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## Trudeau in York to mark anniversary of tragedy

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

A sombre ceremony marked the fourth anniversary of the horrible tragedy of Flight PS 752.

On Jan. 8, 2020, the Islamic Republic of Iran fired two missiles into Ukraine International Airlines Flight 752 (departing Tehran en route to Kiev) causing the aircraft to crash. It killed 176 people onboard, including 55 Canadian citizens and 30 permanent residents.

Events were held province-wide and in York, the Association of Families of Flight PS752 Victims, hosted an event at the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts. Prime Minister Justin Trudeau was on hand to mark the occasion.

He noted the Iranian regime continues to disregard human rights and destabilize peace. The human cost, profound

suffering, occurs when violence and unrest take innocent lives.

In the last four years, Iran has not taken responsibility for their actions, but they must be held accountable. With partners, the Prime Minister said they are taking the matter to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

"Our objective is to ensure that tragedies such as this one never happen again. Every human life must be respected," he said.

The history of the Iranian regime shows they do not respect fundamental values, and the murder of the passengers of 752 is yet another example.

"Our government condemns the Islamic Republic's regime for the disregard for the law, sham trials, oppression of peaceful protests ..., he said.

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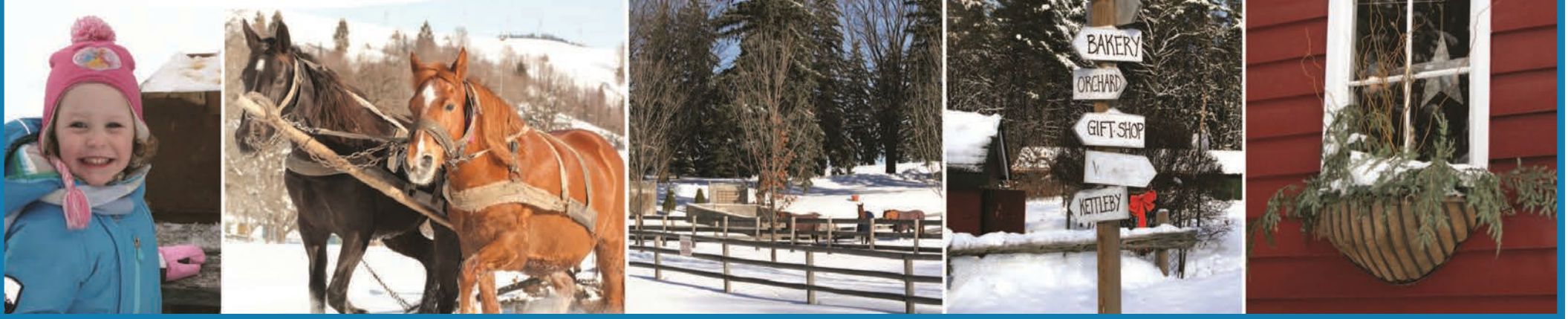




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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Monday, Jan. 15 (CANCELLED)  
6 p.m. – Council  
In-person at the King Township Municipal Centre at 2585 King Rd and live-streamed at [king.ca/meetings](http://king.ca/meetings)

**COMMITTEES AND BOARDS**

Wednesday, Jan. 17  
6 p.m. – Committee of Adjustment  
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- Operator II – Facilities – Community Services – Deadline January 12
- Recreation League Convenor – Community Services – Deadline January 19

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**Waste and recycling information**

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**Christmas tree pickup**

Christmas trees will be picked up on the weeks of Jan. 8 and Jan. 15. Residents are reminded to remove all decorations, nails, tree stands and plastic tree bags. Trees over six feet tall in height must be cut into pieces. For more information, visit [king.ca/waste](http://king.ca/waste).



**Burn permits**

Open air burning (unless it's a recreational fire) requires a permit from King Fire & Emergency Services. Permits cost \$50 and are valid until December 31 of the calendar year. To obtain a burn permit for the 2024 season, call 905-833-2800 or email [fire@king.ca](mailto:fire@king.ca). View our Interactive Burn and Fire Restriction Map to find out what type of fire you're allowed to have. Learn more at [king.ca/BurningInKing](http://king.ca/BurningInKing)



**Property tax bills**

Residents can expect to receive their 2024 interim tax bill in mid-January, with the first installment due on February 21. For more information, visit [king.ca/propertytaxes](http://king.ca/propertytaxes).

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**Highway 11 Corridor Study**  
**Notice of Public Workshop**

The Township of King will be holding two in-person Workshops on January 30, 2023 regarding the Highway 11 Corridor Study. The Workshop will involve a hands-on exercise that will further explore key considerations for the Study. Further details will be provided in advance of the Workshop. Please note that space is limited and pre-registration is required! Interested participants may register by visiting the Project Page or by using the QR codes below.

Date: Tuesday, January 30, 2024  
Location: 2585 King Road, King City, L7B 1A1

2:00 - 4:00 PM  
6:00 - 8:00 PM

For more information visit [speaking.king.ca](http://speaking.king.ca) or contact the Project Team at [policyplanning@king.ca](mailto:policyplanning@king.ca) or 289-800-2656.

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# Prime Minister wants IRGC listed as terrorist organization

**From Front Page**

Canada has put in place severe sanctions on almost 450 Iranian individuals and entities, along with top officials, meaning tens of thousands are banned from coming to Canada.

Trudeau said federal officials have also opened 141 investigations.

"But we know there is more to do. We will continue our work, look for ways to list Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) as a terrorist organization and explore any and all other options."

Nobleton's Shahin Moghaddam lost his wife Shakiba and young son Rosstin in the tragedy.

Through various avenues, the Association and its members have been trying to seek justice, and encouraging the federal government to take a stronger stance against Iran's actions.

Pierre Poilievre, Leader of the Conservative Party of Canada and the Of-

ficial Opposition, said in a statement this "was an evil act of mass murder that further underscored what our country has known for a long time – the IRGC is a terrorist group."

"In the days since the attack, the families of the victims have repeatedly called on the Canadian government to criminalize the IRGC and officially list it as a banned terrorist organization in Canada."

"Unfortunately, for four years, the IRGC has been given a safe harbour in Canada. The tyrants in Tehran and the murderers in the IRGC have continued to sow chaos and destruction. A few months ago, the IRGC supported and funded Hamas' invasion of Israel, instigating sadistic violence against innocent civilians and the murder of several Canadian citizens."

"The government must end the delay. Canada must be a leader in condemning the actions of these terrorists and stand in solidarity with the

victims and their families.

"Conservatives will build on the work of the previous Conservative government that officially recognized Iran as a state sponsor of terrorism. A Poilievre government will list the IRGC as a banned terrorist organization; we will seize the assets of the Iranian regime in Canada and give them to the families of Flight PS752;

we will impose broad and sweeping sanctions to cripple the regime and help pave the way for Iranians to bring home freedom and democracy for their people.

"In the names of the victims of Flight PS752 and the thousands of people who continue to be tormented by the IRGC, we must, and will, do better."



## KFES's new tanker arrives

King Fire and Emergency Services received its new tanker truck, delivered to Firehouse 38 in Nobleton. This tanker is absolutely "beautiful," according to Fire Chief Jim Wall.

This tanker replaces a 2002 FL80 1800 IMG Dependable build which has been a fabulous truck. This new Kenworth T480 2500 IMG Dependable Tanker is a welcomed addition to the current fleet.

"I want to extend my sincere thanks to our fabulous Mayor Steve Pellegrini and to our Ward Councillors for supporting this truck and to our Dependable Emergency Vehicles family for being there every step of the way during this build."

This rig will serve King Township extremely well.



## Dignitaries open addition

Dignitaries officially opened the new port-a-pack relocation at The Pope Francis CES recently. The relocation was a \$1.6-million project that connects 10 portable classrooms to the school's main building to best serve the growing Kleinburg community. King-Vaughan MPP and Education Minister Stephen Lecce handled the ribbon-cutting duties, along with MP Anna Roberts who offered her support.

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# Editorial, Letters & Opinion

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

- Michael Connelly

## Dishing out failing grades to start the year

My cheeks, squirrel-like with an overabundance of cheese balls, marked my feelings ushering in the new year – tasty at first, yet ultimately unsatisfying.

Attached to the couch, I searched for pearls of wisdom from old sit-coms like Frasier, The Big Bang Theory and Last Man Standing. Modern-day sages to be sure. Yet, my grasping at such TV snippet straws proved fruitless.

I couldn't choose between staying put in the suitably worn couch cushion or getting up to get some pain relievers.

As my cough worsened my thoughts turned to RSV and running out to get the flu shot.

When I was young we'd have to be dying before getting the family doctor to come over for a visit (yes I was at the tail end of the house call era).

I find comedy, even jokes I've heard hundreds of times, quite soothing, comforting. Laughing is much more therapeutic than introspective soul-searching. No quick one-liners there; I've checked!

In 2024 I long for less complicated times, when a cough was just a cough and aches and pains were the result of a day of tossing around the ball and not vacuuming the stairs.

I also long for clarity and authenticity, not convoluted, confusing rhetoric. Say what you mean and mean what you say are words I've embraced. Yes, I understand all about protocol, rules and political correctness, but I miss the good, old days when a spade was just a spade, nothing more.

I think the world of foggy miscommunication and insincerity have clouded our own thoughts, minds, judgement and emotions. Telling our loved ones we cherish them just doesn't seem like enough anymore.

I eagerly await the return of our favourite TV shows and anticipated new ones. Most are coming back in February, delayed due to the writers' strike.

I try not to think about the holiday over-spending but ponder future purchases on those nifty gift cards I received.

If you watched Jim Carrey's version of The Grinch, maybe you will remember him flipping through the local



Mark Pavilons

phone book, exclaiming his distaste for the Whos.

Let's apply that, in letter grade format, to some things in the last year that perhaps generated similar feelings. Where to start?

Let's start with rising food prices, shall we? The feds hope to introduce a grocery code of conduct, to address rising food costs. And yet two large players – Loblaw and Walmart – refuse to join in. With record profits, this is a blatant slap in the face of customers who helped generate those massive profits.

If there was a grade lower than an F, you'd get it, plus a couple of whacks with a ruler across the back of the hand! (Boomers will understand this reference.)

New ailments and strains of COVID, or perhaps something similarly horrific.

During the pandemic, we dutifully went and got our shots and boosters. For most of us it worked. For others, they continued to suffer. We're encouraged to get another booster, plus a flu shot plus a shot for RSV.

