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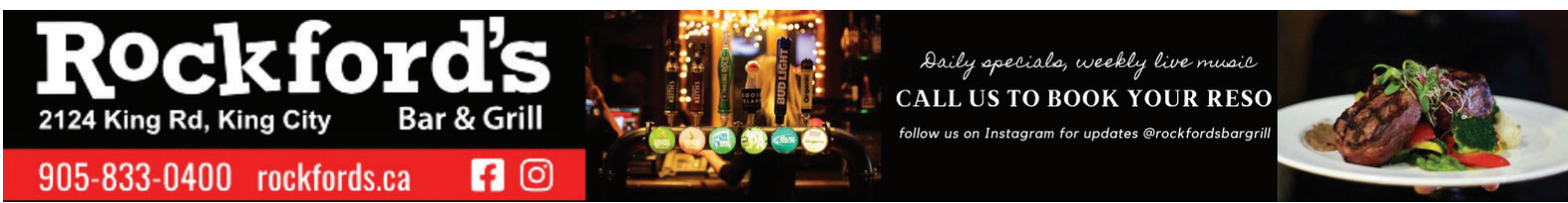
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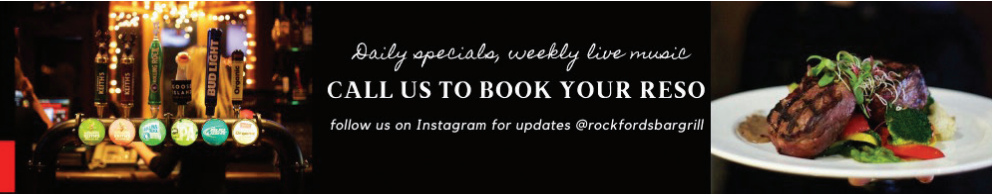
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## Lecce announces funding for hospital

As part of the provincial budget, the Province is investing \$10 million for the Southlake Regional Health Centre, to plan for a new hospital in addition to the renovation of the existing facility. "After opening the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital and delivering two net-new long term care homes, we are investing in better care, closer to home," said King-Vaughan Stephen Lecce. The Southlake Hospital leadership team joined him for the announcement. Shown are (l to r) Derek Rowland, Chief Communications Officer and Director of Public Affairs at Southlake; Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP for Newmarket-Aurora; Wendy Miller, Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer at Southlake; Stephen Lecce.

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## Township will transition to new recycling system next year

King Township will transition to a new recycling collection system next year as part of a province-wide initiative to provide consistent recycling services and allow more materials to be recycled in more communities.

Starting Jan. 1, 2026, producers of recyclable materials will be operationally and financially responsible for residential blue box collection programs across Ontario. This means producers will oversee the collecting, sorting and recycling of all blue box materials. Circular Materials Ontario, a not-for-profit organization appointed by the province, is overseeing this transition.

There will be no changes to King Township's collection schedule or the materials residents can recycle from now until Dec. 31, 2025.

Starting on Jan. 1, 2026, recycling collection will change from once a week to once every two weeks. This will bring King Township into alignment with all other municipalities in terms of collection frequency. Residential customers will still be able to put the same materials in their recycling containers. Residents will receive a large, wheeled tote in place of their blue box later this year.

There are no changes to other curbside collection services in King, including garbage, green bin organics, large and bulky items and leaf and yard waste.

The Government of Ontario introduced the legislation that transforms the management and collection of Blue Box materials in the province back in 2016. The Blue Box Regulation, enacted under the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, is a part of Ontario's Strategy for a Waste Free Ontario: Building the Circular Economy.

This regulation shifts the current cost-sharing model, which divides expenses between municipal taxpayers and producers of blue box materials, to a new system where producers are fully responsible for funding, operating, and meeting performance targets for the recycling program. Producers will be accountable for collecting and recycling blue box materials, reporting to the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (RPPRA) and achieving progressively higher recycling targets.

By placing the full financial, operational and performance responsibility on producers, this new approach creates a direct incentive to minimize waste and enhance recycling efforts, leading to reduced natural resource extraction, pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

King Township is committed to supporting a smooth transition of the blue box program and will keep the community informed of updates before any changes come into effect.

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## Upcoming Meetings



### COUNCIL MEETINGS

**Monday, May 26**  
6 p.m. - Council

**Monday, June 02**  
6 p.m. - Public Planning Meeting

In-person at the King Township Municipal Centre and live streamed at [king.ca/meetings](http://king.ca/meetings)

### COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

**Thursday, June 05**  
6 p.m. - Heritage Advisory Committee

Virtual

View full Council and Committee agendas at [king.ca/meetings](http://king.ca/meetings)

## Recent Planning & Heritage Notices

- **Notice of Public Planning Meeting June 2, 2025 Concerning a Proposed Revised Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment** Re: 2710 King Road and 13371 Jane Street, King City, ON
- **Notice of Complete Applications and Public Planning Meeting June 2, 2025 Concerning a Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and Official Plan Amendment** Re: 117 Humber Valley Cres., King City, ON
- **Notice of Public Planning Meeting June 2, 2025 Concerning a Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment** Re: 1600 Graham Sideroad, King, ON
- **Notice of Intention to Pass Amending By-law May 26, 2025, to Remove the Holding (H) Symbol** Re: 1600 Sproule Street, Schomberg, ON
- **Notice of Intention to Pass Amending By-law May 26, 2025, to Remove the Holding (H) Symbol** Re: 31 and 37 Banner Lane, King City, ON
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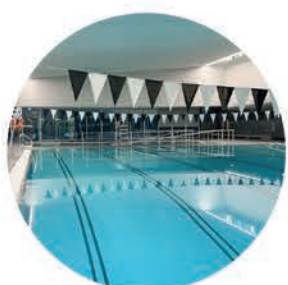


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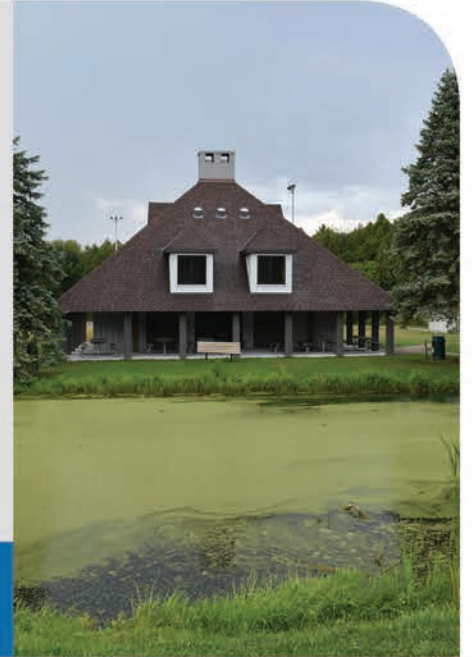
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## Picturesque picnics in the park are booking fast!

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## Digital Transformation FRAMEWORK

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### Digital milestones achieved so far:

- 'Kingsley' an AI-Powered Virtual Assistant on [king.ca](http://king.ca)
- Service Performance Dashboard (pothole repairs, recreation programs and snow removal services)
- Self-Serve Appointment Bookings (Economic Development Consultations, Marriage Licence Appointments)
- Responsible Artificial Intelligence (AI) Roadmap

The next phase, concluding in 2025, will evolve based on your feedback and the successes of our initial projects.

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## Canada Post Strike Notice

Negotiations between Canada Post and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers have resumed. A potential labour disruption could happen as early as **May 22**, affecting mail service to and from King Township.

Mail service delays may impact water bills, marriage licenses, public planning and heritage notices and by-law infractions.

The water bill due on **June 25** (for the period of March and April) was mailed to residents on May 13. There is no change to the due date and penalty will be applied to late payments.

To avoid missing a paper copy of your bill in the event of a strike, register for eBilling and the Pre-Authorized Debit Program for automatic withdrawals. For more information, including links to enrolment, visit [king.ca/WaterBilling](http://king.ca/WaterBilling).

Alternatively, call 905-833-5321 and pick up a print copy at the Municipal Centre or email [serviceking@king.ca](mailto:serviceking@king.ca).



# Ontario Investing \$17 million in York Region Transit

The Ontario government is investing over \$17 million to support public transit in York Region through the 2024-25 Gas Tax program. This funding can be used to expand service hours, increase routes, purchase new vehicles and improve accessibility to increase transit ridership.

"I have heard loud and clear from commuters in King and Vaughan that it's time to put an end to standstill gridlock", said Stephen Lecce, MPP King-Vaughan. "Our government is mobilizing all-hands-on-deck to get Ontarians moving by delivering the largest public transit infrastructure expansion in North America — including by bolstering public transit in York Region by adding net-new routes and supplying high-tech vehicles to meet rising demand. From substantial upgrades at the King City, Maple and Rutherford GO stations and our government's in-

roduction of the 'One-Fare' program saving transit-users \$1,600 every year — we are committed to delivering reliable and affordable public transit for workers and families in our community."

"This funding is great news for people not only in Newmarket—Aurora, but across York Region" said Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP for Newmarket—Aurora. "Under the leadership of Premier Ford, we are investing in local transit to give York Region residents more ways to connect with work, school and the people and places that matter most to them."

The Ontario government is investing over \$380 million in 106 municipalities across Ontario to improve local transit through the Gas Tax program.

"On behalf of York Regional Council and The Regional Municipality of York, I want to thank the Government of On-

tario for this important investment in public transit. With more than 1.26 million residents and significant growth on the horizon, reliable and accessible transit is essential to keeping our communities and our economy moving," said Eric Jolliffe, Chairman and CEO of the Regional Municipality of York. "This funding supports the day-to-day operation of York Region Transit and helps us deliver the safe, seamless and sustainable service our residents rely on. We value the province's ongoing partnership in building a stronger, more connected York Region."

"No matter where you live, workers and families deserve access to fast, reliable and affordable public transit that connects them to good jobs and housing," said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation. "Our government will continue to work with municipalities in every corner of our province to

improve their transit systems so they can provide the services Ontarians depend on for decades to come."

For 2024-25, municipal Gas Tax allocations have been maintained at 2023-24 levels. In addition to the Gas Tax program, the government supports municipal transportation projects through the Connecting Links program and the Ontario Transit Investment Fund.

"This funding will support a stronger, more accessible transit system for the people of Vaughan—Woodbridge. Investments like these ensure residents have reliable options to get to work, school, and essential services. Our government remains committed to building connected, thriving communities across Ontario," noted Michael Tibollo, MPP Vaughan—Woodbridge.

"Public transit is a key driver of economic growth in Ontario, helping people get to where they need to go, whether it is to work, school, or run errands. As more people return to public transit, our government is providing municipalities with the funding they need to accommodate growing ridership, while ensuring they can continue to deliver safe and reliable transit service for people in their communities," added Caroline Mulroney, MPP York—Simcoe.

## No objections to cell tower proposal on private property

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor  
Local Journalism  
Initiative Reporter

A cell tower proposal will move forward with no objections from King Township.

Cell towers are under the jurisdiction of the federal Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada. A rural resident has applied for three towers, supported by 50-metre guy wires at 3900 15th Sideroad.

As a commenting agency, council has no objections with the proposed antenna tower systems.

Staff noted the towers are for use by the owner for his hand radio hobby.

ISED outlines procedures to be followed by the proponent during the approval process, including a requirement for consultation with the local municipality. To this end, the Township has adopted a "Protocol for Establishing Telecommunications Facilities" to guide the consultation process.

The applicant has undertaken the pre-consultation and submitted a proposal together with the required supporting information to the Township in November 2024. The applicant has also completed a public notice and consultation program as outlined by Township

Planning staff.

The subject property is located on the north side of 15th Sideroad between 7th Concession and Weston Road. The property measures approximately 12.9 hectares (31.9 acres). The subject property is rectangular in shape and currently includes a dwelling as well as accessory uses and 2 barns. The antenna tower systems will be located to the north of the existing dwelling and barns within the agricultural portion of the property. The tenant farmer will continue to farm the lands. The towers will be accessed using the existing driveway and farm pathways on the property.

The subject property is flat and there are no areas of topographical prominence present. The towers will be located approximately 300 metres from the 15th Sideroad with many tall coniferous trees located between the 15th Sideroad and the site of the towers which minimizes the overall visual impact.

