
Kerstin Wyndham-West
Jane Beharriell
Mark Pavilons



Quote of the Week

"There is no doubt that creativity is the most important human resource of all."

Edward De Bono Via

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Results from last week's poll:

Will you be spending more or less on Halloween treats and decorations this year?

a) More **93%**

b) Less **7%**

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

With 'Movember' on the horizon, do you know someone who has been touched by cancer?

a) More
b) Less

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Who's looking out for our small businesses?

By Frank Stronach

Earlier this year, one of the co-founders of Home Depot – the world's largest home improvement retailer – publicly stated that if he were to start his company all over again in today's stifling business environment, he doubts whether it could have ever grown any bigger than around 15 stores versus the more than 2,300 stores the chain operates today.

He makes a valid point. With all the chains we put on small business – everything from needless regulations to countless permits and licenses and endless forms that need to be filled out – it's a wonder most businesses stay open.

Here's why every Canadian should be concerned: according to a Statistics Canada survey published last year, most jobs in Canada don't come from big corporations – they are created by

The Principles of an Economic Charter of Rights

small businesses, which employ nearly two-thirds of Canada's labour force.

In other words, when it comes to job creation, small business matters.

So, the question is: if small business is so critical to job creation and employment in Canada, why don't we pay more attention to this country's small business sector?

With so much of Canada's economic prosperity riding on the success of our small businesses, it's puzzling that politicians don't focus more time and effort on removing obstacles for small business so they can thrive and hire even more people.

It makes you wonder: who's looking

out for small business?

Owning and operating a business comes with a lot of struggle and sacrifice. The financial rewards for starting a business should be large enough to compensate for the effort, otherwise who would trade in the security of a salaried job, give up countless weekends and holidays, and put their personal assets and savings on the line just to open a small business?

I've never forgotten what it's like to own and operate a small business. When I started my business, I worked 16 hours a day, seven days a week. I was out hustling every day trying to drum up new clients, working in the tool shop, and taking care of the books. And when all that was done, I swept the floor.

In the years that followed, my business grew in size and sales. So did many others just like mine. But we had far fewer regulations and restrictions impeding our growth, and taxes were lower. We need to re-create those conditions so small business can flourish.

An economic charter of rights would allow us to do that. The charter would include measures to eliminate many of the regulatory shackles holding small business back. And it would remove the income tax on any small business with 300 or fewer employees.

Removing the taxes and red tape hindering the success of Canada's small businesses would unleash the kind of economic growth our country hasn't seen in decades.

For that to happen, small businesses throughout the country must unite and



band together to push for the principles contained in an economic charter of rights.

If any business association wants to learn more about the proposed Economic Charter, I'd be happy to speak at your event and tell you more about how the charter can help small business. Email me at info@economiccharter.ca.

It's time we gave small businesses the runway the need to really take off and soar.

Frank Stronach is the founder of Magna International Inc., one of Canada's largest global companies, and was inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame. Email fstronachlpc@gmail.com

Ontario continuing to reduce red tape to help people and businesses thrive

The Ontario government introduced the Less Red Tape, More Common Sense Act, 2023 which, if passed, would help improve services for people and reduce costs for businesses. This bill is a key part of the province's Fall 2023 Red Tape Reduction package which also includes several regulatory and policy changes to make it easier to interact with government, resulting in as many as 100,000 hours in time savings for people and businesses each year.

"We are reducing red tape by implementing common sense changes that help create the conditions for people and businesses to thrive," said Parm Gill, Minister of Red Tape Reduction. "Our Fall 2023 Red Tape Reduction package builds on more than \$939 million in gross annual compliance cost savings we've achieved to date, strengthening Ontario's position as a key player in the North American and global economy."

With the proposed legislation, Ontario is making meaningful changes to help open doors to new economic opportunities and reduce unnecessary burdens for individuals and businesses, not-for-profit organizations, municipalities, universities and colleges, school boards and hospitals.

The Less Red Tape, More Common Sense Act contains 32 new burden-reduction initiatives, including:

Improving government forms to reduce the paperwork demands on physicians, which will free up time for physicians to put back into their practices.

Streamlining the submission requirements for generic drugs to improve access to more treatment options for patients.

Creating more pathways into the skilled trades and attracting more apprentices to in-demand trades, preparing Ontario's workforce for rewarding life-long careers.

Enhancing consumer protection by ensuring consumers have the information they need to make informed decisions when buying and selling vehicles.

Amending the Ontario Heritage Act to make it easier and faster for faith groups to alter their places of worship to meet their unique needs.

Amending the St. Lawrence Parks Commission Act to save time and costs related to routine easements over St. Lawrence Parks Commission land.

As the Ministry of Red Tape Reduction continues its work, people and businesses are encouraged to visit the Red Tape Portal at Ontario.ca/redtape and submit their ideas on ways the province can continue to make it easier to access services and do business in Ontario.

This is the 12th Red Tape Reduction package and the 11th Red Tape Reduction bill introduced by the Ontario government since 2018.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REPEAL A DESIGNATION BY-LAW UNDER SECTION 31 OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King intends to repeal By-law 2007-060, which designates the Nobleton Community Hall, located at 19 Old King Road, located in the Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990. A by-law to repeal this designation by-law is to be considered by King Township Council at its regular meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, December 11, 2023.

Legal Description of Property:

This property is located at 19 Old King Road, Nobleton, ON, and is legally described as Concession 8, Part of Lot 5, Plan M55, Blocks A & B, Plan 518, Part Block A, RS65R1903, Part 1.

Reason for Repeal:

The intent to repeal the designation by-law applying to the Nobleton Community Hall is to facilitate the future revitalization of the Nobleton Lions Community Park and surrounding amenities at 19 Old King Road, in the Village of Nobleton.

Additional information is available at the Planning Division in the Municipal Centre during regular office hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays). For further information, please contact Colin Pang, Planner II/Heritage Planner at 905-833-4067 or cpang@king.ca.

Notice of Objection Procedure:

Any person may serve on the Clerk a Notice of Objection setting out the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts within 30 days after the date of publication.

The Notice of Objection must be filed with the the Clerk by Monday, November 27th, 2023.

Objections can be filed with the Township Clerk by email at clerks@king.ca or in writing at the King Township Municipal Centre, 2585 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1A1.

A Notice of Objection will then be considered by Council in its deliberation on the matter.

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How old is my dog in human years?

By Deena Cooper

Dog Speak

I often get asked about a dog's age in human years. The conventional wisdom is that a year is equivalent to seven dog-years.

In the broadest sense this is not completely inaccurate, but the truth of the matter is more complicated.

Dogs develop at a different rate than humans, and a dog's lifespan is dependent on the breed and the size of the dog, as well as environmental factors such as diet and health care.

Humans take about 18 years to reach adulthood, but puppies are only pups for six to nine months, depending on the size and breed. Dogs typically undergo puberty somewhere between six months and a year of age, which is also when the most growth occurs, so that's their "teenage phase." Then they count as young adults until they get to 2 or 3 years old.

The average lifespan of a dog is around 10-12 years. Small dogs tend to live a lot longer, big dogs a bit less. Stogie, my Havanese, is 18 and still going strong, except for a few typical health issues such as eye and ear problems and bouts of incontinence. Female dogs and mixed breeds tend to live a little longer, too.

Most of my dogs lived between 9 and 14 years, and I've had a lot of different breeds including a Rottweiler and a cocker spaniel. I currently have four young-at-heart dogs including a Labradoodle, a Belgian Malinois, German Shepherd, and a French Bulldog.

I should explain that all dogs are the same species; that the genetic make-up of a Yorkshire Terrier and a German Shepherd is the same. Different breeds have different physical and behavioural traits as a result of human involvement – they are bred to be a certain way to make them adept at certain tasks. So, when we consider giant breeds such as the Great Dane, we are looking at a dog with the same genes as a Chihuahua, but has been bred over centuries, originally to hunt boar.

I can't imagine a Chihuahua doing that very effectively! In the Dane's case, the all-important characteristics of size, speed and scent can come attached to certain other traits on the dog genome that are less desirable. Great Danes typically have short life-spans.

Research shows that they are not generally "aged" in terms of behaviour or neurology when they die, so the sad truth is that this breed rarely reaches old age. Other breeds, such as the Bernese Mountain Dog and the Golden Retriever are predisposed to cancer. It's one of the reasons that some mixed breed dogs tend to have fewer health issues and longer lifespans.

So based on the science, we can say a one-year-old dog is equivalent to a 1-to-4-year-old human. After that, the 1:7 ratio starts to make more sense. And then there are the factors that are in our control as owners/custodians, and we can extend the life of our pets somewhat with proper care.

Just as is the case with humans, studies show that a longer life is associated with your dog being a healthy weight, so keeping an eye on their weight will help. Ask your veterinarian for advice on diet as you take your dog in for their regular visits. Unlike with humans, there's no willpower required on behalf of the dog, you control the quantity and quality of their food! Whether it be cooked, raw or processed.

So, to sum up: Calculating a dog's age in human terms is more complicated than you might think, with the weeks and months of puppydom counting for a lot, even though they're over in a flash. We all think of the torturous times of the needle like teeth and the endless trips outside in the middle of the night during housetraining.

Just enjoy your time with your best friend and do what you can to make what time you have together the best it can be.

Deena Cooper is owner of Deena Speaks Dog. For the last 30 years she's been helping dog owners all around the GTA with everything they need to have happy, healthy and stress-free relationships with their furry friends. A preeminent behaviour modification specialist, she uses my experience, love and lots of treats to help clients have joyful, obedient and confident dogs.

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York appoints Erin Mahoney as new CAO

York Regional Council appointed Ms. Erin Mahoney as the new Chief Administrative Officer for The Regional Municipality of York.

"Ms. Mahoney has been a valued member of the York Region leadership team for 15 years and has consistently demonstrated exceptional dedication, direction and a deep understanding of our organization's mission and values," said York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. "I am confident she will help us continue to achieve our strategic goals and deliver on the exceptional programs and services our residents and communities deserve and expect."

Throughout Ms. Mahoney's tenure at York Region, she has made significant contributions to York Region's success in the role of Commissioner, Public Works and is well-positioned to lead York Region into a new era of growth and innovation.

The Chief Administrative Officer is responsible for the day-to-day operations of York Region's 15 core services and more than 5,000 full-time and part-time employees. At the Region, there are five departments led by a Commissioner reporting to the CAO. She will also play a critical role in shaping the future direction of the organization and the communities we serve.

"I am excited to lead our York Region staff dedicated to delivering on our commitments to the people and communities we serve," said Mahoney. "As a leader in municipal service delivery and a top employer, I look forward to continuing the path of excellence."



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Residents asked for input on Nobleton library

From Front Page

Adequate funds are available to start the project and staff are aiming at formalizing the strategy and funding for the 2024 budget deliberations.

"The proposed project will be a catalyst for revitalizing the core area of Nobleton, re-imagining and augmenting services for the community for years to come," staff said. "This, combined with the possibilities of placemaking and a downtown main street (Old King Road), will be transformative for the residents of Nobleton."

The fate of the library and community hall caused some debate at council.

Councillor Debbie Schaefer noted a "little bit of history" is being sold and she urged council to "be creative" moving forward. She wants to find a way to commemorate the building and the Women's Institute in some way.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini said moving the structure would be extremely expensive and the Township has to move ahead on its designation.

He said this represents an "incredible opportunity" and goes along with the block planning concept to create a main street corridor, similar to Schomberg.

