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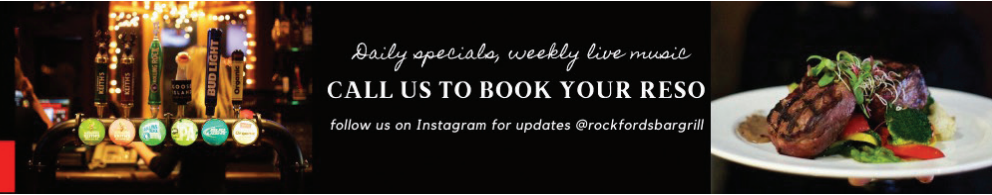
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Councillor joins trainees

Ward 3 Councillor Jennifer Anstey stopped in for a short visit to see new fire recruits training at the training academy in Schomberg. It was a great opportunity to discuss fire dynamics, nozzle forward techniques, and King Fire and Emergency Services' annual recruitment process. Here, Councillor Anstey uses the fire hose.

Township incorporates green development standards

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

King is boosting its commitment to the environment with an improved green standards policy.

Council gave its stamp of approval on the new ThinKING Green: Sustainable Development Standards, which will apply to all applications for Draft Plan of Subdivision and Site Plan Approval. Hopes are it will come into effect on Sept. 1.

Councillors lauded the plan and Mayor Steve Pellegrini noted King was one of the first municipalities to have its own set of green standards. This builds on the strong foundation moving forward.

Staff noted the program has been developed through extensive consultation with interested and affected parties.

It establishes a set of metrics with the purpose of evaluating the sustainable performance of new development in the Township of King. The goal is to create a sustainable, resilient and healthy community for all. ThinkKING

Green applies to all Site Plan Development and Draft Plan of Subdivision Applications throughout the Township, to ensure that all proposed development aligns with the vision for the community.

In terms of sustainability, the standards will help meet the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

This means that the actions we take must protect, restore, and enhance our natural and urban environments while promoting a high quality of life today, tomorrow and for generations to come.

Staff stressed that new developments must occur in a sustainable manner to work towards the development of communities that are resilient and equitable.


King Township contains portions of the Oak Ridges Moraine, Greenbelt and Holland Marsh, all of which contain diverse ecosystems. The Township includes lands that are regulated by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA), and Nottawasaga Valley

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 6 p.m. - Council Public Planning

Monday, June 17
 5 p.m. - Council Working Session
 (King's Asset Management Plan for Non-Critical Infrastructure)
 6 p.m. - Council

In-person at the King Township Municipal Centre and live streamed at king.ca/meetings


COMMITTEES AND BOARDS
Thursday, June 6
 6 p.m. - Heritage Advisory Committee

Tuesday, June 11
 11 a.m. - Accessibility Advisory Committee

Wednesday, June 19
 6 p.m. - Committee of Adjustment

Hybrid meeting (in-person/virtual participation, live-streamed).
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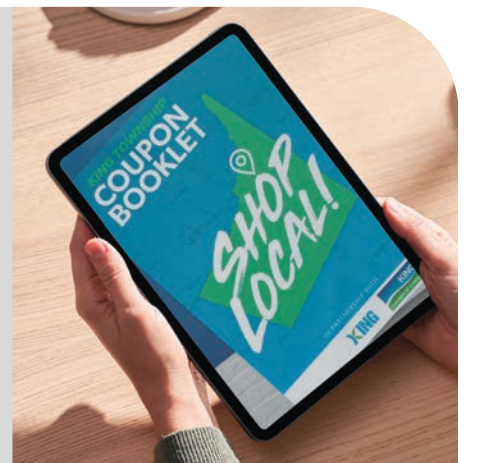
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King Chamber of Commerce Coupon Booklet

The King Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with King Township, has launched a new coupon booklet featuring exclusive offers and discounts to local businesses.

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To view menus, visit schombergmainstreet.ca/taste-of-main.



ThinKING Green expands sustainable standards

From Front Page

Conservation Authority (NVCA). The program aims to ensure that the diverse ecosystems continue to flourish while recognizing new development, primarily within the Township's villages.

ThinKING Green encourages new development to protect and enhance the natural environment while utilizing efficient, innovative, and sustainable measures. They can do this through things like incorporating alternative energy sources, innovative landscaping, and green technologies.

ThinKING Green is an important tool to help implement Provincial, Regional and Municipal land use planning, sustainability and climate change goals and objectives. The Program works to promote the development of complete communities that are healthy

and sustainable, support the quality of life for residents of all ages and abilities, promote energy efficiency and lower GHG emissions, and support cultural and natural heritage conservation. The Program also offers flexibility to enable development proponents to choose the sustainability approach that best suits their project.

The Sustainable King: Green Development Standards Program was developed in 2019 and endorsed by council on September 23, 2019, shortly after Township Council declared a climate emergency on July 7, 2019.

As a result of amendments to the Planning Act through Bill 23 (the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022), Site Plan Control was removed as a tool for the review of development proposals where no more than 10 residential units were proposed. Accordingly, the inclusion of individual single detached dwell-

ings was not pursued further; however Sustainable King continues to apply to Site Plan Applications for commercial, institutional, industrial, on-farm diversified uses and multi-unit residential developments.

Based on the direction of council, staff drafted an expansion of the Program that proposed to apply to Draft Plan of Subdivision applications in addition to Site Plan Applications. This draft Program, entitled the ThinKING Green: Sustainable Development Standards ("ThinKING Green") was born.

While staff cannot mandate that applicants adhere to the requirements of ThinKING Green, such as the minimum score requirements, meeting the requirements of ThinKING Green would be strongly encouraged as a Council adopted Program. Submission of the Program Table would be required as part of a Complete Application for Site Plan and Draft Plan of Subdivision Applications even if the applicant does not meet the minimum score requirements to ensure that uptake in the Program is being effectively tracked. Staff note that since the current Program came into ef-

fect, all Site Plan Applications have met the minimum score requirements.

The Program is structured as a Guidebook that includes sections on the purpose of the Program, Implementation, Future Updates, Metrics, Program Table, and Glossary. Applications are proposed to be evaluated through a points system comprised of three levels; Bronze, Silver and Gold.

To ensure an effective implementation of ThinKING Green, staff are proposing that the Program come into effect for Site Plan and Draft Plan of Subdivision Applications submitted on or after Sept. 1. This will provide an opportunity for sufficient training to be provided to Township staff on the new Program and the evaluation process, and will provide an opportunity for members of the public and the development community to familiarize themselves with ThinKING Green and the Program requirements. The proposed implementation date will also provide an opportunity for Staff to update the Township's website to include how-to guides and additional instruction information on the Program.



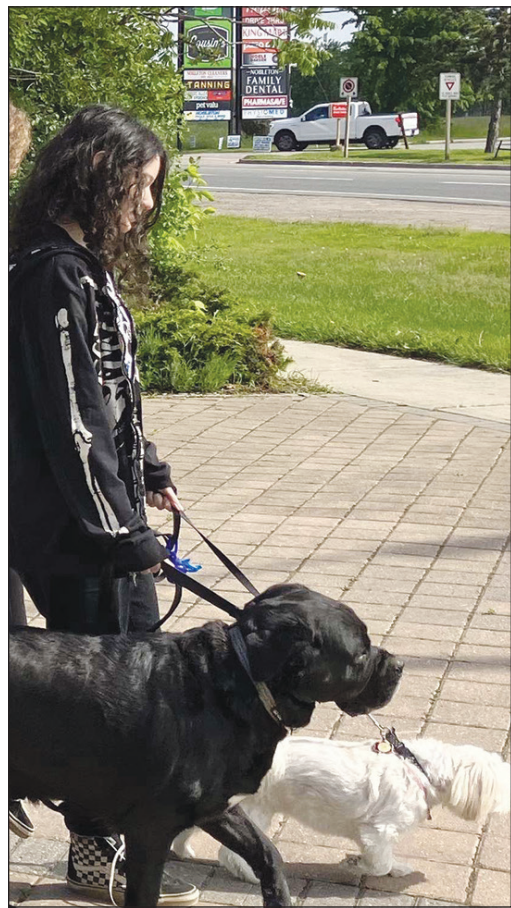
Lions hold Joe Tasca Memorial Walk for Dog Guides

The annual Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides, hosted by the Nobleton Lions Club, was held on Sunday, May 26, a beautiful sunny day, to raise funds for the Lions Foundation of Canada, to train service dogs for people with visual and other disabilities. It was another successful fundraiser with more than \$5,000 being donated so far.

Reflecting a commitment to this worthy cause, Bev Berger, pictured above with her new service dog Jensen, was the principal fundraiser for the local walk.

You may continue to make financial donations by visiting this website: <https://www.walkfordogguides.com/fundraisers/nobletonlionsclubwalkfordogguides>

The Nobleton Lions Club thanks everyone who participated and contributed financially to this event. This year it was named in honour of Lion Joe Tasca, an avid promoter of this great cause, who passed away in March.



Arrests made after break-in attempt in King

Two men are facing numerous charges thanks to the quick response by York Regional Police #1 District frontline officers after an attempted residential break and enter in the Township of King.

On Friday, May 24 at 1:56 a.m., police responded to a residence on Hollywood Crescent, in the area of Highway 27 and King Road, for a report of suspects attempting to break into a house. Prior to police arriving, the suspects were observed breaking into a vehicle at a nearby residence. When officers arrived, the suspects fled on foot and after a brief foot pursuit, one suspect was placed under arrest.

With the assistance of the Canine Unit and Air Support Unit, a second suspect was located and arrested nearby. A third suspect is outstanding.

It was determined that the vehicle the suspects arrived in had been stolen in Toronto in January 2024.

A 21-year-old Toronto man is charged with Loiter/Prowl at Night on Other Person's Property; Theft Under \$5,000 - from Motor Vehicle; Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000; Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5,000, and Breach of Probation. An 18-year-old, with no fixed address, was also charged with Loiter/Prowl at Night on Other Person's Property; Theft Under \$5,000, and Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000.

At the time of his arrest, the 21-year-old was bound by a release order for unrelated offences.

Investigators are also seeking any video surveillance from the area or anyone who may have captured dashcam video at the time of the incident. Any witnesses that have not already spoken to police are being asked to come forward.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the York Regional Police #1 District Criminal Investigations Bureau at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 7142, or contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS, or leave an anonymous tip at www.1800222tips.com.

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Grant us the patience to endure the pain of waiting

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- Bradley Whitford

Take it from me (and Bradley), waiting often sucks, big time.

Some optimists say there's always a bit of magic waiting somewhere behind the morning, the start of a new day.

