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STUDENTS ENROLLED
IN GRADES JK-12

100

ACRE CAMPUS IN KING

18

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

79

CDS GRADUATES IN 2024

90%

ONTARIO SCHOLARS

99%

UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCE
FOR THE CLASS OF 2024

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A VARIETY OF COURSE
OFFERINGS AVAILABLE

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COUNCIL MEETINGS
Tuesday, October 15
6 p.m. - Council

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

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS
Wednesday, October 16
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

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Email notifications are a quick and effective way to ensure you don't miss the latest news about planning developments and heritage matters that are important to you.

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Nobleton Watermain Replacement Project

The Township of King invites the public to our Public Information Centre (PIC) for the **Nobleton Watermain Replacement Project**. The PIC, which will include a brief presentation of the proposed works, will be held on Wednesday, **October 23**, from **6 to 8 p.m.** at the **Nobleton Community Centre** (15 Old King Rd., Nobleton) in the Program Room.

The watermains along Lynwood Crescent, Norman Avenue, Elizabeth Drive and Cross Avenue will be replaced. Please note project extents are subject to change, pending budget approvals.

For more information and maps of the project areas please visit our webpage king.ca/majorprojects under "Nobleton Watermain Replacement", or contact Daniel Wilkinson, Project Manager, at 905-833-6572, or by email at dwilkinson@king.ca.

If you would like to receive email notifications and updates as the project progresses, please email Daniel Wilkinson at dwilkinson@king.ca.

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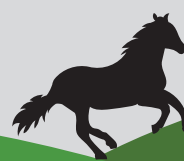
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Mayor Steve Pellegrini happily accepted the \$1-million infrastructure grant allocated to King. King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce made the announcement Monday. Also on hand were Councillors Mary Asselstine, Debbie Schaefer and Jennifer Anstey and Michelle Frauley, President of the King Chamber of Commerce.

King receives \$1-million infrastructure grant

By Jim Stewart

King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce addressed infrastructure needs in King Township by presenting a \$1,054,000 grant to Mayor Steve Pellegrini in the King Municipal Centre gymnasium on Monday morning.

With posters of high energy King Olympic gold medalists Rosie MacLennan and Alex Pietrangelo serving as colorful backdrops, the Energy and Electrification Minister delivered a gold medal performance of his own. He acknowledged the expansive nature of King Township and its unique infrastructure needs: "This grant of \$1,054,000 builds on a legacy of providing revitalization grants for projects such as the revitalization of downtown Schomberg and the installation and

improvement of broadband service, and more recently, the Province's \$17-million investment last year in the new state-of-the-art recreation centre. All of these investments make a big difference for the residents of King."

Minister Lecce thanked all the political partners across the Township for working together for the greater good. In keeping with the spirit of multilevel political cooperation, Mayor Steve Pellegrini expressed his gratitude to MPP Lecce and equated the \$1-million grant "to saving King taxpayers a 3% increase in taxes to support infrastructure projects across the Township." The ebullient mayor noted that the grant would be used for "road reconstruction, road paving, upgrading culverts, and bridge maintenance."

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King Township establishes new land acknowledgement

By Mark Pavilons
Editor
Local Journalism
Initiative Reporter

King Township is paying homage to Indigenous communities and our history.

Councillors adopted the creation of a Township-wide Land Acknowledgment recently, reflecting past, present and future Indigenous communities in King. It also reaffirms King's commitment towards Truth and Reconciliation.

Once completed, the Land Acknowledgment will physically be represented at each municipal site as a lasting reminder.

Staff noted the acknowledgement is the municipality's first step in defining its own policy regarding Indigenous initiatives and Truth & Reconciliation, with the intent of encouraging stronger relationships with Indigenous communities and nations, including our Treaty Partners: the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Williams Treaty First Nation.

With council's okay, staff will craft the acknowledgement and presented it back to council in 2025.

Similar to acknowledging the land's history, and often recited prior to public and council meetings, the new Land Acknowledgment will recognize the Indigenous peoples who have called the land upon which King Township sits home.

An early draft, prior to the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Sept. 30, reads:

"We acknowledge that the Township of King sits within the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Williams Treaty First Nation, as well as the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat and Haudenosaunee peoples. We thank them for sharing this land with us. Together, we will continue to celebrate the heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding achievements of Indigenous people."

Councillor Debbie Schaefer said she was pleased with the process staff went through, as well as reaching out to Indigenous groups.

"We are making an effort to be more aware of the history" and current events, she said.

In 2023, Heritage and Cultural staff engaged in recognized training on Land Acknowledgments to learn how to use them beyond an initial statement; and, create a meaningful impact to support Indigenous peoples in the community. Through this course, staff recognized the existing acknowledgement was not sufficient for properly recognizing the important role that Indigenous peoples play in our history, present, and future; nor, did it recognize the impacts of colonization on this land. To rectify this, staff first wrote a new draft Land Acknowledgment using lessons from that course.

In late 2023, staff engaged Indigenous consultant Andrew McConnell (Secondment to the Faculty of Education at York University in Toronto and former Indigenous Education Coordinator to York Region District School Board) to edit and refine the statement to the current proposed version. It has helped staff understand the importance and meaning behind its words.

The final version was also compared against the MCFN Land Acknowledgment Guidelines to ensure compliance with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The statement

was also sent directly to Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for approval, whereby it was confirmed satisfactory without further amendments required.

A Land Acknowledgment expresses gratitude to the Indigenous people whose territory we reside on and honors those who have lived here since time immemorial.

"More importantly, it acknowledges that Indigenous communities reside within these territories today, as their roles continue to shape our present and future. This message is crucial in understanding the history that brought us here and our dynamic role within it," staff noted in their report. "Land Acknowledgments also highlight the effects of colonialism ongoing to this day, requiring mindfulness of our present participation. This practice follows Indigenous protocol, respecting the original stewards of the land."

Many municipalities in Ontario (and across Canada) have adopted Land Acknowledgments for use at council meetings, official municipal events or displayed prominently including Georgina, East Gwillimbury, Newmarket, Vaughan, Richmond Hill, Markham, York Region, and others. Several municipalities also post a Land Acknowledgment on their respective websites with additional information on Truth and Reconciliation and the Indigenous histories of their community.

In the 1400s, the Wyandot people (Huron or Wendat) traditionally inhabited areas around Lake Ontario and Georgian Bay, but by the 1600s, European diseases and Haudenosaunee expansion led to their dispersion. The Haudenosaunee, living south of Lake Ontario, destroyed Wyandot villages in the 1649-1650 period, expanding their territory. By the 1680s, the Anishinaabe pushed the Haudenosaunee back south of Lake Ontario.

The 1787 Gunshot Treaty was later disputed, while the 1805 Toronto Purchase between the Mississaugas and the British Crown was ratified. In 1923, the Williams Treaties were signed with various First Nations. Settlements in 2010 and 2018 with the Canadian government addressed compensation for historical grievances, including \$145 million for the Toronto Purchase Claim and Brant Tract Claim in 2010, and \$666 million from Canada and \$444 million from Ontario in 2018, along with recognition of treaty rights and additional reserve lands.

King Township sits in the boundaries of two separate treaties: Treaty 13 (also known as the "Toronto Purchase") which was signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN); and the Williams Treaty with the Williams Treaty First Nation. To ensure that the drafted Land Acknowledgment was acceptable, the MCFN were contacted in Summer 2024 for approval and have given their assent for the proposed statement to be used by the Township.

During this process, the Township will continue to strengthen relationships with Indigenous Treaty Partners: the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Williams Treaty First Nations; as, well as build new relationships with Indigenous communities and nations. As per the Land Acknowledgment statement, the Township will continue to promote Indigenous initiatives, culture, and heritage in the Township and develop partnerships mutual to both parties.

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- Michael Connelly

A little bit of hope can be a very powerful thing

A well known prayer asks the Good Lord to give us the strength to accept things we cannot change.

Let's not forget about hope.

It's been said that we should try to take more out of life than it takes out of us.

John F. Kennedy once said: "We should not let our fears hold us back from pursuing our hopes."

And Dale Carnegie espoused:

"Most of the important things in the world have been accomplished by people who kept on trying when there seemed to be no hope at all."

Human beings are perhaps unique in the entire universe. And we are a brilliant lot, capable of much good. We are also prone to physical and emotional setbacks, which can affect our ability to change the world. We suffer, inwardly and outwardly, from time to time. As tough as we think we are, we hurt, more often than we should.

While we have many amazing qualities and abilities, immortality and super strength are not among them. In the absence of perfection, we have to call upon rather unscientific methods to deal with modern life.

We rely on our instinct; follow our hearts; muster up our faith, and always have hope. For many, hope is all they have.

When I look in the mirror at my recently minted bald head, I sometimes feel cheated.

But then I think of men, women and children in developing countries, huddled under leaky roofs. I think of children begging on the streets for food.

But for many, faith and hope is what keeps them going, gives them strength to carry on from one day to the next.

Hope can be as powerful as green tea, vitamins or antibiotics.

Hope comes from many sources. It can come from within, typically summoned during times of need or emotional turmoil. If we look for it, we usually find it, but we may have to



Mark Pavilons

dust it off and plump it up a bit.

Hope comes from our loved ones.

When I hear my adult children laughing, it makes me smile like nothing else. It's contagious.

When I hear them talk about the future, I beam with anticipation and hope.

In my own little way, I have tried to make the world a better place. Hopefully, my efforts will pale in comparison to the achievements of my offspring. Poised for greatness, all of them.

The world's current movers and shakers are still stuck in the mud when it comes to creating real solutions to climate change, world hunger, food supply issues and yes, peace and conflict. The past year has been heart-wrenching in terms of loss, death and hatred.

It has come to the point where the nightly TV news is dominated by mounting human losses in Gaza, Palestine and Ukraine. Our fellow brothers and sisters have lost so much, I don't know how they will recover.

And many of us in the west sit idly by watching it all unfold. The most we can muster is a few shoulder shrugs.

Our American neighbours are still dealing with the widespread destruction and loss caused by Hurricane Helene, that cut a swath some 500 miles long, from Florida to the Appalachians.

When I watch videos of entire towns, roads, bridges and homes crumbling and floating away, it breaks my heart.

For them, I don't know if hope is enough.

Our species is at the height of our technological prowess and yet we spend most of our efforts on making electric vehicles, cell phones and reality TV shows.

Hope, faith and prayers won't solve our problems, But those very human qualities go a long way to altering the very fabric of our lives.

Armed with such intangibles, we peculiar humans often rise to the challenges before us. We emotional creatures have proven to be loving to a fault. And we average working stiffs have shown great courage and compassion to our friends and neighbours in need.

While we don't readily recognize hope or point it out to others, it's always there, just under the skin. It's the fuel in our tanks, the immeasur-

able substance that boosts our immune systems and gives us that extra spring in our step.

The beauty of hope is it's easily shared with others. We can actually give it to someone else, through our thoughts, prayers and of course, actions. Once more of us begin to realize the power of this commodity, it will burn like a fuse and spread uncontrollably.

Imagine, throngs of citizens gathering in town squares, or taking a moment to stop at work, pausing, reflecting on reassuring optimism.

The Internet is filled with memes, photos and sentiments reflecting joy, peace, compassion and yes, hope. It's those things we need to pass along, not hateful or mean posts about others. We need to reach out to others with a helping hand and heart filled with hope.

During my journey with cancer, I have received many well wishes, thoughts and prayers. I know they are genuine and well intentioned.

These expressions do help and make me think I don't have to be swallowed up by it all, alone in my corner. I have people who think about me.

I don't know what will become of me, or how long I have on this world. I do know I don't have time for conflict, anger or trivialities.

I do have time for hope.

Hope, it's in us to give!

Education

York board approves strategic plan

The York Region District School Board has approved its new Strategic Plan: Building Unity, Achieving Excellence.

Trustees approved the multi-year strategic plan at the Oct. 1 board meeting.

With the theme, "Building Unity, Achieving Excellence," the plan focuses on bringing together our school communities in support of student success. Established by the Board of Trustees, the Multi-Year Strategic Plan sets the priorities and direction for the school board and is centred on three priorities:

Student achievement; Health and Well-Being, and Human Rights and Inclusive Education.

The new plan aligns with Ministry of Education priorities, is student-centred and was developed based on staff, student and community feedback.

"We are grateful to the many students, staff and community members who shared their input and helped us to develop a Multi-Year Strategic Plan that reflects the community we serve," said Ron Lynn, Board Chair. "This plan will help to ensure we continue to deliver high-quality education and remain a leader in public education."

"This Multi-Year Strategic Plan sets out clear priorities that will guide the work of our system in the years ahead," said Bill Cober, Director of Education. "The plan has a clear focus on the achievement and well-being of all students, and the essential role that staff and community play in advancing student success."



Quote of the Week

"In times of universal deceit, telling the truth will be a revolutionary act."

- George Orwell

Trivia Tidbits

Canadian Sidney Altman won the 1989 Nobel Prize for Chemistry.

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Results from last week's poll:

Are you planning a big or small family gathering for Thanksgiving?

a) Big 0%

b) Small 100%

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THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Are you hoping for good things from the Toronto Maple Leafs this season?

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Climate and biodiversity solutions offer possibilities

By David Suzuki

The Environment

There's no real reason for the climate and biodiversity crises to have gotten to this point, and there's no good reason for them to continue getting worse. We've known for decades what the problem is — while we had ample time to address it — and we have no shortage of solutions. Many of those solutions are already creating positive change and more are being developed every day.

The world is rapidly shifting to electric power, and renewable energy sources — mainly solar, wind and hydro, with storage — are supplying an ever-increasing amount: 30 per cent in 2023, according to the Energy Institute, up from 29 per cent the previous year. Policies such as the Inflation Reduction Act in the United States are showing results, such as lower emissions, cleaner power and increased electrification. Spinoff benefits include reduced pollu-

tion and related health care costs, good employment and economic returns. It's not enough.

Coal, oil and gas made up 60 per cent of electricity generation in 2023, with polluting coal making up the largest share. Nuclear power generation — which is expensive, potentially dangerous and takes a long time to build — remained steady at nine per cent. Global oil production reached record highs in 2023.

We also know that protecting and restoring natural areas provides a hedge against runaway climate disruption, because oceans, plants, peat bogs and wetlands sequester carbon and keep it from entering the atmosphere. At the 2022 United Nations Biodiversity Conference (COP15) in Montreal, countries agreed to a 30X30 plan — “to halt and reverse nature loss, including putting 30

per cent of the planet and 30 per cent of degraded ecosystems under protection by 2030.” Progress will be reviewed at COP16 in Colombia later this month.

Technology won't get us entirely out of the mess we've created, but it is and will continue to be a big part of the cure. Technological advances over the past few decades show there's no reason to think we can't come up with even better remedies. Most of us now casually carry mini-computers more powerful than the computing systems that put people on the moon! Renewable energy and storage technologies are rapidly improving and dropping in price.

We also need to use less energy and use it more efficiently — which shouldn't be difficult because those of us living in the industrialized world use exponentially more than necessary. In 2022, Canada had the seventh-highest energy consumption per capita and the U.S. was 10th. Qatar is number one. On average, a person in Canada con-

sumes more than 20 times the energy as a person in Pakistan or the Philippines. Even among northern countries, Canada uses close to twice the energy per capita as Sweden or Germany.

The problem is that rapidly digging up and burning fossil fuels, logging forests and paving over wetlands for development are all extremely profitable. There's a reason the automobile industry has long focused on building vehicles that require enormous amounts of fuel. Our current capitalist economic system, which measures progress through growth in gross domestic product, or GDP, encourages wasteful consumption. More growth in everything from population to industrial development creates more profit (albeit mostly concentrated in the hands of a few), which leads to more devastation.

Now we're exceeding six of nine planetary boundaries and are close to breaching a seventh. These are “processes that regulate the stability and resilience of the Earth system.” As the Stockholm Resilience Centre warns, “Crossing boundaries increases the risk of generating large-scale abrupt or irreversible environmental changes. Drastic changes will not necessarily happen overnight, but together the boundaries mark a critical threshold for increasing risks to people and the ecosystems we are part of.”

Climate change, introduction of novel entities (synthetic chemicals Earth can't process), change in biosphere integrity, modification of biogeochemical flows, land system change and freshwater change have all been transgressed to varying degrees, and “Ocean acidification is approaching a critical threshold.” Only ozone depletion and atmospheric aerosol loading are stable or improving, thanks to international agreements.

It doesn't have to be this way. We have solutions. But we need to exercise more foresight and imagination. We can and must change the systems that have brought us to this point where our life-support systems are starting to disintegrate.

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Residents asked for input into fighting invasive plants

King Township is asking residents to take a stand in the fight against invasive species with the launch of the King Invasive Species Survey.

This innovative initiative, part of the Township's Invasive Species Management Strategy (ISM), is designed to tackle some of Ontario's most destructive invaders — like Giant Hogweed, Emerald Ash Borer and Purple Loosestrife — which are threatening the health of local ecosystems. By participating in the survey, residents can help shape the Township's action plan and become active stewards of King's natural environment.

Ontario is home to several invasive species that cause significant damage to ecosystems, infrastructure and local economies. According to Ontario's Ministry of Natural Resources, some of the most destructive invasive species include:

Emerald Ash Borer: This metallic-green beetle, originally from Asia, has decimated ash tree populations across Ontario. It disrupts entire ecosystems by killing ash trees, which play a vital role in forests and urban landscapes.

Giant Hogweed: This large, dangerous plant poses a serious health risk to

humans. Its toxic sap can cause severe burns, blisters and long-term skin sensitivity when exposed to sunlight.

Zebra Mussel: These small, freshwater mussels clog water pipes, damage boat engines and alter ecosystems by filtering out nutrients, disrupting the food chain in lakes and rivers.

Asian Carp: A highly invasive fish species threatening to enter the Great Lakes, Asian carp out compete native fish for food, leading to a disruption of aquatic ecosystems.

Purple Loosestrife: Known for its bright purple flowers, this plant rapidly invades wetlands, displacing native vegetation and reducing biodiversity, which impacts wildlife that depends on native plants for food and habitat.

Spongy moth: This invasive insect defoliates trees, especially hardwoods like oak, maple and birch, causing extensive forest damage and weakening trees.

Phragmites: This tall, reed-like plant takes over wetlands and roadside ditches, crowding out native species and reducing habitats for wildlife, particularly birds. King Township has been treating and monitoring Phragmites in the Dufferin Marsh in Schomberg.

The King Invasive Species Survey

invites residents to share their knowledge and experiences with invasive species in the Township. The survey's findings will directly influence the ISM, shaping future educational resources, fact sheets, workshops and hands-on removal or mitigation efforts to combat the spread of these harmful species.