Councillor David Boyd made the suggestion to hold off on designating the property as surplus for now. He reassured the community that decisions of this magnitude are fully analyzed by staff.

He looks forward to the day that Nobleton has a new community hub, whatever form that takes. This, he said, is a step in the right direction.

The mayor said anticipated growth and expansion for Nobleton is on the horizon and people will want a community hub.

"I'm excited at what's before us," he said, noting this has been many years in the works.

Staff noted that comments received from the public will be taking into consideration.

Former councillor Jakob Schneider pointed to a lack of public notification and consultation on the matter. The community hall, he said, was "moth-balled" by council.

The community hall had a heritage designation, restricting what could be done with the building. In order for the Township to demolish or move the

structure at an approximate cost of \$500,000 and use it as a storage shed, this designation needed to be removed. Council voted in favor to remove the heritage designation without any community consultation.

It's "another example of a back door decision by King Township."

"My question is, what is the point in designating a heritage building if you can remove the designation when the desire is there to demolish the building? This sets precedence for anyone who owns a heritage building and wants to remove the designation and demolish, if the township can do it then so can anyone else."

He said the building was clearly worthy of heritage designation by the council of 2007 that approved the designation. It's a slap in the face for the council of 2007, when this current council removed the designation last Monday.

It was decided that council would reach out to the community and allow a chance for residents to have their say on the hall. But unfortunately the Township has limited it to a two-question survey, move the building or demolish the building. It was decided that the consultation would span two weeks.

"In addition to the heritage value of this building, the elimination of this building, would result in limited facilities for community groups to use. As well as a facility that could be used as a disaster relief centre."

Schneider urges concerned residents to be present at the Oct. 30 council meeting. To speak, register with the clerk by 12 noon on Friday, Oct. 27.

Long-time Nobleton resident Nancy Hopkinson, while pleased with the deferral, noted the short time frame is not sufficient for proper feedback.

She doesn't see the importance of a "hub," noting it wasn't a consideration for King City or Schomberg.

She wondered why the heritage Women's Institute/Lions Club Community Hall was not being maintained.

She pointed out it was built in the Depression times as a great meeting place for groups.

There was no mention at the one public meeting that the heritage building might be moved to become a storage shed in the middle of baseball fields or be demolished.



"Yes the hall has not been used lately because the Township itself encouraged the various groups to use other facilities. The Nobleton King City Garden Club that used the Community Hall for years and years was encouraged to move to hold their meetings to Laskay Hall. The Women's Institute ladies could not afford the cost to use the building when the rental prices increased."

Hopkinson said she's been there for funeral lunches, fundraising dinners, pancake suppers put on by the Lions, as well as many Garden Club meetings.

The kitchen has three stoves, and lots of storage for dishes on the lower level. Upstairs there is a little stage at one end, and a counter and fridge at the other end. Inside the building is much more attractive than the outside. The floor upstairs was upgraded to be able to have dance there.

She noted that Schomberg recently had their heritage Community Hall on the Main Street upgraded. Nobleton should have its heritage Community Hall upgraded, too and be on the new

Main Street.

"I fail to see why our heritage Community Hall cannot be upgraded, with air conditioning, excellent maintenance, an elevator. Then people would be lining up to use the Hall. Perhaps the seniors would like to use it when it is modernized, instead of the seniors being shuffled off to a corner, or being moved from pillar to post during the summer months to make way for the kids camps."

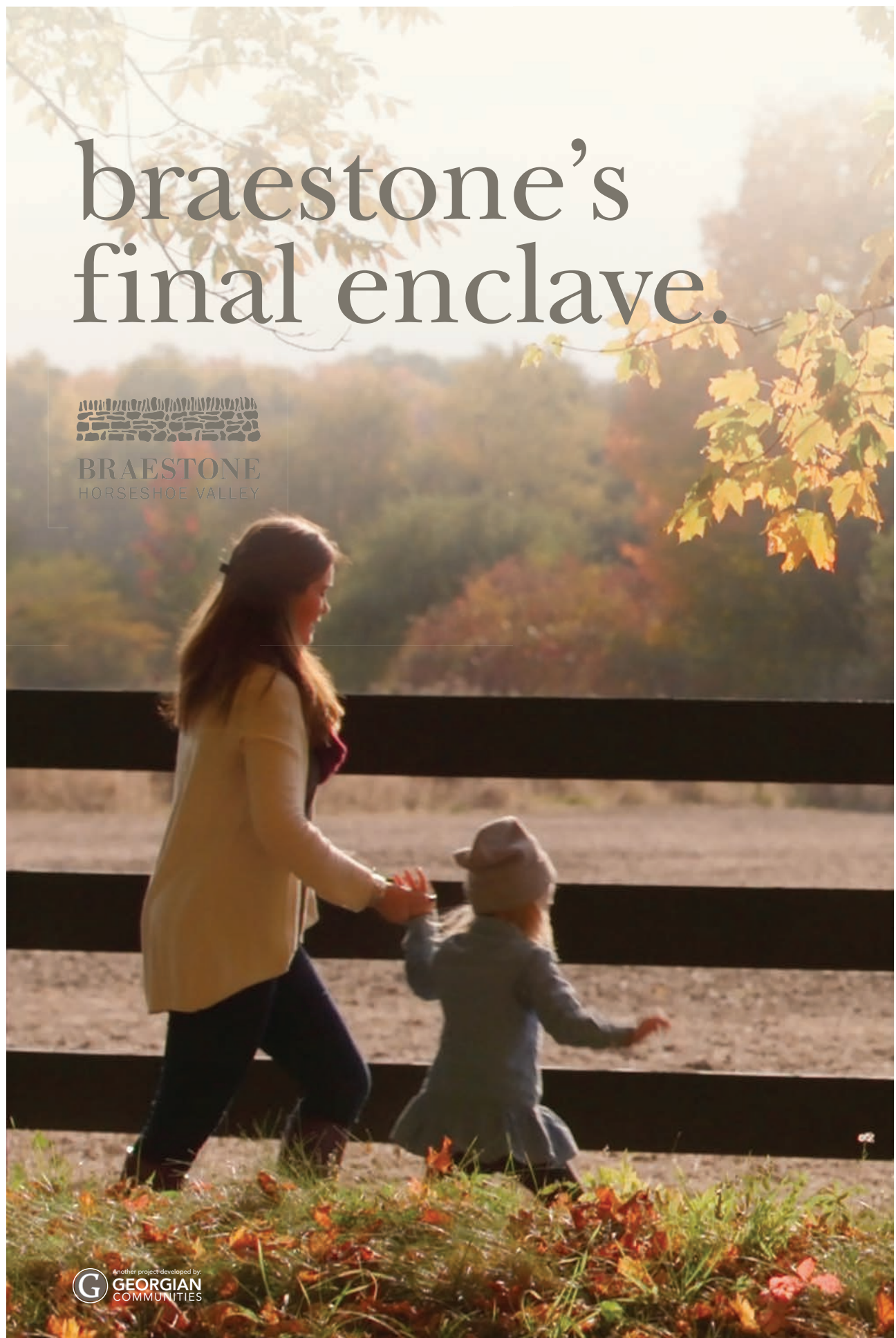
Hopkinson noted as Nobleton grows, it will need more and more parkland.

"Selling land to developers may seem like a great idea to get money but it is a mug's game. Eventually the decision to sell land will be regretted. The cost of land continues to escalate," she said.

"Paving parkland is a mistake. Rethink this plan. Do not waste this great opportunity."

She prefers keeping the library where it is, or moving it next to the arena.

Staff will report back to council soon.



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By Aladin Jarrah

People are spending more time at home.

The reasons for this are varied and far-reaching, but they boil down to a couple of key factors. One is that working remotely is becoming increasingly common. It hasn't seemed to affect traffic on the 400 during rush hour, but the fact remains that working from home is here to stay.

Accelerated by COVID related quarantines, we all had to re-evaluate our home environments to reflect the fact that our homes are our nests, our safe places and the only thing we can truly control.

People with tiny apartments in the



sky got stir crazy, and those of us living up here in god's country started to care more about our personal spaces. While the pandemic crippled many businesses, it fueled a boom in the landscaping and home renovation businesses.

Making a house into a home may be a hackneyed cliché, but it doesn't alter the fact that this has become increasingly important for homeowners and renters alike. This is where designer Christine Gairdner of Gairdner Design comes in.

"People started to find that their homes didn't really work for them, didn't really speak to who they were as people with stories, experiences and loved ones. We were compelled to live in our safe, insular bubbles and we had a huge desire to form real connection with our homes. The days of our home being somewhere you just eat and sleep are over and the aesthetic, functionality and flow have become our priority like never before," she says.

The transformational task can be intimidating, and it's often too costly to risk expensive mistakes. Gairdner Design offers help on a number of levels. Says Gairdner: "After a discovery call with a member of the team, potential clients can engage in either Full Service Design, where clients are guided from the design phase straight through to final installation with concierge project management - thereby letting clients enjoy the renovation process without the burden of oversight - or if all you need is a little guidance on your own design journey, we have design packages for that as well. Our goal is to make the process of



transforming your home a lot easier and more attainable."

Gairdner's inimitable flair and impeccable taste are the result of having led an interesting and aesthetic life. Born in the south of France but raised here in Ontario, she has a confluence of styles derived from the layered texture, timelessness, colour and form that comes from experiencing and merging both worlds.

"I'm drawn to moody colours, rich woods, stone, and natural fibres. I love natural materials and sustainable design that endures. I'm more interested in how you connect with your home and how it tells your story than I am about the latest trends, as these are fast changing and fickle, and I prefer design longevity," she said.

Gairdner adds that her work some-

times involves getting to know her clients personally so that she can address how they currently are living and deliver a home that feels more tailored to their lifestyle. When asked if she becomes friends with her clients by the end of the process, she answered, "Yes, very often, and that is such a beautiful byproduct that I'm so grateful for."

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Emergent Mental Health unit in honour of NewRoads

By Brock Weir

It was a celebration of a job well done at Southlake Regional Health Centre as the local hospital dedicated its Emergent Mental Health Assessment Unit in honour of NewRoads Automotive Group.

The Newmarket-based auto leader has been a long-time key fundraiser for Southlake's mental health programs through several initiatives, most recently their annual NewRoads LakeRide. Their contributions have been essential to the hospital's capital campaign to create and open new mental health spaces and the Oct. 12 event was to celebrate NewRoads and all those who made the transformation possible.

"Before this, our patients had to stay in the emergency department two days, three days, and sometimes you're talking about sleeping in a chair overnight before coming upstairs," said Dr. Mahdi Memarpour, Southlake's Chief of Psychiatry.

The creation of a new assessment unit where patients can enjoy dignity and privacy was "amazing and very emotional for many people," he said.

"When we started, on the very first day I looked at (the unit) and couldn't believe we had this," he continued. "People would come up ... to a modern facility here: a private room, shower, things that didn't exist [previously]. Now they have it and it is unbelievable in their recovery. From an emergency department where they had to sleep in a chair to something extraordinary. Many people who have sometimes been here before, for example a couple of years ago, can't believe the transformation. For that again, I would like to thank everyone who was involved, including people who really worked on designing it and especially the donors who really helped us build this. It serves the community well and it decreases the stigma that comes with psychiatric illness."

The new space, added Aga Dojczewska, Manager of Inpatient Adult Mental Health and Emergent Mental Health Assessment Unit, is also being felt by staff.