Perhaps the magic, and the mystery of the universe, is waiting for us to become smarter, sharper.

It's been said numerous times over the centuries that good things are worth waiting for.

I'm an expert at waiting, anticipating, counting the days and being "on hold."

This past year has been filled with waiting - waiting for test results, scan results, surgery, post-op and follow up tests and visits. I anticipate the worst, and with every new PSA test and scan, I anxiously await the results, hoping for good news.

I suppose in this case, constant monitoring can only be in my favour by possibly catching anything early.

I find that lately, I've lost patience for stupid things and honestly, stupid people. I feel I don't want to waste my precious time on such idiots. My time is worth more, and made more valuable since my cancer treatments.

But I am well versed in life's "necessary evils," and waiting is one of them.

Just think about how much time average consumers spend waiting in line, also known as a "timeless form of torture."

According to the consumer study, "The State of Waiting in Line (2022)," wait times have gotten worse during and after the pandemic. With shorter attention spans, we frail humans are stuck waiting. The most common places we're kept waiting are retail stores, restaurants, pharmacies and grocery stores.

We're all familiar with the jokes and barbs about waiting behind slow folks at the checkout, or waiting for a staff member to come and fix the self-checkout machine from flashing.

Pharmacies? Don't get me started.



Mark Pavilons

When they can actually find the medication, which has been ready for days, it still takes several minutes to locate it in the sea of bags.

My wife and I almost always use the self-checkout lanes for their efficiency. It does help.

But often, we have no choice but to be "time tortured."

It's estimated we spend 20 minutes each day waiting in line. That's about 13 hours a year and a total of six months in our lifetime. Six months!

It gets worse. We spend roughly 3.7 years waiting for transportation; 2.8 years waiting for our food orders; 14 days waiting for appointments and another 3.7 months waiting for our friends and family members to arrive. There's no mention about being stuck in traffic, but commuters know full well how much time is wasted travelling to and from work.

While the data was somewhat skewed during the pandemic years, commuting is officially on the rise in Ontario, reaching record highs. By car, average one-way commute times hover around 25 minutes and more than 40 minutes by transit. So, one can assume that the majority of us spend an hour or so dashing to and fro.

Who among us wouldn't do anything to get those hours, days, months and years back, especially when the end is near?

Our tug-of-war with time wasters continues on the phone or online.

I constantly hear a litany of introductory messages when I call a number - dozens of items in a menu, all to serve you better. Better maybe, but faster? Not. I think my wife holds the household record of being on hold for almost two hours. I've stuck it out for 30 or so minutes and if you're fortunate, there's an option where you can ask them to call you back.

I'm sure we've all been sent down time-consuming rabbit holes on the internet. We've all encountered time-sucking virtual wait times and checkout woes.

Some say the greatest art is to sit, wait and let it come. Others pray for patience. We are reminded that if we spend too much time waiting for the storm, we won't enjoy the sunshine.

Alexandre Dumas once said that "all human wisdom is summed up in two words; wait and hope."

I've spent way too much time in drea-ry, emotion-filled anticipation.

I want to be in a position where waiting is as pleasant as a summer's day filled with BBQ aromas. I want to be free.

So I say, why wait?

My oldest daughter reminded me that each day can be a blessing and we should be thankful for every moment we have

to enjoy. Even during our down time on the sofa we can simply soak up the sight and sounds of our most precious commodity - time with our families. Sure, it can be hectic and crazy at times, but that's what makes it perfect. You can't really appreciate the calm unless you've been through turmoil.

So, my friends, why wait any longer?

It's time for us to revolt, and stand up together against waiting in all forms.

My daughter told me to seize the day and turn things in my favour. Instead of shuffling through the same, mundane daily rituals, why not switch it up a bit? Ask a co-worker out for coffee. Come home early and surprise your spouse. Go get KFC if you want and damn the calories. Close your eyes, let the sun shine on your face and feel the breeze.

My wise daughter also asked me what it was that I needed or wanted. Peace of mind, calm and comfort were my answers. Do they come to those who wait, or will they only arrive when we are ready, with an open and grateful heart?

Even worry warts like myself can take the time to count our blessings. I do have many things to be thankful for and I must make sure I embrace them. I should give more compliments and hugs; it only takes a minute.

I redirect the energy lost worrying to more productive tasks.

I aim to let serenity reign. Spreading joy is also on my list.

Let's not forget, even waiting will end, if you can just wait long enough!



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Results from last week's poll:

Did you get away for the long weekend?

a) Yes **17%**

b) No **83%**

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THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you shop locally as much as you can?

a) Yes
b) No

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Quote of the Week

"I've had a lot of worries in my life, most of which never happened."

- Mark Twain

Trivia Tidbits

The maple leaf in Canada's flag has 11 points.

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Why manufacturing in Canada does matter

By Frank Stronach

The Principles of an Economic Charter of Rights

Made in China.

It's the label you see on most products sold in stores throughout the country. The odd time, you'll see a product manufactured in some other country. But you almost never see a product that's made here in Canada any longer.

We used to make fridges and phones and TVs in Canada not too long ago. We even built the world's fastest fighter jet – I once worked in a factory that made parts for the supersonic plane.

When we were a manufacturing powerhouse, our living standards were the envy of the world. Today, as our manufacturing sector shrivels, our living standards are likewise dropping.

China, on the other hand, is a rapidly rising economic and military super-power. They used to buy their fighter jets and aircraft carriers from other countries – now they mostly make their own.

Back in the 1990s and early 2000s, it was popular for economists to say that advanced economies like Canada and the US no longer needed to manufacture products. This work, they argued, could be offshored to countries where it could be done more cheaply.

In the meantime, they said, we should focus instead on building wealth through software and the knowledge economy – products and services that didn't require physical input or materials like steel and plastic.

According to the experts, we'd all end up being highly skilled knowledge workers creating software and manipulating data, and we'd be much better off, no longer needing to dirty our hands digging minerals from the earth and

toiling on factory assembly lines.

I never believed that line of thinking – and not just because I worked in the so-called “old economy” of manufacturing. To me, a country that abandons its manufacturing is doomed to fall behind and decay.

The manufacturing industry and its supply base jointly develop a vast array of technologies and products – everything from sophisticated electronics to new composite metals and plastics. For example, when I was Chair of Magna International, our mirror systems unit and Apple jointly developed the touch-screen glass technology on the new iPhone.

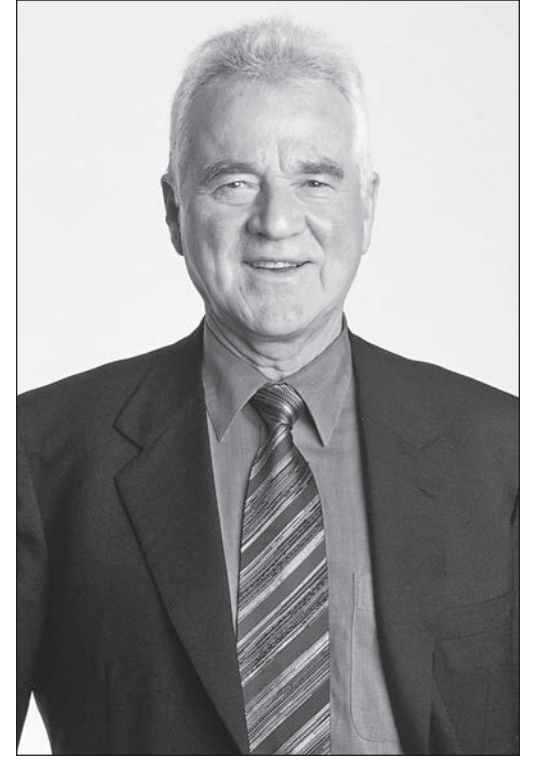
The technologies incubated in the manufacturing sector have applications not only in a wide range of industries but also in the defence industry, which is vital for the safeguarding of our freedom and the protection of democracies around the world.

At the end of the day, the continued deterioration of the manufacturing sector in North America and Europe will impact a wide range of other industries, including defence, and it will rob us of one of our chief engines of technological innovation.

What can we do to halt this erosion?

For one, we need to first work on restoring our technical skills base. That means training hundreds of thousands of skilled tradespeople across Canada through the creation of technical trade centres in every province focused on every industry from mining to manufacturing.

It's a major reason why technical trades training is one of the principles contained in the proposed economic charter of rights I believe Canada needs to adopt. Technical skills will give us the foundation to rebuild our



manufacturing, revitalize our economy, and restore our prosperity.

But if we don't protect and foster our manufacturing base, then years from now we shouldn't ask: How did China become so strong?

The real question we should ask is: Why did we stand idly by and watch the dismantling of the industries that made us prosperous in the first place?

To learn more about how an economic charter could help revitalize our economy and raise the living standards of young Canadians, contact info@economiccharter.ca.

Frank Stronach is the founder of Magna International Inc., one of Canada's largest global companies, and the Stronach Foundation for Economic Rights.

(www.economiccharter.ca).

YRDSB develops resource guide addressing hate, fostering equity

At its annual Parent Engagement Advisory Committee Regional Parent Symposium, York Region District School Board announced their plan to create a strategic resource guide entitled Empathetic Education: Addressing Hate and Fostering Equity.

The board will create a steering committee that will include community members, organizations and staff members. Working groups and liaison opportunities will also be created to leverage the existing knowledge and skills of staff, including through existing board affinity groups. The strategic resource guide will include an accountability framework with regular reporting on incidents and actions being undertaken to address hate and oppression.

The Empathetic Education: Addressing Hate and Fostering Equity strategic resource guide will focus on the following key areas: Leadership and Commitment; Reporting Mechanism; Education and Professional Development; Inclusive Curriculum; Safe and Inclusive Environment; Student Engagement; Parent and Community Engagement; Data Collection and Analysis; Diversity in Staffing; Procedure Review; Evaluation and Accountability.

“As educators, it is important for us to ensure that all our schools and workplaces are safe, inclusive and welcoming environments,” said Bill Cober, Director of Education. “We remain committed to continuous improvement as a board of education and addressing all forms of hate and discrimination to ensure equity and inclusivity for all.”

The strategic resource guide will be informed by the calls to action outlined in the recently received Dismantling Hate and Oppression Framework: Closing the Gaps Eliminating Inequities. The work will also take into consideration existing strategies and documents to ensure the Strategic Resource Guide is reflective of the full context of the board's richly diverse student and staff population.

York Region District School Board is committed to addressing hate, racism and all forms of oppression in schools and workplaces. We continue to work towards our goal of creating inclusive, equitable, and identity-affirming learning and working spaces for students and staff to learn and work.