Residents are encouraged to complete the survey and contribute to this crucial environmental initiative. The survey is available online at the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B9JGVMH>



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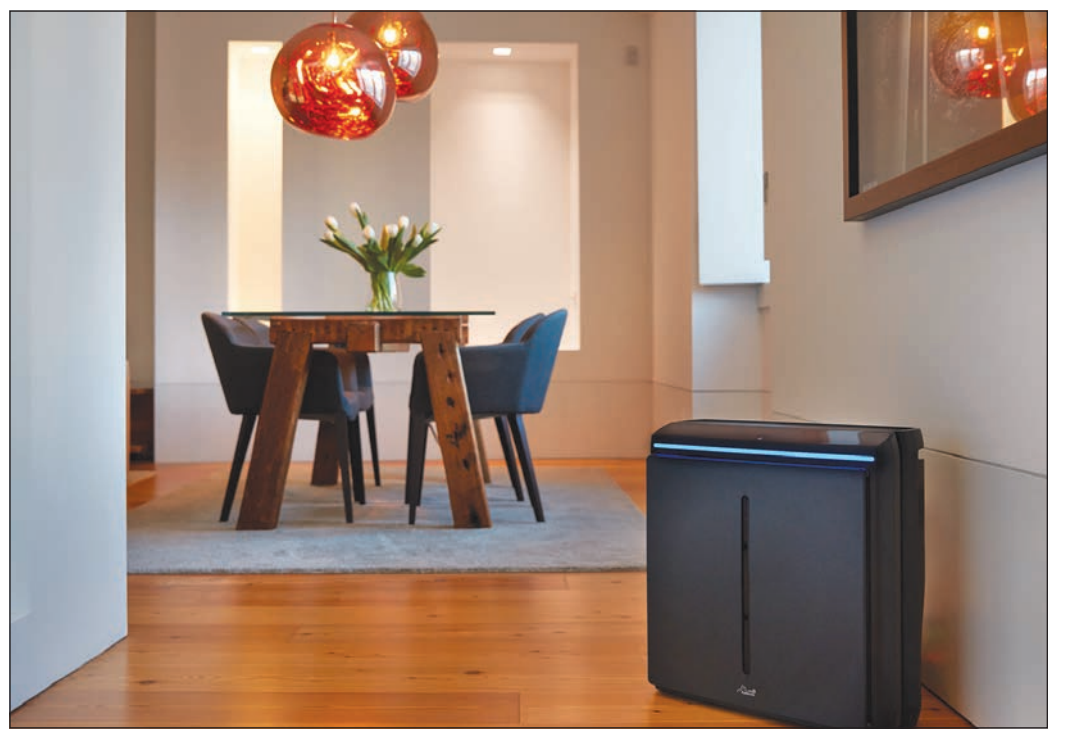
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Remaining vigilant in our quest for pristine air

By Mark Pavilons
Editor
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Home Health
& Wellness

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The air we breathe is paramount and we must remain vigilant in keeping our homes pure and clean. It's our first and best defence against airborne nasties.

There are many residential air purifiers on the market, with more emerging every day.

But none come close to Rabbit Air's award-winning A3 marvel. This is in a class of its own and the company's most powerful air purifier. This unit covers up to 1,070 square feet, filtering 8,560 cubic feet of air in just 30 minutes.

That's phenomenal, and a testament to the company's R&D, design and multi-stage filtration. It simply doesn't get any better than this.

Let's start with the design - it's unlike anything else on the market. It's portable, and looks just as comfortable on the floor as it does on the wall. Yes, you can mount this on a wall and even upside down!

The A3 can get to work wherever and whenever you need it. Keep it close by on the floor near your desk or bed. Mount it high up on a wall, any way you like, out of reach of kids and pets.

It's rectangular, and relatively thin considering the layers of filters. There's a full length LED panel on top, providing everything from mode, to fan speed, to air quality.

The A3 has a WiFi app connection and comes with a huge, 5-year warranty.

Another unique aspect is in the internal setup of its filters. You can actually move them around, customizing the filters to further focus purification on your area of greatest concern.

Equipped with 6-stage filtration and deodorization, it includes the BioGS HEPA filter, which targets the smallest and dirtiest particles through the use of an advanced and proprietary fiber material. An Activated Carbon filter reduces VOCs and odors, and a custom filter option allows you to tailor the system to your specific environmental needs.

Choose from a variety of customized filters including Green Tea, Germ Defense, Pet Allergy, Odor Remover, or Toxin Absorber. Each filter is specially engineered to physically trap different types of chemicals, odors, allergens, and particles that carry viruses.

Negative ions are odorless, tasteless and invisible molecules that are found near mountains, waterfalls and beaches. Some research studies show that

negative ions help to alleviate depression and boost mental energy, but that's not all that these tiny molecules can do. Negative ions help your air purifier by latching onto airborne particles, thus weighing them down. This allows the particles to get trapped more easily by your air purifier's filters, or to settle onto the floor where they can be picked up by your vacuum instead of accidentally inhaled.

First off, this unit is simply gorgeous - one of the most visually appealing of any on the market today. Now, looks don't always translate to efficiency, but in this case, it has it all. And why not have an appliance that matches your decor and personality?

It has received product awards from IDEA, RedDot, German Design Award, IF Design Award, and Good Design Award.

The A3 comes in two basic colours, black and white. And the beauty is the front panel can be changed out, with artistic panels that make it a conversation piece, a visual accent. You can choose from art by Katsushika Hokusai, Vincent van Gogh, Jan Davidsz, de Heem, and original designs by Rabbit Air's creative team.

The A3 is the newest and smartest addition to the Rabbit Air purifier family. With three-element sensing (particle, odors, and light), you can set it and forget it. Outfitted with WiFi and Bluetooth capabilities, this unit allows you to monitor air quality and control purification in your home whether you're lounging on the couch or away from the house.


The A3 costs less to run than most of its peer air purifiers on the market (less than 50 cents a day). Thanks to its energy-efficient design, this machine can run 24/7 for an entire year at the price of a single filter replacement kit and minimal energy costs.

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The unit can be either discreet or a showstopper, depending on how you want to display it.

In most cases, air purifiers may be best felt and not seen or heard. But Rabbit Air's A3 begs to be seen. It blends in quite nicely in any decor, making it almost invisible. But you want to stop and look at it - it's just that cool.







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Strong support for community tree planting event

LEAF (Local Enhancement & Appreciation of Forests) is growing the urban forest in King Township.

Members of LEAF (Local Enhancement and Appreciation of Forests), King Township, and the Regional Municipality of York, along with community volunteers, planted 500 native trees and shrubs in Doris Patton Park, King City.

Newly planted trees and shrubs such as sugar maple, bur oak and fragrant sumac, will not only help create healthy habitat for wildlife but also benefit residents, as access to green spaces is linked to better physical and mental health. Trees serve as living green infrastructure for urban areas, providing a multitude of benefits such as cleaner air, reduced stormwater runoff, cooler summer temperatures and more.

The event was an opportunity to celebrate the collective efforts of the Township of King, The Regional Municipality of York and LEAF to grow the urban forest canopy.

“Together, we will continue to reach our urban forest goals of increasing canopy cover and supporting biodiversity which will further improve our environment,” said King Mayor Steve Pellegrini.



Lending a hand were Laura Campbell, Supervisor of Environmental Outreach and Sustainability; Kathryn McLellan, Environmental Stewardship Coordinator; Sarah Halonen, Senior Stewardship Coordinator for LEAF, and Annie Kajla, member of King Environmental Action Team (KEAT).



Abi and Ron Kuperberg teamed up at the tree planting at Doris Patton Park.

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Gran Fondo draws 120 cyclists for ride through scenic King

The inaugural Gran Fondo King cycle event drew over 120 enthusiastic participants to experience the breathtaking landscapes of King Township. The weather was perfect for a ride, with cyclists enjoying the vibrant autumn colors that adorned each town.

Mayor Steve Pellegrini officially kicked off the race by cutting the ribbon, signifying the start of this exciting community event. King Fire and Emergency Services added to the festive atmosphere by hanging flags and cheering on cyclists as they returned from their ride. MPP Stephen Lecce and MP Anna Roberts were also in attendance, emphasizing the strong support from our local leaders.

Cyclists enjoyed a well-deserved rest stop at Grackle Coffee, where they could refuel for the journey ahead. Throughout the event, attendees were treated to complimentary food and beverage options from local businesses, as well as a vibrant atmosphere enhanced by live music from Schomberg's MainStreet Band.

The event's title sponsor was Zancor Homes, along with generous support from other sponsors, including Villanova College, Vaughan Paving, King City Lions Club, Villanova College, and many more. Cycling group and KCC members, B1 Gruppo, did an outstanding job managing the operations of the event, ensuring everything ran smoothly.

Each cyclist received a SWAG bag filled with items donated by sponsors, a box of fresh pastries donated by Bake Tree, and a complimentary jersey featuring all of Gran Fondo's sponsors and partners. These jerseys provided excellent exposure for the sponsors as participants showcased their support while riding through King Township.

The Gran Fondo King event was a wonderful showcase of community spirit, bringing together cyclists, local businesses, and residents to celebrate the charm and beauty of King Township. The King Chamber of Commerce looks forward to building on this success and inviting everyone to join us for future events that highlight the vibrant culture and community of King.

"The Gran Fondo is more than just a cycling event. It is a powerful catalyst for tourism, bringing visitors from near and far to experience the charm and warmth of our community. We are showcasing our local treasures, the unique shops, and the warm hospitality that our businesses provide," said Chamber President Michelle Frauley.

For more information about upcoming events, visit kingchamber.ca/events/.



Lions Bruce Frauley, Ken Orr, Rob Payne, Jay Harding and Ian McClelland helped feed the participants.



King-Vaughan MP Anna Roberts showed her appreciation for the event, by presenting a certificate to Chamber of Commerce VP Gus Kokkoros and President Michelle Frauley.



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Report outlines need for employment lands in King

By Mark Pavilons
Editor
Local Journalism
Initiative Reporter

To address King's growth over the next 25 years, staff has been asked to create intensification and employment land targets.

Council, at its recent meeting, directed staff to prepare final population, housing and employment forecasts, by village, to 2051.

Staff will also explore higher Employment Area targets and intensification targets for each village, Employment Area, Designated Greenfield Area (DGA), and Built-Up Area (BUA).

Staff will report back to council later this fall.

The Township retained Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. to prepare Growth Management and Employment Land Strategies to inform the Official Plan Review and the Township's land needs to 2051.

By 2051 the Township is expected to grow to 51,000 people, 17,400 households, and 17,700 jobs.

The Phase 1 Report concludes that Schomberg and King City are expected to build out by 2051, and that Nobleton will have a deficit of 8 hectares of residential land, and a 21 net hectare deficit of employment lands by 2051.

Staff pointed out the Employment Area forecast set out for the Township in the Phase 1 Report is not intended to be a constraint, and King has the ability to exceed this target.

In early 2024, the Township retained Watson to prepare the Growth Management (GMS) and Employment Land (ELS) Strategies. The Strategies are intended to support and inform the Township's Official Plan Review, which will guide growth in King to 2051. They provide an assessment of existing conditions and King's long-term potential for growth, as well as population, housing, and employment forecasts for each of the Township's villages and, land needs analyses.

The Official Plan review was initiated following a special council meeting in September of 2023. In accordance with Section 26 of the Planning Act, Municipalities are required to update their Official Plans no later than 10 years after coming into effect and every five years thereafter. Municipalities

are also required to bring their Official Plans into conformity with the Official Plan of their upper-tier municipality within one year of approval. The York Region Official Plan 2022 was approved, subject to modifications, by the Province in November 2022 and further modified by Provincial Bills 150 and 162 in December 2023 and February 2024, respectively. When King's Official Plan Review was initiated in 2023, the Township was required to conform to the York Region Official Plan within one year.

However, provincial legislative changes out York Region as an upper-tier without planning responsibilities and established that relevant sections of the York Region Official Plan that apply to King now constitute an official plan of the Township. This plan remains in effect until King revokes it or amends it.

The Township's current Official Plan, Our King, was adopted in September 2019, approved by York Region in September 2020, and is now due for an update to conform to and integrate the relevant policies of the York Region Official Plan, 2022. Our King establishes a comprehensive set of policies to provide direction and set the framework for managing growth, land use and infrastructure decisions within the Township to the 2031 planning horizon. Through this Official Plan Review, the updated Our King will contemplate a planning horizon of 2051.

Since Our King was adopted, a number of changes have occurred at the provincial and regional levels that impact how the Township should plan for its future. Updates have been made to the Planning Act, the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS, 2020), A Place to Grow - The Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (Growth Plan), the Greenbelt Plan, the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan (ORMCP), and the Region's Official Plan (YROP).

Further, as of July 1, 2024, York Region became an upper-tier municipality without planning responsibilities under the Planning Act, and as of Oct. 20, additional changes will come into effect for Ontario's planning framework, including:

The Growth Plan and PPS, 2020, will both be repealed and replaced by the Provincial Planning Statement (PPS, 2024).

A consequential administrative amendment to the Greenbelt Plan will come into effect so that the policies of the PPS 2020 and Growth Plan will continue to apply where the Greenbelt Plan refers to them.

The new definition of "area of employment" in the Planning Act will come into effect.

These changes in Ontario's planning framework have implications for the Growth Management and Employment Land Strategies, which have been assessed and considered through the Phase 1 Report prepared by Watson.

To support the development of the Phase 1 Report, a virtual public open house was held on the Growth Management Strategy in May 2024 which had over 60 attendees. In addition, targeted consultation in the form of one-on-one meetings were held with business owners and employment landowners to inform the Employment Land Strategy. A public open house was recently held on Sept. 16, to present the findings of the Phase 1 Report and seek community feedback on its conclusions. A consultation summary detailing what was heard through all the consultation sessions will be prepared and included in the next Report to Council in October 2024.

Based on the June 2024 forecast, the Region is forecast to accommodate a total of 2.064 million residents and 989,200 jobs by 2051. The Region also prepared growth allocations for each of the lower-tier municipalities, including King, starting from 2021 with a forecast to 2051. The Report from Watson breaks the forecast down into 5-year increments from 2021 to 2051. The following summarizes the Region's forecast for the Township:

The Township's population is forecast to increase to 51,000 in 2051. The number of residential dwellings in the Township is projected to increase by 8,400 units by 2051 to approximately 17,400 households. King's employment is forecast to increase to 17,700 jobs in 2051.

In addition to the municipal growth allocations, the Region also identified intensification targets, greenfield densities, Employment Area densities and other growth management considerations which have been explored through Watson's Phase 1 Report.


Based on forecasts, the Township will

require approximately 8,390 new households by 2051, or 280 new households annually. The report finds that over the long-term, housing demand is anticipated to gradually shift away from single/semi-detached units towards townhouses and low- and medium-rise apartment dwellings, largely driven by housing affordability and increased demand associated with the Township's growing seniors population. The Report finds that over the 2021 to 2051 forecast period, new housing development is forecast to comprise 34% low-density, 22% medium density (townhouses) and 44% high density (apartment) units. However, even with this shift the total housing base is expected to remain predominantly low-density dwellings.

The report also allocates the Township-wide forecast population and housing by Village and, to the rural areas. The allocation of new households is forecast as follows -68% to be accommodated in King City; 28% to be accommodated in Nobleton, and 4% to be accommodated in Schomberg.

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Small employment land deficit in Nobleton by 2051

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In terms of overall population growth, King City is forecast to be the largest Village in 2051.

Community Area Lands are comprised of the Township's three villages, or Nobleton, the Community Area Lands are more specifically the lands within the Nobleton Urban Area rather than the village boundary.

The majority of growth (52%) is anticipated to be accommodated through intensification, primarily within the BUAs of the villages, however, this will be subject to enhancements in water and wastewater servicing capacities. Community Area Lands also include population related employment, (i.e., office, retail and commercial uses). An assessment of the Township's commercial needs is under way and will be presented as part of the Phase 2 Report from Watson.

The deficit in Nobleton has been identified after including the additional 20 hectares of lands currently designated for employment in Nobleton (Pre-Brick Official Plan/Zoning By-law Amendment Applications) which are proposed to be converted to Community Area.

While a deficit is forecast for Nobleton, the King City and Schomberg designated greenfield areas are anticipated to be fully built out over the forecast period, assuming sufficient servicing capacity is available to support the growth.

In addition to the land deficit, the Phase 1 Report concludes with the following observations for the Growth Management Strategy:

More than half the Township's housing growth over the forecast period is to be accommodated through intensification within the built-up area. Achieving this intensification target will require

a larger proportion of higher-density development than what has occurred previously.

If the intensification target is not realized, greater emphasis will be placed on the greenfield areas to accommodate growth, which may require additional greenfield lands and/or higher densities on greenfield lands.

With the changes to the planning framework proposed through the 2024 PPS, urban expansions are allowed for up to a 30-year horizon from the date of the approval of the Official Plan. As additional land needs will likely arise between 2051 and 2056, there is an opportunity to consider these needs through this Official Plan Review.

Exceeding the employment forecasts for the Township would ultimately increase the land needs by 2051.

By 2051 it is forecast that the Township will need an additional 21 net hect-

ares of Employment Lands within Nobleton.

King City and Schomberg's Employment Areas are forecast to fully build out within the 2051 planning horizon.

The report also noted that an urban boundary expansion for Nobleton (into the Nobleton Village Reserve) represents the best opportunity to establish a new Employment Area.

Council has directed staff to prepare final population, housing and employment forecasts; final intensification and density targets; identify potential locations for urban boundary expansions; and explore the option of a higher employment area target, based on all council and public comments received.

A report to council is slated for Oct. 28 to present the density and intensification targets for each village, Employment Area, Designated Greenfield Area (DGA), and Built-Up Area (BUA).



Fountain Esso celebrates 50 years in King

The Fountain Esso celebrated 50 years of operation in King City. An open house was held On October fifth, Oct. 5, attending by members of the community and local dignitaries.

Originally owned by Chris Siarkas, and now passed down to his son, this business has been a staple in the community and a place that all have come to know and love.

The Siarkas family, joined by friends and local residents, performed an honorary ribbon cutting alongside Mayor Pellegrini councillor Debbie Schaefer and other council members, to celebrate this milestone in King.

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Sustainable transportation on display at Power King

By Brittany Grecni

This past weekend, King Township was buzzing with excitement for Power King, an electric vehicle event held at the township municipal centre.

The event aimed at sparking interest in sustainable transportation and drew in residents eager to explore the world of electric vehicles (EVs). From sleek electric cars to electric bikes and a York Region electric bus, there was something for everyone curious about eco-friendly commuting.

Attendees had the unique chance to test drive various models, experiencing firsthand the smooth ride and quiet power of electric vehicles. It was not just about the rides though; experts were on hand to answer questions, demystifying everything from charging infrastructure to government incentives.

Whether you're an EV enthusiast or just starting to consider the switch, Power King was the place to be for a glimpse into the future of transportation right here in our community.