"It is an incredible space," she said. "A lot of the patients were coming in, after days of not taking care of themselves, and that shower that we have is such an incredible basic need that every one of us needs and we are address-

ing this by having this incredible space. Staff love working here. We are actually seeing they are coming to work and they are very satisfied with the level of care they can provide to every patient we have."

All those who contributed to Southlake's capital campaign for mental health contributed to the "dignity of peace, privacy and security" for patients and their families, said representatives of the Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation.

"It was not even a full six months that we were in COVID when we really recognized our need for better spaces to bring our mental health care environment to modern standards and how urgent this was," said Jennifer Klotz-Ritter, President and CEO of the Southlake Foundation. "I think we all remember the necessity of looking after mental health and wellbeing, especially during COVID, and that continues today. Our spaces at the time were really crowded, they were lacking what our clinicians and our staff would talk about as the basic necessities of care that happens - dignity, privacy, and in a therapeutic environment conducive to a healing journey.

"The demand exponentially grew. It was very challenging to undertake this campaign and ... it was a challenging decision to undertake this campaign when we were still in the first year of COVID, but I've always said that it is the donors and the supporters of the community who decide what is and is not acceptable when we're trying to deliver healing and care to our communities."

The fundraising goal, she added, was reached at the end of Southlake's last fiscal year and, this past February, opened the inpatient adult mental health unit to its first patients.

"We are so grateful you answered the call and stood by our side so we could bring [our talented clinicians and staff] the tools and environment they need in order to help our brothers, our sisters, our parents, our children, our family our colleagues, get the healing care they need when they need it," concluded Klotz-Ritter. "This is an example of the extraordinary power of community, community investment, and philanthropy."

As community contributors assembled for the unveiling a donor wall recognizing their donations and fundrais-



ing efforts, NewRoads CEO Michael Croxon, joined by Sharon Croxon, underscored the importance of the Automotive Group places in mental health.

"Long before COVID, we at NewRoads identified mental health as a growing need not only in our community but the world and decided to throw our collective weight behind raising funds for that initiative," he said. "As we all know COVID just sort of exacerbated that need and it became even more prevalent and even more apparent we needed to up our game and do our part in this community that is so special to our organization to give back.

"I get the honour of representing NewRoads and, ultimately, I guess signing the cheques that go to Southlake, but I couldn't do that without Sharon and I couldn't do that without the 430 people who work in our organization, who staff it every day, who volunteer endlessly at our charity events.

"Most of my senior team is here today and I want to give a shout out to them as well because certainly without them we wouldn't have the capacity to give back in the way in which we give back. We're immensely proud to be part of the Newmarket community, we're immensely proud to have our name on the assessment unit upstairs."















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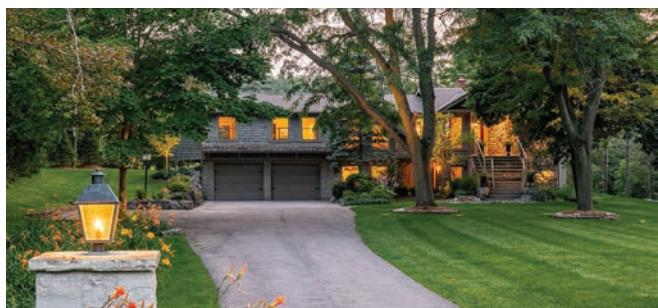
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The structure was designed by Steve Fisher and built by Steve and his friend Geoffrey Sprawson. Both are recently retired designer/engineers, and had help from Wesley Killman and Cheryl Fisher. The area was also assessed for enhancement, and 69 native shrubs were planted by community volunteers, and volunteered expertise of Jack Campbell from Tree Haven Nursery.

All funding was provided by The Regional Municipality of York.

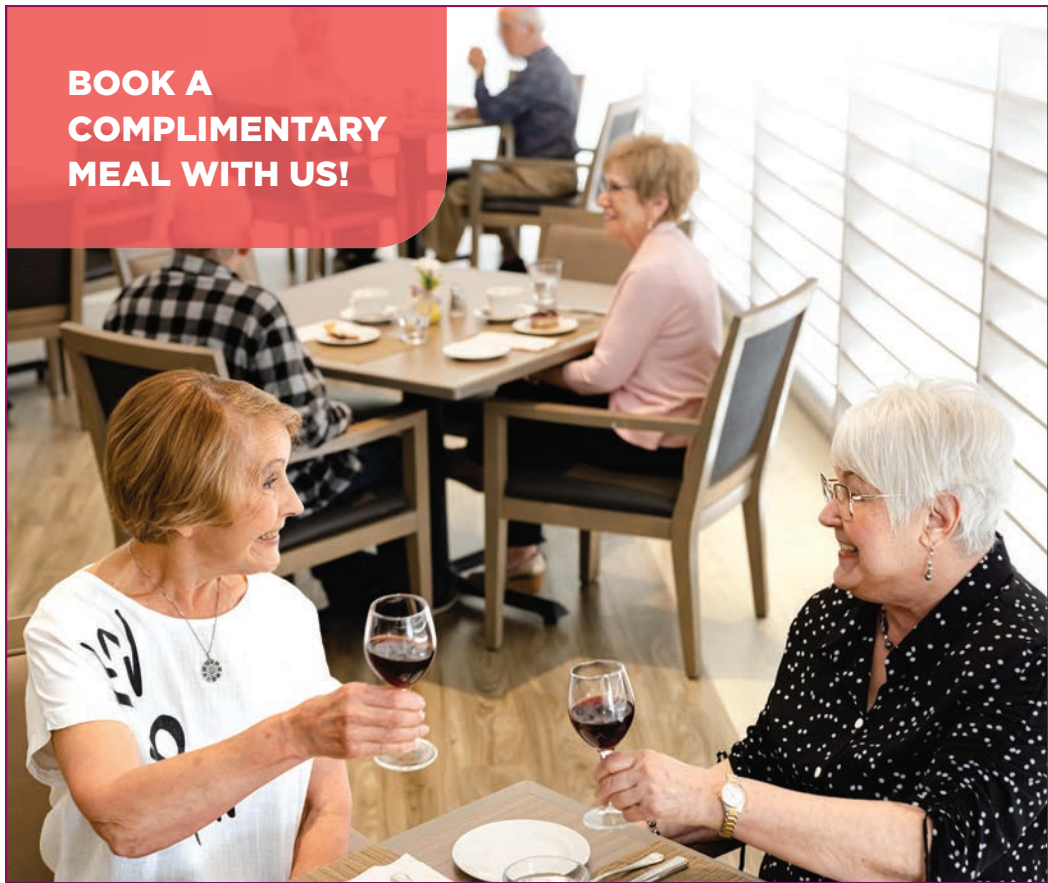
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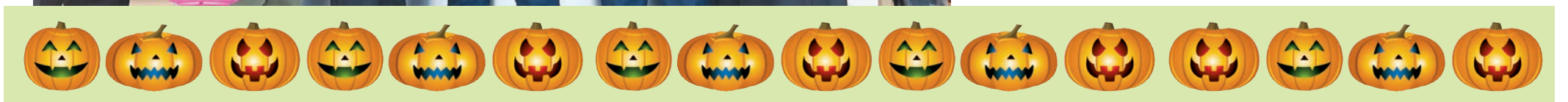


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Arts & Entertainment

Autumnal artworks shine on En Plein Air awards day

By Dorita Peer

The pavilion at Pottageville Park – its vistas a living canvas of water and wilderness – welcomed this year’s contestants and their fans at the fourth annual Autumn Reflections En Plein Air awards.

Outdoor painting lies at the heart of Canadian art even before the Group of Seven became a household name. Renegade impressionists, who fled the studio, surrendered to ever-changing weather and light, to impromptu visitors and insects, worked quickly to capture the moment, impart a feeling and tell the story.

Fourteen artists turned up to receive due praise from this year’s adjudicator, congenial Marek Badzynski, Toronto architect/artist/instructor, and world-travelled member of Urban Sketchers group. Cash prizes totalling \$1,300 in six categories came from Arts Society King’s coffers, always owed the

support of generous donors.

Best in Show was awarded to Susan Walker-Ing’s depiction in oils of straw-hatted farm laborers harvesting celery on Holland Marsh (the same batch that, days later, spilled on the 400). The painting stopped his heart, said Marek. “Everyone can find something in there.”

Best Natural Feature was Oksana Bacynski’s acrylic on a square canvas, despite, did achieve compositional balance. The red jacket and green rod of the man fishing in dark woods by the Holland River had caught the artist’s eye, and yellow sparks of sunlight, “Created a river of interest,” said Marek.

Best Architectural Feature, a view of Eaton Hall from its lake, the elements of perspective and vanishing point done correctly, garnered the architect’s praise. Yi Mei earned the honours. “Hard lines are hard to do in acrylic or oils,” noted Marek.

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Best in Show



Best Natural Feature



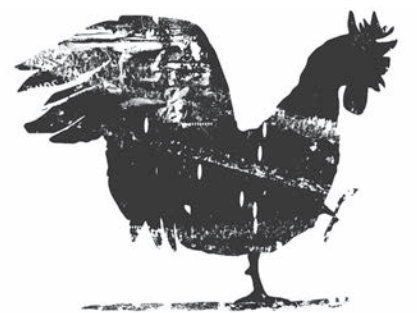
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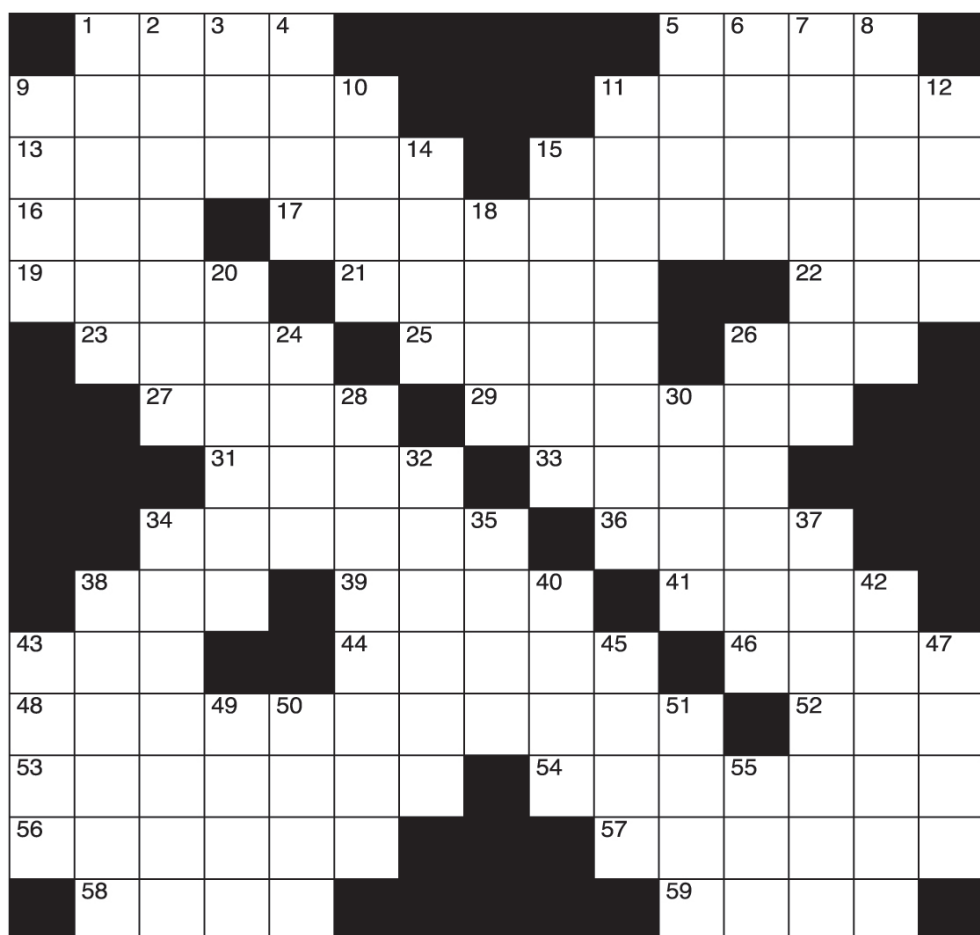
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19. Letter of the Semitic abjads
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25. Instead
26. Ancient Egyptian King
27. Privies
29. Shopping trips

