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Head-on collision in Pottageville

King Fire and Emergency Services personnel from Firehouse 36 attended a head-on collision in Pottageville on the weekend. One person was extricated by firefighters and two were transported to hospital with serious injuries, according to York Regional Police. The collision is still under investigation.

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Draft community plans are taking shape

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Following a series of well attended public open houses, Township staff have presented a draft report on two neighbourhood plans.

Staff shared details of studies for both King City (Doctors Lane) and Nobleton (Old King Road) with councillors recently.

The lands are comprised of key portions of the Core Areas within the vicinity of Old King Road in Nobleton and Doctors Lane in King City, as well as municipally owned lands in proximity to the cores. The lands within the Study Areas include a number of prominent buildings including identified cultural heritage resources, and lands have potential to be redeveloped in both the short and long-term.

The project is an exciting opportunity to create forward-looking plans that will support place-making, provide necessary community facilities to support complete communities, and facilitate growth in the Township's pri-

ority areas.

In Nobleton, the Municipal lands within the Study Area have already been subject to decisions from Council. The Old King Road Study Area includes the Dr. William Lacey Community Centre & Arena and the Nobleton Lions Community Park, the latter of which is subject to a re-development strategy which was presented to Council in March 2023. The Old King Road Study Area also includes the Nobleton Community Hall which was confirmed by Council to be retained by the Township in its present location as a property designated under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Dillon Consulting was retained in the fall of 2023 to assist with the development of the Doctors Lane and Old King Road Neighbourhood Plans Study and the Community Planning Permit System (CPPS).

The studies looked at everything from neighbourhood plans, water and sewers, parking, tree inventory and heritage.

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Taekwon-Do club earns medals at event.

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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
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).
 Visit: king.ca/cofameetings for more information.

View full Council and Committee agendas at king.ca/meetings

JUNE 1 - 30



Each June, communities across Ontario celebrate **June is Recreation and Parks Month** as a way of promoting the benefits of being active and recognizing the contribution that recreation and parks make to quality of life.

From June 1-30, King Township has lined up 30 days of recreational activities for all ages, abilities and interests.

View the month-long calendar of activities at king.ca/JRPM



Gardening Herbs Workshop

Saturday, June 22 from 1:30-3 p.m. at the King City Library

Jump start your gardening season with a hands-on ‘DIY Herb Planter’ workshop, delivered in partnership with the Lake Simcoe South Master Gardeners and King Township Public Library. Join us to assemble your own herb planter to take home, and learn about a variety of herbs, growing requirements, and the benefits herbs have on pollinators.

For details and direct links to registration, visit king.ca/EnvironmentalEvents



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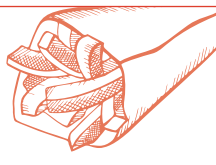
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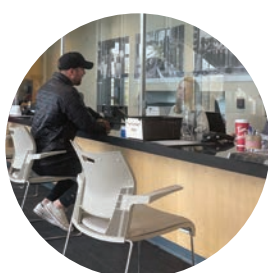
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Starting **June 3 to 28**, nominations can be submitted online at king.ca/heritage.

The winning property will be honored with a framed artist’s rendering of their home at a Council meeting later this year.



For more information, email heritage@king.ca



Community input part of neighbourhoods' evolution

From Front Page

The Doctors Lane and Old King Road Neighbourhood Plans Study and the development of the implementing CPPS has been structured as five (5) phases. Phase 3 of the Project is being initiated now and will conclude in Q4 with the preparation of the draft neighbourhood plans, which will be the first opportunity to visualize a strategic and comprehensive vision for the development and enhancement of each Study Area. The conceptual Neighbourhood Plans consist of graphics, images, and maps that identify an approach to the development or re-development for the areas.

Phase 3 will include additional consultation sessions to encourage original, creative and imaginative ideas and feedback on the conceptual Neighbourhood Plans. Consultation opportunities will include public open houses, focus group workshops, stakeholder interviews and a meeting with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), which is comprised of Staff from internal departments and external agencies, including the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), York Region and Metrolinx. Following additional public consultation, the conceptual Neighbourhood Plans will be finalized to provide a roadmap that guides the development of the CPPS and contributes to the creation environment. The aim is to present the concept plans and studies to council for endorsement this November.

For each Study Area an in-person focus group meeting and an in-person public open house was held within the respective Study Areas. The focus group meetings included a presentation on the Study, walking tours of the Study Areas with the Project Team, and collaborative activities to discuss the vision, opportunities and constraints for the Study Areas. The public open

houses were structured as drop-in sessions with opportunities to ask questions of the Project Team, and provide comments and ideas related to the vision statements for the study areas, and preliminary opportunities and constraints.

Both focus group meetings had over 25 attendees, and each open house had over 50 attendees. A survey on the draft vision statements was shared via the SpeakKING project page, which received 15 responses, and written comments on the draft vision and ideas for the Study Areas were received from 14 members of the public.

The draft Background Review and Directions Report provides an overview of the Study Areas, the CPPS system in Ontario, a best practices review, key directions based on an analysis of the preliminary constraints and opportunities, an overview of the general structure of a CPP Bylaw and next steps.

The Report is currently a draft, and is intended to evolve as the key themes for each Neighbourhood Plan Area are discussed and refined. Based on the consultation that has occurred to date, key themes have been heard for each Study Area.

For Doctors Lane, recommendations included prioritizing pedestrian connectivity; promoting mixed uses; encouraging diverse housing types and enhancing gathering places.

For Old King Road, top suggestions included prioritizing commercial and retail uses; mixed use developments; improving traffic and safety and preserving the natural heritage.

Staff noted the key themes for each Study Area are similar, but how they are realized and incorporated into the conceptual Neighbourhood Plan for each area may be different based on the characteristics of each village and its needs, opportunities and constraints.

The draft Report also sets out key

directions and next steps, which recognize that the decision to proceed with the Neighbourhood Plans and a CPPS recognizes that deliberate action and new tools are needed to support the re-

development of the Study Areas.

Council gave staff the go-ahead to proceed with more public consultation, drafting the plans and bylaw and a further presentation to council.

King Township to Host Public Information Centre on June 11 for Kettleby Road reconstruction project

King Township is inviting residents to attend a Public Information Centre for the Kettleby Road reconstruction project. This event will provide an opportunity for community members to engage with project staff, ask questions and view project materials.

It will be held at the Municipal Centre on King Road, Tuesday, June 11, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (drop-in anytime).

The Kettleby Road reconstruction project aims to rehabilitate the deteriorating infrastructure within the Township right-of-way along a 720-metre segment of Kettleby Road, between Kettleby Bridge and the eastern limit of the community. This project is part of the Township's capital works road improvement program, with an approved budget of \$1.8 million over three years (2023-2025).

Residents who cannot attend the Public Information Centre can still submit questions, comments or concerns anytime via the 'Submit Feedback' tab on the project webpage at king.speakking.ca or by emailing cparks@king.ca.

Updated renderings for the road design can be viewed under the "Updated Cross Section Renderings" in the documents section on the project webpage.

The design includes necessary work on or close to private property, such as

tree trimming, moving hydro poles and driveway grading. Affected residents have been contacted individually.

The plan is to reconstruct the complete road structure for stability, safety and to comply with current Township standards.

Improve drainage within the road and boulevard by installing a new storm sewer system, curbs, gutters and catchbasins.

The design includes substituting the sidewalk with a one-metre asphalt strip for snow storage. This decision was based on feedback from residents and internal discussions, prioritizing historic appearance, constructibility and effective winter maintenance.

A photometric assessment will ensure that streetlights continue to adequately illuminate the road without excessive light intrusion into homes.

Construction is slated to begin in the summer starting with utility relocations. Residents will receive further updates and communications regarding construction impacts closer to the start date.

The Kettleby Road Reconstruction project reflects the Township's dedication to improving local infrastructure while considering community feedback and maintaining the historic character of Kettleby.

Third suspect sought after attempted break-in in King

Investigators with the York Regional Police #1 District Criminal Investigations Bureau are seeking a third suspect and any witnesses 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 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.

It was determined that the vehicle the suspects arrived in had been stolen in Toronto back in January. Investigators are seeking information that could identify the third suspect.

Tibor Orgona, 21, of Toronto and Dzifa Amah, 18, of no fixed address, face numerous charges, including Loiter/Prowl at Night on Other Person's Property x2 and Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000 x2. At the time of his arrest, Orgona 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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Waiting in worry is an unhealthy pastime

Worry is like a worm eating the best parts of your favourite, freshly picked apple.

He is satisfied, you are not.

When we humans exchange pleasantries, we often wish someone good health. Without that, happiness is fleeting, maybe even non-existent.

When you get bad news – the worst of the worst – you get that weird warm rush from head to gut. Then a hollowness follows, an unusual empty feeling despite enjoying that muffin an hour or so ago. I've felt it more times than I care to remember.

I've been plagued with worry most of my life. From social interactions in high school; college tests and exams; interviews, the list goes on.

Worry is likely the worst of human qualities – a lot of wasted energy and angst.

When I was young I could never picture myself later in life – married with kids, graying and eventually bouncing grandkids on arthritic knees.

And yet, my bride was the most beautiful thing on earth on our wedding day. She still is.

We decided to have a family and while babies are born every day, each comes with plenty of worry. In fact, parental worry never ends.

Our "kids" are now adults – 26, 23 and 18. I still lose sleep thinking about their physical and mental health, and their futures in this crazy world.

I also laid several family members to rest, one before her time. Tears were shed but there are always more in reserve.