The property is located within The Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) watershed, however, the towers are proposed outside of the regulated area.

The three 50-metre towers will each be constructed on a concrete base. There will also be a mast extension on the top of the tower. The guy wires will be attached 36 metres away from

the tower above the ground at a height which is to be determined. The towers will each have three antennas attached at different heights depending on optimal signal location.

The single 24.4-metre tower will be a free-standing system constructed on concrete base. There will also be a mast extension on top of the tower. There will be an antenna attached to the mast extension.

The applicant confirmed that all of the towers will be a neutral grey colour to remain as discreet as possible. Transport Canada and NAVCAN do not require lights or markings on these towers which will make the towers invisible at night.

Planning staff met with the interested residents to provide an opportunity to identify and discuss their questions and concerns. Subsequently, no further written comments were provided to the owner or staff.

Staff noted that the placement of the towers will not impact on the operational aspects of the existing farm cropped area.

Staff concluded that the applicant has undertaken the required public consultation process and has demonstrated conformity with the Township's protocol for establishing telecommunications facilities.

## Fatal motorcycle collision in King

Investigators with the York Regional Police Major Collision Investigation Unit are releasing more details regarding a fatal motorcycle collision in the Township of King as they continue to appeal for witnesses.

On Tuesday, May 13, at approximately 3:40 p.m., police responded to a two-vehicle collision involving a motorcycle and a dump truck in the area of King Road and 10th Concession Road.

The rider of the motorcycle, a 25-year-old male from Vaughan, was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Through investigation, officers learned the deceased was traveling with two other motorcyclists, westbound on King-Vaughan Road and northbound on 10th Concession Road, prior to the collision taking place.

Investigators are appealing to any witnesses and to anyone who may have dash-cam footage of three motorcyclists riding together along King-Vaughan Road and 10th Concession Road to please come forward.



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# Editorial, Letters & Opinion

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## 'Brotherhood' is a mighty powerful thing

*"Friends are the siblings God never gave us."*

— **Mencius**

I never had a brother and often wonder what that would have been like.

My older sister and I were almost eight years apart so for most of my childhood, we weren't close. And, in those days, having your little brother tag along just wasn't cool.

When she became ill and moved back into my parents' home we got a bit closer. She received a kidney transplant and went blind – definitely a lot for a person to go through.

My wife Kim went above and beyond to include Angela in as many activities as possible. Verbally explaining a movie in a crowded theatre did present its challenges, but we weren't fazed. It also provided some comical moments.

There were many trips to dialysis, between Bolton and St. Mike's and then Alliston. My dad chose not to lend a hand so the responsibility fell on me and my mom's shoulders. It was tough sometimes but it was family.

You do what's required. She died prematurely before her 50th birthday, leaving a daughter behind.

Unfortunately my sister wasn't my "bestie" as some siblings enjoy.

For me, the term "brotherhood" is an elusive and incomprehensible concept. As young men in the 1980s, our friends were buds, pals, and mates.

We'd make sure everyone got home safe, and they always had an open invitation to our home.

We enjoyed summer trips, backyard gatherings and hanging out.

But it was a different kind of relationship – as Boomers we still weren't comfortable sharing emotions, hugging or saying the "L" word.

We called one another regularly and on weekends, we went down the list to see who was free and willing to venture out.

We got to know our friends' parents and were always polite.

But even with my own sister, I never had that strong, unbreakable bond of a brother. Maybe I didn't try hard enough.

As I ponder my life in recent years and play tug-of-war with the demons in my head, I feel somewhat isolated,



**Mark Pavilons**

alone, walking but leaving only one set of footprints behind. Would a brother or sister help me along my current journey and path? Would they offer a shoulder to cry on?

I have no idea.

And despite my self-imposed solitude, I am reminded that we are all brothers and sisters, siblings of you will. Sure, we may be distant cousins, fair-weather friends, or acquaintances who gather infrequently for coffee or lunch.

But isn't knowing they're there, rooting for us during all of our trials and tribulations, somewhat comforting?

At times, yes.

Many of us share a brotherhood in many areas – sports teams, organizations, service clubs, first responders, and of course our military men and women.

One of my friends from high school came from a long line of military veterans. When he entered the service out of high school, we didn't always understand his passion, but I get it now. I appreciate and even respect his choice and continuing his family's military heritage. It's quite unique these days.

He definitely understands the term "brother."

Martin Luther King Jr. once noted "the beauty of genuine brotherhood

and peace is more precious than diamonds or silver or gold."

Not being familiar with the salutation of "brotherhood," imagine my surprise and love when such a term was bestowed upon me recently.

King's former fire chief Jim Wall constantly refers to me as "brother" in our email exchanges. I'm sure it comes from the brotherhood enjoyed by firefighters, a unique breed to be sure. I'm honoured of course, but I could never rise to the level of fire-fighting brethren who have crazy amounts of courage, strength and commitment. I feel almost ashamed to have this moniker. Yet I feel it deeply and for that, Jim, I am truly grateful.

I only hope I can live up to such a title.

One of my faithful readers and well known King residents, Joe S., also recently referred to me as "brother" in a text message. He loves my columns and I think we share a lot of common ground.

Perhaps, in this case it's more like brother in a Christian sense, a spiritual kinship if you will. You can never have too many spiritual brothers and sisters. "It takes two men to make one brother."

I appreciate the salutation, Joe.

I envy those with such strong sibling bonds.

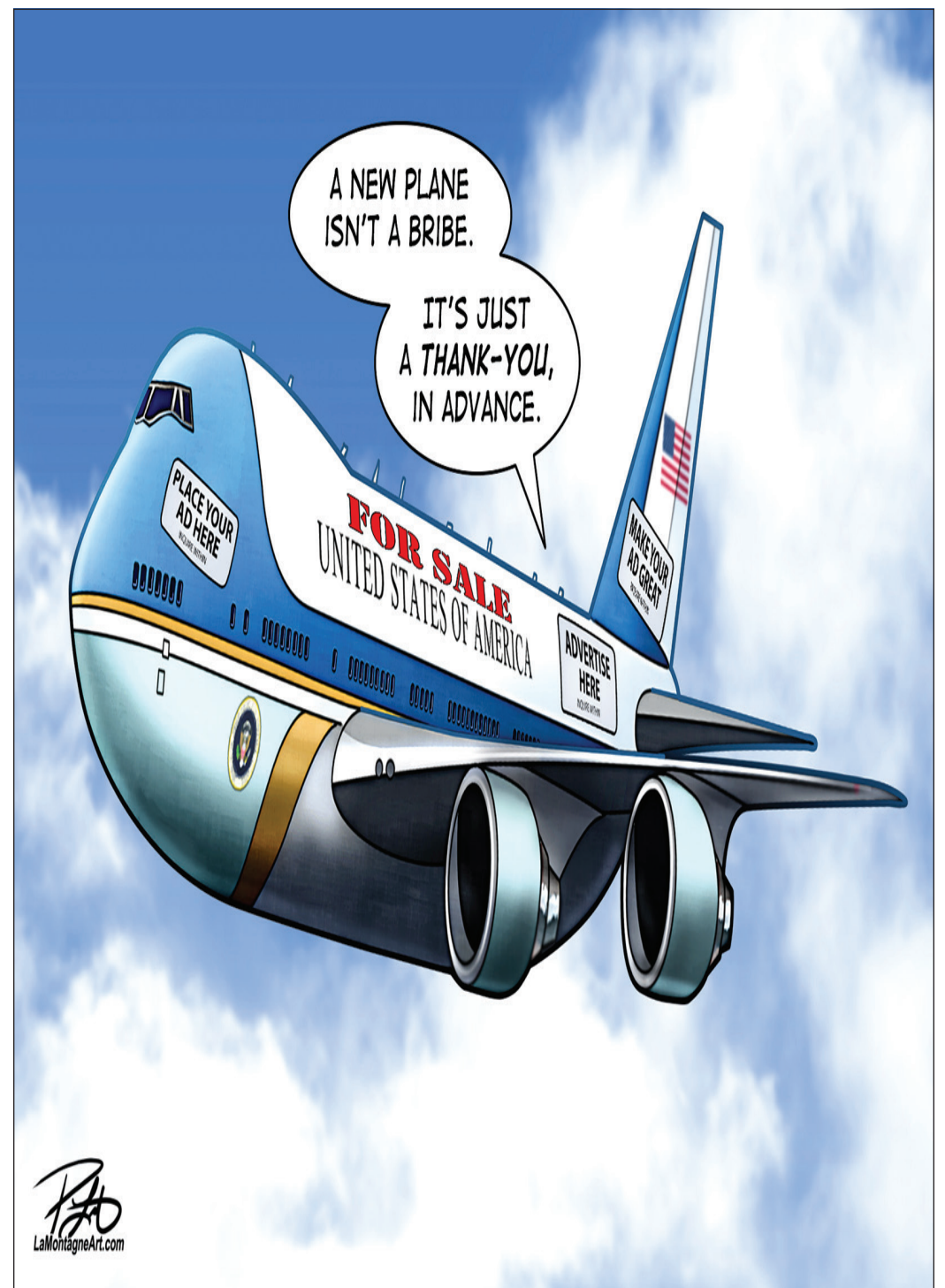
I often remind my children that when they get older, they will come to rely on one another – as rocks, as friends, companions, guidance counsellors, and sounding boards. One day, they will reminisce about their childhoods, share laughs and raise a glass now and again. They will raise families and ideally stay close, if not in distance, then in heart.

Perhaps, if I have done my job well, they will speak my name with pride. And I will smile from my heavenly perch as I look down.

I will not be there to guide them or offer fatherly advice. They may already have what they need, if they've been listening to me over the years.

Tears flow down my careworn face when I think that I won't be there to walk them down the aisle or share the joys of their own children. I will be a ghost, a shadow of what once was. But I will argue and plead with the ultimate powers to allow me to stretch out my hand and place it lovingly on their shoulders.

Such is the circle of life. And such is the destiny of all of us, brothers and sisters alike.



### Economy

## York Region is a major exporter

Did you know that the York Region business community exported \$14.5-billion in goods in 2023?

Exporting is a vital component to the success of any economy. Dive deeper into York Region's exports and imports data in our new report: <https://www.yorklink.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/2023-yorkregion-import-export-profile.pdf>

Key highlights include:

Most exports are to the U.S. with 81% (or \$11.8 billion) of total exports value, the remainder of the exports are to non-U.S. countries with 19% (\$2.7 billion).

Manufacturing is by far the largest export sector in York Region, accounting for 82% (or \$11.9 billion) of the total export value and 87% of exports to the U.S.

York Region's total goods imports amounted to \$45.4 billion, with over 62% (\$28.1 billion) originating from non-U.S. countries.

<p><b>KingWeeklySentinel</b> <b>WEBPOLL</b> www.kingsentinel.com</p> <p>Results from last week's poll:</p> <p><b>Are you planning to travel, or stay home this summer?</b></p> <p>a) Staying Home <span style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px 10px;">100%</span></p> <p>b) Travelling <span style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px 10px;">0%</span></p> <p><small>The results of this poll are in no way considered to be valid or infallible.</small></p>	<p><b>THIS WEEK'S QUESTION</b></p> <p>Are you disappointed in the Maple Leafs' loss to Florida?</p> <p>a) Yes b) No</p> <p>Go to our website and cast a vote!</p>
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### Quote of the Week

*"Comparison is the thief of joy so stay kind and keep loving life."*

— *Anonymous*

### Trivia Tidbits

*The Meteor was a Ford car brand exclusive to Canada.*

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# Don't let Ontario gut its endangered species protections!

By Geoff Simpson

## Comment

Ontario's government is moving fast to overhaul our province's endangered species protections — and not in a good way.

Under Bill 5, the Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025, the government plans to repeal the Endangered Species Act, 2007 (ESA) and replace it with something far weaker: the Species Conservation Act, 2025. While this may sound like a technical update, the proposed changes would leave Ontario's most vulnerable species — and the ecosystems we all depend on — dangerously exposed.

As a resident of King Township and a member of Concerned Citizens of King Township (CCKT), I care deeply about the natural environment that defines our community: the wetlands, forests, rivers, and wildlife that make this place so livable. This proposal doesn't just threaten rare species — it threatens the environmental foundation of Ontario itself.