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Family favourite – spaghetti bolognese with garlic bread

By Aladin Jarrah

Chef Pops
Budget Gourment

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:

A perennial favourite the world over, a spaghetti dinner is the perfect family meal. Now please allow me to preempt those of you who will tell me this is not “real” Bolognese sauce. You’re right. The OG ragu from Bologna, Italy uses little or no tomato, milk and finely chopped chicken livers, among other things. This is a more North American version that, despite its lack of resemblance to the original, is absolutely delicious, economical and is guaranteed to please those gathered at the table. I make no apologies for straying so far from the 18th century original and if you want a recipe for that, drop me a line.

But for now, let’s get to this recipe:

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

- 1 lb. lean ground beef
- 1 can good quality plumb tomatoes, I like San Marzano. Spend the extra dollar on a good quality brand, it’s worth it.

- 1 can tomato paste
- 1 large onion, diced
- 3 cloves of garlic, minced
- ½ cup red wine, if you have it
- 1 tsp Italian seasoning
- 1 tbsp dry basil
- 1 shake Worcestershire sauce
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 generous glug of extra virgin olive oil

- Salt & Pepper to taste
- 1 package good quality spaghetti, I like DeCecco or Molisana
- 1 small baguette
- 2 tbsp butter
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 1 tsp dried parsley

Method:

Get a large pot of salted water boiling for the pasta. Make it “salty like the sea.”

In another pot or large pan, heat the olive oil on medium-low and add the onions. Throw in a big pinch of salt (this will help draw out the moisture) and let them cook down for about 10-15 minutes until soft and yellow, but not brown. Let this take the time it needs, it’s the backbone of your sauce and will bring out the sweetness of the tomatoes.

Once the onions are soft, add the garlic and cook for a further minute until aromatic.

Turn the heat up to medium and add the beef, breaking up all the clumps. Cook until it starts to brown, then add the Italian seasoning, basil, Worcestershire sauce and a little salt & pepper.

When the beef is fully cooked, add

the wine and bay leaf. Let it simmer 5 minutes until you can no longer smell alcohol when you waft your hand over the pot.

Add the liquid from the can of tomatoes, then add the whole tomatoes one at a time, crushing them in your fist as you go. It’s quite therapeutic.

Add the tomato paste and give everything a good stir. Turn the heat to low and let it simmer and reduce a little while you prepare the garlic bread:

Cut the baguette in half horizontally, like you were making a sandwich. Place the two halves cut side up on a cookie sheet and spread liberally with butter. Sprinkle garlic powder and parsley on the bread.

Cook the pasta one minute less than the package instructions. Drain it (reserving ½ cup of the cooking water) and return it to the pot you cooked it in. Pour over ¾ of the sauce and the pasta water and give it all a good stir over low heat.

Broil the garlic bread unit golden, about 3-5 minutes depending on your oven.

Divide the pasta between bowls, topping each serving with the remaining sauce and some grated parmesan cheese. Add a chunk of garlic bread to the side of each serving and enjoy the roaring silence while your family de-



vours the meal.

Do let me know how it turned out, and feel free to request a recipe that you’d like to see in these pages.

Email me at chefpopskitchen@gmail.com

Aladin Jarrah is a semi-retired Professional Executive Chef and is the founder of Pops’ Kitchen Personal Chef Services.

Councillor Eek named as vice-chair

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

King Councillor Avia Eek has been named as vice-chair of the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance (GHFFA).

The nomination, she said, was an unexpected honour. She was nominated by chair Albert Witteveen, regional councillor in Niagara.

Eek has been an active pro-agriculture member of many committees over the years, including the forerunner to the GHFFA.

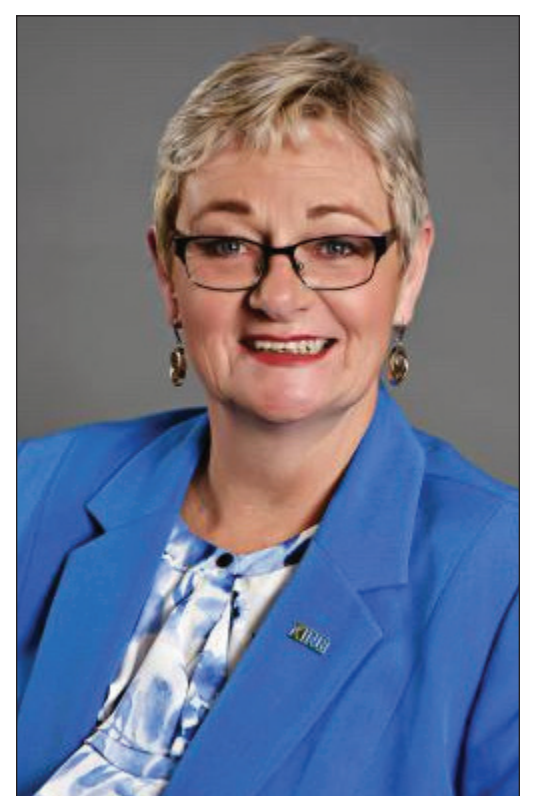
“I’m thrilled for this exciting opportunity to be part of this forward-thinking group,” she said.

Supported by York Region financially, the GHFFA brings together a multitude of voices from agricultural experts across Ontario.

Eek said the goal is for GHFFA to be the “go-to” body for the Province, when they’re looking for agricultural data or expertise. They’ve developed a tool with over 100,000 data points and the group monitors and comments on land use policies.

Eek said moving forward, she hopes to bring agricultural issues to local MPPs Stephen Lecce and Caroline Mulroney.

The GHFFA is a partnership between the regional municipalities and Federations of Agriculture in Niagara, Peel, Halton, York, and Durham, and the cities of Hamilton and Toronto, Conserva-



tion Authorities, the Greenbelt Fund, Durham College and Niagara College, the Holland Marsh Growers and members of the food industry.

In 2020, the GHFFA released their 5-year Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Action Plan, which identifies pathways for a more integrated and coordinated approach to food and farming viability in the area to ensure that the Golden Horseshoe retains, enhances and expands its role as a leading food and farming cluster.

Fraser Institute rankings of Ontario secondary schools

The Fraser Institute released its annual rankings of Ontario secondary schools, allowing parents to compare the academic performance of schools across the province.

“Our Report Cards offer parents information they can’t easily get anywhere else, about how their child’s school performs and how it compares to other schools in Ontario,” said Peter Cowley, a Fraser Institute senior fellow.

This year, the Report Card on Ontario’s Secondary Schools ranks 689 public, Catholic, and independent schools based on eight academic indicators derived from provincewide test results.

King City Secondary School ranked 325th with a score of 6.3 out of 10.

For the complete results on all ranked schools and to compare the performance of different schools, visit www.compareschoolrankings.org.

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Register now for King's numerous summer camps

Space is filling quickly – secure your spot now!

The countdown to summer in King Township – and the long break from school – is on! Parents: no need to panic, there are still (some) camps with availability.

Whether your child is a young artist or chef, a challenge course climber, sports superstar or science wiz there is a camp in King that they (and you) will love. To view availability and register online, visit townshipofking.perfectmind.com.

The summer camp season begins on Tuesday, Jul. 2 with camps running for one-week sessions until Friday, Aug. 30 at various recreation facilities located in King City, Nobleton and Schomberg. Camps are sorted by area of interest to make the search easier for parents and kids. Choose from over 40 camps for ages four to 16 in arts and culture, leaders in training, sports, science and technology, the great outdoors, general and specialty interests. Inclusion support staff for children with disabilities is provided free of charge to Township of King residents, pending availability. For more information about inclusion services, please email inclusion@king.ca.

In addition to days filled with traditional camp fun, all campers can look forward to visits from special guests (selected camps only) and pizza lunch on Fridays.

Limited spots are still available in select camps, ranging from classics like Summer Shine to specialized areas of interest such as of hockey, soccer, music video production, dance, skateboarding/scooter and multi-media art. Highlighted below is a list of available camps, categorized by age group:

Kinder Outdoor Explorer: Little explorers will use their sight, touch, hearing, and smell to explore the 190 hectares at Cold Creek Conservation Area.

Messy Munchkins: Create messy projects and crazy concoctions using your imagination and a variety of different materials.

Kinder Summer Sizzle: Play, run, dance, sing! Enjoy a variety of sports, games, crafts, theme days, and special events.

Jr. Summer Swirl and Jr. Summer Shine: Play games and sports, create arts and crafts, and enjoy theme days.

Archery: Learn technical skills and put your aim to the test with interactive and challenging games.

Jr. Hockey Camp: Get ready for the upcoming hockey season by learning some new techniques and developing a stronger skill set.

Multi-sport Camp: Play basketball, dodgeball, soccer, floor hockey and your other favourite sports.

Gogh to Camp: Explore different types of art through a variety of techniques, materials, and individual and group projects.

Sr. Summer Swirl: Play games and sports, create arts and crafts, and enjoy theme days.

Sr. Outdoor Explorer: Little explorers will use their sight, touch, hearing, and smell to explore the 190 hectares at Cold Creek Conservation Area.

Dryland Hockey Camp: Looking for a camp for your child in the off-season to work on their agility, speed, strength, conditioning, and flexibility to gear up for next season? This youth camp focuses on learning and incorporating crucial off-season training.

Convenient locations and flexible drop-off and pick-up

Camp sites include the following locations: King City Arena, King City Seniors Centre (30 Fisher St), King Township Municipal Centre, King Heritage and Cultural Centre, Dr. William Lacey Nobleton Community Centre and Arena, Cold Creek Conservation Area, Trisan Centre and Schomberg Hall.

The types of camps vary by location. The camp day runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with flexible drop-off for campers starting at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ending at 5 p.m. Bussing is only available for field trips for select camps.

All camp staff are certified in Standard First Aid, CPR- C and HIGH

FIVE® Principles of Healthy Child Development and have received a positive Police Vulnerable Sector Check. All summer camp staff attend comprehensive training sessions prior to the summer camp season and wear many hats throughout the summer as they main-

tain safety and supervision of campers, organize and lead group activities and mentor youth working as camp volunteers.

For more information about summer camps, view the 2024 Summer Camps guide at king.ca/camps.

Police Service Board extends appointment of Chief Jim MacSween

The Regional Municipality of York Regional Police Service Board has unanimously approved the extension of Chief Jim MacSween's appointment by two additional years, ending on April 30, 2027. Chief MacSween was appointed to the role of Chief of Police on May 1, 2020.

Members of the York Regional Police Service Board expressed their continued trust in Chief's MacSween's leadership.