Are we getting sicker as a society simply because of our day-to-day interactions? Why haven't we nipped this in the bud?

We're all concerned about our health

and well being but a constant series of shots may not be the best approach. Let's not forget these are costing the government tons of money, and adding to the coffers of the pharmaceutical companies.

For this very reason, they both get an E for effort!

To the telecommunications giants, who cut off your service for not checking their payment records – you suck! I just can't image how payment errors occur, with lightning-fast internet payment programs. I send money to my respective service providers from my online banking and voila, it's done, immediately. Why the recipient can't see or log the payment in minutes, or a couple of hours, is beyond me. And, it seems they're getting more ornery these days when it comes to late payments.

Not so long ago, valued, long-term customers were given the benefit of the doubt, even a grace period. No longer, my friends. We're treated as account numbers, digits with an assigned value.

For those reasons, you all get an F for your customer service and total disregard for customer loyalty.

Our roads are getting busier, something we've been keenly aware of for some time. It would also seem that people are in a rush, given the amount of tailgating taking place. If you need to get some place in a hurry leave sooner! Don't follow me within inches and then pass dangerously, only to have me roll up beside you at the next traffic light.

You bozos also deserve an F. Gas pumps running out of paper. Most of us use self-serve pumps when getting

fuel. While these have been around for a while now, they are still prone to glitches. I have had a few instances where the button froze on premium, and I couldn't choose any other grade. A glitch, or way of getting you to fuel up at the highest level? Lately, the printers have all run out of a paper and I have to dash into the kiosk to get my receipt. Come on people, there must be an electronic warning to change the paper and since your job is often boring, get out and change them!

Taxes, of all kinds. I read a depressing, yet very accurate comment on Facebook recently that says we pay taxes on what we earn; taxes on what we spend, and taxes on things we already own, which we paid tax on.

Talk about a triple whammy. Every political candidate in every election vows to reduce taxes. Where are these massive reductions we've been promised?

To those in charge, yes, I'd love to see the carbon tax removed from my home gas bill, and all other areas it's applied. Another sales tax drop would be greatly appreciated.

To the tax purveyors and tax collectors – we hate you! Take an F.

Along a similar vein, the loans given to small businesses during COVID are now due. How can these struggling, mom and pop businesses come up with the \$20,000 they used up long ago just to stay afloat? The feds giveth, and taketh away.

Here's a big, red F at the top of your paper!

You are now all required to stay after class, or take remedial classes!



### Editorial

## When did coffee become political?

It seems a simple gesture of handing someone a coffee to keep warm is now forbidden.

Metro Toronto Police is "investigating" after an officer handed a Tim Hortons coffee package to a pro-Palestinian protester.

This sign of goodwill and simple kindness has been interpreted by some as a pro-Palestinian stance by police.

What? Come on, folks, that's just ridiculous.

And the ensuing investigation is a waste of time and resources.

The police had to issue a statement saying their support for the Jewish community, and combatting anti-semitism is unwavering.

Anti-semitism policies are well entrenched in almost every level of government.

Since our Charter allows peaceful gatherings, rallies and protests, to turn this one single incident into a political issue is just plain stupid.

In Canada, we embrace everyone, regardless of race or faith.

If we can't share a coffee and discuss our differences, what has happened in this country?

MP, Editor

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**Are you optimistic about 2024?**

a) Yes  **28%**

b) No  **72%**

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**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION**

Do you think Prime Minister Trudeau deserves more time in office?

a) Yes  
b) No

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### Quote of the Week

*"When we do the best we can, we never know what miracle is wrought in our life or the life of another."*

*Helen Keller*

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# Government bureaucracy is out of control – and we're paying the price

By Frank Stronach

If you asked most Canadians if this country needs more bureaucrats, they'd probably say no.

Unfortunately, Canada's bureaucracy continues to mushroom in size, regulating and micro-managing more and more aspects related to how we live and work.

New figures published last week by the Public Service Commission of Canada show that the federal public service now stands at about 275,000 employees – an astounding 40 percent increase from a decade ago – and that doesn't include another 85,000 civil servants working in affiliated government agencies.

If you then add in all of the civil servants working for provincial, regional and municipal governments across Canada, the total number of government employees in this country is around four million.

Why is that a problem?

It's a problem for two reasons. The

## The Principles of an Economic Charter of Rights

first is that more bureaucrats equals more government spending – and that in turn leads to bigger deficits and more taxes.

But the other problem, which is perhaps even worse, is that more bureaucrats also means more regulations, permits and licenses. All of this red tape is strangling economic growth and progress, particularly for small business, and is one of the major reasons why our living standards are falling.

When I was CEO of Magna International Inc., I could always tell if one of our factories was struggling financially by the number of white collar workers in the offices above the factory floor. If you've got way too much administration up top, it doesn't matter how hard the employees on the factory floor work,

your business simply won't be profitable. The same principle holds true for countries.

The fact is, we can't continue hiring more and more government workers year after year.

Government spending as a percentage of national GDP, or Gross Domestic Product, is closing in on 50 per cent. Back in the 1950s, when Canada's economy was booming, government spending as a percentage of GDP was just under 20 per cent. We had less government, and a higher standard of living.

The government approach to small business in Canada back in the 1950s and 60s was also much more conducive to creating jobs and growth. Government would do whatever it could to get businesses up and running. Today, however, it seems that governments put more of their time and energy into hampering and blocking business.

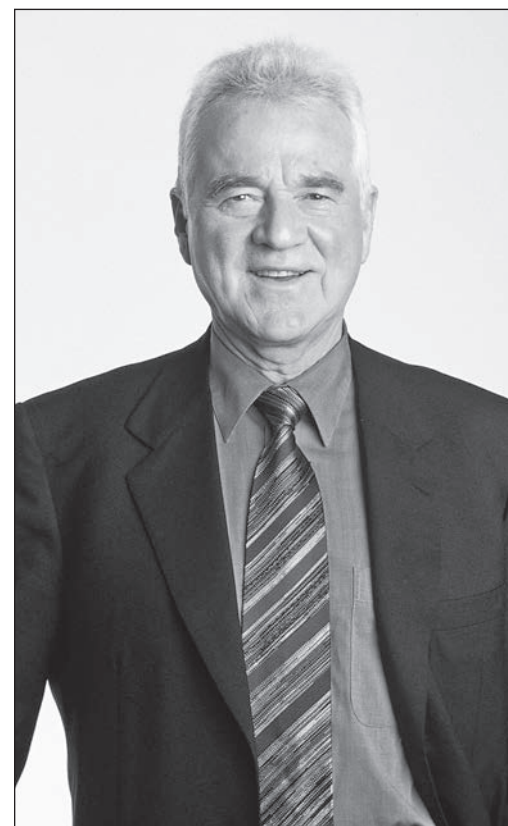
Canadians are forking over more and more of their paycheques to finance a sprawling government bureaucracy that increasingly does not enhance the quality of our lives. On the contrary, it makes our daily lives more complicated and costly, and it makes operating a small business more difficult.

So, what's the answer?

We need to return to some bedrock economic principles that will get our country back on a solid economic footing – principles like not spending more than we take in, eliminating our debt, and unleashing small business, the engine of our economy.

The best way to do that is through the adoption of a national economic charter of rights and responsibilities.

Think about this: there are approximately one million small businesses in



Canada. If we dramatically reduced the mountain of regulations and red tape holding them back, these businesses would be free to expand and grow.

And if every small business in Canada hired just one single additional employee, we could create a million new jobs overnight. We would ignite economic growth on a scale this country hasn't seen in many decades.

Size of Federal Civil Service Source: [www.canada.ca/en/public-service-commission/services/publications/annual-reports/annual-report-2022-2023.html](http://www.canada.ca/en/public-service-commission/services/publications/annual-reports/annual-report-2022-2023.html)

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## Letter to the Editor

### What is happening to Nobleton?

As residents of Nobleton since 1969, we have seen many changes.

Most have been for the best. King Township is one of the best in southern Ontario

The improvements over the years have been wonderful.

For example, a new arena, swimming pool, tennis courts, baseball diamond, water tower, sewers, new subdivisions with beautiful homes, parks, a Catholic Church and school.

The King Road, however, has become an issue. I have raised this issue, more than once, to various councillors and the mayor. I was told King Road is a Regional Road and nothing can be done (at the local level).

King Road goes through Bolton yet trucks are not allowed through the core.

Nobleton has no industry but we get all the trucks.

We are 10 years behind and the Village of Nobleton is only a village on Sunday mornings.

What has happened is definitely not a good thing. Residents on King Road can no longer open a window or sit outside, due to the noise and pollution caused

by the traffic. Pedestrians cannot walk around King Road or Highway 27 because it's scary. Huge rolling wheels are just feet away.

What is happening will only get worse. There is no other east-west road to accommodate the trucks.

This does not only affect people living on King Road, but on side streets or those fronting the two major roads.

People are having to cut through subdivisions to get where they need to go.

People in Nobleton have not been exempt from high taxes. York Region takes a high percentage of our taxes. So, they can keep the trucks, we don't need them!

King should consider looking into the 413 since it's not directly interfering with King land. They should negotiate with the Region and Province instead of just voting it down. It may be the only solution.

Hopefully there are some who are concerned and care for the well being of the Village of Nobleton.

Antonio and Lina DiMeo



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# Recipe for making double spud drunken beef

By Aladin Jarrah

Chef Pops  
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You know the drill by now: In the face of skyrocketing food costs, Chef Pops has taken on this challenge:

Feed a family of four a nutritious gourmet dinner for around \$20. The rules: No hard-to-find obscure ingredients allowed; everything has to be a pantry staple or available from local grocers. No processed foods or packaged items with unpronounceable ingredients; everything has to be made from scratch ... and it has to be easy to put together; no weird or fancy techniques or equipment allowed. Lastly, it has to be so delicious that it raises an eyebrow on the first bite.

Here goes:

The weather outside is frightful. The days are short, the world is falling apart and we need a little sustenance for the body, mind, heart and soul, so let's rock 'n' roll. This is a dish that utilizes a tough, inexpensive cut of beef to give you the most luxurious, tender, fuzzy blanket of a meal that makes you glad it's almost winter.

Spend your \$20 on what you don't have from this list:

1 large slice of beef shank, with a nice bit of marrow in the middle. Metro often has them for \$5-10 each. Get two if they're small.