CLUES DOWN

31. Paradoxical anecdote
33. It’s on the table
34. Ancient Persia ruler
36. Small American rail
38. File extension
39. Days (Spanish)
41. Everyone has one
43. South American plant
44. About ilium
46. Vanished American hoopster Bison
48. A type of breakfast
52. Uncooked
53. Examined
54. Christian recluse
56. Strong posts
57. Some are for pasta
58. Skinny
59. School-based organizations

CLUES DOWN

1. Ringlet
2. Type of complex
3. Midway between north and northwest
4. It becomes something bigger
5. German courtesy title
6. Genus of birds
7. Marked by public disorder
8. Least aggressive
9. Russian city
10. Insect repellent
11. Interruptions
12. Scoundrels
14. 1,000 calories
15. What one does overnight
18. Dwarf planet
20. Pipe
24. Black powdery substance
26. Set of four
28. Canned fishes
30. North Carolina college
32. Secured
34. A disgraceful event
35. Physical suffering
37. The home of the free
38. Some are boys
40. Satisfy
42. Makes very happy
43. South American plants
45. Modes of transportation
47. Female sheep
49. Type of torch
50. Piece of merchandise
51. Jump over
55. Wife of Amun

No one has more self-confidence than the person who does a crossword puzzle with a pen.

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Most Daring stood alone for its wildly experimental yet arresting abstract landscape in mixed media featuring a roadway of crackling gesso atop oils. "I admire your courage," Marek told artist, Spenta Chothia.

Best Human Interest featured Jessica Volpes's impressively accurately rendered figures, noted Marek, of two boys tumbling in a pile of leaves, "Doing what boys do."

Three Honourable Mentions represented qualities of special merit that came oh-so-close to top honours in a process that all judges, including Marek, rues as "Slightly and painfully subjective." Indeed, Winnie Chen's melting watercolour of Eaton Hall is, in a word, beautiful. Grace Downer's Cemetery on King Road, its purpling shadows and imbedded monument hints of a familiar story. Amanda Riccio's dynamic composition of a brooding sky above a wind-swept field "... like being there," said Marek.

Contests, to which Art Society King invites creative beings, are purpose-designed around inspiring and engaging the community in celebratory reunions, under benevolent skies, among our nat-

ural wonders and the man-made. These make winners of all of us.



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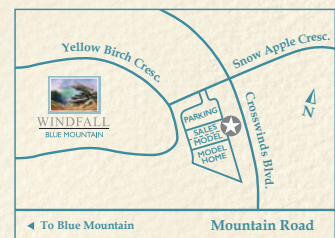
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Iconic Wizard of Oz presented by Brampton Music Theatre

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

The yellow brick road is winding its way to The Rose with Brampton Music Theatre's production of *The Wizard of Oz*!

It promises to be a big hit and the nearby Rose is easily accessible by King and York residents.

People of all ages can't help but be amazed by this tale, and the stage adaptation of L. Frank Baum's beloved story about Dorothy Gale and her journey over the rainbow to the magical Land of Oz also features the iconic musical score from the MGM film.

Presented by Brampton On Stage, it's a must see and is sure to warm your heart as the holiday season approaches.

The cast is eagerly awaiting opening night Nov. 2.

Paul Barker, who plays Professor Chester Marvel and *The Wizard*, says it's a pure fantasy tale with messages of friendship, heart, courage and thoughtfulness. It's about good vs evil, learning as you go on your journey.

"It should actually be considered a documentary on how to live your life. Take chances, have courage, be loving to others. I love it because it is enduring, endearing and timeless," he says.

Barker notes he doesn't intend to mimic Frank Morgan's portrayal from the movie. "I want to bring my own characterization but staying true to how people remember the film. Professor Chester Marvel/*The Wizard* is a snake oil salesman, a carnival barker but not the best at his trade. I want to show that fumbling/bumbling aspect of him but with the gift of gab and want of being the centre of attention in the room he's in."

This is a retelling of the classic tale, to preserve the illusion.

Barker says you have to know your audience and since it's family friendly, children will be "awestruck by this visual fantastical tale. There will also be adults, looking to remember the feeling they had when they first read the book or saw the movie or show for the first time."

It appeals to all ages and everyone has

that child at heart and innocence in their soul.

"If it puts a smile on your face or makes you hum or sing along, the show has done its job," he says.

Presenting it at The Rose is a "luxury," he notes, adding it boasts 825 seats and state of the art lighting and tech. With a combination of that plus the efforts of the Brampton Music Theatre members offering up their own time with costumes, set construction, props and their talent, this should be a "visually stunning show."

The sentiments are echoed by Emily Searle, one of the actors who portrays Dorothy.

She sees the timeless tale as the idea that you can go anywhere, even to the most magical, extraordinary place and still feel lost without the people you love.

"I love the mystery and the unknown and the fact it's up to the audience to decide if Oz is a real place or if it was all a cyclone-induced dream."

She is roughly 10 years older than the character, but Searle brings a maturity and empathy to the role that comes from those few extra years of life experience.

"I wanted my Dorothy to have a character arc and to grow as a person but also to act how a real life 12-year-old girl would - she's bratty, sassy, sometimes self-centred but also full of life, love and a kindness that comes from truly wanting everyone to be happy."

She says they've kept *The Wizard of Oz* firmly in its roots, by celebrating that Golden Age sound and style rather than discarding it.

"It's fairytale magic for the kids; it's beautiful storytelling for the young adults, and it's wholly sentimental for the older generation.

"Having said that, I watched *The Wizard of Oz* as a small child in the early 2000s, as my parents did before me, and their parents before them so I don't think it will ever go out of style."

The Rose is sure to bring the magical sights and sounds. The most important thing is the storytelling.

"Everyone in the cast and crew have worked so hard to make the show beautiful, from the set, lighting, special effects

and backstage team to the wonderful orchestra, creative team and actors. It's going to be amazing!"

Beth Stockill, who also plays Dorothy, says the messages in the story are still valuable today - courage, kindness and to be grateful for what we have.

"I relate to and appreciate that it is the story of a headstrong and confident teenage girl like myself, trying to speak up for what she believes in, and do what it takes to achieve her goals."

When she first read the script Dorothy it resonated with her because she is written to be a strong and independent teenage girl making her way through a new, strange and frightening world on her own.

"Oftentimes she can be mistakenly portrayed for less than the intriguing character that she is. I would like to breathe new life into the Dorothy that I believe in and bring her to the main stage."

While keeping to the famous script and story "we bring a freshness to this show that will create a lively and engaging atmosphere for anyone and everyone."

Whether you are a first-time watcher

or a returning fan, this show is catchy, heartfelt and will bring you joy.

"For all the newcomers, just be ready to fall in love with another fantastic show that tells a beautiful story about perseverance, friendship and family. For all the Boomers who love the original movie, be ready to sing and dance along with your favorite show."

She lauded the time and commitment from the BMT members and their families, who put in countless volunteer hours to help paint, sew and build. This beautiful rendition of the classic tale was made possible by the musical genius of Vince Gassi, amazing directorial talent of Joe Gomes and the fantastic choreography from Cassie Baird, along with the rest of the outstanding production team at BMT.

This is a great opportunity to lose yourself "over the rainbow."

Located in downtown Brampton, Brampton On Stage presents *Wizard of Oz* at The Rose Nov. 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11 and 12. Get your tickets soon, for this is sure to sell out.

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Researchers gather data on the elusive Bigfoot in Ontario

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

The Unexplained

The legendary Bigfoot lives right here in Ontario.

According to the Sasquatch University – a research team and members of Trent University’s Sasquatch Society – there have been literally hundreds of sightings in this province over the years.

Sasquatch University is a new show on Wild TV Network which dives into the phenomenon of Bigfoot in Canada. Host Ryan Willis and his team explore different locations across the province. Using eyewitness reports, hunting techniques and innovative high and low tech experiments they set out to prove the existence of the legendary creature known as Bigfoot.

While details of their research, interviews and field investigations is confidential, founder Ryan Willis noted they offer a reporting outlet and are a source of scientific and expert information on the subject. They are part of a much larger “Bigfoot community,” which seems to be growing all the time.

According to their website: “Our goal is to educate the public about Sasquatch/Bigfoot and to spread discussion about Sasquatch in the academic setting. It is a very under-researched field, considering the amount of sightings and evidence. We want to inspire

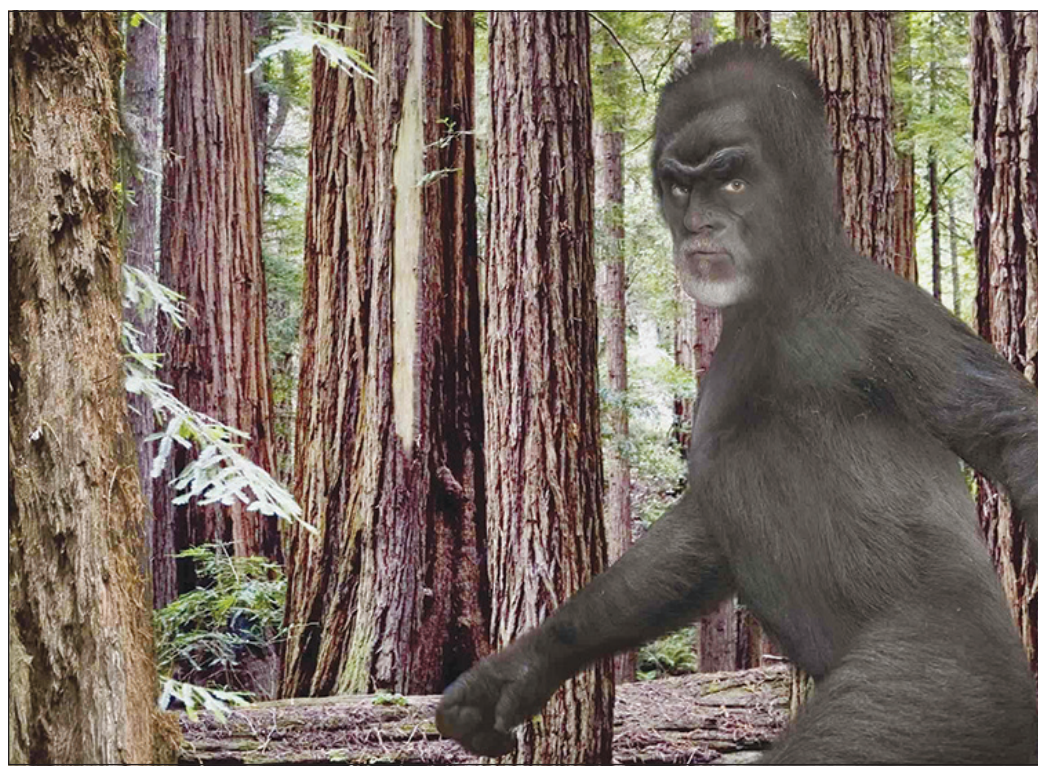
University students to create their own organizations. As well as prove the existence of the creature known as Bigfoot.”