"The Police Service Board is very pleased that Chief MacSween has accepted to stay for an additional two-year period. He is a results-oriented leader who has championed a number of strategic initiatives to ensure that York Region remains one of the safest communities in Canada," states Board Chair Wayne Emmerson.

Under his leadership, York Regional Police has made significant investments in the organization's member health and wellness, leadership development and inclusion and belonging initiatives. In his current role, Chief MacSween is responsible for approximately 2,400 employees, an operating and capital budget of \$390 million and community safety for York Region's 1.2 million residents.

Chief MacSween holds a Bachelor of Applied Arts Degree in Justice Studies from the University of Guelph and a diploma in Police Foundations Leadership from the Humber College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning. His professional leadership training includes the Police Leadership Program at the Rotman School of Management and the Executive Strategic Management program at the Senior Management Institute for Police in Boston, Massachusetts.

In 2022, he was named to the Order of Merit of the Police Forces and is the recipient of the Governor General's



Exemplary Service 20-year medal, completing his 30th year of policing in October of 2019.

He currently sits as the President of the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police and on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Police Knowledge Network (CPKN) and Special Olympics Ontario. He is also an active member of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police, the Police Executive Research Forum, the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the Major City Chiefs Association.

"I feel privileged and honoured to have the opportunity to continue to lead the outstanding team at York Regional Police, one of the most progressive police services in Canada. I want to thank the members of York Regional Police, both sworn and civilian, for their ongoing commitment to the safety of our community, their dedication to our people-first programs and ensuring that YRP, The Regional Municipality of York Police Service Board remains a top employer. Finally, I want to thank the York Regional Police Service Board for their continued trust and confidence in my leadership," said Chief MacSween.

Firefighters to hold charity car wash

On Sunday, June 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Station 34 King Fire will be hosting a car wash fundraiser at 2045 King Road. All proceeds from this event will be donated to a charitable cause.

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Safety plan aims to reduce collisions and injuries

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

A bold initiative by York municipalities and York Regional Police hopes to curb collisions.

Through Vision Zero, Traveller Safety Plan, the goal is to reduce collisions by 10% over the next five years.

Used in many other jurisdictions around the world, Vision Zero does work. It has proven to reduce collisions and therefore traffic deaths, by impressive margins, some as high at 50%.

Joseph Petrunaro, Director of Roads and Traffic Operations, York Region, informed King councillors of the details of the plan.

Statistics show 94% of all collisions are a result of driver error in actions and decisions.

Collisions are increasing and about one in four are severe; more needs to be done.

The plan identifies emphasis areas and recommends countermeasures to help reduce risk.

An end to severe collisions in York Region.

The top five road safety priorities in the region include speeding, aggressive driving, distracted driving, impaired driving and pedestrian safety.

Collisions are increasing in York, hitting 10,575 in 2023. It's estimated that one in four are severe.

He pointed to some safety projects York is carrying out in King in 2024.

They include traffic and pedestrian signal installations at Keele, south of King, and at the Township Wide Recreation Centre at the 15th Sideroad.

Intersection improvements are coming to the northbound and southbound lanes on Keele Street at King Road, pending parking prohibition. Intersection flashing beacons will be installed at Highway 27 and Diana Drive; Lloydtown-Aurora Road and 7th Concession Road.

Roadside protection measures will be put in on Highway 27, between Macgart Drive and Sheardown Drive. Enhanced pavement friction is coming to Dufferin Street, south of King Road.

Council has approved automated speed enforcement and York will proceed with its implementation in 2025.

Units will be placed on Highway 27 near Nobleton Public School, January to March of next year. A semi-fixed automated unit will go in on King Road at King City Secondary School.

A Red Light Camera is planned for the 15th Sideroad and Dufferin Street. Four existing Red Light Camera intersections include the 18th Sideroad and Bathurst Street; St John's Sideroad; Keele Street and King Road; King Road and Bathurst Street, and King Road and Dufferin Street.

York Region is seeing a rise in distracted behaviour on Regional roads. The Region and participating organizations have a collective commitment to safety, health and well-being of all within our communities. A multi-year distracted behaviour campaign will help engage and educate residents and travellers to support a reduction in collisions on our roads.

York Regional Council recently approved the multi-year York Region Vision Zero Traveller Safety Plan to reduce severe collisions and create safer traveller experiences. The Traveller Safety Plan is driven by an international initiative called Vision Zero, developed using global road safety best practices to reduce severe collisions, which are defined as collisions resulting in serious injury or death. To support this vision, a short-term target has been set to reduce severe collisions by 10% within five years (2024 to 2028).

Distracted driving countermeasures in the Traveller Safety Plan include education initiatives, rumble strips, guide rail upgrades, enhanced pavement markings and enforcement.

Between 2018 and 2019, collisions involving distracted driving behaviours contributed to 20% of fatal and injury collisions across York Region.

Roughly 44% of Ontario drivers admitted to driving distracted in 2023 compared to 40% in 2022; despite the fines, there has been an increase of people texting while driving.

Some 12% of distracted drivers have been in a vehicle collision that was caused by distracted driving, while four out of 10 pedestrians in Ontario and one in four cyclists said they have been involved in a collision or close call.

More than 90% of Ontarians aged 16 to 24 are aware of Ontario's law banning texting while driving, yet 55% reported reading texts and 44% reported sending texts while driving.

York Region's Traveller Safety Plan recommends more than 100 countermeasures, including engineering and technology solutions, public engagement, education and heightened enforcement to reduce risk of collisions.

King councillors all mentioned areas in their wards that could use traffic enforcement.

Councillor Avia Eek also mentioned that safety plans should include sharing the road with farm equipment.



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KLA INK Tattoo Studio celebrates its grand opening in Nobleton

By Jim Stewart

At KLA INK's grand opening on Sunday afternoon, owner Kamil Orzechowski greeted over 100 guests as they meandered up his lilac, yew, and cedar-lined walkway leading to his studio's entrance. The shaded setting was a welcome respite from the brilliant afternoon sun and Orzechowski noted the tranquility of his business's setting: "This place is our zen. It's a relaxing place for us and our clients."

The congenial owner noted that "The best parts of today's ribbon-cutting were having my family and our closest clients together for the celebration and getting to meet the Mayor and the representatives from King. They have been so welcoming."

The group of local dignitaries, including Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Chamber of Commerce President Michelle Frauley, presented Orzechowski with congratulatory certificates from the Township of King and assisted with the ceremonial ribbon cutting.

Orzechowski – who has owned and operated a KLA INK studio in Bolton for thirteen years – opened his 13 Wilsen Road location in Nobleton in February and was taken by the hundreds of inked wellwishers who filed into his place of business on Sunday: "The majority of those attending today are clients."

Part of the ambiance associated with Orzechowski's grand opening was the strategic presence of the "Eatza My Pizza" Food Truck serving delicious, Neopolitan-style slices to attendees. It was an unbeatable combination of beautiful body art and complimentary wood oven-baked pizza on display on Wilsen Road on Sunday afternoon.

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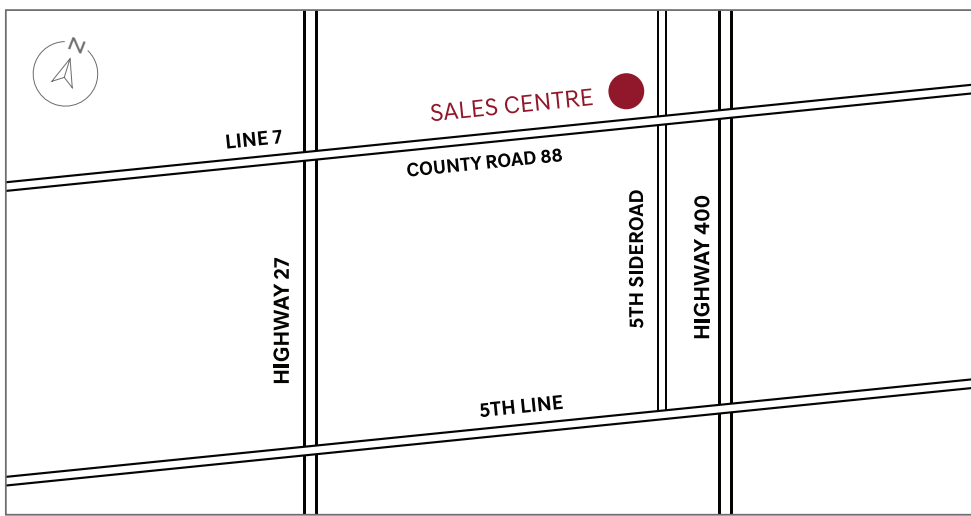
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King Food & Drink Fest tickets are now on sale

Calling all food and drink connoisseurs! Buy your tickets for the King Food and Drink Fest, presented by event sponsor Zancor Homes, on Saturday, June 8 from noon to 9 p.m. at Memorial Park, located at 25 Doctor's Lane in King City. Tickets can be purchased online now through June 7 at kingfooddrink.ca.

Historically known as the annual "King City Craft Beer and Food Truck Festival," King Township has decided to expand what's on the menu for 2024, in celebration of the 10th anniversary event. This year's festival will feature some of the best bites and bevies in the area, much to the culinary and sipping delights of festivalgoers from near and far. Event attendees will nosh on culturally diverse cuisines (from Asian to American) and taste (so many!) libations, ranging from whiskey, beer, cider, cocktails, and even mocktails. A kid's zone featuring games will be available on-site for parents and their young ones.

Non-stop live entertainment by mu-

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sical talents will perform on two separate stages throughout the entire festival. The Toronto-based alt-rock staple, Birds of Bellwoods will open for headliner New Friends, a Canadian indie-pop act. The lineup of musical entertainment also includes performances by Housewife, Drives the Common Man, Ash Malloy, Skye Wallace and Bernadette Connors.

Musical and beverage/food passes can be purchased online at kingfooddrink.ca until 11 p.m. on June 7. Tickets prices will increase at the door. Children under 12 years of age, accompanied by a parent/guardian, are free with the purchase of an event ticket. Note: Tickets are non-refundable. Advanced Music Event Pass is \$16.95. This gives you access to the event grounds, food trucks and live music. For ages 12

and older.

Advanced Beverage Sampling Event Pass: \$28.25. This gives you entry into the event including access to food trucks, beverage vendors, live music, reusable and three drink tokens. Additional tokens can be purchased on site for \$2.50 each. Valid photo ID will be required before entrance into the event is permitted. For ages 19 years and older.

Free parking will be available at the following locations - Wellesley Park, located on the north west corner of King Road and Keele Street, King City Arena: located at 25 Doctors Lane; on the side of King Road, on-street parking is permitted in the outermost westbound and

eastbound lanes of King Road. View the online map to see parking options.