Take the Blanding's Turtle, for example — a slow-reproducing, long-living turtle found in Southern Ontario, including areas near King. It depends on connected wetland systems for survival. Under the new legislation, only its immediate nest

or den would be protected. The critical areas it uses to migrate, feed, or overwinter would no longer qualify as "habitat."

The government argues these changes are about efficiency. It wants to cut red tape, speed up housing approvals, and streamline infrastructure. That's a fair goal. But efficiency shouldn't come at the cost of effectiveness — or accountability. Protecting species at risk isn't bureaucratic overreach. It's a moral responsibility and a public trust.

Here's what the new law would do:

- Allow Cabinet — not independent scientists — to decide which species get legal protection.

- Eliminate mandatory recovery plans, which are essential blueprints for reversing species decline.

- Replace the current permit system with a "registration-first" model that allows development to proceed immediately after online sign-up.

- Shrink the legal definition of "habitat" to exclude the vast majority of areas species depend on.

- Remove advisory committees and public oversight mechanisms that keep decisions transparent and science-based.

The province is also promising to invest \$20 million a year in voluntary conservation. That's welcome — but without binding legal obligations, it's not enough. You don't save species by hoping for the best. You save them by requiring and coordinating real action.

The good news is that there are better ways to improve the system:

- Digitize permitting so developers can get clear, real-time approvals without compromising reviews.

- Hire more staff to reduce bottlenecks and improve consistency across regions.

- Coordinate with federal species-at-risk law to avoid duplication — without creating gaps.

- Make habitat mapping public so everyone knows the rules from the start.

- Streamline — but don't eliminate — recovery planning, ensuring every listed species gets a clear path to recovery.

- Keep scientific decisions scientific by maintaining automatic legal protection for species listed by Ontario's expert panel, COSSARO.

We know the official public comment period has now closed. But that doesn't mean the conversation — or the consequences — are over.

What happens next will depend on how much attention this issue receives from the public, the media, and local representatives. Even if the proposed legislation moves forward, its details, regulations, and implementation plans are still being shaped — and still open to influence.

We encourage residents of King Township to stay informed and engaged. Reach out to your local MPP. Talk to your municipal council. Ask candidates — at all levels — where they stand on protecting Ontario's biodiversity and the science that informs it.



Watch for turtles

Turtles are on the move this time of year. If you see a turtle on the road, please help it by moving it off the road. Many species of turtles are plunging toward extinction, making them among the most threatened groups of animals on the planet. The threats to turtles' survival include habitat loss, pollution, road mortality, and legal and illegal hunting - all actions of man. We all need to do whatever we can to help these wonderful creatures survive and thrive.

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# Ontario cuts gas tax, takes tolls off Highway 407 East

As part of its plan to protect Ontario, the government is continuing to lower costs for hard-working families, support local businesses and put more money back into people's pockets through its plan to permanently cut the gasoline and fuel tax rates, which would save households, on average, about \$115 per year going forward.

The government is also proposing to remove tolls from the provincially owned Highway 407 East, which is expected to save daily commuters an estimated \$7,200 annually.

"Our government is focused on protecting jobs and reducing costs for families, as we stand up for Canada against U.S. tariffs," said King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce, Minister of Energy and Mines. "By permanently cutting the gas tax, we're fulfilling our commitment to put more money back into the pockets of hardworking families, where it belongs."

"I know that families and business owners are worried about rising costs, especially as U.S. tariffs threaten to raise the price of everyday essentials," said Premier Doug Ford. "That's why

we're cutting the gas tax permanently and taking tolls off Highway 407 East, and that's why we'll always keep looking for ways to put more money back into the pockets of Ontario families."

To provide ongoing relief to households and businesses in Ontario, the government is introducing legislation through its 2025 Budget that would, if passed, make the cut to the gas and fuel tax rate permanent, keeping the provincial rates of tax at nine cents per litre. This permanent measure would support continued relief at the pumps, building on the \$1.7 billion that households have saved since the government first announced temporary cuts to the gasoline and fuel tax rates in 2022.

"Ontario families have seen prices on everyday items go up over the last several years," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance. "To help Ontarians cope with the high cost of living and the impacts of the economic uncertainty caused by tariffs, we are continuing to take action to ease the pressure and do more to help lower costs for households."

To help lower costs and fight grid-



Many top MPPs, including King-Vaughan's Stephen Lecce, joined Premier Ford in announcing fuel tax cuts to benefit citizens.

lock, the government is introducing legislation that would, if passed, permanently remove tolls from the provincially owned section of Highway 407, from Brock Road to Highway 35/115, effective June 1, 2025. This is the last stretch of provincially owned tolled highway in Ontario and follows the government's previous removal of tolls from Highways 412 and 418, and its recent legislation banning new road tolls on any public roadway in Ontario.

"Our government is making it easier and more affordable for Ontarians to get where they need to go, when they need to get there," said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation. "The measures announced today will not only help to reduce traffic and commute times, but they will help put money back in the pockets of hardworking families at a time when it matters most. This is another step in our work to protect Ontario by building a more efficient, affordable and accessible transportation network."

The government is committed to keeping costs down for commuters. Additional initiatives the government has taken include the elimination of licence plate renewal fees and stickers and freezing fees for driver's licences and Ontario Photo Cards, which combined with previous cuts to gas and fuel tax rates have saved individuals and families over \$1.8 billion in the last

year.

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More information about the government's plan to protect Ontario, grow our economy and make Ontario the most competitive jurisdiction in the G7 to invest will be included in the 2025 Budget, to be released on May 15, 2025.

Ontario temporarily cut the gasoline tax rate by 5.7 cents per litre and the fuel (diesel) tax rate by 5.3 cents per litre on July 1, 2022, and has extended the cuts four times.

The price consumers pay at the pump is made up of the cost of crude oil, wholesale margins, retail margins, federal excise tax, Ontario gasoline/fuel tax and HST.

While the government has taken action on tax rates for unleaded gasoline and fuel (diesel), there will be no change to tax rates for leaded gasoline or aviation fuel.

While the government welcomes the federal decision to set the carbon tax rate to zero effective April 1, 2025, it continues to call for the complete repeal and elimination of the carbon tax.

## York Public Health investigating measles cases

York Region Public Health is notifying the public of four measles exposure sites related to two confirmed measles cases present in York Region while infectious. If you attended any of these locations at the dates and times indicated, you may have been exposed to measles.

They include Pür and Simple Restaurant in Newmarket, May 4; Fortino's on Highway 27 in Woodbridge, May 9 and Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital Emergency and Ambulatory Care, May 12.

York Health notes that anyone who may have been exposed at Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital Emergency Department Waiting Room and Ambulatory Care areas should immediately confirm they have two doses of measles vaccine. If you were present and you were with an infant under 6 months of age or are immunocompromised, please call York Region Public Health immediately as you may be eligible for preventive treatment.

York Region Public Health advises anyone who believes they may have been exposed to the measles virus to do the following:

Visit [york.ca/MeaslesReporting](http://york.ca/MeaslesReporting) to complete a brief contact follow-up survey; this will help York Region Public

Health assess your risk (or those present with you) and prioritize contacts at greatest risk of becoming infected.

Confirm you and your family members have two doses of measles vaccine (MMR or MMRV); those born before 1970 would likely have had measles illness as a child and are protected; immunizations are one of the safest ways to protect you, your children and your community from serious and potentially deadly vaccine-preventable diseases.

If you develop symptoms, stay home and do not attend work or school; call your health care professional before going to be seen to inform them you may have measles and require additional precautions; you may also call York Region Public Health at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 77280 seven days a week

If you were at the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital, Emergency Department on Monday May 12, you may be eligible for a post-exposure vaccine clinic. If this applies to you, you will be contacted directly by York Region Public Health.

Symptoms of measles start 7 to 21 days after exposure and may include high fever, cough, runny nose, red, watery eyes such as pink eye or conjunctivitis, or a red rash.

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# Puppy Yoga event at ACE features positive energy and cuddly canines

By Jim Stewart

Thirty-five yoga enthusiasts ushered in Mother's Day early, enjoyed the sunshine, and soaked in the relaxing vibe of a workout with six cuddly puppies on the rooftop of ACE Performance Gym in King City on a Saturday afternoon recently.

Panez Ria, a personal trainer, yoga instructor, and dietician with ACE for the last two years, put the participants through their paces in optimal outdoor conditions. Ria loved the rooftop setting as a pleasant gathering place: "It's all about everyone coming together and having good energy. They leave happy in the sunshine."

One of the many reasons that so many participants left happy was time spent in the puppy pen to cuddle some wee canines. Nia Wadehra, who's been with Paw Pals for two years, discussed the benefits of the service provided: "For so many people, cuddling a puppy is therapy. This is so much about mental health. Every single time, they establish a great connection to the puppies. It slows your heart down and provides another layer of relaxation for so many."

Wadehra's colleague, Lianne Popega, who lives in Toronto and helps out with Paw Pals events on the weekends, en-

joyed her session in King City: "When the workout is finished and the participants make their way to the puppy pen, you see people at their best. Everybody is in their best mood. It's nice to see people achieve emotional wellness with the puppies. Overcoming stress by doing yoga and cuddling puppies is satisfying to see."

ACE Fitness's Morris Guido revealed in the positive vibes emanating from the performance gym's rooftop: "This is all about celebrating moms and we were very fortunate that the weather was perfect for an outdoor event like this. This is our second Mothers' Day Puppy Yoga event. This year, we've arranged a gift package for the moms with unique items in it from many local businesses. We're providing a place to forget your troubles. It's all about mind and body. The response to both events has been so positive. ACE has become a hub for connection, relaxation, and networking. People need a place to congregate and we're more than happy to provide these things for the moms of the community to express our gratitude for all they do."



## RFT issued for the Nobleton watermains

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor

Local Journalism  
Initiative Reporter

King council has awarded the contract to further work on Nobleton watermain replacements.

The RFT was issued back in January and closed in February. Hebster Municipal Inc. was the lowest compliant bidder and given the contract.

Staff noted that due to aging infrastructure and King's commitment to providing the highest water quality possible to residents, the Nobleton Watermain Replacement project is required.

A Public Information Centre was held at the Nobleton Community Centre last October.

The work includes replacement of approximately 1,500 metres of existing watermains along Lynwood Crescent, Norman Avenue, Elizabeth Drive and Cross Avenue.

Existing valves and hydrants will be replaced and some new hydrants installed. The pipes up to property lines will be upgraded and finally asphalt and landscaping will top things off.

Hebster Municipal Inc. was the lowest compliant bidder at \$1,572,998.92.



### 100th Anniversary Celebration of the United Church of Canada

Did you know that the United Church of Canada was formed in 1925 when the Methodists, Congregationalists and most Presbyterians joined together?

A group of local churches, including Bolton United, Caledon East United, Caledon's Knox United, Palgrave United, York Pines United, Schomberg United and Nobleton United are planning a 100th Anniversary Celebration for Sunday June 8 at 11 a.m. at York Pines United. There will be various musical groups performing from the different churches. Front Porch Harmony will be one of the musical groups. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Rev. Ross Carson (retired from York Pines) is the guest speaker. Ross's father was at the original first United Church of Canada meeting 100 years ago at the Mutual Street Arena. Ross has many artifacts from that time. Come and celebrate with us. Stay for a potluck lunch afterwards.



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## Council to designate Schomberg Presbyterian Church

**By Mark Pavilons**  
Editor  
Local Journalism  
Initiative Reporter

King's history will be protected, as council plans to designate a local church as a heritage site.

Councillors moved to recognize Schomberg Presbyterian

Church at 313 Main Street, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act in recognition of its cultural heritage significance.

Councillor Mary Asselstine noted the "cutest little church" has a long history and the congregation is very proud of the heritage of the building.

If there's no objection council will pass the relevant bylaw designating the church in roughly 30 days.

The one-storey vernacular building of Gothic Revival style was built in circa 1859. The property holds design/physical, historical/associative, and contextual cultural heritage value, according to staff.

King's Heritage Advisory Committee approved a motion on April 10, supporting the designation.