- 1 lb tiny potatoes, quartered
- 4 Russet potatoes
- 2 carrots, sliced
- 1 can tomato paste
- 2 large onions, sliced
- 1 head of garlic, peeled
- 1 cup of whisky. It doesn't matter

what kind. I usually use whatever is in the bar that I don't like to drink. Last batch featured Jack Daniels. But American, Canadian, Scotch all work. So would Irish but for some reason that always disappears from the cabinet. Hmm...

- 2 cups beef stock or bone broth (see sidebar)
- 2 TBSP flour
- 1 TBSP neutral oil, I like peanut oil but use what you have.
- 1 TSP Thyme
- 3 Bay leaves
- Worcestershire Sauce
- Sour cream
- Chives, preferably fresh

Method:

For this one, you'll need a wide, shallow pot with a lid that can go in the oven. Enamelled cast iron like Le Creuset is perfect, but anything heavy bottomed with a lid will do. It's not much work but it takes a little time, so a lazy Sunday spent fighting with the cat over which Christmas decorations she'll destroy is perfect. It fills the house with warmth and delicious smells while it braises.

Heat your pan over high heat with the oil, and turn your oven to 275F

Cut a few slits along the edge of the shank to stop it from curling, then dredge it well in flour, pressing it down to get it well coated. Sear the meat until it forms a nice crust about 3 mins per side.

Remove the meat and turn down the heat to medium. Add a knob of butter and the onions. Leave the garlic cloves whole, and chuck those in, too. Add salt, a generous amount of pepper, a three-finger pinch of thyme, and allow it all to fry for five minutes until the onions are yellow and starting to soften.

Turn the heat back up and carefully add the whiskey. If you like to be fancy and aren't too worried about your eyebrows you can flambé the booze, which basically involves striking a match and standing back... or you can just let it cook until reduced by about half, at which point the alcohol would all be cooked off anyway. Scrape the brown bits off the bottom of the pan if they haven't dissolve by themselves.

Now turn the heat to low, add the tiny potatoes, carrots, stock, tomato paste, Worcestershire, bay leaves and stir it all up. Nestle the beef into the middle of the mixture, cover and place in the oven. At this point, prick the russet potatoes all over with a fork and microwave on high for 6 minutes. Place them in the oven next to the pot. Bake for three hours, stirring the pot and flipping the beef over every hour or so.

Carefully remove the pot and potatoes from the oven. Pull the bone from the middle of the shank, and use a tiny teaspoon to get that bone marrow out and back into the pot. Gently pull the beef apart, it should take almost no effort, and gently mix everything together. Slice open the baked potatoes and add a pat of butter, then fill each potato with the beef. Garnish with a dollop of sour cream and chopped chives. Put away your phones and talk about what a genius the cook is.



with you making a bone collection in a large zippy bag in the freezer. Whenever you roast a chicken, grill a chop or indulge in a prime rib, save all the bones. Wing tips are a great addition, adding flavour, texture and collagen. Add your carrot peelings, celery greens and onion ends and skin into the bag. Onion skins give your broth a lovely rich colour.

Then, once you have a bag full of goodies, simply boil it up with a few peppercorns and a few bay leaves for a couple of hours. Strain through a fine meshed sieve, boil again to reduce by about 25%, et voila. Freeze and use every time you need stock - it's free and so much better for you than the stuff in a carton.

Pro tip: Reduce the stock more, by about 50-60%, and freeze in ice-cube trays. Tip the frozen cubes into a zippy bag and store in the freezer. Now you have perfect concentrated bone broth cubes to add flavour and nutrition to your sauces, soups and stews.

Let me know how it turned out: [chefpopskitchen@gmail.com](mailto:chefpopskitchen@gmail.com)

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### On Bone Broth

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# Safe driving when the weather outside is frightful

By Aladin Jarrah

Winter driving is a fact of life in Canada. Extended hours of darkness, increased traffic and inclement weather all conspire to make travelling during the winter months stressful and sometimes dangerous. The factors that cause this are not in our control, but how we deal with them is – the correct equipment, thorough car maintenance, planning and good civic citizenship go a long way to making our shared roads safer.

The use of snow tires is increasingly common but is by no means universal, and is not the law in Ontario like it is in Quebec and British Columbia. Snow tires are arguably the best investment you can make in wintertime road safety. Once the temperature regularly drops below about five degrees Celsius, most mechanics recommend switching to winter rubber. Winter tires have a tread pattern which naturally sheds snow and is made of a softer compound designed to grip better on icy surfaces. This helps with both the “go” and “stop” aspects of driving in the winter, as well as giving you more predictable and accurate steering for turns and accident avoidance.

Have your mechanic change the oil and give your car a quick service when you change your tires. She can make sure your brakes are in good shape, your fluids are all topped up and that you have the right windshield washer fluid in the reservoir. She can test your battery and check your wiper blades to help you have a trouble-free winter motoring experience.

Your car will likely get warm and cozy, but it is still essential that you travel with outdoor clothing as if you were walking – a coat, hat, gloves and scarf, as well as decent footwear are essential. It can be awkward to drive in

what my kids call “hydo guy boots,” but getting out of a snowbank in Converse high-tops is difficult and dangerous. It is also recommended that every driver carry an emergency kit which includes a blanket, flashlight, snacks, reflective tape as well as a first aid kit. Pre-assembled kits are available at Canadian Tire and other stores, or make your own. And make sure you have a sturdy ice-scraper/snow brush.

Most experts agree that idling your car to let it warm up is a waste of gas and not very good for your engine. Turn on the ignition for about a minute before you drive off – you’ll know if you watch the tachometer, once it drops below 1000 rpm at idle you’re good to go. If you don’t park in a garage, take this time do a quick walk-around your vehicle, clear snow (including the roof!), and make sure all the air intakes are clear of snow and ice so you don’t fog up the glass. For the first five or 10 minutes, try to keep your speed below 60 km/h. This can be difficult to do if you’re hopping right onto the highway, but at least try to be gentle on the gas pedal until the engine warms up a bit.

Making sure that you’ve cleared ice and snow off your vehicle will save you gas because you won’t be hauling the extra weight, and it’s also courteous to the drivers around you who could get subjected to a spontaneous white-out as the snow flies off your roof.

Most crashes are caused by human error and are, as such, avoidable. Simple things like increasing following distance from the usual two seconds to three seconds to allow for more reaction time and increased stopping distances can help avoid fender benders. Intersections and bridges can be icier than the rest of the road, making stopping more difficult, so give yourself a little extra stopping space.

Allowing yourself a few extra min-



utes for you journey can also stop you from rushing, reduce stress and help you arrive at your destination in a calm and comfortable state. Keeping an eye on the weather forecast will help you determine how much extra time you need.

The last thing to remember is that no matter how well prepared you are you can never know how winter-ready another driver is. Keep your eyes open. If another driver hasn’t cleared their rear window, then they’re not going to be able to see out of it and are likely not a particularly considerate road user. Just stay away from them. Avoid distractions and focus on the task at hand. You are, after all, carrying precious cargo; you, your friends or family in 3000 lbs of metal and glass, a responsibility that we should all take seriously.

The amount of engineering that goes into a set of winter tires is astonishing. They have to stay pliable as the ambient temperature plummets. They have to grip with the snow that is covering the road surface, but they have to shed that snow so that can grip again as the tire turns. They have to repel water. They have to travel at different speeds as you take a corner, but still deliver the same predictable ride. They have to be quiet and soft enough to keep you comfortable.

Summer tires have to deal with a completely different set of environmental factors, but have to deliver the same results under different conditions. Considering the hottest day to the coldest night can be 60 degrees apart in this True North Strong and Free, expecting one set of tires to perform well under all circumstances is unreasonable to say the least.

Having two sets of tires makes sense. Also, it means that both sets last twice as long, so that in the long run there is actually no additional cost to having them. Many folks opt for fancy mags in the summer and mount their winter rubber on more utilitarian rims, preventing the expensive summer wheels from being attacked by salt and grit.

### On winter tires

For all the safety gizmos built into a modern car, and there are many, the laws of physics still apply. And that means that the interaction between your car to the road comes down to four patches of rubber, each roughly the size of the palm of your hand.



### York paramedics make spirits bright

On Christmas Eve, York Region’s Paramedic Services team brought a little warmth and comfort to elderly patients in three York Region hospitals, by donating blankets as part of their annual Nanny Blanket Drive. Established in 2008 by Advanced Care Paramedic, Helen Galanis, the initiative aims to bring a little holiday cheer to those spending the holidays in hospital. Thank you to the paramedics for their care and commitment to all our residents.

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## LG, Magna move forward in autonomous driving tech

LG Electronics (LG) has introduced a new cross domain platform integrating Advanced Driver Assistance System (ADAS), Automated Driving (AD) and In-Vehicle Infotainment (IVI) technologies. Developed by LG in collaboration with Magna, the Aurora-based global mobility tech company, the game-changing future mobility platform is expected to arrive on the market in the near future.

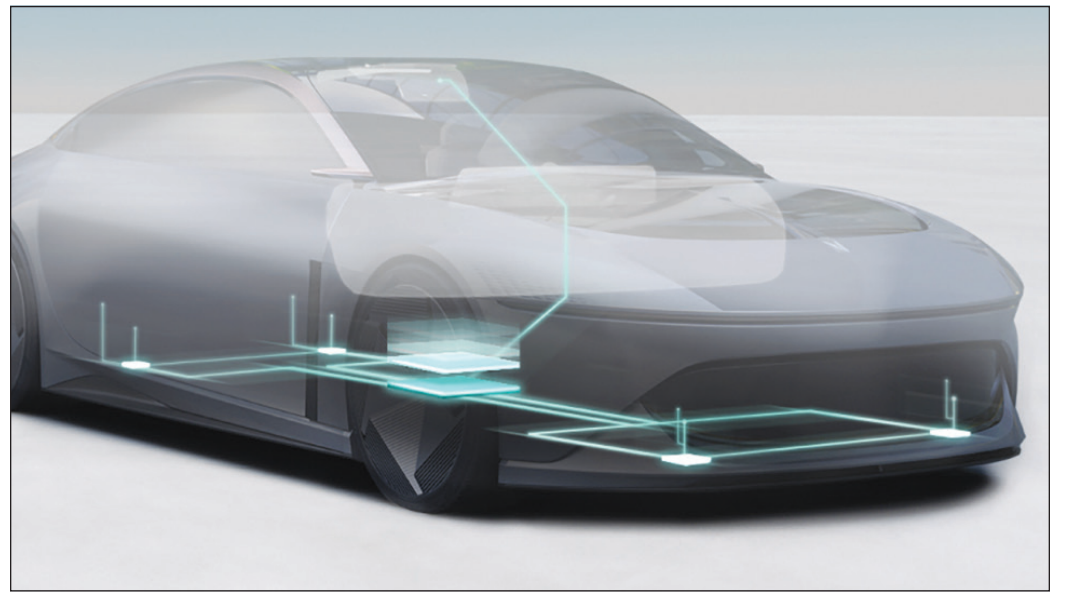
Initiated in 2023, the collaboration leverages the combined technological prowess of LG and Magna to help deliver differentiated user experiences in the vehicle cabin. The two companies have successfully integrated a cross-domain cockpit computing system into a single System on Chip (SoC) representing a flexible and cost-effective solution for OEMs.