Willis said he launched Sasquatch University while at Trent in 2020-21 and from the initial meeting, interest was surprisingly high. Members have grown exponentially and there are now more than 300 members of the Society.

The Society brings together professors, scientists and experts in the field who provide insights into the Bigfoot phenomenon. He wants people to know the Society exists and offers a way to stay informed, and report sightings. They welcome like-minded individuals and want those who’ve seen or heard Bigfoot, to feel like they’re part of something bigger, a family of enthusiasts.

Willis and his colleagues have done a substantial amount of field work and interviews, and he says many reports are from very credible witnesses. He has seen many interesting pieces of evidence, including videos and photographs.

One of the most interesting is an audio recording taken by an Ontario resident, with sounds of Bigfoot. The recording was submitted to staff at the Ministry of Natural Resources, who could not identify the source. Other ex-



perts in the Sasquatch community assure it’s the real deal.

Willis admitted there are many opinions and beliefs about the true origins of Bigfoot, but he says they try to be a neutral presence, and listen to all sides and theories. That’s what makes it interesting for the Society, and members of the public.

Willis and his colleagues host Sasquatch University on Wild TV and Wild TV+. They’ve posted three episodes so

far and going strong.

Willis said they air Mondays at 5:30 p.m. You can find out more at <https://www.wildtvplus.ca/sasquatch-university>

While definitive proof of this elusive creature remains to be found, the search continues.

And interest has never been as strong.

Check out their activities at <https://www.sasquatchuniversity.com/>

Which Canadians would survive an alien invasion?

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Canadians from coast to coast seem to share a longing about life elsewhere in the cosmos.

Halloween is on the horizon, bringing with it a fascination for all things spooky and unexplained.

The iconic War of the Worlds radio broadcast by Orson Welles on Oct. 30, 1938. What was intended as Halloween entertainment turned into inciting a panic by convincing some members of the listening audience that a Martian invasion was taking place.

It has become fodder for Hollywood ever since.

With more than 28,000 Google searches by Canadians in the last year, a remarkable surge in public fascination

for aliens was fueled by over 800 unexplained sightings collected over decades, reported NASA recently.

Captivated by extraterrestrial phenomena, experts at BonusFinder Canada decided to find out which Canadian provinces are most likely to survive an alien invasion.

BonusFinder Canada can reveal that Nova Scotia’s resilient spirit and strategic coastal location make it a province most likely to survive and endure an alien invasion, with a survival probability of 80.3%. Having witnessed 22.38 UFOs per 100,000 people in the province, the second-highest out of all the provinces, with New Brunswick having the most (25.92 UFOs/100,000 people). Nova Scotia also has the largest active military service with 1,012 per 100,000 people as well as the most

scientific and professional personnel to help with alien-surviving strategies, with a total of 64.89 per 100,000 people. The province also benefits from its 79% forest-to-land area ratio, with plenty of trees which could be used to take cover to resist alien invaders.

Manitoba takes second place, with an overall survival probability of 75.%. Manitoba has seen over 17 UFOs per 100,000 people, with sightings lasting, on average, 17.69 minutes. The province benefits from 18,968 hectares of forest, and the highest percentage of fresh water-to-land ratio (15%), increasing chances of survival in the wild. With 14,543 farms and 1,460 agriculturists per 100,000 people, the population’s satiety is in good hands.

Falcon Lake, located in Winnipeg, is one of Manitoba’s most notorious areas

with the unknown, as Stefan Michalak saw two vessels hovering above him in the night sky.

In third place is Newfoundland and Labrador, where residents have a 74.7% chance of survival. The province is home to the second-highest number of scientific and professional personnel with 53.86 per 100,000 people and has the lowest number of UFO sightings with a mere 0.59 per 100,000 people, each lasting an average of 12 minutes. Despite having the lowest percentage of forest-to-land ratio (29%), the province has the highest number of healthcare professionals per 100,000 people (8.72) – great for an emergency.

On the other hand, British Columbia is the least survivable province in Canada, with a survival probability of just 59.6%. Ontario has a 66.5% chance of survival.



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Team spirit graces the Sunday curling sheets

By Shellee Morning
King Curling Club

The Sunday afternoon Social League has grown into a finely tuned group of socialites. Fun is where it's at for the 30-member roster who can also deliver the standard draws to the button and timely take-outs.

Geoff and Debbie Holmes, the league convenors for the past couple of years, have welcomed many to their afternoon league with curlers ranging from the experienced to the very brand new. And as with any league, members come and go some moving to other leagues, but the one thing that always remains is the camaraderie that seems to grow with every game.

Skips will call their own mate's shots, but they'll also help their opponent into making their shots. Not too many other sports will you see this kind of "team spirit," but then again, curling is a very special and unique sport.

This past week's game highlights would grab the best of attentions from the likings of the TSN Sport casters as these Sunday curlers executed some exceptional shots for their own high-light reel.

Skip Joan Montgomery, in her first

year playing the Skip position, was facing 4 opposition rocks in the house on her last throw of the 2nd end. Pauline Rooney held the broom and watched the line after Montgomery threw perfect weight to navigate through a narrow port driving her own stone into a pile of rocks sending taking them out and leaving hers for the count of one.

Sheet G also featured a game highlight when Stacey Daniels was asked for a draw to the top of the 4 foot in the 5th end. With a sea of granite crowding the house the line to the target was slim. Daniels stepped into the hack and delivered perfect weight for the pressure draw placing her stone exactly where she was asked to. Members of both teams were aware of the difficulty of the shot and congratulated her on a very well thrown stone.

Steve Fisher, playing in 2nd position for Team Brethet, was asked for a come-around draw as a set up shot in the 3rd end of his game, and he delivered. On his second throw, Fisher was then asked for a tricky tap-back and roll. Several guards were surrounding the house as his stone needed to come around them all maintaining enough weight to tap the opposition stone back and roll behind cover. Fisher delivered

once again executing a perfect pair of thrown rocks.

A game that includes a few great shots, some laughter and a bit of fun is

a game-well played. And for the Sunday socialites, they excel at what they do. Have fun, laugh, and play a bit of curling.



Steve Fisher delivers a perfect tap-back and roll during his game in the Sunday afternoon Social league while Joan Montgomery delivered a pressure hit and stick for the point.

Photo by Shellee Morning



Cougars' Assistant Captain Carlo Lionti scored the lone goal in Schomberg's 5-1 loss. Cougar Joey Furlano (3) earned an assist on Lionti's third goal of the season.

Five-goal explosion lifts Orillia to 5-1 win over Schomberg Cougars

By Jim Stewart

The Orillia Terriers erupted for five unanswered third period goals to up-end the Schomberg Cougars 5-1 at the Trisan Centre on Thursday night. It was a shocking loss for the first-place Cougars who held a precarious one-goal lead for two full periods before allowing five goals in the span of nine minutes in the final frame.

Terriers' forward Colton Dumond scored a natural hat-trick when he tallied the tying goal 13 minutes into the third period, the winning goal five minutes later, and Orillia's fourth goal at 14:26 to put the game away. Dumond doubled his scoring production for the season with three goals in 8 minutes and 17 seconds. His linemate Caden Carroll doubled his assist total for the season in the same time span, assisting on all three of Dumond's goals. Lightning in a bottle, indeed, for the pair of Terriers on a Thursday night.

Jude Rondina – the East Orr Division's goaltender of the year with the Clarington Eagles in 2022-23 – had a stellar evening between the pipes for the Terriers. Rondina, who led the Eagles to the PJHL championship finals last season and signed with Orillia early in the 2023-24 campaign – kept the Terriers in the game for two and half periods to enable the visiting team's emphatic come-from-behind victory. In all, he stopped 44 of 45 shots, including all 18 he faced in the third period, to earn the W.

The resident of Richmond Hill noted the importance of his club's victory: "It was huge. We knew it was a four-point game coming in here and someone was walking away with a deficit. We were resilient tonight. We were down to two defensemen, but our forwards showed

their resilience by taking their turns on the blue line."

Rondina admitted that the Cougars had him "working pretty hard" throughout the game and confided that "an Epsom salt bath" would be forthcoming. Rondina's sparkling performance lowered his GAA to an even 2.00 and raised his Save Percentage to .940.

The only shot to elude Rondina on Thursday night was Carlo Lionti's third goal of the year for the Cougars. Schomberg's Assistant Captain banged in a rebound at 11:56 of the first period to give the home team a 1-0 lead that they held for over two periods. Joey Furlano and Zach Gallow earned assists on the Cougars' lone goal of the contest that seemed like it would be enough, until Orillia's blitzkrieg of goals between 6:09 and 15:49 of the final frame. Brady McLaren and Captain Dylan Palomaki scored the third goal and fifth goal, respectively, in Orillia's nine-minute barrage that quieted a crowd of 138 at the Trisan Centre and dropped the Cougars out of first place.

Cougars' Head Coach Mark Hrinco complimented the Terriers' third period performance: "We knew they were a fast team. They are so dangerous. We didn't work hard enough to stop them in the third. It felt like a playoff game and we maintained a very competitive level of play for so much of the game."

With the home ice loss, the 7-3 Cougars fell into a second place tie with Orillia and the Alliston Hornets with 14 points each, two points behind the 8-3 Stayner Siskins in the ultra-competitive North Carruthers Division. Schomberg's next home game is Thursday (October 26) versus the Alliston Hornets at 7:30 p.m. at the Trisan Centre.

Royal welcomes riders from around the world

Show jumping athletes from around the globe will meet in Toronto to contest world-class competition at the Royal Horse Show, held as part of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair from Nov. 3 to 12.

Taking place in the Coca-Cola Coliseum at Exhibition Place in downtown Toronto, the international division is held over four nights, culminating in the prestigious Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Toronto on Saturday evening, Nov. 11. Last year's winner, Daniel Coyle of Ireland, will be back to defend his title riding Legacy, owned by Ariel Grange of Cheltenham.

"Winning the World Cup class with Legacy at The Royal last year was a special victory to check off my bucket list," said Coyle, who is currently ranked number 11 in the Longines World Rider Rankings. "The Royal is a very important part of our fall schedule, and the atmosphere was electric last year. Toronto feels like home for the Lothlorien Farm team – it is Ariel Grange's hometown – and the Canadian crowds have always felt like my own crowds; they are so supportive.

"Legacy is coming off a short break after our summer in Europe and she feels in top form going into the fall World Cup qualifying season," continued Coyle. "We are looking forward to defending our title."

Coyle will face stiff competition from numerous heavy hitters, including 2004 Olympic Champion Rodrigo Pessoa of Brazil, who is also a three-time consecutive winner of the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final. Americans Kent Farrington and McLain Ward, both past winners of the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Toronto, will

also have their eyes on the coveted prize. Currently ranked seventh and eighth respectively in the Longines World Rider Rankings, Farrington is an Olympic team silver medalist while Ward has claimed two Olympic team gold medals for his country. Ward was also the winner of the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final in 2017 riding the great HH Azur.

Swiss Olympic silver medalist Beat Mändli will also be hoping to earn his way to another Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final appearance, having won the annual title in 2007. Two-time Olympian Daniel Bluman, currently ranked 13th in the world, will fly the Israeli flag in Toronto in the hopes of victory.