It's been 14 years since I said farewell to my mom. I sometimes dream of her, my dad and my sister. But these nocturnal kaleidoscopes seldom offer much in the way of miracles, messages or secrets. They never explain the meaning of life or how to eliminate worry. Some believe these are important "vis-



Mark Pavilons

its" from the hereafter.

A recent dream had me reciting a rather long poem, that turned into a badly sung song. The gist of it was a message to those assembled around me: "it was always meant to be me. It had to be me."

This sentiment puzzled me and stuck in my head like so many of those musical earworms. What does it mean and why did those very words emerge from my starry night thoughts?

We look at things from the inside out, from our own personal vantage point. We are always in our own driver's seat, accelerating, braking, turning and swerving. Alas, in dreams, no matter how hard I press the gas, I can't seem to make the light ahead in time.

We are all inside our own heads. Mine is somewhat complicated. Picture one of those kids' toys – the push mower (Corn Popper) with the balls inside a clear dome that bounce around as the gizmo operates. While there was a time I

found this amusing, it's now just a jumble of thoughts and emotions, all disjointed and colliding with one another.

We all wrestle with our mortality at one point, usually when confronted with an illness.

Okay, cancer isn't necessarily a death sentence, but the journey requires everything you have and more. It requires skills, technology and knowledge of medical practitioners. We place our faith in them that they know exactly what to do and how to "cure" us. For anyone who watches TV medical dramas, you realize they are just people with human frailties themselves. But they do have procedures, plans, meds, scans and all sorts of invasive and non-invasive measures to try.

Together we have hope.

While I have hope, worry tends to overshadow all things bright. Call me a skeptic or doomster, but I tend to expect the worst. I figure that way, if the outcome is positive, great. If it's just what I expect, I'm not surprised.

That's not the healthiest approach to things. And I'm paying for it in terms of anxiety and reflux.

My cancer journey is beginning anew. A recent PET scan found more prostate cancer. With this newest challenge, "Mr. Worry Wart" is in constant high gear.

I met just yesterday (Wednesday) with my new oncologist, to presumably plan another treatment, this one including chemotherapy. With chemo, I suppose it's a case of "no pain, no gain."

Am I capable of fighting this battle? I'm not sure I was properly trained and I have no Jedi Master or Sensei to prepare me for what's to come. When will I know the tide has turned, either way?

I supposed a highly skilled group of individuals will help me along this road. I'm sure they've seen hundreds – maybe thousands – of faces, the visages of the

young, middle aged and old, all scarred from battle. Hopefully they sent throngs of them home to enjoy a full life. But what of the others?

And of course my family and wife will be there supporting me.

But I can't help but wonder and worry.

Everyone is different, I'm reminded.

I looked at the full moon in the early evening sky recently and I pondered the cosmic forces that keep it in place. It's in the perfect spot.

What's keeping me from being in the right spot?

I'm finding it harder to make sense of it all. I know answers are elusive and perhaps that's the purpose of our journey here on earth – to uncover new solutions and suffer through new experiences.

Money, car repair bills, even the taste of food; they all lack substance, meaning. I'm getting tired wrestling with my thoughts, and no tag-team partner waiting in the wings. Nothing seems important in the big picture, nothing but health.

Is that our purpose, to swallow those "jagged little pills" as Alanis put it? And back to my odd dream – "it was always me." Does that mean I was always meant to travel this road, one that was laid out expressly for me?

I suppose I will find out. After all, I will need several more chapters to complete this book of mine. The longer the better!

Here's to all the cancer sufferers out there, may your worry be lifted and your remaining years be filled with newfound joy and all the colours of the rainbow.

I am reminded of the children's tale. There once was a little engine who thought he could do it. He did.

I think I can, too. I have to.

Housing

Canada and Ontario Joint Statement on the National Housing Strategy

Sean Fraser, Canada's Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, and Paul Calandra, Ontario's Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, released a joint statement last week on a national housing strategy:

"Canada and Ontario recognize that our collaboration is imperative to solving the housing crisis.

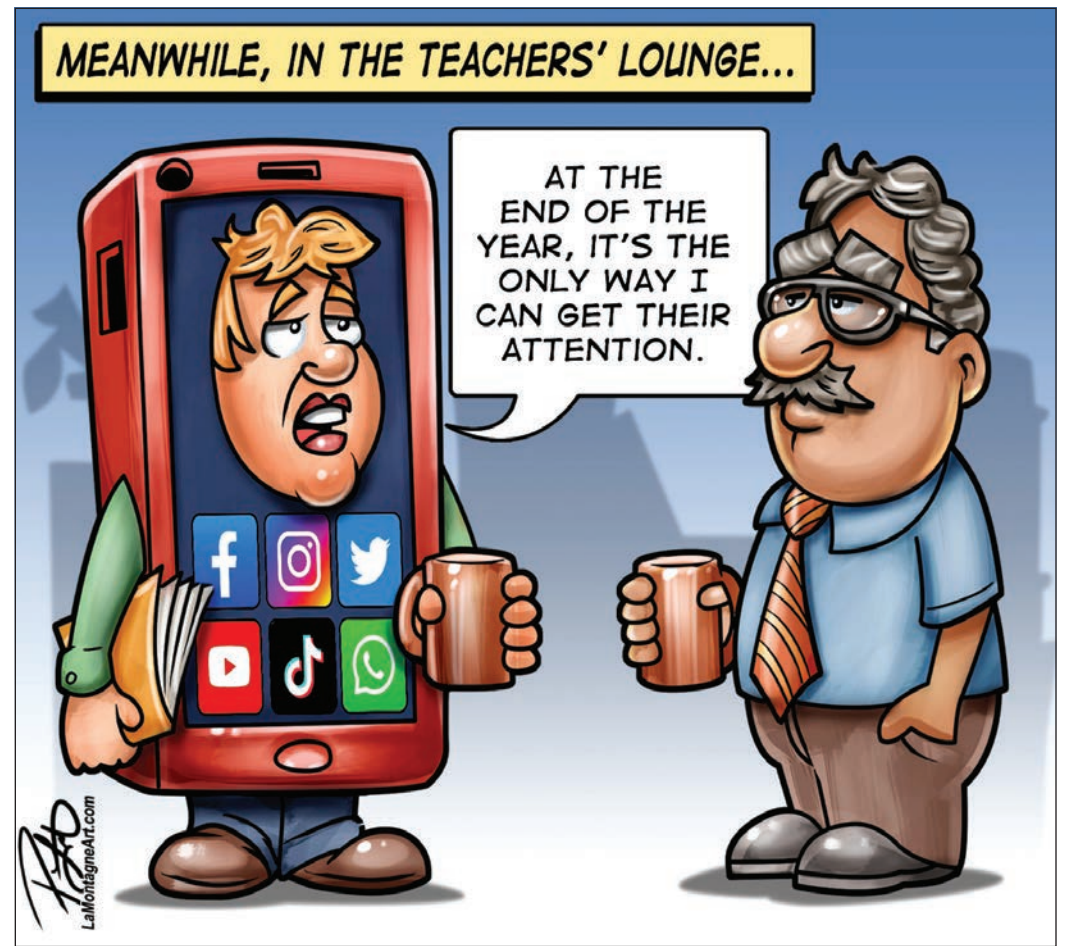
"That is why we are pleased to share that an agreement has been reached on a revised action plan from Ontario that will unlock \$357 million of federal funding under the National Housing Strategy (NHS).

"Ontario has submitted a revised Action Plan under the bilateral agreement, which provides more robust data and insights as to which housing projects benefited from provincial investment.

"Ontario has also included new measures in its Action Plan which better reflect Ontario's funding delivery model, as the only jurisdiction which flows the funds through municipal service managers. These measures include: establishing provincial supply targets with service managers, directing funding toward new projects, setting annual goals, and implementing robust data collection and reporting mechanisms.

"Additionally, Ontario will submit an Action Plan for 2025-2028 by December 31, 2024 to secure continued federal funding for the remainder of the 10-year National Housing Strategy agreement.

"Solving the housing crisis requires a Team Canada approach. We will continue to work together, along with our municipal partners, to make sure the people of Ontario have the homes they need."



Quote of the Week

"Some days you will be the light for others, and some days you will need some light from them. As long as there is light, there is hope, and there is a way."

Jennifer Gayle

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Canada's living standards continue to erode

By Frank Stronach

The Principles of an Economic Charter of Rights

You don't need an economic study to tell you that prices have skyrocketed the past few years.

Any Canadian who buys groceries, fills up the gas tank, or pays rent knows that inflation has taken a big bite out of their take-home pay.

The same goes with our crumbling standard of living.

Canadians can sense that it's deteriorating in a number of ways: stagnant wages, fewer job opportunities, higher taxes, mounting debt and less money to pay the bills.

Even still, a new study released several weeks ago by the Fraser Institute confirmed what most Canadians already knew in their bones: our living standards are dropping.

The Fraser study revealed that Canadians' GDP per person – a measuring stick for gauging the income of a country's citizens – has been tumbling for the past four years. According to the think tank, we're stuck in one of the steepest and longest declines in living standards over the last four decades – and it could get even worse in the years ahead.

Numbeo, the world's largest cost-of-living database, recently released their latest Quality of Life Index by Country that looks at measures such as purchasing power, health care, safety, pollution and traffic commuting. According to the 2024 Index, Canada now sits 33rd in the world, well behind countries such

as Lithuania, Slovenia and Portugal. Just over a decade ago, Canada ranked #5 in the world.

But rarely does anyone ever ask the question: exactly why are our living standards and quality of life dropping? And what's more, what can we do to stop it?