Under the OHA, municipalities are responsible for identifying, evaluating, and conserving heritage properties.

Section 29 of the OHA provides the Township with the ability to preserve properties worthy of conservation.

The Schomberg Presbyterian Church at 313 Main Street was constructed circa 1859 and features the remains of earlier structures beneath its brick-cladding which are potentially as early as circa 1859. The subject structure continues to be used as a place of worship today, having over 130 years of continuous religious use. The subject structure is also part of a collection of other "Listed" properties on the Municipal Heritage Register that define and maintain the historic mid to late 19th-century and early 20th-century character of Schomberg's Main Street.

The purpose of a heritage designation is to guide alterations and expansions, not to prohibit them. The process allows the Township to ensure any proposed changes or modifications will complement a building's heritage attributes and not impact any identified heritage attributes.

Alterations should be respectful and



keep with the character defining elements that contribute to making a designated property significant.

Following a thorough examination of archival documentation, conduct-

ing a site visit, and consulting with the Heritage Advisory Committee, the subject property holds significant cultural heritage value and meets the criteria set out under the Ontario Heritage Act.



## Committee established to address crisis

York Regional Council approved establishing a Housing and Homelessness Committee to guide development of the next 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan, including increasing supply of emergency, transitional, affordable and community housing.

"As demand continues to outpace supply and more residents struggle to find and keep housing, addressing York Region's housing and homelessness challenges remains a priority for Council," said York Region Chairman and CEO Eric Jolliffe. "This Special Committee of Council will have the opportunity to explore and better understand the complexities and identify solutions to improve the current housing and homelessness crisis occurring across our municipalities."

Members of the Housing and Homelessness Committee are comprised of York Regional Council members and include Jolliffe, and all mayors including King's Steve Pellegrini.

"I am honored to join the Housing and Homelessness Committee, established by York Regional Council, to address the urgent housing and homelessness crisis in York Region. Together, we will prioritize solutions, support coordination with key partners, advocate for investment from all levels of government and monitor the effectiveness of our strategies. By collaborating as mayors, we can better create a sustainable plan that meets the diverse housing needs of

residents in our communities," Pellegrini said.

This committee will help prioritize and recommend solutions with a focus on the Region's Service Manager responsibilities in the housing and homelessness system to guide development for the next 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan. This includes accelerating new supply of emergency, transitional, community and affordable housing and support coordination and collaboration at the local municipal level.

Additional responsibilities of the committee include:

Supporting coordination with key partners, such as local municipalities, non-profit and private sectors, to advance shared housing and homelessness priorities.

Advocating for investment from all levels of government and supporting the Region in securing relevant funding opportunities that advance the Region's housing goals.

Monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of housing strategies, policies and programs to ensure they advance the Region's goals and adapt to changing local needs.

Committee recommendations to advance the Region's housing and homelessness priorities will be reported to York Regional Council for approval.

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# Holland Marsh kicks off 100th anniversary celebrations

By Mark Pavilons  
Editor  
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This year we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Holland Marsh, a cornerstone of the community and a vital part of King Township.

The agricultural sector employs approximately 6% of King's local labour force.

There are 41,000 acres of agricultural production in the Township – which includes 40 per cent of the Marsh – and 239 farms benefitting from King's fertile soil.

The Holland Marsh is not just a place of agricultural significance; it is a symbol of our heritage and resilience.

The kick off the anniversary, members of the community got together for the annual "Marsh Mash. Local councillors, politicians and farmers gathered for the celebration that included the annual canoe-kayak race.

"I feel such awesome pride in this kick-off event, given our family's roots in this community going back to 1934," said Councillor Avia Eek.

Eek pointed out that this year marked more than 40 years of the Mash, which has provided canoe enthusiasts with the opportunity to participate in one of the best canoe racing courses in Ontario since 1979.

She singled out Nancy Bobala and her race partner Mike Kennedy, who

have participated in this race for 12 years. She also lauded Ian Craig has been organizing this Marsh Mash for 30 of the 45 years it has existed.

The Holland Marsh is celebrating its 100th year of producing a variety of vegetables in this, one of two Specialty Crop Areas in the province, the other one in Niagara Region.

"This milestone is not just significant for the economic reasons, but also because of my family's personal connection to this community," Eek said. "Our family roots run deep in the Holland Marsh. My husband's great uncle, William Valenteyn, was one of the first settlers in Ansnorveldt, King Township, in 1934. My husband's grandparents, William and Johanna Eek, purchased land in the Marsh in 1939. My husband's parents, Gerard and Mae Eek, acquired a 10-acre parcel when he got back from the war, and received a Certification of Qualification under the Veterans' Land Act qualifying Gerard as a full-time farm operator, on August 30 1946. They built their home in 1951, where Bill and I currently reside.

"My husband, Bill, is the third generation to be growing carrots and onions here. but we used to also grow head lettuce and celery. Hence, the Salad Festival held in Bradford, back in the day where a Salad Queen was crowned.

"Our family's continued involvement in the Holland Marsh community is evident through Bill's roles as



Chair of the Joint Municipal Services Drainage Board and his position on the Bradford Co-op and Storage Board. The Eek Family has a long history of community service in this area and we are

deeply committed to its continued prosperity and well-being.

"We are very proud of this community that we call home, and our job of feeding people."



## Careless decisions behind bulk of road fatalities, police say

As we mark national Canada Road Safety Week, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are reporting that the vast majority of the 382 road users who died on OPP-patrolled roads in 2024 had their lives cut short because of poor and careless decisions and actions behind the wheel and in passenger seats.

Among last year's 344 fatal collisions, 95 fatalities were attributed to speed and 80 of the deaths involved an inattentive driver. Fifty-three of the fatalities were linked to alcohol consumption and/or drug use. The attitude among some road users that wearing a seatbelt is a "personal choice" cost 60 unbuckled drivers and passengers their lives.

The preventable loss of life on roads in 2024 extended well beyond motor vehicle drivers and their passengers. The 57 motorcyclists who were killed marked the highest number of motorcyclist fatalities on OPP-patrolled roads in 20 years. Eighteen of the motorcyclists were not the at-fault driver. Thirty five pedestrians and 12 cyclists were among those who lost their lives, many of whom also died through no fault of their own.

During Canada Road Safety Week (May 13-19, 2025), the OPP joined policing partners across the country for one of the most robust traffic enforcement and public education campaigns of the year.

Road users are reminded that avoiding the poor decisions and actions that result in a significant number of preventable fatalities and injuries every year will go a long way towards keeping you, your family and fellow travelers safe. "Please do your part to help everyone get to and from their destinations safely every time you head out on the road."

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Lucas estate partners with Cultural Centre for spring sale

By Brock Weir

Sprouting flowers are synonymous with spring's arrival, and, if you're a local art lover, there are fewer names more synonymous with flowers than Helen Lucas, the late King-based artist, who expressed herself through vivid herbaceous slashes of paint.

This spring, art lovers will have the opportunity to share in Lucas' legacy with a Spring Sale from the Estate of Helen Lucas, hosted by the Aurora Cultural Centre.

The sale will include more than 200 drawings, prints and paintings, which will be sold online May 22 through June 5 and in-person from May 29 and June 2 at Lucas's studio in King Township, which remains largely untouched since her death in November 2023.

The sale is being organized by Frank Simonetta, Lucas's son-in-law and the representative of her estate, and Samantha Jones, Gallery Manager for the Aurora Cultural Centre.

While Lucas held a solo show at the Centre in 2018, it was before Jones arrived at the centre. She first encountered Lucas's work when curating the 2024 exhibition, *Seven Masters*, featuring select pieces from the collection of the Georgina Centre for Arts and Culture.

"As we were exhibiting her works from their collection, we wanted to make sure we were giving her her proper place in the show," says Jones. "There were three artworks by Helen Lucas in their collection, but it just didn't seem like enough."

Simonetta helped flesh out Lucas's presence in this posthumous exhibition and many others were thus able to learn about the popular artist and what fuelled her passion.

"Just from being around her work and getting to work so closely with it, I can say she is probably my favourite artist of all time, just because of the journey she had and her practice," Jones said. "She came from a small town in Saskatchewan, came here as a young woman, went to OCAD, went through some troubled relationships, but eventually found happiness. I think that's what's so compelling about her – just her resilience and her ability to express it through her art."

"She has very distinct eras – kind of a darker, sadder and trying-to-discover-yourself eras ... and going into full flowers, which is just self-embracing and self-loving. Because her work is so expressive and so intimate, it's hard to believe she is a regional artist. You don't hear about these artists of southern Ontario making works like this. I

call her the 'Georgia O'Keefe of Southern Ontario.' She's totally different, but I think she should be put in that calibre.

"What's really important right now is because she is such an important feminist artist, especially during the time she was creating work about her experience being in a relationship that was oppressive, then coming out of it and finding stability, I think it is really politically important right now with what we're seeing in the States and, I think, the fear that is happening down in the United States. Canadians are being very conscious of their rights and especially women in particular. I would just love more people to see her work and see the fight that she fought, and maybe it will make them feel some comfort that she was able to overcome and find happiness."

The online sale begins Thursday, May 22, at 9 a.m., running to Thursday, June 5.

24-hour early access to the online sale will go to subscribers to the Flower Friends e-newsletter, which is facilitated by the Cultural Centre.

The in-person sale from Thursday, May 29 to Monday, June 2, will take place each day from 12 noon to 6 p.m. at Lucas's home and studio in King, the address to which will be announced May 28.

Lucas was born in Weyburn, SK, in 1931 to Greek immigrant parents.

"Her life-long artistic practice reflects a journey of both internal and external transformation," says the Centre. "Early works, often somber charcoal drawings, depicted sorrowful, subdued portraits reflective of womanhood within a patriarchal society. Over time, and following the separation from her first marriage, her style evolved into bold, joyful flower paintings that celebrate colour and life. Frequently working on a large scale, Lucas often painted entire canvases in a single day. In the 1970s, she became an influential figure in the feminist movement, using her art to speak out against the oppression of women within a patriarchal society and to express femininity through her work. From 1972 to 1979, she taught drawing and painting at the University of Toronto and Sheridan College, and she was a guest lecturer and artist at various universities, panels, TV and radio programs, and publications."

"Throughout her career, Lucas held over 50 solo exhibitions, both nationally and internationally, including *Why Do I Paint Flowers?* her 2018 solo exhibition at the Aurora Cultural Centre. In 2003, her work was selected for exhibition at the Florence Biennale. Her art



The late Helen Lucas is seen with one of her creations in her King studio.

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is represented in numerous collections, including The Canadian War Museum, The King City Municipal Offices, Sick-Kids Hospital, The Sunnybrook Odette

Cancer Centre, and the Georgina Centre for Arts and Culture."

For more, visit: [auroraculturalcentre.ca/helen-lucas-spring-sale](http://auroraculturalcentre.ca/helen-lucas-spring-sale).

### Garden Club's 'Seedy Saturday Plant Sale' returns May 24

Spring has officially arrived, and what better way to celebrate than by stocking up on beautiful plants, fresh seeds, and handcrafted garden essentials.

The Nobleton & King City Garden Club is thrilled to invite the community to its annual Seedy Saturday Plant Sale on May 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Laskay Hall (2920 King Road).

This year's event is a true community collaboration, bringing together local growers, artists, and gardening experts for a day of inspiration and discovery. In addition to an impressive selection of plants, flowers, and garden treasures, attendees can enjoy Art Society King, featuring a stunning art sale featuring works from talented local artists.