The single electronic module supports multiple IVI systems and ADAS/AD domain integration and can efficiently handle various Automotive Safety Integrity Level (ASIL) requirements while using fewer electronic control units and taking up less packaging space. This scalable solution is ideal for the coming transition towards the Software-Defined Vehicle (SDV) and for the consolidation of its electrical/electronic architecture. The integration of functionalities into a single module enables the real-time sharing of rich data across domains.

Via a dedicated Human Machine Interface (HMI), LG's platform can provide drivers and passengers with compelling new experiences – and more intuitive interactions – when using advanced automotive displays, digital clusters, Augmented Reality-Head Up Displays (AR-HUD) and visualization software. Additionally, the solution can be customized to meet any OEM's integrated communications and IVI system needs. The 2027 model year vehicles are expected to be the first to benefit from this advanced technology.

"We are extremely pleased with the progress we have made on this future mobility technology," said Eun Seokhyun, president of LG Vehicle component Solutions Company. "LG and Magna's joint efforts will help push the industry forward, facilitating the rapid adoption of crucial technologies that elevate driving safety and the on-road experience."

Another successful collaboration between the two companies, LG Magna e-Powertrain unites Magna's expertise in electric powertrain systems with LG's capabilities in component development for e-motors, inverters and on-board chargers. Announced in 2021, the joint venture, which encompasses engineering, design and manufacturing, enables LG and Magna to proactively respond to market trends and deliver innovative solutions to fulfill customers' evolving needs.



### Praise for local employee

Leona Zadoyko, who works at the McDonald's restaurant in Schomberg and volunteers at the King Township Food Bank, is a "wonderful lady," according to local residents. She is very kind and generous to the local coffee club members. She even remembers to save a copy of King Weekly Sentinel for local fans. Leona is seen standing in the middle surrounded by her fans.

### 2024 Waste and Recycling Calendar

King Township's newly designed 2024 Waste and Recycling Calendar is now available online at [king.ca/waste](http://king.ca/waste) and was delivered last month to all households in King.

The new one-page flyer replaces the previous multi-page booklet. The new format has been adopted by all municipalities within York Region to cut production costs and reduce the amount of paper waste. The reader-friendly calendar contains all the key information residents need to know about waste and recycling collection.

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# Reports highlight the alarming rise of food insecurity

Food Banks Canada's recent report on food insecurity in 2023 painted a bleak picture of rising food insecurity, with nearly seven million Canadians struggling to put food on the table due to the rising cost of living. According to Food Banks Canada Hunger Count 2023, food banks across Canada are in crisis mode, as demand reaches new all-time highs.

The Food Bank of York Region's newly released annual report on food insecurity likewise highlights the alarming growth in demand for food in York Region.

(To read the full report, visit <https://fbyr.ca/annual-reports/>.)

"In 2022, the Food Bank of York Region's network of 88 non-profit food providers served 30,000+ individuals, representing an increase of 25% from 2021," stated Alex Bilotta, FBYP's founder and CEO. "The demand for food assistance in York Region continues to rise at an alarming rate. To date in 2023, our Food Bank has distributed over \$8 million worth of food, an increase of

62% from 2022."

FBYP's report highlights the impact of hikes in the cost of food and rent on low-income households. Food Banks Canada's Hunger Report found that the increase in food bank usage coincided with the highest rates of general inflation in 40 years – with the cost of food and shelter soaring at even higher rates.

Rising costs of rent and food have placed immense pressure on low-income and working poor households, as well as people dependent on social assistance, leaving them vulnerable to severe food insecurity. To address this crisis, the Food Bank of York Region's report outlined three main recommendations.

The report's first recommendation calls on government to address the housing unaffordability crisis. While there are many factors that pressure Canadians to seek food assistance, one of the most pressing is the high cost of shelter. Ninety-six percent of food bank users surveyed in York Re-



gion were renters.

The second recommendation highlights the disparity between income and the cost of living. The financial support provided through Ontario's social assistance programs has not kept pace with inflation and price hikes for food and housing. Food insecurity experienced by those who are employed must also be addressed by progressively increasing minimum wage to a living wage.

The third and final recommendation calls for support to continue to build and maintain the non-profit food rescue and distribution sector. Food banks have been overwhelmed by the surge in demand and have become increasingly relied upon to subsidize government policy changes, budget cuts and inadequacies in social support programs.

The systemic causes of the precipitous increase in food insecurity have yet to be addressed, including the rising costs of food and rent, the lack of affordable housing, insufficient social assistance programs, and income inequality. Food bank and food assistance services must be supported and bolstered to meet the increased demand for immediate food aid.

A collaborative effort is critical to reduce poverty and food insecurity, and to ensure that all residents of York Region have access to food security, which is foundational to health and quality of life.

The Food Bank of York Region (FBYP) serves as the regional food collection and distribution hub for York

Region, serving a network of 80+/- food pantries, schools, shelters, and non-profit community organizations. FBYP supports food programs in the nine municipalities of York Region, serving 30,000+ individuals in nearly 8,500 households. For more information, visit [www.fbyr.ca](http://www.fbyr.ca).



## Lions food drive boosts Food Bank

Thank you King Township residents for supporting the holiday food drive in support of the King Township Food Bank. The King City, Nobleton and Schomberg Lions Clubs collected and donated approximately \$8,200 in food and a number of residents provided cash donations, too. The King City Lions Club also presented the Food Bank a cheque for \$1,500. Food insecurity is up 50% in King Township this year. Gary Vogan accepted the cheque on behalf of the Food Bank.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## 'Values and the Poetic Mind' discussed

The Beharriell Briefings public speaking event provided an opportunity to learn a little about the art of public speaking. It honoured long-time resident, advocate and retired military veteran Susan Beharriell and put a spotlight on some of the passions that were near and dear to her heart. Some of the presentations will be featured in the King Weekly Sentinel.

By Dorita Peer



What makes change possible? Do we have ears to hear? The Bard thought so. We understood Shakespeare's antique words down the centuries. All nations, in every language, because he was able to serve us truths seasoned to make them palatable. He held up a mirror and we dared look at our foibles, laughed and cried to recognize the irony of our efforts at Life.

Poetry rises to meet a need. It is a hardworking and potent language. The rap movement brought spiritual emancipation to a whole race, opened our ears to its stories and values. Look now at the First Nations rapping away. In 2020, spoken word poet Brandon Leake won America's Got Talent. Poetry is on the rise again, asking what on earth are we doing?

Human beings are uniquely meaning-making creatures. Co-creators of reality, quantum physics tells us. If only our pesky senses and the brain behind them could process Reality. Because we live on a plane of Relativity, of relatedness, we need to sort out our relationships on our search for anything like understanding Objective Realism.

How? Aye, there's the rub. Underneath our regular awareness, our psyches are hard at work. Poetry is the awe-filled language of symbols that speak a code our psyche gets. Because its words are used in new and surprising ways, poetry improves our figurative hearing. Poetry does not bark, it whispers. Subliminally is how it ducks under (sub) the threshold (limen) of our senses and intellect to reach the essence of us.

Poetry gives us time to reflect: to bend back our minds. The origins of words shows us their evolution to meet our needs on our tireless quest for meaning. Like recombinant DNA, words breed amongst themselves, even mutate as neologisms, brand new words, that stop people in their tracks.

"The nature of the human mind is poetic," James Hillman decided. "To see every fragment of life as myth and poetry." His mentor Carl Jung's star-

ting visions inspired experiments and filled a 14 X 22 cm tome, Liber Novis, lovingly called The Red Book. The foundation of Jung's life's work in unravelling and explaining our nature and the nature of Reality was not published until 2009, 48 years after his death. Good thing because the world might have thought him a crackpot instead of a genius.

G.I. Gurdjieff's Fourth Way taught that we are three-centred beings: thinking, feeling, moving. When all three centres work in harmony, a higher consciousness is possible. Our essence is better connected with the feeling centre and can redirect the thinking centre that conducts the moving centre. Right Action, as yogi's call it, becomes possible.

"We are what we think about most of the time," said master of neurolinguistics, Tony Robbins. The power of words means that input equals output. Humans are impressionable machines. Like those Yazidi's who feared to step out of a circle drawn around them, we remain trapped in our habits and beliefs. Poetry subverts habit.

Though barely subject to natural selection, humans have retained an ability to choose. The voices of hard and soft sciences have spoken loud and long enough. We have the facts, and solutions have been proposed. Shouts of rhetoric only spark reactivity from our inner reptile. Poetry talks up - way up - to our essence and it responds with a lofty wish.

Looking upward, inward and forward, we begin to see the bigger picture. A world where sentences begin with "we" not "I" and include all life, not just human life. That every living thing, animate and inanimate, exists for a purpose vital to the whole.

Trees must feed the air. The mosquito must feed the toad, and so forth in a chain that binds us to the beginning as to the end. The wind must blow unim-

peded in its patterns. The rocks must hold the soil in place. The waters must first and foremost quench thirst and hold up fish.

What is needed is that evolution of consciousness that fearlessly values other than ego. Conscious will is rocket fuel for novel creativity that designs right action. Now, each one of us must put the pedal to our mettle (sic). We need not hold potlatches that sacrifice all our excesses, only do a little more in our microcosmos. To remember the true cost of those new shoes when the closet is full. Or the latest model gas guzzler when the "old" one is a baby four-years old. To sub washable rags for paper towels. To rinse and reuse freezer bags. To donate clothing, not recycle cloth. To get used to less stuff. Pay more for better; it is best value. Demand drives manufacturers. We consumers are in charge.