By: Desjardins Agent Anna Raeli

Now that summer has come to an end, school zones that were vacant just weeks ago are now some of the busiest areas in town. Ensure you and your children stay safe this season by following our safety tips for driving in school zones:

Know when to stop for a school bus

While each municipality may have its own bylaws for driving around school buses, here are some general rules to keep in mind:

- If you're driving in either direction on a road **without** a meridian strip – a paved, planted or landscaped strip that separates traffic going in the opposite direction – you must stop for a stopped school bus if both its upper red lights are flashing
- On a road **with** a median strip, only vehicles coming from behind the bus must stop
- If you're behind the school bus, stop at least 20 metres away
- If you're approaching the school bus from the front, stop at a safe distance for children to get off and cross the road in front of you

Be prepared to stop at any time

Passing a stopped school bus could result in a fine of \$400 to \$2,000 and up to six demerit points for a first offence. Repeated offences can be more severe, with jail time up to six months.

Obey the school crossing guards

You may encounter crossing guards in school zones. They're legally permitted to stop traffic

and assist children crossing the street. When a guard displays a stop sign, you **must** stop before reaching the crossing and remain stopped until everyone, including the guard, is safely off the road. Drivers that don't follow these rules can receive a hefty fine and three demerit points.

Know the school zone speed limit

School zones often have lower speed limits to help protect children. Most Canadian provinces and territories set school zone speed limits at 30-40 kilometres per hour in urban areas and 50 kilometres per hour in rural ones – so, if you're unable to locate a posted speed limit, use this as your guide.

Pay attention in school parking lots

Be extra mindful when entering a school parking lot. Only travel in designated directions and be aware that if you stop, it should be for drop-offs only. If you need to get out and walk your children inside, park your vehicle in a designated spot.

Practice safe and responsible driving

As you get back into the routine of dropping your kids off at school, it's important to drive carefully and be on high alert. It's also a good idea to give yourself some extra time to arrive at your destination.

Interested in learning more about school zone safety or wish to insure your vehicle? Give me a call – and, for more helpful prevention tips, visit desjardins.com/en/tips.html.



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Arts & Entertainment

Deck the Walls art show and sale approaches

Calling all art lovers!

By Kathleen Rodgers

Visiting the country is a wonderful way to spend a day. It offers the opportunity to explore quaint villages and the studios of the local artists and artisans whose artwork often reflects the landscape around them.

This fall, Arts Society King is presenting Deck the Walls Art Show and Sale in November. Deck the Walls Art Show and Sale will take place Saturday, Nov. 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event will include fine paintings (in acrylic, oil, and watercolour), jewelry, cards, fibre arts, mixed media, etc.

This year, Deck the Walls Art Show and Sale will feature 21 artists and artisans at one location, the King Heritage and Cultural Centre including Laskay Hall. It is located at 2920 King Road, King City, Ontario. You can check out the Arts Society King (ASK) website at www.ArtsSocietyKing.ca. Then click on EVENTS then Deck the Walls Art Show and Sale 2024 to see the participating artists, their biographies and up to five photos of their artwork. There will be a link to his/her website and social media accounts for additional artwork available.

Post cards will be available around King Township including the King Heritage and Cultural Centre with the names and websites for the participating artists.

This is the first in a series of five articles which will introduce four participating artists:



Dina Artman was born in Romania and grew up in Israel. Her father was the one to introduce her to Photography, he was her inspiration. Her work is a composition of photos taken around the world and the recapturing of their extension using acrylic paint onto the frame, to create an original piece.

Most of her career life Dina had been teaching computers and looking for the best way to combine technology, photography and art. The pictures she creates combine all three. You can check out her website imaginreality.wixsite.com/4real.



Marianne Broome was born in England but spent much of her childhood in Malaysia. The stunning scenery and abundance of exotic animals and plants heightened her love of nature and keen interest in drawing and painting. Her artwork was selling in local galleries and department stores while she was still a teenager. Marianne settled in Canada in 1980 and lives in Schomberg.

As a full-time artist and a sought-after art instructor Marianne often turns to scenes of Ontario for her stunning close up paintings of flowers, ethereal landscapes and abstract creations. Marianne paints in both watercolours and acrylics and enjoys taking on commissions of subject matter that she may not otherwise paint. Many of these have been commissioned for publishing purposes and her work has been licensed for Giclée reproductions, posters, calendars, cross stitch designs, diamond paintings, greeting cards, tea canisters and fine porcelain.

Marianne's work has been exhibited in many juried exhibitions in which she has received numerous awards. Her work can be found in private and corporate collections in Canada, U.S. and other countries. You can check out her website, www.naturesedgestudio.ca



Pamela Dey is a full-time professional Visual Artist based in Ontario. Pamela loves to capture nature and movement of color in her Canadian landscape paintings. Her focus is to express the luminousness and awesomeness of nature to transform the ordinary and not-so-ordinary into something that is extraordinary. She takes inspiration from different provincial parks and hiking trails of Southern Ontario. Many of her paintings

start outdoors and get their finishing touches in the studio.

She paints with Oil, Cold Wax, and Acrylic. Initial layers are done using transparent colors leaning towards opacity at later stages. Experimenting with color mixing and value ranges is her favorite as is exploring creative avenues using mixed media. Check out her work at www.pameladey.com.



Patricia Earl paints to convey the light, colour, and mood of what she sees and feels around her as Mother Nature so generously provides. She doesn't have to travel far to find subjects that inspire her: The gentle rolling hills, farmlands, forests, and wild flowers that she loves to paint are found in abundance in Ontario's countryside, on the hiking trails, and in her own backyard. Some of her inspiration comes from her view from the pillion/backseat of their motorcycle as she and husband Jim travel the Ontario countryside or American southwest.

Pat enjoys painting with both acrylics and watercolours in her studio and on site/plein air. Watercolour is her preferred medium as she enjoys the freshness and spontaneity of the medium. Whether her painting begins by applying paint with brush or pouring colours directly on the paper, the painting process is fun and magical! Pat enjoys the constant challenge of keeping the white of the paper and uses the transparency of watercolours to make the subject matter glow. Check out her website, www.pearlsart.ca.

If you are looking for a special gift this holiday season, take a drive in the country, visit the KHCC and support the artists and artisans. Some artists offer classes so it may be an opportunity to try something new! Who knows maybe one day you will be participating in an art show and sale!

The artists look forward to seeing you and sharing their work with you on this year's Deck the Walls Art Show and Sale 2024!



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CLUES ACROSS

1. Unsheared sheep
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8. Streetcar
12. Concerning
14. Exclamation
15. Greek goddess of youth
16. Popular type of device
18. Alcoholic beverage
19. Ancient Olympic Site
20. Sharpshoots
21. Tyrion Lannister was characterized as one
22. Pointed ends of pens
23. Measuring instruments
26. Midsection body part
30. Made a mistake
31. Adjusted
32. "Partridge" actress Susan
33. Yell

34. Civil rights city in Alabama
39. Young boy
42. Type of sea bass
44. To call (archaic)
46. Unfortunate
47. Separate oneself from others
49. Hero sandwiches
50. Spy group
51. Florida is famous for them
56. Irritating individuals
57. Luck
58. Hunting expedition
59. WWII diarist Frank
60. Peyton's younger brother
61. Type of wrap
62. Type of overseas tax or levy
63. Soviet Socialist Republic
64. Wake up

CLUES DOWN

1. Works of body art
2. Israeli politician

3. Renowned desert
4. Eat greedily
5. She didn't make it through the Fr. Revolution
6. Beat
7. Bloodsucker
8. From a place already noted
9. Counted on
10. Alberta Assn. of Baccalaureate World Schools
11. Something one can make
13. One who abstains
17. Wild ox
24. Type of student
25. Bacterial infection of the skin
26. Expresses surprise
27. What engaged couples ultimately say
28. Crony
29. Where one begins (abbr.)
35. Architectural designation

36. "Matt Houston" actor Horsley
37. More (Spanish)
38. Autonomic nervous system
40. Indigenous peoples
41. Deflections
42. Circulating life force
43. Executes with a rope
44. Natives of an island nation
45. Girls
47. Logician and philosopher
48. Nocturnal hoofed animal
49. Relaxing spaces
52. From a distance
53. Form of Persian language
54. Amounts of time
55. Mathematical designation

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

Schomberg Country Run raises funds for clean water

The 14th Annual Schomberg Country Run, held Sept. 28 has raised over \$12,000 for a very worthy cause.

The annual event raises funds for and awareness of the need for Clean Water in Indigenous communities both near and far from home.

A record number of participants registered on site for what has become a community event rather than a competition. Schomberg McDonald's supplied coffee to fuel the set up team and early attendees. Registrants were invited to walk or run a 5-km. course into the countryside to the west of Schomberg according to their preference, and they left the starting point at 116 Church Street at the signal by Geoff Peat, Race Director, starting at 9 and until 10 a.m., some singly and some in groups.

The weather was perfect, and the fragrance of fried onions, bacon on a bun, and coffee was evident from the booth set up by the Men of the Parish. Fr. Greg Fiennes-Clinton spoke briefly and introduced Teresa McDonald-Thuro of Water First, who explained the work of Water First in the area of training Indigenous candidates to become certified to operate and maintain their community drinking water systems.

Once again, all proceeds go to Water First's Training programs, just one of the three areas of water management/conservation for which they offer education and training.

Donations have been arriving since

the Run, and the latest count indicates over \$12,000 has been raised, making it the second highest amount every brought in from personal support. The Orangeville Team, led by Jim Hodder, raised a whopping \$6,670. Businesses were not canvassed for sponsorship this year. All expenses were covered by in-kind support.

Thank you to Schomberg McDonald's, Schomberg Village Pizzeria, Highway 9 Market, Schomberg Quality Meats, Historia Cantina, and Nobleton Pharmasave for donating draw prizes.



On hand for the annual Schomberg Run were James Hodder of the Orangeville Team, Teresa McDonald-Thuro of Water First, and Geoff Peat SCR Race Director.



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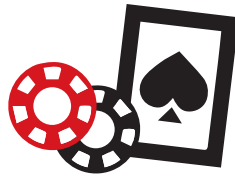
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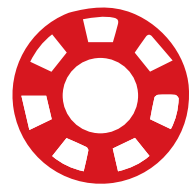
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Annual ride for Mackenzie Health raises impressive \$375,000

The annual Ride for Mackenzie Health has raised an impressive \$375,000 this year.

Mackenzie Health Foundation hosted its 10th annual Ride for Mackenzie Health Sept. 29. The annual event supports Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital and Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital.

A total of 346 participants and 35 teams contributed to the grand total of \$375,375, along with 706 donations. Riders hit the road, covering 40-km., 70-km. and 100 km.

“We’re thrilled to have raised more than \$375,000 at the 10th annual Ride for Mackenzie Health to support the highest priority needs at Mackenzie Health. These vital funds will help us invest in the equipment and technology we need to continue providing safe, quality care to patients and families in Richmond Hill, Vaughan and King and beyond. A big thank you to all our riders and to everyone who cheered them on, donated or supported our post-ride celebration where participants enjoyed incredible music, food and drinks. The support of our community is essential to ensuring

the team of expert staff and physicians at Mackenzie Health can continue to provide the best care possible to our community,” said Nicole McCahon, President and CEO, Mackenzie Health Foundation.

“I’ve always believed in giving back. This is the community I live in. I’m a resident of Woodbridge and I always want to give back. I know how important it is to have a community hospital that can serve the people who live here. My father received care at Mackenzie Health and I’ll always remember how nice the people are who work there. There are a lot of compassionate staff that work in both our hospitals and a lot of great and very helpful volunteers, too. I just wanted to give back to them somehow as a member of this community. It’s the least I could do. I want them to know I care. I think it’s important for people to donate to our hospitals because we use them, and we need them. We should never take that for granted,” added Yogesh Kshatriya, Woodbridge resident and Ride for Mackenzie Health participant.



From left: Ride for Mackenzie Health co-chair Domenic Gurreri, MP for King-Vaughan Anna Roberts, Mackenzie Health Foundation Board Chair Mario Paura, Mackenzie Health Foundation President and CEO Nicole McCahon, Mayor of Vaughan Steven Del Duca, MP for Vaughan-Woodbridge Francesco Sorbara and Ride for Mackenzie Health co-chair Mark Roccatani at the opening ceremonies of the 10th annual Ride for Mackenzie Health, presented by CIBC.



From left: Mackenzie Health Foundation President and CEO Nicole McCahon, Ride for Mackenzie Health co-chairs Domenic Gurreri and Mark Roccatani and Mackenzie Health Foundation Board Chair Mario Paura announce the total amount raised at the 10th annual Ride for Mackenzie Health, presented by CIBC.

Speed limit reductions at in King will improve traveller safety

York Regional Council approved reducing speed limits at six locations on various Regional roads to minimize severe collisions and enhance public safety in the Region.

There are three in King:

Highway 27 from 230 metres south of Oliver Emerson Avenue to 100 metres south of King-Vaughan Road (in King) from 70 km/hr to 60 km/hr.

Weston Road from 210 metres north of King Road to 80 metres south of 16th Sideroad, from 80 km/hr to 70 km/hr.

Dufferin Street from Lloydtown-Aurora Road/18th Sideroad to 325 metres north of Wellington Street West, from 80 km/hr to 70 km/hr.

Dufferin Street from 145 metres south of Wellington Street West to 15th Sideroad, from 80 km/hr to 70 km/hr.

“Lower speed limits help protect all travellers and promote a safer road environment for cyclists and pedestrians,” said York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson. “As more people are walking, cycling, taking transit or driving in and across our growing communities, it is important to review and adjust speed limits appropriately.”

The York Region Vision Zero Traveller Safety Plan identifies speeding as a contributing factor in aggressive driving behaviours leading to collisions. This plan was approved by Regional Council in March 2024 to reduce severe collisions and create safer travel in the Region.

“Protecting vulnerable road users is crucial as these travellers are more likely to sustain injury or death if involved in a collision,” said Aurora Mayor Tom Mrakas, chair of the Region’s Public Works Transportation Services. “Consistent speed limits encourage compliance and improve safety for everyone travelling on Regional roads with minimal impact to travel time.”

Speed limit revisions are recommended and approved based on principles, including industry standards and criteria in the Region’s Establishing Speed Limits on Regional Roads Policy, which guides decisions for a consistent approach. The Highway Traffic Act gives Regional Council authority to revise speed limits under 100 km/hr.

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White Fang grandmaster shares four decades of experience with students

By Jim Stewart

Taekwon-Do Grandmaster Angela Scarsellone peers out at her students as they file into their temporary home on the second floor of the King City Lions Arena on a Tuesday night.

She greets the white-uniformed kids warmly by name, adjusts their belts and uniforms prior to class, and projects this super mom aura who loves what she does: “I’ve been instructing Taekwon-Do for over forty years. I’ve always been very athletic, I loved playing rep soccer, basketball, volleyball and competing in gymnastics and cross country, but as soon as I put on this white uniform, there was no turning back and it truly became a way of life. I want to be more than an instructor to them. I want to have profound connections to my students.”

Scarsellone’s connection to her young charges is evident as the auditorium fills with Taekwon-Do enthusiasts ranging in age from 6 to 18. The youthful Grandmaster acknowledges the teacher-student bonds that she has enjoyed over the course of an instructional career which started at the Driftwood Community Centre in Toronto: “I worked for the City of Toronto and White Fang made a difference in so many lives in an under-served neighbourhood. We had a successful program that helped disadvantaged youth, but Mayor Rob Ford’s government cut all the recreation programs. As a result, we moved the program to Vaughan and Concord. So many connections have been made in the Region over the years. I have students that call me on Mother’s Day. I’ve been invited to their weddings. In fact, I just taught the child of one of my former students so I’m experiencing The Circle of Life.”

White Fang’s fearless leader was recognized in 2023 in a 9th Dan ceremony as the highest-ranked female Grandmaster worldwide in the ICTF Organization. In 1991, she won nine medals at the National Championships in Regina, Saskatchewan and represented Canada at the 1992 World Championships in Pyongyang, North Korea. Scarsellone was Captain of Team Canada when the national squad finished 3rd in a 72-team field in St. Petersburg, Russia. With this impressive resume, she brings a unique level of expertise and international competitive experience to her classroom in King City: “As the highest-ranked female Grandmaster in Canada, I was proud to represent Canada in three

world championships. I was trained by the founder of Taekwon-Do. I remember working through my certification while I was five months pregnant and achieved 5th degree under the instruction of very influential leaders in the global Taekwon-Do community.”

Scarsellone offers this wealth and depth of experience to her Taekwon-Do students on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays in Vaughan and in King City on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturday. White Fang Taekwon-Do was one of many King Township recreation programs forced to find other accommodations due to the delayed opening of the Zancor Centre: “It’s been a hectic schedule this fall, but we’re looking forward to the opening of the new recreation centre. At any site, it’s well worth it when my students apply the five tenets of Taekwon-Do – courtesy, integrity, perseverance, self-control, and indomitable spirit – to their everyday lives.”

Those ideals are embodied in eight-year-old White Fang student Alessia Agostino. The polite and dynamic Blue Belt, who attends Holy Name Catholic Elementary School, explained what she likes best about Taekwon-Do after studying for a year and a half with Grandmaster Scarsellone: “I like learning all the patterns. Some of them I can memorize and I enjoy learning all of them.”

As Agostino goes through her footwork patterns and demonstrates her discipline and agility, she notes that “it’s helped me be a better soccer player and figure skater and now I’m working toward my Blue Belt–Red Stripe.”

Scarsellone and Agostino’s connection is crystal-clear as the veteran instructor compliments Agostino’s agility and her disciplined performance of patterned steps on the venerable auditorium’s floor. The Grandmaster relishes these teaching moments and White Fang’s public appearances: “I still have a passion for teaching. I always want to be engaged and working with them. It’s so important to show empathy towards students at any level as an important part of connecting with them. It’s also satisfying to host co-op students to give them opportunities at both our locations in Vaughan and King City. It’s been fun to make group appearances in the community, most recently at Humber River Hospital and the Woodbridge Fair.”

For more information about Grandmaster Scarsellone and the White Fang Taekwon-Do program, visit <https://whitefangtkd.ca/about-the-grandmaster>.



White Fang Tae Kwon Do with Grand Master Angela Scarsellone at King City Lions Arena.

whitefangtkd.ca/about-the-grandmaster. Grandmaster Scarsellone is offering a free Taekwon-Do class to our

readers just by mentioning this King Weekly Sentinel article.

Cougars claw their way to a 4-2 win in Uxbridge

By Jim Stewart

The Schomberg Cougars took three of four points in back-to-back games versus Uxbridge on Friday and Georgina on Thursday.

In a penalty-filled contest in Uxbridge, the Cougars put forth a strong road effort and beat the Bruins 4-2.

Aiden Miller notched his 4th goal of the season at 10:51 of the first period to give the Cougars at 1-0 lead, but Jordan Bonner replied for the Bruins to even the score at 15:49.

The Cougars’ leading scorer Joey Furlano beat Uxbridge goaltender Andrew Cloughton two minutes into the second period, but the home team tied it 2-2 on Tanner Ryan’s tally.