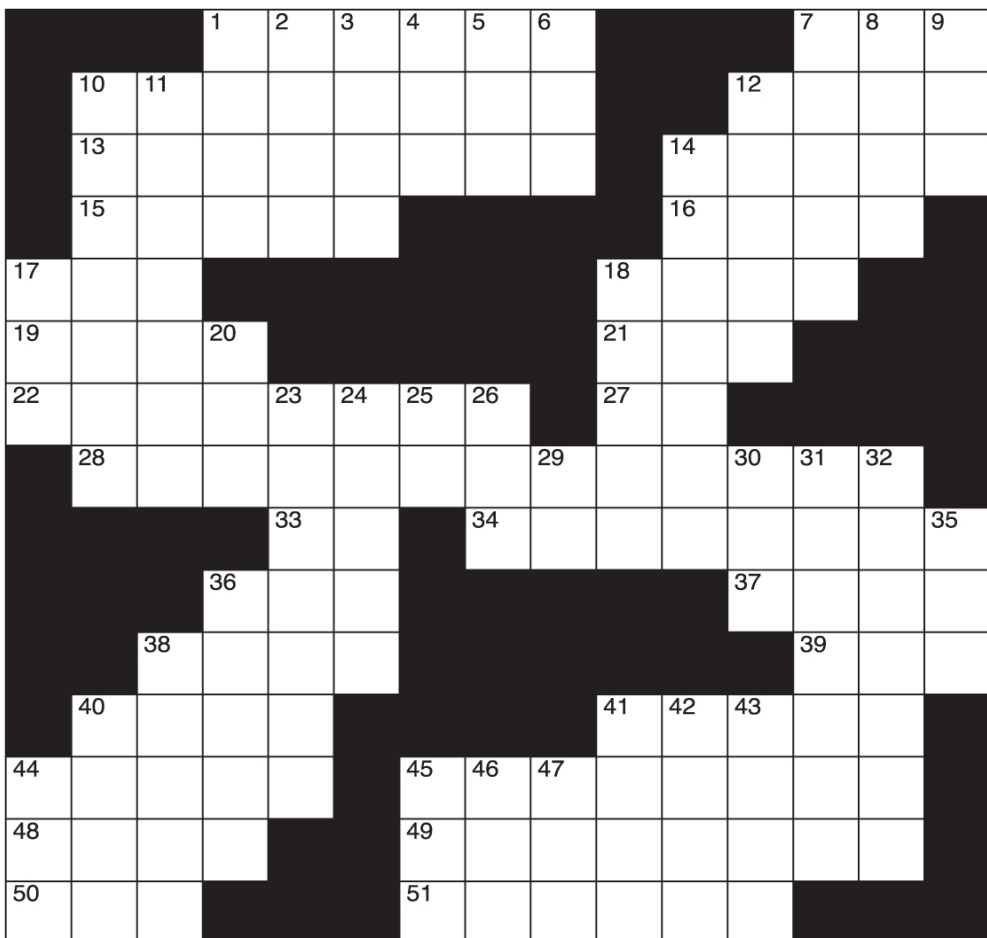
York Region Youth Food Network will be swapping or giving seeds to help gardeners of all ages start growing their own food. The Giving Place Lavender Farm will offer beautifully crafted lavender goods, including locally sourced honey. King Township will display rain barrels to highlight their benefits for sustainable gardening. The "Tool Guy" will sell a variety of gardening tools for both beginners and seasoned growers.

Whether you're a first-time gardener or a seasoned green thumb, the Seedy Saturday Plant Sale is the perfect place to find unique plants, learn from experts, and connect with fellow gardening enthusiasts. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to support local businesses and organizations while gearing up for a thriving garden this season!

Mark your calendars, spread the word, and join us on May 24 at Laskay Hall. It's going to be a blooming good time! For further information, contact [nobletonkingcitygardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:nobletonkingcitygardenclub@gmail.com)

## CROSSWORD

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### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Bring up
- 7. Child
- 10. Formal written defense
- 12. Bangladeshi
- 13. Burial site
- 14. In the lead
- 15. Large recesses in a church
- 16. Count on
- 17. Defunct phone company
- 18. Golf scores
- 19. Afflicts
- 21. Defensive nuclear weapon
- 22. Prominence
- 27. "The Great Lakes State"

- 28. SoCal ballplayer
- 33. Location of White House
- 34. Magnificence
- 36. Hip hop songstress
- 37. Capital of Yemen
- 38. \_\_\_ Blyton, children's author
- 39. Bomb
- 40. Pancake made of buckwheat flour
- 41. Pinkish-violet color
- 44. A way to make right
- 45. Monument to one buried elsewhere
- 48. Region south of Dead Sea
- 49. Acts out against
- 50. Harsh cry of a crow
- 51. Formal title for a woman

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Kitchen devices
- 2. Wings
- 3. Mythological birds
- 4. Everyone has one
- 5. Matchstick game
- 6. Bar bill
- 7. Weights
- 8. Satisfactorily
- 9. Small amount
- 10. Tree types
- 11. Small protuberances
- 12. Equivalent of 100K BTU
- 14. Type of horse
- 17. More (Spanish)
- 18. Argentinian
- 19. province
- 20. A bad act
- 23. Moving in a circular way
- 24. Battery type
- 25. Atomic #58
- 26. Popular breakfast food
- 29. An alternative
- 30. Tooth caregiver
- 31. A way to conform
- 32. Disfigured men
- 35. Cool!
- 36. Genus of mosses
- 38. Body part
- 40. Kashmiri people
- 41. Round water pot
- 42. Something to purchase
- 43. Emit coherent radiation
- 44. Indicates 10
- 45. Advertising metric
- 46. Pitching stat
- 47. Head movement

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

# Strides for Mackenzie Health celebrates 20 years of impact

More than 2,000 community members, sponsors, volunteers and government representatives came together to celebrate and participate in the 20th anniversary of Strides for Mackenzie Health.

They gathered at Canada's Wonderland on May 10 to run or walk a 3-K or 5-K route through the renowned amusement park, just across the street from Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital and minutes from Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital.

The milestone event was a resounding success, raising nearly \$340,000 in support of priority needs at Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital, Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital and Mackenzie Health's network of community-based locations serving more than 550,000 residents across Richmond Hill, Vaughan and King. Since the first Strides event in 2005, this beloved local event has raised more than \$3.1 million in support of Mackenzie Health, a two-hospital system that provides care for nearly 241,000 emergency department visits, more than 14,300 surgical procedures and more than 4,400 births each year.

"It's truly inspiring to see how deep-

ly our community cares about supporting local health care," said Nicole McCahon, President and CEO of Mackenzie Health Foundation. "Every step taken, every dollar donated and every hour volunteered makes a real difference. Thanks to this incredible show of generosity and community spirit, we're able to provide our hospitals and front-line teams with the critical tools they need to deliver safe, quality care."

The event brought together people from all walks of life to walk, run, and rally support for their local hospitals. One of those people was Franca Beletic, who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and has seen the dedication and commitment of the nurses and doctors at Mackenzie Health firsthand.

"The team at Mackenzie Health brought calm to a scary situation. The word 'cancer' is not what anyone wants to hear but through my journey, I have learned so much," said Franca. "My gratitude runs deep and I'm excited to give back by participating in Strides for Mackenzie Health."

Volunteers joined Stephen Lecce, MPP for King—Vaughan, at the event.

"Team Lecce showed up bright and



early to back the Strides for Mackenzie Health Run," said Lecce. "Today's help is tomorrow's hope — as we raised over \$330,000 to save lives at the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital, supporting families in King and Vaughan."

All funds raised will directly support Mackenzie Health's highest priority needs — from investing in life-saving equipment and advanced technology, like medication delivery pumps or ultrasound and x-ray machines for fast

and accurate diagnoses to expanding critical programs, including mental health care.

Presenting partner PureHealth Pharmacy — alongside valued sponsors like Canada's Wonderland, Magna, Zancor Homes, and others — played a vital role in making this event possible through their generous sponsorship and unwavering commitment to local health care.

For more, visit [mackenziehealthfoundation.ca](http://mackenziehealthfoundation.ca).



## ASK presents swinging fundraiser

Residents hit the dance floor as Arts Society King (ASK) and King Heritage & Cultural Centre (KHCC) presented their 1940s VE for Victory Dance.

The event, held at Laskay Hall, commemorated the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II. The vintage-themed event featured a performance by musician Martin Loomer & the Orange Devils Big Band, opportunities to dance, dress the part in historic style, participate in a 1940s costume contest, and more!

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# Southlake partnership marks a year of treatment

By Brock Weir

Sarah Gallie was just 35 when she was diagnosed with hormone-positive breast cancer.

A nurse by vocation, her treatment started at Toronto's Humber River Hospital, where her family doctor is affiliated.

Navigating multiple healthcare providers and multiple treatment options to address the disease sometimes brought out the feeling of overwhelm, but when Sarah decided to bring her care closer to home, the Newmarket resident found a holistic approach at Southlake Health that went well beyond "the big C."

Sarah was one of the first patients at Southlake's Adolescent and Young Adult (AYA) Cancer Program, a partnership with Toronto's Princess Margaret Cancer Centre.

The unique local program, which is tailored to the specific needs of young adults between the ages of 18 and 43, helping them navigate challenges beyond medical treatment, is now marking its first year as a community success story.

To mark both the program's anniversary and this week's Adolescent and Youth Cancer Awareness Week, Sarah and members of the Southlake team came together her very personal journey.

"The young adult life is one of enormous transition and personal growth," says Southlake. "It often includes major milestones such as finishing school, pursuing a career, building relationships, and starting a family. Cancer is highly disruptive; it interrupts education, delays career starts and milestones, upends social networks and undercuts independence.

"Adolescents and young adults make up five to ten per cent of the adult cancer population and [that] continues to increase. However, due to this being a lower population, patients tend to be treated in many cancer centres as adults. Few healthcare organizations have the expertise, comfort or infrastructure to provide skilful and customized care to young adult cancer patients."

Says Sarah: "This is happening to young people and we need to support them in a different way; not just the medical things, because whether you're

having breast cancer at 35 or 60 – it's probably the same chemo, the same radiation, the same options for surgery, but it is all those other pieces that really make a difference in how you come out at the other end of it."

"The thing about going through this diagnosis when you're at a point in your life where you're managing a mortgage, figuring out kids-or-no-kids, what that pathway is going to look like, trying to figure out the next steps of my career... It's not to say

it's any better to get cancer at a point in your life, but when you get cancer, you're 60, 70, 80 years old and you've probably done all those things," she continues.

In addition to facilitating the conventional treatments, the AYA program offers a holistic approach tailored to the needs of the patient.

Clinical Nurse Specialist Sam Scime offers individual consultations and follow-ups for patients and such supports offered through the program include

fertility preservation, school and work transitions, sexual health, body image counselling, and much more.

As the AYA continues in partnership between Southlake and Princess Margaret Hospital, the local program is looking to expand.

They have had a successful year, says Dr. Alisha Kassam, Medical Director of the AYA Cancer Program and a leading force behind its creation locally, and they are looking forward to fostering further outreach.



ORM volunteers (l to r) Susan Walmer, Dr. Isobel Ralston and Dr. Jan Oudenes received the King Charles Coronation medal for their efforts. MP Leah Taylor-Roy made the presentation.

## Trio of ORM volunteers receive medals

Three distinguished individuals connected with the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust received the King Charles III's Coronation Medal.

The recipients include the Trust's CEO Susan Walmer, as well as board member Dr. Isobel Ralston and her husband Dr. Jan Oudenes. These individuals are being recognized for their work protecting ecologically significant lands across the Oak Ridges Moraine and beyond.

The King Charles III Coronation Medal marks the coronation of King Charles III as the King of Canada and is awarded to Canadians who have made notable contributions to their country, province, territory, region, or community. A total of 30,000 medals will be pre-

sented across Canada. King Charles is a strong advocate for conservation and has a long history of supporting environmental causes.

Jan and Isobel are co-founders of MapleCross which is instrumental in the protection of ecologically significant land by supporting the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust and many other Land Trusts across Canada.

"With the ongoing support of MapleCross, the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust has protected significant ecosystems, restoration projects for species-at-risk and increased capacity," says Mike Charles, board chair.

Susan Walmer has dedicated over 30 years to the preservation of the Oak Ridges Moraine. A respected leader

within Ontario's Land Trust community, Susan has served as the ORMLT's CEO since 2008. A passionate advocate for conservation, she has devoted much of her life to safeguarding important habitats throughout the region.

"It's wonderful to see Susan receive this well-deserved recognition," says Vice Board Chair Patricia Short Gale. "She has been a tireless champion of biodiversity, continuously standing against threats like development, urban sprawl, and climate change."

The medals were awarded by Leah Taylor-Roy, Member of Parliament for Aurora-Oak Ridges-Richmond Hill, during a ceremony Feb. 9 in Aurora.