One reason they're dropping is that we've abandoned the real economy – the economy where you make things – in favour of the paper-shuffling financial economy, where wealth is traded and managed.

Another reason is that we've forgotten that in today's global economy, we're engaged in economic warfare with countries who are hungrier and shrewder. These countries have well developed economic strategies to make their major businesses or national champions the dominant players in key industries like pharmaceuticals, airlines and automotive. These more aggressive competitors are taking jobs from Canadians and crushing our industries one by one.

The best example of a country with this sort of strategic approach is China, the world's newest industrial giant.

I've always been a big believer that a company should locate a portion of its manufacturing operations in the

various markets where its products are sold. But many Western companies are only manufacturing in China so they can ship products back into their home markets in order to make higher profits, and in the process, they're eroding the economy of the country where they're headquartered. It's a formula for national economic suicide.

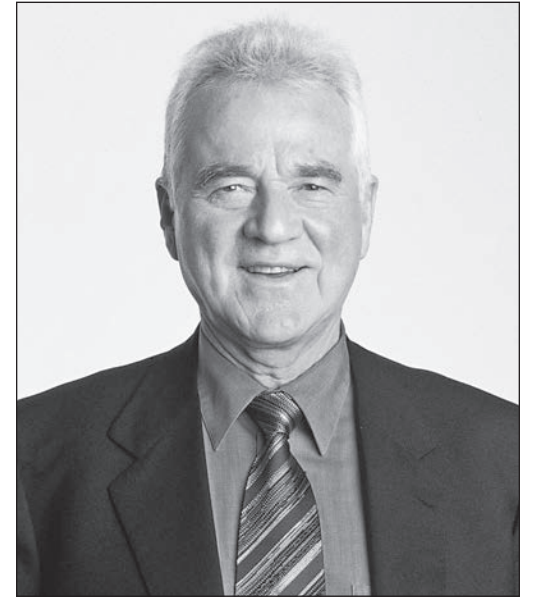
The global economy is spinning faster and faster with each passing year, which is why Canada needs to find new and better ways to remain globally competitive. Jobs are the most precious commodity in the world, and in an effort to raise the living standards of their people, countries everywhere are fighting tooth and nail to lure investments – and the jobs that go with them – to their shores.

It's baffling to me that we don't have a national economic strategy that seeks to build on our strengths in various key industries and turn our immense natural resources into value-added products that can be sold to consumers around the world.

Another major factor for our economic decline – the one most often overlooked – is that our government has become bloated and top-heavy, and it's draining the country's wealth to meet the payrolls of massive bureaucracies in Ottawa, the provinces and many of our cities.

Our governments are too big, too intrusive, and too expensive. Businesses and taxpayers are paying for that overhead through steep taxes, and that in turn makes us increasingly uncompetitive on a global scale.

There are many other reasons for why our living standards are falling, including chronic underinvestment in product R&D by our biggest companies, a troubling lack of technically skilled trades training and education, and a



repressive tax-and-regulatory environment that is stifling entrepreneurship and keeping many Canadian start-ups from growing and expanding.

But many of these problems can be fixed by adopting an Economic Charter of Rights. The Charter would put more money in the pockets of Canadians through profit sharing, straighten out our tax system, put the brakes on out-of-control government spending, and cut the red tape that has hamstrung our businesses.

Countries that apply these sound economic principles will prosper. Those that do not are destined to get left in the dust.

To learn more about how an economic charter could help restore our living standards, contact info@economiccharter.ca.

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YRP presents inclusive policing plan

York Regional Police now has its 2023-2025 Inclusive Policing Action Plan. The plan was approved by the Police Services Board April 24, and aims to enrich inclusive practices for the community and officers.

The three-year plan lays out specific strategies to promote Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility (IDEA) across the organization and in the community.

"It reflects our collective action to advance a more inclusive police service through 11 action and solution-focused objectives," YRP noted.

The plan was informed by the previous 2020-2022 Action Plan and consultations with and reports issued by internal and external stakeholders, including the Enhanced Community Engagements and Community Policing: A review of York Regional Police Anti-Racism Practices report; the Anti-Black Racism Working Group report; and the Police Services Board Committee on Anti-Black Racism and Building Trust in Community Policing report.

Overseen by the Professionalism, Leadership and Inclusion Office, the plan focuses on building organizational capacity to achieve the objectives, which include:

Embedding equity principles in recruitment processes.

Anti-discrimination policies, practices and processes are modernized to support a safe and respectful work-

place. Relationships between police and community are strengthened.

Members are educated about the Truth and Reconciliation Commission findings.

Wellness supports that address the biological, psychological, social and spiritual needs of members and their families.

Members with accessibility needs are supported by internal programs, education and awareness initiatives.

Other elements of the plan include mandatory anti-racism training; the creation of an anti-racism and race equity strategy; and an equity audit to review programs and policies to identify possible systemic barriers to racial equity and inclusion. Additionally, the plan includes a two-year project on race and identity-based data collection, under the direction of consultant Dr. Akwasi Owusu-Bempah, which will focus on employment data and police interactions.

"The executive leadership team is committed to ensuring that as leaders, we will be present, actively listen, seek out diverse perspectives and act with intention to achieve inclusion, diversity, equity and accessibility in our organization and in our community," said Chief Jim MacSween.

For more information or to review the plan, please visit yrpsb.ca/meetings.

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NOTICE OF PASSING OF HERITAGE DESIGNATION BY-LAW 2024-043 TO DESIGNATE A PROPERTY OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF PART IV, SECTION 29 OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King passed By-law Number 2024-043 on May 27th, 2024, to designate lands and premises described as West Half Concession 6, Lot 27, PIN 03401-0111 PT LT 13 PL 159 KING PT 3 65R3321; and municipally known as the Edward Pottage House, 4319 Lloydtown Aurora Road, in the Township of King, in the Regional Municipality of York, Province of Ontario, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV, S.29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990.

Description of Property

Located on the south side of Lloydtown Aurora Road, east of the 7th Concession, the building is known municipally as the Edward Pottage House, 4319 Lloydtown Aurora Road, in the Hamlet of Pottageville, Township of King and is approximately 0.21 hectares in size.

As required under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the Township of King is hereby providing notice of its decision to the property owner and the Ontario Heritage Trust.

Appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal

TAKE NOTICE that an appeal of the Designation By-law for the Property by those persons permitted to appeal under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* may be made by submitting a Notice of Appeal with the Ontario Land Tribunal and Township Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of King, Attention Denny Timm, Township Clerk, 2585 King Road, King City, ON, L7B 1A1, by 4.30 p.m. on or before **July 8th, 2024** (within 30 days of this notice). A Notice of Appeal must set out the reasons for the objection to the Designation By-law. If you wish to appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT), forms are available from the Ontario Land Tribunal website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca>.

Should you have any questions, please contact Colin Pang, Planner II/Heritage Coordinator at (905) 833-4067, or by email at cpang@king.ca. The Designation By-law is available on our website at www.king.ca.

Dated at the Township of King this 6th day of June, 2024.

Denny Timm
Township Clerk
2585 King Road, KING CITY, ON L7B 1A1
Telephone: (905) 833-5321
Email: clerks@king.ca

NOTICE OF PASSING OF HERITAGE DESIGNATION BY-LAW AMENDMENT 2024-044 UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 30.1 PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990 AS AMENDED

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King passed By-law Number 2024-044 on May 27th, 2024, to amend the designation by-law for the lands and premises described as: PIN 03370-0254, PT LT 9 CON 6, 65R-38646, KING AS IN PART 2 and municipally known as the King Culture & Heritage Centre, 2920 King Road, in the Township of King, in the Regional Municipality of York, Province of Ontario, under Part IV, S.30.1 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990.

Purpose and Effect of Amendment

The former Church building located at the King Heritage and Cultural Centre, was designated in 1992 under By-law 92-123 and determined as having cultural heritage value and interest under Part IV, S. 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. The purpose of the amending By-law is to update the statement of cultural heritage value or interest associated with the history of the building's use by the King Christian Church congregation.

As required under Section 30.1 (9) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the Township of King is hereby providing notice of its decision to the property owner and the Ontario Heritage Trust.

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The buzz on wild bees versus honeybees

By David Suzuki

Environment

For many people “bees” means “honeybees” – the prolific insects that flit from flower to flower, collecting nectar and pollen to take back to their hives. They’re important agricultural pollinators and produce honey and wax that humans gather and use.

Their utility to people has heightened fears about “colony collapse disorder,” in which various suspected causes – fungi, mites, parasites, pollution, insecticides and starvation – have killed off unusually high numbers of colonies.

Still, honeybees have proliferated, thanks in part to the growing popularity of urban beekeeping. That may

sound good, but it poses problems. Honeybees, *Apis mellifera*, haven’t always lived in North America. They’re native to Europe, Africa and parts of Asia and were brought here by Europeans starting in the early 17th century. They weren’t put into widespread use as agricultural pollinators until the 20th century.

As the Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation points out: “They became increasingly important with the advent of larger monocultures and the use of broad-spectrum insecticides. To fulfill the demand for crop pollination, millions of hives are managed in and trucked all over North America.”

Despite colony collapse, there are likely more honeybees on the planet now than ever before. As honeybee populations grow and spread from country to city, from backyards to gardens to rooftops, many of the estimated 3,600 native wild bee species in North America – including about 800 in Canada – aren’t faring so well. Most bees are solitary, nesting alone in crevices, hollow stems or underground burrows. None of the native species in Canada make honey. Unlike honeybees, solitary bees and bumblebees are vulnerable to habitat loss.