Schomberg Captain Jordyn Palazzo’s power play goal with less than four minutes restored the Cougars’ one-goal lead heading into the third period.

Anthony Nascimento – voted First Star of the Game by PJHL staff – gave Schomberg a two-goal cushion at 8:18. Four minutes after Nascimento’s insurance marker, Schomberg’s Michael Ciaravella and Uxbridge’s Jordan Bonner dropped the flippers to earn five-minute majors and game misconducts. In the melee that ensued, referees assigned 16 penalties including four misconducts to the hot-tempered Cougars who lead the 64-team PJHL with 320 penalty minutes.

Schomberg goaltender Anthony Paolini turned out to be his team’s best penalty killer by repelling 26 of the 28 shots he faced in Uxbridge.

On Thursday night, the Cougars welcomed the Ice to the Trisan Centre for the first time and the visitors skated away with a narrow 4-3 OT victory.

The Cougars opened the game aggressively--eager to avenge a 9-3 shellacking they took in Georgina in mid-September, and were full value in a much better effort against their new East Orr Division rival.

Although the Cougars pinned the Ice in their own end and controlled the flow of play from puck drop, it was the ice that opened the scoring 90 seconds into the game when Bryce McKee slid a pass through the slot to Sett Ursomarzo whose one-timer handcuffed Schomberg netminder Nicolas Morvan.

Unlike the horror show on Friday the 13th, the Cougars rallied at 6:03 when Michael Ciaravella banged in Grady Duggan’s rebound off the end boards past Ice goaltender Ryan Moore to tie the game 1-1.

After surrendering the early Ice goal, Morvan was magnificent for the

rest of the game. The veteran goalie’s cat-like reflexes were on display when he thwarted a wrap-around attempt with nimble post-to-post movement and stopped a 120-foot breakaway in the last minute of the opening period.

Morvan – who was spectacular in the PJHL playoffs for the Cougars last season and re-signed with Schomberg last week to patch up an uncertain goaltending situation – was called upon again 27 seconds into the second period to repel a short-handed ice incursion. However, another Cougar giveaway with the man-advantage allowed Austin Paulmert to bury Ice Captain Ronnie Wiersema’s perfect pass 58 seconds into the middle frame to take the wind out of Schomberg’s five-minute power play.

Undaunted by Georgina’s shortie, the Cougars struck back at 3:51. Lionti pounced on Palazzo’s rebound and fired his fourth goal of the season past Moore.

Another Cougar defensive breakdown midway through the third period allowed Ice forwards to get multiple whacks at the puck in a goalmouth scramble and ex-Cougar Spencer Natale chopped the fourth rebound past Morvan to restore Georgina’s one-goal lead.

Unlike “The Debacle in Georgina” in mid-September, the Cougars showed much more fight. Less than one minute after surrendering a goal to an ex-teammate, veteran centre Anthony Nascimento threaded a pass that freed up Palazzo who sped down the right wing and rifled one past Moore high stick side that tied the game and electrified the Trisan Centre.

In the extra seven-minute period of 3-on-3 hockey, Lionti and Luke Szabo narrowly missed scoring opportunities in overtime and the Cougars’ smooth-skating defenseman Arunas Scott was stymied on a breakaway by Moore at 2:30. On the ensuing rush, Georgina iced the game when Bryce McKee squeezed the puck past Morvan short side.

Despite the loss, Captain Jordyn Palazzo noted the team’s improvement: “We’ve got a lot of new guys so the first few games of the season were about getting familiar with one another and working out line combinations. We’re starting to gel as a team and we were a lot more energetic tonight on our own ice.”

The First Star of the Game, as selected by PJHL staff, described his game-tying goal in the third period:

See ‘Morvan’ on Page 18

Rebellion’s winning streak ends at three with a pair of 4-2 losses to foes

By Jim Stewart

The King Rebellion’s three-game winning streak came to an abrupt halt this weekend with nearly-identical 4-2 losses to the Muskies in Lindsay on Friday night and the Leamington Flyers on Sunday afternoon in Nobleton.

The Muskies scored three unanswered goals on Friday and the Flyers scored four unanswered goals on Sunday to subdue King’s Junior A squad.

Artem Narbekov’s shorthanded goal at 9:33 of the second period staked the Rebellion to a 1-0 lead in Lindsay, but two minutes later, Simon Wang of the Muskies tied the game with this seventh of the season. King reclaimed their one-goal lead when Spencer Vandenberg beat Lindsay goaltender Joseph D’Angelo at 15:35 of the middle frame.

However, Nathan Taylor’s power play goal with three seconds left in the second period pulled the Muskies into a 2-2 tie. The Rebellion surrendered another power play goal at 3:47 when Mark Coish beat Eric Powers to give the home side their first lead of the game. Coish finished the scoring with an empty netter with 14 seconds left on the clock.

In Nobleton on Sunday afternoon, the Rebellion looked to avenge a nar-

row 2-1 loss to Leamington in mid-September, but the mighty Flyers maintained their early-season mastery over King.

After a scoreless first period, the Rebellion took a 2-0 lead when Evin Kojokaro fired his 5th of the season at 1:08 of the middle frame and Narbekov beat Flyer netminder Marcus Vandenberg at 11:54.

Unfortunately for King, a similar script from Friday’s contest unfolded in Nobleton as the Rebellion surrendered four consecutive goals to Leamington. Gavin Grundner got the Flyers on the scoreboard at 17:19 and Colton Smith notched his 12th of the season on the power play to tie the game with 24 seconds left in the second period.

The King offence stalled in the third period and Flyer forwards Michael Denny and Brendan Cooke fired pucks past King goaltender Erik Powers to provide Leamington’s margin of victory. With the win, the second-place Flyers improved to 9-2-1 in the OJHL West standings while the Rebellion (5-5-1) slipped to seventh place with the loss to their Conference rival.

Next home game: King hosts the Toronto Junior Canadiens on Sunday, Oct. 20 at 3 p.m. at the Nobleton Community Centre.

King's Corners

King City United By Sheryl Sinka

King City United Church would like to wish everyone a very happy Thanksgiving. Worship begins at 10 a.m. with Rev Andrew presiding and we will be sharing the Sacrament of Communion together where everyone is welcome to the table.

We will be offering our gratitude in prayer and song and encourage all to express any generosity and excess that they may have by contributing to the King Township Food Bank. There is a box in the narthex for collection of food items. Sunday School takes place during the same hour and for information on the Sunday School please contact Sheryl Sinka at 416-450-0140.

Please consider making donations to the King Township Food Bank this fall as donations are needed in greater quantities than ever before. The community can make a significant difference if it works together to support the FoodBank and the families that access this much needed service.

If you have any questions please con-

Morvan has 33-save outing

From Page 18

"The coaching staff has been telling me to shoot more so I saw their goalie cheat a bit to the right so I fired it high glove side as he was pulling away from the post."

Palazzo noted the on-ice chemistry that was evident with Anthony Nascimento and Carlo Lioni: "We've been line-mates for four years on and off. It was great that the coaching staff has brought us together again on the same line."

He also complimented the outstanding effort of Morvan versus the ice: "He's going to have a big positive impact on our team. Nicolas was great for us last year in the playoffs, and it's great to have him back. We play with so much confidence when he's in net."

Morvan, with his 33-save performance, was selected Third Star of the Game by PJHL staff.

The Cougars' next home game is Thursday, Oct. 10 when they host the Port Perry Lumberjacks at 7:30 p.m.

tact 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 Discipleship. We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube.

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

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

King City Seniors (55+) By Carolyn Kanitz

Reminder that the Centre will be closed on Monday, Oct. 14 for the holiday. Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday, Oct. 18 at 12:30 p.m. – Potluck lunch. Enjoy a delicious buffet with friends old and new. Each attendee is asked to bring either a main course item or a dessert.

Friday, Nov. 1 – 10 a.m. – Presentation on things to do to make your home safe for aging in place. Refreshments will be available so please RSVP to 905-833-6565.

Friday, November 15 – 10 a.m. – Presentation on things to do to make your home safe for aging in place. Refreshments will be available so please RSVP to 905-833-6565.

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

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

Tuesday mornings: 10 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 kingcity.seniors@gmail.com

York Pines United

Last Sunday, Rev. Andrew lead our World Communion service and spoke about reaping what you sow as a Christian. For Thanksgiving Sunday, the congregation is invited to decorate the chancel with fall items, something you are thankful for or in memory of someone. Items can be dropped off at choir practice Thursday 7-8 p.m. or before the Sunday service. Lesley Morris will be leading the service. It is also Hungry Sunday when donations to the King Township Food Bank are appreciated including empty egg cartons. Feel free to join us for coffee after the service at noon.

Sacred Heart Church

Attention Youth and Young Adults "The Restless Outreach Group" of Sacred Heart Parish will be going to help the needy in the Scarborough Region Oct. 26 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Additional information will be found in next week's bulletin or restless.sacredheartparish@gmail.com

We celebrated Pastor Rev. John Arulthas and his 18 years of priestly ordination on Oct. 5. As a faithful and loving community, we offer Father John our sincere thanks and gratitude for his devoted and humble service to God.

Following the 5 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses, join us for cake and refreshments in the Hall.

Country Western Feast is coming Sunday, Oct. 20 after 10:30 Mass.

You are cordially invited in Hall for coffee and friendship provided by: Julie Buljan and Family. For more information, contact Nadia at NPascuzzo@archtoronto.org

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

Kingcrafts Studio Sale

Members are always busy creating one-of-a-kind hand-crafted items for the twice annual studio sale. Mark your calendars for our upcoming sale, invite your friends and come shop our seasonal collection of handmade goods, while supporting your local community of artisans and crafters. With so many art forms under one roof, you are sure to find something special for someone on

your gift list, or even for yourself.

The event returns Nov. 15, 16, 17, 22, 23 and 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. They're located at 12936 Keele St., King City.

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

Happy Thanksgiving Sunday to all! St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church welcomes you. We're at 13190 Keele St. and our Sunday morning worship service is at 10:30 a.m. Stay afterwards for coffee-time if you're able.

Last Sunday, we celebrated worldwide Communion Sunday with pastor Alison Agnew starting with a prayer time at 9:30 a.m. for 45 minutes before the start of the service. This prayer gathering is extended to all on Communion Sundays throughout the year and will be focussed on the health and safety of our church, its members and friends, our neighbours and of King City.

The Sunday services are recorded each week and posted. Go to our website: standrews-kingcity.ca and click on the YouTube link.

St. Andrew's 66th anniversary Sunday is October 20. Come celebrate with us and enjoy a chili and pie lunch following the service. There will be further discussion on our church's revitalization and a future potential church partnership. Come and find out!

Donations of food for the King Township Food Bank can be collected at our Church. There are now 2 new blue bins in our main entrance narthex and in the east hall across from our east entrance. Please call the office first if you wish to donate during the week at 905-833-2325. Also please visit the Food Bank's website at ktfb.ca. to determine which foods are needed and to read about this year's Sip and Savour, "Aloha Hawaii" October 24!

If you have any questions or if you need pastoral care or prayer, please call St. Andrew's, King City at 905-833-2325 for the Rev. Alison Agnew or phone one of the Elders.

All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

October 20 at 10:20 will be a special Service of Healing for the Feast of St. Luke. Please invite all who you know could use special prayers for healing.

What does Jesus mean? was the sermon by Rev. Erin Martin on Mark 10 – Jesus is tested by the Pharisees.



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Spares rock the house in curling league openers

By Shellee Morning
King Curling Club

With the first week of curling of the new season now completed, teams and players alike got down to business. For some, it didn't appear like they had even been on a break while others were finding their ground.

The Women's league began their season opener games with new team structures, new faces and of course new challenges. The first challenge was the ice, being able to read the curl and establish the weight required for the called shot.

Sheet K featured veteran Team Gorsline up against Team Cairns. Skips Kathleen Gorsline and Christine Cairns went broom for broom collecting their well-earned points all the while creating decisive challenges for each squad. Gorsline led her team of Marne Deathe, Beth Egan and Christine Warner to an eventual 7-5 win in the last end capturing their first victory of the year. Cairns and her team of Tina Christianson and Kim Baldeserra held their own with timely hits and draws

and will be a team to reckon with. Skips Ann Gerrits and Kay Sinclair met on sheet N and while spares were called upon for both, the scoreboard and the game itself was played out with unity and connection. Skip Ann Gerrits stood in the house along-side legendary Kay Sinclair calling a tight end for end match that eventually resulted in a tie. Other winners included Hamilton, Stronach, Morning and deWinter.

All of the ladies would like to wish their colleague Nancy Morrison get-well wishes for a speedy recovery and hope to see her back at the rink soon.

Sweep, throw, eat

Wednesday late afternoon league, aka "The Pub League," got off to high-spirited start with 9 energetic teams on the roster. With visions of shot making and more importantly where they were going to eat afterwards, the sheets of King were alive with the echoes of laughter and the hurry hard.

A host of spares were also called

upon that did not disappoint. Honourable mentions go to Carl Hoyer and Kim Baldeserra both of which executed game-saving shots in their respectable matches. For Hoyer, who was playing for Team Jack Campbell, it was a freeze to the back eight that led to a deuce and the go-ahead point in the game. Kim Baldeserra drew with consisted weight whether for a hit or a draw. A solid performance for Baldeserra, that will definitely keep her phone ringing.

Steve Bradley also stepped into spare as acting Skip for C. Honey and delivered a few timely draws and guards. Campbell would proceed to collect in the final end of a close game to earn the W in game one. Ingrid Beck stepped in to spare for Team R. Honey and went end for end against Team Karen Mellow. Beck delivered 2 wrap-around draws late in the game to defeat Mellow in a 5-4 win. Other victories included Gagliardi and Saldat.



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Nobleton & Schomberg United Churches

By Nancy Hopkinson

Regular Sunday worship services are at 9:30 a.m. at Schomberg United and 11:15 a.m. at Nobleton United. Coffee and refreshments are enjoyed afterwards.

Rev. Richard is offering a Bible Study series focussing on Mark's Gospel on Thursdays at 10 a.m. at Nobleton United Church, in the Quilting Room. The group will ponder about its meaning and how it shapes & affects our daily lives. The Community is welcome to join and participate.

The next Messy Church is on Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 5 p.m. Young families and their grandparents enjoy it- optional fun activities for the first hour, then an interactive Bible story time at 6 p.m., with dinner at 6:15 p.m. October's theme is Courage and Faith based on the story of Daniel in the Lion's Den. Please contact me at nancykhopkinson@gmail.com or 416-316-5064 to register or for

more info. We need to know numbers to have enough crafts and food for all. The cost is free!

Rev. Richard is planning a delightful children's Christmas pageant for Sunday, Dec. 15. The plans for the pageant will be explained at the October Messy Church. At the November Messy Church, there will be some time allotted to figure out who will do what part in the pageant. At the December 10th Messy Church, there will be a full practice in place of the story time.

Palgrave United Community Kitchen presents "The Knitting Pilgrim" on Nov. 2, 7 to 9 p.m. The Knitting Pilgrim, featuring actor and knitter Kirk Dunn, is a multidisciplinary one-man show that combines personal storytelling, image projection and 3 huge knitted panels that look like stained glass windows, to explore the connection among the Abrahamic faiths: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Call 905-880-0303 to save your spot. Adults \$40, children \$20. Bring your own knitting.

Nobleton United's 128th Anniversary Service will be on Sunday, Nov. 3, at 11:15 a.m. This will be a joint service with Schomberg United. Rev. Brian Nicholson was our minister several years ago. He and his partner Rev. Darren Liepold



will be speaking and singing. Rev. Evelyn McLachlan will be conducting the service. There will be lunch afterwards.

We enjoyed our hymn sings and pot luck dinners in the summer. We have decided to have pot luck lunches on the first Tuesday of every month. The first one will be Tuesday, Nov. 5. We will gather at 11:30 a.m. We plan to alternate locations between our two churches. Location for the first one is still being decided. Come and join us.

The next Seniors' Luncheon is Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 11:30 a.m. Please be at St. Mary Magdalene by 11:15 a.m. Back by popular demand, Sentimental Journey is returning. They sing popular songs from years ago, and play guitar and piano. The meal is meatloaf with passata, mashed potatoes, peas, carrots, buns with a dessert of chocolate cake and 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 and entertainment are free, we do appreciate any donations you are able to make to offset some of our costs.

On Wednesday mornings, we have a Zoom Coffee chat (10 to 11 a.m.). The quilters join us! We talk on a huge variety of topics, mainly current events. You are welcome to join us. Just send me a message nancykhopkinson@gmail.com to request the link.

Schomberg United Church meets at St. Mary Magdalene Church, lower level, 116 Church St., Schomberg. It is accessible. Nobleton United Church meets 6076 King Rd., Nobleton. It has a wheelchair ramp and a chair lift to go up the 7 steps to the Sanctuary. The phone number for Rev. Richard and for our secretary Sharon is 905-859-3976.

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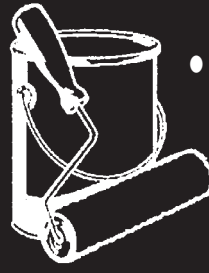
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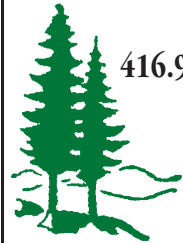
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Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

It's time to give thanks! Time to enjoy time with friends and family, eat too much, and enjoy the colours of fall and everything pumpkin, including spice and pie. Make sure to break out your Joey Tribiani "thanksgiving pants," first though. I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, please stay safe and enjoy.

I was away in England and Scotland last week, so if I missed an event, I apologize, I had to get my column in before I left, so I'll try to make sure I catch up on all the goings on here in Schomberg.

The ladies of St. Mary Magdalene Church (116 Church Street, Schomberg) having a bake sale Saturday, Oct. 19 from 9 a.m. to noon. They will have homemade pies, cakes, squares, tarts, cookies, all the delicious baking this harvest season blesses us with.

King Township has a Community Grant Program so if you have a project idea that can make a difference in our community, the deadline to apply for a grant is Friday, Nov. 1. Don't miss out you can apply at enrichking.ca/community-grant-program.

King wants to remind everyone that the use of off-road vehicles on any road and parks, is strictly prohibited. This includes pocket bikes, dirt bikes, mini-bikes, ATVs and motorized scooters. None of which are allowed on public roadways or sidewalks. We all know and see that these things are happening, but if you're caught, your vehicle may be impounded, and fines can reach up to \$5,000. The part that makes me shake my head, is the small children riding these scooters without helmets. If you've ever had a child with a concussion or a brain injury, you'd understand how this can affect every aspect of their lives. To report ATVs being ridden on public roads you can report that using the online "Road Watch" portal at yrp.ca. To report ATVs being ridden on King Township public lands, including parks and trails, you can use King's online reporting portal at

King.ca.