The Canadians will put up a strong fight with a roster of Olympians hoping to claim victory on home soil. Having finished third in last year's Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Toronto, Tiffany Foster of Langley, BC, will be looking to improve on that result while Quebec native Mario Deslauriers, who remains the youngest rider to ever win the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final – a feat he accomplished in 1984 at the age of 19 – is sure to be in the final reckoning.

Olympic team silver medalist Mac Cone of King City, will be in the hunt while 2016 Rio Olympian Amy Millar of Perth, ON, will be looking to capture her first Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Toronto title. They will be joined in the international division by fellow Canadians Sean Jobin, Vanessa Mannix, and Nicole Walker, as well as the top two athletes not already qualified in the Canadian Show Jumping Championships, taking place on Nov. 3 and 4.

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 begin a new series on the book of Acts. Jeff's message, entitled "Babel Reversed," is based on Acts 2.1-13. 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.

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.

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

Please note, Confirmation preparation Class # 3 will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 1 for both parishes. We look forward to seeing the Confirmandi and parents/guardians. Those who did not receive their student workbook, parent guide or sponsor guide may pick it up before class.

Calling all teens in Grades 6-8 – are you sitting at home, bored and would love to get together with your friends? Join us this evening at 7 p.m., St. Mary's Parish Hall for our Edge Night – "Road Trip," for an indoor scavenger hunt, make your own trail mix, while we discover the hidden mysteries of the Most Holy Eucharist. Invite your friends and head over to St. Mary's Parish hall at 7 p.m. for games, fun, faith, snacks and prizes. Hope to see you there!

You are invited to join us for our Life Teen Event called "Retro" next Saturday, Oct. 28 after the 5 p.m. Youth Mass in the St. Mary's parish hall. Join us for

faith, fun, and a pizza dinner followed by an open discussion as we delve deeper into the meaning of Original Sin and Original Holiness. Youth will have the opportunity to share their thoughts and meet new friends! Please email/text Zephania to RSVP.

We are still in need of volunteers to support the Children's Liturgy of the Word program which takes place during the Sunday Holy Mass celebrations. High School students are welcome to volunteer and will receive volunteer hours. Parents of those who are celebrating the Sacrament of First Holy Communion are invited to volunteer.

A gentle reminder that all those children who are preparing to celebrate their First Holy Communion in the Spring of 2024 are strongly encouraged to attend as a supplement to the at-home Sacramental preparation program. More details in the bulletin. Training will be provided.

All Souls Day Remembrance Offering Envelopes will be available on the table as you exit the churches. Please complete the Family name of your deceased loved ones on the envelope, and place together with a customary offering in the vase which will be located in the sanctuary during the month of November. The names of your deceased loved ones will be recorded in the Book of Remembrance and they will be remembered at the Holy Mass celebrations during the month of November.

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.

Browse our websites:
St. Patrick's Parish:
<https://stpatrikssc.archtoronto.org/>
St. Mary's Mission: <https://stmarysno.archtoronto.org/>

Nobleton Seniors (55+)
By Joanne Bailey

We welcome all Nobleton Seniors (55+) to the Nobleton Arena to participate in meaningful activities, create new friendships and to share ideas. We are located at 15 Old King Rd. (upstairs).

Our current schedule is as follows :
Tuesday: Mobility Matters – 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Friday: Mobility Matters – 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Other scheduled events are as follows: Educational Thursdays:

Thursday, Oct. 26 – Zoom Presentation on Osteoarthritis, bring your questions.

Thursday, Nov. 2, Fire Safety (when to call, changing CMO batteries & more) presented by Heather Watson, Community Resilience Officer for King Township.

Thursday, Nov. 9 – Heart to Home Presentation, food will be provided.

Wednesday November 15 & Thursday November 16 – Point Click Connect Program presented by Job Skills, time & topics to be announced. Please register with number or email as listed above.

Thursday, Nov. 23, – Seniors Safety, presented by Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario. Topic is Preventing and Addressing Financial Abuse (learn the tactics people use to take advantage of seniors).

November 30, Baking Biscotti with Rose, come & learn how. When cookies are baking there will be a festive napkin folding demonstration. Please bring a 12" by 12" cloth napkin.

December 7, Holiday Art by Angela Del Borrello, Freelance Artist – project to be listed soon. Registration will be required.

December 14, Cookie or Square Exchange, Bring 2-3 dozen and take home the same amount.

December 21, Christmas Party and Potluck - details to follow.

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.

Kingcrafts Studio
Annual Sale 2023

Welcome to our Annual Holiday Studio Sale. Give a gift this holiday season of a uniquely handmade item created by one of our many talented members. Items available include pottery, stained glass, fused glass, wire art, enamelling, knitting, weaving, jewellery, needle felted and wet felted items and many handmade greeting cards.

Raffle tickets will also be available. You could be the lucky recipient of a gift basket full of lovely handmade items.

November 17, 18, 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and November 24, 25, 26, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission and no tax.

Nobleton Book Club

Our schedule for meetings is the second Tuesday of the month, at 7 p.m. in the Nobleton Program room.

While the Nobleton Book Club has been meeting regularly over the past 11 years, new members are always most welcome! Come by and check out these interesting, lively and varied group discussions. It does not matter if you are able to come every month, but rather, come when you are able. Whether you have read the book or not, you will enjoy an entertaining evening discussion – with so many different points of view! All these titles are available through the Nobleton Public Library and other King Township libraries.

Here is the reading list for 2023-2024:
Tuesday, November 14, 2023: The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

Tuesday, January 9, 2024: Homecoming by Kate Morton.

Tuesday, February 13, 2024: The Bandit Queens by Parini Shroff.

Tuesday, March 12, 2024: Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus.

Tuesday, April 9, 2024: The Maid by Nita Prose.

Tuesday, May 14, 2024: Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver.

Tuesday, June 11, 2024: Just the Nicest Couple by Mary Kubica.

We would like to welcome, Heather Ball, the Nobleton Branch Manager, as our facilitator.

Mark your calendars, come and join this lively and interesting group of Nobleton Readers.

Nobleton and King
City Garden Club

The remaining 2023 meeting date and speaker is Monday, Nov. 27. It's the Annual General Meeting, including a workshop on 'Creating Beautiful Evergreen Arrangements' with Barbara Downey.

Nobleton Lions

The Annual Community Fundraising Draw will take place at the Nobleton Gazebo this Saturday, Oct. 28, at 11:00 a.m. First Prize is \$4,000, Second Prize \$750, and Third Prize \$250.

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Winners will be contacted by phone. Thank you, friends of the Lions for your generous support and thank you, Lion Joe Tasca, for the many hours spent, often under a scorching sun, selling tickets for this event.

Our next event is the Reverse Advent Calendar food drive for the King Township Food Bank held jointly with the King City and Schomberg clubs. A large copy of a calendar with suggested food items was shown on Page 13 of the October 19 edition of the King Weekly, to guide our shopping. For Nobleton, the drop-off date for collection boxes is Saturday morning, Dec. 2, at the Arena.

Other events now being planned for the fall include participation in the Nobleton Tree Lighting, the Reverse Advent Calendar food drive, and Skate with Santa on December 16. More information will follow for each event.

Please visit our website, accessible by simply Googling Nobleton Lions, which will bring up the link to the site. Check out “upcoming events” and “useful links” where you will find more information about organizations supported with your contributions.

As always we welcome prospective new members. You may join us as a guest at an upcoming meeting by contacting Lion Andrew at andrew.bevil@sanofi.com We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from September to June at the Old Community Hall, just north of the arena, at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 14.

St. Alban's
By John Arnott

Colour plays an important role in our daily lives. Blue skies cheer us

while grey cloudy days can be depressing. Red often warns us of danger while orange painted on walls make us uncomfortable and this colour often used to discourage loitering. Soft pink on the other hand seems to calm us. Green tells us it holds the key to the health of our planet and so our survival.

In early Christianity its leaders wore white suggesting purity and joy at services but dressed when outdoors as most common people did since an even after it was granted equal status with long standing Olympic religion practised throughout the Roman Empire it was often dangerous to be recognized as an open Christian.

Today many Christian clergy wear black when out in public and some people wonder why. According to my research black symbolizes humility and simplicity and reminds clergy to always to keep these virtues in mind. Black is said to set apart thus by wearing this colour clergy put themselves apart from the rest of society and seeing a clergy person in black encourages the viewer to think of heavenly things. Black also suggests clergy ‘die’ to themselves and decrease allowing godly things to increase in their daily lives. Of course black is the cheapest of dyes and this no doubt is the reason it was it was popular

Buddhist clergy often wear yellow or orange robes. These, the colours of renunciation, remind the wearers that they have renounced the world and its pleasures in favour of a simpler life quietly serving others. Yellow worn by Hindu priests represents wisdom.

In Islam green has been important since this religion started Some claim it was the favourite colour of the Prophet Mohammad who founded this religion under Allah (God)’s guidance. The book bindings of many Qurans the Moslem holy book are green and In the Quran it is written that those who go to paradise

“will wear green garments of finest silk.” In desert countries of the Middle East where Islam first took root green is looked upon as the colour supporting life, fertility, renewal and regeneration.

To Jewish people white represents purity from sin while blue the colour of the sky reminds them of of God’s Throne of Glory. White prayer shawls have blue fringes and a single blue cord.

Parishioners and visitors to St. Alban’s Anglican Church were aware of the coloured hangings in this Nobleton’s oldest church (now sadly closed) and would have noted that the colour changed for each season of the church year. The opening season of Advent once used purple to symbolize penitence but following the Lutheran lead Anglicans now use blue the colour of hope. White symbolic in its religious association for purity and joy is used during Christmas and the 12 days of Christmastide. Epiphany commemorating the star and the coming of the wisemen saw green hangings displayed reflecting the values our Islamic friends feel this colour holds. The purple season of Lent follows telling us of Yeshua’s descent from King David but more so of his impending death

by crucifixion. Purple, once very hard to come by, and very expensive and was sparingly used until the 1800s when a cheap way of making a good quality dye that didn’t fade was accidentally discovered. Rose was used on the middle Sunday of Advent called Gaudete Sunday. The 4th Sunday of Lent is called Laetare (rejoice) Sunday. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday because of their stark reminders of death brought black into use. Once again the white of joy and purity is used for Easter and green comes into service for Pentecost the longest season in the church year part of which in some places today is referred to as “ordinary time.”

Red, the colour of God’s love and the blood of martyrs, is used on the day of or the Sunday closest the saint’s martyrdom if the church is named for that saint. June 22nd marks the anniversary of St. Alban’s martyrdom and red hangings marked this day or the Sunday closest. Red can be used on the day of Pentecost commemorating the flame of the Holy Spirit that appeared above the head of each now Christian believer gathered on the upper floor of a non-descript quiet backstreet hall to mark the traditional Jewish feast of Shavuot.



Aleisha Richards, Library Board Chair; Kayson Patel, student; Kayan Parmar, student; Councillor David Boyd; Caroline Anderson, Library Board member; Deanna, Montessori School admin. representative, and Adele Reid, Library CEO.

Montessori donates \$2,000 to library

The Nobleton branch of the King Township Public Library (KTPL) was pleased to accept a \$2,000 donation from Grades 1 – 6 students of the Nobleton’s Montessori Country School.

The cheque was presented October 19 at the Nobleton branch. Library Board members, Councillor David Boyd, Montessori Country school representatives and Library staff were present for the special event.

The students have run several fundraising campaign’s throughout the 2022-2023 school year and collectively decided to give back to their community by donating to the Nobleton branch.