From shiny sweat bees to industrious mason bees, these native pollinators are quietly vanishing. A comprehensive study of bees in Montreal underscored this issue. From 2013 to 2020, as honeybee hives skyrocketed from 250 to nearly 3,000, native bee populations nosedived. Each hive can house up to 50,000 honeybees, leading to significant competition with solitary wild bees. This seesaw effect between hive expansion and native bee decline is a clear sign that our good intentions might be off track.

The research suggested beekeepers maintain a sustainable threshold of three honeybee hives per square kilometre to avoid crowding out native bees. In dense urban areas, this threshold is often exceeded, creating a highly competitive environment. Looking at the bigger picture, we see that insect populations overall have declined globally by more than 45 per cent over the past 40 years. Insects are vital for pollinating plants, providing food for birds and other animals (including

humans!) and recycling nature’s waste. It’s not just native bees that are declining, but also butterflies, moths and other key pollinators. In Canada, many butterfly and moth species are at serious risk, highlighting the urgent need to rethink our practices.

Honeybees are often at the centre of “save the bees” campaigns, but they’re not always the best pollinators, nor are they the most in need of conservation. Domesticated honeybees are, in many cases, outcompeting native wild bees.

We need to shift toward more inclusive urban pollinator strategies. Instead of adding more honeybee hives, let’s turn our cities into pollinator paradises by planting native wildflowers, creating habitat corridors and conducting citywide pollinator health assessments. The David Suzuki Foundation has a number of resources to help get things blooming, including LawnShare, the award-winning Butterflyway Project and Butterflies in My Backyard, or BIMBY.

This doesn’t mean abandoning honeybees; it just means balancing our enthusiasm for them with the needs of all pollinators. It’s time to rewild our urban spaces, making room for every bee. Swapping hives for habitats – think wildflower gardens and undisturbed nesting sites – is the way forward.

And we shouldn’t just focus on the many services bees provide for humans. As conservation biologist Sheila Colla writes in Canadian Geographic, “Our native bees have relationships with microorganisms, parasitoids, plants, birds and mammals that we have barely begun to understand. Just as with larger, charismatic animals like polar bears and white rhinos, the conservation value of native bees should not and cannot only be defined by what they can do for us.”

Let’s adapt our practices to ensure urban environments support all pollinators, not just honeybees. This is crucial for the health of our planet and the vibrant tapestry of life that sustains us all.

David Suzuki is a scientist, broadcaster, author and co-founder of the David Suzuki Foundation. Written with David Suzuki Foundation Rewilding Communities Program Manager Jode Roberts. Learn more at david Suzuki.

King, Pioneer team up to offer beekeeping workshop

If you have interest in becoming a Beekeeper, then this is the course for you. This beekeeping workshop consists of classroom sessions and hands-on lessons in the bee yard. Participants of all experience levels are welcome. Topics include basic honeybee biology, beekeeping equipment, working in the bee colony, seasonal beekeeper responsibilities, harvesting and extracting honey and preparing bee colonies for winter.

Each participant can choose to receive a copy of the Ontario Beekeeping Manual (optional), veil (required), lunch and refreshments. Participants are encouraged to bring their own gear. You must be 18 years of age or older to attend. Children 12 years or older may attend if accompanied by a parent.

This workshop is held in partnership with Pioneer Brand Honey & Maple. For more information, please contact environmentalstewardship@king.ca or call 905-833-5321 ext. 6555

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Governments helping beekeepers

The governments of Canada and Ontario are increasing funding to the Honey Bee Health Initiative by up to \$1 million to help improve the resiliency and competitiveness of beekeeper operations in Ontario. The additional funding will help more Ontario beekeepers better protect their colonies over the winter and protect against invasive pests such as varroa mites which pose a serious threat to honey bee health.

“So many of the crops grown across Ontario depend on healthy bee populations,” said the Honourable Lawrence MacAulay, federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food. “We’re expanding this vitally important support for our beekeepers so they can safeguard their livelihoods and keep their honey bee colonies healthy and sustainable.”

“With support from the Honey Bee Health Initiative, our government is helping beekeepers and local farmers invest in new colonies and equipment that will help make their operations more resilient in the long term,” says Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan. “We value pollinators and the important role they play in our agriculture and food supply chain.”

The Honey Bee Health Initiative, made possible through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP), initially opened on September 15, 2023 with a budget of over \$1.3 million. To date, 218 projects have been approved. This initiative builds on previous programs, such as the back-to-back Honey Bee Health Management initiatives offered under the Canadian Agricultural Partnership (CAP).

“Honey bees play an important role in our agriculture and food industry as well as in Ontario’s ecosystem,” said Lisa Thompson, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. “This increase to the Honey Bee Health Initiative demonstrates our governments’ commitment to the bee sector and production of honey throughout the province.”

This initiative is delivered by the Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA) and will directly contribute to the goals outlined in the Grow Ontario Strategy. The outcomes will help to support food supply chain stability.

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Aurora Cenotaph to mark its 100th anniversary in 2025

By Brock Weir

The Aurora Cenotaph is one of the area's most iconic landmarks and ahead of the 100th anniversary of its dedication to the men who paid the ultimate sacrifice for King & Country in the First World War, plans are under way to make it a milestone to Remember.

The Cenotaph, which lies at the heart of the Aurora War Memorial Peace Park, serves as a memorial to soldiers and servicemen hailing from Aurora, King Township and Whitchurch-Stouffville and plans for the milestone anniversary include collaborations from all three municipalities.

While a final budget for the celebrations is yet to be presented, initiatives that are part and parcel of the anniversary could include site work to install permanent seating at the space, correct some century-old typos on the monument, a street banner program, exhibitions outdoor, virtual and travelling, and the installation of a monument for Indigenous soldiers.

"A special ceremony will take place to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Aurora War Memorial," said Michelle Johnson, Collections and Exhibitions Coordinator for the Aurora Museum & Archives, in a report to Council. "The Aurora Legion will lead this ceremony and it will include a re-dedication of the restored monument, speakers, and a selection of traditional music and readings. Staff will endeavour to connect with descendants of individuals who were responsible for organizing, fundraising, and advocating for the construction of the Aurora War Memorial in 1925.

"For 100 years, Aurora War Memorial Peace Park has been identified as the place community members go to memorialize those who have been lost to armed conflict. Missing from the landscape is a memorial dedicated to Indigenous community members who have lost their lives in conflict since the beginning of European settlement. A new memorial dedicated to Indigenous people who have made the ultimate sacrifice is being considered as part of this project."

Additional site work is slated to include renovating and levelling existing pathways, the addition of four memorial benches, correcting the misspelled last name and removing an "incorrect

War Memorial was dedicated in 1925

medal attribution," preventative conservation and restoration, additional lighting to illuminate the LAV, which was installed to pay tribute to those who served in Afghanistan, and the Korean War memorial installed last year.

It is hoped that all three municipalities will collaborate on the exhibition to be developed, said Johnson.

"Aurora, King, and Stouffville have a unique relationship that transcends municipal borders," she said. "A series of outdoor, virtual, and travelling exhibitions will explore that relationship by focusing on how the three municipalities came together to share in memorializing those who made the ultimate sacrifice during the First World War. Content from all three municipal collections will be showcased to help tell the story of how the Aurora War Memorial, and surrounding Peace Park, came to be.

"The Town will recruit contract staff to assist with exhibition research, development, installation, and other parts of the project, as needed. The outdoor exhibition will be located in Aurora War Memorial Peace Park and will be on view from August to November 2025. A virtual exhibition will be launched on the anniversary of the memorial dedication. Finally, a travelling exhibition will be developed for display in Stouffville, King, and other possible locations."

The proposed street banner program will feature soldiers from the First World War featured in their respective municipalities as well, she added.

"Banners will fall into two categories: the first includes information about the 100th anniversary of the Aurora War Memorial, the second category will feature individual soldiers whose names are included on the Aurora War Memorial," she said. "The design of the banners will be standardized, and each municipality will highlight individuals local to their area who made the ultimate sacrifice during the First World War. After the project, the soldier banners will be given to the Aurora Legion for their use."

The plans were greeted warmly by Council at the Committee level on May

7 with Ward 3 Councillor Wendy Gaertner praising the new lighting proposed.

"Definitely I think the Korean War Memorial should be lit and also the memorial to the Aboriginal war veterans," she said. "That's very important."

Ward 2 Councillor Rachel Gilliland was also positive about the plan, but sought assurances that Whitchurch-Stouffville and King would be collaborating and "chipping in" – as well as potential grant funding from other levels of government.

"We have consulted with King Township and Whitchurch-Stouffville. There are no budget commitments at present," said Johnson. "They are waiting to better understand what Council is prepared to endorse at this time. There are some areas that for them are more appropriate to support in times of budgetary commitments. Some of those areas are exhibitions, a banner program, not necessarily the site works that the Aurora War Memorial Peace Park for a few reasons that are more relevant to their budgetary mandates."

Responding to budgetary questions from Ward 1 Councillor Ron Weese,

Johnson added the exhibition budget line is a three-pronged approach.

"It includes an online exhibition in which we would target Virtual Museums of Canada Community Memories funding," she said "That is a grant that is up to 50 per cent. It also includes an on-site exhibition at Aurora War Memorial Peace Park that would be temporary for about three months and would include signage throughout the park that would have reproductions of archival materials, stories related to the establishment of the memorial, and then a travelling exhibition component. That's three mediums for the exhibition. The travelling exhibition component is also eligible for grant funding... and there is appetite to bring that to our partner municipalities in King and Stouffville."