Congratulations to Susan, Isobel, and Jan for this remarkable honor.

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# Residents celebrate Victoria Day at Nobleton event

By Jim Stewart

Hundreds converged on the Village of Nobleton for Victoria Day celebrations at the Dr. William Lacey Community Centre on Monday evening.

Midway thrills aboard The Spinner, Fun Slide, Monster Motel, Berry Go-Round, and the Astro Amusements Ferris Wheel captivated kids of all ages. An excellent range of confections – Mimi’s Mini Donuts, the Cotton Candy, Candy Apple, and Caramel Corn Tent, Funnel Cakes, Icees, Curbside Dogs, Mr. Softee, Churros, Corn Dogs, and Bubba’s Butterfly Chips which paired nicely with Freshly Squeezed Lemonade – tantalized the tastebuds of celebrants who took in the sunny yet cool mid-May conditions.

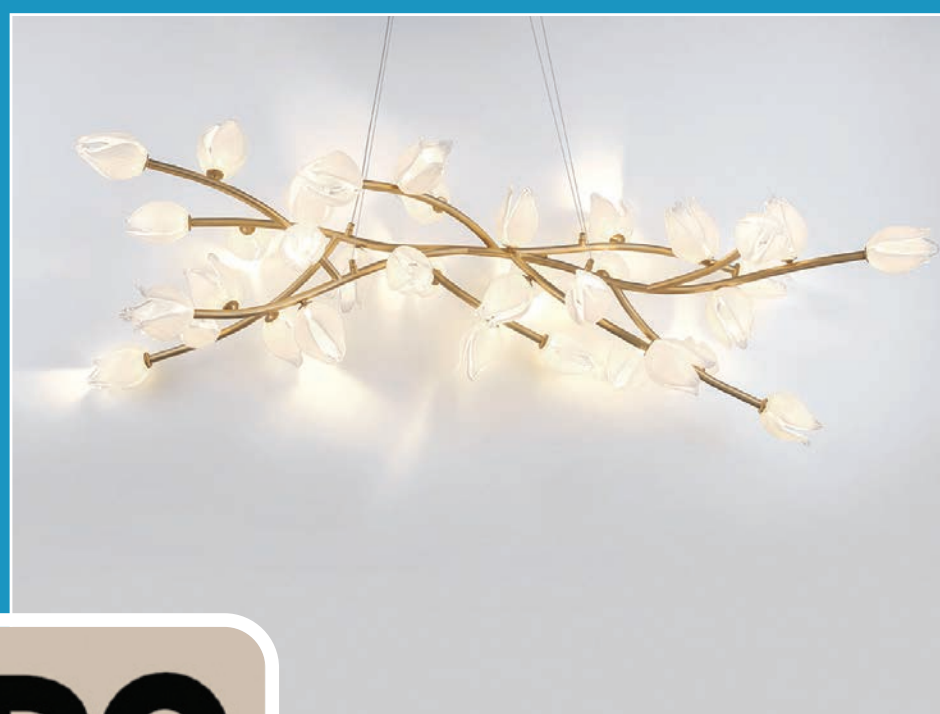
Complementing the cacophony of kids’ shrieks and hawkers’ sales pitches were the high energy stylings of bands performing on Popeye’s Main Stage on the south side of the arena. The final show in “The Battle of the Bands” featured The Azzazzins. The three-man band opened their set with high velocity pieces entitled “Wake Up” and “Radio” before rolling into a fine cover of Weezer’s “Say It Ain’t So” which elicited much applause from the hundreds enjoying food truck fare and throbbing tunes comfortably astride the picnic tables.

The energetic trio—featuring Marcus G on lead guitar, Vlad on drums, and Mike Montone on bass guitar and lead vocals – warmed up the audience on a cool night in Nobleton. The Azzazzins – clearly inspired by Alice in Chains and Nirvana-- closed with “No More” and “Get Out” as an appropriate bridge to move the celebrants from the picnic tables to the lawn for a better view of the fireworks.

Alas – the Azzazzins’ spirited, con-

test-closing performance was not enough to capture the top prize in the Battle of the Bands. Three of the four members of The Hell Yeahs celebrated on centre stage as Emcee Caralee announced the band’s contest victory.

As the sun went down, the wind picked up and temperatures dropped to 6 degrees – a fine test of the Canadian spirit. Folks in attendance donned their cold weather gear and prepped for the largest publicly-funded fireworks display in York Region-- selflessly organized by the Nobleton Firefighters. The community-spirited Firefighters ignited an impressive array of fireworks that lit up the Nobleton night, warmed up the awed spectators, and closed with flair and flare the day-long celebration of Queen Victoria’s legacy.



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## U16AA Coach Marchese ends career with FLA tourney win and OMHA berth

By Jim Stewart

It was charmed season for the U16AA King Rebellion squad and Head Coach Chris Marchese couldn't be happier about his team's achievements.

Although the team's post-season dissolution is imminent with players going off to other centres and their veteran coach hanging up his clipboard and whistle, the Rebellion went out on a winning note by capturing a tournament in Florida in November, racking up a second-place finish in the York-Simcoe championships, and earning a berth to the OMHA playdowns in Whitby.

Punching the team's ticket to the OMHAs was the crescendo for Coach Marchese: "It was my most memorable moment in a great season. I've been their coach for 10 years. We've never been to the OMHA's, but after getting through the York Simcoe playoffs and finishing second, qualifying for the OMHA championships was big for our players. It's our All-Ontario's, and it was especially remarkable for a smaller centre like King."

Coach Marchese was impressed by his club's ability to improve its quality of play after a sluggish start to the season: "We started the season 0-9 and we were a sub-.500 team at Christmas. However, after Christmas, the boys

stepped up and we played great hockey in January and February to create momentum through the York-Simcoe playoffs and we made a valiant effort at the OMHAs. We had a couple of close games that could have gone either way in Whitby and we needed just a bit more puck luck. We overcame a couple of significant injuries suffered in the Y-S playoffs, but the guys worked very well in the province's biggest tournament."

One of the endearing qualities of Coach Marchese's hard-working U16AA rep team was "their great resilience to pull together. As the team got older, the kids started attending five different schools, but they remained good buddies and stayed together. Teamwork was a big thing and our leadership – especially from our Captain Jason Bianco – made a difference and kept us disciplined. Two of our captains were vocal and two were quiet leaders. Their presence in the room was great and it was the discipline created by our four leaders that turned the season around."

Coach Marchese also praised the team's ability to overcome injuries which hit the U16AA Rebellion at an inordinate rate: "We had quite a few injuries – far more than usual – but the guys came through. We were down to one goalie for quite some time and en-



U16AA King Rebellion display Championship banner in Fort Lauderdale.

dured some serious injuries including broken collarbones. We also had some new players that had to get used to their new team."

The new players merged quite nicely with the returning veterans during an excursion in the United States. Consequently, a turning point in the season took place on the Atlantic coast: "We won a tournament in Fort Lauderdale in November. Winning the 'Veterans Day On the Beach' tournament and attending a Panthers' game in Sunrise really brought them together. Ever since that trip to Florida, we played better hockey and team unity was established."

Coach Marchese expressed his gratitude about closing his rep coaching career with not only a great season, but spending it with an even greater group of players many of which suited up for him for a decade: "Coaching so many of them for ten years was special. Despite the new transfer

rules under 'Open Borders,' all seventeen guys wanted to stay together and wanted me to remain their Head Coach. It was a cool send off for me, especially coaching an all-King team with two players from Nobleton, five from Schomberg, and ten from King City. Seventeen players that wanted to play locally."

As Coach Marchese implied, this could be the last time that such a rep team, comprised entirely of local players, is assembled in King Township. The new 'Open Borders' provincial protocols – which permit players to transfer to and try out for any hockey centre they choose – will present challenges for smaller centres in terms of player retention and team composition. Coach Marchese's U16AA squad – which donned those stylized red, white, and blue Rebellion jerseys this season in a display of local pride – may, indeed, be a vanishing type of rep hockey team in Ontario.



## Put a spring in your step by exploring King's outdoor spaces

Trails have been trimmed, nets have been installed, and grass has been mowed, meaning park amenities in King are officially open for the season! With over 222 acres of parkland and 28 parks township-wide, there is an assortment of amenities for residents to enjoy outdoors.

This includes 21 soccer fields, eight baseball diamonds, nine tennis courts and four pickleball courts now open for use through the end of October. Splash pads are set to open in June and run until mid-September, weather permitting.

For a complete list of park locations, amenities and maps, visit [king.ca/parks](http://king.ca/parks).

Planning a picnic, birthday party, play day or family reunion? King has many scenic outdoor spaces available to rent during the spring and summer seasons. Picnic shelters available to rent include:

Cold Creek Conservation Area, Memorial Park in King City, Nobleton Community Sports Park, and Pottageville Pavilion.

Picnic shelter rentals in Memorial Park and Nobleton Community Sports Park include access to indoor washrooms. Additional bookings are required for access to indoor washrooms at Cold Creek Conservation Area. The Pottageville Pavilion includes access to an indoor space and kitchen.

Facility rental requests can be submitted online at [king.ca/facilities](http://king.ca/facilities).

Explore the outdoors at Cold Creek Conservation Area, located in Nobleton features seven kilometers of marked nature trails with varying difficulties, slopes and lengths open to the public, hikers from novice to expert can find the perfect path. The main gates are open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. seven days a week. Outside of operating hours, guests can park their vehicles outside of the main gates and follow the trail maps for hours of enjoyment. King Township also offers outdoor recreational programming for all ages now through August.

Spring and summer one-day activities and four session programs include: Apiary tour with third generation beekeeper André Flys on May 25.

Outdoor vinyasa yoga on May 27. Beginner Beekeeping workshop on June 1.

Climbing Adventures (high ropes, climbing wall, low ropes) program starting June 3.

Indigenous Walk & Talk and Oil Infusion Workshop on June 27.

Archery programs starting July 10. Disc golf starts August 5.

Forest bathing and hiking on August 16.

A serene forest bathing stroll geared towards seniors is also being offered on August 27 at Fox Trail Park in Schomberg.

For detailed program information, including fees and links to registration visit [coldcreek.ca](http://coldcreek.ca).

## Join the efforts of King's first Sports Hall of Fame

King Township's inaugural Sports Hall of Fame has been installed at the Zancor Centre, and the Township is looking for some more sports players and/or fans to join their committee to help induct the class of 2026.

The Hall will be dedicated to recognizing past and current King athletes for their achievements in sports, in an exhibit featuring memorabilia and photos.

If you'd like to join the committee, you will:

Evaluate nominations and research to select top candidates.

Promote the Hall within the community.

Establish guidelines for inductees.

Coordinate with inductees for their involvement in the Hall.

Help organize Hall events, including the bi-annual induction ceremony.

Set long-term goals for the Hall and collaborate with Township staff to achieve them.

Applicants must be aged 16 years or older and will be required to attend in-person monthly meetings.

Apply online at [kingheritageandculture.ca/sportshalloffame](http://kingheritageandculture.ca/sportshalloffame). Questions? Email [kingmuseum@king.ca](mailto:kingmuseum@king.ca).

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# Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

The word of the week is “disappointment!” Especially for all of us long time or Leaf fans, but also those who usually enjoy a fun filled sunny May 2-4 weekend. I was at our cottage this past weekend and I believe I saw a start of a glacier forming. It was cold! It was no summer kick off, so let’s hope the Fair brings us some sunny weather, and no rain this year. Who could ever forget the mud of the fair 2012?

## Fair this weekend!

Speaking of the Fair, this weekend it’s what we’ve all been waiting for, the 175th Schomberg Agricultural Fair.

We are very pleased with the new online pre-registration process introduced in

2024 where exhibitors are setting up their accounts in the AssistExpo program and entering their exhibits for the Cattle, Junior Beef/Beef and the Homecraft and Junior Homecraft Shows. We thank those who have taken part in this new process. Once you have completed the online pre-registration of your exhibits, when you arrive at the Community Hall we will check you in at the registration desk.