Biodiversity survives only in diverse, ample and connected habitats. Human populations swarming over wilderness fragment the wild ones. When too few remain, they cannot find each other. Extinction follows.

Right now, locally, we could be paving the land with meadows for monarchs and mantises, not swards of lawn and "convenience" roadways that save 10 minutes' commute. We should be bridging our footprint with corridors for migrating generations of young animals seeking territories, not widening roadways of carnage. Reducing holiday flights should be considered until electric planes fly.

Consider the fly in your kitchen as an exercise in empathy. It's not beautiful, it bothers you. But it got into your alien world by mistake. Instead of murder, free the fly. Let it fulfill its mandate in the scheme of Great Nature.

We can no longer live off the land nor forage in the wilds. Modern medicine has allowed more of us than Nature can handle. The sacrifice we must make is to recuse ourselves from the wilds. Just make sure our children visit, are plugged into real not virtual reality,



Dorita Peer

and that for our sanity we too get a fair dose of earth to walk.

Our wealth and wisdom could be more equitably distributed to provide many more people balanced lives with meaning.

Too many flee their besieged lands only to be given bandages, then be warehoused among reluctant hosts. We could invest more in those societies with exploding populations and diminishing resources through educating their willing members here, those from whom their people will be well served when they return.

Eliminating fossil fuels means redirecting massive investment to solar roofs, heat pumps, geothermal heating, biological water recapturing (ponds), organic agriculture, electric vehicles and exchange plans to transition from gas-powered ones. Those prairie pipelines, filled with water, not oil or gas, making for American croplands, would be a win-win-win.

Let poetry enter your being. Hear the words beneath the words. Something in you is drawing you to a new Olympics: wider, deeper, higher awareness. Be there. And be well.

### Annual pancake breakfast

Rise and shine - it's pancake time! Join Mayor Steve Pellegri and members of Council for the annual King Township Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Jan. 20 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Trisan Centre in Schomberg. Feast on pancakes, sausages, bacon and other breakfast goodies, all made by the Schomberg Lions Club. Plus, hear from the town crier, who will make some special announcements.

## CROSSWORD

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### CLUES ACROSS

- Defensive nuclear weapon
- Moved back and forth
- One-time coach of the Cowboys
- Last letter
- Cause to become less intense
- Genus of tree bugs
- Body art
- Romance novelist
- Be filled with love for
- City
- Make vivid
- Horses
- Mauna \_\_, Hawaiian volcano
- Atomic #18
- Shortly
- A type of prejudice
- Whirls
- Six
- Old world, new
- \_\_ Hess, oil company

### CLUES DOWN

- Talk
- Not off
- Begets
- Cars need them
- Computing architecture (abbr.)
- Of I
- Journalist, activist
- Wells
- Takes apart
- Lists
- Positively charged electrode
- Hard, colorless compound
- Inflammation of the peritoneum
- Trent Reznor's band
- Simply dry fruit
- "Ivanhoe" author
- Google certification
- French commune
- Medieval circuit courts
- Soviet Socialist Republic

- Indigenous people of Mexico
- Dietary supplement
- Having a particular sheen or luster
- Views
- Academic Bill of Rights
- Automobile
- When you anticipate arriving
- Beef or chicken intestine
- Conspiracy
- Blood disorder
- Long-time NBAer Shawn
- Time zone
- US, Latin America, Canada belong to
- Upton Sinclair novel
- What a cow does
- Cavalry-sword
- Ancient Greek war galley
- Stars
- Rebukes
- Billion year periods
- Some are in a bottle
- Tears down
- Lethal dose
- Humorists
- Midwestern US state (abbr.)
- Frameworks
- Rocker Billy
- More thin
- Dog
- Habitual repetitions
- State of fuss
- Uneasy
- Chemical compounds
- More cognizant of reality
- A place to build
- Exclamation that denotes disgust
- Supplement with difficulty
- Very slick
- Hill or rocky peak

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

## King's Corners

### King City United By Sheryl Sinka

This Sunday, Jan. 14 we welcome all to worship at 10 a.m. with Rev. Andrew Lee presiding. Thank you to Rick McKinley who was our guest minister last Sunday speaking on the baptism of Jesus and new beginnings.

Sunday school resumes this Sunday for elementary grades and takes place during our worship hour. For questions please contact Sheryl Sinka at 416-450-0140.

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

Please remember the King Township Food bank in your givings this season. For those who use the foodbank, the extra support is an expression of kindness and generosity for which so many are grateful. We encourage you to continue to help with donations of food or financial donations for the many needing assistance.

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

### King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our Sunday Worship service! Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series—"Tough Questions." We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube.

Please come and shop at our Open Closet Outlet on Saturday, Jan. 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

If you have any questions please email: Lisa Lethangue ([lisa@kingbiblechurch.com](mailto: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 Jan. 12, is the first art class for 2024.

When winter arrives, there may be times when conditions make travel unsafe. If the school buses are cancelled in the Township, then all seniors' activities will be cancelled as well.

Many members have not yet picked up their 2024 membership cards. Please check with Alicia or Emma in the office next time you are at the Centre.

The following activities are available at the King City Seniors' Centre.

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

Monday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Music and Movement; Cribbage; 2 p.m. – Knitting/Crochet classes.

Tuesday mornings: 9:30 a.m. – Line Dancing.

Tuesday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Bid Euchre.

Wednesday mornings: 10 a.m., 11 a.m. – Mobility Matters.

Wednesday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Bridge; Chess; Board Games.

Thursday mornings: 9:30 a.m. – Gentle Motion (similar to Tai Chi).

Thursday afternoons; 1 p.m. – Carpet Bowling.

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

You may contact KCSC at 905-833-6565 or [kingcityseniors@gmail.com](mailto:kingcityseniors@gmail.com)

### Kingcrafts Studio

Learn to Crochet a Granny Square Scarf, Afghan, or Bag (Adult Workshop). Are you interested in making

your own cosy granny square afghan or useful granny square bag? Come and join us in our fun workshop! You will learn how to crochet classic granny squares and how to sew them together. Bring a granny square project that you would like to make. There are many projects online. We can teach you how to read the pattern. Both right and left handed instruction is offered.

The cost for non-members is \$55. The Jan. 20 workshop is limited to 8 so register early! The last day for registration is midnight on Monday, Jan. 15.

Sunflower Paint Party (Adult Workshop). February is cold, but we are sure to warm up by painting this bright, cheery sunflower acrylic on canvas (16"x20"). We provide everything you need including step by step instructions to follow along. Colours to use are suggested but not written in stone.

For example, your sunflower could have more purple petals or you may wish to tweak the background colour. You will learn at least three brush strokes and a sponging and stippling technique to make your painting pop! Our events are fun, non-competitive and stress-free. You'll be happily surprised with what you can create!

It's a beginner level, but all skills levels are welcome. For non-members, it's \$45 and all materials are included. It runs Feb. 3.

For further information and registration go to our website at [www.kingcrafts.ca](http://www.kingcrafts.ca)

### Sacred Heart Church

The Christmas season has ended with the Epiphany on January 7 and Baptism of Our Lord on January 8.

"Like the Magi, may we also journey and be attentive, untiring, and courageous on the path to find the invisible God who was born among us," said Pope Francis.

Archbishop Francis Leo has released a Pastoral Letter to the Church of God in the Archdiocese of Toronto, entitled, "Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things." This significant reflection from our spiritual shepherd is intended to offer a theological, spiritual, and pastoral meditation as we embark upon a New Year. See [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org).

We thank His Excellency Bishop John A. Boissonneau for celebrating Holy Mass this past Sunday and blessing the "Dedication Plaque" located just outside the Narthex.

Enrollment for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion – Jan. 20 and 21, and, for the Sacrament of Confirmation, Jan. 27 and 28 (both during the 5 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses).

The next Adult Faith Educational Meeting & Pot-Luck Supper Saturday, Jan. 20 following the 5 p.m. Mass. Theme: "Saints Closer to Us." We will learn about a young Mexican Martyr St. Jose Sanchez Del Rio who was killed at age 14 for not renouncing Jesus Christ. Then we will watch a movie about him entitled: "For Greater Glory, The True Story of Cristiada."

Please come and enjoy our 2nd Annual Family Dinner and Dance on Saturday, Feb. 3. Good food and laughter to share with family and friends. Tickets available after Masses or call Joanne Bozzo (Rectory Office) [jbozzo@archtoronto.org](mailto:jbozzo@archtoronto.org).

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

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion: every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. followed by Mass. Private Confession in our new Narthex at 4 p.m. Saturdays. Weekend Mass at 5 p.m. Saturdays; and Sundays at 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Website: [sacredheartki.archtoronto.org](http://sacredheartki.archtoronto.org)

to. Email: [sacredheartki@archtoronto.org](mailto:sacredheartki@archtoronto.org). Facebook & Instagram: Sacred Heart Parish King City. Contact Rectory office at 905-833-1161.

### York Pines Church

This Sunday, Scott Martin returns to lead the service at 11 a.m. and John Clements joins us as organist and choir director. Feel free to come for coffee at noon. Rev. Andrew will lead next Sunday's service which will include an adult baptism.

York Pines Book Club will discuss "The Last Book Shop in London," by Madeline Martin on Jan. 22 at 10 a.m. You don't have to have read the book to participate.

### St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

Welcome to St. Andrew's! Our morning worship is at 10:30 a.m. and Alison Agnew will be leading us in worship.

What a wonderful time we've had over the Christmas season and we're looking forward to 2024!

Programs have resumed: Tuesdays at 2 (prayer time for the community, for St. Andrew's, requests and thanksgivings) at the church office in the afternoon – all are welcome. Wednesdays at 7 p.m., the Book Study ("The Unfolding Gospel" by John Bowen) at the manse.

For pastoral care, call St. Andrew's, King City at (905) 833-2325 to speak with Alison Agnew, or phone one of the Elders. Our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Dr. Jeff Loach can be contacted at St. Paul's, Nobleton at 905-859-0843.

### All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

Anyone suffering from grief or loss are invited to find comfort by joining our grief and loss group Thursday Jan. 11 at 11 a.m. at the church.