This year King Township is inviting the best food and beverage vendors in the area to participate in Kingtoberfest on Saturday, Oct. 19 from 5 to 10 p.m. at Cold Creek Conservation Area in Nobleton. They are currently looking taking applications, so if you're interested head over to king.ca/kingtoberfest.

King will also be doing their annual hydrant through Oct. 31 so if you can't seem to rinse all the shampoo out of your hair due to low water pressure, that's why. If your water looks discoloured, please run your tap till it runs clear, just not too long because it will cost you. Learn more at king.ca/water.

Aloha KingTownship! Experience the vibrant energy and cultural richness of a Hawaiian Luau at the King Township Food Bank's annual Sip & Savour fundraiser, on Thursday, Oct. 24 from 6-9 p.m. at Seneca Polytechnic, King Campus. Featuring traditional music, hula dancing, and authentic Hawaiian cuisine (and tiki bar) that bring the spirit of the islands to life right here in King Township. Tickets: \$100 per person. Purchase online at ktfb.ca.

Funds from this event will go towards providing non-perishable foods, food cards, fresh produce, pet kibble and paper products to residents of King Township who seek assistance through registration with the King Township Food Bank.

Schomberg Euchre Club

The Euchre group meets on Thursday nights at the Trisan, 7 to 9. The cost is \$10 for the evening or pay monthly for \$20. All welcome, all ages, men, ladies, you just need to know how to play (no beginners please), how to laugh, enjoy an excellent group of people and not take the game or yourself too seriously. We will be switching to Friday nights next week September 26th, so our end of season party will be our last Thursday tonight in the curling lounge on September 19th.

Schomberg 55+

Bridge will continue each Tuesday at 1 p.m. at Schomberg Community Hall
Wednesday October 23 - speaker Lianne Harris - The Roaring Twenties: It

was an era bigger than life, louder than convention, It was the Roaring Twenties! Optional dress of the times! Sponsored by Schomberg Dental.

Monday, Nov. 4 - speaker Susan Porter on the Ghosts of Scotland and England. It's me speaking about my wonderful "Paranormal trip of the UK." Come out, I'll tell you scary stories with a touch of history thrown in.

Monday, Nov. 18 - speakers - "Guess What it Is?" with Linda & Cheryl followed by a performance by Schomberg seniors "The Tightly Wound Ukulele Group."

Monday, Nov. 25 - workshop, Wendy Emery, glass making project, sun catcher. Cost is \$90 registration to klbird@hotmail.com by Nov. 15.

Wednesday, Dec. 4 - speaker Dr. Marie Adams, Retired professor, and Author - "Our Son The Strange."

Sunday, Dec. 8 - Theatre Orangeville, Sleeping Beauty, A Fairy Tale It's \$40 registration to klbird@hotmail.com

Monday, Dec. 9 - trivia with Maggie

and Lynn to be held at the Trisan Centre in the Curling Lounge.

Monday, Dec. 16 - Festive Season Luncheon- further details to come.

Ukulele Classes for our very own "Tightly Wound" club is back at it and getting ready to entertain the group in November, so please make sure you don't miss practice every Thursday from 2 to 3:30 at the Schomberg Community Hall, any member is welcome to grab a Ukulele and come join us.

Annual fee is \$15 for individuals/\$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 porter5952@gmail.com or 416-460-5952.



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BRAND NEW HOME ON SPACIOUS DOUBLE LOT

Brand new custom-built executive home on a premium 96' x 126' lot in Richmond Hill. This masterpiece boasts an open concept layout, high-quality craftsmanship, 10' ceilings, chef's kitchen with quartz counters and Bosch appliances, spa-like ensuite, spacious bedrooms with walk-in closets, and a 38' x 126' easement. Perfect for luxury living.



PRESTIGIOUS HOME WITH PREMIUM FENCED LOT

This executive home boasts a 3-car garage with an EV port on a premium lot in a prestigious community. Enjoy a grand 2-story foyer with a 3-way fireplace, a chef's kitchen, a private deck, a luxurious primary suite, and a finished walk-out lower level with a gym, recreation room, and additional office.



PEACEFUL BUNGALOW RETREAT NEAR LAKE

Discover this upgraded walkout bungalow on a serene cul-de-sac near Little Lake. Enjoy modern living with three upgraded bathrooms, a spacious kitchen with stainless steel appliances, a private backyard with a waterfall, an oversized garage, and direct access to nature. Close to schools, parks, and amenities.



SOPHISTICATED BUNGALOTT IN VAUGHAN

Sophisticated stone and brick Bungalow in sought-after Vellore Village! Nestled on a landscaped lot, this stunning home features a chef's kitchen, soaring family room, formal living with fireplace, main floor primary suite, and a fully finished lower level with separate entrance. Perfect for families seeking luxury and comfort.



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Prime location in Vaughan! This modern 1-bedroom + den condo features an open-concept layout, floor-to-ceiling windows, and upgraded kitchen with granite countertops. Enjoy south-facing skyline views from the balcony. Amenities include a concierge, gym, pool, and more. Easy access to transit, dining, and highways.



LUXURIOUS 'FERNBROOK' HOME IN AURORA

Presenting the exquisitely designed 'Fernbrook' executive home in Princeton Heights, Aurora Estates. This expansive lot property boasts premium finishes and a gourmet kitchen, with customization options available. It includes four generously sized bedrooms, each with its own private bathroom.



PRESTIGIOUS REGAL CREST RESIDENCE

Magnificent newly built 'Regal Crest' home in OakRidge Meadows offers 10ft ceilings, gourmet chef's kitchen, and a spacious open concept layout. Features include 4 bedrooms with ensuites, main floor office, and 2nd floor laundry. Enjoy nearby nature trails, Lake Wilcox, and convenient transit access.



CUSTOMIZE YOUR DREAM LAKE WILCOX HOME

Introducing an opportunity to customize your dream executive home in Lake Wilcox. This to-be-built residence is designed with 4+1 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, and a chef's kitchen outfitted with high-end JennAir appliances. Envision luxurious finishes throughout, with the chance to select your preferences to truly make it your own.



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An annual report highlighting local businesses in King Township

THE PERFECT PIZZA
is a Family Affair

By Aladin Jarrah



Tucked away in the plaza at Highways 9 & 27 in Schomberg is The Schomberg Village Pizzeria. Its unassuming exterior belies the delights that lie within.

The Karas family owns and operates the pizzeria, using their secret recipes and years of know-how to offer diners a truly gastronomic experience. “We make our own sauce every day, and our own dough. We import our tomatoes from Italy and Greece, and we use the finest ‘00’ (double zero) flour available, the best natural 100% milk mozzarella we can source... Some guys might think that’s overkill but to us quality is everything,” says Elias, who runs the family businesses. “My mother Anna would kill me if she thought we were cutting corners!”

Anna makes all the food for the hot table, including veal and chicken parmigiana, pastas, soups and salads. Brother Yianni takes care of the pizzas and wings, making fresh sauce and dough daily. It’s a labour of love for the Karas family, who perfected their craft for 20 years before moving to Schomberg and opening their doors five years ago.

“Our motto is ‘We’re more than pizza,’” says Elias. “And we mean that in a dual meaning sort of way. When we opened just at the beginning of COVID, we were trying to find ways to be able to survive the pandemic. Shortly thereafter the lockdowns began, and we wanted to offer the community more options instead of just the classic pizza & wing options that you would get at other pizza places. So we integrated various protein and pasta dishes in the menu. When dine in was prohibited, we took out the tables and turned it into a retail area with a small grocery section which brought it to the concept it is today. In the second sense of “being more than pizza”, it means that we’re about family and community. Our family is pretty tight knit, and so is our - what has become - extended family of customers and neighbours. We love the community we live in, and we love the sense of closeness that making food for our neighbours brings us. The people of Schomberg work hard and we work hard too, to bring them the best quality food at a reasonable price.”

The Karas are big on tradition. Their recipes and attention to details are steeped in it, and they continue to fire their pizzas on stone. “A lot of places use conveyor belts, and that certainly makes things easier, but we’re a bit old school. In our first pizza place as kids, we learned on a wood fired pizza oven and we would love to do that again, but our current location will not allow that. We don’t think anything tastes quite as good as a pizza cooked on a stone, so that’s what we do. It takes time to do things right, but we think our customers deserve the best, and that’s why they keep coming back.”

The Karas are now offering King residents more delights: They’ve just opened Euro Market Café in the plaza on Dr Kay Drive in Schomberg. “We love to live and work in the town of Schomberg, and we wanted to create a one stop shop where we could offer an assortment of items from all over Europe. We took our experience in restaurants and food service and combined it with our experience in food imports and this is how the idea came to be!” says Elias.



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Savour the flavours: First bi-annual Taste of King culinary event showcases restaurants from October 26 to November 9

By Jim Stewart

King's Economic Development Officer, Aimee Artinian-Wong, shared her excitement about the upcoming inaugural Taste of King event, when we sat down to chat about the two-week celebration of King's local restaurants, cafes, and bakeries—running from

Saturday, October 26 to Saturday, November 9. It's a brand-new event to profile our local restaurant sector—and all its culinary and cultural diversity. There's something for everyone. "The goal is to support businesses in King and provide economic assistance during the down times for restaurants, which are the fall (after summer vaca-

tion and patio season) and mid-winter (following the holidays)."

This initiative evolved from 'Taste of Main' on Schomberg Main Street following five successful events, put on as part of the Township's revitalization program to help restaurants recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and the slow economic cycle that followed.

"We decided to expand the event municipality-wide to all our restau-

local celebrates our restaurants' connections with local growers—to the vibrant agricultural sector of King Township. Our restaurants promote the freshness of their food thanks to this connection. Not everyone knows about the Holland Marsh and how all our local farms not only provide fresh meat and produce but provide the basis for so many seasonal menus that we enjoy in King."

For two delicious weeks, savour exclusive prix fixe lunch & dinner menus at some of King's best restaurants!

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"Eating local celebrates our restaurants' connections with local growers—to the vibrant agricultural sector of King Township."

ments, cafes, and bakeries in King City and Nobleton along with Schomberg". The set menus at restaurants will be based on three-course meals and will profile their specialties and best dishes. It's a great opportunity to showcase, to residents and tourists, not only the eateries but the boutique shops that thrive alongside our restaurants.

Artinian-Wong—whose enthusiasm for community projects is infectious—described the satisfaction she derives from overseeing and organizing Township-wide business events: "I love to see people enjoying the experience, especially tourists visiting King for the first time. It's great to introduce them to all the unique boutique businesses and tourist attractions located throughout our municipality."

The Township is working with all restaurants to set a diverse food experience, from casual bites to fine dining, with reasonably priced three-course meals for lunch and dinner. "Eating

Artinian-Wong made a closing call for eateries to take advantage of future Taste of King events in this Township-wide celebration of local cuisine. Local restaurants, cafes, and bakeries are invited to email their expression of interest to ecdev@king.ca.

King Township thanks its funding partners who helped make this event possible. Taste of King was partly funded by The Regional Municipality of York and Central Counties Tourism.

Foodies are encouraged to visit king.ca/tasteofking where set menus and pricing will be available and updated regularly.

Photos courtesy of Taste of Main event in King Township.

It's our home, let's 'bring it home!'

By Anna Roberts
King-Vaughan MP



From the rural sights in King Township, to the urban core in Vaughan, to the small fishing towns on the coast of Quebec and many other communities across Ontario, I spent the summer speaking to people from all over, sharing our common sense Conservative plan to axe the tax, build the homes, fix the budget, and stop the crime.

I proudly attended 107 events this summer, hearing your concerns about the current Trudeau government. The message from Canadians has been clear and resonated throughout every community.

After nine years of Trudeau, everything costs more, work does not pay, housing costs have skyrocketed, and our streets are filled with crime and chaos. This is the voice of the people, and the people want and desperately need a change. Canadians did not vote for the NDP-Liberal coalition that punishes hard work and taxes your food. Life was not like this before Trudeau, and it won't be like this after he's gone.

Conservatives have been demanding a carbon tax election immediately so the voice of the people can be heard. Common sense Conservatives will be there to get Canada back on track, the Canada that we all know and still love. This is not the same country that my family immigrated to in the 1950s, where Canada had a promise: if you worked hard and obeyed the law, you could purchase a home and feed your family while still being able to save for a family vacation.

After 9 years of Trudeau, that promise is broken. Canada's common sense Conservatives have a plan to restore



that promise. We will axe the carbon tax to bring down the cost of gas, groceries, and home heating. We will build the homes Canadians need by firing the gatekeepers and cutting red tape. We will implement a dollar-for-dollar law to fix the budget, requiring the government to find a dollar of savings for every new dollar of spending. We will bring jail, not bail for repeat offenders, and secure our borders from illegal firearms to stop the crime. In York Region, shootings have increased 92% in 2024 and carjackings have increased 400% since 2019. This is because of the catch and release policies of the Trudeau government.

Let's bring back the common sense of the common people united for our common home. Your home. My home. Our home. Let's bring it home.

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Brian W. Porter, BA, MEd, CPCA, EPC
 Director, Living Assistance Services (LAS),
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Feeling older these days?
 Aging in place is a very important part of life for many seniors who want to remain living independently and who desire to continue to enjoy the comfort and familiarity of their own homes as they grow older. Most seniors very much want to stay at home with care as needed so that they can live independently as long as possible.

Some of the reasons for not wanting to leave our homes when we are older may include:

- The physical stress of moving
- The fear of losing your everyday routine, lifestyle and independence
- Anxiety over leaving your friends, social group and community
- The emotional ties to the family home and family surroundings
- Loss of flexibility and control in what we do every day such as with whom, when, and where we enjoy our meals
- Far more significant financial commitments and monthly costs for accommodation and food especially

However, unlike during younger days, seniors often need some support when it comes to living at home: activities such as help doing daily chores, support with personal care, such as bathing, preparing meals, and cleaning become more demanding and they need support at home. Many just feel the need for some company and pleasant conversation. Some seniors require much more care when they suffer from chronic diseases such as cancer, dementia, including Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, etc.

Professional caregivers are carefully selected and specifically matched with seniors and their unique circumstances and for whatever schedule suits both the senior and family. Matching a caregiver with a senior and establishing a warm, professional relationships for the senior with a caregiver is of utmost importance to ensure that a senior feels comfortable and safe with someone in their home.

Explained Brian, "The choice of a caregiver and companion and establishing the best relationship possible are the keys for seniors and their families to successful care and support. After speaking with

family members, we select and carefully match up to three potential companions with the senior and his/her situation. Then, we arrange with the senior and family members an Introduction Meeting with the caregiver at no cost so that this relationship might best be facilitated and questions answered. It seems to always be a happy, successful first step as many of our seniors and caregivers remain together not for days or weeks, but for months and some for years."

Services provided by Living Assistance Services caregivers are extensive but non-medical: personal care (including assistance with bathing, dressing, and hygiene) medication supervision, light housekeeping, convalescence and respite and end-of-life care. Other services include, escorting to appointments and shopping, meal planning and preparation, as well as Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, dementia, and cancer care. Companionship and care naturally are essential ingredients of every caregiver visit.

"When it comes to a schedule, we care for seniors every hour you can imagine," Brian said. "Our caregivers stay for over-nights, have a variety of day shifts and also, they can live in a senior's home-24/7."

Living Assistance Services provides services to seniors in Aurora and Newmarket as well as everywhere else in the Regions of York, Georgina and Simcoe.

For advice and care for seniors, please contact Brian Porter, Director, at: 905-758-2486 (cell) or 416-483-0070 (office) or b.porter@laservices.ca.

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BY MARK PAVILONS

TEN YEAR MILESTONE

Hospall Private Homecare Founder Michelle Frauley and her team are celebrating a big milestone this year – 10 years in business, serving families across York Region. Michelle has built her company from a small team of 4 people to now having a staff of over 55 professional Caregivers. Team members are carefully selected, all sharing her passion, vision and dedication to helping people and their families find joy, meaning and comfort as they navigate different stages of life and the sometimes-challenging journeys they experience.

CHANGING LANDSCAPE

Things have changed significantly since the company was first founded – not only are there more seniors as baby boomers age, but more people are prioritizing staying at home, whether aging in place, living with dementia, recovering from cancer treatment or surgery or having support for their daily activities. While the public health system works to address increased needs in the community, people are more and more turning to personalized care in the comfort of their own homes. Dedicated, one-on-one and bespoke care for families is helping to create meaningful moments, purpose and peace of mind for Clients, their family caregivers and their extended families.

RISING ABOVE AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE

One aspect in particular that differentiates Hospall is the expert medical guidance and advocacy they provide on behalf of their Clients, within the health system itself. While we are fortunate in Canada to have the public health system, ongoing constraints on resources mean it can be challenging to get personalized care. Navigating the increasingly complex network of health providers, specialists, community organizations, pharmacists and support agencies is almost a fulltime job for most families. Having a knowledgeable guide who can ask relevant questions, advocate in the interests of the Client, smooth transitions and ensure a rapid response to concerns is a fast-growing component of Hospall's services. The Health Monitoring and Advocacy Program (HMAP) ensures experienced RNs and RPNs are always looking out for the Client's best interests.

NOT JUST AT HOME

Hospall's team meets the Clients where they are at, whether at homes, in a retirement residence, long term care, rehabilitation facility, the hospital or hospice. Like a guardian angel, Hospall's team is present to ensure that the Client's needs are being addressed for maximum comfort, security and health. The one-on-one care is unmatched for ensuring all the Client's needs are being met, and that issues are identified early and addressed quickly. It's an extra layer of security that provides peace of mind.

EVOLVING INDUSTRY

The industry itself has changed, with the proliferation of franchise-based services. Hospall proudly maintains their locally owned and managed brand, deeply rooted in the community with a reputation for exceptional service, high standards of care, dedication to details and exceeding expectations. The support provided is holistic, including physical, mental and emotional supports, working to ensure



MICHELLE FRAULEY FOUNDER/CEO

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Plans for Continued Leadership in Personalized Care

Clients stay connected to their communities, and to activities that are designed to help them thrive. Recent provincial initiatives have begun to set standards in place for Personal Support Workers. This is a move that is welcomed by the Hospall Team. With a commitment to supporting continuous education and training, Hospall invests significant time in finding the right team members with the skills, expertise and shared passion for helping people, and then invests further in ongoing training and employee retention programs. Hospall is not a staffing agency. We invest heavily in our people and our company culture, because that is how we can best serve our Clients. We take pride in helping our team members achieve their career goals, and over the years, have been so proud of our staff who have achieved their RN, RPN and Physician credentials. Their success is our success. The relationships we have built over the last 10 years continue to this day.