Thank you to this year's sponsors, including Zancor Homes (event sponsor), Treasure Hill (stage sponsor), and Aird Berlis (tent sponsor), and Sabari Orthodontics (acoustic stage sponsor).

Over the years, this festival has attracted over 3,500 attendees from King Township and surrounding communities, and we expect an increased crowd this year as organizers plan our biggest festival yet.

For more information about the event, including a list of food and beverage vendors, visit kingfooddrink.ca or email events@king.ca.

Nominations for King Heritage Award 2024 are now open

By Peter Latoszek
King Township Heritage
Advisory Committee

Surely you have noticed older buildings or structures in King Township before on your walk, ride, or drive. Your attention may have been drawn to them for reasons you could not even explain to yourself at the time. Hopefully the reasons were related to their cultural significance which displayed themselves to you through their well-preserved use of historical materials, details, forms and/ or craftsmanship.

The King Heritage Advisory Committee wants to acknowledge the best example of a King Township cultural heritage building, structure or place for 2024 and we need your help to do it. Please submit your nominations from June 3 to 28.

The owner of the winning property will be awarded a framed illustration of their building created by a local artist. Award of the framed drawing and announcement of the selected property will be made by Mayor Steve Pellegrini at a fall 2024 Council meeting to be announced.

You may submit your nomination(s) from June 3 to June 28 (ideally, with a photo) to the King Township Municipal Centre online at king.ca/heritage,

by email to heritage@king.ca or mail it to Heritage Planning, King Township, 2075 King Road, King City L7B 1A1. Follow the QR code provided to be directed to the nomination page. The nomination must be a King Township property.

The Heritage Advisory Committee will select the winner using their pre-determined criteria.

The King Heritage Award is meant to put a spotlight on historic properties that contribute to our unique culture and heritage. Special consideration is made for a building that "stands out" because of the creativity used to implement a conservation solution or the evident commitment of time and resources to maintain or improve the building.

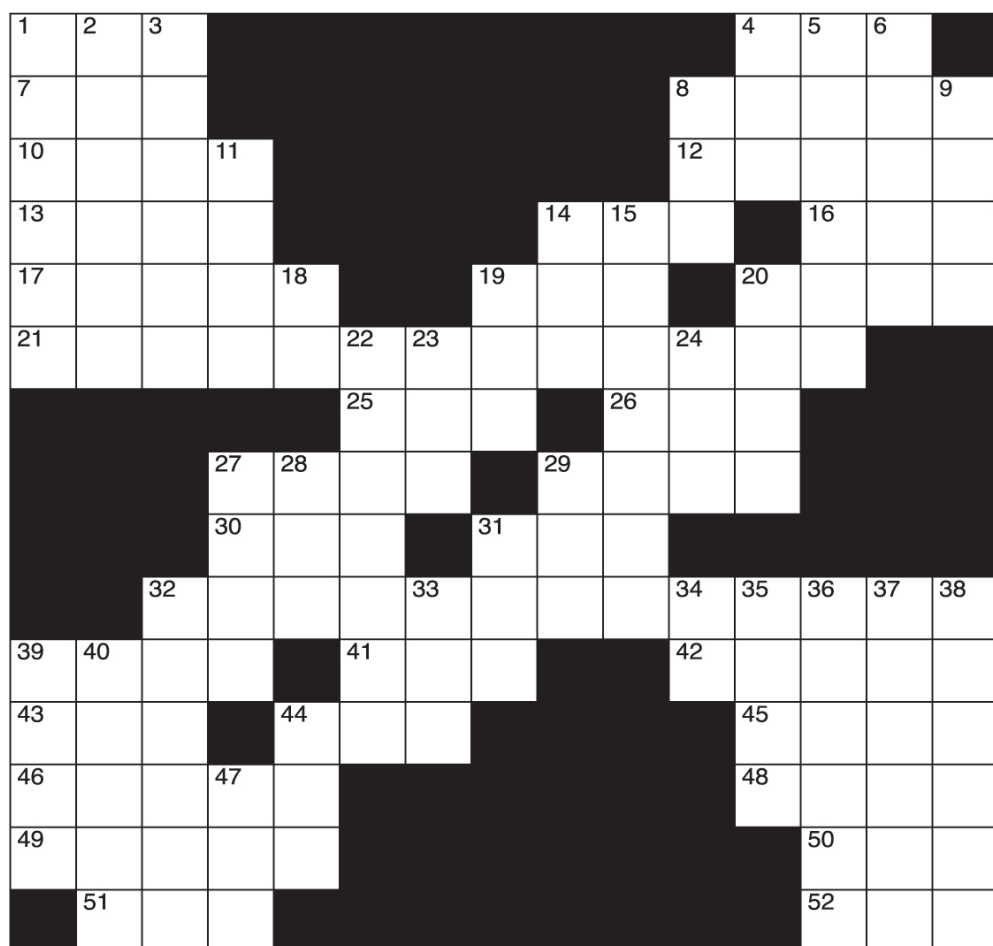


Club holds plant sale

Saturday, May 11 was an excellent day of community building at the King Plant Sale & Seed Swap, hosted by the Nobleton-King City Garden Club in partnership with the York Region Food Network. Joined by Boreal Farms and Kinsland Community Garden, the event was a hub for agriculture enthusiasts and gardeners alike. Many people turned out to purchase plants, pick up seeds, and learn about sustainable agricultural practices. The event was located at the Laskay Hall grounds and Kinghorn School Museum in the heart of King Township.

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- 4. Engine additive
- 7. Small, faint constellation
- 8. Gives a job
- 10. Self-righteous person
- 12. Caucasian language
- 13. Surinam toad
- 14. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 16. Former French coin
- 17. Levels the score
- 19. What stage performers do
- 20. Egyptian Sun god
- 21. Localities
- 25. Spherical body
- 26. Licensed for Wall Street

CLUES DOWN

- 27. Perfect
- 29. It's on many people's heads
- 30. Boxing's GOAT
- 31. Photo
- 32. Popular HBO show
- 39. Popular music awards show
- 41. Pouch
- 42. Lake in Botswana
- 43. Unruly group
- 44. One-fourth
- 45. Very eager
- 46. Edward __, author and writer
- 48. Flying insect
- 49. Dragged forcibly
- 50. Thus far
- 51. Not just "play"
- 52. Commercials

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Occur
- 2. Show up
- 3. Capital of Taiwan
- 4. Brother or sister
- 5. Secret get-togethers
- 6. Type of tea
- 8. Where the action is
- 9. Cast out
- 11. Crime group
- 14. Type of vessel (abbr.)
- 15. Accept and handle
- 18. Sacrifice hit
- 19. One who buys and sells securities simultaneously
- 20. Month
- 22. Most thin
- 23. Naturally occurring material
- 24. Luke's mentor
- 27. Postmodernist
- Austrian "House"
- 28. Aquatic salamander
- 29. Baseball stat
- 31. Beginning military rank
- 32. Talk rapidly and unintelligibly
- 33. Paddle
- 34. Caregiver (abbr.)
- 35. Old Irish alphabet
- 36. Japanese city
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King's Corners

King City United By Sheryl Sinka

Last Sunday, May 26 was Trinity Sunday and we welcomed Rev. Evelyn McLachlan to preside over worship. We were encouraged to reflect on the ways we have experienced God and the aspects of God as the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit. The part of God which was sent to us to be with us in our every day lives we call the Holy Spirit. May He guide our choices and our lives in good ways and support us in our journeys of faith.

This Sunday, June 2 Rev. Andrew Lee will be presiding and we invite all to worship at 10 a.m. Fellowship and coffee in the auditorium follows the worship hour and everyone is welcome to join. Sunday school takes place during the worship hour. For more information contact Sheryl Sinka at 416-450-0140.

Please remember the King Township Food bank in your givings. Year round, for those who use the food bank, 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.

King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our Sunday Worship service! Pastor Mark Nowell will be bringing us the message on The Kingdom Of God. We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube.

Camp Firelight Vacation Bible School registration is open! Kids aged 6-13 can come and enjoy a week of games, snacks, Bible stories, crafts and science experiments. Join us the week of Aug. 12-16 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. You can register through our website!

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

If you have any questions please email: Lisa Lethangue (lisa@kingbiblechurch.com), 905-833-5104.

King City Seniors (55+) By Carolyn Kanitz

Friday, June 7 at 10 a.m., you are welcome to attend an informative pre-

sentation by the Manager of Radiation Therapy at Southlake on the new PET scan machine, which can detect early cancers and other health issues. RSVP.

King City Seniors will be hosting an afternoon tea on Sunday, June 9 from 2 to 4 p.m. Please call 905-833-6565 to register by May 31 so we have numbers for refreshments.

On Friday, June 14 at 9:30 a.m., we will host a workshop in which participants will create a glass suncatcher under the watchful eye of Wendy from Glassical Art. The minimum registration for the workshop to go forward is ten attendees. The cost for all the materials is \$65pp which can be paid at the King City Seniors office when you register.

Join us on our next trip to Niagara-on-the-Lake scheduled for June 25. The trip will involve a tour of a lavender farm, a visit to the Laura Secord homestead, free time in NOTL and lunch in Queenston Heights. The coach leaves the King City arena parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and will return about 6:30 p.m. The price of \$134/pp can be paid at the office of the King City Seniors when you register.

The following activities are available at the King City Seniors' Centre. If you see something that is of interest, please come out and join the group. All are welcome.

Monday mornings: 10 a.m., 11 a.m. – Mobility Matters. Monday afternoons: 12:30 p.m. - Music and Movement; 1:30 p.m. – Cribbage; Crochet; 2 p.m. – Knitting.

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

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Wednesday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Bridge.

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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

Sacred Heart Church

You are cordially invited to join us on Friday, June 7, beginning with Holy

Mass as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus at 7 p.m. with his Excellency Bishop John A. Boissonneau presiding. Following Mass, you are all invited in the Hall for light refreshments and a small token of our appreciation. This Mass is offered for all our dedicated Volunteers who give of their time, talents and gifts.

Movie Night is Tuesday, June 4 at 7 p.m. All are welcome to view “Cabrini.” Popcorn and drinks provided in the Parish Hall. Francesca Cabrini comes to New York with a group of nuns, all appointed by the Pope Leo XIII in a mission to support the city’s careworn Italian immigrant communities. She is constantly dismissed for her gender, undermined and told no. She persists. Come and see the end of the story.