Journey forward – Sermon by Rev. Erin Martin on Matythew 2 – the visit of the Magi:

"There many themes that go hand in hand with Epiphany; revelation, dawning light, the offering of gifts, God's loving inclusion of all people. This year I thought about something I don't usually associate with Epiphany, and that's the journey.

"I wonder what such as long journey was like for the Magi, what it cost them, how they got along, how it changed them. We tell the story of the visiting

Magi 12 days after we celebrate Jesus's birth. No one is really sure how long the Magi's journey took, but they were no longer gathering around the manger or staying where the animals lived. It was far more than a short camel ride over from a neighbouring kingdom.

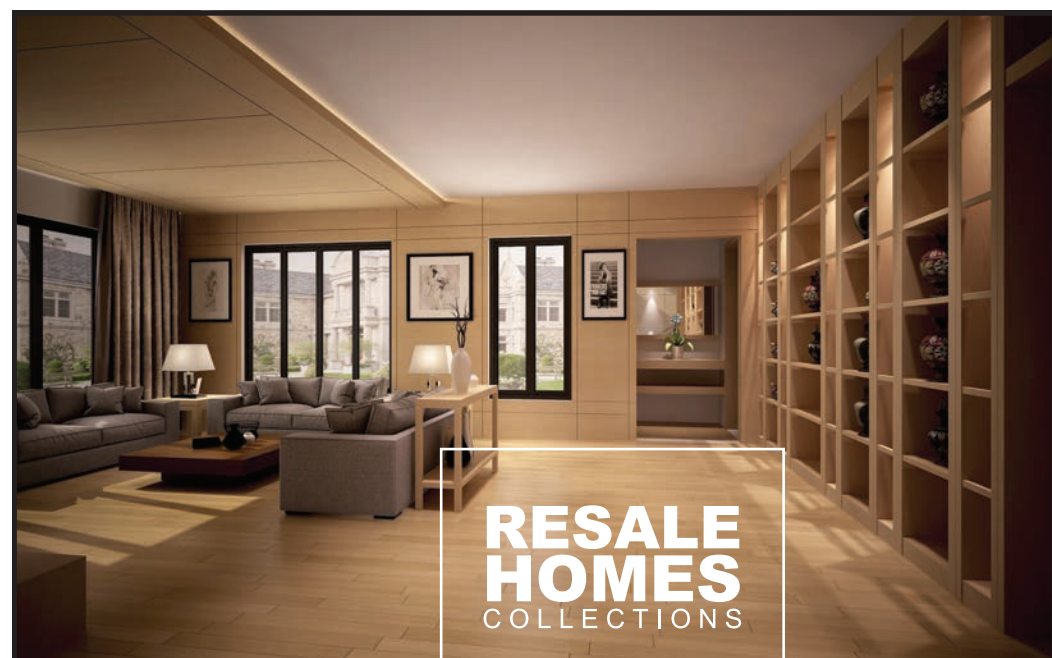
"I am more and more aware that journeys are very seldom made where everything goes right and the plans are carried off without a hitch. Journeys can be hard, especially long ones ... and they often change us in ways we never anticipated. And I know the journey through these last 4 pandemic years has been a long one, a hard one; a journey with unexpected detours and distractions and frustrations and hardships, and just when we thought we're finished suddenly we find ourselves still shuffling along the same road.

"As COVID is resurging these days I wonder if we would have done anything differently. Would we have locked our doors sooner or not at all? Would we have worked harder to embrace technologies that connected us? Would we have stood up sooner for the vulnerable? Would we have given more generously, or kept our resources to ourselves?

"In many ways it feels like a blessing that we don't know the exact routes we'll take or the obstacles we'll encounter when we first step out in faith to live and love in this world, to set off in search of Jesus in our midst. I hope that in this season we'll take some time to reflect that even when things have been hard; the road rough that we've never been truly alone. God has been with us, guiding us through it all, leading us where we need to go. And God has given us the gift of each other; companions to walk with so that we can find comfort, peace, and healing to sustain us on the road.

"We've been changed over these years, and we're still adjusting to our new realities. We can't go back. We've died to some old ways that needed to die and have been reborn in new and hopeful ways. And I truly believe, even when it's painful, that we're called to press on.

"There is nothing for it but to take the vows the pilgrim takes: to be faithful to the next step, to heed the signposts of intuition and dream; press on beyond distractions beyond fatigue. There are vows that only you will know; the secret promises for your particular path and the new ones you will need to make. Keep them, break them, make them again."



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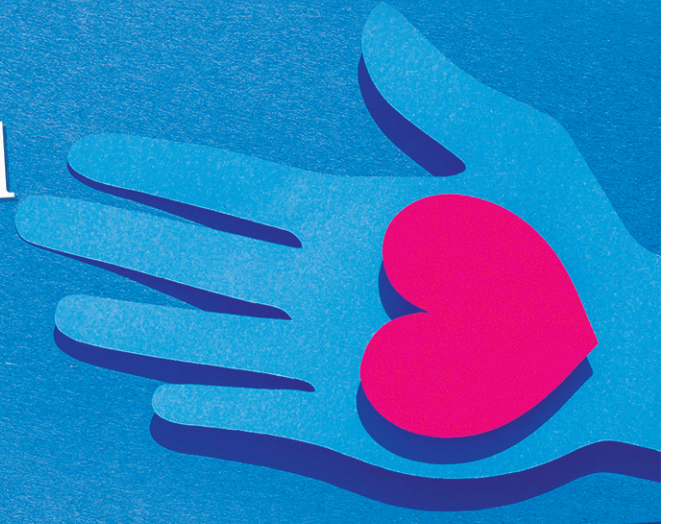
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### Ace Track invites residents to 'take a swing' this weekend

By Brock Weir

Whether you're looking to keep your golf swing in check over the winter, or a beginner looking to build your skills, head over to Ace Track Golf Performance Center on Engelhard Drive this weekend to hit the virtual links.

Ace Track, which opened in Aurora in December, is a fully automated indoor golf and driving range powered by TrackMan that offers new and innovative technology, including virtual games that will give you a flavour of some of the best-known golf courses in the world, as well as in-person coaching.

Ace Track Golf was co-founded by Kristina Brown at 40 Engelhard Drive, Unit 9, when her and her partner's shared passion for golf swung into the next level during COVID-19. Looking to improve their game, they were taken with software from Trackman which was not only top-of-the-line, but a rarity in York Region.

"We picked it up during the pandemic and fell in love with the game and it is something that became a part of our lives," she said, noting they were particularly attracted to golf and its focus on continuous improvement every day. "We noticed that Trackman, which is the highest quality tech around, wasn't available in the area; we saw the opportunity and niche and decided to open our own. Trackman is hands down the best you can get from statistics and analytics perspective."

"The main genesis behind the Ace Track story stems from the fact that there really wasn't a high-quality premium indoor golf facility in the area and golf is one of those sports in Canada in particular where you can play only half the year, if you're lucky. There was a gap in the market where there wasn't a top-quality indoor facility; we wanted to put one in. We also wanted to have it so it could be fully autonomous, managed digitally for the most part, by us... a place where you have the opportunity to learn and improve with the best technology in the market at a reasonable cost is an ideal value proposition for customers."

Ace Track opened its doors for a soft-launch period on December 7, focusing on friends, family and word of mouth. This Sunday's open house, which runs from 2 - 4 p.m., will take things to the next level.

"We're really excited about our public open house," says Brown, noting that while the open house is open to all, the facility does not offer club rentals, so having your own is important. "If you're a golfer in and around the area and you're serious about your game, this really should be the go-to spot. If you're going to other places, you're not going to get the same level of accuracy and confidence in your game."

"What's great about the Trackman technology is you can play a course, do a golfing range, target practice - and we have seen a lot of dads with their

kids in here learning the game and playing. It's another cool market for a younger generation that is interested in golf, too. Trackman [also offers] an app and every time you come back, it keeps your stats and you can see how you improve over time, how each club works, and it is almost addicting for people!"

Additionally, the platform allows participants to run virtual tournaments and leagues over multi-week and multi-month periods.

"Our facility is clean, spacious, and the tech is top of the line," says Brown. "We've received feedback that our pricing is pretty competitive... and I think a lot of people view it as a place where they can learn and improve in an individual or group setting. Our coaches love it, too, which I think is a really big aspect."

"A year from now, we would love to put in a private bay and expand capacity in our Aurora location first - and going forward longer-term, I think this is a business model that has legs and can be extended to various parts of the GTA, and maybe beyond. This is our starting point, so there is a lot of learning and a lot of growth and our goal is to expand this in the future."

For more information on this weekend's open house, facility memberships and more, visit [www.acetrackgolf.com](http://www.acetrackgolf.com).



### Cougars usher in year with convincing 6-2 win

By Jim Stewart

The Schomberg Cougars ushered in 2024 with fashionable festive flare on Thursday night. Resplendent in classic red Chicago Blackhawk jerseys that lit up the Trisan Centre's ice surface, the Cougars skated to an impressive 6-2 victory over the Midland Flyers.

Cougars' Assistant Captain Andrew Hrinco, whose laser power play goal from the point was the game-winner in the second period, explained his team's new home ice uniform choice: "Midland forgot their black jerseys so we helped them out. We switched to our red jerseys so they could wear the white uniforms they brought with them. Our black away jerseys were already packed for our road game in Huntsville so we wore our third jerseys for the game."

The veteran defenceman - who was voted Second Star of the Game by PJHL staff - noted the importance of kick-starting the second half of the season: "We've been off for two weeks so we just wanted to get our legs back under us tonight. We kept our game plan really simple. Our defencemen made it a focus to shoot pucks on the net and we were able to capitalize on deflections and rebounds on accurate shots from the point."

Six different Cougars scored versus the Flyers on Thursday night, demonstrating once again the depth of Schomberg's lineup. Hrinco noted that

"our strength is our depth. All four of our lines are effective so we are deep as a team."

Another strength the Cougars displayed on Thursday night was their penalty-killing, especially the numerous scoring opportunities the short-handed specialists generated. The most notable penalty-killing moment came off a Luke Szabo steal mid-way through the second period that was converted into a breakaway during which the speedy forward was hauled down by a Midland defender. Szabo was awarded a penalty shot with the Cougars up 4-1, and acknowledged his plan when he touched the puck at centre ice: "As soon as I moved the puck, I decided to go five-hole. After I shot the puck, I saw it hit (Stolkas's) stick blade and I thought he stopped it. As I was gliding past the end line, I saw the puck bounce over his stick and trickle into the net. When I saw it went in, I was really happy."