EXPANDING THE TEAM

Hospall's growth and the rapidly changing industry has meant that we have expanded our team with a view to maintaining our leadership in the field. One of the new positions we have created is the Director of Operations and Innovation, and we are so excited to welcome Karen Dubeau to the role. She brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in scaling companies, building strategic partnerships, harnessing technologies and developing services to maximize the customer experience. Her engineering and IT background will provide a great platform for the next stage of Hospall's growth. The multi-disciplinary team of 55 Caregivers now includes Senior Nurse Managers, RPNs, RNs and PSWs, several of which have achieved their designations as a Certified Consultant on Aging. This enables us to work with Clients and their families to undertake Advanced Planning for how they will Age in Place.

THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY

Hospall walks the talk. We believe in community, and we demonstrate that every day. From volunteering nursing services during the COVID pandemic, volunteering with community not-for-profits, helping raise funds for the Alzheimer's Society of York Region, supporting the development of local arts and culture programs and sponsoring local events, Hospall team members also engage in local programs, lending their time, talent and energy to our communities.

WHAT'S NEXT FOR HOSPALL

A big milestone in the 10th year is the opening of our new offices in King Township. This represents our achievement of a major goal, and we set our eyes to the future. We are building two specialized inter-disciplinary teams, that will provide the industry-leading and award-winning palliative care for families, and best-in-class care for clients with dementia. Having achieved our Primer designation with Accreditation Canada in June of 2023, we are on track to achieve our full Accreditation in June of 2025. Our new partnerships will bring best-in-class solutions, programs and services to our clients, as we continue our commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of the clients and families that we work with.





KING HEIGHTS

BOUTIQUE CONDOMINIUMS



Aracon Homes' King City Condominium Project Is Reaching New Heights As Construction Commences At Its Keele Street And King Road Site

Aracon Homes proudly introduces King Heights, an exclusive boutique condominium nestled in the heart of King City at 12765 Keele Street. President Rob Strmota invites you to explore the King Heights presentation gallery at 18 Doctors Lane, where you'll discover thoughtfully designed floorplans, premium finishes, and unparalleled amenities. Located in the heart of King City, a picturesque community known for its natural beauty and small-town charm, King Heights offers the perfect blend of luxury and serenity.

Surrounded by blueprints, production schedules, and artistic renderings, Strmota elaborates on the \$100M project's progress: "I envisioned this property offering condo owners a lifestyle that brings Yorkville's sophistication to King City. Construction is well underway and ahead of schedule, with the on-site crane fully operational."

Our conversation with Rob Strmota reveals not only his satisfaction with the progress of King Heights Residences but also his deep passion for his craft. "I've always been driven by a passion for building and creating beautiful spaces

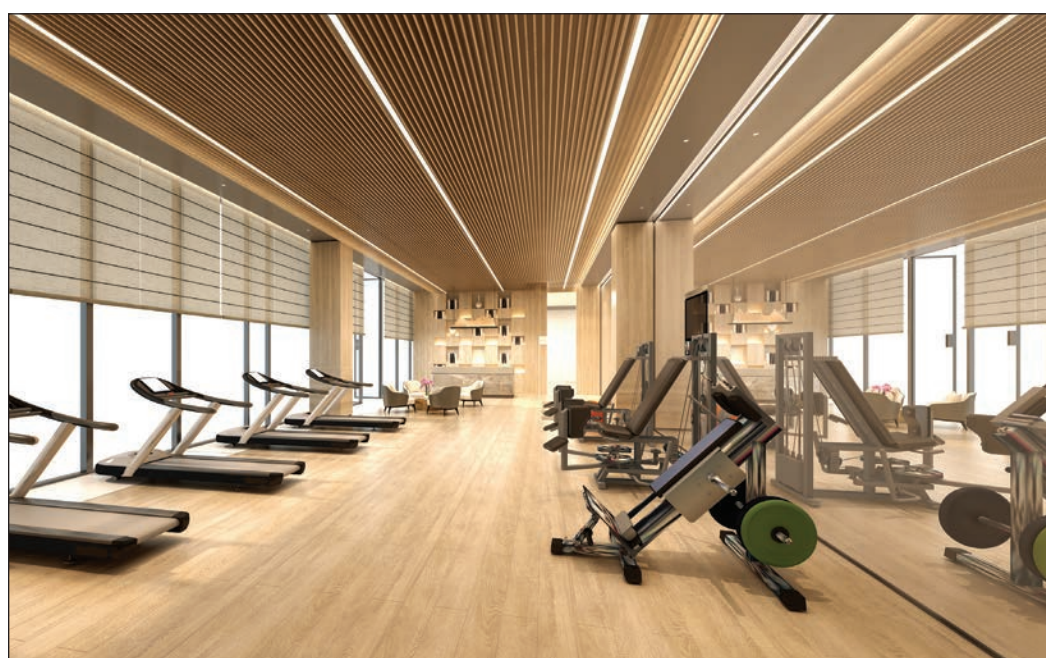
that enhance the community," he shares. "There's an unmatched sense of fulfillment in delivering a project where every detail has been meticulously executed. I've been in construction since I was 16, and for me, it's about more than just building – it's about creating timeless, elegant structures that our residents will cherish for years to come."

King Heights Residences offers a range of stunning features and desirable amenities within the building and just a short walk from the shops and eateries at Keele Street and King Sideroad. When residents take occupancy in the summer of 2026, they'll enjoy rooftop terraces with four loggias, BBQ areas, and unobstructed views of King City's beautiful countryside, including its green spaces and farmland.

Inside, the residences boast spacious 10- and 11-foot finished ceilings, far exceeding the typical 8- or 9-foot standard in other buildings. King Heights is designed with exclusive, high-end finishes throughout, ensuring an elevated living experience. Residents will also benefit from full concierge service, the 'One Valet' security program, a fully equipped gym and yoga studio, a lounge with a 100-inch TV, and access to party rooms. Additionally, the ground floor features



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eight on-site businesses, including a convenience store, nail salon, mortgage company, and medical practice, providing essential goods and services steps away.

Proximity to Metrolinx GO services makes it easy for residents to reach downtown Toronto in 40 minutes, perfect for attending shows or sporting events. Plus, they'll be within walking distance of local favorites like The Roost Café, Hogan's, Locale and the shops at Keele and King.

Strmota also expressed his appreciation for King City and the support of its municipal leaders: "King City is an incredible place – the trees, wildlife, golf courses, and fresh air. We're especially grateful for Mayor Steve Pellegrini and his Councillors, who understand the value of construction and development. Mayor Pellegrini's positive leadership and belief in these projects have been invaluable."

Strmota's commitment to the King community is evident in his support for local social and charitable initiatives. "We're proud to sponsor the Mayor's golf tournament, with many funds supporting recreation programs in King. We're also establishing funds for the Heart and Stroke Foundation and Lupus Ontario. Additionally, we contributed significantly to the Zancor Centre to enhance recreational activities at Dufferin and 15th, which will look fantastic when it opens later this fall. We're excited to support minor hockey as well."

In addition to giving back to the community, Strmota emphasized the satisfaction of "em-

ploying 200 people over a two-year span." He expressed gratitude for the exceptional contributions of his team, including Superintendent Antonio Ianni, Project Manager Paul Borzenko, Giovanni Amati, Real Estate Division Leader Daryl King of the Remax Hallmark Daryl King Team and Marketing Managers, Alexia and Rachel Strmota, along with all the contractors preparing the site and building King Heights. "Aracon is a fully integrated in-house company, allowing us to provide personalized service and ensure customer satisfaction," he noted. You can contact Daryl King of the Daryl King team at homes@darylking.com, 905-907-5464.

In conclusion, King Heights is a transformative addition to the King City landscape, seamlessly blending luxury and contemporary living within a picturesque setting. Aracon Homes President Rob Strmota underscores the exciting developments ahead for the community, reaffirming their dedication to providing exceptional service and support for residents who choose the King Heights lifestyle. With residences available at an attractive price of \$999.00 per square foot – significantly below the average sales prices across the GTA – this exclusive development is poised to enhance the local economy and foster a thriving community. We invite you to visit the presentation gallery at 18 Doctors Lane, where you can engage with the vision and intricate plans for this distinguished project, and discover the unparalleled lifestyle that awaits at King Heights.

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*Discover the Excitement!
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King Curling Club welcomes you to try curling!

By Shellee Morning

With the sport of curling growing across the nation at speeds that are requiring more and more attention, the need to comply within the community is also at an all-time high.

King Curling was inaugurated in 2011 with their own curling facility and has year after year increased its membership. A large part of the increase comes from a very dedicated team of volunteers and qualified coaches that participate, organize, and operate the Adult Learn-to-Curl Program.

The program, which made its debut in 2017, welcomed 27 enthusiastic “newbies”, most of whom are still members of the club today. The program now runs Sunday afternoons for 8 weeks, focusing on the basic skills of the sport, player safety, the format of the game, and the use of equipment.

Karl Davis, who was very instrumental in the start of the program as one of the coaches said, “We like to cap off at 32 participants to keep the student/coach ratio at 8:1.” Davis is very proud of the program’s accomplishments with an astonishing 85-95% of the “graduates” progressing into league play with the club. Some of them have even advanced into a coaching role.

Adults who have never curled step onto the ice on day one and step off the ice on the last day of the Learn-to-Curl program, game ready. Equipment is provided for everyone who wants to try it out before

purchasing their own, and for those who don’t want to learn the traditional delivery, they can use a curling stick, which grips the rock handle allowing the curler to walk rather than slide during delivery.

Davis also noted that the club is encouraging younger people (25-40) to try curling through the Learn-to-Curl program.

Curling Is for everyone!

Curling is NOT a retiree sport! Anyone from the age of six to 86 can play the game. It is a sport that can be strictly recreational and for those that enjoy the competitive drive. King Curling Club offers social and competitive leagues six days a week, operating during the day and in the evening. It is a place to meet new people, make new friends, socialize on and off the ice and play in a supportive environment. Being a physical sport, curling is a great way to get some exercise, improve mental health and stay active during the winter.

A great sport for kids!

If you are looking for a youth recreational activity, look no further than the King Curling Club. The youth programs offer kids the chance to learn in an engaging and fun environment. King Curling’s Little Rocks and Junior Programs have a devoted team of enthusiastic coaches and volunteers that offer their time and energy to these future curling stars. The programs are held after school with equipment provided for those who don’t want to purchase equipment right away.

Codie Harris, a former King Curling Club



Codie Harris, a King Curling Club Little Rocks graduate, has enjoyed a full career of curling that included both Provincial and National level championships.

member, recalls how he got interested in the sport at the age of 11. “I was walking home after school with friends towards the Trisan Centre and I asked where they were going.” The kids were going curling, and he decided right then and there he wanted to do it too. Harris began in the Little Rocks program before moving on to the Junior’s program. He then went on to the King City Lions high school boys curling team. Harris has many accolades from his curling career that include three gold medals at the OUA (Provincial) Championships and one gold medal at the Youth Sports National Championships. He also played in the U18, U21 and U25 leagues outside of the school curling programs. He gives credit for his success to the King Curling

Club’s coaches Julie Oakley and Kathleen Gorsline. His advice to kids who may want to try curling is “to just do it! You don’t know if you like it until you try it”.

Try Curling!

The King Curling Club hosts many curling events, also known as bonspiels, which are well suited to experienced and new curlers. The bonspiels include non-competitive social games and all equipment is provided. It’s a great way to try curling in a fun social environment. The club is located in the Trisan Centre in Schomberg. Visit their website for complete information on leagues and social events.

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The 2023 Adult Learn-to-Curl Graduates

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Stephen Lecce: “Deeply committed to King–Vaughan”

By Mark Pavilons

King’s MPP Stephen Lecce is approaching each new challenge with tenacity, and his constituents in mind.

King–Vaughan’s long-serving MPP was promoted to a new ministry after one of the longest tenures in the Ministry of Education since Bill Davis, and he has also racked up a litany of local and regional achievements.

“After nearly five years of serving as Ontario’s Minister of Education and being one the longest-serving Ministers in this portfolio, I am proud to have introduced measures such as restricting cell phones and banning vaping in schools. The job wasn’t easy, but I look back with immense pride, knowing we’ve steered the curriculum in the right direction by getting back to the basics of reading, writing, and math and revamped skilled trades education to prepare our students for jobs in high-demand, good-paying careers,” he said. It was also about standing up for what’s right – for common sense and the voices of parents – ensuring their voices triumph.

He was honored to have been promoted to Ontario’s new Minister of Energy and Electrification. The Minister was tasked with a strong mandate from the Premier to deliver clean, reliable and affordable energy with a strong emphasis on keeping costs down for families in both King–Vaughan and across the province by capitalizing on Ontario’s nuclear advantage.

“Ontario needs more energy as our economy and population grow. From expanding our grid here at home to displacing the reliance on dirty energy from authoritarian regimes abroad – we are using every tool at our disposal to secure Ontario’s place as a global clean energy leader.”

Lecce noted that the government is about “delivering results” and “staying focused on the community I was raised in and continue to call home.”

“We’ve got a great team at Queen’s Park focused on making critical investments in infrastructure projects like building more roads and highways, overseeing the largest public transit expansion across North America, and slashing timelines for new school builds in half,” he said. “We also welcomed over 44 billion dollars’ worth of historic manufacturing investments by companies like Stellantis, Volkswagen, and Honda – all of whom have chosen Ontario as their place to do business – creating thousands of new jobs in this province. But most importantly, our government is committed to making

life more affordable for families in Ontario. We’ve extended the 10-cent/litre gas tax cut and continue to stand up against the punitive Liberal carbon tax – while keeping energy rates low, predictable, and affordable so no family or senior lives through a time of energy poverty and rolling blackouts ever again.”

One of his greatest achievements as MPP was announcing Canada’s first and only medical school focused on training family doctors, right beside the Corbelli Vaughan Hospital. By funding and building the York University School of Medicine in Vaughan, beside the new long-term care home that was announced in 2022, “our government is ensuring that families and seniors in King–Vaughan have access to more integrated, better health care, closer to home. This is the first medical school in Canada with a distinguished mandate to focus on training family doctors.” MPP Lecce said he has been working on this for the past two years and was humbled to deliver this with the Premier by his side because “every family needs a family doctor, and I am determined to find a solution for our community and that benefits the entire province.”

He was also proud to deliver \$22.6 million to build the Tanya Khan Public School in New Kleinburg, which was completed in three years, from start to finish. This state-of-the-art school created 638 net-new student spaces and 39 licensed childcare spaces. This will be a modern, STEM-focused school environment that will ensure our kids get back to the basics in the classroom. This is in addition to the expansion of Pope Francis Catholic Elementary School and ventilation improvements at every publicly funded school in the community.

“Here in King, we announced the start of construction of the new long-term care home at Marylake last October that will house 160 beds for seniors right here in our community. I was proud to deliver \$60 million for this project to enable our seniors to age comfortably in their community.” When MPP Lecce was elected, King had the lowest ratio of residents to long-term care in the province; however, with this investment, we will massively expand spaces for seniors in a beautiful natural setting.

Highly visible in the riding, Lecce said he couldn’t help but take note of the incredible generosity of constituents across King–Vaughan. MPP Lecce knocked on doors over the summer, meeting families and connecting with residents. “Everywhere I went, I con-

ected with old friends and made many new ones, but there was one thing they had in common: everyone looked out for one another. From Maple, to Kleinburg to King, the highlight of my summer was connecting with community members from all backgrounds and walks of life who share the same values unique to our country – freedom, democracy, and the belief that hard work should pay off in Canada.”

“Some of my most memorable moments this summer were the opening of the state-of-the-art King Animal Hospital and hosting my annual Community Appreciation BBQ at Beretta Farms, in King City.”

Looking ahead, Lecce said construction for the YorkNet high-speed internet project is on track to be completed by the end of 2025, connecting more families than ever before to high-speed internet in King and Vaughan. Lecce said this is critical to “ending the digital divide,” a priority he has championed in King–Vaughan for the benefit of students, small businesses, and families.

“I am also looking forward to officially opening the long-awaited Zancor Centre, which will be a game changer for our communities. Families in King have made it very clear that we need a modern recreation centre for sports and recreation. I listened – and delivered over \$17 million in provincial dollars – to get this done.” This investment represents the single largest infrastructure investment Ontario has ever made in King Township.

Provincially, the single largest responsibility looking into the next two decades is expanding the energy grid and keeping costs down for Ontario families. Ontario is forecasting at least 60% more energy by 2050, emphasizing the critical importance of energy generation and storage. Lecce has said that we must think, plan, and build for the future in order to keep the system reliable and affordable for “the best generation, your kids and grandkids.”

“With the economy and population growing, EVs coming online, and industry electrifying, our energy demands will increase by anywhere from 60-80%, which requires our government to invest in the largest energy expansion and conservation initiatives in the history of our province. That includes leaning into non-emitting sources like nuclear, hydroelectric and renewables. This is important as Ontario has one of the cleanest electricity grids on earth, with roughly 90% from non-emitting sources.”



MPP Lecce tours the construction of the new Zancor Centre, with Mayor Pellegrini.

Lecce also is keeping a focus on the local GO stations, with a \$239 million investment underway to expand two-way GO services, noise barriers, enlarged platform space, and the building of more parking spaces and EV charging stations to make public transit more accessible. The Rutherford GO station is now complete, with Maple and King City under construction. “We need to get gridlock down in the GTA, and our investments in the largest subway expansion along with new highways and GO expansions will help commuters now and well into the future.”

“We’re helping commuters get around faster by working our way towards two-way, all-day GO Train service on the Barrie Line, and building the Finch West LRT, Eglinton Crosstown LRT, Hazel McCollion Line, Ontario Line, and the Yonge-North subway expansion into Vaughan that will further connect York Region to Toronto’s transit system. It’s going to take a lot of work, but we will get it done.”

It seems the MPP’s plate is constantly full of serious provincial responsibilities, but there is always room for his constituents and their needs. Lecce said he attended more events this summer than ever before, which can only mean that as the years go on, his sense of service, responsibility, and admiration for King and Vaughan families only grows stronger.



At left, MPP Lecce supports the efforts of the local Lions Club. Above, announcing the new York University School of Medicine, with Premier Ford.

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The future of tutoring is here at The Blue Marble Academy

By Aladin Jarrah



The Blue Marble Academy has been transforming the tutoring landscape since its recent expansion, offering innovative programs that nurture individual student growth.

The cornerstone continues to be tutoring, done with the unique and personal approach that founder Savita Despot has carried through from the start. “When we launched five years ago, I found that most tutoring companies typically evaluate students and place them in group settings based on their assessment results. I prefer to take a much more personalized approach. We invest time in understanding each child individually, including their learning style and existing knowledge level, then we match them with a dedicated tutor, who accompanies them on their entire journey with us,” she says. “We’re a bit old school in that regard; pen, paper and personal attention is what really resonates for the students.”

But The Blue Marble is far from old school in its approach to coding, which is constantly rebuilt to remain relevant. “We have to stay future-focussed and work with real world applications and technologies like AI (Artificial Intelligence) to empower these future innovators who might choose coding as a career path. These are exciting and rapidly changing times in this field, and we have to constantly reinvent the program to keep it on the cutting edge.”