While we prefer that you pre-register your Homecraft exhibits online through the Schomberg Fair website (schombergfair.com), if you have not done so, we will help you register and enter your Homecraft and Junior Homecraft exhibits. The Community Hall is open to receive exhibits on Thursday evening May 22, 7 to 9 p.m. and/or Friday morning May 23, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

We are excited about the return of the Midway from Albion Amusements this year, the Demolition Derby on Friday night is stacking up to be a smash hit, and the annual Fair Parade is always a treat with bands, classic cars, floats, and lots of Fire Trucks. Entertainment throughout the Fair grounds features live bands, Doodoo the Clown, activities and fun for all ages. For this historic anniversary a special tent celebrating our Agricultural traditions and our Fair theme “Sewing Seeds of Memories for 175 Years,” will provide interesting displays, video, and many activities. Maple the Mechanical Cow will be here again, and you can even try your hand at milking. And food! don’t forget the fantastic food!

Hey kids! Make sure to look for a picture of a barn & animals in The Weekly Sentinel or online, colour the picture and bring it to the Schomberg Fair for free admission and a chance to win a bike.

Decorate Your Bike Join us in an old tradition to celebrate the 175th Schomberg Fair - Decorate Your Bike. Costumes are optional, Enter it in the Saturday morning Parade, May 24. Be at the Schomberg Public Library by 10 a.m. for the decoration judging and then ride in the Parade down Main Street. For more information, call Linda Jessop at 905-939-2069.

See you at the Fair!

## Schomberg Horticultural Society

The Schomberg Horticultural Society invites you to attend the May meeting on Tuesday, May 27 at the Schomberg Community Hall. Doors open at 7, presentation starts at 7:30. The topic is “Naturalistic landscapes that go beyond the visual.” Our speaker, Randy Tumber, will open your eyes to how you can unlock the full potential of your environment while creating the private oasis you’ve always dreamed about. Randy Tumber is a renowned landscape designer and recipient of many awards. Admission is free for members, \$5 at door for non-members.

## Schomberg Euchre Club

Euchre takes place on Thursday nights, in the curling lounge and we start at 7 and play until 9. The cost is \$10 for the evening or pay monthly for \$20. All welcome, all you need to know is how to play (no beginners please), how to laugh, enjoy an excellent group of people and not take the game or yourself too seriously.

## Schomberg 55+

The ice cream social was a big hit, and we want to thank our sponsor “Del Manor” in Aurora and a huge thanks to Brian Wright, who entertained us with his musical talents on both piano and accordion. We all had a great time singing some of the oldies while enjoying an old fashioned a “make your own” ice cream sundae.

The King Seniors are hosting another

bus trip, this time to St. Jacobs. We will be heading there on June 19. You can enjoy the market and then enjoy a four-course meal at Golf’s Steak House. The cost is \$119 per person, and you can sign up online or at the Trisan, King Senior Centre, or by calling 905-833-6565.

Bridge will continue each Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at Schomberg Community Hall and they are always looking for new members of any experience level.

Our “Tightly Wound Ukulele club” meets at 3 p.m. at the Schomberg Community Hall. If you’re interested in learning to play and you’re a member, feel free to come out.

“Hong Kong Mahjong” takes place every Wednesday from 2 to 4:40 (note the time change) at the Schomberg Community Hall.

Monday, May 26 – 10:30 a.m. – Speaker – Kathlene Gorsline certified horticulturist (UofG) – ‘Garden Bulbs’ – at the Curling Lounge, Trisan Centre.

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Monday, June 9 – 10 a.m. – Speaker – Downsizing Diva Arlene Stephenson.

Thursday, June 19 – Outing – Bus trip to St. Jacobs with lunch at Jacob’s grill \$119.

Monday, June 23 – 11 a.m. – Potluck at Pottageville Pavillion – End of year celebration. Registration required by

June 1. For more information, contact klbird@hotmail.com.

Sunday, June 29 – 2 to 4:30 p.m. – Outing – “High Tea in the Lavender Fields” – Avalon Lavender Farm, 347036 Mono Centre Road, Mono. \$99+HST. Registration required, self-drive. Contact klbird@hotmail.com for more information.

Events: Monday and Friday afternoons – 2:15 p.m. – Mobility Matters (Trisan Centre).

Tuesday afternoons – 1:30 p.m. –

Bridge (Schomberg Community Hall).

Wednesday mornings – 9 to 10 a.m. – Track walking followed by coffee and meet up (Trisan Centre).

Wednesday afternoon – 2 p.m. – Mahjong (Schomberg Community Hall).

Thursday afternoons – 1 p.m. – Carpet Bowling (Trisan Centre).

Thursday afternoons – 3 p.m. – The Tightly Wound ukulele group (Schomberg Community Hall).

Annual fee is \$20 per person for residents, and \$25 for non-residents.



## Euchre winners

Local residents competed in the OSGA 2025 Progressive Euchre competition, played at the King City Seniors Centre on Friday, May 16. The winners were Gold, Jackie Treadwell and Danielle Tanner; Silver, Lynette and Michael Cullen, and Bronze, Filomena Stephen and Liz Loach.

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## Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church  
By Linda Blydorp

We invite you to join us in person for worship this Sunday at 10 a.m. Our Pastor, Jeff Loach, will lead the service, continuing a series entitled, "The ABCs of Discipleship." This Sunday's letter is U for "Upheld," from Psalm 145.

We offer children's ministry and nursery during the service. If you can't make it in person, our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on stpaulsnobleton.ca or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m., or on demand at youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton.

Our Junction Ministries serve our children's and families each Sunday. FirstLink is our staffed ministry time with our youngest attendees, and Junction is an age appropriate time of teaching with our elementary aged children.

Our mid-week LifeConnect small groups are a great opportunity to connect with others and grow in faith.

Groups meet for discussion, study, and prayer throughout the week.

Students in Grade 7 to 12 are invited to our YouthConnect every other Friday, the next meeting being Friday, May 23rd at 7:00 p.m. Join us as we explore questions about life, faith, and Jesus with the youth Alpha program.

**Nobleton Seniors (55+)**  
By Joanne Bailey  
416-706-9375

Please register for each program you plan to attend. Materials and food are purchased according to the number of people registered.

All Educational Thursdays are \$1 for members, and \$2 for non-members.

Until June 13 in the Nobleton program room upstairs on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on May 14, May 28, June 11 and June 25, activities will be set up by volunteers based on the interest of our seniors, such as bingo, bocce cards. Cost is \$1 for members and \$2 for non-members.

May 22 - Paint a Garden Sign. Come and learn how to paint a wooden sign to hang in your garden. Detail instructions given by artist Angela Del Borrel-

lo. Cost is \$10 which includes all materials and instructions. Register by May 19.

May 29 - Balancing Your Life on Your Feet. The Chiroprapist from Balance Health Studio in Schomberg will come and tell us about the importance of balance and how to prevent falls.

June 5 - The History of Tattoos and their Artistic Expression. Presented by Sapphire. Tattoos have gone through movements and trends. Come out and listen to this information.

June 12 - The "Social," tickets are confirmed. Limited to 10 people, so book with Joanne. This will be a live show and taped, you may be seen on TV. The show is free, your cost is the transportation downtown. More details about meeting place, dress code and time to follow.

June 19 - Let's celebrate with a party. This will be our last Thursday until September 11. Lunch will be provided, please bring a favourite dessert. Bring your great ideas for our September start.

### Nobleton Lions

Thanks for visiting the Lions booth at the Victoria Day Celebration at the Nobleton Arena grounds last Monday and allowing us to share with the com-

munity what being a Lion means, simply said, "We serve."

The Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides takes place this Sunday, May 25, starting at the Library Gazebo with registration at 9 a.m. and the walk starting at 10. Bev Berger of Nobleton is a long-time active fundraiser for this important event which raised over \$7,000 in 2024. To register as a fundraiser or to donate financially, please visit the website <https://www.walkfordogguides.com/> Donations are used to train service dogs like those helping people with sight impairments.

Only two weeks later the annual golf fundraiser tees off at the Nobleton Lakes Golf Course on Sunday, June 8. Entry forms and sponsor forms are available from any Lion.

The Lions continue to welcome new members with a heart to serve, both men and women. You may join us as a guest by contacting Lion Jerry MacBain at nobletonlionjerry@outlook.

To view more information about how the Nobleton Lions engage with both the local community and the wider Lions International worldwide community, please visit our website at [www.NobletonLionsClub.com](http://www.NobletonLionsClub.com). You may also follow us on Instagram at nobleton.lions.club

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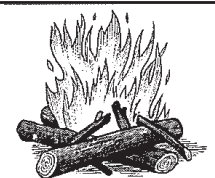
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for Stan Wos

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**Tractors:** Case IH Maxxum 5240 4WD tractor, cab, 3 remotes, complete motor rebuild 200hrs ago, front wts; Leyland 384 2WD tractor, 2 remotes, hydr grader under blade; Landini 14500 2WD tractor, 354 Perkins engine, 2 remotes, 2300hrs, cab; MF 165 2WD tractor, 6300hrs, 1 remote; Zetor 7340 4WD tractor, Quicke 640 loader, 6ft bucket, cab, 2840hrs, 1 remote; Nuffield 460 tractor; Zetor 5245 loader tractor, front hydr pump, 6' bucket; Zetor 6945 loader tractor; Ford 3000 tractor; Int 504 Hi-Clear tractor; White 1470 tractor; JD 2120 tractor, Frey loader; Universal 533 DT 4WD tractor, 345 loader, 6' bucket, new clutch & ring gear; MF 285 tractor; MF 246 loader, cab; McKee Eero 470 tractor, cab.

**Tractors (not running):** Int B275 loader tractor; Int 300 loader tractor; MF 40B ind tractor, bucket, rear weight; Universal U-445 tractor; Ford 3000; Leyland 340 loader tractor. **Bulldozer/Forklifts/Equip:** JD Ind 310E backhoe loader, 4WD, 7' bucket; log skidder with tree spade, GM V8 diesel, articulated AWD, Dutch Master 5001 50" tree spade; Dutchman 360L tree spade, 36", elec over hydr; Toyota 42-5FD2.0 forklift, diesel; Clark EC500-45 elec forklift; 1150 Case bulldozer with bucket-for parts; Zetor ND9 diesel forklift; Case Expandahoe-no motor-for parts; JD 310A backhoe, 6' bucket; Linde H45D-600-04 forklift, diesel, needs coupler to power unit; Zetor ND-92 forklift. **Trucks/Trailers:** Int S1700 tree truck, boom & dump, flatbed 16'x8', 254Kmi, bush use only; blue steel trailer 8.5'x20' deck, dual axle, beaver tail ramps-homemade; steel trailer 2'sides 7'x20' deck, beaver tail end gate; Mazda B300 pickup-for parts; Ford Taurus-for parts; 2008 Ford Ranger pickup-parts; Int Fleetstar truck-parts only, with sprayer tank; Mazda 6 car-parts; Ford Taurus SE-parts; boat trailer. **Farm Mach:** 2680 Gehl round baler, string, silage special, 4x5's; Int 4000 swather; JD 513 5' bushing; 6' bushing; Hardi 100gal sprayer, boom & pump; 200gal sprayer-no pump; Forage King undercarriage; Massey 33 seed drill; Dunhamleer dual land packer 11'; flat hay elevator; 1090 Gehl haybine; Bushog 1550 soil saver 11'; White 702W 2 row corn head; Int 45 Vibrashank 9ft cultivator; White 7300 combine-parts only; Owatona 595 roll baler- parts only; NH manure spreader-parts only; (2)Int 435 balers-parts only; gravity box-box only; NH 855 round baler; 18' cultivator; Dutz Allis GP 2.50 round baler; Triple K 12' cultivator; JF Farriken CMT245 multi-crimper-for parts; MF 228 square baler; 32'x6" grain auger on wheels; wood feed wagon; Overund 5 furrow plow; Case 5 furrow plow; Glencoe 18' cultivator-man wings; Case 12' cultivator, drag harrows; Hagedorn Hydra-Spread 225 manure spreader; McCormick Int seed drill, 16 row, grass seed & fert; JD 1360 discbine 10' cut; Q960 Quicke loader; NI mower/conditioner; JD 3 furrow plow; Zetor 8441 loader; McKee 620 (2)snowblowers 7' & 6'; JD MX6 bushog-needs gear box; (3)6' scraper blades; Danuser post hole auger; 6ft Quicktach material bucket; 5' material bucket; 6' Reich attachment; 6' disc; 8' scraper blade with roller; 6' cultivator; MF 278 sq baler-for parts; Hayliner 273 sq baler-for parts; (2)wood hay wagons 8'x18'; 12ft land packer. **Shop/Farm Rel:** Qty 4"diam irrigation pipe-var lengths; (3)5' Rubbermaid water troughs; rolls of used chain link fence; (2)steel gates; wire gate; (12+)plastic pipes, 8"-12"diam, 1/2-3/4"wall, 12ft+, asst lengths; Danuser 14" posthole auger; EX-45000 12" post hole auger; pallet forks; Woods L59 mower deck; Steiner 220 mower with deck-parts only; good qty scrap; floor jacks; water pumps; water hose