Summer Bible Camp will be July 29 to Aug. 2, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$100 per child, Ages JK – Gr. 6

To register or for more information, kindly, contact oliviatorrone@hotmail.com

Website: sacredheartki.archtoronto.org. Email: sacredheartki@archtoronto.org. Facebook & Instagram: Sacred Heart Parish King City. Contact Rectory office at 905-833-1161.

York Pines Church

Lesley Morris leads worship this Sunday at 11 a.m. She was last with us in September. This service will include a baptism. All are welcome. Feel free to join us for coffee or tea and treats at noon. Rev. Andrew returns next Sunday which is Hungry Sunday when donations to the King Township Food Bank are appreciated including egg cartons.

Please join us on June 22 from 1 to 5 p.m. for the second York Pines Strawberry (no Supper) Social. The menu includes cupcakes/white cake with all-you-can-eat luscious fresh strawberries and real whipped cream along with coffee or tea. Tickets are again



\$15 for adults, \$5 for children age 6 to 12 and free for children 5 and under. Call the church office at 905-727-8118 for dine-in or take-out tickets. Drop in for a fine summer dessert. Traditional York Pines hospitality still being served.

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

Sunday, June 2 at 10:30 a.m., Alison Agnew will “preach for the call” at St. Andrew’s, King City! After the morning worship service, there will be a short congregational meeting to consider our responses which will be sent to our Oak Ridges Presbytery.

We hope everyone will stay for “Subs and Sundaes” following the congregational meeting!

The Life Connect groups (Q&A on previous Sunday’s sermon) are at 7 p.m. via ZOOM on Tuesdays or in person on Wednesdays at Renate’s home. All are welcome! Call the church office for the link or directions. (905-833-2325). Last Sunday - Mark 7:1-23. You can catch it by going to standrews-kingcity.ca.

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

On June 5 Weekly Wednesday Night Service will be held. It will be a modern language with modern music lasting 30 minutes. We strive for inclusion and safety and our language will reflect that. We will have these services every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the historic chapel.

The Pipes of King Concert will be June 21 at 7:30 p.m. Join us for an evening of music and conversation with Ernesto De Luca as he takes us on a journey with music from ABBA and contemporary composers to the more familiar classical works of Bach! Admission is by donation

Join us for a Strawberry Social on July 6 featuring local strawberries, delicious treats and delightful music. Tickets will be \$15 for the seated event from 2-4 p.m. There will also be an opportunity to pick up something for take-out from 4-5 p.m. (no tickets, but by donation). Event tickets will be limited so please make sure to get yours as soon as they go on sale!

Advertorial

NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE



Town of Caledon Supplementary Aggregate Policy Study

Meeting Date: Wednesday June 19, 2024
Public Meeting Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (Presentation at 7:00 p.m.)
Location: Caledon East Community Complex Halls A and B
6215 Old Church Rd, Caledon East, ON L7C 1J7

This is to inform you that a Draft Policy Options Report has been prepared for the Caledon Supplementary Aggregate Policy Study, and the Town is looking to solicit feedback from the public through an Open House event.

WHY ARE WE DOING THIS STUDY?

To review and update Town Official Plan aggregate policies, build upon the joint Region and Town Aggregate Policy Review and the Town’s Aggregate Rehabilitation Master Plan. The Study will look at background on aggregates in Caledon, review aggregate Official Plan policies, and make recommendations for improvements to those policies to ensure Caledon can reach its planning goals

In October 2022, Council directed Town Staff to initiate the Supplementary Aggregate Policy Study, and enacted Interim Control By-law No. 2022-075 to control the establishment of new pits and quarries based on the findings of the Study.

WHAT STAGE OF THE STUDY ARE WE AT?

In May 2024, Council received a Supplementary Aggregate Policy Study Status Update Report and a Background Report as information items. The next step in the project is to consider policy options, and a Draft Policy Options Report with preliminary preferred directions has been released for public comment. This Report is posted on the project website:

caledon.ca/en/government/plans-reports-and-studies-aggregates.aspx#Supplementary-Aggregate-Resources-Policy-Study

PURPOSE OF THE OPEN HOUSE

This Open House is being held to solicit public feedback on the policy directions outlined in the Draft Policy Options Report, to ultimately inform the preparation of draft Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments to implement the study recommendations in September 2024.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

All currently prepared Studies and Reports and Open House materials will be posted on the project website.

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

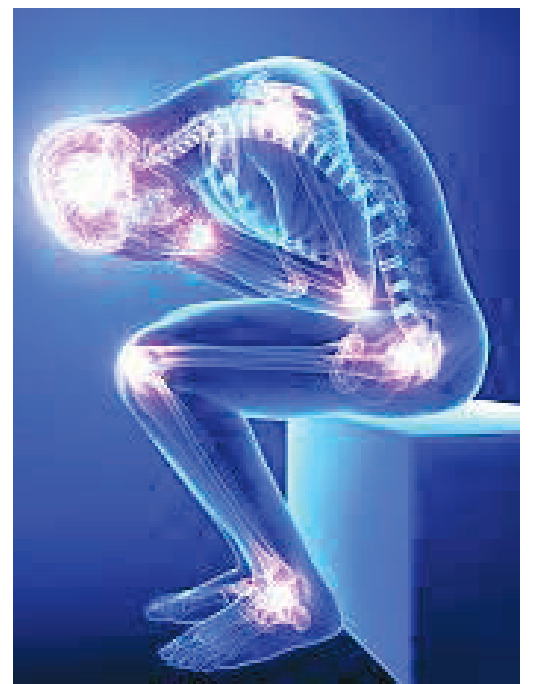
- Attend In-Person: Members of the public may register to attend in-person and provide their insights to the policy directions outlined in the Draft Policy Options Report.
- Submit a Written Comment: Members of the public may submit written comments regarding the Draft Policy Options Report to:
Joe Nethery
Principal Project Consultant on behalf of the Town of Caledon
Nethery Consulting
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By mail:
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- A Statutory Public Meeting for Council is anticipated for September 2024. Additional information to follow.

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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church By Linda Blydorp

We invite you to join us in person for worship this Sunday at 10 a.m. Our Pastor, Jeff Loach, will be leading the service with a message from Acts 17.1-15 entitled, "Don't Be Afraid to Persuade."

We offer children's ministry and nursery during the service. 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.

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 at stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect.

We are excited to be inviting all kids ages 4 to 12 to this year's Bible Fun Camp. The theme will be "finding our place in God's Kingdom." Each day, from July 22 to 26, will run from 9 a.m. to noon. An online fillable Registration Form will be posted on our website shortly. As in past years, there is no fee for this event.

At St. Paul's we have Life Connect Groups. These groups go deeper with questions related to the previous Sunday's message. It's a good way to do life together with other followers of Jesus, and inquirers, in a more intimate setting than you can get on a Sunday morning. For details of these groups, please be in touch with us via our online connection card, stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect.

If you know young people who need volunteer hours for school, we would be pleased to have them volunteer to run our audio-visual booth on some Sundays throughout the year. Training is provided. Interested individuals can reach out to our Pastor through the connection card at stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect.

St. Mary's Church

The St. Patrick's KofC and MacGregs Meat & Seafood are giving us another opportunity to fill our freezers for the Father's Day Weekend. For the Product catalogue, go to St. Patrick's Parish website. Text or call in orders to John Pallotto - Grand Knight, KofC, St. Patrick's Council on: 416-525-9450 or email at: gk11786@ontariokofc.ca. Payment by cheque to KofC Schomberg or e-Transfer: gk11786@ontariokofc.ca. Last order date: Tues., June 11. Pickup on: Sat., June 15 - 10 a.m., at St. Patrick's parking lot. Proceeds will go to St. Patrick's parish program initiatives.

June 2 - Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Please join us in celebrating the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Most Holy Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist on the weekend of June 1 and 2. We will be hosting our Corpus Christi procession on Sunday, June 2, after the a.m. Holy Mass at the St. Mary's Church parking lot. Afterwards you are also invited to join us for a social with light refreshments served in the parish hall. Please feel free to invite your extended family and friends. All are welcome, with a special invitation to the children who are celebrating their First Holy Communion this year.

Are you ready to kick off summer? When you think of summer, you may think of backyard BBQs, having fun and hanging out with your friends, ultimately, a time to relax. On Saturday, June 8, all youth in grades 5-12 are invited to join us for our "It Must Be Summer" Youth Night! This night combines all of those great summer activities and so much more. The night will begin with the 5 p.m. Youth Mass followed by a summer BBQ and competitive indoor/outdoor games. Get ready for summertime! If you are interested in donating food for this event, please contact Zephania Gangl. We would love your support!

Summer Bible Camp 2024 - July 8 to 12. We are very excited to announce that registration is now live for both campers and summer volunteers for our Summer Bible Camp 2024! The half-day camp will run Monday, July 8 through Friday, July 12 from 9 a.m. to noon. Activities include moments of prayer, praise and worship, fun indoor and outdoor games and crafts. It is an excellent option for kids in Grades 1 to 6! Invite your friends! The cost for the week is \$75 per child. If you are a teen in Grade 9+, this is a great opportunity for you to earn community service hours. Email Zephania to receive the link for the registration form or volun-

teer application form. Browse our websites: St. Patrick's Parish: <https://stpatrikssc.archtoronto.org/>

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

If there is anything we can do to support you, please call the parish office on 905-859-5522 or email us at: stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org

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

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.

Educational Thursdays - from 10 a.m. to noon unless otherwise indicated.

May 30 - "IG Wealth Management" - What do Seniors Need to Know.

June 6 - CPR & how to use the Defibrillator - presented by Fire Chief Kevin Ritson.

June 13 - Dental Hygiene for Seniors presented by Dr. Hollander & associates. Regular care & Denture care. New government dental plan.

June 20 - Channeling Energy & Dispelling Stress. Adapt some fun ways to manage stress with your energy. Presented by Joanne Bailey RN.

June 27 - Potluck Party to end the summer. Please bring finger foods for 4-6 people.

All weekly Thursday programs in Nobleton will be \$1 for members and \$2 for non-members unless otherwise indicated. Please call the Township or Joanne to sign up for any programs listed.

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

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

Nobleton Book Club

Please note that on Wednesday, June 12 the Nobleton Book Club, we will dis-

cuss 2 books. Demon Copperfield, our May book has been rescheduled for June 12, along with our June book, Just the Nicest Couple.

Nobleton Tennis Club

Registration for Nobleton Tennis Club is now open. Please visit clubspark.ca/nobletontennisclub.com to register for the summer season. Nobleton tennis club offers junior and adult beginner group lessons, adult clinics, cardio tennis, junior camps, various levels of inter county tennis and several socials and tournaments.