Szabo's successful penalty shot gave the short-handed Cougars a 5-1 lead at 9:48 of the middle frame and the Third Star of the Game observed how successful the Cougars have been killing penalties all season: "We have some set plays when we win the faceoff that generate good scoring opportunities. Tonight, we won lots of faceoffs while killing penalties and we were able to tie up Midland and cut into their power play by getting faceoffs in their end."

In addition to tying up the Flyers, Szabo felt that the team needed a good performance on home ice after losing 5-1 in Penetang just before Christmas: "We needed to bounce back from our last loss. Sometimes we got too cute against the Kings, so tonight we fired pucks on net and skated our game."

The Cougars executed their game plan on Thursday night, but Midland provided worthy opposition during the first period. The Flyers have struggled mightily this season - dwelling deep in the cellar of the North Carruthers division - but their play in the opening frame belied their 2-23-2-0 record. Midland fired 13 shots at Cougars' goaltender Christopher Thompson, but the big backstop repelled the baker's dozen. His Flyers' counterpart was also impressive.

Stolkas robbed Michael Termino, Anthony Nascimento, and Zach Gallow with athletic saves and weathered the storm of Cougar shots until 1:56 when Schomberg's power play clicked. Carter Longland's pass to his power play part-

ner Hrinco set up the veteran defenceman's blast from the point that Stolkas could not corral. Mitchell Nelson one-timed the rebound past the Midland netminder to give Schomberg a 1-0 lead. Longland and Hrinco earned their tenth and eleventh assists of the season, respectively, on Nelson's first PJHL goal.

Four minutes into the middle frame, AP defenceman Benjamin Lawlor wired a low wrist shot from the point that was deflected deftly by Michael Ciaravella past Stolkas to give Schomberg a two-goal cushion. Nelson (who was selected First Star of the Game) earned an assist on Ciaravella's first goal of the season.

Midland cut into Schomberg's lead at 8:11 when Benjamin Kelly got behind the Cougars' power play pairing on defense and roofed a puck glove side on Thompson, but the home side responded immediately. Fourteen seconds after Midland's marker, Hrinco's howitzer from the point bulged the twine and restored the Cougars' two-goal lead. Nascimento and Longland earned assists on Hrinco's game-winning PPG.

Ninety seconds later, the Cougars' game plan of shooting pucks at the net from the blue line yielded a fourth goal when Thomas Cecutti's point shot was skillfully redirected by Michael Termini for his fifth of the season.

The hard-hitting Cougars drew their sixth penalty of the game at 10:04, but Luke Szabo stole the puck from a Midland defender off the draw, was hauled down six seconds later on a clear-cut breakaway to set up a penalty shot, and converted the opportunity to give Schomberg a commanding 5-1 lead.

Nathan Kowalski's power play goal with four minutes left in the middle frame narrowed the Flyers' deficit to three goals, but Matthew Lychek's ninth goal of the season half-way through the third, assisted by Szabo, put the game away.

The Cougars - already playing without core players Wesley O'Hara, Adam Miller, Carlo Lioni, Joey Furlano, Jacob Duggan, Evan Wilson, and Anthony Paolini - emptied their bench even more when Gallow, Nascimento, and Termini exchanged New Year's greetings with a quartet of Flyers. All the corner skirmish participants earned game misconducts for unsportsmanlike conduct with just under six minutes to go in the contest.

Schomberg's next home game is Thursday at 7:30 p.m. versus the Innisfil Spartans.



### Team holds successful drive

The King Rebellion U15 AA team held its second annual holiday food drive. It was a great success and donations will help support the King Township Food Bank.

## 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 continue his series on the book of Acts. Jeff's message, entitled, "The Seed Is the Blood," is from Acts 5.12-42.

We offer children's ministry and nursery during the service. After the service you are welcome to join us for a time of socializing over coffee and goodies. If you can't make it in person, our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on [stpaulsnobleton.ca](http://stpaulsnobleton.ca) or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m., or on demand at [youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton](http://youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton).

Our "Junction" children's ministry is meeting in person for all children up to Grade 6 during worship. We continue to offer St. Paul's "At Home" bags 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

**St. Mary's Church**

We have an exciting new year of youth ministry planned for the youth of our parish. Beginning Friday, Jan. 12, all youth in Grades 6 to 8 are invited to join us for our First Edge Night of the year from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Parish Hall. The topic of the night is Point of Interest - Why isn't the Holy Mass More Exciting? Fr. Ignacio will be our guest speaker. We will begin with pizza, drinks and snacks in the parish hall. Invite your friends and join us! Let's start the year off by growing in our faith and our relationships with Jesus while making new friends.

Life Teen - Life Night - January 20 - save the date!

Jan. 20/21 - Let our Lady Bless your Home. The Apostolate of the Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be presented in our parish on the weekend of Jan. 20-21 by the Heralds of the Gospel. It aims to make Reparation to her Immaculate Heart for the offenses received from mankind. This Apostolate started with a blessing of St. John Paul II in the year 2001 and is now spread to over 70 countries. Sign-up sheets will be available in the foyer in January.

Feb. 3 - Life Teen Valentine's Party. Calling all teens in Grades 9 to 12, mark your calendars and save the date for the We The North Valentine's Day Dinner Dance taking place on Saturday, Feb. 3 after the 5 p.m. Youth Mass at St Mary's Parish Hall.

We will be joined by our sister parishes in the northern region for a delicious dinner, live DJ and new friendships. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks!

Please RSVP by texting Zephania at 905-716-4837 and let us know that you're joining us!

If you wish to dive deeper into Scripture, join Fr. Mike Schmitz on his podcast - Bible in a Year.

Go to: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLeXS0cAkuT-PqFMtZQ379qdEmcfxO1SvXc>

Browse our websites:  
St. Patrick's Parish:  
<https://stpatrikssc.archtoronto.org/>  
St. Mary's Mission: <https://stmarys-no.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:  
Mobility Matters classes Monday and Friday - 1 to 1:45 p.m.

January 11 - Chair Yoga by Zoom.

January 18 - "Bone Up to Osteoporosis" speaker presentation.

January 25 - Naturopathic Overview presented by Dr. Christina Carew.

February 1- Balance Health Studio Chiroprody presented by Nicole Joseph.

February 8 - HosPall, understanding their services. Please register for this event.

February 15 - Fun Day of board games and cards.

February 22 - "See Snow? Drive Slow" presented by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario.

February 29 - "Frauds and Scams" presented by York Regional Police.

All weekly Thursday programs in Nobleton will be \$1 for members and \$2 for non-members unless otherwise indicated. Remember to sign up for your 2024 membership.

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](mailto:eburford@king.ca)

Be sure to visit the website- [king.ca/seniors](http://king.ca/seniors) for more information on programs, workshops, and senior memberships.

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For further information and registration go to our website at [www.kingcrafts.ca](http://www.kingcrafts.ca)

**Nobleton Lions**

As 2024 gets under way, the Nobleton Lions Club would like to thank the community, and especially the staff of the King Sentinel Weekly, for its ongoing support of fundraising activities and participation in free events in 2023 including the Easter Egg Hunt, Victoria Day Celebration, Nobleton Tree Lighting, and Skate with Santa.

It's also time to mark two popular events on your 2024 calendars now. On Friday, Feb. 23, the annual poker tournament will be held at the Nobleton Arena. Then on Sunday, June 9 the long-running, much-anticipated golf tournament will be staged at the Nobleton Lakes Golf Club. Details for these events as well as announcements of other events, once they are planned, will follow on the website and on social media.

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.

We continue to welcome new members with a heart to serve, both men

and women. You may join us as a guest at an upcoming meeting by contacting Lion Andrew at [andrew.bevil@sanofi.com](mailto:andrew.bevil@sanofi.com). We meet at 6:30 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from September to June at the Old Community Hall, just north of the arena. Our next meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 23.

**Horticulture**  
By John Arnott

If you bought or received a red poinsettia over the Christmas holidays its bright colour will be brightening up the raw cold wintry weather we're still dealing with.

Now that the holidays are over to get poinsettias to rebloom in time for Christmas next year put the plant in a place where it will get lots of light but not direct sunlight. Keep the pot soil slightly damp and feed the plant every few weeks with a liquid fertilizer similar to that used for growing tomatoes.

Then in early April prune it back to 10 cm/4 in. Come May repot it into a pot 1 size bigger than the one it's in using a peat free loamy potting soil. It can now be put back in the place where it was being kept keeping the soil slightly damp or when all danger of frosts are over (the first week of June in our area) it can be planted in the garden pot and all where it gets good morning light but light shade in the afternoon.

It will need to be brought indoors in early September before the first hints of frost. Some gardeners say poinsettias, at this point, should be kept in a cool non-freezing place like a porch or garage for a couple of days to allow it to begin to adjust to its indoor home.

In early November when its natural habitat triggered by the decrease of daylight hours it begins to form flowers and coloured bracts. To mimic this situation the potted poinsettia needs to be put in a dark place where it won't get any light, even artificial, light for 12, some say 14 straight hours a day. Now it can be brought out for a while but this procedure must be repeated faithfully at the same times each day until early December when the plant should be in bud and can be brought out to become a cheery part of other Christmas decorations.

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# The Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

This week it was back to school, and back to a routine as we dive into a brand-new year with new hopes and dreams, and hopefully a positive outlook for 2024.

Unfortunately, Main Street lost one of our new businesses. "Heart in Home" made a tough decision and gave up their retail store front, but it's not all bad news, they will go back online, so you can still find them at heartinhome.ca. We are so sorry to see them go, but we understand and wish them much success in the future.

It's sad to see so many in retail are still struggling, we need to do all we can as a community to support our wonderful local businesses.

Both Cottage and Crown and Vintage Peony are having after Christmas sales. Head down to Main so you can scoop up some wonderful Christmas décor at discounted prices. What a great opportunity to get a jump on your shopping for

next Christmas. Just don't be like me and put it away and then forget about it.

The King Township Food Bank is holding an "Open Closet" event Saturday, Jan. 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at King Bible Church, 1555 King Road, King City. They will be accepting clothes, housewares, and toys for all ages. If one of your resolutions was to get organized, now is your chance to clean out those closets and donate all the clothing and other items you no longer use to people in need.