The Library will be making great use out of these funds through the purchase of new items for the children’s section of the branch. KTPL celebrated Canadian Library month and Ontario Public Library Week (Oct. 15 – 21), a wonderful time to receive such a wonderful gift.

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King's Corners

King City United
By Sheryl Sinka

This Sunday, Oct. 29 we invite all to join with us in worship with Rev Evelyn McLachlan presiding.

As this is the last Sunday before Halloween, Rev. Evelyn invites the children (and the children at heart) to come dressed in their costumes on Sunday and we wish all children a safe and happy Halloween on Tuesday. Our worship begins at 10 a.m. and there are light refreshments following the service when we have the opportunity to share in fellowship time and conversation.

We offer Sunday school for elementary aged children during the worship hour. Please call Sheryl Sinka at 416-450-0140 for more information on this.

Weekly recordings have discontinued now that we have returned to in-person worship. Please join with us for in person worship and light 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 unprecedented needs and we encourage you to continue to help with donations of food or financial donations for the many needing assistance.

King's hearts and prayers

The follow is a statement from Mayor Steve Pellegrini on the Israel-Gaza conflict:

"The escalating violence in Israel and Gaza, and the loss of innocent lives, has been extremely difficult for citizens around the world to witness. For those in King Township who have cultural roots to this region, the impact is too close to home.

"As a safe community for residents of all faiths, we do not condone any form of discrimination or violence. Antisemitism, Islamophobia or hatred of any kind has no place in peaceful King.

"Our hearts and prayers go out to those who are mourning loved ones and dealing with this tragedy."

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 book of Esther. We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube.

Please join us on Saturday, Nov. 18 for our next Open Closet Outlet from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Please visit our website for links and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com

If you have any questions please email: Lisa Lethangue (lisa@kingbiblechurch.com), Administrative Assistant, King Bible Church, 1555 King Rd, King City, 905-833-5104.

King City Seniors (55+)

By Carolyn Kanitz

Tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 27 a Retirement Residence Fair will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. hosted by the King City Seniors. This event will take place at the King Township Municipal Offices on King Road. Drop in and visit any of the 19 Retirement Residences that are represented to learn more about what they each have to offer. Tea, coffee and treats will be available.

On Friday, Nov. 3, a presentation from Hospice will take place at 10am. When you think of Hospice, you probably think of palliative care and bereavement, but Hospice has many other services for the community. Come out and learn what Hospice has to offer. RSVP to the Centre at 905-833-6565.

Please note that we have added Chess to Wednesday afternoon activities. If you need lessons, we have an instructor who will be pleased to teach you at that time.

Monday: 10 a.m., 11 a.m. – Mobility Matters; 1 p.m. – Music and Movement.

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

Wednesday: 10 a.m., 11 a.m. – Mobility Matters; 1 p.m. – Bridge; Cribbage; chess, other board games.

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

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

You may contact KCSC at 905-833-

6565 or kingcity.seniors@gmail.com

Kingcrafts Studio

Annual Sale 2023

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November 17, 18, 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
November 24, 25, 26, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Free admission and no tax.

Sacred Heart Church

The Sacred Heart faith community congratulates Domenic & Laura Tambarro on their 60th wedding anniversary. May the Lord Bless Domenic & Laura with good health, and infinite happiness for the rest of their lives.

Join us as we continue praying the Holy Rosary at 6 p.m. during this month of October. Her Rosary is a weapon. Padre Pio and a host of saints called it a weapon against evil and prayed it continually. There are many documented miracle stories and many personal stories attributed to praying the Rosary.

Join us in praying the Novena every Wednesday evening beginning at 6:30 pm, followed by the Celebration of Mass at 7.

Friday, Oct. 27 Silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 3:30 p.m., Benediction at 6:45 followed by Holy Mass at 7 p.m.

If you or anyone you know is considering on become a Catholic, the Rite of Christian Initiation for adults program will begin in January and we are currently enrolling new participants. Kindly email the parish office at sacredheartki@archtoronto.org

Are you considering advertising your business in our Church Bulletin? Our parish consists of over 1,200 registered families and our community spans over York Region. Parishioners receive the weekly bulletin in hard copy, online through our website (sa-

credheartki.archtoronto.org) and on social media (Facebook & Instagram: Sacred Heart Parish King City). If you are interested, you can provide camera-ready artwork, company logo, or we can make up a simple ad by contacting the Parish office at sacredheartki@archtoronto.org or call Joanne at 905-833-1161.

York Pines United Church

This Sunday is the All Saints service with Rev. Andrew leading. Please bring a framed picture of your loved one who passed away. The pictures will be displayed on the altar during the service.

Once again, York Pines is pleased to announce its fall lasagna dinner on Wednesday, Nov. 1 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. In addition to lasagna, the menu includes garlic bread, Caesar salad and a chilled lemon dessert. Tickets are \$30 for adults at the door, \$5 for children ages 6 to 12 and no charge for children 5 and under. Call the church office at 905-727-8118 for dine-in or take-out tickets.

St. Andrew's

By Kathy Patterson

What a celebration we had last Sunday, Oct. 22, at St. Andrew's 65 Anniversary! Alison Agnew led our Worship Service followed by a wonderful Anniversary Luncheon. Alison surprised us with little loot bags to take home!

We looked at Thessalonians 1 which was a letter to the early church believers, being thankful for their faith and growth as disciples of the Lord Jesus. This encouraging and relevant sermon including the whole service was recorded and will be on our website a.s.a.p. Alison will continue next week as we look at the book of Thessalonians in the Bible.

This Saturday, from 9 a.m. to noon, is St. Andrew's fall Yard Clean-up Day. So grab a rake, garden gloves and we'll see you there. Coffee and donuts will keep us energized!

The Small Group Book Study started this week at the Pattersons home on Wednesday. All are invited to come to either Tuesdays at 2 p.m. at the church or Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. at previously arranged homes. We are looking at The Unfolding Gospel by John Bowen which was launched by Alison at the Anniversary. If you'd like to have a book, but can't come to either study, call the church to get a copy.

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King's Corners

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Need someone to pray with, in confidence? Give us a call at our church office.

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

Confirmation Classes at All Saints. Young people and adults who wish to prepare for confirmation are invited to come to the church for classes on five Saturdays at 1:30 p.m.

It's Enough to Be Known, a Sermon by Rev. Erin Martin on Exodus 33 - Moses and the Glory of the Lord.

"We are all trying to move forward from COVID-19 and its world-changing effects. We're trying to move forward from political upheavals, and from extreme violence and war that has devastated whole groups of people. We are trying to move forward as individuals who are sometimes grieving, often confused, alternating between hope and despair. All of this can make us feel vulnerable and hungering for some certainty. And the story from the book of Exodus is all about those kinds of anxieties, especially in the face of great transition.

"Moses and the Israelites had just come out of a particularly troubling time. Moses had been gone for 40 days and nights while he was on the mountain talking to God, and when he returned, with commandments in hand, he found that his brother Aaron and the rest of the Israelites had fashioned themselves a Golden Calf to worship. The Israelites thought that both Moses and God had abandoned them and they looked for security and peace from a false god of their own making. They sought comfort and assurance from an idol rather than trusting the God who had brought them out of Egypt and sustained them in the wilderness.

"But it resulted in utter disaster. God was not pleased by their actions. Later when God instructed Moses to resume the journey, Moses said to

God, 'You've told me to lead these people, but you haven't told me who will go with me. You tell me that you're going to go with me and will give me rest, but honestly, if you're not really going to go with us, please don't make us go at all.' He wanted specific knowledge of God's plans, but what he got was the assurance that he was seen and known. And this raises an interesting question, does our security come from knowing God or from God knowing us?

"We all get that ... the desire to know the bigger picture, the grand plan. God told Moses, 'My presence will go with you and I will give you rest.' But Moses needed even more assurance and asked, 'Show me your glory.' It's not wrong to want to know God or see God.

"I think it becomes problematic when our fear and insecurity has us believing that if we can't know God in tangible ways, that God isn't present, or at work, and that we are no longer being held in God's love. The truth is that we can't bear to know God in God's fullness, and we have to come to the realization that it's ok. I love that even though God was angry with the ancient Israelites God responded with love and tenderness to Moses' desire to see God's glory. God said, 'You cannot see my face, for no one can see me and live, but I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.'

"We may not all get breezy pop-in visits from God, but I am certain that God will not leave us bereft. God will give us bearable glimpses of glory. There will be hints and traces that reveal that God is with us.

"In so many ways if we look back over the years we will see God's hand in the circumstances, celebrations and trials of our lives. It's natural for us to crave certainty. But maybe we can come to an understanding that it's enough not to know, but be known. God knows us by name, and loves us more than we can imagine.

"God goes before us and leads the way, even if it's through difficult things. May we catch glimpses of God's glory today and may we always point to God's glory for others."



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Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

The “Annual Community Bonfire” lit up the fairgrounds this past Saturday with music, pumpkin decorating, and some shopping from local vendors. Thanks to Schomberg Agricultural Society for hosting this event and keeping the community spirit alive. The rain held off and the fire kept the crowd warm and toasty.

Did you get your Scarecrow entered before the deadline last weekend? Make sure you check out the website to vote for your favorite submission and follow the map so you can see all the wonderful entries around town. Great job everyone!

We have a new addition to our Main Street shopping experience with the

opening of “Main Paws” located in “Vintage Peony” at 270 Main Street, go check it out and get some goodies and gear for your pets.

Speaking of Main Street shopping, this Saturday a true Main Street Love story comes together, as Yvonne of “Cottage and Crown” marries her true love, Mike, who she met on Main Street after Mike moved to Schomberg and decided to shop local and got more than he could have hopped for, he found his true love. We wish Mike and Yvonne all the best in their new life together as they celebrate their love this Saturday and tie the knot at Historia Cantina. Congratulations Mike and Yvonne!

While we can’t guarantee everyone that they’ll meet their true love on Schomberg Main Street, we can guarantee you’ll have a wonderful shopping and dining experience.

Christ Church in Kettleby would like to invite you Saturday, Nov. 4 12 to 3:30 p.m., to their annual Fall Bazaar. This

has been running on the first Saturday in November for many years. People come to meet friends for a lovely Fall Tea, stock up at the bake table, buy some treasures. Shop for local treats from candles to fall veggies, quilts and more, and catch up with the community. \$10 per person which includes tea and cake.

Lisa Cole aka “The Paint Lady” has a lot going on this Fall in her art studio. Lisa has been teaching and creating art in Schomberg for over ten years now and you can see her artistic touches all over town, you just need to look around. She’s also famous for her detailed and creative scarecrows. Please join her for colourful enthusiast creative art events for people of all abilities and ages, you can check out her fall art classes by visiting www.paintlady.ca

Tonight (Thursday) is the night the King Food Bank presents “Sip and Savour” a Moroccan inspired theme “Yalla Casablanca” which takes place at “Sultan’s Palace” at Seneca College, from 6 to 9 p.m. It’s always a wonderful event that includes a silent Auction both on site and online. If you can’t make it, you can bid online till October 26 at 32auctions.com/SipSavour2023

Euchre night is Friday nights from 7 to 9 p.m. in Room B at the Trisan. It’s \$10 per night or \$20 a month. All are welcome, all ages, all genders, just bring your sense of humour and be prepared to laugh and meet some wonderful people.

The Schomberg Club 55+ is back in full swing if you’re 55 or over come out and join up. 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. Last week we were treated to a

spooky talk from the “History Hound” Richard MacLeod, who kept us jumping with his talk on local folklore and ghost stories.