Half-day summer camp dates are July 8-12 and July 22-26. Registration for all programs can be made through the website above.

Nobleton Lions

The Lions extend a Thank You to everyone who participated in the annual

Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides last Sunday, both in walking with their pets and in sponsoring the efforts of others. For more information about the walk and how you can still donate, please visit <https://www.walkfordogguides.com/fundraisers/nobletonlionsclubwalkfordogguides>

Our next big event, the annual golf fundraiser will tee off at the Nobleton Lakes Golf Club on Sunday, June 9. For information, entry forms, and sponsor forms, please see the club's website, as well as the ad in recent editions of this paper.

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 Bevil at andrew.bevil@sanofi.com. We meet at 6:30 p.m., with dinner at 7, on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from September to June at the Old Community Hall, just north of the arena.

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Junior A hockey returns to King with rebranded Rebellion

By Jim Stewart

After a 37-year absence, Junior A hockey has returned to King Township. A jersey-unveiling ceremony in the Municipal Centre celebrated the relocation of the Brantford 99ers to King City.

The OJHL West Conference squad will be rebranded as the King Rebellion – a nod to the King Minor Hockey Association’s rep teams and a bid to create continuity of program.

The Junior A Rebellion squad will play its games at the sparkling and sustainable Township-Wide Recreation Centre located at Dufferin and 15th Sideroad. The TWRC, a \$100-million zero carbon structure scheduled to open in September – features two NHL-sized rinks, spectator seating, a six-lane lap pool and leisure pool, and an artificial turf fieldhouse with running track and a multi-use community space.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini, bedecked in the Rebellion’s home white jersey complemented by blue, gold, and red Florida Panther stripes, welcomed the Junior A team from Brantford to King as the prime tenant at the TWRC: “When we built the facility, we incorporated design elements to accommodate a Junior A team. We had lots of interest in the new arena from many teams. I’m just happy that our minor hockey pro-

gram will benefit from the Junior A team and I know the Junior A Rebellion coaches and players are committed to help on the ice with King’s minor hockey teams. It’s going to be great hockey that gives our younger players something to aspire to.”

The nomadic 99ers started playing great hockey this past season and rose from being OJHL Western Conference cellar dwellers in 2022-23 to a competitive .500 playoff squad in 2023-24. Their bench boss Mark Joslin was named the OJHL Coach of the Year this Spring for improving the hockey club with lightning speed. He commented on the team’s rapid transformation: “The biggest thing was to bring about change of culture. We made everybody accountable from management to coaches to players. We only had three players returning from the previous team and rebuilt the roster with guys that would buy in to the many changes we were going to make.”

Coach Joslin’s re-invented team competed well during the first round of this year’s playoffs before being eliminated by the Canadian Junior Hockey League Champion Collingwood Blues. The Blues won the Centennial Cup in Oakville last Sunday by edging the Melfort Mustangs 1-0. Coach Joslin’s performance expectations for the 2024-25 remain high after their strong effort this Spring versus Collingwood: “We had such a good playoff series against the national champs and two of the games could have gone either way. I expect us to be a Top 10 OJHL team this upcoming season. I’m hoping that we can feed off last year’s finish and build on our .500 record. I wasn’t even sure that last year’s club was going to make the playoffs, but the guys improved so much in one season.”

He pointed to the vast improvement of many players, including 6’5” defenceman Simon Wang who’s committed to NCAA D1 Boston College: “We’re happy to have successful student-athletes like Simon Wang on our roster. He’s a great skater and we expect big things from him on our team this year and in Division 1 with Boston U in two years. We have four or five players that will be committing to NCAA schools this year. The OJHL is a really good route



King councillors welcomed representatives of the new Jr. A King Rebellion, for the official unveiling of the team jerseys Monday night. Mayor Steve Pellegrini wears his proudly (below left).

to U.S. college scholarships.”

Joslin, whose award-winning coaching and administrative experience is invaluable to the relocated franchise, was taken by Monday’s jersey-unveiling ceremony: “The Mayor’s genuine excitement about us coming into town was the best part of today’s meeting. He’s a big hockey fan and was surrounded by people that are big hockey fans, too. I didn’t expect so many people to be in Rebellion jerseys. I was impressed and proud.”

A resident of Richmond Hill, Coach Joslin noted many reasons why he’s looking forward to coaching in King City: “In addition to cutting my commute from 2 hours to 12 minutes, it’s the excitement about creating a Junior A team here in the town for the first time. We’ll be getting involved with the King Minor Hockey Association so our players can help out with house league and rep practices. I’m really happy that we are rebranding as the Rebellion to keep in sync with the King rep program. I know there’s lots of excitement in the organization about being the main tenants in a brand new building, too, and having a centre ice score clock and a custom dressing room for the club.”

Sharing an arena and facilities is

one of the reasons the 99ers relocated to King Township. The arrival in Brantford of the OHL’s Hamilton Bulldogs was a significant factor. Initially, the Bulldogs were going to stay in Brantford for 2-3 years while the First Ontario Centre in Hamilton underwent renovations and repairs. The OHL and OJHL squads shared the Brantford Civic Centre initially, but when the Bulldogs’ ownership group chose to put down roots in ‘The Telephone City,’ the 99ers needed a new home to call their own.

When the Rebellion take to the ice at their new home at the KWRC, it will end a four-decade absence of Junior A Hockey in King. The Nobleton Junior A Devils represented the Township from 1984 to 1987 before relocating and rebranding, respectively, in Etobicoke as the Capitals. The franchise eventually moved to Brampton where it was decommissioned by the OJHL in 2012.

There was a sure sign that foreshadowed the relocation of the franchise a week before the OJHL formally approved the 99ers’ move to King. It was evident at the Victoria Day Parade in Nobleton,

“The Rebellion Starts Now.”
Indeed.



Hrinco selected MVP as Schomberg Cougars honour squad

By Jim Stewart

The Schomberg Cougars honored the hockey club’s top 2023-24 performers at their Annual Awards Banquet at the Trisan Centre on Saturday night. Veteran defenceman Andrew Hrinco was selected as the Cougars’ Most Valuable Player, its Top Defenceman, and earned the Top Scorer Award by tying Carlo Lionti with 35 points.

The Cougars were a top 15 team for much of the season in this year’s 61-team PJHL and finished fourth in the hotly-contested North Carruthers Division – just behind the Alliston Hornets, Stayner Siskins, and Orillia Terriers.

The Schomberg squad skated to an impressive 27-12-2-1 regular season re-

Annual Awards Banquet

cord. While their balanced scoring precluded many divisional and statistical accolades over the course of the season, the high-scoring Hrinco was selected PJHL North Conference Player of the Month for February.

The fourth-place Cougars swept the fifth-place Penetang Kings 3-0 in the first round of the playoffs, and won the first game of their next series versus Alliston (36-6-0-0) before succumbing to an array of crucial injuries and an improved Hornets club four games to one.

Saturday’s reception – which featured a delicious, sumptuous buffet prepared by the Hull Family and a table of trophies reflecting the franchise’s decades-long traditions – honored the gritty team’s season-long efforts and feted the following distinguished performers:

Rookie of the Year, Carter Longland; Top Goalie, Anthony Paolini; Top Defensive Forward, Matthew Lychek; Heart Trophy, Adam Miller; Top Defenceman, Andrew Hrinco; Wayne Dove Award (Most Improved), Reece Muir; Steve Grant Award (Most Gentlemanly), Matthew Lychek; MVP, Andrew Hrinco; Ken Hamilton Award, Sandy Bell; Special Recognition Award, Drew Laskoski; Top Scorer, Carlo Lionti; Top Scorer, Andrew Hrinco.

Drew Laskoski was introduced as the new GM of the Cougars and Owner Debra Hull presented the long-serving Assistant GM with a prestigious Special Recognition Award including a framed #5 fire-en-



gine red Cougars jersey.

The non-profit hockey club – a sports culture staple in the Township since 1969 – enters the 2024-25 season with high hopes and confidence. The Cougars find themselves with a new GM in a new division with new opponents appearing at the Trisan Centre after

decades of welcoming Huntsville, Orillia, Alliston, Innisfil, Midland, Stayner, and Penetang to Thursday Night Hockey in Schomberg. Those new opponents from the revamped East Orr Division include the perennial powerhouse Clarington Eagles as well as the Georgina Ice, Uxbridge Bruins, Port Perry Lumberjacks, Little Britain Merchants, and another North Carruthers transplant, the Caledon Golden Hawks.



The 63-team PJHL, which rosters over 1,450 players, is the biggest junior hockey league in the world.

On Saturday night, a proud King sports organization honored its best performances of the 2023-24 PJHL season and celebrated both its illustrious past and its promising future in an engaging ceremony at the Trisan Centre.



Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

That's a wrap on the 174th annual Fair and once again a big thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who spent so much time organizing and planning. We all know it traditionally rains, but this year the rain held off until Saturday just as the parade was starting. As a participant I wasn't expecting too many spectators but was happy to get onto Main Street and see many locals braving the rain out to watch. It was much appreciated.

"Taste of Main" continues until June 2, you can check out the menus at schombergmainstreet.ca/taste-of-main. We've tried a few out and so far, so good. Support local and enjoy all the wonderful outdoor patios we are lucky enough to have here in Schomberg.

The Annual Garden Tour event by the Schomberg Horticultural Society is coming up on June 23, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a self-guided tour in the Township of King, featuring at least 8 gar-

dens in and around Schomberg. Tickets are available online at eventbright.ca or at the Schomberg Public Library on tour day.

If you're an aspiring beekeeper then this is the course for you, Pioneer Honey and King Township have joined forces to offer up a Beginner Beekeeping Workshop on Sunday, June 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. You can register at king.ca/environmentalevents.

Schomberg Euchre Club

The Euchre group meets on Thursday 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 how to play (no beginners please), how to laugh, enjoy an excellent group of people and not take the game or yourself too seriously. We did march in the rather rainy parade, but we were able to recruit some new members, so it was well worth it.

Schomberg Seniors (55+)

This past Monday we had a presentation from Jamie Robertson, Retirement Consultant from The Eden of Bradford Retirement Facility. It's never too early

to start planning for retirement or saving for that matter. Jaime gave a wonderful presentation outlining some of the services her facility has to offer, from respite to medical rehabilitation. Thank you to Jaime and all who came out to join in, we had some wonderful questions and learned a lot.

Thursday, May 30 - Outing - Hike, lunch, walk! Cold Creek conservation area with Cheryl and Steve Fisher, hilly hike 10:00 am, lunch 12:00 pm and an easy walk at 1:00 pm, you decided what works for you.