The estimated budget for the 100th anniversary project stands at \$144,000 -- \$53,500 for site works and enhancements; \$38,000 for the exhibitions; \$12,000 for contract staff; \$12,500 for street banners; \$25,000 for the new Indigenous memorial; and \$3,000 for the ceremony itself.



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Dual celebration at Schomberg Village Pharmacy and MD Aesthetics

By Jim Stewart

Soggy conditions did not dampen the spirit of owners Anna Patrizio and Dr. Rhea Uy whose side-by-side businesses celebrated simultaneously the fifth anniversary of the Schomberg Village Pharmacy and the Grand Opening of MD Aesthetics, respectively, on a drizzly Saturday afternoon.

Numerous local dignitaries – including Mayor Steve Pellegrini, MP Anna Roberts, MPP Stephen Lecce, and King Chamber of Commerce Michelle Frauley – braved the elements, congratulated the proprietors, assisted with the outdoor ribbon-cutting ceremony, and adroitly avoided a steady stream of raindrops.

Both Kingsgate Plaza businesses were festooned with silver, turquoise, and white balloon arrangements and the aroma of candy floss and popcorn machines gave the parking lot a carnival vibe. Tents dotted the area to give well-wishers shelter from the rain. The warm and generous hospitality of Patrizio and Dr. Uy was evident both in their outdoor celebrations and the platters of delicious food and drink that spanned the width of the Pharmacy and lifted the spirits of the dampened

Fifth Business Anniversary & a Grand Opening

celebrants.

The dual event was attended by over 100 customers, family members, and friends. It was emceed by King Chamber of Commerce President Michelle Frauley.

Both proprietors reflected on the challenges brought by the rain that also affected the 174th Schomberg Fair which was running at the venerable fairgrounds just south of the Plaza.

Anna Patrizio noted that the best part of the event was “The support of the community, friends, and family. We had a lot of customers who came into the Pharmacy, despite the rain. All our hard work planning the party was really worth it when we saw so many visitors. It was heartwarming to see the Chamber, the Mayor, our MP, and our MPP visit us on this big day.”

The spirit of cooperation was evident in our post-event interview as Dr. Rhea Uy acknowledged that “It was Anna’s idea that were going to do a joint celebration. I was in mourning with my father-in-law passing away. It was about working together and Anna helped car-



On hand for the occasion were Mayor Steve Pellegrini, MP Anna Roberts, Michelle Frauley from the Chamber of Commerce and MPP Stephen Lecce.

Lisa Pace Photography

Township’s DC reserve fund eroding

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

King Township’s Development Charges Reserve Fund is being depleted.

A downturn in development in 2023, which is continuing this year, has impacted budgets, and left little in reserve.

Councillors heard from Treasurer Peggy Tollett, who noted the DC Reserve Funds total \$5.1 million, but \$3.6 million of that is already committed. That leaves \$1.5 million surplus. The Cash-in-Lieu of Parkland Reserve Fund shows a \$2.1 million surplus.

However, the Township currently has a large deficit in Parks & Recreation of \$7 million. The new Town-Wide Recreation Centre and the lack of DC collections, the forecast in the DC reserve for Parks & Recreation in 2025 is projected to be a deficit of \$12 million.

Councillors voiced concern that these typically healthy funds are being eroded, which may impact the Township’s spending.

Development charges are one-time fees collected on new residential and non-residential properties to finance a portion of the capital infrastructure requirements associated with growth. The fees are collected at the time of building permit issuance. The growth-related spending authority is approved annually as part of the Township’s capital budgeting process based on those capital projects that are eligible for development charge funding pursuant to the DCA.

It is important to note that the Township is showing a deficit in the Parks and Recreation Development Charge (DC) reserve fund due to the advanced construction of the Township-wide Recreation Facility and numerous parks across the Township. The Township may need to obtain debt financing to fund the deficit in this reserve fund.

Staff also noted that King’s Water DC reserve fund is also showing a deficit as a result of building capacity in the Township’s infrastructure to support growth. It is anticipated that over time this deficit will be reduced as growth occurs and future development charges are received.

Councillor David Boyd noted with DC reserves being depleted, some road work in King will have to be delayed, until the DCs are replenished.

Treasurer Peggy Tollett noted since the DCs being collected are less than anticipated, they may have to ask York Region to help fund the deficit. Staff will be reviewing budgets and may have to re-evaluate things in the fall when they look at the 2025 budget.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini noted while the Township Wide Recreation Centre (TWRC) is a costly endeavour – pegged at \$100-million – the project is on budget and on schedule.

Director Chris Fasciano noted King has been able to accommodate the needs of the new Jr. A Rebellion hockey team in the building design.

The TWRC is funded through local DCs, as well as provincial and federal funding.

ry me through the preparations. The best part of the day was learning as a business owner from Anna about dealing with the unexpected and how to make it fun. We are working collaboratively and evolving our business relationship through these activities.”

Dr. Uy added that she “loved the gathering together of a diverse community of professionals who visited and the games for the kids who were an important part of our celebrations on Saturday.”

In the relaxed setting at MD Aesthetics, Patrizio noted the satisfaction she feels about building a business: “For the last five years, the most satisfying aspect is that we have contributed as a business to the community, that we employ members of the community, and we have enjoyed mentoring our student workers. We’re assisting in building leaders – our university grads go on to do things in their fields of work and we

take pride in their accomplishments.”

Those connections to which Patrizio referred are vitally important to Dr. Uy: “Building relationships has been the most satisfying element to our business. It’s definitely satisfying to respond to the challenges of business innovations, establishing relationships with other sectors, and to support others from other industries. Being able to collaborate with other business owners has been critical – learning from Anna to run a business and having the opportunity to be at Chamber of Commerce events has been very beneficial. Anna and I are contemplating a new adventure that will complement our businesses and the services for our customers.”

This charming and dynamic duo showed grace under pressure on an inclement afternoon and their sunny dispositions carried the day of dual celebrations at the Kingsgate Plaza.



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Historic Pottageville home receives designation

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

The Edward Pottage House will soon receive heritage designation.

King council received the news in a staff report recently that noted the property at 4319 Lloydtown Aurora Road has cultural heritage value to the municipality.

The owners of the Pottageville home sought out the designation, after a review and evaluation to see if it met the criteria.

The Township's Official Plan identifies the need to recognize and protect the Township's heritage resources as being important to the enrichment and understanding of the community's historical traditions and understanding of the past. The Official Plan also recognizes that properties which are found to have cultural heritage interest or values should be preserved to promote the cultural heritage and traditions of the Township. As the proposed building on the property has been identified and determined to have cultural heritage interest and value, the designation of the is consistent with the policies of the Official Plan.

Through the research and evaluation completed by staff, the dwelling on the subject property was found to demonstrate cultural heritage interest through the design/physical, historical/associative and contextual values.

At the Feb. 1 Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) meeting, a motion was made by the HAC to recommend that Council support the heritage designation of the Edward Pottage House for its cultural heritage value.

The property contains a farm dwelling associated with the founder of the Hamlet of Pottageville, Edward Pottage. Edward Pottage was born in 1806 and emigrated to Canada from England with his wife Elizabeth Beal Pottage and purchased a 100 acre parcel of land on the west half lot 27, Concession 6 in the Township of King on November 1844. He served as a bailiff (sheriff) to the community and was a farmer according to the tax assessment and census records.

Like most early hamlets, Pottageville was once an active and busy community that consisted of a post office, mills, hotels, blacksmiths, tanneries, stores and a church. As the years progressed, these industries slowly diminished.



The 100-acre farm property also contained the first post office in Pottageville which first opened in 1876 and operated and closed many times throughout its years of existence. It permanently closed in 1918 when rural mail delivery began to take shape and the post office was no longer needed. The farm dwelling remains as one of the last remaining buildings constructed from the 19th century within Pottageville and reflects the once rural and agricultural life that existed in the Hamlet. The property also contained a rear summer kitchen wing which may have been used as a post office and for voting.

The property remained in possession of the Pottage Family until 1908 when it was sold to another family.

The 1½-storey rural farm dwelling with gable roof is a good representative example of a rural farmhouse in the Gothic Revival architectural style, which was popularized in the 1860s Canada Farmer publication. The brick farmhouse was built circa 1878 and features a stone foundation and dual chimney. The corners of the dwelling features yellow brick quoins.

The design features a front centre pitched gable roof with decorative bargeboard and a finial. A gable roof also rests on the east and west eleva-

tions. Below this centre gable roof lies a central pointed arched gothic door surrounded by red and yellow brick jack arch and decorative red and yellow brick banding patterns around the entire building. The upper floor balcony on the front façade is surrounded by wood balusters and balustrades on top of the verandah.

The bell-cast verandah roof stretches across the entire front façade and features decorative wood columns and wood bargeboard trim. The symmetrical placement of the wooden window openings and wood sills are original features red and yellow brick jack arches above.

Recent additions and modifications include the demolition of the existing addition to the house to construct a new addition in 1982 and a detached two (2) car garage structure, which was built in 2000.

The structure has contextual value as the dwelling contributes to the 19th century historic character of the Hamlet of Pottageville. From when it was constructed until present day, it remains in its original construction location. The two (2) front landscape garden beds are in the same location as the original garden beds of the original house and therefore contribute to the 19th century historic character.





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King Township Celebrates June is Recreation and Parks Month

Each June, communities across Ontario celebrate June as Recreation and Parks Month (JRPM). JRPM is recognized by municipalities, community organizations, and schools as a way of promoting the benefits of being active and recognizing the contribution that recreation and parks make to quality of life.