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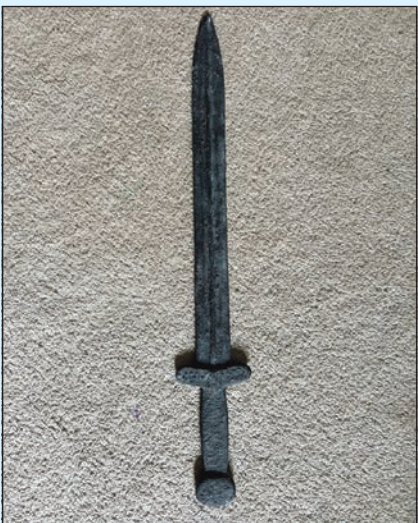
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# King's Corners

**King City United**  
By Sheryl Sinka

Sunday, May 25 we invite all to worship at 10 a.m. with Rev Bill Fritz presiding. Rev Bill will be attending at King City for the next four months as Rev Andrew will be off on a Sabbatical beginning May 19 and returning September 8th.

On Sunday, June 1 there will be a congregational meeting after worship to inform the congregation and to consider our future plans. We ask all friends and members to attend if you are able and share in these decisions. The meeting will be at 11 immediately following worship.

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

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

## King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our Sunday Worship service. Pastor Mark Nowell will be speaking on "Greater - The Book of Hebrews." We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube.

We invite everyone to the next Open Closet Outlet on Saturday, June 21 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Restrictions apply. For personal use only.

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

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

## King City Seniors (55+)

By Carolyn Kanitz

Tomorrow! Friday, May 23 - 12 p.m. - Potluck lunch - Everyone is welcome. Each attendee is asked to bring either a main course item or a dessert to share. This is a great time to enjoy good food and good conversations with friends old and new.

Friday, May 30 - 10 a.m. - Speaker - Gordon Van Dyke will discuss 'How we think is how we act - I'm Okay, You're Okay.' Don't miss this informative discussion of how our thoughts directly affect how we interact with others.

Refreshments will be available. Please register by calling 905-833-6565.

Friday, June 6 - 10 a.m. - Speaker - Lucy Becker from the Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority will be speaking. Details to follow.

Friday, June 13 - 10 a.m. - Workshop - Angela Del Borrello will be conducting a workshop where participants will paint an outdoor flowerpot. The cost is \$10/pp, registration is due by June 6. All supplies will be provided.

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. At 2 p.m., Crochet class.

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. Art Class (2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month).

Thursday mornings: 9:30 a.m. - Gentle Motion (similar to Tai Chi). At 10 a.m. - Qigong. This is not a drop-in class. Registration is required each week. Class size is limited to 10 participants.

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

Friday mornings: reserved for presentations, workshops and special events.

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

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

We bid farewell this Sunday to Rev. Andrew for the next three months as he begins his sabbatical. Next Sunday is York Pines' 59th anniversary with Lesley Morris leading this special service. Feel free to join us for coffee at noon after the service at 11 a.m.

Book Club is on Monday, May 26 at 10 a.m. both at the church and on Zoom. This is a planning meeting for the next session starting in the fall.

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## 612 AUCTIONS/FLEA MARKETS

**Important On Site Live Auction**  
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**Sale to include:** Household contents, handmade blown glass and wood items, numerous woodworking tools, antiques and collectibles, artwork and many interesting items. **Atworks:** McLaren, Morrisseau. **Antiques:** antique beds, dressers, rocking chairs, sofa, tables, cabinets, writing desk, carpenter's box, lamps, book end collection, glassware, tin ceiling tiles, wardrobe, wrought iron garden items, sculptures, books, numerous pieces of stained glass, windows, mirrors etc. **Glassware:** Numerous pieces of hand-blown glass including handmade masks, vases, bowls, display and storage cabinets related to the craft, kiln. **Tools:** Inca planer, Craftex band saw, Phaff industrial sewing machine, Craftex dust collector, work table, extensive amount of hand and power tools, woodworking tools, bar clamps, drills, jig saws, De Walt mitre saw, Ridgid tools, skil saws, routers, wrenches, screwdrivers, ext cords, ladders, scaffolding, floor jack, Homelite and Husqvarna chain saws, motorcycle lift, etc; etc; etc. **Special Interest:** Stunning Live Edge table, handcrafted wooden bird lights, large scale chess set, Stunning Tip Galle lamp antique sword, cane collection. **Outdoors:** Husqvarna 924 HV walk behind snowblower, Troy Built TB210H XP push mower, Workx weed eater, wheel barrow, extension ladders, garden swing, lawn bench, garden tools, metal garden ornaments. **Notes:** This is a partial list only. The Late Ms. Thomson was a well known artist and her partner well known for his woodworking skills. This sale is a tribute to their incredible talents and features and celebrates some of their popular work. There are many very interesting items at this auction so plan to attend. Sale will be outside so come prepared for inclement weather. Possibly 2 auctioneers selling as there are numerous items. Not responsible for accidents, property loss or deletions in conjunction with this sale.

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**CAREN CHRISTINE DIGASPARRO (NÉE COULTER)**

Passed away peacefully on Friday, May 9, 2025.

Caren is lovingly remembered by her husband Kenny Digasparro, daughters Krystal Shaw (Brad) and Shirley Digasparro (Trevor), grandchildren Aubrey, Evelyn, and Anthony, brother Casey Coultter (Jutta), nieces Christine, Jessica (Clint), and their families. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her, including her cherished quilting guild.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Details to follow.



## 709 IN MEMORIAM

**MORTON - BETTY**

In loving memory of a dear mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother who passed away May 21, 2020.

We had a Mom with a heart of gold, Who was more to us than wealth untold; Without farewell she fell asleep With only memories for us to keep. Sadly missed and never to be forgotten by daughter Carol, son-in-law Larry, granddaughter Cheryl, grandson Mike and great grandson Mason.



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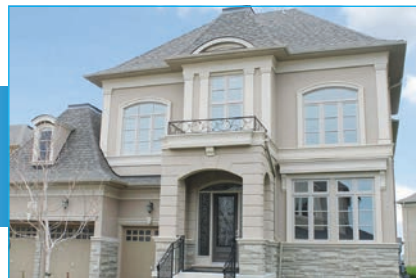


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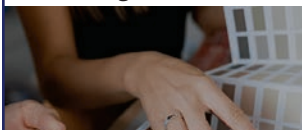
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# King's Corners

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The next Fellowship Luncheon is on Wednesday, May 28 at noon at The Buttery in Newmarket (NE corner, Davis and Yonge). Come and bring a friend. Contact the office at [yorkpinesuc@gmail.com](mailto:yorkpinesuc@gmail.com) or 905-727-8118 if you plan to attend.

June 10 is the 100th anniversary of the United Church of Canada. York Pines has agreed to host a group of local churches to celebrate on June 8 at our usual time. All are welcome.

**St. Andrew's**  
By Kathy Patterson

Welcome to St. Andrew's, King City! Sunday Morning Worship Services are held at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Alison Agnew is continuing with her stimulating sermon series on the book of Hebrews. Last Sunday we looked at Hebrews 2:5-18 why Jesus, who is God, came to earth as a Human-Emmanuel, God with us! Our recorded services are on YouTube. Our website is [standrews-kingcity.ca](http://standrews-kingcity.ca) and click on the YouTube frame.

Join us at Life Connect this Wednesday, May 21 at Renate's at 7 p.m. All are welcome. When Pastor Alison sends out the questions, she'll send out the address. It's always a great discussion, a time for coffee/tea, friendship, laughter and learning. Please call the office or an Elder for the address and questions.

Mark your Calendars! Our next Fellowship Lunch is this Sunday, May 25.

We're having a Salad Bar Lunch! Communion Sunday will be the next Sunday, June 1. The next Prayer and Praise Gathering, hosted by Jacquie Lawson is Friday, June 6 from 7-9 p.m. All are welcome.

For pastoral care please call the Rev. Alison Agnew or call your Elder. Our office number is 905-833-2325.

**All Saints Anglican Church**  
By Kit Woods

A Church That Feels Like Home: Discover All Saints Anglican Church

In a world that can often feel busy, uncertain, and disconnected, the gift of community is more important than ever: At All Saints Anglican Church, we believe that church is not just a place to worship, it's a place to belong. Whether you are new to the area, returning to church after some time away, or simply curious about exploring faith, you are warmly invited to come and see what makes our community so special.

All Saints is a joyful and loving church family where people of all walks of life are welcomed and embraced. Here, we don't just gather on Sundays, we walk with one another through life's joys and challenges. We laugh together, sing together, pray together, and support each other with open hearts and open hands.

Our Sunday services offer two different styles of worship to suit different preferences. Our 8:30 a.m. service follows the traditional Book of Common Prayer, offering quiet reverence and a rich liturgical heritage. At 10:30 a.m., our service follows the Book of Alter-

native Services, with a vibrant mix of music, scripture, and reflection. Both services are welcoming, spirit-filled, and grounded in Anglican tradition.

If Sunday morning isn't the right time for you to visit, you can always call or email the church office ([allsaintskingcity.ca](mailto:allsaintskingcity.ca)) to make an appointment for a one-on-one visit with Canon Erin Martin, our parish priest. She would be delighted to meet you, answer any questions, and help you feel at home.

Music is a vital part of life at All Saints. Under the gifted direction of Ernesto De Luca, our director of music,

our choir continues to thrive and bring beauty and joy to our worship. If you love to sing or play, we'd love for you to share your gifts with us. There's always room for more voices in our musical family.

We are also delighted to invite you to a special concert at the church on Saturday, June 8 at 4:30 p.m., featuring Ernesto De Luca performing on the organ, grand piano, and harpsichord. It will be an afternoon of extraordinary music in a sacred space, and a wonderful way to experience the warmth and talent of our community.

## Nobleton & Schomberg United Churches

By Nancy Hopkinson

We hope that everyone had a Happy Mother's Day last Sunday. We enjoyed having Schomberg UCW in charge of the Mothers' Day service while Rev. Richard was on study leave. Rev. Richard is back this Sunday.

The next Messy Church is on Tuesday, May 20 at 5 p.m. at Nobleton United. Families are welcome to this free and fun event. The theme is the Early Church's Mission (Pentecost). One of the activities is always decorating cookies, plus 5 other optional activities. At 6 pm, we will talk about how the activities relate to the theme. At 6:15 p.m., we eat. Please contact me 416-316-5064 or [nancykhopkinson@gmail.com](mailto:nancykhopkinson@gmail.com) to let me know that you intend to

come or for more info.

The next Seniors' lunch is Tuesday, June 3. Note that this date is an exception to the "second Tuesday of the month." Please arrive at 11:15 a.m. The program starts at 11:30 a.m. All the classes at Schomberg Public School will be coming to entertain the seniors. The meal will be BBQed hot dogs, baked beans and broccoli salad. The dessert will be strawberry muffins with ice cream & strawberry sauce. The meal can be delivered, if you prefer. Please let Sheila Kelly know (905-939-2315 or 905-751-5190) if you plan to attend. Space is limited. Although this is a free event, we do appreciate any donations that you are able to make to help cover the costs. We were grateful to the Township of King for some additional financial support last year.

The Schomberg U.C.W. meets on the second Thursday of each month. The next one is Thursday, June 12, at 1 pm at St. Mary Magdalene Church.

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