Despot’s enthusiasm and excitement are contagious, and her team shares her dedication to the students they help. The Blue Marble takes a holistic approach to tutoring and focuses on both the Ontario curriculum and real-life application. Students dive into real-world coding projects, using AI

to create apps that solve everyday problems. For students who may not be as drawn to coding, The Blue Marble offers full-day Hackathons, designed to spark creativity and foster teamwork among students from Grade 4 and up. “We need to encourage students and equip them with critical thinking and problem-solving skills. It’s crucial that emerging technologies like AI are used as tools, not crutches,” explains Despot.

Earlier this year, The Blue Marble Academy launched a pilot project with the Township of King to teach seniors “technology literacy.” The goal was to help them become more comfortable with the devices that have become ubiquitous in modern life. The program was a resounding success, leading The Blue Marble Academy’s Director, Despot, to make it a permanent offering. While the classes are open to everyone, they are primarily focused on adults over 55, for whom the technological changes can be the most daunting. The course covers everything from basic computer skills and device usage to essential cybersecurity practices. “Seniors are the most susceptible to fraud and scams that can cost them a lot of money and cause a lot of heartache,” explains Despot. “Identity theft is a burgeoning problem, and we need to protect ourselves from it.” In response to the increasing risks of identity theft, The Blue Marble Academy is committed to providing services that safeguard personal information and financial well-being. With a focus on empowering seniors, they are helping the community take proactive steps to navigate and stay protected in today’s complex digital world.

The Blue Marble Academy is on a mission to bridge the gap between education and the environment, providing students with a unique, holistic learning experience. Catering to students from Kindergarten to Grade 12, the academy offers a range of services, including individualized tutoring plans, homework help, interactive workshops, seasonal camps, and a comprehensive coding program.

Specializing in subjects like French, Language Arts, Sciences, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, The Blue Marble Academy tailors its approach to each student’s needs. With a strong commitment to personalized learning and active community engagement, the academy empowers students to prepare for a future filled with limitless possibilities.

To learn more about their programs, visit The Blue Marble Academy’s King City location.



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See the Difference: King City's Total Eye Health is Always the Priority at Chic Eyes

By Aladin Jarrah

For Dr. Wendy Ng of Chic Eyes Optical & Optometry, eye health goes beyond basic vision tests and glasses. Her commitment to comprehensive eye care saved the sight, and possibly the life, of a new patient, who came for a second opinion because his blurry vision wasn't fixed by new glasses, when she diagnosed him with ocular melanoma (eye cancer). "Thanks to advanced technology like the Optomap and OCT (Optical Coherence Tomography), I could detect his rare cancer early," says Ng. "I'm grateful to be able to use my expertise and technology to make a difference in patients' lives."

"Early detection is key, so that's why regular eye exams are essential for everyone, even if you think your vision is perfect."

Chic Eyes Optical & Optometry, located in King City, has become a leader in eye care in the region by integrating cutting-edge technology into its practice. Dr. Ng explains how these advancements ensure overall eye health, an aspect often overlooked by many people.

One of the standout tools at Chic Eyes is the Optomap Ultra-Widefield Retinal Imaging. "Looking into someone's eye without this is like using a flashlight to scope around in a dark room," Ng says. "With the Optomap, it's like flipping on a light switch, revealing the entire room in one scan. It provides a detailed map of the retina and helps track for changes over time."

Additionally, Dr. Ng has recently installed one of the latest OCT machines, which takes eye care to the next level. She explains, "If the Optomap is like looking at the top surface of a birthday cake, the OCT allows us to see thousands of slices of each cake layer beneath the surface." This cross-sectional view is crucial for detecting issues such as macular degeneration, which impacts as many as one in 10 adults and one in three seniors, glaucoma, and diabetic eye disease. The OCT aids in diagnosing these conditions at an early stage, long before they're visible with the naked eye. "Many eye diseases are asymptomatic in their early stages, but cause vision loss as they progress," says Ng. "Early detection is key, so that's why regular eye exams are essential for everyone, even if you think your vision is perfect."

Beyond eye care, Chic Eyes offers personalized eyewear solutions tailored to modern lifestyles. Dr. Ng stresses the importance of finding the right prescription and lenses, particularly in a world where most people spend hours looking at screens. "Correctly crafted lenses, with blue light-blocking, UV-blocking, and polarization options can reduce strain and support long-term eye health," she says.

Chic Eyes also provides a curated selection of high-quality fashionable frames. Their collection includes boutique brands such as Face A Face, Lamarca, and Entourage of 7, along with well-known luxury brands such as Gucci, Saint Laurent, and Bottega Veneta. Dr. Ng recently introduced OVVO Optics, known for its lightweight yet incredibly durable frames. "The frames are so strong that they can withstand over 45 lbs of weight and can even pull a small airplane! Many of our patients love how light these frames feel on their face," says Ng.

Combining state-of-the-art technology, expert care, and stylish frames, Chic Eyes Optical & Optometry sets a high bar for comprehensive eye care in King.



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AudioPro Audiology Clinic Your Path to Better Hearing in Nobleton

By Brittany Grecni

If you're seeking top-quality hearing care in Nobleton, look no further than AudiPro Audiology Clinic! Founded in 2021 and run by Lalsa Perepa, Doctor of Audiology, and her husband, Dinesh Ayyala, AudiPro has quickly become a trusted name in the community.

Lalsa is one of the few professionals in the province who holds dual certification from CASLPO as both an audiologist and speech-language pathologist. With over twelve years of experience in hospital and private practice, Lalsa ensures personalized care for all ages, including children four years and older.

AudiPro Audiology offers a full range of hearing care services from quick ear examinations to comprehensive hearing tests, earwax removal, custom ear protection,

and hearing aid fittings and follow-up care to make the adjustment to hearing aids smooth and stress-free. Lalsa also specializes in Auditory Processing Disorder (APD), assessing and providing therapy for those struggling with processing sounds.

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Heal House redefines health and wellness



By Mark Pavilons

In today's hectic world, health and wellness are often neglected. Offering people a cutting-edge health and wellness experience is the driving force of King City's newly opened Heal House.

Founder Joe Lu and his team of traditional and holistic medical professionals are on the very precipice of changing health care as we know it. Backed by dozens of medical practitioners worldwide, Heal House takes in-person and virtual health care to an entirely new level.

The mission of the members-only wellness centre is to redefine the concept of wellness and establish a "new kind of health and wellness centre."

Lu lives up to his title of "Chief Visionary Officer" in every way and his passion is reflected in everything from Heal House's aesthetics to their litany of offerings.

He explains that it is all about helping the human body heal in a human way. To that end, they offer exclusive experiences custom tailored to each clients' well-being.

Heal House was created by Lu, a real estate professional, from real-life experience and the love of family. The inspiration and drive behind Heal House was Lu's son, Jayden, who suffers from a rare disorder. Using health-technologies and natural medicines, Jayden's life was totally transformed. Key to Jayden's health transformation was the use of frequency harmonics.

Lu explains that every disease, every ailment, has a certain frequency and technology has been developed to tap into those frequencies of light, sound, and energy to help improve a person's health and welfare.

Lu extensively researched holistic approaches, and seeking out the guidance of health care experts he combined this knowledge and wisdom into a unique, cohesive offering that distinguishes Heal House from any health facility in Ontario and North America in general.

It takes creative minds, he says, to remain "outside the box" and push the envelope to establish a new trajectory. By building Heal House Lu aims to build the future of health and wellness.

Heal House is not just about personal well-being, it is about collecting and using data and biomarkers to cater to each person's needs. It is contributing to the future of health care, one person at a time.

Your journey at Heal House begins with an extensive assessment, using the latest equipment in health technology for tests, scans, and even blood work. Members have access to everything from a variety of practitioners, such as naturopathic doctors, certified nutritionists, live/dry blood analyst, psychotherapist, certified sleep consultant and physicians. Heal House has a network of more than forty international experts in various fields.

Members will benefit from specialized classes, premium services, and community resources. A wellness coordinator will support and monitor your progress, empowering you every step of the way.

The focus is energy therapy – an innovative design framework that uses natural strategies to heal the human body. Through biohacking, technology is prominently leveraged to assess a person's internal makeup, providing hundreds of points of data to build a personal, tailor-made program.

Nancy Kim, COO, noted that many people, particularly Baby Boomers, want to improve their lifestyles to become healthier, and ultimately live longer. They're more health conscious and Heal House aims to change people's mind sets, making holistic services a first approach, not a last approach.

At Heal House, members will quickly become family.

Wayne Welter, business advisor, was drawn to Heal House through his own research and individual experiences both here, in the U.S. and in Europe.

Welter uncovered a cornucopia of holistic and naturopathic methods that have all seen amazing results in people suffering from everything from IBS to cancer. He witnessed some incredible success stories, particularly from specialists in Germany. The rest of the world is miles ahead of the regulatory, pharmaceutical industry dominated atmosphere in North America.

He took a deeper dive into his own personal health and through several natural methods, he became a new man. He shares the passion exuded by Lu and his team in presenting a groundbreaking "cocktail of healing."

The premium services are impressive and almost unfathomable, all in a welcoming and relaxed atmosphere. Heal House feels like a resort or spa, and it is easy to get pleasantly lost in this sanctuary. Lu's incredible design ability transformed the historic home on Doctors Lane into a modern mecca that helps harmonize your mind, body, and spirit.

And the array of exceptional equipment would make NASA jealous.

From the 3D Visbody body composition scanner to the smart Hexoskin body metrics vest, every aspect of your biology is mapped.

The House also offers a floating sensory deprivation tank, zero gravity table, massage table, ozone therapy, ice bath and sauna. Lu noted you are guided in the sauna by a breathing coach. There is also a lab for living blood cell analysis and fast results.

A small, heated exercise "gym" provides the necessary workout space for certain health assessments.

According to their website, you "step into a world where elegance meets exclusivity, and discover a new era of well-being that is truly exceptional."

Every floor of the oasis offers a unique experience and multiple therapy rooms. All are inviting and well-crafted to make you feel at home.

One of the incredible spaces is the "Secret Garden", a room that offers fresh food, cooking demonstrations, a café, and acts as a "chill zone". It is the epitome of indoor freshness. Each meal is a step towards wellness, offering gourmet dining and nutritional education. Members will learn how food impacts their body so they can make informed choices for a healthier life.

The room also contains a unique and rare Gamelatron, a wall mounted hand-crafted bronze gong device that emits healing frequencies that fill the room like nothing else. The device creates viscerally powerful encounters with resonance through a visually compelling work of art, derived from Indonesia's thousand-year-old sonic tradition of Gamelan.

Members will pay a premium for opting in to this new lifestyle journey. But those who are serious about healthy living know that the price of health is irreplaceable. So why wouldn't you pay a premium if you want the best health care possible?

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CAMCOS LIVING's primary focus is building residential communities, and as a community builder, they have created a reputation for quality and integrity through a unique blend of dynamism, ingenuity, and agility.

The team at CAMCOS LIVING have been instrumental in developing some of the industry's top talent and take immense pride in uniting people around a shared vision. By leveraging deep-rooted industry relationships and the trust they have with partners, they enhance the ability to align the right stakeholders to successfully execute projects.

The company is guided by six core values, with Integrity at the forefront, that ensures their actions are rooted in honesty, fairness, and respect. Their other values include: Passion, which fuels the quest for distinction. Excellence, to ensure a path that leads to proficiency and ingenuity. Adaptability, that anchors their resilience and innovation. Collaboration, which unites talent, fostering a vibrant tapestry rich with diverse ideas. And Impact, which leads them to pursue personal engagement and well-being, environmental care, and social responsibility. At CAMCOS LIVING, the team holds themselves accountable to their customers, colleagues, and stakeholders.

CAMCOS LIVING strives to enhance lives, invigorate communities, and protect the planet by forging a sustainable legacy for the future.

Team members at CAMCOS LIVING are industry experts and each bring a unique perspective, experience, and knowledge to the team. This includes diverse experiences, skillsets, and a breadth of knowledge, contributing across various disciplines. This cross-functional expertise allows the team to approach each project with a comprehensive and integrated perspective, ensuring excellence in every endeavor.

The team believes that people, are at the heart of everything they do. This philosophy helps drive their passion for enriching the lives of others through a thoughtful, purposeful, and creative approach to home building. These values are reflected in every home that CAMCOS LIVING builds and the 'Plus Factor' is a defining goal of what is accomplished by the CAMCOS LIVING team.



The 'Plus Factor' symbolizes the company's commitment to going 'above and beyond,' by continuously evolving to meet their customer's needs. Customer's needs are at the forefront of everything they do, guiding dedication to excellence, innovation, and value.

Currently, the CAMCOS LIVING team is very busy and active with eight projects in various stages of development and more on the way. These communities stretch across the Greater Toronto Area including Arpeggio in Caledon, The Gateway of Lindsay in The Kawarthas, Ravine Mills in Bowmanville, Avenue Towns and Townhomes of Little Rouge in Markham, The Standard and Canterbury Lanes in King City, and a community in Mississauga, which will be announced soon.

What these communities all share is CAMCOS LIVING's relentless focus on providing value, convenience, and comfort in great locations with a dedication to quality and a customer-first approach.

CAMCOS LIVING prides itself on being a socially responsible builder as well as an innovative designer of modern homes.

Locations chosen for new developments are carefully considered for many reasons.

Some are built to satisfy people with a busy lifestyle who rely on transit, while others are chosen to create a family-friendly environment with nearby amenities. In smaller towns, a new development with the conveniences of a town mixed with the laid-back lifestyle of more rural living is preferable for many people.

This approach to developing new locations comes from an understanding of the challenges in the new home buying process and results in a best-in-class experience and homes crafted with meticulous mindfulness.

CAMCOS LIVING is committed to operating with integrity and enhancing the broader community where they build.

With each home they build, they are committed to enhancing the quality of life for those who place their trust in them, ensuring that every investment in a new home is a step towards "Life, Better Built."

CAMCOS LIVING headquarters is at 238 Wellington Street East, Suite 100, in Aurora.

You can learn more about CAMCOS LIVING and see some of the communities they have created by visiting the website at: www.camcos.ca.

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The shovels went in the ground to launch the King City luxury townhouse project by Camcos. Shown are (l to r) James Circosta, Mike Circosta, Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Nino Campoli.





The Schomberg Village Pharmacy celebrated its 5th Anniversary last May. Pictured are, left to right: Kevin Soo, Martina Mongelli, co-owner Cristina Privado-Azzopardi, Minister Rechie Valdez, co-owner Anna Patrizio, Catherine Daquer, Ella Macmahon-Jones and Triscilla Ban (not in photo).

Schomberg Village Pharmacy:

Innovation through life-long learning, connection to customers, and unique cutting-edge services

By Jim Stewart

The Schomberg Village Pharmacy celebrated its fifth anniversary of service to King Township in May. The Pharmacy's congenial owner Anna Patrizio expressed her gratitude to customers who have supported her enterprise for half a decade, and discussed the connection that has developed with the residents of King: "I find it personally gratifying that our clients, who have supported our operations over the past five years, have developed relationships that feel like those of 'good neighbours' and, at times, even like family. It's especially touching when they check in with us, particularly after periods when we haven't seen each other for a while. These interactions are truly heartwarming."

In addition to the warm interaction with long-time customers, Patrizio noted the most satisfying aspects of her job as proprietor of the Schomberg Village Pharmacy are solving medical problems for her clients and taking the pressure off local hospitals and walk-in clinics: "It's rewarding to be actively involved in problem-solving and helping bridge gaps in healthcare. This is why, as a pharmacy team, we fully embrace the expansion of our scope of practice. It enables us to leverage our training and education to their fullest potential. With our ability to now prescribe for certain minor ailments, such as pink eye and yeast infections, we can help alleviate the strain on walk-in clinics and emergency rooms by managing these cases efficiently through our expertise as pharmacists."

It's evident by the volume of customers that flow in and out of the north-Schomberg pharmacy that Patrizio's store has differentiated itself from other Township pharmacies. She delineated the differences: "Innovation and evolution is what sets us apart from other local pharmacies. If we are not in the store, you will find us in trade shows on automation as well as seminars on updates on new medicines/treatments. Our team members themselves go to seminars to further improve our local services."

This dedication to life-long learning is a calling card that the pharmacy's long-time customers appreciate, and they showed their connection by turning up in droves to celebrate Schomberg Village Pharmacy's milestone in May, even if the day was a wee bit rainy: "We were proud to celebrate our fifth anniversary this year – a milestone that reflects our agility and innovation in navigating two of the toughest challenges: the healthcare crisis brought on by the Pandemic and the economic slowdown facing entrepreneurs. We're also excited to announce a collaborative partnership with Dr. Rhea Uy's medical aesthetics practice within our space. Together, we've perfected a highly effective, personalized prescription hair growth foam tailored to each client's unique needs. As we marked this occasion this summer, we were honoured to celebrate alongside our family, friends, clients, and esteemed guests."

One of the special aspects of the celebration was the attendance of fellow Filipina Rechie Valdez – the first Member of Parliament and Cabinet Minister with roots in the Philippines: "We were pleasantly surprised and honoured by the presence of the Honourable Rechie

Valdez, MP and Federal Cabinet Minister of Small Business, at our event. Her attendance holds special significance for both myself and my business partner, Cristina Privado-Azzopardi, as proud Filipina immigrants. Minister Valdez is a trailblazer, being the first Filipina Member of Parliament and Cabinet Minister in Canada. During her visit, we had the opportunity to discuss the Canadian Digital Adoption Program Grant, for which we have already qualified, and we are eager to maximize this grant to enhance our services to the community. We are also thrilled to share that this year marks the 75th anniversary of bilateral relations between Canada and the Philippines – two nations bound by strong people-to-people ties and shared values."

In addition to reflecting on five years of serving her community and celebrating her heritage, Patrizio took a moment to discuss the road ahead for the Schomberg Village Pharmacy: "As we look ahead to next year, we're excited to focus on advancing our compounding expertise and expanding our range of specialties. Currently, we offer pain creams, pediatric suspensions, cosmetic and aesthetic creams, hair growth foams, and suppositories. In addition, we'll be launching travel clinic services as part of our mission to become Schomberg's leading vaccination hub – proudly standing as the only pharmacy in the area designated to administer the Yellow Fever Vaccine. We're also excited to participate in the "Dose4Dose" program, through which every eligible adult vaccine dispensed at our pharmacy results in a matching vaccine donation to another country via UNICEF. Our commitment to purposeful entrepreneurship drives us to partner with organizations that create meaningful impact locally, nationally, and globally. Additionally, we're exploring new ways to engage the community by collaborating with associations to offer health-related seminars and outreach programs."

A final initiative announced by Patrizio is a new online platform to enhance the pharmacy's digital communication connections with customers: "I'm excited to share that one of our latest initiatives has landed us on **Flipp**, the popular online platform for flyers and deals. We're offering competitive pricing on selected over-the-counter and household brands, making it easier for customers to find great savings. As we navigate through tougher economic times, we believe this is a meaningful step toward helping consumers stretch their dollars further. Be sure to check out our latest offers on Flipp.com and take advantage of the great deals we have lined up!"