Access to parks and recreation is a fundamental human need that helps foster personal health, strong communities, and social inclusion. JRPM celebrates Ontario's spectacular parks and recreation services and raises awareness for the role they play as a pathway to individual, community, and environmental well-being.

To celebrate JRPM, King Township has lined up 30 days of recreational activities for all ages, abilities and interests. Regular admission fees apply unless the program is noted as free. Highlights include:

Fitness: outdoor yoga, dance, plus FREE workouts at the Trisan Fitness Centre (on select dates).

Sports: basketball, volleyball, pickle-

ball, shinny hockey, figure skating and adapted skates.

Indigenous Dot Painting with Métis artist at the King Heritage & Cultural Centre.

Guided hikes, a bird walk and talk, and free disc golf rentals at Cold Creek Conservation Area.

Nature-based workshops, including wildflower and herb planting.

Line dancing, bridge and gentle fitness classes for seniors ages 55 years and older.

Enjoy outdoor play at one of the Township's many parks, with varying amenities such as soccer fields, baseball diamonds, skateparks, trails, basketball, tennis and pickleball courts, as well as picnic shelters, (some of which are available to rent). Splash pads are open daily from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Memorial Park in King City, Tasca Park in Nobleton, and Hickstead Park in Schomberg. For more information, including amenities and a park locator, visit king.ca/parks.

With a total area of 339 square kilometres, King Township is home to



some of the province's most scenic landscapes within the Greenbelt and Oak Ridges Moraine, with over 100 kilometers of trails to explore. Discover more including an online, interactive map – featuring photos of parks and facilities – to guide your adventure, at king.ca/trails.

To learn more about what King Township is doing to celebrate JRPM, view the month-long calendar of activities, available online at king.ca/JRPM.

For more information about drop-in

recreation programs, including admission fees, visit king.ca/recreation. If you require assistance, call Service-KING at 905-833-5321 or email serviceking@king.ca.

June is Recreation and Parks Month is an initiative of Parks and Recreation Ontario (PRO). PRO is a non-profit association of leaders in recreation and parks that advances the health, social, and environmental benefits of quality recreation and parks. For more information on PRO, please visit prontario.org.



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Store Manager Henrietta Marfoh, Rhonda Flanagan, Hope House Director of Development; King Councillor Mary Asselstine, King Councillor Debbie Schaefer and Hope House Executive Director Heidi Bonner celebrate the Smile Cookie campaign success.

Local Hortons raise \$13,253 for Hope House

King City and Nobleton Tim Hortons restaurant owners helped raise \$13,253 for Hope House Community Hospice through the annual Smile Cookie campaign.

Tim Hortons restaurant owners and millions of generous Tim Hortons guests helped to break a new Smile Cookie record by raising \$18.8 million for more than 600 local charities and community groups across the country.

This year in King City and Nobleton, local Tim Hortons restaurant owners Rita and Len Mizzoni, and guests, helped raise \$13,253 to support Hope House Community Hospice. The funds raised will be used by Hope House to provide compassionate support to hundreds of individuals facing a life-limiting illness, their families, caregivers or those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Hope House offers in-home hospice services, children's programs, counselling & wellness services, grief & bereavement support.

"We are privileged to have Tim Hortons as a community supporter: The Tim Hortons Smile Cookie campaign is vital to providing our community access to caring, dignified, and holistic support for individuals facing a life-limited illness, their loved ones and caregivers. The Mizzoni Family, and the Tim Hortons restaurant staff, went above and beyond to help raise funds for the Smile Cookie campaign and it's truly inspiring to be a part of something so great and impactful," said Heidi Bonner, Executive Director of Hope House Community Hospice.



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CAP funding expands to help the community

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

King's Community Assistance Program (CAP) is being revamped, to the benefit of local residents and programs.

Staff presented councillors with updates to the CAP, which include three new funding streams to improve access to subsidies for local recreation programs. New eligibility criteria for refugee families has been added, along with a digitalization of the intake and application process.

Established in 2013, the Community Assistance Program (CAP) provides opportunities for citizens to participate in recreation by assisting in removing financial barriers while ensuring that access to subsidies is provided through clear and accessible process. Since 2018 CAP has provided fee assistance to 74 families and has provided approximately \$133,000 in financial support.

The foundation of CAP is based on the values of human dignity and respect, health and wellness, and improved quality of life. Building on these values, the program will create an environment of cooperation and inclusivity to help provide recreational opportunities for financially challenged individuals and families in King.

Staff have noted an increase in the number inquiries related to access to subsidies since 2020. Based on these trends, it is anticipated that the number subsidy funding requests will grow

as the department continues to expand the number and diversity of programming options made available through the opening of the new Township Wide Recreation Centre (fall 2024). In anticipation of this future growth and through feedback received from both community user groups and participants of the program, staff have revisited the terms of the original CAP program and wish to formalize the terms of the program through a proposed Corporate Policy to enhance and ease applicant access.

The goals of the program are to provide a simple application process for families/individuals requesting fee assistance from King Township. It also aims to provide options for how fee assistance can be applied. The program also gives staff with an objective formula and process to assess both eligibility and subsidy rate of submitted applications.

CAP applications will now be divided into three unique intake streams – municipal program stream; community program stream, and inclusion program stream.

The Community Grant Program will be funded through the Township's 2024 annual operating budget in the amount of \$25,000.

Staff said they anticipate that there may be an increase in uptake based on increased program offerings and with the opening of the new Town-Wide Recreation Centre. Staff have also seen an increase in requests for the inclusion

stream through 2024.

Staff will continue to monitor the number of applications received through the remainder of the year and should further demands on funding in

this area surpass the current amount budgeted, a request to increase program funding will likely be required as part of the 2025 operating budget submission.



Post office fundraiser a hit

Thanks to the community of Nobleton, the Post Office was able to raise over \$14,000 for the Canada Post Children's Community Foundation. A shout out to all of the generous donors and ticket purchasers. Congratulations to all of our winners including the 50/50 winner who won \$2,600.

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Arts & Entertainment

Annual garden tour promises fabulous properties

The stage is set for the annual Garden Tour, hosted by the Schomberg Horticultural Society.

The garden tour takes place June 23, rain or shine, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tickets for the garden tour can be purchased on the day of the tour in front of the Schomberg Library at 77 Main Street at 9:30 a.m. It is cash only. Alternatively, tickets can be ordered in advance on Eventbrite.ca. Ticket holders will receive the tour map a week before the tour via email.

The tour will feature an estate garden in prestigious Fairfield Estates, Carrying Place Estates and along the Lloydtown Aurora Side Road, also on

tour is the Post Office in Schomberg, the Schomberg Community Farm and Dufferin Marsh. Garden Highlights: Some of the highlights of the gardens on tour include vast gardens with a large collection of perennial plants, a fruit orchard, chicken coup and hydrangeas in Fairfield Estates. Carrying Place Estates features expansive gardens with unusual and hard-to-find perennials, ponds, waterfalls and art.

Properties along the Loydton Aurora Road offer a wildlife habitat property with a large collection of native trees and shrubs, a large tree, peony and berry collection, a newly established gar-

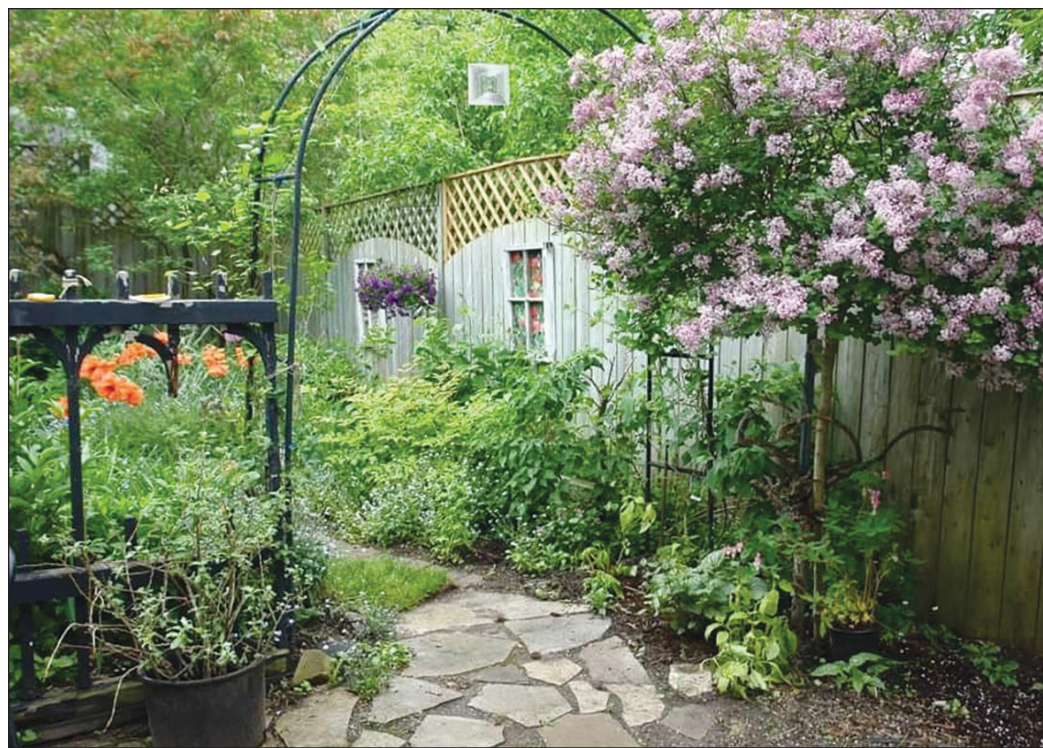
den with a swimming pool and a property with impeccable garden beds and a water feature.