Monday, June 10 - Speaker - Jenna Wickens, Mature Minds Coordinator, speaking on Ageism, Jenna is an ageism consultant who plays a crucial role in advocating for fair treatment and combating age related discrimination.

Monday, June 24 at the Pottageville Pavillion - We have saved the best for last! Who doesn't love Potluck lunches? Come any time after 10:30 a.m. and have a coffee or cold beverage before we share a meal together at noon. Ida, our fearless leader, has invited some special guests this year she has heard from four of the five, and they are all delighted to have been invited and have accepted the invitation wholeheartedly.

We will have a sign-up sheet at our next meeting on June 10th, so make sure to add your name.

Here are the updates for groups: The Bridge group will end at the Schomberg Community Hall, Tuesday June 4.

Summer Bridge will begin at the Trisan Centre (Curling Lounge) Wednesday, June 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. and run until Wednesday, Sept. 4. It will resume on Tuesdays, starting Sept. 10 at the community hall from 1-3 p.m.

Carpet Bowl will end at Trisan Centre on Thursday, June 20 and will resume from 1-3 p.m. at the Trisan Centre on Thursdays beginning Sept. 12.

Ukulele classes "Tightly Wound Band" will end for the summer months on June 27. This will begin again on Thursday, Sept. 12, from 2-4 p.m., at Schomberg Community Hall.

Annual fee is \$15 individual/\$20 per couple or two people living at the same address for King residents. It's \$20 and \$30 respectively for non-residents. To keep up to date with events, please check online at king.ca/seniors.

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

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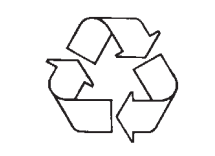
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The Ontario government is cracking down on auto theft by introducing legislation that, if passed, would suspend driver's licences for people convicted of the crime. With auto thefts and carjackings on the rise across the province, the legislation would help deter potential thieves and make it more challenging for criminals to re-offend.

"Car theft is a cowardly and often violent crime that can traumatize victims and communities who experience it," said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation. "Under the leadership of Premier Ford, our government is sending a clear message to those who commit these crimes and using every tool in our toolbox to keep them off our streets."

Under the proposed legislation, thieves convicted of motor vehicle theft under the Criminal Code would face a 10-year licence suspension for a first offence, a 15-year licence suspension for a second offence and a lifetime licence suspension for a third offence. Licence suspensions would apply to convictions where the court found that aggravating factors were involved in the commis-

sion of the offence, such as violence, use of a weapon, use of force, threat, or pursuit of financial gain.

"Under the leadership of Premier Ford, our government is taking bold action to stop what is a serious and often violent crime," said Solicitor General Michael Kerzner. "Criminals who want to steal a car in Ontario need to know there will be severe consequences for doing so."

In addition to stiff penalties for auto theft, the province is also proposing to strengthen penalties for stunt driving. The proposed legislation would ensure that anyone convicted of stunt driving receives a minimum mandatory licence suspension – one year for a first conviction, three years for a second conviction and a lifetime suspension, reducible to 10 years under certain criteria, for a third conviction.

"I want to thank the provincial government for its efforts to tackle auto theft head-on. Too many Vaughan residents have had their vehicles stolen, and we have a duty to protect them and their property. Introducing escalating licence suspensions for criminals who

steal cars is a great example of the kind of innovative penalty that we need," said Vaughan Mayor Steven Del Duca.

Every 14 minutes, a vehicle is stolen in Ontario, with Toronto experiencing a 78 per cent increase in violent carjackings since 2021.

The federal mandatory minimum prison sentence for a third auto theft offence is six months.

In 2023, over 12,000 immediate roadside licence suspensions were issued for street racing and/or stunt driving – the highest number since the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Ontario government is investing \$18 million over three years to help police services combat and prevent auto theft.

Together with the federal government, Ontario has invested more than \$250 million through the Guns, Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy (GGVRS) to fight gun and gang crime, including auto theft.

"I applaud the provincial government for introducing this legislation to help deter auto theft. In Peel, car thefts continue to be a growing problem, and

in Brampton and Mississauga, have increased by 187 per cent between 2019 and 2023. Peel Region and Peel Regional Police are committed to working with the provincial government to tackle auto theft and identify and implement solutions to keep our communities safe," added Peel Chair Nando Iannicca.



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The family will receive friends on Thursday, May 30, 2024 from 4pm - 7pm and Friday, May 31, 2024 from 9:30am - 11:30am at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, 1666 Tottenham Rd., Tottenham 905-936-3477. Funeral Service will be held in the chapel on Friday, May 31, 2024 at 11:30am, followed by a reception in the Cliffside Hall, and interment at Nashville Cemetery. If desired, donations in Jean's memory may be made to Matthews House Hospice or the charity of your choice. Online condolences and memories may be left for the family at www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

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Nobleton & Schomberg United Churches

By Nancy Hopkinson

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There will be no service at Nobleton that day. Schomberg United is celebrating 176 years as a congregation and 8 years in their new home. Since Schomberg has been a long-term supporter of the Canadian Food Grains Bank, the guest speaker is the Ontario Regional Rep, Henry Reinders. Henry

has had a successful career as a dairy, hay and crop farmer since 1988. Prior to this, Henry worked in sales and marketing with Dow Chemical. He holds a degree from the University of Guelph in agriculture, with a major in crop science. He lives in Meaford.

The United Church of Canada puts out an amazing magazine of spirituality, justice, and ethical living. This Broadview magazine has been published for 195 years (formerly called The Observer). There are 8 issues per year for \$30. The new subscription will start with the July/August issue. Let Linda Jessop (905-939-2069) know by June 2 if you are interested.

On Sunday, June 9 at 9:30 a.m., there will be a baptism in Schomberg upstairs in the sanctuary during the regular service.

The next Seniors' Luncheon is Tuesday, June 11 at St. Mary Magdalene. Back by popular demand, the students of Schomberg Public School (JK to Grade 6) will be providing musical entertainment. The menu is hot dogs w/ bun on the BBQ, salads, with dessert of rhubarb cake & ice cream. 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. Although the meal & entertainment are free, we do appreciate any donations you are able to make to offset some of our costs.

The theme of the next Messy Church (Wednesday, June 19 at 5 p.m.) at Nobleton United is "Salt and Light." This is a fun family time with crafts and activities related to the theme, story at 6 p.m. and a meal at 6:15 p.m.

All is free. Please contact me (nancykhopkinson@gmail.com) if you intend to come so that we have enough crafts and food for everyone. Invite your friends.

We at Messy Church were very pleased that one of our students, Mayha Carroll, was selected by Florida's Disneyworld to attend a five-day experience for animation. She is making delicious Dog Treats to help cover her travel and lodging. If you would like to purchase some treats for your dog and help Mayha as well, please contact her mother Jennifer jen.a.carroll@outlook.com

On Wednesday, June 26, we will be celebrating Richard Gardner's Ordination. We will gather at 5:30 p.m. at Nobleton United and have a pot-luck meal together.

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EXECUTIVE HOME WITH LUXURY UPGRADES

Brand new executive home in Princeton Heights, Aurora Estates! This luxurious Fernbrook Homes property features a 3-car tandem garage, white oak hardwood floors, an elegant living room with coffered ceilings, a chef's dream kitchen by Downsview, a great room with 20ft ceilings, and a finished lower level with an exercise/media room, recreation room, wet bar, and spa-like bathroom.



BRAND NEW EXECUTIVE "GREEN" & "SMART" HOME

Experience eco-smart luxury in South Aurora's prestigious Royal Hill. This home features a gourmet kitchen, spa-like master suite, hardwood and porcelain floors, 10' ceilings, and an oak staircase. Highlights include a walk-out lower level, green technology, and serene views. Located close to amenities, nature, and transit for unparalleled sustainable living.



EXECUTIVE HOME: \$400K EXTERIOR UPGRADES

Nestled in a tranquil cul de sac, this executive home boasts a 4-car garage, 19ft foyer ceilings, a gourmet kitchen, and a luxurious primary suite. The basement rec room includes a theater and hockey room. Enjoy resort-style amenities: saltwater pool, cabana, sunroom, and over \$400K in exterior upgrades.



LUXURIOUS HOME WITH RESORT BACKYARD

Experience luxury living with modern finishes, hardwood floors, a gourmet kitchen, an elegant family room, luxurious bedrooms, a finished basement with an extra suite, and a stunning backyard featuring a saltwater pool and cabana. This property is the epitome of refined elegance and contemporary comfort.



ZONED FOR HOME BUSINESS, SALTWATER POOL

This fully renovated executive home in Richmond Hill boasts a 4-car garage, finished basement, solariums, and a pool with a waterfall. Perfect for remote work, it's near schools, parks, and amenities. Zoned to allow 35% of its space for home business, it also includes a sunroom, indoor hot tub, and fenced backyard.



CUSTOM-BUILT LAKE WILCOX DREAM HOME

This soon-to-be-built executive home in Lake Wilcox is situated on a 150' lot and features 4+1 bedrooms, 5 baths, a chef's kitchen with JennAir appliances, gas fireplaces, hardwood floors, and a skylit primary suite. The finished lower level and ability to personalize finishes ensure a fully customized luxury residence.



BRAND NEW - DOUBLE LOT SIZE

Discover unmatched luxury in Richmond Hill with this custom-built executive home on a premium 96' x 126' lot. Features include an open layout, 10' ceilings, gourmet kitchen, spa-like ensuite, spacious bedrooms with walk-in closets, and a bonus 38' x 126' easement providing extra space for your own enjoyment or potential for creating a building lot.



90 X 200 FT LAKE WILCOX GEM

Discover your secluded paradise in Richmond Hill's prestigious Lake Wilcox community, close to Hwy 404 for easy commuting. This versatile home offers a unique layout, a large front porch for sunsets, and a prime 90 x 200 ft lot. Near Lake Wilcox Park and amenities, it's ideal for renovation or building your dream home.



OAK RIDGES HOME WITH ADJACENT LAND

Beautifully renovated home, nearly 3000 sqft plus lower level, on a 74 x 296ft lot in Oak Ridges. Features a modern kitchen with walk-out to a pool-sized backyard, large family room with gas fireplace, formal living and dining rooms, and a primary suite with walk-in closet and luxurious ensuite. Rare chance to purchase with adjacent vacant land, totaling over 48000 sqft.



SPACIOUS MODERN CORNER UNIT

Nestled in Express Condos, Clanton Park, this stunning corner unit features 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, a den, high ceilings, floor-to-ceiling windows, and a gourmet kitchen. Includes private parking, a storage locker, and amenities like a pool, fitness room, BBQ facilities, and more.



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