Open Discussion Meetings will take place, Nov. 2, 16, 30 and Dec. 16 at the Community Hall in Schomberg

We have lots of events lined up: Monday, October 30 – 10 a.m. – Halloween Social – feel free to dress up!

Monday, Nov. 6 – 10:30 a.m. – YRP presentation “Elder Abuse & Elder Fraud in Technology and other areas.”

Monday, Nov. 20 – 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – Petal Academy - group of three festive arrangements. Cost is \$84.75.

Monday, Nov. 27 – 10:30 a.m. – The Food Bank and Love Bags.

Thursday, Nov. 30 – 7:30 p.m. – ‘Cinderella, If the Shoe Fits’ at Theatre Orangeville. Tickets \$41, price reduced to \$36 for a group of more than 10.

Monday, Dec. 4 – 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – glass making with Wendy Emery – 4 glass Christmas decorations. Cost is \$85.

Saturday, Dec. 16 – 2 p.m. – ‘Snow White and the 7 Aliens’ at South Simcoe Theatre, Cookstown. Tickets are \$19.50, the price is reduced to \$16.50 for groups of more than 10.

All presentations and meetings will take place at the Community Hall in Schomberg, other than those indicated. This quote spoke to me this week...

“Don’t take constructive criticism from people who haven’t constructed anything.” ~ Steve Maraboli

Again, if you find a lost dog or cat, please secure it and call Vaughan Animal Control at 905-832-2281, they are responsible for this area.

Please reach out with your events, stories of happenings or anything you’d love to see here porter5952@gmail.com or 416-460-5952.



Haunting on King Road

Join in for a Haunted night at the King Heritage & Cultural Centre featuring spooky activities, crafts and treats. Admission includes crafts, face painting, balloon twisting, magic show, spooky story telling, photo booth, Haunted House scavenger hunt. Costumes are encouraged but not required! Tickets are required to attend this event, attendees under the age of 2 do not require a ticket. Preregistration price is \$10; or \$12 at the door. It takes place Friday, Oct. 27, from 5 to 8:30 p.m.

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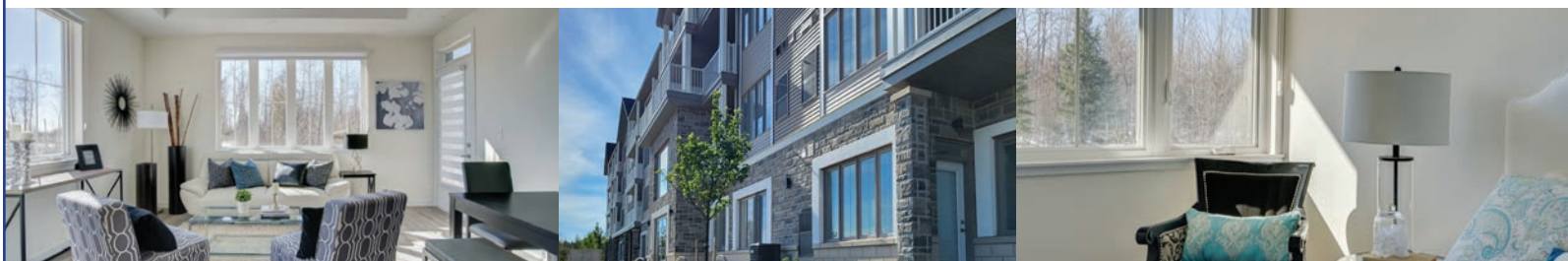


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MPP hands out pumpkins

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, hosted the annual TeamLecce pumpkin giveaway in Kleinburg. MPP Lecce and his team gave away free pumpkins in the spirit of Thanksgiving and collected food donations for the Humanity First food bank. "There's an amazing community spirit here in King, as people came together to help families most in need this Thanksgiving," he said. "I thank everyone who helped make this year's pumpkin giveaway a success, and I want to give a special thank you to the volunteers at Humanity First for the incredible work they do."



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Nobleton & Schomberg United Churches

By Nancy Hopkinson

Nobleton's 127th anniversary is this Sunday, Oct. 29 at 11:15 a.m. We welcome the community to celebrate with us. We are pleased to have a musical service led by Lynne Smith (singer), her husband Tom (guitarist), David Duncan (drummer) and John Lemke (guitarist/singer), as well as scripture and a "fire side chat" by Pastor Richard Gardner. Afterwards we will enjoy a light lunch together and reminisce. Schomberg United will be celebrating with us on this special day. We hope to see you!

We are now online for our services. Go to www.youtube.com. Then search for Nobleton United Church, find the correct date and enjoy!

Join us at Nobleton United for tea or coffee and a little refreshment on Mondays at 10 a.m., as we try to understand narratives and timeless wisdom of the Bible with this study series, led by Pastor Richard Gardner. We have scripture readings, discussion and sidetracks to

other interesting topics.

Fall clean-up is Saturday, Nov. 4 and Nov. 11 in the morning. Bring your rake, gardening gloves, broom, and a strong back to pick up the leaves and get them into the yard waste bags! Community service hours will be given to high school students who volunteer to help. Many hands make light work.

The Celebration of Life of our long-time member Bob Sharer is on Saturday, Nov. 4, drop-in between 1 and 4 p.m. Bob served on the board for many years as our treasurer, and more recently served to check our financial books and offer guidance. Although his profession was in banking, he was a man of many talents: wood carving of various birds, and a gardener providing floral delights for all who drove by their house.

The next Messy Church is Wednesday, Nov. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. Messy Church is for families. There are optional fun activities, for the first hour (we always have cookie decorating as one option), then an interactive Bible story and songs that relate the activities to the story and at 6:15 p.m., a meal. It is a fun way to learn Bible stories and how to relate them to our own lives. The meal and activities are free, but we do

appreciate donations. For more info, please contact me at 905-859-0761 or email me at nancykhopkinson@gmail.com.

The next Senior's Luncheon is on Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 11:30 a.m. (arrive by 11:15 a.m.) at St. Mary Magdalene Church, lower level, 116 Church St., Schomberg. The guest performers will be a local singing group 'Sentimental Journey' featuring 4 talented local musicians. We will be serving meatloaf with passata, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, buns and butter, followed by apple crisp and ice cream, tea & coffee. 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 to offset some of our costs.

Zumba classes are now being offered at Nobleton United Church Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. for 1 hour. For more info, or to register, contact Teresita Montemarano at joy4zumba@gmail.com.

Our Pastor, Richard Gardner, is in the Nobleton church office most Wednesdays and many Thursdays as well. Richard would love to have a chat with you or offer communion with you, if you would like that. If you wish to meet with Richard, drop by or contact him at pastor.schomberg.nobleton@gmail.com or call the church office: 905-859-3976. Richard would be more than happy to visit you at your home or meet at a Tim Hortons.

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Fashion show supports Southlake's cancer care programs

By Brock Weir

Doctors at Newmarket's Southlake Regional Health Centre next Wednesday are set to temporarily trade their scrubs for some fancy duds all for a fun night out on the town.

On November 1, Southlake physicians will strut their stuff down the runway for the annual Whiskey, Wine & MR Menswear fashion show, hosted by Mike Rathke of Aurora's MR Menswear and sponsored by NewRoads Automotive Group.

Tickets for the event are on sale now and benefit Southlake's HERE is Where Cancer Meets its Match campaign to "create the cancer care our communities deserve." Southlake's Stronach Regional Cancer Centre is a cause close to the hearts of Rathke, a cancer survivor himself, and to every single doctor at Southlake.

Orthopedic surgeon Dr. John Randle has been a runway model since the event's inception and although he was reluctant to take centre-stage the first time around is eager to return to the event, which is being held this year at

Newmarket's NewRoads Performing Arts Centre, formerly Newmarket Theatre.

"I have to say, at the first one I was very apprehensive and I didn't know it was something I was going to enjoy - and I am still not so sure I enjoy it - but it was actually a lot of fun," says Dr. Randle with a laugh. "Mike can even make me look good in clothes! It's a real treat. Even at that first one you could feel the energy in the room. It's probably the most fun event I have done with the Southlake Foundation and that's why I keep coming back. It really does celebrate the community, it gets some of us out in the community in a different environment than we would normally see. You're not seeing me in a fracture clinic for a broken wrist, so this puts you in a different light, some of the human side, and it's a worthwhile cause.

"I think it brings the hospital to the community in a really unique way."

This is a feeling shared by Dionne Malcolm of the Southlake Foundation.

For her, as much as it is about fundraising it is also about communi-

ty-building.

"To see our physicians in a totally different environment just sort of humanizes this organization a little bit; we have this link with the community already and this gives people the opportunity to see clinical folks in an environment they have never seen before. Mike Rathke is a huge proponent of the 'HERE is Where Cancer Meets its Match' campaign and has told his own cancer story as part of this event, and that is so meaningful to people. All the proceeds from ticket sales and the silent auction will all go towards the Cancer Campaign."

This will be the first year Malcolm will be able to attend the event, she adds, and in addition to the fashion show itself, she says she's particularly looking forward to whiskey and wine tastings, great food, the auction and more.

"There is something for everyone - it's a fun, social evening, and it brings the community to the hospital and the hospital to the community. Community healthcare is that common denominator that [brings everyone together] and at the end of the night it is just bene-

fitting a really, really great cause. I am looking forward to supporting it and having fun."

There are so many causes holding fundraising events at this time of year that are all equal, but Dr. Randle notes that Southlake is our community hospital, is a place where the entire community can receive care, and is an organization that relies on the community to fundraise to maintain that care as money they receive from the Province only goes so far.

"The majority of people you're going to see on that stage will benefit directly from the proceeds in the way that they deliver care and do their job. In many ways, it is giving to receive back at Southlake; one would hope you never have to, but that is not the reality of health care," he says. "Your proceeds will go back to the institution, provide the means for many of us on the stage to do better work, treat people better, more currently, safer, and more efficiently.

Tickets for the fashion show can be purchased at give.southlake.ca/site/Ticketing?view=Tickets&id=100161.

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It is with heartbreaking sadness that the family of Valerie Spear announce her passing on Monday, October 9, 2023, at the age of 82. Beloved wife of Ron for 60 years and dear mother of Pam (Wally Koekebakker), Eric Spear (Karen), Jay Spear, and Sandy (Joe Leonard). Loving grandmother of Shane, Spencer, Chloe, Abbey, Reilly and Kaylee. Adoring great grandmother of Matilda. Dear sister of Danny Thompson (Jane) and Judy Giberson (Bill). Cherished daughter of the late Henrietta and Herbert Thompson. Val will also be lovingly remembered by her many nieces, nephews, extended family, friends, and neighbours from the 18th sideroad in Schomberg.

As Val encountered many health obstacles over the years, her husband and best friend, Ron, was by her side every step of the way, protecting and advocating for her. Her fight was valiant and amidst it all, she always had kind words to share, a smile on her face, and an Elvis song to sing. She effortlessly filled the family home on the bumpy ole' 18th sideroad in Schomberg with love, family gatherings, words of support and encouragement, and delicious home baked treats. As you walk with the angels, know that we love you. xxxoxo

A celebration of life for family and friends to commemorate Val's wonderful life will take place in Thornton on Saturday, October 28th, 1 pm - 3 pm. Contact Sandy for further information (littleturtle05@hotmail.com). Messages of condolence may be forwarded through the Carson Funeral Home in Orillia (<https://www.carsonfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/details/50500>).

The family requests in lieu of flowers for our Mom, surprise someone you love with a beautiful bouquet.

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