The Post Office in Schomberg has a pollinator garden and the Dufferin Marsh is a wetland with diverse plant communities and bird species. The Schomberg Community is a marvel in Community activism. New additions are an Orchard Extension and a 7-foot pollinator Hotel.

Arts Society King members will be displaying their art and painting en

plein air in some of the gardens on the tour. Various artists will showcase their work, including water colour, oil, acrylic, wood turning, mixed media and glass art. Participating artists include Jennifer Nicholson, Sylvia Sroujian, George Burt, Olga Muhortyh, Patricia Earl, Pamela Day, Wendy Emery, Mahtab Rezvani.

Ticket holders can pick up the maps the week before the tour. For more information, email shsgardentour@gmail.com



Nominations open for the King Heritage Award

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 to June 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) through 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.

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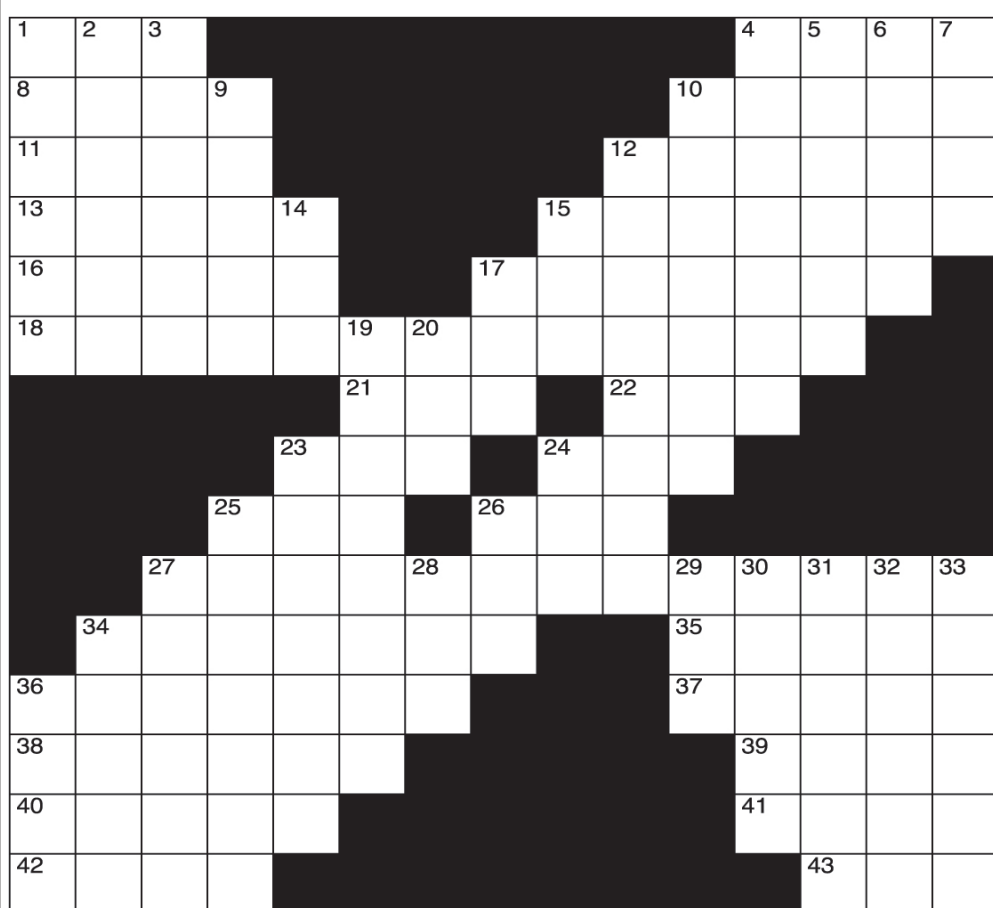
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- Clint's son
- Body part
- Humor
- Code number

CLUES DOWN

- Your physique
- Family of regulator genes
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- "The Blonde Bombshell"
- Charity
- Bluish greens
- Examined closely
- A type of equation
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- Indian religious god
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CLUES DOWN

- French river
- Shiny yellow minerals
- Make illegal
- U.S. military branch
- River in France and Belgium
- A woman of refinement
- Male child
- Type of medication
- German city
- Animal disease
- Mediterranean dietary staple
- Sneak out
- Radioactivity unit
- Performs on stage

McMichael Moonlight Gala showcases art, philanthropy

On Saturday, June 1, the McMichael Canadian Art Collection in Kleinburg hosted their annual Moonlight Gala fundraiser in support of the art of Canada. More than 450 supporters and guests gathered on the McMichael grounds to enjoy a feast of gourmet food stations, Ontario wine by Stratus Vineyards, private exhibition tours, music and dancing under the summer night sky.

Co-chaired by Debra Fenwick and Laura Mirabella, guests heard from Executive Director and Chief Curator Sarah Milroy and Honorary Co-Chair Steven Del Duca, Mayor of the City of Vaughan, and mingled with local dignitaries including Steve Pellegrini, Mayor of the Township of King, philanthropists, gallerists and leading Canadian artists. Funds raised directly support the McMichael's exhibitions, impactful educational and outreach programs and the maintenance of the gallery's extensive grounds and trails along the Humber River Valley.

"Like us, you believe in the transformative power of art and the rejuvenating power of nature; two things that come together in this very special place," Fenwick told guests. "This place shines bright, not just because of the moonlight tonight but because the McMichael is a cultural jewel that we all share."



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John Bianchini, Andrew W. Dunn (Chair, McMichael Canadian Art Foundation), Paul Sabourin.



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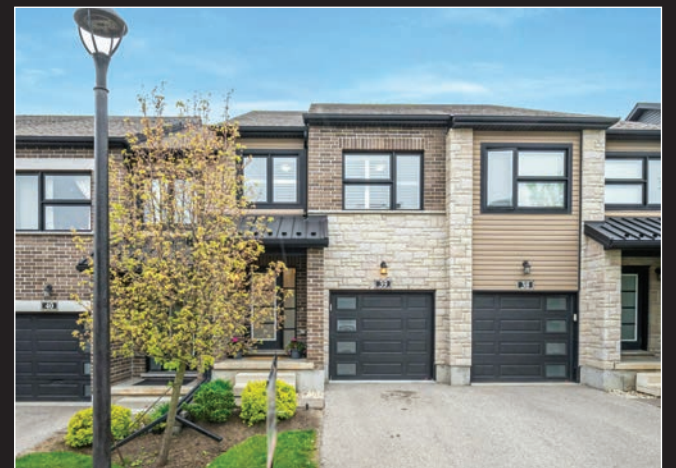
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Nobleton Taekwon-Do earns medals at championships

By Jim Stewart

Nobleton Taekwon-do's hardware haul at last weekend's ICTF Elite Championships at the Palladini Sports Complex in Woodbridge was a pleasant sight for veteran Head Coach Frank Adriano. The amiable martial arts instructor was pleased with his competitors' level of participation and number of podium finishes: "Twenty-nine Nobleton TKD student-athletes competed in the Championships against over 450 contestants. It was a great showing to win twenty-five medals."

Adriano, who has a 7th Dan Black Belt, expressed his satisfaction that "The best part of winning so many medals is that they're such great kids. They have full attention spans and they're committed. I've been personally involved in Martial Arts for 40 years, including 10 years at Nobleton TKD. These student-athletes are a source of positive energy and they've discovered a type of personal liberty through Martial Arts. One of our top athletes expressed his gratitude to me after our success in Woodbridge on the weekend: "Thank you for challenging me – you taught me that a little bit of fear keeps you safe."



This kind of poignant remark demonstrates that these focused competitors are embracing the athletic and life lessons delineated by the Nobleton Taekwon-do coaching staff. Comprised of Master Adriano 7th Dan Black Belt, Master Scarfo 7th Dan Black Belt, Master Gallo 7th Dan Black Belt, and Master Wil 6th Dan Black Belt, this core quartet of instructors prepare their students for 90-second bouts of physical combat by preaching five principles.

Coach Adriano explained: "Courtesy, Integrity, Perseverance, Self-Control, and Indomitable Spirit are the tenets of Taekwon-do. They are the qualities we want our student-athletes to embody in competition and in adult life."

Prominent among the medalists who have embraced the principles of the sport is Lily Champion who won gold in patterns and gold in sparring. Coach Adriano – a veteran high school English teacher when he's not coaching martial arts – praised the journey and the destination of Champion's double-gold performance: "Lily started her Taekwon-do journey at age 4. She will be 16 years old in August and has achieved the status of black stripe on her way to achieving her first Dan black belt. She is also an outstanding junior instructor at Nobleton Taekwon-do."

In addition to Champion's fine show-

ing at the ICTF Championships, Coach Adriano singled out the performance of one of his younger competitors: "Massimo Maturi won gold in sparring and silver in pattern. He is 10 years old and has been training for 2 years at Nobleton Taekwon-do."

The student-athletes from Nobleton Taekwon-do will continue their quest for podium finishes in 2025 with an opportunity to compete internationally very close to home. Coach Adriano noted that "Canada will be hosting the World Championships for the first time since 1997. From May 30-June 2, 2025, we'll be hosting 1,200 contestants at the Palladini Centre."