It's clear that Anna Patrizio and her dedicated team at Schomberg Village Pharmacy are on the cutting edge of what pharmacies should be in the twenty-first century.



Co-owner Anna Patrizio



Co-owner Cristina Privado

Schomberg Village Pharmacy

Celebrating Excellence: Villanova College's 25th Anniversary and a Bright Future Ahead

As Villanova College in King City marks its 25th anniversary, it stands at a significant juncture in its rich history. This milestone not only celebrates the school's past but also highlights its steadfast commitment to excellence in education, community, and character formation. With the impending completion of Project 2025, excitement is building as the school prepares to unveil its new state-of-the-art theatre and dining hall, designed to enhance the educational and social experiences of its students.

The history of Villanova College is deeply rooted in the rich tradition of Catholic education worldwide. As an Augustinian institution, it draws inspiration from the educational philosophy established in North America since 1842. The college's story began with the faith of a small group of founding families who envisioned a nurturing environment for their children, a vision that continues today through the dedication of its faculty and the unwavering support of its parent community. Villanova College strives to form students in unity, truth, and love through its comprehensive academic programs and vibrant school life.

In 1998, the not-for-profit corporation 'St. Thomas of Villanova Catholic School' was established, leasing thirty-three acres on the historic Marylake campus. By the spring of 1999, twenty-six students were registered in grades 7, 8, and 9. That September, Villanova College opened its doors as the only fully independent Catholic school in Ontario since the mid-1960s. Initially located at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, the school quickly transitioned to a 12,000 square-foot facility on its Marylake campus in January 2000.

Recognizing the need for a permanent space, construction began on its first building phase in 2002, which included 14 academic classrooms, a cafeteria, kitchen, and a gymnasium. This was followed by the completion of additional classrooms in 2003. Today, Villanova boasts over 120,000 square feet of academic and athletic facilities, serving a vibrant community of over 600 students. In June 2003, the college celebrated its inaugural graduating class, marking the beginning of a legacy of academic excellence.

'Project 2025' represents a significant leap forward for Villanova College. The new theatre will serve as a creative hub, providing students with opportunities to engage in the performing arts, debate and public speaking and collaborate on innovative projects, showcasing their talents and fostering a strong sense of community. Additionally, the new dining hall will create a welcoming space for students to gather, share meals, and forge lasting friendships, further enriching campus life.

The completion of Project 2025 is not merely about new buildings; it symbolizes the creation of inspiring spaces that cultivate the next generation of leaders. As Villanova College embarks on this new chapter, it reaffirms its commitment to nurturing students who are not only academically accomplished but also compassionate and socially responsible. Villanova prides itself on graduating leaders who serve.

There are many exciting community celebrations planned throughout the year to mark this milestone and thank all those who share in Villanova's past, present and future. On September 20th, Archbishop Francis Leo officially marked the start of the 25th anniversary year by celebrating the Opening School Mass. As the school reflects on its journey, it recognizes the vital contributions of its alumni, parents, and community partners. Their support and faith in the School's mission has been instrumental in shaping Villanova College into the school of choice it continues to be. The community will come together throughout the year to celebrate 25 years of Villanova College—a school built on faith, knowledge, and service. Together, they look forward to a bright future, empowering students to make a positive impact in the world. Here's to the next 25 years of excellence!



Archbishop Francis Leo Officially Marks Start of 25th Anniversary Year



Villanova College Beginnings: 2000



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THE POWER OF THREE:

The Zacchigna Team has all your Real Estate needs covered

By Aladin Jarrah

Susan Zacchigna is a self-professed King Township lifer. “I moved here with my parents as a baby from the UK, and I’ve lived in Nobleton for over 55 years. I absolutely love it. I wouldn’t dream of living anywhere else. That’s why I dedicate my life to this place, through my work and my community involvement. I am thrilled to say I have four generations living in the best place in the world - KING TOWNSHIP!”

Zacchigna’s real estate business is a family affair. She’s been licensed for over 20 years and works with husband Dave, who’s been in the business for 30 years, and her daughter Stephanie, a Broker with seven years under her belt. “Between us we have a lifetime of experience,” she quips. “But we all have different skill sets and talents, which makes us a dynamic and unique team!”

“I’m the lead. I liaise with the clients, get new business and generally run things. I love meeting people and I love talking to them and understanding their stories. We can serve them better that way. My husband Dave is quieter than I am, but with years of construction experience he is great at assessing homes, whether we’re listing them or showing them to clients of ours. And then there’s Stephanie, my daughter. She’s amazing at understanding the new technologies. She takes care of the social media and advertising. Whereas I like to joke that I love working with “dinosaurs”, Stephanie bridges the gap with the younger generation of buyers and sellers. My son Andrew also gets involved. He is a contractor and can offer home repair to help prepare a client’s home before it goes to market. He can also provide service to clients on anything from minor renovations to large additions. So, between us, we’ve got you covered! We work as a team and can deal with anything that might come our way.”

The Zacchigna Team truly has seen it all. “The community has changed, the population demographics have changed, the mar-



ket has changed... everything changes. It’s important to understand the changes in the market and in clients’ needs. It’s also important not to panic. In real estate terms, there isn’t much we haven’t seen between us. The real estate business isn’t just about writing an exam and selling – it’s about people. You must understand and genuinely care about the people you serve to be able to do this job right!” says Susan.

The Zacchigna family certainly put their money where their mouth is. Dave has been a Volunteer Firefighter in King for 32 years and their son Andrew has joined the ranks of the fire department, too. Susan volunteered for 30 years with the Canadian Cancer Society, and for four of her 13 years volunteering with the Nobleton Skating Club she served as President. They are staunch supporters of the Nobleton Lions and are active in the annual Victoria Day celebrations. They enjoy organizing community raffles and the annual Community Street Sale to encourage reusing and recycling household items. One visit to their website will show you less about them and more about the charities they support like Tuff Therapeutic Riding Foundation, Dog Tales Rescue & Sanctuary, SickKids and Children’s Miracle Network.

When asked, the normally chatty Susan gets a little more introspective. “You know, it’s just the way I was raised, and the way I raised my kids. Years ago, I worked in high-end menswear, and I learned first-hand from Harry Rosen himself. He taught me that it didn’t matter what a person looked like or how well they dressed, when they came to the store all they wanted was to be

treated with respect and honesty, and that’s how I live my life.”

The Zacchignas use these qualities as a cornerstone to their business. Says Susan, “Sure, it’s a people business we’re in, but that doesn’t take away from the importance of knowledge and experience. We are constantly learning about the economy, demographics, the market, interest rate predictions, trends and pricing. We learn this all because it interests us, sure, but we also learn it because it’s the best way to service our clients. We strive to make the difficult process as low stress and low pressure as possible. To prepare a new listing, we enhance what’s already there by decluttering and subtle staging. People have enough to worry about these days, and if we can reduce that a little bit, then we’re doing something right. A majority of our business comes from referrals and lasting relationships with past clientele. That makes us happy.”

The Zacchigna Team is very proud to be awarded the Re/Max Lifetime Achievement Award and the Re/Max Hall of Fame Award. They service all of King, York Region, Toronto, Peel, Simcoe, Muskoka and beyond. They can be reached through their website at www.teamgta.com.

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From Passion to Performance in Schomberg



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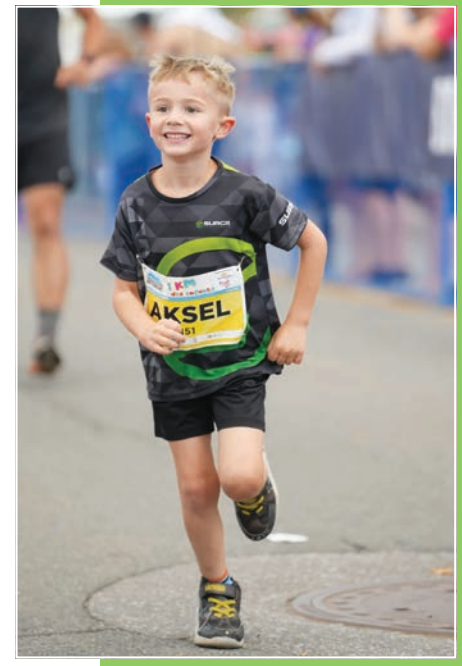
In the heart of Schomberg, Ontario, Surge Activewear is making waves in the athletic world. Founded nearly a decade ago by Windsor native Ryan Raymond, who relocated to Toronto, the brand has become a staple for athletes across Ontario. Ryan's inspiration? His uncle, a former Team Canada athlete and one of the few Canadians to run a sub-4-minute mile, whose dedication to sports sparked Ryan's own journey into athletic apparel.

After working alongside his uncle in the promotional apparel business, Ryan launched Surge Activewear. His brand now partners with Athletics Ontario and outfits major events like the Ottawa Marathon, Army Run, Around the Bay Road Race, Hamilton Marathon, and even Team Canada's uniforms for the Invictus Games.

What sets Surge Activewear apart is its pioneering use of sublimation printing, a technique they first introduced on a large scale in 2008. This innovative approach allows for vibrant, durable designs that have become a hallmark of their custom teamwear.

As Surge Activewear gears up to launch a new cycling and triathlon line, Ryan is also brought the community together with King Township's first annual Mug Run on September 21st in Schomberg.

To learn more, visit Schombergmugrun.com and surgeactivewear.com



Floral Diva - Beautifully crafted and designed flower arrangements for any occasion



Although she was around the business, she had no interest in it at all in her early years.

It wasn't until years later, when her mother asked her for help in the shop for a special event, Carmela realized she really enjoyed designing the floral arrangements.

"I've always loved arts and crafts and there is a lot of room for creativity," Carmela said. "I'm always coming up with new ideas. This is not like work to me - I play all day."

The shop is filled with flowers and examples of what can be done with arrangements. It is colourful and vibrant.

Carmela loves meeting with her customers and providing what they need for any occasion.

She also offers convenient services for customers who may have difficulty coming to the store.

"I do in-house funeral consultations so people don't have to leave their house during a sad time, so I go to their home to take an order," Carmela explained. "I do consultations for weddings, and I can do it so they don't have to leave their house. We can do it by Facetime or by text, e-mail, or on the phone. With technology, everything is at your fingertips."

Many occasions need flowers to set the tone of the event. Weddings, engagement parties, baptisms, and corporate parties all are transformed by beautiful flower arrangements. Flowers can brighten anyone's day during an anniversary celebration, a birthday, and congratulations on a special occasion.

Carmela can design a floral arrangement for any event and can customize arrangements to suit the occasion.

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Floral Diva is conveniently located at 1344 Wellington St. West, in King City.

You can visit on-line at: www.floraldiva.ca, or call 647-980-3482.

Carmela also will accept after-hours calls or texts if you receive an invitation late, and are desperate for flowers at the last minute.

Carmela can be reached at 905-851-2209.



Flowers are one thing that can brighten or beautify any occasion.

Whether it is a sombre event like a funeral or memorial service, a cheerful and happy celebration like a wedding, baptism, engagement party, company party, or just a corsage for prom night, a beautifully created flower arrangement will set the tone and enhance the atmosphere of any private, social or corporate function.

At Floral Diva in King City, florist and owner Carmela Petralito is an artist and designer who creates beautiful flora decorations for any occasion.

Carmela moved Floral Diva from Woodbridge to her new King City location because she enjoys the more rural location, she lives nearby, and King City didn't have the same amount of services she offers.

Carmela was only seven years old when her mother Cora started the original business.



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In the constantly evolving world of real estate where market trends are always changing, it is important to be involved, stay aware of the current trends, and continue to be educated about the way the industry is changing.

With 34 years of experience, Daryl King leads a team of over 70 real estate representatives under the REMAX Hallmark name, that serve Toronto and the GTA with professionalism, experience, and an unwavering commitment to helping their clients achieve their goals and dreams.

The real estate market in the region has been quite volatile over the past few years, however, after a few years of rising prices, the market has stabilized. After the buying frenzy that occurred during COVID, the market has now evolved to a place where buyers have the upper hand.

Daryl and his team look forward to helping potential buyers with their home buying dream and are encouraging people to take advantage of the current market.

"Right now is a great time to buy," Daryl explained. "If you're a buyer today, there is a selection. You can put a condition on a home inspection or financing. You may put a condition on having your lawyer look at it. If you have ten houses to look at, you may be the only buyer for those ten houses right now. There's no better time than the present. If buyers are sitting on the sidelines, my advice to them is to get off the sidelines and get to the front of the line. Around 70 per cent of buyers have something to sell, unless they are a first time home buyer. They need to have a fully qualified real estate agent over to their house to help get them get their house fully prepared."

Active listings in the region are up 55 per cent this year, meaning there is plenty of inventory available for

someone looking for a home.

Daryl has prepared a list for his clients called '27 Tips,' that are applicable for anyone who owns a property and is hoping to sell. The tips provide ways to prepare a home for sale to maximize profits.

"When you live in your home, you can live any way you want," Daryl explained. "However, when you want to sell it, it should be in a showcase presentation. There are things you can change, that are not that costly, but the return on the money you spent, is dramatic."

Over the years, Daryl has been involved in around 17,000 real estate transactions. This translates to thousands of satisfied clients, who not only return when they make their next move, they refer friends and family to the Daryl King team.

After more than 30 years in the real estate industry, Daryl is not satisfied to rest on his laurels. He continues to hone his skills and is constantly learning something new.

"I have a personal coach," Daryl explained. "After 34 years, I've spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on my education and learning new skills with mentoring coaches. If you don't learn more, you're not growing. Every 365 days, I reflect back on what I've learned, and my skills have increased by 20 per cent. We've helped 17,000 families buy, sell, or invest in those 34 years."

Daryl's team of professionals are also always learning and are dedicated to their profession.

"You can be a jack of all trades, but you can't be a master of all of them," Daryl said. "I have dedicated buyer agents that are going to give one hundred and ten percent of their effort, and it's not their time and effort, it's the entire team. If someone is looking at a particular area and a price range, the whole team will go and help them look for it."

As a respected member of the community, Daryl and his Team actively take part in community events and give back to the region that has supported them over the years.

"We are always trying to be involved in the community," Daryl said. "Giving

"Be kind, be humble, have a great attitude because you never know what someone else is facing."

~ DK ~

back is key. There's always different charity events that we are involved in. We always help the Women's Shelters every Christmas and things like that. We're always trying to set an example."

Daryl brings his business philosophy into his personal life as a way of treating those around him.

"Be kind, is what I say," Daryl said. "Be kind, be humble, have a great attitude because you never know what someone else is facing. It doesn't matter how rich or successful someone is, everyone could be going through something. I always, say, if I can help one person, and they can help one person, we're better off. We always want to make sure we are giving the best possible service to our clients, to our fellow realtors, and our brokers."

It is this philosophy and way of dealing with clients that brings people back to the Daryl King team when it's time to sell a property, or when looking for a new home.



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THE COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL:

Embedded in the community

By Mark Pavilons



Community collaboration and partnerships help cement The Country Day School's place in King.

Last spring, the school decided to secure the naming rights to Ice Pad 2 of the new Zancor Centre, the cutting-edge multi-use recreation centre. The arena will soon be known as "The Country Day School Arena".

This, says Brent Johnston, Executive Director of Advancement, is their way of giving back to the community. It's been "magical" to connect with the municipality in this new facility – a mere 800 metres from the school on Dufferin Street. When all the work is completed, a sidewalk will be installed, allowing CDS students to safely walk to the facility.

The \$86-million facility sits on 25 acres at the southeast corner of the King Campus of Seneca and will be accessible from 15th Sideroad. The Zancor Centre will include an aquatics centre with a six-lane lap pool and leisure pool, two NHL-sized ice rinks, spectator seating, an artificial turf fieldhouse with running track, and a multi-use community space. Outdoor amenities include a large courtyard with direct access to social and community rooms, with future plans for the site including connections to the Oak Ridges Moraine trail system and outdoor sports fields.

CDS itself is moving full steam ahead at improving its own array of athletic facilities and having access to the nearby arena will only enhance the student experience. The pools will also serve to help students learn important water safety skills and receive certification for outdoor education related trips.

While CDS has produced some high-level athletes over the years, the school embodies the mantra of "education with balance," catering to students' needs. Academics is bolstered by arts, technology, outdoor education and sports. The all-encompassing nature of the CDS experience is what makes it a world-class independent school.

In recent years, the school has revamped both its Junior and Senior Schools and added a marché style dining hall.

Johnston pointed out they also promote "fitness for life," which encourages students to be engaged in some level of physical activity, not necessarily competitive sports. That's one of the school's guiding principles.

The naming rights don't give the school preference, but they will take full advantage of the typical off-peak times students will hit the ice.

CDS is "nimble enough" to offer a variety of sports, sometimes led by student demand. They also have girls' field hockey and ice hockey, along with rugby squads. The school has produced NHL players such as two-time Stanley Cup champion Barclay Goodrow, but Johnston is quick to point out that professional sports success is not the focus at CDS. Alumni who have become high-level athletes

'The Country Day School Arena' gives back

serve to inspire students who can set their sights on success in any field.

Some of these athletes – like Team Canada soccer star Adriana Leon – played during their school days, where perhaps a taste for top-notch competition was born. CDS does help such players excel, supported by the High-Performance Physical Education Program. The support they receive helps provincial level athletes reach those additional heights in their careers.

The school doesn't focus on any one sport, and has seen students excel in everything from equestrian riding and gymnastics to figure skating and soccer.

Johnston and the CDS team of passionate teacher-coaches are extremely proud of their graduates. But even more than their athletic prowess, the CDS family is happy to see the fine people they have become.

Those are the real success stories, Johnston stressed.

CDS faculty-coaches are accomplished athletes themselves, two who were recently named to their alma maters' sports halls of fame, including Sandy Townsend (Queen's for rugby) and Ellie (Seedhouse) Cawfield (Western for ice hockey).

Johnston said the campus ensures its own facilities are top-notch, and there are plans to replace the aging Dome with a new fieldhouse. The Zancor Centre provides a "wonderful opportunity" for CDS, which will come in particularly handy when construction takes place.

There's incredible enthusiasm for the school and enrolment now stands at 820 students. Their pride and balance resonates not just in the hallways, but throughout the King community as well.

CDS is a place where the students are really "lifted up," whether it's competing at international public speaking events or performing a musical on stage.

The level of CDS family and community support is second to none, and keeps growing. The school recently celebrated its 50th anniversary and is looking to the future for more milestones.

"The sky's the limit," said Kim Sillcox, Director of Communications & Marketing.

The sounds of skates hitting the ice will soon resonate throughout the community. And CDS stars of today, and tomorrow, will be among those leaping off the benches and into the thick of things.

"The Country Day School Arena" is a sign that community spirit is stronger than ever.



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