While you're cleaning and organizing here is the perfect opportunity to get rid of those old electronics taking up space. King Township is hosting a "Community Electronic Recycling" weekend, January 27 and 28, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Cold Creek Conservation Area.

Schomberg Euchre Club: Euchre is on Friday nights at the Trisan, 7 to 9. The cost is \$10 for the evening or pay monthly for \$20. All welcome, all ages, men, ladies, you just need to know the basics, and how to laugh, enjoy a great group of people and not take the game or yourself too seriously.

Schomberg Seniors (55+): The Schomberg Seniors 55+ kicked off the 2024 line up with a wonderful presentation of their "P.E.I Adventure" Carol

Hindley and Barbara Hathorn set out last August to trace Barbara's roots, where they discovered that her family was one of the first Acadian families to settle in P.E.I. It was very entertaining and informative, and I think we all learned a little bit more about our Canadian history. Thanks go to both Carol and Barbara for an informative and entertaining presentation.

Other events include:

Monday, January 15 - 11 a.m. - Introduction to Bridge 1. Registration is required and limited to eight. Contact [klbird@hotmail.com](mailto:klbird@hotmail.com)

Monday, January 22 - 10 a.m. - York Region Paramedic Heart Start - How to use the Defibrillator.

Monday, January 29 - 11 a.m. - Introduction to Bridge 2.

Monday, February 5 - 10 a.m. - Lynn Holden presents "Canada's Heritage."

These events all take place at the Schomberg Community Hall.

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Two additional heritage sites were designated since the book's publication. Holden will be speaking at the Schomberg Seniors 55+ meeting on Feb. 5 at 10 a.m. "I want other Canadians to understand that we have these outstanding places," said Holden. Her book will be available for purchase at the meeting.

These events all take place at the Schomberg Community Hall.

If there is something that catches your eye and you would like to attend any of the Theatre or workshops please reach out to Lynn Bird, [klbird@hotmail.com](mailto:klbird@hotmail.com) or Margaret Crowe [maggie.crowe@hotmail.com](mailto:maggie.crowe@hotmail.com).

If you haven't renewed for 2024, please come out and sign up or if you're new come to any meeting and we can get you sorted for this year.

Annual fee is \$15 individual/\$20 a couple or two people living at the same address for King residents. For non-residents, it's \$20 and \$30 respectively for non-residents.

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The community is invited to join us for a special covenanting service in honor of Pastor Richard at Nobleton United Church on January 21 at 3 p.m.

This meaningful event will mark the beginning of Pastor Richard's journey with us, and we look forward to your presence.

Following the service, we'll gather

for snacks and refreshments, fostering community spirit. Please note that this will be a joint service with Schomberg United Church, and there will be no morning service on the 21st. Your participation will make this occasion even more memorable.

The next Messy Church is Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 5 pm. For more info, please contact me at nancykhopkinson@gmail.com

We are both in person for our respective services (Schomberg United at 9:30 am and Nobleton United at 11:15 a.m.) and online at 11:15 a.m. Go to www.youtube.com. Then search for Nobleton

we'd love for you to come out and join us.

This quote spoke to me this week... "You are never too old to start over. Every day is a chance to make changes to create the life you want" ~ Karon Waddell

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 would love to see here sporter5952@gmail.com or 416-460-5952.

United Church, find the correct date and enjoy! The videos are recorded, so you can also watch them later.

Our Pastor, Richard Gardner, is in the Nobleton church office most Mon-

days, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you wish to meet with Richard, drop by or contact him at pastor.schomberg.nobleton@gmail.com or call the church office at 905-859-3976.

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Cross country ski rentals: \$20 a pair (includes skis, poles and boots). Snowshoe rentals: \$10 a pair (includes snow shoes and the option of poles).

For day-to-day info on weather conditions, please call the following: Monday to Friday call 416- 570-2022 and on weekends, call 416-708-7041.

Rentals will be conducted in person upon arrival to the chalet on weekends. Please be aware in order to rent during the week you must call the number listed above at least two hours in advance. Cash preferred.

Ski and snowshoe rentals are weather dependent.

## Schomberg Scoop

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To keep up to date with events, please check online at king.ca/seniors.

Our 2024 events calendar is shaping up beautifully, but we always want to provide interesting workshops, outings, and presentations, so don't be shy, tell us what you would like to see us add for next year. We are all in this together and your Team is only as good as your involvement in the Schomberg Seniors,

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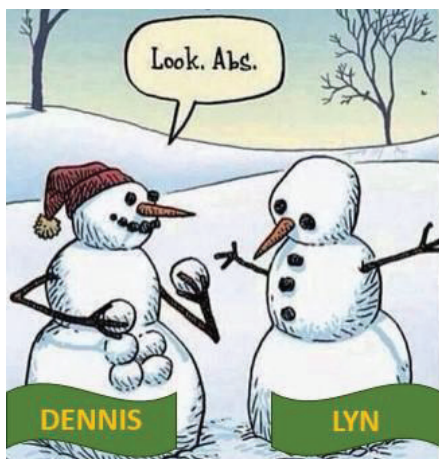


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#### Doldersum, Ralph

February 18, 1941- January 4, 2024

Surrounded by the love of his family at Collingwood General & Marine Hospital on Thursday, January 4, 2024, Ralph Doldersum passed peacefully at the age of 82 years. Beloved husband of Mary Doldersum (née Van Beek). Loving father of Todd (Caitlin O'Reilly), Julie (Marcus Kivilahti), and David. Dearly loved grandfather of Emmett, Willow, Clara and Jean-Jacques. Sadly missed by his sisters Betty Sillen, Rose Prins and brother John Doldersum. Forever in the hearts of cousins, nieces & nephews, extended family, and friends. He joins those we love and have already lost. Ralph was born in Holland in 1941 and moved with family to Canada in October 1953. They arrived at Pier 21 in Halifax, and eventually settled in Orangeville, Ontario.

Ralph grew up working on the family farm and at a cottage resort at Lake Wilcox, maintaining the golf course and driving tractors for hayrides. In his twenties he managed a service station in Markham until his ambitions led him toward home building.

Ralph and Mary first met in 1963. Ralph's sister Betty and her husband were renting an apartment in Mary's parent's house and Ralph had come to visit. Four years passed until they met again, set up on a blind date arranged by their families. Five short weeks later they were engaged to be married.

The marriage took place on 22 April, 1967 in Newmarket. There they lived for over six years, welcoming Todd along the way, until Ralph discovered a gem of a property in Tottenham while awaiting the birth of Julie. This property put him on a trajectory of home-building in that community that lasted over forty years. David came along just as Ralph and Mary were discovering their strength at building homes and developing real estate.

Ralph acquired his private pilot's license in his early fifties. As his passion for flying grew, so did his projects. He built his own airstrip and hangar, not to mention a pond, on the family property on the 9th concession. This was where the family lived the longest and made the most memories: of swimming and skating, building and flying, planting thousands of trees and bonding with beloved pets.

Ralph was a gentle, quiet and caring man. He was loved and respected by those who knew him, and truly left the world a better place.

For those who wish, donations in Ralph's memory to Southlake Regional Health Centre, Stronach Cancer Care or the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital would be appreciated. Condolences and memories may be left for the family at [www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com](http://www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com)

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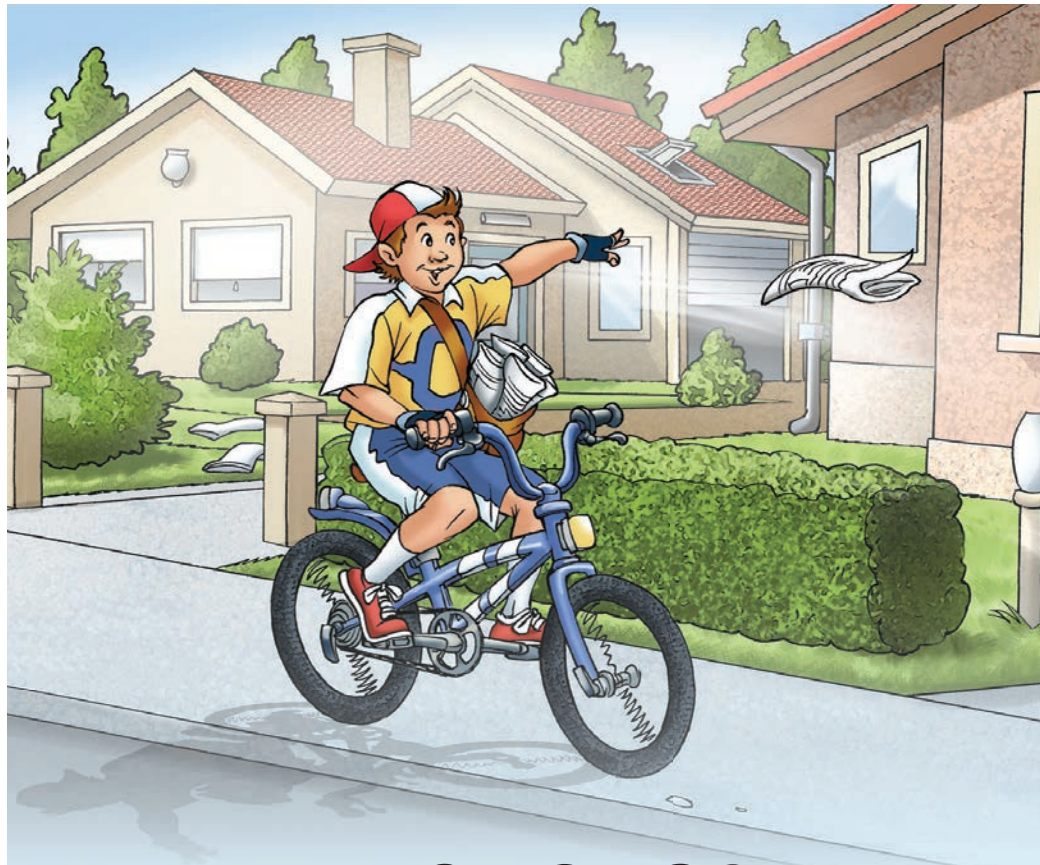
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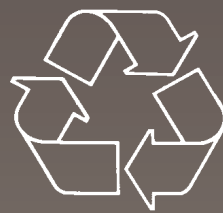
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