It's clear that Adriano's charges will be demonstrating their indomitable spirit against the world in Woodbridge in 2025 and courtesy, integrity, perseverance, and self-control will be key factors contributing to their success.



King resident brings home gold

The Ontario Special Olympics held the provincial spring games this past weekend in Waterloo, Ontario. Approximately 1,000 Special Olympic athletes and coaches from across Ontario attended to participate in five different sports, swimming, bowling, basketball, rhythmic gymnastics and power lifting to qualify for the upcoming National games in 2026.

The GTA sent 172 athletes and one of these from King City, Cody Wanschura, attended to participate in the three day tournament in the 10 pin Bowling. After all events were completed and results verified Cody came out with three Gold medals in the team, pairs and overall individual categories. Of the 96 bowlers, he also posted a personal best and tournament second highest game score of 235.

The next step will be to see if he will be among those selected to represent Ontario in the Canada National games for bowling.

Cody and his fellow athletes wish to thank the local Tim Hortons in King City for their support through the sales of the Special Olympic donut which proceeds went directly to supporting them, and also to the York Regional Police who also are arduous financial supporters through many fund raising events including their popular annual Polar Bear Plunge.



King skaters bring home medals

The King City Skating Club went to the Spring Skating Festival in Buffalo New York again and brought home a boat full of medals.

The King City Skating club attended The 33rd Annual Spring Skate Festival hosted by The Skating Club of Western New York on Saturday, May 18, and Sunday, May 19. The club had 33 skaters attend the competition.

Local skaters came home with 38 Gold Medals, 23 Silver Medals and 34 Bronze Medals. Congratulations to all of our skaters. Great times, outstanding sportsmanship, and bonding was had by all.

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Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

Welcome to June and Happy Pride!
I was disheartened to see a few angry emojis on the Pride flag being raised at our Township offices on a social media post this past week, when we learn about others and learn to be more accepting, we not only progress as humans but as a society. Pride month is a

celebration of people coming together in love and friendship to show how far the LGBTQ+ community has come, and to show how damaging homophobia has been in the past, but it seems we still have a lot of work to do. If you celebrate Pride, enjoy, if not then let others enjoy and live your life the way you choose, it's just that simple.

June also means the splash pad at Hickstead Park is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. to cool off your kids, or yourself if you feel the need.

For those of you who haven't seen it yet, or should I say those that saw it the hard way, we have a new speed bump on



Dr. Kay about half way between Cooper and Main. It's been painted now, so that should make it easier to spot, but some of us only found out it was a bump, after we were already in the process of driving over it. Please make sure to watch out for it on your travels.

I also did notice that we have a new Mexican Restaurant at 307 Main, "Au Chihuahua" is the name and although I haven't been yet, I've only heard great reports. I'll be trying it out soon and so I'll make sure to give you all an update. They are open for lunch and breakfast from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Welcome to Schomberg, we wish you much success.

It seems Highway 27 will be closed from 18th Sideroad to Lloydtown-Aurora Road from July 5-15 to replace the culvert, so you'll have to take the long way around if you need to get to Nobleton during that two-week period.

Flowers and gardens are on the agenda for June as well, as the Lupins, poppies and peonies are all about to explode and my clematis looks like it's going to be spectacular in the next few weeks. Speaking of gardens, the Annual Garden Tour: event by the Schomberg Horticultural Society" is coming up on June 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a self-guided tour in the Township of King, featuring at least 8 gardens 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 AM Workshop" this 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, la-

dies, 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.

Schomberg Seniors (55+)

A huge thank you to Steve and Cheryl Fisher who led the group on a hike this past Thursday through Cold Creek. A few sore muscles and maybe a bit of mud, but a good time was had by all.

June 10 - 10 a.m., 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. This will take place at the Schomberg Community Hall on Main Street.

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:
Summer Bridge will begin at the Trisan Centre (Curling Lounge) Wednesday, June 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. and runs until Wednesday, Sept. 4. It will resume on Tuesdays September 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 20. This will begin again on Thursday, Sept. 12, from 2 to 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.

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

Please reach out with your events, stories of happenings or anything you would love to see here sporter5952@gmail.com or 416-460-5952.

Nobleton & Schomberg United Churches

By Nancy Hopkinson

On Sunday, June 9 at 9:30 a.m., there will be a baptism in Schomberg upstairs in the sanctuary during the regular service. Nobleton will have its regular service at 11:15 a.m.

Last Sunday at Schomberg's Anniversary, we learned about the important work by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, which supports people suffering from food insecurity worldwide. We enjoyed the music provided by the Front Porch Harmony group, with Gail McKinley and 3 other musician/singers. At the end of the service, Pastor Richard Gardner was presented with a beautiful gray gown as a congratulations for his upcoming ordination at Shining Waters Regional Meeting on Saturday, June 8. The lunch and camaraderie afterwards was wonderful.

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 (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.

For the summer, we will not have regular Sunday services. Instead, we will meet on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. and have a hymn sing for half an hour, followed by a pot-luck dinner. The location will alternate, Schomberg United (July 3). Nobleton United (July 10). On July 17, there will be a picnic at Jack and Kim Campbell's starting at 4:30 p.m. Back to Nobleton for July 24 at 5:30 p.m., etc. The last one is on Sept. 4.

On Wednesday mornings, we have a Zoom Coffee chat (10 to 11 a.m.). We talk on a huge variety of topics. You are welcome to join us. Just send me a message nancykhopkinson@gmail.com and I will provide the link.

Schomberg United Church meets at St. Mary Magdalene Church, lower level, 116 Church St., Schomberg. It is accessible. Nobleton United Church meets 6476 King Rd., Nobleton. It has a wheelchair ramp and a chair lift to go up the 7 steps to the Sanctuary.

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**King City United
By Sheryl Sinka**

Last Sunday, June 2 we were encouraged by Rev. Andrew Lee to reflect on the ways that God, through the Holy Spirit has moved us and others to action on this earth and we are encouraged to always be open to the Holy Spirit moving in us in our daily lives guiding us into truth and transforming our hearts.

This Sunday, June 9 Rev. Evelyn McLachlan 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.

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

King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our Sunday Worship service! Pastor Mark 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

**King City Seniors (55+)
By Carolyn Kanitz**

Tomorrow, Friday, June 7 at 10 a.m., you are welcome to attend an informative presentation by the Manager of Radiation Therapy at Southlake on the new PET scan machine, which can detect early cancers and other health is-

sues. RSVP.

Friday, June 21 is the last potluck lunch until the fall so come out and enjoy a delicious buffet with your friends. Each attendee is asked to bring either a main course item or a dessert. Lunch starts at 12:30 p.m.

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.

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.

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

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

Wednesday afternoons: 1 p.m. –

Bridge.

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

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

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

Friday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Progressive Euchre.

You may contact KCSC at 905-833-6565 or kingcityseniors@gmail.com

Sacred Heart Church

Friday, June 7, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus in our parish with his Excellency Bishop John A. Boissonneau presiding. The daily novena to the Sacred Heart begins at 6 p.m., followed by Mass at 7 p.m. You are all cordially 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. Sacred Heart Parish extends heartfelt appreciation to all the catechists for their preparation of 87 children for the sacraments of Holy Communion or Holy Confirmation this weekend.

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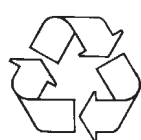
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York Pines Church

Rev. Andrew leads worship this Sunday at 11 a.m. which is Hungry Sunday when donations to the King Township Food Bank are appreciated including empty egg cartons. Feel free to join us for coffee or tea and treats at noon. All are welcome. Lesley Morris returns next Sunday for Father's Day.

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 and real whipped cream with all-you-can-eat luscious fresh strawberries 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

Welcome to St. Andrew's! The worship service is at 10:30 a.m. Alison Agnew will continue with her vibrant sermon series on Mark's Gospel which is discussed at our Life Connect Q&A groups. If you missed being with us, go to standrews-kingcity.ca and click on the YouTube link. Following the service, all are invited to stay for coffee-time.

Next Sunday is Communion Sunday and the Rev. Robert Royal will preside.

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

June 12 Weekly Wednesday Night Service. 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 eve-

ning 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.

Nobleton Notes

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Garden Club

The Nobleton and King City Garden Club is excited to announce the guest speaker for June, Paul Zammit. He has been described as the "Wayne Gretzky" Of the garden world. So, you won't want to miss it!

Paul is an active member of many Canadian and international gardening communities. He lectures on various subjects, including container gardening, perennials, ground covers, and tropical plants. Paul is a popular and engaging speaker. He has given presentations at many garden clubs and large garden shows such as the Canadian National Exhibition, Success With Gardening and Canada Blooms and other

horticultural trade shows in both Canada and the United States.

Paul is passionate about plants and is a dynamic speaker. Join us on Monday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the King Museum.

Nobleton Lions

The Lions extend a Thank You to everyone who participated in the recent Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides, both in walking with their pets and in sponsoring the efforts of others. Over \$7,000 was raised, much of it the result of Bev Berger's commitment to this great cause. You may still donate at <https://www.walkfordogguides.com/fundraisers/nobletonlionsclubwalkfordogguides>. This Sunday, the annual golf fundraiser will tee off at the Nobleton Lakes Golf Club. For information, entry forms, and sponsor forms, please see the club's website.

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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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Exceptional 4-bed, 3-bath bungalow featuring an open concept layout with 9ft ceilings and hardwood floors. The chef's kitchen has quartz counters, and the family room opens to a fenced backyard. Enjoy a luxurious primary suite, finished lower level, and convenient access to amenities, schools, parks, water, and highways.

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